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WOMEN TAKE OVER BAND BOARD

by Howie Klein '83

The second Tuesday in November is, of course, (Band) election day and as always, this years election produced some startling results. For the first time ever, a female dominated band board was chosen. Only two males were elected to that august body.

The presidential race was once again tightly contested, as Irvin Iustig '83 defeated Greg James '83 and Howie Klein '83. Afterwards, Greg acknowledged that his bid was doomed from the moment Bob Abbato-marcc '82 placed Greg's name in nomination. Bob, as you may recall, (Bandstand, Feb., 1981) lost his race for the presidency after having been nominated by Norman Meyrowitz '81. Norman, in turn, lost his presidential bid in '79. Norman was nominated by Billy Leiserson '80, yet another unsuccessful presidential candidate (in '78).

In the end, Irvin's candidacy proved irresi-

stable, as he told the band how he had developed from an obnoxious freshman into a star forward on the "Liquid Laffers" hockey team. Irvin then described his greatest accomplishment as "Playing the bari sax with half the reed chopped off." The clincher was delivered a few moments later, when Irvin (head librarian under the old board) dangled the ultimate patronage position before the band - his old job.

Howie Klein then won the vice-presidential race by convincing the band that two Floridians are needed on this years board. Irvin's a Miami native, while Howie's from Hollywood - Florida, that is. After the election, Howie admitted that the vice-presidency had been his goal all along. "As Norman says, the vice-president really runs the band."

Women rapidly filled out the rest of the

81-82 band board. Kathy Rosenfield '83 was given the business manager's position by acclamation, as the piccolo section shouted down any male considering the job. Sue Topchik '84 was then elected corresponding secretary, despite outgoing President Walter Armstrong's best attempts to mispronounce her name. Finally, Carol Fenimore '84 was chosen to fill the recording secretary slot.

After the election, (described by many band members as the best run in recent memory) the new female officers agreed in principle to accept the new male board members, contingent upon good behavior. They then voted to ban "She's a Pembroke Born" from all official band functions. Finally, the new board threatened to defect to the women's swim team if the hockey team's record doesn't improve this season. It should be another interesting year.

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Editor's Note

First of all, I must apologize for the rather tardy (to say the least!) appearance of the year's first Bandstand. From now on, it will be put out regularly (I hope). To that end, the appearance of Bandstand has been altered. As you can see, this issue does not look as polished as those published over the last couple of years. By not typesetting, the mechanics of Bandstand publication should be simplified.

Bandstand welcomes (desperately needs!) your comments and suggestions. I'd like to include more articles on the band's past, so write us about some of your band experiences. Anything you could send us is more than welcome. I hope to hear from you.

Howie K.

The Day of the Penn Trip

By Irvin Lustig '83 and Peter Ostrow '84

'Twas the day of the Penn trip and all throughout Brown
The whole band was talking about Philly town.
Thinking of booze for a really long trip
Bob Wells bought six cases for us all to sip.

When the busses arrived at old Fulton Hall
The band was psyched to have a big ball.
Put then they noticed tht one bus was missing
A bathroom for drunkards who need to go pissing.

As the band started trucking on I-95
They consumed all the beer so they would not survive.
In Yonkers they knew they all would fill up
Their stomachs so empty from much throwing up.

The band arrived at about ten o'clock
At a place with ten floors and a bar where they'd rock;
But to their surprise, they found very near
A swimming pool, where they could float all that beer.

You never did see so many damn fools
All drunk and laughing in a large swimming pool.
Then, when it closed, the band went upstairs
And went to the disco and boogied in pairs.

Late the next morning, they all woke a-meaning,
To headaches and tummies that had them all groaning.
Finally they boarded the busses to Penn
For a rehearsal that should have started at ten.

But Wally (that Lumox) had not told Jane
The way to the practice for the football game.
Rehearsal was late, for one bus got lost,
And it took Penn police to get them uncrossed.

Then, on the gridiron, the whole band was ready
To watch two teams who were very unsteady.
Brown took the lead early, but the band did not yell;
They assumed we'd be losers before the last bell.

Yet, for a change, almost nothing went wrong;
And "Alma Mater" was sounded (a rarely played song).
It had been eight long months since the band had
appeared

At a function where Brown was the victor to cheer.

They boarded the busses for the long trip back;
Their spirits got higher with every six-pack.
For thirty long hours they had spent together
On a trip they'd remember for ever and ever.

BAND GANG BANQUET AGAIN SUCCESSFUL

by Matthew Merzbacher '83

There were no television cameras or reporters on the scene last November when, on a typical Providence cold rainy evening, the band saluted itself at the annual banquet. Instead, there was a change of pace from the usual fare at the Ratty, some speeches, awards presentation, more speeches, introductions and farewells, and even more speeches.

After introductory cocktails without heed to Rhode Island's alcohol laws, lame LummoX President Walter Armstrong '82 gave a list of the year's highlights from last season's dismal Hockey record to this year's equally successful football season. Armstrong never failed to lose the hungry crowd's attention as he remin-

isced about all the trips. There was an extra gleam in his eye as he described the triple overnight last year to Clarkson, St. Lawrence, and Cornell.

After supper, Athletic Director John Parry '65, delivered a speech detailing the woes of an Ivy League censor. Those of us sitting directly under the loudspeakers wonder if we'll ever hear again as Parry's tone was a bit too loud.

The annual awards presentations were made with this year's honors going to Bob Wells '82 (Maddock Award), Walter Armstrong '82 (Harris Award) and Larry Rosenbaum '85 (Axelrod Award). In keeping with a tradition set two years ago and continued last year, Rosenbaum's name was misspelled on his plaque. Former President Jessica Stulman '81 presented the

Harris award to Walter after another one of her patented concise speeches. The other band alums present were Mitch Lester '79, Gil Neiger '79, Michele Berdinis '81 and Norman Meyrowitz '81.

Senior gifts, designed by Ava Buhly '84 and Marion Goldeen '83, left everyone laughing as each senior received a personal mini-roast and a copy of all the shows in the past four years.

Of course, the evening's climax was installation of the new band board. As tradition demands, the rabbit's foot was passed and everything was set for another year of hectic band life.

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Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends and Alumni... The Brown University Band

Table with multiple columns listing items for sale, including sheet music, recordings, and merchandise, with prices and descriptions.

Ladies and Gentlemen, Friends and Alumni

The Brown University Band RECORD!!!

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Total

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Box 1145
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Providence, RI 02912

Make checks payable to Brown University

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Alumni Notes

Barbara Jeremiah Gardner '73 and Blair M. Gardner are both attorneys practicing in Pittsburgh.

Rich Leff '76 is finishing his residency in Internal Medicine in San Francisco.

Justine F. Glynn '77 is still in the Navy, serving aboard the USS Fulton in New London, Conn. as Navigator, Opera-

tions Officer and Legal Officer. Justine was recently promoted to Lieutenant, and is planning to be married Dec. 12 to a Navy submariner.

Mitch Lester '79 is stirring up trouble while completing his third year of medical school in Providence.

Liz Birnbaum '81 has been working as a paralegal in Providence and Washington for the past two years, and is now in Harvard Law School.

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Special events chairman Karen Mellor finished the evening with a movie and slide presentation. After loading back onto the school buses, the short hop back to Brown was made and Hockey season officially began.

1981-82 HOCKEY SCHEDULE and RESULTS

Tues.	12/1	at Boston Coll.	(L, 4-3, OT)
Sat.	12/5	RPI*	(W, 3-2)
Tues.	12/8	at Vermont	(L, 7-4)
Sat.	12/11	Hahvahd*	(W, 5-4)
Fri.	1/8	at Cornell	(W, 5-4, OT)
Sat.	1/9	at Princeton	(L, 6-3)
Tues.	1/12	Northeastern	(L, 8-3)
Fri.	1/15	Clarkson	(L, 2-0)
Sat.	1/30	Yale	
Wed.	2/3	at Harvard	
Sat.	2/6	at Dartmouth	
Tues.	2/9	New Hampshire	
Sat.	2/13	at Yale*!	
Sun.	2/14	Colgate	
Tues.	2/16	at Providence Coll.	
Fri.	2/19	St. Lawrence*	
Tues.	2/13	Dartmouth	
Sat.	2/27	at Boston Univ.	
Tues.	3/2	at Maine	
Fri.	3/5	Cornell	
Sat.	3/6	Princeton*	

all games at 7:30 PM / * denotes skating game
*! that's right, the band is skating AT Yale!

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