



QUEEN'S BANDS

# THE PLAID POST

Homecoming was an incredible experience for those new to bands, as well as the beloved returning members!

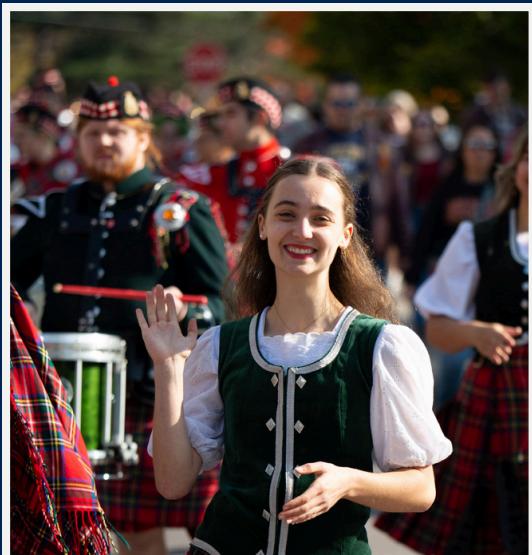
Homecoming photos in this issue are credited to the Queen's Office of Advancement

# Welcome Home, Alumni!

## WE MISSED YOU!

Written by Kaelan Rankin and Serena James

The last couple of months have been spent preparing for the Queen's homecoming on October 19th., and the day itself could not get any better than it did. The many marching practices and sectional rehearsals made the parade well worth the effort. Most of all, it was wonderful to speak to Bands alumni once again to listen to your stories of your days here.



From left to right, Alex McArthur and Emma Lyttle

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- Alumni Banquet & More!



Pictured above: Sashun Erickson

However, that is not the only alumni event that we have planned for the academic year. On Saturday, February 1st, 2025 we are hosting an Alumni Appreciation Banquet! We have many sectional and collaborative performances, followed by dinner. Stick around longer for live music from Celtic Kitchen Party! Ticket sales will be live as of December 1st. Follow us on Instagram: @queensbands to stay updated!

# Tricolour Guard Dinner



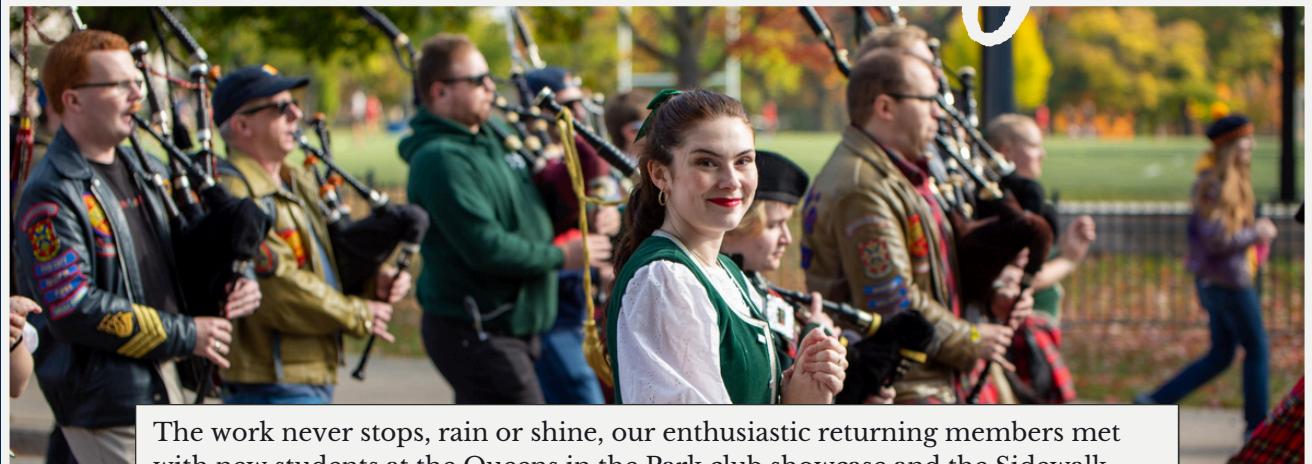
In recognition of the amazing achievement that was graduating over 50 years ago, the Tricolour Guard Dinner was held for Classes of 74 and prior. We sprang one last oil thigh for the night and thanked those who came before us for being the most amazing inspirations a young Gael could ask for.



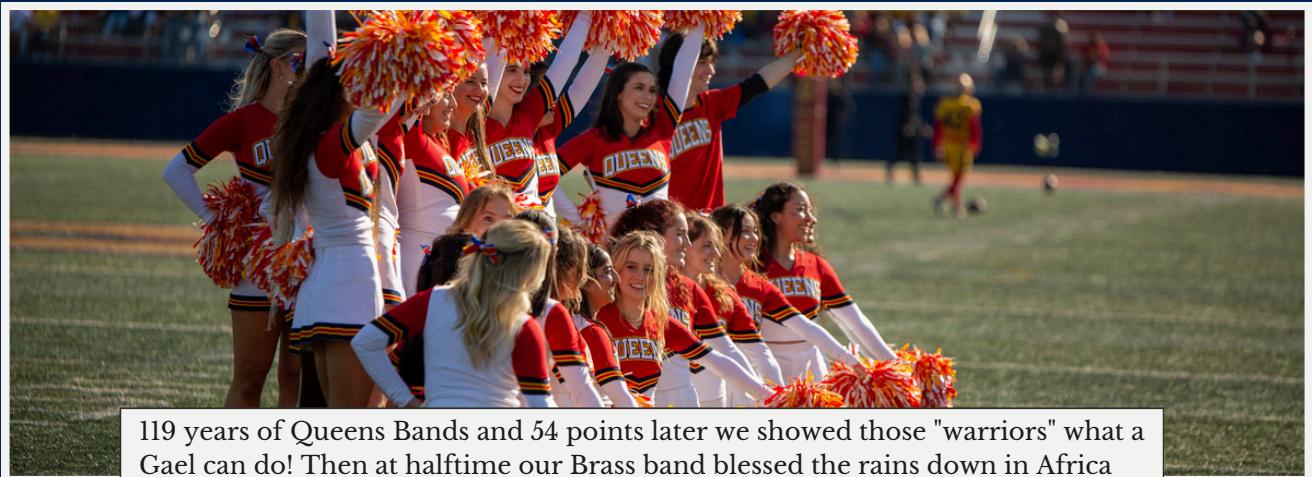
From top to bottom photos: Maggie Bateman, Julia Twelves, Noah Lowe and Olivia White (Head Highland Dancer)



# Homecoming



The work never stops, rain or shine, our enthusiastic returning members met with new students at the Queens in the Park club showcase and the Sidewalk Sale, promoting ourselves and getting sign-ups for the most exciting club on campus.



119 years of Queens Bands and 54 points later we showed those "warriors" what a Gael can do! Then at halftime our Brass band blessed the rains down in Africa while our Pipers did not stop believing, all the while we got to celebrate an amazing parade across Richardson field alongside Queen's alumni.



# Other Events!



## PUMPKIN DECORATING

On Friday, October 25th a Pumpkin decorating party was hosted by the Social Coordinators. Pumpkins decorated were voted on by those in Bands. In the end, Pipes did win best pumpkin with a total of 25 votes!

## HALLOWEEN MARCHING PRACTICE

This year, Halloween landed on marching practice day! Bandsies showed up in costume, ready to take on the marching competition. Everyone was split into 4 groups, and had to perform a sequence to the Drum Major's commands. In the end, Team 2 won and was awarded a box of Halloween chocolates!

