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CANADIAN BAND ASSOCIATION (ONTARIO) e-NEWSLETTER

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From the Editor's Desk

With Barrie Hodgins

We are back again!!! The board of directors of the CBA (ON) Chapter hope that this issue finds everyone well and that you had a GREAT Christmas and that 2006 will be Happy, Healthy, Prosperous and above all MUSICAL for everyone!!!

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CBA BAND WEEKEND

Saturday October 22, 23, 2005 was the CBA's 4th ANNUAL COMMUNITY BAND WEEKEND

We have had some very positive feedback from those attending indicating that the weekend is being enjoyed more everytime that it is held!!! IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS and Peter Stoll our guest clinician was both very talented and very musical

We look forward to our weekend in October 2006 – stay tuned for more information as to the date and location of the event

Festival of Bands – February 4, 2006 - CANCELLED

The Board of Directors unfortunately had to make the decision in December 2005 to cancel this event due to insufficient interest/participation by our members

Membership Recruitment Incentives

CBA (ON) needs members, and you as current members are the best recruiters. Recruit new members and take advantage of the following:

Get a reduction on your membership dues. You need only recruit 1 new member this year to get a reduction of \$10 on your 2007 membership fees, but why not recruit 5 new members and get a complimentary membership!!!

HONORARY LIFETIME MEMBER

The following note was included on an update survey sent to our members recently from FRED BUDD who is an honorary lifetime member of CBA (ON) who is also our oldest member at 90 years young!!!

“Although I have quit conducting and bandwork a few years ago – I’m still very interested in the CBA. I just finished reading an excellent article in Canadian Winds by Michael Purves Smith of Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo. A FINE GENTLEMAN AND A GREAT CONDUCTOR!!!”

Toronto’s 2005 Holiday Tuba Festival

As winter approaches, the tradition of musically celebrating the season through Holiday Tuba Festival performances are numerous. My search engine tuned up over 50,000 such Festival listings. In Canada, I have heard of Holiday Tuba Festivals in British Columbia, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario and Nova Scotia. In the U.S., can anyone attending the December Mid West Band and Orchestra Conference in Chicago forget the sight and the sounds of Maestro Frederick Fennell conducting the massed tuba choir on the hotel staircase?

Torontonians celebrated the 14th Annual Christmas Tuba Festival and Choir Sing-A-Long on Nathan Phillips Square in front of Toronto City Hall Wednesday December 7th, 2005. The weather was -3 degrees Celsius!

Tuba and euphonium players had their instruments decorated for the season. In spite of the cold, hand warmers and collective cheer made it possible to put on a forty-five minute program. At least 250 students added their voices to the bevy of (student and professional) brass players who came out to brave the noon hour cold! Our MC Orin Isaacs (Producer of Canadian Idol) welcomed the growing audience as the ensemble celebrated the traditions of December through song.

Dr. Gillian Mackay (Associate Professor, University of Toronto) and Dale Kroke (General Manager of B&J Music Ltd and Treasurer of the Coalition for Music Education in Canada) shared in conducting the musicians. Mayor David Miller brought greetings on behalf of the city fathers. Every newspaper and major TV news broadcast gave the Coalition and the event fantastic coverage.

It was a great time to showcase the joy there is in making music and to highlight exceptional music programs in our schools!

This year’s Toronto Festival was sponsored by the Coalition for Music Education in Canada, the Toronto Catholic District School Board, and the Toronto District School Board. Mark November 29th on your 2006 calendar for the 15th Annual Christmas Tuba Festival and Choir Sing-A-Long.

Submitted by Gino Falconi Chairman Coalition for Music Education in Canada

WEBSITE UPDATE

If you have not yet book marked the CBA (Ontario) website, please do so now and review the latest updated version by going to – www.canadianbandassociation.ca

BAND LINKS AND E-MAIL ADDRESSES

One of the perks of being a member band of the CBA is the opportunity to take advantage of the services offered by the Association. If you would like to have more exposure of your Band’s website, you can do so by requesting that a link be placed on the CBA site. Just simply send an email to – Diana Brault at – dianabrault@rogers.com authorizing her to link your band’s website with ours and it will be done.

This is also a reminder that if your band members wish to receive electronic FANFARES, please complete a list of names and email addresses and forward to dianabrault@rogers.com. An alternate option would be to send an email address of a band member willing to broadcast this newsletter to your band members.

CONCERT LISTINGS

Have a band concert coming up? Why not tell the whole world about it. See the CBA website for the current listings and submit yours to dianabrault@rogers.com.

DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN AWARD

Have you considered a Distinguished Musician Award Certificate for members of your band?? The recipient must be a band member who, in the opinion of the band director, has shown superior musicianship, leadership, dependability, loyalty, and co-operation. These free Canadian Band Association certificates are available as a membership benefit. Directors may order two awards per band year. Contact Diana Brault at 416-224-3745 or email: dianabrault@rogers.com. Directors add the recipient's name to the certificate. Please allow 6-8 weeks for delivery.

UPCOMING EVENTS!!!!

Northdale Concert Band – Free Admission – Scarborough Civic Centre – Ellesmere & Brimley – 2pm - Sunday Feb 19, 2006

Conducting Symposium – Acadia University – Featuring Frank L. Battisti – July 5 – 11, 2006 For more information contact – Dr. Mark Hopkins – mark.Hopkins@acadiau.ca

**The 2nd World Cup for Bands – 2006 – Rochester, New York, State, USA
August 3 – 4, 2006**

For more information contact – Dennis L. Johnson - dennis.johnson@murraystate.edu

15th Annual Christmas Tuba Festival and Choir Sing-A-Long Nov 29, 2006

For more information contact – Gino Falconi – falconi@sympatico.ca

MOVING SOON??

This is a reminder to please advise our membership secretary Dr. Diana Brault regarding any changes of your personal phone number, address or email address. Diana can be contacted at: 16 Royaleigh Avenue, Etobicoke, Ontario, M9P2J5 or telephone #416-244-3745 or email: dianabrault@rogers.com

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