

ISU Alumni Band

HOMECOMING EDITION 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 6 Deadline to order a new jacket
- After October 6 \$10 late fee applied
- October 19 Deadline to reserve a performance spot during halftime
- October 27-28 Homecoming Reunion

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Greetings, everyone!

The Alumni Band board has been hard at work organizing Homecoming and pep band for the fall and winter. First, a quick look backward. Our <u>spring newsletter</u> was posted on our site at the Alumni Association. The newsletter editors did a great job and it is full of good information.

We have a very exciting fall ahead!

Homecoming 2017 is not only the 37th Annual Alumni Band Reunion it is also an opportunity to recognize the excellence of the Varsity Band with the presentation of the Sudler Cup. We are planning to host Friday night at the Sukup End Zone Club at Jack Trice. Additional details will be included in the next issue of the newsletter. Saturday will be a simplified show to allow new time constraints from the Big 12 as well as the trophy presentation.

Pep Band has already kicked off with a pre-season volleyball match at Hilton. As athletics announces the schedule we will pass on that information to everyone. Based on what is already posted we may have some excellent opportunities this year.

The constitution changes approved last fall take effect this year with the realignment of the board. President-Elect Erin is working hard on nominations, and if you are interested in an elected spot, please contact her. She also has the ability to appoint any non-elected volunteers to the board who are interested in serving. This is a great way to serve the Alumni Band as a volunteer and participate in a leadership role.

Homecoming registration is open now! Register today!

Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for the most up to date information. Go, Cyclones!
Chris Colvin
2015-2017 President



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2017-2018 Board Member Elections

Again this year you will be able to vote for the new board members online. A separate email will go out to those who register for Homecoming with a link to the voting webpage.

If you are interested in running for a position on the board, please contact President-Elect, Erin Kalkwarf at erin.kalkwarf@gmail.com, chair of the nominating committee.

Ballot Positions for 2017-2018

Secretary – keep minutes at meetings and distribute them to all members of the Executive Board, carry out correspondence, and complete other duties as assigned

Treasurer – maintains financial records of income and expenses, prepares reports for each event and distribute reports to the Executive Board, and other duties s assigned

Newsletter Editor – chronicle the meetings and appearances of the Alumni Band by coordinating with the Music Department and the Board in publishing the newsletters

Public Relations Specialists – propose and execute public campaigns to make the public aware of the good works and good times of the Alumni Band

Directors at Large (3) – advise and consult as a part of the Executive Board at all meetings and carry out other duties as assigned

Help a Senior Attend Band Banquet

With your help, the Alumni Band provides tickets for every senior Varsity Band member to the annual Band Banquet. The year-end banquet is always a highly anticipated event for Varsity Band members, and for many is one of their last official activities with the band.

By adding this ticket to your Alumni Band registration you are able to thank a senior band member for his/her years of dedication to the ISU Bands. A wonderful way to welcome graduating seniors to the Alumni. Please consider gifting this opportunity to a Varsity member.

Uniforms

The Alumni Band official uniform:

- The Alumni Band fleece jacket
- Red shirt
- Black pants/jeans
- Black socks and black shoes
- Cyclone colored hats, gloves and scarves

We encourage Cyclone colors with all accessories! If you do not have a jacket, you will need to purchase one with your registration. Recent graduates (2015 – 2017) and current students receive a discounted price. All jackets are men's sizes (S-4XL) and to guarantee your jacket size register by October 6. All specific jacket questions should be directed to Chris Colvin.



Instruments

The Iowa State University Band Department will supply the following items to those who will need them:

- Mellophones
- Baritones
- Sousaphones
- Percussion
- Flags

If you need any of these items, please indicate as much in the appropriate spot on your registration form. Due to limited availability, all horns are on a first come first served basis. Those using borrowed instruments will still need to supply their own lyres, and will be responsible for returning their instrument to the proper place after the game. Those in need of other instruments not listed should try to locate them through other local sources, such as local schools, music stores, or other ISU band alumni. Music flip folders will be provided at rehearsal Saturday. All other items (reeds, valve oil, etc.) are your responsibility.

Saturday Meal At Scheman

A Saturday meal is included with your full registration, or may be ordered separately if you do not intend on joining the band at the game. Saturday meals can also be ordered for guests through the registration form. All diners will need a meal ticket, which will be included in your registration packet. Packets can be picked up Friday night, prior to Saturday rehearsal or outside the meeting room at Scheman prior to the meal.

Golden Alumni Shuttle

If you are in need of transportation assistance, the Golden Alumni Shuttle will be available for use. This shuttle will also run from Scheman to the Bergstrom Indoor Practice Facility before rehearsal on Saturday. Please indicate on the registration form your desire to use the shuttle so that there is enough transportation for everyone.

See Who's Coming

You can see who is coming to Homecoming in advance! Our online list of people who have registered for the reunion is updated continuously so keep checking. This is a great way to follow up with that friend of yours who needs reminding... you know...the one you always called on Saturday morning to make sure he/she was up on time! Find a link on our website, www.isualumniband.org.

Marching Options

Did you know that there are several options for participating in the halftime show?

The three options can be chosen during registration:

- March the halftime drill on the field "Marching On-Field"
- Enjoy the show from the sideline "Non-Marching Sideline"
- Stationary position on the field "Stationary On-Field"

The stationary on-field position is being offered as a less strenuous way to participate in Alumni Band. You'll still be on the field with the rest of the alumni band, but instead of marching the drill you will march on the field, stand and play, and then march off the field. How simple is that?! A limited number of these positions are available and they will be filled on a first come, first served basis so please register early if you are interested.

Hopefully everyone can find a participation level that will work for them in order to return to Alumni Band, or join us for the first time. Trust us, you can do it!

Alumni Band Homecoming FAQ

Where do I pick up my jacket?

You can pick up jackets at check in on Friday night or Saturday morning. If you are unable to attend we can make arrangements to get your jacket to you.

Do I still need to know how to play my horn well anymore?

No. We gather to have fun with friends, network, and enjoy being on the field together.

Do we memorize music?

No. Hard copies of the music will be available Saturday morning at rehearsal. If available, we will notify you where to find the music in advance if you would like to practice and/or memorize.

Do I need to provide my own lyre?

A limited lyres are available for checkout on Saturday morning. If you prefer a bell mount lyre, you are responsible for providing your own. Music and lyre return is something we keep refining each year. We will have containers to collect them near the trucks for borrowed horns parked outside the indoor practice facility.

Why do we wear black pants and shoes?

Black pants and shoes, along with the jacket, help provide a uniform look for the group and looks snazzy on the field!

Where can I park?

We pay for parking at Scheman just like a wedding or conference that uses it. Tell them you are with the Alumni Band.

Is there a full dinner on Friday night?

No. We typically offer hors d'oeuvres and light snacks. Look for more information as we get closer to celebrating homecoming 2017 and the Sudler Trophy.

What if it rains/snows?

You are encouraged to layer up or over your jacket to stay dry and warm. Hats and gloves are also welcome! Check the forecast and plan accordingly.

I already have a season ticket, why are we buying one with the Saturday package?

It's part of the rules that Athletics lays down for groups. Compared to some other Big XII bands we come out pretty well.

How much do we actually play or march?

It depends on the year. This year will be shorter due to recognition of the Sudler Trophy. It is typically one short song on our own, a joint song with the Varsity Band and then Fights. Stands music is limited to basic ISU Cheers.

Is there child care?

Not at this time.

Alumni Band Homecoming FAQ Continued

Do we stay for the whole game?

Yes. However, we know that for late games people may have to get home right after half time because of a long trip and/or children. We can work out individual cases as they arise.

Do I have to enter/sit with the band?

Yes.

What should I bring?

Good memories, a good set of lungs, black pants, black shoes, and your jacket. Don't forget your instrument (unless you are borrowing one that is!). There will be opportunities to purchase raffle tickets Friday and Saturday, so feel free to bring some cash to help support the ISUCF'V'MB and enter for your chance to win some great prizes – including registration for Homecoming 2018!

Am I allowed to bring in alcohol?

Absolutely not! We are still representing the band and must follow the rules of Jack Trice Stadium.

What happens if I something happens suddenly and I can't attend?

We know plans can change on short notice. Contact a board member (emails are available on our website) as soon as you can. We don't typically allow refunds, but have provided partial refunds on a case by case basis.

I would like to get involved and help run this event, how do I do that?

Run for the Board of Directors! Contact the President-Elect to add your name to ballot (for 2017, contact Erin Kalkwarf@gmail.com) Write-ins are welcome as well.

I'm a new alumnus, how do I make friends?

Start saying hi to people! Encourage your friends to return with you – the more of you that return together each year, the more fun you will have.

2016-2017 ISU Alumni Band Board Members



President — Chris Colvin, '02, '05 President Elect — Erin Kalkwarf, '05 Immediate Past President — Donna Drefke, '87 Secretary — Nikki Barbee, 08 Treasurer — Kevin Beichley, '09, '10 Director At Large, 1st Year — Lauren Schwab '13, '16 Ryan Schnackel, '03 Chris Davidson, '09 Director At Large, 2nd Year — Jim Wilcox, '80 Andrew Denner, '08 Mark Halverson, '79 Public Relations — Sarah Roltgen, '14 Joe Waters, '10 Newsletter — Emily Worthington, 'II Newsletter, Special Projects - Golf — Liz Juchems, 'II Special Projects - Golf — Kelli Huser, '09 Special Projects - Pep Band — Jay Chapman, '90 Director of Bands — Michael Golemo