

News for Week of October 11 - 17, 2009



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QUICK LOOK - IMPORTANT UPCOMING BAND EVENTS

Monday – October 12 – Marching Band Rehearsal CANCELLED

Tuesday – October 13 – Marching Rehearsal – 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Thursday – October 15 – Marching Rehearsal – 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Friday – October 16 – Game – Away vs. Hillgrove – 7:30 pm

SET UP BEGINS FOR SOUTHERN INVITATIONAL

Saturday – October 17 – SOUTHERN INVITATIONAL – 7:00 am – 10:00 pm
Food and Volunteers needed, email SI Co-Chairs southerninv@sprayberryband.com

Sunday – October 18 – Clean-up from Southern Invitational – Time TBA

Monday – October 19 – Cobb Marching Exhibition (rescheduled) – 7:00 pm

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



**SOUTHERN
INVITATIONAL
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1. URGENT... FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED for Southern Invitational Confirm donation by Oct 13th

As a special amenity at our Southern Invitational Music Festival, the Band of Gold provides a Hospitality Suite for visiting band directors and their staff. We also provide food for our SI student and parent volunteers.

ALL MARCHING BAND PARENTS ARE ASKED TO DONATE FOOD ITEMS!

Confirmation of your food item is due by TUESDAY – OCT 13!

Email your food item info to SI Hospitality Co-Chair Cheryl Zink czink@etest.net
Please include your name, your student's name, phone number and the food item.

THE FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTED FOOD DONATIONS:

(List is based on the last name of SHS band students)

If you are not able to donate the food items suggested, ANY food donation is appreciated.
Monetary donations are also accepted.

A-BL: Cold Salads (to feed 24)

BR-C: 3 large bags of assorted chips

D-FA: Soup or Chili (one crockpot or 4 family size cans)
FE-GI: Chicken wings or chicken nuggets (3 dozen or more)
GO-HAL: 1-2 lbs fruit or fruit salad (to feed 24)
HAM-HOG: Hotdogs and buns (3 dozen each)
HOL-KL: Desserts (to feed 36)
KU-LA: Large tray of assorted veggies and dips.
LE-McG: Hot casserole or pasta dish.
McM-O: Sandwich rolls, hoagie buns or loaves (enough for 30)
P-SO: Deli meat (2 lbs) ham, turkey or roast beef.
SP-VI: Sliced cheese (2 lbs) Swiss, cheddar or American.
VO-Z: 4 large bags of tossed salad & 1 bag shredded cheese.

FOOD DONATION DELIVERY TIMES

Food items may be dropped off at the school in the B/A Building at any of the following times:

Thursday – October 15 - 7:00 – 8:00 pm - Non-perishable donations only please.

Friday – October 16 – 3:00 – 5:00 pm - Any donation except hot foods.

Saturday – October 17 – 9:00 am – Any donation...**HOT ITEMS please deliver on this day.**

If you need to make special arrangements for delivery, please email Cheryl at czink@etest.net

2. 26th Annual Southern Invitational Music Festival PARENT VOLUNTEERS & FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED



The Southern Invitational Music Festival
Hosted by the Sprayberry Band Boosters
Association and the Band of Gold
Saturday, October 17, 2009

The Southern Invitational, also known as SI, is one of the most prestigious marching band events available for bands throughout the Southeast. This is one of our major band fundraisers for the year and to be successful it takes all band parents and students to volunteer to work to make sure it runs smoothly and is profitable for the band. Not only is this a chance for you to help your band but you will also be able to get to know other students and parents in the organization.

PARENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Volunteers are needed on

Saturday, October 17, 2009 • 8:00 am to 10:00 pm

Listed below are descriptions of the different areas that still need volunteers.

You can sign up for as many committees as you want.

You can volunteer for a few hours or **ALL DAY!**

FOOD DONATIONS ALSO NEEDED...THAT IS AN EASY WAY TO HELP!

**Also, on Sunday morning, October 18, at 10:30 a.m.
we will need adults and students to help clean up the school grounds.**

To volunteer email us at southerninv@sprayberryband.com and indicate what areas you are willing to volunteer for and what time you are available.

Descriptions of SI Volunteer Positions

Band Hosts: Adults are needed to escort bands around campus during the day. Bands are escorted from check-in to warm-up to the competition field at their specified times. The chair person will assign you to a band and give specific instructions and a site map to follow. Work times will vary depending on band performance times. The Band Host Chairs will contact you for your assignment.

Concessions: Adults are needed to help serve and prepare food all day. Work shifts will be designated. **Many adults are needed especially for the 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. shift when our band students have to report to warm up for their exhibition performance.**

Equipment and Facilities: Equipment and facilities generally work together. Facilities responsibilities include starting on Friday before and after the football game setting up lighting, tents, electrical power for the tents, tables, etc. Saturday morning consists of finalizing any details that weren't completed on Friday. When the bands start arriving on Saturday we will be available to help them with their equipment if needed. Usually the bigger bands don't need much help because they bring their own gators and trailers but some of the smaller bands eagerly wait for the help. We help keep things moving in a timely matter. The chair person will assign work schedule and provide instructions.

Hospitality: As part of the amenities of the event the Band of Gold provides special hospitality areas with food for the band directors and staff of the visiting bands as well as our SI student and parent volunteers. We are estimating 300-400 people will go through the hospitality areas for the day. **FOOD DONATIONS ARE STILL NEEDED.** Email committee chair at czink@etest.net.

Souvenir Shop: We will have items for sell during the day to help remember this special day. We will need adults to help. The chair person will assign work schedule.

**THANK YOU, PARENTS AND STUDENTS, FOR HELPING
THIS 26TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
BE A GREAT SUCCESS!**

For more information about the Southern Invitational
visit their web site at <http://www.southerninvitational.com>

3. Cobb Marching Exhibition - Monday – October 19, 2009

This is the event that was rescheduled due to rain.

Band of Gold Cobb Marching Exhibition Schedule

To be held at McEachern High School

3:35 pm – Load truck
4:00 pm – Eat dinner (provided by your band pledge fees, served by Band Boosters)
4:30 pm – Get into uniform
5:00 pm – Load buses and leave for McEachern
6:00 pm – Arrive, unload and warm-up
7:00 pm – Exhibition festivities begin
7:45 pm – BAND OF GOLD PERFORMS
9:30 pm – Depart McEachern
10:15 pm – Arrive Sprayberry, unload truck, change out of uniform.
11:00 – 11:15 pm - Dismissed

For spectators who want to attend the exhibition at McEachern High School:

6:00 p.m. Gates open

7:00 p.m. performances begin

For directions to the school [click here](#).

The Cobb Exhibition involves the first two Monday nights in October where all the bands in Cobb County are given the opportunity to perform in front of judges for comments only. There are no rankings or awards. Judges will comment on the progress of each show and ways to improve before the competition season gets into high gear. It is also a fantastic opportunity for each band to see the other bands' performances.

Parents and families should make every effort to attend and cheer for the Band of Gold on October 19! T-shirts will be available for the students to purchase.

ATTENTION PARENTS...VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will be serving dinner to the band students on Monday, October 19 before the exhibition. We will be setting up in the B/A Building so if you are able to help please come around 3:15 - 3:30 pm.

For more info contact SBBA Hospitality Chair, Vicki Matthews,

hospitality@sprayberryband.com



4. Bottled Water and Candy Donations STILL Needed

Each Marching Band student is requested to donate a case of bottled water (24 bottles) to the Band as well as a bag of candy (no chocolate please).

Water and candy donations still needed!!

Thank you to those families who have already made their donation!

Marching Band students receive a water bottle as they enter the stands at each football game. And in a time-honored Band of Gold tradition, following each AWAY game, candy is distributed to Marching Band students when they leave the bus after the return home.

Students should put their name on the donations and bring them to the Band Room.

If you have any questions please e-mail SBPA Chaperone Chair, Lisa Buxton, at chaperones@sprayberryband.com.

5. Paying Band Fees...Not a Problem! The Band Boosters Offer Opportunities to EASILY Pay Those Fees

If you have a student participating in any of the band programs at Sprayberry High School there are yearly band fees required to help maintain the band programs. This includes students in Concert Band, Symphony I, Symphony II, Jazz Band, Percussion, Marching Band, Color Guard and Winter Guard. To help our band families, the Sprayberry Band Boosters Association has come up with several EASY ways to help compensate those band fee payments. For information on any of these personal fund raising opportunities contact SBBA Fundraising Chairs, Matt and Holly Brainard, at fundraising@sprayberryband.com.



JEEP RAFFLE TICKETS

In conjunction with the SHS Football Boosters, the Band of Gold is selling raffle tickets to win a 2009 Jeep Wrangler courtesy of Ed Voyles Chrysler Jeep. Drawing will be held on November 14, 2009.

Raffle tickets are \$10 each*.

For every raffle ticket your family sells, \$8.00 of the ticket price goes TOWARD YOUR STUDENT'S BAND FEES.

So if you sell ten (10) raffle tickets, \$80 will be deducted from your band fee account. **IT'S THAT EASY!**

* Tickets may be checked out on an "honor" system. You do NOT have to pay for the tickets when they are checked out. You are responsible for every ticket checked out in your name. You must turn in the money and/or any tickets not sold by November 13, 2009. CASH ONLY ACCEPTED. No checks.

HOW TO GET YOUR RAFFLE TICKETS:

1. After marching band rehearsals each Mon, Tues & Thurs (see Holly Brainard).
2. At the monthly Booster Meeting on October 20.
3. Before or after HOME football games (see Holly Brainard).
4. Contact the SBBA Fundraising Chair, Holly Brainard, at fundraising@sprayberryband.com or call 678-860-5878.

Note: Two dollars (\$2.00) of each ticket will go to the SHS Football Boosters for administrative costs.



STEVI B'S BUFFET CERTIFICATES

The managers of Stevi B's Pizza Buffet located at 50 Barrett Parkway have offered the Sprayberry Band an AMAZING fund raising opportunity to sell certificates good for one (1) buffet. **The certificates are good until December 31, 2010.**

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HOW TO GET YOUR STEVI B'S CERTIFICATES:

1. After marching band rehearsals each Mon, Tues & Thurs (see Holly Brainard).
2. At the monthly Booster Meetings (third Tuesday of every month).
3. Before or after HOME football games (see Holly Brainard).
4. Contact the SBBA Fundraising Chair, Holly Brainard, at fundraising@sprayberryband.com or call 678-860-5878.

Note: Two dollars (\$2.00) of each certificate will go into the Sprayberry Band general band fund.



GEORGIA TECH CONCESSIONS

Any concert band or marching band student, parent or family member may sign up to work the concession stand hosted by the Sprayberry Band at the Georgia Tech home football and basketball games.

Adults earn approximately \$30 FP*

Students earn approximately \$20 FP*

*The dollar amount earned is considered Fundraising Points (FP) and will be automatically deducted from your student's band fees. Workers do not get paid actual money.

Not only do the band families have fun working concessions, it is also a WONDERFUL opportunity for your band student to get real work experience they can use on a resume. For more info on concessions visit the band web site at www.sprayberryband.com

THERE ARE ONLY THREE (3) TECH FOOTBALL GAMES LEFT THIS YEAR!

Click the dates below to sign up NOW!

[Saturday, November 7, 2009*](#) TBA vs Wake Forest

[Saturday, November 28, 2009](#) TBA vs UGA

NOTE: Concession dates for Georgia Tech basketball will be announced soon. Be sure to read "This Week In Band" and check the band web site for info www.sprayberryband.com.



GOLD FUNDRAISER

Offered to Sprayberry Band families by
A&M Jewelers

4517 Canton Road, Marietta, GA 30066

For more information, contact SBBA Vice President,
Margie Crawford, at vicepresident@sprayberryband.com

A&M Gold Jewelers will purchase your unwanted gold jewelry. Bring your old, mis-matched, broken or just plain ugly gold or platinum jewelry (rings, necklace, pendant, bracelet, earrings) to their store 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. This fund raiser is available for the entire school year.

Really - it's that easy! During Band Registration in April, and again during the recent Concert Band Registration this month, two different band families paid off their students' ENTIRE band fees each with only a single ziplock bag of old gold!

So bring your gold to A&M Jewelers at any time. Make sure to tell them you are a SHS Band Member!

6. 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:

- October 16** – vs Hillgrove – Away
- October 23** – vs. South Paulding – Home
- October 30** – vs Hiram – Home

Marching Band Competitions & Exhibitions

Saturday – October 17 – Annual Southern Invitational Competition

hosted by Sprayberry Band of Gold
Monday – October 19 – Cobb County Marching Band Exhibition
to be held at McEachern High School
Saturday – November 7 – Competition
to be held in Newnan, Georgia

Marching Band Parades

Wednesday – November 11 – Veteran’s Day Parade - Marietta

7. Chaperones Needed For Football Games and Weekly Marching Practices NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

Chaperones are urgently needed to help at weekly Marching Band practices, during Friday football games, at scheduled band mini-camps, and at upcoming competitions.

Three (3) parents are needed for each practice day.

Mondays 4:00 – 6:00 pm - Music rehearsal in the band room

Tuesdays 4:30 – 6:30 pm – Marching Rehearsal **URGENT NEED FOR PARENTS**

Thursdays 4:30 – 6:30 pm – Marching Rehearsal

For football games and competitions 10-12 parents are needed.

**If you are able to help by being a Chaperone
please contact SBBA Chaperone Chair
Lisa Buxton**

chaperones@sprayberryband.com

Remember...no matter what you do, what you do matters!!

8. TWITTER with Sprayberry Band!



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!

9. 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!

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