

BANGOR BAND & The BANGOR HOUSE

A couple of interesting notes about Bangor House (where we played 6/14/05) and the Bangor Band.

On May 2, 1898, more than a thousand men, many with the Company G National Guard Unit marched through Bangor to the railroad station during the Spanish-American War. The streets were crowded with throngs of people as the troops marched by. The procession stopped at Bangor House Park where the Bangor Band played "America", prior to proceeding to the train station.

In 1910, President William Howard Taft visited Bangor and addressed the crowd from the front portico of the Bangor House. The Bangor Band played at a reception for him. Although I haven't been able to confirm this, I suspect the reception may have been held in the ballroom of the Bangor House, which was at that time considered a grand hotel.

Thought you might like some history on this historic weekend.

Hope to see many of you for the parade Monday, and even more Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Bob

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