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Beechwood Band Alumni News

Dear Beechwood Band Alumni,

THE BRAVO BANQUET of the Beechwood Band was held this past month. Director Joe Craig presented a summary of the 2009 - 2010 band accomplishments, which included:

- ★ 2009 Marching Band Class A State Finalist, fifth consecutive time (first in school history)
- ★ Jazz Ensemble selection for KMEA Conference Performance
- ★ Most students from Northern Kentucky in 2010 Kentucky All-State Bands
- ★ Most high school students from Northern Kentucky in 2010 HS Select Bands
- ★ Most high school

students from Northern Kentucky in 2010 HS Select Jazz Ensemble

- ★ HS Symphonic Band receiving a distinguished rating at Concert Band festival (for the seventh year in a row)
- ★ 2009-2010 Beechwood Jazz Ensemble awarded “Top High School Jazz Band” at 2009 Northern KY Select Jazz Festival

Awards were also presented to guard and band members. Ellen Cardosi, Gabbi Cardosi, and Alison Crutchfield were honored as guard members, and Elizabeth Gieske, Joey Boehmker, Shelby Cansler, Jake Wahle and Paulina Michels all received percussion awards.

From Beechwood Middle School, honorees were Richie Hobbs, Meredith Sweasy, Meg Spencer, Sara Harper, and Carter Morris.

Overall awards went to Josh Dickey (Outstanding 7th grade member), Micah Burkhardt (Director’s Award & Outstanding Rookie), Caitlin Sullivan (9th grade), Trevor Webb (10th grade), Nathan Hatton (11th grade), Seth Burkhardt (Excellence in Leadership), and Brandon Prew (John Philip Sousa Award).


Pamela Brungs won the first Outstanding Alumni Award and Christy Boehmker was named Honorary Band Booster.



Independence Day Parade

RIDE THE ALUMNI FLOAT ON THE 3RD OF JULY



That’s right—the parade this year will be held on the 3rd of July (Saturday). The theme is “Celebrating Our Centennial” and the alumni will have their own float to follow the Beechwood Band. The parade starts at 12:30 p.m., so if you want to ride the float, be at the Children’s Home before the roads close. Bring your own candy to throw. 

2010 Outstanding Alumni of the Year

Congratulations to **Pam Brungs** for winning the first Outstanding Alumni of the Year award. Pam was nominated for her leadership getting alumni band members together over the years. She organized the band alumni reunion at the Drawbridge Inn a few years ago that was a huge

success with many people attending, even flying in for the event. Her work with the band alumni was the foundation for our current organization. Pam also looks to the future as she raises two young musicians who are now playing at Ockerman Middle School.



Our
Alumni
Shine

Our Newest Alumni: The Class of 2010



CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S SENIORS:

Joey Boehmker
(percussion)

Alex Bruce
(saxophone)

Seth Burkhardt
(trumpet)

Aaron Chance (saxophone)

Omer Donmez (clarinet)

Joseph Gieske (percussion)

Brandon Prew (saxophone)

Sean Todd (tuba)

Katie Teremi (flute)

Melanie Williams (French horn)

Thank
You
All!

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED PROVIDE INSTRUMENTS:



Madonna Gieske & Family

The Baker-Prewitt Family

Nick & Amy Eads

Everett Cislo & Family

Tom Cate & Family

Sue & Phil Landman

Glenn McDonald & Family

The Melnick Family

Ryan & Jennifer (McVey) Alm

Andrew & Anna Adams

Luanne & Jerry Williams

Irene Hess

Kent & Pamela Marcum

Mike Kabitsch

Yorke and Barbara Hanna

We raised over \$1000 and received four much needed instruments!

Alumni Spotlight: Larson Gilmore, Beechwood Tuba

THEN AND NOW:

I have continued to play tuba all four years I have

been at West Point. It is impossible for me to play tuba and not remember my days in band at Beechwood—the memories, friendships, and how it developed me as a leader. Beechwood Band is something I never forget, never stop being proud of, and am honored to be associated with.

Larson graduated in May and is in the Field Artillery, BOOM BOOM! His beret continues to be passed down in the Senior Wills.

—Larson Gilmore
2006 alumnus



From the
class of
2006



Beechwood Marching Tigers, 2001

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“A Tradition of Excellence”




Other News:

 Make plans now to attend Beechwood’s **150th Year Celebration** on September 17, 18, and 19th. There will be many wonderful activities, including the Alumni Reunion Weekend school dedication, the Beechwood v. CovCath football game, tours of both the elementary and high schools, the 150th year anniversary reunion banquet, the 150th year anniversary brunch and much more. We are still determining the special role our band alumni will play, so more information will be forthcoming closer to the date.

 The **Parent & Friends Picnic Preview** of this year’s show will be on August 28. The show is entitled “**The Blueprint**” (shh—this isn’t public knowledge yet!). The picnic starts at 5pm, followed by the preview show. If you can, please bring a dessert or covered dish. The Band Boosters will be providing the meat for the grill.

 T-shirt Contest! Alumni are urged to submit a **show shirt design** for this year’s show. The winner gets a free t-shirt. Please send your entries to Zan Burkhardt at burkhaz@fuse.net or Joe Craig at joe.craig@beechwood.kyschools.us. Your entry needs to be sent electronically as a pdf. You may use three colors in addition to the shirt color. Feel free to submit several designs or just use the same design with different fonts, inverted colors, etc.

 If you didn’t receive a letter recently from the band concerning our desperate need for instruments, then we don’t have your current address. Please **update your information** by emailing Zan Burkhardt at burkhaz@fuse.net.