



# A MUSICAL NOTE

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## NEBOPO Officers 2014-2015

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If you have any questions that cannot be answered by referring to the Handbook or the web site, please feel free to contact one of the officers for assistance. Contact information is available in the handbook and on the web site.

<http://www.nebopo.org/>

## MORNING REHEARSALS

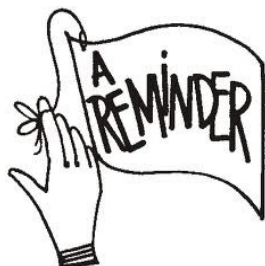
Monday	Jazz Ensemble
Tuesday/Thursday	Orchestra
Wednesday/Friday	Band / AMU

Morning rehearsals begin *Wednesday, Aug 27*. Please be sure students arrive no later than 7:25 a.m. for rehearsals and are in their seats and ready to begin at 7:30 a.m.

*There is no morning rehearsal if there is a delay or school closing for inclement weather.*

## Calendar of Events

- Aug 6** NEBOPO Meeting 6PM New 7PM Returning
- Aug 6** Joe Corbi/SpiritWear fundraiser begins
- Aug 15 NEMS 6<sup>th</sup> grade Parent Orientation 6 PM
- Aug 25 First Day of School
- Aug 27 Morning Rehearsals Begin
- Aug 28 Uniform Distribution 6:00 to 8:00 PM  
All forms/Fair Share must be in before student receives uniform.
- Aug 29** All forms due to Mr. Rupnik
- Aug 29** Joe Corbi fundraiser ends
- Sept 1 NO SCHOOL – LABOR DAY
- Sept 3 & 4 Uniform Distribution 6:00 to 8:00 PM
- Sept 9 Northeast Open House at 6:30- 8:30 PM
- Sept 11 Patriot Day Assembly 8:15AM *Wear Polos*
- Sept 12 Joe Corbi delivery 1:00 PM  
Pick Up from 3:00-4:40 PM
- Sept 17** NEBOPO Meeting 7 PM NEPTA 5:30
- Sept 18 NE Market Day pickup 3:00-4:30 PM
- Sept 19 *Corb pick-up 3-4:40*
- Sept 26 NO SCHOOL – Rosh Hashanah
- Oct 11 Band Photos. 12:00 PM @ NE
- Oct 11 *Freemansburg Parade 2:00 PM*
- Oct 13 Columbus Day – NO SCHOOL
- Oct 15** NEBOPO Meeting 7:00 PM
- Oct 16 NE Market Day pickup 3:00-4:30 PM
- Oct 18 *Nazareth Parade 1:00 PM*
- Oct 19 *SauconValley Parade 2:00 PM*
- Oct 24 Football game at LHS NE vs Broughal
- Oct 26 *Bethlehem Halloween Parade 2:00 PM*



DON'T FORGET to wear your green NEMS polo shirt to school on September 11th for Patriot Day.

They are available for purchase during camp for \$11.

Adult Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL

## Working at the Car Wash!!

NEBOPO will sponsor a car wash on August 9, 2014. Please consider coming out to help. The profits from the carwash will help our general fund purchase music among other things. Thank you for supporting our program!



## Parent Homework Due!

Your students have received a packet of forms that need to be completed and returned to Mr. Rupnik by August 28<sup>th</sup>.

You or your student will receive the **Northeast Band, AMU, Orchestra and Jazz Ensemble Handbook for 2014-2015** either at the NEBOPO meeting or during summer rehearsal. It contains a lot of useful information you may need to reference during the year.

Please take the time to review and complete the rainbow forms in the packet you or your child received as well. Feel free to contact any of the officers if you have any questions.

Thanks for your cooperation!

## Fundraising Projects

Fundraising is a great way to earn credits for your student account. These credits can be used to pay the \$50.00 Fair Share, which is due Sept 6<sup>th</sup> (before uniform distribution), and used towards the Spring Musical Competition.

Joe Corbi is underway! Please have all orders and money ready on Aug 29<sup>th</sup>.

Bulk candy is also available by the box. Each box contains 30 candy bars and may be purchased for \$30.00. Students sell each bar for \$1.00. Your child's account will be credited \$10.00 for each box purchased.

Order forms and instructions are available in the band room, at after-school candy sales, at NEBOPO meetings, or online at [www.nebopo.org](http://www.nebopo.org). Orders may be picked up at NEBOPO activities.

Pre-packed bulk candy will also be available at candy sales and NEBOPO meetings.

### *How many Giant Cards do you need?*

You can purchase Giant Store gift cards in denominations of \$25, \$50 or \$100. For every \$100 in gift cards you purchase, \$4 will go into your child's account and \$1 will be added to the general fund.

These gift cards can be used on food, gas, or anything else that is sold in the Giant Food Stores. With two locations in town, one on Easton Ave. and one of Rt. 191 near Walmart, why not get your shopping done and support your child's student account!

See Loraine Hacker-Russo for gift cards. Cards are available at each meeting. If you need them sooner, call: (610) 442-8541 or email: [lorainerusso@rcn.com](mailto:lorainerusso@rcn.com)

### **After School Candy Sales... An on-going fundraising opportunity**

Beginning in September, students can volunteer to help with the after school candy sales.

Sign-up sheets will be posted in the band room. Students may work up to 4 days per month to earn credit for their accounts.

Sales are from 3:00 PM until 3:20 PM every day in the NEMS lobby and the candy bars will sell for \$1.00 per bar.

### **Get out your calendars!!**

Please plan on joining us for the 2<sup>nd</sup> NEBOPO meeting of the 2013-2014 school year on **September 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM** in the band room. NEBOPO meetings are held monthly, except in December, and are *usually* the third Wednesday of the month.

They provide an opportunity to keep up with current events, share information and ideas, ask questions and volunteer to support the band and orchestra in its diverse activities. Northeast has a very active and accomplished musical program, and our support will ensure its continuance.

All fundraisers will kick-off at NEBOPO meetings.

### **September 11th**

The band has been asked to play for the 9/11 Remembrance, which will take place on Tuesday, September 11.

7:30 AM - All instrumentalists, majorettes, silks and color guards will need to report for this performance. Students should wear their green Northeast Band polo shirts.

The remembrance celebration will begin at 8:10 AM in the front of the school.



# UNIFORM DISTRIBUTION!

Coming soon to a band room near you....

Uniform distribution is scheduled for 6:00-8:00 pm on August 28th , September 3rd, and September 4th. Sheets are available in the band room for students to sign up for a specific date & time for uniform fitting.

A date for majorettes and banner carriers to receive their uniforms will be advised.

At uniform distribution, band students and color guard will be fitted in their pants, jacket and hat. In order to save time, students are asked to wear gym shorts and a t-shirt for their fitting so they can try on the uniform over their clothes. Used shoes will be available for purchase or new shoes may be ordered (prices listed below). Students may also exchange shoes that no longer fit for no charge. Gloves may also be purchased.

Fees for any uniform accessories as well as a **\$10 cleaning fee** must be paid before a uniform will be issued. Payment must be in the form of a check or money order payable to *NEBOPO*. **No cash** will be accepted. If you do not have payment when you come for your fitting, your uniform will be held until payment is received.

We need volunteers to help with hemming uniform pants. If you can help, please contact

**Beth Pianucci at 610-730-3149 or pianubet@verizon.net.**

Marching band members will be wearing band polos at the Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> for the Remembrance Ceremony as well as at pep rallies throughout the year. Any student who needs a polo shirt can purchase one for \$11. Polo shirts are available in men's sizes small, medium, large, extra large, and 2XL. Order forms for polo shirts are available. Orders will be filled as completed order forms and payment (checks or money orders only payable to *NEBOPO*) are received.

Polos	\$11.00	Cotton Gloves	\$ 5.00
Gripper Gloves	\$ 5.00	New Shoes	\$29.00
Used Shoes	\$10.00	Shoe Exchange	No charge
	Majorette Boots		\$53.50

# NEBOPO Parents go the Extra Mile.....

For those of you willing and able to put a little more time and effort into NEBOPO, there are **several** openings for chairpersons and always a need for volunteers at NEBOPO events.

Currently, the following positions need to be filled:

Candy Cart Workers  
Parade Assistant  
Photographer  
Publicity Coordinator  
Spring Trip Departure/Return Coordinator  
Jazz Festival Committee Workers  
Nurse/Doctor/EMT skilled persons for parades and spring trip

If you are willing to fill any of these positions, please contact any officer. Responsibilities for each of these positions will be discussed with you. Information on positions can also be found in the handbook.

## **Music in the Parks; Kennywood Amusement Park, Pittsburgh; May 2014**

Northeast Marching Band - 1st Place, Excellent Rating  
Northeast Singers – 1st Place, Superior Rating  
Northeast Concert Band - 1st Place, Excellent Rating  
Northeast Orchestra - 1st Place, Superior Rating  
Northeast Jazz Ensemble - 1st Place, Superior Rating  
Corps d'Esprit Award  
Best Jazz Soloist – Seth Bobyak  
Best Vocal Soloist – Rangel Marcos  
Best Chorus  
Best Concert Band

**WE ARE NORTHEAST MUSICAL HORNETS AND  
WE ARE NORTHEAST PROUD!**

\*\*\*\*\*If your contact information has changed, please fill this out this form, cut off and return:

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_