



The Belle Lyre

UNL Band Alumni Association Newsletter

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Mark your calendar for September 14-15, 2012!



Greetings, Alumni!

Now that we have the first football season in the B1G under our belt, we're eager to see and hear even more exciting new things! We haven't heard yet about full marching band travel for the fall, but we'll keep you posted.

As you no doubt already know as it's the main focus of this newsletter, the Alumni Reunion Weekend will be September 14 & 15 for the Arkansas State game. The game time is 11:00 am so it will be an early start, but that just leaves even more time for fellowship after the game! We have a couple of good ideas for shows that we're deciding from, and will let you know soon. We're hoping to see a big turn out, so get those registration forms in, and maybe even recruit a friend who's not a member of the BAA but should be.

Of course we love to see you any time you're able to make it to Memorial Stadium. Some other show themes for the season include a tribute to Whitney Houston, the music of the Rolling Stones, our annual patriotic celebration, music from cartoons, and more.

For those of you plugged in to the social media scene, make sure and 'like' the UNL Bands page on Facebook, and/or 'follow' us on Twitter. As always, keep in touch, and thanks for all your support!

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Please Keep Your Information Up to Date!

Always inform the BAA of any changes in your mailing address, email address, and phone numbers. It is important to communicate with our members and keep you informed about activities throughout the year, as well as the annual reunion weekend. Please take the time to check with the BAA to verify that the information we have on file for you is correct. You can contact us via the website form at <http://www.nebandalums.org/contactus/index.html>. Please indicate that you would like to update your contact information in the section marked "comments."

Band Alumni Association Shirts

If you wish to order shirts for this year's reunion weekend, please visit <http://www.promoplace.com/22974/stores/unlalumnband>. All purchases are handled between you and the clothing vendor. Please have your shirt shipped directly to you from the vendor. The BAA is not responsible for any part of your purchase. Shirts are available in red and black, however only the flags will be allowed to wear black on the field for the halftime show.

Mark Your Calendars!

The 2012 edition of the Cornhusker Marching Band exhibition is at Memorial Stadium on Friday, August 17th, at 7:00 pm. Stay up to date on the details at <http://www.unl.edu/band>. Hope to see you there!

Message From the President—Steve Pearson

This year's Alumni Game is the second home game of the season, September 15th, versus Arkansas State. We look forward to seeing as many alumni as possible, participating in a spectacular half-time show and renewing friendships.

Don't miss the opportunity to connect with other alums by attending the Friday night dinner and post-game party in addition to the game. Our Friday night dinner continues to grow at Auld Pavilion Ball-room in Antelope Park. One of Lincoln's finest caterers, Tastefully Yours will cater the meal consisting of chicken, pork, a variety of side dishes, drinks, and dessert. The venue is adjacent to the playground at Antelope Park, making it convenient for alumni with young children. After dinner, we will celebrate the 40th anniversary of women in the band. We will also take the opportunity to hear from faculty from the school of music about the current state of the marching band and the band program at the University of Nebraska.

Our post-game party will be held for the fifth consecutive year at the Apothecary Loft in the Haymarket. For an advance registration of just \$5.00 per person, you can join your fellow alums and guests for Runzas, Valentino's Pizza, sodas, and water. This un-structured event offers opportunities for socializing, eating, relaxing, and watching other games on the flat screen TVs in a comfortable venue.

Please make plans to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

UNL BAND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
 2012-2013 Membership Application and Renewal Form
 You may also register online at <http://www.nebandalums.org>.

Member 1	Member 2
PERSONAL INFORMATION	
Name (include maiden name, if applicable)	Name (include maiden name, if applicable)
Address	Address
City, State, ZIP	City, State, ZIP
Home Phone	Home Phone
E-Mail Address	E-Mail Address
Years in Band (eg. 1989-1991)	Years in Band (eg. 1989-1991)
Occupation	Occupation
Employer	Employer
Instrument: <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet <input type="checkbox"/> Snare <input type="checkbox"/> Flag <input type="checkbox"/> Piccolo <input type="checkbox"/> Horn <input type="checkbox"/> Quads/Quints <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet <input type="checkbox"/> Trombone <input type="checkbox"/> Cymbals <input type="checkbox"/> Alto Sax <input type="checkbox"/> Baritone <input type="checkbox"/> Bass <input type="checkbox"/> Tenor Sax <input type="checkbox"/> Sousaphone <input type="checkbox"/> Pit	Instrument: <input type="checkbox"/> Trumpet <input type="checkbox"/> Snare <input type="checkbox"/> Flag <input type="checkbox"/> Piccolo <input type="checkbox"/> Horn <input type="checkbox"/> Quads/Quints <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Clarinet <input type="checkbox"/> Trombone <input type="checkbox"/> Cymbals <input type="checkbox"/> Alto Sax <input type="checkbox"/> Baritone <input type="checkbox"/> Bass <input type="checkbox"/> Tenor Sax <input type="checkbox"/> Sousaphone <input type="checkbox"/> Pit
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Member 1	Member 2
MEMBERSHIP DUES	
◇ First Year Member (First year out of the band program) \$ 0.00	◇ First Year Member (First year out of the band program) \$ 0.00
◇ Sustaining Member (Annual) (\$25/year or \$40/year for married couple) \$ _____	◇ Sustaining Member (Annual) (\$25/year or \$40/year for married couple) \$ _____
◇ Life Member (Paying) (\$500 or \$150/year for 4 consecutive years) (\$75/year for 4 consecutive years beginning prior to July 1, 2011) <i>Circle which payment you are making: 2 3 4</i>	◇ Life Member (Paying) (\$500 or \$150/year for 4 consecutive years) (\$75/year for 4 consecutive years beginning prior to July 1, 2011) <i>Circle which payment you are making: 2 3 4</i>
◇ Life Member (Paid in Full) \$ 0.00	◇ Life Member (Paid in Full) \$ 0.00
◇ Honorary Member (as awarded by the BAA) \$ 0.00	◇ Honorary Member (as awarded by the BAA) \$ 0.00
◇ Student Member (current UNL band students) \$ 0.00	◇ Student Member (current UNL band students) \$ 0.00

CONTRIBUTIONS: *Tax deductible - Remember to ask your employer about Matching Gifts!*

◇ Band Alumni Trust Fund The purpose of this fund is to benefit the bands of UNL as designated by the BAA.	\$ _____
◇ Donald A. Lentz Memorial Fund This fund is used to commission new works for UNL bands and/or fund appearances of guest artists with the UNL Bands.	\$ _____
◇ Other: _____ Make a donation to the general fund or designate it for a specific purpose.	\$ _____
TOTAL #1 (Membership Dues and Contributions)	\$ _____
<p><i>Please complete the Fall Reunion Weekend Registration on the back of this form.</i></p>	

UNL BAND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

2012 Fall Reunion Registration Form

You may also register online at <http://www.nebandalums.org>. Registration confirmation will be sent via e-mail to all alumni attending the reunion one week prior to the reunion weekend.

As a registered Marching Band Alum, you will receive a field pass to sit with the Alumni Band. Non-marching alumni, spouses, children, or guests MUST pay for a ticket and sit in the stands. Anyone without a field pass in the Alumni Band area will be asked to leave by Memorial Stadium security personnel.

FRIDAY, September 14 - Dinner and Pep Rally at Auld Pavilion in Antelope Park

_____ Number of adults - \$15 per person Check to request a vegetarian meal. \$ _____
_____ Number of children (3-12 years of age) - \$7 per child Check to request a vegetarian meal. \$ _____
_____ Number of children 2 years of age and under - FREE

SATURDAY, September 15 - UNL vs. Arkansas State

_____ Number of Marching positions to reserve - \$10/alum registration fee \$ _____
Reserving a marching space will NOT reserve an instrument for you.
_____ Number of Football Tickets - \$55/each \$ _____
Marching alumni do not need a football ticket. Each alumnus may request only one ticket for a guest.
There are a limited number of tickets available, and they will be reserved on a first-come basis.
_____ Number of Postgame Party Tickets - \$5/each \$ _____
_____ Instrument Rental Fee—\$25 \$ _____
_____ Flag line/Color guard Equipment Rental Fee—\$5 (mandatory for Flag line/Color guard personnel) \$ _____

TOTAL #2 (Reunion) \$ _____

TOTALS

All membership dues and reunion fees must be paid in full in order to participate in the UNL Band Alumni Association's Fall Reunion.

TOTAL #1 (Membership Dues & Contributions) \$ _____
TOTAL #2 (Reunion, if attending) \$ _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make your check payable to and return to: UNL Band Alumni Association
P.O. Box 83974
Lincoln, NE 68501-3974

DEADLINE: Postmarked by August 24, 2012 OR
Submitted online by 10:00pm CDT September 1, 2012
NO late registrations will be accepted.
NO walk-ins allowed.

REFUNDS: Cancellations for the Reunion Weekend must be received by August 24, 2012. *Membership dues and contributions are non-refundable.*

CHECK LIST

Before participating in the 2012 Fall Reunion, please be sure you have these items:

- Reservation Form - completed with payment enclosed and returned before August 24, 2012.
- Uniform - khaki pants or shorts, all ret shirt, white socks and shoes
- Instrument - Instruments are limited, and are reserved on a first-come basis, so register early!
Flags will be provided for flag line members.
- Dues - paid and current for 2012

When you participate with the Alumni Band, you agree to abide by the bylaws of the UNL Band Alumni Association, Inc., and the rules of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln relating to conduct in Memorial Stadium. If you fail to follow the University rules, you could be asked to leave the stadium. In addition, you could jeopardize your membership status in the Band Alumni Association and your ability to participate in future

Please note: The University of Nebraska-Lincoln reserves the right to examine the contents of any container brought into the stadium. The following items are prohibited: alcoholic beverages or controlled substances; coolers, large bags and backpacks; noise makers; glass bottles and cans; video cameras; banners/flags on poles; open umbrellas.



**“Hear the
trumpets playin’
Hear the crowd
a sayin’
NU Band is
on Parade!”**

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2012

Dinner & Pep Rally at Auld Pavilion/Early Check-in for Dinner Participants

Join us at the Auld Pavilion in Antelope Park at 6:30 p.m. for this year’s Friday night dinner and pep rally. This year, we will celebrate the 40th anniversary of women in the band. The Auld Pavilion provides a beautiful ballroom atmosphere for our event, with seating for up to 250 people.

It will be a casual, family friendly evening, and we encourage you to bring your children. (The pavilion is located adjacent to the Antelope Park playground.) The evening promises to provide you with great opportunities to enjoy conversations with old friends and meet alumni from different eras. Cornhusker Marching Band staff will bring us news about the School of Music and the current band. This year’s event will be catered by one of Lincoln’s finest caterers, Tastefully Yours. The menu will feature bbq chicken, pork, a variety of side dishes, and dessert. The price is \$15.00 for adults, \$7.00 for children ages 3-12, and free for children 2 and under. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. with time for socializing and cold drinks. Dinner will be served at 7:00. The event will conclude by 8:30.

As an added incentive to attend, Friday night dinner participants can check-in and receive your music, field pass, and football tickets on Friday night, saving you time on Saturday. We hope as many of you as possible will join us for this great kickoff to our weekend together.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2012

All marching alumni are required to wear an all red shirt, khaki pants/shorts, and white socks and shoes to perform at the football game on Saturday. Flag line/color guard participants will wear a black shirt.

Check-in at Westbrook Music Building

Westbrook Music Building (WMB) will open in the morning for check-in, where you will receive your registration packet, which includes your music and field pass. If you purchased a football ticket, you may also pick it up.

Instrument Rental Policy

The UNL Band Department has a limited number of instruments available for the reunion weekend. Instruments can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis on the reunion weekend registration form. Clarinets, alto saxophones, trumpets, and trombones are not available for rental. Recently, your band alumni association assumed the costs associated for repairs and maintenance of the university owned instruments used for the reunion weekend. Thanks to the generous support and work of Chuck Teutsch, several instruments have already been restored to near new condition over the past several months. To keep these instruments in good working order, we have instituted a \$25 per instrument rental fee.

Indoor Rehearsal at Westbrook Music Building

We will begin the day with an indoor rehearsal at Westbrook to practice the music. Flag line/color guard members will go to Memorial Stadium after they receive their registration packet to meet with the captain/rank leaders of the current color guard to learn the routine while the alumni band rehearses indoors.

BAA Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the UNL Band Alumni Association will be held during the reunion weekend between the outdoor rehearsal and departure for the stadium. The meeting will be held in Westbrook Music Building. If you would like to attend the meeting but are unable to march at the game, please contact Board General Manager/Executive Secretary, Kevin Nelson, by September 1st, so you can be added to the security list at Westbrook Music Building.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2012 ...Continued

Field Rehearsal

Following indoor rehearsal, we will meet with the current band at Memorial Stadium. Here we will practice the entrance and exit from the field for halftime, as well as practice our music with the current band. This rehearsal should last about one hour. You will be on your own until we meet back at WMB for a final rehearsal.

Business Meeting and Rehearsal

We will meet back in room 130 of WMB for our annual business meeting and a final rehearsal of the music. Following the meeting and rehearsal, we will line up in front of WMB to march down to Memorial Stadium.

Reunion Football Ticket Policy

The band alumni association has a limited number of tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis. The block of tickets is in the southwest corner of Memorial Stadium. While you will not be sitting with the alumni band, you will be sitting with other band alumni, spouses, etc. These tickets are available only to current members who have registered for the reunion weekend. If you are marching you don't need a ticket, but you may reserve on ticket for a guest. If you have a need for more than one ticket, you may e-mail the board and request no more than two tickets. If you would like to request additional tickets or have questions regarding the ticket policy, please contact Board General Manager/Executive Secretary, Kevin Nelson (see board contact information on page 2)

Game and Performance

When not performing, the Alumni Band will sit on the sidelines on the East side of the field. We will work with the Band and Athletic departments to be able to play a couple of times during the game, but please be aware that this may not be possible. Each game is scripted as to what is played on Husker Vision and when the band can play. Please be aware that because of increased security at all University events, only performing alumni will be able to sit on the sidelines. Performing alumni will be issued a lanyard with a field pass with their registration packet. **YOU MUST WEAR YOUR FIELD PASS AT ALL TIMES!** Any person sitting with the Alumni Band without a field pass will be asked to leave immediately by Memorial Stadium Security. Non-performing alumni, spouses, children, or guests **MUST** pay for a ticket and sit in the stands. As a reminder, when you participate with the Alumni Band, you agree to abide by the bylaws of the UNL Band Alumni Association, Inc., and the rules of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln relating to conduct in Memorial Stadium. If you fail to follow the University rules, you could be asked to leave the stadium. Please note that the University of Nebraska-Lincoln reserves the right to examine the contents of any container brought into the stadium. The following items are prohibited: alcoholic beverages or controlled substances; coolers, large bags and backpacks; noise makers; glass bottles and cans; video cameras; banners/flags on poles (except for you flag line alumni); and open umbrellas. If you are able, you are asked to stay at the game until its conclusion and march back to Westbrook with the Alumni Band.

Deadlines

The deadline for online registration is 10:00pm CDT, September 1, 2012 OR if by mail, postmarked by August 24, 2012. **NO late registrations will be accepted. NO walk-ins are allowed, and NO phone reservations will be taken.** Because of security concerns with the handling and safety of money on game day, we are no longer able to accept payment when you arrive.

PLEASE don't miss your chance to participate by missing the deadline! The deadline is not just for us, but for all departments involved in the planning and preparation of this reunion. The deadline is necessary for processing all memberships and reunion registrations. We also must meet a deadline with the Band Office for the arrangement of music and charting of marching members and with the Athletic Department to ensure we have enough seating on the sideline for the game. **NO WALK-IN OR LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

All alumni who register to attend the reunion will receive an e-mail confirmation with the schedule and exact times prior to the reunion weekend. That information will also be posted on our website: <http://www.nebandalums.org>.

Post-Game Party at the Apothecary Loft

Following the football game and performance, all alumni and guests are invited to participate in the post-game party at the Apothecary Loft at 140 N. 8th St. in the Haymarket. Your advance registration of \$5.00/person covers your admission, Runzas, Valentino's pizza, soda, and water. The Apothecary Loft is a beautiful, comfortable facility. It is a great opportunity to continue socializing. Cable TV is available for those who want to keep abreast of the other football games of the day.

Tell-A-Friend

If you have a fellow band alum that you would like to have attend the reunion, be sure to direct them to our web site: www.nebandalums.org. At our website, they can register for the event, pay for their membership, and add themselves to our e-mail list.

Obituaries

Bob Downs

Robert Thomas Downs of Omaha, passed away on Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at Lakeside Hospital in Omaha. After graduating from the University of Nebraska, he spent his entire teaching career until retirement in the Millard Public School System. Burial was held on Monday, April 16, 2012 at Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln. He played clarinet and cymbals in the band. (Omaha World Herald)

George Buckner

George Sylvester Buckner III, 57, formerly of Lincoln, passed away in Phoenix, Arizona on April 10, 2012. Memorial services were held on Saturday, May 12, 2012, at St. Mark's Methodist Church in Lincoln. George played alto sax and baritone in the band in the 1970's. He also served on the BAA board of directors. (Lincoln Journal)

Get Connected Online!

www.nebandalums.org

www.facebook.com (search for: *Cornhusker Marching Band Alumni & UNL Flag line Alumni*)

www.linkedin.com (join: *UNL Band Alumni Association, Inc.*)

www.facebook.com/UNLBands

www.twitter.com/UNLBands

www.unl.edu/band

Donations to the Band Alumni Trust Fund, Donald A. Lentz Memorial Fund or BAA

General Operating Fund

If you are in a position to do so, please consider a tax deductible donation to the Band Alumni Trust Fund or the Lentz Memorial Fund. The Band Alumni Trust Fund is dedicated to benefit the bands of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in any way designated by the Band Alumni Association. This fund allowed the BAA to purchase a new software program used by Cornhusker Marching Band Staff to design marching drill. The Lentz fund is used to commission new works for the UNL Bands and fund the appearance of guest artists with the UNL Bands. It is currently used by the School of Music to enhance the educational experiences of band students.

Your employer may be willing to double your contribution. Check with your employer to see if such a plan is available to you. You may contribute to one or both of these funds by checking the appropriate box on the Membership Application and Renewal Form.



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