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Our mission is to preserve band music and continue the legacy of its performance.

Dear Friends and Patrons,

The Chatfield Music Lending Library is teaming up with PastPerfect Museum Archive software to become both a band music library AND an archive of historic band music.

Built in 1981 to preserve our band's musical heritage, the Chatfield Music Lending Library has collected and catalogued more than 50,750 pieces, many of which are no longer in print. To make this heritage available to you we began loaning out music from the collection. Some of you may still remember the original system we used in checking out music—all on paper, with no automatic reminders of due dates. When we first set a goal to improve our loan system, we joined the Southeastern Minnesota library system and were able to provide an easier way to track loans using their library model.

Now the Chatfield Music Lending Library is moving from that library model to a combined library—archive model. After our July system conversion, ordering music will remain easily available by phone or email. Online ordering will no longer be an option.

There are new library and archive email addresses for:

- Receiving general information on our archives — Info@chatfieldband.lib.mn.us
- Placing your requests for music — MusicRequests@chatfieldband.lib.mn.us

What stays the same:

- Our hours: Monday and Tuesday 9am — Noon; 1 – 3pm / Wednesday 9am — Noon CST/CDT
- Our personnel: Steve Strickler as Library Clerk and Jerel Nielsen as Library Manager
- Music loan fees and membership levels
- Invoice billing
- The music loan period of 90 days
- The PayPal donation and membership portal
- The cataloguing of music and worldwide visibility of what we have available

What improvements you will see:

The new system provides the capability to email out membership renewal reminders. Many patrons have requested this and we are delighted to be able to offer this feature.

What you should know:

Online ordering of music will no longer be an option in this new environment. Ordering music will be facilitated by phone or by emailing your requests to the music library. We anticipate the conversion being completed on or before July 15th.

With many thanks for your patronage and support,

Jerel Nielsen,
Library and Archive Manager