



Media Release

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Medina Community Band will present their annual **Spring Concert** – on **Sunday, May 4th, at 2p, in the Community Room of the Western Reserve Masonic Community, 4931 Nettleton Road, Medina.** There is ample parking and no admission charge to the concert.

The afternoon's program will include *The Wizard of Oz* - Harold Arlen/James Barnes and *Selections from Wicked* - Stephen Schwartz/Jay Bocook; *Festive Overture in B-flat, Op. 69* – Dimitri Shostakovich/Donald Hunsberger; *Star Wars – The Force Awakens – Jedi Steps & Finale* - John Williams/Paul Lavender; and lullaby *Deir' In De* – arranged by Warren Barker, with marches *The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise* – Ernest Seitz/Harry Alford; *The Battle of Shiloh* – Carl L. Barnhouse/John P. Paynter; *Homeward*

Bound and *The Stars and Stripes Forever* – John Philip Sousa.



Jeff Danilovic, cornet soloist, will be featured in *Believe Me, If Those Endearing Young Charms* – Thomas Moore/Donald Hunsberger.

The concert will be under the batons of Marcus L. Neiman (conductor) and Dr. Darren LeBeau (associate conductor).

Medina Community Band is proudly sponsored and supported by the **Medina Community Band Association**, composed of members of Medina Community Band.

The Medina Community Band
Marcus L. Neiman, conductor
Dr. Darren LeBeau, associate conductor
Matthew Hastings, & Amy Muhl, assistant conductors

Jeff Danilovic, cornet soloist

Spring Concert – Western Reserve Masonic Community

Sunday, May 4th, 2024 – 2p

Anthem, <i>Star Spangled Banner</i> (1889/1917)	Francis Scott Key Floyd Werle
Overture, <i>Festive Overture in B-flat, Op. 69</i> (1954/1965)	Dimitri Shostakovich Donald Hunsberger
Lullaby, <i>Deir' In De</i> (1990)	arr. Warren Barker
Movie, <i>Star Wars – the Force Awakes</i> (1977-2016)	John Williams Paul Lavender
<i>Jedi Steps</i>	
<i>Finale</i>	
Cornet Solo, <i>Believe Me, If Those Endearing Young Charms</i>	Thomas Moore Donald Hunsberger
Jeff Danilovic, soloist	
March, <i>World Is Waiting for the Sunrise</i> (1919)	Ernest Seitz Paraphrased & scored by Harry Alford
Overture and Themes, <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> (1939/1966)	Harold Arlen James Barnes
Screamer, <i>Battle of Shiloh</i> (1920/1986)	Carl L. Barnhouse John P. Paynter
Selections, <i>Wicked</i> (2003/2005)	Stephen Schwartz Jay Bocook
March, <i>Homeward Bound</i> (1891/2016).....	John Philip Sousa
March, <i>Stars and Stripes Forever</i> (1896)	John Philip Sousa

Program subject to change



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Featured Soloist

Jeff Danilovic (featured cornet soloist) is a clinical manager with 19 years experience in Cardiothoracic Intensive Care and Home Care Nursing where he currently has the role of Clinical Market Manager. He earned an Associate Degree in Nursing from Cuyahoga Community College and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Ohio University. Prior to his career in nursing, Jeff studied music education at The Ohio State University where he participated in various ensembles including the Trumpet Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, and The Ohio State University Marching Band. He joined the Medina Community Band in 2018 and is also a member of The Brass Band of the Western Reserve. Jeff and his wife Colleen, reside in Medina, Ohio with their children Caitlin, Connor, and Molly. (as of 24 02 02)

Medina Community Band Conducting Staff



Marcus L. Neiman has been conductor of Medina Community Band since the Fall of 1972 and has served as conductor of the ensemble longer than any previous conductor in the ensemble's history. He attended the Akron Public Schools, received his Bachelor of Science in music education degree from The University of Akron, Master of Music in music education degree from The University of Michigan, postgraduate hours at The Kent State University, and The University of Akron. Neiman studied conducting with Richard Jackoboice, William D. Revelli, and Elizabeth Green.

Neiman retired from posts held with the Medina County Schools Educational Service Center in 2010 (1980 through 2000 as fine arts consultant and 2000 through 2010 as director of fine arts tours and festivals). He was formerly director of bands at Medina High School (1972 through 1980). Neiman was a part-time lecturer for the music department at Case Western Reserve University from April 2004 through May of 2010. From 2010 through July of 2016, Neiman was an assistant professor of music education at the Hugh A. Glauser School of Music at Kent State University.

Neiman was a founding trustee and past president of both the Medina County Arts Council and Medina County Performing Arts Foundation. He served as music director for productions by both Medina County Show Biz Company and Brunswick Entertainment Company and served as a committee member on the City of Medina Uptown Park Committee and Arts Under the Stars committee. He was a member of the class of '94 Leadership Medina County and was awarded the **Leadership Medina County "Excellence in Education Leadership"** in June of 2014, the sixth recipient of the award in Leadership Medina County's history and the only recipient not a superintendent of a school district.

Neiman has served Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) as a member of the adjudicated events flute solo and ensemble required list selection committee, communications, governmental relations, music in our schools, and public relations committees, district president, vice-president, state chair for *Music In Our Schools* and public relations, state editor of their professional journal *TRIAD*, and state chair for their council of supervisors. He was elected by OMEAs membership to serve as state president from July 1, 1998, through July 1, 2000, and is currently OMEAs state historian. He was awarded OMEAs highest honor, the **"Distinguished Service Award"** on January 29 2010 at the Professional Development Conference in Cincinnati, Ohio. Neiman has been published in Music Educators National Conference journal *MEJ*, *The Instrumentalist*, *The School Musician*, *The Music Educator*, OMEAs *TRIAD*, *FANFARE* magazine, and Bands of America *Newsletter*. His first book, edited for MENC, entitled *Life in the Music Classroom*, was published by MENC in April 1992. He listed in Marquis **"Who's Who in America"** (58 Edition).

Neiman's goal has always been to preserve the presence and character of the traditional "town-band." In addition, Neiman has encouraged composers to write for the band. Over the years, the band has commissioned works by Douglas Court, Robert Feldbush, Stuart Ling, Edmund J. Siennicki, Tadd Russo, and David Shaffer. Neiman is a member of numerous professional organizations including the National Association for Music Education and Ohio Music Education Association, National Band Association, Ohio Alliance for Arts Education and Ohio Citizens for the Arts. Neiman is a member of Kappa Kappa Psi (University of Michigan Nu chapter, and honorary Beta Pi at Kent State University). He is also a member of Omicron Delta Kappa (national leadership society – The University of Akron - Theta Circle). He and his wife Mary Ann, who is a professional clarinetist, reside in Medina with Ludwig – the cat. (24 07 18)

Dr. Darren LeBeau, associate conductor, started his teaching career in 1989, prior to accepting the Director of Bands position at Revere Local Schools in 1998. Dr. LeBeau's primary responsibilities included Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band, and the Marching Minutemen. He also taught beginning instrumental music at Bath Elementary School. In addition to his teaching duties, Darren LeBeau was the Auditorium Manager and High School Building Use coordinator. Preceding to his tenure at Revere, he was the assistant band director at Barberton City Schools, Claymont City Schools, and Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School. Dr. LeBeau earned both his master's degree '98 and Bachelor's degree '89 in Music Education from The University of Akron. He earned his Ph.D. from Kent State University in 2020. He is actively involved in the Ohio Music Education Association and has participated in the OMEA Leadership Academy. He is an active OMEA Adjudicator for Marching Band, Solo and Ensemble and Large Group Adjudicated events. He has also served OMEA as a host for High School Large Group and Marching Band adjudicated events. Dr. LeBeau has been a member of the Brass Band of the Western Reserve. Dr. LeBeau was awarded PTSA "Teacher of the Year" for Revere Local Schools in 2022 and "Who's Who in America" 1991, '92 and '93. His ensembles have received OMEA superior ratings at the local and state levels at marching band and concert band adjudicated events. He retired from Revere Local Schools after 34 years of teaching in June of 2023. His professional memberships include the Revere Education Association, Ohio Education Association, National Education Association, Ohio Music Education Association, Music Educators National Conference, Kappa Kappa Psi, and American School Band Director Association. Darren was appointed as an associate conductor of the Medina Community Band in the Spring of 2023. (as of 24 07 18)



Matthew Hastings, assistant conductor, has been employed with the Wadsworth City Schools since 2015. At Wadsworth, Hastings oversees the 5th and 6th grade band programs, teaches tuba/baritone sectionals at band camp, and serves as theatre manager for Wadsworth's OJ Work Auditorium. As a performer, he has played tuba with the Medina Community Band since 2018 and has served as an assistant conductor since 2019. Hastings also performs with the Northeast Ohio Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble (NOTE) and has played his tuba in various venues around Medina. Hastings earned a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Ohio Northern University in 2015 and is currently completing coursework in a Master of Music in Music Education from Kent State University. He resides in Medina with his wife Lindsay, and their dog, O'Malley. (as of 24 07 18)

Amy Muhl, assistant conductor, has been a member of Medina Community Band since 1998 and appointed as an assistant conductor in 2022. Originally from Lyme, Connecticut, moved to Ohio to study music education at Oberlin Conservatory in 1991. She graduated in 1995 and taught orchestra for two years in the Willard City Schools. Amy received her Master of Music Education from Kent State University on a scholarship, in 1998. She then taught instrumental music at Buckeye High School, in Medina (OH) and in the fall of 1999, became the elementary band teacher for Buckeye Local Schools. In the fall of 2001, she began teaching elementary instrumental music at Central Intermediate School in the Wadsworth City Schools. After raising Eva and Simon for 5 years, Amy returned to Wadsworth Schools teaching general music at Valley View Elementary and is now back at Central Intermediate School teaching general music and choir. Amy also plays flute/piccolo and piano, in addition to being a member of Medina Community Band and Sounds of Sousa Band. She is also Vice President of the Medina Community Band Association. Amy resides in Wadsworth with her husband Frank, and three children, Kenneth, Eva and Simon. (24 07 18)

