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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

MR. MIKE MARSH

As I write this column, the clinic/concert of our All-State Band is rapidly approaching. The concert will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, February 13, in the Scottish Rite Auditorium, and I hope that each of you will be in attendance and will feel free to bring guests. There is no admission charge and badges are not required.

If you have students in the band I encourage you to assist them in the preparation of the seating tryout music - the program is again an ambitious one and the experience will be more satisfying to everyone if the parts are prepared before the first rehearsal.

Remind your students that this year their All-State badges will have a sticker that will allow them into TMEA exhibits and clinics and that they need to hold on to their badges if they wish to be admitted to the convention area.

John Gibson is again Auditions chairman for the seating tryouts in San Antonio. Judging panels have been selected so that each of the five Areas is represented on each panel. Judges and monitors will meet in the lower floor meeting rooms of the Emily Morgan Hotel at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday. The general meeting and registration of All-State Band members will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the Scottish Rite Auditorium. All students should register in the lobby of the Scottish Rite Auditorium on Wednesday **before** the 6:30 p.m. general meeting of All-State students. Chair auditions will follow beginning at 7:00 p.m. A final reminder: the chair auditions will be entirely on the music in the All-State packets and not on the etudes.

The general meeting of the ATSSB membership will be held on Thursday, February 11 at 10:00 a.m.

in the Scottish Rite Banquet Hall. The agenda will include the election of all state officers - President, Vice-President, and Executive Secretary. Your attendance and your vote are vital if this organization is to be representative of small school band programs across the state and I urge you to be present.

The relationship between TMEA and ATSSB is much closer than at this time last year and I feel that it will grow even closer in the future. It is important for members of ATSSB to maintain the TMEA membership and to attend both the general sessions and the Band Division business meeting during the TMEA convention. Our common goals are more numerous than our differences and we cannot have input unless we are a part of both organizations.

Once again, I want to thank the members of ATSSB for making my term of office such a rewarding one. This organization works thanks to the efforts of our Region and Area Coordinators, our Vice-President, Fred Pankratz, our very efficient Executive Secretary, Kenneth Griffin, and all the members who have responded with help whenever they have been called upon. I want to give a special thanks to John Gibson who has run our All-State seating tryouts the past two years and whose persistence was responsible for ATSSB coming into existence in the first place. When it looked like the idea of a small school all-state band was dead within TMEA, John called us together and refocused our energies on this new organization. I think the success of the ATSSB All-State Band last year and the expanded membership and participation this year attests to the worth of his vision.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S COLUMN

MR. KENNETH L. GRIFFIN

By the time you receive this Newsletter, we should have completed Area auditions. Plans have also been finalized for our second ATSSB All-State Band. I hope all of you were satisfied with the audition process and that all of you made room reservations - not only for your students that were selected for the ATSSB All-State Band, but also for yourselves! Remember that if you would like to reserve a room in the Emily Morgan Hotel for yourself, you must contact me for instructions. We have 10 rooms reserved for directors in addition to the 50 rooms reserved for the all-state students (a few of which might be free for you to use if you wish, but you must check with me first - not the hotel).

We plan to hold our ATSSB Business Session in the Scottish Rite Auditorium at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 11. Officers for 1993-95 will be elected, so I hope you can make plans around the busy activities in San Antonio at that time of year to attend.

It took many people many hours of planning and time out of their already busy schedule to make this All-State Band a reality. I would like to personally thank our President Mike Marsh for yet another year of outstanding leadership as ATSSB was formed and grew into the viable organization it is today. Fred Pankratz and his assistant Jennifer Willison put many hours in maintaining our Newsletter. I appreciate my assistant Sarah Kerber for her continued support and understanding as I took time away from her program and invested it in ATSSB! Of course, it goes without saying (but note that I am saying it anyway!) that I owe most of my thanks to my wife Jeannie for her support during the year. But most of all, I would like to thank all of you

who not only believed in what we were trying to accomplish last year and gave so generously of your support and encouragement, but who also then joined us again to keep the organization alive and growing. I hope that enthusiasm continues to grow next year and that you will try to inspire others to join our ranks. We are only going to be as good and as strong as you make us with your presence and participation.

Please try to get involved in ATSSB activities, both on the local level and at the state level. We need not only your input, but also your active participation in all of our endeavors.

I will share a complete statistical record of the year in the April Newsletter, but we had great participation in all Areas both in numbers auditioning and total number of Active Members. At the time this column was written (December 18), we have 28% more paid members than we FINISHED LAST YEAR WITH!

The ATSSB members below are currently listed as members of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association. It would be to our benefit if we suggested these names when your regions are looking for judges for all UIL activities not only this Spring, but also when your Region Meetings occur and judges are suggested for 1993-94. If you have a heavy concentration of larger schools in your region, you might want to get together as small-school directors to come to a consensus on who you would like to judge your kids, then vote on those names in the general meetings. If I have left any names off, it was purely an oversight on my part and I will be happy to add your name to the list and publish it as an addendum in the next ATSSB

Newsletter. The information is arranged as follows:

NAME
TMAA LIST
SCHOOL, CLASS, REGION, AREA
SCHOOL ADDRESS
HOME ADDRESS
SCHOOL CITY
HOME CITY
SCHOOL TELEPHONE
HOME TELEPHONE
INSTRUMENTS

Anthiis, Martha
TMAA LISTING: CB*, MB*
Muleshoe High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 16, AREA A
S-514 West Avenue G
H- 207C West 18th Street
S-Muleshoe, Texas 79347
H-Muleshoe, Texas 79347
S(806) 272-7571 H(806) 272-3804
clarinet

Bartley, Jerry
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Petersburg High School, CLASS A,
REGION 16, AREA A
S-Box 160
H-5413 29th Street
S-Petersburg, Texas 79250
H- Lubbock, Texas 79407
S(806) 667-3485 H(806) 795-1905
NONE GIVEN

Bennett, Rodney D.
TMAA LISTING: CB*, MB*
Munday High School, CLASS A,
REGION 2, AREA B
S-P.O. Box 300
H- P.O. Box 776
S-Munday, Texas 76371
H-Munday, Texas 76371
S(817) 422-4478 H(817) 422-4873
bass trombone, tuba, euphonium

Brady, Mike
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Coleman High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-201 W. 15th
H-Route 1, Box 5
S-Coleman, Texas 76834
H-Burkett, Texas 76828
S(915) 625-2156# H(915) 624-5233
tuba

Chance, Eddie
TMAA LISTING: CB
Connally High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 8, AREA D
S-715 N. Rita
H-Box 155061
S-Waco, Texas 76705
H-Waco, Texas 76715
(S817) 799-4298 H(817) 822-1008
NONE GIVEN

Childers, Jim
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Fredericksburg High, CLASS AAA,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-202 West Travis
H-8 Northwood Hills Drive
S-Fredericksburg, Texas 78624
H-Fredericksburg, Texas 78624
S(210) 997-7551 H(210) 997-9992
trombone, all brass

Clines, Tony
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Robinson High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 8, AREA D
S-500 Lyndale
H-Route 2, Box 178A
S-Robinson, Texas 76706
H-Lorena, Texas 76655
S(817) 662-3840 H(817) 881-1717
trumpet

Davis, Ron
TMAA LISTING: CB*, MB*
Marble Falls High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 18, AREA D
S-2101 Mustang Drive
H-213 Meadowlakes
S-Marble Falls, Texas 78654
H-Marble Falls, Texas 78654
S(210) 693-4375 H(210) 693-4785
saxophone

Dooley, Lonnie
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Hawkins High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 4, AREA C
S-P.O. Box L
H-P.O. Box 418
S-Hawkins, Texas 75765
H-Hawkins, Texas 75765
S(903) 769-3917 H(903) 769-4793
NONE GIVEN

Fagan, Gerald D.
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
NONE GIVEN
NONE GIVEN
H-Route 8, Box 409
NONE GIVEN
H-Livingston, Texas 77351
NONE GIVEN H(409) 967-0740
baritone

Fellows, III, Paul D.
TMAA LISTING: MB*
Lampasas High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 18, AREA D
S-902 S. Broad
H-1301 Nix Road
S-Lampasas, Texas 76550
H-Lampasas, Texas 76550
S(512) 556-3614 H(512) 556-5117
tuba

Frels, Dan H.
TMAA LISTING: CB
Cuero High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 13, AREA E
S-401 Park Hts. Drive
H-Route 4, Box 232
S-Cuero, Texas 77954
H-Cuero, Texas 77954
S(512) 275-2772 H(512) 275-8262
baritone

Gilligan, G.T.
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Retired
H-541 S. Ash
H-Kermit, Texas 79745
H(915) 586-2883
tubone

Griffin, Kenneth
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Van High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 3, AREA B
S-P.O. Box 697
H-P.O. Box 1043
S-Van, Texas 75790
H-Van, Texas 75790
S(903) 963-8623 H(903) 963-7783
trombone, baritone

Halamicek, Forrester L.
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Menard High School, CLASS A,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 729
H-Box 996
S-Menard, Texas 76859
H-Menard, Texas 76859
S(915) 396-2443 H(915) 396-4755
trumpet

Harrison, Bill
TMAA LISTING: CB*, MB*
Edna High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 13, AREA E
S-P.O. Drawer D
H-203 Central
S-Edna, Texas 77957
H-Edna, Texas 77957
S(512) 782-5255 H(512) 782-6236
clarinet

Hoaldrige, Ben L.
TMAA LISTING: CB, O, MB*
Graham High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 2, AREA B
S-1000 Kentucky
H-1110 Cliff Drive
S-Graham, Texas 76450
H-Graham, Texas 76450
S(817) 549-6662 H(817) 549-0335
saxophone, woodwinds

Hobson, Travis
TMAA LISTING: CB*
Woodville High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 10, AREA C
S-505 N. Charlton
H-104 N. Pecan
S-Woodville, Texas 75979
H-Woodville, Texas 75979
S(409) 283-2681 H(409) 283-2853
tuba

Lewis, Aaron K.
TMAA LISTING: MB*
Lexington High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 18, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 248
H-Route 1, Box 11G
S-Lexington, Texas 78947
H-Lexington, Texas 78947
S(409) 773-2255 H(409) 773-4537
tuba, baritone

Lowes, Ed
TMAA LISTING: CB*
La Grange High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 18, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 1000
H-P.O. Box 179
S-La Grange, Texas 78945
H-La Grange, Texas 78945
S(409) 968-3073 H(409) 968-6089
clarinet, piano

Mallow, James A.
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Rochelle High School, CLASS A,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 167
H-805 W. 15th
S-Rochelle, Texas 76872
H-Brady, Texas 76825
S(915) 243-5224 H(915) 597-2373
clarinet, saxophone

Marioneaux, James
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Sweeny High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 13, AREA E
S-1310 Elm Street
H-312 Wisteria Drive
S-Sweeny, Texas 77480
H-Lake Jackson, Texas 77566
S(409) 548-2611 H(409) 297-9219
clarinet

Marsh, Michael G.
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Eldorado High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-Box W
H-Box 578
S-Eldorado, Texas 76936
H-Eldorado, Texas 76936
S(915) 853-2705 H(915) 853-2268
french horn

McElroy, Doyle
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Sealy High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 9, AREA D
S-939 West Street
H-Box 1202
S-Sealy, Texas 77474
H-Sealy, Texas 77474
S(409) 885-2114 H(409) 885-7216
tuba

Munsell, Charlie
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Llano High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 7, AREA D
S-Highway 71 South
H-HC 10, Box 26
S-Llano, Texas 78643
H-Llano, Texas 78643
S(915) 247-4187 H(915) 247-3514
tuba

Nelson, Bob
TMAA LISTING: CB
Moody High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 8, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 448
H-6710 Venus Drive
S-Moody, Texas 76557
H-Temple, Texas 76502
S(817) 853-2181 H(817) 939-0612
woodwinds: flute, clarinet, saxo-
phone, oboe, bassoon

Olsovsky, Virginia
TMAA LISTING: CB*, MB*
Flatonia High School, CLASS A,
REGION 18, AREA D
S-P.O. Box 189
H-909 N. Main
S-Flatonia, Texas 78941
H-Schulenburg, Texas 78956
S(512) 865-2944 H(409) 743-4450
oboe, bassoon

Pankratz, Fred
TMAA LISTING: CB
Canadian High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 1, AREA A
S-800 Hillside
H-Box 571
S-Canadian, Texas 79014
H-Canadian, Texas 79014
S(806) 323-8617 H(806) 323-5694
french horn

Portis, Maurice
TMAA LISTING: MB*
West Oso High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 14, AREA E
S-5202 Bear Lane
H-4805 Goldeneye
S-Corpus Christi, Texas 78416
H-Corpus Christi, Texas 78413
S(512) 289-5022 H(512) 991-7278
baritone

Rhodes, Jim
TMAA LISTING: CB
Grandfalls-Royalty High School,
CLASS A, REGION 6, AREA A
S-Box 10
H-Box 301
S-Grandfalls, Texas 79742
H-Grandfalls, Texas 79742
S(915) 547-2981 H(915) 547-2291
tuba

Schenk, Elmer
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Howe High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 3, AREA B
S-Box 576
H-Box 130
S-Howe, Texas 75459
H-Howe, Texas 75459
S(903) 532-5222 H(903) 532-6384
NONE GIVEN

Smith, Mitchell D.
TMAA LISTING: CB
Gladewater High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 4, AREA C
S-2201 West Gay
H-6 Monte Carlo
S-Gladewater, Texas 75647
H-Gladewater, Texas 75647
S(903) 845-5591 H(903) 845-4585
low brass

Smith, Wayne
TMAA LISTING: CB
White Oak High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 4, AREA C
S-200 S. White Oak Road
H-303 Hillcrest
S-White Oak, Texas 75693
H-White Oak, Texas 75693
S(903) 759-0033 H(903) 297-2357
NONE GIVEN

Strickland, George
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Glen Rose High School, CLASS
AAA, REGION 7, AREA D
S-Box 2129
H-Box 833
S-Glen Rose, Texas 76043
H-Glen Rose, Texas 76043
S(817) 897-4383 H(817) 897-7493
clarinet

Syring, Dennis
TMAA LISTING: CB*
Van Horn High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 22, AREA A
S-P.O. Box 1180
H-P.O. Box 1382
S-Van Horn, Texas 79855
H-Van Horn, Texas 79855
S(915) 283-9258 H(915) 283-2930
baritone, flute

Teasdale, Dennis
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB*
Jim Ned High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 2, AREA B
S-P.O. Box 9
H-921 FM 613
S-Tuscola, Texas 79562
H-Tuscola, Texas 79562
S(915) 554-9474 H(915) 554-9419
woodwinds

Thoede, Don
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB
Clifton High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 8, AREA D
S-1102 N. Avenue N
H-2502 White
S-Clifton, Texas 76634
H-Clifton, Texas 76634
S(817) 675-8606 H(817) 675-6789
saxophone, clarinet

Thornton, Louis
TMAA LISTING: MB*
Wylie High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 2, AREA B
S-4010 Beltway South
H-2418 Gilmer
S-Abilene, Texas 79606
H-Abilene, Texas 79606
S(915) 695-1953 H(915) 691-5484
saxophone

Traylor, Charles
TMAA LISTING: CB, MB,
Dalhart High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 1, AREA A
S-1802 East 16th
H-HCR 1, Box 169
S-Dalhart, Texas 79022
H-Dalhart, Texas 79022
S(806) 249-8626 H(806) 384-2156
low brass

Walters, Tome F.
TMAA LISTING: CB
Sunray High School, CLASS AA,
REGION 1, AREA A
S-Box 240
H-P.O. Box 329
S-Sunray, Texas 79086
H-Sunray, Texas 79086
S(806) 948-5515 H(806) 948-4493
trombone, low brass

Welborn, Ron
TMAA LISTING: MB
Ingleside High School, CLASS AAA,
REGION 14, AREA E
S-P.O. Drawer HH
H-P.O. Box 5201
S-Ingleside, Texas 78362
H-Ingleside, Texas 78362
S(512) 776-2595 H(512) 776-7950
french horn

* indicates that the person is on the suggested judges supplemental list because they lack only one criteria - judging experience.

"NONE GIVEN" indicates that the information was not given on the application.

FROM THE EDITOR:
*THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
WILL BE VOTED ON IN OUR
GENERAL MEETING AT THE ALL-
STATE BAND REHEARSAL SITE.
WE WILL ALSO VOTE ON
OFFICERS AT THIS TIME.
RESUMES OF NOMINEES ALSO
FOLLOW.*

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:

Amend ARTICLE II of the By-Laws as follows (Add "by secret ballot" to the first sentence of each section and change "secret" to "runoff" in the second sentence of each section).

Rationale: This amendment is proposed to clarify the language of the election system.

SECTION 1. (c). ELECTION. The general membership of ATSSB shall vote **BY SECRET BALLOT** in the Business Session on the office of president in odd-numbered years. If there is no clear majority, a **RUNOFF** ballot will be cast, with the individual receiving a simple majority of the total votes cast being declared the winner.

SECTION 2. (c). ELECTION. The general membership of ATSSB shall vote **BY SECRET BALLOT** in the Business Session on the office of vice-president in odd-numbered years. If there is no clear majority, a **RUNOFF** ballot will be cast, with the individual receiving a simple majority of the total votes cast being declared the winner.

SECTION 3. (c). ELECTION. The general membership of ATSSB shall vote **BY SECRET BALLOT** in the Business Session on the office of executive secretary in odd-numbered years. If there is no clear majority, a **RUNOFF** ballot will be cast, with the individual receiving a simple majority of the total votes cast being declared the winner.

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

Fred Pankratz

Experience

21 years , 16 years at Canadian High School, Canadian, Texas; 5 year at Miami High School, Miami, Texas

Education

BME from the University of Texas at El Paso, additional course work at West Texas State University and Southwestern Oklahoma State University

Honors and Awards

10 Sweepstakes in the past 12 years

12 consecutive 1st Division ratings in marching

8 Region/Area marching appearances

3 State marching appearances

First Division /Sweepstakes at Elk City Festival 1992

Texas Lions Club Band at International Convention, St. Louis, Missouri 1989

Best in Class Award Cavalcade of Music 1987

First Division/Sweepstakes Winner at Bluebonnet Classic 1985

Started the band program at Miami High School and was 1st division in marching and sightreading in four years, Sweepstakes in five years

Professional Affiliations

Association of Texas Small School Bands - Founding Member and Founding Vice-President

Texas Music Educators Association - Region 1 Band Chairman 1988-92, Region 1 All-Region Band Organizer 1987-1990

Phi Beta Mu - International Public Relations Committee Member

Texas Music Adjudicators Association - active as a clinician and adjudicator in Texas and Oklahoma

Personal Information

Married 21 years to Sheila, music teacher at Canadian Elementary School. We have one daughter, Christine, who is 8 years old. Member of Canadian United Methodist Church where Mr. Pankratz conducts the Handbell Choir.

FOR THE OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Kenneth L. Griffin
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Van, Texas 75790
(903) 963-7783

Founding Member of the Association of Texas Small School Bands.

Member of Phi Beta Mu, Texas Music Educators Association, Texas Bandmasters Association, Texas Music Adjudicators Association, and a life member of Texas State Teachers Association.

Standards of Adjudication and Performance Practices Committee of the Texas Music Adjudicators Association

All-State Band Reorganization Study Committee of the Texas Music Educators Association
Chairman of the University Interscholastic League Band Sightreading Music Selection Committee

Personal Information

Married for twenty-six years. One daughter, Alecia, a 1990 summa cum laud graduate of Southern Methodist University and a 1992 graduate of the Julliard School of Music in New York in oboe performance.

Member of Van United Methodist Church

Member of National and Texas Society, Sons of the American Revolution

Collector and operator of Lionel electric trains

Qualifications and Experience

B.S., M.S., East Texas State University; Commerce, Texas

Seven years in Paris, three years in Kilgore, fifteen years in Van

Honors and Awards

Sweepstakes, fourteen consecutive years

TMEA AAA State Honor Band, 1986

TSSEC Sweepstakes, 1986

Outstanding AAA Band, National Association of Military Marching Bands State Marching Contest, 1989

FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE-PRESIDENT

Elmer Schenk

I would be honored to receive your vote.

ATSSB means more to me than words can express. I began working actively behind the scenes in January of 1990 by providing the room and some of the people for the "out of the schedule" TMEA meeting which led to the birth of our small school association. I was a young director when the idea was first presented in 1981. At this time, I simply put in my vote and was later disappointed when the concept died in committee. Ten years later, I realized the system is "us", change must come from "us", and part of the leadership of "us" is me. With the knowledge that "we" are in charge, it became imperative for me to stay with the matter until it was brought to a satisfactory conclusion.

For many reasons, ATSSB is the greatest thing to happen to small school for the past several decades. Political power for the educational rights of "our" students was one important victory. But the formation of this organization also created a much needed communication system for our schools which were isolated from one another by what we perceived as distance.

I attended and participated in every meeting concerning this project. I've had a sense for being in the right place at the right time and on each occasion I would speak my mind. It has been an emotional experience for me to see this association come into existence, and it has been my privilege to be a part of it's early development. It was such a joy to hear our first All-State Band. Our membership numbers have been incredible for the first year and they have substantially grown to include almost everyone in Texas A-AAA schools.

My background consists of a BA from North Texas State University and 20 years of teaching experience in small schools. For the past 15 years I have been at Howe High School. While in Howe, I've been privileged to have the AA Honor Band in 1985-86 and the State Marching Contest Winners in 1980. In the last 12 years, my band has been in the top five several times in both events. I have hosted five years of region band tryouts where more than 700 students participated. I've discovered new techniques in accommodating large numbers of students, and some of my methods are now in common use throughout the state. I have attended every TBA during my 20 year tenure as a teacher. I'm also one of the few directors of small schools selected to TMAA. My name has been on the concert list for three years and my name will be moved up from the suggested list for marching this spring.

My future goals for ATSSB:

1. Establishing a good but separate relationship with TMEA similar to that of TBA
2. No pass/no play as it pertains to Friday night football (this deserves more space than this article would allow)
3. Alternate State Marching years - Do we recognize the value of STATE Marching Band Contest for the small schools and what are the options for "off" years.
4. ATSSB sponsored STATE SOLO & ENSEMBLE contest - why, where, and when

VICE-PRESIDENT CONTINUED

John Gibsor:

PRESENT POSITION: Director of Bands, New Deal ISD (Region 16)

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: Ballinger ISD, Sonora ISD, Coahoma ISD, Junction ISD, Jayton ISD

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: ATSSB (founding member), ATPE, TMEA, TBA

FAMILY: Wife, Linda, teaches in Lubbock ISD; son, Geoffrey, attends Texas Tech; daughter, Amanda attends Coronado HIS in Lubbock

HIGH SCHOOL: Deer Park (Magna cum laud graduate) 1970

COLLEGE: Texas Tech University (Bachelor Music Ed) 1974

THOUGHTS ON ATSSB: Having taught my entire career in small schools, I have often been amazed at the tremendous teaching done by so many small school directors. However, I have also been frustrated by the same problems which we all face, never realizing that many of those problems were (and still are) common to each of our situations. ATSSB gives us the opportunity to exchange ideas, provide an "all-state" experience for our students, and voice our needs as we work to improve the quality of music education in our own sphere of influence. There are many talented students in our bands who will become the directors, board members, and voters of the future. ATSSB can provide some of the nourishment needed for the growth that is to come.

THOUGHTS ON TMEA: We must continue to work with the leadership of TMEA to strengthen ALL of the music programs in Texas. I encourage each of you to continue your membership in TMEA and to support your fellow directors and their organizations, large or small.

VICE-PRESIDENT CONTINUED

Jim Childers:

Fredericksburg High School

Education: BME, Arkansas State University; MME Henderson State University

Experience: 21 years. Cross County High School, Cherry Valley, AR 1972-80; Arkadelphia High School, Arkadelphia, AR 1908-85; Fredericksburg High School, Fredericksburg, TX 1985-92

Narrative of Teaching Experience: Jim Childers came to Texas from Arkansas in 1985 after teaching for 13 years at Cross County and Arkadelphia High School. During those years his bands

Jim Childers Continued

were awarded 25 1st Divisions, 5 concert sweepstakes, 16 marching 1st Divisions, 9 marching sweepstakes, 5 jazz 1st divisions, and 2 jazz sweepstak

Jim's 8 years in Texas have all been in Fredericksburg where his bands have received 19 marching 1st divisions, the 1991 Bands of American Southwest Regional Class A Championship, 7 Region/Area appearances, and 5 State final appearances placing 6th, 8th, 3rd, 9th, and 4th. In concert competition during this time, the bands achieved 16 1st divisions, 6 sweepstakes, the 1990 All-American Music Festival Outstanding AAA Band, the 1990 Yellow Rose Classic Outstanding AAA Band, the 1991 Bluebonnet Classic Outstanding AAA Band, and 2 Honor Band Finals finishing 9th in 1990 and 5th in 1992.

Other activities: Jim is active in professional activities as a member of TMAA and as a clinician. He has judged or worked in regions 3,7,8,11 and 12. He is currently serving as ATSSB Region Coordinator for Region 7.

Jim also is active in church and community affairs and was chosen as the Educator of the Year by the Fredericksburg Jaycees. His wife, Rose Anne, works at Fredericksburg High School as the librarian and his older daughter, Mary Anne, plays trombone while his youngest daughter, Elizabeth, plays oboe.

VICE-PRESIDENT CONTINUED

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My name is Lonnie Dooley and I am honored to have been nominated for the office of ATSSB Vice-President. I find the possibility of being able to increase my involvement in ATSSB functions very exciting. I also recognize the awesome responsibility the office holds. My desire for this election process is that we, the directors, receive the best possible leadership for ATSSB. To help you make this determination, please allow me to tell you about myself and my family.

I received my Bachelor of Arts degree from Southeastern Oklahoma State University in 1970. Linda, my wife of twenty-four years, and I have two sons, Gene and Scott. Gene is a Junior music major at Stephen F. Austin University and Scott is a Freshman music major at Trinity Valley Community College.

Though I am a native Oklahoman, I have spent my entire teaching tenure in the public schools of Texas. My twenty-three year career in education began in the fall of 1970 with a seven year stay in Archer City, Texas. Linda and I moved our family to Seymour, Texas in 1977 where i taught for five years. In 1982, the Dooleys began an eight year assignment in Graham, Texas before moving to Hawkins, Texas where we now live and teach.

Lonnie Dooley Continued

Bands under my direction have participated in the Texas State Marching Contest eight times and have earned UIL Sweepstakes awards the last fourteen consecutive years. These groups were also selected "Best in Class" at the Greater Southwest Music Festival, Six Flags Over Texas Music Festival, and the Winter Park Music Festival.

My professional involvements include membership in Phi Beta Mu, the Texas Music Adjudicators Association, and the Association of Texas Small School Bands. I am currently serving my second year as the ATSSB Region 4 Coordinator and the Area C Coordinator. I believe that each of these professional organizations are vitally important to the well being of music education in Texas. I, therefore, pledge myself to supporting each of them.

In 1981, while serving as the TMEA Region 2 chairman, I began seeking an alternative All-State situation which would better serve the students of the small school bands in Texas. The effort resulted in the first TMEA Committee specifically appointed to study the feasibility of a Texas All-State organization made up exclusively of students from the smaller classification schools. From this initial attempt, it took twelve years for a small group concerned directors to meet in Abilene and form the organization which became known as ATSSB. I am very thankful to have been a part of that group. To watch its growth since the inception of ATSSB and to see a dream come true has been very exciting.

We as music educators are blessed to have Mike Marsh, Fred Pankratz and Kenneth Griffin as officers of ATSSB. Their leadership has been inspiring to us all. To these and all the others that have so willingly given of their time and talents to ATSSB, thank you. To summarize, I believe that the wide spread local support shown music education in the small schools of Texas makes this a unique educational opportunity for our students. If selected to this office, I will serve to the best of my ability to nurture that support and keep ATSSB and the dream alive and well.

VICE PRESIDENT CONTINUED

Don Stockton

Birth: April 13, 1944

Married: April 9, 1971 to Lynda Gail Howell

Children: Troy Edward, age 19; Trent Alan, age 16; Greyson Howell, age 13

Religion: Church of Christ; Groves, Texas

Education: Woodrow Wilson High School - Dallas, Texas; Lamar Tech - Beaumont, Texas -

Don Stockton continued

Professional Organizations: Texas Music Educators Association; Texas Bandmasters Association; National Association of Military Marching Bands, Office - Librarian, executive board; Association of Texas Small School Bands, Office - Region Coordinator, state board

Don Stockton began his 23 year teaching career in Liberty, Texas. He has served as graduate assistant director of the Lamar University Band. Other teaching experience include Calvert High School, McArthur Jr. High in Beaumont, Newton High School, Westwood High School in Palestine, and Warren High School.

His Westwood High School Band (AAA) in Palestine earned the first UIL 1st divisions in the school's history. He has directed bands at Warren, Texas for the past ten years. Teaching assignments include High School Band, Jr. High Band, and 6th Grade Band. Warren has no assistant director. Warren has grown from a consistent 3rd division band to a consistent 1st division earning three UIL Sweepstakes awards (including the very first in Warren history), 1st divisions in concert, marching, and eight 1st divisions in sightreading. The Warren band has won 1st divisions and Best in Class awards at Six Flags over Texas in both AAA and AA. Warren has won the UIL Sweepstakes Award in AA at the TSSEC. Warren has attended the UIL State Marching Contest the past three years. Warren was second in Region X Honor Band competition in AAA and 1st the past two competitions in AA. The past ten years TMEA competition has produced one All-State student, many Area students, and many, many, All-Region students for Warren. Last year's ATSSB competition brought Warren three All-State students (including 1st chair clarinet and 1st chair tenor trombone), seven area students, and thirteen All-Region students. Mr. Stockton has directed major trips with the Warren Band playing concerts on many islands of the Caribbean and the State of Hawaii.

FROM THE EDITOR: We have received several responses to our questionnaire in the last newsletter. These will be published hopefully in the next issue in April. We also received an article from Don Stockton on alternative private lessons which is of interest to us all. This will also be in the next issue. We could always use more input. Any ideas or applications of your own creativity that you use in your program could greatly help all of us. Thanks for your input up to this point.

GENERAL MEETING

SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE BANQUET HALL

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11
10:00 AM

1993 ATSSB ALL-STATE BAND

FLUTE

SHANNON CHRISMAN - ELDORADO
DANIELLE GAITHER - HOLLIDAY
SHANNON GATZ - TAFT
KELLY GOTCHER - SPRINGTOWN
LAQUITA HARWELL - TRINITY
MANDY HIGGS - CANYON
ERIN LEGLER - COLUMBUS
KARA NEKUZA - MABANK
JENNY PHILLIPS - GARDEN CITY
AMY POWELL - GREENWOOD (MIDLAND)
CHRISTIE RAMIREZ - ELDORADO
YESENIA RODRIGUEZ - BIG SANDY
CATHY WOOLSEY - SWEENEY
JENELL YATES - INGLESIDE
AMANDA ZELLER - WARREN

OBOE

HELEN LHERISSON - WOODVILLE
SUNEE SCHAFF - MOUNTAIN VIEW (EL PASO)

BASSOON

CHELSEA BOYD - LAKE DALLAS
BRANDON CAMERON - PERRYTON

CLARINET

JENNIFER J. BISHOP - GREENWOOD (MIDLAND)
MIREVA CALDERON - CRANE
KACE CHALMERS - JACKSBORO
CHARI CHAMBERLAIN - BONHAM
SHAWNA DEBNEY - MULESHOE
SUSAN DELAFIELD - MINEOLA
JESSICA DOOLEY - BURTON
ROB FLEBBE - WARREN
AMY FRIEMEL - CANYON
CHRISTINE HEIMAN - WARREN
AMY HILL - CRANE
JENNY HOGUE - BRIDGEPORT
LESLIE HUNTER - ELDORADO
DAWN IRVIN - CUERO
JENNA KENESSON - WOODVILLE
MOLLY LEHRMANN - MATHIS
REBECCA NEVIAN - FREDERICKSBURG
ADRIENNE PINA - ELDORADO
JESSICA R. RAMERIZ - ZAPATA
STEPHANIE REAGH - GLADEWATER
JULIE ROBERTS - NEEDVILLE
CRYSTAL ROE - POTTSBORO
JENNIFER ROGAN - SPRINGTOWN
MICHELLE URIBE - ZAPATA
SAM WALDMAN - THE KINKAID SCHOOL
HOUSTON

ALTO CLARINET

JOHN MARSH - ATLANTA
JAYMIE WOODWARD - EARLY

BASS CLARINET

CATHERINE BEGGS - GRAHAM
BONNIE BENNETT - CRANE
STACY BIRDELL - THE KINKAID SCHOOL
HOUSTON
MISTY AN CARROLL - YOAKUM
CRYSTAL ENLOE - SPENDORA

CONTRABASS CLARINET

MARISOL DE LA GARZA - REAGAN CO. (BIG LAKE)
JAMIE WOMACK - TROUP

ALTO SAXOPHONE

GEARY MCDONALD BEAN, JR. - COLMESNEIL
BLAKE EDMONDSON - BALLINGER
ORLANDO FONSECA - MATHIS
NATHAN GRIFFIN - CROSBYTON
JOSHUA JUDGE - MINEOLA

TENOR SAXOPHONE

REGINA BORCHERS - HOWE
JULIE RILEY - BALLINGER

BARITONE SAXOPHONE

CRYSTAL ATKINS - RICE (ALTAIR)
T. J. AVERY - MATHIS

NOTE:

We did not have auditions state-wide for piccolo or Eb clarinet, but we plan to use one in the All-State Band as needed. If the flute and clarinets selected for the band would like to play piccolo (flutes) or Eb clarinet (clarinets), they should bring their instrument with them to San Antonio. We will have an audition from among those desiring to play it. Placement in the flute or clarinet section will have nothing to do with the possible selection to play these instruments. Auditions will be held after chair auditions for flute and clarinet are completed. Look for more details when you check in on Wednesday evening

TRUMPET

LORI ANZALDVA - SEALY
JOEL CAMPBELL - WHITE OAK
AMANDA CARPENTER - TARKINGTON (CLEVELAND)
JOSEPH CASAS - LEXINGTON
JESSICA CLAGUE - TROUP
NEIL COMER - FRANKLIN
ERIN CROSSON - VAN ALSTYNE
AARON CUMMINS - CANYON
ELIZABETH GEARY - CRANE
WAYNE LISENBEE - PADUCAH
SAM PUGH - GEORGE WEST
ROLANDO REYES - RIO HONDO
TOBY ROACH - BROWNFIELD
CHRIS STAINE - CASTLEBERRY (FT. WORTH)
RYAN SULLENBERGER - NEEDVILLE

FRENCH HORN

JODI A. BAXTER - BONHAM
JASON JEAN - CAYUGA
STEPHANIE NOLEN - ELDORADO
STEPHEN OVERSTREET - PRINCETON
CASSI PARVIN - IRION CO. (MERTZON)
MARISA RAMIREZ - ZAPATA
KARL STRAATVEIT - LAKE DALLAS
STACY TOLLISON - STANTON
ROBIN WARD - SWEENEY
AMY WILKERSON - TULLA

TROMBONE

SARAH BOEHM - SACRED HEART (HALLETTSVILLE)
MARY CHELDERS - FREDERICKSBURG
BLINN COMBS - KAUFMAN
OSCAR DIAZ - INGLESIDE
JEFF GILLIAM - CARROLL (SOUTHLAKE)
BRIAN KARNES - PITTSBURG
CHRIS KINNAMON - BARBERS HILL (MONT BELVIEU)
HAROLD LOWES - LA GRANGE
EMILY E. PARKS - FLOYDADA
JOHN MICHAEL WALLACE - CRANE

BASS TROMBONE

CHAD ALLEN - CRANE
JOHN SMITH - EARLY

BARITONE

RICHARD FRANZL - HALLETTSVILLE
NATHAN MENGES - FORSAN
RUSSELL PETTTTT - WHITESBORO
MARISOL QUINTANILLA - CARRIZO SPRINGS
PATRICK SEMAR - HARLETON

TUBA

JOHN BAKER - BROWNSBORO
JASON BLOCK - GLEN ROSE
SCOTT BROOKS - STANTON
DONNIE BUSSELL - WEST TEXAS (STINNETT)
DONALD CARROLL - TARKINGTON (CLEVELAND)
GABE LOPEZ - SINTON
CRAIG NASH - BROWNSBORO
MATTHEW RILEY - WARREN
SANDY ROBERTS - BRADY
PAUL SAENZ - FALFURRIAS

PERCUSSION

LANE S. HARDER - MINEOLA
MIKE OCHOA - RIO HONDO
JOHNNY PELCZAR - LAMPASAS
JASON RICHTER - ATLANTA
ISRAEL MICHAEL SPEARS - WEST TEXAS (STINNETT)

MALLETS

CHARISSA BAILEY - SUNDOWN
BILLY BROWN - LINDEN-KILDARE
KENNETH SCHELL - IOWA PARK

TIMPANI

ROGER SWONKE - TIMPSON

FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

A complete statistical record of the year will be published in the April *NEWSLETTER*, but we had great participation in all Areas both in numbers auditioning and total number of Active Members. At the time my column was written (January 18), we have 28% more paid members than we FINISHED LAST YEAR WITH!!!

A few interesting facts about this year's All-State band: 30 freshmen, sophomores and juniors that made the band last year made it again this year as sophomores, juniors, or seniors. However, 56 freshmen, sophomores and juniors that made the band last year were not selected this year (this includes 11 freshmen, 20 sophomores and 15 juniors from last year). There are 84 different A, AA, AAA schools represented in this year's band (compared to 77 last year). There are 6 A, 27 AA, and 57 AAA schools represented.

I hope all of these numbers are meaningful for you. They tell me that the competition is getting more fierce each successive year - a plus for our Association!