

CPSCBB #131:

Our first concert of the 1998 season, our Spring Concert, is over, and from all indications it was a pretty darn good concert, especially the solo work of Jared Mathew, Carol Hunt and Celia Weber. Lots of comments heard regarding them.

With the spring concert over, we can start working on our next concert, which is scheduled for Friday evening, May 15th, at the Teays Valley High School Track. We will play in the opening ceremony which is scheduled to start at 6:00. Be there by 5:30. Cliff will give us more on this at a later date.

Also, we have had a change of date for our Lancaster Christmas Parade...it will be on Saturday November 21st not the 28th.

At the present time, we have no more engagements for May, but we do have four for the month of June.....June 14th in the afternoon at Commercial Point, and also on June 14th in the evening to play for the Elks Flag Day. On June 27th and 28th, we will play at the Pickaway County Fair, in the Grandstand, before and during the horse races. Cliff will give us more information on time, etc, at a latter time.

As I think all of you know, I am going to walk in the upcoming "Relay for Life" as a member of the Circleville Kiwanis Club team. I am walking in memory of my friend Tom Peridon, a former band member, and my father and mother. (all three died of cancer) I want to profoundly thank each and every member of the band who has donated to me for this walk. I was obligated to secure a minimum of \$100.00. This goal has been reached by a very generous donation of Joe Albanese (trumpet) in the amount of \$53.00. Also thru the efforts of the entire band at our Spring Concert, a donation in the amount of \$144.58 was secured. This amount has been given to the Cancer Society as a Donation of the Band in memory of our members who are "Cancer Survivors" and who are planning to walk the first lap of the upcoming relay. Anyone who has not had a chance to donate yet, my purple can will be at the front of the practice hall for the last time next Monday. (May 12)

Hey, we have picked up another member in the band...not exactly a new member, but a member who played with the band some years ago and was forced to quite due to his job. The member is Vern Elliott who plays the tuba. Glad to have you back, Vern, maybe you can start a wave of retired members to come back.

In closing this month, I want to humbly tell you how proud I am to be a part of a band, with friends like you, who have donated so graciously to my efforts in the "Relay for Life." THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH.

see ya  
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