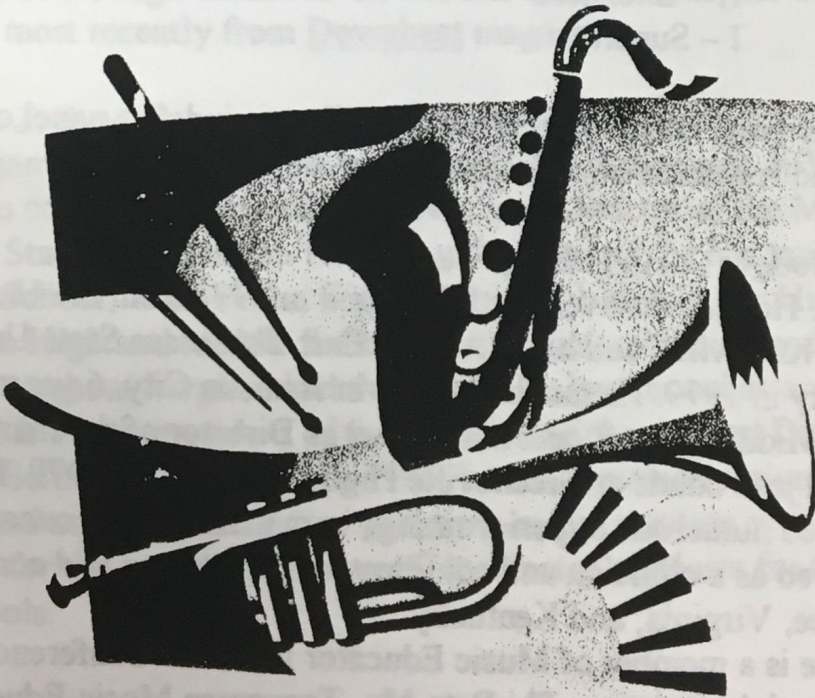


The Virginia High School
Bearcat Band

presents

The 2000 District VII Concert Band Festival

**Friday, March 24th & Saturday, March 25th
The Hamp "Pappy" Richardson Auditorium
Virginia High School**



The Virginia High School Bearcat Band welcomes you to the 2000 District VII Band Festival. This is the first concert festival of the millennium and will include 27 bands from across Southwest Virginia. The groups are middle school and high school bands playing a wide variety of music.

This is only a festival; not a competition. Bands do not compete against each other. They are judged on how well they perform. On stage, bands will perform three prepared selections (one warm-up march and two pieces from a list of music graded by the Virginia Band and Orchestra Director's Association – VBODA). While performing, the bands will be judged on a range of categories, including, but not limited to: intonation, technique, balance, interpretation, blend, and the overall musical effect. After their stage performance, bands will proceed to another venue to be judged on their sight-reading capabilities. The sight-reading selections are newly published pieces that few or no bands have ever played.

Ratings given are:

- V – Poor
- IV – Fair
- III – Good
- II – Excellent
- I – Superior

This year, District VII is proud to have a judging panel of highly qualified and respected adjudicators. They are:

Mr. Pete Hodges Stage Judge

Mr. Hodges received his BS degree in 1971 from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and his MA from East Tennessee State University in Johnson City in 1979. He taught 2 years in Johnson City, 6 years at Greenville Middle School, and has served as Director of the marching, concert, and jazz bands at Greeneville High School since 1979. His groups have received numerous Superior ratings in marching and concert festivals. He has served as a clinician and adjudicator of marching and concert events in Tennessee, Virginia, and Kentucky.

Pete is a member of Music Educator National Conference, the National Band Association, Phi Beta Mu, Tennessee Music Educators Association, and the East Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association where he has served on the Board of Directors almost continuously since 1975. He currently serves as Executive Secretary-Treasurer.

Ms. Patricia Rhoten Stage Judge

Ms. Rhoten is a native of Rogersville, Tennessee where she makes her home. She earned a Bachelor of Instrumental Music from East Tennessee State University and a Master of Music Education from the University of Tennessee. She has done additional graduate work at U.T.

Ms. Rhoten has taught in Tennessee, Georgia, and North Carolina. While in North Carolina, Ms. Rhoten held the office of Junior High Honor E Tryout Chairman from 1990-93. In 1990, Gaston County honored her with a V.I.P. award. Ms. Rhoten is a member of the East Tennessee School Band and Orchestra Association, Music Educators National Conference, the National Education Association, the Tennessee Education Association, and Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority. She has been in the teaching profession for 22 years. She is presently the band director at Rogersville Middle School and assists during marching season at Cherokee High School.

Mr. James Spinazzola Stage Judge

Mr. James Spinazzola is the Associate Director of Bands and Professor of Saxophone at Tennessee Technological University, located in Cookeville, Tennessee. His duties include the direction of the "Golden Eagle" Marching Band, the University Concert Band, and the "Golden Eagle Brass", as well as the saxophone studio. He received a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from Duquesne University, and a Master's Degree in Wind Conducting from University of Colorado at Boulder, where he was a student of Allan McMunn. He has taught at the high school level, and has earned numerous awards as a saxophonist, most recently from Downbeat magazine.

Mr. William J. Svec, Jr. Sight-reading Judge

William J. Svec, Jr., a native of Pittsburgh, has taught in Virginia since 1965. Prior to coming to Virginia, Mr. Svec was Director of the Marching Band at Morehead State University in Kentucky. In Virginia, he has taught at Geo Wythe High School, Wytheville; Cave Spring High and Junior High Schools and Northside High and Middle Schools. Active as a clinician and guest conductor throughout Virginia and the region, he has served as an officer of VBODA and is a past-president of the American School Band Director's Association. Since his retirement in 1995, he has remained active in the community and schools assuming a part-time music position with Ferrum College; and for the past three years as Coordinator of Music for the Roanoke County Schools.

Friday, March 24th

School

- 1:00 Dublin MS (Intermediate) (II)**
 Jamie Lawson, Director
 March of Freedom John Edmondson
 Bunker Hill Overture James Swearingen
 The Tempest Robert W. Smith
- 1:20 Wallace Middle School (II)**
 Cynthia Roberts, Director
 Jaguar
 By Dawn's Early Light David Shaffer
 Triumphant Overture Elliott Del Borgo
- 1:40 E.B. Stanley Middle School (II)**
 Donnie Riddle, Director
 March Triumphant James Ployhar
 Legend of the Eagles David Schaffer
 The Tempest Robert W. Smith
- 2:00 Dublin MS (Advanced) (II)**
 Jamie Lawson, Director
 Tall Cedars Eric Osterling
 England: Three Folk Songs Anne McGinty
 At the Crossroads Robert W. Smith
- 2:20 Richlands Middle School (II)**
 Danny Swartz, Director
 Manhattan Beach Sousa/Story
 Harrowgate Festival John Edmondson
 Gypsydance David Holsinger
- 2:40 Chilhowie Middle School (III)**
 Glen Weller, Director
 March of the Irish Guard John Ployhar
 Two Sketches for Band John Edmondson
 Prelude and Dance Elliott del Borgo
- Judges Break (30 min)**
- 3:30 Holston High School (IV)**
 Uley Daniels, Director
 Pride and Progress J. Olivadoti
 Introduction and Fantasia R. Mitchell
 Majestia James Swearingen
- 4:00 Powell Valley High School (IV)**
 Dave Keller, Director
 El Capitan Sousa/Brion & Schissel
 Of Pride and Celebration James Swearingen
 Lost Colony Robert Sheldon

- 4:30 Grayson County High School (IV)**
 Ric Munsey & Bob Ballengee, Directors
 Orange Bowl March Henry Fillmore
 In praise of Gentle Pioneers David Holsinger
 Drayton Hall Esprit W. Francis McBeth

Dinner Break 5:00 - 6:00

- 6:00 Carroll County Intermediate (9th) (III)**
 Riley Pugh, Director
 Gallop to End All Gallops Warren Barker
 By Love Compelled.....at the
 Hour of Shadows Stephen Melillo
 Time in the Balance Stephen Melillo
- 6:30 Tazewell High School (IV)**
 Jim French, Director
 Land of the Free Harris (Ken)
 Invicta James Swearingen
 The Last to Defend David Shaffer
- 7:00 Carroll County High School (IV)**
 Brian Graeber, Director
 Rough Riders Karl King/Swearingen
 Overture in Classical Style Charles Carter
 Themes from Grieg Clair Johnson
- 7:30 Richlands High School Concert (IV)**
 Bobby Jenks, Director
 Zia! Zia! Claude T. Smith
 Dedicatory Overture Clifton Williams
 Blue Ridge Saga James Swearingen
- 8:00 Abingdon High School (V)**
 Gary Holley, Director
 El Capitan Sousa/Brion & Schissel
 Second Suite in F (mvts 2 & 3) Gustav Holst
 Seagate Overture James Swearingen
- 8:30 John S. Battle High School (V)**
 Mark Collins, Director
 Americans We Henry Fillmore
 First Suite in Eb Gustav Holst
 Declaration Overture Claude T. Smith

Saturday, March 25th

School

- 10:00 Damascus Middle School (I)**
 Uley Daniels & Laura Richmond, Directors
 Valley Circle March John O'Reilly
 Riverbend Rhapsody David Schaffer
 Glorioso Robert W. Smith

10:40 Carroll County Intermediate (8th) (III)
 Riley Pugh, Director
 Winchester March John Edmondson
 Festival Overture John Kinyon
 Journey Through Shadowood Curt DeMott

11:00 Marion Middle School (III)
 Hubert Fulton, Director
 Bamum & Bailey's Favorite Karl King/Brubaker
 Arikara James Meredith
 Symphony No. 5 Beethoven/Cacavas

11:30 Tazewell Middle School (II)
 Jim French, Director
 Badge of Honor
 The Tempest Robert W. Smith
 Eagle Mountain Overture Robert Sheldon

Lunch 12:00 – 1:00

1:00 Marion High School (IV)
 Noel Collins, Director
 The Stars and Stripes Forever Sousa/Gore
 Where the Black Hawk Soars Robert W. Smith
 Seagate Overture James Swearingen

1:30 Virginia High School (IV)
 Rod Dye, Director
 The Thunderer Sousa/Brion & Schissel
 The Marriage of Figaro Mozart/Slocum
 Blue Ridge Saga James Swearingen

2:00 Pulaski County HS (Con) (IV)
 Bryan Wharton, Director
 Normandy Beach John Edmondson
 Into the Storm Robert W. Smith
 Dawn of a New Day James Swearingen

2:30 Patrick Henry High School (IV)
 Ryan Gilbert, Director
 Touch of Liberty King/Swearingen
 Into the Storm Robert W. Smith
 Cajun Folk Songs Frank Ticheli

3:00 Chilhowie High School (IV)
 Glen Weller, Director
 Allied Honor James Swearingen
 Seagate Overture James Swearingen
 Pine River Trilogy Ed Huckleby

Judges Break (30 min)

4:00 Galax High School (V)
 Richard Galvean, Director
 Hosts of Freedom Karl King
 Toccata for Band Frank Erickson
 Flashing Winds Jan Van der Roost

4:30 Pulaski County HS (Sym) (V)
 Tom Springer, Director
 Fairest of the Fair Sousa/Fennell
 I Am Andrew Boysen Jr
 In All Its Glory James Swearingen

5:00 Richlands HS Symphonic (V)
 Danny Swartz, Director
 United Nations March King/Swearingen
 Flashing Winds Jan Van der Roost
 Toccata for Band Frank Erickson

SPECIAL THANKS

Mr. Larry Lusk, VHS Principal
 Mr. Paul Hurley, VHS Assistant Principal
 Mrs. Brenda Carroll, VHS Assistant Principal

Dr. Idanna Aaron, Superintendent of Bristol City Public Schools

Dr. Larry Arrington, Assistant Superintendent of Bristol City Public Schools

Virginia High School Faculty & Staff

Mrs. Ann Jones, VHS Treasurer

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Mr. Richard Rollins and students, Stage Management

Mr. Ben Parks, VMS Director of Bands

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