

BLACKSBURG COMMUNITY BAND NEWS

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CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Below is a list of the scheduled concerts for December. The concert music list will be the same for each concert and is listed below. Please look this over carefully and give me a call if you have any questions. The band will wear white shirts/blouses and black pants/skirts. Please be responsible, as always, for bringing your own instrument and your own music stand. If you have your music, that is fine, but I will see that the music box with the rest of the music gets there.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY!

The band has reserved the large meeting room in the Blacksburg Recreation Center for our Family Christmas party on Saturday, December 16th from 5:00 to 9:00 PM. Anyone who has played with the band is invited along with their families. This will be a great opportunity to get to know your fellow band members. We will provide name tags (as requested) to preclude any embarrassing moments while you socialize with those people that you see every week, but don't know their names.

We will have the kitchen available to us if a pot luck is desired. Details will be worked out at the November 29th rehearsal. If you will not be able to attend this rehearsal or the December 6th or 13th concerts, please contact me for details after the 30th. I hope to see everyone who has participated in the band over the past 11 months.

THANKS AGAIN!

Thank you again for all of your hard work and enthusiasm for the past months, and let's keep up the great performance tradition!

PERSONAL NOTE TO DIANA

Diana, I would like to publicly thank you for your wonderful support with music, facilities, equipment, and willingness to step in and conduct the band when I went out of town. It is this type of commitment that has kept the band going strong this year. I know that I also thank you for the entire group!

LOOKING TO THE NEW YEAR

The band will have a well deserved two week rest for the holidays. We will not rehearse on December 27th or January 3rd. We will begin our normal rehearsals on the 10th of January. We currently have no definite dates set for the new year, but there are 6 to 8 possibilities for the first few months. Please let me know if you have any requests or suggestions.

ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

I have been working with Stephanie Thomas to tie down some specifics for our anniversary concert. We are looking at dates in March and April, probably a Friday evening in the Blacksburg High School auditorium. If you have some preferences, please let us know. We hope to have a successful publicity campaign and we will be inviting the town officials.

BAND BROCHURE

I am working on a brochure for the band and would like your input. I will have a version of the brochure available at the next rehearsal. My goal is to have a reasonable draft available to be distributed at the Mall concert. Please give me your input!

MAPS FOR CONCERTS

Maps will be available for all of the concerts with written directions. All of the current concert locations should be easy for most of you to find. If not, please contact me for a copy of those maps that you need.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT PROGRAM

A Christmas Festival
White Christmas
Three Carols For Christmas
Jingle Bells Rhapsody
Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
We Need A Little Christmas
Greensleeves
The Christmas Song
(Twas' The Night Before Christmas)
Sleigh Ride

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UPCOMING CONCERT DATES

Sat., December 2 (3:30 - 4:00 PM) - Blacksburg Christmas Parade (By the Main St. Post Office)
Wed., December 6 (7:00 - 8:00 PM) - VA Hospital in Salem (NOTE EARLY DOWNBEAT)
Wed., December 13 (7:30 - 8:30 PM) - Brookmead Retirement Center
Sat., December 16 (5:00 - 9:00 PM) - Band Family Christmas Party (Blacksburg Recreation Center)
Wed., December 20 (7:30 - 8:15 PM) - New River Valley Mall

REMEMBER! There will be no rehearsal December 27th or January 3rd!

HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!