

# 2019 Colts Age-Outs

These members represent the heart and soul of the Colts in many ways, and have contributed outstanding leadership to the entire corps. These members together share 64 years of Colts membership. They will be missed. We thank them for their dedication, commitment, hard work and character. They have perpetuated the momentum of the Red Team!

## Jess Andrews

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 3

Hometown: Highland, Illinois

College: McKendree University

Major: Psychology, Sociology, and Criminal Justice

**Most Significant Lessons...**To live life to the fullest with the people around you. You never know when your last day will be with them.

**Impact On Your Life...**The Colts have impacted my life in so many different ways, one being to always take in every moment. Everyday I have been thankful for the people I am on the field with and those who are in front instructing me. If it had not been for coming to this organization in 2016, I would not have met some of my best friends and mentors. This corps has truly been a blessing in my life.

**Best Memories...**My best memory is semifinals run in 2017. I have never been more proud of a group of people I have preformed with. The people in the show are some of the greatest people I have ever met. I had the best show of my life and left everything I had on the field. I will forever remember the 2017 year with this corps for the impact it made on my life.

**Thank You...**I would like to thank my mom, dad, grandma and my aunt Linda for always supporting me in everything. Rest in peace Aunt Linda, I love you.

**Words To Supporters...**Thank you for always supporting the corps and its future endeavors!

**Closing Thoughts...**I have never been more happy to end a season as happy as I am to end this one with the Colts. It is a bittersweet feeling — aging out, but I am honored to get to age out with some of the greatest people on the planet. This production, no matter where we place, will always be one of the best shows I have ever been in. I am so happy to be back at home.

## Jeanna Brandsrud

Brass/Baritone

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Vermillion, South Dakota

College: The University of South Dakota

Major: Music Education and Psychology

**Most Significant Lessons...**Perseverance

**Impact On Your Life...**Learning to push through just about any obstacle has been the biggest impact the Colts and other members have had on me. The ability to lift each other up during the hardest rehearsals has been incredibly influential on me this season

**Best Memories...**My best memories are the successes we've had so far as a corps, but especially finishing the first full run in DeWitt.

**Thank You...**I would like to thank my parents and brother for supporting me in all of my activities and choices. I would also like to thank my friends for pushing me to go after my goals.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for supporting an incredible organization that teaches young people of all ages so many life lessons.

Closing Thoughts...I am extremely thankful for the opportunities I've had to march drum corps, as this activity has changed my life for the better in so many ways.

## Kyle Buflod

Brass/Mellophone

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Waynesville, Ohio

College: Wright State University

Major: Music Education

Most Significant Lessons...Get stronger every day. Focus is a learned skill.

Impact On Your Life...I love rehearsing and improving daily with the Colts.

Best Memories...Rehearsal every day.

Thank You...Kevin the bus driver. Thank you Kevin!

Words To Supporters...Thank you!

Closing Thoughts...I'm having fun!

## Spencer Collins

Brass/Trumpet

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Omaha, Nebraska

College: University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Major: Software Engineering

Most Significant Lessons...The Colts taught me how to use tools like self-accountability and perseverance to love my life to the fullest. Any challenge I must confront, inconvenience that gets in my way, or adversity that gets thrown at me, I am equipped to deal with them efficiently and with a good attitude. These tools give me integrity and the ability to reach any level of success. You cannot grow if you are comfortable, so don't live your life stagnantly.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts have taught me the value in making deep, meaningful connections to the people around me.

Best Memories...Pushing through breathing block in the high altitude in Colorado and Wyoming in 2015. Getting to march with my fiancé in 2019. Playing "Morning" with the horn line at the end of the season.

Thank You...I want to thank my parents who have given me unwavering support and understanding, especially in my decisions to both march and not march over the years.

## Sara De Leon

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Wellington, Florida

College: Palm Beach State College

Major: Cyber Security

Most Significant Lessons...Competing is something more than just winning. It's having those long practices, those "bad" days, those body aches, those long bus rides. It's all the work that seemed impossible, until we make it possible.

Impact On Your Life...Great people can make a home away from home.

Best Memories...There's not really a specific memory for me it's more of just, making new memories with new people everyday.

Thank You...I would love to thank my family for all the love and support they have given me to be able to participate in something that I loved to do.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for all your hard work and support!!!!

Closing Thoughts...I am just grateful for the opportunity to have grown as a person and a performer but also having met great people.

## Elijah Elmshaeuser

Drum Major

Years (Colts): 3

Hometown: Waverly, Nebraska

College: University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Major: Mechanical Engineering

**Most Significant Lessons...**One of the most significant lessons I learned in the Colts is how to lead with the heart. It's the most effective way to lead and gain the respect of my peers.

**Impact On Your Life...**The Colts and my fellow members have amplified who I am. I have grown as a leader, friend, and musician over the past three years. It has opened up many doors to new opportunities in life and a support network that will always be there for me.

**Best Memories...**One of my best memories was performing our first show of 2018 in Whitewater and feeling the energy of the crowd rise and bring them to their feet as we performed the closer. It was a rewarding feeling after a month of hard work during spring training.

**Thank You...**I would like to thank my parents, Karl and Kris, for supporting me through my passion and goals of wanting to march in a drum corps. I also want to thank anyone else that has provided support to help me march.

**Words To Supporters...**I would like to thank all Colts supporters because our success can be attributed to the many things that you do for us. Thank you.

**Closing Thoughts...** The Colts have become a family to me and I'm honored to lead and be a part of such a great organization. This summer will be one that I will remember forever.

## Mason Ferrantelli

Percussion/Cymbals

Years (Colts): 4

Hometown: Waynesville, Ohio

College: Grand Canyon University

Major: Sports Management

**Most Significant Lessons...**Self improvement

**Impact On Your Life...**The Colts has made many friendships and memories through all of my years marching. Each year brings something different brought to the table to learn and become a better person.

**Best Memories...**Every last run we have ever done

**Thank You...**My mom Denise and father Milt

**Words To Supporters...**Thank you for your support helping us get down the road day in and day out.

## Andrew Fruge

Percussion/Front Ensemble

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Houston, Texas

College: University of Houston

Major: Music Education

**Most Significant Lessons...**How to separate my value as a person from my skill as a musician.

**Impact On Your Life...**The Colts has been such a caring and supportive family. I'm looking forward to be able to call myself and alumni and someday give back. The organization, the members and the staff have shown me what drum corps should really be like. They've given me a place besides my house to call home.

**Thank You...**I would like to thank my parents and sister for being so supportive through my whole drum corps journey. I couldn't have done it without them.

**Words To Supporters...**Thank you so much! You give students like me the opportunity to march and it means the world to us. Thank you.

Closing Thoughts...I'm so excited to begin tour. Sad that it's my last one but I can't wait to begin performing with my friends.

## Christopher Garcia

Percussion/Snare

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: San Antonio, Texas

College: Texas State University

Major: Geography

Most Significant Lessons...Base decisions that promote excellence to the corps and ourselves.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts have already brought me closer to what I would consider a second family.

Words To Supporters...From the bottom of my heart, thank you. I would not be sane and nourished if it weren't for donors and volunteers. Going out of your own way to look out for us is more than any of us members can ever ask for. Truly, thank you.

Closing Thoughts...Ageout rageout!

## Jesse Garza

Battery/Snare

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: San Antonio, Texas

College: University of Texas at San Antonio

Major: Computer Science

Most Significant Lessons...The true meaning of brotherhood and camaraderie, how to push through adversity, and how to manage my time in an efficient manner.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts helped shape me into a better musician/person and inspires its members to pursue excellence in everything they do.

Best Memories...Spring training my ageout summer.

Thank You...I would like to thank my family and girlfriend for supporting me

all throughout my music career. I would like to thank my teachers for teaching me what I know and setting me up for success. Most importantly I'd like to thank my father for inspiring to start drumming.

Words To Supporters...I cannot thank you enough for allowing me to participate in the amazing activity one last time.

Closing Thoughts...I am happy and content with my music career. I am very grateful for having the opportunity to participate in this and many other musical activities. Thank you.

## Brooks Gill

Battery/Bass Drum

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Zionsville, Indiana

College: Indiana University

Major: Biology

Most Significant Lessons...How to persevere and push through difficult times and situations while maintaining a positive outlook.

Impact On Your Life...I've made many great friends already in the time I've been here and am constantly being challenged to be the best that I can be.

Best Memories...Making friends.

Thank You...My family and Benjy Braude.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for allowing me to have this experience that I will never forget.

## Kevin Herrera

Brass/Mellophone

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Plantation, Florida

College: University of Florida

Major: Astronomy

Most Significant Lessons...Pushing through even the toughest of times because things eventually pay off.

Realizing I am stronger than I think I am. Living in and holding on to the moment because time is fleeting.

Impact On Your Life...Being a part of the Colts has allowed me to be a part of something much bigger than myself and being with a second family of people from around the nation. I feel like I can count on the people I've marched with when the going gets rough even if we're far apart.

Best Memories...That "nailed it" feeling after a good performance, the bus rides, and getting to be around some of the best people I'll ever meet.

Thank You...I would like to thank my parents for putting up with the craziness that is drum corps and supporting me in participating in the activity and even traveling long distances just to see me perform. I wouldn't have been able to do any of this without them.

Words To Supporters...Thank you so much for your support. The equipment I've had access to as a member of this organization is of a caliber like none other, and I can't thank you enough for that.

Closing Thoughts...Even though my time as a marching member has been fairly short, I'm glad to have been able to contribute what I can to this organization. I'm excited for where the rest of the season takes us and to cherish every last moment of it.

## Kyle Hollen

Drum Major

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Dallas, Texas

College: Austin Community College

Major: Audio Engineering

Most Significant Lessons...How to make the best of any situation! In drum corps, there is never going to be an ideal situation for everyone, so it's important to always bring the

best version of yourself to every situation, effectively creating the best environment for yourself and those around you.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts have truly changed my life. The people that I have been surrounded with for the past two years have made me feel so comfortable with who I truly am and I feel so grateful to get the opportunity to share their lives as well.

Best Memories...My best memories at the Colts are the ones performing on the field. There's something special about the energy that's shared between us when we're all focused on the collective goal that is the show.

Thank You...I would like to first thank my parents and family for constantly supporting me and helping me achieve my goal to march all these years. Second, I'd like to thank the staff and admin for creating an amazing environment for me and the other members and always ensuring that we are taken care of and loved along the way.

Words To Supporters...To the Colts supporters and donors! Thank you!! Your support helps us way more than you know. Your time and energy that's given to us is so appreciated and will never go without thanks!

Closing Thoughts...Last one, and I'm so grateful to get to spend it with the Red Team. Enjoying it while it lasts! Thank you, Colts...Thank you so much. I love you all more than you'll ever know.

## Cassie Kiihne

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Omaha, Nebraska

College: University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Major: Animal Science and Psychology

Most Significant Lessons...I learned that we're all capable of so much more than we think and sometimes it just takes an extra challenge to make it show.

Impact On Your Life...Fellow members taught me how to push myself more than I thought possible and that it's okay to lean on those around me for support.

Best Memories...My best memories, aside from performing, would have to be rehearsals that were ridiculously hot, cold, wet, etc. where we came together and made what could have been a miserable block into a productive and memorable rehearsal.

Thank You...I would like to thank my family, friends, and previous instructors who have encouraged, supported, and taught me the skills I needed to be able to do this.

Words To Supporters...To all those who support us, whether it be financially, through volunteering, or by cheering us on in the stands, thank you. We wouldn't be able to do this without you.

Closing Thoughts...To anyone sitting in the stands thinking about auditioning, go for it. It could change your life.

## Emily Magee

Percussion/Front Ensemble

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Cary, North Carolina

College: Middle Tennessee State University

Major: Music Education

Most Significant Lessons...Dedication, passion, and accountability.

Best Memories...In 2015 in Colorado – Having to leave the shower, with (literally) shampoo still in my hair, to load the truck in a thunderstorm.

Thank You...My mother for always supporting me in everything I believe in and do.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for all your support towards keeping the activity alive.

## Liam Masland

Brass/Baritone

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Blue Springs, Missouri

College: Northwest Missouri State University

Major: Music Education

Most Significant Lessons...How to thrive in discomfort, the value of time management, and encouraging others to push on even when I am hurting.

Impact On Your Life...I am much healthier and more organized now. My outlook on life and my future are much brighter now I'm taking on my hardest challenge.

Best Memories...The many inspiring words of Chad Miller.

Thank You...Bill Masland, Michelle Panuco, Travis Barzee, and Dr. Tim Allshouse

Words To Supporters...You helped turn my life around in a way I never thought possible. Words cannot express my thanks.

Closing Thoughts...Let's kick some a\*\*!

## Ryan McDaniel

Percussion/Tenors

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Lawrenceville, Georgia

College: Georgia State University

Major: Exercise Science

Most Significant Lessons... Accountability, expectations, mindset, and standard all have an effect on your performance. Applicable to work, school, or life in general.

Impact On Your Life...Extremely positive. You learn so much about the character and personality of others that rubs off on you. You keep these things when you return home.

Best Memories...Finals week with CQB.

Thank You...Joshua Montgomery. His teachings and memories I've had with him I will cherish forever.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for the opportunities and benefits you have provided for this incredible organization.

Closing Thoughts...Soaking in every moment. It moves too quickly when you're enjoying everything you do. It's easy not to let your guard down knowing it's your last ride.

## Jake Parker

Percussion/Snares

Years (Colts): 2

Years (Cadets): 3

Hometown: Iowa City, Iowa

College: University of Iowa

Major: Finance

Most Significant Lessons...Time management, and how to push myself to my absolute limits mentally and physically.

Best Memories...Meeting my best friends in CC.

Thank You...Thank you Mom and Dad for everything you've done to make my dream a reality. I can't say thank you enough, love you!

## Sierra Pattin

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Coon Rapids, Minnesota

College: University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Major: Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation Biology

Most Significant Lessons...That you can push further than your brain tells you to and that you can get a lot more done when you set all of your focus towards an end goal.

Impact On Your Life...Colts has encouraged me to teach more back at home and help out with more

programs. Overall, a very positive impact on my life.

Best Memories...THE CHICKEN DANCE, Nuggieland, Saying one on every count of Amber

Thank You...My family, any instructors that I've marched under in the past, and all of the friends I've made along my color guard experience

Words To Supporters...The Colts is basically my home away from home and they treat all of their members with nothing but respect. For this reason, you should consider donating to this wonderful organization.

Closing Thoughts...I'm very excited about the show this season. It has the potential to push boundaries and the DCI community will not be ready for it this year! I am also sad that the season has been flying by so quickly but I'm trying to take in every moment I have left to spin with my summer family.

## Tess Perkins

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 3

Years (Cadets): 4

Hometown: Marion, Iowa

College: University of Iowa

Major: International Studies, with an African focus

Most Significant Lessons... Perseverance and determination. The days can get really long and hard, but the perseverance I learned here has helped me push through the tough days that happen at school and in life.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts has become a second home and second family to me. All of the staff and members are people I know I can go to in hard times and get support and love.

Best Memories...The best memories I have from Colts are the hot blocks

in Kansas because in 2016 it was one of the hardest rehearsal days but people were cheering each other on and pushing through together and that sense of togetherness is where all my favorite memories come from.

Thank You...I would like to thank my parents for supporting me, my siblings for being my biggest fans, and all of my former and current instructors for helping me become the performer and person I am today.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for your generosity and cheers for the Colts!

Closing Thoughts...From 2012-19 the Colts organization taught me more than I ever thought it would and I cannot wait to keep learning from the people around me for the rest of the summer and push through my last one with the people I love.

## Ben Petrmichl

Brass/Baritone

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Elkhorn, Nebraska

College: University of Nebraska–Lincoln

Major: Music Education

Most Significant Lessons...I've learned to always carry myself with pride in everything that I do whether it be the smallest detail or the biggest idea.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts have given me a great sense of family. Coming into this activity, I felt uneasy. As soon as I walked in the door, people from camps gave me hugs and I've never felt more welcome on the first day.

Best Memories...Finishing our first full run in ensemble rehearsal will always be my favorite memory because it made me realize why I chose to do this activity. The rush of performing and thinking that this can only get better really pushed me to another level of motivation.

Thank You...I would like to thank my mom, dad, brother, and the rest of my family for supporting me every day and getting me to where I am now. I couldn't have done this without you! Also, I'd like to thank friends and mentors who have inspired me along the way.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for your appreciation for this organization. It means so much and we cannot thank you enough!

Closing Thoughts...This is going to be fun and very rewarding summer! I can't wait to tear it up with the Red Team!

## Harlan Pfohl

Barss/Mellophone

Years (Colts): 4

Years (Cadets): 1

Hometown: Dubuque, Iowa

College: Northeast Iowa Community

College

Major: Associate Of Arts

Most Significant Lessons...Self accountability and how my actions affect others.

Impact On Your Life...The people around me make me better, and push me to achieve my best. Without this activity in my younger years, I would have developed into a lesser person.

Best Memories...Inhaling gatorade on the bus in '16 when my seat partner made me laugh, and then throwing it back up. Also how amazing Day 1 was after I filled a hole in '17.

Thank You...To my mom. She's always tried her best to support me from home while I'm away for the summer.

Words To Supporters...Thank you very much for making all of this possible for so many people. We all appreciate getting this opportunity whether its our 1st year, or 5th.

Closing Thoughts...Enjoy the time you have with the people you are with. If you aren't enjoying yourself with the people you're surrounded by, you aren't doing something right.

## Joshua Pritchard

Percussion/Snare

Years (Colts): 2

Hometown: Stafford, West Midlands, United Kingdom

College: University of Huddersfield

Major: Computer Science With Games Programming

Most Significant Lessons...I've been taught a number of important lessons during my tenure with the corps. Perhaps the most important one is simply how to persevere in times of hardship and how to recover from being in a bad place.

Impact On Your Life...Becoming a member of the Colts changed my life. Physically, I became stronger and fitter than ever before. Socially I became a new person, with confidence I'd never had before. Emotionally I became stronger and more resilient. Mentally I am smarter and find solutions to problems far quicker. The Colts welcomed me into a family as a child and turned me into an adult.

Best Memories...Sitting on the field together after our last rehearsal run and having the corps song played for us. The emotions and feelings in that moment were stronger than anything I'd ever experienced. Also having a perfect run at Erie was pretty good I guess!

Thank You...My parents, for always believing in me. Everyone at Kidsgrove Scouts and Stafford Lancers, for supporting and pushing me. The staff, for giving me a chance and pushing me far past anything I ever thought possible. Everyone at the Colts, for changing my life. Ted, Ryan, and Ronda Clausing, for showing me what it meant to be a Colt. David Heesom and Sam Catcliffe for all the words of wisdom

and help. Oliver DeLotto, for not cutting me the moment he saw me drum! Oh and everyone, for putting up with me!

Words To Supporters...You're not supporting the Colts. You're supporting a family, 200 strong, decades in lineage. You're supporting the maturing and life changing of 160 young adults. You're supporting an organization in a life-changing activity that gets the best out of its members through unconditional love and support.

Closing Thoughts...To everyone wondering whether they're good enough or if they can afford to do it: find a way, there is not a single point in your life you will regret that decision. Thank you for letting me play a small part in this activity, this organization and letting me live my dreams.

## Karolina Rimskytė

Percussion/Front Ensemble

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Panevėžys, Lithuania

College: Lietuvos Muzikos Ir Teatro Akademija

Major: Music Theory And Critics

Most Significant Lessons...1) You don't know how capable you are until you push yourself beyond your limits. 2) Practicing with a metronome and seeking perfection in slow tempo can create miracles. 3) Everything is in your own head: you can achieve so much in a short period of time. 4) You can't feel tired because of lack of sleep, long days of rehearsals and long drives on a bus when you are always surrounded by people who laugh so much and are so relaxed.

Impact On Your Life...A huge impact. Mostly in my self worth. Now I believe that with a hard work and a honest smile I can do anything.

Best Memories...Every chop out that we did before Meal 4. They are special. It makes playing so fun, it gives a lot to your muscles but at the same time

it's soooo relaxing and creates even stronger bond between members.

Thank You...First of all, I am so thankful for Jason and Vicki. They were communicating so nice and fast with me while I still was in Lithuania even though they were so busy all the time. When I came to America, they made me feel as I belong here and Colts warehouse became my second home. Secondly, I am so thankful for all the techs that taught me. I am thankful for Drew being so welcoming, caring about my personal health and answering even the dumbest questions, especially in the beginning when I didn't understand a lot about synths. I am thankful for TJ's understanding and support while solving piano technique problems that I had. He would always give me feedback and a huge smile if I would feel uncertain and bad about my playing. I am so thankful for Jeremy's care — when I was really cold and couldn't play he even got me hand warmers and gloves (in summer haha)! But most important, he encouraged me to get out of my own head and think broadly so I could achieve the things that I am really capable to do. I am really thankful for Juan's moral support while practicing and while dealing with personal problems. Finally, I am thankful for Jake because he taught me how to build high tempo in difficult runs just in a few days (I thought it was impossible) and made exercises more fun teaching me a bit of improvisation.

Words To Supporters...We are a huge family. I feel that this family is getting even bigger and stronger but no matter how much we improve on the field one thing doesn't change — here you can always meet most honest and simple people. That's the beauty of Colts community — it's simple and excellent. I am proud and happy that I am a part of it. Big thanks to everyone who gathers all those good ideas and to those who help them to come true. Proud to be a part of Colts.

Closing Thoughts...This is my one and only year of marching and it couldn't be that amazing and carefree without financial support that came from Daniel Ray, Jake and Paula Rios, and my parents. I won't ever be able to express how thankful I am but I hope I'll be able to show how this activity impacted my life in such a good way.

## Gavin Roberts

Brass/Trumpet

Years (Colts): 3

Hometown: Waukesha, Wisconsin

College: University of Wisconsin Oshkosh

Major: Music Composition

Most Significant Lessons...I have learned to give 100% in everything I do on and off the field. Tenacity is the key to success in this activity.

Impact On Your Life...This corps has really helped me break out of my shell and become a much stronger musician, performer, and person.

Best Memories...Walking off the field feeling proud of what I have accomplished, bus raves in '17, Mokey Moke water breaks during sectionals, Florida tour, spaghetti dinner in New York, receiving my triangles, "Morning."

Thank You...I would like to thank my entire family for supporting me every step of the way for these past three years. Thank you to my girlfriend, Mackenzie, for putting up with me every summer for wanting to continue doing this activity. I love you. Thank you, Chad, for pushing the hornline and making us believe in ourselves. You were why I decided to march my age out.

Words To Supporters...Thank you for making everything possible.

Closing Thoughts...“If you can, you must.” - Robert W. Smith

## Aimee Rodwig

Percussion/Front Ensemble

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Covington, Louisiana

College: University of Louisiana

Lafayette

Major: Biology

Most Significant Lessons...Grit and personal motivation.

Impact On Your Life...The Percussion Brotherhood has led me to a bond with them that I will share for the rest of my life.

Words To Supporters...The Colts are truly unlike any other group around. Their values and sense of community distinguish us from the rest of DCI.

Closing Thoughts...I'm so thankful to be a Colt, and every day reinforces that!

## Justin Sampson

Brass/Trumpet

Years (Colts): 4

Years (Cadets): 2

Hometown: Eagle Grove, Iowa

College: Buena Vista University

Major: Digital Media

Most Significant Lessons...The importance of family, friends, practicality, preparation, and the perseverance to be excellent.

Impact On Your Life...Everything. I am a completely different person than I was back in 2014. I act, think, walk, and talk differently than before I was in drum corps. And for the right reasons.

Best Memories...Late night bus rides on B Party, unloading and building props at shows with Prop Crew Best especially in 2018 when we unloaded and built 20 beds in just over 10 minutes at Atlanta and Ball State. And Mokey Moke.

Thank You...My dad, Mark Sampson.

He pushed me to start drum corps at the Colt Cadets back in 2013, and I can't thank him enough for what he does volunteering as well for the corps.

Words To Supporters...The Colts are family and it's what makes this corps strong and great. Thank you for your support and please continue.

Closing Thoughts...This the end of a chapter in my life. It was a great run, and I can't wait to see what comes up in the next chapter!

## Julie Thompson

Color Guard

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Hillsboro, Oregon

Thank You...My mom, for her endless support. And everyone who encouraged me to do this and helped me get here. I love you all!

## Parker Thomson

Brass/Baritone

Years (Colts): 1

Hometown: Dunlap, Illinois

College: University of Wisconsin –

Platteville

Major: Engineering Physics

Most Significant Lessons...Determination and drive will get you through anything.

Impact On Your Life...The Colts has shown me that when we are all connected we can achieve greatness.

Best Memories...Post show adventures

Thank You...I would like to thank my parents, Norval and Lisa, for support in this, my brothers in  $\Phi$ MA for supporting me along the way, and everyone who has helped push me to where I am.

Words To Supporters...Thank you much for your support!

Closing Thoughts...This has been the best season I could've ever asked for.