

# The Westminster Municipal Band

**WMB News**

**September 2004**

## Summer Winds Down

The summer season has quickly come to a close as the parades slow down for us. I want to thank everyone who attended the jobs this past summer, and I look forward to another rehearsal season. We started this past month with a dual concert day at Dutterer's Park and at Mt. Airy that evening. We had so many members at Mt. Airy, that we were a little too big for the pavilion. We sounded great, and had a large crowd watching. The following evening we went to Libertytown for their anniversary parade and had another good showing with around 40 members in attendance. We followed that parade with one in Hampstead with 42 all together. On Sunday the 21st, we went to Taneytown to participate in their anniversary parade, where we had 48 participating. It was a wet parade with the drizzle coming down, but we made another great showing as I heard many compliments. We ended the month with our annual concert at Belle Grove Square, which is a great concert to end our summer season.

We have one job in September to talk about, and that is the Westminster Fallfest parade. Again this year, the parade will be on a Sunday, September 19th. We will meet at the band hall no later than 2:30 p.m. to make the journey to the beginning of the parade, which starts at 3 p.m. This is always a huge parade in town, so let's give them a huge band to listen to.



***Commissioner Dean Minnich speaks at Belle Grove Square***

We will lead the Fallfest Parade off this year at the corner of Pennsylvania Ave. & Monroe Street. The month of September will be rehearsal free, but I will be having a work night on every Monday night in the month to get the building renovation finished. I will let you know by Email for certain, but at this point, count on every Monday evening for that task. We still have a great deal of work to get accomplished before our rehearsal season gets underway. Thanks, to the city employees, our garage was dug out, and the bushes on the side were also removed. At this time, the stone will be delivered and the floor will get poured next. We still have the siding to put on the exterior to get the outside job finished. George met with the roofers, and they are ready to get that done shortly. The inside still needs plenty of attention, such as spackling and painting walls, etc. We are going to need your help to get this project accomplished. So, if you can help with any of these projects, please get in touch with

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me so that I can let you know our plan of attack. If for some reason you can't make a Monday night, then someone can still let you in on any night if you want to work. I am also going to try to fit some Saturday's in, so that we can get things rolling along before bad weather gets us. So, keep your eyes open for your Email. I want to thank the dedicated members that have helped us this far, as I do know that people have very busy lives these days, but we are going to have a great home once this thing is complete. I believe that this is a fabulous project with so many people working together to get it done.

I am sure that you have been seeing a lot of coverage on the band in the paper these last few weeks. Thanks to Sandy for getting the word out and working with these people. We wanted to let the public know more about us and to let them know about this great project that we are working on.

In October, we will have two Saturday parades to attend. The first will be in Perryville on Saturday the 9th, with the bus leaving at 7:45 a.m. The parade starts at 10 a.m. The second job will be in Millersville on Saturday the 23rd. The bus for this one will be leaving at 6:30 a.m. The parade starts at 9 a.m. That's early I know but, we are getting great money for these two jobs, so lets give them a show. Also in October, our rehearsals will be resuming on every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. If we have more to do to the band hall at that time, we will be working instead of playing.

That's it for now, see you in  
September. Greg

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**H**ello! Thanks for an excellent concert on August 29th. We had a wonderful audience who thought everything went well. Good feedback was received from many people. Thanks for the hard work on the concert music. And a special thanks to the Color Guard for coming out and participating also. You guys are the best!!

As Greg wrote, there are a lot of things that need to get done with the renovations of the band hall. If you are available, please help. I personally would like to see us get started as soon as possible on rehearsals especially if we are looking to do concerts at the mall and Carroll Lutheran Village???

It's time to get started on music organization again, too. If you can help, please let me know. Maybe we can schedule some music nights to go through the folders and take stuff out and replace with new things for the fall & spring.

That's all for this month! Again, thanks for all of your support!!  
Sandy

## 2004 WMB Schedule

Sunday 9/19 (Westminster) p.m.	Fallfest parade 3
Monday October 4 resumes	Rehearsal 7:30 p.m.
Saturday October 9 parade leaves at	Perryville Bus 7:45 a.m.
Saturday 10/23 parade leaves at	Millersville Bus 6:30 a.m.

# Director's Corner