



GLASSMEN

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

2012 Annual Report

State of the Alumni Association



When we first formed the Glassmen Alumni Association, you elected nine of us to represent you and voice your concerns to the administration and Glassmen Board of Directors.

We hoped this would help build a framework connecting the past, present and future of the Glassmen. We regularly read and discuss your thoughts and opinions, which help us gain a better understanding of what we can do to forge a better connection between the corps and its alumni. As we embark on a new year, we'd like to update you on the progress we've made.

In the tail end of 2012, we've taken huge steps as a brand new organization. As former Glassmen, we are the heart of fifty years of music and movement. We've worked toward generating a larger alumni presence at camps and created a Corps Liaison position on our board to connect with the Glassmen organization. We are now incorporated in the state of Ohio, which will give us the autonomy to plan and administer our own projects, and working toward our 501(c)3 status. We've also taken on the task of creating online spaces for former members to connect as well as beginning to digitize and preserve our history.

We'd like to carry on with our efforts to fundraise, connect alumni and archive historical artifacts. We will continue to meet regularly and will champion to bring you as much information as we can about the state of the Glassmen organization. We invite you to continue discussing your thoughts and ideas in our private Facebook group as we work toward a new chapter of the Glassmen legacy. If you have questions, concerns or ideas, please refer to the list on the right to find the appropriate contact. If you are registered at www.glassmenalumni.org, you can also share your thoughts in our forums.

Sincerely,

The Glassmen Alumni Association Board of Directors

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Glassmen Alumni Association ANNUAL MEETING

8 p.m. EST Sunday, January 20, 2013

Visit our forums at www.glassmenalumni.org to submit questions to the board and find out how to enter our online meeting room.



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Our mission:

The Glassmen Alumni Association exists to preserve the history of our corps, support the current efforts of our corps, and ensure the continued legacy of our corps within the drum corps community.

Our vision:

Preserve the history of our corps by:

- Collecting and archiving photos, videos, audio and stories from each chapter of the Glassmen story
- Fostering cross-generational connections between former members, staff, volunteers, and fans

Support our current performers by:

- Establishing fund-raising efforts to help preserve the Glassmen experience
- Developing outreach strategies for connecting with current members and expanding alumni involvement in volunteer activities

Ensure our continued legacy by:

- Promoting our corps at local events across the country throughout the year



2012 MILESTONES

SEPTEMBER

- ▼ Facebook group created for alumni of the Glassmen Drum & Bugle Corps, Glass City Optimist Drum & Bugle Corps and the Maumee Suns.

OCTOBER

- ▼ Online voting opens for GAA Board of Directors

NOVEMBER

- ▼ Alumni participate in clean-up weekend at G-West
- ▼ First meeting of GAA Board of Directors
- ▼ Board of Directors approves GAA Mission Statement and Bylaws and agree to pursue 501(c)3 status in the state of Ohio.

DECEMBER

- ▼ GAA Web & Social Media Committee launches www.glassmenalumni.org
- ▼ Board of Directors approves Glassmen Alumni Association Articles of Incorporation
- ▼ State of Ohio approves articles
- ▼ Treasurer opens bank account to begin collecting donations and planning fundraising events



Alumni volunteer efforts



November Camp

Several alumni volunteered Friday-Sunday, November 23-25, at G-West for camp.

Alumni ran registration, which was the perfect opportunity to meet members and share stories. Among other tasks, alumni also assisted with kitchen duties, transportation, cleaning and organization.

Alumni present: Jimi Burciaga, Erin Carr, Shelli Cox-Jackson, Christopher Martin, Shannon (Jarvis) McClelland, Alex Moran, Kim (Waller) Nash, Jenny Porter Tilley, Shannon Tyrybon, Bill Verherlst, Elizabeth (Tallmadge) Von Allman, Amy Woody and Mike Woody.



December Camp

The Glassmen Alumni Association hosted a holiday party for the members Saturday, December 16, at G-West.

A group of alumni, including a handful of 2012 age-outs, decorated the Corps Store and coordinated snacks and drinks. During the party, members and alumni enjoyed watching old Glassmen performances together. More than 100 additional alumni who sent in their names to be included on snowflakes were there in spirit.

The alumni also assisted the rest of the volunteers throughout the weekend on various projects. Volunteer Coordinator Helen Tyrybon called the group of volunteers the best she's worked with.

Alumni present: Erin Carr, Brian Clark, Melani Hutchings, Chris Martin, Alex Moran, Jenny Porter Tilley, Tiji Vander Muelen, Ryan Murphy, Kim (Waller) Nash, David Nees, Alex Pare, Dawn Studebaker, Liz Von Allman, Allen Wagner and Julie Zajac. ▼



WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN 2013:

Annual Meeting

8 p.m. EST Sunday, January 20

Alumni will be able to listen in on the board's updates and discussions and contribute to the conversation through our online chat.

Link to live chat will be distributed before the meeting begins.

Silent Auction & Camp Experience

Friday-Sunday, April 5-7

Event will include auction of Glassmen memorabilia and other donated items.

Visit www.glassmenalumni.org/events for more information.

Glassmen All-Star Review

Sunday, June 23

Doyt Perry Field

Bowling Green State University

1610 Stadium Drive

Bowling Green, OH 43403

Visit www.dci.org for more information or to purchase tickets.

ALUMNI: Register at www.glassmenalumni.org today to reconnect with fellow performers and share your ideas for bringing the Glassmen back to the field in 2014.