

The Westminster Municipal Band

WMB News

October 2004

The fall season...

...has officially begun and we are going to begin our rehearsal season. Instead of starting on the first Monday of the month (10/4), we are going to make that another work night, to give the band hall a much needed clean up. We will however start the rehearsals on Monday the 11th at 7:30 p.m. I want to thank everyone who came out to attend the Fall Fest parade on the 19th, as we had 43 in attendance on a beautiful day.

The upcoming jobs for this month will start on Saturday the 9th, with a bus trip to Perryville MD., for their Fall Fest parade. The bus will leave the band hall at 7:30 a.m. For this trip, we are going to park in the parking lot across the train tracks directly behind the fire hall, because the Fire Company is having a car show that day, and they will be using the entire parking area around the band hall. Please park in that lot and walk the short distance to the band hall. This lot is the one that we use for our marching practices in April. There is a crossing walk that goes over the track directly behind the Fire Company Social hall. Again, the bus will be leaving at 7:30 a.m. for the 10 a.m. parade. We should return by no later than 12:30 or 1 p.m. The second job will be our annual trip to Millersville on Saturday the 23rd. For this one, the bus will leave at 6:30 a.m. for the 9 a.m. parade in Millersville. We should return for this one by 11:30 or noon at the latest. Our third job will be the annual Halloween parade in town,



which will be on Tuesday the 26th. We will meet at the band hall at 6:20 p.m. so that we can march to the front for the 7 p.m. parade. Again, our rehearsals will start on the 11th at 7:30 p.m.

The building is coming along great with a lot of work getting accomplished. The drywallers are finished and the painting has begun. The building committee decided to get a contractor to come in and paint the areas that are needed, so that we can keep this project rolling. With all of the time that the members have been putting in, it was decided to get a contractor to finish the job, since the money is available. Speaking of the \$30,000 that the city allotted for this project, we are currently under budget. When the project is finished, I will make up a total list of what was spent, but thanks to a lot of hard work by many band members, we have been able to get a lot of great additions. We saved a huge amount of money by everybody donating their time in getting the garage framed and the outside completed. I have heard a lot of great comments

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from the fire company directors on the appearance of the building and how well it blends with theirs. There are still some things yet to get done, such as getting the floors tiled and the other rest room finished. Blaine still has some work to do, but hopefully after Monday, we will be that much closer to a finished project. Depending on when the band hall is completed, I would like to have an open house and dedication sometime this month. This is something we will discuss when we see how everything progresses. I will keep you posted. Thanks again to everyone who has, and continues to help. For those that have not seen it lately, please get to rehearsal to see all of the hard work that has been done. This is going to be a great facility for us for years to come.

That's it for now. See you at rehearsal on the 11th.
Greg

Director's Corner

Hello all! It's October and things are starting to cool down outside. And the best part is, thanks to the hard work of many people, we will have heat this winter!!! As Greg stated, the building is looking just great! The end of this renovation project is near and it won't be long until we can get things organized and into place.

Again, rehearsals will begin on Monday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m.. Another group of dedicated volunteers have been working really hard to get music together for the start of the rehearsal season. As previous e-mails have stated, if you still have a large concert folder in your possession, please get it to us as soon as possible. All folders were taken apart last week and brand new ones are being made ready. If you would like to have a folder to take back and forth for home practice, please let us know and we will make up a separate folder for that.

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Thanks again for all your hard work this summer both playing, marching, and constructing! What this group has accomplished in many ways is amazing! See ya! Sandy

2004 WMB Schedule

Monday October 11	Rehearsal Begins 7:30 p.m.
Saturday October 9	Perryville parade Bus leaves at 7:30 a.m.
Saturday 10/23	Millersville parade Bus leaves at 6:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Oct 26	Halloween Parade 6:20PM at the bandhall

