

The Adelphi Community Band

Adelphi, Ohio
Established 1880



Newsletter



November 17, 2021

Greetings!

We've apparently had our last performance and practice for 2021. I haven't yet dried out from the Pumpkin Show, and here we are talking about 2022.

Below are more specific details that Jeff Mathew provided concerning all of this, along with other information.

Stay warm!

John Mathew

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Practice 11-15-2021:

Thanks much to everyone who was able to come out to band practice tonight.

Hopefully you found the new songs worthwhile. You sounded great, especially for the first run through with a rookie trying to direct.

The snacks were great...ALL of them.... and it was seriously nice just to have some quiet time before practice to sit and just talk for a while without having to deal with setting up music stands, putting our instruments together, or even trying to talk over the announcer at the county fair harness races.

And thanks again to Jeff Kelby who was able and willing to join us through a video conference. If we do this a few more times, I might just get the hang of what buttons to push on my phone in order to make the video conference connection with him in a more timely manner.

This was the last practice scheduled for 2021. The next one will be in February, and in a couple weeks or so I will send out a tentative schedule of our projected usual jobs, and confirmed practice dates, for 2022. Plus a couple other newsletters are already written and waiting to be sent out in order to keep you up to speed on other band stuff. If I know something about the band, then I want to at least give you the opportunity to know it as well.

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John Brown:

As we discussed tonight, John called me last night and said that he didn't think that he should come to tonight's practice. John has not really let it be a secret that he is currently going through some health issues that have made it difficult for him to play the Trumpet, and it looks like he will be stepping aside from the band for a while.

We all hope that this is temporary.

I have shared with some others that both John Mathew and I started in the band in 1967 when I was in 7th grade. The music the band played then was clearly above my abilities at that age. However, when I started, there were a lot of Trumpet players, but there were 3 Trumpet players that really stood out and that I absolutely wanted to play like and sound like. John Brown was one of them.

To put all this in perspective:

- 1). Our band member with the most years in Glenn Hinton, with over 70 years in the band.
- 2). John Cryder is (*I believe*) one year in the band less than Glenn, although distance has prevented him from playing with us since 2019.
- 3). John Brown would come in 3rd with over 60 years in the band. I don't think I have ever heard a specific number.
- 4). While John Brown has served as temporary Director over the years, he has been the full time Director since @ 2000 when Glenn Hinton's Dad had to give the position up due to his health.

Like other volunteer groups that keep on going, Community Bands don't succeed because of musicians who come for a year or so and then leave. They survive because some members realize that there is work to be done in order for the band to function, and so they get out and help get it done.

John Brown is one who has helped do the work of the band for many decades.

If you would like to drop John a note to let him know that you are thinking of him, his address is:

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Jeff Mathew

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