# PHI BETA MU LAMBDA CHAPTER NATIONAL BANDMASTER FRATERNITY PBM/LAMBDA FOUNDATION Lambda Website: www.phibetamulambda.org

## 65th ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING/LUNCHEON

Dear Member of Phi Beta Mu-Lambda Chapter:

The annual luncheon and business meeting of PHI BETA MU-LAMBDA CHAPTER and the PBM/LAMBDA FOUNDATION will be held on **Friday, January 26, 2024 – 12:00 Noon** in the **NAUTICAL WHEELER ROOM** at the Margaritaville Lake Resort during the annual MMEA State Conference.

## WALK-INS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE LUNCHEON. Contact me prior to Friday if your plans should change or to check on cancellations.

## 2024 VOTING

**1. NEW MEMBERS:** Below you will find the names and bios of those who have been nominated for membership and approved by the Membership Committee.

**2. NEW BOARD MEMBERS:** Two new board members (Lambda & Foundation) need to be elected for terms starting in January 2024. **PLEASE VOTE FOR TWO OF THE CANDIDATES LISTED BELOW.** 

## REGISTER/PAY DUES/ON LINE (preferred) OR

**RETURN** the **DUES /RESERVATION PAGE** (page 2) **via REGULAR MAIL** no later than:

# MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024

LAMBDA WEBSITE: www.PhiBetaMuLambda.org

There is a **<u>PAY ONLINE LINK</u>** at the top in the black box

Go to <u>NEWS/BUSINESS</u> in the black box to change your contact information

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please **UPDATE ONLY NEW** contact information – **BELOW**. Please keep your email up to date. Many schools are blocking group emails – please use your personal email address if possible.

Also, keep your information on the NATIONAL PBM Website up to datewww.phibetamu.orgUSER NAME: First name initial and first 5 letter of last name.i.e. Tom Poshak = tposhaPASSWORD: lambdaCASE SENSITIVE: - Use all lower case

## **UPDATES**

1. <u>LUNCH FEE:</u> Cost of lunch is \$31.00. Local and National dues have not changed since last year.

## 2. C.T. SMITH COMPOSITION CONTEST UPDATE:

The next contest will be held in 2025.

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# THE INFORMATION BELOW AND YOUR PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024 via THE WEBSITE (preferred) or REGULAR MAIL: Chris Auchly, PBM 710 Rosemary Lane Festus, MO 63028

## **MEMBER NAME:**

To maintain active status, you must make a payment to BOTH organizations.

PHI BETA MU-LAMBDA – National Dues Only

**PBM/LAMDA FOUNDATION** – A **501c3** Organization that encompasses all other activities. Included, but not limited to: Annual business meeting/luncheon, Claude T. Smith Composition Contest, Charles Emmons Scholarship, MBA Reception, Memorials, Plaques, Band Certificates, Missouri Bands Together Project, Administrative Expenses.

# CHECK # 1 Payable to: PHI BETA MU – LAMBDA

PBM National Dues Active......\$15.00

PBM National Dues Retired .....\$6.00

## CHECK # 2 Payable to: PBM/LAMBDA FOUNDATION

<b>ATTENDING</b> Business Meeting/Luncheon:	DUES ONLY - <u>NO</u> Lunch:
Lunch\$31.00	*Website Fee\$ 1.00
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<u>TOTAL DUE\$51.00</u>	
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# <u>NEW MEMBER VOTING – not to be divulged.</u>

**<u>NEW MEMBER VOTING</u>**: The Membership Committee (8 board members and 4 HS/College directors from throughout the state) has reviewed the bios submitted by the nominators and recommends to the membership the following for admission into Phi Beta Mu – Lambda. Voting may be completed on the website (preferred) **OR** below

NAME	SCHOOL	SPONSOR	YES	NO
Stewart Alloway	Washington HS	Paul Fliege		
Denise Cadigan	Wildwood MS (Rockwood)	Phil Miligan		
Daniel Long	Norborne	Ronald Schuler		
Alison Smith	Kirkwood	Rebecca Friesen		
Andrew Steck	Saeger MS/Francis Howell HS	Shannon Crepps/Nathan Gri	ffin	
Darren Steelman	Sikeston	Jim Daughters		
Patrick Sullivan	Rockbridge HS (Columbia)	Josh Myers		
Anna White	Pattonville HS	Sara Deutschmann		
Steve White	Holman MS (Pattonville)	Denny McFarland		

# **VOTE FOR ~TWO~ BOARD MEMBERS**

Phi Beta Mu-Lambda & PBM Foundation

The top **TWO** vote earners will go on the Boards (Lambda Chapter then Foundation) as directors and move through the offices of their respective Board every two years.

MATT BONSIGNORE – PLATTE CO R-3	
CATHY COONIS – SPRINGFIELD (retired)	
REBECCA FRIESEN – KIRKWOOD	
DOUG HOOVER - PARKWAY	
LINDA HUCK – FARMINGTON (retired)	
BUTCH OWENS – WEBB CITY	
ED ROBERTS – HARRISONVILLE (retired)	
JULIE SWOPE – COLUMBIA	

# NEW MEMBER CANDIDATE BIOS ARE BELOW - not to be divulged

Chapter members with objections to a nomination are to inform the Membership Committee through a.) the voting process or b.) through personal contact with the Board of Directors. A candidate must receive **93% Yes votes** from the entire membership (based on the votes cast in the candidate's name) to be accepted for membership.

## **NOMINEE BIOS:**

**Nominee: STEWART ALLOWAY** School: Washington High School Sponsor: Paul Fliege Since 2021, Stewart Alloway has served as Director of Bands for Washington High School. From 2012-2021, he served as Band Director at Lewis and Clark Middle School and as Assistant at Jefferson City High School. His kind, caring nature, strong work ethic, and enthusiasm for band allowed him to make a significant impact on these two programs.

Mr. Alloway was the heart and soul of the band program at Jefferson City during his 9 years there. His bands at Lewis and Clark Middle School were outstanding in quality, and during that time he maintained a retention rate of 90% for students from sixth grade beginners into high school. This allowed the Jay Band to grow from 120 members to over 180. He started the first jazz band at Lewis and Clark, building that aspect of the program. His concert bands he directed at the middle school and high school consistently received exemplary ratings. The Jefferson City Symphonic Band was selected to perform at MMEA in 2016 and 2019. He also played a huge role in the success of the marching bands at BOA and other competitions. He was the 2013-2014 New Professional of the Year and was a Teacher of the Year nominee in 2016 and 2017

After Jefferson City, Mr. Alloway was hired as Director of Bands at Washington High School. In just his second year, he is creating a new level of enthusiasm and success in a program with a long tradition of excellence. The Washington High School Wind Ensemble received straight exemplary ratings at MSHSAA Contest last spring and the band was selected to perform at the 2024 MMEA Convention for the first time in school history. The Marching Band received its first ever Division One rating at the St. Louis BOA Super Regional and has placed in the top 3 at every marching competition (except BOA) over the last two years. The band has grown from 112 members to over 165 by next fall, color guard has grown from 20 to 32 members, and next year they will be expanding from two to three concert bands.

Mr. Alloway is an active member of MBA and has served as horn judge for all state band auditions since 2016. He also stepped up and filled some big shoes by serving as chair of the MBA Golf Tournament at the Summer Convention. He is also a member of NAfME, MMEA, and MSTA. He has helped countless band directors by serving as a clinician in their schools. He also maintains an active horn private lesson studio. He has made a positive impact on music education in Missouri in his young career and will undoubtedly continue this trajectory of success. Mr. Alloway is an amazing human being that band directors across the state both young and old can look up to!

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#### Nominee: DENISE CADIGAN

School: Wildwood Middle School (Rockwood), St Louis MO Sponsor: Phil Milligan

Denise is currently in her 21st year of teaching. She has taught in the Webster Groves and Francis Howell School districts and is currently the band director at Wildwood Middle School in the Rockwood School District.

Denise is also a published author. Her book **<u>If Music Be The Food Of Love</u>** is now in its second edition. Following is a synopsis of her book:

Journey through time to relive the passion and romance of three ailing women whose lives were forever altered through the powerful presence of music, opening gateways to true love. Is music enough to save them?

She is currently a member of the St. Louis Writer's Guild, the National Association for Music Education (NAfME), Missouri Music Educator's Association (MMEA 2014 Presenter, 2018 & 2023 Conductor), Missouri Bandmasters Association (MBA), Missouri Women Band Directors Association (MWMBA), volunteers for the Greater Missouri Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association as a Community Educator, and is an active community speaker. Her presentation, "Music & Memory: A Gateway to Lucidity," describes the power of music in the brain (including anatomy and our responses to music), memory-related brain research, in-home music

therapies, and provides samples for a prescribed repertoire.

Denise has had consistently superior bands during her time at Wildwood Middle. She is a contributor to the betterment of bands within her district and Missouri.

Her passion is brain research and how music can affect the memory especially in those with early onset dementia.

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#### Nominee: DANIEL LONG

School: Norborne HS Sponsor: Ron Schuler

I would like to recommend Daniel Long for membership in PBM. He has been teaching K-12 music, band, and choir in the Norborne R-8 School District for the past eight years, but has a total of ten years teaching experience. With nearly 50% of the Norborne student body involved in the music program, Daniel has achieved exemplary ratings in parade, drumline, and guard competitions, as well as District MSHSAA ratings in band and choir. The Norborne Band attended the Liberty Bowl Parade in December, 2022.

Daniel's professional affiliations include being a founding member of Missouri Small School Band Directors Association, for which he served as executive secretary, 2017-2019, President, 2019-2021, and past president, 2021-present. He is a member in good standing of NAfME, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, MBA – serving as an All-State Band Judge for Horn, and as convention technology coordinator; Northwest MMEA - vice president; NEA local association president; Norborne District Activities Director; and Boy Scouts of America – Eagle Scout and Assistant Scout master.

Daniel Long is a dedicated professional and a well-respected leader. He will represent Phi Beta Mu well.

Nominee: ALISON SMITH

School: Kirkwood High School Sponsor: Rebecca Friesen

Alison Smith has been teaching in the Kirkwood School district in the capacity of Associate Band Director and Percussion Specialist for grades 5 -12 since August 2020. Ms. Smith teaches at Nipher Middle School, North Kirkwood Middle School, Kirkwood High School as well as 5th grade beginning percussion class. At Kirkwood High School she instructs the Pioneer Pride drumline and front ensemble, co-teaches the KHS Concert Band and assists with the KHS Wind Ensemble and Symphonic Band. The Concert Band, Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble all received superior ratings at the 2023 MSHSAA Large Ensemble Festival. As is consistent over many years. In her role here in Kirkwood she has shown an exceptional ability to connect with students, grow students percussion and overall musicianship skills, and spark a desire to lead in students of all abilities. Ms. Smith consistently reaches out to clinicians to work with the Kirkwood High School percussion students as well as reciprocating to clinic other area percussion sections. In her time at Kirkwood the Kirkwood percussion section has established a high level of excellence in the area of small ensembles and Wind Ensemble performance. The Kirkwood High School Wind Ensemble performed at the 2023 MMEA conference, her instruction of the percussion section was evident.

She has been on the board of the St. Louis Wind Symphony for 12 years and has been a performing percussionist with the St. Louis Wind Symphony for the past 15 years. She is a role model for music educators to continue to be active musicians, be service oriented in the profession and support her colleagues and students on a daily basis.

Education

2003 BM in Music Ed from Michigan State University 2012 MFA in Arts Management and Leadership from Webster University

<u>Work Experience</u> 2004 - 2006 Frontier/Union 38 School District in Deerfield, MA 2006 - 2020 City of St. Charles School District 2020 - Present Kirkwood

Service/Adjudication/Performances

2010 - Present Board Member with the St. Louis Wind Symphony 2014, 2018, 2022 MMEA Conference Performances with the Wind Symphony 2019 Performance with the Wind Symphony at MBA Conference 2022 Percussion Judge for the Rebel Invitational at Park Hills HS 2021 Percussion Judge for the Fox HS Invitational

<u>Professional Affiliations/memberships</u> National Association for Music Educators Missouri Music Educators Association Percussive Arts Society

I highly recommend Ms. Alison Smith for membership in the Lambda Chapter of Phi Beta Mu.

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## Nominee: ANDREW STECK

School: Saeger Middle School/Francis Howell HS (St. Charles, MO) Sponsor: Shannon Crepps/Nathan Griffin

Saeger Middle School, Francis Howell School District

- 2023-present Band Director Beginning Brass, 7 th Grade Band, 8 th Grade Band
- 2021-present Jazz Band, Jazz Workshop, and Spartan Community Band Director

Francis Howell Central High School, Francis Howell School District

- 2023-present Band Director Concert and Jazz Ensembles
- 2019-present Marching Band Staff, Brass Ensemble Director

Bryan Middle School, Francis Howell School District

- 2019-2023 Band Director Beginning Brass, 7 th Grade Band, 8 th Grade Band
- 2019-2023 Jazz Program Director

Zionsville West Middle School, Indiana

• 2017-2019 – Director of Bands

Lapel High School and Middle School, Indiana

• 2016-2017 – Director of Bands

Drew Steck is in his 8th year of teaching and his first as one of the band directors for both Saeger Middle School and Francis Howell Central High School, although he has served on the staff for both of these programs since 2019 in a variety of roles (noted above). The program at Saeger Middle School and Francis Howell Central High School serves over 400 students in grades 6-12. Drew is a co-director of every level of the band program, from beginning band to the high school level. He works with all concert and jazz groups at both schools, and is a director of the Spartan Regiment Marching Band, the Spartan A-Band (pep band), and the FHC Brass Ensemble.

Since joining the directing team for the Saeger Middle School Jazz Program in 2021, the jazz program has doubled in size – growing from one ensemble of 20-25 students per year to now serving 50 students in two jazz ensembles. In 2023, the Saeger Middle School Jazz Band was honored to be chosen as a performing ensemble for the 85th annual MMEA conference, becoming only the second middle school jazz ensemble to be selected.

As a director of the Spartan Community Band, Drew has helped to expand the ensemble to reach even more of our community – last year there were 120 members in this ensemble that is comprised of middle school band and high school band students, alumni of the program, teachers, staff, band parents, and community members at large. Drew was also responsible for the addition of a Community Jazz Ensemble. Both groups perform each March as part of a Music In Our Schools Month celebration.

Drew will serve as the Guest Conductor for the CDMMEA 7th Grade Honor Band in January 2024. During his time in Indiana, Drew was a member of the Indiana Bandmasters Association and the Indiana Jazz Educator's Association where he also served as a zone representative. He is currently a member of NAfME, MMEA, MBA, and MOAJE. He is currently finishing his term as the Middle School Jazz Vice President for the St. Louis Metro District #8 division of MMEA.

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#### Nominee: DARREN STEELMAN

School: Sikeston HS Sponsor: Dr. Jim Daughters

Please consider this letter of nomination for Mr. Darren Steelman, currently the Director of Bands at Sikeston High School in Sikeston, Missouri. Statement of fact is below. Thank you for his consideration!

Teaching Experience

- Portageville Public Schools Director of Bands. 1996-1999. Taught all band classes and music appreciation New Madrid County Central - Director of Bands. 1999-2002. Taught all bands included marching band, concert band, jazz bands, junior high assistant
- Sikeston Public Schools Director of Bands, 2002 to present. Teaching marching band, symphonic band, junior high brass, percussion, jazz band, and is department chair for music.
- Mr. Steelman's ensembles continue to be recognized with consistent distinguished/superiors awards in marching, jazz, and concert band festivals. As one of the strong programs in Southeast Missouri, the Sikeston Bands continue to be a model for a healthy school music program.

Contributions/Impacts on the Profession

- One of the most important impacts Mr. Steelman has made on our professional is the supervision of countless student teachers and field placement students over the last 20 years from Southeast Missouri State University. We continue to send students to Mr. Steelman each semester as we know they will learn and grow as young educators.
- Mr. Steelman has hosted and is the Festival Director of the Southeast Missouri Band Director's Association Marching Competition from 2016 to present.
- o Darren has conducted the Harold Lichtenegger High School Honor Band in 2018.

Professional Organizations/Community Contributions

- Currently a member of Missouri State Teachers Association, Missouri Music Educators Association, Missouri Bandmasters Association, and Missouri Association for Jazz Education
- o Current President of the Southeast Missouri Band Director's Association
- Jazz Vice President for the Southeast District of MMEA
- Past President of Southeast District of MMEA
- Department chair for music in Sikeston Public Schools
- Member and Deacon of Lynwood Baptist Church (Vice Chairman)
- Member of Deacon Council
- Teacher life group for boys youth grades 7-9.

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Respectfully, Dr. Jim Daughters Phi Beta Bu, Lamba Chapter Member Director of Bands Southeast Missouri State

#### Nominee: PATRICK SULLIVAN

School: Rockbridge HS, (Columbia MO)

Sponsor: Josh Myers

## A: Teaching Experience

Rock Bridge High School, Columbia, MO 2018-Present - Director of Bands and 2013-2018 - Assistant Director of Bands

During his time at Rock Bridge, his teaching duties have included directing the Emerald Regiment Marching Band, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony, Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Band, Brass Choir, and Woodwind Choir. Additionally he has taught Music Theory and Piano Techniques. He also has assisted at Gentry, Jefferson, and John Warner Middle School. Under his direction, the Emerald Regiment Marching Band, Rock Bridge Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Band have earned numerous top placings at local and regional competitions. The Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, Brass Choir, and Woodwind Choir have received consistent "Exemplary" ratings at the State Large Ensemble Festival. The Wind Symphony also placed 1st Overall in the Big "D" Classic Music Festival in 2019 and were selected to perform at the UMKC Concert Festival in 2021. They have also been honored to perform at the Missouri Music Educators Association Workshop and Conference in 2015 and again this year in 2024. During his time at Rock Bridge, he also has consistently had students earn high placements in District and State Honor Bands.

Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

2011-2013 - Graduate Assistant

While at Kansas State, Patrick assisted with all aspects of the band department. He had opportunities to rehearse and conduct the Wind Ensemble, Wind Symphony, Concert Band, University Band, Brass Ensemble, Cat Band, and the 375 member Marching Band.

Oakland Junior High School, Columbia, MO

2007-2011 - Director of Bands

Patrick also assisted with the band programs at Lange Middle School and Gentry Middle School as well as maintained a private trombone and euphonium studio.

## **B.** Contributions/Impact

Patrick has mentored several student teachers during his tenure at Columbia Public Schools and has also helped mentor several new teachers to CPS including myself. He is an active adjudicator, clinician, and arranger. He has had arrangements performed by high school bands, the Kansas State Marching Band and Marching Mizzou.

#### **C. Professional Organizations**

Professional Affiliations have included, Missouri Music Educators Association, Missouri Bandmasters, and NaFME,

## D. Professional/Community Contributions

Patrick is currently the Performing Arts Department Chair at Rock Bridge High School. On trombone, he has also performed with the Columbia Community Band, the Missouri Symphony and at various church and civic events.

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#### **Nominee: ANNA WHITE**

School: Pattonville High School (Maryland Heights, MO) Sponsor: Sara Deutschmann

A. Pattonville High School, assistant director 2006-present

- Teaches 9-12 marching band (including pit tech), concert bands, musical pit orchestra, piano lab,
- assists Jazz Ensemble
- Assists with all aspects of the 170+ member band program, including helping to organize the
- annual Spring band trip (most recently, Memphis, TN, Honolulu, HI, and Nashville, TN) which
- includes festival performance
- Anna has been an integral part in the success of hundreds of students, many who have gone on to
- become music educators and other music professionals

- Marching band has won 9 championships from September 2019 October 2023.
- Jazz Ensemble earned 3rd Place in the National Jazz Festival, April 2023.
- Band program has had multiple all-suburban and all-state band members
- Helps prepare students for All-Suburban and All-State Band auditions
- Helps prepare student soloists and ensembles for St. Louis All-Suburban Festival (occasionally
- provides piano accompaniment for soloists)
- Responsible for instrument inventory and check-in/check-out from 2006-2019
- Director of Extra-Curricular HS Jazz Band 2006-2019
- Assists with fundraisers
- Assists in recruiting students to join the band program
- Assists with band communications (email, multiple social media platforms)
- Has initiated sessions for PHS students with multiple clinicians including Richard Saucedo, Randy
- Greenwell, Dr. Amy Knopps, Dr. Brian Silvey, and other respected educators and performers in the
- St. Louis Bi-State Region.
- Has completed Masters Degree +30 additional hours.

Pattonville Heights Middle School 2006-2019

- Assisted director in all aspects of the band program, including directing 6-8 concert bands at all
- concerts and festivals
- Prepared students for All-Suburban and Solo/Ensemble Festivals (occasionally provided piano accompaniment for soloists) and All-Suburban auditions
- Assisted in fundraiser efforts for annual trip

B. Contributions/Impact on the Profession of Music Education

- Has supervised numerous student teachers at the middle and high school levels
- Has served as a judge in middle/high school solo/ensemble and large group festivals
- Helped revise curriculum for music courses at Pattonville High School
- C. Professional Organizations
  - NAFME, MMEA, PNEA, MBA, PAS

D. Professional/Community Contributions

• Performs at church and weddings

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## **Nominee: STEVE WHITE**

School: Holman Middle School (Pattonville School Dist, St. Ann, MO) Sponsor: Denny McFarland

## A. Holman Middle School (Pattonville School District), Head Director 2010-present

- Teaches 6-8 middle school band: concert bands, extra-curricular jazz band and pep band
- Leads all aspects of the Holman band program
- During his tenure, the Holman band program's enrollment has increased dramatically
- Steve has been an integral part in the success of hundreds of students, many who have gone on to become music educators and other music professionals
- Member of Pattonville HS marching band staff
- Marching band has won 9 championships from September 2019 October 2023
- Steve has organized extracurricular activities (jazz band, pep band, musical festivals, clinics) for his students to give them a well-rounded, high-quality experience
- Holman bands regularly receive 1 Ratings at festivals
- Holman Band program has had multiple middle school all-suburban band and jazz band members
- Helps prepare students for All-Suburban Band auditions
- Helps prepare student soloists and ensembles for St. Louis All-Suburban Festival
- Responsible for instrument inventory and check-in/check-out from 2010-present

- Director of Extra-Curricular HS Jazz Band 2010-present
- Organizes annual fundraisers
- Assists in recruiting students to join the band program
- Assists with band communications (email, multiple social media platforms)

• Works cohesively with the entire music department and elective course staff in his building and district-wide

## Frontier Middle School 2008-2010 (Wentzville School District)

• Assisted in all aspects of the band program, including directing 6-8 concert bands at all concerts and festivals

- Prepared students for All-Suburban and Solo/Ensemble Festivals and All-Suburban auditions
- Assisted in fundraiser efforts

## B. Contributions/Impact on the Profession of Music Education

• Hosts the annual St. Louis Suburban Music Educators Association Middle School Solo/Ensemble Festival at Holman

• Middle School each year for dozens of schools to bring thousands of people to Holman every year

• Received a "Merit Award" from the St. Louis Music Educators Association for his dedication to music education, effectiveness as an educator and role model, and effort to go above and beyond the normal call of duty for his students

- Has supervised student teachers at the middle school level
- Has served as a judge in middle/high school solo/ensemble and large group festivals
- Helped revise curriculum for music courses at Pattonville High School

## **C. Professional Organizations**

• NAFME, MMEA, PNEA

## D. Professional/Community Contributions

- Freelance musician who performs at church and weddings and other events
- Performs at the annual St. Louis Tuba Christmas