

NAoAB Chat thread from September 9, 2021

Johanna Adams MO University:	great job.
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	Band website event page for the Marching Knights' Homecoming Reunion: https://ucfbands.com/event/2021-homecoming-reunion/
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	Merchandise shop: https://shop.ucfbands.com
Whitney Lorenz - Michigan State University:	awesome job!!
Beth Hoag - UCF:	Yes Jessica!! UCF!!!
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	<3 thank you and thanks for the opportunity, NAOAB!
Ranelle Maltas (she her) U Nebr-Lincoln:	https://nebandalums.org/reunion-weekend/
Nikki Csipkes, University of Nebraska- Lincoln Band Alumni Assoc:	Great job, Ranelle! Thanks for representing UNL!
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	So much history and tradition! Thanks Jim!
Robin Oegerle:	Good Job!
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	Noice
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	Amber - do alum also pay for homecoming? Or is it just the dues payment?
Amber Ryan:	We don't do anything for homecoming with alumni band. Alumni can pay to be part of the club and get a discount on upcoming events and be notified before other alumni.
Ken Corbett & Nick Annan UofSC:	How do you handle guest tickets (band alumni family members)?
Brad McDavid - Washington:	Have to leave with the band at 4AM tomorrow for our BIG game at Michigan so got to go. Great to see everyone and Go DAWGS!
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	Touchstone www.tmgideas.com
Tim Parenti, Pitt Band Alumni Council:	We don't handle guest tickets: Those not marching in with our Alumni Band are told to have their own.
Tim Fox - MSU:	MSU - we can't handle tickets - the athletic department handles all ticket requests for guests/family. They have to be purchased. However, those who are playing in the Alumni Band are all comp.
Beth Hoag - UCF:	What is a reunion event for your group that you consider to be a success annually?
Nikki Csipkes, University of Nebraska- Lincoln Band Alumni Assoc:	Speaking for Nebraska- on our registration page, it clearly states that no refunds on dues will be given past the registration deadline. If someone is a no show, no refunds are given. I did refund a breakfast this year- someone had a family member pass away and couldn't make it. If there was more to that question, please let me know!

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Daniel Wendt - LSU:	Q for Jessica at UCF - it looks like the alumni band sells a bunch of merchandise. Does the band itself (or KKP/student orgs) sell any merch? If so, how do y'all handle the conflicting interests?
Doug Behnke OSU:	Lee, The OSU Alumni Band will perform at pregame and halftime on Sept 25th.
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	Daniel - I don't think either organization sells generic merchandise any more (just stuff with their letters). Before the shop I know TBS did a shirt fundraiser (MK Love).
Jessica Peeples - UCF:	Beth/Jordan - anything to add?
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	KKpsi and TBS may still sell their own merchandise, but I haven't seen any and if they do I doubt there are any issues with the band's shop. To clarify: shop.ucfbands.com is a store for the band, band parents, and alumni, and many of the products (like the toddler bib) are available to all of the groups.
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	conflict of interest issues** ^
Daniel Wendt - LSU:	Thanks so much!
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	For any chapter, if there's time: If your alumni band plays new music for a show or in the stands, how do you handle getting instruments that aren't always independently owned (like sousas) to participants to practice with before or during rehearsal?
Johanna Adams MO University:	Mizzou Alumni Band is not marching at homecoming Oct. 9 game. just found out last week had to have covers on horns and board felt there wasn't enough time for folks to plan for that. We are having a celebration at local restaurant bar on campus Friday Night and a virtual reunion meeting on sunday.
Nikki Csipkes, University of Nebraska- Lincoln Band Alumni Assoc:	We have a stock of instruments at UNL. I think most of them are old instruments owned by the marching band/college, that are now used solely for alumni. We have alumni pay \$15 to rent an instrument for the day, so we can pay for upkeep. They have the instrument for the day only.
Doug Behnke OSU:	Jordan, OSU also has retired instruments available for larger instruments (drums, sousaphones)similar to UT that are stored at band room.
Jordan Pakrosnis (UCF):	Thank you, everyone!
Doug Behnke OSU:	We usually have a couple of new arrangements that our Active Alumni Band will rehearse in August and the music is posted on Box . We also typically provide a recording of the piece for those unable to attend Active band rehearsal
Beth Hoag - UCF:	Cheers Everyone!!!
Timothy Rodrigue - LSU:	Thank you so much, everyone! The information is greatly appreciated.

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Whitney Lorenz - Michigan State University:	Thank you for putting this together Geof!!
Lee Butts - UGA:	Thanks to all the presenters and contributors!
Lee Butts - UGA:	Clarify: UGA alumni band is still planning to perform.
Tim Fox - MSU:	Thanks, everyone!
