

# **MONTGOMERY COUNTY CONCERT BAND**

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**INFORMATION BULLETIN - DECEMBER 30, 2011**

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**Sincere HOLIDAY GREETINGS - HAPPY NEW YEAR to each of you and your families. Hopefully in the rush of the season you have taken the time to relax, re-charge your batteries and enjoy this special time with family and friends. It truly has been a great year for the MCCB thanks to all of you ... and things are bright as we look to the future.**

**The Fall concert was well done and a fitting end to the 2011 season. There were many musical challenges, Repertoire was diverse and this clearly was another example of what you are able to accomplish. High expectations continue for all of us. But also as you know, things simply do\*not just magically happen. It comes about through a lot of work, planning, commitment, rehearsals and attention to detail. You can count on it! We had our best concert crowd to date in November. Obviously we are delighted our audiences continue to enjoy our programs and the numbers continue to grow. That is a tribute to the organization. Many have already indicated they look forward to the May Concert.**

Sunday, May 6, 2012 - ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT  
***Souderton High School - Report 1:30 - Begins 3:00 pm***  
***No REHEARSAL Saturday, May 5***  
***Dress rehearsal at Souderton - Tuesday, May 1***

**We have listened to the concert recording and look forward to having a copy for you in January.**

**Planning for the Spring and Summer are getting underway. Letters are out to various sites regarding possible performances. In March (Music in our Schools Month) we are participating in a "side-by-side" community outreach program. This is a new effort for us as we will be collaborating with the Colonial Middle School Band (David O'Neill, director) for a special evening concert at their school in Plymouth Meeting. This is a great opportunity for the kids and community to experience the range of this musical art form together. As you noted above the Spring Concert date and location is set.**

**So as we turn the calendar page we want to personally again THANK YOU for the opportunity to work with you. THANK YOU for the**

**commitment you bring to the Band's rehearsals, performances and personality. Though it's a cliché' please know that you are special individuals and together we create some special moments.**

*Steve and Chuck*

**REHEARSAL DATES:**

Tuesday, January 3 - 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle School  
Tuesday, January 10 – 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle School  
Tuesday, January 17 – 7:30-9:30 – NO REHEARSAL  
Tuesday, January 24 – 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle School  
Tuesday, January 31 – 7:30-9:30 – Site TBD

Tuesday, February 7 – 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle School  
Tuesday, February 14 – 7:30-9:30 – Site TBD  
Tuesday, February 21 – 7:30-9:30 – Site TBD  
Tuesday, February 28 – 7:30-9:30 – Site TBD

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Tuesday, March 6 – 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle school  
Tuesday, March 13 – 7:30-9:30 – Rehearsal at Colonial Middle School  
Tuesday, March 20 – 7:30-9:30 – Concert at Colonial Middle School  
Tuesday, March 26 – 7:30-9:30 – Pennfield Middle School

*IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR –*

- Always check your e-mail before coming to rehearsal, for last minute information
- In case of inclement weather and the need to change (or cancel rehearsal) information will be posted on the website as soon as that decision is made. (WNPV radio (1440 am, Lansdale) will also announce the information as time permits.
- The NPSD "snow code" is 303. Generally when schools are closed during the day, all evening activities are cancelled. HOWEVER - there have been exceptions, so please do not assume anything. Check the website.

**Reminder for "beyond the Holiday Season":**

**The MCCB is a registered 501c3( non-profit) organization – contributions are tax deductible. Continue to consider the following year round that benefit the Band.**

a – purchasing things through AMAZON

Check the Band website or contact Mike Seifried for information on "HOW"

b – PAYPAL possibilities and direct DONATIONS TO THE MCCB:

Throughout the year individuals and other organizations can donate to the MCCB. Sometimes at work there are matching gift programs and sometimes individuals would like to contribute to the Band. It can be done, a tax deduction can be acknowledged, and it's easy! Contact Jan Jochems or Mike Seifried.