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UPCOMING EVENTS

2011 ALUMNI BAND FALL REUNION

Saturday, September 10, 2011

Game Time: 12:00 p.m.

(Please check the alumni band web site, or your local paper the week of the game, and adjust this schedule accordingly.)

- 7:00–7:45 a.m. Registration
(NEW Band Hall in Dem Hall)
- 8:00 a.m. Rehearsal starts
- 9:00 a.m. Drill rehearsal
(Dem Hall Field)
- 9:50 a.m. LUNCH
- 10:50 a.m. Run-through on Adams Field
(formerly Landon Field)
- 11:10 a.m. March to the stadium
- 11:20 a.m. Enter tunnel with wristband
(go to seats)
- 12:00 p.m. Kickoff
- Postgame Form on field to play and march to Dem Hall. Then line Chestnut Rd. to cheer on SMB, and gather for postgame words and reception/refreshments in Dem Hall.

Public parking is available in the westmost lot at the corner of Kalamazoo and Harrison. For further parking information visit: <http://www.homefootball.msu.edu/>.

2011 ALUMNI BAND GOLF OUTING

Friday, September 9, 2011

9:00 a.m. at Oak Lane Golf Course

Please see insert for details.

2011 HOMECOMING PARADE

Friday, October 21, 2011

Parade details will be emailed to band members when they become available.

a Message from the President

It's been a great year for the MSU Bands and the MSU Alumni Band! The MSU Bands comprise one of the most recognized and acclaimed band programs in the country. That's not just Spartan Pride talking. Please read on.

I'm reading a pre-publication copy of the new book, *Solid Brass, The Leonard Falcone Story*. Reading of the development of the MSU Bands and the life of Professor Falcone has been inspiring (and entertaining!). Whether from the Falcone era or one more recent, you must have felt great pride in your MSU Band. Well, under directors Kevin Sedatole, John Madden, and Cormac Cannon, the bands continue to elicit that pride. Each year, the MSU Bands accept prestigious invitations to perform at nationally-recognized venues, and host world-renowned composers and conductors. Our directors appear around the nation as guest conductors and clinicians. In recent years, Kevin Sedatole and the Wind Symphony have accepted invitations to perform at the Midwest Clinic in Chicago and the College Band Directors National Association Convention in Austin, TX. John Madden and the Spartan Marching Band accepted the honor to perform as the feature exhibition band at the Bands of America Grand National Marching Band Competition in Indianapolis this past November. John's MSU Symphony Band performed at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids in January. What continues to come back from these performances is the exceptionally strong and enthusiastic praise from the most critical listeners. And the honors continue: The MSU Wind Symphony has recently been selected to perform at the 2012 American Bandmaster's Association Convention.

It's great to be a Spartan Band Alum! As alumni we have had a role in elevating the bands to their position of respect and admiration. We've benefitted from this personally, and we have a stake in this for the future. Our support is one thing that we can provide as former "insiders."

Whether you attended the successful fall and spring reunions, or haven't been back in a while, we hope to see you on campus for the 41st Alumni Band Fall Reunion on September 10, 2011. We hope you'll make plans to be part of the music, enjoy the camaraderie, the Spartan spirit, and the PRIDE that comes with recalling your time within our "ivy covered halls." Go Green!

Jim Barry

MSU Alumni Band Association President



Photo by Dale Bartlett.

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a Message from the MSU Bands

Dear Alumni Band,

I am happy to announce that the MSU Wind Symphony has been selected to perform at the 2012 American Bandmasters Association convention to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana. The American Bandmasters Association, founded in 1929, with John Philip Sousa as Honorary Life President, recognizes outstanding achievement on the part of Concert Band conductors and composers. The current membership (invitational) comprises approximately 300 band conductors and composers in the USA and Canada, and 70 Associate Members (music businesses and corporations that provide significant services to bands and to the publication of band music.)

MSU has a very significant presence within the membership of ABA. Former directors Leonard Falcone, Kenneth Bloomquist, Eugene Corporon and John Whitwell are all members of the ABA as well as current MSU directors Kevin Sedatole and John Madden.

The MSU Wind Symphony will present a concert for the ABA membership and public on March 1, 2012 at Clowes Hall on the campus of Butler University. Other university ensembles presenting concerts at the convention include Butler University, Indiana University, Purdue University and Ball State University as well as the United States Army Field Band.

This is the first time that the MSU Wind Symphony has performed for this prestigious association. It is quite an honor to be asked to perform and we are grateful for the opportunity. We would love to have as many alums in the audience as we can. Hope many of you can make plans to be there.

Hope you have a great summer and we'll see you in the fall.

Kevin Sedatole
Director of Bands

New Book on Leonard Falcone

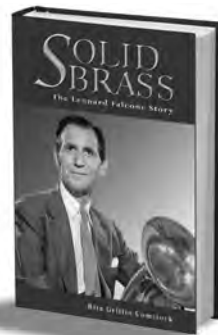
Blue Lake Press, a subsidiary of Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, will publish the long-awaited biography of Leonard Falcone, whose journey to America from Italy through Ellis Island at age 16 led to one of the most unlikely and inspirational careers in the history of the American band movement.

Recognized in his lifetime as the world's greatest euphonium virtuoso, Falcone was Director of Bands at Michigan State University for 40 years, and through his leadership, discipline and musicianship, helped to establish a national reputation for the MSU Department of Music and Spartan Marching Band.

Drawing from a myriad of sources, this insightful biography chronicles Falcone's remarkable life, including his early years growing up in culturally rich Roseto Valfortore, Italy, his success as a silent movie theater musician, the music department challenges during the Depression and war years, the two Rose Bowl trips via private rail car courtesy of Oldsmobile, performing with the Michigan State Band for four sitting presidents, and his special relationship with Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, where he would spend his final summers conducting and working with young students.

You are invited to visit the specially created website at www.leonardfalcone.com, complete with audio and video clips, book excerpts, pictures, and information on upcoming events associated with the book.

Launching at Schuler Books & Music at the Meridian Mall, Okemos, on Friday, September 9, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. this 398-page, beautifully illustrated book will list for \$24.95. Through August 15, 2011, pre-publication orders are being taken at the special discounted price of \$19.95. To reserve your copy of *Solid Brass: The Leonard Falcone Story* at this special pre-publication price, visit the Leonard Falcone Solid Brass website at www.leonardfalcone.com or call Blue Lake at (800) 221-3796.



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Alpert, Lawrence ('70, *Trumpet*) is the executive director of the Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. He performs with the Shiawassee Orchestra, the Owosso Swing Band and in the pit with the Owosso Community players. He also adjudicates Solo & Ensemble festivals.

Amb, Cheryl ('86, *Mellophone*) started a new 4th grade teaching job in Detroit this past October.

Barann, Kristine ('88, *Trumpet*) enjoyed watching her daughter kickstep onto the field as a freshman this past season.

Beagley, David ('77, *Oboe*) retired from 33 years teaching instrumental music (22 years in Round Lake, IL, 4 years in El Paso, IL, and 7 years in Mount Clemens, MI).

Benson, Mark ('83, *Bass*) shares that daughter Taylor is a SMB Mellophone this year. Both his kids are now part of this great institution and experience!

Bessolo, Amy ('87, *Mellophone*) practices landscape architecture. She lives in Waterford, MI with husband Brent and sons Hugh (9) and Henry (5). Hugh plays piano, keyboard, and guitar in his rock band group.

Billig, T. Patrick ('79, *Euphonium*) makes his 7th trip to China this summer with the Windiana Concert Band.

Bradley, Leon ('60, '61, & '67, *Trombone*) played trombone/euphonium in a university community band in Springfield, MO for the 8th year. He teaches private brass students and is in his 55th year of teaching. He and his wife have 10 grandchildren in four states and try to keep up with their activities.

Carl, Carrie ('94, *Mellophone*) is in her 17th year of teaching middle school science in Hastings. She and Bob have been married 11 years and have two children, Kaylie (4) and Benjamin (1).

Carlson, Diane ('71 & '75, *Clarinet*) retired from the State of Michigan this year. She hopes to return to music and dance competitively.

Catron, Gail ('76, *Flute*) share that her daughters have been busy. Five grandchildren in two years!

Clarke, Anne ('73-'76, '01-'03, *Piccolo*) works at MSU in the MSU Extension Business office as an accountant and plays in the Capitol Wind Quartet.

Craig, John ('71, *Percussion*) went to Thailand and helped 47 kids learn percussion at an orphanage in Chaing Rai. Rita and John both played drums in high school.

Conklin, David ('76, *Trumpet*) and Pat have been married 35 years. They have three children, and two granddaughters. He teaches 4th, 5th and 6th grade bands at Lincoln Elementary in Gettysburg, PA.

Detgen, Stacie ('86, *French Horn*) enjoyed the MSU Alumni Touring Band to Italy last summer.

She is in her 22nd year of teaching and is a finalist for MSBOA Band Teacher of the Year.

Franklin, Larry ('59 & '67, *Clarinet*) traveled with wife Sue to Germany last summer with the Detroit Conference United Methodist Chorale. They visited J.S. Bach's birthplace and his burial place, among other highlights.

Gillette, Tom ('75-'79, *Euphonium*) shares that after 25 years in Illinois, has happily relocated to these shores.

Glasby, Brian ('07, *Trumpet*) teaches 8th grade science at Westside K8 School in Kissimmee, FL.

Grojean, Alison ('08, *Trumpet*) is recruiting players for the Macomb Area Community Band. If interested, contact her at: grojeana@msu.edu.

Harris, Stephen ('76-'78, *Tenor Sax*) has practiced dentistry for 28 years and currently serves as a trustee to the Michigan Dental Association. His daughter began at MSU last fall.

Heethuis, Josh ('97-'01, *Trombone*) and wife **Shawn** (*Baritone*) welcomed their third child, Claire last summer. She is baby sister to Christina (6) and Chloe (3).

Helmer, Bruce ('48, *Clarinet & Sax*) is a member of the Caravan Circus Band. He is sorry to share that his wife, Ruth, pass away in January 2011.

Hilliker, Curt ('88, *Alto Sax*) designs commercial solar energy systems for a southwestern solar integrator. He was recently made partner.

Hutting, Lori ('92, *Alto Sax*) shares that her youngest son will be a kindergartener this year, and her oldest will be in 2nd grade. She teaches 4th grade in DeWitt but would love to return to teaching French. She and her husband celebrated their 10th anniversary last summer.

Johnkoski, Stephen ('77, *Trombone*) shares that his quintet played for his daughter's wedding last fall.

Kanicki, Carolyn ('79, *French Horn*) is completing her 29th year of education — 18 years in Maine. She teaches the 5-8 band program in St. George, ME, and is an active performer in the MidCoast Symphony Orchestra and the Maine State Ballet orchestra.

Karnes, John ('01, *Big Ten Flags*) has been an environmental geologist for the past eight years. He also has refereed women's flat truck roller derbies for the past two years.

Kaufman, Beth ('75 & '77, *Twirler*) and Mike ('76) are retiring to their new home in Traverse City on Silver Lake. Mike retired from Grand Ledge Schools three years ago and from Interlochen one year ago. He continues to conduct honors bands across the country and is an MSBOA adjudicator. Beth is completing 34 years in public education as a staff developer, curriculum coordinator and federal programs director for

Mason Public Schools. Daughter Kelsie graduated from the University of Michigan in 2011 with a degree in graphic design.

Koehn, Norman ('68, *Clarinet*) shares his continued pleasure of the unsurpassed and excellent memories of the MSU Bands.

Kressler, Peter ('65, *Trombone*) and Annie toured Italy last summer with family and friends.

Kome, Lauren ('07, *Tenor Sax*) moved to Hawaii and lives on the Big Island.

Kusek, Thomas ('85, *Tuba*) and wife Leslie bought a Coldstone Creamery franchise in Royal Oak, MI on Main Street.

Levandowski, Paul ('92, *Tuba*) became assistant manager of the Dollar Tree in West Lansing.

Longfield, David ('58, *Clarinet*) celebrated his 52nd anniversary with wife Carrie. He has enjoyed 22 years directing the church choir at the United Methodist Church in West Branch and participating in musicals with local players. He retired from Garland Resort after 35 years in the golf industry.

Luloff, Joseph (*Alto Sax*) had a great year with the best students to teach at MSU.

Mannon, Joseph ('98, *Trumpet*) and wife **Melanie (Nance)** ('99, *Color Guard*) welcomed twins, David and Michael, in the spring of 2010. They join big sister Madison. Joe is an attorney for a hedge fund in Chicago.

Martin, Mark ('83, *Tenor Sax*) has been teaching French, Spanish, and English in Ontario, CA for 27 years. He attended is first Alumni Band Reunion last fall since graduation.

Martzke, Richard ('69, *Trumpet*) enjoys his dental practice in Grand Ledge. He plays in the Grand Ledge Community Band, a six-piece group called The Scandliers and enjoys alumni band events. He plays hockey and gardens in his spare time.

Maynard, Jessica ('08, *Euphonium*) teaches elementary music in West Texas and wishes any fellow Spartan in the area to look her up.

Milch, Kenneth ('93, *Baritone*) is in his third year as assistant principal at Lamphere H.S. in Madison Heights after 14 years as band director. He and his wife, Carla, have four children: Cassandra (8), Samatha (6), Rebecca (3) and Alan (1).

Moffitt-Lovell Rhonda ('84, *Trumpet*) is a critical care nurse at Sparrow Hospital. Her husband, Les is also a critical care nurse. They have two children, Molly (15) and Jordan (12).

Mortensen, James ('82, *Trombone*) shares that daughter, Kate, was a senior in the SMB this past fall and he lives in Wilton, CT.

Niebling, Jim ('85, *Tuba*) shares that he and Kim are loving their new home on Morrison Lake.

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Nielsen, Erik ('73, *Trombone*) shares that son Patrick graduated with a B.S. in Athletic Training (Honors) from MSU.

Nightingale, Ronald ('55, *Trumpet*) living in Northern Michigan and playing in the Jordan Valley Community Band, East Jordan, MI.

Olin, Paul ('64, *Twirler*) judged the U.S. National Championships in twirling at Notre Dame University in July 2010.

Ott, Jeffrey ('98, *Tuba*) and former tuba player **Dennis Beson** ('91, *Tuba*) continue to rock the Bay City-Midland-Saginaw area with The Sinclairs Band. This past summer they opened for Patty Smyth & Scandal.

Parr, J.D. ('76, *Clarinet*) is a professor music at Baker University, Baldwin City, KS in this 30th year. He is also principal clarinet in The Topeka Symphony Orchestra, in his 22nd year, and a clarinet teacher at Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, in his 28th year.

Perry, Dennis ('70, *Trombone*) had his fifth grandson and moved his daughter to Richmond, VA. He will miss playing with her at alumni and pep band events.

Prang, Jeffery ('84, *Trombone*) has served on the city of West Hollywood City Council since 1997, including three terms as mayor.

Rafferty, David ('64, *Trumpet*) completed 40 years in the Kalamazoo Concert Band, which was selected by blind audition to perform as the opening band at the 2011 American Concert Band's Convention in Muskegon.

Reaume, Jeanine ('81, *Alto Sax*) teaches first grade at Haigh Elementary in Dearborn. Son David is a drummer for Tombstone 38, a Detroit band.

Rice, Bob ('72, *Tuba*) and wife Marilyn ('78) are enjoying life with daughters Colleen and Amy, son-in-law Zach, and grandson Luke (5) who all live nearby.

Rimpau, Joy ('75, *Euphonium*) has taken up trumpet in retirement. She played in a trumpet trio at church on Palm Sunday and is also a Bugle's Across America volunteer.

Rongo, Lauren ('72, *Flute*) enjoys the fact that son Adam is a Spartan in graduate school.

Sachs, Bill ('67 & '75, *Alto Sax*) and Ann (O'Brien) ('68) now have six grandchildren. The latest, Elliot, was born in March. They spent February in The Villages, FL, enjoying golf and warm weather. Bill plays in the Warren, MI Concert Band and with the Brothers & Others sax quartet. Ann is recently retired (for a second time) and looks forward to golf and the grandkids.

Sack, Robert ('54 & '57, *Clarinet*) plays in the Birmingham Concert Band and the Birmingham Straw Hat Band.

Sarchburg, Martha ('71, *Trombone*) has taught band for 38 years, the last 33 years at Dexter Public Schools. She lives with husband, Bruce, in Canton, whom she met at Northwestern University. They have one son, Cameron. She received the MSBOA Teacher of the Year award for band in 2010 at the Grand Rapids convention.

Scholes, Mike ('00, *Trumpet*) and **Jen** ('98, *Trumpet*) welcomed Ella last fall an hour after MSU beat Michigan (again). Big sister Anna (6) is very proud of her new sister!

Searfoss, David ('69, *Trumpet*) performed the B-minor mass by J.S. Bach in December on a "natural" (valveless) trumpet. Performances of Wagner's "Lohengrin" in Nov/Dec. 2010 with the LA Opera Company in Los Angeles, CA.

Seitz, Mark ('88, *Trumpet*) and wife Robin welcomed Olivia to the family in the fall of 2009. She came home from the hospital in her MSU gear. Everyone is happy, healthy, and looks forward to the SMB.

Sisco, Keith ('72-'77, *Tuba*) now plays in the Belle Valley Community Band and the North Oakland Concert Band.

Smeltekop, Gary ('63 & '68, *Trombone, Tuba*) lives in Chicago and for over 30 years has been active professionally in the Chicago area and beyond on trombone and tuba in various groups from big band to opera. In 1973 he married Angela, and changed the spelling of his name to Gerhart Schmeltekopf. He also builds and repairs harpsichords, and formed a working group to play medieval, renaissance and baroque music using period reproduction instruments — some of which he built. He is almost totally retired now except for being cook, etc. for Angela, the very popular and busy piano teacher.

Stevens, Julie M. ('84, *Tenor Sax*) is a family practice, hospice doctor, and biomedical interventionist for the treatment of autism. Her practice is in Mt. Pleasant, MI.

Taylor, Norman ('76, *Trumpet*) was named the new superintendent at Wayland Union Schools in September. Enjoys spending time with his three grandchildren, including a new grandson — all of whom are State fans!

Toenniges, Jeff ('85, *Trumpet*) and **Lisa (Merz)** ('84, *Alto Sax*) have been married nearly 22 years and have daughters Alex (17) and Kit (14). Lisa owns Innovative Learning Group and Jeff just finished the office expansion and manages the home front. They live on Cass Lake in Orchard Lake, MI. They enjoy waterskiing, boating, and ice-skating — depending on the season.

Walsh, Brian ('86, *Baritone*) and Shelly headed to Ireland last fall for their 25th wedding anniversary. Daughter Brianne graduated from MSU with

honors and is working on her masters at the University of Chicago. Son Jake plays soccer at Northwood University and made the GLAIC All-Academic team.

Weiss, Jane ('82, *Mellophone*) proudly boasts having three Spartan children currently attending MSU.

Wolters, Robert ('59, *Clarinet*) is a retired school teacher. He now privately teaches 27 students in piano, clarinet and flute. He is the principal clarinetist for the Holland American Legion Band. He went to Europe with the band in 2009 to celebrate D-Day, and plans to go to Hawaii with the band this year.

Special Recognition



Edward Deeb, class of 1960, is pictured holding the Neal Shine Shining Light Award for Exemplary Leadership presented by *The Detroit Free Press* and Metropolitan Affairs Coalition. Deeb founded the College of Communication Arts and Sciences Alumni Association and served as its first president. He is also the recipient of the Distinguished MSU Alumni Award and has a state-of-the-art conference room named after him in the Communication Arts and Sciences Building. He attended MSU on a music scholarship and played for four years in the Marching Band and the Symphonic Band. He also served for seven years as the public relations and publicity director for the MSU Alumni bands.

Correction

In the last issue of *Beryl's Beat* we mistakenly listed Robert Anderson as being in his 14th year with the Akron Community Band. It should have been listed as his 74th year. He started at age 11 in 1936 and will begin his 75th year this year. Congratulations on this great accomplishment and our apologies for the error.

Online Registration, Encore & Dues Payment *for* 2011



The following link is now live and will allow everyone to sign up:
<http://alumniband2011fallreunion.eventbrite.com>

Registration is going electronic! After a lot of work and evaluation, the Alumni Band will now be able to process registration and payment for the upcoming Alumni Band Fall Reunion over the Internet.

At the web site you will be able to register for the reunion, pay your annual dues, and have the option to purchase a lunch for that day. At the same time you'll have the opportunity to sign up and pay for the golf outing to be held on Friday, September 9th. Once logged in to the link above, please take some time to read through the descriptive write-up provided on the site. Details for the reunion are given, along with instructions for registration. The procedure is essentially the same as the previously used paper format, and will ask for similar information. This will be a very simple process, and will streamline everything for both participants and the organizers of the events.

You will have the option to pay by credit card or check. The site is completely secure, and comes to us highly recommended by the MSU Alumni Association.

After you are registered, you will receive the music to be used at the reunion. It is

very important that you supply us with a current, working email address — one that will accept attachments without automatically blocking them. Your email address will be the vehicle for communication in the future. If you do not receive the music by late August, please contact us at alumband@msu.edu.

We strongly encourage everyone to begin using the electronic registration. Future communications among the Alumni Band are primarily going to be online. **The next issue of the Encore will be an entirely electronic version**, and information/ notifications of events will only be sent in that manner. We are already there in some areas: the Alumni Band web site and Facebook pages are regularly updated. This is a cost savings for your Band, and a more efficient way of communicating and accomplishing tasks. This will also help us eliminate much of the traditional "snail mail" that has been used over the years. **For those without internet access, the Encore and paper registration forms are still available for a limited time. We would ask that those individuals notify us as soon as possible so that we can continue to get them information, and maintain contact.**

MSU Alumni Touring Band Announces 2013 Concert Tour

The Alumni Touring Band and its conductor, Ken Bloomquist, is excited to announce Scotland as the location of its 2013 Concert Tour, followed by an optional extension through England and Wales.

The nine-day concert tour of Scotland will visit Edinburgh (concert), Inverness (concert), the Highlands including Loch Ness and the Isle of Skye, Loch Lomond, and Glasgow (concert).

Members can then either return to the United States or continue on an optional non-performing extension to Wales, Bath, London (three days), Stratford, Oxford, the Cotswolds and York before returning to Edinburgh for their return to the United States.

- An alternative three-day London only stay will also be offered.
- The dates for the Scotland only concert tour are June 16–June 24.
- The dates for the Scotland Concert Tour plus the optional England/Wales tour are June 16–July 2.
- The dates for the Scotland Concert Tour plus London only are June 16–June 27.
- Rehearsals will be held in East Lansing during the weekend of June 15–16.

Projected price ranges* are:

- Scotland only: \$3849.00 (includes air)
- Scotland and England/Wales: \$5000.00 (includes air)
- Scotland and London only: price TBA

* These prices are subject to change, and are based on an exchange rate of 1 GBP=\$1.62

At the September 10, 2011 tour band supper (following the football game), more specific details of the trip, including a possible "early bird discount," will be presented by Lauralee Campbell.

For more information and enrollment brochure, please contact Dale Bartlett, 517-332-4495 or email bartle17@msu.edu.

Since *Our* Last Issue



Attendees of the 2011 Concert Band Spring Reunion perform at East Lansing High School on May 1st. To view more photos visit our web site at: www.msualumniband.com.

Great News! Seats *in the* Stands!



Photo by Mark Hansen.

Seats in the stands? That's right, rather than in folding chairs at field level, the Alumni Band will be seated in stadium seats near the former SMB seats (see photo) at our Fall Reunion! That means a more consistent view of the game, an easier time finding places, and greater opportunity to play. A big thanks to John Madden and Deputy Athletic Director Greg Ianni for making it happen.

Scholarship Recipients



(L to R:) Jamal Duncan, Whitwell Scholarship recipient, Ken Bloomquist, MSU Director of Bands Emeritus, and Armand Hall, Bloomquist Scholarship recipient.

The annual 2010–11 John L. Whitwell and Kenneth G. Bloomquist Scholarships were presented at the spring reunion. Administered by the MSU Alumni Band, these scholarships are funded in part by member donations. Recipients are selected by the MSU Bands faculty.

Jamal Duncan was presented with the John L. Whitwell Scholarship. He is pursuing his Doctorate in Wind Conducting and is a graduate assistant with the MSU Bands. A native of Flint and a clarinetist, Duncan previously taught band at Dwight Rich Middle School in Lansing. For the past seven years he has served as music director and conductor of the Flint Youth Wind Ensemble.

Armand Hall was presented with the Kenneth G. Bloomquist Scholarship. An MSU Bands graduate assistant from Detroit, Hall is pursuing his Doctorate in Wind Conducting. A clarinetist and saxophonist, he previously taught band in Farmington. He has conducted the Clarinet Connexions Clarinet choir, and served as guest conductor for the Flint Youth Wind Ensemble.

Congratulations to these two fine recipients. The MSU Alumni Band membership is proud to be able to contribute to the strength of the music program at MSU through these scholarships.



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