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Music Lineup for NEF Summertime Family Music Festival August 28

NEWBURYPORT--Newburyport, MA—The Newburyport Education Foundation (NEF) Summertime Family Music Festival, sponsored by the Institution for Savings, will be held Sunday, August 28, 11-6 p.m. at Spencer-Peirce-Little Farm, 5 Littles Lane, Newbury.

The event will feature fun for the entire family, ranging from live bands and vintage baseball to children's activities and food for sale from local vendors. The rain-or-shine fundraiser is planned to attract thousands and raise money for the Newburyport Public Schools.

"We hope to see hundreds of families enjoying themselves on 8/28 in support of public education," said Jay Iannini, NEF Board Member and event organizer. "Adults can dance, kids can play, and everyone can have a blast. We're on a mission to make this the premier music festival on the North Shore and raise money for the Newburyport Public Schools at the same time."

The entertainment will begin at 11:00 am and continue all day, with activities for the whole family. There will be live performances by EJ Ouellette and Crazy Maggy, Whole Music Artist Revue, Liz Frame and the Kickers, Big Fair, and Das Pintos. Vintage baseball will be played by the Essex Baseball Club. There will be food available for sale from local merchants, including Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante, Fowles Gourmet Market, Mr. India, the Travelling Chef, Q's Nuts/Christina's Ice, and more. Drinks available will include offerings from the Ipswich Ale. The Newburyport Mother's Club has many fun activities planned for the kids.

The lead sponsor for this event is the Institution for Savings, a founding donor of the NEF and long-time supporter. Sponsors also include EJ Ouellette's Whole Music, Ipswich Ale Brewery, Newburyport Development, Matter Communications, and Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante.

"We are thrilled to be a part of this inaugural event and to showcase the talent of the Whole Music Artist Revue," said EJ Ouellette, whose music school is donating the sound and stage as well as performing. "Our mission combines music, education and community with fun, so it's a perfect fit for Whole Music."

Proceeds from the event will support the NEF's 2011-2013 Campaign for the Newburyport Public Schools which will provide a new world language lab, enhance literacy programs, and update and renew technology.

"Musicians, artisans, business owners, parents and kids all have a responsibility to make the Newburyport schools the best they can be. This family event will be the first of many for year to come and is a perfect way to support our schools while getting funky to local music, said Chris Webb of Das Pintos and event organizer.

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The music line up schedule is (subject to change):

11:30 a.m. to 12 noon: Big Fair

12:15 - 1:30 pm: Whole Music Artist Revue

1:45 – 3 pm: Liz Frame & the Kickers

3:15 - 4:30 pm: EJ Ouellette & Crazy Maggy

4:45- 6 pm: Das Pintos

Tickets are \$30 per family and can be purchased at Oregano Pizzeria & Ristorante (16 Pleasant Street, Newburyport, MA) or Fancy Schmancy (43 Pleasant Street, Newburyport, MA), or online at www.NewburyportEF.org. Additional sponsors and volunteers are still welcome. Contact Jay Iannini at jiannini@newburyportef.org for details.

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About the Newburyport Education Foundation (NEF) The Mission of the Newburyport Education Foundation is to bring philanthropy into the Newburyport Public Schools and generate financial resources that will enhance the quality of public education throughout the school system. Formed to enhance educational opportunities for the city's public school children, the goal of the Newburyport Education Foundation is to supplement funding for programs which are already supported by public financing at a basic level, but which can be substantially improved by additional private sector financing, and to finance programs that might not receive funding from traditional sources such as the district budget or state aid.