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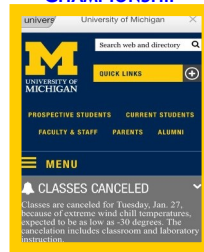
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FORMER UM BANDS FACULTY AT HILL AUDITORIUM FOR H. ROBERT REYNOLD'S 80TH BIRTHDAY. L-R ALAN MCMURRAY, CARL ST. CLAIR, DONALD SCHLEICHER, DENNIS GLOCKE WITH PROFESSOR REYNOLDS



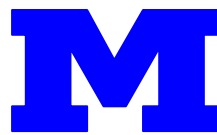
BASKETBALL BAND AT B1G CHAMPIONSHIP



POLAR VORTEX!



RETIRING AFTER 40 YEARS AT THE UM SMTD, PROFESSOR DON SINTA WITH THE DON SINTA QUARTET—APRIL 11



COLLAGE 2014: ANDREA BROWN, H. ROBERT REYNOLDS, MARK NORMAN AND JOHN PASQUALE



ANDREA BROWN CONDUCTS THE COMBINED MAIZE AND BLUE CAMPUS BANDS AT HILL APRIL 4

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Stay an UMBAA "Member in Good Standing" by logging in to

www.umbaa.org

and going to the **membership application** under Quick Links, or by choosing the **Membership Application** from the **Forms** menu. If you haven't yet created a login, are having trouble creating a login and/or can't remember your login, send an email to umbaa-webmaster@umich.edu

MMB AT BDUBS BOWL!

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By Nick Hounshell '15, Mellophone
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Tempe, Arizona, December, 2013—All dubious football performances and unfortunate holiday coincidence aside, the MMB trip to Tempe far exceeded the already-high expectations that I had for the seemingly-annual “MMB Goes Somewhere Warmer Extravaganza.”

After descending over the painted desertscape of jagged mountains and intermittent swaths of luscious green, the band touched down during the early afternoon in sunny Arizona-- as anyone with a Facebook or Twitter account could have told you.

As exciting as it was to be able to spend a few days basking in the warmth, the climate shift wasn't not terribly accommodating to the band. I remember developing a terribly dry, unrelenting cough throughout the course of the weekend that would keep me (and regrettably, my roommates) up through all hours of the night, as well as my bandmates going down with dehydration, migraines, and the flu. On the third morning (the day of our hour-long parade—which, point of interest, the staff did a FANTASTIC job hydrating us for), I remember Dr. Brown coming into the breakfast hall greeted by a cacophony of coughs and sneezes, and came by the table that a few of us horns were sitting at and promptly instructed us to stop coughing

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Clockwise on these pages:
From Top Left:
The Author 'outstanding' on a mountain above Tempe (shh!).
MMB Horns in rehearsal.
MMB Staff demonstrate prowess at gameday signing.
Dr. Pasquale guiding all aspects of “The Authentic Western Event.” GSI Kayla MacLennan with the BWW Bowl Mascot.
MMB Staff on the mountain.
MMB Enters the stadium.



BUFFALO WILD WINGS BOWL



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directly into each other's mouths.

But despite a very busy, very fatiguing schedule and a nasty case of Band Plague going around, you would have been hard-pressed to find anyone in poor spirits. Given the time crunch that the trip was on, looking back, we really made the most of our time in Arizona.

Going into the BWW Bowl, I was certain that hands-down the unlimited BDubs night (yes, that's not just a rumor) would be the highlight of the trip, but the trip coordinators (read: Maggie) really outdid themselves. As much as I enjoyed the performance at the zoo and the free time to wander about afterwards, the coolest activity I've had the privilege of experiencing was the "Authentic Western Event" that Dr. Pasquale had been talking up since before we even got the bowl bid. I really can't imagine the trip without having had the better part of 4 hours to eat grilled steak, ride horses

for the first time, climb mountains (which I later found out wasn't allowed...oops), and baking in the warm desert sun. Looking back on this trip, from the awesome hotel in which we were lucky enough to be staying, to the friendliest driver that I've ever had the pleasure of meeting, to the entire band wishing Trucker Steve a happy birthday, I'm really grateful that it was my last experience as a uniformed member of the MMB, and couldn't have asked for a more incredible way to spend these last 4 years.



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

As I begin my term as President of the University of Michigan Band Alumni Association, I can hardly believe that it will be thirty years this upcoming August when I first stepped foot in Revelli Hall. I have always enjoyed my association with the Michigan Bands and have watched for ways to pay my experiences forward. I look back on my last ten years of service on the Board of Directors, and I am proud of how the Association has grown to better serve both students and Alumni.



Peter C. Cubba

Blast From The Past 2013 included honoring John Wilkins as he retired from directing The Alumni Pep Band. Board members Linda Ridley and Pete Dalton received Distinguished Service Awards. We also introduced James Nissen and Evaristo Rodriguez as co-directors of the Alumni Pep Band.

I look forward to expanding friendships through participation in Alumni Pep Band and Alumni Concert Band. The Association will also be looking to add other social events to the calendar in addition to our Golf Outing on August 3, 2014 for our membership and our scholarships.

The Alumni Pep Band will be performing at softball and baseball games in the near future. And please add Homecoming Blast from the Past 2014 to your calendar on the weekend of November 1. Watch for these and other events to come this year. If you would like to participate, or any events you would like to have the Association sponsor, please let us know. We are continuing to improve our digital communications to connect Band Alumni both near and far.

For the Good of the Association,

Peter C. Cubba
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Chair: Kristy Benz Penney '94

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Chair: Jeff Henderson '80

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Chair: Salo Korn '65

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Chair: Jim Roach '63

GOVERNANCE—oversees organizational procedures

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9TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3, 2014

JOIN US for the 2014 UMBAA Golf Outing!

Net proceeds benefit the UMBAA Scholarship Fund!

The Golf Outing is open to Michigan Band Alumni Association members, family and friends

LOCATION: UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN GOLF COURSE
500 E. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104



SCHEDULE & HIGHLIGHTS

8 a.m. Registration (light snack provided)

9 a.m. Shot Gun Start Scramble Format

Beverages throughout the event

Barbecue meal follows event

Commemorative Gift Bag

Door Prizes

Silent Auction

50 / 50 Raffle

Lowest & Highest Team Scores

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REGISTRATION & FEES

Registration limited to 120 golfers.

REGISTER ONLINE AT www.umbaa.org/golf

\$105 per person

\$30 per person dinner only

After June 27, registration is \$120 per golfer. Registration and payment postmarked or submitted online by July 25, 2014.

EARLY REGISTRATION RAFFLE

Register before May 2 for a chance to win 4 golf passes at the U-M Golf Course.

Must be used before August 2. Each pass includes one greens fee and half cart.

For more information: contact Mike Kardasz at 586-907-4152 or e-mail

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UMBAA GOLF OUTING

UMBAA CONCERT BAND



UMBAA CONCERT BAND ON STAGE
AT HILL AUDITORIUM

The University of Michigan Band Alumni Association Concert Band is a volunteer organization committed to finding a place for University of Michigan Band Alumni of all ages and abilities to gather, make music and socialize. Formed in the spring of 2009, the UMBAA Concert Band continues to provide an opportunity for alumni to continue displaying their musical excellence and tradition of the University of Michigan.



DUSTIN BARR, 2013-14 CONDUCTOR

The Concert Band meets on Thursday evenings at Skyline High School, Ann Arbor. All rehearsals run from 7:30 to 9:30 PM. A small contingent of band members and friends often go out after rehearsals for socializing and camaraderie. If you are interested in joining the UMBAA concert band, we would love to have you as a member! Our band welcomes players of all levels and abilities. To play in the Concert Band you must be an UMBAA member in good standing with paid dues. Join us!

Go to www.umbaa.org to register for next season!

GIVING BACK: UMBAA SCHOLARSHIPS

The Association's 2013/14 Concert and Symphony Band UMBAA Scholarship Recipients

Madelin Aiken, Junior, Flute, Performance and Music Education, Londonderry, New Hampshire

Micaela Acomb, Senior, Saxophone, Performance and Music Education, Birmingham, Michigan

Jonathan Jones, Junior, Tuba, Performance, Houston, Texas

Travis Blume, Senior, Oboe, Performance, Dallas, Texas

Arlo Shultis, Junior, percussion, Performance, St. Louise, Missouri

Thomas Stephenson, Sophomore, Clarinet, Performance, Orlando, Florida

The Association's 2013/14 Michigan Marching Band UMBAA Scholarship Recipients

Rachel Forche, Piccolo, Troy, Michigan (3 Years)

Austin Garthe, Alto Saxophone, Comstock Park, Michigan (4 Years)

Evan Hall, Percussion (Tenor), West Bloomfield, Michigan (3 Years)

Chloe Hepker, Percussion (Cymbals), Hudson, Michigan (4 Years)

Anna Kemeny, Piccolo, Bloomfield, Michigan (3 Years)

Jay Krembs, Flag, Durand, Michigan (4 Years)

Mike McLane, Percussion (Snare), Charlotte, Michigan (3 Years)

Tom Monson, Clarinet, Dexter, Michigan (4 Years)

Mark Podhorez, Tenor Saxophone, Midland, Michigan (4 Years)

"It's important to be able to take a step back and recall what we musicians value most; our craft is not a zero-sum game, and total happiness can only increase when we help each other to become better performers. The Band Alumni Association never ceases to amaze me with their generosity of spirit and willingness to 'pay it forward.' I feel truly blessed to have access to such a strong network of support from alumni, and cherish the fact that in a very short amount of time I will have the opportunity to be counted among this body. The Band Alumni Association is a fresh reminder of the importance of legacy at Michigan."

~Travis Blume

MICHIGAN BANDS 2013/14



MICHIGAN BASKETBALL BAND WITH DR. ANDREA BROWN AT THE 2014 NCAA ROUND OF 32, MARCH 22



DIRECTOR OF BANDS MICHAEL HAITHCOCK WITH THE SYMPHONY BAND IN CONCERT AT HILL FEBRUARY 7



INDIANAPOLIS: COMBINED MMB AND SPARTAN BAND PERFORMANCE AT THE B1G 10K MARCH 14



MICHIGAN BAND AT THE BIG HOUSE FOR THE FIRST GAME FOR MICHIGAN WOMEN'S LACROSSE TEAM #1 ON APRIL 5



IN THE TUNNEL WITH ALUMNI BAND- BLAST 2013



MICHIGAN BASKETBALL BAND AT 2014 NCAA ROUND OF 16, MARCH 28



MICHIGAN MARCHING BAND MEMBERS TEACH 2ND GRADE STUDENTS ABOUT INSTRUMENTS AT YPSILANTI'S SOUTH POINTE SCHOLARS ACADEMY, DECEMBER 2013

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SUBMISSIONS for ALUMNI UPDATE:

News items of current activities are welcomed for *MFanfare*. **DEADLINES:** Materials must be received by July 15 for FALL/BLAST Issue, November 15 for WINTER ISSUE, February 15 for SPRING Issue, April 15 for SUMMER Issue.

Submit online, via email or mail.

Tell us what you've been up to so the rest of us know ...promotions, awards, positions, births, family, publications).

Please be specific but brief.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR HOMECOMING 2014!
BANDORAMA – OCTOBER 31, 2014
BLAST FROM THE PAST—NOVEMBER 1, 2014
FULL CALENDAR [HTTP://MMB.MUSIC.UMICH.EDU/PUBLIC-CALENDAR](http://MMB.MUSIC.UMICH.EDU/PUBLIC-CALENDAR)

NEW: Saturday, October 18, Slippery Rock vs Mercyhurst at The Big House:

The game includes a Big House Band Invitational at Michigan Stadium. Select high school bands are invited to perform with the University of Michigan Marching Band at the game, perform their current marching band show in the Big House following the game and receive comments and a clinic with the faculty of the Michigan Marching Band. For more information on this game, visit

MGoBlue.com/slipperyrock

