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### **Rehearsals:**

- Refreshments last Monday of the Month with general cleanup during rehearsal season.

New format – Meeting after the rehearsal

*Remember:  
If the snow emergency plan is in effect for any Monday evening, rehearsals will be cancelled .*

# Membership Newsletter

**March 2006**

## Current News

Our first event of the season is just about one week away.

Are we ready?

Are you ready?

I think we are. I know the band front is ready to roll because the banner carriers have a new frame for their banner, the Color guard members have new bright brass poles for their flags, the Drum Major has a new mace that is extra sharp looking, and the percussion section has new carriers for their drums. Yes, we are ready for a new season. We were able to obtain these new features because of a grant that we applied for back in the Fall. The Carroll Arts council awarded us with a \$1000.00 grant. We were able to put the money to good use. We will test all of this new equipment out when we hit the street

on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. The bus will be leaving the band hall at 12:15 p.m. sharp, for the St. Patrick's Day parade in Baltimore. For any members that are driving, the parade starts at 2:00 p.m. at the Washington Monument on Charles St. I will not know our position until a few days before the parade, so check out your email. We should return by no later than 4:30 p.m.

We are still working on obtaining license tags for our vehicles. At this point, we are about a handful short. The signup list is posted at the bandhall, or if you can not make it to rehearsal, please email the Secretary, if you are interested.

Please take notice of the schedule as the jobs are starting to mount up. One particular job in

question is the parade on July 15<sup>th</sup> at Delta Pa. The fire company would like us to participate in their parade on that day starting at 5:00 p.m. They are located around Lancaster Pa. They are willing to pay us \$1200.00 for this parade, so we need to have a good group. The problem is that we are always busy around this time. We usually make about 9 appearances in July. We will be talking about this in length at the St. Pats parade.

That's it for now, see you at rehearsal.

Greg

**Attention:**

Ocean City Trip will be here before you know it. Think about your arrangements as we will need your details by end of February.

First Parade:  
St Patrick's Day  
Baltimore  
March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Remember:**

Check the Website for the complete schedule

**Members Corner**

Always with the new season comes a new year at the beach in Ocean City. It is time to start making your reservations for the Dune's Motel for the fireman's convention. As I have been mentioning during rehearsal, the convention will be the week of the 18<sup>th</sup> of June. The format for the convention will be the same as last year, as the opening ceremonies will be on Monday morning the 19<sup>th</sup> and the last

event, which is the parade will be on Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup>. at 1:00 p.m. Please get your dates to me by no later than March 30th. You can email them to me or the forms are available at the bandhall. I will not need your payment until the end of May.

I would like to thank Dad ( Jim Wantz), Larry Myers and Delbert Myerly for putting in about 10 hours the other week in fixing the uniform room ceiling. We had a roof leak above the

ceiling that George West acted quickly upon by getting the roofers there the next day. After the roof was repaired, they fixed the ceiling by installing a drop ceiling to replace the old drywall. Thanks to everyone for a job well done.

I would like to welcome Elizabeth Garner to our flute section.

**Director's Message**

Hello all!  
Rehearsals are going well. The street marches have been selected. Another performance year is upon us.

If you need music for the street marches, please let me know by phone or e-mail **before** the parade on March 12. I want to limit the amount of music hunting right before the bus leaves, especially if we need to find someone in your section to make the copies.

- They are:
- #1 – Freedom City (187)
  - #2 – Algeria (259)
  - #3 – National Emblem (51)
  - #4 - Gallantry (255)
  - #5 – American Red Cross (50)
  - #6 – United Nations (306)

We are winding down to two months of rehearsals. Come on out and see what's up for the summer concert performances. The Jazz group is still meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays.

Please make note of the schedule. Please make sure you print it out for handy reference! As always, if you have any questions, let Greg or myself know.

See ya!  
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Attention: President  
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## Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Time
March 12	Parade - St. Patrick's Day - Baltimore City	Bus Leaves 12:15 PM
April 22	Concert - Westminster Bank - Crossroads SC	9:00 AM
April 29	Parade - Lancaster PA American Spirit	Bus Leaves 10:30 AM
May 28	Parade - Columbia PA - Memorial Day	Bus Leaves 11:30 AM
May 29	Parade - Westminster -Meet at Bandhall	10:00 AM Meet by 9:15 AM
June 3	Parade - Taneytown - Meet at Memorial Park	1:00 PM
June 3	Concert - Fire Muster at Farm Museum	11:00 AM
June 19-21	MSFA Convention - Ocean City MD	Various TBA that week
June 24	Concert - River Valley Ranch	7:00 PM
July 2	Parade - Havre de Grace	Bus Leaves 11:30 AM
July 4	Parade - Kingsville	Bus Leaves 9:15 AM

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