

# Pioneer Band Association

# NOTES

**Building a Foundation for Musical Excellence**



## PODIUM NOTES

The first months of 2006 continue to be remarkable for the Pioneer Bands. Thanks to your support, the 2006 Gala & Auction was an awesome success — approximately \$20,000 raised in support of our students in need of scholarships for tour fees, band camp fees, private lessons, group lessons, instruments, music, and supplies. Thanks EVERYONE for a job well done!

We're so proud of what our students have accomplished during this, our 91st concert season: extraordinary performances at the District Solo and Ensemble Festival in January. In February, our Winter Concert performances from our small ensembles, the Jazz Band, the Varsity Band, the Concert Band, and the Symphony Band were incredible. The Jazz Band performed at the UM Jazz Festival, the Pioneer Bands Gala & Auction, and at The Firefly Club with the Paul Keller Orchestra during one astonishing weekend of jazz, with jazz band students learning what professional gigging really means. Right now, our student musicians are working hard for the Concert and Symphony Band performances at District Band Festival, hosted right here at Pioneer with the help of the PBA on March 11th.

March 25th and 26th are fast upon us: Saturday, March 25th is the date for both the State Solo and Ensemble Festival (held at Chelsea High School) AND our marvelous Ann Arbor Public Schools BANDS IN REVIEW concert. Varsity, Concert and Symphony Band members will perform at 7 pm on Saturday night along with all of the West side middle school groups and the Huron High School Symphony Band. On Sunday, March 26th at 3 pm, the Pioneer Symphony Band joins the East side middle schools and the Huron High School bands for a second Bands In Review concert. After the Sunday concert is our annual Incoming 9th Grade Band Family Orientation meeting (4:30 pm Sunday, March 26th in Schreiber) so if you know of a potential Pioneer bands student in 8th grade, get him/her to this meeting!

And it continues: In April, the Concert Band prepares for our tour to Toronto from April 27-30th. And then the year nears the end in May with our Band Banquet, our

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## DISTRICT XII BAND FESTIVAL SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2006

Pioneer Band Families: mark Saturday, March 11 on your calendars. That's the day Pioneer hosts the MSBOA District XII Band Festival, a day to hear great music, watch sight reading, and help run a concession stand! We provide the space and the food to feed 7 or 8 hungry bands. Our PBA parents staff the concession, selling beverages, bagels, sweets & pizza. We will be calling folks on the PBA Volunteer List to set up 2-hour shifts of workers. Be sure to work, and listen to YOUR Pioneer Concert or Symphony Band Student play! Watch for the flyer your student will bring home to determine which beverages or snack we need you to send in for the sale.

## MARCH/APRIL 2006

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## BANDS IN REVIEW CONCERTS

**EAST SIDE: Saturday, March 25, 7:00 pm**

**WEST SIDE: Sunday, March 26, 3:00 pm**

Pioneer's Schreiber Auditorium hosts the annual showcase of AAPS bands from all of our middle and high schools in two performances as our students demonstrate their skills with the discipline, concentration, and perseverance that they learn as members of their public school bands. These concerts are a wonderful opportunity for the community to see and hear the results of the comprehensive education our students have received in the AAPS Instrumental Music Program. The concert requires admission fees —

**Bands In Review Ticket Information will be sent home with students in early March.**

## INCOMING 9TH GRADE BAND FAMILY ORIENTATION SUNDAY, MARCH 26

To make sure our incoming Pioneer Band families are well informed, we have scheduled a short orientation program and Q&A session *to begin 15 minutes immediately after* the Bands in Review Concert on the afternoon of March 26 in front of the stage in Schreiber Auditorium. The concert should end by 4:15 p.m. and we should be able to start at 4:30 p.m., finishing between 5:00 and 5:30 p.m. The Pioneer band directors, students from all Pioneer ensembles, and current band parents will be available for questions. 2006-07 Pioneer Bands Registration Information for Incoming 9th Grade students and band camp information will be available.

## INCOMING 9TH GRADE BAND MENTORS NEEDED

Attention Band Parents & Students: The PBA wishes to give our incoming band families a special resource for questions about band life and student life at Pioneer High School. We need lots of help for this project from both band students and their families. If you are willing to help our newest students, the PBA will put your name, phone number, and/or email address on a resource list for our incoming 9th graders and their families, which then will be distributed to each family via their middle schools. To volunteer, or to find out more about this project, please contact Gail Stout at [president@aapioneerbands.org](mailto:president@aapioneerbands.org) or at 663-7634.

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performances at Picnic Pops on the Pioneer front lawn, the Jazz Band performs at the Jazz Summit, and the Symphony Band has the pleasure of playing for the Pioneer Commencement ceremonies at the EMU Convocation Center in June. The minute school gets out, the Symphony and Jazz Bands put in their final preparations for the Austria Tour in July as the only North American high school representatives performing at the Mid-Europe Music Festival. And then it's August, Band Registration, and Band Camp — and the 2006-07 school year begins!

During these hectic months, auditions for placement in next year's bands are taking place, band scholarship applications will be reviewed, we're making plans for Band Camp (watch for forms and deadlines coming soon), we're waiting to hear from the Grammy Foundation to find out if we're a "Grammy Signature School" for 2005-06, and the list goes on. **How can you help?** Please look through this issue of *PBA NOTES* and choose one or more event for which you can volunteer your time. Pioneer Band Association volunteers (families AND students) are essential to making the Pioneer Bands great!

Lastly, I must add a heartfelt thanks to two special Pioneer Band families: Our Gala Co-Chairs, Karen & John Field, [and Jessica Field] for the use of their lives for the past several weeks, and Denise & Kevin Johnson and their extended family members for all their help with Gala and the Band Room project.

To all of you —Thanks for your continued support of the Pioneer Bands!

—*David A. Leach* Director of Bands



## CONCERT BAND MANDATORY TOUR MEETING/PBA MEETINGS

Our March PBA Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14th, at 7:30 pm in the Pioneer Band Room (B-126). **THE MARCH MEETING WILL BE A SHORT BUSINESS MEETING COMBINED WITH A MANDATORY CONCERT BAND TOUR MEETING. EVERY CONCERT BAND STUDENT GOING ON TOUR MUST ATTEND WITH AT LEAST ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN.** Our April PBA Annual Meeting and Elections will be held on Tuesday, April 11th at 7:30 pm. Please join us!

## BAND CAMP 2006 REGISTRATION

**Band Camp at Interlochen**

**August 15-21**

**2006**

**Band Camp Registration** takes place during the spring of the school year. Current Pioneer students receive the enrollment form from Mr. Leach or Ms. Waring in the classroom. Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students receive the form when they audition for Mr. Leach at their middle school. Forms are also available at the Incoming 9th Grade Orientation meeting immediately following Band In Review. Forms and deposits can be returned to the directors in the classroom or mailed to the address provided on the form.

**In order to notify Interlochen of our expected enrollment, the following deadline is enforced:**

**Monday, May 15th FOR ALL STUDENTS**

*Only a very limited number of openings for Band Camp may be available after the registration deadlines.*

**REGISTRATION FOR BAND CAMP IS CLOSED WHEN OUR MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT IS ACHIEVED  
OR AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BAND DIRECTOR.**

## VARSDITY BAND & CONCERT BAND UNIFORM TURN IN INFORMATION

Varsity Band uniform turn-in will be **Tuesday, March 28** during 1st and 3rd hours. Students should bring their uniforms to school with their name on them and hang them **BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS** on the racks that will be in the band room. The uniform committee will check them in during class, so any issues can be addressed with students during class time.

Concert Band uniform turn-in will be on **Wednesday, May 3** during 6th hour. Students should bring their uniforms to school with their name on them and hang them **BEFORE LUNCH** on the racks that will be in the band room. The uniform committee will check them in before 6th hour so we know about any issues beforehand and can address them during 6th hour.

## 2006-07 AUDITIONS

Participation in the Pioneer Bands is by audition only. Pioneer Band Auditions occur each March to determine placement in the Pioneer Band Program for the following school year. Once current students have been heard, incoming freshmen audition with Mr. Leach at their middle school. New and transfer students can request an audition with the Director once they enroll at Pioneer High School. Audition music is available from Mr. Leach or Ms. Waring.

## WEST GERMAN RADIO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA MEMBERS VISIT PIONEER

On October 13<sup>th</sup>, five members of this premier European orchestra visited Pioneer Symphony Band and offered sectionals for trumpet, French horn, and oboe, while a violinist worked with string players in the Symphony Orchestra. In each case the musicians were principal or associate principal on their instruments. The WDR Symphony Orchestra performed that evening in Hill Auditorium with Renee Fleming to a nearly sold-out house. The visit to Pioneer was organized by Samuel Rast's family: Samu's uncle, Mr. Ludwig Rast, is one of the orchestra's principal horn players. Although he was ill and had to cancel his own participation in the tour, he arranged for his friends and colleagues to offer sectionals to the students at Pioneer.

The WDR Symphony Orchestra was founded in 1947 and has its home in Cologne, Germany. Under conductor Symon Bychkov the orchestra has recorded a number of best-selling CDs, including Brahms and Shostakovich symphonies as well as a recent recording of Richard Strauss's *Daphne* with Renee Fleming, which they performed that evening at Hill.

The WDR Symphony Orchestra members were stunned and excited by the seriousness of the music programs at Pioneer and by the talent of the young musicians they taught. While both sides worked hard – the musicians testing out their English in an unfamiliar setting and the kids working mightily to learn as much as possible in the short hour – the visit also enabled a bit of cultural exchange. A couple of the kids tried out their German while the orchestra members had a chance to see a different aspect of the U.S. than is accessible through the media or American TV shows.

From Ann Arbor the 160 members of the WRD Orchestra, including the men's choral section and the tech staff, flew to Newark and then New York, where they performed *Daphne* in Carnegie Hall. Their tour closed in the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Now that they are back home, they have written to let us know that Ann Arbor was the highpoint of their visit to the U.S. The personal insights they gained into music-in-the-making here left an enormously positive impression. We are fairly certain that some of them will show up in

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## PIONEER BAND BANQUET & AWARDS NIGHT NEEDS YOU

SAVE THE DATE: **Monday, May 8, 2006** for the Annual Pioneer Band Banquet & Awards Night.

Volunteers are needed to help on May 8th and in planning the event. If you have time or ideas, please contact Denise Johnson (663-0028) or email her at [vicepresident@aapioneerbands.org](mailto:vicepresident@aapioneerbands.org).

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## PBA OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The Executive Board of the Pioneer Band Association is now accepting nominations for officers for the 2006-2007 school year. New officers are elected at the Annual Meeting in April. All offices are open for nominations. Contact Gail Stout at [president@aapioneerbands.org](mailto:president@aapioneerbands.org) or phone 663-7634 if you'd be interested in joining the Executive Board.

**PRESIDENT:** current President Gail Stout is the parent of a junior

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** current Vice-President Denise Johnson is the parent of a freshman

**SECRETARY:** current Secretary Karen Smith-Krass is the parent of a sophomore

**TREASURER:** current Treasurer Meena Khankari is the parent of a junior

The strength of our organization lies in active members willing to take on responsibility and ownership. As an established Michigan corporation with a 501(c)(3) non-profit status and a sizable budget, as well as a long tradition of support to the Pioneer Band program, the PBA counts on individuals to step forward to take the reins and guide the association into the future. Please consider nominating yourself or another parent as an officer of the Pioneer Band Association for next year.

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## BAND ROOM UPDATE

The Band Room finally has new trophy display shelves! Thanks to the work of PBA Vice President Denise Johnson, a carpenter (a Pioneer Band Alumnus) was found, materials were procured from band parent John Fingerle, the shelving has been built and stained, and the Johnson family got together for a few hours during break with several volunteers to hang the shelving, organize the five decades' worth of trophies and awards, and got everything place just in time to show off the Pioneer Band Room as "The District Band Festival Sight Reading Room" on March 11<sup>th</sup>. A special thank you to everyone who helped on this much needed facelift!

## SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTATION PART I

Along with the Pioneer Jazz Combo and three current band freshmen, PBA Past President Daryl Hurst, [who is an alumni band student, an alumni band parent, and the Director of the Centennial Project, a seven-year undertaking to celebrate the history of the Ann Arbor Pioneer High School Band Program and support the current program through alumni relations] spoke to the School Board on February 22 to share with them some of the Pioneer Bands achievements and success stories. Our students spoke well of their Pioneer Band experience, and the Jazz Combo made the whole place swing! Thanks to Daryl for putting this together and making sure that the Board of Education is made aware of the scope of history, excellence in performance and professionalism present in our Pioneer Band program!

## SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTATION PART II

A committee of PBA members Janice Doyle, Denise Ten-Brink, Laurel Fingerle, and Jean Wedemeyer made a presentation to the School Board on February 22nd on the issue of inadequacies of the present band room, especially with regard to accessibility. Pioneer's Band Room hasn't had anything done to update the facilities in fifty years, and unless a wheelchair bound student plays first flute, B126 is an inaccessible space. The committee took measurements of Huron's current space and the band space in the new school, and requested that the district remove the risers in the band room to make it fully compliant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Stay tuned for further developments!

## PICNIC POPS IS COMING SATURDAY, MAY 20TH, 2006

Set aside Saturday, May 20th on your calendars for great music, fun games, yummy treats, and more. Every year, the Pioneer Bands, the Pioneer Orchestras, the Huron Music program, and AAPS middle school bands team up for a full day of music under the tent on Pioneer's front lawn. Here are some of the treats that this year's event will feature:

- ♪ All of the various AAPS instrumental music groups will perform. Picnic Pops is an entire day of music.
- ♪ Fun & Games for everyone. Try you hand at the ring toss, the cake walk, or any of the other games. Set your creativity free and enter a cake in the cake decorating competition.
- ♪ Food and Drink. Treat your taste buds to a grilled bratwurst, a slice of pizza, and other goodies.
- ♪ Socializing. Picnic Pops is Ann Arbor's community block party! Listen to great music, meet your friends, let the kids play, have a great time.

We need enthusiastic volunteers to make this great event happen. We are especially in need of coordinators and lots of people to take shifts staffing booths.

TO VOLUNTEER: Contact Pioneer Orchestra Parents Pam or Dave Gee (668-7260; dpall\_gee@yahoo.com)

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION WAIVER

When a Pioneer Band student has completed *TWO SEMESTERS* (Fall) of Symphony Marching Band **OR** *ONE SEMESTER* (Fall) of Symphony Marching Band **PLUS TWO SEMESTERS** (Fall) of Concert Band, he/she is eligible for a physical education waiver for ONE SEMESTER OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION CREDIT. The yellow **Verification & Authorization for Physical Education** forms are available on the table in the lobby of the Counseling Office, and requires the signature of the Director of Bands. Completed forms should be turned into the Counseling Office by May 1, 2006.

## ROBERT ALBRITTON ENDOWMENT FUND

Former Pioneer High School Director of Bands Robert Albritton was the longest-serving Director of Bands at Pioneer High School — for over 20 years he exemplified the role of the band director as a leader, mentor, and lifelong friend to his students. During his tenure he moved the program forward with an ever-expanding itinerary of festival trips and concert appearances, culminating in the 2000 Symphony Band tour of China.

Through generous donations of band alumni and current band families, and with matching funds from the PBA, an endowment fund in Mr. Albritton's honor was established with the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation. This endowment provides an annual **Robert Albritton Scholarship Award** to a deserving band student who will be returning to the Pioneer Band program to be used for an outside music camp or program experience. The size of the annual scholarship award depends on the size and performance of the endowment fund. YOU can increase the effectiveness of the Robert Albritton Endowment Fund by making a tax-deductible donation. Donations should be made to the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation. Contact them at 734-663-0401, or via e-mail at [info@aaacf.org](mailto:info@aaacf.org) or on the web. Your tax-deductible donation is URGENTLY needed!

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## PBA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The Pioneer Band Association is committed to offering scholarship assistance as a way of building our foundation for musical excellence in the Pioneer Band Program. The Pioneer Band Association offers three types of scholarships:

**The Robert Albritton Scholarship Award • Band Camp Scholarships • General Assistance Scholarships**

**APPLICATION FORMS FOR EACH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ARE AVAILABLE NOW FROM MR. LEACH.**

- ♪ Applications for the **Robert Albritton Scholarship Award** are due on or before **March 31, 2006**
- ♪ Applications for **Band Camp Scholarships** are due on or before **May 15, 2006**
- ♪ Applications for **General Assistance Scholarships** should be submitted in a timely manner to allow for review by the Scholarship Committee.

## PIONEER BAND GALA & AUCTION

What an incredible night! On February 4th, nearly 280 people gathered at The Four Points Sheraton of Ann Arbor for a wonderful evening of food, fun, and fabulous music, not to mention some pretty fantastic fundraising.

The evening began with an amazing silent auction. The music performed by the Pioneer Jazz Combo and the Pioneer Woodwind Quintet was heavenly. Next came a delicious appetizer buffet and the silent auction culminated with a fabulous performance by the Pioneer High School Jazz Band. Then to top off the evening our live auction was full of laughs and a few good natured bidding wars!

To date, the Gala & Auction has earned approximately \$20,000. We learned a tremendous amount this year and are already looking forward to the next Gala & Auction. We think that we can make the next one even better. To those of you who shared your thoughts with us regarding this year's event, thank you. We very much appreciate all the feedback. It will help us to make this event even more profitable in the years ahead.

I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to making this night such a huge success. I could never even begin to name all of those involved in pulling off an event of this magnitude. From the families who contributed baskets to the local businesses and sponsors — we are indebted to you all. A very special thank you goes to each and every one of the committee members, Nancy Waring and David Leach for all their support and hard work.

— **Karen Field, Gala Chair**

## DISTRICT SOLO & ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL RESULTS

Pioneer Band students received 114 first division and 33 second division ratings in SOLO competition, as well as 121 first division and 21 second division ratings in ENSEMBLE competition on January 28 at Livonia Franklin High School. Students throughout the state performed in this state qualifying event. Congratulations!

The following Pioneer High School Band students prepared a solo and/or an ensemble and performed for an MSBOA Certified Adjudicator. Their performance was evaluated and a rating between "I" (Excellent) and "V" was assigned. The symbol (2) after a student's name indicates that they had two events receiving that rating in the same category.

**PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS RECEIVING A "I" (EXCELLENT) RATING FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF A SOLO WERE:** Casey Ahlbrandt-Rains, Mark Antonuk, Mary Armbruster, Annie Azrak (2), Zach Barnes, Louis Barry, Aleise Batkins, Emily Bednar, Tova Berg, Jonathan Beshay, Carolyn Blessing, Katie Brielloff, Daniel Burgener, Amanda Burnside, Owen Burton, Ben Campbell, Ella Campbell, Adam Carriere (2), Eliana Clark, Tom Coveney, Evelyn Coves-Datson, Emily Crary (2), Christopher Culbertson, Seth Dawson, Helen DeMarsh, Thomas Deren (2), Ilana Diamond, Riley Ellis, Jessica Field, Victoria Fingerle, Adam Fink, Rob Franke, Tricia Garay, Eleanor Giles, Josh Goldman, Sam Goodsitt, Jenny Gordon, Michael Gottliebse, Adam Graves, Jared Greenberg, Theresa Hansen, Emma Herzog, Skye Hookham (2), Lauren Houser, Scott Hulbert, Zach Hyde (2), Lianna Jacob, Abby Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Amit Khankari, Joe Klaver, Andrew Koeppe, Julien Lafortune, Liliana LaValle, Yun Jae Lee, David Liu, Emily Maier, Preeta Maitra, Laura Markey, Craig Marlatt, Emily Martin, Lucy Martin, Katie Martin-Browne, Kate McKarns, Deedee Min, Nicole Mitchell, Margaret Morgan, Susan Murphy, Joseph Nahm, Alyssa Novak, Selin Oner, Hyun Soo Park, Moon Soo Park, Shelby Peterson, Aaron Petit, Mark Phillips, Samuel Rast, Caleb Reed, Emma Reid, Kate Rogow, Daniel Saulles, Matthew Schaeberle, Arthur Shih, Allison Simpson, Mackenzie Slottow, Andrew Smith, Maya Spivak, Lauren Stout, Leigh Sugar, Sam Swanson, Charlie Szczygiel, Ed Szczygiel, Natalie Ten Brink, Craig Tillman, Eddie Van Riper (2), Noah Wagner, Lauren Walens, Gretchen Wallner, Dillon Walls, Rachel Walsh, Alan Wang, Cindy Wang, Yishi Wang, Pearce Washabaugh, Eric Wedemeyer, Charlie Whitmer, and Matt Winick

**PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS RECEIVING A "II" (GOOD) RATING FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF A SOLO WERE:** Zach Barnes, Sean Beck, Ethan Eaton, Riley Ellis, Elizabeth Etter, Erin Fitzsimmons, Tommy Held, Abby Johnson, Emily Larson, Haley Marlette, David Michaels, Cailey Miller, Joseph Miller, William Penner-Hahn, Nathan Polich, Zachary Renner, Ben Rittinger, Colin Shields, Scott Siler, Rachel Simon, Scott Sprau, Martin Stobby, Rachel Teeter, Nick Ten Brink, Marshall Thomas, Michael Thompson, Thomas White (2), Ysabel White, Yiqing (Shirley) Xu (2), Chris Yunck, and Anthony Zick

**PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS RECEIVING A "I" (EXCELLENT) RATING FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF AN ENSEMBLE WERE:** Emily Arbour (2), Mary Armbruster (2), Annie Azrak, Charlie Ball, Aleise Batkins, Emily Bednar, Tova Berg, Jonathan Beshay, Patricia Beshay, Justin Birchler, Jesse Broman, Amanda Burnside, Adam Carriere, Drew Clark, Tom Coveney, Chris Culbertson, Werner Dahm, Max Deschamps, Charlie Dill, Patton Doyle, Emily Durfee, Elizabeth Etter, Amy Fingerle, Adam Fink, Sarah Fowlkes, Rob Franke, Samantha Gardener, Eleanor Giles, David Glanville, Josh Goldman, Rachel Goodman, Jenny Gordon, Mike Gottliebse, Jared Greenberg, Wenting Guo (2), Lindsay Hall (2), Theresa Hansen (2), Billy Harrington, Ben Harvey, Tommy Held (2), Katherine Henrichs (2), Emma Herzog, Lauren Houser, Zach Hyde, Katelyn Jahnke, Abby Johnson, Kate Johnson, Amit Khankari, Hayne Kim, Joe Klaver, Andrew Koeppe (2), Kathy Kong, Julien Lafortune, Amber LaGore, Emily Larson, Liliana LaValle, Anna Leavitt, Won Woo Lee, Ami Li, Helen Li (2), David Liu, Peter Lundholm, Maureen Maier, Preeta Maitra, Craig Marlatt (2), Emily Martin (2), Lucy Martin, Katie Martin-Browne (2), Deedee Min (2), Joseph Nahm, Steve Nair, Mikhail Ognenovski, Selin Oner, Hyun Soo Park, Moon Soo Park, Oliver Parsonage, Shelby Peterson, Niya Phelan, Maria Princen, Samu Rast, Emma Reid, Cory Roberts, Daniel Saulles, Allison Simpson, Mackenzie Slottow (2), Nate Slottow, Andrew Smith, Christina Smith, Nicolas Snyder, Lauren Stout, Leigh Sugar, Charlie Szczygiel, Austin Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Marshall Thomas, Mikey Thomas, Jacob Trithart, Manisha Verma, Noah Wagner, Pat Wakefield, Gretchen Wallner, Dillon Walls, Alan Wang (2), Yishi Wang, Pearce Washabaugh, and Eric Wedemeyer

**PIONEER HIGH SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS RECEIVING A "II" (GOOD) RATING FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE OF AN ENSEMBLE WERE:** Kerry Aschenbach, Andrew Copp, Tricia Garay, Ana Gordon, Gabe Hinman, Rebecca Holmes, Scott Hulbert, Jeff Johnson, Rebecca Lemke, Sang Moon, Jordan Morningstar, Warren Morningstar, Zach Nicholas, Alana Pinsky, Zach Renner, Emily Roll, Colin Shields, Kaitlyn Szczepanowski, Danica Whitfield, Jeremy Whiting, and Jennifer Woolley.



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## MARCH

3	DEADLINE	TOUR PAYMENT DUE	Band Room	Concert Band
6	DEADLINE	TOUR PAYMENT DUE	Band Room	Symphony Band
6	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
7	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Concert Band
8	6-8 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Varsity Band
11	ALL DAY	DISTRICT BAND FESTIVAL	PIONEER	SYMPHONY/CONCERT BANDS
14	7:30-8:30 pm	PBA MEETING	Band Room	Band Parents/Guardians
<b><u>MANDATORY MEETING FOR CONCERT BAND TORONTO TOUR</u></b>				
<b>TOUR STUDENTS AND ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST ATTEND!</b>				
20	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
21	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Concert Band
22	6-8 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Varsity Band
24	ALL DAY	BIR Middle School Rehearsals	Schreiber	Middle Schools
25	ALL DAY	STATE SOLO & ENSEMBLE FESTIVAL CHELSEA		ALL PARTICIPANTS
25	7 PM	BANDS IN REVIEW (WEST SIDE)	SCHREIBER	ALL BANDS
26	3 PM	BANDS IN REVIEW (EAST SIDE)	SCHREIBER	SYMPHONY BAND
26	4:30 PM	9 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE BAND ORIENTATION	SCHREIBER	ALL PARTICIPANTS
27	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
28	1 <sup>st</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup> hours	Concert Uniform Turn In	Band Room	Varsity Band
31	ALL DAY	WMU MUSIC CONFERENCE	WMU	SYMPHONY BAND

## APRIL

3	DEADLINE	FINAL TOUR PAYMENT DUE	Band Room	Symphony Band
4	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Concert Band
6	ALL DAY	MYAF Concerto Soloist Auditions	WMU	Nominees
10	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
11	7:30-8:30 pm	PIONEER BAND ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTIONS	Band Room	Band Parents/Guardians
TBA	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
25	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Concert Band
27	TBA	TORONTO TOUR DEPARTS	PIONEER	CONCERT BAND
30	TBA	TORONTO TOUR RETURNS	PIONEER	CONCERT BAND

## MAY

3	6-8 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Varsity Band
4	6 <sup>th</sup> Hour	Concert Uniform Turn In	Band Room	Concert Band
8	6:30 PM	BANQUET & AWARDS NIGHT	CAFETERIA	ALL BANDS/FAMILIES
11-13	ALL DAY(s)	MICHIGAN YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL	WMU	All Participants
15	DEADLINE	BAND CAMP DEPOSIT/FORMS DUE	BAND ROOM	RETURNING STUDENTS
15	6-8 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Varsity Band
16	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Concert Band
17	7-9 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Symphony Band
20	ALL DAY	PICNIC POPS	FRONT LAWN	ALL BANDS
22	3:30-5:30 pm	Band Rehearsal	Band Room	Jazz Band
24	7:30 PM	JAZZ SUMMIT CONCERT	HURON HS	JAZZ BAND

## MARCH 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	2	2	3	3	

## APRIL 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	2	2	2
2	2	2	2	2	2	2
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## MAY 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1	1	2
2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	3	3			