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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN BAND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION:
YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW

Concert and Symphony Bands Host Guest Conductors

from Associate Director of Bands Professor Rodney Dorsey

As my colleague Michael Haithcock is taking a well-deserved sabbatical this semester, I have the pleasure of submitting my first UMBAA *Mfanfare* entry.

As with any semester at the University of Michigan, the students of the University of Michigan Concert and Symphony Bands have been hard at work, preparing concerts and hosting guest conductors.

The Michigan Bands first guest conductor this semester was a familiar face: Professor H. Robert Reynolds. “Bob” was in residence for two weeks, conducting the Symphony Band and working with our outstanding graduate conductors. His work with our students was a wonderful reminder of the strong legacy that still continues in our Michigan Bands program. Although weather for the February 1 Symphony Band concert was not ideal, our students’ desire to make great music was not affected.

The next guest conductor continued the link to Michigan via our graduate program: Mark Scatterday is Professor of Conducting and Chair of the Conducting and Ensembles Department at the University of Rochester’s Eastman School of Music. He is also the conductor of the famed Eastman Wind Ensemble and only the fourth conductor of this ensemble since its inception in 1952. It seems appropriate that a conductor who holds such a prestigious post also has ties to The University of Michigan.

Mark Scatterday earned the master’s degree in trombone performance while at Michigan and played in the Symphony Band under Bob Reynolds. We proudly welcomed him back to campus during the week of March 3 to conduct the Concert and Symphony Bands. Mark Scatterday’s residency was generously supported by the H. Earl Reynolds Fund. This Fund was

established in 2006 by Professor H. Robert Reynolds, your former Director of Bands, to provide enrichment for the concert band/wind ensemble program through visits by guest composers, conductors and lecturers.

This semester has been filled with new approaches to music making and teaching and our students have gained valuable insight from our guests. I’m sure we will all welcome Michael Haithcock back to campus when he returns to his post as Director of Bands.

We look forward to your continued support of The Michigan Bands program and our students with your presence at our various events, recitals, and concerts throughout the year.



Photo by Dick Gaskill

2007 UMBAA MMB Scholarships

At 57th Annual Blast From The Past on October 13, 2007, the following Michigan Bands students received Scholarships from the Association: **Grace Brynes** (Tuba), **Kadija Deen** (Piccolo), **Craig Harabedian** (Alto Sax), **Chris Kalvelage** (Flag), **Peter Keros** (Clarinet), **Piper Payne** (Cymbals), **Dan Roberts** (Trombone), **Brian Wolfe** (Horn), and **Emily Wright** (Horn). They are pictured here with UMBAA President Michael Lee and Assistant Director of the Michigan Marching Band Dr. Scott Bersaglia.



From the President

You are reading the first color edition of the *Mfanfare*. Technology, market competition and a push from our editor has made it possible for UMBAA to provide a color publication at prices near our “black and white” cost to our membership. Thank you to everyone involved in this edition.

I must thank Past President Michael Lee for his leadership as UMBAA president in 2006 and 2007. If it were not for term limits and rules, we would all have liked to see Michael continue his tenure.

During his time as president, Michael continued to grow the offerings for UMBAA membership. In 2006 and 2007 the “Blast From The Past” was augmented with a Friday night rehearsal and barbeque, which gave our members some much needed rehearsal time and a chance to socialize without being half asleep or running around the practice field! This event has been well received and I expect it will remain a staple of “Blast From The Past” for years to come.

We are preparing for the 3rd Annual UMBAA Golf Outing on Sunday, August 3 at the U of M Golf Course. This event started in 2006 and has continued to evolve. We look for a large turnout this year as the event has moved to a campus location.

These are just a few of the new initiatives chartered under the leadership of Michael Lee. We all thank him again for his service as President and continued participation as Past President.

I thought that you may want to know a little about your new president. I was never the best musician. Most times I was lucky to be in the top third of my section. However, I do believe I exhibited dedication and was consistent in my performances. I feel that I owe a great deal of my personal success to the Michigan Bands, and this is why I chose to give back by working with UMBAA for the past several years and now serving as your UMBAA president.

I was elected president by UMBAA Board in November 2007. I previously held the treasurer’s position from 2004 – 2007. I was a 5 year member of the MMB from 1993 – 1997 in the F Horn section where I was a rank leader in 1996 and 1997. I will do all I can to carry on the tradition and dedication exhibited by past presidents of your Band Alumni Association.

In future editions of *Mfanfare*, I hope that each of the new UMBAA Officers will write a short article to introduce themselves to you. In the meantime, here is a short introduction of your new UMBAA Officers elected in November: Kristen Acton (Vice President), Peter Cubba (Treasurer) and Sheri Peterson Moore (Secretary). We all look forward to working with UMBAA Board and for our members in 2008-09.

UMBAA has great potential to expand its scope. There are many ideas on the table to augment our offerings. I have a goal to fully explore the establishment of regional UMBAA chapters outside the state of

Michigan. There is a committee investigating the creation of an Alumni Concert Band to be based in the Ann Arbor or Metro Detroit area. There are opportunities for community outreach to young students just beginning their musical journeys. UMBAA does a very good job at “Blast From The Past” and providing scholarships to current students. It is time to build upon the bedrock and give back to our University and our communities.

It is important to hear from our members. Send me a note in the US Mail or an e-mail. I want to know your thoughts about UMBAA. What would you like to see from your University of Michigan Band Alumni Association?

I encourage you to get involved! There are many opportunities to help — by distributing goodies during Band Week, greeting Michigan Bands students at our receptions following University Bands performances, or joining the UMBAA Board to set the direction of your alumni bands organization.

We always welcome help from our alumni, whether you are newly graduated, or we have not heard from you in a while, or you are in the ‘wisdom’ stage of life!

Go Blue!

Michael Kardasz ‘93

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Member Activities Committee Update

The University of Michigan Band Alumni Association will be serving lunch at Revelli Hall to the 2008 new Michigan Marching Band members, rank leaders, flags and drum line on **August 20, 2008**.

This will be the fifth year we’ve sponsored this “getting to know you” event. We’ll serve pizza, fruit, cookies, and water. If you are available to help in planning, getting food, water or ice, baking cookies, or helping the day of the event, please send an email to Linda Ridley lsrumbaa@yahoo.com

2007 UMBAA Concert & Symphony Band Scholarships

On October 20, 2007 at BandORama, Michigan Concert & Symphony Bands students received UMBAA Scholarships from President Michael Lee: **Jacqueline Arrington**, Senior, Flute Performance, Philadelphia, PA; **Landers Bryant**, Sophomore, Tuba Performance, West Palm Beach, FL; **Gregory Battista**, Senior, Euphonium Performance, Plano, TX; **Christopher Hernacki**, Freshman, Trombone Performance, Castiac, CA; **Leah Hodge**, Sophomore, Trumpet Performance, Buffalo, NY; **Andrew Kobalka**, Sophomore, Clarinet Performance, Columbus, OH; **Xavier Verna**, Sophomore, Percussion Performance, Alexandria, VA.



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Greetings from Nu-Kappa Kappa Psi and Lambda-Tau Beta Sigma!

The school year is flying by again, and Nu and Lambda have remained busy. We started our marching band season by welcoming our new director, Professor Scott Boerma, to our Michigan Bands family.

Our season began with the always tiring but exciting MMB Band Week. Many of our KKY members served the band during this busy time in a variety of activities, helping the new students move in and preparing for our game day work. Our annual **coin-a-thon** fundraiser was very successful this year by allowing checks to count. Additionally, we were able to revive the annual **talent-no-talent show**, which was a great success and a nice break from band week.

Though we continued our normal service to the bands throughout the marching season, one of our largest projects was an unexpected one. One of our fellow band members, and a member of Phi Mu Alpha, had sudden medical issues. The brothers of Phi Mu Alpha, along with the sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota, contacted Nu and Lambda to help raise money to offset his medical expenses. The four organizations held a spaghetti dinner after a band rehearsal; it was very well received and successful.

Another major achievement was paying our final installment for the Night of the Wolverine Endowment Fund. With our endowed donation of \$20,000, the MMB will bring in speakers who require travel and lodging expenses. The fund can also be used for other band activities if local speakers are found. Additionally, Mr. Don Shepherd generously agreed to match our donation for another MMB endowment fund.

The sisters of Lambda—Tau Beta Sigma had a productive year, bringing in a strong initiate class.

At Homecoming, some of you may have noticed a special issue of the Leaky Bugle: the Alumni Edition. This was a collection of old articles from the Leaky Bugles of past. We are considering a continuation of this next

year. Let us know what you think!

At this past year's KKY-TBS District Convention, the Nu chapter brought home the Governor's Cup, an award given each year to the most outstanding chapter in the district. This year the brothers initiated eight new brothers along with three honoraries. This year's honorary members include Professor Scott Boerma, Professor Rodney Dorsey, and Joan Noble-Pruett, the Marching Band's flag instructor. For the last year, the Nu chapter has been the advising chapter to a colony at Western Michigan University. The colony completed its requirements in record time and was initiated as the Mu Delta Chapter in late February.

One of the most exciting events of this year for Nu and Lambda was the **Capital One Bowl**. The trip comprised of The Citrus Parade, in which both U-M and MSU's bands marched. Many band members felt that this two-mile parade was much harder than the seven-mile Rose Parade because of the oppressive Florida heat. There were several other gigs including a pep rally, an appearance at Universal Studios Florida, and a short concert before the game outside the stadium. The best part of the bowl game this year was that we won! It was great to see Coach Carr win his last game. We also met brothers and sisters from all over the area, including Central Florida, Florida State, and the University of Florida.

One event that we plan to revive is the **MMB Showcase**. The Showcase is a talent show of sorts where MMB members can show their non-marching talents. Acts that were present in the past included brass quartets, singing, and guitar duos. If you would like to help with any of our efforts in support of the Michigan Bands, please let us know.

Go Blue! And thanks VERY MUCH for your support of The Michigan Bands! You are appreciated!

Craig Harabedian, President
Nu Chapter—Kappa Kappa Psi

Jocelyn Anleitner, President
Lambda Chapter—Tau Beta Sigma

**The Editors Thank Mr. Matt Burrows '93,
MMB Director of Development & Marketing**



UMBAA Hosts Spring Concert Reception

Students, Alumni, and families gather in Mezzanine Lobby of Hill Auditorium immediately after the performance

UMBAA hosted a successful Spring Concert reception after the Concert and Symphony Bands performances on March 7 at Hill Auditorium. Conductors Professor Rodney Dorsey, Professor Scott Boerma, and Guest Conductor Mark Scatterday of the Eastman Wind Ensemble led excellent performances of *Stampede*, Steven Bryant; *Komm, Susser Tod*, Johann Sebastian Bach; *Tears*, David Maslanka; *Jazz Suite No. 2*, Dmitri Shostakovich, *Overture for Winds Op. 24*, Felix Mendelssohn; *Les Couleurs Fauves*, Karel Husa; and *Fandangos*, Roberto Sierra.



After the concert: students, friends, families, and alumni enjoy each other

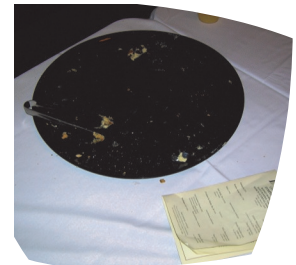


UMBAA Vice President Kristen Acton and Secretary Sheri Peterson Moore help prep for the reception. Refreshments were provided by University Catering. www.catering.umich.edu



Professor Scott Boerma enjoys conversation with UMBAA members

At the end of the night, trays were empty — always a sign of a great party!



3rd Annual UMBAA Golf Outing

UMBAA has hosted an annual golf outing for the past two years. Groups over two dozen strong have had a very enjoyable time participating in our first two events.

The Board continuously adds events for our members in the Southeast Michigan area. Board member Matt Miller '99 has organized our Golf Outings since its inception. "Our participants have had a blast while reminiscing with other alumni, meeting the current band administration, and enjoying an afternoon on the links," he says.

The idea of socializing with UMBAA

members at events throughout the year has been appealing to UMBAA. The schedule at Homecoming is so tight that the only really good time for "catching up" is DURING the game. The addition of our Friday night barbecue/rehearsal has helped quite a bit, and we believe that our UMBAA Golf Outing provides another such opportunity.

Greg Poterala '82 participated in both outings and was the leader of the group which won the 2007 event. "This outing was really terrific on a personal level because my wife, our nephew, and a dear

friend from my days in band comprised our foursome. It didn't hurt that we won!"

"I don't do it for the golf...if you've seen my swing, you'll understand why I say that," says Pete Dalton '81 who participates solely for the social aspects of the event. "...It's great to have another opportunity to get together with other members of the Michigan Bands family."

The Golf Outing Committee is working hard on next year's planning. The event will be held August 3, 2008 and will take place on the University of Michigan Golf

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A Message from Dr. Scott Bersaglia



I came to this profession out a very intense, driving emotion. It was and is something that cannot be quenched regardless of successes or failures. I had never experienced this emotion called passion until I dove head first into the study of music, and, once ignited, the experience has been an awesome ride, filled with many memorable experiences and marked by hundreds of *dear* relationships with others who share my joy and insanity.

Reflecting upon my last three years as Assistant Director of the Michigan Marching Band, this same emotion is the indelible impression left from the experience. At The University of Michigan, one would be hard pressed to find any entity where there is so much passion united in the pursuit of a single goal: to uphold a century old tradition of excellence in music making through a stellar marching band. At its core are the students. My highest compliments and great thanks are extended to these individuals who made this experience possible. Their hard work, tireless efforts, tenacity, and voracious spirits are the single most important contributions to the success of the MMB. That said, the band couldn't operate without the many others who make it a well-oiled machine.

My unending gratitude to Director of Bands, Michael Haithcock, who gave me the opportunity be a part of this first-class institution; for his teaching, mentorship, and guidance; and for his unending support during my transition.

My utmost appreciation to Rodney Dorsey and Scott Boerma, who are outstanding colleagues, talented musicians, and exceptional examples of sincerity.

My thanks to Matt Burrows, Maggie St. Clair, and Trish Dawson who put in tireless hours to secure the necessary resources needed to provide for the students of the Michigan Marching Band.

I am extremely thankful to the members of the University and Campus Bands who chose to take time out of their intense class schedules to make music and to allow me the opportunity to work with them. I will always look fondly upon those rehearsals and concerts.

This past season with the MMB was exhilarating. Not only was I able to experience a passion for teaching at Michigan, but along the way, I was able to answer the call of a second passion. As I move on to pursue both passions jointly — music and Christian ministry — I've learned,

none the least from my experience here, that my greatest joy is found in the service of others, using my God-given gifts and talents in the creation of music that inspires others to a greater faith. While I will cherish my last three years here at Michigan with the greatest Marching Band in the nation, I now press on towards a higher calling.

Thank you, MMB students, for the opportunity to serve you.

Glen Scott Bersaglia, DMA
Assistant Director of Bands
The University of Michigan
2005-2008

August 3, 2008

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Course. "We think we'll see increased participation at the end of the summer," says Miller.

The Committee hopes to turn this into a large event without worrying about the weather. The first outing included two short hail storms which delayed play for a bit — participants called it the "Hail ON The Victors" outing.

Holding our event at the UM Golf Course will mean that more players will want to participate. "I would have played this year's outing no matter the circumstance, but having it on the UM course is extra

special. It is a fantastic course, one of the best anywhere; quite an asset of which the University can be proud," says Poterala.

As the Board of Directors strives to make the annual golf outing a permanent event, the committee is finalizing details for this year's event. Keep an eye out for more announcements — watch your email, your mailbox, and check the website for updates. Right now there are prospects of interesting prizes and plans for a great meal for the awards ceremony.

Go Blue!
Michael Lee
Golf Outing Committee

2008 UMBAA GOLF OUTING INFORMATION:

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UM GOLF COURSE



Alumni Update

Alumni Members are listed according to their first year in The University of Michigan Bands

Jerrold Lawless '53

BM '56, MM '60

has been inducted into the Oklahoma Bandmasters Hall of Fame, where he joins his father, Clarence Lawless, who was inducted in 1969; they are the only father-son combination to have achieved Hall of Fame membership.

Howard T. Howard '54

BM '58

has retired from the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra where he has been principal French horn since 1963. While at the Met, he was active in New York commercial recording studios, contributing to soundtracks for hundreds of corporate clients as well as for films.

Michael Kardasz '93 & Kimberly Cleaver Kardasz '93

are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Alexander Joseph, on December 13, 2007. Michael, Kimberly and Alexander reside in Troy, Michigan. Kimberly practices law at Harvey Kruse in Troy and Michael is an engineer at General Motors in Warren, Michigan.

Jennifer Hartline Edwards '90 & Dan Edwards '89

Welcomed a new son, Jacob Daniel, on October 19, 2007. Big brother Zachary is already teaching baby Jacob the Victors as well as fine points of the spread offense. The Edwards live in Ann Arbor and enjoy their tradition of attending stadium rehearsal. Dan's dental practice continues to grow and he is teaching part time at the UM Dental School while Jennifer continues to raise money for Women's Health and the new UM Women's Hospital and C.S. Mott Children's Hospital.

Kimberly Ellsworth '98

BFA '02

MMB, Campus Bands

Kimberly is engaged to fellow UM Alum Atticus Fores '02. She is a graphic designer at the UM Law School, and Atticus is an Automotive Product Engineer at Plastech. The couple is planning a Spring 2008 wedding.

Ryan Shaw '02

BM '06

is the director of bands at Berkley High School and Norup International School in Berkley, MI. He teaches 8 bands, including a 100+ member marching band, two jazz bands, and several concert bands.

Kay Danforth writes: "I purchased an alumni band jacket last year for my husband. Unfortunately, by the time it arrived six months later, he had lost 40+ pounds and it doesn't fit! (Editor's note: Congratulations **Mac Danforth '56!**) I'm looking to sell it! Never used...size XXXL!! Interested parties may contact Kay at clarinetkay@hotmail.com

In Memoriam
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Loren Cady '44
Jay Hall '64
JD Huffer '62
Noah Knepper '44
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Noah Knepper '44
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UMBAA Bands Alumni Information Form

News items of current activities are welcomed for the next issue of *M Fanfare*.

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Name: _____

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Lord of the Rings
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Don't Stop Believin'
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If you are interested in joining the UMBAA Board of Directors, please email

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HELP SUPPORT STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN BANDS
For every \$10,000 added to our endowment fund, UMBAA can fund another \$500 scholarship to a deserving student members of The University of Michigan Bands.



Photo by Dick Gaskill

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- 7 April 8 PM Hill CONCERT BAND**
- 21 MAY 7 PM BOARD MEETING**
- 14 JUNE SYMPHONY BAND REUNION**
- 16 JULY 7 PM BOARD MEETING**
- 3 AUGUST UM GOLF COURSE**
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- 20 AUGUST REVELLI HALL**
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