

Member Handbook



Corning Area Community Concert Band

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1. Member Information

a. Rehearsals

- i. **Time:** Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.
- ii. **Location:** Corning Painted Post Middle School band room.
- iii. **Website:** For a list of all rehearsals and concert dates, check the band website at www.corningcommunityband.org.
- iv. **Missing a rehearsal:** when you are unable to make a rehearsal or performance, please notify caccb1@gmail.com
- v. **Attendance:** please try to make as many rehearsals as possible. We understand that school and other events can conflict ..
- vi. **Weather issues:** if a rehearsal or a performance is canceled due to weather, you will be notified by email.
- vii. **Member contact info:** please make sure the Band Secretary has your name, address, home, work and/or cell phone numbers, and your email address (if you have one for home and/or work) correctly stated on the band roster so that your section leader has the correct contact information for notifications.

b. Music Folders

- i. Please sign the folder out so the Librarians know who has each folder. If you are not taking the folder home, please replace it in the folder box at the end of rehearsal.
- ii. If you are going to miss several rehearsals, please see that your folder is returned to the band librarian.

c. Formal Concerts

- i. Our Annual Fall Scholarship Concert is usually held at the Corning Museum of Glass (CMoG) Auditorium in November.
- ii. **Dress Code**
 1. Fall Concerts: Men: White or Black Shirts, black slacks, black socks, black shoes, dark colored-ties; Women: Black tops with black skirts/slacks or black dresses, black socks, black shoes.
 2. 4th of July Concert- casual dress in patriotic colors (red, white, and blue).
- iii. What to bring with you:
 1. For concerts at CMoG, we use chairs and stands from the Museum. Bring your instrument and your music folder.
 2. For the July 4th concert, bring your instrument, your music folder, a music stand, and clothes pins to keep your music from being blown away.

d. Summertime Concerts

- i. During the summer months, we play outdoor concerts, weather permitting. We take the month of August off - no rehearsals or concerts.
- ii. Dress Code
- iii. Tops: Both men and women wear our short-sleeved, white band shirt with the band logo embroidered on it. This white band shirt is purchased from the band. See your Section Leader for information.
- iv. Bottoms: Both men and women wear black slacks, black socks, and black shoes.

- v. Hats: Hats are provided by the band and are optional at summer concerts. Depending upon the time of day and the angle of the sun, you may want to wear one to provide your head/eyes with some shade. Once you get a hat, it is your responsibility to bring it with you to the concerts if you. want to wear it.

e. What to bring with you

- i. Make sure you bring your instrument, your music folder, a music stand, and clothes pins to keep your music from being blown away.
- ii. Optionally, you may want to bring your hat to provide your head/eyes with shade

2. Section Leaders

- a. Each section of the band has a Section Leader.
- b. Each Section Leader [as a member of the Board] is encouraged to attend Board of Director meetings to represent the section.

3. Website

- a. Our website address is www.corningcommunityband.org.
- b. Visit the site to view our current calendar of scheduled events and get directions and maps to parades and concert venues

4. Awards

a. John Stranges Award

- i. This award is given at our annual dinner meeting.
- ii. It is given annually to a band member who has made many volunteer contributions over the years to our band.
- iii. His or her name is inscribed on a metal plate and affixed to the John Stranges Award plaque.
- iv. Previous recipients of this award make up the John Stranges Award Selection Committee.

b. Scholarship Award

- i. This award is made in the spring of the school year.
- ii. It is given to a high school senior who resides in Chemung, Schuyler, or Steuben County.
- iii. Students submit an application along with a recorded sample of their music to our Scholarship Committee for their review.

5. Community Involvement

- a. The band is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization which means **monetary contributions are tax deductible**.
- b. We hold our annual Fall Scholarship Concert in November at CMOG to raise money for our scholarship fund.
- c. We play joint concerts with local high school bands.
- d. We perform summer band concerts throughout the area.
- e. Social Events - we have ice cream after summer concerts

6. Optional Purchases

- a. You may wish to purchase a CACCB official band shirt
- b. You may purchase a sweatshirt with the band logo embroidered on it.

7. You Can Help

- a. Volunteers do all of the activities for the band. Please be one.
- b. You can help with:
 - i. moving percussion equipment to concert sites
 - ii. making sure that bandroom stands and chairs are replaced - where you found them before rehearsal