

NOTES



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"Perfection in music is elusive, but excellence is attainable and sustainable."

WEATHER RELATED MATTERS-I

The Band Board's policy concerning dress for outdoor concerts includes that

". . . . The Band's dress for outdoor concerts is "khaki bottom (skirt, pants) and white shirt." Appropriate footwear, which could include sneakers, but would not include flip-flops, is to be worn as well.

The Conductor. . . may alter the outdoor concert dress requirement on a concert-by-concert basis. . . . [E]specially in very hot weather. . . shorts and other sportswear may be authorized."

Temperatures for the 7-9 p.m. period tomorrow are projected to be in 85-89 degree (Fahrenheit) range. The Conductor has authorized the wearing of khaki shorts.

WEATHER RELATED MATTERS--II

The current weather forecast on weather.com for Ann Arbor for Thursday, June 24 between 7 and 9 p.m. calls for "scattered strong storms" and a "60% chance of precipitation."

The Band's long-standing tradition/custom says to "show up for an outdoor

performance" unless you are notified in advance.

The reason is that, with the exception of Independence Day weekend concerts, only a very small number (app. 3-4) concerts have been completely rained out in a 30+ year history. To be sure, some have started late and others have ended early, but most of the time, the weather has permitted us to play at least part of a concert.

For June 24, we have no backup indoor location, nor do we have a "rain date" scheduled. As a result, either this concert will happen in the WCC Community Park (at least in part), or it won't.

The relevant portions of the Band Board's "Inclement Weather Policy" are these:

". . . . [I]t will be the practice to provide as much notification as possible. The following steps will be taken to notify...[Band] members and audience:

1. No later than two hours before the scheduled event, the director will make the decision based on the best information available at the time.

2. If a rehearsal or event are to be cancelled or altered the director will make notification to local radio stations including WAAM radio, WJR radio and WWJ radio

informing them of the change and request that a public service announcement be made.

3. The director will contact section leaders and appropriate board members of the decision. Section leaders will then contact members of their assigned sections and notify them of the information.

4. A temporary bulletin will be placed on the website (<*Ypsicommband.org*>) by the director with the appropriate information and updates.

5. A mass email notification will be sent to all members. . .by the director.

6. Members of the band, and our audience, are encouraged to monitor the listed radio stations and check the band website for updated information. . . ."

In short, in the absence of one or more attempts at notification (email, radio station notice, telephone call, notice on first page of web site) by 6:00 p.m., to the effect that the concert is "off," show up at the WCC Community Park by 7:00 p.m. Should it be raining at 7 p.m., seek shelter nearby where you can be notified as to whether the concert is "on," "off," or there will be a "delayed start."

WEATHER-RELATED MATTERS III

The current forecast (by <*weather.com*>) for the evening of July 2 for Ann Arbor is zero percent chance of precipitation!

EVENTS

Weather permitting, the Ann Arbor Civic Band will perform its first concert of

the season at 8 p.m. tonight in Burns Park in Ann Arbor.

The jazz quarter Fourth Wish (which includes Jon Margerum-Leys on sax and Eric Walters on bass) is hosting renowned jazz vocalist Barbara Rosene for two evenings of an all-Johnny Mercer program. Friday, June 25th, the group will be appearing at the Encore Theatre in Dexter, and the following evening, Saturday, June 26th, the group will be at the Cherry Hill Village Theater in Canton. There is an admission charge at both venues.

Johnny Mercer occupies a special place in the pantheon of American songwriters. Mercer wrote lyrics to great songs like Dream, Blues in the Night, That Old Black Magic, Moon River and Days of Wine and Roses, to name just a few. As an encore to last season's Cole Porter program, Fourth Wish is pleased to welcome back Barbara Rosene, a passionate interpreter of American popular music.

Lady Sunshine and the X Band (which includes Pat Padilla and Dave Maki III) will perform in a free concert on Saturday, June 26, 8:30 p.m., as part of the Top of the Park series on the UM campus in Ann Arbor.

Spirit of America, the "world class, 100 member, volunteer marching band from Cape Cod, MA," will appear in Chicago on July 3 and 4 (4-8 p.m.) (Deaton Stadium, St. Xavier University) (free) and in Indianapolis on July 8 (8 p.m.) (Emmerich Manual HS Stadium).

There is also a performance of Spirit of America in Grand Rapids on July 6 (8 p.m.) (Christian High Eagles Stadium) (free), but that's a WCCB band rehearsal night and you're not available to attend.