The Five-Fold Band Tenets

Academic Excellence
Musical Achievement
Spiritual Values
Leadership Skills
Commitment to Georgetown College

The Gem Alumni

As with all things Grr… the concept of the “Gem Alumni” has developed over many years. We are always blessed with many fine Band Scholars who continually meet the high expectations outlined in The Five-Fold Band Tenets and who share in sustaining the vibrant life of our Tiger Bands. Over the years, a few Band Scholars have far exceeded expectations and have made contributions which have shaped and expanded the entire Grr… experience. These outstanding young people have added immeasurably to our heritage – having enriched the legacy and lore of Tiger Bands in some unique way. Even Fledgling Band Scholars can name the “GA” fairly soon after arrival, as these are the names we remember and mention frequently. We are humbled by and beholden to these very special folks. Our hearts and souls are full as we welcome them back to campus this evening.

Mr. Chad Acklin
Mrs. Emily Hales Bennett
Mr. Kevin Brown
Rev. Ryan Coatney
Mr. Andrew Dodson
Mr. Jesse Gabbard
Mrs. Melanie Webb Gabbard
Mr. Lucas Gravitt
Dr. Deanna Green
Mrs. Whitney Castle Harris
Mr. Richard Jackson
Ms. Kelly Kays
Mr. Ken Marotte
Mr. Jon Myers
Mrs. Tera Jones Ragland
SGT Jason A. Reinhardt
Mrs. Beth Ashford Rose
Mr. Mitch Woods
Dr. Brett N. Wynn

SGT J. A. Reinhardt, Gem Alumni Coordinator

Peter LaRue, Director – Tiger Bands

The Program

Star-Spangled Banner – arr. J. P. Sousa
Manhattan (2003) – P. Sparke (b. 1951)
Saturday Serenade
Gavin Sewell, Trumpet
Featured Student Soloist

I. Entry of the Court
II. Shepherdesse’s Dance
III. The Magicians

Old Scottish Melody – arr. C. Wiley

As We Salute the Class of 2008

Saxophone Feature

Laurel Hensley, Elizabeth Simpson, Michael Bailey,
Allison Bickers, & Colby Whittaker

Introduction of the Gem Alumni

Legacy Music (2007) – D. Holsinger (b. 1945)

The World Premiere

College Alma Mater – arr. P. LaRue

Spring 2008 Personnel
Melissa Abner, Ludlow, KY
Diane Alder, Hopkinsville, KY
Nathan Alexander, Versailles, KY
Michael Bailey, Richmond, KY
Allison Bickers, Campbellsburg, KY
Sara Clarke, Louisville, KY
Sarah Columbia, Pewee Valley, KY
Andrew Craig, Ashland, KY
Dewey Creech, Frankfort, KY
Emily Dodson, Lexington, KY
Eric Fields, Elkhorn, KY
Michael Gilkison, Versailles, KY
Taras Golditchuk, Hannover, Germany
Sierra Groo, Liberty Township, OH
Lauri Hensley, London, KY
Jarrod Hunt, Hartfort, KY
Hillary Jones, Scottsville, KY
Kali Jones, Georgetown, KY
Kendra Koontz, Wilmore, KY
Jeremy Mahlman, Batavia, OH
Sean May, Frankfort, KY
Erica Miller, Taylorsville, KY
Stephen Parker, Middlesboro, KY
Chloe Ruth, Lexington, KY
Gavin Sewell, Dawson Springs, KY
Liz Simpson, Lexington, KY
Josh Snowden, Winchester, KY
Rebecca Thompson, Flatwoods, KY
Colby Whittaker, Winchester, KY

Band Leadership Team
Michael Gilkison, Director’s Assistant
Jarrod Hunt, BVII Master & I/E
Josh Snowden, Student Coordinator
Liz Simpson, Spiritual Advisor
Eric Fields, Dewey Creech & Sean May, Logistics
Jeremy Mahlman, Percussion Equipment Coordinator

Special Guests
Ms. Cheryl Burgess Amstutz
Mr. Matthew Bell
Mr. John Bryant
Dr. Sonny Burnette
Ms. Michelle Ginn
Mr. Ryan Shirar
Mr. Gabriel Wooley
Legacy Music
David R. Holsinger (2007)
Commissioned for the Georgetown College Symphonic Band
Dr. Peter LaRue, Conductor

ABOUT THE MUSIC:

Several years ago, Dr. Peter LaRue, the Director of Bands at Georgetown College in Kentucky, approached me about writing a work for his concert ensemble, the Georgetown College Symphonic Band. He suggested that the proposed piece be modeled after the tune of the college Alma Mater. That tune was a 1926 hymn entitled, “Are Ye Able, Said the Master”, found in a number of denominational hymnals to this day.

The hymn itself was written by Earl Marlatt and Harry Mason, both affiliated in 1926 at the Boston University Theological Seminary School of Religious Education. Marlatt was asked to pen the words for a hymn for a consecration service and Mason, an organist at Auburn Theological Seminary and a graduate student at Boston University composed the music.

Georgetown College was the first Baptist college founded west of the Allegheny mountains. In 1829 Silas Noel, a Frankfort lawyer, jurist, and minister, led twenty-four Baptist leaders in persuading the Kentucky legislature to charter the Kentucky Baptist Education Society, which considered locating the college in several counties and on the Transylvania University campus in Lexington. Instead, the citizens of Georgetown convinced the Society’s trustees to establish the college in their community by offering to raise $20,000 and by donating the assets of the defunct Rittenhouse Academy, which included a fifty-two-acre campus and land in western Kentucky. Rev. Elijah Craig, a Baptist minister, founded the Academy, in 1798, a land grant school for the community, after his 1787 classical school had failed. The college traces its roots to that early school.

I was inspired by the stories of the turbulent early history of this school. Decade after decade of sacrificial service exemplified by men and women of faith seem to call out from the past. Matthew 11:12 reads, “From the Days of John the Baptist till now, the Kingdom of God has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men take hold of it.”

This work commemorates the LEGACY of those forceful men and women of faith and their desire to establish a haven of Christian Education two centuries strong.

Anonymous (12)
Mr. Jim Allison
Ms. Sharon Austin
Dr. John R. Bell
Ms. Jane Benard
Mr. & Mrs. Mark Birdwhistell
Ms. Kay Blevins
Coach Kevin Calhoun
Mr. Darryl Callahan
Ms. Margaret Christensen
Mr. & Mrs. Mike College
Mr. & Mrs. L. Creech
Mr. & Mrs. John Cosby
Mr. & Mrs. Bill Crabtree
Ms. Julia Cummins
Prof. Jennifer Fairchild
Mrs. Teri Faragher
Dr. Todd Gambill

We neither could nor would survive without the faithful support of these friends of the Band Scholars and our Tiger Bands.

Honorary Members of the Tiger Bands
Mr. Lester Abern, Georgetown, KY
Dr. and Mrs. Charles Beehers, Clarksville, TN
Dr. Sonny Burnette, Georgetown, KY
Mr. and Mrs. Kent Campbell, Cedartville, OH
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crabtree, Georgetown, KY
Dr. Lynn Cooper, Wilmore, KY
Ms. Celia Daniels, Louisville, KY
Dr. Angela Easterday Holder, Knoxville, TN
Mrs. Sue Hutchinson, (Deceased) Arab, AL
Mrs. Patrick L. LaRue, Lancaster, OH
Mrs. Janet G. Lobitz, Georgetown, KY
Mr. Josue Mendez, Miami, FL
Mr. R. Happy Osborne, Georgetown, KY
Dr. E. Wayne Pressley, (Deceased) Mars Hill, NC
Mr. and Mrs. James O. Roberts, Buea Creek, NC
Mr. John Sallin Sr. (Deceased), Georgetown, KY
Mr. Floyd Shipley, Georgetown, KY
Dr. and Mrs. Fred Stickle, Bowling Green, KY
Mr. and Mrs. Kim Summers, Georgetown, KY
Professor and Mrs. Daniel Tilford, Georgetown, KY
Ms. Kathleen Wilson, Tulsa, OK
Mr. Leonard Wilson, (Deceased) Pensacola, FL

Hurst Music
Mrs. Patrick L. LaRue
Dr. Peter J. LaRue
Mr. Jonathan Leverenz
Mr. & Mrs. Dick Lobitz
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Miller
Ms. Shana Nue
Coach Robert Happy Osborne
Mrs. Janice Pressley
SGT W. Kyle Simon
SodexoUSA
Mr. & Mrs. R. Kim Summers
Tiger Athletics
Mr. Eric Ward
Ms. Linda Williamson

The Band Gala
April 24, 2008
8:00 PM
John L. Hill Chapel

An Evening of Delightful Music

Featuring the Tiger Symphonic Band
World Premiere ~ Legacy Music
Featured Student Soloist ~ Gavin Sewell
Special Gathering ~ The Gem Alumni