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YEAR	1st PLACE	2nd PLACE	3rd PLACE	4th PLACE	5th PLACE
1958	Ferko	Quaker City	Uptown	South Philadelphia	Polish American
1959	South Philadelphia	Polish American	Greater Bucks County	Ferko	Fralinger
1960	Aqua	Polish American	Quaker City	Ferko	Greater Overbrook
1961	Polish American	Ferko	Aqua	Greater Overbrook	Fralinger
1962	Hegeman	Polish American	Quaker City	Ferko	South Philadelphia
1963	Quaker City	Polish American	South Philadelphia	Hegeman	Ferko
1964	Polish American	Greater Kensington	South Philadelphia	Ferko	Fralinger
1965	Greater Bucks County	Ukrainian American	Ferko	Greater Kensington	Woodland
1966	South Philadelphia	Polish American	Aqua	Greater Bucks County	Greater Kensington
1967	Fralinger	Ferko	Woodland	Polish American	South Philadelphia
1968	Fralinger	Ferko	South Philadelphia	Greater Overbrook	Aqua
1969	Ferko	Polish American	Greater Kensington	Woodland	Palmyra
1970	Polish American	Hegeman	Fralinger	Aqua	Ferko
1971	Hegeman	Woodland	Palmyra	South Philadelphia	Ferko
1972	Palmyra	Fralinger	Ferko	Durning	Trilby
1973	Fralinger	Greater Overbrook	Uptown	Ferko	Polish American
1974	Ferko	Fralinger	Greater Overbrook	Broomall	Aqua
1975	South Philadelphia	Greater Kensington	Ferko	Garden State	Harrowgate
1976	Harrowgate	Polish American	Woodland	Quaker City	Fralinger
1977	Harrowgate	Fralinger	Ferko	Trilby	Durning
1978	Quaker City	Fralinger	South Philadelphia	Hegeman	Polish American
1979	Greater Kensington	Ferko	Harrowgate	Polish American	Quaker City
1980	Fralinger	Ferko	South Philadelphia	Greater Kensington	Harrowgate
1981	Polish American	Hegeman	Greater Kensington	Ferko	Quaker City
1982	Ferko	Fralinger (tie-2)	Garden State (tie-2)	Quaker City (tie-2)	Aqua
1983	Fralinger	Polish American	Quaker City	Ferko (tie-4)	Greater Kensington (tie-4)
1984	Fralinger	Greater Kensington (tie-2)	Polish American (tie-2)	Avalon	Ferko
1985	Quaker City	Ferko	Avalon	Polish American	Fralinger
1986	Polish American	Fralinger	Quaker City	Ferko	South Jersey
1987	Fralinger	Quaker City	Hegeman	Aqua	South Philadelphia
1988	Greater Kensington	South Philadelphia	Quaker City	Ferko	Fralinger
1989	Quaker City	Fralinger	Greater Kensington	Ferko	Polish American
1990	Polish American	Palmyra	Ferko	Avalon	Quaker City
1991	Quaker City	Fralinger	Polish American	Avalon	Ferko
1992	Hegeman	Fralinger	Uptown	Avalon (tie-4)	Ferko (tie-4)
1993	Quaker City	Ferko	Fralinger	Avalon	Uptown
1994	Ferko	Fralinger	Uptown	Woodland	Quaker City
1995	Hegeman	Ferko	Quaker City	Fralinger	Uptown
1996	Ferko	Quaker City	Hegeman	Avalon	Woodland
1997	Ferko	Fralinger	Hegeman	Quaker City	Avalon
1998	Ferko	Polish American	Greater Kensington (tie-3)	Quaker City (tie-3)	Avalon
1999	Quaker City	Fralinger	Ferko	Avalon	Polish American
2000	Quaker City	Fralinger	Ferko	Avalon	Greater Kensington
2001	Quaker City	Greater Kensington	Fralinger	Avalon	Ferko
2002	Quaker City	Fralinger	Avalon	Ferko	South Philadelphia
2003	Fralinger	Quaker City	Ferko	Avalon	South Philadelphia
2004	Fralinger	Quaker City	Avalon	Ferko	Greater Kensington
2005	Fralinger	Quaker City	Avalon	Ferko	Greater Kensington
2006	Fralinger	Quaker City	Ferko	South Philadelphia	Polish American
2007	Fralinger	Quaker City	Ferko (tie-3)	South Philadelphia (tie-3)	Uptown
2008	Fralinger	Quaker City	South Philadelphia	Ferko	Avalon
2009	Fralinger	Quaker City	South Philadelphia	Ferko	Avalon
2010	Fralinger	Ferko	Quaker City	South Philadelphia	Avalon
2011	Quaker City	Ferko	South Philadelphia	Fralinger	Avalon
2012	Woodland	Quaker City	South Philadelphia	Ferko	Fralinger
2013	Fralinger	Quaker City	Woodland	South Philadelphia	Ferko
2014	Quaker City	Hegeman	South Philadelphia	Woodland	Fralinger
2015	Fralinger	Quaker City	Woodland (tie-3)	South Philadelphia (tie-3)	Ferko
2016	South Philadelphia	Ferko	Fralinger	Woodland	Hegeman
2017	Quaker City	Fralinger	South Philadelphia	Woodland	Ferko
2018	South Philadelphia	Quaker City	Woodland	Fralinger	Ferko
2019	Quaker City	South Philadelphia	Woodland	Fralinger	Avalon
2020	South Philadelphia	Quaker City	Fralinger	Woodland	Avalon

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Band Write-Ups Are In Alphabetical Order

Mummers Parade Prize	Band	Theme Title
1	South Philadelphia	Carouspell
2	Quaker City	Awakening!
3	Fralinger	Lunar Effect
4	Woodland	Caliente En Cuba
5	Avalon	Going Down The Bayou
6	Aqua	Paranormal Track-tivity
7	Uptown	Drop And Give Me 20's
8	Polish American	Sea You On Salmon Street
9	Joseph A. Ferko	Mums Of Liberty
10	Duffy	Candymonium
11	Hegeman	A Nation In Celebration
12	Greater Kensington	Something Wicked This Way Mums
13	Durning	jViva La Fiesta!
14	Greater Overbrook	Under The Lovely London Sky, A Practically Perfect Poppins Tale
15	Pennsport	Jokers Stack The Deck
16	Jersey	What In Carnation



Steve Highsmith

Steve Highsmith is Vice-President of Institutional Advancement at Cabrini University in Radnor, Pennsylvania. He leads a department working with staff, faculty, students, alumni, trustees and the wider community of citizens to raise awareness, friendship and fundraising to achieve the mission of Cabrini.

He is a former Director of Community Relations and Local Programming at PHL17-TV, producer and host of PHL17's "In Focus" program, and host of special projects, such as election specials and the annual Mummers Parade on New Year's Day. Steve has broadcast the parade for 25 years.

Steve arrived on the Philadelphia news scene in 1981, first serving as morning news anchor and news director of WCAU Radio (CBS) and news anchor of the NJN Nightly News before joining "Inquirer New Tonight" on WPHL-TV in 1994 as chief political correspondent and anchor. He also served as NBC10 political correspondent and host of NBC10@Issue from 2005 to 2013. His reporting credits include the Reagan-Gorbachev Summit, several national political conventions, and the visit of Pope Francis to Philadelphia.

He has been honored by the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences, the Associated Press, the Radio and Television News Directors Association and the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters. In 2011, Steve was inducted into the Broadcast Pioneers Hall of Fame. He is also an inductee of the Philadelphia Mummers String Band Association Hall of Fame.

Active in the community, Steve serves as Treasurer of the Mummers Museum Board of Directors. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of CADEkids and Love The Mummers. He is a former member of the Boards of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Philadelphia, United Cerebral Palsy of Philadelphia, and the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance, as well as a former member of the Cabrini University Board of Trustees and the Board of Governors of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. Steve also has been involved in supporting other community and nonprofit efforts, such as the Philadelphia Children's Alliance, Inn Dwelling, and Special Olympics.

Highsmith is a sum ma cum laude graduate of Cabrini University with a B.A. in English and Communications and attended the University of Notre Dame. He resides with his wife, Jayne, in Bucks County.

THE PHILADELPHIA MUMMERS' STRING BANDS' ASSOCIATION



John R. Pignotti, Jr.

Message from the President...John R. Pignotti, Jr.

It is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to the 2020 Mummers Mardi Gras Festival, and thank you for your continued support of the Philadelphia Mummers String Band Association, Inc.

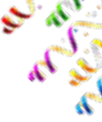
I would like to congratulate the 2020 String Band Champion, the South Philadelphia String Band, and also offer congratulations to the first prize Captain, Denny Palandro; also from the South Philadelphia String Band.

We likewise congratulate the 2020 Hall of Fame inductees for their dedicated efforts and huge accomplishments throughout their careers.

As we come to the end of my 15th and final year of my presidency of the Philadelphia Mummers String Band Association, I would like to thank you for having confidence in me all these years. I would also like to recognize my wife and best friend Nancy. Thank you for your continued support, it means the world to me.

John R Pignotti

String Band Hall of Fame



1956	JACK TOWERS	1986	JOSEPH A. VENUTO	2009	BOB FARRELL
1957	JOSEPH A. FERKO		CLIFFORD J. JOHNSON		SAM HAMILTON, SR.
1958	JAMES A. DURNING	1987	JACK HEE		RAY MALACH
1959	FRED J. KESEL		BOB SHANNON, JR.	2010	HON. ROBERT (BOB) BRADY
1960	PETER A. BROOMALL	1988	AL PRIMAVERA, JR.		JOSEPH BUJNOWSKI
1961	RAYMOND ENDRISS		EDWARD P. BROOMALL		JOSEPH LESO
1962	ROBERT RUNKLE, JR.	1989	NICHOLAS (DUKE) BUONPASTORE		DENNIS QUAILE
1963	RAYMOND GURT		STAN POJAT	2011	JERRY CROMPTON
1964	WALTER KROP	1990	THOMAS E. KNIG		CHERYL CROWE
1965	HARRY STRAUB		LEN GIACOBETTI, SR.		MARTY GOOD
1966	HARRY LAWSON	1991	WILLIAM SPEZIALE		STEVE HIGHSMITH
1967	WILLIAM MINK		DAVID ANDERSON, JR.		JIM JAEP
	HARRY WHITMAN	1992	FRANK ANELLO		MARGARET (PEG) RULLO
1968	JOHN FRALINGER	1993	JOSEPH BROGAN		JIM TATAR, SR.
	DAVE ANDERSON	1994	JAMES FOX, JR.	2012	JIM BROWNE
1969	ROBERT HALL		JOHN MILLAWAY		JACK DAILEY
	JOHN HOGG	1995	MIKE RAYER		JOHN JORDAN
1970	JOHN BAUKUS	1998	JOHN G. (OZZIE) OSTROWSKI		ED LYNCH
	FRED CALANDRA		DANIEL F. CREEDON, III		JOHN WERNEGA
1971	ADAM QUAGLIA	1999	WILLIAM BOWEN, JR.		BILL GARTON
	JOSEPH BRUECKES		WILLIAM BOWEN, SR.		WARREN RIVELL
1972	GEORGE DUFFY	2000	JAMES (Jimmy) KING		ANTHONY TENUTO
	ROBERT ZIEGLER	2002	WALTER (DUKE) BURKHARDT	2013	MARK DANIELEWICZ
1973	JIM DONAGHY		JOHN MACHALOWSKI		DAN MARAKOWSKI
	PETE AMADIE		DON MORRISSEY		DAN SPENCER
1974	JOHN ARLETH		JIM MCKNIGHT		JOE VOLKERT
	HENRY J. KUNZIG, SR.		JOHN R. PIGNOTTI, JR.	2014	DENNY PALANDRO
1975	JOHN E. MAYER		ROBERT W. QUAILE, SR.		BOB SCHUHL
	JOSEPH PISUZKO	2003	FRANCIS J. FOIDL, JR.		ED WEISSER
1976	EDWARD VENCKUS		HARRY HILL	2015	PETER J. (PETE) BROOMALL, SR.
	ARTHUR (LINK) GARDNER		TOM LOOMIS		JAMIE CALDWELL
	ANDY OAKLEY		JAMES MORAN, JR.		STEVE COPER
1977	ANTHONY (IGGY) GENEVA		J. KEVIN O'BRIEN		ROBERT A. (BOB) KING
	JOSEPH BLASS	2004	GEORGE J. BADEY, III		LEO VOLZ
1978	HENRY KUNZIG, JR.		ROBERT (BOBBY) CUNNINGHAM	2016	LEO DIGNAM
	HERB SMITH, JR.		TOM DONAHUE		DOMINIC DIODATA
1979	RON MOYER		CHARLIE NICHOLAS		JOHN GILBERT
	HERMAN SEFLIN	2005	THOMAS FERRY		HAROLD PEOPLES
1980	JAMES BROOMALL		THEODORE F. KUDRICK	2017	ALEX DEPUTRON
	ANTHONY (TISH) BORDONI		EDWARD MOYER		HON. JAKE HART
1981	JAMES M. DRIADON		BOB CORCORAN		JOHN KEANE
	JOHN WALSH		JOHN RASMUS, SR.		BOB LIGHTFOOT
1982	TOM A. HOWLEY		CHARLIE ROETZ	2018	HARRY BROWN, JR.
	JOSEPH L. BRESSET		FRAN ROTHWEIN		CHARLES R. GRASER
1983	DON KEIR	2006	ANTHONY CELENZA	2019	JIM MULLER, SR.
	BILL (CURLY) CONNERS		JERRY LAROSA, JR.	2020	JAMES BUCHAKJIAN, SR.
1984	RAY DANIELEWICZ	2007	JOSEPH KING		THOMAS (SHAGGY) ROBISON
	WILLIAM R. KRUIZENBERGER		CHARLES KOCHENSKY		ANGELO LUTZ
1985	JOSEPH DEIGHAN	2008	MIKE (LAPP) LAPERGOLA		
	PHIL PESCHI		SCOTT MOYER		

"Old Timers" Hall of Fame

1977	AL FINK	1991	MICKEY MALLON	2004	WILLIAM (POP) DEISSORTH
1978	DAVID (POP) ANDERSON	1992	CLEMENT C. RENDE		JAMES (POP) MCKNIGHT
1979	AL PRIMAVERA, SR.	1993	FRANK KOHRI	2005	BOB HOLZ
1980	SAM HAMILTON, JR.	1994	JOHN POOLER, SR.		JIM MURRAY
1981	JOSEPH RILEY	1995	RICH NOTTIS, SR.	2006	FRANK ROTHWEIN
1982	JAMES J. KING	1996	JAMES J. FOX, SR.	2007	HARRY BROWN, SR.
1983	HENRY DUNAWAY	1997	JOSEPH LONG		BOB MORRISSEY
1984	EDWARD (RAB) CARTER	1998	JOHN (POP) PIGNOTTI, SR.	2008	CY DALY
1985	JOE (BAGEL) STRINE	1999	ROBERT (POP) SHANNON		ROBERT E. (BOB) DICKS
1986	AL STEWART	2000	RUSSELL (MR FIG) FIGUEROA		ROBERT H. FINNIGAN
1987	CARL JANKIEWICZ	2001	JOSEPH (JOE T) TRINACRIA	2009	ARCHIE WHITE
1988	JOSEPH GIARDINO, SR.	2002	CHARLES N. MURARESKU, SR.		SPENCE WHITE
1989	JOSEPH JANKOWSKI	2003	ANGELO CARANGO	2010	AL KOENIG
1990	GENE M. NEMETH		JOHN WRIGHT, SR.		DONALD REEVES

2020 Hall of Fame Inductee

James Buchakjian, Sr.



It is with great honor that the Durning String Band of Gloucester City, NJ sponsors Mr. James Buchakjian Sr. for the Hall of Fame for the class of 2019-2020. Jim is a dedicated member of our proud organization and we feel fits the exact qualifications for enshrinement.

James goes by many names to those of us who love him dearly. Mr. Buck, Jimmy Buck and Pop are just a few of the names he goes by. Jimmy is a true mummer having first started marching in 1950 with the Greater Overbrook String Band after his military service in the U.S. Navy. When he first started he primarily played violin but now he spends more time playing the banjo. If you ask him nicely though he will serenade you with the sweet sounds of the fiddle at any time. Some of our favorite times with Jimmy are when we sit around and jam and sing.

Jimmy is a tailor by trade and many of Jimmy's fondest memories are when he made costumes for the Greater Overbrook String, the Avondale Brigade and others in the Fancy Divisions of the parade. He can recall almost every suit he made during the 45+ years of costume design of which 10 years (1975-1985) was for the Greater Overbrook String Band. Jimmy loves to tell the story of his favorite costume he designed, an Elvis suit in 1977 where he took first prize in costume. You should see the smile he displays as he details the sequin and fine tailoring he applied to the making of the costumes. Jimmy proudly reminisces when he was interviewed on Channel 10 in 1977 for his design works on the Elvis costume he so adored.

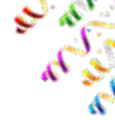
Jimmy left the Greater Overbrook String Band after 35 years and went to the Ferko String Band where he spent one year. He then came to the Durning String Band in 1987 where he has been a member for the last 33 years. Even today at 94 years old Jimmy helps us with costume alterations, fabric selection and even making our captain's costume. Jimmy also plays with the Gloucester City "Old Timers" String Band keeping the mummer tradition alive. With the Durning String Band Jimmy has been an integral part of why we want to be mummers. He fosters an environment of enjoyment, dedication and simply put, everything we think of when you say "mummer".

For those of you not adding that makes 70 years of mummery experience. And there is no stopping him. He looks forward to every year. He always says, "As long as my knees hold up, I'll be on the street with my dancing shoes on and my instrument ready to play." In recent years Jimmy has taken on a spotlight role in our themes. This has been noticed by the broadcasters (Judge Jacob Hart and Steve Highsmith) as they wonder and talk about his role for the current year's theme. Radio DJ, Jacky Bam Bam, of WMMR will also talk about Jimmy on his show. The determination and drive that Jimmy has is an inspiration to us young'uns around him. He is the kind of person that you want not only as a member of your organization but most importantly as a friend.

It is for all of these reasons the members of the Board of Directors and the entire Membership of the Durning String Band nominate Mr. James Buchakjian Sr. for enshrinement in the Hall of Fame.

Your Friend in Mummery,
Robert T. Collins
President, Durning String Band

2020 Hall of Fame Inductee



Thomas (Shaggy) Robison



Thomas (Shaggy) Robison joined the Woodland String Band on August 14, 1994 as a student alto sax player. His first year in costume with the band was January 1, 1996. From that date on his impact on the band has been one that has led him to become the ultimate leader. His fellow members saw the hard work and dedication and elected him to the office of club Vice President in January of 2000. Tom served in this roll through 2005.

In January 2005 he was elected to the position of Captain where he remained until retiring from this post in January 2019. In his 14 years as Captain, Tom became the most decorated Captain in the band's history. He won seven top five Captain's prizes in those years. Tom helped lead the band to its first ever championship on January 1, 2012 with our theme "It's a Jungle Out There."

While he served as Captain, Tom also remained on the Board of Directors serving as a Director-at-Large. Tom has a unique leadership quality and a humbleness about him that is true (and a bit odd at times) and this has always helped him connect with his fellow members. These leadership skills were always evident by the way Tom would readily step into line for parades and performances by playing saxophone or drums if that's what the band needed. He always found that being the band's Captain was a privilege and honor, but being a member is the ultimate thing to him.

Tom served as one of Woodland's delegates to the Philadelphia Mummers String Band Association (PMSBA) for 21 years where he served on many committees ranging from Rules, Parade, Serenade and others. He was always ready to serve and did so with his usual honest and outward approach. It is for the reasons stated here, and many more, that we are proud to announce the induction of Thomas (Shaggy) Robison into the PMSBA Hall of Fame.

2020 Hall of Fame Inductee

Angelo Lutz



The Philadelphia String Band Association is delighted to welcome Angelo Lutz as a 2020 inductee to the Hall of Fame. Angelo began his mummer career in 1978 when his uncle Charlie Cava introduced him to the Durning String Band. Angelo "joined as saxophone player" and quickly learned how to make backpieces, cut materials, and do all the things necessary to get the band to the parade New Year's Day.

After a few years, Angelo went on to join up with a group of men who left another band and in 1983 became a founding member of the reorganization of the Avalon String Band. There, he forged strong friendships, many of which have lasted to this day.

Over an almost 40-year span as a mummer, Angelo has been an invaluable member of many string bands: South Philadelphia String Band, Fralinger, Ferko, Broomall, Italian American, Greater Overbrook, and Hegeman. While Angelo is currently a non-playing member of the Hegeman String Band, he continues to be an integral part of the process and serves as a member on the Board of Directors.

Through the years Angelo has served many roles, some of which include Musician, Drill Master, Presentation Director, Theme Chairman. He has served on numerous committees and served as an officer in those bands over the years.

In 1996, as a member of the Italian American String Band, Angelo portrayed The Golden Buddha in their Presentation of Shang Hi Surprise. It was an unforgettable moment for

Italian American and a story hook that the media used over and over again. The next day Angelo's fully resplendent, bare-bellied image appeared on the front page of the Daily News. Within hours he was asked to call into the WIP Radio morning sports show during which Angelo accepted an offer to appear and compete in the Wing Bowl. There was one catch, he had to dress again as the Golden Buddha. Angelo, being the ultimate showman and promoter, brought the entire Italian American String Band and started a tradition that lasted some 20 years at wing bowl.

Angelo's true passion in life is cooking and at heart, nurturing. At his restaurant, Kitchen Consigliere Café in Collingswood, NJ you can find him seven days a week feeding the people with dishes he creates from his deep Italian roots and modern, fresh ingredients. Many of these dishes originated from the recipes he created back in 1983 when he began catering events for various string bands and other mummery clubs. When he joined Hegeman, he met Paula "MOM" Pignotti. In those days there were two caterers in mummery, Mom Pignotti & Billy Schultz, who was the caterer to the Fralinger String Band. Today both are gone however, Angelo still provides mummery with Mom's great recipes and he is the caterer for Fralinger String Band and often called the modern-day Billy Schultz.

At Ronald McDonald House at Front and Erie in Philadelphia, Angelo combines his passion to nurture people with his love of music. He started a program bringing the String Band association to perform and serve food at least 5 to 6 times a year at the Front and Erie house. He freely gives to many organizations that ask for gift cards and donations throughout the year, but especially mummery organizations. His motto is "all you have to do is ask."

On January 2, 2019, tragedy struck Angelo and a dear friend he met when he joined up with the men of Avalon in 1983. A tragic car accident which took place in early hours of that morning claimed the young lives of three individuals and seriously injuring a fourth. One of the lives taken that morning was that of Denny Palandro Jr. Denny was the only son of Angelo's friend Denny Sr. he met back in 1983 when he joined Avalon. Since 1983 Angelo and Denny have had a unique friendship. They have always been there for each other. For many years, Angelo even dressed as Santa Claus on Christmas Eve for Denny's two young children the other being his daughter Lauren

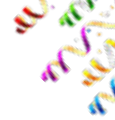
Angelo loved bringing joy to all those he loved but now in the face of such a horrible tragedy, he didn't know how to stop the hurt that his friend and the other parents felt. He was compelled to turn that tragedy into a positive. He formed a foundation by which now in a positive way, we can all in remember, celebrate, and cherish the young lives taken too soon from us all.

Within 2 days of the accident, On January 4th Angelo founded and initiated The Palandro Ferry Memorial Foundation. Angelo made the initial deposit and The String Band Association joined him. Soon after, with some help from others, news about the foundation spread through social media and the donations began to pour in. Today the foundation has over 25 members and Angelo has been elected to serve as its first Chairman. Besides Angelo's total dedication to his business, he is committed to making the foundation a success for years in perpetuity.

The foundation's mission is to help and provide aid to all in the mummer community who may be in need or going through hard times. This includes assistance for medical bills, funeral expense or just ordinary day to day cost of living that may be unaffordable. The foundation has also endowed scholarships to the high schools of Kelly, Denny, and Joe. The foundation is committed to its mission to expand upon the tradition of the mummery, give back to the community and lead by example.

Angelo considers this an extraordinary honor to be inducted into this preeminent group of talented individuals and hopes his philanthropic efforts on behalf of mummery will contribute immeasurably to the prestigious reputation of the Philadelphia String Band Association. In conclusion he would like to thank the officers and membership of the Hegeman String Band for allowing him to serve as a delegate to this Association.

2020 People Behind The Scenes



Pearline Ross *Greater Overbrook String Band*



The Greater Overbrook String Band is happy and proud to acknowledge Pearlline Ross as our Person Behind the Scenes.” Pearl only recently joined the band in 2017 but hit the ground running: making nearly every job, recruiting members from her friends and family, and helping to build sets and props for New Year’s Day. Pearl serves on the theme committee, contributing her creativity and knowledge of mummery to the band’s NYD theme.

Pearl commutes from the Jersey shore to Clifton Heights several times a week for practices, jobs, and band meetings, and she frequently spearheads a carpool, bringing members from throughout South Jersey to PA, all the time listening to old mum tunes. Pearl is omnipresent in our band: calling out the tunes for parades, jumping in to help direct music, and even finding additional storage space for the previous year’s costumes.

Who provided propane to heat our storage garage? Not surprisingly, it was Pearl. Pearl is always ready to lend a hand. She has helped with the band’s charitable efforts, donating her time and talents to events at the Ronald McDonald House and the Mighty Writers, but Pearl’s greatest contributions to the band may be her warm, sunny disposition, sense of humor and love of the music. For her tireless efforts and dedication, we are delighted to recognize Pearl as our person behind the scenes.

Bob Gagliardi *Avalon String Band*

No matter who you are, joining a Mummers organization takes at least a little bit of planning. Whether it’s through frequent visits, emails, or some other form of communication, walking into such a commitment doesn’t just happen on a whim; not unless you’re Bobby Gagliardi of the Avalon String Band—and it happened on the biggest day of the year.

It was January 1, 2011 and the band was putting final preparations in before heading to the parade, when a young Bobby just happened to be walking by the South Philly school yard with his tools. He offered to lend a hand, and before he knew it, he too, was on his way to Broad and Bigler. The rest is history.

During his tenure, he’s done it all. Starting out as a marshall, to becoming a dancer, and passing his music test become a member of our esteemed banjo section. Through all of that however, he’s at every fundraiser, he’s at our garage practically every Saturday building props, and he’s often the one spear-heading various projects and events around the club; from simple clean-ups, to post-rehearsal BBQs, to our major renovation that happened just last year. No matter the task, Bobby is there, always with a smile, and always willing to give that extra push.

To add to his accolades, Bobby was recently elected as Avalon’s next Captain. And any mum aficionado will tell you that, besides leading the band up the street, a true Captain is one that is an ambassador of the band, one that is often hauling materials for show designs, and one that is teaching younger generations about the hobby—all qualities and traits that might not been recognized by the public eye. It’s all the more reason that we are so proud to honor Bobby Gagliardi as this year’s Man Behind the Scenes. Congrats, Gags!





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2003 Herbie Smith	2008 Tom King	2013 Bill Garton	2018 Robert Shannon
2004 John Machalowski	2009 James Fox, Jr.	2014 Bill Speziale	2019 Jack Hee, Jr.
2005 Ray Malach	2010 Mike Rayer	2015 James Fox, Sr.	2020 Frank Foidl
2006 John Gilbert	2011 Joe Deighan	2016 James Donaghy	
2007 Robert Qualie, Sr.	2012 Bill Bowen, Jr.	2017 David E. Anderson, Jr.	

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2001 John Zachwieja	2006 George Badey	2011 Leo Volz	2016 Steve Volkert
2002 Cliff Johnson	2007 Wayne Boyd	2012 Joe Volkert	2017 Dan Marakowski
2003 Tom Ferry	2008 Bill Patterson	2013 Mike & Heather Brown	2018 Jack Dailey
2004 Charlie Nicholas	2009 Cliff Johnson	2014 Mike Tomaselli	2019 Sam Ragalbuto

Officer of the Year

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2001 Joe Venuto	2006 Tom Loomis	2011 Daniel Marakowski	2016 Denny Palandro
2002 David E. Anderson, Jr.	2007 Perry DiMatteo	2012 Ron Iannacone	2017 Jack Hee
2003 John Zachwieja	2008 Daniel Marakowski	2013 Cheryl Crowe	2018 Ray Danielewicz
2004 Charlie Nicholas	2009 None Awarded	2014 Denny Palandro	2019 Marty Good

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MORNING NEWS
5am-8am

Aqua String Band

Captain: Ken Maminski

"Paranormal Track-tivity"

Continue with caution as you approach Aqua's abandoned train yard. Left to rot, these Railroad cars and run down locomotives have become haunted by those who use to ride in them. Through the darkness of the tunnel you may see the train light peering through, carrying its passengers. Watch as these spirits search through their decaying station and find unexpected ghostly surprises along the way. Notice how these ghouls are stuck with those they died with in treacherous accidents, just longing to be back "Home on the Range". Just as they become content in their life after death, be prepared for any disasters that may await them, before the "Ghost Train" arrives to take them to their final destination. Beware of any hitchhiking ghosts that may be left behind, for you don't want to be apart of this "Paranormal 'Track'-tivity".



Captain: Ken Maminski



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A W A R D W I N N E R S

2020 Uptown.....**Drop and Give Me 20s**
 2019 Uptown.....**A Night To Dismember**
 2018 S. Phila.**West In Peace**
 2017 Aqua.....**Mine Blown**
 2016 Woodland.....**You Bet Jurassic's Good**
 2015 Duffy.....**Log-A-Rhythm**
 2014 Uptown.....**The Pillage People**
 2013 S. Phila.**Barnyard Moosical**
 2012 S. Phila.**A Tune Full of Sugar**

2011 Uptown**Shake, Rattle & Casserole**
 2010 Quaker City**Mums of La Mancha**
 2009 Durning.....**Saturday Fright Fever**
 2008 Polish American.....**Ghouls Gone Wild**
 2007 Aqua.....**Rated Aargh!!**
 2006 S. Phila.**That's Enter-train-ment**
 2005 Woodland.....**How The West Was Mum**
 2004 Aqua.....**Jailhouse Flock**
 2003 Woodland.....**Aaaaaaargh!!**

Avalon String Band

"Goin' Down the Bayou"

Captain: Carmen Maniaci

Let's get to it...We're gonna take you all the way down the Bayou! A staple of the swamp, the sauntering music man Cajun Carmen, will take you on an adventure. From the murky moonlit waterways, down to the paddleboats at the docks -- we are going to submerge you in the colorful world that lies behind the Spanish moss curtains. Hop along with us through the lily pads and past the frogs. Tip-toe across the rickety wooden docks down to Chomp's corner. Bob and sway under the fishing line and catch a glimpse as the pelican's feast on the fisherman's haul. Then rejoice on the Riverboat as we dance and celebrate under the flickering firefly-filled skies, and snap the curtain closed on another great trip Goin' Down the Bayou.



Captain: Carmen Maniaci

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Duffy String Band

Captain: Jake Kudrick

"CANDYMONIUM"

A box of Duffy Taffy explodes as colorful candy confections come alive with all the colors of "Sunshine Lollipops and Rainbows." A twist of the handle will make the Candy Man Captain appear with his magical "Lollipop." Our Sweet Tarts present a few of "Our Favorite Things" complete with tap dancing candy canes. A special treat, those rocks of candy Nerdz you loved as a kid, well ours strum along paying tribute to the most rock-ing nerd "Buddy Holly." Have your umbrellas handy as we travel to Mint Land where the residents are known to be "Singing in the Rain" of swirls everywhere you look. A dance of delights gets our finale in gear with "The Candy Man." All is well until the sound of "Malaguena" signals it's time to break open the pesky piñata. Our Captain prevails with a colorful explosion and we can all "Smile Darn our Smile."



Captain: Jake Kudrick

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Special Thanks: To all the marshals who came out on New Years' Day and rehearsals! All and every person who worked behind the scenes this year, helping with props, painting, decorating, and designing!!!!



**Durning would like to congratulate
Jim "Mr. Buck" Buchakjian for being
inducted into the Hall of Fame.**



THE
Durning
STRING BAND
Est. 1935

Durning String Band

Captain: Joe "Asti" Pomante

“¡Viva la Fiesta!”

We begin celebrating the most famous festivals in Mexico, Día de los Muertos, famously known as the Day of the Dead. Mexican's view this day not as a day of sadness, but a celebration when they awaken their loved one's spirits to return and celebrate with them. Let's celebrate with a Fiesta! We begin surrounding a Day of the Dead altar in the old Mexican town with an illusion of our Captain in a picture frame behind the altar.

Everyone begins to rise from tombstones as their spirits awaken. Our Captain in a picture illusion comes to life. Things quickly turn into a fun-filled, high energy traditional Fiesta! We will feature the famous Mexican Hat Dance including a Maypole dance and a Mariachi Band will be revealed from behind an over-sized Sombrero. And what's a Fiesta without the biggest Piñata you've ever seen?

¡Viva la Fiesta! The party lives on!

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Captain: Joe "Asti" Pomante



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Joseph A. Ferko String Band

"Mums of Liberty"

Captain: Michael Luciany

Ladies and Gentlemen, Boys and Girls, sit back and enjoy as our Captain Michael Luciany, inspired by Sam Adams and Paul Revere, and the Mums of Liberty of the Joseph A. Ferko Stringband take you on a historical journey back in time to the American Revolution and the Birth of our Nation. From the Boston Tea Party, the Boston Massacre, Paul Revere's ride, the US Constitution, the ringing of the Liberty Bell, to the soar of the American Eagle, let our Rugged Bluecoats, Winter Soldiers, Rural Militia, Founding Father dancers, Colonial Dragoon dancers, Ben Franklin, and Betsy Ross entertain and amaze you through dance and musical performance of the Washington Post March, Yankee Doodle Dandy, America (My Country Tis of Thee), and show stopping rendition of Stars and Stripes. We would like to recognize and congratulate Michael Luciany (first year as Captain) and Mathew Gibson (first year as Music Director) for their outstanding work.

A special thank you to Amanda Fanelli, Sean Graser, Danny Muller, Jim Losasso, Roe & Ralph Tursi, the Costume team, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Joseph A. Ferko Stringband, the Make-up team, the NYD Marshal team, the Prop & Warehouse team, and our many benefactors who without everyone's extraordinary support our New Years day would not be possible.



Captain: Michael Luciany



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In honor of the 50th anniversary of Apollo 11, Starship Fralinger will return to the Moon to join the celebration, a spectacle that's simply out of this world. Welcome to the "Lunar Effect!" In a theater of moon rock with a magical Milky Way view, led by Captain Brad "Vader" Bowen, witness the arrival of inhabitants from galaxies beyond. Transporting Predators, glowing Crystals of Crypton, laser-eyed Reptiles of Radeon, short-circuiting Droids, imperial Storm troopers, and manic Mars Attack's Martians will entertain you with a cosmic array of musical space favorites. Galactic refreshments and entertainment will be available at the Cantina lounge as one final surprise awaits, the arrival of the mothership from Mars - It's Just One of Those Things!



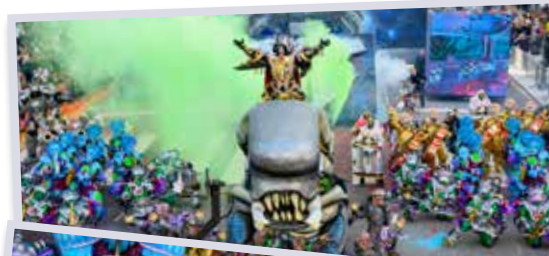
Captain: Brad Bowen

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We would like to sincerely thank all of our Marshals for their dedication and support to our 2020 production.

The officers & members of Fralinger wish to thank our families & friends for their year-long support!



South Philadelphia String Band – 2020 First Prize

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Denny Palandro, Sr

2020 First Prize Captain

South Philly String Band

The Mummers Museum *A Unique Experience...*

Opening in the bicentennial year of 1976, the Mummers Museum, located at Second Street (2 Street) and Washington Avenue, stands in tribute to all Mummers ... past, present and future.

Dedicated to the Philadelphia celebration of the New Year, the museum houses a rich collection of mummers' paraphernalia and memorabilia, including spectacular costumes, a few of which date back to the turn of the 20th Century.

The Mummers Museum provides the visitor with a chronological progression of the Mummers Parade from a simple neighborhood celebration to a City sanctioned attraction drawing tens of thousands of spectators to the side-walks of Broad Street every New Year's Day, as well as a highly rated, vast local television audience.

Through exhibits and displays, a visitor can sense the commitment, dedication, sacrifice, creativity and talent of the men, women and children, from various backgrounds, who regard being a Mummers as a "way of life."

The museum offers an on-site gift shop, an on-line store and a banquet hall which is available for rental.

The museum conducts programs for both children and adults, and, free String Band concerts are held weekly during the summer months starting in May.



Rusty Martz, President of the Mummers Museum, invites you to visit and to attend numerous, fun filled events planned for this spring and summer. Consult the Mummers Museum web site for a schedule of events and activities.

The appreciation of the art of Mummery acquired from touring the Museum will enhance your enjoyment of future Mummer Parades. You may also want to consider becoming a member of the Mummers Museum. Individual / Student memberships start at \$10 and family memberships are only \$25.00.

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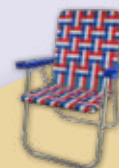
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8. **Hegeman**
9. **Duffy**
10. **Polish American**
11. **Ferko**
12. **Quaker City**
13. **South Philadelphia**
14. **Avalon**
15. **Woodland**
16. **Fralinger**

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2020 String Band Schedule

8pm Thursday Evenings Throughout the Summer

May 7	Jersey
May 14	Duffy
May 21	Greater Overbrook
May 28	Greater Kensington
June 4	Aqua
June 11	Pennsport
June 18	Hegeman
June 25	Uptown
July 2	South Philadelphia
July 9	Quaker City
July 16	Ferko
July 23	Durning
August 6	Avalon
August 13	Fralinger
August 20	Woodland
August 27	Polish American



Bring your beach chairs and enjoy string band music under the stars!



Refreshments are available

Greater Kensington String Band

"Something Wicked This Way Mums"

Captain: Shawn Blubaugh

Our witches have prepared a spellbinding performance to ring in a magical New Year. From the smoke, bewitching figures emerge. Sisters gather, our Coven stirs. We'll put a spell on you, no need to run. The witching hour is near, time for fun. And now about the cauldron sing, our incantation a familiar thing. Double, double toil and trouble; fire burn and cauldron bubble. By the thunder of our drums, something wicked this way Mums!

Our musical repertoire utilizes familiar sources to create an enchanting soundtrack. Rumbling percussion leads into the WICKED WITCH THEME before NO ONE MOURNS THE WICKED. We're amazed at WHAT A LITTLE MOONLIGHT CAN DO. Call forth your broom, bounce and sway the SORCERER'S APPRENTICE will lead the way. Tension bubbles through NIGHT ON BALD MOUNTAIN. BIBBIDI-BOBBIDI-BOO, the strings change the mood. Saxophones SWING us back to tempo. BEETLEJUICE, we're casting a spell! The witching hour approaches IN THE HALL OF THE MOUNTAIN KING faster and faster we go! Now we've gained control. THAT OLD BLACK MAGIC did not take its toll.



Captain: Shawn Blubaugh

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*Thank You for all you do to make me and our
great City proud! God Bless The Mummers!*

— Bob Brady, String Band Hall of Fame 2010
Mummers Hall of Fame 2010

Greater Overbrook String Band

"Under the Lovely London Sky, A Practically Perfect Poppins Tale"

Captain: James Driadon

Greater Overbrook String Band's production of "UNDER THE LOVELY LONDON SKY, A PRACTICALLY PERFECT POPPINS TALE" takes us on a whimsical, musical journey back to Cherry Street Lane in jolly old Edwardian England. The performance opens with the Poppins Pearly Band staged outside the home of the Banks family. The audience is warmly welcomed to Cherry Street Lane by our co-captain Eric Brennan who plays the delightful role of the cockney jack-of-all-trades Bert. This brief introduction is soon followed by an explosion of cherry blossoms and a stirring rendition of the classic song Supercalifragilistic-expialidocious. The focus quickly moves stage right as a group of energetic chimney sweeps dance on lamp posts to the tune Trip a Little Light Fantastic. We are then transported to a nearby park as a small group of bag women and bums assemble on park benches to perform a banjo feature to the song Feed the Birds. Without warning, Bert and his one-man band along with a raucous band of chimney sweeps enter as the Poppins Pearly Band assembles to perform A Spoonful Full of Sugar for a passing carousel. As night falls upon Cherry Tree Lane, the band meets on the roof tops of London to listen to a soothing version of Chim Chim Cher-ee performed by violinist Mike McVaugh. It is not long before our chimney sweeps are once again hoofing it up on the distant rooftops to the music of Step in Time. We conclude our show with the sudden emergence of our captain Jim Driadon dressed as the lovely Mary Poppins. Mary Poppins is then gracefully escorted by Bert from a rooftop to Cherry Street Lane as the Pearly Band plays Jolly Holiday. The entire band follows as Bert and Mary make their way to the front stage with a flurry of confetti and streamers in the distance and an up-tempo conclusion to Step in Time. This year's performance was dedicated to former captain and long-time member Chief John Hicks.



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Hegeman String Band

Captain: Nick Blackford

"A Nation in Celebration"

Let's turn the clock back to 1885 in the Badlands of the Dakotas. Or as the Lakota people called it "mako sica" which means "land bad" due to its rugged terrain, extreme temperatures and lack of water. The Hegeman Tribe rises over the horizon of this rugged land in a celebration.

It is truly a "Nation of Celebration". Smoke signals set the stage for this entire land of indigenous people to come together and enjoy the festivities that will unfold. The main chief of this Pow Wow is none other than Crazy Horse. What will unfold over the next 4 and a half minutes is a spectacle of sight and sound honoring the traditions of native American festivals that will connect all peoples of the tribal nation.



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"Fathoms Below"

Captain: Nick Magenta

Hidden beneath the ocean waters, descend upon a coral reef teeming with life as an abundance of fish, sea creatures, and coral landscapes take you on a journey through a fairytale world of bright colors and ever-changing patterns. The show takes you "Fathoms Below" to the ocean floor where Jaws presents our Captain! Fun and entertaining music set the tone for this energetic and colorful display of life under the sea! Our costumes depict schools of yellow, purple, aqua, pink and red colored fish. Pearlescent mermaids are presented through clamshells showcasing our banjo and accordion feature. Characters dressed in kelp and coral back pieces complete the reef setting. The finale features various percussion including, marimba and steel pans along with banjos and accordions leading to unlock a treasure chest revealing the Octopus surrounded by his treasure. Our 2020 performance was dedicated to the memory of Ray Danielewicz Sr., Captain of the Polish American String Band from 1973-1989. Ray was a lifelong member who was instrumental in the longevity and success of Polish American String Band. He is a Hall of Fame Member of both Polish American String Band & Philadelphia Mummers String Band Association.



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Quaker City String Band
Captain 1972-2008

Quaker City String Band

"Awakening"

Captain: Jimmy Good

A young archeologist stumbles upon an uncharted pyramid. Wanting to uncover the next Prince of Egypt, he explores this new find, accidentally tripping the trap door opening the depths of this catacomb of cacophony, resurrecting the Cobra King Pharaoh from his sarcophagus. The Pharaoh's arousal stirs the chambers to life as the Egyptian Ganesha, Horus, summons the Pharaoh's Viziers to celebrate their revival. The Temptation in the treasure chamber is boundless, but Horus spreads the wings of protection for the jewels of Alexandria, transported to the Pharaoh via Caravan many centuries ago. Apophis uses a River Lullaby to sooth the Egyptian Asps. As the Pharaoh emerges on his barge, using "Ka" to reanimate the rest his subjects, a Bacchanale materializes. Everyone celebrates the Cobra King commanding Naja Haje, his giant Asp, to ascend over his subjects. Arouse the shroud as the Quaker City String Band presents, "Awakening!"



Captain: Jimmy Good

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South Philadelphia String Band

"CAROUSELL!"

Captain: Denny Palandro, Sr.

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The South Philadelphia String Band Family wishes to thank our families, friends, and all those who support us in all that we do! Our organization is very proud of our family atmosphere and the strength of our membership to be there for each other and our ability to get through anything...together!

We dedicate every performance to those who have left us! This year we did everything #forthem!

Our South Philadelphia String Band Family dedicates our performance today in memory of our dear friend and SPSB Hall of Famer, Vic Derrick. His sudden departure has deeply affected all of us! #forhim!



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YEAR	FIRST PRIZE	SECOND PRIZE	THIRD PRIZE
2020	Uptown	Durning	Avalon
2019	Avalon	Fralinger	Aqua
2018	Woodland	Hegeman	Uptown
2017	Woodland	Greater Overbrook	Fralinger
2016	Hegeman	Ferko	Woodland
2015	Quaker City	Hegeman	Woodland
2014	Hegeman	South Philadelphia	Woodland
2013	Quaker City	Woodland	Avalon
2012	Polish American	Quaker City	Fralinger
2011	Polish American	Hegeman	Aqua
2010	Polish American	Aqua	Fralinger
2009	Fralinger	Polish American	Woodland
2008	Avalon	Polish American	Woodland
2007	Fralinger	Quaker City	Polish American
2006	Fralinger	Greater Kensington	Hegeman

Uptown String Band

Captain: Stephen Caldwell

"Drop And Give Me 20's"

Extra Extra read all about it! Today's the day to Seize the Day in My Kinda Town at the grand opening of the new Uptown Club. Let's Misbehave with new mystery man and club owner Skinny Demarco. He wants you to come in and grab your dancing shoes with You, Me & the Bottle, but don't miss our headlining act, the Sunshine Sweeties Cabaret show. These gals really know how to get This Joint a Jumpin'. When the main stage show ends, Skinny takes you backstage to test your luck in the underground casino. Some say Luck Be A Lady but you'll need a Lucky Day to hit the jackpot and be showered with Plenty of Money.

Now I Love A Piano as much as the next guy, but when the party gets started Skinny likes to take it to another level. Literally! Demarco brings the Sunshine Sweeties back out but this time in their flapper dresses to dance on top of the piano. And just when you think the night is over Skinny has the Sunshine Sweeties and the Glad-Rags Gang to join him as they take over the town with their Charleston moves into the early hours of the morning. The following day the media raves that the new Uptown Club is the bees knees!



Captain: Stephen Caldwell



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The Officers and Members of the Uptown String Band are proud of our 3rd place captain Stephen Caldwell and all of his success in his first year.



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"CALIENTE EN CUBA"

Captain: George Balzer IV

Come along with the Woodland String Band as we travel to Santiago de Cuba to take part in the traditional celebration of Fiesta Del Fuego, or Festival Del Caribe. The blue waters of the Atlantic open to reveal the streets of downtown Havana. The streets are alive with vibrant music and colors emanating from the houses. As the band admires the 1950s Chevy cars which line the streets, the band comes upon a street market with a wide array of fresh fruits and vegetables. As the band spends time sightseeing around Cuba, they make a stop to see the childhood home of Desi Arnaz in Santiago de Cuba. As the Fiesta del Fuego is gets closer, the excitement is on the rise. The Festival is filled with bright colors and traditional congas. The performers prepare for the Fire Parade. The fire, drums, and overall exhilarating music fill the street during the fire parade as the Fiesta Del Fuego comes to a close.

Formed in 1926, the 2020 parade marks the 94th consecutive performance by the Woodland String Band in the Philadelphia Mummers Parade. Woodland holds the second longest consecutive marching streak in the String Band Division and is the first member owned and operated String Band. The band is led by their exciting and energetic first year Captain, George Balzer IV. The band would like to congratulate our former Captain, Tom (Shaggy) Robison, on his election to the PMSBA Hall of Fame this year. Tom is the most decorated and award winning Captain in Woodland's history. Thank you Tom for your amazing leadership, showmanship and brotherhood and congratulations on this well-deserved honor!



Captain: George Balzer IV

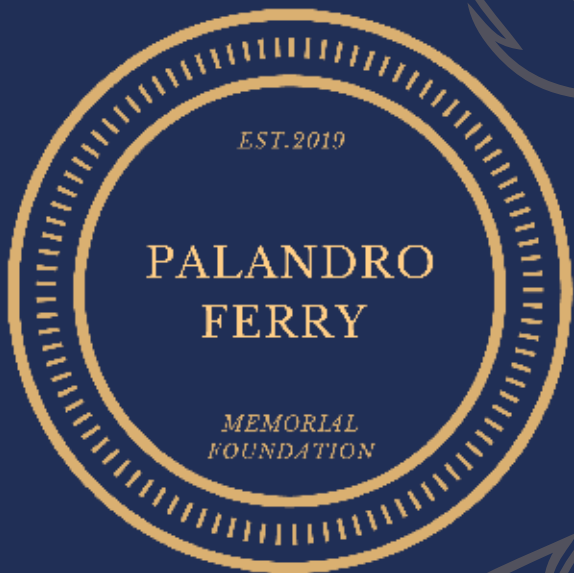


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YEAR	BAND	THEME	JUDGE'S PRIZE
2020	South Philadelphia	CarouSpell	1st
2019	Quaker City	Last but Naut Least	1st
2018	Duffy	Wiz Wit	9th
2017	Woodland	Carnival: Primeiro de Janerio	4th
2016	Woodland	You Bet Jurassic's Good	4th
2015	Quaker City	One Man's Trash is This Band's Treasure	2nd
2014	Hegeman	Hegeman's Household Havoc	2nd
2013	Quaker City	Pow Wow	2nd
2012	South Philadelphia	A Tune Full of Sugar	3rd
2011	Quaker City	My Kind of Clown	1st
2010	Polish American	The Jokers Ball	7th
2009	Quaker City	Back in the Hay	2nd
2008	Quaker City	Adventures in Paradise	2nd
2007	South Philadelphia	Echoes of the Big Top	3rd (tie)
2006	South Philadelphia	Stop! Look! Listen!	4th



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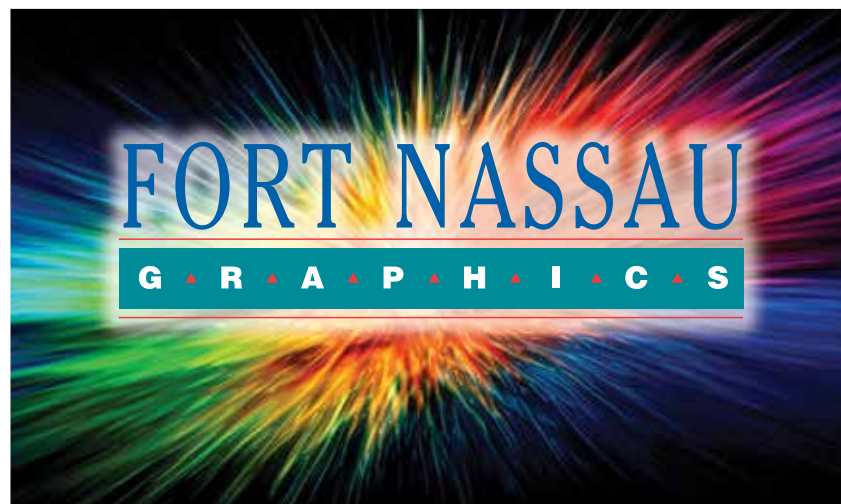
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