

West Point Alumni Glee Club (FINAL OPORD) This contains new information. PLEASE PRINT AND BRING WITH YOU.

Event: Eisenhower Memorial Dedication

Our Goal: We have worked very hard with the organizers to make this event as exposure free as possible. We have minimized the time you will be at the site. We will have our own “green room” where we will remain until called. You need ONLY stay from 1600 to the finish of our set around 1900 unless you prefer to attend the formal ceremony. We will be distanced as much as the site, the sound system and the quality of our performance allows. All participants will be required to be masked at all times except when performing.

Schedule (September 14 and 17:

- 1. Mandatory Rehearsal: (Regrettably there is no adequate rehearsal location more central)**
 - a. Date/Time:** 1800, Monday, September 14, 2020
 - b. Location:** Diamond Hill Farm, 40171 Braddock Road, Aldie VA 20105
 - c. Purpose:** Final rehearsal of the music in preparation for the event. We have not sung together in a long time and we need to get that ensemble sound back. We also will establish positioning based upon social distancing and our sound. We will be considering using (or not) the singing masks we have been provided. **PLEASE BE ON TIME!**
 - d. Logistics:**
 - i. Parking:** Observe the signs for parking. PLEASE DO NOT jam into the barnyard area unless you have mobility problems.
 - ii. Chairs:** We will be rehearsing outside (weather permitting). If you want to sit to rest your legs, bring a lawn chair. WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH SEATING TO HELP YOU WITH THIS!
 - iii. WPAGC Masks:** Please bring your mask if you have been issued one. For those needing a WPAGC charcoal gray mask, we will have them available.
 - iv. Spouses Are Welcome:** Bring adequate seating and picnic items if you wish.
- 2. Eisenhower Memorial Dedication: (PERFORMERS ONLY)**
 - a. Date/Time: Assembly 1600** September 17, 2020, This is a new reporting time. BE ON TIME!
 - b. Location:** US Department of Education Building, 400 Maryland Ave SW, Washington DC. SPECIFIC ROOM IN THE BUILDING TBD! Events management crew will guide you once you check in SEE e below.
 - c. Uniform:** Black blazer, pocket crest, VN pin, (NO OTHER ITEMS ON THE LAPELS PLEASE), white shirt, club tie, gray trousers, black shoes, socks and belts. WPAGC charcoal gray masks (Singing masks TBD).
 - d. Events:**
 - i. Assembly: 1600 in the Education Building**
 - ii. Dress Rehearsal/Sound Check: 1650 to 1720**
 - iii. Performance: 1825 to finish**
 - iv. After Performance: Depart as you wish or stay for the ceremony. Seating will be provided.**

e. Parking/Security:

- i. Parking (we do not recommend it):** We expect parking to be near impossible and recommend you use the Metro. Park are you own risk.
- ii. METRO:** L'Enfant Plaza station is recommended. Use the Maryland Ave and 7th Street exit. Proceed to 4th St between C St and Independence Ave and look for an entrance marked "Talent Pickup and Drop Off." From that point on, the events team will manage our movements.

f. Program: "Grand Old Flag (twice," "Longest Day," World War II (Long) with soloists Jeff Lau and Jim Ferguson (understudies Russ Robertson and Bill Spracher), "God Bless the USA" and "West Point At Thy Call" (no Beat Navy).

g. Leadership:

- i. OIC:** Jim Ferguson will be the Officer in Charge of this event and is the single point of contact with the event organizers.
- ii. Cat Herders:** Nancy and Mo will be responsible for positioning and other "cat herding" matters.
- iii. "Green Room Rehearsal:"** Jeff Lau will handle the "green room" rehearsal accompaniment.
- iv. Common - PROBLEMS?:** *** IF YOU RUN into problems on September 17, call Jim Ferguson (703-626-8687), Mo Faber (571-278-6182) or Jeff Lau (703-901-9831)

h. Formation and Audio Visual:

- i. Positioning:** Nancy will be placing all singers in specific positions for this event. Monday night we will work out the best arrangement. To say the least this is one of those over constrained situations due to social distancing, AV requirements, site limitations etc. etc.
- ii. Microphones:** Our club will be provided individual microphones on stands in front of each position. You will NOT have to adjust them in any way after the "sound check."