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We thought that it would be interesting to look back on some of the activities of the band.

It not only reminds the older members of some of the unique experiences they have had with the band, but it might also give anyone considering joining the band some idea of the fun the band has.

Remember When.....

John Anthony (Trumpet) and his sons played "Buglers Holiday" as a Trumpet trio?

It is an unusual thing for a parent and two children to be so accomplished on the Trumpet to be able play that song as a Trumpet trio.

If you are not familiar with that song, a link to a Youtube file is placed below.

It is NOT the Anthony family playing the song, but it is "**Buglers Holiday**" played as a Trumpet Trio by internationally known Trumpet player, Raphael Mendez.

"Buglers Holiday" as Trumpet Trio



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the band played at the Ohio Governor's mansion in Bexley....TWICE?

The first year the band played in a tent, similar to what the Pumpkin Show Visitor's Pavilion used to be, because of the rain.

The second year the band played on what was basically the back porch, and a picture of that concert is below (10-17-2009)



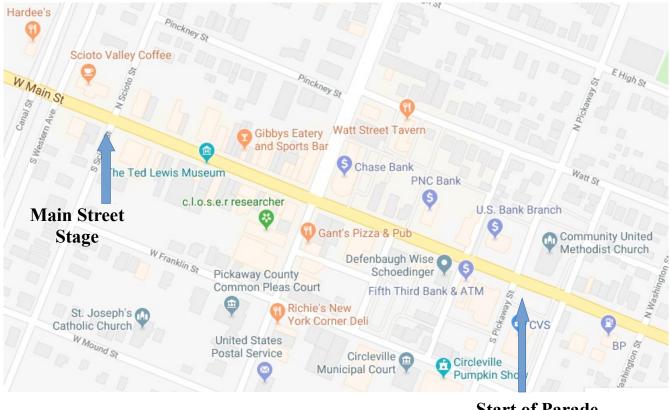
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the band would do their concerts on the Main Street stage at the Circleville Pumpkin Show (intersection of Main and Scioto Streets), and then have to walk all the way back to the corner of Main and Pickaway Streets for the start of the parade route for the evening parades?

Remember when some of us were younger and doing that walk carrying instruments and associated gear wasn't such a big deal?

A GPS app on my phone indicates that the distance from the intersection of Main and Scioto Streets to the intersection of Main and Pickaway Streets is (a) 1,618 feet, or (a) .3 miles.....or if you are carrying a Sousaphone, it probably feels like (a) 6 miles and a tube of Bengay ointment!



Start of Parade Route



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the band DIDN'T have its own band trailer, and borrowed the one from The Adelphi Community Band?

However, there were too many Pumpkin Show Band musicians for them all to fit on the trailer, so some of them had to sit on the bed of the truck that was pulling the band trailer.

Mr. Kerns would have to stand on the front of the band trailer so that the musicians on the bed of the truck could hear his instructions.



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the band had so many flutes that they had to sit in 2 rows at practice?



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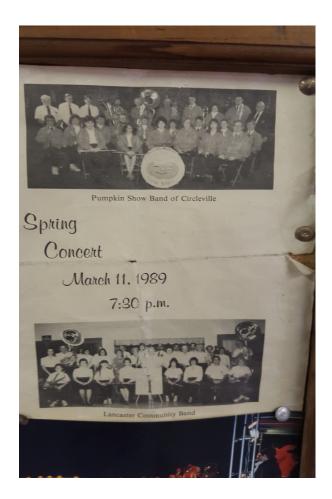
the band DIDN'T have its own, wonderful, practice room, and was practicing in the building next door to the building the current band hall is in?





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there was a time you DIDN'T play in The Circleville Pumpkin Show Community Band?



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the band had a bassoon player?

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the band played as background for a three-woman group that called themselves the "Yankee Hens", the Circleville answer to the "Dixie Chicks"?

The ladies sang at a couple concerts to "Naughty Lady of Shady Lane", and "Me and My Shadow".

At least 2 of the ladies were mothers to members of the band.

A link to the Youtube video of the performance of "The Naughty Lady of Shady Lane", WITH lyrics, is below. This was recorded August 14, 2005 at the Circleville Courthouse.

"LEFT CLICK" on it to listen to the band recording!

"The Naughty Lady of Shady Lane"

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the band would play "Circleville March" and the composer, Mr. Burkhart, would be in the audience?

A sound file of "Circleville March" is below.

"LEFT CLICK" on the file to listen to the song.

"The Circleville March"

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the band played a suite in concert where one of the movements dealt with a teenager getting a driver's license and getting into a car crash?

April 5, 1997.....The percussion section actually brought in a box of broken glass to help simulate the sounds of the car crash.

The song was **"Young Person's Suite"**, and a link to a Youtube video of that specific movement is below. Kudos to the Percussion Section...as always!

You can "LEFT CLICK" on it to open it up and listen to the band recording.

"Young Person's Suite"

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you were pretty sure that NO ONE could make "Hang on Sloopy" into a Christmas song?

By the way, thanks to inspiration from Mike McCoy (Trumpet), "**Birdland**" can <u>also</u> be made into a Christmas song!

Just "LEFT CLICK" on the link, below, to go to the web page that has the sound files to both versions.

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the band played at the Hocking Hills Lodge by the swimming pool?

One of the band members, Ed Bennett on Sousaphone, was running the Lodge restaurant at the time.



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the band was invited to play at the Circleville Halloween Parade, and Mr. Kerns (the Director for the band at that point) dressed up like a cowboy?

Many of the band members dressed in some sort of costume too, but it was great to see the Director have a little fun, as well!

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the band was asked to play in a parade at Buckeye Lake by Joe Albanese, a band member from a few years prior when he lived closer to Circleville, because another band that was supposed to participate in the parade cancelled?

2007, a picture of the band in the parade is below



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the band's uniform shirts were Orange and NOT White?



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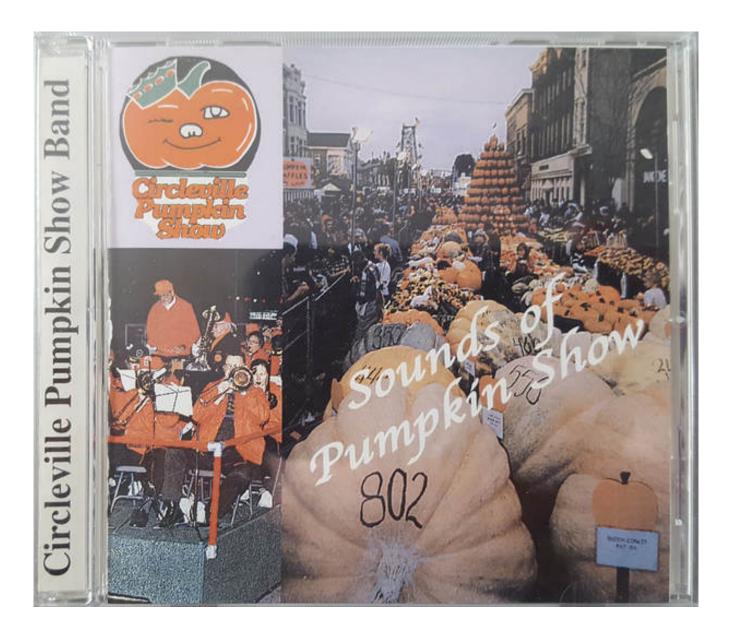
both The Adelphi Community Band and The Circleville Pumpkin Show Community Band were scheduled over at least a couple years to both play for the Friday night parade at the Pumpkin Show, and the Saturday night parade at the Jackson Apple Festival the month before?

The band actually had several members who would literally, but slowly, jump off of one band wagon at the end of the parade route and jump on the band wagon for the other band and go through the parade route again!



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the band recorded its own CD over 2 days at the Trinity Lutheran Church?



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David Dillbeck WASN'T around to haul all the percussion equipment to band concerts, usually having to go the wrong direction to the performance location from his house to the band hall to pick the stuff up in the first place and then double back to get to the performance site.

And then he would have to do the reverse AFTER the concert to drop off the band gear at the band hall before going home. And then usually have to jump in on <u>any</u> of the percussion instruments during the performance in order to fill in for absences?





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Pam Johnson WASN'T around to play the trio to "Stars and Stripes Forever" on the Piccolo as a solo?

Pam isn't one of the original members, but in a recent conversation with her, she thought that she had @ 30 years with the band!

Probably very few in the band can remember when Pam <u>wasn't</u> in the band and jumping in on the Piccolo part for the trio of "Stars and Stripes".

Only those musicians who have tried to play it on other instruments will ever come close to understanding how difficult it is, yet Pam just jumps right up and routinely plays it, usually as a solo, and does a GREAT job with it!



s and Stripes Forever, Marc

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Mr. Barnhill was the announcer for the band?

The link, below, will open up a concert from 12-20-1992 where Mr. Barnhill was the announcer.

Just LEFT "CLICK" on the link to open up the video.

12-20-1992 Christmas Concert with Mr. Barnhill as Announcer

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EVERYONE in the band was younger?



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Jim Shea (Bass Drum) wrote the band newsletters?

Unfortunately, Jim is gone now, but he was probably the band's biggest cheerleader and supporter.

For years, he took on the almost always thankless task of creating the band's newsletter.

One of his editions is below. You may not have ever known Jim personally, but you can kind of get to know him as the band did by reading one of his newsletters.

More scanned copies of his publications can be found on the DOCUMENTS page of this web site.

Just LEFT "CLICK" on the file below to open it up to READ it.



Jim Shea Band Newsletter

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the band played a Christmas Concert at the (old, and since torn down) Circleville High School auditorium?

The band did at least one Christmas Concert at the old Circleville High School in December 1991.

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the band played a Christmas Concert on the stage used by the Roundtown Players? (Early 1990's)



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Mr. Kerns played a Euphonium solo with the band called "Mirror Lake"?

The song referenced Mirror Lake on the south campus of The Ohio State University.

You can find several versions of the song, although played by someone else, on Youtube.

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you found that Ed Bugh had such a great singing voice?

Ed, who played Trumpet but is now deceased, had a great baritone voice, and would periodically do vocals at band concerts over the years, and provided several vocals for some of the songs on the band's CD.

A sound file of my favorite vocal of his is below.

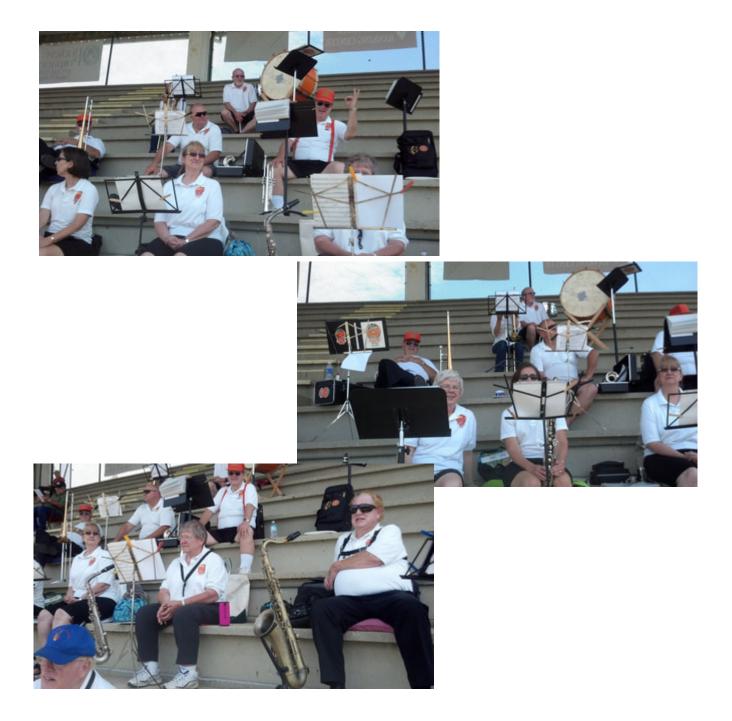
You can "LEFT CLICK" of the file below to listen to the band's recording of this song.

"I Pledge Allegiance"

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the wonderful cooks and bakers in the band would bring so many cookies, snacks, and other goodies to the Pickaway County Fair Harness Races to share with the band that the band members couldn't eat them all?



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Mr. Kerns (Past Director) would jokingly remind you, if you had to miss a band performance or practice due to another scheduled event, that you needed "to get your priorities in order" ?

And then he would just laugh WITH you!

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the band would play its concerts on the Main Street Stage at the Pumpkin Show, and the Trombones, Trumpets, and Basses were USUALLY underneath the roof of the trailer but the Clarinets, Flutes, and Saxes generally weren't, so that when it invariably rained, the woodwinds would get wet and the rest of the band was EXTREMELY happy with the luck of the draw?





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the band had at least 5 Tubas and Sousaphones, and two of them were husband and wife?

The two on the far right in the back row (picture below) ..the gentleman with the gold Tuba, and the lady with the white Sousaphone.

Joe would play Tuba, and Deanna would play sousaphone.

They would even bring their baby to band practice with them and let the baby stay in the carrier at their feet during band practice.

THAT'S starting 'em early!



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the band DIDN'T use e-mail or a web site to try to share information about the band's activities and schedule?

It actually hasn't been THAT long since the band started using this additional communication system. In fact, while it almost seems like ancient history, it was just 20 years ago this year that our own house got connected to the internet, and the first computer that we had to do that with had a 1.3 GB hard drive......WITH a dial up modem.

But, realizing that not every band member can attend every practice, and many band members like to get reminders of upcoming events, and that the band wanted the general public to have as much information as possible of the band's performance calendar, at some point it finally seemed like a good idea for the band to embrace this technology for multiple purposes.

Certainly, much appreciation should go to Director Winner who has currently taken up the task for the band of doing e-mail updates.

In addition, the band's current (unofficial) web site will be 3 years old in January 2018. It currently contains 26 sub pages, links to @ 150 Youtube videos, @ 1,000 pictures, several hundred documents (newspaper articles, magazine articles, concert programs, etc.) and the entire site has had almost 45,000 web pages viewed since its start.

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the band played at the Pickerington Senior Center, the band had added to the program a song that featured a Tuba solo, and when it came time for the solo, John, the Tuba player and an OSU fan, played part of the solo and then went into a version of "Across the Field"!

June 27, 1996, Pickerington Senior Center, **"Egotistical Elephant"**. The sound file is below, and you can "LEFT CLICK" on it to open it up and listen to the band recording.

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the band listed in the concert program that it had: 7 Flutes, 7 Alto Saxophones, 11 Trumpets, and 13 Trombones?

Spring Concert Program from March 28, 1999, and a copy of which is below.

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Concert Program 3-28-1999

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the band played at the Lancaster Christmas parade, and it was sooooo cold that there were patches of ice on the carpet of the floor of the band trailer?



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Pam Johnson on Piccolo did a duet with Carol Hunt on Bassoon?

April 5, 1998, "The Cricket and the Bullfrog".

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the band played at the "Ameriflora" celebration in Columbus twice in 1992?

8-7-1992 and 10-11-1992

Mr. Kerns wanted the band to end the concert with "Stars and Stripes Forever' with all the brass instruments and Flutes/Piccolos standing in front of the band, and the band practiced in the other practice building for weeks to get the timing, and the steps right, and for everyone to figure out how to walk around all the music stands and chairs in order to get out front in time.



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the band did "The Typewriter" by Leroy Anderson, and Gary Kenworthy actually did the sound effects using a REAL typewriter...with a little help from the rest of the percussion section?

April 23, 2006.

For those of you too young to know what a REAL typewriter is...Google it!Gary and the rest of the percussion section did a stunning job!

<u>"The Typewriter"</u>

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the band performed the number "Trombone Rhapsody"?

It could rightly be called a "novelty number" for the Trombones, but it was fun, and they did a great job with it!

A link to an audio recording is below, recorded 5-31-1992 at the Circleville Courthouse.

"LEFT CLICK" on the link to listen to the song.

"Trombone Rhapsody"



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the Circleville Pumpkin Show actually started on Wednesday?



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the FIRST part of the Pumpkin Show Parade route went:

•1). West on Franklin Street from Pickaway Street,

•2). North on Court Street, and

•3). West on Main Street to get to Scioto,?

•This meant that eventually at the intersection of Court Street and Main Street, you would have the first half of the parade coming north on Court Street turning west on Main Street and MEETING the second half of the parade coming SOUTH on Court Street and turning East on Main Street?

•If you just stood at that spot, you could see the parade TWICE without moving at all!...PLUS, you would often have two bands playing at the same time...one coming from North Court Street and one coming from South Court Street, since in the middle of the intersection was an announcer's booth and they would be announcing the parade coming from both directions at the same time!)



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the band had a lot more family members who played in the band together?

The band has always been fortunate that it has definitely been a fun, family atmosphere, and there have always been various combinations of family members who have participated in the band at the same time. Some of these combinations have included:

1). Mr. Kerns (past Director) also had his 3 daughters play in the band at the same time.

2). Husbands and wives,

3). Grandparent and grandson,

4). A parent would have a child, or multiple children, who were members of the band together.

5) Father-in-Law and Son-in-Law,

6). Brothers and/or sisters,

7). And probably a host of other combinations of family members who have participated in the band together.

8). A Grandmother, a). Her two sons, b). The wife of one of the sons, and c). A grandson....all playing in the band at the same time.

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Eric Dieterich (Tuba) directed his first song with the band?

The band is fortunate to have someone like Eric to assist David with the band whenever Director Winner needs someone to fill in, or for special occasions.

Pictures of Eric directing in 2017 are below, although none of the pictures are of his FIRST time directing the band.



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David Winner took over as Director for the band when Mr. Kerns announced his retirement on December 10, 2006?

The band is fortunate to have someone like Director Winner leading the band.

Probably even most people in the band don't realize just how much work he puts into the band, not only in terms of hours but in terms of physical work in taking the responsibility to haul band equipment around for the performances, like music stands and a lot of the percussion "toys"..... Often with very little help.

He is usually the first one at a performance in order to help set up chairs and everything that the band needs, and is also one of the last ones who gets to walk away since everything that he helped haul to the performance site he then makes sure gets back to the band room.

Pictures of Mr. Kerns' last concert with the band, and the Christmas gifts he received from the band that date, are below.





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the band did ALL its concerts at the Pumpkin Show on the Main Street Stage because there wasn't any Visitors Pavilion?

Well, starting with the 2017 Circleville Pumpkin Show, the Visitors Pavilion won't be used for musical groups, so the band will be starting possibly a new tradition as they identify a new location to do some concerts during the Show.



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the band had TWO Bass Clarinet players?

At the same time?

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the band got a "bus" to take people down to the Jackson Apple festival for the parade in order to help people get there and to alleviate the parking hassle, but the "bus" turned out to be more of a "tourist trolley" with wooden seats as opposed to something more like either a school bus or greyhound type bus, and EVERYONE who rode it complained about how bumpy the ride was on the way down?

Some people who rode the bus down to Jackson were trying to find a ride back with <u>anyone</u> who came in a car as opposed to trying to ride the "bus" back to Circleville!

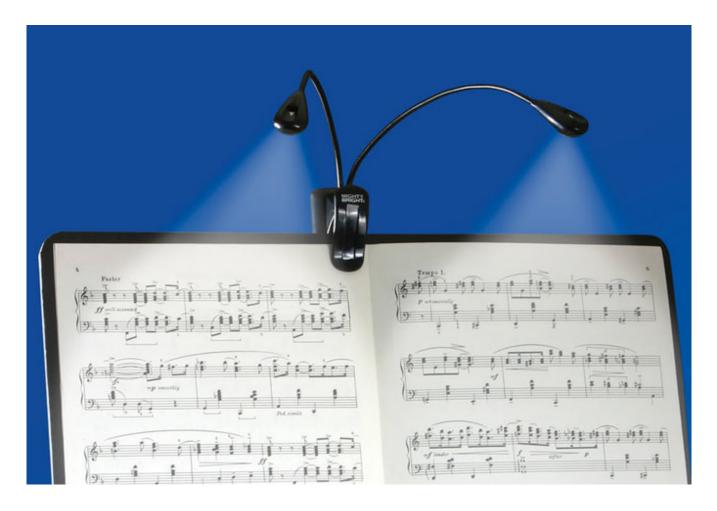


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you did your first night parade with the band at the Circleville Pumpkin Show and soon realized that, unless you had your music memorized, a light for your music stand would be a WONDERFUL idea?

At the start of the parade route, you are in a fairly well lit section of town with all the ride lights, vendor lights, street lights, etc. But then you hit the dark areas of west Franklin Street and Pinkney Street where there are very few lights and you soon realize that being able to see your music was just wishful thinking!



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the band had their Pumpkin Show concerts moved from the Main Street Stage to the Visitors Pavilion Tent, and many of us thought that we were basically getting "demoted", but then we realized that the Visitors Pavilion tent was larger, much easier to set up for the band, AND it was out of the Pumpkin Show rain and cold, and then it was like we got PROMOTED to be moved to the Pavilion?



Main Street Stage at intersection of Main Street and Scioto Street

Visitors Pavilion



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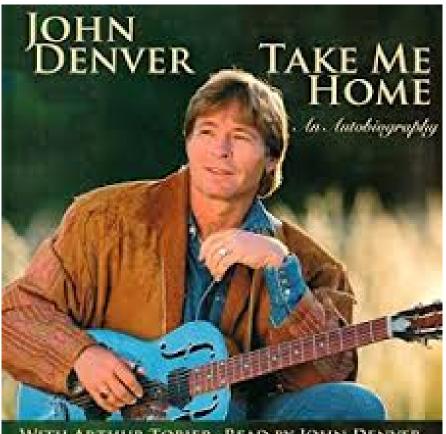
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John Denver died in an airplane accident on October 12, 1997, and the band did a John Denver Medley at the next year's Spring Concert on 4-8-1998 in remembrance?

The medley is below.

You can LEFT "CLICK" on the link to open the file and listen to the band's recording of it.

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WITH ARTHUR TOBIER - READ BY JOHN DENVER

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you went to to play with the band in your first Lancaster Christmas parade, and you soon realized several things?

1). You probably didn't dress warmly enough,

2). You discovered just how heavy the traffic was while you were trying to get either a place to park ON the fair grounds, or NEAR the fairgrounds, so that even though you know you left home in PLENTY of time, you barely made it to the band trailer in time for it to take off onto the parade route,

3). This was probably the first Christmas parade you had ever been in, or seen, where the people lining the streets were less interested in the Christmas parade, or Santa, and WAY more interested in the football game between Ohio State and Michigan that was scheduled for later that day, and

4). You realized you were suddenly hungry the minute the band trailer passed by the doughnut shop on the parade route, and you heard at least one band member (possibly YOU) asking if the band trailer could detour through the drive-thru!



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Jarrad Mathew (Euphonium) played the solo "Carnival of Venice" with the band at its Spring Concert, 4-5-1998?

Jarrad was a Junior in HS at the time. He also played the solo with the band at the Courthouse Concert.

The sound file of his performance from 4-5-1998 is below.

•Just LEFT "CLICK" on it to listen to the recording.

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Becky Ohlinger did that wonderful French Horn solo called "Presto Chango"?

•Recorded 3-27-1993. Becky did a great job!

•You can listen to a sound file of her performance by LEFT "CLICKING" on the link below.

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Director David Winner graciously allowed his building at 121 East Franklin Street to be converted into a "music hall" for the band to perform in for the 2017 Circleville Pumpkin Show?

The band HAD been performing at the Visitors Pavilion for many years, but for 2017 the function of the Pavilion was changed and did not schedule any music groups at all.

However, David stepped in , and with the help of some of the band members, did basically a last minute conversion of part of his building to a "music hall" with tarps as a background, comfortable seats for the audience, etc.....

The conversion turned out great, the band sounded great in the building, the crowds coming out to hear the band were large, and one of the concerts was recorded and made into a Youtube video. You can find a link to it on VIDEO page of this web site.





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the band did at least one joint concert with the Lancaster Community Band?

March 11, 1989, and a copy of that Concert Program is below. LEFT CLICK" on the file to open it up to read.

Plus, I believe the band did another joint concert in 1991.

3-11-1989 Concert program



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you FIRST started reading this page when all you intended to do was to just check your e-mail "real quick"?

THE END



