

Phi Beta Mu

The Alpha Theta Chapter (Nebraska) of Phi Beta Mu will conduct their annual meeting on Saturday, March 6 at 12:15 a.m. in the Embassy Suites Hotel.

Phi Beta Mu is an International Bandmasters Fraternity, which honors outstanding band directors in the state. Its mission is to help promote good fellowship among its members, encourage the building of better bands and the development of better musicians in our schools and to foster deeper appreciation and more widespread interest in good music on the part of the lay public.

The goals of the Alpha Theta Chapter of Phi Beta Mu is to help support the efforts of the Nebraska State Bandmasters Association and Nebraska Music Educators Association.

Phi Beta Mu will be sponsoring the Richard Miles clinic at the spring NSBA Convention in Lincoln. That session will occur on Friday, March 7th at 1:30 p.m.

Other activities that Phi Beta Mu will be involved in will be the Band Director Boot camp at the summer NSBA convention, establishing and maintaining a band resource web site, and recognizing the great accomplishments of many of its members.

Congratulations to the following Phi Beta Mu members for their accomplishments:

Byron Braasch, who received the John Phillip Sousa Legion of Honor Award which recognizes nationally outstanding high school band directors with a long history of dedicated service to bands.

Anniversary Fanfare, composed by Jay Gilbert, was performed at the Midwest Band / Orchestra Clinic in Chicago in December.

Matt Sheppard for winning from Warner Brothers Publications, a free commissioned work by Ralph Ford for the Millard North Jazz Band.

Doug Johnson, for receiving the NMEA Music Educator of the Year Award

Terry Rush / Byron Braasch / Gary Davis whose bands have been selected to perform at the spring 2003 NSBA convention.