



Orchestra

Front Row: P. Lai, C. Christensen, J. Wu, M. Narayana, A. Marcus, A. Cheung, S. Solomon, M. Samis, J. Rapp, R. Biddle. **2nd Row:** B. Schwartzberg, T. Kabakoff, K. Smith, F. Wadia, A. Karp, G. Shin, J. Bennett, A. Rothmanm, L. Vetter, A. Hanson, P. Clay. **3rd Row:** Mr. Smarelli, D. Ashcraft, C. Reese, B. Vickey, A. Salvekar, J. Hochberg, C. Wentland, A. Suvetor, R. Mills, L. Heaton, T. Noble. **Back Row:** J. Giroux, E. Blake, R. Wright, K. Christensen, E. Fowler, J. Meeker, R. Hoffman, L. Taylor, M. Varma, A. Wert.



Senior Field Commander Sarah Toraason stands at attention during a halftime performance. The three field commanders led the band to a superior rating at the state contest.

At the Homecoming bonfire, sophomore George Hill displays his drums. The drumline could always be counted on for school spirit.

Superior Again

Once again, Sycamore's High School band was superior.

After qualifying for state competition on its only chance, the marching band gained yet another superior rating at the Ohio State Marching Band Competition in Columbus.

After qualifying for the state competition at Lakota, the band used the Western Brown Band Competition to prepare itself for its upcoming challenge at Columbus.

The members of the band thoroughly enjoyed themselves during their stay in Columbus, not only because of the victory, but also because it was an interesting change from a regular stadium. Senior Steve Scarborough explained: "The stadium that we played in (Cooper Stadium in Columbus) was unbelievably big, and it was different for the younger band members who haven't been there before. Everyone had to get adjusted to astroturf and the size of the stadium."

Flyerette Carolyn Malagon commented that contests are a totally different experience from the football games where we perform. She said, "At a football game, we're making a show for the fans, but at contests we're doing it for ourselves."

Other flyerette members Lara Knight and Shannon Ott, a junior and senior, respectively, agreed that the band had to practice "for ever and ever," and that it was "extremely successful." But as Ott put it, "All the problems and stress seemed to be worth it because we really put it all together in time for competition."

Overall, band council president Sean Mandell thought that it was the great attitude of all members that helped the band overcome its early inexperience. As for his assessment of the year: "We really went beyond our expectations to do so well at state."

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