Pope Band Notes



FROM THE DIRECTORS' PODIUM

Many thanks to all the folks who made our 8th Grade Night visitation and "Spin and Drum with the Greyhounds" such a success! It is a huge undertaking welcoming over 180 new faces to the Pope Band program within a two-week period, but thanks to so many parent volunteers, we were able to give a positive glimpse into the totality of the Pope Band program. We hope you'll continue to stay in contact with the students and families who participated and invite them to future Pope Band functions and performances!

Band-tober is Coming!

October becomes an incredibly busy month for marching band participants! Please be proactive in your academic classes, preparing all homework and upcoming projects ahead of time. Our first marching band competition is Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Kennesaw Mountain High School. We sincerely hope you will make plans to join us at KKMI and all of our competitions this season.

The Wizarding World of Harry Potter – Have you seen our show '9 3/4' yet!? Please come to a football game, competition, or visit us at a rehearsal to watch this amazing group of young people. They are remarkable musicians and performers that have put forth an immense amount of effort since July 9th. We are excited to see you at our shows!



Good. Better. Best!

Important Dates

Check <u>www.popeband.com</u> for the full band calendar.

September

- 10 Fall Concert with HTMS, 7pm,
 Performing Arts Center Gym
- vs. Centennial HS, 8th Grade Night, Matt Hobby Night (FNSB & CMB)
- 14 East Cobber Parade (FNSB & CMB) CMB Rehearsal 5–9pm
- 17 General PBPA Meeting, 6:30pm Pope Cafeteria
- 20 @ Alpharetta HS (FNSB & CMB)
- 23-27 Fall Break
- 27 CMB Rehearsal, 9am–5pm vs. Chattahoochee HS (FNSB & CMB)
- 28 CMB Rehearsal, 9am-9pm

October

- All-State Jazz Auditions, Walton HS
- 4 @ Dunwoody HS (FNSB & CMB)
- Kennesaw Mountain Marching Invitational (CMB) Kennesaw Mountain HS, Kennesaw GA
- vs. Johns Creek HS, Homecoming, 50/50 Raffle (FNSB & CMB)
- 12 Blue Ridge Mountain Marching Festival (CMB) Fannin County HS, Blue Ridge GA
- 14 Cobb Exhibition (CMB), McEachern HS
- 16 Community Show 7pm, Pope Stadium, Food Trucks 5pm (CMB&FNSB)
- 18 @ North Atlanta HS (FNSB & CMB)
- 19 Tarpon Springs Outdoor Music Festival, Tarpon Springs HS, Tarpon Springs FL (CMB)
- 19-21 CMB Trip to Florida
- 22 Restaurant Night at Moxie Burger, Marietta locations, 6–9pm
- vs. Cambridge HS, Senior Night (FNSB & CMB)

JOIN US FOR THE NEXT PBPA MEETING! SEPTEMBER 17TH @ 6:30PM

Please join us for our next meeting and get all of your questions answered! We'll hear from the directors, share information about the upcoming competitions in October, and so much more!

Come Tuesday, September 17th at 6:30 pm in the Pope cafeteria.

We will finish up when marching band rehearsal ends at 7:15.

Questions? Please don't hesitate to reach out to your PBPA Co-Presidents Aimee Worley (aworley.pbpa@gmail.com) or Vanessa Lilly (avnlilly@ymail.com), or anyone else on the PBPA Board.

All contacts are on the band website at www.PopeBand.com under Resources — PBPA Info — PBPA Contacts.

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Here comes COMPETITION SEASON!

The Competition Marching Band has 3 competitions in October, and parents, friends, and family are encouraged to attend. Please join in the fun and show your enthusiastic support of our students. They have worked hard and always perform better for a loud and supportive crowd! All performance times are TBD.

Saturday October 5 Kennesaw Mountain Marching Invitational Kennesaw Mountain HS 1898 Kennesaw Due West Road Kennesaw, GA 30152

Saturday October 12 Fannin County HS 2346 East First Street Blue Ridge, GA 30513

Saturday October 19 Blue Ridge Mountain Marching Festival Tarpon Springs Outdoor Music Festival **Tarpon Springs HS** 1411 Gulf Road Tarpon Springs, FL 34689

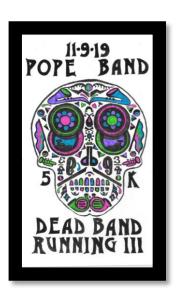
PINE STRAW FOR SALE!

Fall is here (it really is!), and it's time to clean up those flower beds! The PBPA is selling great quality pine straw with 3 delivery dates on October 18, October 25, and November 1. Orders are due one week before delivery. For details, click on this <u>link</u>. Ask your East Cobb friends and neighbors, and maybe even your HOA, business, or church for their support! And buy some for your own yard while you're at it! Questions? Contact Cori Hembree at pbpa.pinestraw@gmail.com.

LIFETOUCH **PHOTOS**

Reminder: You should have received your proof for the Marching Band portraits. Please be sure to place an order for pictures. The band will receive a percentage of all photo orders! Any questions, please email Angela Zito at angiezito@icloud.com.





DEAD BAND RUNNING 5K UPDATE

Dead Band Running is coming up fast—November 9th will be here before you know it! Without financial sponsors and lots of runners, we cannot even cover our costs for the race. We really need your help! Please reach out to businesses and restaurants you frequent. Consider asking your employer, doctors, bank or insurance company if they would like to become a sponsor. If you are a business owner please consider sponsoring us. Twenty percent of every sponsorship of \$250 or more will be credited to your student account!

All sponsor information is due by October 1st so that we have time to get logos on our awesome race shirts. Sponsor forms can be found at: http://www.popeband.com/5k.

Registration is open for runners, walkers, or people who just want the shirt! You can register at http://www.popeband.com/5k.

Thank you for helping make this a great event and fundraiser for the band!

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

Save the date! Wednesday, October 16th is our Community Show where the band will perform both their competition show '9 ¾', as well as their rockin' football halftime show featuring Sweet Child O' Mine from Guns N' Roses.

Close up your kitchens and join us for dinner beforehand with Food Trucks beginning at 5 p.m. Boss Lady's Grillers, Peace of Pita, and Kona Ice will be there, along with an additional truck to be announced later! The show will start at 7 p.m. in Pope's football stadium. Join us for this wonderful evening to celebrate the band's accomplishments, and send them off to their final competition in style!! 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!





COMING SOON! POPE BAND ALUMNI RELATIONS

It's coming! The Pope High School Band Alumni Chapter! Help us out by sending this message to any former band members you know and can reach. Or if YOU were a member of the band we want to hear from you! Simply send a message to popehsbandalumni@gmail.com and confirm your name and years in the band. Or like and follow the Alumni page on Facebook! Get ready to reconnect with many more of your former classmates. We need everyone's help to find ALL band alumni.

THANK YOU in advance!

50/50 RAFFLE

Thanks to all the volunteers who came out to help sell tickets at the Lassiter/Pope football game on August 30th. The 50/50 cash raffle was won by a Lassiter fan winning \$200. Although a Lassiter fan won the raffle, we won the football game! We only have one more raffle set for the rest of this year on Oct 11th. We will be selling tickets before and during the first half of the football game. We need more volunteers! Please consider donating a few hours of your time. Look for the signup in CHARMS!





The Snack Shack is open every
Tuesday and Thursday starting
at 3:30 ahead of the 4:15 CMB
rehearsals. We will be selling
pizza (cheese or pepperoni)
\$1/slice, Gatorade \$1/bottle and
snacks \$1/2. Bring your money
and grab a quick bite to eat and
fuel your body ahead of practice.
See you outside the band room!

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CLASS OF 2020: SENIOR TRIBUTE ADS in the BAND YEARBOOK

Commemorate your senior's band experience with a senior tribute ad in the 2019-2020 Pope Band Yearbook!

Create a half-page (\$60) or quarter-page (\$40) ad celebrating your senior and capturing their fun, musical, inspiring band memories. Their pictures, your words! So start locating your favorite photos and watch for more details to be announced later this fall. For more information, contact Yvonne Matherne at PopeBandPictures@gmail.com.



FLAG FUNDRAISER





Our American Flag fundraiser has been going strong with 4 patriotic holidays completed so far and one remaining for 2019! Thank you to those who have volunteered and participated! We are always looking to expand into more subdivisions and even to area businesses. If you feel your neighborhood would embrace the flag program, please contact Gypsy Mims at PopeBandFlags@gmail.com for more information and a PDF copy of the flyer to distribute to your subdivision.

More information about our American Flags program is on the Pope Band website, but as a reminder we sell annual flag placement subscriptions for \$40.00 each. The flags are then set up in the customers' yards during the 5 patriotic holidays of Memorial Day, Flag Day, July 4th, September 11th, and Veteran's Day. The flags are 3'x5' and on a 10' pole.

If you are interested in having a flag in your own yard, sign up online at http://bit.ly/BandFlag.

If you want to help with this great fundraiser without representing your own neighborhood, we always need additional volunteers to help with flag placement, flag removal, pre-install readiness and marketing to area businesses. Parents and kids can help! Email PopeBandFlags@gmail.com to get started!



SPIRIT NIGHT at... MOXIE BURGER!!!

The next band spirit night is Tuesday,
October 22nd from 6-9 p.m. The
Marching Band will be back from Florida
the night before, the fridge will be empty
and everyone will be hungry! Support
the band while you enjoy a local favorite.
10% of all proceeds benefit the band.
Visit either Marietta location at the
Shallowford shopping center
(Shallowford and Trickum)
or Village Parkway.

AFFINITY PROGRAMS

Earn money for the band program without spending an extra penny! In fewer minutes than it takes to drive to Pope, you can link your accounts to PBPA and earn money for our program. Visit these partners to get set up, or check out the band website links below for specific how-to instructions. Thanks for your support!









Set up Amazon Smile

Set up your Publix account

Set up your Kroger account

Shop with Scrip