

ALUMNI BAND ANNOUNCEMENTS – 2024

Welcome BACK!!!!!!!!!!

What has happened in the past year?

- JDD We did so great!! The bucket did \$713 for the scholarship fund!!!
- Thank you to all that donated food to feed the band on Band Day last year!

New this year!! Thank you goodie bags to celebrate our 40th years of marching as Alumni! A donation to help defray some of the cost is Welcome! First come first serve!

Also new this year is our location for practice! Weigent Park 400 16th St. La Crosse. Thank you to Mark Parker for donating the fees for the park! Parking will be on the street. Due to remodeling at Cleary we were not able to find space on campus to suit our needs. Hopefully next year we will be back on campus. We will have refreshments, shirts, apparel orders & leftover apparel from last year. **Please bring cash for any donations! We will not have a way to do credit cards.** Thank you!

Financial Report

- **Where does the money go?** There are reports and thank you notes to view tonite at the check in table
 - **Scholarships** – Please donate so we can give more!! Since we met last we gave \$2,000 in Scholarships!!! See the thank you notes!
 - **Instrument repairs/purchases** - Please donate to help the Alumni Band keep playing.
 - Drums were inventoried and purchases were made.
 - Feeding the Eagles!
- Operating Account Report - Please keep in mind that if your place of employment does matching funds that is a great way to donate funds to the Alumni Band. There are a couple of people that have been doing this for a long time and it doubles our good deeds!

Volunteers for the Operating Committee – Help organize events and all the wonderful things that go along with helping keep the group going. Contact [one of us tonight!](#)

Keep in Touch!

- Please visit the web page often to see updates on playing events. Events are also posted on Facebook on the group called 'University of Wisconsin - La Crosse Alumni Band'.
- Make sure your email address is up to date by visiting with Rachel at the check in. If you have a super duper spam filter you may not receive emails, you can touch base with Josh or Kris on how to make sure you get them.
- This year in gigs! Watch the website or facebook groups for info on upcoming events.
 - **June Dairy Days** – usually the first weekend of June. Head honcho - Laura Bonum
 - **Oktoberfest**
 - **10/26/24 Feed the Eagles and participate in Pregame. We need volunteers and donations of food for this!! Drew will be heading this up.**

Timeline for the parade: 10 am parade starts with our lineup at 9:45am. We will get a picture with the current band and play with them a bit before they step off. Get to Pogreba's (open at 8) to pick up shirts. **Anyone who has requested low brass or percussion equipment the trailer will be open only from 8:45-9:30am – get your instrument then.**

Please put your own personal items somewhere other than the instrument truck. The truck is for Alumni Band Instruments and their cases. There will be a sign in procedure with Alumni band instruments this year and a suggested donation to help defray the upkeep of these instruments. At the end please put drums and borrowed horns back on truck in a timely fashion. Must talk to Eric (drums) or Kris(horns) when you bring them back to get checked off of the sign in sheet. We will have water this year in the truck and people to deliver to the band during the parade.

Post-parade party at the Fathead Steve's (formally Backwaters Grill formally Stein Haus) on Jay Street between 3rd and 4th street immediately after parade. Alumni band gets in free. UW-L Alumni Rock and Roll band will be playing post parade.

Please pick up after yourselves, play your horn or drum, be mindful and courteous of your fellow marchers. We represent a wonderful organization and University so please act accordingly. Don't litter or throw anything to the gutter there are small children sitting there! And of course no Public Urination as it is a crime! Special appeal to keep marching in formation throughout the whole parade.

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Music Lineup:

- Beer Barrel / Wisconsin
- Cadence 1
- Drums and Horse
- Cadence 2
- In Heaven
- Cadence 1
- Sweet Caroline
- Cadence 2.

After we play 2001 you always start at the top again. GUIDE RIGHT! Avoid the amoeba.

Thank you to our sponsors this year: Pogreba, Earls Bar, Delta Beer Lab, Webteam, LaCrosse Beverage, Fathead Steve's, Festival, Kwik Trip, & Eagle's Nest(Schmidty's, Diggers, Who's on Third)