



NEWSLETTER

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DCAT membership is now up to 62. We are trying to establish a permanent home; a number of locations are being explored.

Wyatt Gill has been named assistant chorus director and will be directing rehearsals in Ted Keys absence. He did a great job directing us in our first performance at the dance.

The latest on the trip to Hawthorne...we have bought 10 additional tickets to the G.A.S. Reunion, which gives us a total of 60. The bus (non-smoking) will be leaving Wednesday mid-night arriving in Hawthorne approximately 12 hours later. This gives us a day to rest up before the festivities begin. Friday evening is the welcoming party. The individuals take place late Saturday morning to mid afternoon followed by the banquet in the evening. The chorus presentations and the 100 person horn line will take place after dinner. We will be returning to Toronto after breakfast on Sunday morning arriving home late Sunday evening. The DCAT Chorus will be performing in it's first G.A.S. event. Chorus members going to Hawthorne must have a DCAT golf shirt and black pants for the performance. By the way, the next payment for the trip is due now.

Three DCAT members are marching in a mass drum corps numbering over 400 in the Macey's Thanksgiving Day Parade on Thursday, November 24. Joe J. Watson will be marching in his Jolly Jesters Clown Uniform and Terry and Lois Nicholls will be marching in their Royales uniforms.

The DCAT dance held on Saturday, November 12 at the Parkview Club was a great success. It was attended by 121 people who enjoyed the music of D.J. David Partridge (DCAT member). There were numerous draw prizes and marvelous munchies. The DCAT Chorus performed in public for the first time to rousing cheers. Many thanks to Brian Hill for organizing this event and the Social Committee for it's assistance.

A number of committees have been set up:

- Fund Raising - *Brian Hill*
- Housing - *Don & Wyatt Gill*
- Membership - *Paul Kelly*
- Social - *Jim Jennings*
- Music - *Don Gill & Jim Jennings*
- Networking - *Brian Hill*
- Properties - *Don Gill*

If you feel that you would like to help on any of these committees, please let me know.

On December 5, DCAT will be visiting Second Signals Corps practice. There will be a social gettogether in the Mess afterwards. The Signals practice in Fort York Armories located on Fleet Street at Strachan. Plan to arrive at 7:30 pm.

All are invited to the DCAT Xmas party/practice on December 14. There will be a short chorus rehearsal, so come out, be entertained and have some fun. It will be held at Pringle & Booth, 55 Barbergreene Road starting at 7:30 pm. There will be beer and wine. Please contact Jim Jennings for more information (416-621-0769).

Please find attached an updated telephone list.

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We now have a Constitution it was adopted July 14, 1995. It was an interesting evening. Thanks to Tom Hamilton for preparing the document and spearheading the process. You should have your copy of it by now as well as the notice about the elections and the proxy forms, etc.

Gord Moffatt summed up his feelings in a rhyme that he submitted...

THE DCAT DEBATE

Then scene was set,
the players present.
Who could foresee such a
thing

spring.
Lois, Don, led the way,
Ort & Paul had there say.
Gord just wanted to sing.

Really just didn't care.
Dam... we just wanted to sing.
We trust in our leaders,
To keep those good deeders (?)
Our money and faith in there
hands.

Through all of the fuss,
And need to discuss,
Gord just wanted to sing.

Ted had his turn,
John Connell... slow burn.
The clock kept ticking away.

Committees to form,
Hope we keep the decorum,
Politics aren't our thing.

Constitutional discussion,
Horns, guard and percussion
opinions, varied did ring.

Ellie, polite,
Opinioned, "that's not right".
Soon others just wanted to
sing.

It's DCAT we are,
Good times can't be far
We really just wanted to sing.

From by-laws and genders
To who could be members,
Gord just wanted to sing.

Now we're really no fools,
There has to be rules.
Wherefores, hereto's, notwith-
standing.

-Gord Moffatt

It's a point of order,
Can I join south of the border?
Dues should be paid in the

But most of us there,

Anyone with something to contribute to the newsletter i.e., announcements, articles, reminiscences, lonely hearts, venting your spleen, whatever please let me know or send it to me: *Dave Cook, 7 Arden Crescent, Scarborough, Ontario M11 3R6.*

That's it for this month, carry on summering.

Cheers



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