



Lakeshore New Horizons Newsletter

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Special Events in our Band

Concerts

LAKESHORE WINDS BAND

Sunday, June 4th, Wilmot Creek
Wheelhouse, Bowmanville,
2:30 pm

Tuesday June 13th,
Concerts in the Park, Newcastle
7:00 pm

HARMONY LAKESHORE BAND

Wednesday June 14th,
Harmony Hills, Oshawa, 2:30 pm

Show Band
Monday May, 29th,
Harmony Hills, Oshawa, 2:30 pm

Monday June 19th
Seasons, Bowmanville, 2:30 pm



From Our Music Director – Lynda Shewchuk

I would like to congratulate all band members for a very successful year. All performances were well performed and well received. We are gaining quite a following in the community and deservedly so! Thank you for all your dedication and hard work.

I am looking forward to having the members of the Bach to Basics class in the Wednesday band next year(Lakeshore Harmony) at 9:15.

Please help our band program by promoting next year's beginner class which will start the third week of September. If you know anyone who is interested refer them to me or to Ron and Loraine. We have been getting very small numbers for this very important class and we would like to do better here.

You may wish to participate in a summer band. There are two running in Peterborough this summer. I highly recommend the Lift Lock program run by Claudio Engli. He is a former classmate of mine from Western University. He is an excellent musician with tons of experience working with bands.

I hope that you all have a wonderful summer!

From Our President – Ron Christianson

Thank you Lynda for your continued patience leading us through another wonderful year of music and friendship. I particularly enjoyed the concerts with the Trinity Church choir and the band exchanges with the Cobourg New Ventures and the Peterborough bands. It is always fun to play with other musicians and I look forward to more of these events in the future.

Thank you Elliott Tremere for leading the Show Band, this group is sounding better all the time.

Thank you to Sue Wanley and Dianne McFeeters for organizing our pot luck get togethers. Our thanks also go to all those who helped out at these events especially spouses Louise Tegtemeyer and John McFeeters at Wilmot Creek. These are the things that make our group so great to be a part of.

A big thank you to the executive for all of their work this year. Our constitution has to be reviewed this year and I would like to thank John Fletcher with the assistance of Frank Corcoran for undertaking this task. Band members will be informed of any proposed amendments and these will be voted on at the Annual General Meeting in September.

Survey results show that “word of mouth” was the most effective way of attracting new members followed by Concert, Displays and Web Site.

Looking forward to the wind up pot luck on Monday 19th June.



The Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday September 25th, 2017

We may not have town hall debates full of trash talk, name calling and twitter messages and it wont cost us millions of dollars BUT we ARE having an election . The term of three officers on our executive will be complete in September.

These positions are:
Vice President - John Fletcher
Treasurer - Bob Richardson
Director 1 - Loraine Christianson

John Fletecher has decided to step down from the position of Vice President and we will need a new volunteer.
Thank you John for your hard work.

If you would like to be part of our team please put your name forward, or if you would like to recommend someone please let us know. Information regarding these positions can be found in our constitution or if you have any questions please feel free to ask any member of the executive.

We sit near each other each Monday and Wednesday, now is your chance to really “Meet Your Fellow Band Members”

Pat Milson



I am the second of six children, raised on a farm. My Grandmother taught piano and my Grandfather played the fiddle. My Mom also played piano and in later years fiddle and Q-chord. My 3 sisters and oldest brother all learned to play the fife at the same time as kids and Mom used to send us outside to practice. We looked forward to performing because we got to wear these white pleated skirts and red shirts. Very sharp. My oldest brother plays guitar and has a fabulous voice. He and I used to sing together as teenagers.

I belonged to a Clogging Show Team, as did my daughter for 25 years. We traveled a lot performing in Canada and the USA.

I worked for Paula Lishman Ltd for 30 years. One day at work my boss said she was going to close the business and my first thought was I needed to find something to do.

That night I read the local paper and there was an ad for an open house for the New Horizons band. I decided to go thinking I might take up the flute. After hearing Walter Crooks play the clarinet I decided that was my instrument. I've met lots of really great people through the band.

I lost my husband in late august of 2011 and it was time to start band again. Probably the hardest thing I've ever done is to show up for practice. But I really wanted to play. I remember sitting between Lorne and Sue. At break I found I had 2 bottles of water beside my chair. Ever the perfect gentleman Lorne had not said a word. So I bought another bottle and told him I was very sorry and would try to not steal his water again.

Now I play flute as well. I also play mandolin with Bluegrass folks. My brother and I once again sing together. I'm not nearly as shy as I used to be so I also sing by myself but I like to do harmony. Looking forward to the Bluegrass Festivals with my friend. We have just bought a bigger trailer. Yea!. We won't have to unmake the bed to have a table if it rains. LOL

I've traveled with my youngest brother and lots of cousins. We've been to the Mediterranean, parts of Europe and this summer we are going to Iceland and then on a cruise from Norway to Sweden I have 3 children, 4 grandkids and 3 great grandkids. Life is short so enjoy every day of it.



Linda and Larry Procunier



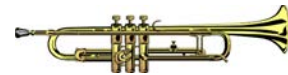
Linda

My parents immigrated to Canada shortly before I was born with my older sister and brother, from the UK where my parents both served in the British Army. My mother was from Dunfermline, Scotland and my father from London, England. There was no place to live after the war, so when dad saw a sign on the Mayfair Hotel that said "Fly to Ontario for 60 Quid", my future was here in Canada along with my older siblings and my two younger brothers.

I started my lifelong love affair with the flute in Grade 7, playing through Grade 13 at Emery Collegiate in North York under the direction of Baird Knechtel. We had an orchestra at school and it was a great pleasure to play with strings as well as the concert band, and pit bands. Then the flute was put back in the case for the next 30 years while I raised my four children and then went to work. I worked for more than 20 years as the northern Ontario sales rep for a Montreal import company, just a good old fashioned travelling saleslady. The Buick & I logged a lot of miles over the years selling tchotchkes from North Bay to Thunder Bay. I also worked for several years for Mount Lawn Funeral Home and Cemetery as a Family Services Director.

The local paper in Thornhill where I lived had an article calling for musician's for a concert band. That flute came out of it's case and I went right back to playing. I met Larry five years after my divorce and we have been inseparable ever since. We have been married 17 years and share a great love of band music. We played for 15 years with the Thornhill Community Band and made lifelong friends. I joined the Royal Canadian Artillery 7th Toronto Regiment band in 2009, playing piccolo on parade and flute in concert. It was a wonderful opportunity to experience the military marches that were prevalent in my childhood. It has also been my very great pleasure to find the Lakeshore Winds New Horizons Band, The Wildwinds Flute Choir and Lynda Shewchuk. I am looking forward to spending my retirement years playing with such fine musicians.

Larry



All through my childhood all I wanted to do was draw. I fancied myself to be a real budding artist. I can still recall how proud I was to have some of my art work displayed in a place of prominence...the side of my mothers refrigerator. That turned out to be the pinnacle of success in my art career. At about this time I learned to play the harmonica from my grandpa. It was then that I experienced the great feeling that one gets making music, no matter on what level. My grandpa and I shared many close moments playing together. I guess you could say that was the beginning of my life-long interest in playing music. When I was thirteen years old my mother told me about a friend of hers who had two sons in Air Cadets. One of them played in the marching band. Would I be interested? It was a no brainer. I ended up learning and playing trumpet in that band until I was nineteen. I also played in various bands all through high school. After completing high school I started playing guitar. Guitar seemed so much "cooler" and the trumpet soon went by the wayside. Many years later after two separate hand injuries I also had to give up on the guitar.

I met Linda on a blind date in 1998, I figure she must have been blind as she is still with me today!

Upon learning that Linda played flute in a community concert band I casually mentioned that I had played trumpet all through my teen years. The next thing I got talked into buying an old trumpet from the newspaper and joined the Thornhill Community Band. Apparently I wasn't the only one who had not touched an instrument in over 30 years. Kind of like riding a bike. We played together in that band for 15 years. I ended up leaving that band when Linda joined the Royal Canadian Artillery Band as my work schedule made it too difficult to attend evening rehearsals any longer.

Finally after 32 years of driving streetcars, buses, subway trains and Wheel-Trans for Toronto Transit and 12 years as an operator in Specializes Services Disabled Transit for Durham Region Transit, I decided to retire.

I was finally free to pick up my trumpet again and join Linda in the Lakeshore Winds Concert Band. I am having a great time playing alonside such a fun and talented bunch. It is a privilege to play under the leadership of such a wonderful conductor as Lynda Shewchuk.

Two Likely Lads both around 12 years of age. Can you name these two?

Answer at bottom of page 5



Lakeshore Harmony Band Exchange with New Ventures of Cobourg Band - April 2017



Remember to check out web site

Lakeshorenhbands.org

There you will find our concerts with maps. Photographs and updates the newsletters, buy and sell page and lots more.

Thanks again to Carolyn Rogers our web guru for maintaining the site for us.

Also check out the New Horizons International Web Site, there are lots of interesting articles and information about other New Horizons Groups.

newhorizonsmusic.org

*The Lakeshore Band Executive Would Like to Wish
You All a Safe and Enjoyable Summer.
See You in September*

2017 Fall Session

Lakeshore Winds

Mon. September 11th
Mon. December 11th

Lakeshore Harmony

Wed. September 13th
Wed. December 13th

Bach To Basics

Wed. September 20th
Wed. December 13th

Show Band

Monday September
11th

Fundraiser



Don't forget if you go to Boston Pizza write Lakeshore New Horizons Band on the back of your bill and deposit in the box near the door. The Band will receive 10% of the food total....great fundraiser

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The Likely Lads

Left: Walter Crooks Right: Ron Christianson



Our Wonderful Pipers
Ron Christianson, Shirley Park and Bill Sinclair
Performed Amazing Grace and O Waly Waly with the band

