

Kutztown Pipe Band

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NEWSLETTER



**The KPB has a busy upcoming season!
Here's where you can catch us:**

- 4/26 - Fellowship Community, Whitehall** 🌸
- 5/4 - Kutztown Fire Co. Parade 11AM**
- 5/12 - Albright Commencement Ceremony** 🌸
- 5/19 - The Highlands, Wyomissing** 🌸
- 5/27 - Kutztown Memorial Day Parade**
- 6/9 - Reading RenFaire 2-8PM Wernersville**
- 6/30 - Kutzown Folk Festival 10AM & 4:15 PM**

🌸 denotes event not open to public



MEET *a Member*




Let's meet our Tenor Drummer!

- 1) **What is your full name?** *Eileen Fox*
- 2) **What is your current hometown?** *West Reading, PA*
- 3) **What is your vocation?** *Engineering*
- 4) **How many years have you been playing drums?** *I have been tenor drumming 16 years, off and on.*
- 5) **Why did you decide to play? What was your inspiration?** *I liked bagpipe music when I was young but never saw tenor drumming until the Bethlehem Celtic Classic where pipe bands were competing. I really thought it looked cool! When my husband and son started taking bagpipe lessons in Lancaster with Ceol Neamh, and I found out that they offered drumming lessons, too, I took them up on it and had a lot of fun.*
- 6) **Have you ever been to Scotland?** *No, but I'd like to visit someday.*
- 7) **Do you play any other instruments?** *I do not play other instruments, but I have sung in choruses and choirs most of my life.*
- 8) **What is your favorite pipe band tune?** *There are way too many great tunes to choose from. I really like the one that Caroline and Laura used to play as a duet, 'Willie Davie's Reel/Kelsey's Wee Reel'.*
- 9) **Tell us about your best and/or worst piping experience.** *During a performance at the Ren Faire with Ceol Neamh, it started pouring so hard that my mallets went splat, splat on the drum, and I had to pour the water off the drum head to keep playing.*

We want your ideas!!

The KPB enjoys discovering new music and has some exciting tunes up their sleeve to perform at upcoming shows. We're eager to hear your tune requests! Click [HERE](#) to share your thoughts with us. We appreciate both traditional and contemporary piping tunes!



Assist us in spreading the news that the KPB is open for bookings! Our services include performances at community events, parties, services, weddings, funerals, and school outreach programs. From a solo piper to a full band, we cater to all your musical needs.



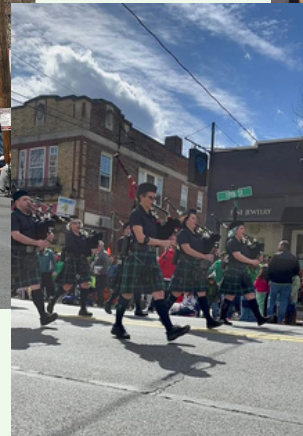
Snaps and clips from the winter of 2024.



Kutztown Folk Music Society
Preserving the Tradition



Massed Band



Allentown St. Patrick's Day Parade



Stooges



Educational Outreach
Northeast Middle School
Reading



Paddy Murphy Walk
Kutztown University



KCS CORNER

The Kutztown Celtic Session is a branch of the Kutztown Pipe Band which started in 2022 as a weekly session practice for our multi-instrumentalist band members. Our current session group members bring talent on acoustic guitar, fiddle, flute, smallpipes, uilleann pipes, vocals, whistle, and more! The KCS hosts weekly open sessions each Monday, welcoming anyone who has a love of Celtic music. Contact us at Laura@kutztownpipeband.com if you'd like more information about these sessions.

Catch us monthly at the K'Town Pub!

Next date: 4/15 5-7PM



DON'T FORGET

*KPB has its own Youtube channel
*You can learn a lot about us on our website

www.kutztownpipeband.com

*We are available for educational demonstrations, parades, festivals, weddings, funerals and memorial services (and lots of other events, too!)

*We need drummers!!!



HOW YOU CAN HELP:

*Donate - We are a 501c3 non profit, so all donations are tax deductible. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn how.

*Spread the word about our band to family and friends

*Contact us if you're willing to carry our banner in parades!

*Do you know of anyone interested in receiving our emails?

Have them contact friends@kutztownpipeband.com

*Learn to play the pipes or join our drum corps

*Subscribe to our Youtube channel here

*You can follow us on



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PROVIDING ENTERTAINMENT, EDUCATION, AND INSTRUCTION WITH THE GREAT HIGHLAND BAGPIPES

Founded in 2017, the Kutztown Pipe Band is both a student group at Kutztown University and a non-profit community group in the Borough of Kutztown. Band members include faculty and staff from Kutztown University, staff and students from Kutztown Area School District, and residents of the Borough of Kutztown and nearby communities. Each band member is at a different stage in the journey to becoming proficient at the bagpipes and pipe band percussion. We are a learning and performing band that offers bagpipe and drumming instruction to anyone wishing to join the band and embark on the lifelong journey to mastering the Great Highland Bagpipes.