The Adelphi Community Band



Adelphi, Ohio Established 1880

Newsletter



June 6, 2023

Greetings!

On Monday, Mary Kay asked me if there was going to be a newsletter on Tuesday. At that time I said no. I'm glad she didn't ask me about Thursday.

This is a reminder of the arrangements for Laurelville on Saturday, June 10th. Included, you should find the list and order of the songs.

Below that is "bonus content"! That translates into "other stuff you might like to know". This covers other future performance dates (both known and anticipated), and stories involving another famous composer. I have <u>not</u> been sworn to secrecy about whether there will be a test on this later. Yes, there will be, but not the kind you are anticipating.

Enjoy!

John Mathew

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UPDATES:

Memorial Day Observances:

Many thanks for everyone who was able to participate in either the Sunday observance at Adelphi, or the Monday one at Hallsville, or both.

They are both some of the most worthwhile events that we can perform at. Even if there were no fish sandwiches to be seen. And also many thanks to those who participated in awarding John Cryder his plaque for 70 years with the band. It is unlikely that there will be any more to follow like that.

Both Memorial Day observances continued to prove that, if you aren't used to these kinds of things, community bands are always dealing with last minute changes in the programs, and even multiple changes during the course of programs. I tried to keep you informed as changes occurred, since I would certainly have liked to be told what was happening too. You guys did a great job rolling with the changes. Bryan and John did a nice job in Adelphi with "Taps" and the echo, and Bill did a nice job on his marathon drum roll as they read the names of the veterans. It was a good week-end.

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We certainly welcome Will Petzel on Bass Horn as he played his first performances with us at both Adelphi and Hallsville. We will certainly be happy to see him back whenever his schedule allows.

BREAKING NEWS!.....BREAKING NEWS!

2023 Circleville Pumpkin Show:

David Winner has graciously offered his building for the Adelphi Community Band to perform its Saturday night concert at the Pumpkin Show. That change has already been approved by my Contact Person with the Pumpkin Show Committee.

For those of you who also play in the Pumpkin Show Band, it is the same building that the band has been using for its indoor Pumpkin Show concerts for the last several years.

For the couple of you who may not know where it is, it is at 121 East Franklin Street. The entrance is off the alley in the back. This building, and the alley, is to the west of the Auto Parts store.

This is certainly a very generous offer by David, and certainly feel free to express your appreciation to him when you see him.

At this point, it looks like our concert will probably again be scheduled for 6:00-6:30, but we will probably go past that time somewhat. We have lots of music that we can share with a comfortable audience in such a great concert setting.

Ashville July 4th: Now Confirmed! Details below

The rest of the 2023 schedule is below.

JUNE 2023:

DECLINED: Saturday June 3, Williamsport Deercreek Dam Days, 3:00 Parade Not enough musicians could say that they could participate

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Saturday June 10, 2023

Laurelville Fireman's Old Time Festival

Concert: 5:00-5:30 Parade: 6:00

Based on the weather/temperature, we may play in front of the bank like before, or on the stage. The stage would be at their request, if the temperature allows.

Play List for Laurelville:

Concert List:

Aces of the Air Rifle Rangers Buffalo Bill's Farewell Beautiful Ohio

At Evening Time

Hippodrome

Golden Plume

The Booster

Hoop Dee Doo

Black Jack

Imperial

Kiefer's Special

Parade List:

First Song: "The Victor March" by Karl King

NOTE:

NOT "March Victor" by Will Huff

For Baritones and Trombone, You do NOT have 1st and 2nd endings in the Trio. Start the Trio at the double bar midway through the Trio.

Second Song: "Officer of the Guard" by Fred Jewell

<u>Second Endings only on both songs</u>. We will play one song on the parade, and then POSSIBLY switch to the second song at the halfway mark of the parade. I will call the change, you will not have to guess. We will NOT switch songs every time we play one. That's too much like work.

The parade is hardly long enough to worry about using 2 songs, but we will program that way and see how it goes, and how you guys feel. By the way, if you have not been there, the Fire Department cooks really good fish sandwiches. And they have some good country bands both nights. Bring a lawn chair for the country bands.

Map to Laurelville:

https://adelphiband.weebly.com/uploads/4/6/0/1/46013629/map_of_laurelville_festival.pdf

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Pickaway County Fair Harness Races

Saturday June 17, Time: 12:30 PM

Gate Passes are NOT needed on Saturday!

If your schedule doesn't allow you to participate the entire time, then we would be happy to have you for whatever time you can play with us.

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Parking:

You can drive into the fairgrounds on Saturday and park at the gravel lot just across from the Grandstand by the road that goes UP the hill.

Here is a link to a map of the fairgrounds showing the access points and the parking: https://adelphiband.weebly.com/uploads/4/6/0/1/46013629/map_of_pickaway_county_fairgrounds_to_post.pdf

NOTE:

My Pickaway County Fair Contact said that horse racing is down this year, they won't be having Monday Racing, and they may not even have enough races to cover the amount of time we said we would play.

Play List for the Pickaway County Fair:

Star Spangled Banner (as needed)

Hoop Dee Doo

Billboard March

Trombone King

Let Me Call You Sweetheart

Ironclad

America Exultant

Tennessee Waltz

Floral Parade

Bravura

Moonbeams

Officer of the Guard

Hail to America

Evening Shadows

Victor March (Karl King)

Colonel Bogev

Beer Barrel Polka

Stars and Stripes Forever (last song...more than likely...probably....possibly a surprise soloist!)

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JULY 2023:

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: TUESDAY July 4, Ashville

Parade at 11:00

Play List for Ashville July 4th Parade:

First Song: "Show Boy" Second Endings Only

We will play the first song ONLY until about the halfway point, and then switch to the second song.

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Second Song: "The Matinee"
Play till the end of the parade.
Second Endings Only

I will tell you when to switch songs. You will not need to guess.

There should be more info in the next newsletter about where the band wagon will be in Ashville. Details are still being confirmed.

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Saturday, July 22, Time: 11:00 to 11:45 AM

Lancaster Festival at Fairfield County Fairgrounds.

Details will be out later.

Play List for the Lancaster Festival:

Aces of the Air

Golden Plume

Let Me Call You Sweetheart (Vocal by Fred?)

Buffalo Bill's Farewell

March Victor (Will Huff)

Paddlin Madelin Home

Billboard

Colonel Bogey

Show Boy

At Evening Time

Black Jack

Matinee

Thunderer

Stars and Stripes Forever (with Kolin) LAST SONG

*** Special Instructions:

You will need to allow yourself PLENTY of time to get into the Fairgrounds and to the stage.

AUGUST 2023:

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Sunday August 6, Time: 11:30 AM-2:30 PM

Ross County Fair Harness Races

We have been approved to park in the "Handicapped" section, *if there are spaces.* That puts us a little closer to the Grandstand than General Parking.

The Fairgrounds Map does not currently specify where that is, so you will just have to follow the signs. For anyone who asks, you have been approved to park there by Andy Hill since you are performing in the band, So far, no musician has even reported any difficulty getting into that section.

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A play list will be posted later. If your schedule doesn't allow you to participate the entire time, then we would be happy to have you for whatever time you can play with us.

Gate Passes <u>WILL</u> be needed for admission. As soon as I get them, I will contact you and figure out how best to get them to you.

BTW: The Bennett Fish Stand (hopefully) should still be right outside the Grandstand....Mmmm...fish

Link to the Ross County Play List:

https://adelphiband.weebly.com/uploads/4/6/0/1/46013629/concert_list_for_the_rosscounty_faire_odt.pdf

SEPTEMBER 2023:

CONFIRMED PRACTICE: Monday September 18, 7:30

This is NOT the 2nd Monday of the month, but by moving band practice to a week later, this stays away from trying to schedule something o/a 9-11 *Practice list out later.*

OCTOBER 2023:

<u>CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE:</u> Thursday October 12, 2023, Time 1:00 PM (Races are at 1:30)

Fairfield County Fair harness races more info later

Link to Concert List for Fairfield County Fair:

https://adelphiband.weebly.com/uploads/4/6/0/1/46013629/concert_list_for_the_fairfield_county_fair.pdf

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Friday October 20, 2023

Circleville Pumpkin Show

8:00 parade

The concert and parade list for both days of the Pumpkin Show will be out later

CONFIRMED PERFORMANCE: Saturday October 21, 2023

Circleville Pumpkin Show

Concert: 6:00 to 6:30...and maybe a little longer

Parade: 8:00

The concert will be held at the rear of 121 East Franklin Street. Go down the alley next to the Auto Parts store and the entrance is in the back.

CONFIRMED PRACTICE: Monday November 13, 2023

7:30 PM at Circleville Calvary UM Church

BITS AND PIECES:

As always, copies of the latest newsletter and info on the band's schedule, as well as any separate play lists or other related documents, will also be posted on the band's SCHEDULE page:

https://adelphiband.weebly.com/schedule.html

Sound files (either computer generated or links to YouTube videos) of our songs from the concert folder can be found on the band web page:

https://adelphiband.weebly.com/manila-folder--1.html

Band Practice Location and Time:

At this point, ALL band practices will be at the:

Calvary UM Church 427 South Washington Street Circleville, Ohio Start at 7:30 PM

Use the door with the ramp off the alley in the back

The good news is, and the shorter version of a MUCH longer story, is that it looks like we can continue to practice at the church.

Things to Bring to EVERY practice or performance, to infinity and beyond:

- a). Your own instrument
- b). Your own music
- c). Your own clothes pins

(yes, practice is inside, but the wind can still blow the music when the door is opened).

- d). Your own music stand..... any style you have is fine
- e). a pencil...yes...always bring that pesky pencil....and don't be afraid to use it.

MUSIC TRIVIA: John Philip Sousa

Paul Bierley (*Professional Tuba player, Columbus, Ohio...now deceased*) wrote several books on **John Philip Sousa.** Bierley is generally regarded as THE authority on Sousa. Even the story of how Paul did his research, how he met and interviewed the Sousa musicians and Sousa family members he was able to during the course of his work, and the amount of material the Sousa family let him have access to for his research, etc. is just

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an amazing story. You will be hard pressed to hear a band concert anywhere play a Sousa composition that the announcer is not quoting from one of Bierley's books.

But, one of his books, "The Incredible Band of John Philip Sousa" is different than some of the others he wrote in that it is more filled with facts and figures than a biographical narrative.

In it, you can find:

- a) The salaries over the years of the musicians of different levels, and of vocalists.
- **b)** A diary one of the musicians wrote during their first around the world tour (13 months) ...where you can read (among other stories) what the band had to do when all the Trombones (the instruments, NOT the musicians) were lost!)
- c). An extensive list of their touring schedule over several years.

On this last topic, you can see that when Sousa came to Ohio, he would, of course, often play in the larger cities.

But, you will also find that he came to smaller cities like London, Xenia, Sandusky, Marietta, and Athens, to name a few other towns. It is fascinating reading, and is a totally different look into Sousa's life than you would have gotten from other publications.

Bierley actually interviewed several members of the Adelphi Community Band when he did his book on Henry Fillmore (Composer of "Lassus Trombone"), which included information on Will Huff, a past Director of the band. Those musicians are even named in that book as references he used. After the books were published, he came down to Adelphi, brought his Tuba, and practiced with the band. I was there that night.

Of course, being a professional musician, he played the Piccolo part to "Stars and Stripes Forever" on his Tuba that night....Jeff K.?....Fred?....Wilford?....

Hallsville Memorial Day Firing Squad:

At Hallsville, the person who wound up doing the talk about the firing squad came up to the Hallsville coordinator and me and we had a brief discussion to clarify on who was doing "Taps". First of all, that was a great introduction he did and I had not heard that done before. Secondly, I knew that, since they bring everybody, they like to do to do their own "Taps" and I said that that was certainly fine with the band.

While we were together waiting, I asked the gentleman how many ceremonies they were scheduled for yesterday. His reply was that Hallsville was # 6, and they had one more after us.

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