

SOUTHINGTON BAND BACKERS, INC.

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SHS Blue Knights Marching Band Member Organizes Concert to benefit High School Band Scholarship Program

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Southington, CT --- In 2005 SHS Sophomore Chris Jacob organized two different benefit concerts, the proceeds of which went to the Southington High School Band Program the first time around and to Hurricane Katrina victims the second time. Both shows were such a big success Chris felt it was time to do it again.

“It’s a great way to raise money and it sure is a lot of fun” said Chris. “We raised over \$1,000 each time we did this before. I don’t see any reason why we can’t raise that much again this time around.” The net proceeds for the event will go to the Southington Band Backers Club Scholarship Fund. Each year the BBC provides two \$500.00 scholarships to Band Students who are going on to college.

The show will offer a wide variety of music including punk, funk, ska and pop from a total of seven different bands. Three of the bands will be familiar to fans that attended the last show. *Honeycreeper*, *The Kleptos* and *Math The Band* all performed at last September’s show and will be traveling in from Massachusetts for a return engagement.

Three of the bands scheduled to perform are from Connecticut, *The Solomon Plus*, *3rd Line* and Chris’ own band, *Pirates of the Spanish Channel*. It will be the *Pirates* first public appearance after months of practice. The band features Chris on guitar and vocals, brother Tom on drums, Joe proud on tenor sax and Matt “Big Red” Knoegel on soprano sax and baritone sax. All are members of the SHS Marching and Jazz Bands.

The headline act is a band Connecticut concert goers will be familiar with. *Axis of Evil* has played countless shows over the past few years at venues throughout the state including a number of appearances at The Webster Theatre, the area's hot spot for Punk and Ska.

The show is being held at the **Falcon Hall, 33 Knowles Avenue, Plantsville**, on **Saturday, April 22, 2006**. Doors open at **5:00pm**. Band Backer President Tom Jacob appreciates the Polish Falcon's support of his son's efforts. "It's not easy to find an organization so willing to welcome over 200 teenagers into their hall on a Saturday night. We've built a nice little relationship with the Falcons over the past couple years. They're a great bunch of people".

Admission is **\$5.00**. Tickets are available in advance by calling **Chris** at **860-276-8820** or **860-919-0706**. They will also be available at The Music Shop, 405 Queen Street, Southington. Advance purchase is highly recommended. The past two shows were near sell-outs with just a handful of tickets available at the door.

For more information on the Southington Marching Band, contact Tom Jacob, Southington Band Backers President, at 860-276-8820, or the Southington High School Music Department at (860) 628-3229 ext. 250. You can also visit the Blue Knights Marching Band Website at www.shsbands.com.

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