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The mandate of the Canadian Band Association (Ontario) is to support and promote the development of bands throughout the Province of Ontario by way of communication, co-ordination, program development, advocacy and lobbying at the provincial level.

CBA(ON) currently represents 40 member bands, including concert bands, military bands, jazz ensembles (big bands) and brass bands. These groups include hundreds of practicing and enthusiastic musicians and we are delighted that they are part of our organization. For more information, please visit our website.

NEWS, REVIEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

WELCOME

Welcome to new members:

- Ken Piirtoniemi, composer and brass instructor at Algoma University and the Algoma Conservatory of Music, and
- Frederick (Ricky) Jeffrey, Student.

OBITUARY – JOHN ANDERSON

~ Paul Miner, Past Pres. CBA

John Anderson, past President of the CBA (Ont) passed away suddenly on September 14 at age 64.

John was a personal friend and fellow trombone player. He was also a retired Music Educator who had completed his teaching career with the Toronto Catholic District School Board.



John started teaching in the Toronto elementary system in the early 60s. He then moved to London, Ontario, to attend the University of Western Ontario. Completing a degree in Music Education, he continued teaching in St. Thomas. He later returned to Toronto to teach secondary school. He again became a Music Consultant for the TCDSB, during which time he composed several works for the developing elementary and early SS band. These were published by G.V. Thompson. He was an exceptional teacher, adjudicator and clinician as well as a conscientious and creative musician.

Returning to secondary school for the last few years of his teaching career, John organized his school band's visit to Rome and performed in St. Peter's Square with Pope John in attendance. John was also one of the three conductors of the city-wide Catholic Youth Concert Band. This band twice visited Rome.

After retirement, John got involved with the Canadian Band Association (Ont) and became president in 2001. He instigated a community band focus and the development of annual workshops for the community band. John's quiet, unassuming and personable manner earned him the respect of all.

In addition, John got involved with Canada-Cuba Sports and Cultural Festivals by assisting with the visits of Canadian school music groups to this oft-misunderstood nation. John believed that all nations must share a common understanding of each other's culture and political system in order to develop a world without strife. Later, John was directly involved with Professor Ed Wasiak (University of Lethbridge) in producing a treatise on the music education system of Cuba.

John was a regular trombonist with the Toronto Teacher's Wind Ensemble, the Ambassadors Big Band, the John Hood Big Band and the Vic Lawrence Seven. More recently, he chose to develop his keyboard skills by playing piano with the GTA Swing Band.

John is survived by his wife, Kathy, and two grown children. His death has shocked us all, and community music has lost an Icon.

7TH ANNUAL COMMUNITY BAND WEEKEND

Our 7th annual Community Band Weekend, hosted by the East York Concert Band, was a resounding success, with over 50 musicians participating. We extend our thanks to the East York Concert Band and to Calvary Baptist Church for a wonderful weekend. To hear a recording of the concert, please visit <http://www.cba-ontario.ca/programs.shtml>.

If your band is interested in hosting a future band weekend, please contact Barrie Hodgins at president@canadianbandassociation.ca.

NATIONAL YOUTH BAND OF CANADA IN SASKATCHEWAN

The National Youth Band of Canada will rehearse and perform in Saskatchewan May 9 – 16, 2009. Musicians aged 16 – 21 are encouraged to audition. For more information, please contact Troy Linsley at troylinsley@sasktel.net.

CBA ON-LINE THEORY PROGRAM

The Canadian Band Association announces the addition of a Teacher's Kit to its free on-line theory program. Forty schools piloted the Teacher's Kit this past year and Level 1 and 2 are now available. (Levels 3 – 6 will be added over the next couple of years.

A Teacher's Kit adds many benefits to the on-line theory program, including:

- no marking for the teacher; assignments and tests are marked automatically,
- marks can be printed as a class spreadsheet and incorporated into school grades,
- more time to rehearse, less time required to teach and grade music theory,
- students may redo assignments to improve their score, and
- technical support is provided.

The annual administration fee for the Teacher's Kit is:

- \$165.00 for the first 50 students and
- \$50.00 for each additional block of 50 students.

For more information about the Teacher's Kit and a **FREE** seven day trial, visit www.canadianband.ca.

CANADIAN BAND ASSOCIATION (ONTARIO) MEMBERSHIP NEWS

★ NEW MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

There are now two more reasons for becoming a member of the CBA (Ontario).

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1. Free webhosting.
 2. Group liability insurance with BandSure including Property, General Liability and Directors' and Officers' coverage.

For more information, write to info@canadianbandassociation.ca.

CALLING ALL LIBRARIANS!

The CBA(O) has received a Trillium Grant to assist in establishing a centralized music lending library for the use of our member bands. This project will work best if we have the participation of librarians from all of our member bands. To help get this project off to a good start, please have your Librarian, or a member of your Executive, contact Jane Johnson, CBA (O) Librarian, at jane_johnson@sympatico.ca.



MEMBER BAND NEWS AND INFORMATION

★ **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – NOVEMBER 1, 2008 – LONG & MCQUADE BOARDROOM, 925 BLOOR ST. W.**

The Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Band Association, Ontario Chapter, will be taking place on Saturday, November 1, 2008 at 10:00 in the Long & McQuade boardroom, 925 Bloor St., W., Toronto. All are encouraged to attend.

DISTINGUISHED MUSICIAN AWARD

Conductors, consider recognizing members of your band with CBA Distinguished Musician Award certificates. The recipient must be a band member who, in your opinion, has shown superior musicianship, leadership, dependability, loyalty and co-operation. Up to two awards may be given per band per year. These free certificates are available as a membership benefit.

Contact Diana Brault to request a certificate. Please allow 6-8 weeks for delivery.

PHOTOS WANTED

Member bands are asked to submit a current band photo for use on our display board and our new website. Please mail photos to Diana Brault.

BAND WEBSITE LINKS

Your band's website will have more exposure if you have a link on the CBA (ON) site. Send an e-mail to Diana Brault, authorizing her to link your band's website to ours.

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES

CBA(ON) needs members and you, as a current members, are the best recruiters. You will receive a \$10 reduction on your 2007 membership fees if you recruit one new member. If you recruit five new members, you will get your own one year membership for free.

CONCERT LISTINGS

Tell the world about your upcoming concerts by advertising them on the CBA (ON) website. Submit details to Diana Brault. We encourage each and every one of our members to attend the concerts of their fellow CBA(ON) musicians. Check our website for concert details.

- ★ The unique and beautiful sounds of brass band music will fill De La Salle Auditorium, 131 Farnham Road at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 2, when the Weston Silver Band presents its first concert of the 2008/2009 season.
- ★ Weston Silver Band will once again be participating in the Weston Santa Claus Parade on Sunday, November 23, 2008. The parade begins at 2:00 p.m., starting on Weston Road at Church Street.

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- ★ The Northdale Concert Band, with Stephen Chenette, Music Director, present a matinee concert at Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Drive, Scarborough (corner of Brimley Road and Ellesmere). Gifford Toole, piano soloist. Sunday, December 7th, 2:00 p.m.. Bring the entire family! Free admission. 416-486-3011
 - ★ Weston Silver Band's popular Annual Community Christmas Concert will take place on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. at Central United Church, 1 King St., Weston.
 - ★ The Northdale Concert Band, with Stephen Chenette, Music Director, present a holiday concert at St. Jude's Anglican Church (Wexford), 10 Howarth Avenue, Scarborough (Lawrence Ave. and Victoria Park). Gifford Toole, piano soloist, Cynthia Gollinger, saxophone soloist. Sunday, December 14th, 3:00 p.m.. Tickets at the door. Adults \$10, Seniors/Students \$8, children under 12 free. Free parking. 416-486-3011

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| October 25 | City of Brampton Concert Band , "Fright Night", 8:00 p.m. at The Rose Theatre, 1 Theatre Lane, Brampton |
| November 2 | Weston Silver Band , 3:00 p.m. at De La Salle Auditorium, 131 Farnham Road. |
| November 23 | Weston Silver Band , Weston Santa Claus Parade, 2:00 p.m. starting at Weston Rd. and Church St. |
| December 5 | Clarington Concert Band , Moonlight Magic and Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, 7:30 p.m. |
| December 6 | City of Brampton Concert Band , "Christmas At The Rose" featuring The Mayfield Singers, 8:00 p.m. at The Rose Theatre, 1 Theatre Lane, Brampton |
| December 7 | Clarington Concert Band , St. Leo's Catholic Church Concert, 130 Watford St., Brooklin, 2:00 p.m. |
| December 7 | Northdale Concert Band , Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr., Scarborough, 2:00 p.m. |
| December 9 | Weston Silver Band , Community Christmas Concert, Central United Church, 1 King St., Weston, 2:00 p.m. |
| December 11 | Clarington Concert Band , Orono United Church, Orono, 7:00 p.m. |
| December 14 | Clarington Concert Band , Trinity United Church Concert, 7:00 p.m. |
| December 14 | Northdale Concert Band , St. Jude's Wexford, 120 Howarth Ave., Scarborough, 3:00 p.m. |
| December 17 | Etobicoke Community Concert Band , "Christmas in the Community", The Albion Centre, 1530 Albion Rd., Etobicoke, 7:00 p.m. |
| December 18 | Clarington Concert Band , "Christmas at the Beech 2008", Clarington Beech Centre, 26 Beech Ave., Bowmanville, 7:00 p.m. |
| December 19 | Etobicoke Community Concert Band , "Christmas Pops" with special guests, the Village Voices choir, Etobicoke Collegiate Institute, 86 Montgomery Rd., Etobicoke, 8:00 p.m. |

February 28 **City of Brampton Concert Band, "BCB Idol / Rising Star Competition", 8:00 p.m. at The Rose Theatre, 1 Theatre Lane, Brampton (For tickets, call 905-874-2800)**

April 3 - 5 **Hannaford Street Silver Band Festival of Brass**

April 18 **Weston Silver Band, Spring Concert**

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If you have a submission for FANFARE, please send it to Jane Johnson, at jane_johnson@sympatico.ca. Please specify if you would like your article to appear in more than one issue. Note that space considerations may require that articles be edited or abridged.

If your band members wish to receive electronic copies of FANFARE, please send a complete list of names and e-mail addresses to Diana Brault. You might also wish to send the e-mail address of a band member who would be willing to broadcast FANFARE to your band members.

The Canadian Band Association (Ontario) is a proud member of the Canadian Band Association.

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