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THE SCORE

Blacksburg Community Band Newsletter

Announcements

New events added to the schedule. Note that we are playing at the Wine Tasting at Mountain Lake on Sunday May 20. Also, we are playing at the Roanoke Festival in the Park will be on Saturday June 2.

I have just learned of the passing of **Ed Stoddard**. Ed played Baritone Saxophone in the Blacksburg Community Band from around 1993 to 1999. He has also been also active in the Old Pros for a number of years. Ed will be missed by all of us who knew him in this area...*Ed*

The tax worksheet has been emailed to everyone who has email. If you have not received a copy, you can get a paper copy from Ed. This worksheet is developed each year to assist the band members in preparing their tax deductions. Some expenses and most travel (including rehearsals) associated with the band can be deducted from your taxes as a charitable contribution.

Band Library Notes

If there is a piece of music that you would like the band to play, please let Ed know. Also, if you would like to donate money toward the purchase of new music see Ed or Pat Furey (Treas.).

1. Feel free to take a folder home to practice, but be sure to leave it if you will not be at the next rehearsal and/or concert. Make sure to sign out the folder in the "sign-out" notebook at the end of rehearsal.
2. If you have a folder at home and find out you must miss a rehearsal and/or concert, please drop it off at Ed's office at the New Media Center in 1140 Torgerson Hall at VT.
3. If you have a Christmas folder or a folder from last year at home, please bring it to band so that the music can be sorted into the appropriate place.

Upcoming Events

Marie Speziale will present *brass master classes* on Monday March 12th: 10 am until noon, and 1:25 until 2:15 pm in the Instrumental Rehearsal Room (Squires 243.) Ms Speziale was Associate Principal Trumpet of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra from 1964 until her retirement in 1996. She is the first woman ever contracted to play trumpet in a major orchestra. She also has numerous Hollywood film and TV credits. Currently, she teaches trumpet at the Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music and Indiana University, and is highly sought as a brass clinician.

Shadowlands, with a performance by our own Steve Brown, will be performed at Blacksburg Episcopal Church on Thursday, Friday and Saturday March 8, 9 and 10th.

Once Upon A Mattress will be presented by State Your Name Theatre Company. This Rodgers and Hammerstein musical comedy will be performed March 26-31 in Squires Haymarket Theatre on the VA Tech campus. Tickets are \$5 for students/children and \$7 general public and are on sale at the UUSA Ticket Office in Squires (540-231-5615). All shows at 8pm, except Sat. March 31 at 7pm.

Arsenic and Old Lace will be presented by the Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre in Wytheville March 1-April 1. Shows are Thursday (dinner 6pm, show 8pm, \$17), Friday & Saturday (dinner 6pm, show 8pm, \$22), and Sunday (lunch 1pm, show 2pm, \$17). Dinner additional \$18. 223-0891; www.wohlfahrtHaus.com/

The *Diary of Anne Frank*, story of the Jewish Frank family and their friends

who spent two years hiding from the Nazis, will be presented on Monday March 19 at Burruss Hall Auditorium, Virginia Tech, 7:30pm, 231-5615, www.sota.vt.edu

St. Patrick's Day Parade and Celtic Festival will be held Sat., March 17, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. The parade starts at noon on Jefferson St., Downtown Roanoke. Marching groups, floats & bands: Grandfather Mt. Highlanders; Loch Norman Pipe Band; Kanawha Valley Pipes & Drums; Virginia Highland Pipes & Drums; Appalachian Highlanders Pipes & Drums; William Fleming High; Roanoke Catholic, & Andrew Lewis Volunteers Fifes & Drums. Festival in First Union Plaza. Vendors with Celtic items. Review Stage performances 11 a.m. After the Parade, Second Wynde, Festival Host Band will headline main stage. Massed pipe bands, Celtibillies, Tighe School of Irish Dance, Scottish Dance Theater of Va., & Hoorah Cloggers. Free (540) 853-2889 www.RoanokeSpecialEvents.org

SCHEDULE

During the spring, the band meets from 7:30-9:30 in the Blacksburg High School Band Hall. Sometimes particular instruments will meet from 7:00-7:30. The band is currently practicing for the spring concert.

Upcoming Concerts:

Spring Concert, April 21, 7:30

Mountain Lake Wine Tasting, May 20

XYZ, Blacksburg Methodist, May 24, 7:00

Roanoke Festival in the Park, June 2

Peninsula Community Band, Yorktown, July 1

Fourth of July - Radford, July 3

Fourth of July - Blacksburg, July 4

Oak Grove Pavillion - Floyd, July 7

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The Blacksburg Community Band is an all-volunteer community organization formed in 1989 under the auspices of the Town of Blacksburg, Department of Parks and Recreation.

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