

NIMPA NEWS

FROM THE DIRECTOR...RICK ECKLER



Dear Northland Family,

Good Luck to All! We are about to start another new school year and I wish all of us the best! Band Camp was a huge success! Congratulations and Thank You! OK really the band talks too much when they get tired but with a little conversation about character.....they come back to focus on the task at hand! I'm very proud of you all for your accomplishments and hard work. We will have a great season this fall!

Please read all information in this newsletter and keep it handy for all of its information.

Thank you to so many people! Ellin Ray and crew, Alan Ray, Amy Likens and Ruth Ann Parrish you guys are great! You have been so diligent in your efforts to fit the band! Thank you, they are going to look great! Thank you to the other volunteers who helped on Thursday and Friday fitting nights too! By the way, I got a panic key today! Sorry, inside joke to a bunch of Friday workers!

Ruth Ann, thanks for your help with the kids schedules and all the office work you've been at for two weeks. I don't know what would have happened without your input!

Scott Adams did a great job on the buttons! Ask your kids for them, they were delivered today. If you need more or missed the chance for a button, see Scott at the games.

As you know, students will start classes on Wed. 8/24. Band Rehearsal will start at 7:00am. We are giving up 15 minutes of rehearsal each day, please be on time! Parents please help and insist that they arrive on time! Remember what Dr. Woods of The Ohio State University Marching Band says. "To be early is to be on time! To be on time is to be late! To be late is to be left!" Don't be left!

I look forward to meeting the new parents and seeing the returning parents at the ball games. Please come out and see your kids perform! You'll be so proud!

As always, thanks to NIMPA and Roxann Damron for your support and help with everything we do. You all make me feel blessed and thankful to be the director at Northland. Please contact me with questions or concerns.

I remain, Musically Yours,

C. Rick Eckler, Director of Bands and Orchestra

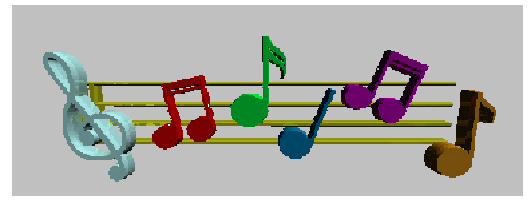
UP COMING BAND DATES

The next NIMPA meeting will be Tues Sept 8th @6:30 pm in the band room

Fri Sept 4th Home game
Tailgate party-Before game in the back-More info inside!

If you have any items for the newsletter, please send them to:
Penny Adams
Pennya911@aol.com

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT...



Welcome back, everyone! Believe it or not, it's school time again and the band is in full swing. They are planning some really fun shows this year, so I think we're all in for a treat.

The first NIMPA meeting of the year was August 11. Thanks to everyone who came, and thanks to the new parents who were able to attend. We had a good meeting. The next meeting is September 8 at 6:30. We would love to see you all there. We still have a few open positions for anyone who might be interested. Just let me know.

We have our first fundraiser underway. The Little Caesar's Pizza sale is going on and the kids will make \$5 per item sold. All money raised will go toward the trip. The more you sell the less money you'll owe later. Speaking of the trip, we are still working on the plans with the travel company. Keep coming to the meetings and reading the newsletter to stay informed.

Thanks to everyone who helped on uniform nights. We think it went very well. We keep learning new ways to improve on this every year. We have the t-shirts to sell as well. These aren't part of the required uniform, but the kids like them and they are selling well. We ordered more of the smaller sizes, which should be here before the first game.

If you want to order blankets or NIMPA shirts, please contact me or Sheri Thompson. Sheri can be reached at 854-0004. We can order blankets with "Marching Band" or "Valkyries" on them, so let us know which one you want when placing the order. The order forms are included in this newsletter. As soon as we get 12 blanket orders, we can get them, so let us know. The sooner we place the order, the quicker we get the blankets.

As always, if you need anything, don't hesitate to call me. I do work full time, so if you call me and I don't answer, please leave me a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

We hope to see you all at the first home game on September 4. Go Vikings!

Roxann

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Reminder: NIMPA meets on the second Tuesday of every month (except July). Meetings start at 6:30 pm and are in the Band room. All parents, guardians, etc are invited. Find out about NIMPA and what you can do to make it stronger..

Instrumental Music Calendar 2009 – 2010

NIMPA Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30PM in the band room.

All parents are encouraged to attend.

M-F 6/15 – 7/9	Summer Music at Northland, 8 - 12
Thurs. July 9	Summer Band Concert 6:45pm
July 4	Karl Road Parade, 11:00am meet 10:30am
M-F Aug 10- 21	Band Camp 8 – 12, also 6-8pm on Wed. 12 & 19.
Tues. Aug 11	New Parent Meeting, 7:00pm
Thurs. Aug 13	Sophomore/Junior/Senior Uniform Night, 5- 8pm
Fri. Aug 14	Freshman Uniform Night, 6-8pm
Tues. Aug 25	Mandatory Rehearsal, 9 – 11am
Wed. Aug 26	First Day of School
Fri. Aug 28	Cleveland Heights 7:30pm away
Fri. Sept 4	TBA 7:30pm away
Fri. Sept 11 th	Marion – Franklin 7:30pm away
Fri. Sept 18	Brookhaven 7:30pm home
Fri. Sept 25	East 7:30pm home Homecoming
Fri. Oct 2	Cenntenial 7:30pm Junior High Night
Fri. Oct 9	Mifflin 7:30pm away
Fri. Oct 16	Whetstone 7:30pm Senior Night
Fri. Oct 23	Linden – McKinley 7:30pm Away
Thurs. Oct 29	Orchestra Fall Festival 6:30 Activities, Concert 7:30pm
Fri. Oct 30	Beechcroft 7:30pm Away
Thurs. Nov 5	Marching Band Concert 7:00pm, Row Awards and Pizza
Thurs. Dec.3	Instrumental Music Winter Concert 7:00pm
Dec.18 – Jan 4	Winter Break
Thurs. Feb. 4	Solo and Ensemble Recital 7:00pm
Sat. Feb. 13	Solo and Ensemble Contest (times TBA the week before)
Thur. Mar. 4	Pre-Contest (Concert & Symphonic Bands) 7:00pm
Fri/Sat Mar 12/13	District Band Contest (Time TBA)
April 2 - 12	Spring Break Starts
Tue May 4	Jazz and Orchestra Spring Concert 7:00pm
Thur May 6	Concert and Symphonic Band Spring Concert 7:00pm
Tues May 11	NIMPA Awards 6:30
Thur. May 20	Memorial Day Celebration 7:00pm
May ?	Ted Pollack Concert @ Woodward Park (date & TBA)
May ?	PAR Performance for strings (date & time TBA)
June 5	Graduation Band (Required)

Hi everyone!

Uniform nights are over! Almost all the band members have been fitted for a uniform and those that were not able to come to either uniform night will get taken care of as soon as possible.

Thank you to all the parents and band members who helped make this process such a great success!! This would not have worked as well as it did without your help.

Some of the uniforms have some mending and repairs that need to be done, but since the band will be in their summer uniforms for at least the first two games, we will have the dress uniforms ready to go by the time they are needed.

With the uniforms staying in the band room this year, I would like to ask all band members to return from row dinners to the band room in a timely manner. For the first couple of games in the dress uniforms, give yourself plenty of time to get changed into your uniform, and help the new band members with their uniforms. Of course Uniform Committee parents will be there to help, but we expect that the Squad Leaders and older students will set a good example and help as well.

Again, thank you to everyone who helped and made uniform nights such a huge success!!!

If anyone has any questions about uniforms, please contact me.

Ellin Ray

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614-846-0504 (home)

Northland Viking Band Blanket
Order Form

Blankets are made of a forest green knit, with your choice of student group (see below) knit in yellow. It includes the Viking logo as well. Blankets are \$40/each and will be ordered when we reach 12 minimum orders.

Number of "Marching Band" Blankets _____

Number of "Football" Blankets _____

Number of "Valkyrie" Blankets _____

Number of "Cheerleader" Blankets _____

Total Blankets: _____ x \$40 Total: \$_____

Name: _____

Preferred Phone #: _____

Student Name: _____

Since blankets cannot be made until we reach a minimum of 12 orders, separate payment is required. Please make checks payable to NIMPA. *Payment will be held until order is submitted.*

Blankets typically arrive in approximately 4 weeks, but a more accurate delivery time will be confirmed at the time of the order.

Please contact Sheri Thompson at 854-0004 to place a blanket order.



HOSPITALITY

Here we go! The first football game is Friday, August 28 at Cleveland Heights and before the first home game on Sept. 4 we will have our traditional tailgate party. It starts at 5:30 and is in the grassy area on the east side of the school. Bring a dish or dessert to share and meet family and friends of the Northland Viking marching band. Tableware and drinks will be provided. Hope to see you. If you have any questions please call or email me and hopefully I can answer your question.

Fran Crabtree

Hospitality Committee

Email: frane426@sbcglobal.net

Phone: 614-891-7564

FUNDRAISING ANNOUNCEMENT !!!!

Dear Parents/Students:

Starting Wednesday, August 12, 2009, NIMPA will launch a Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser to raise funds for the "Spring Break Trip." Your student will earn \$5 for every item he/she sells!!

- **Our sales period will be from August 12 to September 4, 2009.**
- **Students are to collect payment at time of order. Any checks should be made out to NIMPA.**
- **All order forms with money are due no later than September 8, 2009.**
- **Pick-up time of purchased items is scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2009.**

We expect that this Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser will be a great success! As always, we appreciate your support for the 2009/2010 Northland Viking school year.

Sincerely,

Ella J. Madison

NIMPA Fundraiser Chairperson

NORTHLAND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC NIMPA

Show your support for your Instrumental Music student!

Item (***)	Please note: Items are men's sizes only (***)	Price	Color	S	M	L	XL	2X	3X	Total	Total
		Each	(Circle)							Items	Price
440M	Polo Shirt with NIMPA emblem embroidered	18.00	Forest Green or White					+\$3	+\$3		
4662	Crewneck Sweat Shirt with NIMPA emblem embroidered	14.00	Grey								
J20	Brushed Twill Shirt (Peach fuzz) button-down with NIMPA emblem embroidered on pocket	23.00	Ever Green								
K321	Mock Turtle Neck with instrument embroidered	16.00	Forest Green or White								
PC61M	Mock Turtle Neck (embroidered) Type of instrument- trumpet, drum, sax, flute, trombone or treble clef.	12.00	Gold								
Instrument choice #1 _____ Instrument choice #2 _____											
Total Order											

NAME _____

PHONE# _____

STUDENT'S NAME _____

Orders need to be turned in by **Friday, Sept. 4** and are prepaid
(checks may be made out to NIMPA).

Order forms with payment may be turned in to Roxann Damron or Sheri Thompson.

Please use checks or money orders. You may also mail your order to :

Roxann Damron, 5492 Durrell Road, Columbus OH 43229.

Any questions, call Roxann (578 -9253), or Sheri (854 -0004)

**NORTHLAND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
PARENTS ASSOCIATION**

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Email: crickeckler@netscape.net

www.nimpa.org

To the Parent (s) or Guardian (s) of ...

**ATTENTION
PLEASE READ**

*This newsletter contains very important info for the 2009/2010 band
season*

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