



Spoke Newsletter

Wednesday September 13, 2017

Attendance: 28 (64%) Attendance with make ups: 32 (73%)

Program Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Steve Taylor, UNL Food Science Professor

Program arranged by Paul Horton

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Tony Falcone, Director of Cornhusker Marching Band
Program arranged by Rachel Martin



Anthony M. Falcone is the Associate Director of Bands at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. His duties include directing the Cornhusker Marching Band, conducting the Symphonic Band, teaching instrumental arranging, and assisting with the administration of all university bands. He is also active in the Percussion Studio, teaching lessons, and conducting the Percussion Ensemble. He has held previous appointments at the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville; James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia; and Truman State University in Kirksville, Missouri. He earned his B.M.Ed. and M.M. degrees from James Madison University where he studied percussion with C. William Rice and conducting with Dr. J. Patrick Rooney. He was also a student of concert artist Leigh Howard Stevens in his intensive Summer Marimba Seminar. Tony is very active as a marching and concert band clinician, arranger, and adjudicator for school music programs throughout the country. He serves

regularly as a guest conductor for honor bands and his clinics have been received at several state conventions and the Midwest Clinic in Chicago.

Founded in 1879, the University of Nebraska band program has grown from a single small ROTC band to encompass five ensembles that perform for millions of people annually in person or on television. The University of Nebraska Cornhusker Marching Band is a group of dedicated marching musicians who carry on the proud tradition of excellence that has been upheld and handed down for nearly 140 years. The "Pride of All Nebraska" is one of the top and best-known collegiate bands in the country and is one of the few college bands to have performed at every major bowl game. The 300-piece ensemble includes woodwinds, brass, percussion (battery and front ensemble), color guard and twirlers. The Cornhusker Marching Band resides in the Glenn Korff School of Music. The Pride of All Nebraska has been seen by millions of viewers on television. The band was the first collegiate ensemble to perform at all of the major football bowl games (Rose, Orange, Fiesta, Sugar and Cotton).

A Rotary Thank You to Tony Falcone for a very informative presentation about the "Pride" of Nebraska the Cornhusker Marching Band



This year's band includes representatives from nearly every region of the country; however, 78 percent of the students are from Nebraska. Twenty-two percent of the students are music or music education majors. The rest are studying in more than 60 other degree programs across campus. Each band member passed two auditions to gain admittance to the group. Over 60 academic majors from across campus are represented in the Cornhusker Marching Band and students of all majors are encouraged to audition. There are two rounds of auditions: the first round takes place in May and the final round takes place before classes begin in August.

Cornhusker Marching Band: Candidates for the woodwind, brass and percussion sections must complete a two-part audition process. Playing auditions are held in the spring and consist of a prepared solo and a major scale. Students living outside of Nebraska's borders may submit a recorded audition (MP3 file or CD) for the first round, but all candidates must attend the second round of auditions on campus. The marching portion (second round) audition is held in August and consists of a two-day



clinic followed by a group audition, which emphasizes fundamental marching skills. Candidates for the color guard (flag line) must complete a two-part audition process as well. Candidates are not required to choreograph routines. All audition materials, routines and music are provided and taught by the band staff. Twirler auditions are held in the spring, and consist of original choreographed and impromptu routines. All members of the Cornhusker Marching Band must be enrolled as full-time University of Nebraska–Lincoln students and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater.

Big Red Express: Each member of the Express receives a scholarship for the fall and spring semesters. Big Red Express auditions are open to all University students. Auditions may be scheduled in the spring (same dates as the marching band auditions) or during the first week of classes in August. All members of the Big Red Express must be enrolled as full-time students and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or greater.

The Big Red Express is a group of 120+ musicians that perform at the Men's and Women's Basketball games and the Women's Volleyball matches. The band also performs for selected special University events. Members of the Big Red Express band must meet and maintain full-time enrollment status at UNL and maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA. Active members (not subs) in good standing are considered for a small scholarship for each semester of participation.

The 120+ active members of the ensemble will be divided into four color-coded 30-person units (red, black, white and gold). The Volleyball schedule will also be divided into four color-coded sections and assigned to each of the 30+-member units, so that each individual will be responsible for approximately one-fourth of the Big Red Express Volleyball performances. The Mens' and Womens' Basketball schedules will be divided into two sections and two 30+-member units will perform for each home game of the Basketball schedules. Individuals designated as Big Red Express subs will fill in when active members cannot attend a performance.

***A very special health update: ***



Greg Schnasse gave a health update on Dave Miller. He had been to visit with both Dave and his wife Linda. Dave is doing rehabilitation at Waterford at Wilderness Hills, 8939 Keystone Dr. Greg said he now can have visitors. Best time to visit Dave is 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Dave joined Lincoln Northeast/East Rotary Club on June 1, 1990. We wish Dave the very best with his health issues.



Anniversaries & Birthdays

Week of August 31—September 6

Birthdays:

Jeanne Garvin— September 16 Lynn Davis—September 18

Anniversaries NONE







Happy Dollars

Steve Grosserode	\$2.00
Paul Horton	\$2.00
Greg Schnasse	\$1.00
Dick Cumming	\$1.00
Duane Tappe	\$2.00
Charles Erickson	\$1.00
Dean Douglas	\$1.00
Jason Smith	\$1.00
Dale Lloyd	\$1.00
Darrel Huenergardt	\$2.00
Dennis Duckworth	\$3.00
Barry Stelk	\$5.00







Cashier Duty

September—Ed Stivers

We need volunteers for the following:

Month of November

Please let Dick Cumming know when

you plan to volunteer

Make Ups

Gordon Bair	Board Meeting
Dave Miller	Board Meeting
Blake Collingsworth	Board Meeting
Deb Durre	Concessions F.B.



Greeter Duty

September John Garrison October Paul Horton November Gene Roth December Dean Douglas

Thank You to All Volunteer

Guests & Visitors

Ruby James Steve Grosserode
Merle Jansen Club #14
Tony Falcone Speaker
Terry Wittler Club #14

Dictionary Project

Labeling Session—5:30 p.m.—September 26

Green's Plumbing Chairman: Dennis Duckworth

Lincoln East Rotary Club September/October Speaker Schedule

September 27th—Development Coordinator Friendship Home—arranged by Rachel Martin October 4th—Shauna Davidson, Building a Primary School in Orit Barpunu in Northern Africa—arranged by Wayne Casper

October 11th—Kelly Brunkhorst, Executive Director of Corn Board—arranged by Wayne Casper October 18th—Lorin Krieger - John Deere Precision Ag Manager—arranged by Wayne Casper October 25th—Maury Johnson, Blue River Hybrids, Organic Seed Company