

PALMYRA-EAGLE COMMUNITY BAND

*Presents...*

# **Our 2014 Holiday Extravaganza!**



**Sunday, December 7, 2014, 7pm**  
**Palmyra United Methodist Church, 122 N 5th. St**

# Tonight 's Performers



**Kimbirdlee** is a versatile vocalist known for her beautiful tone and incredible range that's topped off with blazing high notes. She is also a trained dancer, actress and artist. She is at home whether it's in Musical Theater, Cabaret, In Studio, On Film, Concerts, Dance Performances, Aerial Arts & Visual Art Exhibits. She's performed in a diverse range of musical and theater presentations from "Amahl and the Night Visitors" and "The Sound of Music" to Shakespeare's "The Tempest," "Cinderella : Enchanted," "Narnia," and "Seussical: The Musical."

She now lives in NYC where she recently moved with her husband Jonathan Fadner, son "Jackrabbit", and new arrival 2nd son "Charliehorse". Her husband, a composer and often her collaborator, attends NYU/Tisch Graduate School for Musical Theater Composition, where she frequently guest sings. She earned her degree in Vocal Performance and Dance from Mills College, acting training from the American Conservatory of Theater SF and Aerial Dance training from the Kinetic Arts Center. She is a proud member of The Equity Membership Candidate Program (EMC). Kimbirdlee has received awards of excellence in the arts, including a Bay Area Theater Critics Award for Aerial Arts. She' has appeared in numerous theater productions with such companies as Berkeley Playhouse, Marin Shakespeare Co., ACT-SF, Herbst Theater, and NYU.

Kimbirdlee is the honored guest soloist with the Palmyra-Eagle Community Band in Wisconsin, the state in which she grew up. She appeared in the PECB's new CD "The 40s: A Sentimental Journey", which now holds the honor of being presented to the Honor Flights of our nation's veterans, and can be found on Amazon, CDBaby, Facebook & iTunes. These sites also feature Kimbirdlee's CD of original music called "Foolish Heart" . Kimbirdlee brings us several popular Christmas favorites tonight.

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**The Kettle Moraine Blues:** The KMB, composed of Jim Neist--director and trumpet, Ellie Hawes--Saxophone, Gina Neist--Clarinet, Todd Kienitz--Trombone, Deb Gilbert--Keyboard, Jim Nelson--Tuba, and Nancy Campbell--Percussion, is the Palmyra-Eagle Community Band feature ensemble, performing at most concerts and events. They bring their unique blend of artistic virtuosity, musical risk-taking, and "Joe-Cool"-blues attitude to everything they play: from old standards like Basin Street Blues, and The Entertainer Theme, to less-familiar aural treats like the Hawaiian War Chant and The Theme for the Addams Family. Deb Gilbert and Gina Neist from the KMB also perform a duet on the PECB CD of the beautiful melody by Antonin Dvorak "Coming Home," from his Symphony No. 9, the "New World Symphony." –a melody that takes on an interesting Christmastime permutation tonight, as the band plays "Go in Home for the Holidays". Tonight the KMB invites the band (and you) to join in their soulful rendition of Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah".



**Ed Pierce, Director/Conductor/Vocalist.** Ed Pierce has directed the Palmyra-Eagle Community Band since 1994, the year after its founding. He is a 1971 graduate of WSU Whitewater with a B.S. in Music Education. In 2003 he was inducted into Wisconsin Band Masters Association., and in 2004 he was inducted into Phi Beta Mu Professional Band Directors Fraternity. He was Lebanon Band Director for 35 years, and 2011 winner of John Philip Sousa Foundation award for "Most Historic Community Band" with the Lebanon Band. He's been a guest conductor in 5 states, as well as soloist on four recordings of the 1st Brigade Band--Watertown, WI, an organization which performs on original antique instruments at historical events and community celebrations all over the state. Ed is an historian of military music and was President of Heritage Military Music Foundation for 9 years, Soloist for Time-Life Music Civil War Treasury Collection and guest speaker and soloist for the Governors Reception for the Lincoln Bicentennial at the Executive Mansion in Madison, Wisconsin. Locally, he is founder of "The Harmony Cornet Band " for Old World Wisconsin and also directs specialty music programs for Old World. He directs the St. Paul's Lutheran School Band in Fort Atkinson, and has inspired many 5-8th grade students to strive for musical excellence, as well as inspiring us "old students" at the PECB! Mr. Ed became a published author in 2014 with his "The Prairie Lawyer and the Clarinet Player: The Role of Music at the Gettysburg Address." He was named the "2014 Bandmaster of the Year" for his distinguished work by his colleagues of state-wide band directors at the annual banquet at the State Music Convention. Ed brings you Perry Como's "Christmas Dream" tonight.

# Presenting our 2014 "HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA"

## The Palmyra Eagle Community Band!

Featuring the talents of: *Jim Neist and the "Kettle Moraine Blues"*

*The story telling artistry of Newel Thomas*

*and a special appearance by "Kim "KIMBIRDLEE" Fadner!*

*"Mr. Ed" Pierce, Director*

*All PowerPoint Presentations Created by Gina Neist*

### Program

**A Christmas Declaration**

**What Child Is This: A Fantasia for Band**

**Christmas Dream**

**A Skaters Waltz**

**Robert W. Smith**

**Vaughn Williams**

**Andrew Lloyd Webber**

**Emile Waldteufel**

**The Fabulous "Kimbirdlee"**

**All I Want For Christmas Is You**

**A Grown Up Christmas**

**I'll Be Home for Christmas**

**Mariah Carey**

**Foster & Thompson**

**Walter Kent**

*(With "Dr. BOB" Miller)*

**A Jazzy Christmas**

**Arr. Johnnie Vinson**

*(We Wish You A Merry Christmas, The Holly & the Ivy & Good King Wenceslas)*

### **Jim Neist Presents "The Kettle Moraine Blues"**

*A Holly Jolly Christmas, There is No Christmas Like a Home Christmas,  
Up on the Housetop, Hallelujah (with PECB)*

**Goin' Home or the Holidays**

**Reindeer Galop**

**Twass the Night Before Christmas**

**Dvorak & Allen**

**Robert W. Smith**

**Moore & Bulloch**

*As told by Mr. Newel Thomas*

### **THE GRAND FINALE SING A LONG**

**Traditional**

*Santa Claus Is Coming to Town, Silver Bells*

*Rudolf the Red Nosed Reindeer, & Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas (see insert)*



*Please stay for a reception of holiday goodies and meet & greet your friends & loved ones that make up your band....The Palmyra-Eagle Community Band!*

**DIRECTOR**

Ed Pierce

**VOCALS**

Kimbirdlee

**FLUTE**

Deb Gilbert

Kelley Haddon

Faustina Jones

Erika White

Melody Brady

Callie Lindemeyer

Pat McNamara

**CLARINET**

Nancy Bassett

Faye Brugge

Brenda Garrison

Warren Metzger

Dr. Jeff Olson

Ken Olson

Connie Sukowski

Carol Thomas

**SAXOPHONE**

Kristine Dexheimer

Ellie Hawes

Kelly Isaacsen

Paul Brady

**FRENCH HORN**

Jody Garber

Pattie Jaeger

Wendy Lucht

Gwenn Zerull

**TRUMPET**

Nancy Campbell

Sandi Hankowitz

Jeff Hawes

Jim Neist

Barb Sekula

Ethan Dexheimer



**BASS CLARINET**

Gina Neist

Kathy Sudbrink

**BARITONE**

Valerie Cole

Dusty Dusterhoef

Bob Miller

**TROMBONE**

Lisa Amacher

Chelsea Kienitz

Todd Kienitz

Sonja Pluess

Tom Stanley

Newel Thomas

**TUBA**

Jim Nelson

Wayne Craig

Mike Rubingh

**PERCUSSION**

Bernie Gilbert

Melodie Haddon

Elaine Ledrowski

Margo Kurth

**Christmas Pop Sing-A-Long  
Lyrics for Audience Sing-Along**

**"Santa Claus is Coming to Town"**

You better watch out  
You better not cry  
You better not put  
I'm telling you why  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
He's making a list,  
Checking it twice;  
Gonna find out who's naughty or nice.  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
Santa Claus is coming to town  
He sees you when you're sleeping  
He knows when you're awake  
He knows if you've been bad or good  
So be good for goodness sake...

**"Silver Bells"**

City sidewalks, busy sidewalks,  
Dressed in holiday style  
In the air  
There's a feeling  
of Christmas  
Children laughing  
People passing  
Meeting smile after smile  
and on every street corner you'll hear

Silver bells, silver bells  
It's Christmas time in the city  
Ring-a-ling, hear them sing  
Soon it will be Christmas day

Strings of street lights  
Even stop lights  
Blink a bright red and green  
As the shoppers rush  
home with their treasures

Hear the snow crunch  
See the kids bunch  
This is Santa's big scene  
And above all this bustle  
You'll hear

Silver bells, silver bells  
It's Christmas time in the city  
Ring-a-ling, hear them sing  
Soon it will be Christmas day

**"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer"**

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer  
Has a very shiny nose  
And if you ever saw it  
You would even say it glows.  
All of the other reindeer  
Used to laugh and call him names  
They never let poor Rudolph  
Join in any reindeer games

Then one foggy Christmas Eve,  
Santa came to say,  
Rudolph with your nose so bright,  
Won't you guide my sleigh tonight?

Then all the reindeer's loved him,  
As they shouted out with glee,  
Rudolph the red-nose Reindeer  
You'll go down in history!

**"Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas"**

Have yourself a merry little Christmas  
Let your heart be light  
From now on, our troubles will be out of sight  
Have yourself a merry little Christmas  
Make the yule-tide gay  
From now on, our troubles will be miles away  
Here we are as in olden days  
Happy golden days of yore  
Faithful friends who are dear to us  
Gather near to us once more  
Have yourself a merry little Christmas  
Let your heart be light  
From now on, our troubles will be out of sight  
Have yourself a merry little Christmas!