GREETINGS, BANDS ALUMNI
AND OTHER FRIENDS

We have just completed another very successful year with the Illinois Bands. The Sesquicentennial of the University of Illinois afforded many opportunities for the bands to contribute to the celebration. This included our first annual (and already very popular) Homecoming concert featuring the Wind Orchestra, the Illinois Wind Symphony, and the Marching Illini. Additionally, the Illinois Wind Symphony celebrated the 150th with the University Chamber Singers in very special concerts in Chicago and New York. More about this later in the newsletter. The Marching Illini had another banner year including our first “away” appearance at a Big Ten game in several years. The band travelled to Columbus to cheer on the Fighting Illini in front of a very appreciative crowd. The deluge of rain that started right at halftime failed to dampen our spirits after a truly incredible halftime performance. In addition to all the other athletic band activities, the MI was honored to lead the St. Patrick’s Day Parade in Dublin, Ireland.

Our five concert bands, the Marching Illini, and our Athletic Bands continue to serve hundreds of students from across our campus. Interest in all of these groups is very high, and we are confident that our students are receiving superb musical and social experiences through the Illinois Bands program.

None of this would be possible without the generous support of our alumni and friends. We have experienced another fantastic year of growth in terms of your support. We are most grateful for this support and it is absolutely critical to our success. This newsletter highlights some of the many ways donor support has enhanced our program—as well as provides new and ongoing opportunities for you to consider.

As we close the book on the University Sesquicentennial, we have just kicked off the 150th anniversary of the Illinois Bands. This is an amazing achievement. It is hard to imagine that the first gathering of a few rag-tag musicians in the earliest years of our great university would grow to be the oldest and most influential collegiate band program in the world! But here we are! And we are ready to celebrate!

We’re hoping the Illinois Bands Sesquicentennial will allow us to celebrate with the largest Homecoming Band in our history and convince YOU to come back to reconnect with Illinois Bands and your college friends. This is truly THE year to come back and mark this historic milestone for the great institution we call ILLINOIS BANDS!

Please read through this newsletter to learn more about your Illinois Bands Program, and how you can help us celebrate this year.

We look forward to seeing you at Homecoming, and….

GO ILLINI!
NEWS ABOUT THE MARCHING ILLINI & FIGHTING ILLINI ATHLETIC BANDS

Look at what we have planned for our historic 150th anniversary year:

- Marching Illini kick off State of Illinois Bicentennial in Springfield | August 26
- Six home games in Memorial Stadium
- Neutral site game at Soldier’s Field against USF | September 15
- Homecoming Concert featuring Wind Symphony, Wind Orchestra, and the Marching Illini | October 12
- Illinois Marching Band Championships | October 20
- Chicago Bears half-time performance, followed by performance at Navy Pier | October 21
- Women’s Big Ten Tournament Band to Indianapolis, IN, in March 2019
- Men’s Big Ten Tournament Band to Chicago, IL, in March 2019
- Many other events on campus

We hope to see you at one or more of these events this 2018-19 season.

Dr. Stephen G. Peterson
Director of Bands
As director of bands, Steve conducts the Wind Symphony, leads the graduate wind conducting program, teaches courses in wind literature and conducting, and guides all aspects of the bands program at the University of Illinois.

Dr. Linda Moorhouse
Associate Director, School of Music
Senior Associate Director of Bands
In addition to her leadership role in the School of Music, Linda also serves as a valued member of the bands faculty where she teaches courses in instrumental conducting.

Dr. Elizabeth B. Peterson
Associate Director of Bands
Beth conducts the University of Illinois Wind Orchestra. She teaches courses in instrumental conducting and serves as the student teaching placement coordinator for the School of Music.

Professor Barry L. Houser
Associate Director of Bands
Director of the Marching Illini
Barry directs all aspects of the Athletic Bands program. In addition, he co-conducts the Hindsley Symphonic Band, and teaches courses in instrumental conducting and marching band techniques.

Dr. Anthony Messina
Assistant Director of Athletic Bands
Anthony joins the bands faculty this fall with his primary responsibility being to assist with all aspects of the Athletic Bands program. In addition, he will co-conduct the Hindsley Symphonic Band with Professor Houser this fall, manage social media, and teach courses in instrumental conducting.

Joy McClougherty
Business Admin Associate
Joy handles the logistics for the Illinois SuperState Concert Band Festival, the Illinois Band Conductors Symposium, and other Illinois band events. She also oversees the production of event programs and marketing materials, as well as the bands website.
After a national search, we are very pleased to welcome Dr. Anthony Messina to the Harding Band Building and the Illinois Bands family. Anthony will serve as assistant director of bands, assistant director of the Marching Illini, and assistant director of the Fighting Illini Athletic Bands, co-conduct the Hindsley Symphonic Band, teach beginning conducting, and assist with all aspects of the bands program.

Prior to his appointment, Dr. Messina served as visiting associate director of bands and director of athletic bands at Florida Atlantic University where he oversaw the athletic band program, including direction of the Marching Owls, Parliament Sound Basketball Band, and conducting the symphony band. Under Dr. Messina’s direction, ensembles performed for President Trump in 2018 and at the nationally-televised C-USA Championship and 2017 Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl.

A proponent of new music and historical perspective, Dr. Messina’s current research endeavors include Leonard B. Smith, the Detroit Concert Band, and their discography. He has given presentations at the College Band Directors National Association Southern Division Conference, the Massachusetts Music Educators Association Conference, and the 2018 International Association for the Research and Promotion of Wind Music (IGEB) Conference in Germany.

Dr. Messina holds a doctorate of musical arts in wind conducting from the University of Kansas, a master of music in wind conducting from the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music, and a bachelor of music education from Wayne State University.

With Anthony’s arrival, we bid a fond farewell to Sean Smith. Sean completed his MM degree in conducting at the University of Illinois in May of 2017 and stayed on for the 2017-18 academic year in a one-year position as assistant director of athletic bands. In addition to his teaching duties, Sean also did amazing work with our social media, starting the “one more time” podcast, updating our bands website, and managing the Illinois Concert Bands social media. Sean will be starting his doctorate in conducting at Ball State University in the fall where he will work with Illinois grad and former Illinois Band Director Tom Caneva. We wish him well.
“Lots of laughs, hugs, and picture taking,” said Joe Rank about the 150th Bands Alumni Reunion and Concert celebration which occurred on June 22 and 23. The event culminated with a fabulous concert performed by over 125 alumni and conducted by Tom Careva, James Keene, Gary Smith, Ken Steinsultz, Beth Peterson, and Steve Peterson. Along with all of the Illinois favorites, the performance included great band repertoire like Lincolnshire Posy by Percy Grainger, March Militaire Francaise by Saint Saens, Lauds by Ron Nelson, and Holst’s First Suite in Eb.

After three rehearsals, a luncheon, and the performance in Krannert Center’s Foellinger Great Hall, many alumni, performers, conductors, family, and friends gathered in the lobby of Krannert for a final reception. The opportunity to share stories, laugh, catch up with old friends, and make music together was enjoyed by everyone. The last of the crew were still seen “carrying on” in Krannert after 11:30 PM.

Carolyn Donnelly wrote, “The rehearsals were enriching and I never thought I would play in the Great Hall again. It was surreal. I also had time to catch up with friends. I am so proud to be an alumnus of the University of Illinois and its band program!”

Especially exciting was the fact that there were alumni present as far back as the 1930s, including Dick Cogdal, 101 years young, and Marge Perrino, one of the first female members of the Illinois Bands, from the 1940s. After that, every decade was represented and alumni came from all over the United States.

Thanks to Barry Houser, Linda Moorhouse, Jason Gardner, Will Sugg, Sean Smith, Patricia Vanegas, Joe Clark, and Anthony Messina for all their work publicizing, organizing, securing music, setting up chairs and equipment, and stuffing gift bags. Mark Clark was our superb announcer for the concert, and Joe Rank provided valuable support and advice along the way.

A VERY special thank you to Joy McLaugherty for all of her hard work organizing, hosting, setting up receptions, ordering cakes, food, decorating, and securing all the details that make an event like this one happen.

Unfortunately, Linda Moorhouse couldn’t join us during the alumni weekend because she was in Australia adjudicating honor bands. And, due to a last-minute schedule change in Florida, Barry Houser was busy teaching at the Smith Walbridge Clinics Florida location.
ILLINOIS BAND EVENTS

ILLINOIS MARCHING BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Illinois Marching Band Championships provides participating marching bands with feedback from the activity’s finest adjudicators, relevant and educational evaluation rubrics, and the thrill of performing in historic Memorial Stadium on the campus of the University of Illinois! Participation is open to the first forty-two Illinois high school marching bands that are divided into six classifications based on the IHSA school size.

IMBC RECAP – OCTOBER 21, 2017

1A-3A SCHOOLS
Grand Champion: Monticello HS (2A)
Field 1A: Watseka Community HS
(Music, Visual, General Effect)
Field 2A: Monticello HS (General Effect);
Illinois Valley Central (Music, Visual)
Field 3A: University HS (General Effect);
Streator HS (Music);
Rochelle Twp (Visual)

4A-6A SCHOOLS
Grand Champion: Granite City HS (5A)
Field 4A: Normal West HS
(Music, Visual, General Effect)
Field 5A: Granite City HS (Visual, General Effect);
Plainfield North HS (Music)
Field 6A: Downers Grove South HS (Visual);
Waubonsie Valley (General Effect);
Neuqua Valley (Music)

ILLINOIS WIND SYMPHONY SELECTED FOR NATIONAL CONVENTION PERFORMANCE

We are very proud to announce that the Illinois Wind Symphony has been invited (through a national blind audition process) to present the coveted evening performance on Thursday, February 21, at the National Convention of the College Band Directors National Association. The concert will be presented at the beautiful Tempe Center for the Performing Arts, in Tempe, Arizona. This prestigious invitation will serve as a highlight for the Wind Symphony next season and will provide another opportunity to mark the Illinois Bands Sesquicentennial at the national level. Congratulations to the Illinois Wind Symphony!

NINTY-SIX ILLINOIS BANDS APPLY FOR THE ILLINOIS SUPERSTATE CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL

On May 4 and 5, we welcomed thirty-two of Illinois’ finest concert bands to campus for one of the mostly highly-regarded concert band festivals in the United States: the Illinois Bands SuperState Concert Band Festival. In order to participate, bands submitted recordings which were evaluated with both written and recorded comments. The process began in February and concluded at the end of March. The two-day event was streamed by BandDirector.com, allowing thousands to watch from around the world.

Our adjudicator panel included Craig Kirchhoff, director of bands emeritus from the University of Minnesota, Bruce Moss, director of bands at Bowling Green State University, Richard Mayne, associate director of bands at the University of Northern Colorado, and Richard Blatti, former director of the Ohio State University School of Music.

Congratulations to the following schools and directors for their selection as 2018 Illinois SuperState Honor Bands:

MS/JH: Field Middle School
Director: Mike Miller
Class 1 A: O’Fallon Township High School Freshman Band
Director: Sean Harris
Class 2A: Marian Catholic High School
Director: Greg Bimm
Class 3A: Libertyville High School
Director: Adam Gohr
Class 4A: Waubonsie Valley High School
Director: Mark Duker

ILLINOIS BAND CONDUCTORS SYMPOSIUM

The seventh annual Illinois Bands Conductors Symposium occurred on February 9–10, 2018. We welcomed student conductors from across the country. Professor Mark Scatterday, conductor of the Eastman Wind Ensemble, and Dr. Stephen Peterson led the two-day event which included pedagogy, repertoire, and rehearsal techniques. Members of the Illinois Wind Symphony and the Wind Orchestra volunteered as the ensemble for the event. Next year’s symposium is scheduled for February 8–9, and will feature Kevin Sedatole, director of bands at Michigan State University. Registration will open on December 1, and the popular event will fill quickly.
To mark this momentous milestone in our university’s history, a special Sesquicentennial concert tour visited Chicago, New York, and Champaign-Urbana in the spring of 2018. The concerts, performed by two of the UIUC School of Music flagship ensembles, were designed to exemplify Illinois excellence, instill pride, and deepen engagement through a once-in-a-lifetime experience. The University of Illinois Wind Symphony and Chamber Singers, led by Director of Bands Dr. Stephen Peterson and Director of Choral Activities Dr. Andrew Megill, were joined by soloists Nathan Gunn, Todd Payne, and Yvonne Redman for the debut of a newly-commissioned work titled *Gathering*. However, long before the curtain rises, the journey of the tour started with the creation of this original work.

*Gathering* was created collaboratively between composer Dominick DiOrio of the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music and National Book Award-winning writer and Professor Emeritus Richard Powers. Powers assembled a text that blended speeches and writings by a diverse trio of University of Illinois alumni, including Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Mark Van Doren (BA, 1914), Nobel laureate in Physiology/Medicine Rosalyn Yalow (PhD, 1945), and pioneering architect and engineer Fazlur Khan (PhD, 1955). DiOrio was selected among many outstanding composers as a rising star in the music world and for his experience writing for voices and instruments. Few outstanding works exist for such a large musical force with band and choir combined, making this composition even more significant.

The performances were highly successful and occurred in Chicago at the Chicago Symphony Center on Sunday, February 11, in New York City at Alice Tully Hall on Saturday, April 14, and in Urbana at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts on Saturday, April 21. The Chicago and New York performances of the *Gathering* were made possible by a gift from the Corley family in loving memory of Dr. W. Gene Corley.
Several events will mark the 150th anniversary of America’s oldest and most-storied collegiate band program. We have already kicked off the year-long celebration with the first Summer Band Twilight Concert on June 21. This was followed by the highly successful Alumni Band Reunion Concert on June 23. Look for several special halftime performances from the Marching Illini this fall, which will include performances simulating the historic evolution of the Marching Illini and the many innovations over the years that were seen first in Memorial Stadium. October 12 and 13 will be the highlight of the entire year as we welcome you all back for Homecoming. We are hoping for the largest Homecoming Band in our history! If not now, when? We sincerely hope you will make plans to come back to campus to reconnect with Illinois Bands, and your many friends who will also return.

The Wind Symphony will celebrate with three works written especially for the Sesquicentennial year. Composer Steven Bryant has written a new five-movement, twenty-minute work for Wind ensemble which will be premiered on February 17 at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts in Urbana, and on February 21 at the College Band Directors National Association National Convention in Tempe, Arizona. Illinois composer Steven Taylor has written a new fanfare entitled “Steal Away,” which will also be premiered at this pair of concerts. Composer Dana Wilson has written a work that will conclude our “150th Bandiversary” on Wednesday, April 10. This is a very special event, as it will feature a new concerto for brass quintet and wind ensemble written for the world-famous Canadian Brass. This will be a great way to conclude our celebration, and we hope you will make plans to attend as many of these events as possible.

The 108th University of Illinois Summer Band Season is now in the books. The 100+ member band moved inside Foellinger Auditorium for their first rousing concert on June 21. Conducted by Barry Houser, Jason Gardner, and Joe Clark, the concert featured many “period pieces” and Illinois favorites from the earlier days of the past century. The concert was the first official event celebrating the Illinois Bands Sesquicentennial. The second concert was conducted by Dr. Jeananne Nichols, chair of the music education division, and DMA student Patricia Vanegas.
Greetings from the Band Alumni Board and Happy 150th Anniversary to the University of Illinois Band Program!

On behalf of all of our band alumni, I want to congratulate Steve Peterson and the entire U of I Band faculty, staff, and students for an amazing year. It was my pleasure to attend the Sesquicentennial concerts in Chicago, New York and Champaign and witness the creativity and pride that this concert represented. I hope that many of our alumni were able to attend this concert and other University programs that showcased the band. What a great year for the University of Illinois.

But now it is our turn! 2018 marks the 150th anniversary of the bands program at University of Illinois and we are set to celebrate in a big way. The celebration has already begun with the band reunion hosted by the faculty and staff this past June. It was great to see over 100 musician alumni reunite with friends and deliver an outstanding performance. Thanks to everyone who participated in the reunion event.

We are looking forward to Homecoming where hundreds of our band alumni come together to celebrate with the entire University. Homecoming is earlier this year, on October 12 and 13, and registration is now open to ALL alumni of the ENTIRE band program at www.uibandsalumni.org.

The weekend will feature the Homecoming parade and concert on Friday evening, and Saturday will include our traditional march to the stadium, and pregame and halftime performances with the Marching Illini, so there will be many opportunities to play and enjoy time with your friends, old and new. Be on the lookout for more information on the halftime show as it will feature alumni favorites from each era. We even get a break this year with a later kick-off time!

The weather will be great, the music will be fantastic, and you get to sleep in...what better combination to make 2018 the year that you “Come Home and Play”!

The Band Alumni Board is working very closely with the Alumni Association to coordinate as many activities with the larger association, organizations, and clubs to make sure that our band alumni and families can participate in a wide variety of activities at Homecoming. Please watch your email as well as Facebook and Twitter for more information.

If you are not already receiving our emails, please register with the University of Illinois Alumni Association and indicate that you are a band alum. In addition, please “Like” our Facebook page, “Illinois Alumni Band,” for current updates and activities. If you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to volunteer to help at Homecoming or join the board, please email me at maureen.durack2@gmail.com.

Please make your plans now and see you at Homecoming!

GO ILLINI!!

MAUREEN DURACK
University of Illinois Band Alumni Board President

INFORMATION FOR HOMECOMING 2018

HOTEL RESERVATIONS
The Country Inn and Suites (217-355-6666) has fifteen rooms reserved for one- or two-night stays at $199 per room/night. We urge you to make reservations as soon as possible—mention Illinois Alumni Band when calling. You can also find lodging options at the Champaign County Convention and Visitors Bureau website: www.visitchampaigncounty.org.

2017-2018 ILLINOIS GRADUATES:
NEW BAND ALUMNI!
We will waive your registration fee for the 2018 Homecoming weekend.

BAND ALUMNI REGISTRATION
Go to www.UIBandsAlumni.org.

FRIDAY REHEARSAL CAMPUS PARKING
Please check the website (www.UIBandsAlumni.org) for parking accommodations and information regarding ride-sharing.
Visit UIBandsAlumni.org for more information and registration.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12**

11:00 AM  Bands Alumni Board Meeting—any interested alumni are welcome to attend.

1:00 PM  Alumni Band Registration | Harding Band Building

1:00 PM  Drop-in reception for participating Alumni families at the Harding Band Building, Room 167.

2:00 PM  Alumni Band Welcome and Update in Harding 141.

2:20 PM  Rehearsals begin: Winds in Harding 141; Illinettes, Drumline, Colorguard Sectionals TBD.

4:45 PM  Leave for MI Practice Field.

5:15 PM  Pre-parade casual dinner provided for all Alumni Band and Marching Illini members at the MI Practice Field [corner of First and Gregory, adjacent to Memorial Stadium].

6:00 PM  Homecoming Parade featuring the Alumni Band and the Marching Illini. The MI and Alumni will march the parade together!

7:00 PM  Parade ends at Krannert Center, with time for a cocktail (cash bar) before the concert.

7:30 PM  Homecoming Concert featuring the Illinois Wind Symphony, Wind Orchestra, and the Marching Illini at the Krannert Center. All Illinois Band Alumni and their families and friends are invited to attend! Tickets for registered alumni band members will be included in Alumni registration packages, and can also be purchased at the door or through the Krannert Center ticket office (https://krannertcenter.com).

9:00 PM  Post-concert reception welcoming all current and Alumni band members, family and friends at Krannert Center. (Cash bar and dessert/snacks available.)

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13**

8:30 AM  Alumni Band Registration at Harding Band Building. Coffee and donuts for all Alumni participating in Saturday activities.

9:00 AM  Alumni Band drill and music rehearsal in Memorial Stadium. Details regarding pre-game activities, parade, and lunch will be updated on the website as they become available.

1:45 PM  Official MARCH OUT from the Armory to Memorial Stadium

2:30 / 3 PM Illinois vs. Purdue Kickoff!

**Halftime**  Marching Illini and Alumni Band performance.

**Post-Game**  MARCH OUT from Memorial Stadium to the Education Building for our traditional post-game concert.
2018 DRUM MAJORS

After an extensive audition process, Jane Folliard and Colin Flavin have been selected as the Marching Illini’s next set of Drum Majors. Jane will be a junior studying computer engineering at the University of Illinois. She is from Tinley Park, Illinois, where she attended Victor J. Andrew High School and served as drum major of the Marching Thunderbolts for two years. She previously marched piccolo in the Marching Illini for two years. This fall, she will also be serving her first term as president of the Nu Xi chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi. Colin will be a junior studying electrical engineering at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is from Germantown Hills, Illinois, and he attended Metamora Township High School where he served as assistant drum major his junior year and drum major his senior year. In the Marching Illini, he played tenor saxophone for two years. This will be his first year as drum major. Outside of band and school, Colin will also be starting his first year as president of the Illini Metagamers.

Jane and Colin both attended Smith Walbridge Drum Major Camp this past July where they both received the prestigious commission of Drum Major First Class. Congratulations to both Jane and Colin!

ALUMNI DRUMLINE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Congratulations to Anthony Hish, our 2018 recipient of the Alumni Drumline Scholarship award. Anthony (pictured right of the “party chicken”) is a native of Plainfield, Illinois. He graduated from Plainfield North High School in 2014, and graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in May 2018 with a bachelor’s degree in finance. He is a former member of the world-class Cavaliers and their indoor ensembles. Anthony has been an integral part of the Marching Illini Drumline, participating in the MI for four years and leading the drumline this past season as section leader.

MARCHING ILLINI TOWER TO BE DEDICATED ON 9/8/18

We will celebrate and dedicate the new Marching Illini Instructional Tower on Saturday, September 8. The tower was erected and painted over the past several months, and is now ready for use. It is painted Illini Blue and features a large orange “Block I.” Located at the corner of Gregory and First, this state-of-the-art-tower, along with the artificial turf field, will serve the students of the Marching Illini for generations to come.

The dedication schedule has yet to be finalized, but will work around the Fighting Illini football game that same day. We encourage all who donated to this project to make plans to attend if possible.

We send our heartfelt thanks to Ron and Paula Filler along with the many other Illinois Bands friends and alumni whose donations made this wonderful tower a reality.

MARCHING ILLINI SEEKING DONATIONS TO REPLACE SAXOPHONES

Over the past seven years, we have purchased a large number of instruments for use by our members in the Marching Illini. Our brass now sport matching silver instruments which have significantly improved both the sound and the look of the Marching Illini.

In order to complete the project, we need to purchase new saxophones for the section. We intend to purchase silver instruments to complete the matched appearance of the Marching Illini. We are calling on all former saxophonists and other alumni to join the cause to complete this important project. Your help is urgently needed. If you would like to donate, please contact David Allen at allend@illinois.edu or (217) 333-6453. This gift will provide long-lasting benefits for our current and future MI students.
## 2018-2019 MARCHING ILLINI SEASON SCHEDULE

### AUGUST
1. **State of Illinois Bicentennial Celebration**
   - **Date:** 26
   - **Location:** SPRINGFIELD, IL

### SEPTEMBER
1. **Kent State**
   - **Date:** 1
   - **Location:** MEMORIAL STADIUM
2. **BAND DAY**
   - **Date:** 8
   - **Location:** MEMORIAL STADIUM
3. **Western Illinois**
   - **Date:** 15
   - **Location:** SOLDIER FIELD, CHICAGO
4. **Penn State**
   - **Date:** 21
   - **Location:** MEMORIAL STADIUM

### OCTOBER
1. **Homecoming**
   - **Date:** 13
   - **Location:** Purdue MEMORIAL STADIUM
2. **Illinois Marching Band Championships**
   - **Date:** 20
   - **Location:** MEMORIAL STADIUM
3. **Chicago Bears Halftime Performance**
   - **Date:** 21
   - **Location:** SOLDIER FIELD, CHICAGO
   - **Time:** Navy Pier, 3 PM

### NOVEMBER
1. **DAD’S DAY**
   - **Date:** 3
   - **Location:** Minnesota MEMORIAL STADIUM
2. **Senior Day**
   - **Date:** 17
   - **Location:** Iowa MEMORIAL STADIUM
3. **Drumline, Guard, Illinettes Free Clinics**
   - **Date:** 2
   - **Location:** 12-3PM

### DECEMBER
1. **Marching Illini in Concert**
   - **Date:** 1
   - **Location:** KRANNERT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

### FEBRUARY
2. **Drumline, Guard, Illinettes Free Clinics**
   - **Date:** 2
   - **Location:** 12-3PM

### MARCH
2. **Drumline, Guard, Illinettes Free Clinics**
   - **Date:** 2
   - **Location:** 12-3PM

### APRIL
6. **Drumline Auditions Round 1**
   - **Date:** 9AM - 5PM
13. **Illinettes Dance Team Auditions**
    - **Date:** 9AM - 5PM
20. **Guard Auditions Drumline Auditions Round 2**
    - **Date:** 9AM - 5PM
# ILLINOIS CONCERT BANDS SCHEDULE

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All performances take place in the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts unless otherwise noted.
Samuel Sterbenc, DMA
Anjali Sivaainkaran, Illinois Bands graduate teaching assistant and MM ’18 in clarinet, received the Dr. Edmund C. Williams Award for Excellence in Bands Award. She was recently named band director at Antioch High School in the Metro Nashville Public Schools district in Tennessee.

Cameryn Wysocki, BLAS ’18, is our 2017-18 recipient of the Gary E. Smith Excellence in Leadership Award. She graduated from Illinois this May with a bachelor’s degree in liberal arts and sciences. Cameryn was a member of the saxophone section her first year and then served as Drum Major of the Marching Illini the following three years.

In addition, she has served on the Bands student staff this past year as part of the office administration crew with Anthony Hish. Cameryn will be moving to Milan, Italy to serve as an English Teaching Assistant this fall. Congratulations Cam on your selection as the Gary E. Smith Excellence in Leadership Award recipient!
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WAYS TO GIVE:

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