

# The DCAT Purr-spective

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This is the first anniversary of the DCAT Newsletter. Thanks to Stan Babiarz, the newsletter now has a name, the DCAT Purr-spective. A new name requires a new look (Ta Da).

Heading into the second year I look forward to more article contributions for the newsletter.

**Hear ye! Hear ye!** Membership renewals are passed due. If you intend to renew, please send your cheque for \$40.00 to DCAT, 59 Comstock Road, Scarborough, Ontario, Canada, M1L 2G6. If membership renewal is not received, this will be your last newsletter.

#### G.A.S. NEWS...

It seems that most people are driving or flying down to the G.A.S. reunion (May 3rd - 5th) and not returning immediately afterwards. We will be arranging for a van to take those in need of transportation. The best handle we can get on the cost at this point is \$300; it covers hotel, G.A.S. ticket (including Friday and Saturday night) and transportation when in Boston. We will be renting a bus to get the group from the hotel to the activity centres.

It is important that DCAT gets money to Princemen for the G.A.S. tickets and the hotel for deposits on the rooms.

#### The G.A.S. payment schedule is as follows:

1st payment - September 1st. @ \$60.00 4th payment - December 1st @ \$60.00 2nd payment - October 1st. @ \$60.00 5th payment - January 1st @ \$60.00

3rd payment - November 1st @ \$60.00

The format for the chorus performances has been changed. Four of the choruses will perform at the Friday night welcoming party and the other four will perform at the Saturday night banquet; host corps performs last. The performance order will be determined by way of a draw. Look for an update in the next newsletter.

### DCAT NEWS...

The DCAT Chorus has added Sunday Rehearsals to accommodate those who have difficulty getting out on Wednesday nights. They will be once a month - November 12, December 10 and then twice a month starting January 14, 1996.

Marg Gill is organizing a Sunday afternoon social where the chorus will perform for family and friends. There are two dates being considered (Nov. 26th & Dec.10th.). This might affect one of our sunday rehearsal dates. The final date will be decided based on the availability of a hall. We will make everyone aware of the date and time when decided.

A work party to clean up and decorate our Chorus Room will go into action on Saturday, November 4th. at 10:00 am. (and the following Saturday if necessary). Everyones help is needed please be there if you can.

We are also looking into ordering DCAT Alumni Jackets. They would be a shell type jacket with a light lining. They would have a large DCAT logo on the back and the member's name on the front along with any additional drum corps crests.

## DIANA BOND'S 50th BIRTHDAY PARTY

Thank you Bob and Diana for inviting the DCAT Chorus to share Diana 's half century celebration with their family and friends. To say that we had a good time is an understatement. It was incredible.

There was a plethora of poodle skirts and crinolines.

There were drooping D.A.s and sagging pompadores, even Dipity Doo couldn't hold the thinning hair in place.

There was Don Gill in his gold satin sailor suit (arrr, have you ever been to sea Donny?) The cabin boy, the cabin boy the dirty little nipper do da do da.

Diana was the queen of the prom, but the prince and princess were there too (Wyatt & Tara) dressed to the nines in their party duds. The crowns? ... did they stop at Burger King on the way to the party?

There was all kinds of dancing, the twist, the hop, lap dancing (sure June Beaumont leaves rehearsal early to go to work... nudge, nudge, wink, wink). I told you that I cannot be bribed with favours... She also did this balloon thing.

You gotta wonder what strange things go on in Jim Tuft's mind, when he can take a perfectly scrumptious dessert of a ladyfinger cookie, chocolates and whipped cream and turn it into something obscene.

The there was Brian Hill's story of the dog named Sparky. You know, the one with short legs and steel gonads.

The chorus performed, we were really loose... say no more.

It was a more subdued group at rehearsal the next day.

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