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BANDSTAND

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Wilkommen, Bienvenue, Welcome! We present for your enjoyment, disgust, or (I suppose it's technically possible) indifference at yet another wonderful edition of the Brown Bandstand! In this edition, our heroes endure rain, cold, the Penn Band and the Sugar Bears (don't ask) to bring another exciting year of Bandiness to the Brown community!

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- the aforementioned



Actual Overheard Conversation:

Bandie: Hey, that was a really cool Thriller dance you guys did at half time!

SB Bandie: Yeah. Thanks.

Other Bandie: Yeah, it was impressive!

SB Bandie: Yeah. Thanks.

Bandies leave

Other SB Bandie: Dude, why were you talking

to the enemy?

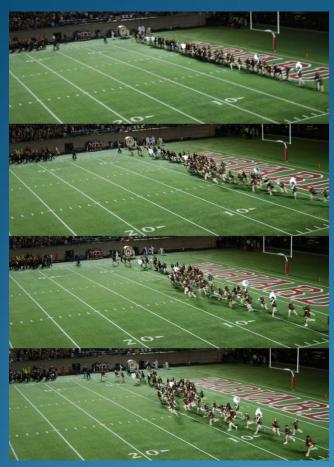
Enter the Sea Wolf

Stony Brook Sucks – don't blame me, I'm just quoting stonybrooksucks.com. The Band was bumped from halftime so 2 high school bands could play Rihanna's Disturbia with Stony Brook's wanna-be high school marching band (protip – a repertoire of 4 songs gets old). Between searching for the Red Dragon Labyrinth and finding a farmer's market next to the concession stand, these photos represent the Band at its most excited state during the game.



Harvard – A Study in Crimson

For Harvard, let's not dwell on the fact that the Band arrived over an hour late due to Boston Traffic. Let's not think about that we lost by thiiiiiiis much. Let's ignore the Harvard Band completely. Instead, let us use this opportunity to take a closer look at the Band – the Band in motion.



The Band stands in line at the edge of the field, waiting with bated breath. Lips, legs, fingers, arms, all tense with the anticipation of that one word...

"BAAANNNDDD!" The scriptreader unleashes the frenzied energy stored on the sideline. The more densely packed central core is first off the mark, launching the line into full flight...

By now the heavier instruments are picking up steam as well. Brass, lacquer, silver and fiberglass flicker under the harsh glare of the stadium lighting...

With a roar, the Band, in full motion, begins to draw in the edges of the line towards the center, as peripheral members strive to keep up with frontrunners in the center. Soon, the Band will condense into an all-out scramble in the center of the field.

DOWNPOURI

We all knew we'd curse the day UCS denied us funding to buy canoes for rainy-day travel in Providence. In protest, Will Miller '11 demonstrates the Band's need for water-borne conveyance by practicing his rowing skills as the rest of the section plays "Who'll Stop the Rain?". Have you ever seen the rain? Yes, yes we have.



Holy Cross, Batman!

The Holy Cross Crusader, Hit and Run, Giant Killer, Neutral Field, Pull Through the Clutch, Never Say Die, Have Ticket Will Fly, Have Coffee Will Sober, Legendary and Notorious, Tug of War, Apple Corps, Halloween Howling, Rugby Shirt Erasing, Only Undefeated, Papally Blessed, Award Winning, Lost in Paramus, Cigar Smoking, Push It, Tone Deaf, Waterlogged, "Got There, Got There," Our Power is Beyond Your Understanding, Lush and Haunting, Feeling the Unit, Topless on the Turnpike, Visually Stimulating, Sublimely Sybaritic, What About Bob?, Band is Safe Sex, Maximum Capacity, March to the Arch, Turning Over a New Rob, Holy Cross College High School, Harnessing Our Inner Chu, Brrreakdown, "Less Poncho, More Feeling," Off We Go... to Ramapo??, "Goodtime" Marching Band

- the full name of the Holy Cross marching band, read as part of the script. 8 words were censored out by the AD. We received e-mails from HC band members when they caught the omissions as the script was read in the stadium. We leave judgment up to you.



The scriptwriter casually threatened to jump to his near-death upon hearing the news



Lions and... well, Tigers and Bears Anyway

Parent's weekend was another exciting adventure for the two most amazing Bands on the east coast (I'm sure you can figure out which is which – hint: we both wear buttons but only one Band manufactures them). They came, we partied, there was a massive joint-band post-game concert as well. The PUB also crashed the Ratty, upsetting both students who managed to wake up before 10am on a Saturday. Seriously, people, we're not going to stop doing campus marches anytime soon. Evolve or lose sleep.

Oh, so *that's* the statue...

Cornell was pretty chill, though not too chilly. Wegman's grocery store provided (literally) hours of entertainment, our mingling with the Cornell Band showed that fascism isn't that bad in small amounts, I met my future wife*, the weather looked bad but got progressively better (much like the football team's performance), the script was entirely uncensored, and we even found out what Grapples were (not to mention Dragonfruit). And zero band members fell in zero gorges, though this leaves the overall rate of gorge-falling curiously undefined.

*just kidding

Announcer's booth audio log: Yeah, it was a pretty long ride up here... no, there aren't any gorge or suicide jokes in the script... isn't it 9.8m/s²?... Okay, let me see how they're doing WHY DOES HE HAVE A FLAG?





"Oh, Penn", says-a-me

This year's Halloween issue featured the Band in a variety of unique costumes. Present on the field were none other than Inspector Gadget, Cookie Monster, the Mad Hatter, the Human Body, Undecided, Doc Brown and even Hunter S. Thompson. Unfortunately, the Penn Band was also present on the field, decked out in the ugliest costumes we had ever seen (later reports indicated that they came in uniform).

AGAIN, IT RAINEDARTMOUTH

I'm not even going to show you a picture of the Dartmouth game. It rained. We were soaked. My roommate woke up, looked out the window, and decided it was a good day to oversleep and miss Band. Rain. Forget the canoes, UCS. Buy us a submarine. We'll let you use it to take trips to Iceland in the summer. Please? Pleeeeeeaaaaassseee?

Bandquet

Bandquet serves as the closest thing to a full roster of the Band. Everybody likes pictures, nice clothes, and a nice dinner, right? Let's see who all put in an appearance... (left to right, top to bottom rows)

Sophomores: Jessica Kirschner, Amy Trav



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Kirschner, Amy Traver, David
Stern, Ben Leib, Jake Franco,
Justin Ardini, Andrew Leber,
Maggie Goter, Monica
DeSantiago, Andrea Weber,
Ben Geilich, Natalie
Bodington, Mara Smith,
Jamie Brew (being a total
sketch-ball and not getting
into the picture) (not
pictured: Jeff Blum)

<u>Freshmen</u>: Jordan Saenz, Mayrolin Garcia, Brian Wilson, Meyrolin Garcia, Rahel Dette, Laken Hottle, Nawal Traish, Joanna Lustig, Jenny Steger, Zach Rowe, Michelle Han (Not pictured: Jordan Badeaux, Kristina Klara, Axelrod Winner Wilson Baer, and some others I am probably forgetting)



<u>Iuniors</u>: Bryan Chu, Matt Edelman, Chris Moynihan, Eli Bashevkin, Dan Prendergast, Will Miller, Max Mankin, Ignacio "Nacho" Santana, Jr., Aminy Ostfeld, Sabrina Boyd, Emily Haskel, Sara Powell, Wendy Kwartin

The New Band Board! From top, left to right: Ben Leib '12, Wendy Kwartin '11, Mike Johnson '11, Jamie Brew '12, Andrea Weber '12, Max Mankin '11-ish





Seniors!: Jason Ziplow, Benjamin Lowell, Nick Hagerty, Andrew Marshall, John Katahara, Robert Mustacchi, Sam antha Scudder, Stephanie Craton, Kraina-Sarah Ostrach, Kristyn Wojciechowicz, Sarah Cocuzzo, Kate Frizsche, Christina Cozetto



Oh, and I almost forgot, the two grad students*, Jesse Errico and Mike Feldman. Yep, that pretty much wraps up Bandquet.

...Dónde?... Ah.

The Band wrapped up football season with a visit to the big city... or at least Morningside Heights. Band Board changed over, people learned life lessons, the Columbia Band marched in a circle...



Spring Sports Schedule

For all of you Band fans out there (and at least a few make it out here now and again) here is the complete (or as complete as we can make it) schedule of band appearances for the spring semester.

Date	Event	Versus	Time	Location	Notes
1/29	Men's Hockey	Rensselaer	7pm	Home	
1/30	Men's Bball	Penn	7pm	Home	
2/5	Men's Hockey	Harvard	7pm	Home	Alumni night, Ice Show
2/6	Men's Hockey	Dartmouth	4pm	Home	
2/13	Women's Hockey	Colgate	4pm	Home	Ice Show (possibly)
2/19	Men's Hockey	Clarkson	7pm	Home	Ice Show
2/26	Men's Hockey	Quinnipiac	7pm	Away	
2/27	Men's Hockey	Princeton	4pm	Away	
3/5	Men's Bball	Cornell	7pm	Home	
5/1	Men's Lacrosse	Dartmouth	ıpm	Home	
5/7 OR 5/9	Men's Lacrosse	TBD	TBD	TBD	

Caroling!

So, the Band went caroling again this year. As usual, we stopped outside of Ruth Simmon's house and we all knew that she wouldn't actually show up. We were just debating whether or not to go to her office hours to give her a heads-up next year when who opened the door but RUTH! RUTH! R-U-T-H RUTH!We were quite pleased.



During caroling, the trumpet section aggressively defends the Pembroke seal from other Bandies far too willing to tempt fate (and pregnancy/expulsion)

Pictures!

Mike Johnson '11 likes appearing sketchily in the corner of pictures, though he was edged out by Will Miller '11 for overall sketchiness (see the picture for URI).



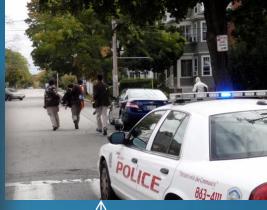


Mmmmmm.... Buttons... (thanks to Jeff Blum '12)

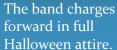


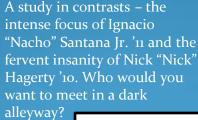


Band on the run – the police took none too kindly to Low Brasses kidnapping attempts.



forward in full Halloween attire.









The Sharks, smelling blood in the water, pursued the Jets into the end zone, where they recovered the fumble. Immediately coming back on a power play, the sharks passed it up for an alley-oop, but hit it off the post, and the checkered flag was waved as the sharks crossed home plate into the sand trap to pick up the spare, edging out Michael Phelps in the 200 fly. Checkmate! (Part of the Columbia script – not strictly a picture, but still funny)



One trumpet is just not enough for Jesse Errico GS.

Photo credits: John Katahara '10, Nick Hagerty '10, Adam Robbins '09, Max Mankin '11







The percussion section. One big happy family, aside from all of the beatings.





Double-Reaction shot of Christina Cozzetto '10 and Andrew Marshall '10. What exactly are they reacting to? We'll leave that up to you imagination.



Sarah Cocuzzo '10 commands her zombie army of Cornell drummers.

