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**RHODERICK SHAW** has taught music for a long time; he's been involved with woodwind instruments since age nine, and he will soon celebrate his 57th birthday. (Ernie Daneke Photo)

### Long-Time Music Teacher Honored

Long-time music instructor Rhoderick R. Shaw was honored with a pre-birthday party by staffers at McClurg's Music Center recently. He will be 57 Dec. 26, and has been associated with music since the turn of the century.

As a youngster Shaw was presented with an E-flat clarinet by an uncle, who paid \$7 for the instrument. After graduation from Lancaster High School, Shaw entered Ohio State University school of Music.

World War I came along, and Shaw enlisted in 1917. He toured with the famed rainbow Division Band. Following the end of the war, Shaw received a bachelor's degree from Ohio State and later a master's degree from the University of Michigan. He was a member of the Buckeye's marching band.

Shaw's wife, Gladys, was also a musician. The couple met through the Westerville Community Band. She attended Otterbein College. The Shaws celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in September, and live at 201 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

Over the years, Shaw has instructed and performed with various bands, orchestras and symphonies. He was director of the Anchor Hoeking band, Adelphi band and several high school and college bands, and the Cleveland Symphony. He still travels to Columbus weekly

for rehearsals with the Aladdin Temple Shrine band.

The Shaw's son, Jim, is assistant dean of the University of Massachusetts. The younger Shaw and his wife, Mary have two daughters and a son.

International travel is of interest to the Shaws, second only to music. To name a few areas that the couple has visited, there's Scandinavia, Spain, Italy, Australia, Switzerland, German, Northwest Canada, Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand, Austria, Hungary, Turkey, Greece, and Yugoslavia.

The long-time musician has been giving private studio lessons for McClurg's since the studio was established 29 years ago. He has taught thousands of woodwind instruments students during that time.

At the Dec. 11 party given by McClurg's Shaw was presented with a Shetland wool sweater as a token of appreciation for his many years of teaching and association with the store.

In 1499 explorer Alonso de Ojeda claimed the Caribbean island of Aruba for Spain. Before the Dutch took possession in 1616, the island changed hands several times. Aruba, now a part of the Netherlands Antilles, continues to have strong ties with Holland.

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