

Sprayberry High School

BAND OF GOLD

THIS WEEK IN BAND

News for Week of August 9-15, 2009



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QUICK LOOK - IMPORTANT UPCOMING BAND EVENTS

Monday - August 10 – FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – No marching rehearsal.

Tuesday – August 11 – Marching Rehearsal – 4:30- 7:30 pm

Thursday – August 13 – Marching Rehearsal – 4:30- 7:30 pm

**Friday – August 14– Marching Band Preview Show
and SHS Football Scrimmage Kick-Off Dinner** - 6:30 – 9:00 pm
Annual Band Family Ice Cream Social to follow scrimmage game.

Tuesday – August 18 – SBBA BOOSTER MEETING – 7:00 pm Band Room

Friday – August 28 – Band Photo Day – 4:45 pm & after halftime show
Football – Home vs Lassiter– 7:30 pm

To view the full Sprayberry Band Calendar [click here](#).

1. Special Vote for Reallocation of Instrument Monies Will be Held at the Next Band Booster Meeting Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Message from Sprayberry Band Booster Association President
MIKE MATTHEWS
To all SBBA Members (Parents/Guardians of Band Students):

At the end of the 2008-2009 fiscal year, \$18,000 surplus was allocated and approved in the SBBA Budget to purchase two new sousaphones (at \$12,000) and to start a drumline replacement fund (the remaining \$6,000). Our Band Director, Andy Esserwein, now believes there is a more urgent need for a new drumline than for replacement sousaphones.

Price quotes for the new drumline equipment were obtained from three different manufacturers. On July 21, 2009, the SBBA Board approved the purchase of a full set of Dynasty drumline equipment (at a significant discount) through Steve Weiss Music for \$13,835.

To support this purchase, the Board recommends changing the originally allocation of \$18,000 existing funds to fully cover the drumline purchase, with the balance going

towards the sousaphone fund.

Membership approval is necessary to reallocate these funds.

This is an official notification that at the Booster Meeting schedule for Tuesday, August 18, 2009, Membership will be asked to vote for one of the following:

FOR Reallocation:

Change allocation of \$18,000 existing funds for new equipment to \$13,845 for drumline and \$4,165 for sousaphone fund (was \$12,000 for two sousaphones and \$6,000 for drumline fund.)

or

AGAINST Reallocation:

Keep the budget allotment as previously allocated at \$12,000 for two sousaphones and \$6,000 for drumline fund. The remaining \$7,835 needed to purchase the new drumline equipment the membership agrees to raise through various fundraising efforts.

If you have any questions regarding this information please contact me.

Mike Matthews

president@sprayberryband.com

**2. Marching Band Preview Show & Annual Ice Cream Social
FRIDAY – AUGUST 14, 2009 – 6:30 – 9:00 pm**

NOTE...WE ARE DOING SOMETHING NEW THIS YEAR!

In past years at the end of Mini-Camp the Marching Band has performed a special preview presentation of their field show to band families and friends. Along with this preview show the Sprayberry Band Boosters Association hosted an Ice Cream Social.

This year the Marching Band Preview Show and Ice Cream Social will be held in conjunction with the SHS Football Scrimmage & Dinner on Friday, August 14, 2009.

Here's the schedule for Football Kickoff event

6:30 pm – Dinner hosted by Football Boosters

Dinner Tickets: \$5.00 per person – may be purchased at the game.

Dinner tickets provided free to Marching Students by Band Boosters.

Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs dinner to be held in the grassy area behind the Ticket Building.

6:45 pm – Marching Band Preview Show

Band students are to wear "Crisis" Show Shirts and khaki pants or capris.

If you do not have your Show Shirt contact SBBA Spirit Wear Chair, Martha Spradlin, at spiritwear@sprayberryband.com

7:00 pm – SHS Scrimmage Game

All Marching Band students are required to stay for the entire Scrimmage. Stand tunes will be played during the game.

After the Scrimmage – Ice Cream Social hosted by Band Boosters

Ice cream social is FREE. To be held in the grassy area behind the Ticket Building.

3. Band Picture Day

Friday – August 28 - FULL UNIFORM

Information regarding photo day and picture package ordering will be coming home with your student. Be sure to look for it!

4:45 pm (before Home football game)

Group Band Photos, Sectionals & Individual Photos

9:00 pm (after halftime show)

Individual Photos With Parents

**SENIOR PARENTS...make note of this photo date and time
if you wish to take photos with your student.**

**4. Marching Band & Concert Band Uniform Info
IMPORTANT**

MARCHING BAND UNIFORM SHOES

The Marching Band shoes ordered at time of band registration have been distributed. If your student needs marching band shoes please contact SBBA Uniform Chairs, Mike and Liz King, at uniforms@sprayberryband.com or 770-321-5451. **If your student needs shoes ordered they MUST be ordered by August 9** so they will be delivered in time for the first football game on August 28.

REMINDER – CONCERT UNIFORMS NEED TO BE RETURNED

There are 55 Concert Band uniforms (black dresses and tuxes) from last year's concert season that have not been returned. Anyone who has NOT returned a Concert Band uniform it is imperative that you bring it to the Band Room THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL. Make sure the uniform has been dry cleaned with the dry cleaning receipt attached and the student's name written clearly on the receipt. THANK YOU!!

5. Marching Band - KEEP THE DATES

The following are important dates to mark on your calendar for upcoming Marching Band events and activities:

2009 SHS Football Schedule

The Band of Gold will be performing and/or playing stand tunes at the following games:

August 14 – SHS Scrimmage - Home

August 28 – vs Lassiter – Home

September 4 – vs Dalton – Away

September 11 – vs Northwest Whitfield – Home

September 18 – vs Starr's Mill – Away

October 2 – vs Osborne – Home

October 9 – vs Paulding Co. – Away

October 16 – vs Hillgrove – Away

October 23 – vs. South Paulding – Home

October 30 – vs Hiram – Home

Marching Band Competitions & Exhibitions

Monday – October 5 – Cobb County Marching Band Exhibition

to be held at McEachern High School

Saturday – October 10 – Competition

to be held at McEachern High School

Saturday – October 17 – Annual Southern Invitational Competition

hosted by Sprayberry Band of Gold

Saturday – November 7 – Competition

to be held in Newnan, Georgia

MARCHING BAND PARADES

Saturday – September 12 – East Cobber Parade – Marietta (tentative)

Tuesday – November 11 – Veteran's Day Parade - Marietta

**6. Chaperones and Men In Black Volunteers
Needed for Football Games**

Parents, come and join in the fun and camaraderie of the band parents by being a Chaperone or Men In Black volunteer for the upcoming SHS Football games. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. You are welcome to help out with just one game or sign up for all the games!! We would LOVE to have you be a part of the Band Booster fun!

Chaperone Volunteers
contact SBBA Chaperone Chair
Lisa Buxton
chaperones@sprayberryband.com

Men In Black (MIB) Volunteers
contact SBBA MIB Chair
Joe Ottey
equipment@sprayberryband.com

Remember...not matter what you do, what you do matters!!



7. Rome Braves Baseball Concessions
AUG & SEPT DATES STILL AVAILABLE
SIGN UP QUICKLY!

CONCERT BAND AND MARCHING BAND
Students, Parents and Family Members...
Sign-Up To Work Concessions And Earn Money
Toward Your Band Pledge Fees.

Parents and students...come and join the fun at the Rome Braves games by signing up to work concessions. This is a wonderful opportunity for Marching Band (including Color Guard) and Concert Band families to raise their Band pledge fees.

HOW TO SIGN UP: Review the upcoming dates below and just click on the date(s) you are interested in working to send an email. Type the names of those in your family who would like to work and indicate if they are a student or parent.

Some dates fill up quickly and when there are more workers than spots there is a waiting list. You will receive a confirmation email if you are chosen to work that game.

For more information contact the SBBA Fundraising Chairs Holly and Matt Brainard at bearwars@comcast.net or RomeLeads@sprayberryband.com.

Upcoming Rome Braves Concession Dates

Indicates games **PERFECT FOR CONCERT BAND STUDENTS/PARENTS TO WORK** as Marching Band students have conflicts due to band camp or rehearsal commitments.

* Indicates games that no band students may work as it is a game during school hours.

Carpool leaves from the school 3 hours prior to the game time.

Game Date	Game Time	Notes / Comments
<u>Wed, August 19, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	
<u>Thursday, August 20, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	Marching Rehearsal – No Marching Students
<u>Friday, August 21, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	Scrimmage Game – No Marching Students
<u>Saturday, August 22, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	
<u>Sunday, August 23, 2009</u>	2:00 PM	
<u>Monday, August 24, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	Marching Rehearsal – No Marching Students
<u>Monday, August 31, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	Marching Rehearsal – No Marching Students
<u>Tues, September 1, 2009</u>	7:00 PM	Marching Rehearsal – No Marching Students

Wed, September 2, 2009*	1:00 PM	During school hours – No band students
Thurs, September 3, 2009	7:00 PM	Marching Rehearsal – No Marching Students
Friday, September 4, 2009	7:00 PM	Football Game – No Marching Students



8. GOLD FUNDRAISER IS BACK!
Help Pay Your Concert Band
AND Marching Band Fees With Gold!!
A Special Band Fundraiser Opportunity

Open to the families of all students of
SHS Concert Band ONLY and Marching Band!

Tuesday – September 15, 2009

6:00pm – 8:00pm in the Band Room

Held in conjunction with Concert Band Registration.

Once again the band is offering this special Gold Fundraiser, an easy way for you to make money to put toward your student's band fees!

At our Concert Band registration A&M Gold Jewelers will have a table setup and ready to purchase your unwanted gold jewelry. Bring your old, mis-matched, broken or just plain ugly gold or platinum jewelry (rings, necklace, pendant, bracelet, earrings) and an agent will assess your gold right there. The value of the gold will then be subtracted from your student's total band fees.

Really - it's that easy! During Band Registration in April, one family paid off their student's ENTIRE Marching Band AND Concert Band fees with a single ziplock bag of old gold!

Just bring your gold to registration OR feel free to visit A&M Gold Jewelers located at 4517 Canton Road, Marietta, GA 30066. Make sure to tell them you are a SHS Band Member! For more information, contact SBBA Vice President, Margie Crawford, at vicepresident@sprayberryband.com.

**9. Sprayberry Band Family Welcomes Our New
SHS Principal – Mr. Edward Wagner**

We give a special welcome to the new Principal of Sprayberry High School, Mr. Edward Wagner, who was a Sprayberry assistant principal for the last four years. The SHS Band Programs have always appreciated your support and we are looking forward to the great years ahead under your guidance!

There is an introduction letter from Mr. Wagner on the SHS web site with important information for students and families. To read this letter [click here](#).

10. TWITTER with Sprayberry Band!



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Sprayberry Band of Gold now has a "private" Twitter account named SprayberryBOG. Interested band parents and students may request to "follow" the Band's Twitter to keep up-to-date with band activities, last minute updates, and get important information from the Band Directors.

For more information visit the Sprayberry Band web site at <http://www.sprayberryband.com/twitterinfo.html>

COME TWEET WITH SPRAYBERRY BAND!

11. Sprayberry Band Calendar of Events

To get the most up-to-date version of the Band calendar [click here](#) to view the calendar in a pdf file on the band web site.

Be sure to check the web site and read TWIB for event updates!

You are receiving this email because either you are a Sprayberry High School Band student or you are a parent of a band student or you have requested to receive the Sprayberry Band "This Week In Band."

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