



The DCAT Purr-spective

DCAT (Drum Corps Alumni Toronto) is an organization dedicated to the preservation and joy of Drum & Bugle Corps camaraderie, bringing together past members, relatives, friends and associates in a social environment for the purpose of companionship and musical activities.

The Newsletter of the Drum Corps Alumni of Toronto – December 2014

At the Annual General Meeting and Elections that were held November 26, 2014, we got a new/old (well, not old, 'former') Business Manager, and new Vice-President, Publicity Director and Social Director. Presenting the **2015 Executive**



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Ort Beaumont



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Fundraising Dir.
Linda Carscadden



Social Dir.
Edna Kingsley



Publicity Dir.
June Beaumont



Past President
Marion Shearer

Three new inductees into the DCAT Hall of Fame!



This year, the Executive Committee was responsible for arranging the voting regarding our Hall of Fame at our AGM and the result was a record of sorts: three women were elected for their extraordinary devotion and hard work on behalf of DCAT! They are introduced on the "Hall of Fame" page of our website, so have a look and be amazed at their strong qualifications! It's probably not a coincidence that they are all members of the Executive: Linda Carscadden, Dolly Fox and Edna Kingsley! Congratulations to the well deserved awards! Obviously, all



members were pleased with the event – after all, it was our own selection - and we then turned our attention to the lotteries and the silent auction.

As always, we had brought toys to be donated to the Salvation Army and the result was admired:



Christmas Party

We then gathered downstairs to lift a glass to the year that was and wish each other Merry Christmas! We could also dig in with fresh veggies with dip, all sorts of delicious sandwich squares, fresh fruit, and cake to finish! It was also good to get a chance to see and talk to all the associate and former members who came to celebrate with us. The only thing we missed was Santa! He hopes his beard will be long enough next year to, once again, delight his fans with an appearance. We count on that!



Gerrie Leebody (Leeber as we called him) sang with DCAT for ten years as a baritone. He passed away suddenly on November 29th in his 77th year. He loved music and was great to drum with and always had that competitive drum corps acumen of perfection. Gerrie played in Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, Jolly Jesters, 2nd Sigs, Canada's Marching Ambassadors, Optimist Alumni and Simcoe United Alumni. Maybe some others that we are not aware of. He was fun to be with - enjoying his dry humour and hearty laugh. He will be missed by his wife, Jan, and other family members, as well as DCAT and the many friends of years gone by.

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