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OHIO STATEHOOD DAY
CONCERT

Celebrating Ohio's 177th Anniversary



Presented by
THE ADELPHI COMMUNITY BAND
— 100th Anniversary Concert —
Raymond W. Connett, Conductor

Chillicothe High School Auditorium
Saturday, March 1, 1980 — 8:00 P.M.

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In seeking an authoritative definition of a "March," one needs only to listen to the Adelphi Community Band.

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Nurtured by outstanding leadership since its founding, it has truly established itself as a vital force in area community activities.

There have always been the parades, "concerts in the park," festivals, and fairs; but this community band also gets right "with it" at political rallies, 4th of July celebrations, Memorial Day services, bean dinners, fish fries, and bellings.

These bandsmen have played for several presidents and other men of state, and have appeared in consecutive performances at the Circleville Pumpkin Show for over fifty years.

One former director was so proud of this unit, that he was buried in his uniform.

Chillicothe's prominent band composer, Will Huff, played with the band and also conducted on occasion.

1880 was the year of organization, and Mont Long of Circleville was named the first conductor. By 1924, the director was Fred Powell, also of Circleville, followed by Frank Hickman and Charles Proxmire, both of Lancaster. A former Cleveland Symphony player, Roderick Shaw of Lancaster assumed the post next, followed by the present conductor, Raymond W. Connett.

Future plans call for a June concert in our National Capital as the Adelphi Community Band moves forward into a second century of service to its community, state, and nation.

RAYMOND W. CONNETT, CONDUCTOR

This evening's conductor brings to the podium a most diversified and comprehensive background in instrumental music.

He received extensive band training during WW1 as the member of a U. S. Army Band which was attached to an artillery unit. In early November, 1918, these musicians were on their way to Europe, but due to weather conditions, the ship was ordered back to the United States and members learned of the armistice upon their return.

Following his army experiences, bandsman Connett continued to study music and was instrumental in starting the marching band at Ohio University in 1923.

An Ohio University alumnus, he has been a school band director in Topeka Kansas, and continued his Ohio instrumental teaching in the Athens and Madison County Schools; the former Buckland High School of Auglaize County; and in the Scioto Valley (Piketon) and Eastern Local School Districts of Pike County.

Having played in circus bands that once visited towns where he resided, our conductor continues to participate in the activities and band concerts of the Windjammers Association, a special fraternity of circus band musicians. This group holds its week-long convention in a prominent city each year, and R. W. Connett is among the most experienced and valuable contributors.

After retiring from public school music in 1970, the bandmaster opened a piano shop in Piketon, where he continues to repair and rebuild pianos of all types including the player piano.

He has been associated with the Adelphi Band for over fifteen years, having been a regular player and later being appointed as conductor.

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PROGRAM

POSTING OF THE COLORS

Member of the Boys and Girl Scouts Area Councils

OUR NATIONAL ANTHEM

Audience and Band

Master of Ceremonies Judge Gerald E. Radcliffe
Chm. Statehood Day Committee

BAND

National Emblem March E. E. Bagley
The Hippodrome March Will Huff
A Moonlight Melody -- Serenade K. L. King
Men of Ohio -- March Henry Fillmore
The Voyager -- Overture K. L. King
The Trombone King -- March K. L. King
A Night in June -- Serenade K. L. King
Americans We Henry Fillmore

STATEHOOD ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PRESENTATION

Wayne F. Cryder, President
Kiwanis Club of Chillicothe

BAND

Barnum and Bailey's Favorite -- March K. L. King
Colonel Bogey March Kenneth J. Alford
The Best Loved Southern Melodies Al Hayes
Lassus Trombone Henry Fillmore
Beautiful Ohio Mary Earl
arr. Paul Yoder
Evening Shadows -- Serenade K. L. King
Washington Post March John Philip Sousa

Ushers -- Key Club of Chillicothe High School
Commentator -- Lloyd C. Savage

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