

# "Sher-Wood-Like-To-Play" Adult Band Information Sheet

#### **REHEARSALS:**

Every Wednesday night from 7:15 - 9:15 at Midsun Junior High School SESSION #1: September -December SESSION #2: January - May

7.00-7.15 Please come and get warmed up, music organized etc.

7:15-8:15 Full Concert Band rehearsal in band room

8:15 - 8:30 Break (socialize!)

8:30 - 9:15 Concert Band continues.

#### FEES

It costs \$300/year to cover our expenses and run this organization. For ease of administration, please pay for the Fall Session #1 by the end of September (\$150) and also at the same time hand in a postdated cheque for Session #2 dated January 30 (\$150). Please do help us by paying as soon as possible. Unfortunately, if you miss a month or take time off we can't refund fees by month. If you join late we can prorate your fees accordingly. The executive shall present the annual budget to the membership in the fall of each year. New members are free to come a few times before committing themselves so that you may see if our band is where you would like to be.

#### COMMITTMENT

Since you are contributing your time, effort and money towards the common group, it is hoped that you can come on a regular basis. Please let your section leader know if you will be away.

#### MUSIC

We try to play a variety of styles and levels. You will get a lot of music, some of which we will perfect, others we will just read. Some music will be for festival use or to suit a particular audience. Please let our conductor know how you feel about the music and please offer suggestions. Section leaders please be responsible for the main instrument folder for your section.

#### PERFORMANCES

One of the exciting and motivating qualities of this band is the opportunity to perform. We enjoy performing wherever people will have us. If you have some ideas for places to perform, please let us know. Often it has worked out that these performances are on a Wednesday night so more time

commitment isn't necessary. However, this isn't always the case, so we ask you to do what you can to join us.

# PERFORMANCE ATTIRE

For performances, we wear black pants or skirt and A Sherwood Band embroidered shirt. Please ask your section leader for details on how to order and purchase the shirt. We have our music in our black binders.

# SPECIAL EVENTS

During the last few years we have taken part in a few special events. These include clinics, workshops with other bands, guest conductors, festivals and concerts in senior's homes, malls, parks etc., winter & spring concerts.

# SOCIAL EVENTS

We believe that we are about being together socially, almost as much as being together for music. We enjoy a shortbreak between rehearsing and some enjoy going out afterwards. We try to do some social gatherings during the year, usually in combination with our winter and spring concerts. We would like to have some socials with food & non-alcoholic beverage on some Wednesday evenings to try and help people get to know each other.

# STAFF

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR and CONCERT BAND CONDUCTOR:

Chris Greschner

# CONCERT BAND SECTION LEADERS

Section Leaders are necessary within each section to help facilitate parts, music, attendance, fan outs, information etc. If you are interested in helping, please let us know.

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are happy to have a group of people who volunteer their time for the band. The members of the board are elected for one year (Sept-Aug). They have the option of letting their names stand to be nominated for consecutive years. This will be done at the Annual General Meeting.

# CANCELLATION OF REHEARSAL

Since it is such a committed group we have rarely cancelled rehearsals on the account of weather or any other reason. Assume rehearsals run no matter what! If for some reason it is cancelled we will do our best to contact you on your day time number or cell to let you know. We apologize in advance if for some reason we can't get a hold of you. We will have a notice on the school doors in case of cancellation.

# STRUCTURE / POLICIES / BYLAWS

We are not a "not-for-profit" organization so we haven't formalized ourselves in that fashion. However, just so we are clear as possible about who we are, the Board of Directors has been working on articulating and writing down our policies etc. If you would like a copy of our work in progress, please ask us for one.