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Pitt Band Alumni Council Newsletter

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Join us! Pitt Band Scholarship Fundraiser Dinner April 11

After a successful Alumni Band Day this fall, we are excited to reconvene in the spring with another opportunity to come together and reminisce about our days in the band – all for a great cause! We are inviting all Pitt Band alumni and friends to a dinner benefitting the PBAC scholarship endowment. Please join us for this special event:

Fundraiser Dinner at <u>Del's Restaurant</u> (Bloomfield)
Saturday, April 11, 2015 from 6-9 P.M.
\$50 per person

The \$50 ticket includes a buffet dinner, soft drinks, and dessert. A cash bar is available on site. Each person will also receive raffle tickets for a chance to win a variety of prizes and goodies. Seating is limited. Reserve seats for you and your guest(s) by registering online at www.pbac.net/fundraiser.html; online credit card payment and checks via mail will be accepted.

All proceeds from the dinner will go towards the PBAC Scholarship Endowment. Each year, PBAC awards an annual scholarship award and additional book scholarships to current Pitt Band students. Our main award is a \$1,000 per year scholarship to a sophomore that is then matched in the student's junior and senior year in partnership with the Pitt Alumni Association and Pitt Office of Admissions and Financial Aid. Meet students like Rachel Martin, highlighted in this newsletter, who were selected for a scholarship to reward their service and commitment to our band, our university, and our community.

The dinner is scheduled on the same weekend as the Pitt Symphonic Band Spring Concert, which will be held on Sunday, April 12, at 2 P.M. We hope that many of our out-of-town alumni and guests will consider joining us in Pittsburgh for the weekend! If you cannot attend, you can still make an <u>online donation</u> to the scholarship.

Have questions about the fundraiser dinner? Please get in touch with us at pbac.events@gmail.com.

Meet our 2014 Scholarship Winner, Rachel Martin

Rachel is a sophomore at Pitt and is from Henderson, Nevada. Her parents are Julie and Tim Martin, and she has two younger brothers, Andrew and Jeffrey. Rachel started playing trumpet when she was eleven years old and has participated in her high school's marching, concert, and jazz bands as well as the Las Vegas Youth Orchestra. By her junior and senior year of high school, she served as the trumpet section leader for her marching band. Rachel graduated from Coronado High School in 2013. Now, at Pitt, she is pursuing a degree in occupational therapy with a minor



in music. She enjoys being a part of the Pitt marching band trumpet section, and also playing trumpet in the Pitt Carpathian music ensemble. In addition to band, Rachel volunteers for the Strong Women Strong Girls organization and Students for Sustainability. Rachel is grateful for all the friendships and opportunities she has had because of Pitt Band.

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