**POSITIVES FOR THE COMMUNITY**

- 4,000 + people visiting Lebanon on July 16.
- We are directing all traffic through downtown Lebanon via Route 4 to promote shopping and eating in the community.
- National attention for Lebanon.
- Regional coverage of event in local news media.
- Educational opportunity for the community.
- Potential return customers to local establishments because of new awareness of Lebanon and its offerings. Many of the spectators will be first time visitors to Lebanon and McKendree University.
- Optional informational tent available to Lebanon to advertise shopping, restaurants, and community events. This would need to be staffed by Lebanon (city council, chamber of commerce, tourism, etc.) and would be inside the gates of the stadium.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

- Noise – music will be played between 5:30p.m. and 10:15p.m.
- Traffic will be heavy with cars, charter busses, and other equipment vehicles being directed through downtown Lebanon.

**ASSISTANCE FROM THE CITY WE NEED**

- Field across from the Melvin Price Convocation Center on North Alton Street by the water tower (just past the cemetery). This field will be used for group to warm up in. The sound will be done here by approximately 9:30p.m.
- Extension of the noise ordinance.

**Schedule for the Live Learning Event (LLE) & show:**

- 8:00 a.m. Volunteers arrive and set up begins
- 2:00 p.m. Marketplace is set with all corps
- 4:30 p.m. Corps start arriving (approximate time)
- 6:00 p.m. GATES OPEN for show
- 6:45 p.m. All Star Marching Band performs (approximate time)
- 7:00 p.m. Corps 1
- 7:17 p.m. Corps 2
- 7:34 p.m. Corps 3
- 7:51 p.m. Corps 4
- 8:08 p.m. INTERMISSION - 17 minutes
- 8:25 p.m. Corps 5
- 8:42 p.m. Corps 6
- 8:59 p.m. Corps 7
- 9:16 p.m. Corps 8
- 9:33 p.m. Corps 9
- 9:50 p.m. Awards
- 12:30 a.m. All corps have departed McKendree University
The University will host “DCI St. Louis,” a Drum Corps International premier event at 7:00 p.m. The show will be held at Leemon Athletic Field, adjacent to the Hettenhausen Center for the Arts on the campus, at 400 N. Alton St. in Lebanon, Ill., 25 miles east of downtown St. Louis. For ticket information, visit www.dci.org/tickets.

Ticket holders who are former members of the Black Knights, Crusaders, Marilyners, or any other drum corps are encouraged to gather before the show at a hospitality tent inside the gates.

The region’s finest marching musicians and color guards from 18 or more high schools will join forces to perform the national anthem and patriotic music before the DCI corps take the field. High schools represented will be Carbondale, Carlyle, Civic Memorial, Collinsville, Columbia, West Frankfort, Freeburg, Lebanon, Lawrenceville, O’Fallon Township, Pinckneyville, Roxana, Staunton, Triad and Wescin from Illinois; and Hazelwood East, Oakville, Timberland and Windsor from Missouri.

“Our All Star Marching Band did a fantastic job at the 2011 DCI St. Louis show,” said David Boggs, Director of Bands at McKendree. “We are very much looking forward to our second season of All-Star music and fun. This is such a fantastic venue for our high school students to showcase their talents.”

DCI features over 1,000 of the country’s top young brass musicians, percussionists and dancers in a dazzling display of artistry and showmanship, executed with speed and precision. The eight competing ensembles include some of DCI’s elite corps: the Blue Stars from La Crosse, Wis.; Carolina Crown from Ft. Mill, S.C.; the Cascades from Seattle, Wash.; the Cavaliers from Rosemont, Ill.; Music City from Nashville, Tenn.; Phantom Regiment from Rockford, Ill.; Pioneer from Milwaukee, Wis.; and Santa Clara Vanguard from Santa Clara, Ca.

“Drum Corps International is internationally recognized as featuring the finest ensembles in music and marching excellence,” said Boggs, who performed with the Cavaliers Drum and Bugle Corps based out of Rosemont, Ill. and who served as brass instructor for the Cadets of Bergen County from N.J. “McKendree University Bands are very excited to be able to join forces with DCI to sponsor this outstanding evening of family entertainment for a second year.”

Members are high school and college students ages 14 to 22 who develop not only as musicians but also gain self-discipline, leadership and teamwork skills from the experience. Membership in the top corps is highly competitive. Auditions for 40 spots can draw up to 800 young musicians from all over the world.

Ticket prices range from $25 to $35 for reserved seating. Groups of 20 or more can purchase reduced $20 seats in select sections. Advance ticket orders will end approximately one week before the event. Tickets may also be purchased from the stadium box office on the day of the show for an additional $5.

Proceeds from “DCI St. Louis” support the McKendree University’s Music Department’s interactive, hands-on “Music in Our Schools” program for pre-K through 12th grade students.

About the Drum Corps International Tour
From June through mid-August, the 101-event Drum Corps International Tour sets the stage for ensembles comprised of up to 150 brass musicians, percussionists and dance performers ages 14 to 22. Each of these elite groups travel more than 10,000 miles and rehearse an average of 10 hours a day to compete at the highest levels of musical and performance excellence. The pinnacle of the tour is the 2012 Drum Corps International World Championships, taking place Aug. 9-11 - at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.

About Drum Corps International
Drum Corps International (DCI) is the world leader in producing events for the world’s most elite and exclusive marching ensembles for student musicians and performers. Founded in 1972, Drum Corps International has developed into a powerful, nonprofit, global youth organization with far-reaching artistic, educational and organizational influence. Drum Corps International is Marching Music’s Major League™. Learn more about the exciting world of Drum Corps International and its member corps on the web at DCI.org/about or call 317-275-1212. Drum Corps International is located in Indianapolis, Ind.