



NOTABLES

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December 2014

Upcoming Events:

- December 2: Prairie View 1st and 2nd Grade Music Program
- December 4: Prairie Creek General Music Winter Concert
- December 6: NEIBA Honor Band – selected students grades 7 – 12 ([see page 2 for students selected](#))
- December 11: Prairie Ridge 1st and 2nd Grade Music Program

[\(See page 3 for a summary of our remaining 2014-2015 events\)](#)

December 2014 Volunteer Opportunities

During the month of **December** we are looking for volunteers to help with the following events:

- **Bake Sales – Cookie Baking**
<http://vols.pt/6fHJxf>
- **Bake Sales – Cookie Plating**
<http://vols.pt/C91z8Q>
- **Bake Sales – Cookie Sales**
<http://vols.pt/C91z8Q>
- **Concert Admissions and Ushers**
<http://vols.pt/n6HzWy>
- **Volunteer Sign-up for *Premiere* is open!**
<http://vols.pt/5Q6Nqz>
[\(See page 3 for information\)](#)

Click on this link to sign up for any of these events:

[Prairie Music Association Volunteer Spot](#)

Did you know...

The High School **Concert Choir** and **Chorale Choir** students will be in the community singing Christmas carols during their assigned ‘final test’ times.

Concert Choir will be at the Cedar Rapids Airport on December 19 and **Chorale** will be in two groups, one at Hibu and one at Transamerica on December 22. Watch for these two groups in your area!

Upcoming Concerts:

- December 2: Creek 5th Grade Band Concert
- December 8: High School Show Choir Concert
- December 11: Winter Holiday Concert – High School Band (Bake Sale)
- December 16: Point Select Choirs Concert (Bake Sale)
- December 18: Winter Holiday Concert – High School Choir (Bake Sale)

Thank you!

A huge **THANK YOU** to all of the volunteers who helped with the Wreath & Candy Fundraiser to make it a success!

Support Prairie Music Association

To find out about how you can help support Prairie Music Association as a **parent, grandparent, friend or neighbor** click on this link to find out about our [Patrons Program](#).

Are you a **business owner**, do you work for a company that would be interested in being a Prairie Music Association Business Sponsor? Find out about how you can help support Prairie Music Association as a [Business Sponsor](#) click on this link and then click on the **Become a PMA Sponsor** box.

Doing Your Holiday Shopping at Amazon.com?

Just switch to **AmazonSmile.com**, select Prairie Music Association as your charity of choice and a small percentage of your purchases will be donated to Prairie Music Association.

Upcoming Prairie Music Association Meetings

No General Meeting in December

Next Meeting :January 13, 2015

All meetings are held at 7:00 PM in the High School Band Room

Upcoming Committee Meetings

December 9, 2014 *Premiere Committee*

5:30 High School Choir Room

CONGRATULATIONS NEIBA HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BAND MUSICIANS!

A new school-record number of **EIGHTEEN** Prairie High School Band members have been selected for the Northeast Iowa Bandmasters Association "HONOR BAND" to be held at Oelwein High School on Saturday, December 6, 2014! These students will perform in one of two 125-piece select ensembles!

The NEIBA "HONOR BAND" is made up of students from over sixty-five schools in the northeast Iowa area. Selection to this group is a great honor for both the students and for the Prairie Band program.

The students will rehearse all day Saturday and present a concert that evening at 7:00 P.M. in the Oelwein High School Gymnasium. Tickets for the final concert may be purchased at the door.

Aubree Bourgeois	Senior Oboe	Paul Danker	Junior Bassoon
Annabelle Fewell	Senior Alto Sax	Alex Mixon	Junior French Horn
Miranda Finn	Senior Flute	Jordan Svoboda	Junior Clarinet
Katie Gilbertson	Senior Clarinet	Taylor Zeller	Junior Tuba
Kyle Martin	Senior Trumpet	Riley Andreasen	Sophomore Bassoon
Brianna McAtee	Senior Flute	Cairo Dinicola	Sophomore Tuba
Josh Piering	Senior Bass Trombone	Spencer Heggen	Sophomore Trombone
Jacob Sherman	Senior Tuba	Blake Krapfl	Sophomore Bari Saxophone
Sebrina Webster	Senior French Horn	Alex Tjelmeland	Sophomore Oboe

CONGRATULATIONS NEIBA MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR BAND MUSICIANS!

Seven Prairie Point Band Students were selected for the NEIBA Middle School Honor Band held at Oelwein High School on Saturday, December 6, 2014.

These students rehearse all day Saturday and present a concert at 5:00 P.M. in the Oelwein High School Gymnasium.

Mackenzie Albert	Alto Sax	Ashley Kientoff	Tuba
Cody Copeland-Damrow	Trombone	Jenna Thimmesch	Clarinet
Eady Forrest	Bassoon	Abigail Tiedeman	Flute
Cole Huedepohl	Percussion		

CONGRATULATIONS NEIBA HONOR JAZZ ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS!

The NEIBA "Honor Jazz Ensembles" are made up of students from over sixty-five schools in the northeast Iowa area. These students will rehearse all day on Saturday, January 10, 2015 and will perform in one of three 20-piece select jazz ensembles at Kennedy High School in Cedar Rapids at 7:00 that evening.

Abby Murdock	Sophomore	Trumpet
Josh Piering	Senior	Bass Trombone

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE REMAINING
PRAIRIE MUSIC ASSOCIATION 2014-2015 EVENTS!**

JANUARY 10, 2015: PREMIERE

“Premiere” is Prairie’s Show Choir event to kick off the show choir season. With 20 amazing show choir groups performing, thousands of students, parents, friends and family will be on our campus to enjoy the full day of entertainment.

Proceeds from Premiere benefit Prairie kids in grades K – 12 through the Prairie Music Association. We ask that all music families give their time by serving one volunteer shift that day. Watch for a VolunteerSpot link to be sent in an e-mail soon!

Checkout the website at www.prairiepremiere.com. (A link to this web site can also be found on the Prairie Music Association website, www.prairiemusic.com.)



JANUARY 27 TO FEBRUARY 6, 2015: SPRING FUNDRAISER

Our annual Fruit & Candy sale. Please support our association by selling items to your friends and family members.

APRIL 10, 2015: CURTAIN CALL

Join us for an elegant evening featuring members of the Prairie High School Show Choirs and Chamber Choir. Desserts and beverages will be served during intermission.

MAY 21, 2015: JUST JAZZ

Join us for an entertaining evening featuring Prairie High School’s Jazz I and Jazz II and recognition of the senior members of these groups. Dessert and beverages are served following the performance.

All of these events raise the money to supplement and support **ALL** band and music programs, kindergarten through 12th grade, in the College Community School District. Please mark your calendars for all of these events. We ask that at least one family member of every student involved in music at Prairie (grade school through high school, band, jazz band, choir or show choir) volunteer for a shift for Bands Across the Prairie and Premiere. Volunteer sign-ups will be posted on the Volunteer Spot web site: [Prairie Music Association Volunteer Spot](#)