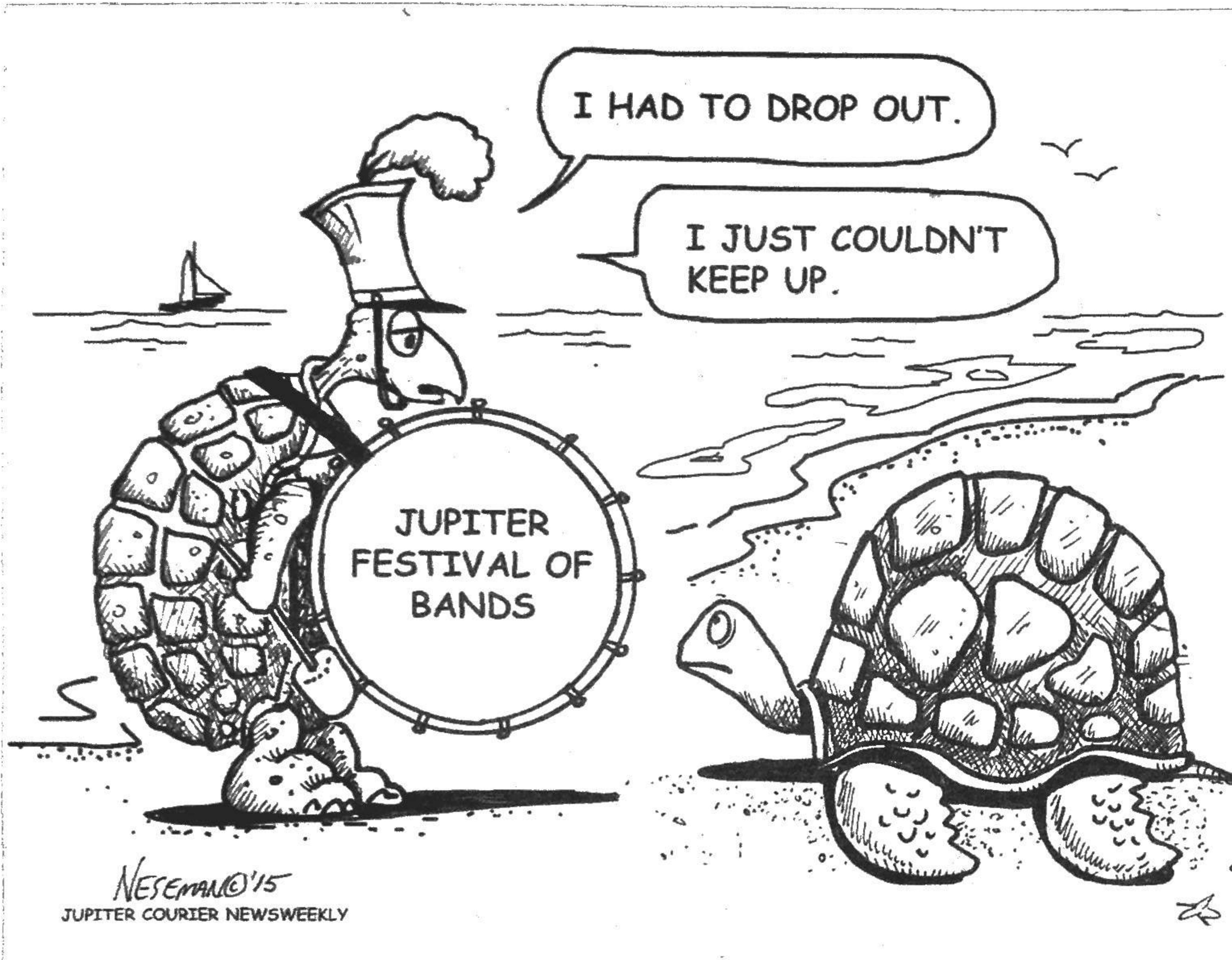


**COMMUNITYVIEWPOINT**



*What's happening?*

**LOTS with the Warrior band program**

DALE NESEMAN/SPECIAL TO THE COURIER NEWSWEEKLY

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**  
The following is a Guest Editorial written by a member of the Jupiter area community.

**A**s the director of bands for Jupiter High School, I would like to share with the community some exciting things happening with our program!  
I am proud to announce that we are hosting our first Jupiter Festival of Bands on Saturday, Oct. 31 at Velocity Community Credit Union Stadium at Jupiter High School.  
It is through the generous donations and support of the community

that we have the facilities to host such an event on our 1-year-old artificial turf field.  
At this marching band competition, bands from across southeast Florida will perform for eight judges for comments and scores in preparation for the Florida Marching Band Coalition's (FMBC) State Championships in November in Tampa.

**ENJOY PERFORMANCES**  
Spectators will enjoy performances from three of the five 2014 state champion marching bands, namely the Seminole Ridge Winged Regiment, the Park Vista Striking Cobra Marching Band, and

our own Spirit of Jupiter Marching Band.  
In addition, we will have two perennial top five bands in attendance: the John I. Leonard Mighty Lancer Band and The King's Academy Lions.  
We invite the public to attend and support this event. If you have not seen a competitive marching band before, this is your opportunity!  
Come eat at our concessions and buy a treat from the bake sale. A start time for the event is to be determined, but it will be posted on our Festival web page at [jupiterbands.com/festival-of-bands](http://jupiterbands.com/festival-of-bands).

**UNDERWRITE THIS EVENT**  
We are also seeking financial support to help underwrite this event.  
Monetary donations can be used to sponsor the trophies to be awarded at the competition or help defer costs to run the show. For information on sponsorships, visit our Festival web page at [jupiterbands.com/festival-of-bands](http://jupiterbands.com/festival-of-bands).  
We have a new addition to our JHS Band staff. Mr. Christopher Moore, our new Assistant Band Director and Director of Jazz Studies, relocated from West Virginia with his wife and two sons.

Moore hopes to expand the presence of our Jazz Ensemble in the community, and he has added vocalists to the group to increase the variety of tunes that can be played.  
If you are interested in having the JHS Jazz Ensemble play at your event, please contact Moore at [C.Moore@palmbeach-schools.org](mailto:C.Moore@palmbeach-schools.org).  
**HISTORY MAKING YEAR**  
Last year, our performing ensembles had a history making year.  
At the end of a very strong competition season, the Spirit of Jupiter Marching Band was crowned Class 3A State Champion for the first

time at the FMBC State Championships.  
The JHS Wind Symphony, the school's top performing concert band, earned straight superior ratings in March at Music Performance Assessments.  
Our Winter Guard participated in its first-ever Winter Guard International (WGI) Color Guard World Championships in Dayton, Ohio, in April, where it placed fourth in the world in its class.  
We are looking forward to more success this year with your support!  
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