



# PARADE REST...

Newsletter of the Gulf Breeze Band Booster Association

PRIDE!

October 2015

## If You're Keeping Time...

### OCTOBER

- 10/2** Away Game\* @ Milton  
7:30pm Call time: 5:00pm;  
Depart 5:30pm; Return: 11pm
- 10/3** Andalusia Invitational\*  
Call time: 10:30am;  
Performance 7:40pm; Return  
1:00am
- 10/9** The Band is NOT attending  
the Walton away game but IS  
practicing 4:00-8:00pm for  
FBA; dinner is provided\*; no  
Saturday morning practice
- 10/10** ROTC Drill Competition\*-  
Band fundraising event; GBBB  
provides concessions
- 10/10** FBA Marching  
Competition\* @ Tate HS  
Call time: 10:30am;  
Performance 4:15pm
- 10/12** GBBB General Membership  
& Board of Directors Meeting,  
band room, 6:30pm (moved to  
Monday due to event Tuesday  
evening) All parents encouraged  
to attend. There will be a vote  
to make adjustments to the  
budget.
- 10/13** Santa Rosa County  
Marching Bands Exhibition\*,  
Milton High School 6:30pm  
Call time: 3:30pm  
5:00pm-Begin arriving,  
unloading, changing into  
uniforms  
5:30pm-Pizza Party Gathering  
on Practice Field (Track by band  
room)  
6:00pm-Mass Band Rehearsal &  
Line-Up  
6:30pm-Grand March-In  
6:45pm-Draw for Performance  
Order

## ATTENTION PLEASE:

When picking up your student after a game/competition PLEASE do NOT park along the sidewalk by the band room/middle school. The band truck needs to get through and back into the driveway to unload. They can't do so with vehicles blocking its path. This delays unloading and the dismissal of the students. Please park in the high school main parking lot. Thank you!

## Letter from the Band Booster President

Well, how do you describe the ride this past month? Challenging, rewarding or just good fun all around? I say yes to all! From more hard work, time and skilled effort, to our homecoming and middle school night, our band has gotten better and better each performance. And how about our first competition in Daleville, Alabama? Bringing home straight superiors in all categories! What a great time and a lot of fun! The month of October is scheduled to be our busiest and most challenging yet. Transportation is committed to continue moving the band and its equipment to continue its goals in spite of losing the band truck to a major mechanical failure on the way to Daleville. Fundraising and grants are also working tirelessly this month to keep up with budget and costs inevitable with our mission and goals. Whether it's hospitality or concessions, uniforms or volunteers, or any other of the several committees made up of band parents, we are definitely not standing around and waiting for Christmas. We are on the move with the winning Sound Wave band! Come join us for what promises to be an even more fun filled time! Hope to meet and see all of you there.

Yours In Band,  
Bruce DeMotts  
jbdemots@gmail.com

## Band Director Notes

Greetings band family. October is going to be a busy month for the Sound Wave. Our Daleville competition was a great success despite all the obstacles placed in front of us. Thank you to all who stepped up to help us hurdle these obstacles, especially those of you who handled the truck exchange, the impromptu delivery of 100 sandwiches, and helping 130 kids get fed, in uniform, "plumed", and to our warm-up in less than 30 minutes.

6:50pm–Begin Performances  
(20 min slots for warm-up & performance)

8:30pm–Approx Ending Time

**10/16** \$80 installment and final payments for MFS are due

**10/16** Away Game\* @ Pace  
7:30pm Call time: 5:00pm;  
Depart 5:30pm; Return 11pm

**10/24** Charles Henderson  
Marching Festival\* @ Troy  
Call time:TBA

**10/26** Starting this week:  
marching band practices on  
Thursdays only

**10/30** Home Game\* vs Navarre  
7:30pm Call time: 5:30pm

**11/6** Home Game\* vs Crestview  
7:30pm Call time: 5:30pm

**11/9** High School All County  
Auditions, Milton HS, 5:00-  
9:30pm

**11/10** GBBB Board of Directors  
Meeting, band room, 6:30pm

\*Volunteers/Chaperones needed-  
please sign up through Charms

### **Competitions / Showcase**

Andalusia Invitational – October 3  
Florida Bandmasters Association –  
October 10

Santa Rosa County Exhibition –  
October 13

Charles Henderson Festival –  
October 24

### **CHARMS**

[www.charmsoffice.com](http://www.charmsoffice.com)

school code: GulfBrHSBand

Password: Your Student's ID#

Not only was this an amazing show of dedication and teamwork, it was done in a manner that did not affect our performance, which was superior. Yes, we scored superior in every category (music, marching, general effect, drum majors, percussion, and color guard), and these scores were all high superiors. I was very proud of the kids for their performance but also proud of their discipline and behavior at the event. Our next competition will be this Saturday (October 3) at Andalusia. We will have an earlier call time (10:30am) for this event so students can see other bands. Our performance time is 7:40pm, and students will have an opportunity to eat both lunch and dinner at concessions. Return time is anticipated around 1:00am. I know this will be a fun day for all, so thank you for helping to make it possible. October 10 is our FBA competition at Tate (performance time is 4:15pm), and the following Tuesday will be a marching exhibition at Milton after school. We will end our competition season at Troy on October 24.

Jason Olson

[olsonj@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:olsonj@santarosa.k12.fl.us)

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## **Associate Director of Bands**

Dear Parents and Students,

I want to say first off, Thank You for your time and dedication to the Gulf Breeze High School Band Program. Without the parents and guardians being genuinely involved with the program, it would make my job more difficult. The band has been rocking and rolling the last few weeks and this past Saturday earned STRAIGHT SUPERIORS at the Daleville Invitational. That is a huge step in the right direction for the Sound Wave as a whole. All the students from guard, percussion and the wind players were on their best behavior and I could not have been happier with the attitude and discipline they showed.

We still have three more competitions and we have been working hard at adding more elements to the halftime show. Every practice is vital at this point of the year and attendance is essential to the continued success of the band. Everyone is an important part of the Sound Wave and being absent from rehearsals, football games and especially competitions makes having a great show harder on the people that attended these events. Please refer to the Band Handbook and the Class Syllabus on what is excused and how it can potentially affect your student's grade.

Middle School night was amazing with so many talented students in the band section. We have an amazing Middle School program and it was my pleasure to have them play with the High School. It made me so happy to see the band section packed with excited musicians. I look forward to our continued involvement with the Gulf Breeze Middle School Band and their astounding director Susie Smithey.

I am excited to see what all the band can accomplish this year with such a hard working members and thank you once again for all the support that you give the students and staff.

Zach Dykes

[dykesz@santarosa.k12.fl.us](mailto:dykesz@santarosa.k12.fl.us)

## GBBB Board of Directors:

### Executive Board Officers:

President *Bruce DeMotts*

Vice President *Barbara Scott*

Secretary *Jill Whitesell*

Treasurer *Scott Goette*

Band Director *Jason Olson*

Associate Band Director *Zach Dykes*

### Committee Chairmen:

Communications (newsletter, website and social media)

*Barbara Scott  
Suzanne Ides*

Concessions

*Kristin Higgins  
Raechele Guy*

Fundraising

*Janna DeMotts  
Michele Kennedy*

Grants *Leslie Allison*

Membership Development

*Shannon Spooneybarger*

Programs

*Janna DeMotts  
Co-Chairman needed*

Social Events

*Amy Armstrong  
Brendalee Johnson*

Spirit Sales

*Tammy Fitzpatrick  
Leslie Allison*

Transportation

*Fred Printiss  
Scott Stonebraker*

Uniforms

*Debbie Kranak  
Tonya Duke*

Volunteers and Chaperones

*Don Toole  
Theresa Moore*

## Color Guard

Winter Guard meeting for interested students on October 19 at 6:45pm in the choir room. (No need for parents just yet.) We will start rehearsals on Monday October 26 from 4-7pm.

Congratulations for the superior ratings at Daleville! Hard work does pay off! Let's keep the momentum going for the rest of the field season! ☺

Thanks again! Jerry Holzwarth

## Percussion

Get some Christmas shopping done and support Indoor Percussion at the same time!!!

1. Indian River Bee Co. honey is available in 1 lb bottles for only \$10 in several flavors. Place order by Oct 13.

2. Chick-Fil-A Calendar cards offer you a monthly special for every month of 2016. For only \$7, you get \$35 worth of food. Purchase by October 23.

Please see an Indoor Percussion student to order yours!

## Band Requests

**Got H<sub>2</sub>O?** We have exhausted the supply of water brought in to date. We are asking that all band families please donate at least one case of bottled water for the current marching season. PLEASE send in water! Thank you!

**Volunteers needed...** Please check the volunteer and chaperone opportunities on Charms.

**Ding Dong the Beast is DEAD!** The Daleville trip proved too much for the band truck. It caught fire on the way to the competition. Fortunately there were no injuries and thanks to some quick thinking and determined band parents, they secured a U-Haul, transferred the instruments and equipment on I-10 to the rental and were only 5 minutes late for the unloading time! That is amazing! Kudos to those parents who got this done!!! No bones about it, we need a new vehicle. We have opened up a "Donate" link on the band website, [www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com), for anyone wishing to help with the costs of rentals and hopefully soon, a new truck. Grants have been applied for but we've heard nothing so far. We have plenty of games and competitions left in the season. Please share our needs with family and friends.

## FUNdraising for the Band through 10/5

**Yankee Candle:** [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com)

Group #: 990083469

For friends and family, click on the "Seller Login", then fill out the "sign up to be a seller" form and use your group # to register.

Simple instructions allow you to send informational e-mails. Items they order across town or across the country will ship directly to them and go toward earning additional profits. **PLEASE ADD 6.5% SALES TAX TO YOUR FACE TO FACE ORDERS!!!**

**Nature's Vision:** [www.naturesvisionfundraising.com](http://www.naturesvisionfundraising.com)

Organization code: 50548 and the student name you want to credit

## Color Guard Director

Jerry Holzwarth

## Percussion Instructors

Patrick Barnett  
Michael Utsey

## ✓ Us Out

### Band Website:

[www.gbhssoundwave.com](http://www.gbhssoundwave.com)

### Like us on Facebook:

Gulf Breeze Sound Wave

### Follow us on Twitter:

@GBHSSoundWave



## CHARMS APP

Yes, there's an app for that too!

### Charms Parent/Student Portal

school code: GulfBrHSBand

Password: Your Student's ID#

After signing in, click on " 

**Everything Else**", there's the calendar, finances, volunteer links, etc.

### Contact the Editor

[CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com](mailto:CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com)

(this will go towards the awards). Send e-mails to friends and family to promote your fundraiser.

**RADA Cutlery:** [www.helpourfundraiser.com](http://www.helpourfundraiser.com)

Internet #: 505624 Password: soundwave

Please feel free to contact Michele Kennedy at [duesouthcatering@yahoo.com](mailto:duesouthcatering@yahoo.com) with any questions. Thank you!!

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**[A Good "Reed"](#)** *Find out the latest on the Band Booster Committees and how you can volunteer...*

**Communications:** Your email must be correct and on file in CHARMS in order for you to receive band communications. We are present online on our website, Facebook and Twitter. Send any comments, suggestions, videos or pictures to [CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com](mailto:CommunicationsGBBB@gmail.com).

**Concessions:**(The Blue Note Café-Visitors side concession stand) We would like to say thank you to all of the dedicated volunteers who give their time, hard work, and ideas to help us every week. We could not do it without you!! In addition to the Navarre and Crestview games, ROTC day is coming up on October 10th. It is such an honor to host this event. Fourteen drill teams from all over the county attend this event. It's a great day to watch the kids perform and provide concessions to them.

We would like to thank Domino's Pizza for making us a great deal on pizza for the Middle School Fundraising Dance. Please help support them by buying a pizza or two.

Thank you to Kim Moss for donating a crockpot and canopy tent. It is much appreciated!

Please remember to volunteer to help staff the concession stand for the last two home games!!

Thank you, Raechele and Kristin

**Fundraising:** We made around \$1,050 at the middle school dance in Sept. A big thanks to all those who volunteered to help make this a success. The Fall Fundraiser is now going on until 10/5/15. Please see above information under the "FUNdraising for the Band" section.

**Grants:** Grant writing has been actively been focused on truck/trailer needs. Please contact Leslie Allison at (850) 293-3005 or [leslieallison3005@gmail.com](mailto:leslieallison3005@gmail.com) if you have information regarding grant opportunities or would like to assist in our grant writing efforts. Thank you!

**Membership Development:** Please don't hesitate to contact Shannon Spooneybarger at [sspooney@hotmail.com](mailto:sspooney@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

**Programs:** *This committee is in need of a new chairman.* Janna DeMotts will be moving on after her daughter graduates this year. This is a huge moneymaker for the Boosters. Please consider volunteering for next year. This committee oversees the selling of the advertising, printing and distribution of the football programs.

**Social Events:** Our committee has several things happening in October. We're providing snack bags for the return bus trips for all the Saturday competitions, (9/26, 10/03, 10/10, and 10/26). We will also be providing a meal for the Friday, October 9th rehearsal, getting ready for the competition on the 10th. I'm still working out the details for the meal but we will be serving at 6:30pm and volunteers will be needed. Also, donations of homemade desserts for the meal would be greatly appreciated!! I'll have more information next week. Thank You! Amy Armstrong & Brenda Lee Johnson

**Spirit Sales:** Check out the spirit tent! We will need volunteers to help sell our inventory of spirit gear at home football games. Sign up on Charms. NEW THIS YEAR...we will also be accepting credit cards as payment!

**Transportation:** We need a new truck. Accepting donations on our band website. No amount too small. Thank you!

**Uniforms:** To date the Uniform Committee has:

Purchased and distributed:

50 garment bags \$547.50

144 show shirts \$770.24

210 polo shirts \$4,444.94

6 berets, 165 pairs of gloves, 39 pairs of shoes \$1,699.65

Total \$7,462.33

- Inventoried and organized uniform room
- Dry Cleaned 127 uniforms
- Fitted 134 students for summer uniforms
- Fitted 109 students for winter uniforms
- Made 65 uniform alterations/repairs
- Inventoried and assigned 109 winter uniforms
- Donated past inventory to Spirit Sales: 11 cushions, 23 Polo shirts and 26 pairs of shorts
- Received donation of 35 new GB t-shirts for Spirit Sales

Future projects:

- Complete final polo order on October 2nd for volunteer shirts
- Distribute polo orders
- Obtain permission to have clothes rod hung in uniform room cabinets for unused uniform inventory
- Complete inventory of unused uniforms
- Determine future uniform needs

Investigate the possibility of merging present uniform inventory software with Charms uniform software to show assignments of uniforms to students on Charms

**Volunteers and Chaperones:** Thank you to everyone that has volunteered so far. Please do your part to serve the band and please sign up to volunteer. We still need lots of volunteers for concessions and program sales for upcoming home games. Thank you, Theresa & Don

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## What's Making WAVES...



**PayPal Ready!** Band families now have the option to pay for My Fair Share (MFS) through PayPal directly through our website, gbhssoundwave.com. MFS payments also accepted through CHARMS via PayPal.

**SWIPE and go!** Our Blue Note Concession Stand (visitor concession stand) and GBBB Spirit Gear table can now accept credit cards! Pass it on!

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*Submissions for the November newsletter are due by October 25<sup>th</sup>*

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