This year’s Band Alumni weekend, held Oct 3-5, was again a success, as more than 80 alumni, family members and friends attended the Friday night social, Saturday rehearsal, game, or Saturday post-game party. For the first time in a few years, the alumni “Groaning Groins” male dance (and I use that term very loosely) team stunned the audience with a performance during “Shout” in our Animal House 30th anniversary show. No significant injuries were reported, though one of our members is now studying medical massage for future emergency use. Sunday morning’s golf outing saw nine early birds attempting birdies on the Eagle Course at KittyHawk. While no scores were announced, the course record easily survived another attack.

Following our combined half-time performance with the POD, this year’s George Koenig Jr. Memorial Endowed Scholarship was awarded to Erin Basch. Erin is a senior music education major and participates in all of the major instrumental ensembles within the music department, including the Marching Band, Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Orchestra, and Jazz ensembles and is also active in several instrumental chamber groups. In addition, she has also been a member Ebony Heritage Singers and the Flyer pep band during her time at UD. She is pictured with her parents and George’s parents. Erin is the fifth recipient of this scholarship, which was endowed in 2004, one year after George passed away.

Did Someone say “Road Trip”? 

If the Flyer football team continues to win, it will again play in the Gridiron Classic. This year’s game, at the Northeast Conference Champion’s home field, will be on December 6. Currently teams from New York and New Jersey are in contention to be the Northeast Conference representative. We’d love to have some local (East Coast) alumni meet us there to play “Victory” over and over as the Flyers try to win their second Gridiron Classic in a row. See the Pioneer Football League and UD band alumni web sites for updates and more information.

Phil Cenedella is trying to arrange a trip to Mardi Gras in New Orleans, in late February 2009. His plans include us being “parked” along the parade routes and playing between parades (there are several parades). That’s probably a better idea than us trying to “march.” Contact Phil if you’re interested: phil@philicenedella.com


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**Holiday Pep Band Schedule**

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Please check the Alumni Band web site for updates. Schedule is subject to change.

Again this year, we will be including local high school students to help support our sound. It's a great recruiting tool for the band.

Meet at Reichard Hall 1.5 hours before game time. Arena security officials prefer that we go in as group, since they inspect our cases, etc. It is possible to meet us at the arena if you make prior arrangements with John White at jojmwhite@aol.com or 937/848-4268.
More Band Alumni Weekend Pictures:

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