

# THE B STER BEAT

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**Booster Meeting:** February 28, 6:30pm, SPS Music Area

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## From the High School Podium



High School in full “swing” ....

We are in the solo/ensemble season now – every high school band student is required to play either a solo or ensemble at either **solo night (Tuesday, February 7, from 3:30-7pm** at the high school) or at **District Solo/Ensemble (Saturday, February 11 at Patrick Marsh)** Students received their solo back in November and should be well on their way to having all the notes, phrasing and musicality down cold. The solo/ensemble is part of our third quarter curriculum.

We also welcome student teacher **Ms. Renee Lechner** to the Sun Prairie High School Band Department. Ms. Lechner is finishing up her degree at Edgewood College and will be with us at the High School on Mondays and Wednesdays and half days on Fridays through graduation. She is a saxophone player and has also worked a few summers as a counselor at Birch Creek Music Academy in Door County.

The **Wind Ensemble** will be going on tour all day on **Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> to UW-Stevens Point**. The band will have the opportunity to work with composer David Maslanka on his composition, “Requiem.” That evening we will also attend a concert of Mr. Maslanka’s music at the University. We will return to Sun Prairie after the concert. **Cost is \$35.**

Further exciting news is that the **Sun Prairie High School Wind Ensemble** has been invited as one of 6 high school bands in the country to participate in a concert and day of clinics at the world famous **Carnegie Hall in New York City**. The event will occur on **February 12, 2018**. The day will feature a performance, clinics and master classes by members of the **Cleveland Symphony**, a private workshop by a renowned band conductor, a keynote address from Pulitzer Prize winning composer, **Michael Colgrass** and an evening performance. Cost for this opportunity February 11-14, 2018, including transportation and housing, with clinics along the way will be in the area of only \$400. Please be aware that we will need students in Wind Ensemble next year to make the commitment to attend this event.

**Jazz I** recorded their “Essentially Ellington” selections the week after finals as well. The band played very consistently each one of the takes. Regardless of if they make the finals or not we all learned a lot in the process. Congratulations to Jazz I on their hard work. The band recorded, “Bojangles,” “It Don’t Mean a Thing if it Ain’t got that Swing,” and “Flaming Sword”. **Jazz II** recorded three selections as well for “EE,” submitting them for “comments only.”

Former **Juilliard** Professor and professional jazz drummer, **Carl Allen** worked with Jazz I prior to the recording. He had many insightful comments for the band and also played with students.

**Both jazz ensembles** are in preparation for the **Sun Prairie Jazz Festival** which will be held on **Saturday, February 18** at Sun Prairie High School. For the fifth consecutive year, we have been designated an “Essentially Ellington” regional festival. Both SPHS jazz bands will participate in the all-day clinic and will also perform in the evening concert. Clinicians this year are from all over the country and include **Andre Heyward** (former trombonist with the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra), **Bob Stewart** (studio Tuba player from New York), **Rick Haydon** from Southern Illinois University, **Reggie Thomas**, piano from Northern Illinois University, **David Bixler** (from New York) as well as many festival favorite clinicians. New this year is a special free performance at **2:30pm** by the **MVP Quartet** featuring **Bobby Watson** on Alto Saxophone, **Ray Drummond** on Bass, and **Marvin “Smitty” Smith** on Drums.

The **evening concert** featuring several of the bands and all of our clinicians is **open to the public** and begins at **7pm** – admission will be charged. Advanced tickets may be purchased at <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?ticketing=sppac> . Visit <http://www.spbb.org/sun-prairie-jazzfest.html> for the day’s schedule, clinician bios and more!

We are concurrently running an improvisation/rhythm section clinic from 9-noon for teachers and music education students as well. **Reggie Thomas** will lead this session that will be taped by **Wisconsin Public Television**. This should be great though we will need a lot of help to make this one of the best festivals yet (We still need 20+ **volunteers** to work various shifts)– if you can help out on this day, please sign up on the volunteer calendar on the band booster website <http://www.spbb.org/volunteer-calendar1.html> Contact jazz chairs **Terri Lamprech** or **Cheryl Keating** if you have any questions. Volunteering at this event is a great way to share the days’ excitement with your child in jazz.

We also have SOSP kickoffs coming up, lots of concession/fundraising opportunities, the second fruit sale and a whole lot more! Hope to see you soon at one of the many exciting upcoming events!

Steve Sveum & David Rush  
SPHS Band Directors





## Jazz Program



### Jazz Fest Volunteers Needed

Our jazz program will host an all-day *Regional Essentially Ellington High School Jazz Festival* on Saturday, February 18, at SPHS. Our high school Jazz I and Jazz II groups will join several other bands from around the state for a day of instruction, evaluation, and performance with top jazz clinicians. In the evening, the bands will participate in a concert with the clinicians and have an opportunity to apply their new skills and techniques.

It takes many volunteers to make this event a success. Please consider one or more of the volunteer opportunities listed below. You can sign up on the SPBB website at: <http://www.spbb.org/volunteer-calendar1.html> or send an e-mail to [JazzChairs@spbb.org](mailto:JazzChairs@spbb.org) with the areas where you can help and we will get you signed up.

The evening concert will start at 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Please invite your family and friends. It is always a fantastic concert. Tickets are \$7 Adult, \$5 Student, \$3 Senior, and will be sold at the door or online at: <http://www.sunprairie.k12.wi.us/performingarts/index.cfm>

Please forward this email to anyone else who may be interested in helping.

**Thank you for your help!**

Cheryl Keating and Terri Lamprech, SPHS Jazz Co-chairs

Volunteer Area	Time Needed
<b>Publicity</b> – Put up Posters in area businesses	2 Volunteers needed: 2-3 weeks prior to the event
<b>Stage Crew</b> – set up music stands, chairs, microphones for each band	3 Volunteers for each shift: 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (During Festival) 6:30 p.m. – End of Concert (For Concert)
<b>Hospitality Room</b> – Set up/replenish refreshments for Directors/Clinicians, ensure dinner orders are placed	1 Volunteer for each shift: 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
<b>Lunch Help</b> – Serve pizza lunch & cookies to students, mix up Gatorade, clean-up tables at the end	5 Volunteers: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

<b>Office</b> – Distribute lunch tickets, assist Directors/Clinicians, Compile Judges Sheets, Make photo copies	2 Volunteers for each shift: 7:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. – 4 p.m.
<b>Greeters</b> – Greet arriving bands, give them folders and direct to assigned areas	3 Volunteers: 7:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
<b>Hall Monitors</b> – Monitor students Hallways to make sure not making too much noise and help direct to rooms (feel free to bring a book)	1 Volunteer for each shift: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<b>Runners</b> – Pick up Judges sheets and solo nomination forms and return them to office after each band performs	3 volunteers: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**THANK YOU!**



**FROM Cardinal Heights Band**



### **Solo & Ensemble Season Here!**

Students have all selected a solo for this important project as a means to foster individual musicianship and growth.

1. *At this point students should be a good grasp on their solo. As always, ask for help!!*
2. *All measures should be numbered.*
3. *Make sure you have many good reeds, a working instrument, and any other items you need.*
4. *Practice performing for your family, friends, or even your dog!*

**Students have selected one of the following 2 options for their performance grade:**

1. Saturday 2/11/17 – at the official WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival, Patrick Marsh
  - a) Registration & Fees have already been collected
2. Thursday 2/9/17 – Solo Night @ CHUMS, 3 – 6pm
  - a) No fees involved & sign-up for times will take place the week before the event
  - b) This is designed for students who are not able to attend on Saturday or would prefer a different option

**Help Needed!**

Email - [cchamme@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:cchamme@sunprairieschools.org)

*Please consider helping out to make this event a success on Saturday February 11, 2017. It takes a couple hundred volunteers to put on this festival between donating food, being a door monitor, helping in the cafeteria, and helping set up and teardown.*

**Sun Prairie Middle School Jazz Festival - Friday, February 17 @ Cardinal Heights**

All Middle School jazz students (Prairie View, Patrick Marsh and Cardinal Heights) will have a great opportunity to work with clinicians to work on swing feel, style, listening, and improvisation. Students will have clinics during the school day at Cardinal Heights. After school work with our clinicians on improvisation and rhythm section. The day concludes with a free concert featuring all 5 bands and our clinicians!

**Wind Symphony & 9th Grade Band Tour, March 2 – 3**

Thursday, March 2nd the Wind Symphony and 9th grade band will depart for clinics at Lawrence University in Appleton, WI. Bands will have the privilege of working music faculty and students at this University. Permission slips and itineraries will be coming home with students soon. Cost is \$80 – fundraising opportunities still exist. Visit [spbb.org](http://spbb.org) for more information.

***Remember to join us for our concert Thursday March 9th when we welcome Dr. Peter Haberman  
Director of Bands at Concordia College.***

**US NAVY Band to perform in Sun Prairie - Friday March 24**

Free tickets are now available to hear the US Navy Band from Washington DC right here in our Performing Arts Center. They appeared here a few years ago and absolutely blew away the packed house with their power, artistry, patriotism, and wonderful musicality. It is **FREE** - though you **DO need a ticket** to attend. You should be aware that they oversell tickets to insure a full house - last time there were maybe five empty seats in the entire PAC! The Concert will be on March 24 at 7pm and tickets can be reserved by visiting [www.SPPerformingarts.org](http://www.SPPerformingarts.org)

**Upcoming Dates:**

- Thursday 2/9 - CHUMS Solo Night, 3 - 6pm (*for those students not performing at WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival*)
- Saturday 2/11 - WSMA District Solo & Ensemble Festival
- Tuesday 2/14 - WSMA District Piano Solo Night
- Friday 2/17 - Sun Prairie Middle School Jazz Festival (all day @ Cardinal Heights)
- Tuesday 2/28 - Sound of Sun Prairie Kick-Off Meeting, 7pm @ SPSHS
- March 2 & 3 - Wind Symphony & 9th Grade Band Tour to Lawrence University
- Thursday March 9 - CHUMS Band Concert w/ guest Conductor Dr. Peter Haberman, Concordia University
- March 13 - 16 - Cardinal Heights Wind Symphony Auditions for 2017 - 2018
- Friday March 24 - US Navy Band Concert, 7pm @ SPSHS

***Thank you!***

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Ian Melrose 318-8134, [imelro@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:imelro@sunprairieschools.org)





# PMMS BAND NEWS

## EARLY SPRING CONCERT INFO

When...**Tuesday, February 21**

6th Grade - 6:10 PM warm-up, 6:30 PM performance

7th Grade - 7:10 PM warm-up, 7:30 PM performance

Where...**PMMS Cafetorium**

What...Attendance requirements, concert dress, and expectations for concert etiquette remain the same as for previous concerts.

Relatives can't make it? **Livestream** the performance online at Livestream.com! (<http://new.livestream.com>)

## Honor Band Updates

**NBA-WC Honors Band** - Congrats to Evan Buckingham (7th Trumpet) and Cole Ledrowski (7th Bari Sax) who performed with the NBA-WC Honors Band on Saturday, Jan. 21 in Appleton, Wisconsin.

**UWEC Honors Band** - Congratulations to Eli Bontrager (7th Flute), Will Galow (7th Alto Sax), and Laurretta Loesch (7th Tuba) who were selected to participate in the 2017 UWEC Honors Band in Eau Claire, WI. These students will perform with students from across the area on Friday, Feb. 3.

**Tri-State Honors Band** - Congratulations to Nova Geidl (7th Trumpet), Laurretta Loesch (7th Tuba), and Alyssa Schwartz (7th Horn) who were selected to participate in the 2017 Tri-State Honors Band in Decorah, Iowa. These students will perform with students from Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin on Saturday, March 4.

**WSMA Middle Level Honors Band** - This honors band takes place every October at the State Music Conference. Students must audition for a spot in this prestigious ensemble. Students must perform a Class B or A solo along with four required scales and sight-reading. To audition, complete the online registration and payment (\$23) by Feb. 3. <http://wsmamusic.org/ml-honors/auditions/>



## WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival - Coming Quickly, Need Help!

The WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival will be held at Patrick Marsh MS this year on Saturday, Feb 10. We need people to help serve as room monitors! It is easy to do and it is necessary to make the festival run (don't worry...you can still hear your kids play!). To sign up for a morning or afternoon shift just follow this link to the Sign-up Genius: <http://goo.gl/FrEmnM>



## Are You Practicing? Early Spring Band Concert to Feature 2017 Parent Band (Feb 21 @ PMMS)

**Parent Band** performance will be at the Early Spring Band Concert on February 21. Parent Band Rehearsal is Monday, Feb 13 (7-7:30 pm) Email Mrs. Haraldson if you would like to be a member of this award winning ensemble! ([smharal@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:smharal@sunprairieschools.org)) More information about this concert is coming out soon!

## 7th Band Trip to Milwaukee Art Museum and UW-M



On Tuesday, Feb. 28 the PMMS 7th Grade Band will travel to Milwaukee to take a tour of the Milwaukee Art Museum viewing the works of artist Paul Klee (*Twittering Machine*) and others. The band will eat lunch on the UW-Milwaukee campus before working with UWM Associate Director of Bands, Dr. Scott Corley.

Thanks to the generous support of the Sun Prairie Education Foundation and a grant from the GRAMMY Foundation, the cost of the trip will be \$6.00 per student. This will pay for the student's admission to the museum, clinician fees, and charter bus transportation. Students will need to bring money for fast food lunch on campus.

Please return \$6.00 (cash or check payable to "PMMS") by Feb. 21

If you would like to chaperone, please fill out this form! <https://goo.gl/forms/QT00jBSkIVJjV2Mp1>

Chris Gleason and Sharon Haraldson





## Notes from the Band Room



Happy New Year! As we gear up for 2017, we are also getting ready for some exciting happenings for students involved in band at Prairie View. Here is what is in store:

### **WSMA Solo & Ensemble February 11!**

The WSMA Solo & Ensemble festival brings together hundreds of students from across the district and is a major undertaking and would not be possible without parental support. If you would be willing to lend your time, talents, or food donations to make this day successful please sign up here:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4ba9aa2caafa7-solo>

### **Middle Level Jazz Festival February 17**

Our 7th grade jazz band will be participating in the Middle Level Jazz Festival, hosted by CHUMS. Thanks to a grant from the Sun Prairie Education Foundation, we are able to bring in professional jazz musicians and educators to work with our students. The event closes with a concert featuring all the participating bands.

### **PVMS Late Winter Concert at SPSHS**

The 2017 PVMS Late Winter Band Concert will take place on Tuesday, February 21 in the **Sun Prairie High School Performing Arts Center**. The performance will also be streamed live on the district's performing arts webpage. Look for more information to come home in the very near future!

### **UW Whitewater Band Clinic on February 28**

The 7th grade band will be traveling to UW Whitewater for a performance and clinic with Dr. Glenn Hayes, as well as a great opportunity to sit side by side with UW Whitewater music students. We'll hear them play and also play with them.

### **United States Navy Band to Perform March 24**

The United States Navy Band will be performing at 7:00 PM on March 24 in our very own SPSHS Performing Arts Center! Tickets are free but must be reserved ahead of time as this concert will absolutely sell out. Many people are still talking about this band's incredible performance in town 6 years ago-we hope your student will plan on attending. You can reserve your ticket here:

<https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?actions=7&p=2>

### **Tri State Honors Band Participants Announced**

Congratulations to the following students for being selected to perform in the Tri State honor band in Decorah, Iowa on March 4th: Angela Harms, Meera Sreenikumar-Flute; Jesse McFarland-Ward-Trumpet; Daniel Witherill-Trombone; Mikey Stoll-Tuba; Eric Tyson-Percussion.

**Instrument Step-up Night February 23**

Many students find that they reach a point where they are outgrowing their current instrument.

"Stepping up" to a higher quality instrument is an investment in your student's future and gives them the opportunity to accelerate his/her musical progress.

During the **week of February 20**, we will have demonstration instruments available for students to try out. Parents can then contact Rob Smith ([rsmith@ward-brodt.com](mailto:rsmith@ward-brodt.com)) to make an appointment on **Thursday, February 23** during conferences to talk through financing options for moving to a high-quality instrument.

For more information on all things band at Prairie View (and in Sun Prairie!) go to [www.spbb.org/pvms](http://www.spbb.org/pvms).



**Follow us on Instagram:** pvmsband

**Like us on Facebook:** Sun Prairie Bands

Anne Sederquist and Matt Quaglieri



Thank you to everyone involved in making this year's SOSP Open Rehearsal on Sunday, January 8th an incredibly well-attended and exciting beginning to a season we've had! There were a wide range of students, from many new folks exploring what SOSP means to 5th year members returning for their last "hurrah!" Great job everyone - and keep that energy and excitement going in everything you do.

**NOW.....**

There are lots of first year students and families curious and excited about SOSP, but unsure about the schedule and time commitment. Let's work together to reach out to those families and help take down the myths and barriers and see if it may be a great thing for them as well!

Students-you are our best recruiters. Kids telling kids about their experiences is so meaningful to other students as they consider their options.

Parents-the same holds true when it comes to parents considering this for their child. We all remember that overwhelming feeling, trying to weigh the “cost/benefit” of membership in Sound for our child and our family. You can give other parents information from your experiences!

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### **SOSP 2017 Kick-Off Dates:**

#### **SOSP 2017 Kick-Off Meeting** (for all returning & interested SOSP members & parents)

- Tuesday February 28th, 7pm @ SPHS (Enter Door #3)
- *Band Booster meeting at 6:30pm*

#### **SOSP 2017 Registration**

- Saturday March 4th, 9:00am - 11:00am @ SPHS in the music wing. If your child is interested in the JEDI PE class, there is a meeting scheduled at 10:30am, in the high school, location TBD. Look for more information from the summer school office shortly.

#### **SOSP 2017, Rehearsal #1!!!!**

- Saturday March 11th, 9:00am - 5:00pm @ SPHS (will lunch break from 12:00 - 1:30)
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### **SOSP Leadership & Drum Major Workshops**

New this year is combining our Drum Major Workshops with opportunities for anyone that wants to information about leadership on Monday afternoons, beginning Monday 2/13. Location: SPHS

*3:30 - 4:15: Leadership Workshop (for anyone!!)*

*4:15 - 5:00: Drum Major Techniques (for those interested in auditioning this, or ANY year)*

- February 13
  - February 20
  - February 27
  - March 5
  - March 13 - Drum Major Auditions Only (until approx 7:30pm)
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### **SOSP Percussion and Color Guard Rehearsals begin in January!**

Winter rehearsal dates for students interested in the Sound of Sun Prairie marching band percussion and color guard sections will begin in January 2017. These rehearsals are open to anyone interested interested in SOSP Percussion.

- February 12, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
- February 26, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS
- March 5, 12:30 – 3:30pm, SPHS

**SOSP 2017 Calendar:**

This season's schedule will be similar to last season's schedule - beginning the third week of June and ending third weekend of July.

**Spring Season:**

- Saturday Rehearsals begin March 11th, 2017 and continue through school year
- There will be a break the second weekend of spring break (no rehearsal April 15)
- Overnight Camp #1 will be May 6 to Saturday evening and May 7.
- There will be some other adjustments for drill learning weekend, camp weekends in May, etc.

**Summer Season:**

- "Everydays" begin Sunday June 11th and continue through June 21st
- Performances will begin around June 22nd
- Flags of Freedom will be Saturday July 1st
- Traverse City trip will be July 5th to July 9th
- MACBDA Finals Weekend, July 13 - 15th w/ Finals @ UW-Whitewater
- Our thank you show will be Sunday, July 16th and end of season picnic on July 17th.

**Fall Football Game:**

- Rehearsal Thursday 8/24, Performance Friday 8/25

**Love that Sound!**

Ann Sederquist  
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Director, Sound of Sun Prairie

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**From The Concession Stand****Remaining UW Basketball Concessions Opportunities:**

February dates: 12 and 19  
March dates: 2 and 5

Sign up online at [spbb.org!](http://spbb.org!)

## Spring Fruit and Cookie Dough Sale!

### Important dates to note for Spring 2017:

- Sale Begins: Friday, February 3
- Order Forms due to Chairperson: Saturday, February 18
- Pickup: Saturday, March 18
- Money due to Chairperson: Saturday, March 25



More details on [www.spbb.org](http://www.spbb.org)

If you have any questions, please email at [FruitSale@spbb.org](mailto:FruitSale@spbb.org)

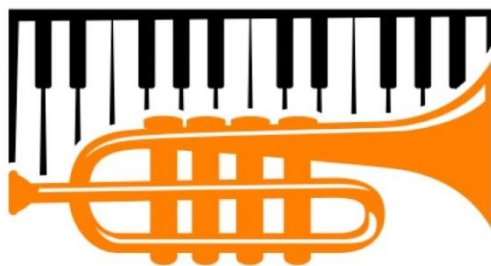


## A Note from the Treasurer

Please take a moment to check over your child's Charms ledger account. (Instructions for access and use are listed elsewhere in the newsletter and on the SPBB.org website.) Many of our bands have upcoming trips, and that is a great way to use some of the funds you and your child have earned. Also, Sound of Sun Prairie will be coming up before you know it, and ledger funds can be used for those fees, as well as the many other uses detailed in the newsletter. All fundraisers that took place before the end of 2016 have

been entered into student Charms ledgers including Fruit/Cookie Dough Sales, so please take a moment to verify the accuracy of the numbers. (January basketball concessions will be entered as soon as payment is received.) If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at [treasurer@spbb.org](mailto:treasurer@spbb.org). Thank you all for your hard work and help supporting the Sun Prairie Bands!

## Bernie Powers Band Foundation



Supporting Music Excellence in Sun Prairie Schools

# Band Scholarships

The Bernie Powers Band Foundation is sponsoring and managing four scholarships available to band students in the Sun Prairie School District.

### Ken Paris Music Scholarship: \$500

For a **graduating high school senior** who has participated in the Sun Prairie Band program and plans to attend a four year university, technical/vocational school or short career training course.

### Jock Bogle Music Education Scholarship: \$300

For a **graduating high school senior** who intends to study music education.

### Jeff Bogosh Summer Jazz Camp Scholarship: \$500

For a student in **grades 8-11** to attend a summer jazz camp and then share skills learned by participating in the Jazz program after camp.

### Marcia Berman Marching Band/Percussion Scholarship: \$200

For students in **grades 8-12** to participate in the Sound of Sun Prairie or to assist with percussion lessons or summer camp

For more information, please contact your band director or visit our website at **[www.bpbf.org](http://www.bpbf.org)** scholarship page

Applications for all scholarships are **due March 10, 2017**

Bernie Powers Band Foundation

P.O. Box 183

Sun Prairie WI 53590

Sun Prairie Band Boosters





The Band Boosters have been presented with an exciting fundraising opportunity through Amazon Smile. Through this program, Amazon (through the Amazon Smile Foundation) donates 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of the customer's choice.



**This is easy and free for the Boosters and for you as a customer!**

Instead of shopping from Amazon.com directly, shop at Amazon Smile (<http://smile.amazon.com>). The first time you sign in you will be prompted to select a charity to receive your donated percentage. Just use the search box and search for **Sun Prairie High School Band Boosters, Inc.** and select us as your charity of choice! After that, just log into Amazon Smile first to check to see if your product is available.

You can also use our direct personal link by visiting:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7314095>

Please don't let our name fool you. This is a great way to help out all of the students in the band program from grades 6-12, and not just the high school students. The Sun Prairie Band Program has grown in leaps and bounds throughout the years and now includes not only Sun Prairie High School, but also Cardinal Heights Upper Middle School, and Prairie View and Patrick March Middle Schools, and it is all supported by the Sun Prairie Band Boosters.

This is also an easy way to have parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, coworkers, or anyone else you can think of help out the Boosters without having to hit them up to purchase anything they weren't planning to buy anyway.

If you have any concerns, you can get to this site from Amazon directly, and Amazon has a great set of what they call "Program Details" available on their site:

<https://smile.amazon.com/gp/aw/ch/about>

Especially if you're going to be shopping at Amazon anyway, please take the opportunity to help support all of the students in the Sun Prairie Band Program! The directors thank you, the Boosters thank you, and most importantly the hundreds of Sun Prairie band students thank you!





## Save the Date!

### Band Boosters Donation Drive at Band O'Rama on April 3rd!

Ready to clean out your closet and help the Sun Prairie Band Boosters at the same time?

Mark your calendar for the Sun Prairie Band Boosters Donation Drive on **Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Band O'Rama!**

By donating gently-used clothing, accessories, shoes and linens, you can help raise funds for SPBB. Start gathering up your donations today!

Watch for more information coming soon!!!



## Truck for Sale!!!

Hey Sun Prairie music families and friends!!

Thank you for all the support this past year allowing us to help purchase a new truck to be used by the music department.

With that said, we have a truck for sale!

We are first going to offer it up for purchase to a music family member or friend before going public with it.

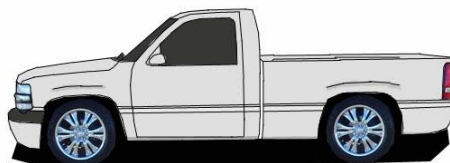
Here are the details:

1997 White Chevy C3500  
4 x 2  
Automatic transmission, 8 cyl  
5.7 liter/350 cubic”  
Crew cab  
Dual rear tires  
Gooseneck hitch  
Only 99,500 miles

Has a minor rust spot on passenger side, loose mount on passenger mirror and AC needs some work  
KBB.com has it listed for \$3800.

Our price to you "as is" \$3500

If interested contact  
Steve DeWitt  
[sdewitt4@charter.net](mailto:sdewitt4@charter.net)  
220-2521



*Sun Prairie Band Boosters****Student Ledger Usage Guidelines:***

1. *Ledger balances can be found on CHARMS - [charmsoffice.com](http://charmsoffice.com)*
2. *Ledgers are to be used within the fiscal year they are earned, no later than August 1st of the preceding school year.*
3. *All Student Ledger funds not used within the fiscal year, are transferred to SPBB General Fund on August 1 of following fiscal year.*
4. *Requests for use of Student Ledgers for below items require a 2 week notice to the treasurer ([treasurer@spbb.org](mailto:treasurer@spbb.org)) in order to properly process the information and write a check, unless otherwise noted.*
5. *All **field trip requests** must have a printed statement from CHARMS showing the student's balance and the amount you would like to use from the ledger. Please staple this statement to the permission slip.*

***Approved Sun Prairie Band Boosters Uses & Estimates***

*\*Please note - any trips may not include some meals expenses*

**1. Band field trips/clinics**

- a. HS Wind Ensemble Spring-\$100+ approx
- b. HS Symphonic Band Spring-\$100 approx.
- c. HS Concert Band-\$TBD
- d. CHUM Wind Symphony/9th Grade-\$90 approx.
- e. CHUM 8th Grade-Kalahari-\$40 approx.

**2. HS Jazz Groups Festivals/Clinics**

- a. Generally \$30-40 per day plus meals approx.
- b. \$100 overnight plus meals approx.
- c. New York- fundraising and TBD approx.

**3. Other trips TBD****4. Sound of Sun Prairie**

- a. Fee-\$700-\$800 approx.
- b. Uniform Parts and Accessories
  - i. shoes
  - ii. gloves
  - iii. extra parade shirts beyond the one included with their fees
  - iv. other uniform parts as determined by director.

**5. Summer Music Camps, approved by band director.**

- a. providing proof of registration
- b. submit bill to boosters for payment directly to camp.
- c. If you do not attend the camp, you need to reimburse boosters the cost of the camp.

6. **Honors Ensembles tuition**, if accepted; including Wisconsin State Honors Ensembles, WYSO, Winds of Wisconsin.
- providing proof of registration
  - submit bill to boosters for payment directly to WSMA.
  - If you do not attend the Honors camp, you need to reimburse boosters the cost of the camp.
7. **Private Lessons**
- Lesson teachers must be SPASD Band Director approved
  - Maximum of \$1,000 use per school year (October 1 and paid out by August 1)
  - 2 weeks before payment is needed, log into CHARMS, and confirm your ledger balance covers the cost of lessons and then email [treasurer@spbb.org](mailto:treasurer@spbb.org) with your request to use the student ledger to pay the private teacher.
  - Check is made out to private lesson teacher and can be picked up from CHUMS band director, Ian Melrose ([ipmelro@sunprairieschools.org](mailto:ipmelro@sunprairieschools.org))
8. **Band Lesson Academy**
- Lesson teachers are SPASD Band Director approved.
  - Maximum of \$1,000 use per fiscal year (October 1 and paid out by August 1)
  - 2 weeks before payment is needed, log into CHARMS, and confirm your balance covers the lessons and then email [lessonacademy@spbb.org](mailto:lessonacademy@spbb.org) with your request to use the student ledger to pay for Band Lesson Academy lessons.

### Band Field Trips & How to use SPBB Fund Raisers:

Fundraising helps you earn funds for band boosters and also your student ledger. This ledger can be used to pay for field trips, private lessons, Sound and Jazz fees and many other band related expenses. For families wishing to use their student's ledger to pay for this field trip, please go to [charmsoffice.com](http://charmsoffice.com). Log in as a parent. Our school code is **SunPrairieASBand**. Use your student's school ID number as the temporary password if this is your first time in Charms. Click the "financials" icon and view your student's statement.

If you would like to use all or a portion of your student's ledger balance towards the cost of the trip:

- Print the statement
- Indicate how much you would like to use and staple it to your student's permission slip along with a note requesting the use of the ledger to pay for the field trip.
- Return both to your director prior to the trip. \*

*\*\*\*Statements/requests returned after the trip cannot be honored\*\*\**

## Varsity Awards—How do I earn awards by participating in Band?

- 1 point per semester in Band
- 1 point per semester in Jazz (one point given for Essentially Ellington in NYC)
- 2 points for participation in Epoch Sound (1 football and 1 basketball)
- 3 points per season in Sound of Sun Prairie (entered in July)
- 2 points for participation in SPS "Pit" Orchestra
- 1 point for participation in Solo & Ensemble (no points for "Solo Night")
- 1 additional point for participation in State Solo & Ensemble
- 1 point for WYSO
- 1 point for High School Honors Band
- 1 point for Winds of Wisconsin
- 1 point for Full Orchestra
- 1 point for Winter Guard
- 1 point for Chamber groups (.5 point per semester)



Varsity Letter	12 points or greater
Instrument Pin	24 points or greater
Ribbon	36 points or greater
Medallion	48 points or greater

**Varsity letters and pins will be awarded at the  
Spring Band Concert and at the end-of-season Sound picnic.**



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