

The Franklin Village Band, a consistent drawer of crowds at the Founders Festival, returns for a full hour concert Wednesday, July 23

Franklin band plays in 11th Founders' Festival

The Franklin Village Band, which has been part of the Founders Fentival alince its inception, is back again to herald the arrival of 1975's Miss Farmington.

The 36 band members, custom fitted with maroon blazers, straw hats and string ties, will give a concert beginning at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23, in the Downtown Shopping Center, then will stay on stage to provide background music for the Queen's Pageant, scheduled to begin at 9 p.m.

The program is being arranged by Dr. Conrad R. Lam, founder and conductor of the band. The band is recreated from the existence of the original Franklin Cornet Band which played-75 years ago Mrs Lam is the band's librarian and also its bass drummer.

The band boasts a repertoire which swings from Sousa to LeRoy Anderson. Maneimi to Tschiakowsky. Each concert is customized by the conductor with appropriate and fully written scores for whatever the occasion—traditional American music for Greenfield Village, old-time fair music for the Michigan State Foir, or

baseball time classics for Tiger Stadium.

THE FRANKLIN VILLAGE band takes its place directly behind Santa Claus every year in Hudson's annual Thanksgiving Day Parade and has played extensively for festivals, fairs, malls and institutions throughout the metropolitan area.

No written rules or regulations govern the group, and it thrives on achieving new heights in the rendition of music motivated by a close espirit de comraderie and excellent leadership.

It is a living exemplification of musical education enduring a liftime. The band has members of all ages coming from all walks of life. The cumulative years of band experience of the group exceeds 1,200 years, and it is booked consistently, one year in advance.

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(Just 2 Blocks & 2 Doors W. of Middlebelt)

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