The Minnesota Band Directors Association

2009 Honor Bands Concert

featuring the

6-8 Honor Band
Mr. Lee Kjesbo, Conductor

9-10 Honor Band
Dr. Timothy Diem, Conductor

Sunday, April 19, 2009 at 3:00 PM
Red Wing High School Auditorium
Minnesota Band Directors Association

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Program
(to be selected from the following)

The Star Spangled Banner ........................................ arr. Mark Williams (Alfred)
Velocity ............................................................... Larry Neeck (Barnhouse)
Renaissance Festival and Dances ............................... Bruce Pearson (Kjos)
Canticle ................................................................. Douglas Wagner (Alfred)
Fiesta La Vida ...................................................... Robert W. Smith (Barnhouse)
March of the Belgian Paratroopers ................................ Leemans/Swearingen (Hal Leonard)
Joy ................................................................. Frank Ticheli (Manhattan Beach Music)

About the Conductor

Lee Kjesbo retired in June of 2008 after 35 years of music education in the Minnesota Public Schools, the last 15 at Buffalo High School. Along with his colleague Scott Rabehl, he taught 4 bands, 3 jazz ensembles, marching band, pep band, lessons and ensembles at BHS. In addition he team taught classes in AP Music Theory and Classical Music Listening with Scott and Michael Walsh.

Mr. Kjesbo has served on numerous committees, including those at Buffalo, Hanover, and Montrose Schools and with professional organizations. He was vice-president of bands for MMEA for a term of 2 years and has served as a judge for MSHSL music contests for over 25 years. In 2006 he was awarded the LEEA Award (Leadership in Educational Excellence Award) from the Resource Training and Solutions of the State of Minnesota. "What a thrill it was to represent Buffalo High School and the many fine teachers I know!" Also in 2006 Kjesbo was honored to be named the Minnesota Educator of the Year by the Minnesota Music Educators. In 2008 Kjesbo received the Outstanding Music Educator Award from the National Federation of High Schools for his work with inter-scholastic music programs. "Educating young people is so much more than just books. A former principal whom I highly respect gave his school this motto: 'Education Beyond the Blackboard'. Activities play an important role in growing well-rounded young people." We must find a way to keep them.

"It is an honor to conduct these young musicians today. Some are in their 1st year of playing their instrument; others are in the 4th year. They have all been identified as superior musicians. Congratulations to them. Thank you to the Minnesota Band Directors Association for giving me this wonderful opportunity."

Kjesbo lives in Buffalo with his wife Carol (also a musician). He enjoys spending time with her, their 4 children and 3 grandchildren. He likes to find time for reading, gardening and making stained glass projects.
Minnesota Portraits, movement 1 .......................... Carl Schroeder
April ............................ Aaron Perrine (C. Alan/McClaren)
Hambone .......................... Libby Larsen (Hal Leonard)
A View from the Mountaintop .......................... Timothy Mahr (Kjos)
Latina .......................... Frank Bencriscutto (Schmitt, Hall & Mcreary)
Minnesota March .......................... John Philip Sousa (Sam Fox)

A B O U T   T H E   C O N D U C T O R

Timothy Diem is in his ninth year as an Assistant Director of Bands and his fourth as the Director of Marching Band at the University of Minnesota.

Prior to his appointment at the University of Minnesota, Diem served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant at the University of Northern Colorado and also spent three years as a music instructor in the West Central Area School District in the greater Barrett, Minnesota area.

Diem received Bachelor of Arts degrees from the University of Minnesota-Morris in Instrumental Music Education and Piano Performance, and holds master's degrees in Wind Conducting and Collaborative Piano Performance from the University of Northern Colorado. He completed his doctorate in Wind Conducting with a secondary concentration in Music Education at UNC.
Welcome to the 2008-2009 MBDA Honor Band Concert. MBDA is excited to give students the opportunity for musical growth through this event. The students and conductors have accomplished a lot in a short amount of time. I think you will enjoy the results. The success of this event would not be possible without the daily efforts of the dedicated music educators who work with these students each day. I encourage you to thank them for all they do. Thank you for coming to support the students and enjoy the concert!

Barry Zumwalde – President, Minnesota Band Directors Association

6-8 Honor Band Directors
Barry Peterson - Black Hawk Middle School
Christine Ringen - Centennial Middle School
Tara Beck - Central Middle School
Marilyn Rateike - Central Middle School
Tara Michlitsch - Century Middle School
George Runyan - Chapel Hill Academy
Susan Mcevych - Dakota Hills Middle School
Michael Dailey - Delano Middle School
Paul Dierkhising - Detroit Lakes Middle Sch.
Rhonda Blaser - Falcon Ridge Middle School
Kurt Claussen - Falcon Ridge Middle School
John Greene - Falcon Ridge Middle School
Rose Kennealy - Ferguson Falls Middle School
Scott Kummrow - Ferguson Falls Middle School
Kim Hotchkiss - Field Middle School
Charles Carlson - Forestview Middle School
Thomas Frid - Forestview Middle School
Michael Peterson - Fumba Public Schools
Katherine Warren - Hastings Middle School
Duane Oldham - Hastings Middle School
Stephen Doering - Hillcrest Lutheran Academy
Laura Boilat - Holy Trinity School
Denise Pesola - Horizon Middle School
Michael Park - Jackson Middle School
Mary Goheen - La Verne Middle School
Joni Sutton - Maple Grove Junior High
Karen Gotz - Minnetonka M.S. East
Lee Varquez - Montevideo Middle School
Debra Garvey - Nativity of Our Lord
Ann Bakken - Nicollet Junior High
Ethan Freier - Northfield Middle School

Kris Hammer - Oak Point Intermediate School
DeAnn Klun - Orono Middle School
Corey Needleman - Ramsey Junior High
Ben Hoehn - Richfield Middle School
Amanda Kaus - Rosemount Middle School
Casey Duffy - Rosemount Middle School
John Zschunke - Rosemount Middle School
Herb Dick - Rosemount Middle School
Nancy Dostal - Scott Highlands Mid. Sch.
Donna Rae Sonnek - St. Casimir
Randy Moore - St. Louis Park Junior High
Bethany Johnson - St. Olidla School
Warren Starr - St. Rose of Lima
David Miller - Valley Middle School
Regina Zakrajsek - Valley Middle School
Jenny Partin - Wabasha-Kellogg Secondary
Mark Herold - Wayzata Central M.S.
Marcia Thoen - Wayzata West Middle School
Jeremy Mann - Winona Middle School
Melody Snyder - Winona Middle School

9-10 Honor Band Directors
Todd Blaser - Alexandria High School
Corey Desens - Apple Valley High School
Jeff Rinear - Apple Valley High School
John Zimmerman - Austin High School
Elizabeth Meinen - Benson High School
J. Brock Duncan - Brainerd High School
Thomas Frid - Buffalo High School
Lee Kjesbo - Buffalo High School
Scott Rabehl - Cathedral High School
Donnell Lastine-Chopp - Centennial High School

6-8 Section Coaches
Flute – Tara Michlitsch
Oboe – Terri Svec
Low Reeds – Kris Pichelman
Clarinet – Sarah Hunter
Saxophone – Ben Hoehn
Trumpet – Doug Bradley
Horn – Amanda Kaus
Trombone – Josh Anderson
Low Brass – Mike Moeller
Percussion – Beth Beebe Tradup

9-10 Section Coaches
Flute – Tara Michlitsch
Oboe – Terri Svec
Low Reeds – Kris Pichelman
Clarinet – Sarah Hunter
Saxophone – Erin Holmes
Trumpet – Brian Thorstad
French Horn – Amanda Kaus
Trombone – Josh Anderson
Low Brass – Mike Moeller
Percussion – Scott Palmer

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