

# Pope Band Notes

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## FROM THE DIRECTORS PODIUM

By the time you read this, we will be wrapping up our competitive marching season. What seemed like such a long series of rehearsals that stretched out forever was gone in the blink of an eye. The competition show has been really well received, with many of our colleagues saying that it was a truly remarkable show from both a design and performance standpoint. Our evaluators all commented on the high quality of the show.

One thing that I wanted to make you aware of is the balance (pun intended) that we achieve with all aspects of our band program. While we were preparing this complex competition show, we also had a Fall Concert, a Friday Night Halftime Band Show, and numerous other activities and events. As soon as competition marching ends, we move on to the XPLOSION! Show and the Winter Concerts. Auditions will occur in November, and we will be finished with first semester. There are aspects for every band member on every level to experience musical growth. Please encourage your student to go beyond the minimum and take part in a variety of our musical opportunities.

Please keep up with the band calendar and newsletters. It is the best way to know what is upcoming and how to support the band. We need you there not only as volunteers, but as audience members cheering on our efforts. Thanks in advance for your support!

## “APPLES FOR ALL” FUNDRAISER

The “Apples for All” order deadline is Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>! Get your orders in today!

Pick up your apples October 28<sup>th</sup> at Tritt Elementary from noon until 3 p.m.

Check the [band website](#) under “Support Us” for order forms. Order forms are also available in the band room.

Volunteers are needed from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. If you are able to spare a few hours helping to bag apples and sort orders, please email Kathy Long ([Kathy.LongATL@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.LongATL@gmail.com)).

Thank you for supporting the Pope Band!!!

## DATES TO KNOW

*Check [PopeBand.com](http://PopeBand.com)  
for the full band calendar.*

### OCTOBER

- 20: @ Chattahoochee HS\*
- 21: Competition at WCU (CMB)
- 23: Winter Guard Auditions 5–8 p.m.,  
Sandy Plains Baptist Church Gym
- 24: Community Show 7 p.m., Pope Stadium  
Food Trucks 5 p.m.  
Lifetouch Individual Pictures 4–5 p.m.
- 25: XPLOSION! Rehearsal 2:30–4:30 p.m.
- 26: XPLOSION! Rehearsal 3:45–5:30 p.m.
- 27: vs. Centennial HS\* (Hope Wall)
- 28: Pope Band 5K 7 p.m.  
Apples Pick-up Day 12–3 p.m., Tritt ES

### NOVEMBER

- 1: XPLOSION! Rehearsal 2:30–4:30 p.m.
- 2: XPLOSION! Rehearsal 3:45–5:30 p.m.
- 3: vs. Northview HS\* (Senior Night)
- 4: Pep Band for Fun Run (Time TBD)
- 5: Car Wash 10 a.m.–2 p.m., McDonald's
- 6: PBPA Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 7: NO SCHOOL  
Spirit Day at Keegan's  
XPLOSION! 1<sup>st</sup> Act Reh. (Time TBD)
- 8: XPLOSION! 2<sup>nd</sup> Act Reh. 2:30–4:30 p.m.
- 9: XPLOSION! Dress Reh. 7–9 p.m.
- 10 & 11: XPLOSION! Show 7 p.m., Pope  
Theater
- 14: **PBPA General Meeting 7:30 p.m.**
- 20–24: Thanksgiving Break
- 29: Showcase Rehearsal 2:30–4:30 p.m.

### DECEMBER

- 5: Winter Concert (Symphonic & Concert  
Bands), HTMS Theater
- 6: Showcase Rehearsal 2:30–4:30 p.m.
- 7: Showcase Rehearsal 3:30–5:30 p.m.
- 8: Fine Arts Showcase, Lassiter Concert Hall

*\*FNB practices 4–5 p.m. before  
every game (includes CMB)*

## COMMUNITY SHOW AND FOOD TRUCKS... COME JOIN US!



Don't miss out! Next week, **Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>**, is our **Community Show** where the band will perform both their AWARD WINNING competition show, **Balance**, for the LAST time as well as their rockin' halftime show with songs by **Lady Gaga**. Close up your kitchens and join us for dinner beforehand with **Food Trucks**, beginning at 5 p.m. [Tex's Tacos](#), [Boss Lady's Grillers](#), [Mac the Cheese Truck](#), and [Little Blue Ice Cream Truck](#) will be the featured food for the evening. The show will start at 7 p.m. in Pope's football stadium. It is a wonderful evening to celebrate

the band and all they have accomplished this season and to enjoy some time with our band family. Please invite your friends, family, and neighbors and spread the word to our eager middle school musicians and families as well. General admission is \$5. **Please note that food trucks will open at 4:30 p.m. for the band students!**

## MARCHING BAND PICTURE DAY IS OCTOBER 24!

Lifetouch is coming to Pope to take individual professional marching band portraits! All CMB and FNB students will be photographed. Flyers will be coming home this week. Pictures will be taken in the Pope Band room starting at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24. This is a great opportunity for you to get a professional portrait of your band/guard student in uniform with instrument/flag—a great holiday gift! Packages start as low as \$13. They are also offering an option of an 8x10 solo portrait of your student paired with the band group picture taken in August—called the “Sports Mate” on the website. To make it easy, please PREORDER packages here: [www.lifetouchsports.com](http://www.lifetouchsports.com), Picture Day ID#: AG017895X1. Proofs will be coming home and you can also order after receiving proofs, but PREORDER prices are lower. Lifetouch is contributing 25% of portrait sales back to the PBPA.

Student not in marching band? Stay tuned for picture day for all concert band students in the spring in tuxes/dresses! Any questions? Please contact Leslie Ann Dunn at [dunnhorn@gmail.com](mailto:dunnhorn@gmail.com).

## BECOME A BAND BUDDY!

Please consider making a donation to the PBPA and become a Band Buddy! All donors will be listed in the concert programs throughout the year. If you wish to remain anonymous, that is fine, too! Here is the link on the website with all of the details: [www.popeband.com/band-buddydonations](http://www.popeband.com/band-buddydonations). Simply complete the Band Buddy card (which was also included in the fall concert programs), include your donation (cash or checks made payable to the PBPA), and place your envelope in the white lock box in the band room. Thank you for your showing and growing your support of the band program.

## WINTER GUARD AUDITIONS

If you love to perform, compete, travel and meet new friends, Winter Guard might be for you! Auditions are **Monday, October 23 from 5–8 p.m.** No experience is necessary. Meet in the Sandy Plains Baptist Church Gym at 5 p.m. to learn more! For questions, please contact Bobby Jones at [bobby.jones@cobbk12.org](mailto:bobby.jones@cobbk12.org).

## PINE STRAW ORDER YOURS NOW!

The weather has cooled off, and it's time to put down pine straw! **Orders are due October 20, 27, and November 3 for delivery one week later.** Order forms can be found on [popeband.com](http://popeband.com), under “Support Us”. Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors, too!

Questions? Ask Sherri Welch at [PBPA.pinestraw@gmail.com](mailto:PBPA.pinestraw@gmail.com).

## CAR WASH! Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

The Pope Band is holding a car wash on **Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** to raise money for their trip to NYC to perform at Carnegie Hall. Come by McDonald's at 3011 Johnson Ferry Rd. and let our fabulous band kids wash your car! Thanks for your support!

## YARD SIGNS AVAILABLE!

Show your Pope Pride and order a yard sign for your student! Signs are \$20. Place your payment in the white lock box in the band room and arrangements will be made to get your sign to you as soon as possible. The guard is also designing a sign and they will be available soon!

## DEAD BAND RUNNING 5K OCTOBER 28, 2017 AT 7 P.M.



Our Inaugural 5K run/walk is almost here! If you haven't signed up yet please do so; the last day to guarantee a shirt in the style (short or long sleeve, tank, hoodie) and size you want is October 22. We really need you to bring out your friends and neighbors to help start a new band tradition!

Once you register, plan to pick up your bib, shirt, and swag bag at Road Runner Sports on Johnson Ferry Road between 4–7 p.m. on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Each early pick-up swag bag will contain a ticket which is your chance to win a raffle prize gift card from Marlow's, Pike's, Home Depot, Tin Lizzy or one of our other great local businesses. Plus,

Road Runner is giving us a \$1.49 donation per early pick-up. It's a win-win!

Speaking of donations, we have had some fantastic sponsors! In particular we have Holly Maddox, owner of Perfectly Posh, who not only is a generous sponsor but will also donate 10% of all sales to friends and family of Pope Band between now and the end of the year back to the band. Thanks Holly! Feel free to reach out to Holly at [hollymaddox2014@gmail.com](mailto:hollymaddox2014@gmail.com) or check out the catalog and ship online at [hollymaddox.po.sh](http://hollymaddox.po.sh).

Thanks to these other generous sponsors as well:

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See you on October 28<sup>th</sup>!

## GENERAL PBPA MEETING ON NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>!

We hope you will join us for the next PBPA meeting on **Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (location TBD)**. Although the marching season will have wrapped up by then, there is always so much to learn and hear about the band program and upcoming events. It's hard to believe but it's already time to begin thinking about next year's board! If you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee for the PBPA Board or serving on the board itself, please reach out to the PBPA Co-Presidents (Karen Anderson [kbanderson3@gmail.com](mailto:kbanderson3@gmail.com) or Kathy Wood [kwood.pbpa@gmail.com](mailto:kwood.pbpa@gmail.com)). Serving on the board is an incredible way to give back to this amazing program. Whether you are interested in serving on the board or joining/leading any one of our many committees, we hope you will get involved! These 4 years go by very quickly and volunteering is a great and fun way to meet new friends and have a lot of laughs along the way!

## SPIRIT DAY Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

Come on out to have lunch or dinner at **Keegan's on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**, and they will give 10% of sales back to the band to support the Wind Symphony's trip to New York City where they will perform in Carnegie Hall! Keegan's is located at 4401 Shallowford Rd. Tell all of your friends, family, and neighbors and don't forget to mention you're there in support of the Pope Band Wind Symphony when ordering!

## XPLOSION!



It's hard to believe, but the one and only XPLOSION! show is just around the corner! Save the dates for our 2 performances on **Friday and Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in Pope's Theater!** You won't want to miss it! For those of you who are unfamiliar with XPLOSION!, it is an amazing show unlike any other in our area! Every aspect of the band program will be highlighted—from marching band and the jazz ensemble to guard and smaller ensembles—this show has something for everyone! Tickets will be sold online: \$15 VIP, \$10 General Admission, \$5/Students *We will send an email when the ticket box has opened online.* Concessions will be available. ALSO, we will have a **50/50 Raffle** again this year! Two days of selling tickets, one lucky winner! Will it be you? Proceeds support the band program.

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