

# Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame

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On behalf of the membership of the Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Mu, I cordially invite you to attend this year's Texas Bandmasters Hall of Fame ceremony. It will be held on Saturday, July 22, at 2:00 p.m. at the Marriott Riverwalk Hotel, Salon C.

The Class of 2017 includes **Sammy Almany, Harry D. Blake, Jim Cain, Larry Campbell, Gerald Fagan, Mike Marsh, Danny Prado, Glenn Richter, Verda Shine, Randy Storie, and Denny Whitley**. Membership in the Hall of Fame originates with nominations received from a variety of sources. There is a standing committee that investigates potential candidates that are received from the general public, music educators, and Phi Beta Mu members. Candidates do not have to be a member of Phi Beta Mu to be eligible. Requirements are that the candidate is at least 65 years of age (or deceased) and retired, have taught a minimum of 10 years in the state of Texas, and have produced and maintained a consistently outstanding band program. You may acquire nomination forms from the Hall of Fame Committee chairman, Ben Gollehon, at [bengollehon@att.net](mailto:bengollehon@att.net)



or contact me, Gary Wells, at [gwells2505@aol.com](mailto:gwells2505@aol.com) and I will be happy to send you one.

We feel this is one of the premier events of the TBA Convention/Clinic. We recognize the contributions of music educators who have made a difference in the bands of Texas. I invite you to visit the Phi Beta Mu web site (which can be accessed on the TMEA web page) to view the biographies of past inductee—this is a wealth of band history. These eminent

men and women made our band programs today possible. You will be inspired by their commitment to excellence and their perseverance in overcoming obstacles.

Phi Beta Mu will be sponsoring two clinics at the TBA Convention/Clinic. Friday, 8:00 a.m. in Room CC214AB is *Vertical Alignment Strategies for Your Band Program* with clinicians **Andy Sealy, Rylon Guidry, Kim Cooley, and Rob Chilton**, all from the Hebron Band Cluster. Friday, 4:30 p.m. in Room CC214CD is *Mentoring: It's Not Just for Kids! The Head Director's Role in Mentoring Their Assistants* with clinician **Gabe Musella** from Spring High School.

Finally, I invite you to hear the **Phi Beta Mu Directors Band** presenting the *Reading Session for New Concert Music* on Friday, July 21 in Room CC217ABC. **Randy Vaughn** will conduct Grade 3 music (10:30-11:00 a.m.); **Cheryl Floyd** will conduct Grade 2 music (11:00-11:30 a.m.); and **Cindy Lansford** will conduct Grade 1 music (11:30 a.m.-12:00 noon).

See you in San Antonio!

