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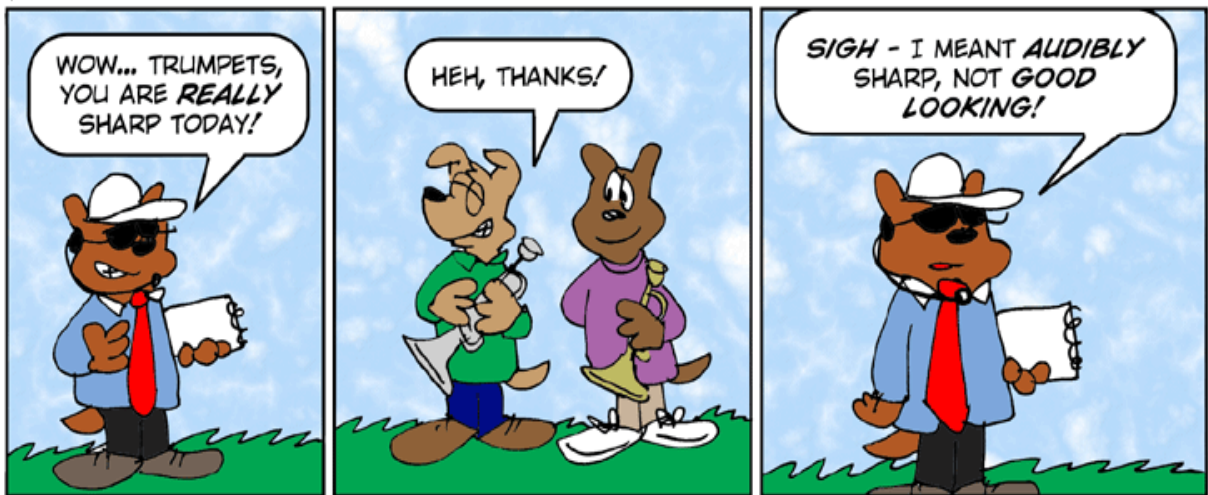
- BAND CAMP HELP THANKS:** Thanks to all for a great start to our season! From uniform distribution, to prop design & construction, to sizing & distributing uniforms, to handing out band camp dinners, to managing the sound system, to organizing band spirit wear, fundraisers, cavalcade program ads, and much more, a small community of parents & band supporters always come together to support the band at this time of the year and we are very thankful and appreciative of everyone's help!
- FALL PRACTICES:** Weekly marching band practices for the remainder of the season will be on Tuesday nights from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. Please remember, with only one group practice a week on Tuesday nights, that means there are **only 8 practices remaining for the season (8 Tuesdays through our final practice on October 24th)**, so missing even one of them is a big deal. Please do everything possible to be at each practice for the remainder of the season. We will be adding new visuals, drill, and other fun things to the show at each practice.
- TWIN VALLEY CAVALCADE DAY - SAT, SEPT. 16TH:** Our first cavalcade of the season is at Twin Valley High School on Saturday, Sept. 16th. Here is the schedule for the day:
 - 11:45am - Report to Band Room
 - 12:00am - Practice in Stadium
 - 3:30pm - Meal together in HS Cafeteria
 - 5:00pm - Leave OJR
 - 5:15pm - Arrive at Twin Valley HS
 - 7:00pm - Cavalcade Begins
 - 8:40pm - OJR Performance Time That Night
 - 10:45pm - Leave Twin Valley
 - 11:00pm - Approx return to OJR
- BAND UNIFORMS:** Our new band uniforms look terrific on everyone! We want to take care of them, of course, so please make sure the band uniforms always go home after every performance and they are either hung up neatly or taken to the dry-cleaner if necessary. Wearing a clean, neatly pressed uniform is important to the image that we want our band to present.
- OJR BAND PARENT (MPO) WEBSITE:** Our terrific OJR Band Parent Organization has their own website where they post regular announcements, pictures, volunteer information for parents, etc. You can visit our MPO's website at any time here: www.ojrbandmpo.com

6. **COMMUNICATION / "BAND" APP ANNOUNCEMENTS, Etc:** We try and use several forms of communication with the HS Band:

- Monthly "Mengel's Minders" for the big things going on...
- Weekly emails for the smaller things going on...
- "Band" App Announcements on your Cell Phone for the quick, short reminders as necessary. To sign up for the Band App Announcements on your phone, go to: <https://band.us/n/adaf9d58L7lcY> Parents can do this too if you would like to!
- Band website postings when possible with any major announcements and other information: www.ojrhsband.com

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SCHEDULE - September, 2023

- 9/1/23 **AWAY FOOTBALL GAME at Pottsgrove**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform HALFTIME
 - Return to OJR approx. 10:15pm
- 9/5/23 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/8/23 **HOME FOOTBALL GAME vs Avon Grove**
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform PRE-GAME
 - Finish around 9:45pm for pickup
- 9/12/23 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
OJR BAND PARENT MONTHLY MEETING - 7:00pm - MS Band Rm
All Band Parents Welcome!!!
-  • 9/14/23 **THURSDAY NIGHT** AWAY FOOTBALL GAME vs. Upper Merion
 - Report 5:15pm
 - We perform during Halftime
 - Return around 10:30pm for pickup
- 9/16/23 **CAVALCADE - Twin Valley High School**
See Attached Schedule Below...
- 9/19/23 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/22/23 **AWAY FOOTBALL GAME vs. Perk Valley**
 - Report 4:45pm
 - We perform at halftime (*tentative*)
 - Return approx. 10:15pm
- 9/26/23 Rehearsal, 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- 9/28/23 **BAND VIDEO FUNDRAISER EVENT - OJR Stadium**
More Details To Come Soon...
Please keep this night open on your calendars for now...
-  • 9/30/23 **SATURDAY** AWAY FOOTBALL GAME at Springford
 - Report 11:45pm
 - We perform Pre-Game (1:30pm)
 - Return approx. 5:15pm

TWIN VALLEY CAVALCADE DAY – 9/16/23

SCHEDULE

11:45am	Report to band room
12:00pm	Practice in Stadium
3:30pm	Meal together in cafeteria provided by OJR Band Parents
5:00pm	Leave OJR
5:15pm	Arrive at Twin Valley HS – warmup time
7:00pm	Cavalcade Begins – We watch the first 5 bands
8:40pm	OJR Performance
9:55pm	Mass Band Finale
10:45pm	Leave Twin Valley
11:00pm	Approx. Return OJR

Here is their performance schedule that night:

SCHOOL	PERFORMANCE TIME
Exeter HS	7:00pm
Daniel Boone HS	7:25pm
Muhlenberg HS	7:50pm
Fleetwood HS	8:15pm
Owen J. Roberts HS	8:40pm
Reading HS	9:05pm
Twin Valley HS	9:35pm
All-Band Finale	9:55pm