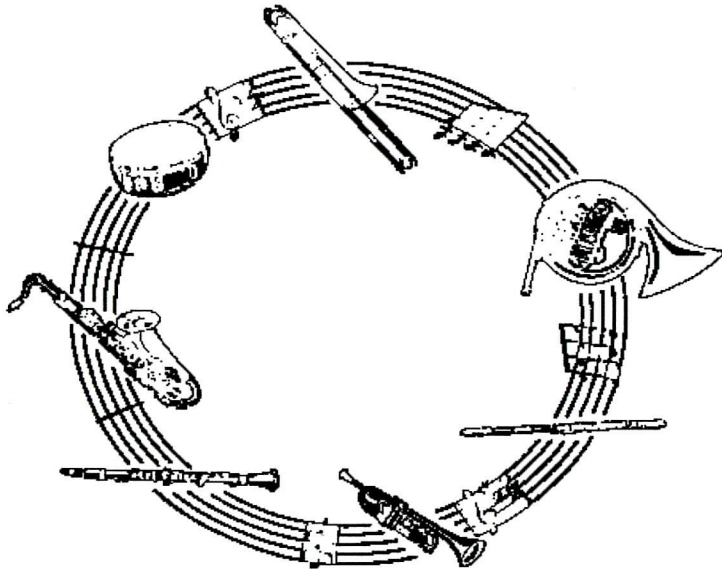


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**SOUTHERNERS  
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CONCERT**

**Mrs. Missy Lindley, Southerners Cadet Band**

**Mr. Chris Lindley, Gamecock Cadet Band**

**Mr. Tim Whitman, Red Band**

**Dr. Myra Rhoden, White Band**

**Dr. Leslie Welker, Wind Ensemble**

Saturday, May 11, 2013  
12:00 PM  
Pete Mathews Coliseum

# **GAMECOCK BAND**

**Conductor: Mr. Chris Lindley**

Chris Lindley has been a band director for the past 17 years. He holds the Bachelors of Music Education from Jacksonville State University (1996) and the Masters of Arts from The University of Alabama (2004). He has previously taught at Carbon Hill High School, Saks High School, and is currently in his 4th year as Director of Bands at Albertville High School.

Mr. Lindley came to Albertville in 2001 as the Assistant band director and worked for seven years with then director Curtis Burtram. During that time, the Albertville Band performed in the 2003 Hollywood Christmas Parade, in Nassau, Bahamas in 2005 and 2008, and in the 2007 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Since taking over in 2009, the Aggie Band has performed in Turner Field, home of the Atlanta Braves, marched in the 2011 Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, California, and performed in the 2012 Chicago Magnificent Mile Festival of Lights Parade.

Mr. Lindley is an active judge and guest clinician across the southeast and has toured as a brass staff member with Southwind Drum and Bugle Corps. Chris keeps a busy schedule as Principal Horn of the Gadsden Symphony Orchestra, and has performed with the Georgia Philharmonia, Rome Symphony Orchestra, Lagrange Symphony Orchestra, and the Shoals Symphony Orchestra. In addition, Mr. Lindley was an adjunct horn instructor at Jacksonville State University and performed with the JSU Faculty Brass Quintet.

Chris is married to Missy Lindley, band director at Albertville Middle School, and they have 11 year old twin girls, Haley and Katelyn.

## **Music to be selected from:**

Critical Mass — Stalter

Inferno — Shaffer

Music from Wicked — arr. Sweeney

Dancing Snakes — Simon

Comedy Classics — Murtha

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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# **WIND ENSEMBLE**

**Conductor: Dr. Leslie Welker**

Dr. Leslie Welker has been the band director at Hillcrest Middle School since 2003 and at Duncanville Middle School since 2008 (Tuscaloosa). Prior to this time she was band director at Holt High School. Through the years, her bands have earned superior ratings, with distinction, at the state level. Her band was chosen to perform at the Alabama Music Educators Conference in 2011. In 2010 they earned superior ratings and Best in Class at Florida's Festival of Champions. In 2008 they earned a silver medal at Festival Disney. At least fifty percent of her present band is involved in Solo and Ensemble and honor bands each year, including the Alabama All-State Band.

Dr. Welker received the Bachelor of Music from Appalachian State University, the Master of Music Education and the Doctorate in Education from the University of Alabama, and administrative certification, also from the University of Alabama. While at the University of Alabama, she was named Outstanding Graduate Student.

In 2013, Dr. Welker was Hillcrest Middle School's nominee for the Alabama Teacher of the Year; she was Duncanville Middle School's nominee for the Jacksonville State Teachers Hall of Fame. In 2001, Dr. Welker was one of six state finalists for the Hall of Fame; in 2009 she was named Alabama Music Educator of the Year. Dr. Welker is a frequent guest conductor and adjudicator.

Dr. Welker holds memberships in the Music Educators National Conference, Alabama Music Educators Association, Pi Kappa Lambda, Phi Beta Mu, Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, National Educators Association, and Who's Who Among American Teachers.

Dr. Welker is the proud mother of two children – Adrienne, saxophonist with the United States Navy Band (Washington, D.C.) and Gerald, hornist with the United States Air Force Academy Band (Colorado Springs).

## **Music to be selected from:**

Kirkpatrick Fanfare — Andrew Boysen, Jr.

River of Life — Steven Reineke

Swedish Folk Song — arr. Peter Graham

Festal Scenes — Yasuhide Ito

# **SOUTHERNERS BAND**

**Conductor: Mrs. Missy Lindley**

Missy Lindley has served as a Band Director in the Alabama Public School System for 21 years. She holds a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from the University of North Alabama. Mrs. Lindley is in her eleventh year as Director of Bands at Albertville Middle School and Associate Director at Albertville High School. She also serves as the advisor for the Albertville High School Southern Stars Danceline. Taking pride in working with Algy Team Collections each year to design the Southern Stars uniforms, her danceline has been featured in the Algy Team Collections catalog twice in the last 3 years. The Southern Stars have been featured on national television in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and the Tournament of Roses Parade. Throughout her twenty one years of teaching, Mrs. Lindley's bands have received consistent superior ratings in marching, concert and jazz competitions at both the state and national levels. Most recently Mrs. Lindley's band received the rating of Superior with Distinction at the Alabama Bandmasters Association State Music Performance Assessment. Mrs. Lindley plays professionally throughout the state and keeps an extensive studio of private flute students who consistently earn honor band invitations and All-State Band positions. Mrs. Lindley has been the Principle Flutist of the Shoals Symphony Orchestra and the Gadsden Symphony Orchestra. In 2012 Missy founded the flute ensemble "Las Flautas Primeros" comprised of Albertville High School and Middle School students. Mrs. Lindley is an active adjudicator and clinician for marching contests and honor bands throughout the Southeast. She is a past Chairman for District II of the Alabama Bandmasters Association. Mrs. Lindley is a member of Sigma Alpha Iota and Tau Beta Sigma Honorary music sororities. She is an alumna of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority. She is also a member of MENC and the Alabama Bandmasters Association. Missy is married to Chris Lindley who is the Director of Bands at Albertville High School. Missy and Chris enjoy being a husband and wife team at work and at home as parents to eleven year old twins Haley and Katelyn.

## **Music to be selected from:**

Voltage — David Shaffer

Civil War Reflections — Larry McTaggart

In Honor of the Fallen — Barry Milner

And Then There Were Drums — Larry Neeck

Riptide — David Shaffer

# **WHITE BAND**

**Conductor: Mr. Trey Whitman**

Trey Whitman grew up in the Montgomery area and moved to Mobile, AL in 1999 where he attended college at the University of Mobile. While there he earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Music Education. His role in the University of Mobile music department was vital. He served as Tuba section leader for the 4 years he attended as well as participated in several vocal ensembles. Mr. Whitman is currently earning his Masters Degree in Music Education from the University of Southern Mississippi and will complete in 2013. Mr. Whitman has performed on the tuba in the Mobile Symphonic Pops Band for eight years as well as served as guest conductor for the band. Bands under Mr. Whitman's direction have participated in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Chicago, several parades in Walt Disney World, and the International Concert Band Festival at Loyola University. This is Mr. Whitman's 4th year at Mary G. Montgomery High School. Since coming to MGM, the band program has grown and continues the tradition of excellence set forth many years ago. Under his direction, the MGM Band has consistently received Superior ratings at Marching, Concert and Jazz Competitions.

Mr. Whitman is a member of the National Association for Music Education and the Alabama Bandmaster's Association. In addition, he served as the Chairman for District VII of the Alabama Bandmaster's Association from 2009-2011 and served on the ABA State Executive Board. Mr. Whitman enjoys the day to day rigor of teaching and of running a successful band program, but in addition enjoys serving as guest clinician. He has served as clinician for both the Mobile County Honor Band and Baldwin County Honor Band.

Mr. Whitman serves as the worship leader at Hollinger's Island Baptist Church in Mobile, AL where he has served for the past 9 years. Mr. Whitman is married to his wife of eight years, Jamie Whitman and is father to their 6 year old daughter Elizabeth Whitman.

## **Music to be selected from:**

Concert Prelude — Sparke

Joy Revisited — Ticheli

Highlights from Les Miserables — Vinson

Music from Wicked — Sweeney

Grand Galop — Vinson

# **RED BAND**

**Conductor: Dr. Myra Rhoden**

A native of Tuskegee, Alabama, Myra Rhoden received the Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees in Music Education from the University of Alabama, and the Doctorate of Musical Arts from the University of Southern Mississippi under the tutelage of Dr. Thomas Fraschillo.

Dr. Rhoden joined the faculty of Fayette County High School in 2003 and is presently Director of Bands at FCHS, a position she's held since 2007. Under her leadership, the Fayette County High School Band program has continued its long standing tradition of excellence with a highly competitive marching band and winter guard, three concert bands, a jazz band, and a percussion ensemble. The FCHS Wind Ensemble continues to perform the finest literature in the repertoire with concert presentations at the 2010 University of Georgia's January High School Music Festival (JanFest) and the 2009 Georgia Music Educators Association In-Service Conference in Savannah. The 2009-2010 Marching Tigers earned the school's first "top 5" finish in a Bands of America Regional Championship, and the 2008-2009 Marching Tigers had a stellar season that included a performance at the 2009 New Year's Day Parade in London, England, two contest grand championships, and received the school's first class placement award for their performance at the 2009 Bands of America Super-Regional Championships in Atlanta, Georgia.

Before joining Fayette County High School in 2003, Dr. Rhoden taught in the public schools of Alabama for nine years at the high school and middle school levels. She has received the National Band Association's Citation of Excellence on two occasions, Teacher of the Year, and was presented the 1995 Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award, a national award given to one teacher in each state for an outstanding 1st year of teaching. She is also the founder of the Athena Music and Leadership Camp, a summer band camp for 7th – 12th grade girls taught by successful, professional female music educators.

Dr. Rhoden serves as the Georgia Music Educators Association (GMEA) District 6 Band Chairperson and as a GMEA All-State Band Organizer. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Southeastern United States (SEUS) Honor Band Clinic at Troy University, served on the Board of Directors for the Alabama Bandmasters Association, and is honored to be a clinician and adjudicator throughout the southeast. Dr. Rhoden performs with the Tara Winds Community Band and performed with the Southeast Alabama Community Band in Troy, Alabama. She is a member of the National Band Association, Women Band Directors International, Music Educators National Conference, and the Georgia Music Educators Association.

## **Music to be selected from:**

Caprice — William Himes

Southern Dawn — Owens

Critical Mass — Stalte

Slim Trombone — Fillmore/Shaffer