

MT. LEBANON BAND BUILDERS NEWSLETTER

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WEEKLY CALENDAR:

DATE	TIME	GROUP	EVENT	LOCATION
Mon., 10/1	3:15-5:15 p.m.	All	Winds, Percussion, & Auxiliary Rehearsals	HS
Mon., 10/1	3:30 p.m.	Winds & Percussion	PMEA Honors Band Auditions	South Fayette HS (Bring \$5 audition fee, music, instrument, & money for dinner)
Wed., 10/3	5:30-9:00 p.m.	Pit	Stadium Rehearsal	Pods then HS Stadium
Wed., 10/3	5:45-9:00 p.m.	Winds, Battery, & Auxiliary	Stadium Rehearsal	HS Stadium
Fri., 10/5	5:45 p.m.	Pit	Game Report Time	Pods
Fri., 10/5	5:45 p.m.	Winds, Battery, & Auxiliary	Game Report Time	A2
Fri., 10/5	7:30 p.m.	All	Home Football Game vs. Upper St. Clair (Homecoming)	HS Stadium
Sat., 10/6	2:00 p.m.	Pit	Festival Report Time	Pods
Sat., 10/6	2:00 p.m.	Winds, Battery, & Auxiliary	Festival Report Time	A2
Sat., 10/6	2:30 p.m.	All	Festival Departure Time	A2
Sat., 10/6	--	All	Norwin Band Festival	Norwin HS Stadium
Sat., 10/6	--	All	Thomas Jefferson Band Festival	Thomas Jefferson HS Stadium

"DON'T MISS" INFO FOR THIS WEEK:

PMEA Honors Band Auditions are on Monday. NEW

For details, please see the PMEA Honors Band Auditions article immediately below this article. Good luck to all our students who are auditioning!

Senior parents: RSVPs for Senior Recognition Night are due now.

For details, see the Senior Recognition Night article below.

This Friday's football game is a home game vs. Upper St. Clair, and it includes Homecoming festivities.

As a reminder, call time is 5:45 p.m.

Please make sure your student reports by his/her assigned time. They should report in their washed uniform, and make sure they have their raincoats, hats, and all accessories for their uniform (i.e. gloves, gauntlets, shoes, etc.). Section leaders will be performing a uniform inspection prior to warmups.

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Come and enjoy the festivities, football, and fantastic music from the marching band!

Two band festivals this Saturday for twice the fun!

This Saturday, we'll be participating in both the Norwin Band Festival competition and the Thomas Jefferson Band Festival.

As a reminder, call time is 2:00 p.m.

Festival departure time is 2:30 p.m.

Please make sure your student reports by his/her assigned time. They should report in their uniform, and make sure they have their raincoats, hats, and all accessories for their uniform (i.e. gloves, gauntlets, shoes, etc.). Section leaders will be performing a uniform inspection prior to warmups. The bus will leave promptly at 2:30 p.m.

Band Builders is working on providing dinner for students between the Norwin Band Festival competition and the Thomas Jefferson Band Festival. More details to be provided later in the week.

Also we need pit helpers for both of Saturday's performances. If you are going to be there, please let Jen and/or Sharon know so that we can make sure we can get everything on the field.

The Norwin Band Festival competition is at:

Norwin Knights Stadium
11091 Mockingbird Dr.
Irwin, PA 15642

The Thomas Jefferson Band Festival is at:

Thomas Jefferson HS Stadium
310 Old Clairton Rd.
Clairton, PA 15025

The Norwin Band Festival competition starts at 4:30 p.m. and will feature the following bands: Deer Lakes, Elizabeth Forward, Jeannette, Kiski Area, Leechburg, McKeesport, Moon Area, Mt. Lebanon, Norwin, South Allegheny, Southmoreland, Trinity, and Yough.

The Thomas Jefferson Band Festival starts at 6:00 p.m. and is hosting these bands: Brownsville Area, Chartiers Houston, Edison (Ohio), Greensburg Salem, Indian Creek (Ohio), Mt. Lebanon, Mt. Pleasant, New Horizon Majorettes, Shaler Area, South Park, Thomas Jefferson, Upper St. Clair, Wellsville, California University, and Westminster College.

Our band will be competing at the Norwin Band Festival then traveling to perform at the Thomas Jefferson Band Festival. Join us at one – or both – performances!

October hoagie orders are due on Saturday.

If you'd like to place an order for the October Peppi's hoagie sale, orders are due by this Saturday, 10/6 at noon. For details, see the Peppi's hoagies article in the Fundraising section at the bottom of this newsletter.

Check out two new fundraisers in the Fundraising section of the bottom of this newsletter! NEW

You'll find information on two great, new ways to raise money for your student's trip account – the Pie Shoppe fundraiser and the Sarris Holiday Candy fundraiser.

PMEA HONORS BAND AUDITION INFORMATION FOR THIS MONDAY NEW

If you're planning on auditioning for the PMEA Honors Band this Monday, 10/1, you should get to the audition site ASAP as signups begin before school lets out. You're responsible for the \$5 registration fee and transportation to and from the audition site. Note, if you're auditioning, you're excused from tomorrow's marching band rehearsal. If you have any questions, please contact me before you contact the audition host.

PMEA info sheet:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CfEOHCYez5sEHYdy_2VR0wpGE-OAV2-2/view?usp=sharing

Also please send an email to jcheskawich@mtlsd.net to let Mr. Cheskawich know you are auditioning. Mr. Spang is the Mt. Lebanon representative for this event. Break a leg!

Mr. Cheskawich

jcheskawich@mtlsd.net

FAMILIES WITH SENIOR STUDENTS: YOUR RSVP IS NEEDED ASAP! RSVP DUE NOW

We still haven't heard from some senior parents about Senior Recognition Night, and we need your RSVP ASAP! Senior Recognition Night is Friday, 10/19, and we're in the final planning stages.

If you haven't already RSVPd, please email Barb at barbndom99@gmail.com or call her at 412-302-3559. Be sure to let her know how you would like your name to be announced and appear on your name tag.

This is an important evening for our senior musicians, rockettes, and guard. We hope all parents/guardians of the senior marching band members can attend.

For details, please click the link below:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1r2bCdCONHycHSD8hP8EDsc0YJdapfeoz/view?usp=sharing>

Barb Pellicciotti

Senior Recognition Night Chair

barbndom99@gmail.com

THE 2018-2019 BAND DIRECTORY IS NOW AVAILABLE!

The 2018-2019 Band Directory has been added to Charms under Handouts and Files. You must be a current member of MLBB to receive access to the directory. Following payment of the Annual Fee, all parents/guardians of a student will automatically become members of MLBB.

The Marching Band Directory is produced for members of the Band Builders and contains information only for those students whose parents submitted information. This directory is not to be used for

commercial purposes. Every effort was made to accurately reflect the information that was submitted, and if you have changes to be made, please let us know of the corrections.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

THANK YOU to everyone who has helped with the football games so far – especially the away games! As you've seen, the band couldn't do it without you. There's still a lot of the season left, and we continue to need volunteers each week – for both football games and band festivals. If you haven't helped already, it's not too late. And if you have, we'd love to have you help again. Just sign up in Charms for any dates you're available!

Please note you must have your clearances – and they must be registered at the school. For more information on clearances, go to:

http://www.leboband.com/uploads/4/7/6/4/4764398/clearance_instructions_2018.pdf

Let us know if you have any questions about Charms or clearances or anything band.

Thanks again,

Sharon & Jen
MLBB Co-VPs

NEED MORE BAND PHOTOS?

The photo orders from Wayne's World of Photography have been distributed, but if you'd like to order more, you can do so at his website. In addition, the kids and sections all took "goofy/fun" photos after their normal photos, and these are also available for purchase on the website. To view and order photos, go to <http://waynesworldofphotography.com/Collections> and click on School Events > Mt. Lebanon High School Marching Band.

FUNDRAISING INFO:

Mt. Lebanon Band Builders sponsors a wide variety of fundraisers throughout the year. Most of these fundraisers are offered to help you pay for your student's annual band trip. Trip credit funds are stored in an account earmarked for students to pay for trips. You can view your trip balance on Charms.

For those participating in fundraisers, please make your checks out to Mt. Lebanon Band Builders, and write your student's name on the check to receive trip credits. No cash will be accepted.

Debbie Wargo
Kelly Gyurina
Fundraising Co-Chairs

It's PIE TIME, everybody! **NEW**

We're excited to announce that **our Pie Shoppe fundraiser will be running this year from 10/15 to 10/31.** Information sheets and order forms will be available in the Band room on or before the 15th. Please pick them up, take them home, and START SELLING! Or you can find them at the links below:

Pie Shoppe Fundraiser Information Sheet:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1QYM4MBoUA3xDkXOfG7CG3nSOmlgEZx>

Pie Shoppe Fundraiser Order Form:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1zrHJ2l3Gqi52gAjl115j-f4o0nDPPhLTT>

Questions? Contact:
Kelly Gyurina
Fundraising Co-Chair
412-965-3580
kelly@gyurina.com

The Sarris Holiday Candy fundraiser is back! NEW

This fundraiser can boost trip your credit accounts a LOT. The student credit for this fundraiser is 25%, but if the band as a whole sells more than \$2,000 of candy (we have done this every year) each seller receives 32% of their candy sales into their student credit account.

Think ahead to holiday gifts that you need to buy and give candy! Brochures and order forms will be in the Band Room and also in a box on the front porch of Debbie Wargo's house (315 Parkside Ave, 15228).

Money and order forms (both yellow and white sheets) should be returned to Debbie by Friday, 11/9.

Please make checks payable to MLBB. If participating, please send Debbie an email at dwargo315@yahoo.com after you drop off your money and order forms so that she can confirm receipt and put you on the group email list of sellers. **Candy delivery date will be Monday, 12/10.**

Questions? Contact:
Debbie Wargo
Fundraising Co-Chair
dwargo315@yahoo.com

Peppi's hoagies – a delicious way to earn student fundraising credit. ORDERS DUE THIS WEEK

We sell Peppi's hoagies for \$7 each, and you earn \$3 trip credit for each hoagie sold. There are four varieties of hoagies: Italian, Ham, Turkey, and Cheese.

Here are the rest of the hoagie dates for the school year:

- October - orders due 10/6, pickup on 10/13
- November - orders due 11/3, pickup on 11/10
- December - NO HOAGIE SALE
- January - orders due 1/5, pickup on 1/12
- February - orders due 1/26, pickup on 2/2 (Super Bowl is on Sunday, 2/3)
- March - orders due 3/9, pickup on 3/16
- April - orders due 4/6, pickup on 4/13
- May - orders due 5/3, pickup on 5/11

Orders are due with payment by noon on the order dates listed above. Send orders with payment to 1427 Pueblo Drive 15228. Checks should be made payable to MLBB, and please be sure to note your student's name on the order form and check.

Order hoagies for a convenient "no-cook dinner." You can also order hoagies to be donated to charities.

Pickup is at the same location on the pickup dates listed above from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

October Hoagie Order Form (to turn in with your order):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dXLRPEb8yGsyq6z-jAVwRn5wM6yUTWS/view?usp=sharing>

October Hoagie Chart (to keep a list of your orders for delivery):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1g5xVLH5eFhA5fl_m9VgDfthU8WiPYgYr/view?usp=sharing

Questions? Contact:
Samantha Routh
Hoagie Sale Chair
samantharouth@verizon.net

Buy gift cards for an easy way to raise funds for your child's trip.

Simply contact the chairperson selling the gift cards for where you'd like to dine or shop. Checks should be made out to MLBB (not the chair). You earn 9% trip credit for your purchase of Eat 'n Park gift cards and 5% trip credit when you purchase Giant Eagle and Shop 'n Save gift cards.

Eat'n Park cards (sold in \$10 and \$25 denominations)

Sharon Baylor 614-315-7522 sharon_baylor@mac.com

Patty Siegert 412-531-7243 plsiegert@aol.com

Giant Eagle cards (sold in \$50 and \$100 denominations)

Meredyth Glass 412-512-2191 mtsg2@aol.com

Shop 'n Save cards (sold in \$100 denominations)

Gina Bouvy 412-343-3415 ginab8874@gmail.com

Omaha Steaks fundraiser – great for local and out-of-town ordering.

Use this fundraiser to raise money for your student's trip credit account – and help MLBB at the same time! MLBB receives 10% of all orders, which is then split as 5% for the band member's trip credit and 5% for the MLBB general fund.

Example: You place a \$250 order. Your student receives \$12.50 in trip credit, and the MLBB general fund receives \$12.50.

What's more, it's a great way for out-of-town family members and friends to help send your band member on trip! Anyone in the continental U.S. can place an order.

IMPORTANT: When you place an order, please let me know at pghbucs.fan@verizon.net so I can ensure proper credit to your trip account. Be sure to have anyone else placing orders for your student do the same.

To order, go to www.steaksforgood.com/MtLebanon or go to their retail store at Settlers Ridge. If you use the retail location, just tell them it's for Mt. Lebanon Band Builders.

Questions? Contact:
Greg Daubner
Omaha Steaks Fundraising Chair
pghbucs.fan@verizon.net

Amazon Smile – don't forget MLBB when ordering on Amazon.

Here's an easy way to help raise money for the Marching Band! When shopping on Amazon, instead of just going to their website, go to our Amazon Smile site at <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2910572> and a portion of your purchase will be donated back to the Mt. Lebanon Band Builders! (And don't forget, you can use Giant Eagle and Shop & Save gift cards to purchase Amazon gift cards!)