



NEWLY ASSEMBLED SHELLS 1/28/2015 WITH SWWS PRESIDENT, RICH CARR

## Acoustical Shells

The Southwest Washington Wind Symphony, Union High School, and the Evergreen School District make a winning team. The wind symphony's fundraising campaign allowed the purchase of 7 acoustical shells. Successful fundraising by the Union HS Band Boosters allowed their purchase of 5 shells. All 12 shells will be available for musical performances by the wind symphony and other ensembles at UHS. Special thanks to our supporters (listed in this season's programs) who made this possible and to everyone who contributes to SWWS after and between concerts. Hefty thanks to the musicians and family members who spent a Sunday morning moving and assembling each of the 500 lb shells.



## Wind Ensemble Festival CWU

The wind symphony performed to a standing-room-only audience at the Central Washington University Wind Ensemble Festival in Ellensburg on March 7. The Music Department's concert hall has impeccable acoustics. Many of our musicians have ties to CWU and the festival director, Professor Larry Gookin. Our current conductor, Sam Ormson, is a CWU alumnus. Mark Lane (SWWS

# Backstage

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founding co-conductor in 2005) joined the CWU Music faculty in 2006. Lewis Norfleet (SWWS conductor 2007-2013) will also be joining the CWU music faculty. There appears to be a trend. After the performance, some of the musicians and their spouses enjoyed the fine cuisine and local wines at the Valley Café. Renowned for its restored mahogany booths and bar in the art deco style, this restaurant is definitely worth a return visit.

