

Zion View Cornet Band

1910 - 1987



The Zion View Band was organized in 1910. When it was formed it consisted mostly of members of the Bear family. John Bear was the original director, and in the 1940s his son Earl "Whitey" Bear became director

Rehearsals were originally held in a building on the Bear farm next to Bear's School on Copenhaffer Road and also at Quickel Lutheran Church. A new Band Hall was built in 1927 on the Susquehanna Trail on land donated by E.A. Bear.

An annual business show was held at the hall from 1929 to 1962 and also hosted dances, parties, bingo and minstrel shows. The Band Hall is currently owned by the York County Racing Club.

The Zion View Band played at many church picnics, fire company carnivals and community events. The final performance was held at the Quickel Church Memorial Day Service on Sunday, May 27, 1984. Proceeds from the sale of the band hall and their equipment were donated to the Zions View Athletic Association, Quickel Lutheran Church and Northeastern School District.

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