

ALUMNI OF THE MONTH

Name: Tara Crowe

Year of Graduation: 2001

What have you done since graduating from Port Allegany High School?

I had the opportunity to perform along the East Coast and even in Spain with the Tour Choir while at Lycoming College, and I graduated with a B.A. in Communications and Media Writing. I've been working in the Telecommunications field for 18 years, and am currently a Commercial Sales Executive for Blue Ridge Communications, a regional cable company.



Upon moving to Slatington in 2006, I became a member of St John's UCC Church and immediately joined the choir. Since then, I've taught both Confirmation classes and Sunday School, volunteered as a church baker (cupcakes are my specialty) and am the sitting Vice President of our church Consistory board. I am also a representative for our Northern Lehigh Food Pantry.

In between work and serving in the church, I was a member of Lehigh Valley rock band Kinetic Blu for several years, and continued my love of performing into two community theater groups, Pale Moon Players and Zion Opera Workshop where I've enjoyed acting on the stage, and had the opportunity to be an assistant director for The Addams Family musical. I've also enjoyed participating in Relay for Life, March of Dimes and other 5K walks for causes close to my heart.

Since my family is everything to me, I am proud to be an aunt to four wonderful nephews, and a godmother to two awesome kids as well. I am blessed with wonderful people in my life and am so grateful to all of them for their continued love and support.

Where do you currently live?

Slatington, PA

Who was your favorite teacher in high school? Why were they your favorite?

Mr. Myers - he encouraged my love of music and helped me to hone a skill that I still use to this day. His belief in me was everything.

What is your fondest memory of Port Allegany High School?

Senior Show Choir and Broadway Dinner Theater will always hold a special place in my heart. Getting to perform with so many talented individuals was awesome in itself, but the stage was always where I felt alive. I made so many amazing friends in the music department.

I also have to make mention of my time as a Peer Helper - I met my best friend in that group and enjoyed getting to help others as they navigated high school.