Cedarville Music Boosters News to use May 2019







May is a month of transition. The Winter's end transitions to Spring. The gardener's hands transitions from Winter stores to warm soil and seed. I like this quote from Laura Ingalls Wilder- "Some old-fashioned things like fresh air and sunshine are hard to beat." And May certainly brings us those things.

Our school is small and I like that our students are blessed with many more opportunities for school activities than large schools allow for. Music students transition from Marching Band to Concert Band, Choir and Choralation students transition from their ensembles to the Drama Department Musical to Winter Concerts and "Broadway at the Ville". Then there are even some that take part in all of these expressive endeavors throughout the school year. I am able to relish in their "finished products" while all the while much hard work, practice, and toil have been executed to bring them to performance day. Laurie Jean Sennott said "Every flower must grow through dirt" and our Music Department sure knows how to grow them.

This month Many Music students will transition from High Schooler to Graduate. Our community and fellow students will honor them at this year's Graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 23rd at Cedarville University. It's amazing to think of how many class of 2019 students have participated in Choir, Choralation, Marching Band, and Concert Band. How unique it is that Cedarville High School students get to partake in all of these. My own hope is that one day, a few of these students will look back and appreciate their experience enough to be a super fan not missing any performance, or better yet, step up to be a Music Booster and pass on the appreciation through volunteer work in our organization.



Photo courtesy of Erin Krizo Photoaraphy

Another transition to mention. ...I want to take a moment to thank and recognize our newest Music Booster in the works, Chris Campbell. Chris is Assistant Principal at Clark Shawnee School District, has volunteered as a Firefighter for Cedarville Township, and studied at Cedarville University. He and his Wife, Debbie, have three beautiful girls in Cedarcliff Schools. Chris will transition into the Music Boosters Treasurer position beginning this month. We appreciate his willingness to balance the books, keep us compliant, and "count the beans"

I'll also take a moment to thank our long time Treasurer and friend Tim Brennaman. The Brennaman's have been OUTSTANDING supporters of our Music Program with Tim serving as Treasurer for 5-years. Tim's Wife, Cindy served as Vice President for the Music Boosters too. Their three Boys have been very active in music even returning to work as Alumni on staff as assistants. Tim's brand of reporting was very innovative, consistent, and effective in propelling our organization forward. Thanks Tim

I'll bet there's plenty of former musicians reading this that haven't picked up an instrument in years. I was guilty of this as well until my friend Tim Brennaman challenged me to break out my guitar and learn a song.



It was July 4th 2018 that I took my friend's words to heart, cracked open the guitar case, found the patch cords and connected the Marshall amp and then... Broke a string.

Not a good start, but I think it was "Max the Ax's" way of protesting the neglect of all those years. I stuck with it that day and installed all new strings, uploaded the song onto an Ipod and started playing again.

It was plenty rough but after an hour or so I recorded what I had learned and sent it to Tim. My fingers hurt but I felt a long forgotten sense of accomplishment.

I began to remember how that guitar was a best friend to me during my 3-years of active duty in the US Army. How it saved me a lot of money, keeping me safe at home in the barracks instead of running around town and blowing my money. I remembered doing sets of songs in front of 4 or 5 people in my little room and their look of amazement to what was probably the peak of my abilities on a 6-string.

Thanks to Tim's challenge last year, I have stuck with it and have been playing regularly to old songs I used to jam to and learned some new ones too. Every once in awhile now I'll stop and think out load, "wow where did that come from". It is a new way for me to unwind from what can be a very hectic work lifestyle. A way to take pride again in an ability I thought I had forgotten and the realization that my brain is benefitting as well. The physical-neurological process of playing an instrument fires up the brain.

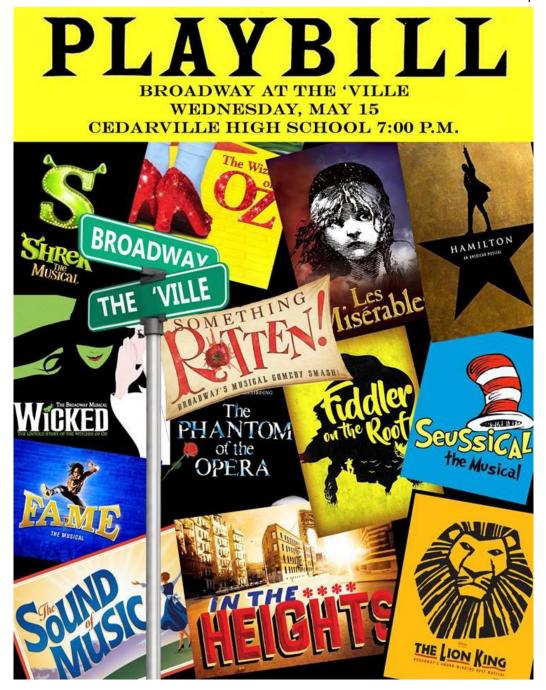
My challenge to any former musician reading this... Find that instrument, take it out, love it again and relearn what is forgotten and better yet, learn something new. Your brain, body and spirit will appreciate it.

Choralation State Contest news

On April 27th our Choralation students earned "Superior "Ratings again at the State level. According to Mr. Mahan, Music Director, this is the 10th straight superior rating at State level. WAY TO GO!!!



You do not want to miss this year's 12th Annual "Broadway at the Ville" on Wednesday May 15th. This is a favorite performance for the entire year featuring show tunes from many different Musicals. The Playbill cover below gives a lot of clues to what's in store. Much of this edition will celebrate this annual production.



DID YOU KNOW ??

As of May 2018, Cedarville Students have performed highlights from 59 different Musicals in 11 "Broadway at the ville" productions. WOW This year that will climb to 61 different Musicals in this year's show.

Students from Middle school Choir, High School Choir, and Choraltion will perform highlights from 13 shows.

DID YOU KNOW ??

Over the years many Band Directors have visited our school's Music Department to observe and learn.



From Director, Jason Mahan..."Mr. Derek Richardson, Southeastern High School's Band Director, came to Cedarville for the day. He was visiting during his Spring Break to see how we do what we do at Cedarville. We even convinced him to sit in and play with Jazz Band rehearsal today. It was great spending the day with you, Mr. Richardson! Maybe a combined marching band performance this Fall....?" A combined Marching Band performance would be awesome on Hickman Field!!



Blast from the past...



Flashback to the very first annual "Broadway at the 'Ville" in 2008. Here, Joellyn (Smith) Elliott and Anna Zavodney performed as Elphaba and Glinda for the Wizard of Oz, The Wiz, Wicked concert.

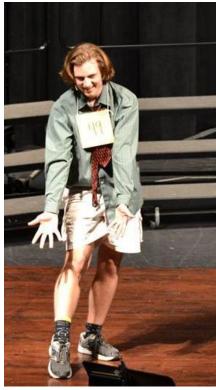


Choralation members at the 2018 Broadway at the ville perform "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"

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Just for fun...pictures and highlights from previous Broadway at the Ville shows







Choraltion performs "The 25th annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" https://youtu.be/XGpDumiuvP4
Braden Smallwood performs "I'm not that smart" https://youtu.be/cFGbid8kDmw
Tyler Smith performs "Magic Foot" https://youtu.be/M87YQHt1N4o
Lanie Clausen performs "My Friend the Dictionary" https://youtu.be/0GxCqnfrqFk
Choralation performs "Pandomonium" https://youtu.be/oP4DIKE_TVI





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In 2017 Choraltion performed highlights from the current running Musical "Hamilton" ... This year's show will Feature numbers from Hamilton as well.

Choralation performs "Alexander Hamilton" https://youtu.be/6fHalJLV2J8
Choralation performs "The Room Where it Happens" https://youtu.be/7p_kkndblhU
Choralation perfroms "My Shot" https://youtu.be/pLFuJ62nha8



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In 2018 Choralation performed highlights from "The Greatest Showman" Choralation performs "The Greatest Show" https://youtu.be/AAyQxieIGUI Choralation performs "This is Me" https://youtu.be/pPEVb8nbKP4





2018 Grads Kate Belliveau and Braden Smallwood perform "City of Stars" from LaLa Land

https://youtu.be/f-b1LjbThQl



2018 Graduate Maddie Bigham performs "Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again" from Phantom of the Opera

https://youtu.be/gvhEenRtbKw



"The Book Report" from You're a Good Man Charlie Brown

https://youtu.be/tBNQ_IYRfjM

Illuminating Alumna...



Congratulations to CHS 2015 Graduate & alumna Jessica Fair who sang her Senior voice recital at Wilmington College in April. She sang beautifully, energetically, and expressively. Brava, Jessica! Jessica was also narrator for the 2017 Broadway at the Ville.



Where in the world is the Cedarville Band Shirt

This edition finds a familiar face at a restaurant in Xenia. I absolutely love the Band spirit exhibited here and the sampling of shirt sizes available. Are YOU yearning for a Band Shirt? Contact Mr. Mahan and he'd be happy to see if there are some available.



Send us your pictures with somebody wearing a Cedarville Band shirt and we'll post it here.

It can be anywhere...in Ohio, in the mall, in the band room, or in another country!

email to.. jvoisardcmb@gmail.com

Donation Challenge is still ongoing...We need to collect \$1000 in donations to get a matching donation from an anonymous donor. At last month's concert we were at \$450.00 Please see the donation form at the end of this newsletter to send a donation, or present at one of the 3-concerts this month.

Upcoming Events....

Wed.	5/8/2019	6:15 Middle school and High School Art Show in the Cafetorium
Wed.	5/8/2019	7:00 PM MS/HS Concert Band ExtravaBandza in the Gymnasium
Thurs.	5/9/2019	7:00 Elementary Spring Concert in the Gymnasium
Monday 5/13/2019		6:30 High School Academic Awards & Music Boosters Scholarship award.
Wed.	5/15/2019	7:00 PM MS/HS Choir Broadway at the Ville Spring Concert in the Cafetorium
Thurs.	5/16/2019	Senior's last day
Thurs.	5/23/2019	7:00 PM Class of 2019 Graduation Ceremony at Cedarville University
Thurs.	5/30/2019	Last day of school for students

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Please print this page to help with the donation challenge or present at the concerts held on May 8th, May 9th, and May 15th



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Donation form

Cedarville Music Boosters is a non-profit organization. Monetary support from individuals and groups like you, are the quickest way to turn generosity into useful tools, garments, musical instruments, performance equipment, and Scholarships.

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