

**North Andover Scarlet Knight Band
2017 - 2018**



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Sincerely,
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2017– 2018

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Band Camp 2017

**Band camp runs from Monday, August 14th through Saturday, August 19th.
PLEASE NOTE DUE TO FIELD CONSTRUCTION BAND CAMP WILL BE HELD MAINLY AT NORTH
ANDOVER MIDDLE SCHOOL.**

Monday, August 14th	9:00AM – 4:00PM	Lunch Break 12:00PM - 1:00PM
Tuesday, August 15th	9:00 AM – 4:00PM	Lunch Break 12:00PM – 1:00PM
Wednesday, August 16th	9:00AM – 4:00PM	Lunch Break 12:00PM – 1:00PM
Thursday, August 17th	9:00AM – 4:00PM	Lunch Break 12:00PM – 1:00PM
Friday, August 18th	9:00AM – 4:00PM	Lunch Break 12:00PM – 1:00PM
Saturday, August 19th	9:00AM – 12:00PM	NAMA BBQ 12:00PM – 1:00PM
PREVIEW SHOW	2:00PM	

Each day of camp you will need to bring:

- Water (I recommend you bring a thermos with your name on it)
- **Dot Books and Music**
- Sneakers at **all** rehearsals. (Extra socks are a good idea).
- Sunglasses, hat, sunscreen and bug spray.
- Weather specific clothing. Watch the weather!

A few other reminders...

- Make sure your instruments are in working condition before camp!
- Eat a good breakfast before you come to camp!!
- Come ready to work AND have fun! We are going to have a great season!

Marching Band FAQ's

What is Band Camp?

Band camp is the time before school begins where the band can focus on refreshing their marching skills, learning and memorizing all the new music and learning their formations on the field for the marching show.

What is NESBA?

NESBA stands for the New England Scholastic Band Association. It is an organization that supports music in the schools and sponsors marching band festivals for bands throughout the fall. North Andover hosts a NESBA event each fall, this year it is scheduled for Saturday, October 14th. The marching band will have the opportunity to perform in front of judges and an audience and be evaluated at each sponsored performance. More information can be found at www.nesba.org.

What does the rehearsal schedule look like and will there be time for homework?

The rehearsal schedule during the school year will be two nights a week and Saturday mornings in September and October.

The fall rehearsal schedule can be found on the NAMA website (when available, check the calendar) and each student will receive a hard copy for the refrigerator! During the week, rehearsals are from 6:00PM – 9:00PM. Rehearsal days vary due to use of Walsh Stadium. Saturday rehearsals in September are from 9:00AM – 1:00PM. Saturday rehearsal times in October vary due to performance times.

Plan your fall schedules appropriately!

While this seems like a significant time commitment, if you are organized and plan ahead you will have plenty of time to do homework, study and socialize. There are several students in the marching band that participate

in scouts, drama, play a fall sport, work and participate in marching band. **If you want to be in marching band, we can make it work! Please see me ahead of time so we can work out schedules!**

North Andover Scarlet Knights Band Handbook

Mission:

The purpose of the North Andover High School Scarlet Knight bands is:

1. To develop strong musicianship and ensemble performance skills.
2. To develop character, leadership, teamwork and individual responsibility while maintaining high moral standards.
3. To provide entertainment and promote school spirit in cooperation with school and civic activities.
4. To compete/perform locally and at the state level at the ensemble and individual levels.

Organization:

The North Andover High School band program is made up of all students involved in playing instruments in the Wind Ensemble (Audition Only), Symphonic Band (Any student grades 9-12), Jazz Ensemble (Audition Only) and the Scarlet Knight Marching Band; all band members are required to be members of the marching band.

Student offices are chosen through a combination of director choice, group voting and tryouts/performance. In the case of a vacancy, the Director will appoint the most qualified person to fill the vacancy. Any officer not fulfilling his/her responsibilities can be removed from office.

Student Officers:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Librarian (2)
- Historian (2)
- Drum Majors
- Section Leaders
- Equipment Manager (optional appointment)

Ensembles:

Wind Ensemble:

The North Andover High School Wind Ensemble is one of the premiere instrumental performing groups at North Andover High School and is comprised of the most dedicated instrumentalists. As a member of this honors ensemble, students will perform high level literature for winds and percussion. For the first trimester, the Wind Ensemble combines with the Symphonic Band to perform as the Scarlet Knight Marching Band. Students who are accepted to the Wind Ensemble must commit fully to the group and understand the added responsibility of being a member of this ensemble. All Symphonic Band students are eligible to audition for the NAHS Wind Ensemble. **Students who are unable to take Wind Ensemble in school Trimester 1 are still required to participate in Marching Band.** Wind Ensemble is a full year course.

Symphonic Band:

Symphonic Band is a performance-based ensemble that is open to all students who have successfully completed at least one year of band at the middle school level. Students who have not met these criteria should contact the band director to arrange an audition. The Symphonic Band will perform in multiple venues, including a winter and spring concert, festival opportunities in and out of state and other various community events. Emphasis will be placed on ensemble playing- the perfection of a coordinated group. Students will play a variety of wind band literature, focusing on the improvement of musical and technical abilities of the musicians. **All students electing Symphonic Band automatically agreed to participate in all functions at**

which the Scarlet Knight Marching Band performs. Symphonic Band is a full year course. Students who are unable to take Symphonic Band in school Trimester 1 are still required to participate in Marching Band.

Jazz Ensemble:

Students will study music of the jazz idiom. The repertoire for the ensemble will be chosen from jazz, swing, Dixieland, funk and rock. Students must audition for this ensemble. Jazz Ensemble is an extracurricular ensemble that meets once a week after school during the 2nd and 3rd trimesters.

Scarlet Knight Marching Band:

Marching Band is an after school performing ensemble made up of all 9-12 band students enrolled in either Wind Ensemble or Symphonic Band. This is a challenging yet fun aspect to band performance. Marching Band has the following requirements: attend a week of band camp in August, attend multiple after school rehearsals each week, perform at home football games, and perform at 6 NESBA competitions. Perform at parades (Veterans Day, North Andover Santa Parade, Little League Parade and Memorial Day). The majority of marching band events take place from September-November, with one additional parade on Memorial Day.

Policies

Sectionals:

"Sectionals" refer to separate rehearsals for each "section" or group of "instruments" isolated from the rest of the group. Throughout the year, sectionals occur weekly. Information about sectionals will be determined at the beginning of the year. Typically, a "section" agrees upon a time when all students can meet and this becomes the weekly sectional rehearsal time for the entire school year. Sectionals are usually 45 minutes-1 hour in duration and take place during after-school hours at the NAHS campus. Sectionals are mandatory; sectional rehearsals aid in the development of blend and balance within sections as well as the overall ensemble.

Preparedness:

You are expected to be prepared for all rehearsals and performances and to have the following items:

- Musical instrument in working condition and necessary supplies (reeds, oil, mutes, sticks, tuner, metronome)
- Music (including all warm up exercises)
- Pencil
- For Marching Band rehearsals - lyre, flip folder, dot book, water, appropriate clothing for rehearsals (sneakers, socks, hat, sun screen, bug spray)
- Positive Attitude

Attendance:

Students and their families are asked to strictly adhere to the following rules regarding attendance.

1. Any excused absence from a rehearsal or performance must be given, in writing (and signed by a parent), and approved by the band director two weeks before the event.
2. "Call times" are arrival times and are 15 minutes before start time, which allows 15 minutes to prepare. Remember, to be early is to be on time and to be on time is to be late.
3. ALL band members are expected to attend band camp in August.

Regarding the most common attendance issues:

- No verbal excuses are considered 'excused' for any reason.
- Any unexcused absence from a rehearsal or performance results in the lowering of the term grade.
- If a last-minute issue arises that will affect attendance, it is the student's responsibility to contact the director BEFORE rehearsal. Then, the student must bring a note (signed by parent/doctor) upon return.

Work Policy:

The director understands the importance of holding employment as a teenager, but also understands that employers will give days off, should they be required, if given enough notice.

- It is recommended that you give your employer a copy of your band schedule so that work shifts can be scheduled around rehearsals and performances.
- If your employer is uncooperative, notify the director who will then speak to the employer.

Sports and Band:

- It is challenging to participate in a fall sport and band, but is possible.
- Students who participate in a fall sport MUST provide a practice/game schedule when their band schedule contract is returned.
- Conflicts will occur. If forced to choose, pick a performance over a practice, or a game over a rehearsal. If a practice interferes with a rehearsal, you are expected to divide your time evenly.
- With scheduling conflicts in mind, remember that participation in band is a component of the academic curriculum and participation in sports is extracurricular.

Appointments:

- Appointments should be scheduled on non-practice days.

"I didn't know":

- An unacceptable excuse. The entire year's schedule is sent home, posted in the band room, emailed, posted on the Facebook page and the website. Any changes are made widely available.

Football Games:

- The marching band is required to perform at ALL HOME GAMES. It is part of your obligation to the music organization, the school and the town. Games are generally on Friday nights. Thanksgiving Day games are every other year on Thanksgiving morning.

Parades:

- Not only are parades excellent publicity for the music program and the school, they are often valuable fundraising events. Participation in parades is required, and absence from these events will not be tolerated.

Dress Code:

Performances:

Unless otherwise specified, concert black or your marching band uniform is required at all performances.

- Concert black: Black shirt, (tucked in) black pants/skirt, black shoes (e.g. Dinkles). For All Town band Concert - White Band Polo Shirt with black pants/skirt, black shoes.
- Marching band: Complete uniform, black socks, black gloves, Dinkles. For football games, a hat or gloves are permitted in the stands.

Code of Conduct:

Classroom Conduct:

- Band members are to read the whiteboard in the band room for daily class plans and prepare themselves appropriately.
- During school hours, passes are required for tardiness. School policy is strictly adhered to. Students should be in their seats with their instrument 5 minutes after the late bell.
- During rehearsal, talking is to be kept to a minimum and should be related to rehearsal only. Playing when not requested by the director is unacceptable.
- No food with the exception of bottled water is allowed anywhere in the music department!
- Learn your music. Home practice is required. Upperclassmen, in particular, are expected to set a positive example.
- Students should never use or touch an instrument that is not assigned to them or does not belong to them.
- Every effort must be made to protect instruments and equipment.

Performance/Trip Conduct:

The first musical organization the public will see is the marching band in the early fall. The impression set forth impacts the year's activities and the success of our other musical organizations.

- Attendance is mandatory, unless previously excused by the band director.
- Transportation will be provided by bus if needed. Unless otherwise designated, every student will be expected to ride the bus.
- All members are to report to the band room at the designated time, load the bus and go through roll call.
- School policy regarding conduct while riding a bus is applicable and will be enforced. Any student who does not follow the bus rules will have his/her parents/guardians contacted immediately and will be subject to consequences per the NAHS school-wide disciplinary policy. Students in violation of such policies may be subject to removal from a musical event and/or removal from the NAHS music department courses and programming.
- At football games, the band is to sit together in the stands in full uniform. Shakos are not required at this time.
- Students are 'free' during the 3rd quarter of the game. However, all conduct rules apply and uniforms are to be worn. All students must return to the stand by the start of the 4th quarter.
- If a student wishes to eat/drink during 3rd quarter, they should do so ONLY if they have covered their uniform with a band jacket.
- Playing is done as a group only, per the discretion of the director and as game-stoppage allows.
- No booing, abusive language or obscene gestures will be tolerated at any time.
- Chaperones and parent volunteers are to be treated with the utmost respect at all times.

Disciplinary Code:

Any member found to be breaking any rule from the North Andover Band Handbook or the North Andover High School Handbook will be referred to the director and, when appropriate, the school administration for disciplinary action. Membership in any of the Scarlet Knight music ensembles may be terminated at any time by the director with the approval of the administration. Students who do not complete their required Marching Band Commitment will not be allowed to stay enrolled in Symphonic Band or Wind Ensemble for Trimester 2 or 3.

NAHS Music Department and North Andover Music Association: Methods of Communication, 2017-2018

Questions? Email us at northandovermusicassociation@gmail.com

PRIMARY METHODS OF COMMUNICATION:

Remind App - *NEW for FALL 2017!

What is it for?

- ☐ Time-sensitive communications from NAHS Teachers: Justin Smalley and Sara Durkin
- ☐ Updates from Teachers will automatically be sent to your smart device once you sign up

Do I need this?

- ☐ **YES!** This is how students and families will receive important **REAL-TIME** details about schedules, schedule changes (which sometimes occur at the last-minute), attendance and performance dress requirements, etc.

How do I get it?

- ☐ **Band** link: <https://www.remind.com/join/d6844f>
- ☐ **Concert Choir** link: https://www.remind.com/join/nahsconc?utm_medium=ios
- ☐ **Scarlet and Black** link (**must sign up for Concert Choir Remind too**):
<https://www.remind.com/join/scarletblk>

Email via our Email service, Mailchimp

What is it for?

- ☐ Band and Chorus packets, including links to all forms that must be completed
- ☐ Weekly schedule from Teachers (Entitled **Band Week At A Glance** and **Chorus Week At A Glance**)
- ☐ Signup requests to volunteer at or donate to Music Department and North Andover Music Association (NAMA) events
- ☐ Miscellaneous Music Department and Music Association communications

Do I need this?

- ☐ **YES!** Some of this information will come via Remind; however, required forms and other information communicated by the Music Association rather than Teachers will come via NAMA Email, NOT via Remind

How do I get it?

- ☐ Once NAMA has your contact information, you will automatically receive NAMA Emails
- ☐ Emails will come to you from North Andover Music Association
- ☐ CHECK YOUR PROMOTIONS OR SPAM FOLDERS IF YOU BELIEVE YOU AREN'T GETTING NAMA EMAIL!

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR SECONDARY METHODS OF COMMUNICATION

SECONDARY METHODS OF COMMUNICATION:

Website www.northandovermusic.org

What is it for?

- ☐ All messages delivered via Remind and Email are posted to Website and archived there
- ☐ Paypal online donation option
- ☐ Music Department and Music Association Schedule Google Calendar (which can be linked to your personal Google calendar); **NOTE:** calendar is updated fairly regularly but may not reflect all changes or additions as they occur.
- ☐ Documents such as registration and order forms, Marching Band music and videos, etc.
- ☐ Publicity-related posts
- ☐ Information about NAMA such as Board Members and contacts

Do I need this?

- ☐ SOMETIMES, AS DIRECTED.
- ☐ Students (especially Marching Band) will occasionally be directed by Teachers or NAMA Officers to view certain files that are posted only to the Website, such as sheet music, field drill diagrams, and MP3 videos
- ☐ The Website is also helpful as a central location where all information transmitted via Remind and Email can be viewed in one place

How do I get it?

- ☐ Check Website regularly (during Marching Band season - August to November - the Website is updated almost daily for Band students)
- ☐ **NOTE:** We have had trouble with email subscriptions to the Website. Please do not rely on subscribing to the Website for automatic updates, as you may not receive them! We are working on the problem and will notify people once we are ready to implement a solution. Meanwhile, Remind and NAMA Email are the methods NAMA and Teachers will use.

Facebook and Twitter at North Andover Music Association

What is it for?

- ☐ All updates to the Website generate a Facebook post and a Tweet
- ☐ Extra sectional practices may be posted to FB by student section leaders
- ☐ Publicity-related posts
- ☐ Miscellaneous information of interest such as performance photos and videos posted by NAMA members and teachers

Do I need this?

- ☐ POSSIBLY FOR PARENTS, DEFINITELY FOR STUDENTS! Student section leaders may use Facebook to communicate with music students about extra sectional practices.
- ☐ Please do not rely exclusively on Facebook or Twitter to stay updated! Posts are moved down as new ones are entered, and information can be missed.

How do I get it?

- ☐ LIKE our Facebook page and FOLLOW our Twitter to receive notifications
Questions? Email us at northandovermusicassociation@gmail.com

**Music Department Health and
Emergency Card 2017-2018**

Please print the following information:

Name: _____ D.O.B.: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Parent(s) /Guardian(s): _____

Tel.# _____ Other Ph. #: _____

Home Address: _____

Family Physician: _____ Tel. # _____

Health Insurance Co.: Policy # _____

In case of an emergency, if parent can't be contacted, please notify:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Relationship: _____ Tel.# _____

ALLERGIC REACTIONS / CONCUSSIONS / MEDICATIONS:

Bee Sting _____ Drugs(List) _____

Other: _____ Does your child carry an EpiPen? Yes / No

Has your child been diagnosed with a concussion in the past? Yes / No

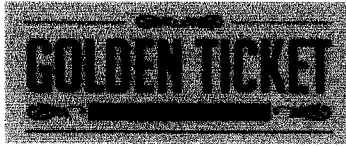
Are there any illnesses for which this child is currently receiving treatment and / or medication?

Yes / No

Please list and describe medications:

In Case of medical emergency, I hereby authorize any licensed physician, hospital, clinic, or other medical facility to hospitalize and secure proper treatment for my child as named above. In the event that a parent / guardian or contact person cannot be reached by telephone, I authorize my child's director or chaperone to secure emergency treatment for my child.

Signature _____ Date _____



Ultimate Band Camp Raffle

Simply do the following before the last day of Band Camp to be entered into the raffle to win gift cards to local restaurants PLUS Golden Tickets for Candy from the Closet!

Drawing to be done before Preview Show!

Have you?

- Filled out the 2017 Marching Band and Color Guard Form online and hit SUBMIT?* (Forms can be found at www.northandovermusic.org under Documents Tab, NAHS Band Documents)
- Filled out the medical form and brought it to Band Camp?*
- Filled out the Band Schedule Form (available mid-Band Camp)?*
- Paid for your items via check/cash/paypal?*
- Signed up for Remind?*

Yes? Then put your name here for a chance at the Ultimate Band Camp Raffle.
Put in Raffle Bin in the Band Room by Saturday August 19th at the start of practice!

*Please note we will be verifying this information



North Andover Music Association



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We Believe in Music

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<http://www.northandovermusic.org>

Hello Music Families,

Our parent run organization provides continuous support for music students throughout the North Andover Public Schools. The financial and volunteer support that the North Andover Music Association offers to the music program ranges from funding uniforms for band and chorus, scholarships to seniors, purchasing a piano for the Middle School and percussion equipment for Thomson, band and chorus competition aid and financial support for trips such as Festival Disney in Orlando FL, Carnegie Hall in NYC and the WorldStrides Festival of Gold in Los Angeles!

We invite everyone with a student active in music or simply an interest in music to help North Andover Music Association (NAMA) continue the ongoing growth and success of our programs with a tax-deductible donation.

NAMA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your tax deductible membership donation can be made in two (2) ways:

- 1) PayPal at www.northandovermusic.org
- 2) Fill out this form and mail your check payable to: North Andover Music Association
Address: NAMA c/o NAHS, 430 Osgood Street North Andover, MA 01845

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

I/We wish to become a member of NAMA by making a contribution to be acknowledged in programs as:

- ☐ **Sponsor and NAMA member (\$25-\$74)**
☐ **Patron (\$75-\$199)**
☐ **Angel (\$200 or more)**
☐ **Corporate (\$500 or more)**

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

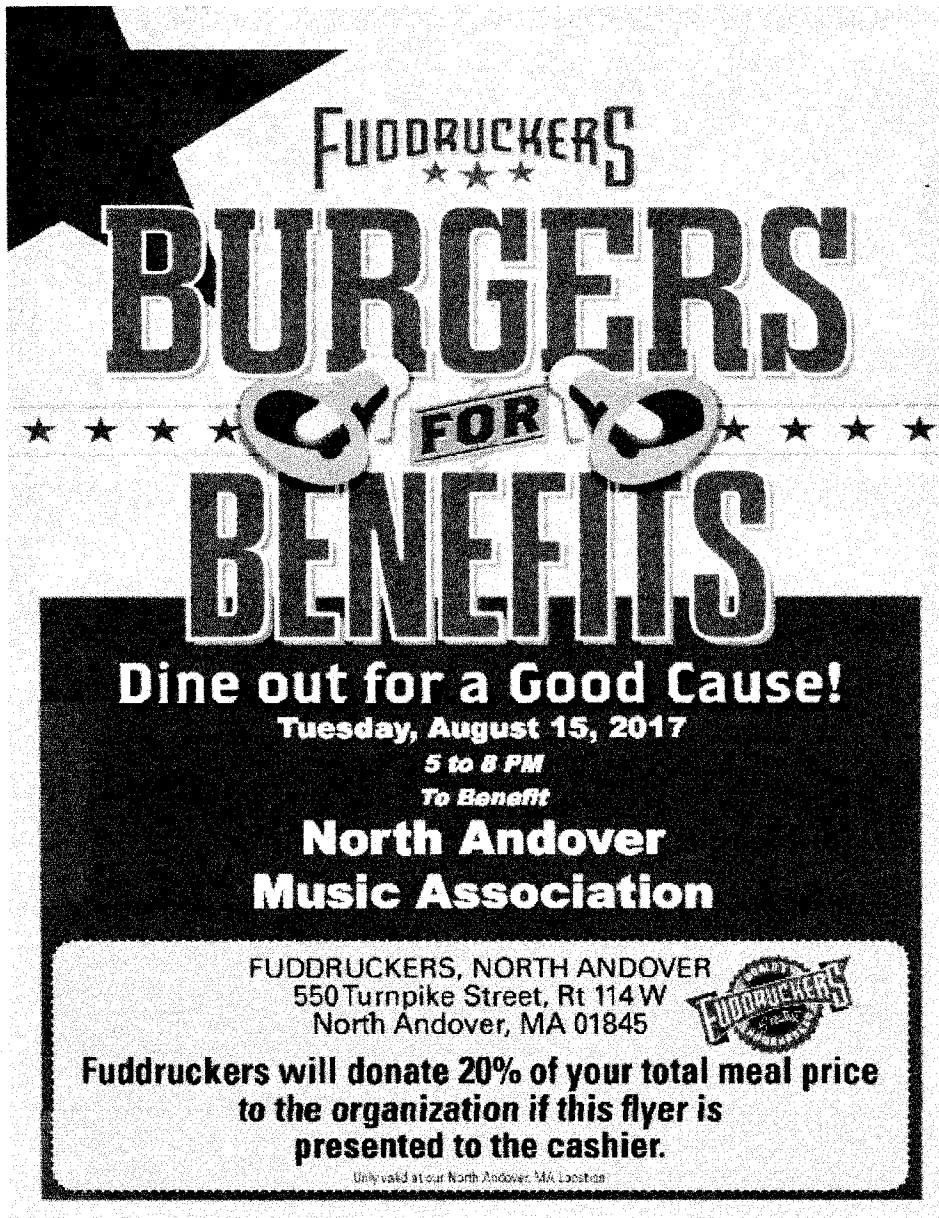
Does your company offer a matching gift program?

Remember Corporate Matching Gifts can double your support for our music programs!

Please contact Martin McGrath, NAMA President, at martinpmcgrath@msn.com for additional information.

Thank you for supporting the arts!

Music is the universal language of mankind. ~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, *Outre-Mer*



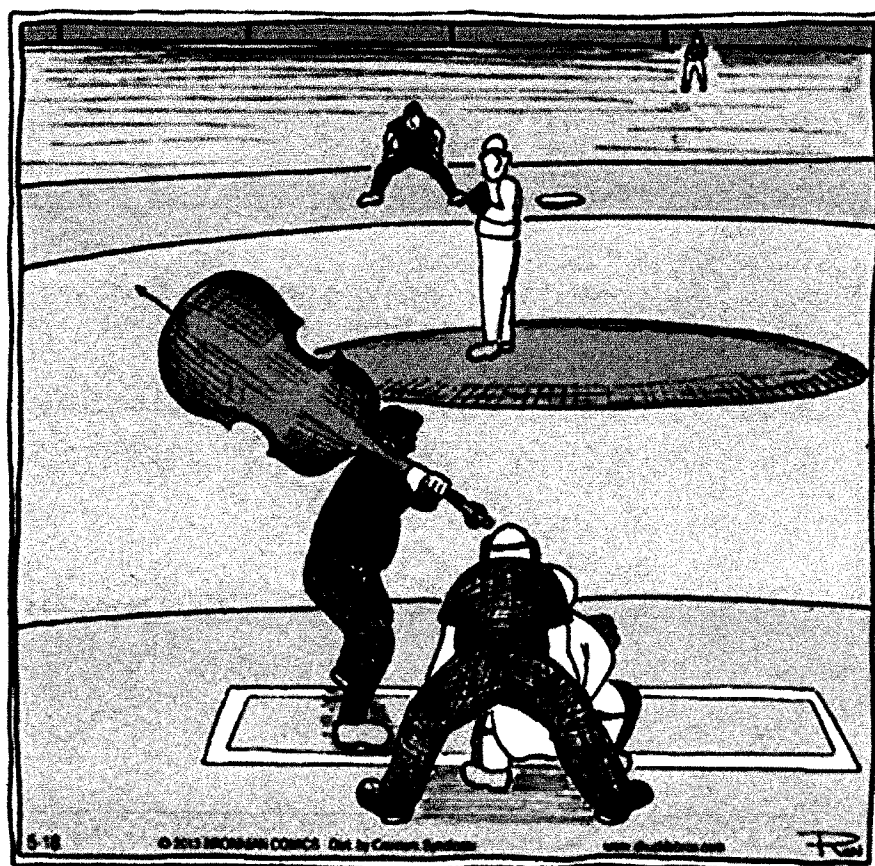
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**Being the bottom of the ninth, one run down,
with two outs and a runner on second,
Barry knew his team's only hope
was a double bass hit.**

Fall Schedule TBA