

Sat. Jan 24<sup>th</sup>

Sorry to be late with this bulletin..should have had it ready on April 1st, but, due to circumstances beyond my control, did not get it done, and then Cliff gave us the Tuesday of the 8th off, so it is now three weeks late.

Wasn't that a wonderful Spring Concert? One of the largest crowds in attendance we have ever had. And a fine turnout of band members also. And, from the comments I heard, from members of the band, and from the audience, this was one of the best concerts we have ever played. Don't know how you feel about it, but speaking for myself, playing a concert as well as that one was played gives a person a tremendous feeling of pride.

Our concert at the Teays Valley High School gym before a basketball game also went well. If I recall we had something like 32 members present. After the concert we went to the school auditorium and held our weekly practice on the stage. This was followed by a real fine get-to-gether of cookies and punch.

At the present time, we do not have any engagements scheduled for April or May, but we do have four in June. I understand from some pretty reliable sources that we are not going to get the Pickerington concert this year.

The June engagements are: Saturday, June 14th Flag Day Ceremonies at 7:00 in the evening in front of the Elks. (I think that is the correct time but I can be wrong..Cliff will let us know for sure later)

Sunday, June 15th..on the Court House Steps, and again, I think the time is 7:00 in the evening, for the GOBABike tour.

Saturday and Sunday, June 28th and 29th, at the Pickaway County Fair.

As always, we are on the look-out for new members. One good way to get new members is for the old members to secure them. It really isn't hard, all you need do is sell the pride you feel in being a member to others. The band has doubled in size since I have been a member, and we can do better.

A rather short bulletin, since we have no engagements in the balance of April or in May, (yet) but that does not mean we should neglect our regular Tuesday night rehearsals. It is so important that we attend as many of them as possible.

Congratulations to Gilbert Wamsley (Clarinet) who has recently been elected to the International Poetry Hall of Fame. Gilbert won this honor because of the outstanding poetic talent that he demonstrated in open poetry competition. He is also setting up the "Gilbert Wamsley Poetry Exhibit" which will be on permanent display as part of the International Poetry Hall of Fame's Museum on the Internet's World Wide Web.

I repeat...nothing more in the line of engagements in April or May (yet) but look out for June...four engagements. And please, EVERYONE, try to make as many rehearsals as is possible. It is the rehearsals that make the concerts as good as our Spring Concert.

see ya  
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P.S..Believe it or not..I have kept tract of all selections that the band has played in engagements since I have been a member. 283....It's hard to believe that we have a library that large, and there is still music untouched.