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MAY 6, 2016



WEST YORK

SYMPHONIC BAND

BAND PERSONNEL 2015-2016

FLUTE/PICCOLO

Degges, Haley (7)
Emmons, Rachel (1,7)
Gladfelter, Alexis (3,4,7)
Jameson, Leah
Kinney, Audrey (7)
Lucas, Alexa
Nguyen, Evelyn
Sutyak, Diane
(1,2,3,4,7,8,10,11,12)
Sweitzer, Emily
Temple, Whitney

SOPRANO CLARINET

Cummings, Ashleigh
(1,2,4,7,8)
Fuhrman, Rebecca (1)
Harvey, Sabine
Hoke, Alyssa (1)
Hutton, Nicholas (3,5,7,8,9)
Kurtz, Emily (7,8)
Prowell, Amanda
Swartz, Kiersten

BASS CLARINET

Eyler, Rebecca (4,7,8)

ALTO SAX

Alleyne, Brycen (5,7)
Farleman, Jacob (6)
Nokes, Evan (1,2,4,5)
Schmitt, Noah
Zito, Rhaelynn (4)

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Banci, Mario (6)
Tallman, Katherine (1,2,5,7)

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

Limbert, Michael (1,3,5,7)

TRUMPET

Bentzel, Thomas (1,4,5)
Foery, Luke
Foster, Dezirae (4,6)
Landis, Gregory (1,4,5)
May, Joshua (7)
McKee, Kieran
Mikula, Aidan
Ropp, Ethan
Ruman, Allison
(1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9)
Soyke, Vienna (5,7)
Weaver, Drew
Welliver, Kristen (3,5)

FRENCH HORN

Rikas, Emma (1,2,3,4)
Whitacre, Jacob

TROMBONE

Bentzel, Elijah (4,5)
Cese, Bryan
Franklin, Jacob
Spangler, Kira (2,5,7,8)

EUPHONIUM

Veloce, Frank

TUBA

Spangler, Jacob (2,3,5)

PERCUSSION

Abbas, Zachariah (1,2,3)
Buffington, Robert
Copeland, Christopher (5,7)
Decker, Jonas
DePasquale, Benjamin
Fink, Nicholas (7)
Lucas, Shaun (6,7)
Smith, Carson
Spangler, Braden (1,3,4,5)
Spangler, Brogan (7)
Vu, Michelle (5,7)
White, Brady (6,7)
White, Andrew (1,4,5,6,7)

HONOR GUARD

Foster, Rachael
Stallsmith, Brenya
Williams, Celeste

DRUM MAJOR

Tallman, Katherine

MARCHING BAND

Alleyne, Parris (1,5,7)
Fairlamb, Benjamin (1)
Kline, Makenna
Landis, Jacob
Landis, Kierstyn
McCaffrey, Briana (1)
Middleton, Montrell
Nalbhone, Katherine
Rikas, Hannah

BAND FRONT

Benton, Kaylalynn
Blair, Kylie
Bourinski, Olivia
Conrad, Kaitlyn
Ehrhart, Meghan
Hanlon, Niki (1,2,7)
Hancock, Ginny
Kammerman, Christian
Leas, Kaley
Miller, Tiffanie
Myers, Liza
Ngounou, Joyce
Portillo, Jocelyn (1)
Quintanilla, Fatima (1)
Rikas, Emma (1,2,3,4)
Rodriguez, Shakira
Smith, Hallie
Speck, Alexis (1)
Warfel, Casey (1,4)
Zeltwanger, Gretchen

JAZZ BANDS

Alleyne, Parris (1,5,7)
Hargett-Robinson, Bakari
(1,6)
Sheffer, Makayla (1,5)

CODE:

1 – Senior
2 – Section Leader
3 – Band Officer
4 – Band Staff
5 – Jazz Ensemble
6 – Jazz Lab
7 – Pit Orchestra
8 – York County Honors Band
9 – PMEA District Band
10 – PMEA District Orchestra
11 – PMEA Regional Orchestra
12 – PMEA State Orchestra

Band members are listed alphabetically to emphasize the importance of every member to the ensemble

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THE INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BOOSTER CLUB

The Instrumental Music Booster Club was organized in July, 1956. Its' purpose is "to arouse and maintain an enthusiastic interest in the various phases of instrumental music in the West York Area Schools". Membership is open to anyone interested in the progress and development of instrumental music in the West York Area Schools.

The officers and members of the Club wish to thank the residents of the community for their continued support of the group's activities. Community support of the Club's fund raising activities provides the financial means for awards, Albert Kelly summer music scholarships, Middle School summer music camp scholarships, summer band training camp, annual elementary and secondary instrumental parties, and band tours. Funds for this year's projects have been raised by sub and sandwich sales, a citrus fruit sale, refreshment stand (at all home varsity football games), Sheetz coupon book sale, Kid Stuff books, spaghetti dinner, and our annual Spring Concert Souvenir Program.

While the majority of these projects are directly related to the activities of the marching and symphonic bands, the club does support ALL instrumental music programs in the West York Area School District.

Our thanks once again to the residents of our area for being a BOOSTER. We hope we will have your continued SUPPORT!

2015-2016 BOOSTER CLUB OFFICERS

President - Terri Landis

Vice-President - Vacant

Secretary - Kevin & Elaine Mikula

Treasurer - Rob and Chris Gladfelter

Assistant Treasurers - Nick and LeAnna Rikas

We salute the many individuals and businesses that have advertised in this souvenir program. These people help to support the West York music program. Please support them with your business.

Thank You - *The Instrumental Music Booster Club*



Alli- WOW!! It's almost over.
Can't even describe how much you
mean to me. You're my best friend.
Even though we'll be far away from
each other, we'll always be close!!
I love you sooooo much byabya!!

~Cady





*Wishing you
the best in
your next
chapter in life
Makayla!*

ABOUT THE BAND

The West York Area High School Band begins each year with a week of intensive music and marching rehearsals during their annual "Band Camp" which was held this August at Camp Ramblewood in Darlington, Maryland.

During the fall, the band performs at home and away football games and for numerous school and civic occasions. Often featured is the band front coached by Mrs. Gwen Shaffer and Mrs. Katie Nagel.

The Symphonic Band is offered as an elective curricular subject meeting three periods per week for full academic credit, and performs 3 major concerts each year. In addition, many students participate in solo work and small ensembles meeting after school and evenings. The most active and popular ensemble is the Jazz Ensemble which performs approximately 10 times throughout the school year.

In addition to concerts presented in the York area, the band also travels occasionally and has performed throughout Pennsylvania and many other states and Canada. Ensembles have performed at clinics and/or concerts at many Pennsylvania colleges, the PMEA State Convention, on television, the State Capitol in Harrisburg, and for numerous civic and church organizations in the area. Highlighting the band's past activities are performances in Mexico City (1972), Disney World (1974 & 1979), Nashville, Tennessee (1983), Toronto, Canada (1982, 1990 & 1996), Boston, Massachusetts (1984 & 1988), and Bermuda (1992). The band has also performed at the Mid-East Band Clinic in Pittsburgh, the Eastern Band Conductors Conference and has twice been selected to perform for the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association State Conference (1982 & 1989). In 1998, the band traveled to Toronto, Canada and participated in the Toronto "Festivals of Music" where they were awarded the "William D. Revelli Outstanding Concert Band" award for the most outstanding band in the festival. In 2000, the band traveled to the Cedar Point Music Festival in Ohio where they earned a superior rating. In 2003, the band toured Orlando, Sarasota, Naples, and Miami, Florida. The band took a concert tour to Virginia Beach in the spring of 2007.

Band Camp 2015



Rachel,

Dang, we had some good times. Our little adventures were so much fun. I can always count on you for spur-of-the-moment plans, and they're always a good time. Hanging out with you is chill and I feel like I can be myself. We can complain, make jokes, or talk about serious things and it's never uncomfortable. If I ever need advice, I know you'll offer well thought-out and intelligent suggestions. I hope you come visit next year, at least a little bit. I want to go exploring again. I'll miss your semi-sarcastic banter with Mr. Meckley and our exchanges of annoyed looks from across the band room in the mornings. Love ya, bud.

Love,

@VSoyke on Twitter.



Allison,

You have been truly the best section leader I could ask for. You helped me to come out of my shell as a wee freshman and make new friends. I wouldn't have done marching band if it hadn't been for you. I'll always be jealous of your makeup skills as a whole, but especially your eyeliner. I know I can always come to you if I need help, music related or not. Band won't be the same without you next year, primarily football games. Your solo was beautiful, as are you. My freshman year of band could not have been more "lit". Thank you for providing both a friend and someone to look up to. I love you so much.

Love,

ur lil bean.



Katie,

I'm really going to miss you, buddy. I love spending time with you. Whether it's track practice, the bus rides to our meets, band, taking a walk, or just sitting and talking, it makes me so happy. You always have a positive attitude which, in turn, rubs off on me. Thank you for encouraging me whenever I needed it and being an excellent, kind, patient drum major. You are my lil sunshine and I can't tell you how much I'll miss it when you're all the way in Florida. Thank you for helping me not give up on my faith and showing me anything really is possible (cliché, I know). You've contributed so much positivity into my freshman year of high school. You're going to do great things. I love you.

Love,

ur lil buddy.



WEST YORK INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BOOSTER CLUB

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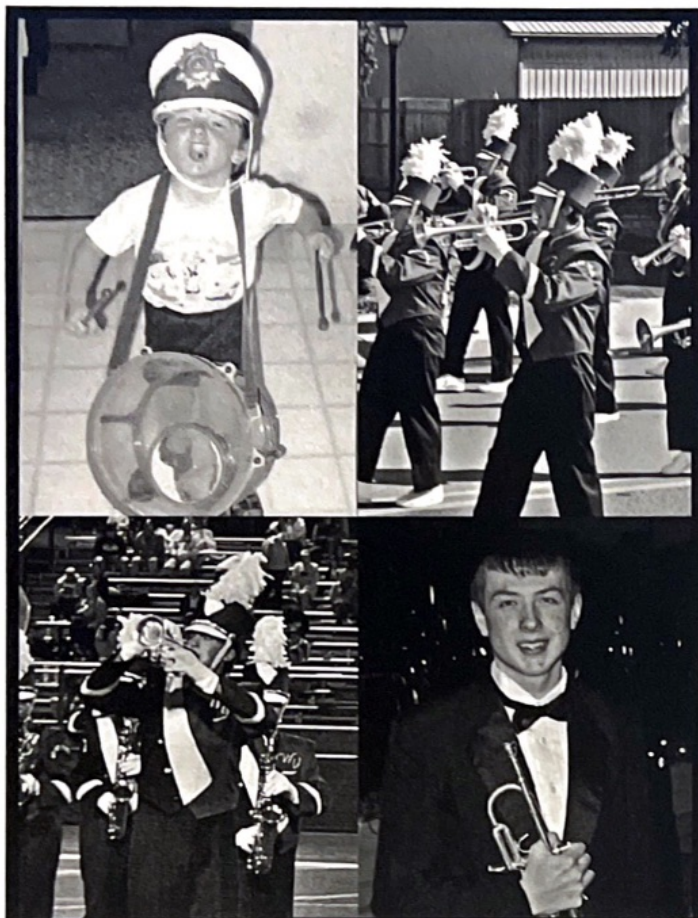
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Diane - I'm so proud of you and everything you've accomplished! I love you so much you crazy, funny, dolphin girl ~ Katie





*Gregory -
Always keep the music in
your heart - it is who you
are and who you always
will be!*

*We are so proud of you
and look forward to all
that the future has in
store for you.*

*Love -
Mom & Dad*

OUR DIRECTOR

Mr. Rod Meckley

Rod Meckley is in his fifth year as director of instrumental music at West York Area High School. He is in his 25th year as a music educator, having spent 20 years in the York City School District. Mr. Meckley has many years of experience in directing marching band, symphonic band, jazz band, and orchestra. He is a member of the adjunct faculty of York College where he teaches applied percussion. Mr. Meckley has also taught private percussion lessons.

Born and raised in York County, Mr. Meckley is a graduate of William Penn Senior High School. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Music Education from West Chester University, and his Masters of Science Degree in Music Education from Towson University.

Mr. Meckley has been a guest speaker on urban music education at Millersville University. He has a long history with the Drum and Bugle Corps activity. Mr. Meckley marched for four years with the award winning Garfield Cadets Drum and Bugle Corps. Following his participation as a member, he then went on to become a percussion instructor for Dutch Boy Drum and Bugle Corps in Kitchener Ontario, and has served as a percussion judge for Drum Corps International competitions.

Mr. Meckley is a member of the Pennsylvania Music Educator's Association, the National Association for Music Education and the Jazz Education Network. He enjoys sharing his knowledge and his love of music with all of his students, and is still active in performing as a percussionist and trombonist.



BAND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

BAND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL - Front Row (l-r):

Diane Sutyak,
Allison Ruman,
Emma Rikas.

Middle Row:
Alexis Gladfelter
Kristen Welliver,
Katie Tallman.

Back Row:
Nicholas Hutton,
Michael Limbert,
Zachariah Abbas,
Jacob Spangler,
Braden Spangler.



From the time Brycen was able to walk and talk, the two of you have been inseparable. Now, there is one Alleyne left in the West York High School Bands. Speedy travels, Parris!!! Smile and go out there and live life to the fullest. Have a great two years Brycen and enjoy making memories with Pearce. Love, Mom, Dad and Pearce



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Katie, our time on the field and stage together was short but I couldn't ask to spend those two years with a better and cooler person. You are the coolest and most awesome sister in the world!
With lots of love,
Your Broski, Brett

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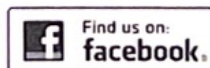
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Alli,

We are so very proud of all of your accomplishments! We are looking forward to an exciting new chapter of your life next year at Penn State!

Love,

**Mom, Dad, Shadow,
and Cooper**



BAND STAFF



**BAND STAFF - Front Row (l-r):
Alexis Gladfelter, Allison Ruman,
Emma Rikas, Ashleigh Cummings.**

**Middle Row:
Nicholas Hutton, Dezirae Foster,
Rebecca Eyler, Braden Spangler.**

**Back Row:
Zachariah Abbas, Thomas Bentzel,
Elijah Bentzel, Evan Nokes,
Andrew White, Michael Limbert.**

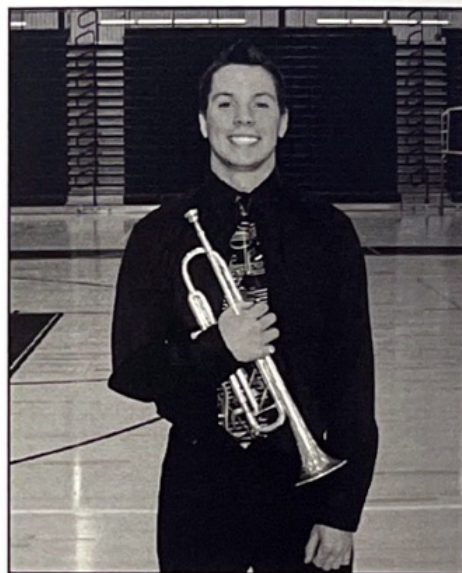


Thomas Bentzel

It just seemed like yesterday you were our little boy playing in the yard and we blinked and you are a young man.

We are so very proud of you and everything you have accomplished. Best of luck in the future and may all your dreams come true.

We love you.
Dad, Mom and Elijah



Family and Friends of West York Band Messages

Makayla Sheffer: We are so proud of you and love you very much! Oma and Opa

Makayla Sheffer: Thanks for all your band years! You did great! Love, Mom and Mike

Allison Ruman: Alli, from first grade to graduation....we couldn't be more proud. Love, Mom and Dad

Allison Ruman: Alli, keep "tootin" sweet music and best of luck in all endeavors. Love, oj taert

Allison Ruman: Can't wait to see you play at a college game, Alli. Love, Aunt Diane and Uncle Tim

Allison Ruman: Wishing you beautiful music all your life, so proud of you, Alli. Love, Aunt Adrienne

Allison Ruman: Congratulations, Alli, on a successful year in the West York Band! Love, Jill and Bruce

Allison Ruman: Best wishes for continuation of the excellence you have realized. Love Grandi and Papa

Thomas Bentzel: Thomas we are so proud of you. Wishing you the best of luck in the future... WE Love You!
Dad, Mom and Eli

Gregory Landis: We are so proud of you and the young man that you have become. Stay true to who you are and always keep music in your heart! Love Mom and Dad

Gregory Landis: PB, Love you Always! Nana

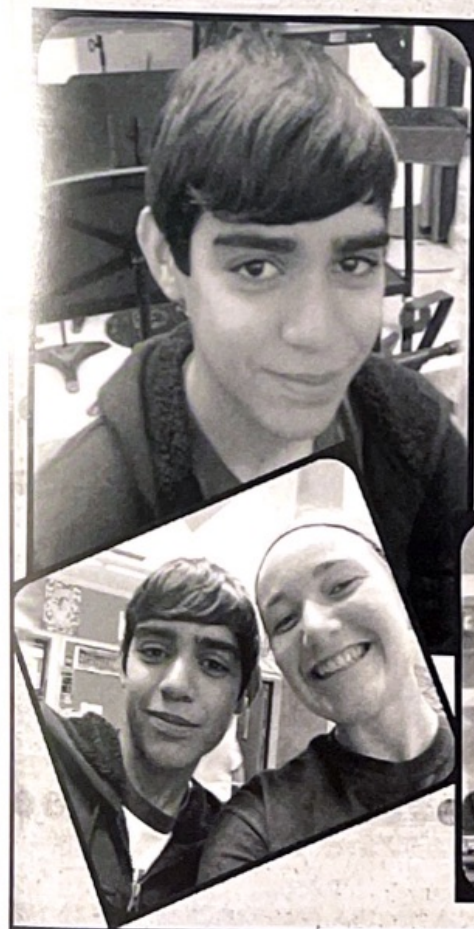
Gregory Landis: So proud of you and looking forward to heading to Penn State Altoona to hear you play in the band! Love Nana and Poppy

Gregory Landis: You are the best brother in the world, a little crazy at times and sometimes scary, but I love you! Good Luck in college and never stop playing music! Love Ellie

Mr. Meckley...if you ever need someone to catch you a band mascot you know who to call...Greg, Tom, and Mike will always be there for you!

Chris Copeland – Another great year of performances. We are so proud of you! Congratulations to your many senior friends. We will miss you all. Love, Mom and Dad

Amanda Prowell – You are our favorite band "geek". Love, Mom, Dad, Dani and Dustin



Mario- It was a blast to be able to play tenor with you. Band was so much fun this year because you were always pranking me. Have fun next year, I'll definitely come back to visit! ~Katie



Congratulations

Rachel!

Love,

Mom & Dad



SYMPHONIC BAND SENIORS

SYMPHONIC BAND SENIORS -
Front Row (l-r): Alyssa Hoke,
Diane Sutyak, Allison Ruman,
Emma Rikas, Rachel Emmons.

Middle Row:
Rebecca Fuhrman, Ashleigh Cummings,
Evan Nokes, Gregory Landis,
Katie Tallman.

Back Row:
Thomas Bentzel, Andrew White,
Braden Spangler, Zachariah Abbas,
Michael Limbert, Parris Alleyne.



WEST YORK BAND - CLASS OF 2016

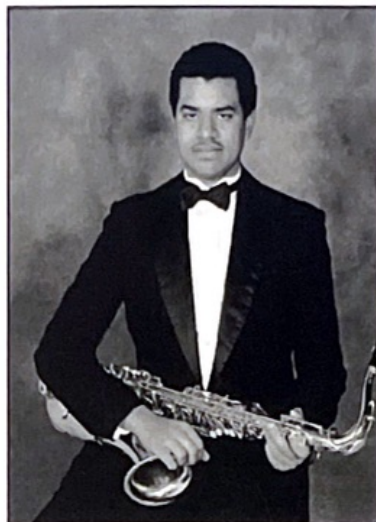
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ZACHARIAH ABBAS

PERCUSSION

Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Pit Orchestra (2)
Section Leader (2),
Snoop Staff (2),
Sophomore Rep,
Vice President, President



PARRIS ALLEYNE

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Marching Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (4),
Pit Orchestra (3)



THOMAS BENTZEL

TRUMPET

Marching Band (2),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (3),
Asst. Manager (2)



ASHLEIGH CUMMINGS

CLARINET

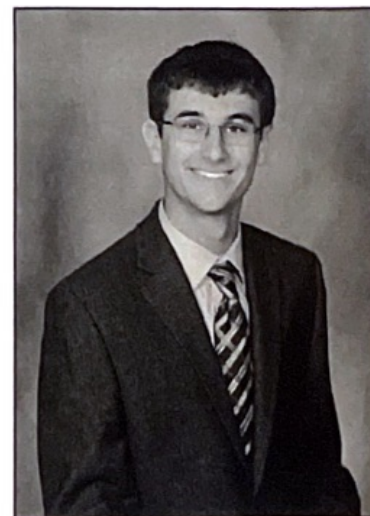
Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Pit Orchestra (1),
Section Leader (3),
Asst. Librarian (2),
York County Honors Band (3)



RACHEL EMMONS

FLUTE

Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Pit Orchestra (4),
Snoop Staff (3)



BENJAMIN FAIRLAMB

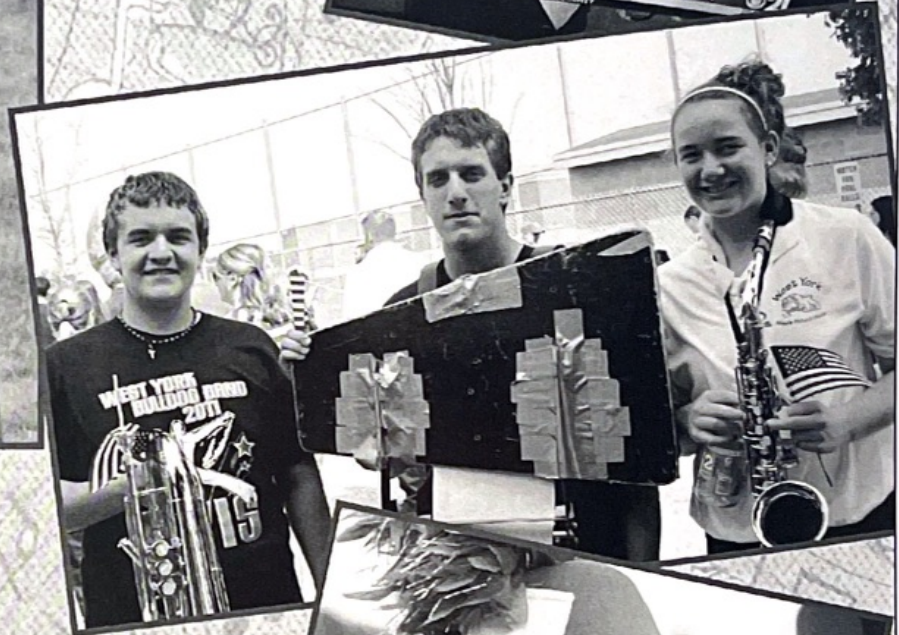
PERCUSSION/PIT

Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (3)



Katie Tallman

We salute you and all that you are...



With so
MUCH LOVE

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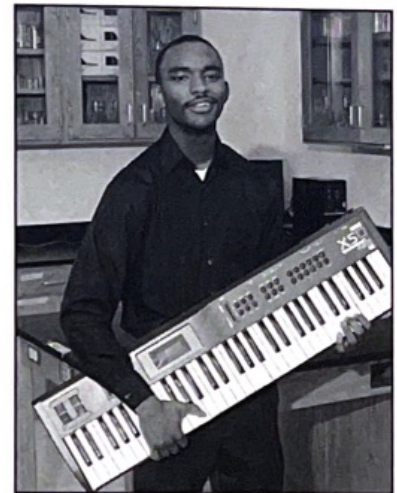
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REBECCA FUHRMAN
CLARINET
Symphonic Band (2)



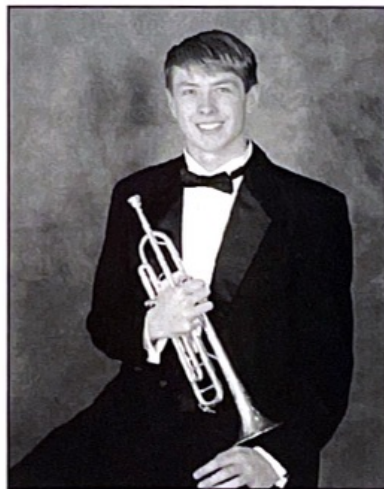
NIKI HANLON
COLORGUARD/KEYBOARD
Band Front (4),
Colorguard Captain (2),
Pit Orchestra (1)



**BAKARI
HARGETT-ROBINSON**
PIANO
Jazz Lab (1)



ALYSSA HOKE
CLARINET
Marching Band (2),
Symphonic Band (4),
Pit Orchestra (1)



GREGORY LANDIS
TRUMPET
Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (4),
Asst. Manager (2)



MIKE LIMBERT
BARITONE SAXOPHONE
Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (3),
Pit Orchestra (2),
Head Manager (3),
Manager (1)

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BRIANA McCAFFREY

MALLET PERCUSSION/PIANO

**Marching Band (3),
Jazz Ensemble (3),
Section Leader (2)**



EVAN NOKES

ALTO SAXOPHONE

**Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (2),
Section Leader (2),
Snoop Staff (2)**



JOCELYN PORTILLO

**BAND FRONT
Band Front (4)**

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FATIMA QUINTANILLA
BAND FRONT
Band Front (4)



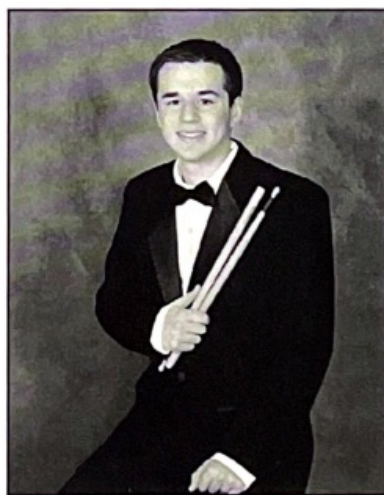
EMMA RIKAS
FRENCH HORN/COLORGUARD
Band Front (4), Colorguard Capt (2)
Symphonic Band (4),
Section Leader (1),
Head Librarian (2),
Asst. Librarian (1),
Snoop Staff (2), Snoop Editor (1)
Asst. Quartermaster (1), Asst. Manager (1),
Brass Ensemble (3)



ALLISON RUMAN
TRUMPET
Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (4), Pit Orchestra (3),
Section Leader (2), District Band (1),
Secretary (2), Quartermaster (1),
Head Quartermaster (2),
Snoop Staff (3), Snoop Editor (2)
York County Honors Band (2)



MAKAYLA SHEFFER
GUITAR/CLARINET
Marching Band (3),
Symphonic Band (2),
Jazz Ensemble (4),
Pit Orchestra (1)



BRADEN SPANGLER
PERCUSSION
Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (3),
Senior Rep
Asst. Manager (1)



ALEXIS SPECK
BAND FRONT
Band Front (4)

To my

Thank you for being the best section I could ask for. You guys truly made my senior year incredible. I couldn't imagine a better section to end my high school career with than all of you. I know you'll all do very well in your lives. I'll come back and visit, but until then, keep practicing! xoxo

Alli



trumpets...

To the class of 2016



Thank you all for making my time with the West York Band so special. Some of you I have known since kindergarten, some of you I met in high school. All of you have impacted my life in some way. It's sad that after graduation we will go our separate ways, but I know you'll go on to do great things and we'll all look back fondly on our time together as the class of 2016 of the West York Band.



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DIANE SUTYAK

FLUTE/PICCOLO/VIOLIN

Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Pit Orchestra (5), Section Leader (1),
District Orchestra (4), Regional Orchestra (3),
All State Orchestra (1),
Class Rep (1), Vice President (1),
York County Honors Band (3)



KATIE TALLMAN

TENOR SAXOPHONE

Marching Band (4),
Symphonic Band (4),
Jazz Ensemble (4),
Pit Orchestra (3),
Section Leader (1),
Drum Major (1)



CASEY WARFEL

BAND FRONT
Band Front (4)



ANDREW WHITE

PIANO/BASS/PERCUSSION
Marching Band (1),
Symphonic Band (2),
Jazz Ensemble (4),
Pit Orchestra (2),
Asst. Manager (1)

2015-2016 WEST YORK SYMPHONIC BAND



America Forever

Rod Meckley, Conductor

Where Never Lark or Eagle Flew.....James Curnow

Concord.....Clare Grundman

Shenandoah.....Frank Ticheli

On An American SpiritualDavid R. Holsinger

In the Temple of Zion.....Steven Reineke

The Great Locomotive Chase.....Robert W. Smith

Sunrise After a Mourning Moon.....Jim Colonna

Commissioned by the West York Instrumental Music Booster Club

In celebration of the life of Marlene Eyster

America Forever March.....James V. Colonna

THE YEAR IN REVIEW 2015-2016

As the year draws to a close, you may hear a sound: the sounds of seniors saying goodbye to the place they made their home for the past four years. The seniors will begin their journey through college soon, with many new and exciting things to look forward too. Unfortunately for them, nothing will be as exciting as their four years spent with the band.

Collectively, the bands have prepared music through dozens of hours of work. The marching band started the season in July, when we embarked to Camp Ramblewood for another band camp. Lead by the cheery drum major Katie Tallman, the marching band grinded hours of practice out each day to put together the field show, "The Power of Love", where we performed the songs "Gimme Some Lovin'", "Radar Love", "Love Shack", "Love Runs Out", and "When a Man Loves a Woman". Ironically, we did not play the song "The Power of Love". The marching band was also able to perform their show at the Dover Band Show and the York Fair Expo. Unfortunately, both the Red Lion Sound Spectacular and band night were cancelled due to weather.

Symphonic Band was right around the corner, and began practicing for their first concert, the Holiday Concert, shortly after school began. As usual, the band performed festive pieces to get everyone into the holiday mood. Unfortunately for band parents, their kids began singing holiday tunes months before the actual holiday season. This year, the symphonic band was able to take part in something special. Dr. James Colonna from York College of Pennsylvania composed a piece for the West York bands in celebration of Marlene Eyster's life. Marlene was the wife of previous band director, Thomas Eyster. Our band was the first band to play this piece, and it was debuted at the Winter Festival of Winds. The piece called for all levels of musicianship to play alongside the Elementary and Middle School bands. To accompany the size of the band, we performed the concert in the newly constructed gym. The last concert of the year, being performed today, has a primarily patriotic theme, which was demonstrated through tunes such as "Concord", and "America Forever".

The Jazz band performed at the holiday concert, playing renditions of everyone's favorite holiday songs, and they performed shortly at the Winter Festival of Winds. The Jazz band also performed their annual Jazz Night concert. The Jazz band also had the opportunity to play for Distinguished Young Women, a local scholarship competition for high school juniors to demonstrate their academic abilities, achievements in life, and future aspirations. Lastly, they took their talents to Cherry Lane to perform songs from their Jazz Night concert in Downtown York.

The Pit Orchestra performed the music for this year's musical, "Shrek: The Musical", and Mr. Meckley gave the pit the apt name of "The Swamp". The swamp followed Shrek, an ogre, through his journey to find true love. A member of The Swamp, Diane Sutyak, was selected to play with the PMEA's All-State Orchestra, after a rigorous audition process that included playing in both the District and Regional Orchestras. Two other members of the Swamp, Allison Ruman and Nicholas Hutton, were members of the PMEA District 7 Band. Lastly, Allison Ruman, Emily Kurtz, Nicholas Hutton, Kira Spangler, Diane Sutyak, Ashleigh Cummings, and Rebecca Eyler played their instruments in the York County Honors Band festival.

This year has been spectacular for the Bulldog Band. We've seen an increase in numbers and we were able to take part in the debut of a piece of music. It's been a unique and fantastic year for everyone who has been involved. The senior class will certainly miss its home.

Band President - *Zachariah Abbas*



Sweet Katie,

JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH I ADMIRE AND
LOVE YOU - AND I KNOW THAT I AM SPEAKING ALSO ON
BEHALF OF GRANDMA HELEN WHO SENT ME A SPECIAL
MESSAGE FROM HER HEAVENLY CLOUD.

YOU'RE A REALLY SPECIAL LADY!

Lots of love, G-Bob

SECTION LEADERS



SECTION LEADERS - Front Row (l-r):

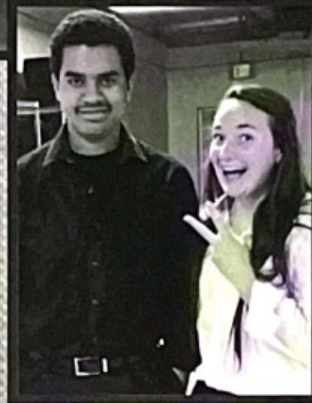
Diane Sutyak,
Allison Ruman,
Emma Rikas,
Kira Spangler.

Back Row:
Ashleigh Cummings,
Evan Nokes,
Zachariah Abbas,
Katie Tallman.



*From the very first
time you picked up
your clarinet, that
instrument has
meant the world to
you. Your love for
music shows in every
performance. We
couldn't be more
proud of you
Ashleigh!
Love, Mom & Dad*





Parris- I can't describe how much you mean to me. Thank you for the years of fun and laughter, it's never a dull moment around you. Thanks for always walking me home and keeping me on my toes. You da best!! ~ Katie



SNOOP STAFF

SNOOP STAFF - Front Row (l-r):

Diane Sutyak,
Alexis Gladfelter,
Allison Ruman,
Emma Rikas,
Rachel Emmons.

Back Row:

Evan Nokes,
Zachariah Abbas,
Braden Spangler,
Nicholas Hutton.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION

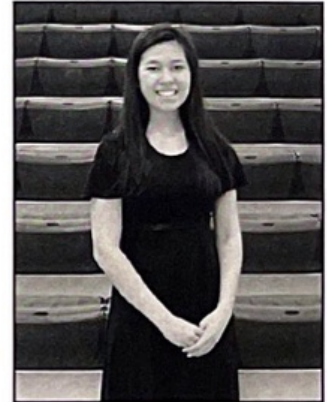


YORK COUNTY HONORS BAND - Front Row (l-r):
Nicholas Hutton, Diane Sutyak,
Allison Ruman, Ashleigh Cummings.

Back Row: Emily Kurtz, Rebecca Eyler,
Kira Spangler.



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Nicholas Hutton,
Allison Ruman



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An open letter from Michelle Vu

Andy- You are one of the most talented people I know. I mean, you can play “pretty much any instrument.” #neverforget. Thank you for being “supportive” and “helpful” all through Jazz Band. I couldn’t ask for a better role model.

Brady #1- I really enjoyed running cross country with you! Oh wait...

Brady #2- I’m sorry that you had to deal with me in the percussion section and the pit. I hope I didn’t Act 2 annoying. But PUT YOUR SEATBELT ON because we’re in it for another three years!

Chris- Watch out. I’m going to play drumset next year.

Shaun- You can take my spot with the mallets. I’m playing drumset.

Zach “The Timpani King”- You’re a real boy now. Grow up!

Nick- You’re the most passive aggressive person I know.

To the rest of the Percussion Section- Why.

Ben and Breezy- I loved getting to know you guys over the summer. We were terrible at marching, but I wouldn’t change it for the world.

Hannah- This year was unfrickity-frackin believable.

Emma- Don’t worry. I think I can remember to plug in the piano. After all, I have been doing it since November.

Niki H- I’m really going to miss having you as a keyboard partner. Thanks for putting up with my weirdness!

Nick H (not to be confused with Niki H)- All hail the King of Memes!

The Phoenix- Don’t confuse falling off the train with sticking your head out the window and smacking your fracc face on a tree branch. Just because you fail once doesn’t mean you’re screwed for the rest of your life. Keep up the good vibes!

Sabine- Did you hear about the prank Moriarty pulled in January? Sherlock totally fell for it.

Drake Jake and Josh- Dang yo chill.

Kieran- Whenever I had a bad day, you always encouraged me to do my best. I wish I had your positive mindset. You are an inspirational person and I’m looking forward to next season! (Also, Coach says that we argue like a married couple.)

Kristen- You SLAY the trumpet! Whoo! Go, girl!

Drew- Um excuse me, there’s a line.

SUPER MARIO VINCENT BAHN CENA- I’m sorry. I had to.

Becca F- The most important thing I learned from you was that if you see a urinal in a bathroom, ABORT THE MISSION COMPLETELY! I hope you continue running like Sell in the future. Stay XC!

Frank and the Jacobs- You somehow always made my day... for better or for worse. (I’m looking at you, Whitty)

Audrey- Next time you go down a slide, wear six layers of shorts.

Vu Part 2

Pickled Emmers- Shout out to my second half! I couldn't make it through track without you. KAB!

Diane and Rachel- You guys will always be 2 Asian 4 Me.

Allison and Katie- I had so many fun memories with you two. Thank you for accepting me into the band family and for making my freshman year less torturous. Always take time out of the day to smell the roses!

Vienna "The Wafer™" - I could really be myself around you and you never hesitated to remind me of who I really was. This year was truly memorable because I had a friend like you.

Mr. Meckley- You used to scare me... a lot. I admit I was a horrible musician when I started band. Thank you for giving me a chance to prove myself, and in the end, I improved in ways I never even imagined.

Last but not least, thank you for reading this whole entire letter. I feel like a lot of people skipped it because it has a lot of words in it. Again, thank you to everyone I met this year! I'm looking forward to another three years in band!



Candid Moments





Thank you!



To the booster club and all the behind the scenes folks who make it happen.

Thanks for your support, for always having it together and for making us the best band we could be!

Katie Tallman

Drum Major 2015-16

Go BULLdogs!





Katie...



THE TIME HAS COME. WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR IT FOR TEN YEARS NOW, AND WE'RE HERE. WHO WOULD HAVE DREAMED WE WOULD REMAIN BEST FRIENDS THROUGHOUT HIGH SCHOOL? AFTER SPENDING THE LAST DECADE OF MY LIFE WITH YOU; I CAN'T IMAGINE GOING TO COLLEGE FIFTEEN HUNDRED MILES FROM YOU, BUT I KNOW THAT WE'LL STAY CLOSE. I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART. THANK YOU FOR BEING THE BEST FRIEND A GIRL CAN ASK FOR. I KNOW YOU'LL GO SO FAR IN EVERYTHING YOU DO. XOXO

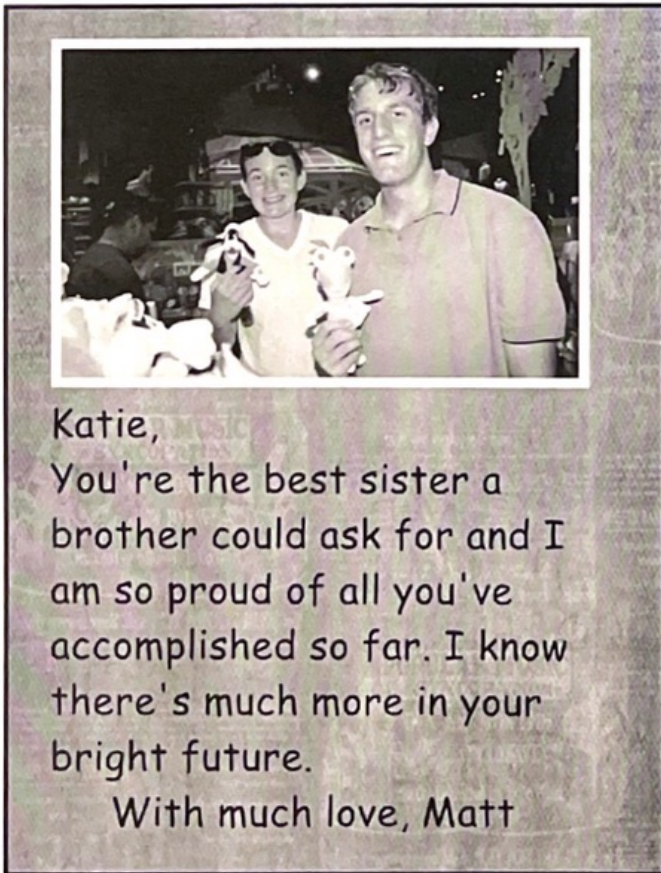


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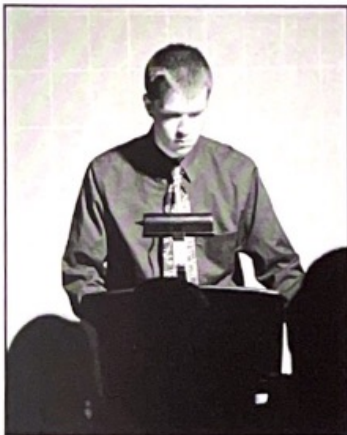
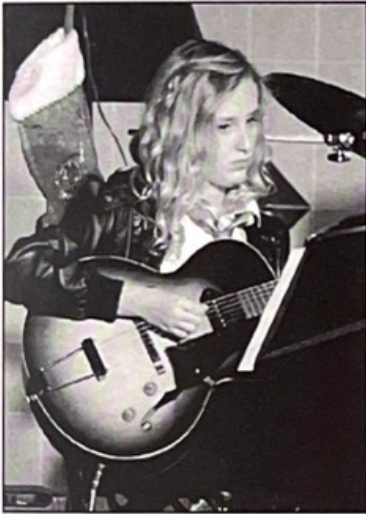
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday May 11
Annual Band Banquet (6:00 p.m.)

Thursday May 19
Jazz Ensemble @ Box Lunch Review
(Cherry Lane, Downtown York, 11:30 a.m.)

Wednesday May 25
2016 Marching Band Kick-Off
Music Practice (6:00 in Bandroom)
Kick-Off Meeting with parents/students
(7:30 p.m. in Cafeteria)

Monday May 30
West York Memorial Day Parade - 9:00 a.m.

Friday June 3
Commencement - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday July 31 – Friday August 5
Band Camp 2016



Vienna- I'm so glad you came into my life. It would've been a way different year without you by my side. Remember porpoises and popsicles. I'll miss seeing your beautiful face everyday! I love you to death!!
~Katie





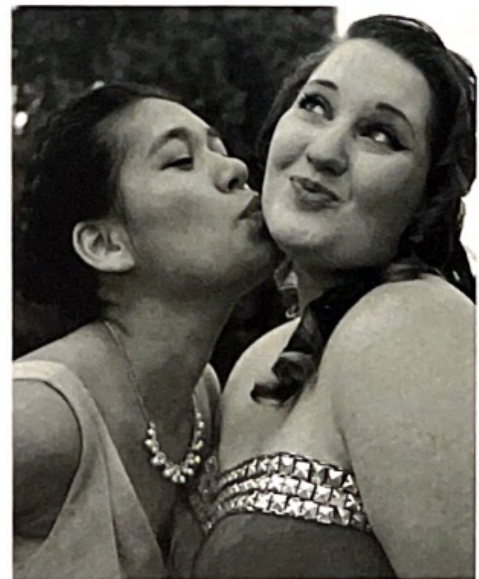
Diane...



I can't express how proud I am to call you one of my best friends. You are one of the most selfless people I know and you have shown me what it truly means to be a friend when I most needed one. It still amazes me how you can manage to be so intelligent, musically gifted, stunningly beautiful, and kind as you. I know you'll go so far in life and will be the best at whatever you choose to do. Thank you so much for being a part of my life for the past eleven years, and here's to many more. I love you so much. Xoxo

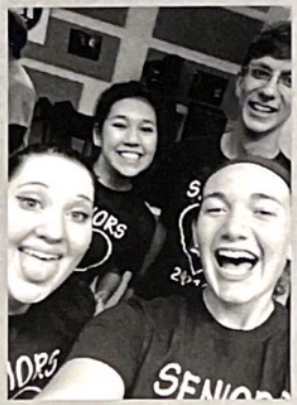
Until we meet again,

Alli



Zach- thank you for being a bright ray of sunshine in my life these past couple years. All the time spent with you was so much fun because you're fun. Don't ever change. I love ya buddy!

~Katie



Dear Mr. Wales,

Thank you for mentoring me every week. Through your patience, kindness, and support, I have become the trumpeter I am today.

I am proud to head to Penn State and say you were my teacher!

Love,
Alli

Congratulations, Ben!



2016

We're proud of you and can't wait to see what you do next!

Love, Mom Dad and Lydia

2015 MIGHTY BULLDOG MARCHING BAND



The West York Area School District proudly presents the 2015 edition of the West York Area High School Bulldog Marching Band!

This year the band show featured -
The Power of Love!

Song titles included:
Gimme Some Lovin'
Radar Love
Love Shack

Lover Runs Out
When a Man Loves a Woman
(trumpet soloist - Allison Ruman)

The band was under the field direction of Drum Major Katie Tallman. Color Guard Captains were Niki Hanlon and Emma Rikas.

MARCHING BAND



MARCHING BAND STAFF



IN 2015, OUR MARCHING BAND WAS LED BY A VERY EXPERIENCED AND DEDICATED STAFF.

Mr. Rod Meckley - Band Director
Mr. David Wales - Assistant Band Director
Mrs. Gwen Shaffer - Band Front Instructor
Mrs. Katie Nagel - Band Front Instructor
Mr. Greg Kline - Percussion Instructor

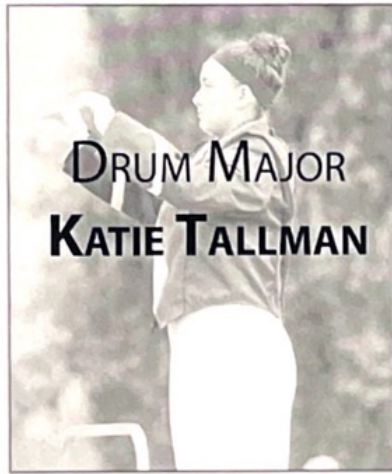
MARCHING BAND & BAND CAMP ASSISTANTS
Mr. Stephen Wales - Drill Writer/Instructor
Mr. Brett Butler - Brass
Ms. Michelle Wales - Brass
Mrs. Marian Noel - Woodwinds
Ms. Graylyn Serafy - Pit Percussion

MARCHING BAND SENIORS



2015 MARCHING BAND SENIORS - Front Row (l - r): Allison Ruman, Katie Tallman.
2nd Row: Casey Warfel, Emma Rikas, Jocelyn Portillo, Alexis Speck,
Fatima Quintanilla, Niki Hanlon.
3rd Row: Briana McCaffrey, Rachel Emmons, Diane Sutyak, Ashleigh Cummings.
Back Row: Andrew White, Parris Alleyne, Evan Nokes, Michael Limbert,
Braden Spangler, Gregory Landis, Zachariah Abbas.
Absent: Ben Fairlamb

WEST YORK MARCHING BAND GROUPS



DRUM MAJOR
KATIE TALLMAN



BARITONES/TROMBONES
(l-r): Jacob Landis,
Kira Spangler.
Absent: Frank Veloce



PIT
Front: Michelle Vu
Back (l-r): Brady White,
Briana McCaffrey, Hannah Rikas,
Andrew White.
Absent: Ben Fairlamb

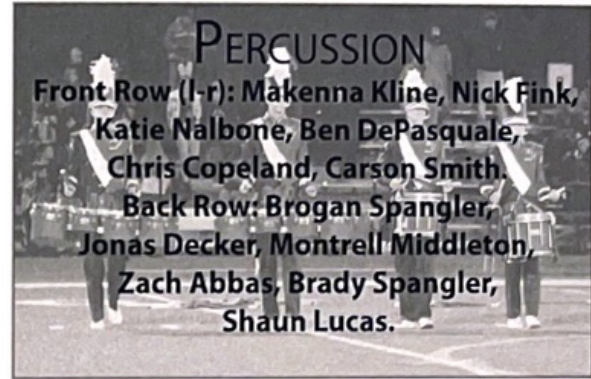


WEST YORK MARCHING BAND GROUPS



PERCUSSION

Front Row (l-r): Makenna Kline, Nick Fink, Katie Nalbone, Ben DePasquale, Chris Copeland, Carson Smith.
Back Row: Brogan Spangler, Jonas Decker, Montrell Middleton, Zach Abbas, Brady Spangler, Shaun Lucas.



TRUMPETS

Front Row (l-r): Dezirae Foster, Kierstyn Landis, Vienna Soyke, Ethan Ropp.
Middle Row: Kristen Welliver, Josh May, Aidan Mikula.
Back Row: Kieran McKee, Allison Ruman, Luke Foery.

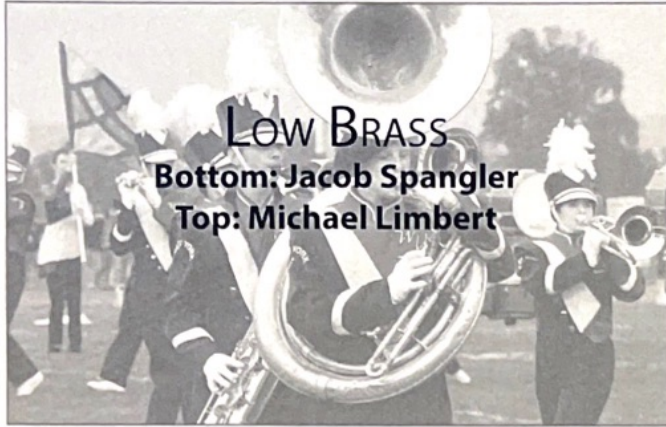


BAND FRONT

Front Row (l-r): Emma Rikas, Niki Hanlon.
2nd Row: Fatima Quintanilla, Kaylaynn Benton, Tiffanie Miller.
3rd Row: Liza Myers, Meghan Ehrhart, Kylie Blair, Alexis Speck.
Back Row: Ginny Hancock, Jocelyn Portillo, Kaitlyn Conrad, Gretchen Zeltwanger, Olivia Bourinski, Kaley Leas, Shakira Rodriguez, Haley Smith, Casey Warfel.
Absent: Joyce Ngounou, Christian Kameron



WEST YORK MARCHING BAND GROUPS



LOW BRASS
Bottom: Jacob Spangler
Top: Michael Limbert



ALTO SAXOPHONES
Bottom (l-r): Brycen Alleyne,
Evan Nokes, Jacob Farleman.
Top: Rhaelynn Zito.



FLUGELHORN/MELLOPHONES
(l-r): Drew Weaver,
Gregory Landis,
Jacob Whitacre.



WEST YORK MARCHING BAND GROUPS



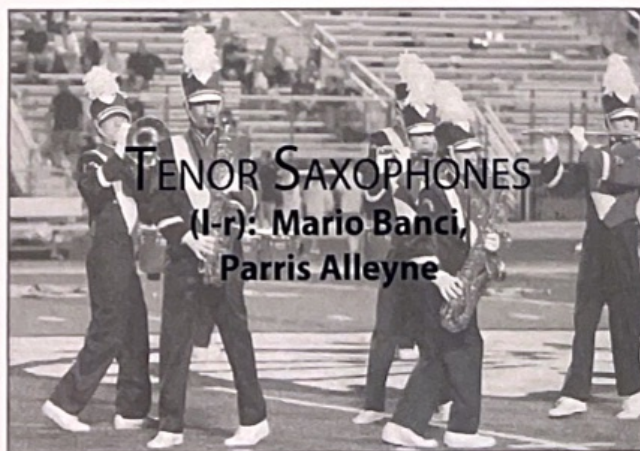
CLARINETS

Bottom Row (l-r): Ashleigh Cummings,
Emily Kurtz, Sabine Harvey.
Standing: Rebecca Eyler,
Nicholas Hutton, Amanda Prowell.



FLUTES/PICCOLOS

Front Row: (l-r): Alexa Lucas,
Haley Degges.
Back Row: Evelyn Nguyen,
Rachel Emmons, Emily Sweitzer,
Audrey Kinney, Diane Sutyak,
Alexis Gladfelter.



TENOR SAXOPHONES

(l-r): Mario Banci,
Parris Alleyne

ALBERT KELLY MEMORIAL SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP

As one of its' annual projects, the Instrumental Booster Club offers scholarship aid for students to attend a summer music school of their choice. The scholarship is named in memory of the late Albert P. Kelly, a past officer and active member of the Booster Club.

Any member of the band can apply for the scholarships which are awarded on the basis of an application submitted during the spring. The Booster Club is proud that they have been able to help the following students with their education - many of whom have pursued music as a profession.

1982 - Tiffany E. Strausbaugh & Daniel W. Sowers

1983 - Jennifer Curtis

1984 - Ronald Anstine, Robert Jones & Rebecca Sowers

1985 - Tracey Boyer, Matthew Fuhrman & Vincent Gross

1986 - Michele Boyer, Kevin Nusz, Vincent Gross & Mark Fuhrman

1987 - Michael Zittle, Shari Schucht, Tina Ehrhart, Eric Morris & Karen Geiger

1988 - Shari Schucht, Lisa Stover, Janine Barnes, Tina Ehrhart, Cheryl Jacobs & Michael Zittle

1989 - Cheryl Jacobs, Janine Barnes & Michael Zittle

1990 - Ann Henry & Chad Van Laeys

1991 - Stacy Hicks, Michal Magness, Kristine Yawn, Denise Little, Jamie Moyer & Randy Gohn

1992 - Angie Coval, Denise Little, Jamie Moyer, Jason Slobozien & Randy Gohn

1993 - Randy Gohn & Walter Kuhl

1994 - Dale Zarlenga & Sharon Slothour

1995 - Dale Zarlenga, Sharon Slothour & Matt Shearer

1996 - Dan Brenner, Barbara Kuhl, Matt Shearer & Donal Heidenblad

1997 - Donal Heidenblad & Barbara Kuhl

1998 - Donal Heidenblad & Barbara Kuhl

1999 - No Scholarship Awarded

2000 - David Kahley

2001 - Kyle Ashby

2002 - Kyle Ashby, Andrew Eyster, David Kramer, Diane Poff

2003 - Kyle Ashby, Andrew Eyster, Joshua Mengel, Diane Poff, Stephen Wales

2004 - Dave Kramer, Cory Blasdell

2005 - Cory Blasdell, Zachary Hall, Michael Rice, Josh Rikas, Brian Stacy, & Greg Trout

2006 - Kristen Hill, Stuart Knaub

2007 - Suzanne Bodine, Shane Ruck

2008 - Suzanne Bodine

2009 - Evan Brickner, Michael Rusonis, Matt Tallman

2010 - No Scholarship Awarded

2011 - Matt Tallman

2012 - Seth Brickner, Alicia Miller

2013 - Parris Alleyne, Nick Berger

2014 - Parris Alleyne, Brycen Alleyne, Ashleigh Cummings

2015 - Ashleigh Cummings



WADE P. HULSHART BAND PERSONALITY AWARD

The Wade P. Hulshart Band Personality Award is given to the most outstanding junior band member. It honors the person whose greatest asset is his or her personality and is based on positive attitude, dedication, hard work, and a pleasant disposition.

1978 - Mark Lentz	1995 - Rita Donecker	2013 - Dayne Brindle
1979 - Joel Pugh	1996 - Maryjane Donecker	2014 - Thomas Gunning
1980 - Paul Green	1997 - Kimberly Geiselman	2015 - Diane Sutyak
1981 - Susan Worley	1998 - Barbara J. Kuhl	
1982 - Donald R. Mosebrook	1999 - Marianne Becker	
1983 - Marian Leckrone	2000 - Christine Geiselman	
1984 - Craig Jacoby	2001 - Chris Krouse	
1985 - Matthew Fuhrman	2002 - Johanna Becker	
1986 - George Haynes	2003 - Emily Geiselman	
1987 - Karen Geiger	2004 - David Kramer	
1988 - Matthew Fry	2005 - Christopher Eyster	
1989 - Cheryl Jacobs	2006 - Kristen Hill	
1990 - Trisha Forney & Donald Gerhart	2007 - Zachary Hall	
1991 - Jennifer Donecker	2008 - Michelle Wales	
1992 - David Kline	2009 - Paige Strathmeyer	
1993 - Jason Slobozien	2010 - Lindsey Zearfoss	
1994 - Shane Free	2011 - Michael Rusonis	
	2012 - Bridget Nalbone	

JOHN PHILIP SOUSA AWARD

The John Philip Sousa Award, also sponsored by the Instrumental Booster Club, is the highest award available to a Windmark band member. This coveted honor is presented annually to a senior bandsman on the basis of "outstanding achievement and interest in instrumental music, for singular merit in loyalty and cooperation and for displaying generally those high qualities of conduct which school instrument music strives to impart".

1978 - Pamela Donley	1995 - Noelle Van Laeys	2013 - Joshua Bentzel & Bridget Nalbone
1979 - Carol Krone	1996 - Laura Brown & Elizabeth Koller	2014 - Nicholas Berger
1980 - Joel Pugh	1997 - Maryjane Donecker & Nathan Kline	2015 - Seth Brickner
1981 - Beth Rodgers & Jeffrey King	1998 - Dan Brenner & Matt Shearer	
1982 - Michelle M. Heindel	1999 - Crystal Wolfe	
1983 - Heather Chronister	2000 - Marianne Becker	
1984 - Marian Leckrone	2001 - Gregory Druck & Louis Ribar	
1985 - Rebecca Sowers	2002 - Laurie Brenner	
1986 - Ellen Harbold	2003 - Johanna Becker	
1987 - Vincent Gross	2004 - Kyle Ashby & Josh Mengel	
1988 - Karen Geiger & Erin Thomas	2005 - Leah Firebaugh	
1989 - Kristina Ehrhart & Shari Schucht	2006 - Stephen Wales	
1990 - Cheryl Jacobs	2007 - Kristen Hill	
1991 - Ann Henry	2008 - Zachary Hall	
1992 - Rebecca Trimmer	2009 - Suzanne Bodine & Michelle Wales	
1993 - David Kline	2010 - Jacob Hill	
1994 - Jason Slobozien	2011 - Lindsey Zearfoss	
	2012 - Evan Brickner & Michael Rusonis	

LOUIS ARMSTRONG JAZZ AWARD

Presented for the first time in 1984, the Louis Armstrong Jazz Award is presented to the member of the Jazz Ensemble who has demonstrated excellence in jazz and has also contributed to the success of the West York High School Jazz Program.

1984 - Richard Norris	2002 - John Firebaugh
1985 - Ronald Anstine & Mark Sheffer	2003 - Shane McMillan
1986 - Matthew Fuhrman	2004 - Kyle Ashby & Nathan Toone
1987 - George Haynes, Jr.	2005 - David Kramer
1988 - John Witman	2006 - Greg Trout & Stephen Wales
1989 - Joel Martin	2007 - Brian Stacy
1990 - Eric Morris & Michael Zittle	2008 - Zachary Hall
1991 - Chad Van Laeys	2009 - Shane Ruck, Michelle Wales
1992 - Chad Van Laeys	2010 - Jacob Hill
1993 - David Kline	2011 - Bradley Strathmeyer, Lindsey Zearfoss
1994 - Mike Gable & Randall Gohn	2012 - Evan Brickner & Abbie Lookingbill
1995 - Shane Free	2013 - Nicholas Berger & Ethan Meckley
1996 - Mackenzie Altland	2014 - Dayne Brindle
1997 - Tri Duong	2015 - Camille Hoover
1998 - Kimberly Geiselman & Brian Stout	
1999 - Barbara Kuhl	
2000 - Gregory Druck	
2001 - Chris Krouse	

FRESHMAN SPIRIT AWARD

Presented for the first time in 2012, the Freshman Spirit Award was created for the 9th grade student that shows the greatest work ethic and potential for future leadership.

2012 - Seth Brickner
2013 - Allison Ruman
2014 - Jacob Spangler
2015 - Emily Kurtz

T.G. EYSTER SCHOLARSHIP

Started in 2012, the T.G. Eyster Scholarship is presented to the student who is going on to study music education at the college level.

2012 - Evan Brickner
2013 - Gregory Gable
2014 - None
2015 - None



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Band wishes to extend special THANKS to the following people for their help in making this concert a success:

The West York Area School District Board of Education for their continued support and cooperation.

Dr. Emilie Lonardi, Superintendent and Ms. Paula Rudy, Assistant Superintendent for their continued support.

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The West York "Band Family" for their help at Band Camp and throughout the year.

Parents of band members for their support and encouragement of their children.

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The Program Committee - Terri Landis, Jan Ruman, Ann Sutyak, Sandy Turcotte.

The West York Band Members would like to thank YOU for attending tonight's concert and your continued support of all of our musical endeavors!!