



The Faces Behind the Names

Madeira City Schools
Celebrating 100 Years
of Excellence in Education

Charles W. Medert

Charles Medert was a WWII veteran who directed his Army base camp's band while serving. After the war he became a well-known Cincinnati musician who played in the Pete Wagner Band, performed at the Beverly Hills Supper Club as the house trumpet player, and arranged works for Lionel Hampton.

In 1953 he was hired as the music director for Madeira City Schools. His professional background helped him transform Madeira High School's music program into one of the area's finest organizations. He improved the school's annual variety shows and musicals, and initiated the high school's summer marching band camps which extended the amount of time the band could practice.

Mr. Medert retired in 1979 after 26 years of teaching and a long professional career. After he passed away in 1989, the Madeira High School auditorium was dedicated as the Charles. W. Medert Auditorium.



In 2020-2021 Medert Auditorium was renovated with new lighting and audio systems, new seating, sound panels & ceiling tiles to ensure optimum acoustics, an orchestra pit, a new mezzanine - and more. Today all band, choral, and theatre arts productions for all of the district's students are held in Medert Auditorium. A plaque hangs by the auditorium's entrance.

