

Rockin' the Schoolyard is huge success, concert line up announced for September

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The first concert in the fall concert series hosted by Historic Bethlehem, Inc. was a huge success. The concert held on August 11 in Bethlehem featured three local bands and lots of family fun.

The idea of hosting concerts came to Jaime Campbell when she was attending a recent Historic Bethlehem meeting.

"It was brought up at the Historic Bethlehem meeting, how to get youth involved and to Bethlehem. I just thought music is a huge draw," Campbell explained.

She was right. The crowd loved the concert and the youth were seen dancing around the school yard, playing on the new playground as everyone in attendance enjoyed a day in Bethlehem.

Campbell has already planned the September and October line ups for the concert series.

The second concert will be held on Saturday, September 15. The line up will include Brady Meenach, Under Construction and Ballistix. The concert fun will begin at 5 p.m.

Brady Meenach is described as country legends coming to this generation. He sings and plays guitar, mandolin and banjo. Meenach plays originals to covers from multiple genres.

Under Construction is described as a high energy band playing your favorite classic rock songs along with today's top hits. Whether you appreciate the iconic legend, KISS, or the power and beauty of Adele, Under Construction has you covered. The band features simple acoustics mixed with heavy electric to provide a wide range of music that's sure to have you on your feet singing and dancing the night away.

Ballistix is a powerhouse progressive metal band with unique riffs and clever melodies. They play everything from Ozzy to Pink Floyd and originals.

Campbell's excitement is contagious as she has many of the members of Historic Bethlehem eager to hear the future concerts she is organizing.

David Abbott, Sr., the co-chair of the Autumn on the River Festival, is one of the members ready to enjoy the second concert.

"I had a really good time at the first concert. There were a lot of people there enjoying their day. Jaime has done an excellent job in getting the shows together. This came up at the meeting and she has really taken the bull by the horns and ran with it," Abbott stated. "I am really excited to see what other bands she has coming to Bethlehem. She has definitely worked hard and it is paying off for the entire community. Jaime is giving us a great lead into the Autumn on the River Festival and a great way to celebrate Bethlehem's 200th birthday!"

The line up for the October concert is also set. The October 6 concert will feature New Holiday and the Hi-Tops. The concert will begin at 5 p.m.

Concessions will be available during all concerts. Historic Bethlehem, Inc. asks no coolers, please but encourage concert goers to bring their lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the day in Bethlehem.