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Band Baaster News

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From the desk of Rich Armstrong.....

UTA and TCU Jazz Contests Around the Corner

After a fantastic [Jazz Cafe](#) experience, the Waxahachie Jazz Orchestra is preparing to perform at several local jazz festivals in March. The group will play at 2:30 this Friday, [March 4](#), at the [UTA jazz festival](#) and then again on [Saturday, March 26](#), at the [TCU Jazz Festival](#). The jazz orchestra will start their program with a great Ike Sturm chart entitled Blue Opening that will feature Scott Quintana on trombone, Melinda Louque on [tenor saxophone](#), and [Sam Vasquez](#) on [baritone saxophone](#). The second tune, [Always and Forever](#), will feature Reed White on the trumpet. The closer will be [Bopularity](#), by [Matt Catingub](#), and it will feature Jeremy Quintana on trumpet, Daniel Richardson on alto saxophone, and Logan Bowers on drum set. This is a great group of musicians that really love playing jazz. The jazz band wants to thank all of the parents, volunteers, and patrons that supported the awesome Jazz Cafe. What a great night!

TMEA All State Experience Was A Blast!

Six of our great musicians traveled to [San Antonio](#) on February 9th to participate in the annual [Texas Music Educators Association conference](#). Reed White-trumpet, Jack Ansell-bass trombone, Taylor Wright-percussion, Nick Lopez-clarinet, Victoria Guajardo-flute, and Caleb Neal-alto saxophone, all participated with the 4A All State band with conductor Abel Ramirez. Performing with the top 1% of all Texas high school musicians, these students were able to cultivate new friendships, create musical bonds, and experience music at another level. I consider it a privilege to be able to conduct musicians of this caliber and our band program continues to grow because of their awesome efforts. All of these students have achieved great heights with their All State accomplishment. The WISD school board will recognize these six students as well as all of the other high school All Region students at the [March 21st](#) board meeting.

Pursuing Honor Band

Honor band is probably the greatest achievement that any Texas concert band can earn and our Wind Ensemble has advanced to the state competition in 2009 and 2007. The competition is held every two years and this is another 4A year. In 2009 the band placed third and this year we would like to move to the top. Our program is the most challenging music we have every attempted and the students are making great progress. We will be playing a march entitled Solid Men to the Front by [John Phillip Sousa](#) that will feature just about every section playing many quick 8th notes. We will then follow the march with a great band piece called Variants on a Medieval Tune by [Norman Dello Joio](#). This is a beautiful piece set to the tune "In dulci jubilo". The band will close their performance with the Symphony in B ♭ for Band by [Paul Hindemith](#). The Hindemith Symphony is challenging for every player in every section. This piece will show off the great soloists that we have and all of the great talent that I have had the privilege of teaching. This is an amazing wind ensemble.

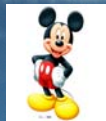


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WHAT'S COMING UP IN WHS BAND...

For more information, please check the website...



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FINAL COUNTDOWN

t—minus how many days ????

Spring Trip 2011

Disney World

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a gift!

*Mother's Day

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*Father's Day

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The Waxahachie Band Booster Organization provides support for all students in the Waxahachie Band Program. Every band parent and friend of the band is invited to join the Waxahachie Band Booster Organization. The Waxahachie Band Booster Organization meets on the *first Monday* of each month, 7:00 P.M. in the WHS band hall.

Winter Guard 2011

The Winter Guard is working very hard on preparing their show for Championships on March 26. The group has been learning flag and dance work. There is one contest left on March 5 before Championships.



Bell Insurance Agency

HS Solo and Ensemble

Saturday, March 5th

We need a copy of your piano part for the accompanist by this Friday

Good Luck!

Rich Armstrong, Director, WISD Bands (rlarm@wisd.org)

WHS Band News

Reggie Cooke, Assistant Director, WHS

ATTENTION 8TH GRADERS:

Be sure to check out the
WHS Calendar for
Drumline,
Color
Guard, and
Freshman
Camp



from the desks of...

Dan Francis &

Kendra Ray

UIL Music Pass Offs started this week. Students are expected to pass off their UIL music for Miss Ray or Mr. Francis in pairs to focus on tuning, matching note lengths, style, etc.

We will begin selling World's Finest Chocolate Tuesday, March 22nd. The fundraiser will end Tuesday, April 5th. Funds will need to be collected by Tuesday, March 12th.

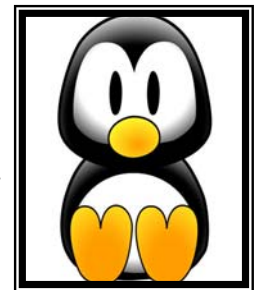
Thank you to all of the parents who volunteered at the Bowling Party and to parents/students that contributed to our Jazz Café Silent Auction basket items.

ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS:

We need both a baby picture and a current picture for each of our Seniors in Mr. Armstrong's office no later than March 26. This is your opportunity to select your favorite baby or toddler picture of your soon-to-be college student and show it to the world (or at least the WISD Band world!).

Please be sure the back of the picture is marked with your band student's name, and we will return it to you prior to the end of the school year.

You can also email pictures to lpopp@spiritofwaxahachie.com.



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Finley and Howard

All- Region Band Students

Were recently honored

At the WISD

School Board Meeting



Howard Solo/Ensemble Results - 2011

The following students received first division ratings at this past Saturday's solo/ensemble contest:

Baez, Victor	Martin, Paul
Bernal, Monica	Medina, David
Bird, Mason	Merritt, Tyler
Bishop, Cole	Mills, Alex
Bridges, Forrest	Miner, Mackensey
Cofas, Alex	Morgan, Meaghan
Conanan, Autumn	Morgan, Sam
Coulson, Elijah	Reisner, Kyle
Cunningham, Chris	Reynolds, Johnathan
Ensinia, Hannah	Roberts, Michaela
Garcia, Andrew	Rolen, Carter
Gibson, Hannah	Shepherd, Shannon
Goad, Sedona	Sierra, Diana
Goss, Matthew	Staggs, Johnny
Henry, Brynn	Story, Connor
Hinds, Emma	Summers, Kyle
Holder, Barrett	Tittle, Alexis
Hughes, Tori	Tomlinson, Samantha
Langston, Coral	Vencill, Tyler
Louque, Matthew	Wilson, Blake
Manutai, Makala	Worley, Savannah

The following ensembles received first division ratings:

Flute Trio: Brynn Henry, Hannah Gibson, Savannah Worley

Clarinet Trio: Lexi Tittle, Michaela Roberts, Samantha Tomlinson

Clarinet Quartet: Emma Hinds, Lilli Raley, Daira Gonzalez, Alex Cofas

Alto Saxophone Duet: Blake Wilson, Mason Bird

Trombone Duet: Tyler Merritt, Andrew Garcia

Trombone & Euphonium Duet: Tyler Merritt, Alex Mills

Trombone Quartet: Tyler Merritt, Andrew Garcia, Alex Mills, Carter Rolen

Brass Sextet: Paul Martin, Hannah Ensinia, Victor Baez, Tyler Merritt, Alex Mills, Sedona Goad

Also, outstanding performers of the day of in their respective rooms were: Tyler Merritt, Alex Mills, and David Medina. The brass sextet with Paul Martin, Hannah Ensinia, Victor Baez, Tyler Merritt, Alex Mills, and Sedona Goad was chosen as the outstanding ensemble in their room.

Congratulations to all of these students for their hard work and preparation.

Finley 7th Grade Solo & Ensemble Results

The following students received **Division I** ratings on their Solos:

Klaire Ansell	Citlalli Bailon	Natalie Martin
Kirsten Rolison	McKenna Sissell	Eli Brandes
Jillian Jones	Adrienne Frye	Andrew Jones
Jasmin Ayub	McKenziee Brown	Elizabeth Cook
Query Lemus	Monica Martinez	Lauren Roder
Ashlynn Spurlock	Thomas Brown	Mitchell Grosso
Rachel Anderson	Garrett Davidson	Gannon Escobar
Conner Linqvist	Todd Smith	Efrain Rawls
Brandon Martin	Tre Harrison	David Gordon
Chip Autry	Christian Gomez	Kyndall Hunt
Tristan Loob	Sumner Smith	Josh Taylor

The following students received **Division II** ratings on their Solos:

Angel Jauregui	M'auri Price	Jonas Hill
Samuel KinKaid	Garrison Nalls	Jaxon Roper
Colton Osborn		

Ensembles receiving Division I ratings were:

Flute Quartet: Natalie Martin, Klaire Ansell, Kirsten Rolison & McKenna Sissell

Flute Duet: Klaire Ansell & Natalie Martin

Oboe Duet: Eli Brandes & Jillian Jones

Clarinet Trio: Lauren Roder, Monica Martinez & Elizabeth Cook

Clarinet Quartet: Elizabeth Cereceda, Angel Jauregui, Tamera Conner & Emily Fisher

Clarinet Quartet: McKenziee Brown, Jasmin Ayub, Query Lemus & Brooke Henry

Saxophone Ensemble: Ashlynn Spurlock, Gavi Pringle, M'auri Price & Mitchell Grosso

Alto Sax Duet: Carlos Ortiz & Justin Haines

Trumpet Quartet: Gannon Escobar, Jonas Hill, Connor Linqvist & Todd Smith

Brass Ensemble: Garrett Davidson, Todd Smith, Jaxon Roper, Matthew Cunningham, Hogan Loose, Calvin Rebonic, Tre Harrison & David Gordon

Percussion Ensemble: Chip Autry, Garrett David, Christina Gomez, Kyndall Hunt, Tristan Loob,

from the desk of...Jonathan Hinton

Things are moving right along for the Beginning Band at Clift! We are working on scales and music for our 5th grade concerts and **Sandy Lake** Contest. The Band Practice-a-

Thon was a huge success and 56 of the top tier winners took their Limo ride to CiCi's Pizza in an AWESOME Hummer Limo!! Congratulations on a very successful new type of fundraiser and thank you so much for your support!



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March 2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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6	7 Banquet Mtg 6pm Band Booster Mtg 7 pm	8 All Bands Pre UIL Concerts 6:30PM FAC	9	10	11	12
			SPRING TRIP—ORLANDO FLORIDA			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
SPRING TRIP—ORLANDO FLORIDA—DISNEY		—SPRING BREAK—				
20	21 HS ALL REGION RECOGNIZED AT SCHOOL BOARD MTG	22 WINTER GUARD/ WINTER DRUMLINE 7pm	23	24	25	26 TCU Jazz Festival
27	28 Band Booster Mtg 7 pm	29	30	31		