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November 9, 2009

BOARD MEETING OF NOVEMBER 2

The YCB Board of Directors met on November 2 at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse at the Lakeshore Apartments. In addition to Board members and staff members, nearly 20 members of the Band were present as observers and occasional participants.

Joe Burke, Shirley Charbonneau, Tom Patrick, and Eric Walters were elected to fill vacant positions on the Board, each with a term to expire May 31, 2011. Later, Joe Burke was elected to fill the vacant position of president through May 31, 2010.

The Board approved a "concept paper" that calls for discussion with officials of Washtenaw Community College a proposal concerning a closer affiliation between YCB and WCC. Jerry Robbins, Joe Burke, Paul Vaughan, and Sandy Wagner were appointed to represent YCB in these discussions.

The next regular meeting of the Board was set for 7:00 p.m., December 1, at the Huron Valley Ambulance headquarters. Determination of subsequent meeting dates/times/places is expected to be made at that time.

Minutes of the November 2 meeting will be posted on the YCB web site (<www.ypsicommband.org>) on the "About Us" page.

A WARM WELCOME TO:

Mark Druckmiller (tuba), of Saline, who joined us last Tuesday night. Mark is a former 1st chair tuba player in University of Illinois concert bands. Brandon Hall (trumpet) has returned to play after an absence of several months.

RED CEDAR FESTIVAL

YCB has been placed on the Red Cedar "reserve" list. We likely will not be performing at the Red Cedar Festival in February 2010. Only 12 performing slots are available and officials, faced with far more applications than could be handled, applied invitation criteria that gave preference to new bands, bands that had not performed recently at Red Cedar, etc.

Business manager Paul Vaughan is busy at work identifying a possible alternative performance for us, such as with another community band, with another middle/high school band in the area, etc.

POINSETTIAS FOR DECEMBER 15

Each year, the YCC organizes a poinsettia sale. You pay \$15, your poinsettia is used to decorate the holiday concert stage and you keep the poinsettia afterwards. See Wayne Jahnke (trombone).

ROYAL MARINE BAND

Last season, Tom Warner (percussion) joined former YCB percussionist Tim McMacken in London for a performance by the Mountbatten Royal Marine Band in the Royal Albert Hall. This year's comparable performance is on March 6, 2010. Last year, Tom went to Sandwich in time to rehearse with the Pfizer Wind Orchestra as well. If other YCB members would like to join in on a similar trip this spring, see Tom.

YCB ON THE RADIO!

Representatives of the Ypsilanti Community Choir and the YCB have been invited to perform and talk on the "Lucy Ann Lance" radio talk show program on December 12. This will happen for 10-15 minutes at some point between 11 a.m. and noon.

IN THE COMMUNITY

November 9: horn duo recital/master class, 4:30 p.m., UM, Moore Bldg, Britton Recital Hall. Concert of American music (sax, clarinet, trombone, etc.), 8 p.m., UM, McIntosh Theatre.

November 11: Fujii Marimba Trio, 8 p.m., UM, Moore Bldg., Britton Recital Hall. Student Talent Show, 6-9 p.m., WCC, Towsley Auditorium, \$2.

November 13: THE FALCONAIRIES BIG BAND JAZZ CONCERT: Military precision meets loose swinging jazz! The Falconaires are the U.S Air Force Academy's premiere big band jazz ensemble. They will perform a free concert Friday, Nov. 13, 7 p.m., Pease Auditorium. Tickets are required, but free. Tickets can be picked

up at any local EMU ticket offices. For more information, contact Gregg Costanzo at 487-3045.

November 15: Campus Band, 3 p.m., UM, Hill Auditorium.

November 18: Horn studio recital, 8 p.m., UM, Moore Bldg, Britton Recital Hall.

November 19: Alex van Duuren, trombone recital, 8 p.m., UM, Moore Bldg, Britton Recital Hall. Student woodwind chamber music recital, 8 p.m., UM, Walgreen Drama Center, Stamps Auditorium.

BAND BOARD & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President (May 31, '10): Joe Burke,
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Board of Directors (May 31, '10): Trinka Benedict, *trinkabenedict@att.net*; Jon Kennedy, *kennedyjon@aol.com*;

Board of Directors (May 31, '11): Alan Aldworth, *alan_aldworth@msn.com*, Treasurer; Shirley Charbonneau, *scharbonneau@madonna.edu*; Tom Patrick, *thomassalpatrick@yahoo.com*, Aaron Taratsas, *taratsas@umich.edu*, Chair, Property Committee; Eric Walters, *eric@ypsiwalt.com*.

(ex officio, without vote): Jerry Robbins (conductor), Paul Vaughan (business manager), Mark Jeffers (assistant business manager)

Standing Committee Chairs not on the Board:

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