

## April Newsletter

Leaving Wednesday morning band last week, the sun was shining and it felt warm. I think spring has finally arrived for our spring term. As always April has been another busy month for PNHB.

Thank you to Bev Murphy and James Burnett for their seminar on the use of electronic devices to save music.

Our seniors community grant is coming to an end. It has been a very successful series of events. The learn to read music classes that took place last fall were well attended and informative. This was followed by instrument specific workshops and mentoring sessions allowing members to work on skills. Thank you to Audrey Keitel for the work that she did to organize all the pieces that were part of this grant. The final part of this grant will be a survey for anyone who took part in the workshops and mentoring. Please take a few minutes to complete this.

Ian Crawford, Audrey Keitel and Evan Thomas are working on creating a strategic plan for PNHB. A strategic plan is often a multi-year organizational process of defining an organization's future direction, setting goals and allocating resources. Many of the grants that we may wish to apply for require a strategic plan. The committee is looking for member input to assist them creating the plan. You will be receiving a survey in the near future. Please take a few minutes to complete this.

Summer band registration is now closed. Summer band will run for 10 weeks starting mid June. The cost for this is 75.00 which can be paid by e-transfer, cheques or cash. Cheques or cash should be given to James Burnett.

Thank you to Pat Wade for organizing the sale of band shirts. The order has been placed and they should arrive shortly,

Thank you to Evan Thomas who is chairing our fundraising committee. He is looking for people to assist him with activities and projects. As well he would like to hear from people who have some fundraising ideas.

Spring Fling: Games and Goodies afternoon will take place on Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 1:30 - 4:30 at Saint Alphonsus Ligouri Parish. Thank you to the social committee for organizing this event.

Spring Concert: Planning for our final concert is underway on Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Ad sales have now closed. Thank you to everyone who participated in this very successful campaign. Please continue to sell tickets to friends and family. More details and final preparations will be coming early next month.

Our yearly Info. Day will take place at Living Hope on Monday, May 25, from 11:15 am to about 12:45 pm. Please invite any interested family members, friends or neighbours to

come out and see and hear what PNHB is all about. The Green Band and several coaches will play and there will be tea, coffee and cookies.

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