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I have been accepted for membership in the 7th Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps. It is quite an honor to be a part of this competitive performing ensemble. I am working extremely hard to become an ambassador for our community as a member of this touring drum & bugle corps. 7th Regiment is funded and maintained by the Surfers Alumni Association, a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the performing arts education of young people in Connecticut. Young people like me need an opportunity to further our growth and education in the performing arts. The Surfers Alumni Association seeks to offer us an opportunity to participate in a performing art of the highest competitive caliber through the 7th Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps.

The 7th Regiment will perform and compete against other drum & bugle corps from throughout the U.S. and Canada. During the summer, we will travel across New England, New York and New Jersey, and perform before thousands of spectators. The hours are long and the rehearsals are demanding, but the payoff is the standing ovations received from thousands of fans and the increased skill level I will achieve.

A season in 7th Regiment will cost the Surfers Alumni Association approximately \$1,600 per member, which covers instruction, housing, uniforms, instruments, insurance and food. Each member is asked to pay \$600 of this in dues and fees. The cost is a large amount for a young person to bear alone. This is where you can make a difference by offering your financial support. Any money you contribute on my behalf goes directly to sponsor me and offset my membership fees. Your contribution will be considered a donation and is tax deductible to the fullest extent permitted by law.

In order to ensure maximum benefit to me, please send your sponsorship form as soon as you can.

Thank you for your consideration! Your support, in any amount, will allow me to benefit from the opportunities provided by the 7th Regiment and the Surfers Alumni Association.

Sincerely,

2008 Season Member of 7th Regiment Drum & Bugle Corps