

**JAMES A. MALLOW**  
**MEMORABILIA NOTEBOOK**  
**PHI BETA MU - 1997**

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BRADY HIGH SCHOOL BAND-JAMES MALLOW, DIRECTOR

7/8/97

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Blessed Are They-Brahms/Buehlman  
A Jubilant Overture-Reed
- 1980 Fairest of the Fair-Sousa  
Emperata Overture-Smith  
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- 1979 El Capitan-Sousa  
Irish Tune From County Derry-Grainger  
Credence-Smith
- 1978 Golden Jubilee March-Sousa  
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- 1977 Inglisina March-D. Dela Cese  
Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral-Wagner/Caillet  
Choral and Capriccio-Giovannini/Robinson
- 1976 Gallant 7th-Sousa  
Choral and Shaker Dance-Zdecklik  
Prelude to the Third Act of the Opera Kunhild-Kistler/Barr
- 1975 Washington Grays March-Grafulla/Reeves  
Third Suite-Jager  
Jusus, Joy of Man's Desiring-Bach/Leidzen
- 1974 Pride of the Wolverines-Sousa  
Meditation from "Thais"-Massenet/Harding  
Incidental Suite-Smith

- 1973 Nobles of the Mystic Shrine-Sousa  
Sequoia-LeGassy  
Introduction and Fantasia-Mitchell
- 1972 Eagle Squadron-Alfred  
Sonus Ventorum  
English Folk Song Suite-Williams
- 1971 Old Comrades March-Teike/Laurendeau  
Festivo-Nelhebel  
First Suite in Eb (First Mov't)-Holst
- 1970 Robinson's Grand Entry March-King  
Masque-McBeth  
Variations on a Korean Folk Song-Chance
- 1969 Pacific National Exhibition March-Howard/Werele  
Au Pays Loraine-Balay/Chidester  
Overture in Bb-Giovannini/Robinson
- 1968 The Klaxton March-Fillmore  
Allerseelen-Straus/Davis  
Joyant Narrative-McBeth
- 1967 Shenandoah March-Goldman  
First Sweedish Rhapsody-Liedzen  
Scenic for Band-Jones
- 1966 10th Regiment March-Hall  
March from Second Suite for Military Band in F-Holst  
Overture in Minature-Cacavas
- 1965 Bandology-Osterling  
Soliloquy-Erickson  
Ceremony for Winds-Cacavas
- 1964 Castle Gap March-Williams  
Slavonic Folk Suite-Reed  
Zueignung-Straus/Davis
- 1963 Men of Music March-King  
Allerseelen-Strauss/Davis  
Preludium for Band-Cacavas
- 1962 Totem Pole March-Osterling  
Overture for Winds-Carter  
Themes from Sym. #6-Tsch
- 1961 Brass Aflame-Cacavas  
Overture in a Classical Style-Carter  
Fantasy for Band-Erickson



BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES - PHI BETA MU HALL OF FAME - FOR JAMES A. MALLOW - 3/25/97

Born 12/29/30 in Brownwood, TX, attended public school there and graduated from Brownwood High School. He joined the band in the second grade. In 1948 he entered Howard Payne University for two years and then joined the U.S. Air Force for three years and served in the 669th A. F. Band. Following military service he resumed his education at Hardin-Simmons University, playing in the Cowboy Band, and received his Bachelor's Degree in Music Education in 1955. He later received his Master's Degree in Music Education from North Texas State University in 1958

He married Maurice Parsley in 1953 and they have two children, Melodianne McGahey, a daughter who is a band director and Morgan, a son who is a nurse and both reside in the Ft. Worth area. Son-in Law, Mark McGahey, is also a band director making a total of three in this family. They have no grand children but one grand dog, Lucy, who loves them all!

His first band directing position was in Santa Anna, TX in 1955 and he describes this as his "real" education. After 5 years there he accepted a position with the Brady I.S.D where he served as director of bands for 26 years until his retirement from full time teaching in 1986. Since that time he has been in private business and taught part time at Rochelle, and Mason, TX.

**Honors that he is particularly proud of are:** While at Brady his band earned 21 consecutive UIL Sweepstakes awards with ones from all judges, five times "Best in Class" winner at the Six Flags Invitational Band Festival, the first being a marching contest held in a mesquite pasture adjacent to the amusement park in its early years, playing Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral and getting ones from all judges, "Best in Class" at the Canon City, Colorado contest in 1977, teaching 10 years in the Abilene Christian University Band camp, being a member of Phi Beta Mu, TMAA, TMEA, and TBA and serving as a clinician and adjudicator in all areas of Texas. He served as UIL Marching Contest chairman and host for 17 years for Region VII and held various Regional and Area positions.

His Brady High School Band performed twice at Disney World and was 2nd runner up in the Orange County Band Contest in Orlando, Florida.

The Brady Band under his direction placed twice in the top five TMEA Honor Band competition in class AAA.

One special highlight of his career was being elected to the Board of Directors of the Texas Bandmasters Association and serving as President in 1978. This was a wonderful opportunity to grow professionally and to meet the leaders of the band world.

In 1973 he was the recipient of the Brady Chamber of Commerce "Distinguished Service Award" given by the citizens of Brady for his work with the band program. He serves his church as a Deacon, teaches a Sunday School class and is active with church choir.

He has served as a clinician for a number of Region and District bands and twice served as a sight reading clinician for TMEA. For some 17 years he was the director and host for the Heart of Texas Band Festival held annually in Brady until the mid seventies.

He is currently serving as organizer and director of the Brady Community Band and recently toured Germany as a member of the Texas All State German Band. He was a member of the Lions club for 37 years.

As Director of Bands at Brady he supervised some 15 student teachers from Howard Payne University and a number of them are now well known band directors and leaders today. A number of his Brady Band students are now band directors including his daughter.

Another special occasion was placing three members of the Brady Band in the TMEA All State Bands the same year which is pretty unusual for a AAA school. He had three former Brady Band members in the front lines of three Southwestern Conf. schools the same year. A drum major of the Aggie Band and twirlers at Baylor and Texas Tech.

**Humorous events remembered** is the young lady who lost her trousers at the Heart of Texas Marching contest and never missed a step. (She had on pink leotards under her trousers!) and the beginner percussion player who went to sleep in his chair waiting for his turn to play. As the class watched he gradually slipped from his chair, hit the floor and woke up with the bewildered expression...."Where in the heck am I?"

**Advice to young directors just starting out...**TAKE PLENTY OF TIME WITH BEGINNERS, DON'T RUSH THE PROCESS, START THEM OUT FUNDAMENTALLY CORRECT AND SET GOOD DISCIPLINE STANDARDS FROM DAY ONE. You won't regret it.

**He gives special thanks** to those experienced directors who gave so freely of their time and advice when he was starting out. Especially to Mr. Douglas Fry and Jimmy King.

**And a special, special thanks to his wife, Maurice** who stands beside him in his mistakes and successes. And to his children who have always supported him.

**JAMES A. MALLOW**

**BIOGRAPHY NOTES FOR PHI BETA MU**

3/11/97

- 12/29/30 - Born and raised in Brownwood, Texas and attended public schools there where he first entered the band program in the 2nd grade. He was in the Brownwood High School Band under the direction of Mr. Conway E. King and played with the Old Grey Mare Community Band under the direction of Mr. W.R. Parker.
- 1948 Attended Howard Payne University majoring in instrumental music.
- 1949 Entered the United States Air Force and served 3 years as a Bandsman in the 669th A F Band furthering his career in music.
- 1953 He married Maurice Parsley of Dallas and have two children, Daughter Melodianne Mallow McGahey who is a successful band director at North Richland Middle is School in Ft. Worth and Morgan who is a nurse also of Ft. Worth. Son-in-law Mark MaGahey who is band director at Keller in the Ft. Worth area. No grand children but one grand dog, Lucy.
- 1953 Entered Hardin-Simmons University playing in the HSU Cowboy Band under the direction of Marion B. McClure.
- 1955 Received Bachelor's Degree in Music Education from Hardin Simmons University.
- 1955 Accepted his first band directing position at Santa Anna, Texas where he says his real education began! He remained there for 5 years.
- 1956 Began studies for his Master's Degree at North Texas State University at Denton and received it in 1958.
- 1960 Accepted the position of director of bands in Brady, Texas for the next 26 years.
- 1986 Retired from full time teaching to go into private business and remained in Brady as he does today.
- 1989 Accepted the part time position as band director of Rochelle Public Schools, a county school 10 miles East of Brady. He remained in that position for 5 years.
- 1996 Accepted a part time position as assistant director

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in Mason, Texas to assist former student, Corey Ash.

1997 Back to full time private business or rest. Which ever is needed the most.

#### HOBBIES

Restoring antique boats and motors and trying to learn how to use a computer.

#### HONORS

21 Consecutive UIL Sweepstakes awards with one ratings from all judges while at Brady.

The Brady Band placed twice in TMEA Honor Band Competition

Five times "best in class" winner at the Six Flags Invitational Band festival. The first being a marching contest held in a mesquite pasture adjacent to the amusement park before it became so densely populated.

Best in Class Winner at the Canon City, Colorado contest in 1977.

A definite highlight of his career..serving as President of Texas Band Masters Association in 1978 and serving on the board of directors for 9 years.

Taught in the Abilene Christian University Band Camp for 10 years.

Served on the UIL Sight Reading Selection Committee

Served as Sight Reading Clinician twice at TMEA

Served as clinican for a number of district and region bands.

Currently serving as a UIL Adjudicator and been a member of TMAA since its inception.

A member of Phi Beta Mu since 1965 and serving on various committees.

Marching Contest Chairman and Host for the Reg. VII UIL Contest for some 17 years.

Host and Chairman of the Heart of Texas Band Festival for 17 years.

Serves as a Deacon in his church, Sunday school teacher, and Sings in the Choir.

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Serves as Director and Organizer of the Brady Community Band.

He is a member of the Texas All State German Band who performs at festivals around the state. He and Maurice toured Germany with this group in 1994.

Active in Lions Club for 37 years.

Presented the Distinguished Service Award from the Brady Chamber of Commerce in 1973 for his work with the Brady Bands.

Supervised some 15 student teachers from Howard Payne University and many of them are now successful directors and leaders in the profession.

Twice performed at Disney World and 2nd runner up in the Orange County Band contest in Orlando, Florida.

A number of his students including his daughter are now band directors.

Had band members in three different Southwestern Conference School Band front lines during the same year. Drum Major of the Aggie Band, Twirlers for Texas Tech and Baylor.

#### **GREATEST MUSICAL EXPERIENCES**

Playing Sousa Marches, making a first division from all judges on Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral, the first standing ovation for a marching performance at an out of town ball game, the first performance at Disney World and having three members of the Brady Band in the all state bands the same year.

#### **HUMOROUS EVENTS REMEMBERED**

The young lady who lost her trousers at the Heart of Texas Band Festival Marching Contest and never missed a step. By the way she had on pink leotards.

The athletic beginner drummer who fell asleep waiting his turn to play...he begin to slip in his chair while all watched..he hit the floor and woke up but didn't know where he was for several moments. Not so humorous to him but never-the-less a remembered event.

#### **ADVICE TO YOUNG DIRECTORS**

Don't rush the beginning process. Do not move beginners to performances until it is time. Ask questions of experienced directors.

#### **SPECIAL THANKS**

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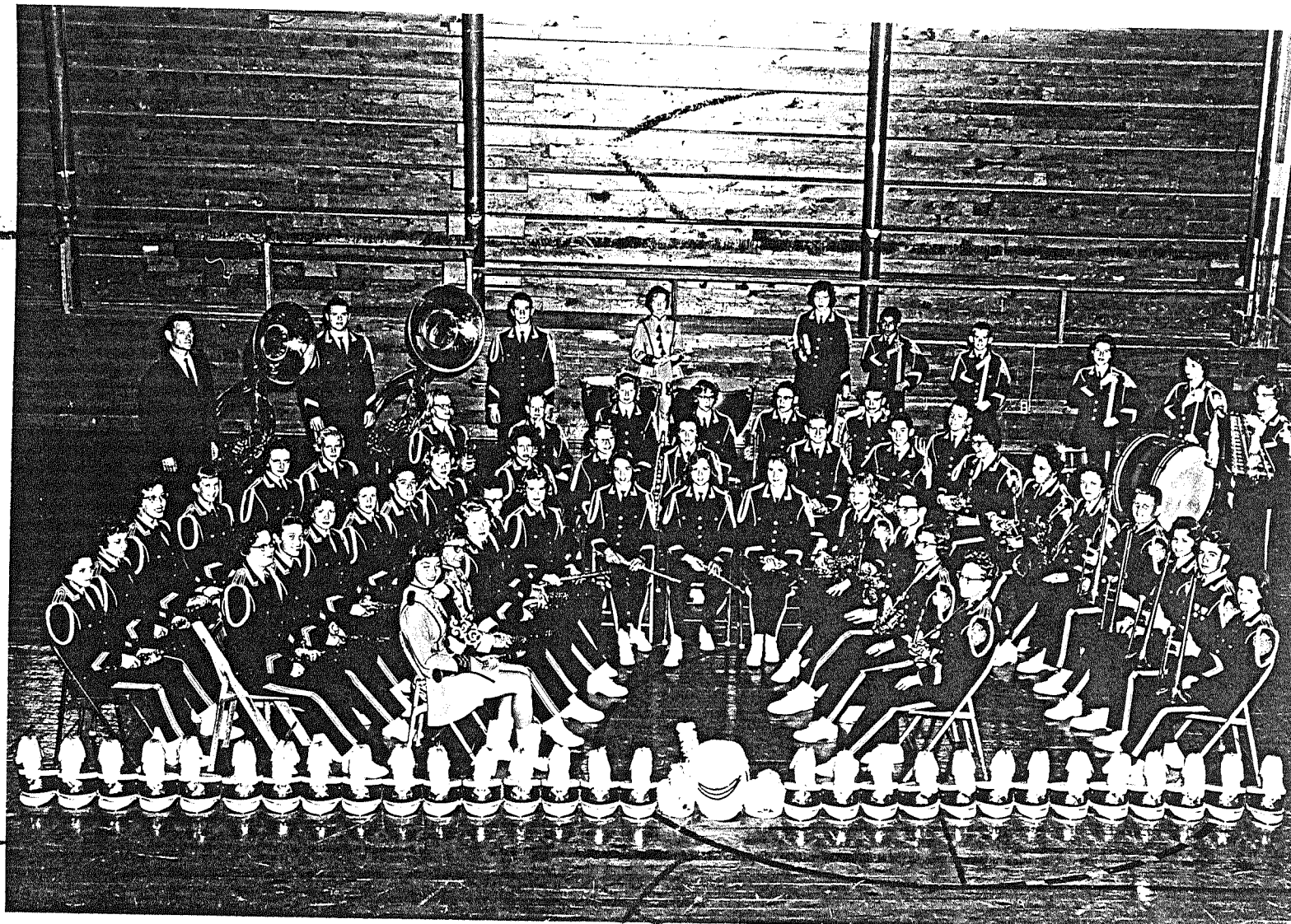
Thanks to Mr. Douglas Fry and Jimmy King who provided me with guidance and assistance in my early years and the many other fine directors who shared their knowledge so freely.

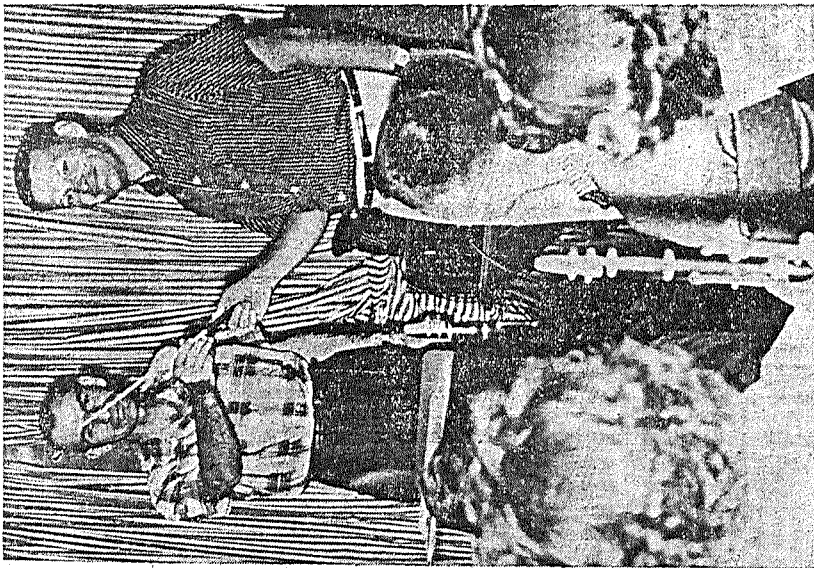
A special thanks to my wife who stands by my side during my mistakes and successes. Without her help I could never succeed. A special thanks to my children who supported me.

FIRST TEACHING POSITION  
SANTA ANNA I.S.D.  
SANTA ANNA, TEXAS

1955-1960

SPRING  
1960





**NEW DIRECTOR**—New director of the Brady Bulldog Band, James Mallow, accepts the baton from outgoing director Boyd Hunt at the band's first practice session Monday. Mallow, his wife Maurice and their one-month baby daughter Melodiannne arrived in Brady Saturday, July 23. They are living at 601 Poplar.

**BRASS FOR THE BULLDOGS**—Officers of the Brady Bulldog Band show off the five trophies the band brought home Sunday from the Del Rio Band Festival. Seated in front with the "outstanding band" trophy are Cheryl

Huffman, drum major, and Tommy Marsden, band president. Standing, left to right, with four other awards are Vickie Harkrider, librarian; Joan Kensing, secretary; Robert Shurtleff, manager; and T. A. Wilton, vice president.

## Brady Band Tops In Del Rio Meet

Brady High School's Bulldog Band almost made a clean sweep of the winnings at the Del Rio Band Festival last week-end, taking five of six trophies for which they were eligible.

Included in the winning was the coveted "Outstanding Band" trophy for the entire meet.

Leaving Friday morning, the band won the "Show Band" trophy in Friday night's marching contest in competition with all bands at the festival, and later Friday night Brady's Stardusters took the "Stage Band" trophy, also in open competition.

Saturday the Brady bandsmen continued to win, taking the Class AA concert-playing and the sight-reading events.

The only trophy they missed was one given for Saturday afternoon's street parade. It went to Pecos.

In the Show Band contest the bandsmen put on a precision marching routine, "much the same routine we used in the halftime performances for our last few football games last fall," said Band Director James Mallow. The band returned home Sunday.

## LOHN GAME TO PIT MEN AGAINST BOYS

A benefit basketball game between the "outside" men of Lohn and the Lohn High School boys has been scheduled for Thursday night, Feb. 15.

Proceeds from the game will go into the Lohn High School athletic fund. The public is invited to attend.

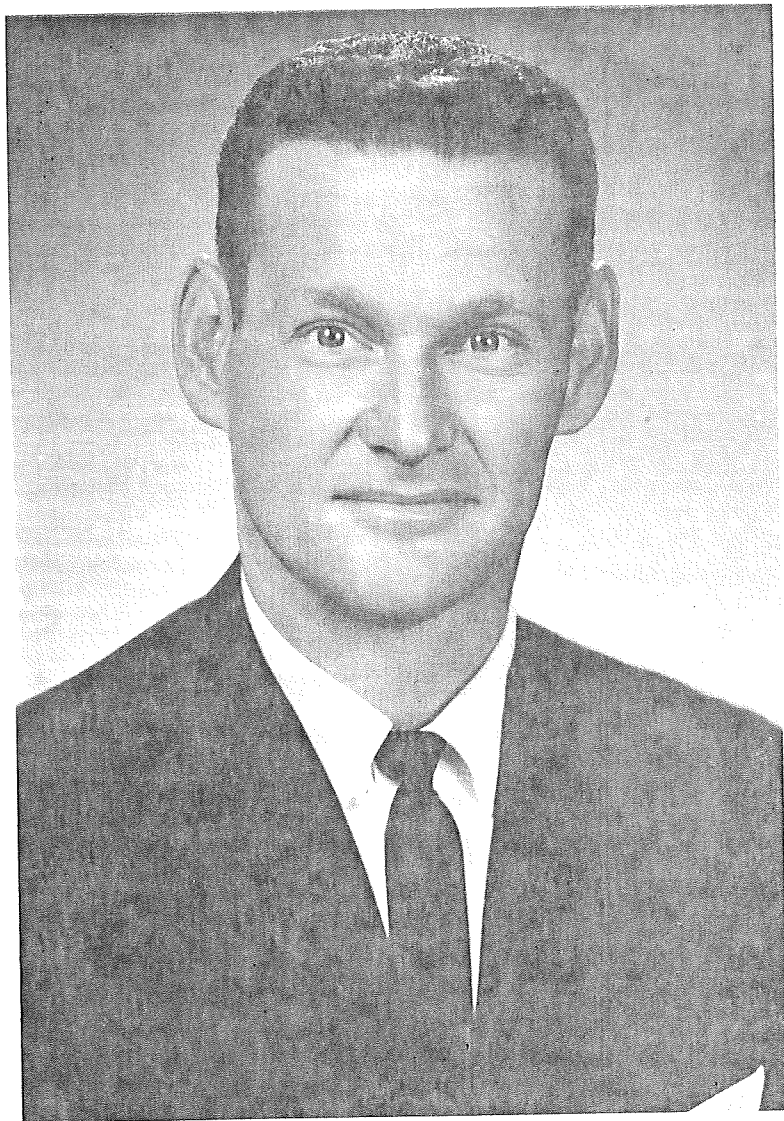
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# The 1965 Bulldog Staff salutes you,

## Mr. James Mallow



Not long ago in our little town  
Stood an average man with a great, big frown,  
"You have two left feet!" he cried and fumed,  
"If you keep that up the whole formation is doomed!"  
The massive group shook and quaked with fear  
As he stalked on from front to rear.  
The silence was deadly as he cast his eye--  
For someone would catch it as he went by.  
"Pick up your feet! Can't you do anything right?  
Look at those ranks! Aren't they a sight?"  
They jumped to attention and flew like a jet  
To straighten those lines like you've never seen yet.  
The majorettes caught it and the right guides, too;  
The words that came forth turned the air to blue,  
As rank by rank he poured out his wrath,  
No one would dare to cross his path,  
Forward, backward, across, and around--  
For every step he gave a new frown.  
Ninety pairs of eyes bored straight ahead;  
They were so still it seemed they were dead,  
By and by when his wrath was spent  
The whistles blew and down the field they went,  
"Poetry in motion," someone would say;  
"Gosh, just listen to that band play!"  
The ranks are all straight now; everyone's in step.  
My, but that band surely is hep!"  
But the tall man stood with a cold glassy stare,  
He paused and said, "I guess that looks pretty fair."  
But no matter how pessimistic his decision,  
They always seem to make the finest first division.  
So, it's hats off to you--Director of the Band,  
We salute you as an outstanding man.



Mr. Mallow gives freely of his time and efforts to help the students.



After victory at Six Flags, Mr. Mallow gives smile of satisfaction.



New band hall is "seventh heaven" to Mr. Mallow.

# THE BRADY I

Serving The Heart of Texas

APR 17, 1973

Brady, Texas 76825, Tuesday, April 17,



**HAPPY SMILES** — Distinguished Service Award winner James Mallow (left) is all smiles as is Korky Steffens at the presentation of the plaque Thursday night at the Annual Brady Chamber of Commerce Membership Meeting and Banquet.

# The Rules'—Speaker Says

"If you want leadership, you have to play by the rules. If you want to be a leader, you have to learn what your doing here. Failures never know where they are going," Lewis Timberlake told the audience at the Brady Chamber of Commerce's 53rd Annual Membership Meeting last Thursday night.

"Purpose in your life is necessary. You must want to be a leader today. Get something that burns within.

"There are 13 attributes to achieve something great and have total committment," he said.

"Value depends on the purpose for which you live. Learn who you are and where you are going. Serve the person you lead.

"Empathy is the secret of leadership," Timberlake told the group.

"The secret of greatness is to be able to burn yourself up. A leader has to have a wholesome positive attitude.

"America is a land where 90 percent of the people are looking to fail. Anticipation is the key to success. Knowledge will double over the next 2½ years. It is dull and uninteresting to some and interesting and alive to others.

"Those who would be leaders have a wholesome positive attitude. It is the set of the sail that makes the difference.

"Dedication is the certain

## Leads ualifiers

Strickland.

"We had to get in the trials,

something to carry out emotion after all else is gone. Those who would be a leader today have to pay the price and go just one step further, Timberlake said.

"You must be enthusiastic. Nothing great was ever accomplished without enthusiasm. You have to recognize your responsibility and take it from there," the speaker concluded.

Timberlake used stories of great people to illustrate parts of his speech. He told of Winston Churchill who was once fired from a high post in the British navy and through perseverance came back to be one of the great statesmen of his country.

George Purcell, retired manager of the Brady Chamber of Commerce was recognized with a resolution by the C of C with a special award of a plaque for his years of service to the Chamber of Commerce.

The highlight of the evening came when Brady High School band director James Mallow was named as the winner of the Distinguished Service Award. In his introduction of the winner Korky Steffens, a past recipient of the award, remarked that there was nothing he could say that would keep the crowd in suspense. In marched the famed Brady Bulldog Band as Steffens called on Mallow to come to the front. The band saluted the winner with "Band Campers" and the "Heart of Texas Fanfare."

Mallow was awarded the plaque for his work over and above the call of duty with his band students and other young

people in the community. For his work in making the band what it is today.

He was complimented for the many compliments his charges have received over the thousands of miles he has traveled with the band.

"The conduct of the band simply has to be laid at the feet of the man responsible for it, James Mallow," the Rev. Bill Boswell, who helped to make the presentation, said of the winner.

Mallow, in accepting the award, said that a number of years ago he was on his way to another town to accept a position there when he heard there was an opening in Brady.

"I said to myself why am I going anywhere else when I

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## Bill Wright Dies Monday

W. S. (Bill) Wright, 70, of Brady died Monday afternoon at his home of a sudden illness.

Funeral services are pending at Wilkerson Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie; three sons, L. J. Wright of Brady, Jack Norman Wright of Kerrville and Billy Don Wright of Rochelle; three daughters, Mrs. Wanda Rogers of Kerrville; Mrs. Nelva Turner of Abilene and Mrs. Karen Kelly of Siloam Springs, Ark.; a brother, E. R. Wright of Comanche; two sisters, Mrs. Addie Robertson of Dublin and Mrs. Lora Landes of Mesquite; 12 grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

# Mallow awarded service honor at Brady banquet

BRADY (BBC)—James A. Mallow, director of the Brady High School Bulldog Band, was awarded the distinguished service award at the 53rd annual membership meeting Thursday night of the Brady Chamber of Commerce.

Lewis Timberlake of Austin, "success specialist," addressed the sell-out crowd attending the

meeting.

"The numerous trips around Texas in which the Brady band and James Mallow represent Brady in the highest light possible is only one of the things we owe this man for," K. K. Steffens, who presented the honor, said.

"He has taught a boys Sunday school class in the Baptist church for 20 years. He has spent time helping and serving others, making this world a better place for all," he continued. "This characterizes this man."

"He's given himself completely to Brady's most precious resource, its children. Through his efforts, interest has been generated, work has been done and perhaps more importantly, we received the influence of a good Christian person."

Steffens introduced Mallow by reading sections of letters that nominated him for the award.

"He not only gives students enrichment of their musical ability," Steffens read, "but he also enriches their lives by giving them goals and teaching perseverance and diligence."

He gets the best out of his students not because he demands it but because the students want to give their best for him."

Rev. Bill Boswell, pastor of

the First Christian Church of Brady, assisted in the introduction.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by Rhome Hill of Menard and Allen Williams of Fredonia, guitarists.

New directors Egan Fowler, Ben Dillon, Harold Stephens, Bill Ricks and Boyd Hunt were recognized. New officers include Dan Miller, president; Don Freeman, first vice president; Boyd Hunt, second vice president; Bill Ricks, treasurer; and Kathy Roddie, secretary.

Retiring directors are J. D. Barley, Andy Allen, Ed Keeling, Joe King and Dr. Merlin McAnelly.

# Brady Honors Band Director

BRADY. (RNS) — James A. Mallow, director of the Brady High School Bulldog Band, was named the recipient of the annual Distinguished Service Award presented Thursday night at the 53rd annual membership meeting of the Brady Chamber of Commerce.

K. K. Steffans, former recipient of the award, introduced Mallow as "the man who gives hours a day above and beyond the call of duty and contract to Brady's most precious resource — kids — and to the overall community."

Steffans noted that the honoree is respected by his students and their parents and that the band has never had a discipline problem while on

trips around the state. Mallow has also taught Sunday School for 20 years, Steffans pointed out.

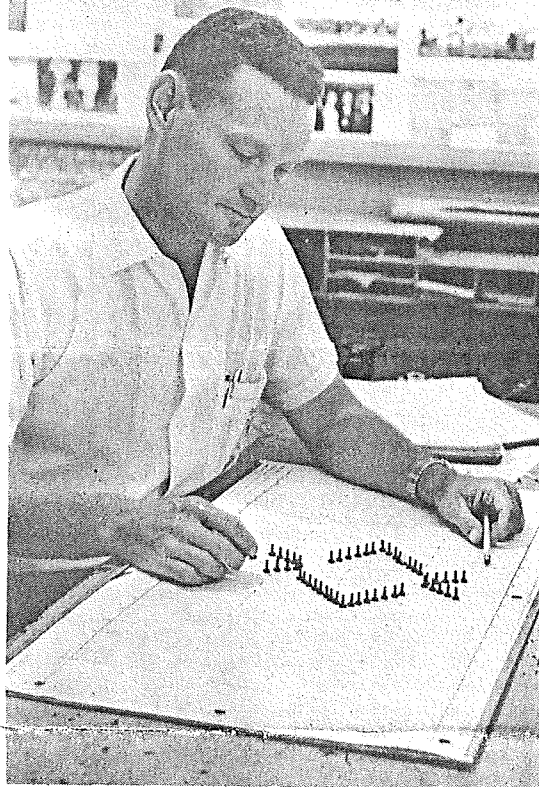
Main speaker for the evening was Lewis Timberlake of Austin, who was introduced by Dr. Richard Lane.

New directors introduced were Egan Fowler, Ben Dillon, Harold Stephens, Bill Ricks and Boyd Hunt. New officers and staff for the coming year will be Dan Miller, president; Don Freeman, first vice president; Boyd Hunt, second vice president; Bill Ricks, treasurer; and Kathy Roddie, secretary.

Holdover directors are Dayton Boren, Dr. Myron Mays, Dan Miller, Bill Robinett, Billy L. Jackson, Don Freeman, Charles Darley, Leo Cervantes, W. E. Lohn Jr. and Carl Schoenewolf.

Retiring directors are J. D. Barley, Andy Allen, Ed Keeling, Joe King and Dr. Merlin McAnelly.





**ANOTHER HALFTIME MANEUVER**—Band director James Mallow uses the the board lined off like a football field to see just how the halftime might go. Each marching maneuver is carefully plotted on paper before the band takes a step onto the field to try the new routine.

## Mallow's Life Tuned To Sweet Notes And Measured Steps

(Editor's Note: The following article appeared in the October 13 issue of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Since it appeared, band director James Mallow's high school band has won its sixth consecutive Division I rating in marching, a step away from the coveted Sweepstakes Award, the highest that can be earned in high school band in Texas.)

By AUTIS McMAHAN  
Star-Telegram Writer

Life is one big blast after another for James A. Mallow. He's the band director here. And he's a good one, too, say Bradyites, noting that when Mallow takes Brady musicians to a contest, they almost invariably come away with all the top prizes.

The people of Brady are cautious in talking about the director of Brady bands, which come second only to the school's football team. They're afraid if they say too much, another school will try to hire their bandsman.

UNDER MALLOW'S leadership, the Brady Bulldog band

has won eight of 10 University Interscholastic League first division marching ratings, seven division I ratings in concert playing and sight reading, five consecutive UIL sweepstakes trophies and more than 35 other first-place awards in various events.

For Mallow, becoming a band director fulfilled a childhood ambition to satisfy his love of music and to accept a challenge to work with youth.

"I always felt there was a place for me in the musical field; I love music and I never had a desire to go into any other field professionally—there seemed to be a challenge to work with youth to combine them into an organization that could perform and produce good music," he said.

The band director said he believes he is building character and citizenship along with music and that this will be carried into adult life.

"STUDENTS HAVE a common goal—they want to do their best in music as well as in other things; bands build morale and team effort and they learn to get along with other people.

He received his bachelor's degree in music education in 1955 from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene before going to Santa Anna. Since then, he has earned his master of education degree in music education from North Texas State University in Denton.

While going to high school, Mallow also was a band member.

MALLOW ALSO has a working knowledge of all instruments and plays them with some degree of efficiency, but he excels on the clarinet and saxophone. His first desire—to have his own band—has been more than fulfilled.

Mallow not only has one band now, but three—his famed Bulldog band with 88 members, the junior high group with 63 musicians and the beginner's band with 45 members.

Mallow has no paid assistants but band members are willing to help, he said.

"They assist in every way possible, including individual lesson instruction without pay—they take pride in the organization, which holds and maintains high morale," he said.

Mallow said the active instrumental program in the school system is supported enthusiastically by the administration, school board and the public.

The school has purchased about \$20,000 worth of the more expensive instruments which are furnished to students at a rental fee of \$5 a year. Students buy smaller instruments such as flutes, clarinets and trombones.

A 120-MEMBER band booster club contributes about \$2,000 a year to the band program.

Despite a strenuous schedule, Mallow does most of the instrument repair work in a \$90,000 band and choral building which he helped design.

His days include shuttling between three schools, giving

**TALL** *value* **LC**

### FRESH MEATS

Family  
**ROAST** LB. 49c

Good Lean Lb.  
**PORK CHOPS....** 69c

**FRYERS** LB. 31c

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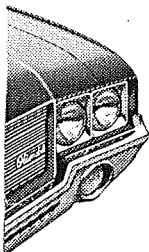
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# Others Might Horn In On Brady Bandsman

By AUTIS McMAHAN

Star-Telegram Writer

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For Mallow, becoming a band director fulfilled a childhood ambition to satisfy his love of music and to accept a challenge to work with youth.

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While going to high school, Mallow also was a band member.

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MALLOW HAS A working knowledge of all instruments and plays them with some degree of efficiency, but he excels on the clarinet and saxophone. His first desire — to have his own band — has been more than fulfilled.

Mallow not only has one band now, but three — his famed Bulldog band, with 88 members, the junior high group with 69 musicians and the beginner's band with 45 members.

Mallow has no paid assistants but band members are willing to help, he said.

"They assist in every way possible, including individual lesson instruction without pay — they take pride in the organization, which holds and maintains high morale," he said.

Mallow said the active instrumental music program in

the school system is supported enthusiastically by the administration, school board and the public.

The school has purchased about \$20,000 worth of the more expensive instruments which are furnished to students at a rental fee of \$5 a year. Students buy smaller instruments such as clarinets, flutes and trombones.

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A 120-MEMBER band booster club contributes about \$2,000 a year to the band program.

Despite a strenuous schedule, Mallow does most of the instrument repair work in a \$90,000 band and choral building which he helped design.

His days include shuttling between three schools, giving individual and group practice and instruction. His work includes organization planning, music arranging, sectional rehearsals and individual testing.

Football season finds him planning concerts, routines, special programs and plotting marching routines, which, he says, is his most difficult job.

This year he has an added responsibility as Brady is the site for the UIL marching contest Nov. 2. About 2,000 band members from throughout the state will compete.

# What Goes Into A Winning Band? Brady Leader Gives His Advice

By SUSAN NEAL  
Standard-Times Staff Writer

BRADY — What is the major key of success to an approximately 95 member band unit that has taken the University Interscholastic League's top honor in Class Double AA band competition for seven straight years? Brady band director, James Mallow says, "Excellent cooperation from the parents and town and willingness of students who want to really do something and many hours of hard work."

In order for a band to receive the UIL sweepstakes trophy, a band must make a first place rating in marching competition, concert playing and sight reading.

The Brady Band won the Six Flags Festival for three years in Class Double AA competition.

This Central Texas town has had many years of an excellent band program and is considered a band community, Mallow has been here for 12 years and he said, "Before I came there had been many fine leaders in the band program such as Douglas Fry in the 1940s who later was a well-known band director with the Abilene Christian College band, Boyd Hunt in the end of the 1950s who is now a principal of South Ward Elementary School in Brady, and the present school counselor, Joe McDough was a director, also."

## Long Hours

One secret behind the success of the Brady Band is the many hard hours of work the students and director practice. "We hardly ever shut down operation during any one time of the year," Mallow remarked. "During the month of June we have a program based on a volunteer basis for the students. July is the most inactive month of all."

The month of August begins the rugged long hours of hard work and practice. "We begin having practice in the morning hours, then morning and evening. It is quite similar to an athletic program," he said.

Band students must prepare for concert playing and marching. Mallow gave a schedule of events his band generally goes through each year by giving a summary of last year's band program.

"There are 10 football halftime performances each season. We have won 10 consecutive firsts in UIL Region competition and placed 26 out of 30 entries in individual contests in the district band competition. Then in region band competition, 32 entered and 22 placed. Thirteen out of 22 band members made All-State

area tryouts and three were selected for membership in the All-State Band.

"It is really unusual for a band to have three members for this honor," Mallow added. Daryl Huffman, Nona Neal and Donna Neal were the students receiving the All-State honor. They were selected in Austin, then spent three days in Fort Worth with All-State Band performing at the Texas Music Educators Convention.

The Brady band sponsors the Brady Band Festival each year, although it does not compete in it. Reminiscing about some of the lighter sides of the band and things happening that were not so funny at the time, but later brought a few laughs, Mallow recalled the time bands were performing for the Brady festival and one girl from a visiting band lost her trousers. She had a pair of pink leotards on underneath, luckily, but the girl stepped out of her trousers and never lost a step during the band's routine.

Asked how he ever manages to gather a group of 95 or so teen-agers for a band trip and get to places on time with equipment, he remarked, "We have to have a schedule with times to be places, every one has a certain seat on the same bus all year long and students know what is expected of them and they just accept this responsibility."

## Interested Students

"One of our biggest problems with meeting schedules so far, he commented with a smile, has been mechanical difficulty." Once we started to leave the school ground, one bus refused to start, another did not have any brakes and it just seemed we would never find three good buses to load our band students on." Another time, we were going to the ACC Band Day when one bus broke down and we had to combine students from three buses into two buses."

Another problem encountered with is weather. "We try to take advantage of most pretty days to practice marching because a week of rain before a football game or

Mallow is a native of Brownwood and received his bachelor's degree in music education in 1955 from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. He then taught for five years in Santa Anna High School and since then earned his master's degree in music education from North Texas State University in Denton. The band director spent three years in the U. S. Air Force as member of the 660th Air Force Base Band at Goodfellow Air Force Base in San Angelo. He is married with two children, Melodianne, 12, who plays a flute in the Beginner Band and a son, Morgan 9. He is a member of Phi Beta Mu Band Director honorary fraternity, Brady Lions Club and is a deacon in the First Baptist Church. He directs all three of the Brady Bands, the Beginner, Brady Junior High School and Brady High School Bulldog Band.

## Community Help

Mallow cited an organization that he believes is very much a part of the band program and that is the Brady Band Boosters, composed of band parents and interested citizens. "The Band Boosters are always willing to help in anyway they are asked. The organization has money raising projects to help the band, such as running one of the concession stands at football games, a radio bake auction and various other projects," he said.

"Senior leadership," Mallow said, "is one of our other major keys to success. The older students help the younger. They use their own time in helping the younger students with their instruments and problems they may be having. This allows older students to leave something of themselves in the band when they graduate."

...were ready to march in a parade when one of the members discovered she had a red ant in her pants. It was too late to do anything about it, so she just marched on and let the ant sting her while marching in the hot September temperatures with her wool band uniform on."

...marching contest could really hurt if plenty of practice has not taken place prior to the week," he added. "Once while our band was in Abilene, again for the ACC Band Day, our students along with about 1,400 other band students from all over the state were on the football field ready to perform in a massed concert when the sky suddenly opened with rain, hail and 45 mile-an-hour winds blowing. The electricity failed and for a short period of time nobody knew what was happening. This was perhaps one of my most horrifying moments in my life," he added. "It all turned out that everyone finally managed to find their way to the bus after all. Everyone was okay, but we did have about \$300 damage in uniforms not counting the students' individual instrument damage."

Students, like all human beings, sometimes forget things. Occasionally the band director said, "We have had a band student to forget to take his band trousers, shoes or something along, but these are things that we try to prevent as often as possible."

Several incidents have happened to individual students who showed their determination to go on no matter what. He remarked, "One time, we



# Famed Bulldog Band, One Of Best 2A Bands In State

whistle trills, the drums roll and the Famed Brady Bulldog Band takes the field as the local rooters applaud wildly.

This is the scene each Friday night at halftime of the Brady High School football games. Not only are Bradyites avid football fans, but they are just as avid Bulldog Band fans as the standing ovation at the intermission of the Brady-Ozona football game last Friday night proved.

Winners of nine consecutive Sweepstakes awards, the highest honor given high school

bands in Texas, the aggregation brings thrills to hundreds of locals and opposing team fans alike.

The 94 marching band members are part of the 106-piece organization that represents Brady High School and the Heart of Texas and are known as "The Pride of the Heart of Texas."

**A band cannot make a name in its circles without a band director and the citizens of Brady consider James Mallow one of the best.**

A native of Brownwood, Mallow came to Brady in 1960 from Santa Anna where he was a teacher. He is well-known in music circles in Texas and has been contacted by colleges and institutions of higher learning who were interested in obtaining his services as a band director. Fortunately, he has chosen to remain in Brady.

His success with the band program in the Brady schools is almost phenomenal. Year after year Mallow trains band students from the sixth grade in junior high to those in high school. There are 234 students in the band program. Forty-seven of those are sixth grade beginners. He has 81 in the junior band program at junior high and 106 in high school.

"We march 94 members, partly because of the uniform situation and partly because some of the band students are football players. We have three varsity players and several junior varsity and freshmen team members.

"We have approximately nine alternates suited up and ready to go. Three of these will march on alternate nights. The others can fill in if someone is sick or absent," Mallow explained.

**The band director works almost every night lining things up for the next Friday night football game. The band students spend the band period on the practice field polishing up the routine for the Friday night halftime appearance.**

Mallow said that his halftime routines are usually taken from those of other bands. "Some are original ideas; others we pick up from bands on TV and other places. The trend in marching, especially on TV, is forming pictures. With the low high school stadium this is not so good. The higher the stands the better the 'picture' looks."

"We try to do special musical figures and precision marching. For years the popular thing has been diamonds. Now it is circles. We try to improve on the concert season with special features. It promotes good musicianship that carries over to concert playing," Mallow said.

He noted last Friday's rendition of the theme from the motion picture, "The Sting," as an example. Contemporary music is a favorite of the band members and Mallow seeks arrangements of popular music for their use.

Flags are a recent addition to the band, new last year. They give the organization a big look. The trend is a return from past years. "We use them sparingly because we like to use all our personnel in playing instruments when they can, he said.

**Mallow said that the next big event on the calendar for the band will be a District Band competition Nov. 9 in Ballinger.**

"This is an individual event. Each student is on his own and enters on his own. We have been fortunate in placing members in the district aggregation as well as regional and area. Our biggest success was in 1972-73 when we placed three band members in the All-State Band. The next thing will be the University Interscholastic League Marching Contest Nov. 23 in Coleman. That will be the first step toward another Sweepstakes Award," the band director said.

"Rain is always a big problem with us. Of course if it is raining during the band period we can't practice on the field and the more practice we get the better we are. Under normal circumstances we only use the band period for marching practice. The kids' big work comes during the late summer and a lot in August. Our biggest job is getting the freshmen qualified to play in the band," Mallow said.

One thing he left out is the band schools he holds each summer. All band members, junior high and high school are eligible to attend and the fact

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**BAND STUDENTS AT WORK**  
 ... The brass section puts in extra time

**Band—**

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that so many do take part in the summer band program, is one reason the band is so successful.

The pre-school practice period is one in which the older band members get the newer ones worked up enough to fit together. They help to instill the pride of accomplishment that Mallow is strong on. Throughout the year the veteran band members work with the novices to try to help them perfect their instrument playing.

Mallow believes in pride of organization, pride of self and

pride of school. He insists on and gets dedication. The respect the band members have for Mallow is evident in their actions both at home and out-of-town. They are known wherever they go as the "good will ambassadors" for Brady High School and the City of Brady.

The band director was quick to say that without the Brady Band Boosters the band program would not be nearly so successful. "We could not do without them. They are our backers, our staunchest supporters and our money makers. They go with the band, buy instruments for us and in general are behind us in everything we do," he said.

He also paid tribute to the school and the school officials. "They are behind us in every way and still willing to help when needed. They support our band program in everything we do," he said.

Mallow said he could not set a value on the band. "We have over \$10,000 in uniforms and a conservative estimate of \$30,000 in school instruments. That doesn't take into consideration the thousands of dollars worth of instruments belonging to the students. Some of our brass horns were here when Doug Fry came in 1947. Many more horns are 10 to 15 years old. Not so good to look at but they play okay.

"Football games are hardest

on instruments, uniforms and students. There are the crowded bleachers and loading and unloading. Playing in the stands is more difficult than in concert," he said.

He described concert playing as being essentially the same people but a concert sound versus a marching sound. "We try to be more particular. We use more finesse inside by calming down the sound and being more precise," he said.

In addition to the nine Sweepstakes awards, the Brady Band has won four Six Flags trophies, the latest being last year when they were judged best in Class AA in concert playing.

Mallow hopes for another Sweepstakes year and the band members will try to fulfill that hope. For the present the members continue to practice on District Band music, half-

time routines and musicianship with an eye toward the big award.

At the next football game a whistle will trill, the drums roll and the Famed Brady Bulldog Marching Band will take the field.

# 3 Band Students Named All-State

Three members of the famed Brady Bulldog Band were chosen to All-State bands at the Convention Center in Fort Worth last week.

Nona Neal placed 9th chair French Horn in the State Symphonic Band. Donna Neal placed second chair alto clarinet and Darryl Huffman, first chair bass in the State Concert Band.

This is the second straight year Nona has been selected to the symphonic band.

There are two bands which the students may be placed. Both are all-state aggregations.

Director of the symphonic band was Dr. John Poynter of Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. Director of the concert band was Dr. Ralph C. Laycock of Brigham Young University at Provo, Utah.

The concert band played a public performance Saturday afternoon and the symphonic and choir performed Saturday night. There were about 5,000

persons in attendance for the concerts.

Two former Brady band members, Debbie Huffman and Gwen Ashba performed with the Texas Tech Symphony Orchestra and all-state choir at the meet. The band presented excerpts from Carmen Burana.

Several Brady adults were present for the concert. They were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Huffman, Mr. and Mrs. Don Neal, Mrs. Arthur Neal, Mrs. B. J. Neal, Mrs. R. S. Moseley and Mrs. James Mallow and daughter, Melodianne.

"I think the students had a real musical experience with something they will remember the rest of their lives," band director James Mallow said.

## 8 Felony Theft Complaints Filed Here Last Week

Eight felony theft complaints were filed in Justice of the Peace Joe Barekman's court

# She Wore Pink Pants And a Red, Red Face

A little girl with the Floydada Band will remember Friday night for the rest of her life. She lost her pants during the marching contest.

Underneath she was wearing a pair of pink pedal pushers (because of the cold), and when her uniform pants slipped, she stepped out of them and continued to march. Holding her head high, she finished the marching routine with the poise of a veteran performer, her pink tights flashing like a red light in the field of green Floydada uniforms.

The crowd thought it was part of the band's act—until she finally broke down and cried after the band had left the field.

It was an accident—no act, say the Floydada bandmen.

Another member of the band retrieved her pants from the center of the field.

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## New Director To Begin Band School Monday

Summer band school for Brady High's Bulldog Band will begin next Monday morning in the high school band hall.

The whole band will rehearse from 9 to 10 a. m., and then the freshmen will work on their entrance requirements from 10 a. m. until noon.

James Mallow, the band's new director, will be present. Retiring director Boyd Hunt will work with Mallow for a few days and then turn the school over to him.

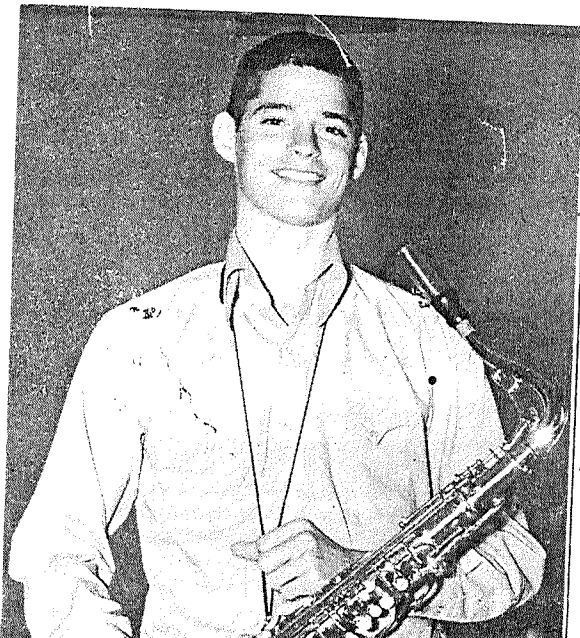
The band school ends with a trip to Garner State Park Aug. 16-18, when the band's majorettes for next year will be elected.

Hunt said Mallow probably won't start working with the junior high school band students until after school starts: "They don't have to prepare for a football game as soon as the high school band does."

Mallow, coming here after five years as director of the Santa Anna band, will handle both Brady bands.

"No change will be made in the band setup," Hunt said. Mallow will continue the practice of starting band students in the sixth grade, directing the junior high

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# Discipline, Work Band's Secret

By PATRICK DEAREN  
Staff Writer

BRADY — "Band teaches self discipline. You've got to have self discipline if you're going to accomplish anything . . . and I feel it carries over in to life, no matter what the undertaking."

The words come from James Mallow, 15-year veteran director of the "Famed Brady Bulldog Band" which has racked up numerous honors

during his tenure at Brady High School.

This year the band copped first division honors in marching, concert and in sight reading, garnering a UIL sweepstakes, highest award the state of Texas gives in regional.

In addition, for the second straight year the band was named best AA band at the Six Flags contest this spring. The Six Flags event is open

only to first division winners.

"I would say that at least half of (our success) is organizational work and the other part, of course, is musicianship," said Mallow.

Mallow had kind words for the citizens of Brady, noted that the people "take an extreme pride in the band . . . and like to associate with it accomplishments and victories . . . to me Brady is an

unusual small community in that anything they want to do they seem to do it extremely well. And that's why I decided to come here years ago. I feel people have a tremendous pride in the city and Chamber of Commerce and school programs."

Brady has an active band booster club which contributes \$3,000 a year to the program through radio bake auctions, benefit drive-in movies and

ball game concessions.

"Of course, the heart of any program like this is the students themselves," noted Mallow, who is only the third director in the band program since it was initiated in 1948. "To be a band winner it takes not only dedication and good attitude, but 100 per cent concentration in what you're doing. And that, to me is what makes a truly fine band."

He added that often high school band members will give junior high students group or private lessons, as well as aid them in passing their barrier tests — performance tests to make the high school band. "This helps promote a sense of belonging and pride," said Mallow.

In addition the band practices as a whole one hour daily during the school term and often holds a section practice after school hours as well. "The individual effort put forth makes our band a little stronger," said the director.

The band has 104 members, which amounts to approximately one-fourth of the student body — a larger-than-average percentage, since most AA bands have only 60-70 members.

Mallow also serves as junior high director, and often teaches a single student for as long as seven years. "I feel I can really get to know the person and what he's capable of," he said. "I think this, in the long run, helps the student."

The close student-teacher relationship was evident at a recent band session and the



# **'We Did It Again Day' Nets Bulldog Band \$9,500**

"Do It Again Day" turned into "We Did It Day" when the annual radio auction and bake sale was finally completed about 8:30 p. m. Saturday.

After about 10 hours of air time auction, the Brady Band Boosters counted their money and Band Director James Mallow said Monday morning that the sale netted over \$9,500. Proceeds will go toward the band's trip to Canon City, Colo., for a marching contest.

Ninety-six cash donations from \$1 to \$208 was pledged, and 250 items were auctioned off.

"The sale surpassed our wildest dreams. The Bulldog Band and the Boosters owe a great debt of gratitude to the people of the community who are interested enough in the band to help us raise this much money," Mallow said.

The sale was topped by a \$300 bid on a deer hunting trip on the Ferd Slocum Ranch.

Three men, W. A. Dodds, Gray Carrithers and Ben Davis Geeslin, teamed together to win the hunting outing.

Three cakes brought in excess of \$100. Dodds bought his wife's cake for \$225; John Bucy bought Mrs. Bucy's cake for \$150; and Gray Carrithers bought Mrs. Carrithers' cake for \$145.

Jim Shuffield had the high bid on a rooster at \$125 and Daymon McBee bought a rabbit at \$50.

Bidding was spirited on the homemade coverlet by Vanard Young. T. Wood paid \$200 for the quilt.

Numerous challenges were made throughout the day as ex-drum majors were challenged for a donation as were ex-band booster presidents, ex-Bulldog band members, junior high band members, present twirlers, past twirlers. These donations were swelled by the \$208 given by Mr. and

**Mrs. Sam McCollum. Their donation will pay the way for two students to make the trip to Canon City.**

The 181 food items included cakes, pies, cobblers, candy, cookies, breads, tamales, enchiladas, tortillas, mayonnaise, salads, ham, turkey, burritos, rolls, beans and cornbread and chili.

Unusual items sold in the sale included a macrame owl, mohair afghan, handmade spread, parakeet, rocking chair, fruit basket, original painting, Shetland pony, garnet necklace, luggage, car care services, candy dish, livestock feed, catfish, two airplane rides, macrame hanger, pair of boots, miniature pine tree, room of paneling, restaurant dinners, two poodles, hanging plant, beauty shop services, a live and a dressed goat, two rabbits, pillowcases, rooster, cosmetics, rag rug, black cat, wildlife pictures and frames, cookware,

monument, macrame kit, pillows and front end alignment.

Auctioneers Red Simpson and Barbara Smith, along with many volunteer workers, stayed with the project all day. The time was set for 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. but response on both bidding and items sent in for the sale were so great that the event went on long after the set time for the conclusion.

**"Help in the way of bids and donations came from all over. People who have no connection with the band entered into the spirit. It is indeed a community-wide effort that will make it possible for us to attend the festival in Canon City," Mallow said.**

Mallow said that with the other fund-raising projects in the planning stage the four-day trip via chartered buses is a reality for the band.

Supt. Carroll Tatom said Monday that he was very  
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# Mallow Named Bandmasters President

**SAN ANTONIO (SNS)** — James Mallow, Band Director for the Brady Public Schools for the past seventeen years, was elected to serve as President of the 1400 member Texas Bandmasters Association.

The Texas Bandmasters Association, the largest state band association in the world, has held their annual convention in San Antonio for the past 30 years.

The purpose of the convention is to sponsor New Music and Marching clinics and many other educational clinics. Exhibitors and participants come from all parts of the nation to attend the convention.

## Sheriff's Sale Set In DR

**DEL RIO (SC)** — A number of properties will be put up for sale today at 10 a.m. at the Val Verde County Courthouse at a sheriff's sale.

The sheriff or his agent will sell the property to the highest bidder for cash upon oral bids under rules generally governing auction sales.

The property is being sold because of the owners failure to pay taxes. All sales will be made subject to the right of the former owner to redeem their property within two years from the date the purchasers deed is filed for record.

## School Plans Due Study

**DEL RIO (SC)** — School board members have given Superintendent O.B. Poole and architect Joe Mills the go-ahead to submit plans for building improvements to federal officials in Austin.

The planned improvements involve converting Freshman School auditorium into a cafeteria, constructing a dining area at Travis school, and adding 12 new classrooms to the west and campus of Garfield Elementary.

According to Poole those three projects should cost \$250,000. They will be funded with the \$382,000 which the school district has been awarded by the Economic Development Administration.

## Activities Workshop Slated

**DEL RIO (SC)** — A mini-workshop on physical activities for senior adults will be held at the Del Rio Civic Center on Wednesday Aug. 10 under the sponsorship of the Middle Rio Grand Regional Office on Aging and the Governors Commission of Physical Fitness.

Experts will outline a basic beginning exercise program for older people. Regional office head Mrs. Annelies Rios says those people who work with senior adults as well as those who would like to know how to help older people are welcome to attend the workshop.

## Co-Op To Name Officers

**COLORADO CITY (SC)** — Three directors for the Lone Wolf Electric Cooperative will be elected today at the group's annual meeting.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Lone Wolf Electric Co-opatorium on Highway 208 in Colorado City.

Those nominated are G. C. Strange and Harry Dockrey, for Region 3; Martin Murphy and C. D. Gray Jr., for Region 5; and H. F. (Skeet) Dunn for Region 7.

Nominations may be made from the floor.

## Hedrick Marks 25 Years

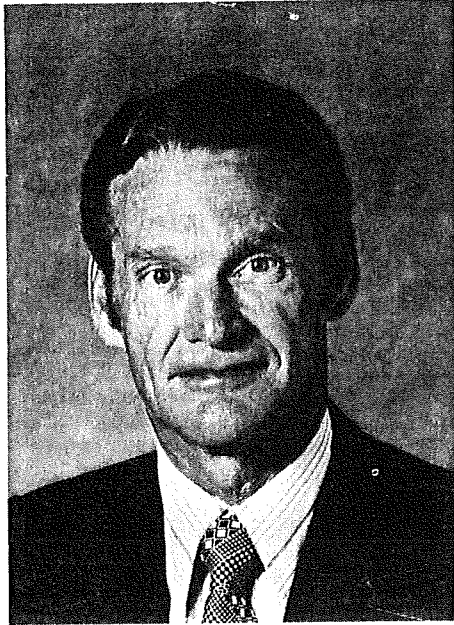
Maintenance Construction Supervisor Cecil F. Hedrick of Ozona recently completed 25 years of service with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation (DHT).

District Engineer D. R. Watson presented Hedrick with a certificate and lapel pin during a meeting of a maintenance supervisors in San Angelo.

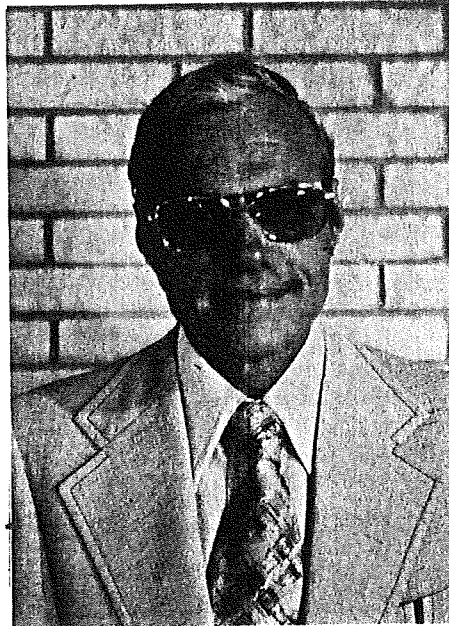
Hedrick began his career in Ozona in May 1952 as a semi-skilled laborer for Scottie Houston. From October 1973 with August 1976 Hedrick was special construction foreman working his crew throughout the 13 counties of District 7. Upon the retirement of Houston the Hedrick family moved back home to Ozona.



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High School, Brady, Texas



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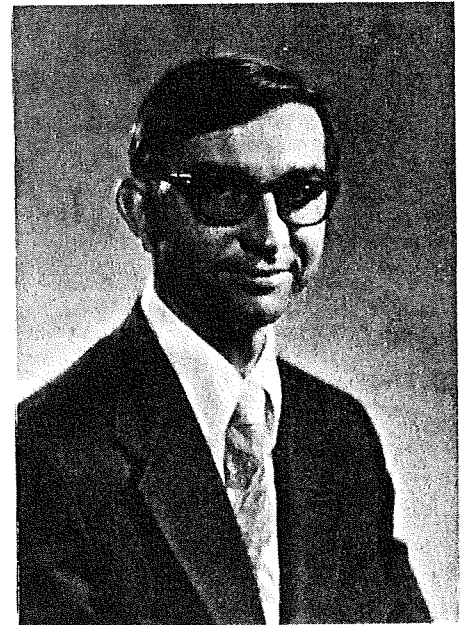
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## Nominating Committee

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RICHARD CRAIN  
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BELTON, TEX.  
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July 29, 1978

Mr. James Mallow, President  
Texas Bandmasters Association  
Convention Headquarters  
San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mr. President:

Congratulations on your election to the presidency of the Texas Bandmasters Association! I know you are very excited about the coming convention. You have served well as president and I'm sure the '78 convention will be a great success. Much of the credit goes to the quality of your leadership this year.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to have served on this governing body with you these past five years. Your contributions to the Board of TBA have been many and significant. It is with a great deal of sadness that I go off the board, for I will surely miss the association with you and the other officers.

I know the ladies luncheon will go great and Mo will be as charming as ever. I remember how excited Gayle was last year throughout the preparations for the luncheon program.

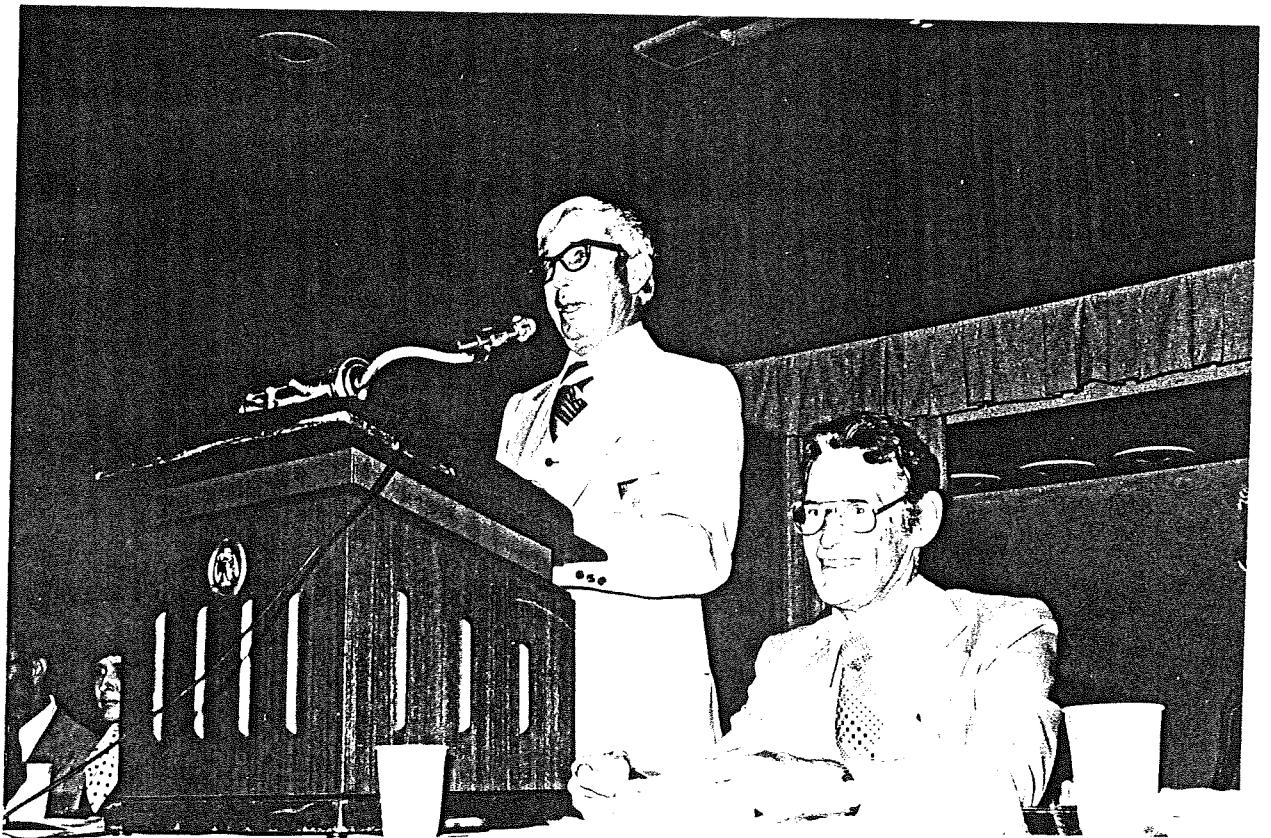
Gayle and I wish you and Mo the very best. If we can do anything to make your convention be the best ever please let us know.

Sincerely,

*Richard*

Richard Crain







*Certificate of Recognition*

*for*

*Outstanding and Dedicated Service*

*as a*

PAST PRESIDENT

*of*

*Texas Bandmasters' Association*

*President Year of* 1978

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# Brady Independent School District

1000 Wall St.

BRADY, TEXAS 76825

October 8, 1976

ROLL E. TATOM  
Superintendent

BOYD HUNT  
Asst. Superintendent

TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE:

As chairman for the committee from Brady Independent School District, I am particularly pleased to present the committee's nominee, Mr. James A. Mallow, as the Texas representative for the National Teacher of the Year Award.

Since I was replaced by Mr. Mallow as director of the Brady High School Band when I went into administration, I feel that I have a unique insight into the reasons for his outstanding success in that position during the past sixteen years.

He has every attribute of an excellent teacher listed in the profile of past recipients of the National Award.

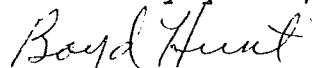
Mr. Mallow surpasses the attribute to strive for a one to one relationship with students. He actually attains this relationship with his students by teaching each one privately after regular school hours and during the summer months.

He is dedicated to the teaching profession and his rapport with students, parents, and colleagues is outstanding.

Community activities and professional and civic honors are evident throughout the pages of this presentation.

We have truly an outstanding teacher for your consideration.

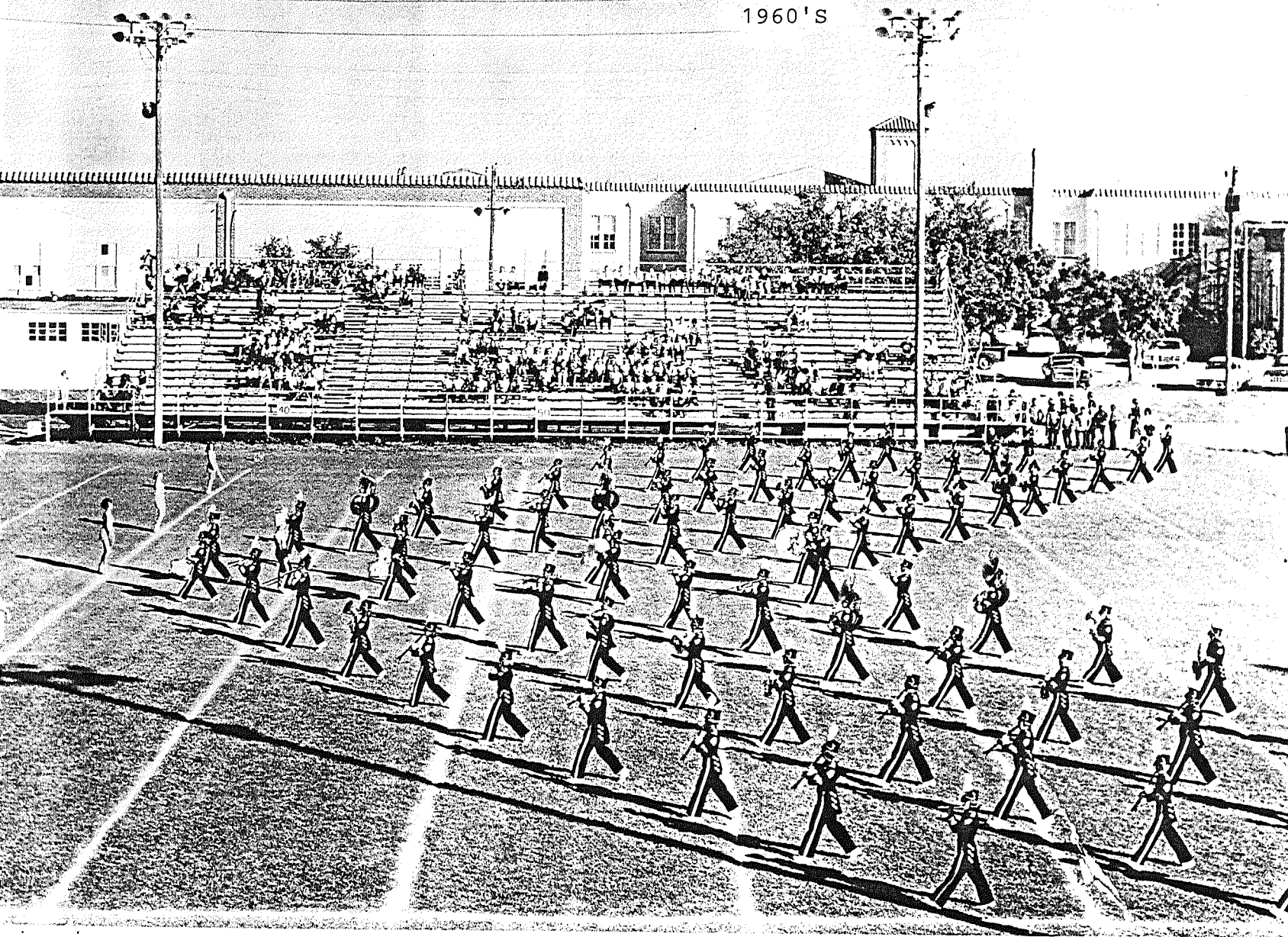
Sincerely yours,



Boyd Hunt  
Assistant Superintendent

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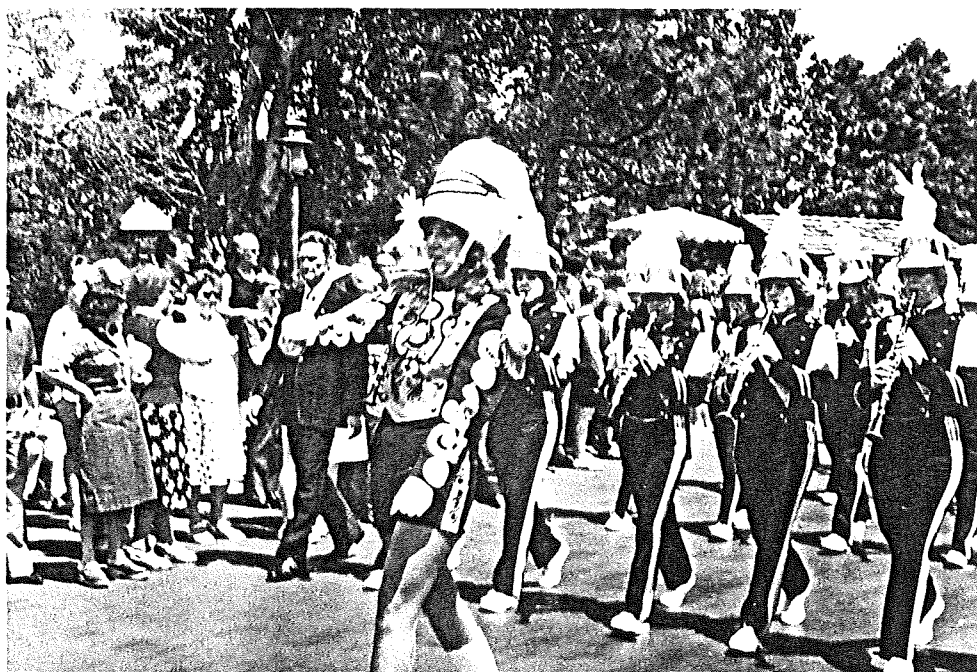
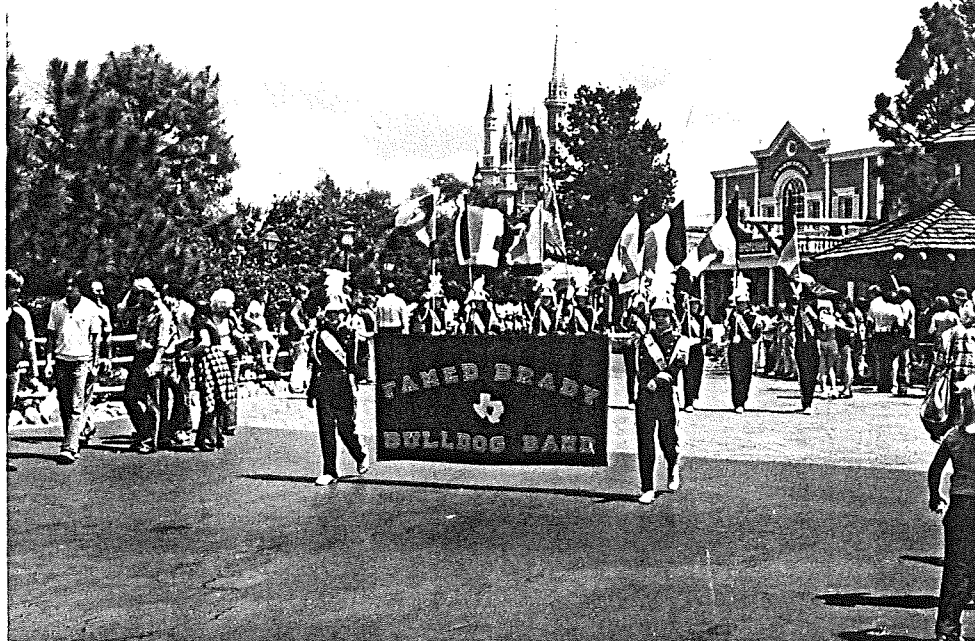




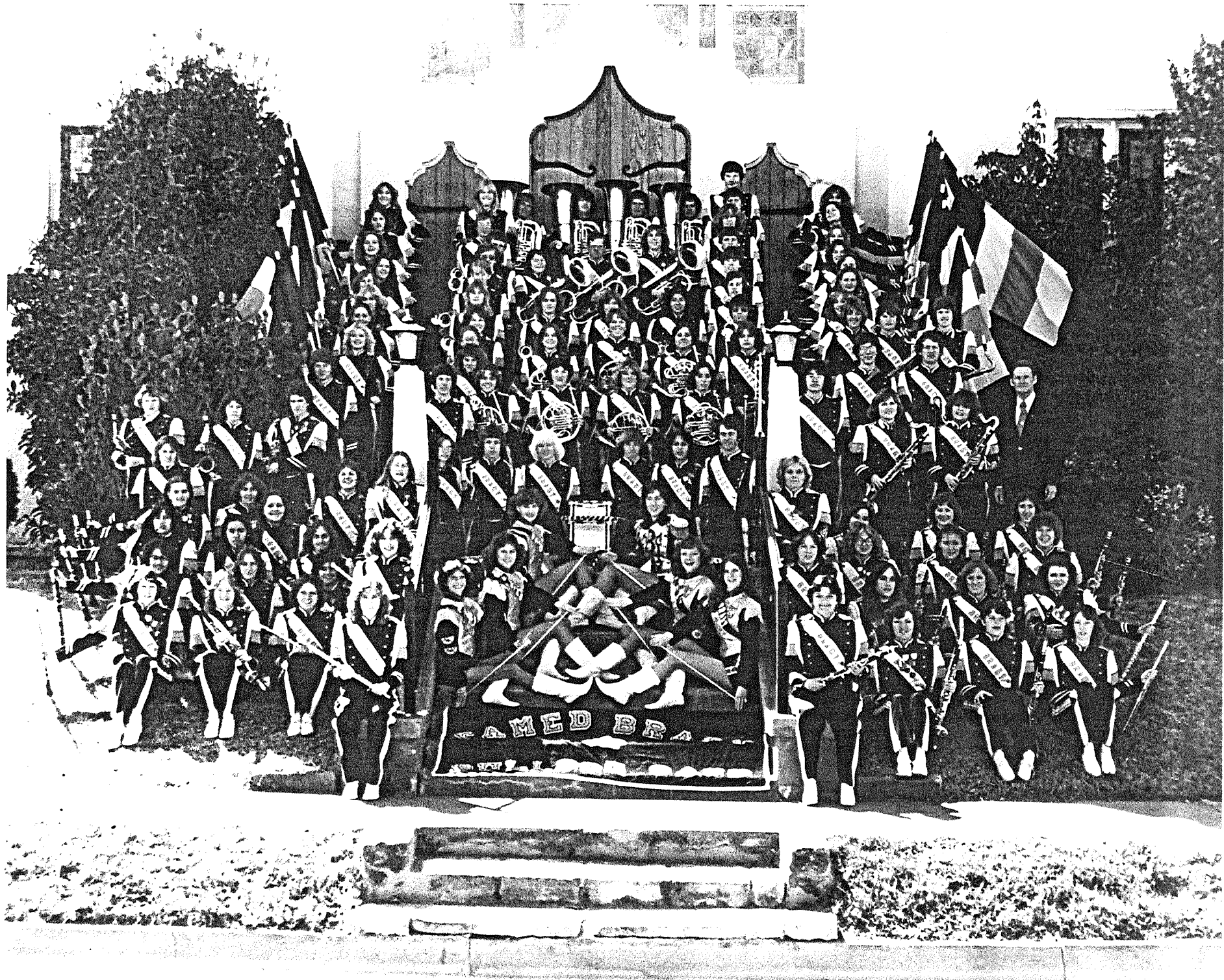
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1970'S





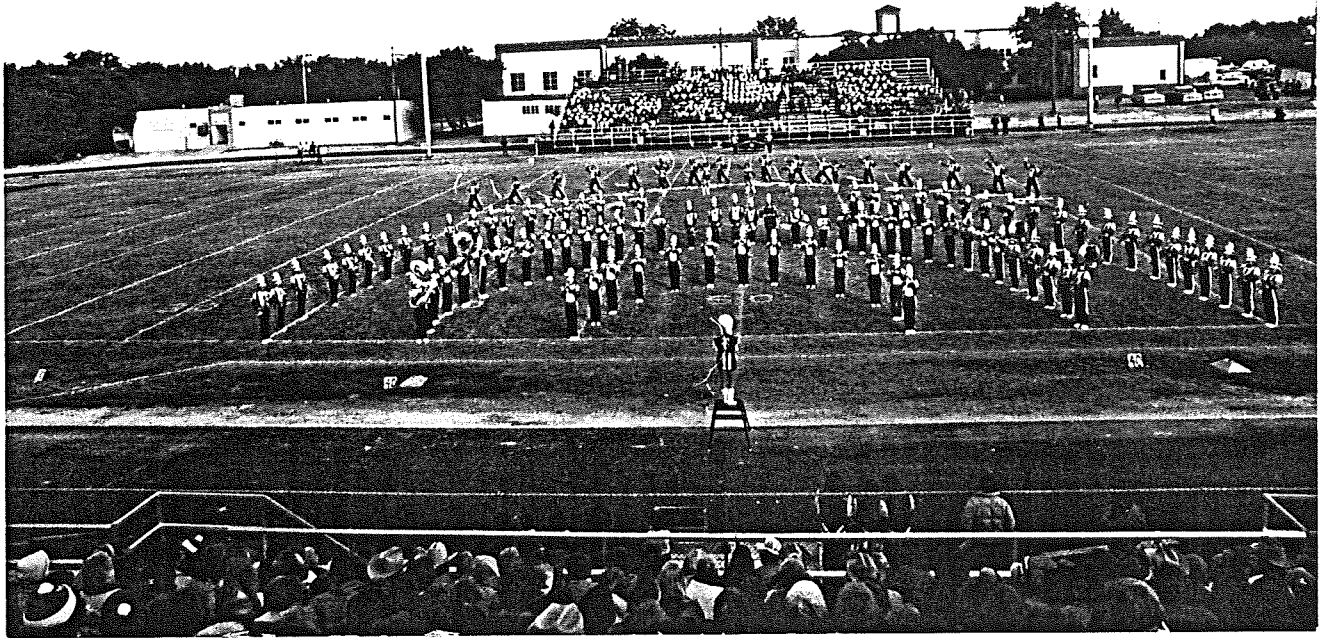




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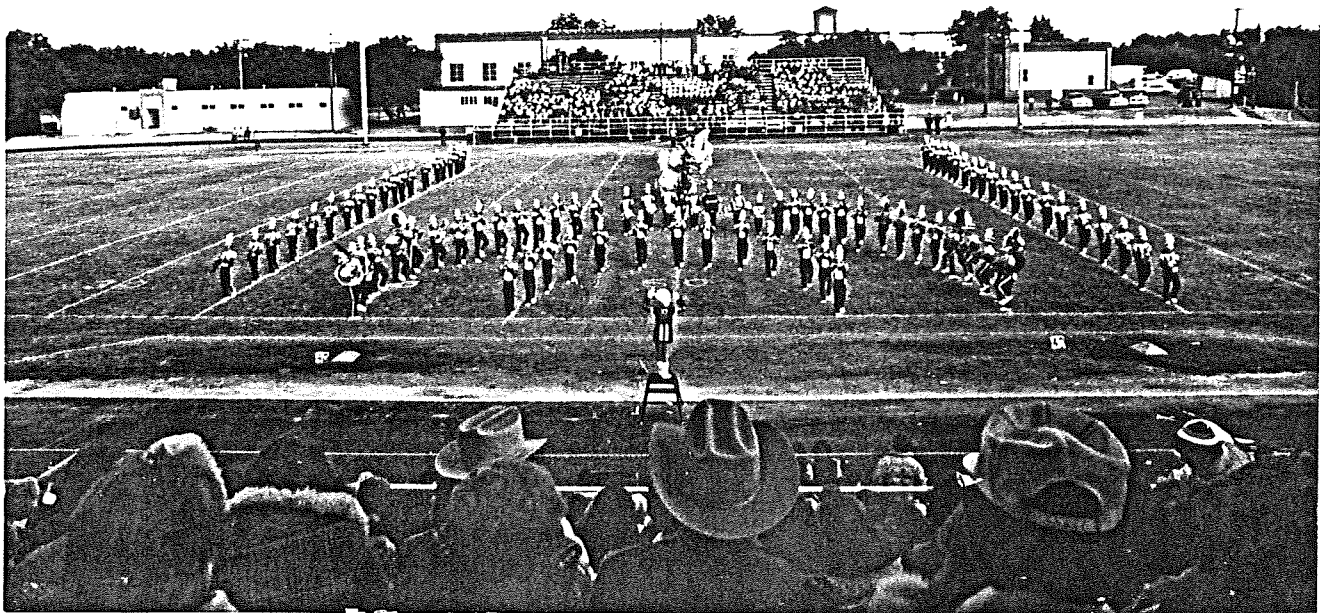
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Class *AA*

Year *1976*

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Director

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Vice-President/State Division Chairman

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Date



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# Texas Music Educators Association

## Sightreading Clinic February 7, 8, 9, 1985

### SIGHTREADING CLINICIANS

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James Mallow, Brady High School, Brady, Texas  
Don Hanna, Denton High School, Denton, Texas

### SIGHTREADING REPORT CONTRIBUTORS

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ESSENTIALS OF UIL SIGHTREADING COMPETITION by James Mallow,  
Brady Public Schools  
Brady, Texas

I. BACKGROUND

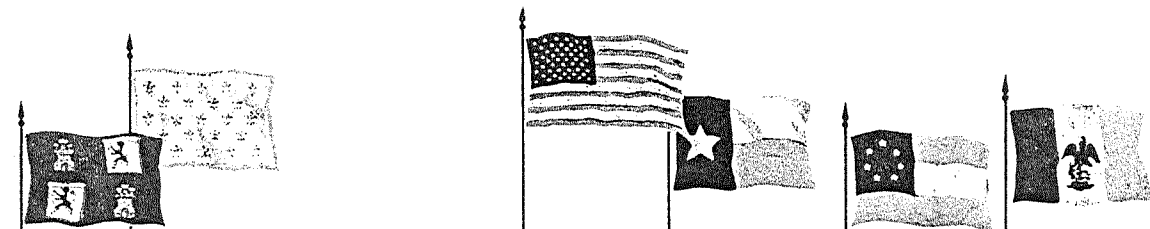
- A. A firm foundation in rhythmic counting is necessary from the first day forward
- B. Director must motivate the student to derive fun pleasure and satisfaction from the ability to read at sight.
- C. Method Books
  1. Be able to count all that is in the beginning method book.
  2. Intermediate and Advanced groups
    - a. 150 Original Exercises-Belwin
    - b. 101 Rhythmic Rest Patterns-Belwin
    - c. Rhythm Etudes-Belwin Mills

II. REHEARSAL TECHNIQUES FOR SIGHT READING PERFORMANCE

- A. Motivating the student
  1. Simulate actual performance conditions as to time allowed, instructions, no stopping of music etc.
  2. Explain and expect 100% attention from all students
  3. Instruct students that poor discipline and attention will influence a judges opinion.
- B. Short daily warm up routine on different types of rhythm patterns will be of great value.
- C. Music for Sightreading practice
  1. Select very easy music beginning approximately two months prior to the contest date. Easy music will give the students confidence
  2. Attempt to grade music upward in difficulty in order to gain a gradual proficiency to read numbers at least one division more difficult than those used for your classification
- D. Review the errors but very seldom rehearse the sight reading practice music. Keep it for next year if it is a good sight reading tune.

III. CONTEST DAY

- A. It probably goes without saying that students should enter the room quietly, sit as usual, relax but not too much and above all be business like.



SIX FLAGS  
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BAND COMPETITION-FESTIVAL

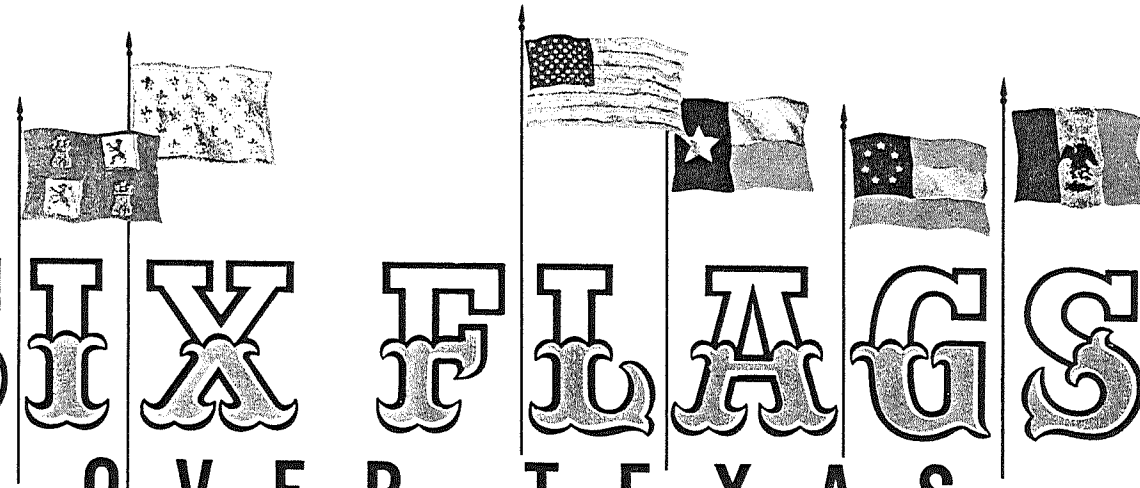
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*1<sup>st</sup> Division Rating for a Distinguished*

*Performance in Concert on the 4<sup>th</sup> day  
of May 1967.*

*Harry Barton*  
Musical Director-SIX FLAGS Over Texas

*Manley R. Whitcomb*  
*Walter B. Baker*  
Judge  
Judge  
Judge



**SIX FLAGS**  
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Mrs. Jan Watkins  
Musical Director-SIX FLAGS Over Texas

William J. Foster Judge  
Richard Shamp Judge  
Richard Shamp Judge



JAMES MALLOW

## Party Set For Mallow

The Band Boosters are inviting all former bandsmen, friends and townspeople to an open house Friday night in honor of retiring Band Director James Mallow.

The party will be held in the Brady High band hall from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. July 4.

Old marching films will be shown, and refreshments will be served.

Mallow is trying to retire, although no successor has been named, after 26 years "of dedicated service to the Famed Brady Bulldog Band" and an unprecedented 21 consecutive Sweepstakes Awards.

## Retired Mallow Agrees To Lead Jubilee Band

With no successor named yet at Brady High, retired Band Director James Mallow has agreed to try to organize a band for the July Jubilee parade.

"All regular band members, incoming freshmen, and any ex-band members are encouraged to participate," Mallow pleaded.

The parade will be held at 10 a. m. Friday, July 4.

Rehearsals will be held at high

school on this schedule:

• Tuesday, July 1, 7 p. m., all percussion and tubas, full band at 7:45 p. m.

• Thursday, July 3, 7:45 p. m., full band.

Music will be distributed at the Tuesday rehearsal. The uniform for the parade will be blue jeans, white shirts, red bandanas, white shoes and socks, and western hats.



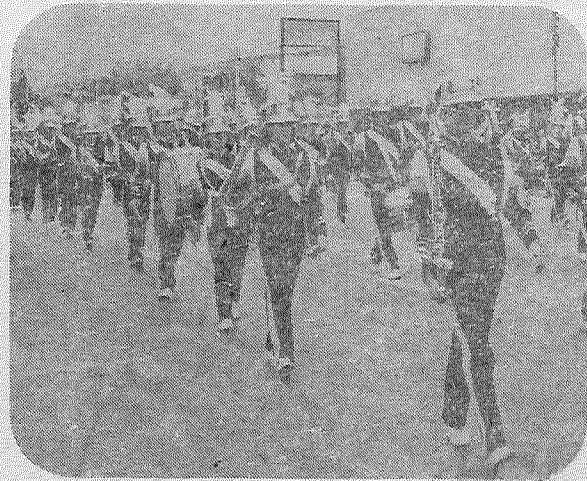
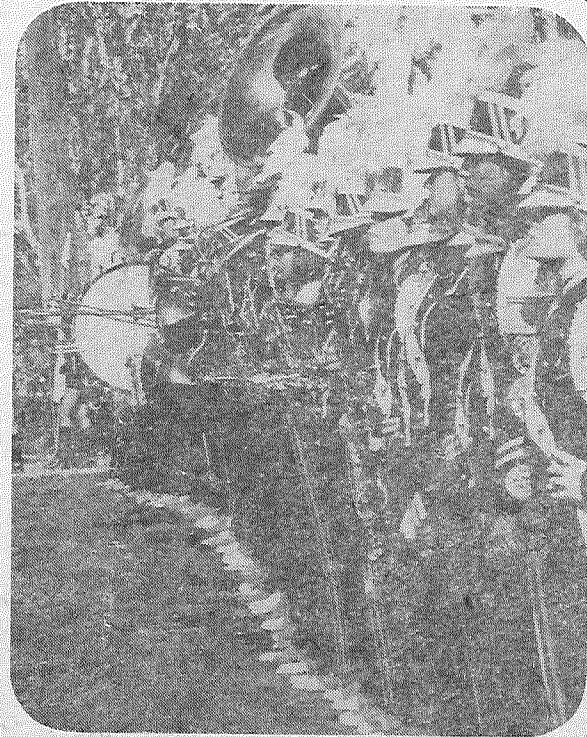
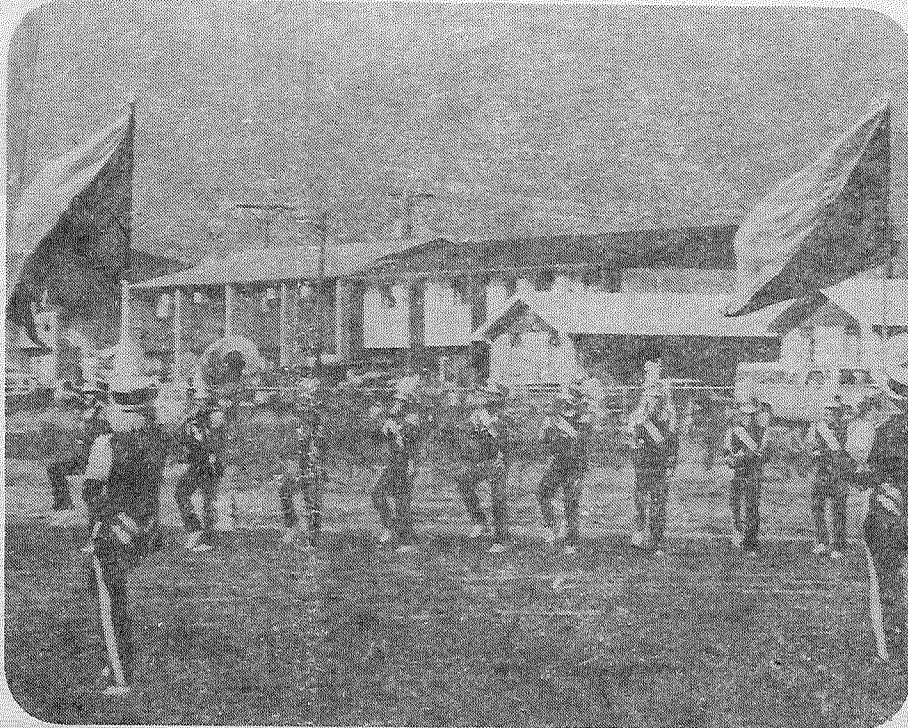
# THE BRADY BUNCH

The kids from Brady, Tex., a community of about 3,500 folks, travelled 1,600 miles to pick up top Class C marching and field band competition trophies at Canon City's Blossom and Music Festival Saturday and Sunday.

One of the top bands in Texas, with an impressive record of accomplishments over the past 12 years, the Brady Bulldogs are old hands at winning trophies under the direction of their leader, James Mallow.

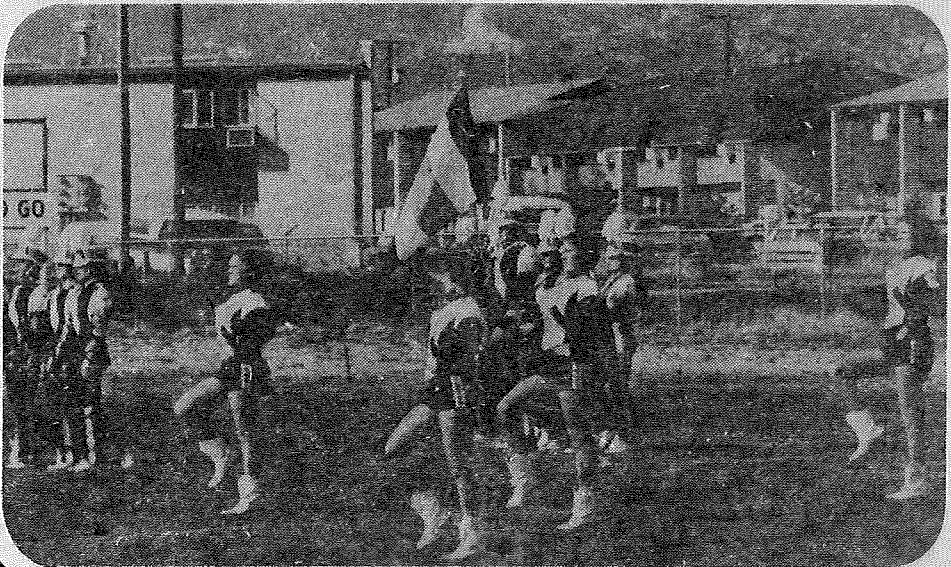
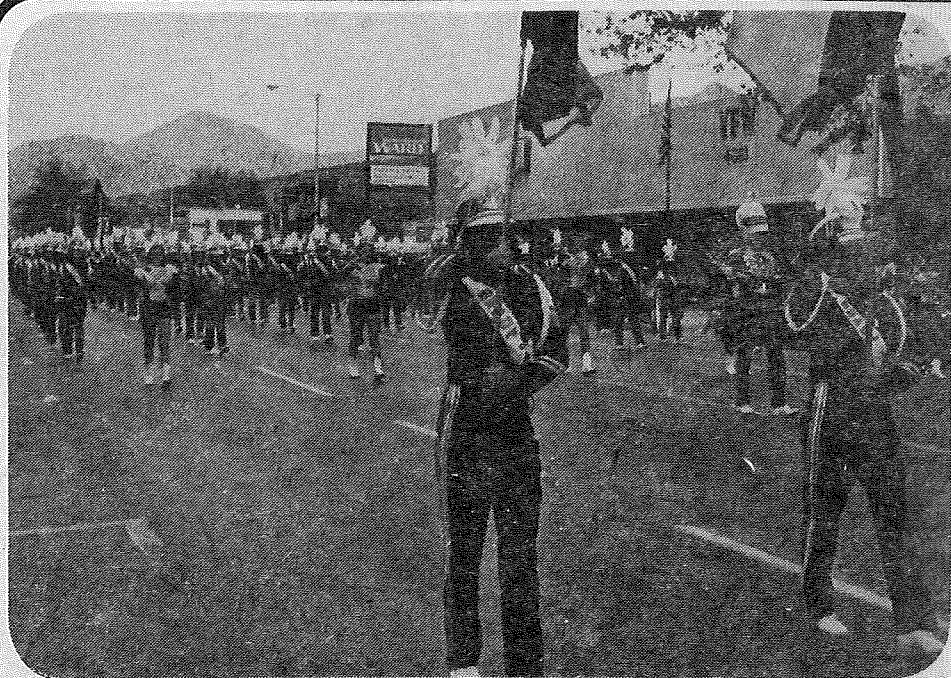
They have performed throughout the state of Texas and have scored major successes at competition events at Six Flags Over Texas.

The young musicians, through help from townspeople and Brady High school, raised \$13,000 to make the trip to Canon City. The group stayed in Colorado Springs Friday where they visited the Air Force Academy, the Flying W Ranch and held worship services in the Garden of the Gods. Sunday the band toured the Royal Gorge and left Pueblo early Monday for the return trip home.



Photos by Bob Cruzen







CAN OF CASH, decorated with balloons, was presented by the Brady Band to Director James Mallow as a year-end gift, at the band's concert. In bottom of the can also was a bottle of Rol-Aids (is that the way to spell it?).



BAND DIRECTOR James Mallow (right) receives Damrosch Music Club's plaque from Mildred Breckenridge.

*Supper  
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J & M*

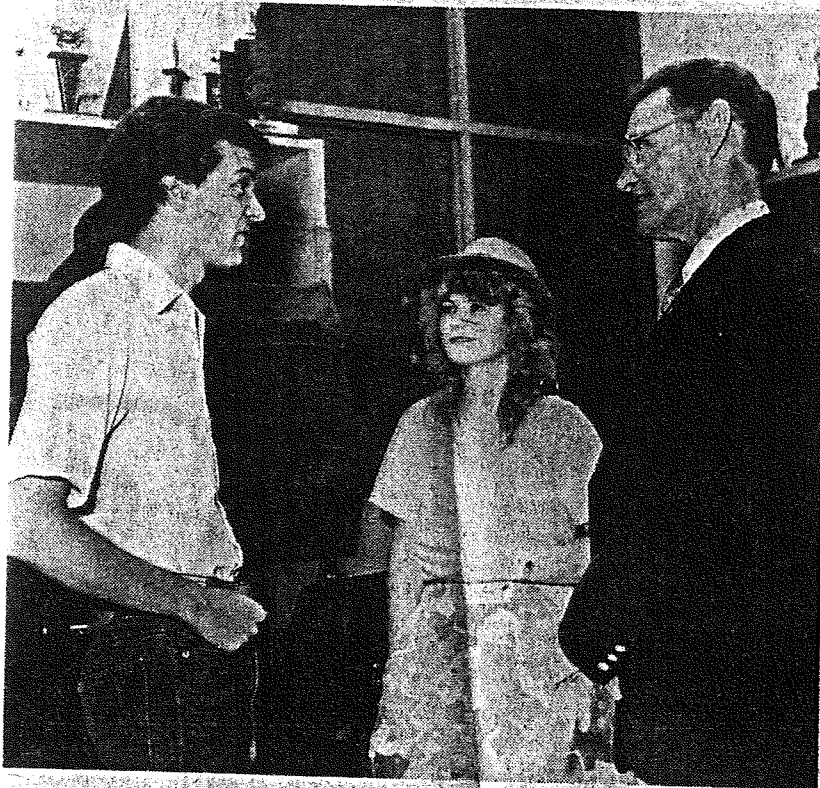
# Surprise Award to Mallow

## Honors Handed Out to Brady High Students

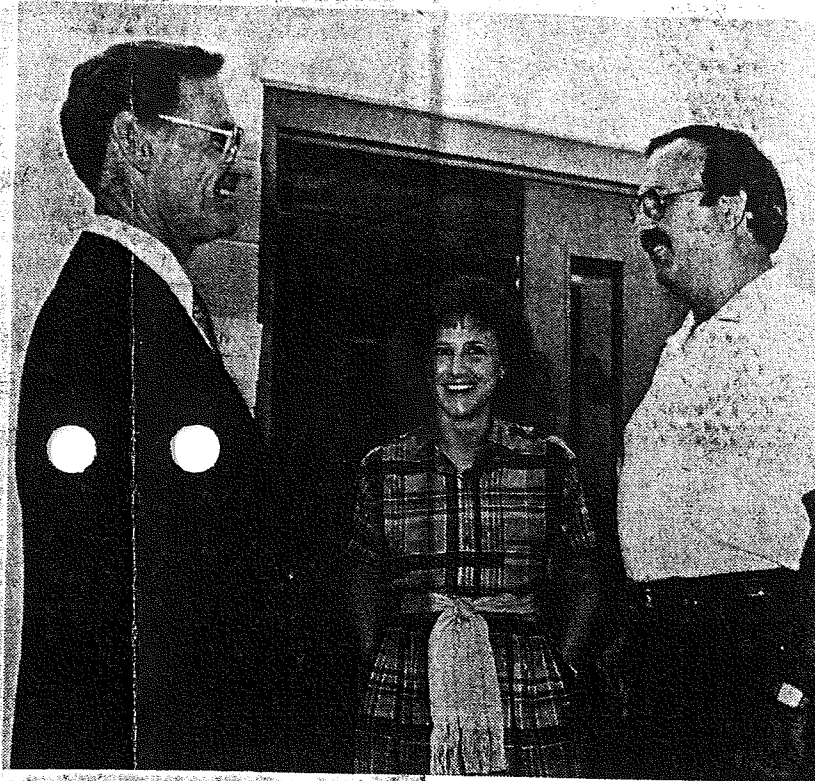
The Damrosch Music Club pulled a surprise Wednesday and gave its annual music award to James Mallow, director of the Famed Brady Bulldog Band which now has won 20 years of Sweepstakes Awards under his leader-

The award usually goes to a graduating senior "who has made outstanding achievements in music."

"There is probably no way of calculating the number of civic, religious and private organizations which have enjoyed Mallow's musical contributions," said Mrs. Mildred Breckenridge in making the presentation.



**BAND EXES** Randy Warren of Fort Worth and Cathy McCanlies Rickman of Sonora visit with James Mallow.



**RETIRED BANDMASTER** Mallow shares a laugh with daughter, Melodianne, and Pat McShan, drum major in 1950-51.

## Band Fans Say Goodbye to Mallow

Bulldog Band exes—from far and near, recent and long ago—came back Friday night to say goodbye to James Mallow, who retired after 26 years at Brady High.

The Brady Band Boosters hosted a reception for Mallow in the Band Hall where shelves on the walls hold dozens of trophies the band has won over the years.

On the bulletin board, too, was one final honor, dated June 25, for Mallow and the Brady band:

**"Congratulations! You have been accepted as a special guest performer**

**of Walt Disney World resort in Orlando, Fla., for April 17, 1987.**

**"Your group will be presented in a showcase surrounded by the famous Disney style. Guest performances by outstanding performers from the U. S. and around the world make an exciting addition to our daily entertainment activities throughout Walt Disney World."**

The band will lead a parade through the Disney amusement park during a trip to Florida next spring, although the band will have a new director by then.

Present for Friday's reception were Mallow's wife, a teacher at South Ward; his daughter, Melodianne, a former Bulldog drum major; and his son, Morgan, another band ex who showed old films of the band's triumphs for the reception guests in an adjoining room at the Band Hall.

Mallow's daughter also is a band director at the Middle School in Saginaw-Eagle Mountain in Fort Worth.

Still hanging on the Band Hall walls were the banners that inspired the bandsmen to greater efforts:

**NOTHING GREAT WAS EVER ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT ENTHUSIASM.**

**BECOMING NO. 1 IS EASIER THAN REMAINING NO. 1.**

**LET'S MAKE 21 A CLEAN SWEEP,** in reference to 21 Sweepstakes Awards.

On the bulletin board, too, were newspaper clippings of the old band director in the cartoon strip, Funky Winderbean. The director is arguing with the football coach.

**Band Director:** What do you mean the football team needs the field? The band is practicing now. **FOOTBALL FIELDS ARE FOR BAND PRACTICE.**

**Coach:** I'm going to tell the principal on you!

In Brady, Mallow's bands have been something the whole town—even the football team—could be proud of.



## Band Brings Home 'Lucky 13'



### *Judges Say: Wow! Terrific Group!*

Thirteen consecutive times they have done it.

The Famed Brady Bulldog Band brought home their

13th consecutive Sweepstakes Award from Ballinger Wednesday afternoon. The musical aggregation won a Division I

rating which lead to the highest award given in the University Interscholastic League's high school band competition.

They had won the highest rating in marching in November, and Wednesday's sight-reading and concert performance gave them the coveted Sweepstakes Award.

**Band Director James Malloy heaped praise on his charges. Even as late as Tuesday afternoon he felt the group had not reached its peak. A practice Tuesday night and the annual** (Continued On Page 8, Col. 3)

### *Fans Greet Band*

Forty to 50 carloads of friends of the Bulldog Band were waiting on the square when the band arrived back from Ballinger about 7:15 p. m. Wednesday.

Led by a sheriff's department patrol car, the yellow band buses were covered with white-washed slogans of cele-

bration, "No. 1!" and "13!". The happy bandmen leaned out of the windows, shouting and giving the familiar No. 1 salute.

As the band buses headed up the South Bridge Street hill, the honking cars of fans peeled off from the square and formed a parade to the high school campus.

# Judges Laud Brady Band

(Continued From Page One)

visit to the band director's house apparently pumped the musicians high enough to grab all the marbles.

All three judges in both concert and sight reading gave the Brady students a Division I rating. When they completed their concert selections the audience was hushed until the Winters band led in a standing ovation for the Bradyites.

Mrs. Mallow remarked on their return Wednesday evening that the band members had breezed through their sight reading.

Of the Sousa march, judge David Pennington of Killeen wrote, "Very fine appearance on stage. Very fine march style."

Band has great tone quality. It's all there. Really good."

Of the Wycliff Variations, he wrote, "Well done. It goes well. A tough one to do well. Wow, overall very well done. What a terrific group!"

Of the Wagnerian piece, he said, "Overall you do a great job. I am being picky to point out some of the things I have. How fortunate you are to have a director who can guide you to a performance such as this. I really enjoyed it."

Ronnie Smith of Monahans said the group had good rhythmic stability and had done a good job.

After a few minor criticisms on the Wycliff number he complimented the cornet sound

and noted "very good rhythmic stability." Then he added—"These are just picky things . . . You do great."

The Wagnerian number brought this remark—"This is my first time to hear you play at contest. Let me say that I was very pleased with what I heard. You have a right to be proud of yourself."

Joe Bridges of San Antonio thought the FBBB played with fine spirit and style in the march: "Beautiful sound from all sections. Great balance and timing."

On the Wycliff Variations he wrote "again a beautiful mature playing."

"The same beautiful sensitive reading of the score of Wagner."

"A most impressive looking group. Very attentive, very intent. Beautifully read. Nice sonority and color, good control and balance. A super group. Obviously much pride and tradition of excellence in this band. Best I have heard so far today.

"Wow! What a fantastic band. The Brady Band is even more than I have heard it was. This is certainly a fine band—you read musically. I

"The training in this band is so evident. Individual sounds and mixture so focused, so controlled, make the sound thrilling! How proud you must be to wear the uniform of the Brady Band. How great it is to listen to such a distinguished group.

"In the years to come it will be a great pleasure to remember the things you have experienced together here. Congratulations on your achievement. You are so fortunate to have the opportunity to work with such a talented and dedicated director. See that he hears of your appreciation."

Sight reading judges were no less enthusiastic in their praise and grading of the band. Durward Howard of Temple, Bob Johnson of McGregor and Mike Neel of Big Lake were enthusiastic about the performance of the FBBB.

Some of their comments were:

know your school and town are really proud of you and your fine director. Congratulations."

With the big one out of the way the band will relax for a day or two before getting back into the grind and making ready for their trip to Six Flags Over Texas.

Coach Paul Jette, who drove one of the school buses transporting the band to Ballinger, said that he couldn't believe how excited and nervous he got while waiting for the results of the contest.

A large number of parents accompanied the group on their trip and all had nothing but good words for the performance of the Famed Brady Bulldog Band.

Dear Mr. Mallow,

I want to thank you and your band for the performance given at Brady School's Sesquicentennial Program.

On our way home my husband said, and I quote, "The band gave the program that professional touch that made the program spectacular. It made a big difference in the quality of the program."

Mr. Mallow, from both of us and both our boys - it has always been that way - the band has made the difference! We salute you!

Personally, I would like for you to know that because of your varied activities and winning performances, I chose you to write (on the TECCA) my narrative about - recommending a co-worker for an award for outstanding community service. I simply told all the things you do with your band to make Brady a better community to live in - to enrich the lives of students. I had no problem in writing 2 pages - my problem was containing my thoughts to only 2 pages.

you, your spirit, your leadership, will be greatly missed!

Sincerely,  
Dorothy Allen

3-25-74

Mr. James Mallow  
AND the Brady H. S. BAND:

What a beautiful  
Performance at Contest  
last Saturday! I have  
Never heard you play  
Better. Tears filled My  
eyes as you finished  
"Jesu". Thank You For Such  
a thrilling experience -  
Keep up the Good Work.

Sincerely,  
Cliff Horn  
Lee Junior High  
SAN ANGELO



MARCH 25, 1998 SATURDAY 8:30pm  
ALMSFORD OVAL 16  
HARROGATE, NORTH YORKSHIRE  
ENGLAND

DEAR FAMED BRADY BULLDOG BAND OF 1978 IN BRADY, TEXAS: USA,

MEMORIES CAN'T <sup>HELP BUT...</sup> SEEM TO COME BACK, AS I AM ATTENDING AN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL IN ENGLAND....

... MEMORIES OF THE TIMES SPENT WITH YOU AND THOSE BEFORE YOU, IN THE BAND. NOT ONLY WERE WE A BAND, BUT ALSO A GROUP OF CLOSE-KNIT FRIENDS. MORE LIKE A BIG FAMILY AS WE WOULD OFTEN PUT IT.

GRADUATES OF BRADY HIGH SCHOOL OFTEN WRITE BACK, SAYING HOW FUNNY IT FEELS NOT TO BE A PART OF THE FBDB ANYMORE AND IT LOOKS DIFFERENT BEING THE SPECTATOR INSTEAD OF THE PERFORMER. AND WITH NO EXCEPTION, I TOO WILL SAY: ENJOY IT NOW!!

AS A MEMBER OF THE ESSENWERDEN ORCHESTRA, I AM EXPERIENCING MANY NEW TYPES OF MUSIC, TECHNIQUES, SOUNDS, PLAYING, PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATION. OH YEAH, ALSO MUSIC TERMS, ALL OF WHICH ARE IN GERMAN. <sup>Pro (Verden)</sup> IT IS THEIR (OUR) FIRST TIME AT SUCH A MUSIC FESTIVAL AND THEY'RE ALL SO SURPRISED WITH THE SIZE AND "POWER" OF THE AMERICAN BANDS. THERE ARE 2 HERE FROM PENNSYLVANIA. <sup>Germans</sup> THEY CAN'T GET OVER THE UNIFORMS, MARCHING AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS IN EACH BAND. WE'RE A TOTAL OF 40... "INCLUDING" CONDUCTOR!! BUT AN ORCHESTRA, INSTEAD OF BAND. AND PLAY ONLY CLASSICAL AND FOLK MUSIC. IT HAS BEEN A NEW AND FUN EXPERIENCE TO PLAY WITH THEM AND ALSO TO TRAVEL HERE TO SUCH A MUSIC FESTIVAL. // IT IS INTERNATIONAL AS I MENTIONED, WITH GROUPS FROM AMERICA, CANADA, NOVA SCOTIA, YUGOSLAVIA, ITALY, GERMANY (2), ISRAEL, SCOTLAND, BELGIUM, AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. NEEDLESS TO SAY, IT IS VERY INTERESTING... LISTENING TO THE ~~DIFFERENT~~ DIFFERENT KINDS OF MUSIC, SEEING THE VARIOUS TYPES OF DRESS, LANGUAGE AND PROGRAMS = AND JUST GETTING TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER THROUGH THE WORLD WIDE LANGUAGE OF MUSIC AND SMILES. I WISH YOU COULD ALL BE HERE TO EXPERIENCE SUCH A FANTASTIC WEEK

AN EVERYDAY THING WITH "OUR" BAND. THE ORGANIZED WAY IN WHICH EVERY LITTLE DETAIL WAS HANDLED I GUESS I MISS THE MOST. MR. MALLOW KNOWS WHAT HE'S DOING WHEN AND THE WAY HE DOES IT. I LEARNED THAT FOR 7 YEARS.... I NOW KNOW IT!"

HE HAS GOT A WINNING BAND -

YOU ARE HIS BAND. I RECEIVED A RECORDING OF YOUR MARCHING CONTEST PERFORMANCE LAST NOVEMBER... ABOUT 6 WEEKS LATER. THE SAME THRILL WENT THROUGH ME AS I HEARD YOU AND EVEN MORE WHEN THE ANNOUNCER ANNOUNCED "BRADY HIGH SCHOOL : 1". I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY TIMES I REPLAYED THAT TAPE! // MY THOUGHTS HAVE BEEN WITH YOU.... ALL 7000 MILES AWAY! FRIDAY NIGHTS AT FOOTBALL GAMES, MARCHING CONTEST, WINTER CONCERT, SOLO & ENSEMBLE, AND SIMPLY IN DAILY REHEARSALS.... EVERY-  
TIME <sup>(Germany)</sup> WE PRACTICED, THOUGHTS WERE IN THE BRADY HIGH BAND HALL. IT MAY SOUND IMPOSSIBLE AND CRAZY = AND IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME, COME ON OVER AND SEE FOR YOURSELF... ! BEING AWAY FROM SUCH A "RARE" ORGANIZATION SUCH AS YOU, HAS MADE ME REALIZE HOW "RARELY" ONE FINDS SUCH A GOOD BAND. THIS MUSIC FESTIVAL HAS POINTED THIS OUT VERY CLEARLY. AND I SIMPLY WANTED TO BE ANOTHER ONE TO SAY, YOU ARE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE MR. JAMES MALLOW AS YOUR DIRECTOR, AND TO HAVE SUCH AN INTERESTED GROUP OF PARENTS AS THE BAND BOOSTERS.

Congratulations on all you've achieved this year, even though it's a bit late....

Greetings from Germany - Greetings from England -

And don't forget:

YOU all will someday be on the outside, looking in.

Mrs. Duke. Karen Pickers

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October 7, 1976

Mr. Carroll F. Tatom, Superintendent  
Brady Independent School District  
1000 Wall Street  
Brady, TX 76825


Dear Carroll:

Enclosed please find the copy of the game financial report and your check as per agreement.

We enjoyed having you as our guest and want to compliment you on the play and conduct of your team and fans. We were especially pleased with the performance of your band.

With best wishes for a successful school year, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Joe R. Andrews  
Superintendent

JRA:ljs

Enclosures

*Mr. Tatom*

*Brady's Share*  
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*Miller*

Pride of the West  
Snyder High Tiger Band  
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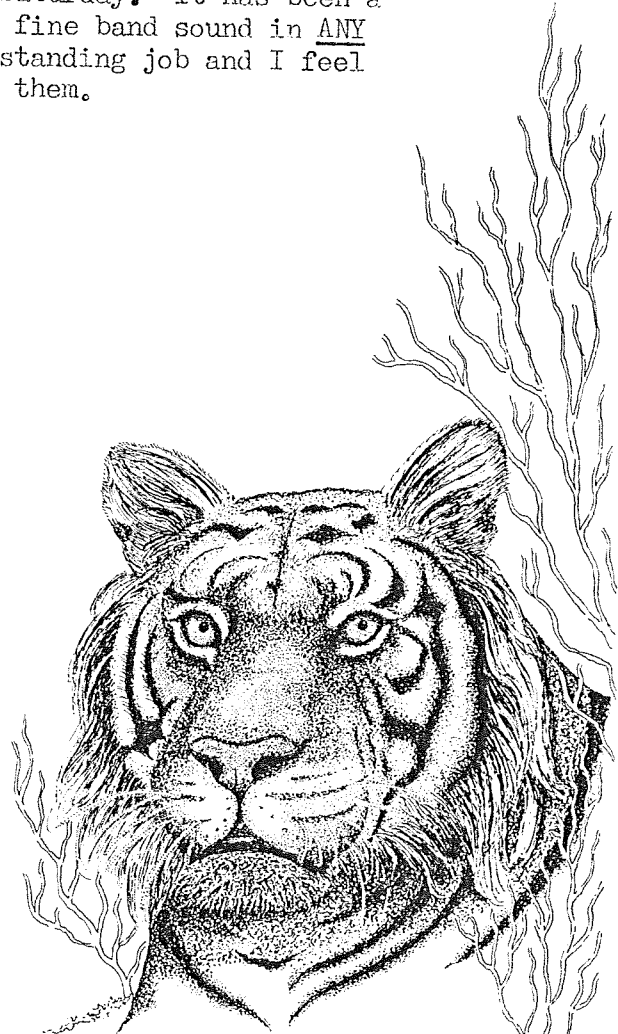
Dear James,

I wanted to write and tell you how impressed I was with your band in the sightreading room last Saturday. It has been a long time since I have heard such a fine band sound in ANY classification. It was a truly outstanding job and I feel fortunate to have been able to hear them.

Sincerely,

*Sam*

Sam Robertson  
Band Director  
Snyder High School  
Snyder, Texas 79549



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MEL PRATT

in touch with a more modern situation. Were involved quite a bit with the high school bands in Southern Calif-- as you know, they are long on marching bands--and sunshine and outdoor activity.

Even with this evolutionary experience, hearing your band was a top thrill and an almost unbelief that your people could play so well.

Thanks again to you and those fine musicians for letting us "live" a little.

Keep up the good work!.

*Mel + Jean Pratt*

Your admirers,

Mr and Mrs Mel Pratt.

MEL PRATT

April 1, 1978  
Guadalajara, Jalisco  
Mexico

Dear Mr. Malloy:

Joe Mc Donough was kind enough to send a copy of the newspaper report of the big "Lucky 13" win on the part of your fine band group.

On the part of Mrs. Pratt and myself, we thought it was one of the highlights of our four week visit to the states, - our fortunate opportunity of hearing the band the day you so graciously allowed us to share a rehearsal.

Music has always been uppermost in both our lives. Was a thrill to hear at what level your group perform. Certainly a far cry away from my high school days--a long time ago, let's say 1929. However, since we were in the music business, and major customers were the local high school students, we have been

# Discipline—Key to Success

By JILL WALLACE

On behalf of the Senior Class of 1986, I would like to welcome our honored guests, parents, teachers and school administrators. This is such a special night . . . one that we will always remember. Thank you for sharing this evening with us.

Tonight we are filled with joy over having accomplished this scholastic goal—as well we should be. Many long and tedious hours of study and discipline have brought us to this point. But tomorrow we start a new beginning toward a new goal.

No, this is not going to be "another speech about goals," instead I would like to draw your attention to one important quality which enables us to set, strive for, and actually reach our goals. This quality is discipline.

When we think of the word discipline, we immediately think "Mom and Dad." So often we think of discipline in a negative way. Seldom we realize what a positive effect discipline can be if it is self-initiated.

Discipline is the key in being able to actually succeed in what we do. This word I have just mentioned—succeed—is a very large and sometimes frightening word. People are afraid to attempt something because they may not succeed. This is the wrong way of looking at a challenge. I would like now, to share with you a poem written by Laine Parsons.

You never know  
until you try  
And you never try  
unless you really try.  
You give it your best shot;  
you do the best you can.

And if you've done everything  
in your power, and still "fail"—  
The truth of the matter is  
that you haven't failed at all.

When you reach for your dreams,  
no matter what they may be,  
You grow from the reaching;  
You learn from the trying;  
You win from the doing.

This message is so very true! One never really fails. You grow and learn from anything you reach for. No one is ever a failure if he or she truly tries. It takes discipline to see through the tough times to the rewards down the line.

Self-discipline is the toughest quality to achieve. If you are challenged by an obstacle, it is much easier to say "I can't," rather than to say "I can," or "I will try." So many times we stop ourselves before anyone else has the opportunity. Here again we are afraid of what would happen if we fail. There is a funny old saying: "If you don't ride a bicycle, you can't

fall off!" Meaning if you don't put a lot of energy into something, you are bound to make mistakes; and if you take a lot of risks, you are bound to tumble here and there, but remember this: that if you persist, you will arrive at the destination of your choice. And if you do occasionally fall in the process, you'll learn much more than if you don't ever try.

We have so much inside that is never given the chance to develop and become a part of our life. We keep our greatest talents hidden away, not because we want to, but because we never actually reach deep enough. We have powers we never dreamed of. We can do things we never thought we could do. There are no limitations in what we can do except the limitations in our own minds as to what we cannot do. Don't think you cannot. Think you can.

It's natural to feel disappointed when things don't go your way, and it's easy to think . . . "I can't do it why try?", but, no matter how scared you are of making a mistake or how discouraged you may become, never give up, because if you don't try and if you don't work for what you want in life, it won't come to you, and you'll be forced to accept things that you know could be better.

Success is not measured by whether you win or fail—there's always a little bit of success, even if things don't go your way. What's important is that you'll feel better about yourself, for the simple reason that you tried.

In thinking of people that I have admired who demonstrate discipline both professionally and morally, I immediately thought of one person who has been a wonderful influence on my life and on many others here tonight.

This person is our retiring band director, Mr. Mallow. By believing we could do more than we thought we could do, he taught us that if we have self-discipline we can reach those heights we never thought possible. He taught us to reach deep within ourselves and gain the strength to give our 110%. We have often heard the phrase around the band hall, "How good would this band be if it were only as good as me?" This exemplifies the fact that in order for anything to work in life, whether dealing with a group or simply one's individual challenges, that it must begin with the individual, and the individual must have discipline!

During the three years I have had the chance to know Mr. Mallow, he has influenced my life in many ways and in many ways I have not yet realized. He is an exceptional man, an example to all of us.

In closing, I would like to ask you to always remember this great class of

1986, and take our class with you in spirit as you go. I wish all of you success and happiness in everything you do.

To carry on the tradition started last year by Jeff Mays, "Gig 'em Aggies."

5/86

## Essay Number Seven

I first met James Mallow five years ago when my family and I moved to Brady. The fact that we had heard only nice things about this man says something about his character. // He is the band director for Brady High School. I had never been in a band before, so I went <sup>to</sup> and asked him if I could possibly get in. He agreed to teach me privately until I could play well enough to join the band. My lessons <sup>Asst.</sup> were held during his only conference period, which he was willing to give up for me. Not many directors would care enough to privately teach a freshman in high school how to play an instrument, but he did without a second thought. The next year I was allowed to be a part of the James Brady Bulldog Band.

Mr. Mallow is a slender and very distinguished-looking man who has not only gained the respect of the band members and towns, but also that of many musicians across the country. He is currently the President of the Band Masters Association of Texas, which is a great honor.

Since he became director of our band, the Brady band has received thirteen consecutive



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consecutive sweepstakes. Sweepstakes are obtained by making a superior rating of "1" in marching contest, and also a "1" in sight-reading and contest. Three judges are present for each of the three events, and Brady has never received anything but a "1" from any of them since our long string of wins began. Brady has also competed in the Six Flags Over Texas Competition and has been named 'The Best "AA" Band in the State of Texas' four times. Last spring the band went to Colorado for a marching contest. We competed with 'AA' bands from Texas, Colorado, New Mexico, and Oklahoma, and won the trophy for the best marching band and also one for the street parade. All of these awards were given to the band, but without a great band director, they could never have been done. — Awards aren't "done"

I will never forget the last year when we played "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" by <sup>Richard</sup> Robert Wagner. Many people thought we were crazy to even try to play a piece that was difficult even for many 'AAAA' bands. What caused even more unbelief, was that we were planning on doing it for CONTEST!

We had a long discussion during band

before we decided to give it a try. Mr. Mallow warned us of all the work we would have to put into it. He told us many times that ~~it~~ becoming No. 1 is a lot easier than staying No. 1. Not only do the judges expect more, but the other bands are trying their hardest to outdo us. So be safe, we should have played easier music, but the winning was not what was most important to Mr. Mallow. The challenge of a great piece of music was well worth the gamble. Every year we ~~always~~ played at least one piece of music from the AAA or AAAA list.

Mr. Mallow told us the story behind this particular opus, which helped us relate to all the emotion and feeling involved. The piece became a story instead of just a bunch of notes. Once we set our minds to playing "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral," we never once regretted it. Many times we thought the piece was just impossible, but Mr. Mallow was there encouraging us to try just a little harder. The day of contest finally came and when we had finished <sup>ing</sup> ~~performing~~ "Elsa's Procession," the audience was spell-bound and the three judges were giving us a standing ovation. But the greatest and most rewarding part of all was to look into Mr. Mallow's face and

1. The pressure of being No. 1 is a lot easier than staying No. 1.

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see the tears of joy in his eyes. What one face was worth all the trophies or honors we could have been given.

This man is a very remarkable and talented person. His dedication and enthusiasm spreads around to everyone who knows him. He inspired us to do our best, if not for ourselves, at least for him.

He has been offered several jobs at large universities, but he has turned them all down. He has chosen Brady as his home, and we are very fortunate to have him there.

Perhaps you could join these two paragraphs. (You'd have to add a sentence, I suppose.)

This is a good paper. You have a few sentences and continuity problems, but you still give a pretty clear picture of Mr. Miller, and you make your subjective responses to him clear as well.

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Mr. Mallow is a member of the Texas Music Educators Association, the Texas Bandmasters Association and past president, Phi Beta Mu, a national honorary band directors fraternity, has had several student teachers under his guidance, and judges at numerous band contests throughout Texas.

His community involvements include member of the Lions Club and past president and Lion of the Year, Distinguished Service Award (presented to an outstanding citizen by the Brady Chamber of Commerce,) and a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church.

As you can tell, Mr. Mallow is an outstanding man, director and citizen, and the Famed Brady Bulldog Band is a very outstanding band. I know from personal experience, because he was my band director and I was very proud to have him as my director. I hope you can put this in your article of the Winningest Bands, because he deserves the recognition.

Thank you very much,

*Conise Wisdom*

Conise Wisdom  
Band Secretary  
1000 Wall  
Brady, Texas 76825



June 25, 1986

James Mallow  
Band Director  
Brady High School

Congratulations, you have been accepted as special guest performers of the WALT DISNEY WORLD Resort.

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Guest performances by outstanding performers from the United States and around the world make an exciting addition to our daily entertainment activities throughout WALT DISNEY WORLD. Your group will be presented in a showcase surrounded by the famous Disney style.

Please enter this date on your performance calendar. In the near future you will receive a complete information packet explaining all details and procedures concerning your appearance.

Thank you and congratulations again. If I can be of any assistance to you, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David Atchison".

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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Mallow,

I was thrilled AND HONORED to receive your invitation to the ceremonies for Mr. Mallow's honors at the T. B. A. convention in San Antonio. I send my heartfelt congratulations and know of no one more worthy to receive these honors!

I had made tentative plans to attend and share this wonderful moment with you. However, due to circumstances beyond my control, I find, that now, I will not be able to attend. As things have worked out, I find myself at a very critical stage in the construction of a client's home and it dictates that I absolutely be present. I'm very disappointed!

I want to send a belated thanks to you Mr. Mallow for making AND sending me the cassette tapes of our high school band. I've enjoyed them beyond measure. They make me very proud of what I was privileged to be a part of. There is another greater thanks owed which is many years belated. A debt of gratitude which is owed, if you please. So here goes.

Loosing Dad last year brought home a point about not leaving things unsaid which need to be said. Dad and I were fortunate because that was not the case between us. Some of my brothers and sisters were not so fortunate and that rang home to me that I should be sure there were other people with whom I had not left things unsaid.

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You were one the first people that came to mind AND I have thought about this for a good while now. I think now is a good time to say those things.

Dad was a simple man and didn't always have a lot to say. He taught me basic values of life, more by deed than by word. Things such as honesty & hard work.

You too, MR. Mallow, taught and gave me many wonderful values in life. Your fairness, dedication, professional attitude, Excellence in what & how you taught, and your compassion, all as an educator, gave me more than you can possibly know. It did not matter that my family was substantially poor. You were always fair. You gave as much of yourself to me as to anyone else. In looking back I can guess that you were probably, at least, partially responsible, financially, for my attendance at some band camps. Those camps were very important to some, not all by any means, of my musical training. But they were also very important to my life in general! Your personal attention to my musical training and your support and encouragement in all my endeavors took a pretty shy and unconfident kid and helped turn me into a person who believes he can do anything he wants to do.

Thank you MR. Mallow for giving me music. Oh, I'm sure the basics and the love of it were there within myself, but you brought it all into perspective and broadened it beyond measure. It is always there for my

joy, satisfaction, peace and encouragement. Thank you for honesty and fair play. Thank you for Excellence, to the utmost, in musical training. Thank you for being demanding and pulling out of us, our best. Thank you for always going of yourself so unselfishly and for never demanding more of us than what you yourself had already given. Thank you for teaching me the meaning of "Esprit de l'orp." Thank you for "The Little Man" & "P.Y.O.C." & thank you for making both music and life a tremendous amount of fun!

For a multitude of many very positive things, Qualities & values in my life, I owe you a great debt of gratitude. You have always been my friend.

In the world of Education, you are truly a great Educator in its purest sense. I know of no other Educator more worthy ~~the~~ of honors than you. In the "world" you are truly a great person! You have my admiration and love.

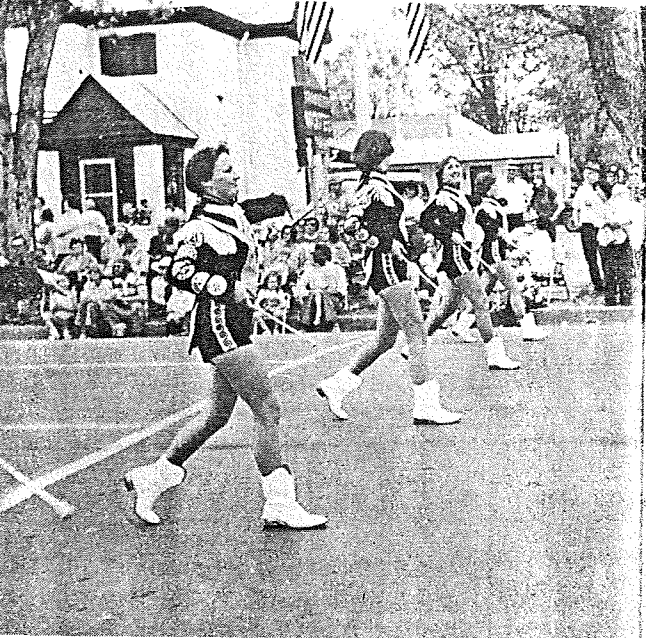
With Warmest Regards,

Hayes Beam

P.S. Mrs. Mallow,

We all know that he couldn't have done any of it without you. A proper helpmeet and beautiful spouse makes all things possible for us guys. We know you were there every step of the way. Hayes

# Bulldog Band, Rage Of Colorado



## Cop Lots Of Headlines

Brady's Bulldog Band has been getting a lot of ink lately and well it should.

Not all of the headlines come from the local newspaper either. The sparkling group copped the banner story in The Florence (Colo.) Citizen, prior to its invasion of the 39th annual Music and Blossom Festival at Canon City, Colo. The two cities are in Fremont County, and Florence is only 11 miles down the road from Canon City, best known for the Royal Gorge and the Colorado State Prison.

The headlines on the April 29 edition of The Citizen read, "Brady Bulldogs raise \$13,000 to make Texas to Canon trip." The article told how the citizens of Brady had joined together and raised the cash for the trip. However, the editors couldn't believe some actually had paid \$285 for a cake, so they changed it to read \$25, thinking the figure was a typographical error.

Then in the May 5 edition of the weekly Citizen, the Bulldogs had another feature complete with photos with the story entitled, "The Brady Bunch."

Saturday morning The Herald recieved the following letter from Bob Cruzen, publisher of The Citizen.

"Dear Mr. Smith:

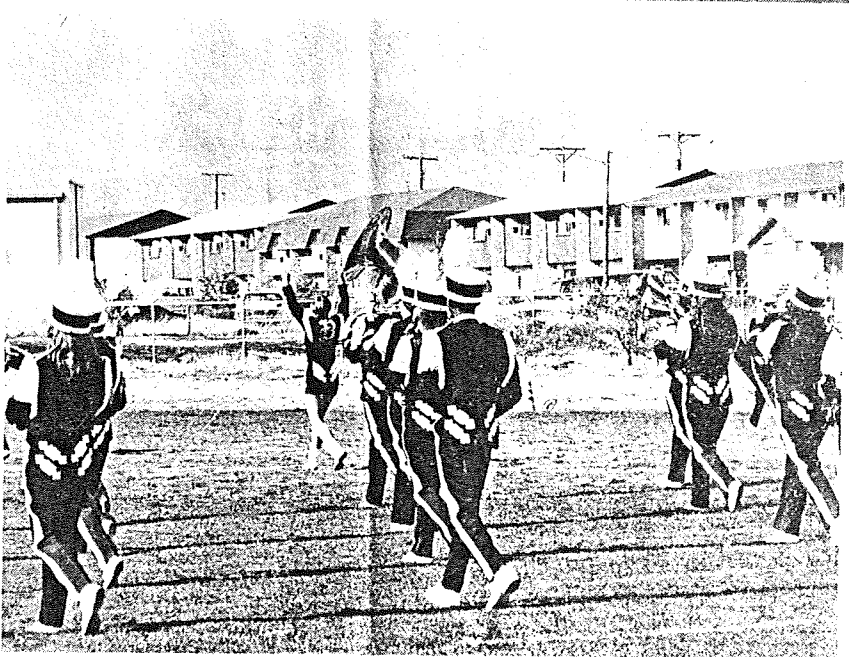
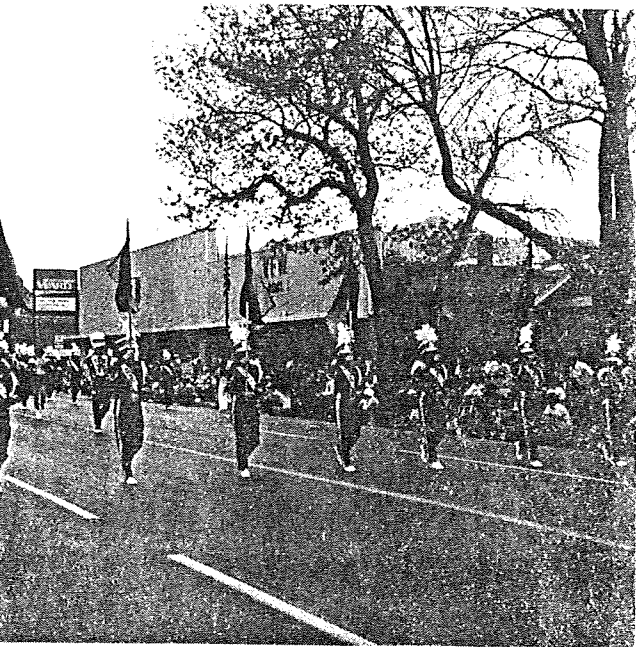
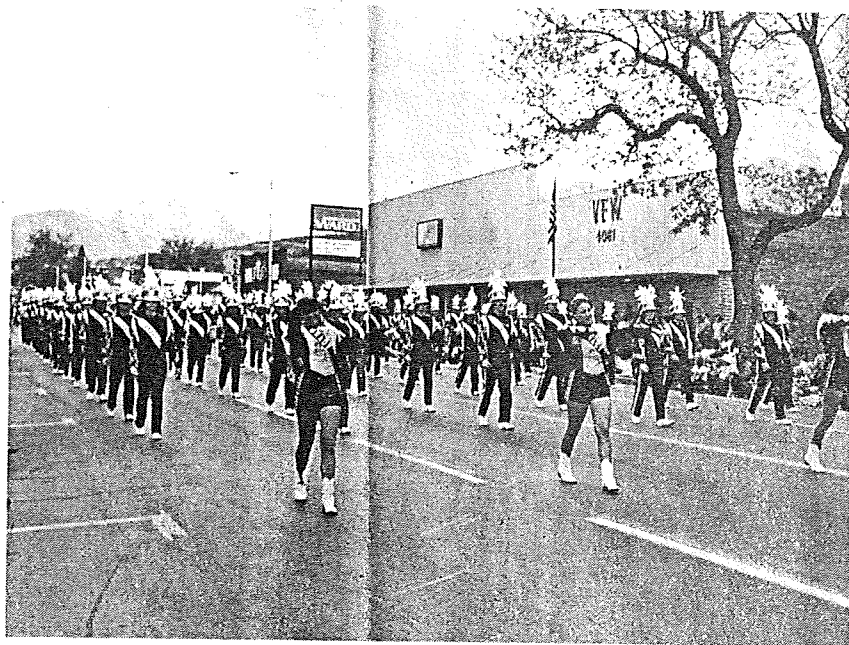
"Please find enclosed clippings we're sending along re: your fine Brady Bulldog Band. We are also sending you some prints of your band marching in Canon City's Blossom Day parade on Sunday plus some field shots which may or may not be of value.

"It was a real pleasure to have your fine school represented in our part of Colorado. I hope they enjoyed Colorado as much as Colorado enjoyed their visit with us..."

Why did The Citizen take so much interest in the Brady Bulldog Band when there were some 39 others present?

It just so happens that Bob Cruzen's wife, Nelda, is Brady Schools Supt. Carroll Tatom's sister.

It's a small world after all.



**NEWCOMERS**



# Regional Band Fun and Work

1-10-80  
Georgetown, TX

By MARK KIRKPATRICK

Colorful uniforms, beautiful music, effervescent youth, discipline, hard work and an all-around good time were the ingredients for the regional band concert Saturday in the Alma Thomas Theatre on the Southwestern University campus.

"The work has been hard, but the region band was fun," said Tim Todd, a trumpet player from Leander High School. That was the general feeling of the students who were fortunate enough to make this exclusive band.

The regional band clinic is an annual bash during which the best high school musicians in the region come together after countless hours of practice and stiff competition against their peers at the district and regional levels. Here, they get the chance to meet people as dedicated to music as they, perform under some of the country's greatest bandmasters, and receive recognition of their talent.

The Texas Music Educators Association developed the regional band as part of a complex system

of judging which involves four levels: district, regional, area, and finally, state. "These are the better musicians in the schools and we try to give them something to shoot at," explained James Mallow, band director of Brady High School and a TMEA member.

Because of the huge size of the region, the regional band is actually four separate bands. There are two AAAA bands, a AAA band, and a B, A, and AA band. The AAAA bands played their concert at a different location.

Mallow conducted the regional band from the smaller schools. Dr. William D. Revelli, retired band director of the University of Michigan, conducted the AAA band. "William Revelli is the best band director since John Phillip Sousa. To my knowledge there's not another one like him alive," said Westlake High School band director Lee Boyd Montgomery, echoing many other band directors.

Georgetown placed 35 students in the AAA band — more than any other school. Westlake followed with 29 and Leander had six. In all,

240 students formed the two clinic bands. How did these musical prodigies like their regional band experience?

Tracy McKay, Georgetown, bass clarinet: "This is my third and last region band (I'm a senior) and I've really enjoyed them. It's a great challenge to put a concert together in two days. The music isn't really difficult, but it's hard to get together. The region clinic teaches you a lot about music, especially with Dr. Revelli, and the opportunity to meet kids from other schools is a pleasant experience."

Steve Hobbs, Pflugerville, trumpet: "It's challenging, coming from an AA band to play in the region band. It's fun and it gives you a feeling of pride to be the best in the region."

Jennifer Placke, Giddings, flute: "This is a good experience for high school musicians, whether or not they go on as musicians later in life."

Sheila LeDoux, Leander, clarinet: "Being in a region band is a fantastic experience. Meeting new people, learning new music, and working with well-known

teachers adds to the achievement."

Julee Martinets, Hays High School, piccolo: "I think region is a very rewarding experience. You get the benefit of making region after all your hard work, and it is a lot of fun. You get to play with good players, and when you get it all together, it really sounds great."

Jon McEachron, Georgetown, trombone: "Being in the region band is fun up to a certain point, then it gets to be work. Revelli is very strict about things like tone, pitch, and rhythm, and sometimes he seems overly so. But all in all, the region band is the only place to be if you're good."

Richard Gonzales, Leander, trombone: "It's real fun being in the region band. You meet a lot of nice people. The music isn't that hard, but sometimes it gets real hard!"

Robert Anderson, Giddings, French horn: "The clinician this year is hard for me to follow. He made some good choices with the pieces we're playing. I would have liked to play one avant-garde piece. The people are great and everyone gets along fine."

Trudy Snell, Leander, bass clarinet: "Being in an honor band with Dr. Revelli is a terrific experience. It's hard work combined with learning and fun. The benefits of such a program are tremendous. I will miss such opportunities in the future, and I hope the program continues in the Revelli tradition."

Marcos Minshew, Georgetown, trombone (third year at region): "Making region in itself is an honor, but it is also the beginning of greater honors. If you place high enough, then you can go on to more competition at area and state, but they are more work. The whole thing is a learning experience. As you progress through the competitions, you gain new ideas on how to improve your playing."

Maxine Gilford, Hays High School, flute: "I feel that making the region band is an honor. It gives you a sense of pride and it shows you just how much you can do. It helps a person learn

out the results, you feel relief and happiness if you made it. I have enjoyed playing in the region band (fourth year), especially under the direction of Dr. Revelli. He is a remarkable man, very interesting and difficult."

"The only country on the face of the earth that has school bands is America," said Revelli during the Saturday AAA concert. "I told this band yesterday that if they lived in any other country, they could not have the privilege of playing in a high school band."

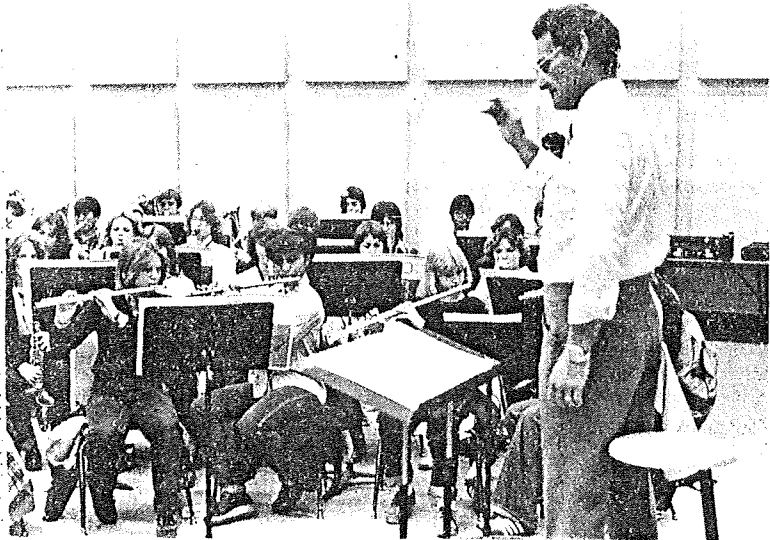
Revelli sees music as a discipline of the mind that is an important part of a young person's upbringing. The band program can teach a child discipline, humanity, good citizenship, and the beauty of life.

"What America will be in the year 2000 is sitting right here," he told the audience. "Support your local band."

Hermann Hesse proposed a theory in *Magister Ludi* that might sum it all up. "We recall that in the legendary China of the Old Kings, music was accorded a dominant place in state and court. It was held that if music thrived, all was well with culture and morality and with the kingdom itself. The music masters were required to be the strictest guardians of the original purity of the venerable keys. If music decayed, that was taken as a sure sign of the downfall of the regime and the state."

Many in the region band will try out for the state band. Five of Georgetown's best will try out: Tom McIntire, oboe; Sylvia Sydow, clarinet; Vincent Puskarich, alto clarinet; Roger Galpin, contra bass clarinet; and Roger Smith, alto saxophone. Mary McIntire has already made the state symphony orchestra on French horn.

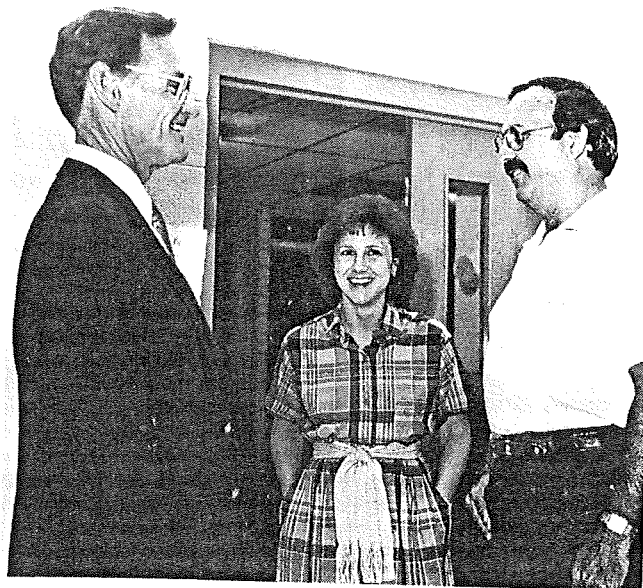
On February 14-16, the state groups — the best of the best — will play a series of concerts before a convention of Texas music educators at the convention center in San Antonio. The Georgetown High School Band, under the direction of Rodney Klett and Rey Meza, will also perform at this convention at 7:30 p.m. on the



**EFFERVESCENT YOUTH** — James Mallow, director of Brady High School and one of the region band's clinicians, directs some of the best high school musicians in the region during a rehearsal for the region band concert held last Saturday night. Many of the youths will try out at the area level in two weeks to see if they can make the state band. Georgetown will send five.



**BAND EXES** Randy Warren of Fort Worth and Cathy McCanlies Rickman of Sonora visit with James Mallow.



**RETIRED BANDMASTER** Mallow shares a laugh with daughter, Melodianna, and Pat McShan, drum major in 1950-51.

# Band Fans Say Goodbye to Mallow

Bulldog Band exes—from far and near, recent and long ago—came back Friday night to say goodbye to James Mallow, who retired after 26 years at Brady High.

The Brady Band Boosters hosted a reception for Mallow in the Band Hall where shelves on the walls hold dozens of trophies the band has won over the years.

On the bulletin board, too, was one final honor, dated June 25, for Mallow and the Brady band:

“Congratulations! You have been accepted as a special guest performer

of Walt Disney World resort in Orlando, Fla., for April 17, 1987.

“Your group will be presented in a showcase surrounded by the famous Disney style. Guest performances by outstanding performers from the U. S. and around the world make an exciting addition to our daily entertainment activities throughout Walt Disney World.”

The band will lead a parade through the Disney amusement park during a trip to Florida next spring, although the band will have a new director by then.

Present for Friday's reception were Mallow's wife, a teacher at South Ward; his daughter, Melodianna, a former Bulldog drum major; and his son, Morgan, another band ex who showed old films of the band's triumphs for the reception guests in an adjoining room at the Band Hall.

Mallow's daughter also is a band director, at the Middle School in Saginaw-Eagle Mountain in Fort Worth.

Still hanging on the Band Hall walls were the banners that inspired the bandsmen to greater efforts:

NOTHING GREAT WAS EVER ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT ENTHUSIASM.

BECOMING NO. 1 IS EASIER THAN REMAINING NO. 1.

LET'S MAKE 21 A CLEAN SWEEP, in reference to 21 Sweepstakes Awards.

On the bulletin board, too, were newspaper clippings of the old band director in the cartoon strip, Funky Winderbean. The director is arguing with the football coach.

**Band Director:** What do you mean the football team needs the field? The band is practicing now. FOOTBALL FIELDS ARE FOR BAND PRACTICE.

**Coach:** I'm going to tell the principal on you!

In Brady, Mallow's bands have been something the whole town—even the football team—could be proud of.

# Mallow Leaving Band in Good Shape

## Money in Bank for Florida Trip Next Year

By JYM TITTLE

How do you replace a band director who has 21 consecutive Sweepstakes Awards? As one citizen said, "You don't."

James Mallow's retirement as director of the Famed Brady Bulldog Band caused consternation among band fans as well as the man on the street.

Mallow has been selling insurance for Franklin Life Insurance Co. on a part-time basis and now will be working at it full time. He will leave his band duties when school is out.

"Things are in pretty good shape for a new director. The beginners are signed up and practicing, the Florida trip for next Easter is all planned and

the money is in hand," Mallow said Wednesday.

Mallow came to Brady in 1960 after teaching five years at Santa Anna. A native of Brownwood, he attended Hardin-Simmons University and Howard Payne University and received his master's degree from North Texas State. He served three years in the U. S. Air Force where he

was a member of the 669th Air Force Band.

It took him five years to lead his band to its first of 21 Sweepstakes in 1965. Since that time each year in the spring everyone holds his breath until the results are in.

On recalling "mountain top" experiences, Mallow said probably the most exciting was the band's rendition of Wagner's "Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral" during a concert in the Brady High auditorium a few years ago.

"I still get goosebumps when I think of it. The audience was on their feet the minute the last note died away. It was an astounding experience," he said.

Other "mountain top" experiences included the first time the band marched at Disney World in 1979.

"The tremendous response we received from the people there was overwhelming," he said. They also won second runnerup in the Great American Band Concert Contest.

"Our first trip to Colorado in 1977 was impressive and we won the Field and Marching Contest.

"One of my personal highlights was the winning of the Distinguished Service Award in 1973. The whole band was there and played for the crowd," he recalled.

"I often think of the phenomenal feat of having three Bulldog Band students make the All State Band at one time. They were Darryl Huffman, Nona Neal and Donna Neal. Then at different times we had Gwen Ashba and Thomas Allen win the same honor," he related.

Mallow served on the board of directors of the Texas Bandmasters Association for 10 years and was president in 1978. He has judged contests and held clinics and plans to continue this practice.

"I am not going to lose touch with music," he vowed.

Mallow pointed out five trophies awarded by Six Flags Over Texas for "Best in Class" at contests held at the amusement park.

"These are no small feats in the

graduate and former member of the band, lives at home.

"I will maintain continuity here until a new band director is hired. I will be available on a consulting basis for the new director, but only if asked.

"I never hated to go to work each day and I guess I will always be a band director at heart. I am grateful to the Brady schools and the citizens of Brady for their support and backing. I plan to be around a lot and Brady will still be our home," Mallow said.



JAMES MALLOW  
... barbecue and music



BAND DIRECTOR James Mallow, at Thursday's band barbecue, introduces the seniors the band is losing to graduation this year. The band is also losing Mallow who is retiring.

# Director Lauds Boosters For Dedication to Band

In spite of threatening weather a crowd of die-hard band fans was present Thursday night for the annual Brady Band Boosters barbecue honoring the Famed Brady Bulldog Band.

The feed was held at the pavilion at Brady Lake while a spattering of rain fell most of the time. The Rev. Ray Ash, pastor of the First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Following the meal, Band Director

just prior to the marching contest in October. The Band Boosters spent about \$21,000 on the uniforms.

The UIL Marching Contest, traditionally held in Brady, was a success for the Bulldog Band. They earned Division I's from all three judges.

The Junior Band made their first marching appearance at a football game and marched in the Veteran's Day parade in Menard on Nov. 11.

All three bands worked hard in a

funds going for the Florida trip and band equipment.

Most of March was spent preparing for the UIL concert competition April 9 in Coleman. The hard work paid off and the band was awarded its 21st consecutive Sweepstakes Award, with first division ratings from all judges over the 21 years.

The final concert of the band was held May 8 when Corey Ash was named drum major.

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... was held at the pavilion at Brady Lake while a spattering of rain fell most of the time. The Rev. Ray Ash, pastor of the First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Following the meal, Band Director James Mallow reviewed the activities of the band over the past year.

The school year ended with the graduation concert and was followed by a successful July Jubilee parade.

During the summer the flag and rifle corps attended camp at Howard Payne University while several junior students attended the Abilene Christian University band camp. The Band Boosters paid half the cost of both camps.

Bulldog Band rehearsals started Aug. 8 and new freshmen were inducted.

New band uniforms were received

Division 1's from all three judges. The Junior Band made their first marching appearance at a football game and marched in the Veteran's Day parade in Menard on Nov. 11. All three bands worked hard in a sale of cookies and made about \$5,000.

Six members of the Brady aggregation placed in the South Zone District Band Nov. 23: Andrea Bayless, Paul Middleton, Curt Counts, Meredith McAnally, and Linda Muniz.

Linda Muniz and Curt Counts attended the District Band tryouts in Brownwood, and Linda went to area tryouts Jan. 11.

Donna Young was crowned sweetheart of the FBBB at the winter concert Jan. 30.

The Radio Auction over KNEL was held in February, with most of the

consecutive Sweepstakes Award, with first division ratings from all judges over the 21 years.

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The remainder of this year included helping dedicate the War Memorial May 19; joining with the local schools in a Sesquicentennial Celebration in Bulldog Stadium May 20; and the graduation concert.

Mallow praised the work of the Brady Band Boosters who spent about \$11,000 to enlarge the concessions stand. They also manned the stand, contributing all of their time to the welfare of the band.

The boosters also bought senior band jackets, helped defray cost of band camps, provided drinks for the band during the football game, and purchased new band uniforms.

Awards were presented band officers: Jana Miller, drum major; Sonya Rubio, president; Jill Wallace, vice president; Stella Lafuente, secretary; Curt Counts, band manager; Amy Turner, flag captain and Jenny Mays, rifle captain.

"Most improved" medals were presented to Eddie Ortega and Jeanette Roque, 6th grade; Stuart Kasiske, 7th Grade; Michelle Williamson, 8th grade; Rachel Chapa, 9th grade; Nona Trull, 10th grade; Corey Ash, 11th grade and Jana Miller, 12th grade.

A special award was presented to Cybele Cardoso, the Brazilian exchange student at Brady High.

Mallow recognized all of the graduating seniors:

Linda Muniz, Sharolyn Hargroves, Jill Todd, Nancy Mireles, Jill Wallace, Jeanne Garner, Jana Miller, Sonya Rubio, Kellie Ryan, Shanan Gartman, Amy Turner, Melissa McWilliams, Tammy Waite, Gina Matthews, Betty McAnally, DeeAnna Krout, Donna Young, Curt Counts, Melissa Solis, Frank Trull, Stella Lafuente, Guy Gober, Cybele Cardoso.

## Band Names

### Flag Corps

Tisha Taff will be head of the flag corps for the Famed Brady Bulldog Band next year. The other flags are Jennifer Appleton, Andrea Bayless, Traci Faver, Lynette Detiege, Michelle Larsh, Kelly Marahan, and Sandie Young.

Kelly Appleton will head the rifle squad with members Jenny Mays, Holly Smith, Kathy Appleton and Sterling Davenport. Corey Ash was named drum major

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 Do people seem to mumble when they talk?  
 Do you hear ringing or buzzing in your ears?  
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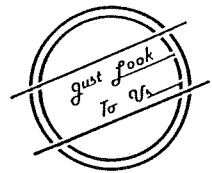
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<b>Classes Beginning In June</b>						
203	ENGL	2301	English Literature I	6-2/7-7	MW	6:00p-9:30p
210	HIST	1301	History of the U.S. to 1877	6-3/7-8	TTH	6:00p-9:30p
210	GOVT	2301	State & Federal Govt. I	6-2/7-7	MW	6:00p-9:30p
<b>Classes Beginning in July</b>						
203	ENGL	2302	English Literature II	7-9/8-13	MW	6:00p-9:30p
203	SPCH	1301	Public Speaking	7-9/8-13	MW	6:00p-9:30p
303	MISC	1309	Computer Literacy	7-10/8-14	TTH	6:00p-9:30p
210	HIST	1302	History of the U.S. from 1877 to the present	7-10/8-14	TTH	6:00p-9:30p

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# 3 Major School Leaders Leaving

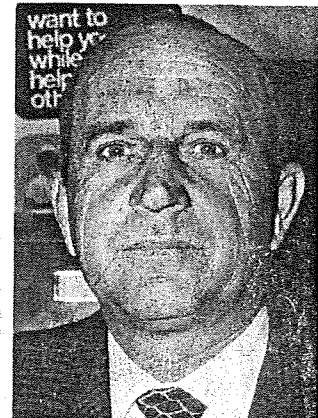
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**BOBBY PESCHEL**  
... going to Rosebud-Lott



**JAMES MALLOW**  
... leaving the band



**PAUL HUNTINGTON**  
... retiring



**JUANITA MOFFATT**  
... retiring

## Trustees Looking For Replacements

Three major Brady school executives and a veteran teacher resigned to the School Board Monday night:

- Head Coach Bobby Peschel is leaving to become head coach at Rosebud-Lott, down near Temple.
- Band Director James Mallow, after a string of 21 Sweepstakes Awards with his Bulldog Band, is retiring to devote full time to selling insurance, a growing sideline with him in recent years.
- South Ward Principal Paul Huntington is retiring after 37 years as teacher and school executive, the last 22 years in Brady.
- Mrs. Bill (Juanita) Moffatt, a veteran elementary teacher at North Ward, is retiring after 34 years as a teacher, the last nine in Brady.

the last 26 years as director of the Brady band.

Peschel has been with the Brady schools 10 years. He came here from Devine with Coach Paul Jette and became head coach when Jette moved to Pleasanton. He has been coaching 15 years.

## All Sports Feed Set

The annual All Sports Awards Banquet will be held Monday, May 19, at 6:30 p. m. in the Brady Schools Cafeteria.

All Brady High students who have participated in any sport activity will be honored and special awards given for outstanding athletic achievement.

The honorees will be presented free tickets by the coaches and all other tickets are on sale for \$4 at the BHS principal's office and at the Chamber of Commerce office.

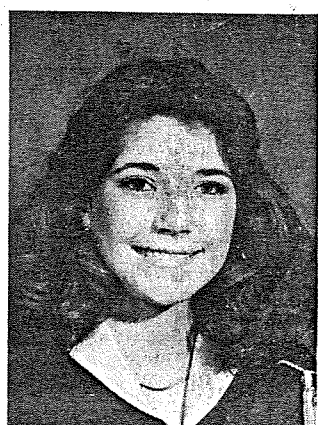
## BHS Announces Honor Graduates

**Bits 'n Pieces**

By Larry B. Smith



**BETTY McANALLY**  
... valedictorian



**JILL WALLACE**  
... salutatorian

Betty McNally, with a grade point average of 95.30, is the valedictorian of Brady High School's 1986 graduating senior class.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charley McNally.

The salutatorian is Jill Wallace with a grade average of 94.27. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Wallace.

Seventy-five seniors are candidates for graduation in commencement exercises to be held at 8:30 p. m. Friday, May 30, in Bulldog Stadium. Clint McGowan is president of the class; Trajan Perez, vice president, and Stella Lafuente, secretary.

In addition to the valedictorian and salutatorian, the other top ten seniors scholastically are:

- Sherlene Hammon

That big Smith Reunion last weekend in Abilene went off without a hitch and I believe everyone in attendance had loads of fun. At least they re-elected me as chairman of the event so I'm responsible for getting it all ready next year. I'm so lucky. But I volunteered to be the office. I'm familiar with the and have learned from my It's kind of like a politician

## WEATHER

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May 6	90	71	.00
May 7	94	71	.00
May 8	88	67	.00
May 9	91	59	1.05
May 10	72	58	.70
May 11	72	58	
May 12	93		

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7-4-86

James,

Thank you for  
Caring, for demanding  
self-discipline and  
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All who have  
passed your way  
have benefited from  
all your efforts.

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Just to let you know,  
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great! They will never  
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We are proud of you!

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Best wishes,

Julie Luther  
& daughters



Dear Mrs. McClain:

May you find satisfaction  
in looking back  
to the years behind you,  
and anticipation  
in looking ahead  
to the plans you're making  
for the future.

## Congratulations

There will never be  
another band leader  
like you in Brady!  
She appreciates what you  
have done for all Brady  
Youngsters, including Noni, Linda  
& Connie - Red & Helen Withimer.

# Annual Dedicated to Mallow

Editors of the Brady High year-book announced Thursday during the Awards Day program that this year's edition will be dedicated to James Mallow, who is retiring this year after directing the Brady Bulldog Band to an unprecedented 21 annual Sweepstakes Awards.

The announcement was made by editors Betty McAnally and DeeAnna Krout and two other members of the staff, Jennifer Appleton and Andrea

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Bayless.

Counselor Ray Johnson also took note of the band's record and asked members of the band to stand up "for a round of applause." Almost half of the senior class, seated in the center of the gym, stood up.

To serve as editors of the annual next year are Jennifer Appleton and Andrea Bayless. Nona Trull and Paul Middleton will be assistant editors; and Jason Johnson, LaGina Williams, Leslie Uriegas, Christina Hudspeth, Joanne Sizemore, and Terry Leifeste, members of the staff.

Ysabel Ledezma, president of the Student Council, was master of ceremonies for Awards Day and received one of the major honors, the Beryl Thee Award, given for high moral character and outstanding leadership.

The award is named for a popular Brady High boy who was killed in his senior year in a pickup truck accident. Nominees are screened by a commit-

tee and then elected by the National Honor Society.

Other honorees:

- Principal Max Gordon introduced the top-ranking boy and girl in each class (based on this year's grades): Jill Wallace and Lance May, seniors; Sherri Williams and Terry Leifeste, juniors; Nona Trull and Paul Middleton, sophomores; Sandie Young and Randall King, freshmen.

Leifeste also received an award for "outstanding achievement in science."

- UIL Scholar Awards (for UIL participants graduating in the top 10 percent of the class) went to: Kellie Ryan, Sharolyn Hargroves, Sonya Rubio, Jill Todd, Taylor White, Lance May, Linda Muniz, Jill Wallace, Betty McAnally, and DeeAnna Krout.

- Sherrod Kilmer presented the Rotary Citizenship Award to Donna Young.

- Karen Bishop presented the Damrosch Music Award to Linda Muniz.

- Coach Lorraine Rossmeyer introduced four of her track girls who went to state this year: LaGina Williams, Sherri Williams, Terri McGowan, and Idette Jones.

- Commander Hilmer Kruckemeyer presented the American Legion Citizenship Award to Lance May.

- Army Recruiter Rafael Marquez presented the U. S. Army Senior Awards to Lance May and Stella Lafuente for scholastic and athletic achievement.

- Homemaking teacher Charlotte Carrithers presented Homemaking Awards to Jill Todd and Terri Thorn-

ton. Terri came here this year from Vera Cruz, Mexico, and couldn't speak a word of English but still made the honor roll since the first six-weeks period.

- Student Council President Ysabel Ledezma presented gifts from the senior class to two exchange students who have been here this year: Minna Laitinen from Finland and Cybele Cardoso from Brazil.

- English teacher Tanya Williams recognized her one-act play cast and her UIL contestants who went to regional this year: Tracy Pitcox, Freddie Bonetti, Guy Gober, Linda Muniz, Andrea Bayless, Meredith McAnally, Matt Underwood, Troy Colen, Paul Middleton, Tate West, and Nona Trull.

- Counselor Johnson also congratulated Jill Todd "who will have completed 60 college hours by the time she enters the University of Texas next fall."

Jill completed most of the hours through the Central Texas College program in Brady and then drove to Howard Payne for other courses not available here.

## RICKMAN ON DEAN'S LIST

Ty Scott Rickman of Brady has been named to the Dean's List for the 1986 spring semester at Western Texas College, Snyder. The group is made up of students who are enrolled for at least 15 semester hours with a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. Forty-three students qualified for the list.

Some good buys can be found in the Classified section.

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**SMALL TOWN, USA**—Citizens gathered on the courthouse lawn on Tuesday evening to enjoy a concert performed by the recently organized Community Band under the direction of James Mallow. The group presented a delightful variety of musical favorites from Phantom of the Opera to Them Basses. Young and old enjoyed the entertainment and visiting under the summer sky. Director Mallow invited anyone interested in participating in the band to give him a call.

7-4-96



**IT WAS LIKE OLD TIMES** when Brady's Community Band made its first public appearance in the July Jubilee parade. In the band were people who used to play musical instruments but hadn't done so for years. The band was organized by former Brady High band director James Mallow and included members in age from 15 to 83.




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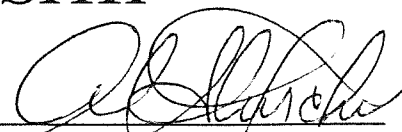
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