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Where Are They Now?

In case you're wondering what Vanguard alum **Rich Stanczak** has been up to, he is spending much of his summer in Hawthorne, New Jersey, marching with the Hawthorne Caballeros Senior Exhibition Corps. Here is the note from Rich followed by pictures of him dressed once again in red, black and white. Rich: Have a great time!

Cathy:

Here are several photos of what I'm up to for the rest of the summer. These were taken last Saturday, in Clifton, New Jersey. If you go to the site below, there are clips of last Saturday's show in Clifton, with clips from the Skyliners, and both the competing & alumni Corps from Hawthorne.

http://www.youtube.com/profile_videos?user=sister72

Rich Stanczak



DCI – Madison, Wisconsin

If you are planning on being at DCI (week of August 7th-August 12th), please consider joining us for lunch on:

Friday, August 11th – 1:00

The Stadium Sports Bar and Eatery

1419 Monroe St. (right across the street from Camp Randall Stadium), Madison

www.stadiumbar.com

Only a handful of people responded to the last newsletter, so we have opened this up to all Midwest drum corps alum, including Royal Airs Exhibition Corps. Be sure to contact your friends about this, especially those without email access. *Please respond to this email (even if you responded before) by August 5th to let me know if you will be joining us, so I can call with a head count.* FYI: The Semi-finals show starts at 4:30. This should give us plenty of time to eat and visit before walking across the street to the show.

Upcoming Activities:

Thu, Aug. 3: *Bill O'Connell's Chicago Skyliners Big Band* -- Lake Forest – Western Ave. between Deerpath and Westminster Aves. – 6:00 PM.

Sun, Aug. 6: Bill's new rock/jazz band, *One Foot in the Groove* appears in Frankfort – Breiderts Green on Kansas St. – 6:30 PM.

Tue, Aug. 8: *One Foot in the Groove* gets its groove on in WoodDale – Franzen Grove Park on Thorndale and WoodDale Rds. – 7 PM.

Sun, Aug. 13: Both the *Skyliners* and *One Foot in the Groove* perform at The Chicago Boulevard Arts Festival – 2710 N. Sawyer – 1 PM and 3 PM.

Sun, Aug. 13: *One Foot in the Groove* appears at Hawthorn Woods – Old McHenry Rd. and Quentin Rd. – 6:30 PM.

Fri., Aug. 18: Alumni Party!: *One Foot in the Groove* appears at
Finley's Grill Room
3131 Finley Rd.
Downers Grove, IL
8 PM

NO COVER CHARGE!

DIRECTIONS: From 355, go east on Butterfield Rd. to Finley Rd. where you go south. Finley's is just south of Fuddruckers. For more info on Finley's, visit <http://finleysgrillroom.com>.

Invite all your drum corps friends! Alumni of all corps are welcome!

IMPORTANT: Please email Bill at billbigband@aol.com if you are planning to attend so he can reserve enough room for everyone.

Sun, Aug. 27: *Skyliners* will perform at Fitzgeralds, 6615 Roosevelt Rd., Berwyn – 6 PM.

Wed, Sep. 6: *Skyliners* perform at River Grove Riverfront Park – 7:30 PM.

Sat, Sep 9: *Skyliners* appear at Oakbrook Terrace – One Parkview Plaza 8 PM.

Sun, Sep. 10: *One Foot in the Groove* performs at Darien Fest – 1 PM.

Many thanks to Bill O'Connell for providing the following photograph from 1965:



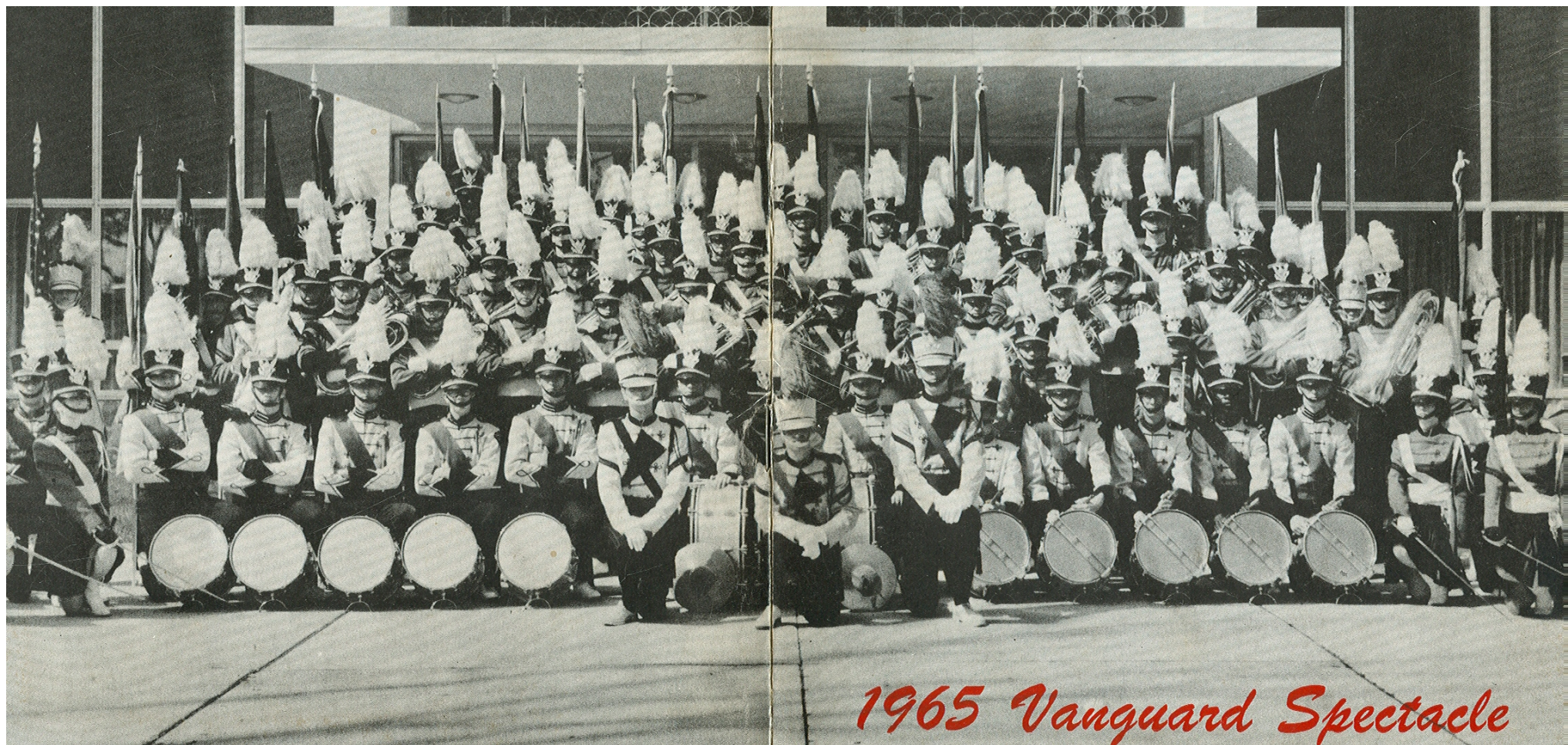
(See the next page for a bigger printer-friendly version.)

Enjoy the rest of the summer! All are encouraged to send in pictures and articles for future issues.

Cathy O'Connell Letourneau

Borrowed from Bill's band schedule....

"I don't like country music, but I don't mean to denigrate those who do. And for the people who like country music, denigrate means 'put down.'" – *Bob Newhart*



1965 Vanguard Spectacle