

PLAY BALL!!!!!!!

The bases are filled with 3 fast hitting Velvet knights. At bat, corps director Mayra Iraheta letting everyone know that the 2011 Velvet Knights Drum and Bugle Corps, is planning on hitting a huge grand slam in the first inning of this years show, simply titled, "Play Ball".

Even though I couldn't coax too many details out of Mayra (as she laughed), she said she would tell me sometime early in the 7th inning.

Music for this years VK Open Class show is from the 1992 Columbia Picture, "A league of their own" directed by Penny Marshall and starring Madonna, Tom Hanks and Gena Davis. Also on the roster are musical selections from "The Natural" starring Robert Redford, Glen Close and Robert Duvall. This year's theme is definitely going to be a huge interactive crowd pleaser.

To heighten the senses, The Velvet Knights have created a huge uniform change that I have to admit is pretty cool! Can we say, Batter up! Designated hitters or I guess I should say, drum majors, for the corps this year are Savannah Gucwa and Benny Yamagata, who I'm sure will produce several home runs and even throw in a few curve balls to make things interesting. I'm really excited to see what tricks VK will pull out of their hats, because we all know with the Velvet Knights.....expect the unexpected!

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