

**Alumni Band Weekend
September 29-30, 2023**



***Celebrating 60 years of
Longhorn Alumni Band***

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President's Report

WELCOME ALUMNI BAND

Fellow Longhorn Alumni Band members, welcome back to the 40 Acres, as we reprise our fondest memories of school and Longhorn Band. We are celebrating our 60th Band Day as we prepare to leave the Big 12 and join the SEC. As always, this will be an exciting weekend and has been a memorable year.

Your LHAB Officer team has been busy working to make this the best Band Day ever so we may enjoy our time together reminiscing, meeting new friends, welcoming new members, and sharing an incredible half time performance with LHB. Our leadership team has worked diligently throughout the year on several initiatives improving LHAB member services and supporting Longhorn Band.

Our initiatives during the year included:

1. **Publishing monthly Blasts** apprising our members of LHAB events, and keeping you abreast of other memorable LHAB activities. Thank you to the communications team for continually providing pertinent information to our membership.
2. **Soliciting assistance with collecting LHB memories.** UT is planning a major fundraising campaign for LHB. Part of their efforts include stories about our experiences that may stir other individuals, including non-LHB members, to make donations supporting LHB and LHB scholarships. Thank you to the individuals that have already provided stories. We can always use more. If you'd like to share a story, please email lhabcharitablefund@gmail.com.

3. **Performing at playing events across Texas** with stops in San Antonio, Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston, and Austin including: Brenham MaiFest, Texas Fight Tour, Denton County Texas Exes, Fairmont Conference, Jim Schwobel Wake, Comal Texas Exes Student Send Off, Gambler Rodeo, and the Neighborhood Longhorns Program Dinner. Austin-area members continue performances each Friday at the UT Club before each home football game. Thank you to all the individuals that performed at the various events, and the Area Representatives for gathering individuals for the performances.
4. **Distributing beanies to new LHB members** in 2022 on 12/1/22. We're working to distribute the beanies much earlier in 2023 and have already delivered 200 beanies to LHB to prepare for distribution in 2023. Thank you to the individuals that helped distribute beanies to new LHB members.
5. **Representing LHAB to the National Association of Alumni Bands (NAoAB)** on two (2) calls. First on 12/7/22 to recap our Big Bertha Centennial celebration. Then again on 2/1/23 to discuss funding and how LHAB is organized with Officers, Board of Directors, Board of Trustees, and Committees.
6. **Creating a committee to address LHAB volunteer needs.** The committee evaluated several possible software packages that could support both Band Day requirements along with other events throughout the year. The committee selected the software package SignUpGenius. SignUpGenius also happens to be the package used by LHB. This provides the opportunity for LHB to volunteer for Band Day and grow accustomed to the software package before

joining LHAB. Thank you to all the individuals that served on the software selection committee.

7. **Convening an LHAB Uniform Committee** to review the current LHAB uniform and propose a solution for the foreseeable future. The committee spent several months defining LHAB's uniform objectives, contacting other alumni bands, and surveying LHAB dues-paying members for possible solutions and preferences. The committee recommended we upgrade our vests to include the LHAB logo, the uniform LHAB is enjoying from this year's Band Day onwards. Our LHAB officers and LHAB Board of Directors each approved the committee's recommendation. Thank you to all the individuals that served on the uniform committee, along with all our membership who responded to the uniform survey.
8. **Continuing the LHAB Bylaws Review Committee** to recommend updates to the current LHAB Bylaws and LHAB Handbook. The Bylaws Review Committee spent several months reviewing and considering every detail of our current Bylaws and Handbook. Many recommendations as approved by our officers and Board of Directors have already been incorporated into the LHAB Handbook. Additional recommendations for updates to the LHAB Bylaws may be incorporated at a future date. Thank you to all the individuals that served on the Bylaws Review Committee.
9. **Calling upon the Code of Ethics Committee to refresh our LHAB Code of Conduct** and provide a solution allowing immediate action to be taken in the event of a violation to our Code of Conduct. The committee updates were approved by Dr. Croomes,

the LHAB officers, and the LHAB Board of Directors, and applied to the LHAB Handbook. We each were able to review the updates when we registered for Band Day 2023 and agreed to adhere to them before registering. Thank you to the Code of Ethics Committee and all the individuals that assisted in their implementation.

10. **Consolidating all LHAB properties into a single Austin location on 2/18/23.** Instruments were removed from the Band Hall and placed in LHAB storage. Additionally, all properties were moved from the UHaul storage space into the same single LHAB storage location. Thank you to all the individuals that helped with the move. It truly took a community to support/conduct this consolidation.
11. **Hosting the 3rd Annual LHAB Golf Classic on 3/6/23.** The event was held at the University of Texas Golf Club, with 16-four (4) member teams enjoying the morning, and the opportunity to raise funds for LHB scholarships. Thank you to all the individuals that planned the golf classic and those who played in the tournament.
12. **Inducting Big Bertha into The Frank Denius Family University of Texas Athletics Hall of Fame on 4/5/23.** Big Bertha is now officially installed in her permanent residence in the UT Hall of Fame in the North End Zone of Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium. Please stop by and have your picture taken with Big Bertha. She'll enjoy the notoriety.
13. **Enjoying time with LHB at their annual spring banquet on 4/25/23.** LHAB was able to share time with current students distributing key chains and

helping non-returning individuals register as members of LHAB. We also provided white-collared shirts so they are prepared for their first Band Day as a member of LHAB. Thank you to all the individuals able to attend the banquet and assist LHB with their joining our LHAB ranks.

14. **Conducting another instrument sale on 4/29/23.** We were able to distribute all unneeded instruments except a few remaining mellophones and generate revenue to support LHAB endeavors. Thank you to all the individuals that coordinated the instrument sale and the individuals purchasing the instruments generating additional funds to support LHB/LHAB activities.
15. **Attending the annual College Band Directors National Association (CBDNA) and National Association of Alumni Bands (NAoAB) Symposium May 31 through June 3, 2023 in Cincinnati, Ohio.** Both Geof Sloan and Shirley Cumby represented LHAB with honor and distinction. Geof currently serves as the NAOAB President. Any LHAB member may participate in the free virtual networking events. Please visit <https://alumnibands.org/> to learn more.
16. **Promoting participation in the LHB Summer Band from June 19-21, 2023.** The rehearsals provided a chance to get the mouth back in shape for Band Day and present a stirring and memorable concert. Thank you to all the individuals that shared their time and talents in the summer band.
17. **Strengthening our LHB ties by placing their old Stetsons at LHAB storage on 8/13/23.** Almost 400 Stetsons are being stored until the next

phase of the Stetsons journey is determined. Thank you to all the individuals that helped with the move and storage of the LHB Stetsons.

18. **Preparing 1000 hot dogs and feeding prospective LHB individuals, current LHB members, LHB Directors and Office staff on 8/14/23.** Everyone had a great time and ate their fill of hot dogs. Thank you to all the individuals that prepared the hot dogs and served LHB and prospective LHB individuals.
19. **Distributing the annual LHB gift on 8/28/23.** Dr. Croomes requested 420 Port Authority Upright Crossbody Bags marked with a burnt orange “LHB” as the students would need and appreciate them. The students were in fact thrilled to receive our gift.
20. **Creating a new endowed scholarship focused on financial need.** Through donations over the past few years, a new endowed scholarship has been created. If you would like to support the endowment, please make a check payable to LHABCF, and send it to LHABCF, c/o 1816 Margaret Street, Austin, Texas 78704. Be sure to indicate its purpose in support of the financial need based endowment. Thank you for creating and supporting this endowed scholarship.
21. **Helping UT advance a new fundraising program to recognize planned giving with the Script Texas Society.** You’ll hear more over Band Day weekend about this exciting program to honor those who commit to a legacy gift that supports LHB. Unlike other ways of giving, no immediate donation is required, but rather supporters pledge a portion of their estate as a gift to support LHB. Based upon the amount of your estimated gift, the President’s office

will make an immediate financial award to LHB to thank you, and those presidential funds can be used to support current LHB needs, such as instruments, scholarships, or operational costs. You'll be recognized in the new Script Texas Society (the details are amazing!) by UT for your generosity, and your (entirely revocable) gift helps LHB plan for a secure financial future. For more information, please contact Kent Kostka at kentkostka@gmail.com or talk to any member of the Board of Trustees. Even small estate gifts can make a huge difference, and we need more LHAB members to answer the "call to" and leave a legacy gift. Thank you to our LHAB members who have already pledged a portion of their estate.

22. **Working with the LHAB Board of Trustees and UT Development to create an entire array of outreach programs to increase financial support for LHB**, including the Script Texas Society, surveys to learn more about LHAB members' interest in different ways of supporting LHB, new annual fund programs to support current LHB operations, new outreach to solicit support from the entire UT community, and the President's Office making LHB funding a "University Priority." These powerful initiatives will help guarantee that LHB will enter the SEC next year as the finest and best-supported marching band in the nation.
23. **Opening and updating the LHAB online merchandise store.** LHAB officers continue to work toward offering more items through our online store. UniquePrints operates the store and makes donations to LHABCF supporting LHB scholarships. Thank you UniquePrints for supporting LHB and LHAB.

24. **Convening a Membership Perk Review Committee.** The committee polled our LHAB membership for input regarding the annual perks provided and whether they planned on renewing their membership at the same level. The committee recommended adjustments to our perks for 2023-2024 which were approved by the LHAB Officers and LHAB Board of Directors. The approved membership perks were presented to our membership prior to the recurring dues being collected. This was the first year that dues were collected automatically aligned with the LHAB fiscal year. Thank you to all the individuals that served on the Membership Perk Review Committee. Thank you also to all our members who continue supporting LHB and LHAB through renewing your dues. These funds truly make a difference in the lives of LHB students and what LHAB provides them.
25. **Planning and preparing for Band Day 2023.** Changes have been made to support a more expeditious rehearsal. With the rehearsal flowing smoothly we'll be able to enjoy barbecue for our Band Day meal rather than breakfast tacos. Regardless of kick-off time, even 11:00 a.m., we'll enjoy Black's BBQ. Thank you to all the individuals that spent so much of their time and talents making Band Day 2023 the best Band Day ever.
26. **Blasting the Leadership Application to 4,000+ LHAB members soliciting volunteers and nominations for the 2023-2024 LHAB Leadership Team.** Facilitating an electronic vote to elect the slate of leadership nominations and the addition of one Honorary LHAB Member – Ken Capps. Thank you to all the individuals that offered

their name for consideration on the 2023-2024 Leadership Team. We have a tremendous slate for our Leadership Team.

In closing, I cannot express enough how humbling it is to serve you, UT, and LHB. It has been my honor to represent you this past year. You will never know how much personal gratification I was able to experience by serving our great organization. Thank you for this opportunity.

I encourage and invite each of you to consider two (2) things: First, **please volunteer to help guide and sustain our association as an Officer, Board of Director, Board of Trustee, or Committee member.** For the more recent graduates, this is especially important. You are the lifeblood of our organization. You have new ideas which we look forward to incorporating. We always need individuals willing to commit a minimal amount of time that will make great strides keeping LHB and LHAB at the forefront of college bands or alumni bands. Second, **remember all the opportunities which exist in financially supporting LHB.** If you would like to make a donation or leave a legacy, anything and everything helps. With your help, anything is possible.

Please enjoy your time this weekend shared with all the members of LHAB. We are truly lucky to receive this gift recalling our time on the Forty Acres and taking the football field to show our ongoing pride in the University of Texas, and the Longhorn Band.

Gratefully submitted,

Randy Storm

President, 2022-2023

Outgoing Longhorn Alumni Band Leadership

Please give these volunteer leaders your
sincere thanks for their service!

2022-2023 LONGHORN ALUMNI BAND OFFICERS (1-Year Terms)

President	Randall Storm
President-Elect	Shirley Cumby
Past-President	Jack Green
Scholarship Officer	Richard Robinson
Secretary	Larry Cashell
Treasurer	David Wheeler
Communications Officer	Matthew Afflerbaugh
Music and Merchandise Coordinator	John Purdy
Property Manager	Teresa Hastings
Registrar	Lisa Vasquez
Technology Officer	Ben Lee Schneider
Archivist	Catherine Whited
Austin Area Representative	George Moxley
Dallas Area Representative	Michael Haecker
Houston Area Representative	Jeanne Southern
San Antonio Area Representative	Gabriel Durand-Hollis
Rio Grande Valley Area Representative	Joaquin Zamora

KKY Liaison	Eddie Martinez
TBS Liaison	Amy Thomas
LHB Liaison	Moises Correa
NAoAB Liaison	Geof Sloan
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**2022-2023 LONGHORN ALUMNI BAND
APPOINTED ASSISTANTS**

Assistant Scholarship	Moises Correa
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Assistant Communications	Chris Albino
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Assistant Austin Area Rep	Matthew Afflerbaugh
Assistant Dallas Area Rep	Kathy O'Connor
Assistant Houston Area Rep	Edwin Spinks, Scott Johnson
Assistant San Antonio Area Rep	David Guadiano
Assistant Rio Grande Valley Area Rep	Vicky Guerra

**2022-2023 LONGHORN ALUMNI BAND
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Don Haynes	3-year term, expires 2023
Kyle Walker	3-year term, expires 2023
Barbara Helbert	3-year term, expires 2024

Heather Knolle	3-year term, expires 2024
Chris Albino	3-year term, expires 2025
Julia Webber	3-year term, expires 2025
Randall Storm	LHAB President/BOD Chair, 1-year term
Jack Green	LHAB Past President, 1-year term
Shirley Cumby	LHAB President-Elect, 1-year term

**2022-2023 LHAB CHARITABLE FUND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Kent Kostka, President	3-year term, expires 2023
Cathy Sorsby, Secretary	3-year term, expires 2024
Jo Lyn Peters, Treasurer	2-year term, expires 2024
Greg Wilson	2-year term, expires 2023
Bill Phillips	3-year term, expires 2025
Randall Storm, LHAB President	1-year term, expires 2023

**Minutes of LHAB's Friday Night Rehearsal &
Business Meeting**

October 14, 2022

Darrell K. Royal – Texas Memorial Stadium

7:00 – 9:00 pm

Call to Order: Jack Green, LHAB President

**Welcome and Recognition of LHAB Members by
Decade:** Jack Green, LHAB President

Welcome and Recognition of Guests:

1. Dr. Ramón Rivera-Servera, Dean of the College of Fine Arts
2. Sondra Lomax, Executive Director and Assistant Dean
3. UT Development Officers Gina Hollis, Alex Scull and Jen'ai James
4. Bob Cole and Bill Little, new Honorary Members
5. The University of Texas Band Staff – Professor Jerry Junkin, Dr. Ryan Kelly, Dr. Cliff Croomes, Dr. LaToya Webb, Dr. Drew Dickey, Delia Tovar Botbol and Ashley Spears
6. Eric Spille, Kentex Metals, Builder of Bertha II
7. Byron Cain Jr. spoke. He donated his father's 1939 letter blanket.

Special Recognition of Thanks:

1. JP Kirksey Gift – Big Bertha Book. Mr. Kirksey spoke at length about his relationship with Moton Crockett and dedicated the book to him.
2. Centennial Celebration Artwork – Dan Gremminger
3. Flip Folders – Dr. Cliff Croomes and LHB Staff, and Josh Gall, Ultimate Drill Book

Recognition of Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees: Jack Green

Recognition of Retiring Officers: Michelle Oestrick – Secretary, Jo Lyn Peters – Scholarship, Cyndy Wren – Treasurer, Jeanne Yturri – Immediate Past President

Recognition of Retiring Board of Directors: David Carter, Sara Beth Purdy

Remarks and Music Rehearsal: Dr. Cliff Croomes,

LHB Director and LHAB Member (Texas Fight)

Remarks: Dr. Ramón Rivera-Servera and Sondra Lomax

Remarks and Music Rehearsal: Professor Jerry Junkin, Director of Bands and LHAB Member (March of the Longhorns)

Recognition of new LHAB Honorary Members: Jack Green

1. Brien Smith – Introduced by Bill Phillips
2. John Massey – Introduced by Bill Phillips
3. Bob Cole – Introduced by Geof Sloan
4. Bill Little – Introduced by Jeanne Yturri

Special Bertha Day Proclamations: Geof Sloan and Donna Beth McCormick

Remarks and Music Rehearsal: Dr. Ryan Kelley, Associate Director of Bands (Calypso)

Vote to Approve LHAB Annual Business Meeting Minutes from November 12, 2021: Jack Green

- Multiple motions to approve
- Unanimous approval

Amazon Smiles Campaign: Cathy Sorsby, BOT Member

BOT Report: Bill Phillips, Cathy Sorsby and Jo Lyn Peters
Greg Wilson introduces Gina Hollis and Jen'ai James
Follow up comment – Dr. Cliff Croomes and/or Professor Jerry Junkin

- The committee announced the new “75 Challenge” which when the goal of raising \$75 million is

completed, will allow LHAB to offer a scholarship to all LHB members

BOD Report: David Carter, BOD Member

Bertha Video #3

Remarks and Music Rehearsal: Drew Dickey, New LHB Assistant Director of Bands (Bertha Fanfare)

Brief Halftime Show Description: Drew Dickey

LHBSA Report: Molly Mathis, LHBSA President

TBS Greeting: Nick Hartman, TBS President

KKY Greeting: Tilo Garcia, KKY President

Passing of the Dunagan Hat: Jo Lyn Peters

Remarks & Music Rehearsal: Paula Booth, LHB Drum Major 2022 (Grandioso)

In Memoriam:

Kathy Wailes Hutchison

Clarinet, 1964-1966

Max Loughmiller

Sousaphone, 1958-1962

(Co-Founder Member of LHAB)

Tommy Nunn

Jerry Schwab

Baritone, 1964-1969

Jim Schwobel

Sousaphone, 1967-1969

The following were announced by members present.

- Terry Richter
- Mike Parker
- Lauren Banja

Swearing in of 2022-2023 LHAB Leadership Team:
Jeanne Yturri, Immediate Past President

Treasurer’s Report: Cynthia Wren, Treasurer

Passing of the Gavel: Jack Green to Randy Storm

Saturday Reminders: Randy Storm, LHAB President
2022-23

Music Rehearsal – Special Message to Paula Crider:
Dr. Cliff Croomes to conduct The Eyes of Texas

**The Longhorn Alumni Band Statement of
Financial Position
June 30, 2023**

ASSETS

Cash	38,972
Total Assets	38,972

**LIABILITIES AND NET
ASSETS**

Liabilities	
Texas Sales Tax Payable	447
Unrestricted Net Assets	38,525
Total Liabilities & Equity	38,972

Statement Of Activities

July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

REVENUES

Member Dues

Burnt Orange (\$25)	9,300
Script Texas (\$50)	5,450
Calypso (\$100)	8,700
Wabash (\$250)	7,500
Grandioso (\$500)	5,000
Big Bertha (\$1000)	3,000

Total Member Dues/Registration 38,950

Band Day Events Income

Marching Registration	14,210
BBQ Income	6,885
Football Tickets	13,300
Instrument/Flag Rental	1,260

Total Band Day Events Income 35,655

Spirit Items 915

Instrument Sales 9,367

Total Revenue **84,887**

EXPENSES

Band Day Expenses

BBQ Expense	9,477
Football Tickets Purchased	13,420
Bank/ Credit Card Charges	3,008
Insurance	1,588
Nametags	3,345
Plaques, Gifts & Thank You	525
Rentals	5,207
Supplies	4,391
Transportation/Shuttle	5,556

Band Day Expenses - Other	1,668	
Total Band Day Expenses	<u>1,668</u>	48,185
Gifts to Longhorn Band		4,013
Administrative Expenses		
Accounting	800	
Archives & Historian	209	
Computer/Web Hosting		
Expense	3,470	
Equipment Storage & Repair	1,419	
insurance - D & O	1,449	
LHB Events	440	
Licenses and Fees	110	
Membership Level Benefits	3,925	
National Assoc Alumni		
Band-Dues	250	
NAoAB Symposium Travel &		
Exp	2,128	
Office Supplies	839	
Postage and Delivery	23	
Rent Expense	2,764	
Scholarship Reception	5,577	
Storage Moving Expenses	346	
Tributes and Acknowledgments	<u>262</u>	
Total Administrative Expenses		<u>24,011</u>
Total Expenses		<u>76,209</u>
Change in Net Assets		8,678
Net Assets - Beginning of Year		<u>29,847</u>
Net Assets - End of Year		<u>38,525</u>

Annual Report Of The Board Of Directors
LONGHORN ALUMNI BAND, A TEXAS
CORPORATION

Throughout 2022-2023, the Board of Directors convened for regular quarterly meetings and to conduct other business as needed. During these meetings, Board Members were presented with reports by the LHAB President, evaluated pertinent policy issues, and extensively deliberated factors about our organization's future. We are excited to continue our work with Longhorn Band Director Dr. Cliff Croomes and share his enthusiasm for LHB. Highlights from the last year include:

- Updates to the LHAB Handbook to clarify issues and policies.
- Approval of submitted individuals for potential Honorary LHAB membership.
- Worked with the Horns Up Golf Classic to contact possible donors for the tournament. Thanks to Chris Albino for his help with this process.
- Revisions to the LHAB Code of Ethics based on the Code of Ethics Committee recommendation to clarify the Code before Band Day 2023. Thanks to Heather Knolle and the Code of Ethics Committee for all their hard work updating the Handbook and Code of Ethics for LHAB members.
- Discussions and planning activities related to Band Day 2023.
- Provided support to the Officers as needed.
- Reviewed the work of the Uniform Committee concerning long-term options for the LHAB uniforms and approved their recommendation of keeping the existing uniform with the addition of the LHAB logo.

Comprising a diverse and considerate assembly of members, the Board collaborates closely to enhance LHAB and fulfill its service to the Longhorn Band. LHAB President, Randall Storm, has demonstrated exceptional leadership, dedicating tireless efforts to the betterment of this organization. All you have accomplished in the past 12 months will be eternally appreciated. The Board looks forward to working with our new LHAB President, Shirley Cumby, in the coming year.

Your Board of Directors,

Randall Storm (LHAB President)

Chris Albino

Shirley Cumby

Jack Green

Don Haynes

Barbara Helbert

Heather Knolle

Kyle Walker

Julia Webber

Annual Report Of The Board Of Trustees Of The Longhorn Alumni Band Charitable Fund

Once again, the generosity and Longhorn spirit of the “Blast From the Past” resonates throughout the LHB family in the form of student scholarship support. Thanks to the endowments created and supported by what is now generations of LHAB members, **over 140 scholarships were awarded to LHB students this year**, with additional support for LHB itself from the Legacy Fund helping support the band. These scholarships are paid from endowments funded almost entirely through gifts from LHB alumni, and your efforts continue to demonstrate the solid

support LHAB and its members provide for the Longhorn Band and its students.

Every year you read how big things are coming ahead, but this year has truly been a transformative one. **In 2023, President Jay Hartzell declared fundraising for LHB to be a “University Priority,”** and committed immense resources to the task of establishing truly first-class funding to strengthen and support LHB as UT moves to the SEC. In the coming year, you’ll see UT roll out initiatives designed to solicit financial support for LHB from every corner of the UT community, from outside alumni to supportive local businesses such as the University Co-Op, from corporate sponsors to parents, and much more. The purpose is to meet President Hartzell’s ambitious goal of a **\$75M endowment for LHB** and insure LHB will be the nation’s finest and best-supported collegiate band program. This is a *massive* undertaking, and we thank President Hartzell for his support and commitment.

You’ll be hearing from UT about this, asking you to step up in one or more of the many ways we can all support LHB. **This is not just something for big donors!** The new Script Texas Society will recognize those who make a commitment to support LHB through a legacy or estate gift. There will be a new LHB annual fund drive, as well as other initiatives rolled out by UT Development. The Board of Trustees (BOT) has been asking for these things for years, and we are immensely grateful to UT, but it’s also up to our membership to step up. When you are contacted by UT about the different ways to give, take the time to read and find a way to give that suits your personal circumstances as well as your specialized passions within LHB: student support, instruments, flags, archival preservation, uniforms. There will be many ways to support LHB.

At Band Day, some special representatives from UT will be unveiling these initiatives and more, and we think it will be worth everyone's time to join us at the Friday night rehearsal to hear about the excitement ahead.

Finally, the BOT continues to need energetic, dedicated LHAB members of all ages to join us in helping UT with all this. Your voice *matters*, and if you have a background in communications, writing, marketing, fund-raising, or digital marketing, we really need your help. Or if you just have a strong drive to support LHB, WE WANT YOU. Please send an email to:

LHABCharitableFund@gmail.com.

There has never been a better time to be a proud member of LHAB. We thank you all for everything you've done and look forward to working as a group to support the band that means so much to all of us.

Hook 'em!

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Sorsby, Trustee

Bill Phillips, Trustee

Kent Kostka, Trustee

Jo Lyn Peters, Trustee

Greg Wilson, Trustee

The Longhorn Alumni Band Charitable Fund is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that is part of the Alumni Band family, and the Board of Trustees is the 5-person board of Alumni Band members that oversees the LHABCF. Originally created to manage the scholarship endowment funded by LHAB members, the LHABCF has transitioned to fund-raising and development activities, all in support of the Showband of the Southwest.

Longhorn Alumni Band Charitable Fund, Inc. Scholarship Recipients

The University of Texas Investment Management Company (“UTIMCO”) governs and manages the scholarship funds for the Longhorn Alumni Band Charitable Trust Fund. Due to the earlier Band Day date for 2023, the scholarship recipient list is not available at this time. Information regarding scholarships will be announced via Blast and our website by mid-October 2023.

Incoming Longhorn Alumni Band Leadership

These members have been nominated for the following positions and their election will be confirmed once leadership voting ends on September 25, 2023

2023-2024 LONGHORN ALUMNI BAND OFFICERS

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Registrar	Kerry Dove
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Archivist	Catherine Whited
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Dallas Area Representative	Michael Haecker
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Assistant Treasurer	Faith Allen
Assistant Communications	Chris Albino
Assistant Registrar	TBD
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Assistant Austin Area Rep	TBD

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Assistant Houston Area Rep	Edwin Spinks, Scott Johnson
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Assistant Rio Grande Valley Area Rep	TBD

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Barbara Helbert	3-year term, expires 2024
Heather Knolle	3-year term, expires 2024
Chris Albino	3-year term, expires 2025 LHAB President-Elect, 1-year term
Julia Webber	3-year term, expires 2025
Don Haynes	3-year term, expires 2026
Kyle Walker	3-year term, expires 2026
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Bill Phillips	3-year term, expires 2025
Greg Wilson	2-year term, expires 2025

Shirley Cumby,
LHAB President

1-year term, expires 2023

2023-2024 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Randall Storm, LHAB Past
President and Chair

1-year term, expires 2024

Faith Allen

2-year term, expires 2024

Jeanne Yturri

2-year term, expires 2024

Whitney Coons

2-year term, expires 2025

Trina Martin

2-year term, expires 2025

Longhorn Alumni Band Oath Of Office

Please raise your right hand in the traditional Hook ‘em sign and answer each of these questions with orange-blooded pride and a clear and resounding “yes”.

1. Are you at this time a member in good standing of the Longhorn Alumni Band?
2. Do you agree to promote fellowship among current members and alumni of the University of Texas Longhorn Band?
3. Do you agree to lend support and assistance, financially and otherwise, to the Longhorn Alumni Band and the University of Texas Longhorn Band through the selection of worthwhile projects and by personal efforts?
4. Are you willing and able to devote the necessary time for the execution of the duties imposed by the positions to which you were elected or appointed?

Since you have accepted the responsibilities of your respective positions, you are hereby installed as the Leadership Team for the University of Texas Longhorn Alumni Band.

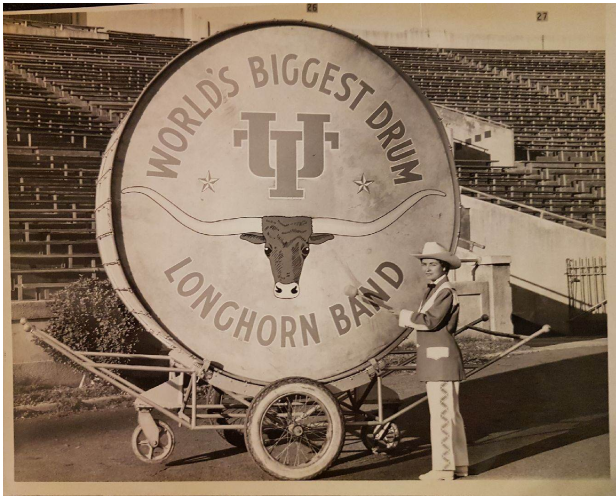
Congratulations and Hook 'em Horns!

Founding Members Of The Longhorn Alumni Band

In January 1964, James and Patsy Hejl (LHB 1958-1961) were approached by Jane and Vince DiNino to start an alumni band similar to the alumni band at The University of Minnesota. After some discussion, James and Patsy got to work making lists of LHB members using their copies of the Cactus Yearbook and the Austin phone book, placing names on 3x5 index cards on their kitchen table. It did not take long to realize they needed help, so three other former Longhorn Band couples were recruited. They quickly had a list of 500 names of former Longhorn Band members who became the first to call themselves the Blast from the Past. Their first reunion back in Austin to celebrate their LHB family bond was in 1964 with 67 members attending.

We salute these founding members of the Longhorn Alumni Band:

Vincent & Jane DiNino
Richard & Betty Ruth Dove
Malcom & Rebecca Fox
James & Patsy Hejl
Max & Pat Loughmiller



Pictured: Pat Loughmiller

**Honorary Members Of The Longhorn
Alumni Band**
(nominated for 2023)*

Doris Beresford

John Hammerlee

Dick Blair

Dr. Scott Hanna

Mack Brown

Joseph Jamail, Jr.

General D. Harold Byrd, Sr.

Lee Jamail

D. Harold Byrd, Jr.

Eileen Johnson

Byron W. Cain, Jr.

Morris Johnson

Ken Capps*

Jack Keene

Dr. Robert Carnochan

Dr. Thomas Lee

Bob Cole

Bill Little

Jody Conradt

John Massey

Weldon Covington	Doug Messer
Verna Covington	Lt. Cmdr. Anthony Mitchell
Dr. Paula Crider	Blanche Pearson
Ronald Crutcher	John Pearson
Jane DiNino	Wally Pryor
Timothy Sloan-DiNino	Jewel Popham Raschke
Vincent R. DiNino	Tom Rhodes
DeLoss Dodds	Dr. Kevin Sedatole
Lucy Dunagan	Brien Smith
Larry Faulkner	Louis Sudler
Minnie Goldbeck Fincher	Billy Swor, Jr.
Dr. Robert Freeman	Carolyn Williams

HONORARY LHAB LIFE MEMBERS

Lee & Joseph Jamail (deceased)
DeLoss Dodds

Longhorn Alumni Band Past Presidents

1964-1965	Richard Dove	1994-1995	Nan Ellis
1965-1966	Art Cory	1995-1996	Bob Purdy
1966-1967	H.B. Dunagan	1996-1997	Nancy Siegmund Murphy

1967-1968	Randle Tankersley	1997-1998	Heidi Proctor Bryant
1968-1969	Budge Mabry	1998-1999	David Carter
1969-1970	Tommy Cowan	1999-2000	Susan LaRonde
1970-1971	Garland Hagood	2000-2001	Allan Adelman
1971-1972	Ken Sandberg, Sr.	2001-2002	John Fleming
1972-1973	J.P. Kirksey	2002-2003	Ben Lee Schneider
1973-1974	Glenn Richter	2003-2004	Lucas Horton
1974-1975	Don Mayer	2004-2005	Karissa King Horton
1975-1976	Mike Haecker	2005-2006	George Moxley
1976-1977	Tom Waggoner	2006-2007	Donna Beth McCormick
1977-1978	George Greene	2007-2008	Scott Hendrix
1978-1979	Dan Haik	2008-2009	Christi Cuellar

1979-1980	Robert Pugh	2009-2010	Coral Noonan-Terry
1980-1981	David Childs	2010-2011	Janice Crosby McKennon
1981-1982	Ken Crone	2011-2012	Karen Hanson
1982-1983	Moton Crockett	2012-2013	Eddie Lopez
1983-1984	Emmett Harrison	2013-2014	Nefertiti Williams
1984-1985	Ann Yelderman	2014-2015	Nefertiti Williams
1985-1986	Alan Ford	2015-2016	Jo Lyn Peters
1986-1987	Bob Avant	2016-2017	Joe Dahlstrom
1987-1988	Chuck Ellis	2017-2018	Sara Beth Purdy
1988-1989	Art Graf	2018-2019	Geof Sloan
1989-1990	Cathy Bruce Purdy	2019-2020	Heather Knolle
1990-1991	Mark Hastings	2020-2021	Jeanne Yturri
1991-1992	Gregg Wilson	2021-2022	Jack Green
1992-1993	Diane Gorzycki	2022-2023	Randall

1993-1994 Scott Harmon

We all recognize the unique roles our members and leaders play in promoting and advocating for the LHAB, the Showband of the Southwest and providing donor dollars for student scholarships. Our LHAB Officers, Board members and Trustees serve as advisers, decision makers, problem solvers, and advocates of the LHAB.

It should be noted that these individuals are invaluable volunteers who put in countless hours attending meetings and supporting their communities advocating for the LHAB, the Longhorn Band (LHB) and The University of Texas. Serving as an officer, appointed assistant, committee member, board member, or Charitable Fund trustee is a challenging and important role. These volunteers help guide the alumni organization in preparation for Band Day, alumni band initiatives and foster scholarship development for our LHB student musicians helping them succeed in college while enjoying the benefits of playing in LHB.

Our entire band family organization benefits from the dedicated energies and valuable time these volunteer members commit to, and we offer thanks and gratitude to them and recognize these contributions reflect a year-round commitment. The LHAB is very fortunate to have such thoughtful and dedicated members guiding and supporting our organization.

THANK YOU for all that you do!!!

Hook 'em Horns
LHAB

History Of The President's Gavel

These words are taken from the plaque on the gavel case:

Completely hand-turned from pine blocks salvaged from the barracks building which stood at 500 East 23rd Street and served as the "temporary" home of the Longhorn Band from 1947-1969.

The President's Gavel is given annually to the incoming President.

Presented to President Garland Hagood at the 7th Annual Meeting at the Villa Capri Club Caravan Oct. 3, 1970 (Texas 20 - UCLA 17)

Designed by Tommy Cowan (LHB 1963-1968)

Made by J.P. Kirksey (LHB 1962-1965)

History Of The H.B. Dunagan, Jr. Scholarship Hat

H.B. Dunagan was LHAB President from 1966-67. Being of the old school and because his hair was a little thin on top, he always wore a hat. Members of the Alumni Band first made the effort to collect funds for scholarships at our 2nd annual meeting as a way to give something back to the great organization that first brought us together. H.B. modestly offered his hat to be passed around to collect scholarship money, and each year thereafter he repeated the gesture.

H.B. passed away in 1974 and his widow, Lucy, gave the hat he wore during his year as president to the LHAB so that we could continue this worthy tradition. Donna Beth McCormick, a dear friend of H.B. and Lucy, added the needlepoint "Band" as a highlight to the hat and remains its

caretaker to this day. While other practical containers are passed around now, the hat remains a treasured symbol of the willingness to volunteer and support the Longhorn Band. Scholarships are a strong foundation of the LHAB, so help us keep the tradition alive by giving what you can when the “hat” comes by.

Longhorn Band President's Ring
Irwin Curtis Popham
Drum Major, 1939-1943
LHB President, 1942-1943

Following his graduation from Austin High School, Curtis Popham entered The University in 1939 to pursue a BBA degree. In addition to his Longhorn Band activities, Curtis was an outstanding student and involved in many other campus organizations: Cowboys, Chi Phi, Kappa Kappa Psi, Varsity Basketball, Friars, Rogues and Who's Who. During World War II, Lieutenant Curtis Popham was a B-17 pilot in the Army Air Corps. Curtis, and his crew, were killed on his 22nd birthday, January 13, 1945, when his loaded plane exploded over Germany after being hit by heavy ground fire. Remembering his exuberance and love for the Longhorn Band, Curtis' parents presented his class ring to the Band to be worn by future Presidents. The ring represents a valued link between Longhorn Bands of many eras, each with its own distinctive images, memories and traditions, and each contributing to a continuing legacy of excellence. Symbolic of this unbroken link with previous eras, the ring passes from President to President. The ring that is presented now is a replica of the original ring that had become very worn over time. The replica, presented at Alumni Band Day on October 4, 1996, can be worn on a daily basis by the Band President.

Big Bertha

Brass Plaque Inscription

Manufactured by Leedy & Ludwig Drum Division of C. G. Conn Music Company for the University of Chicago - delivered October, 1922; shell sized to fit drum heads made from largest steers available at Chicago Stock Yards.

Purchased for The University at the suggestion of General D. Harold Byrd, longtime benefactor of the Longhorn Band and The University. Acquired in December 1954 for \$1.00 and transported from Elkhardt, Indiana to Austin, Texas by Longhorn Band Director Moton H. Crockett, Jr. Refurbished spring & summer of 1955 by M. H. Crockett; presented to incoming Longhorn Band Director, Vincent R. DiNino.

The History of Big Bertha

Date of Birth – October, 1922 in Elkhart, Indiana

Adopted by the Longhorn Band – August, 1955 in Austin, Texas

Reborn – August, 2007 in Austin, Texas

Overseas Travel – January 1, 2015 to London, England

Retired – October 15, 2022 in Austin, Texas

During the spring and summer of 2007, Bertha traveled to the Remo Drum Company in Valencia, California for a complete overhaul. Her shell was stripped and damaged wood was replaced. She was completely cleaned and repainted. New heads, new aluminum counter hoops, new lettering (actually a decal), and re-plated hardware. While she was in California, her carriage was redone here in Austin. The carriage was cleaned, old welds were redone, tie-down loops attached, new mounting brackets fabricated, and the entire carriage was powder coated white with burnt orange spoke wheels. New tires and balance wheels were installed. The carriage was ready when Bertha arrived back in Austin on August 17, 2007 but the new mounting brackets had to be slightly modified. On August 24, 2007 a group of KKY pledges led by President Eddie Lopez along with Moton Crockett, J. P. Kirksey, George Moxley, and David Jones met

at the Band Hall and successfully attached Bertha to her carriage and she was ready for her debut on September 1, 2007.

On New Year's Day 2015, Bertha attended her first overseas event as she lead in the London's New Year's Day Parade with the Longhorn Alumni Band, which was capped off by a performance under the historic Big Ben clock tower and thousands of adoring Great Britain and European fans ringing in the new year of 2015. Under the watchful eye of her crew, Big Bertha continues to stay fashionable with her receipt of a new set of drum heads designed by Longhorn Band Senior Administrative Associate Alexandra Gotilboski and provided by the Remo Drum Company debuting at the first home football game in 2016.

On October 15, 2022 Big Bertha was officially retired after 100 years of service during the halftime show of Alumni Band Day Weekend. She is proudly on display in The Frank Denius Family University of Texas Athletics Hall of Fame located in the North end zone of Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium.

Friends And Supporters

Longhorn Band

Cliff Croomes	Director, Longhorn Band
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Courtney Jeans	Immediate Past President

Longhorn Band Student Association President's Report

Hello! My name is Azili Omar, and I am incredibly excited to serve as this year's LHBSA President. I have been in LHB for the past four years as a member of the silk section and am humbled and thrilled to have been chosen by my peers to lead LHBSA for this season. We have a lot of plans and goals for this year, which I can't wait to share with you all.

Throughout the summer, our new member advisors did incredible work in facilitating marching clinics as well as info sessions at freshman orientation. They have engaged the new members and have motivated seven of them to run for new member representative, for which we held elections this last week. Band week was incredibly successful, particularly with their help, and we have an enthusiastic set of new members to teach about all of our traditions.

As we went into band week, LHBSA had the opportunity to better explain to the entire band what we do, as well as why they should become members. We usually only give this spiel to new members, but noticed people seemed to be confused about exactly what we do. Thankfully, Dr. Croomes was able to give us space to explain and hopefully encourage a higher number of people to become members. We further helped facilitate prowl to allow new students to learn about all of the amazing organizations we have within the band, and the event went very smoothly.

We have a lot of plans for the rest of the semester! First, we have just concluded our first fundraiser of selling shirts for family weekend. We hope to have another fundraiser using shirts for the alumni weekend as well and are finalizing the design soon. Unfortunately, there will not be a 40 for Forty

fundraiser this fall, but we are excited to concentrate our efforts into fundraising in the spring. Apart from that, we have been workshopping several ideas including LHBSA merch as well as profit shares with local restaurants.

This year's LHBSA council has done some incredible work and I am so grateful to have such a diligent team. Our Service and Sustainability VP and chair have been communicating to ensure a smooth process in composting during game days. Sustainability is especially important to us, and having composting for the entire band has allowed us to be more mindful of the environmental impact we have. Our VP Social has already booked venues for both our annual Holiday Party and Spring Banquet, both of which we are incredibly excited for. Having events like these allows for celebration of the band's accomplishments as well as reflection on the opportunities of LHB.

As we progress through the season, I am continuously awed by the hard work and dedication that I see from not just the entire band, but the directors as well. Our directors and staff work tirelessly to ensure we have a fun and safe season, and I am truly thankful for everything they do. We are also extremely grateful for all the support provided by LHAB, and the time and effort you all put into creating a memorable experience for current LHB members. Everyone was so excited for the new LHAB gift which I've been seeing people use around campus.

We appreciate everything that you all do for us and thank you for showing us that the impact of LHB on our lives reaches far beyond undergrad. On behalf of myself and the rest of LHBSA council, thank you for everything, and Hook 'em!

In Memoriam

Jerry Cole

Trumpet; 1954-1958

John Fleming

Piccolo; 1986-1992

Phillip Warren Hart

Trombone; 1959-1961

Newell “Wayne” King

Trombone; 1985-1989

Bill Little

Longtime Longhorn Athletics Administrator
Honorary LHAB Member

Mike Parker

TUBA!; 1984-1990

Richard Relyea

Trumpet; 1965-1968

*For anyone we may have missed, we truly apologize.
Please submit any “In Memoriam” names via [our website](#).*

LHAB’s Friday Night Rehearsal & Business Meeting Agenda September 29, 2023 Longhorn Band Hall 7:00 – 9:00 pm

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome and Recognition of LHAB Members by Decade
3. Welcome and Recognition of Guests

4. Special Presentations
 - Byrd Senior Award
 - Big Bertha Mallets
5. Recognition of Officers, Board of Directors, and Board of Trustees
6. Recognition of Retiring Officers
7. Remarks from Dr. Cliff Croomes, LHB Director and LHAB Member
8. Music Rehearsal: Texas Fight
9. Remarks from Professor Susan Thomas, Director, Sarah and Ernest Butler School of Music
10. Remarks from Professor Jerry Junkin, Director of Bands and LHAB Member
11. Music Rehearsal: March of the Longhorns
12. Remarks from Gay Gaddis, President and Chair, Texas Exes
13. Music Rehearsal: Calypso
14. Vote to Approve [LHAB Annual Business Meeting Minutes from October 14, 2022](#)
15. LHAB Charitable Fund Board of Trustees Report
16. LHAB Board of Directors Report
17. Remarks and Brief Halftime Show Description
18. Longhorn Band Student Association President's Report
19. Tau Beta Sigma Report
20. Kappa Kappa Psi Report
21. LHAB Treasurer's Report

22. Passing of the Dunagan Hat
 23. Remarks from LHAB Drum Majors
 24. Music Rehearsal: March Grandioso
 25. In Memoriam
 26. Swearing in of the 2023-2024 LHAB Leadership Team
 27. Passing of the President's Gavel
 28. Saturday Reminders
 29. Music Rehearsal: The Eyes of Texas
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**Visit <https://lhab.org/schedule/>
for the Band Day weekend
schedule.**

**Come back next year & watch for
playing events during the year!**

For information on how to become more involved with the LHAB in your area or on Band Day in Austin, please contact lhhabpresident@gmail.com