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Lindbergh Band Will Play Full Rose Parade Set for Visiting Tournament of Roses® President on Sept. 8

This will be the band's first full performance of Rose Parade® musical selections, in uniform, before making its third trip to participate in the nationally televised event this January

St. Louis (Aug. 18, 2017) — More than 200 students who make up Lindbergh High School's Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band will dress in full uniform on Sept. 8, and play the complete set of musical selections for the 2018 Rose Parade, in front of a very special audience. Tournament of Roses President Lance Tibbet will visit from Pasadena Sept. 7-10 to promote Lindbergh's band and help raise funds for its upcoming trip to the Rose Parade. This will be the band's third time marching in the nationally televised event, which takes place on New Year's Day 2018.

What: First Look at Lindbergh Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band Rose Parade Performance for 2017-18 Tournament of Roses President Lance Tibbet, and the community

When: 7:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 8 (band will play before school and as students arrive)

Where: Lindbergh High School, 5000 S. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis MO 63126

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Later that day, Tibbet will make a special halftime presentation during the Lindbergh High School varsity football game, honoring the Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band and celebrating their selection to participate in this prestigious event. Tibbet will also throw the first pitch for the St. Louis Cardinals on Sept. 9, as they take on the Pirates at Busch Stadium.

Two hundred and thirty Lindbergh band members must collectively raise \$600,000 to fund this once-in-a-lifetime experience, a six-mile parade march in front of more than 1 million spectators. Community members can learn more about how to support the band or make an online donation by visiting www.HelpLHSBand.org.

"We are very appreciative of Mr. Tibbet's support as the Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band prepares to return to Pasadena next January," said Lindbergh Band Director David Wyss. "This trip would not be possible without the backing of our community, all of our outstanding parent volunteers, and countless hours of time and effort put forth by each student to prepare. Lindbergh is extremely proud to represent St. Louis and the state of Missouri on the national stage and we are grateful for this community's continued support!"

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A Marching Tribute

Wyss and his team are following in the footsteps of his predecessor and mentor, Bob Spiegelman, who led the LHS band to the 2005 and 2011 events, and passed away shortly after in March 2011, following a courageous battle with lymphoma. In a coincidental and fitting tribute to the beloved former director, Wyss received notification of the band's 2018 selection on Oct. 14, Mr. Spiegelman's birthday. The band plans to perform an identical set list to the 2011 event, as they "walk with purpose" in Spiegelman's honor. Their current uniforms, designed shortly after Mr. Spiegelman's passing, were made to be a walking tribute, with lime green at the chest (lymphoma awareness color), fading to Lindbergh green on the sleeve, and with a diamond at the heart.

About Lance Tibbet:

As President for the 2017-2018 Tournament of Roses year, Tibbet will provide leadership for the 129th Rose Parade® presented by Honda and the College Football Semifinal at the Rose Bowl Game® presented by Northwestern Mutual on Monday, January 1, 2018. Tibbet has been a volunteer member of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses since 1980. He was appointed a Committee Chair in 2001, a Director in 2004 and was elected to the Executive Committee in 2010.

In January, Tibbet announced “Making a Difference” as the Pasadena Tournament of Roses theme to encourage creativity in float entries, marching bands and equestrian participants.

“The 2018 theme, ‘Making a Difference,’ is a way to honor and celebrate all of the people in our communities, who quietly and without desire for reward or recognition, act in selfless, generous and kind ways to aid or benefit others.” shared Tibbet. “It’s about the human acts of kindness that enrich the lives of others and are the source of inspiration, hope, joy and optimism for all of us.”



Cutline: Lance Tibbet, president for the 2017-18 Tournament of Roses year

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Lindbergh High School Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band is Selected for Third Trip to the Roses Parade®

The band previously performed at the Rose Parade in 2005, 2011

St. Louis (Nov. 10, 2016) — Lindbergh High School's Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band has been selected to play in the 2018 Rose Parade in Pasadena, Calif., which takes place on New Year's Day 2018. This will be the band's third trip to the nationally televised parade. They also received the honor in 2005 and 2011.

Marching Band Director David Wyss surprised more than 200 marching band members with an announcement on Nov. 10. He played a video from Tournament of Roses® Executive Vice President Lance Tibbet, and band parents presented each student with a red rose.

"This is the highest honor a high school marching band can achieve, and our band members, parents and staff are so proud to be able to represent the Lindbergh community, St. Louis area and state of Missouri on a global stage," Wyss said. "We are so proud to march for a third time in the Rose parade."

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Cutline 1: Lindbergh Spirit of St. Louis Marching Band Director David Wyss made a surprise announcement on Nov. 10 to let his students know they have been selected to perform in the 2018 Rose Parade in Pasadena, Calif. This is the band's third trip to the nationally televised event.

Cutline 2: Lindbergh High School Assistant Marching Band Director Chelsea Silvermintz (right) presents red roses to band members on Nov. 10 following an announcement that they have been selected to perform in the 2018 Rose Parade.

Cutlines 3-4: Lindbergh High School marching band members celebrate their upcoming trip to the Rose Parade