Greetings and welcome all past and current members of the Northwest Bands! This year we will be celebrating Northwest Band Alumni Day on **Saturday, September 10, 2011**. The mighty Bearcats will host Sioux Falls in a night game starting at 6:00 pm at Bearcat Stadium.

Director of bands, Dr. Doug Overmier, has programmed the Alumni Band to perform an exciting arrangement of music by the rock group “Queen.” We will be performing along with the Bearcat Marching Band during halftime. As a number of you requested, Alumni Band Day has been scheduled earlier this year which will allow for an even larger turnout. We hope to see you there to celebrate the BMB, the Bearcats and the traditions of the Northwest Band program.

Last year on October 30, 2010 over 40 members of the Northwest band family attended the annual Northwest Band Alumni Day. They had the opportunity to ride and play in the Homecoming parade on a flatbed trailer. Our honored guest, Al Sergel, also rode the trailer with us. It was a very enjoyable time.

During lunch the members elected officers for the Band Alumni Association. Stacy Lendt dropped the interim title and became president of the association. Dane Montegomery was re-elected treasurer and Samantha Seabolt became our new secretary.

For halftime, former Northwest Director of Bands, Alfred E. Sergel III exuberantly lead the alumni and current BMB members to a rousing rendition of a familiar favorite, “Hey Baby.” Those that attended the day’s events had a wonderful time catching up with old friends and making new ones while celebrating the past, present and future of the Northwest Bands.

Since this year’s Band Alumni day will not fall on the same day as Northwest’s Homecoming Parade we are looking for dedicated “musicians” to ride and perform on the Alumni trailer for the **Homecoming Parade on October 22, 2011**. This year we have asked Northwest Alum, Gavin Lendt to write an “official” Band Alumni March for us to perform on the trailer bed. If you are interested in joining us on the Homecoming Alumni Trailer please indicate so on the Band Alumni Day Registration form. Even if you can’t make this year’s Band Alumni Day on Sep. 10 please consider joining us for the homecoming parade and festivities on October 22.
Band Alumni Day Registration and 2011 Membership Form
Saturday, September 10

Name(s):_______________________________

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Telephone number:___________________

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E-mail:___________________________

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Address:________________________________

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Instrument(s):_______________________

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Director of Bands:_____________________

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Years of Participation:_____________________

Need an Instrument? Y/N ________
I need to borrow a ________________ for the day.

_____ YES! I PLAN ON RIDING THE TRAILER FOR THE HOMECOMING PARADE LATER ON OCTOBER 22

Band Alumni Game and Luncheon Tickets

#______ Football Game Tickets  (4 and under free)@ $8.00 = $______

Business Luncheon (optional)

#______Adult(s) @$8.25 = $______

#______Children(5-12) @$5.00 = $______

Donation to NBAA: $______

Tickets/Luncheon Subtotal $______

Band Alumni Shirts
You can order NBAA T-Shirts and Hoodies for the 2011 Alumni Band Day!

T-Shirt - $10 for size S - XL (XXL—$12)

Long Sleeve T-Shirt - $13 for size S - XL (XXL—$15)

Hoodie - $23 for size S - XL (XXL—$25)

Yes! I want an official Band Alumni T-Shirt(s)

T-Shirt:  S____ M____ L____ XL____ XXL____ $______

Yes! I want an official Band Alumni Long Sleeve T-Shirt(s)

Long Sleeve T-Shirt: S____ M____ L____ XL____ XXL____ $______

Yes! I want an official Band Alumni Hoodie

Hoodie: S____ M____ L____ XL____ XXL____ $______

Shirt Subtotal $______

Total = $______

Please Return to
NBAA c/o Stacy Lendt
12225 South Strang Line Ct Apt 712
Olathe, KS  66062

or eMail Information to
stacllendt@gmail.com

By August 20, 2011

Please make checks payable to:
Northwest Foundation
In the memo line write: Band Alumni Association
Ward Rounds
Celebrating a Lifetime of Music
Last year at this time we were celebrating the 90th birthday of Northwest Director of Bands Emeritus, Ward Rounds. Sadly, Ward passed away on March 7, four months shy of his 91st birthday. The many students, educators and musicians that knew him will never forget his love of music and the high expectations he had for those he influenced. He always had a great story to tell and was always willing to help others when in need.

Ward Rounds served in the music department from 1960-1985. He was instructor of brass and percussion and conductor of the University Bands. He was also the founder of the Northwest Summer Music Camp program. A memorial service honoring Ward will be held in Maryville, MO at 2pm on July, 30, 2011 at:

Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church
931 South Main St.
Maryville, MO 64468

For more information contact Brenda Mullins at the Music Department office: 660-562-1315

Strength in Numbers
by Mark Reinig, class of 1973

While at MMEA this last winter I had a number of conversations concerning the lack of donations to endow the Ward Rounds Scholarship. I was told that there was no way we were going to be able to raise the $10,000 necessary to endow the scholarship, and even if we did, that amount would only net a few hundred dollars a year for the students. The Alfred E. Sergel III Band Alumni Scholarship, though endowed, does not currently make enough interest to provide a significant scholarship without dipping into the principle. When I discovered the amount needed to secure the scholarship this year I realized that we could easily collect that amount by asking the alumni who were in attendance at MMEA. Almost everyone we asked was able to give $5, $10, $20 on the spot. We raised a little but gained a concept. What if we could set up a system where a lot of band alum gave a little all the time?

So here is the new plan: After working with the Northwest Foundation, they agreed to set up a “continuing donation” system for us where we can make a difference by “many contributing a little”. We now have a link where you can sign up for an automatic withdrawal of $5, $10, $20 (whatever you can afford).

The math is simple. If one person contributes $10 a month, that’s $120 a year, not much. If 300 contribute $10 a month, that is $36,000 a year! All it will take is a small commitment by several people – a team effort. We are looking for 300 alum – “the Mighty 300” to take this challenge. This is not a pipe dream, we CAN do this!

There are 17 alumni sponsored music scholarships on the books (7 specifically for instrumental students) at Northwest, but they can only make a difference in students’ lives if they have the sufficient funds to help. It is our desire to build these funds, one at a time, starting with Ward’s scholarship. Using this easy process, the Northwest band alumni can have a powerful impact on the future music students at Northwest.
http://www.nwmissouri.edu/alumni/giving/forms/bandscholar.htm

Scholarship Recipients

Smithville, Missouri received twice the recognition when two of its native daughters were awarded band scholarships from Northwest Missouri State University. Eimile Colgan, a junior music education major, received the Ward Rounds Instrumental Music Scholarship. Eimile plays bassoon with the Northwest bands and also composes her own Music.

Christine Chesney, also from Smithville, was the recipient of the 2011 Alfred E. Sergel III Band Alumni Scholarship. Christine is a flute player and a junior music education major. She is one of 27 students nationwide selected to perform with the National Flute Association Collegiate Flute Choir in Charlotte, NC on August 14, 2011.
FALL EVENTS
at Northwest

September 6
Faculty Recital: Dr. William Richardson, Trumpet; 8 pm CJT

September 13
Faculty Recital: Dr. Anthony Olsen, Piano; 8 pm CJT

October 10
Faculty Recital: Dr. Christopher Gibson; 8 pm CJT

October 17
Jazz Ensemble/Studio Jazz Concert; 8 pm, CJT

November 13
Wind Symphony Concert; 3 pm, HMLA

November 15
Orchestra Concert; 8 pm, HMLA

November 19
Jazz Ensemble Concert; 5pm, CJT

November 21
Studio Jazz Concert; 8pm, CJT

December 2-3
Yueltide Feaste; 6:30, Union Ballroom

December 6
Wind Symphony/Jazz Ensemble Holiday Concert; 8 pm, HMLA

CJT = Charles Johnson Theater
HMLA = Houston Center for the Performing Arts/Mary Linn Auditorium (also previously known as PAC)

2011 BAND ALUMNI DAY
Tentative Schedule
Saturday, September 10, 2011

12:30pm - Registration (location - Fine Arts)
1:30pm - Business Luncheon (location - TBA)
3pm - Rehearsal with BMB (location - TBA)
4pm - Tailgating (on your own)
5pm - Line-up with BMB to march to Bearcat Zone
5:40pm - Pre-game
6pm - Kickoff! v.s. Souix Falls

Northwest Band Alumni Officers and Board:
President – Stacy Lendt
Secretary – Samantha Seabolt
Treasurer – Dane Montgomery

Board Members – Diana White, Kathleen Willson, Mark Reinig, William Richardson

We will be nominating and voting for a new President, President Elect, Secretary and Treasurer during the Business Luncheon on September 10, 2011.