

Seasons Greetings from

# *The Make Mine Country Band*



During this special holiday season, we want to take the opportunity to thank all of our family, friends and fans for your support during the past year. We had a busy year as many of you know. It brought us great joy to see your smiling faces at the many venues we've played in 2009. We've put a good many miles on our vehicles as we crisscrossed the state playing the music we love for all of the people who enjoy listening to it as much as we enjoy performing it. It's true that the fans of country music are the greatest fans in the world, and we've met so many of you this past year. You are truly the inspiration of the band.

The band has undergone a few changes in the past year. When the band started out in January, we 'borrowed' Joseph and Kingy from the Cash Crew to get the schedule started. On some occasions, we were scrambling to find replacements for them when they were touring with Tommy Cash. In July, we decided to bring on Alan Golden as our full time drummer and use Joseph in various capacities depending on his availability.

If you have any of our past schedules, you will have seen that we had some pretty impressive gigs in 2009. We opened in January at the Pennsylvania Farm Show, played for mom's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in February, traveled to many Moose, VFW and Legion venues, visited numerous fairs and carnivals throughout the summer, were thrilled to play the Wheeling Jamboree in June, opened for Tommy Cash and the Cash Crew at the Rachael Marasco Benefit in August, found our way to the National Apple Harvest Festival in October, and in a few weeks will close out the year at the Barnyard near Mifflinburg.

I just want to take a little space to thank a few people for what they have done to support the band last year. Special thanks to Crystal Glass and Dori Golden for the recording and photos of our shows last year. To Crystal for coordinating the Wheeling Fan Bus. To Deb McCarty for your assistance in compiling the newsletter sign up. To Gary Swartz for your promotion of the band and for getting us to and from the Wheeling Jamboree safely in the Cash Crew tour bus. To Bill Wagner for your expert advice. And to all of our fans – you made this year our best ever!



I also want to mention and thank the musicians who have helped us out during the past year when one of us couldn't make it to a show. Special thanks to Curt Nealman, Del Carter, Andy Barnhart, Will Kradlak, Dustin Wilson, Harold Overcash, Lofty Hackenburg, TJ Soult, Mike Peters, Richard Rupert, Andy Dobbs, Dean Stroup, and Mike Celline. And special thanks to the singers and musicians who come to the Dutch Country Inn open mic night in Reedsville on our Friday nights. It is truly a memorable evening for us. We always appreciate your support and look forward to your participation.

I wanted to include a schedule for next year in this newsletter to let you know where we will be in the weeks ahead. However, the schedule changes weekly so it is suggested that you check the website for the most updated information.

## 2010

January 15 – PA Farm Show before the Pro Circuit Rodeo 5:30 PM

January 23 – Lancaster County Sportsman’s Association 9:00 PM

January 29 – Mifflintown Legion 7:30 PM

February 13 – The Barnyard, Mifflinburg 6:00 PM

February 20 – The Nook, Halifax 9:00 PM

February 27 – Enola American Legion 8:00 PM

March 5 (tentative) – Mifflintown Legion 7:30 PM

March 13 – Steelton Moose 8:00 PM

March 20 – Wheeling Jamboree, Wheeling, WV

April 3 – Sonestown American Legion 9:00 PM

April 10 – Steelton Moose 8:00 PM

April 17 – Milton Moose 9:00 PM

April 23 – Shippensburg Legion TBA

May 7 – Mifflintown Legion 7:30 PM

May 8 – Steelton Moose 8:00 PM

May 22 – Lancaster County Sportsman’s Association 9:00 PM

May 29 – Sonestown American Legion 9:00 PM

June 24 - Reserved

July 3 – The Sullivan County Roadhouse 8:00 PM

July 9 – Friendship Village Campground, Bedford 7:00 PM

August 1 – Killinger-Rife Sunday School Picnic 1:00 PM

August 7 – Union County West End Fair TBA

August 20 – Huntingdon American Legion 9:00 PM

September 4 – The Sullivan County Roadhouse 8:00 PM

September 25 – Sonestown American Legion 9:00 PM

October 1 – Mifflintown Legion 7:30 PM

November 20 – Huntingdon VFW 9:30 PM

December 11 – Sonestown American Legion 9:00 PM



If you have a few minutes during the holidays to check out our website, you can find us at [www.makeminecountryband.com](http://www.makeminecountryband.com). Or you can check us out on MySpace or YouTube. Or drop us an email – we always appreciate reading your comments to the band.

Again, from all of us in the band, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Hope to see you soon.

Love to all,

*shelby*



*Jim*



*Tim*



*Alan*



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