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## Port Chester district's Band Night celebrates 'spirit of a community'

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"When he first came, we had no idea what this man was thinking, but he obviously did something right," said Harris Jacobs, class of 1969 and son of Band Night founder Archie Jacobs, who died in 1994. "I remember getting up for practice at 7 a.m., and it was so cold the trumpet mouthpiece would freeze,"

The 130-member band, originally as a bi-weekly after-school activity, now meets and practices daily.

"We're a big [family](#), and I try to teach good family values including discipline, responsibility and, most importantly, commitment," Vitti said.

Band Night begins with a fundraising barbecue, with more than 3,000 hot dogs and hamburgers for the spectators and the 500-to-700 student performers.

"You can tell the spirit of a community by its [music](#)," Force said. "No matter what happened, ups and downs, the Port Chester community supported that band."

The [Parents](#) Band Association, originally organized by Force, holds fundraisers and events to contribute more than a quarter million dollars annually to school district band funds, a good amount of which comes from the barbecue.

"This was my father's whole life," Jacobs said. "So many people have come together to make this happen. If he was alive today, he would be so thrilled."



Port Chester High School hosts the district's 65th annual Band Night yesterday, which featured alumni and student bands marching across the high school's Ryan Field. (Photos by Frank Becerra Jr/The Journal News)



Nino Pallotti, from the Port Chester High School Class of 1942, plays the saxophone.

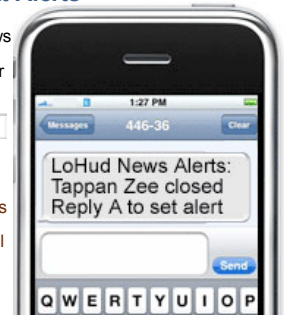
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