

INDIANA UNIVERSITY MARCHING HUNDRED
“A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE”
2009 ROOKIE MEMBER NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO THE HUNDRED!

This newsletter contains all of the basic information you need for Band Camp and membership in the 2009 IU Marching Hundred.

The Marching Hundred dates back to 1896, and currently lists nearly 260 members from every academic major at IU. The largest athletic support group on the Bloomington campus, the Hundred performs at all home football games, selected away games and post-season bowl games. Members of the Hundred are eligible to audition for our other athletic bands – the “Crabb Band”, a paid ensemble that plays for men’s and women’s soccer, and the “Big Red Basketball Band” which plays at all men’s and women’s home basketball games.

Please read the entire newsletter and let us know if you have any questions. Be certain to read the “Frequently Asked Questions” section, which answers many of our most common questions from previous years.

Welcome to Indiana University – we hope you enjoy your time as a member of the IU Marching Hundred – “A Tradition of Excellence”

Dave Woodley,
Director of Athletic Bands

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Associate Director of Athletic Bands

WHAT INSTRUMENTS AND SECTIONS MAKE UP THE HUNDRED?

The IU Marching Hundred is divided into the following instruments and sections:

Piccolo (no flutes), clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone, trumpet, mellophone, trombone, baritone, tuba, percussion (battery only) and RedSteppers (dance team). WE furnish mellophones, baritones, sousaphones and percussion.

FALL PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

The **tentative** performance schedule for the 2009 Marching Hundred:

Sept. 3	Eastern Kentucky
Sept. 12	W. Michigan (Band Day)
Oct. 3	Ohio State
Oct. 16-17	Illinois (Homecoming)
Oct. 31	@Iowa (full band trip)
Nov. 7	Wisconsin
Nov. 21	Purdue (senior day)
TBA	Band Showcase Concert (Indoor concert/Assembly Hall)

AUDITION INFORMATION

Below you will find specific information for the various sections of the Hundred.

*Wind Members – attend all of Band Camp, starting on Sunday, August 23 at 7:30 p.m. The marching block is set on Thursday night, August 27 and the Reserve Block is set the next morning. Members are evaluated from Sunday night through Thursday night on both marching and playing.

*Percussion – prospective members attend a 2-day audition for the drumline, starting on Saturday, August 22. The drumline is set on Sunday night, August 23 and members then attend the remainder of Band Camp.

*RedSteppers – auditions are held on Tuesday August 25. Those who are selected attend the remainder of Band Camp.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*Is it difficult to make it into the Hundred?

Every brass player with high school or college experience is accepted into the Hundred. Marching assignments are determined during Band Camp.

Woodwind placement is more competitive, with membership determined during Band Camp.

A common misconception is the Hundred is made up primarily of music majors – THIS IS NOT TRUE! The Hundred depends on non-majors, since less than 10% come from the IU Jacobs School of Music. We encourage EVERYONE to try out – we find most players are better prepared than they think!

The drumline is the most competitive section of the Hundred – our members come from strong high school and drum corps programs. The RedSteppers are also competitive, with members normally having had many years of previous training.

*Will I have time to fit Hundred into my class schedule?

YES!! On the average, the Hundred only rehearses a total of 6 hours per week – we never schedule any outside rehearsals. Some class conflicts are allowed - these conflicts are worked out at the end of Band Camp. In addition, we have found the rookie Grade Point Average for Hundred members is nearly .5 higher than the University average!!

*Will I need to do fundraisers for the Hundred?

NO!! The Marching Hundred is financially supported by the Department of Athletics. All of our trips (short of personal expenses) are paid in full by Athletics. You will have a one-time \$31.50 fee for uniform maintenance/cleaning, and will need to supply a pair of all-black marching shoes. Other than those two items, your membership in the Hundred is free. In addition, you will register for the class and will receive two, tuition-free credits!

*What is the difference between the Hundred and my high school band?

There are no competitions for college bands, so our main goals are to entertain the audience and support the IU athletic teams. - We perform 5-6 different halftime shows each year, with music ranging from jazz to rock. If you think you've had enough of marching band, you will find the Hundred to be an exciting change of pace.

*What are our shows for this fall?

Tentative shows for the 2009 season include music from the rock group

The Beach Boys, Las Vegas music and many traditional IU favorites.

*How do I join the Big Red Basketball Band?

Your membership in the Hundred allows you to audition for the Big Red Basketball Band. These auditions are held during the first week in October.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO THIS SUMMER TO PREPARE FOR THE FALL?

Here is a checklist you can use to prepare for membership in the Hundred:

*DURING YOUR ORIENTATION VISIT TO IU this summer, you will be allowed to register for Marching Hundred class – X040 for accepted music majors, and X050 for non-music majors. Even though we have not held auditions, GO AHEAD AND REGISTER FOR THE CLASS! Bring this newsletter with you when you meet with your advisor to register for classes. Exact numbers can be found below (register for BOTH the lecture and drill section).

X050 (non-music major) Registration:

**the "lecture" section number is: 5806

** the "drill" section numbers are:

Piccolo	5807
Clarinet	5808
Saxophone (both alto and tenor)	5809
Horn	5810
Trumpet	5811
Trombone	5812
Euphonium	5813
Tuba (Sousaphone)	5814
Percussion	5815
RedSteppers	5816

Music majors (X040 registration) can refer to the Schedule of Courses in the School of Music to find their registration number.

If you are unable to attend on of the Summer Orientation sessions, you can register for Hundred this fall once you arrive on campus.

*EVERYONE should fill out the electronic FIF card (if you have not done so):

<http://www.indiana.edu/~bands/rookie/rookiefif.html>

no later than Monday, August 10. Filling out the on-line "FIF" card will allow us to pre-register you for Band Camp, will allow us to check you in early to your dorm room in the fall (the room is paid in full by the Department of Bands until contracts start on Wednesday, August 26 – meals will be on your own during that time), and will allow us to prepare Band Camp music for you ahead of time.

*Drumline members should go to the following website to download warm-ups to be used during the Band Camp auditions:

<http://www.iudrumline.com>

*RedSteppers are encouraged to maintain a warm-up and dance routine over the summer in order to prepare for the fall auditions. Staying in shape and keeping basic dance work in order is job 1!

*Wind members should be playing daily, working on basic scales and flexibility (brass players). We want you in top musical shape, given the amount of time spent with your instrument during Band Camp! There are no songs to prepare for Band Camp – simply keep your chops and fingers in shape.

The detailed Band Camp schedule can be found at "www.marchinghundred.org". Please keep it handy and refer to it while you plan your move to Bloomington.

DORM INFORMATION

Many of you will be staying in one of the dorms on campus. The Marching Hundred will pay for your dorm room until normal contracts start on Wednesday, August 26.

If you are a rookie **percussionist**, you may check into your dorm room on Friday, August 21. (There is no check in on Saturday, August 22)

If you are a **brass or woodwind rookie**, you can check into your dorm room on Sunday, August 23.

If you are a prospective **RedStepper**, you can check into your dorm room on Tuesday, August 25.

In order for us to schedule you for early check-in, you **MUST** fill out the

electronic FIF postcard by Monday, August 10. The Hundred does NOT provide meals, but several restaurants and dorm food courts are open during Band Camp.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING TO BAND CAMP?

*Comfortable, warm-weather clothing
*A good pair of tennis shoes (sandals, flip flops and other casual or work shoes are not permitted)

*Sunscreen, hat, water bottle, towel
Your personal safety and comfort is important to us – please be prepared for any weather situation and wear clothing that is comfortable and will protect you from the sun.

*Lyre for your instrument – all wind members of the Hundred, with the exception of piccolos, are required to have a lyre at all times. The Hundred only provides lyres for those instruments we furnish (mellophone, baritone, sousaphone).

*The Hundred marches with all black shoes – if you own a pair, bring them along to camp and we'll see if they are a match with the shoes we use.

*Bring \$31.50 cash to pay your one-time uniform repair/cleaning fee. This money is due when you check out your uniform.

*Personal instruments can be stored at Hundred Hall during Band Camp and during the fall semester.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS?

You can contact us in one of the following ways:

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Phone: 812-855-1372
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Marching Hundred Hall:
Corner of Fee Lane and the 45/46 Bypass