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## NEWS RELEASE

(NOTE TO EDITORS: Members of the Woody Herman Orchestra will have a rehearsal with the UD Jazz Ensemble from 1 to 3 p.m., Friday, Sept. 24, in Reichard Hall.)

### WOODY HERMAN BAND JOINS UD JAZZ ENSEMBLE TO CELEBRATE UD'S SESQUICENTENNIAL KICKOFF

DAYTON, Ohio — Five members of the Woody Herman Orchestra will be on hand at the University of Dayton on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 24 and 25, to help kick off the University's 150th anniversary celebration.

Band director Frank Tiberi, who took the reigns from Woody Herman before his death in 1987, will perform on the saxophone along with Paul McKee on trombone, Peter Olstead on trumpet, Chip Stevens on piano and Mike Brignola on baritone sax during a concert starting at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25, on the Humanities Plaza at the University of Dayton campus. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the Frericks Convocation Center.

The Woody Herman band members will perform with the UD Jazz Ensemble, directed by Willie Morris III, assistant professor of music, starting at 7:30 p.m. and then have their own performance at 8:30 p.m. The daylong campus sesquicentennial celebration which begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 25, is free and open to the public.

The UD Jazz Ensemble, a group of 21 student musicians, will play tunes from past Woody Herman recordings such as *Central Park West*, *Fried Buzzard*, *After Hours*, *Little Gus*, *Beautiful Love*, *When I Fall in Love* and *Woody, N, You*.

Woody Herman's "Thundering Herd," which got its start in 1939, was considered one of the great Swing Era bands along with those led by Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Stan Kenton. The orchestra continues to travel the globe playing to sold-out audiences at jazz festivals, clubs and theaters.

Frank Tiberi joined the band in 1969 after performing with Bob Chester, Benny Goodman and Urbie Green. In addition to playing tenor sax, Tiberi handles Woody's solos on clarinet and occasionally plays the flute and bassoon. "The guys have always liked him and respected him, so I knew they'd play their hearts out every night," Woody Herman said about Tiberi.

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