



Lakeshore New Horizons Newsletter

Volume 3

Special Events in our Band

April 9th and 11th, 2012
Spring Session began

June 20th, 2012
Pot Luck Luncheon
Golf's House/Garden

Concerts

Lakeshore Winds
June 10th, 2012
Rotary Park, Bowmanville
June 13th, 2012
Faith United Church,
Courtice

Lakeshore Harmony

June 13th, 2012
Kingsway Arms,
Bowmanville with Bach to
Basics

June 19th, 2012
Faith United Church,
Courtice, performing with
the Lakeshore Winds



Updates from Our Directors

What a great first year it's been for our new Lakeshore New Horizons!

Both bands have grown to well over thirty members. We have fairly good balance in both except we could use more low brass players. It will be wonderful to end the year with three concerts: at Rotary Park, Kingsway Arms and Faith United Church.

Rehoboth Church has been a perfect rehearsal venue. The acoustics have been very good for us and we can store our percussion fairly close. It's nice to have an elevator for those who need it.

Our newly formed saxophone ensemble will be entertaining at the year-end party. This is a group of ten players. We are still deciding on a name. Several ideas have been suggested, Casual Sax and Saxy and Sixty were two of the best. If any members have any good ideas on this please pass them on.

Bach to Basics - We started with 11 people in the beginner/refresher program in September. We added two more people mid-year. Five members of the group made the transition into Harmony Lakeshore by the end of the first session or second session. Five people are involved in the beginner group and due to either health issues or starting late are working to catch up. We hope all of these people will keep practising during the summer lay-off and be back with us in September. We will have a beginning group in the fall (numbers permitting) and we hope all members will try to spread the word about the fun of getting involved with music. *It's never too late to start.*

Our first year has succeeded beyond our most optimistic expectations. When we had our first meetings for Lakeshore New Horizons Bands we hoped to have 40 members. We've accomplished much in the past 10 months.

Membership has exceeded our expectations, we've secured a wonderful rehearsal facility at Rehoboth Church, we have written and approved an constitution, thanks to some extra fund raising we will end the year with a nice \$\$\$ surplus, we have either purchased or members have donated several pieces of additional percussion equipment, we have new names for each group, we have two concert band groups able to perform at a higher level than a year ago and *most importantly we've all had a lot of fun.*

To those who have contributed to this first year effort, a huge thank-you from our interim executive. We must also thank Lynda Shewchuk for her hard work and dedication to the organization. We all appreciate her sensitive teaching and musical skills.

One of the great things about our new group is how everyone pitches in to help -from bringing water and snacks to setting up and even purchasing new music for the band. We have had great participation in various fund-raising activities like 50/50 draws, Boston Pizza celebrity server night and bowling.

I would like to see a promotional committee formed to get the word out to even more people especially for our beginner class.

I hope that everyone has a great summer (but don't stop practicing!) I think that we can look forward to more fun music-making for next year and even more growth for our Lakeshore New Horizons Band Program.

Lynda

Elliott Tremere



**Durham Christian
Homes Concert**



Walter Crooks



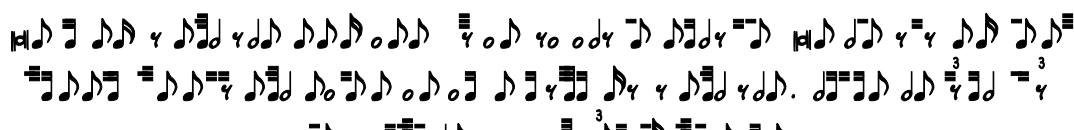
Thanks

Thank you to John Fletcher for running the 50/50 draw. Congratulations to all of the winners. The draw will be back in the next session.

Thanks to Elizabeth Cormier and Gerry Cowley for making sure we had much appreciated cookies and water at our breaks.

Many thanks to Frank Corcoran for his many hours of work on the Lakeshore New Horizons Band Constitution.

Meet Your Band Neighbor's



I was born in Belfast Northern Ireland. My start in music came when I was 13 years old when I learned to play the Bagpipes. At the age of 14 I learned to play the Clarinet which I played for about a year and then like a lot of young people lost interest. In 1973 my wife Alice and I moved to Oshawa, Canada where I played the Bagpipes for a while in the 43 Royal Canadian Legion. When my Daughter was 15 she brought a Clarinet home from school, again my interest in the Clarinet was sparked so I purchased a Clarinet from Long & McQuade and started to play in Church every Sunday, not being able to read music very well I had to learn to play by ear. In 2006 I retired from G.M and felt that I would very much like to be able to enhance my musical ability and join a Band. Bruce Gorrie from Long & McQuade put me in touch with Judith Maxwell and the New Horizons Band which I joined at the end of June 2006. Judith asked if I would like her to give me lessons, "if I teach you" she said "you must promise not to quit", I said yes and every week through the summer I visited her home in Wilmot Creek for lessons

From there I progressed to the Tenor and the Alto sax. I have been playing the Tenor sax for four years in the Clarington New Horizons Swing Band. This year I started playing the Baritone sax in the Clarington New Horizons Studio band. On Monday I play the clarinet in the Lakeshore New Horizons Concert Band, Tuesdays the Baritone in the Studio Band, Wednesday night I play the Baritone Sax with the Durham Wind Ensemble, and Thursday I play the Tenor Sax in the Swing Easy Big Band. Two years ago in my spare time I decided to build a Violin from scratch which turned out very well and led me to start taking violin lessons. My violin teacher, Kathy Coltof now plays Bass Clarinet with me in the Lakeshore New Horizons Concert Band. I am about to begin building another violin, this time out of Walnut. Over the years I have made a lot of good friends in music from all walks of life and have enjoyed the experiences I have had with all of the different bands that I have been fortunate to participate in.



Murray and Carole Milne



A Toronto native Murray enjoyed a career as a Senior Administrative Executive with the city of Oshawa, Seneca College and the North York Board of Education. Carole a U.S. Navy veteran immigrated to Canada in 1969. Carole enjoyed a career in Human Resources and Administrative Management and had her own Human Resources employment agency and consulting firm. Interestingly when Murray took early retirement to become a Tour Coach Operator, Carole became the Tour Director of their company. "Touring With Seniors". For the next six years almost non stop we travelled to every U.S. continental State (except Alaska) and every Canadian Province with the exception of Newfoundland.

We are truly blessed with four beautiful and successful children. With the arrival of grandchildren (6) we left the highways not wishing to miss this next stage of adventure which includes Lakeshore New Horizons Band.

We moved from downtown Toronto to Wilmot Creek in November 2004 and quickly became part of the active lifestyle of the community. In between golf games Murray has performed and directed a number of drama and comic presentations.

Carole is the founder and producer of The Wilmot Road Show and enjoys teaching her twice weekly dance classes and performing in the "Roadshow". Together they have produced and directed a number of variety shows bringing love and laughter to audiences across the Durham region and beyond.

On June 23rd, 2012 we are very proud to be celebrating the 100th performance of the "Roadshow". This is to be performed in the Wilmot Creek Auditorium.

We joined the New Horizons Band 4 years ago Murray started playing music for the first time and joined the percussion section on drums. Carole played clarinet in high school and did not play again until joining New Horizons. We play with The Lakeshore Winds Band on Monday and The Lakeshore Harmony Band on Wednesday.

We also enjoy playing with our newest band "Swing Fever" a Jazz Quartet which recently grew into a sextet ensemble with whom we enjoy performing around the Durham region.

New Horizons International

On Going 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

For those of you that managed to register for Band Camp at Brock in July have a great time, you will certainly enjoy the experience. For those of you who could not get in to Brock, Chautauqua, New York Band Camp is open for registration. This camp takes place in September and is reported to be one of the best camps to attend. Registration information is available on the New Horizons International web site <http://www.newhorizonsmusic.org>, just follow the link for camps



The Lakeshore New Horizons Executive and your Music Directors wish you and your families a wonderful summer and don't forget to keep on practicing.

The new sessions start in September as follows:

Lakeshore Winds Monday
September 10 - December 10th

Lakeshore Harmony Wednesday
September 12th - December 12th

Bach to Basics Wednesday
September 12th - December 12th



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The Mantle

Individual activities, such as tennis, painting, music, etc. are engaged in for the sole purpose of personal enrichment, development or pleasure. That is a reasonable and appropriate expectation.

The pursuit of such an activity often requires getting involved with other participants in a group setting. In order to play music, that would mean playing in an ensemble of some sort. It is very rare to find a musician who is content to play alone all the time and that sort is generally confined to piano players or vocalists. The following gem of advice was offered by a high school teacher when I became totally engrossed in playing in a band at fourteen; (*gave up hockey*). This is quite close to verbatim. It really made a mark on me.

"Remember, when one takes on any new role, it comes with a mantle. In this context a mantle is described as a sphere of responsibility and expectations that are placed on that particular role by the group you have joined. You are no longer a lone participant in your activity. Self now comes second."

Because humans are social animals they have a need to work together and support (or nourish) each other. This natural law demands reciprocity. It must be a two-way street. The band you have been invited to join has placed a mantle on your shoulders that you must respect and pay deference to, regardless how modest the role is they are asking you to fill (3rd trumpet). So, you are now more than a musician. You are now a piece of a living organism and your responsibilities go beyond the music."

At this point I remember him looking me straight in the eye and slapping a hand on the desk for emphasis. "If all you do is go there to blow your trumpet and contribute nothing more, you have failed. You have not worn your mantle. In order for you to be nourished, the band must be nourished, and that must be done by all members." He was not talking about monetary issues.

"No farmer can take crops off year after year without returning something back to the soil. You must invest something of yourself into the enterprise for it to keep giving something back to you. So, think what you can contribute more than just your trumpet playing. Assume your mantle everywhere you go, young man."

Brother Cormac O'Carroll, St. Pat's Academy, Sherbrooke, QC. 1947

Of the 30+ groups I have played with or led over the decades, I have never seen such willingness to "wear the mantle" as I have experienced with New Horizons groups. It is a privilege to be a part of this enterprise. Thank you. Frank Corcoran

