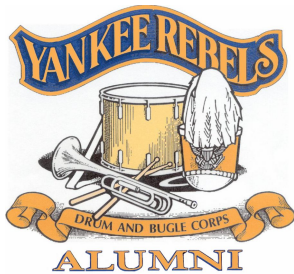

YANKEE REBELS ALUMNI

February 2009



The Director's Corner

"A Proud Heritage - A Legendary Corps"

Phil Gentile - Director

Yankee Rebels Alumni Drum and Bugle Corps

This year marks the 20th year the Yankee Rebels Alumni Drum and Bugle Corps has been in existence. This is a great accomplishment and we are proud to have as our sponsor the Dundalk American Legion Post #38.

Under the musical leadership of Larry Kerchner and John Flowers, the corps presents a new sound while reminding us of its roots as a National Champion. Larry Kerchner has added three new tunes to this years repertoire "Are You From Dixie", "Rebel Rouser"(a pleasing foot taper), and "There Is A Time".

Our Administrative staff: Phil Gentile/Director, George Bull/Director Emeritus, Frank (Bubs) Assaro, Gary Dickelman, Joel Leson, Charles Lyon and John Manlove. Brass Arranger/Instructor Larry Kerchner, Brass Instructor Ricardo Gabrbiel and Ray Eyler. Percussion Arranger/Instructor, John Flowers and assistant Inst. Ronald Church. Color Guard Captain, Jack Doster, Jr.

On April 4, 2009, at the Parkville Senior High School, the Yankee Rebels will present the 19th annual "Dixie Stinger" featuring the following: Archer Epler Musketeers, Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights, Bridgeman Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps, Hawthorne Caballeros Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps, Mason-Dixon Drum Line, Reilly Raiders Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps, Swing House (modern day jazz brass ensemble) and yours host corps, The Yankee Rebels Alumni Drum & Bugles Corps.

For Information regarding TICKETS please call: 800-794-1195 Access Code 00 (zero). Or, go to our web site - yankeerebels.org, see Dixie Stinger.

Ticket Prices: Adults: \$15.00 Children 7 -11 yrs: \$7.00
Children Under 7: Free

Phil

From the President's Desk

Larry Bourne - President Yankee Rebels Alumni

The next meeting of the Yankee Rebels Alumni will be held on Wednesday March 4th. The meeting will be held at the Charles Evering VFW Post #6506 on Philadelphia Road starting at 7:30 PM. Please come early for dinner and support our Post. Regular order of business will be the agenda at this meeting. But, I am sure there will be a lot to talk about with the upcoming Dixie Stinger, Maryland Hall of Fame Banquet, G.A.S. and everything else that is in this newsletter. If you have not made a meeting in a while, we would love to see you there. If you are a member of the drum corps, we would also like to invite you. After the meeting we meet in the canteen to socialize the rest of the evening with the refreshments taken care of by the Alumni.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<i>Wednesday</i> <i>Mar. 4th</i>	Monthly Alumni Meeting - 7:30 PM. (VFW Post)
<i>Sunday</i> <i>Mar. 15th</i>	Drum Corps at St. Patrick's Day Parade (Balto.)
<i>Saturday</i> <i>Mar. 28th</i>	Maryland Hall of Fame Banquet-Parkville A.L. Post.
<i>Wednesday</i> <i>Apr. 1st</i>	Monthly Alumni Meeting - 7:30 PM. (VFW Post)
<i>Saturday</i> <i>Apr. 4th</i>	Dixie Stinger - Parkville Senior High School Doors open at 5:30 PM. - Show starts at 6 PM.
<i>Saturday</i> <i>Apr. 18th</i>	Drum Corps at Serenade In Brass at the Forum in Harrisburg, PA.
<i>Fri-Sun.</i> <i>May 1-3</i>	G.A.S. Reunion - Gettysburg, PA.

Passings:



I am sorry to report that my brother, alumnus and drum corps member, **Tim Bourne** passed away on January 28th after a long bout with acute liver disease. Please say a prayer for Tim and pray that he is now in a better place.

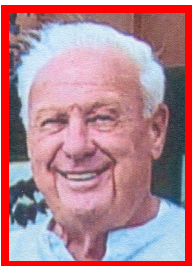


Gettysburg, PA
May 1-3, 2009

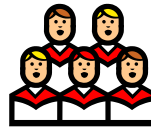
Remember, I have been telling you that this GAS was going to fill up fast and you needed to get your reservations in early. Well, here we are in late February with only two months until the big weekend and our main hotel is filled. Yes, all 248 rooms at the Wyndham are now booked.

But don't let that discourage you from calling Charlie Kammer (410.256.8462) right now. We still have another great hotel (Marriott Courtyard) literally only a few steps away. Charlie and myself have been in this hotel and have seen the rooms and they are very nice. The hotel has its own bar and restaurant also. The Yankee Rebels Alumni now have 88 people that will be in attendance.

Other passings since our last newsletter include **Francis Gorsuch** (Right), **Carrol (Kit) Carson** (not shown - who passed away on January 4th) and alumnus and drum corps friend **Murrill Long** (Left).



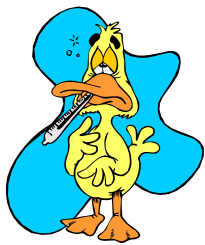
Also a couple of our drum corps family lost relatives. The first was Fred and Nancy Altman when they lost their daughter late in the year. Then our very own John Manlove lost his sister around the holidays. Our prayers and thoughts go out to all of our drum corps family on their losses.



As many of you know by know, the Alumni will be forming a chorus to sing at the GAS Reunion. We will be under the direction of our own Bill Trageser. Trag has scheduled the first rehearsal for Monday March 2nd at our home

VFW Post. All rehearsal times are at 1 PM in the afternoon (VFW starts lunch at 12 noon) every Monday, nine weeks, up until the reunion. If you plan to to attend the GAS Reunion and are free in the afternoons, we would love for you and or your wife to join in and help make this an even better weekend.

Sick List:



Since my last newsletter **Ralph Chapman** had a mini stroke and still is not doing very well. **Rich Greul** had jaw surgery. **Augie Voelker** had a heart by-pass. **Bob James** had respiratory problems. And **Charlie Bridge** had surgery for the return of cancer in his leg.

On a brighter note, our own **Frank Assaro** is now back playing his horn after a 4-way by-pass last summer. Please take care of yourselves as we do not want to lose any more of our "family".

Maryland Hall of Fame:

Saturday 5 PM
March 29th



If you have not already done so, please fill out form on the **enclosed flyer** and mail to Frank Dorbert (410-841-6877) for tickets to the Maryland Drum Corps Hall of Fame Banquet on Saturday evening, March 28th. The banquet is again at the Parkville American Legion Post on Putty Hill Rd. As I state every year, this is a class event that should not be missed. This year we will be inducting 5 very deserving people into this prestigious group. Among the inductees are Yankee Rebels Alumnus **Charlie Bridge** and **Butch Frank**. Others being inducted include **Agnes Bennett**, **Donald Potter** and **Charles Panuska**. Please join us in honoring these people by attending this affair. Tickets are \$30 per person and include a buffet and full open bar. See enclosed flyer for more details.

Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday March 11th @ VFW Post #6506

"The Luncheonettes" still meet the second Wednesday of each month for lunch at 12 noon. Call Dolores Gentile at 410-679-6127 for directions or more information.

Out to LUNCH!

Memorial Service:

May 6th Meeting

Wednesday 7:30 PM.

Again this year, we will have a short service to honor all those great Yankee Rebels that have passed away. I feel it is important not to forget these people that helped make the Yankee Rebels one of the best and most respected drum and bugle corps in the country. The service will take place during our regular May Alumni meeting at the Charles Evering VFW Post. This will be an open meeting to all wives and visitors with liquid refreshment to follow.

Dues:

Here we go again – If you have this picture on the front of your envelope, we have not received your dues for the 2007-2008 year. Dues are due on the first of October every year. Please stay current by sending in your yearly dues (\$15) to:



Charles Kammer
9302 Innsbrook Way
Baltimore, Maryland 21236

Finally: I know that it has been a few months, but I just wanted to tell everyone what a great Christmas Party we had in December. There was some inclement weather that evening which prevented some of our people from attending. The ones that were able to make it had a great time and also contributed toys for the VFW Post's Children's Christmas Party. Here are a few pictures from that evening.



Vaudeville team of Bourne & Gentile entertains the party-goers. They will be taking their act on the road in the near future.



Some of the 100 people in attendance enjoying the Christmas Spirit.



A few of our ladies enjoying the fabulous desserts.

Your Party
Organizers:
Larry Bourne &
Charlie Kramer



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information at
Yankeerebels.org

Adults: \$15

Children 7-11: \$7

Children under 7: FREE



Yankee Rebel s Alumni Drum & Bugl e Corps

Sponsored by: The Dundalk Post 38 American Legion

S a t u r d a y : A p r i l 4, 2009

Parkville High School, 2600 Putty Hill Avenue, Baltimore, MD

Time: 6:00 pm (Doors open 5:30 pm)

For an evening of musical entertainment you wont forget

Featuring

Archer Epler Musketeers Drum & Bugle Corps – Upper Darby, PA

Blessed Sacrament Golden Knights Drum & Bugle Corps – Nutley, NJ

Bridgeman Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps – Bayonne, NJ

Hawthorne Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps – Hawthorne, NJ

Mason-Dixon Drum Line – Baltimore, MD

Reilly Raiders Alumni Drum & Bugle Corps – Willow Grove, PA

Swing House – Penns Grove, NJ

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