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Burlington Teen Tour Band Alumni Association

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The Burlington Teen Tour Band's 70th Anniversary weekend is less than a month away and we want to make sure that your friends don't miss out. So why not let them know you're registered and encourage them to sign-up by sending them a note saying: I'm in, are you? We've even created a graphic to add that little extra pop to your posts, messages and tweets. The organizers have been working hard to create the best possible homecoming, but we know that it isn't about the events, but the dear friends you'll share them with. To register visit: <http://bttbalumni.ca/#store2017>. The entire weekend only costs \$145.

Strike Up the Band on Parade





The reunion kicks off on Friday night with a rehearsal at the Music Centre for all those planning on marching in the Sound of Music Parade. It'll be just like old times, except it will end with pizza and drinks over at Central Arena. The parade itself takes place on Saturday, June 17, beginning at the Music Centre and ending downtown. The marching order features a wide variety of music from all eras on the Band's history including: *Final Countdown*, *Pride of Burlington*, *Prince of Thieves*, *Raindrops Keep Falling on my Head*, *Strike Up the Band*, *The Eric Ford Concert March (Ontario Place March)*, *The Hustle* and *The Thunderer*. (Music is available at <http://bttbalumni.ca/#parade2017> once you've registered and logged in.) Exactly which of these pieces we will play on the street depends on how good they sound on Friday. Don't worry about having them memorized, feel free to bring the music with you on parade. If you want to march, but can no longer play, you can do that. If you want to be in the parade, but can't walk the entire distance, we have a float available for you to ride on. If you are already in the parade and want to march and play with the Alumni, a bus will be waiting for you to bring you back to the start. Tickets are \$45 and include your Alumni uniform. **Please note:** In order to be guaranteed proper sizing our shirt order needs to be placed by Friday, May 26. After that we'll do our best to get you a shirt that fits.

Saturday Night's the Night to Party



Join your fellow Alumni and Friends of the Band at Central Arena for an evening of sharing memories and making new ones. The social kicks off with an upscale barbecue catered by Leave It To Us. The menu includes an assortment of salads, fresh fruit, desserts and a whole lot of delicious treats from the grill. For those who want to wet their whistles, alcoholic and non-alcoholic refreshments will be served. Although the night is all about reconnecting and socializing there will also be some entertainment including big screen video presentations, a photo booth, a room full of memorabilia and a performance from the Rose Bowl-bound Teen Tour Band. The only thing the night will be missing is a lot of long speeches. DJ Jeff Chalmers (Boom 97.3) will provide a selection of music from the past 70 years through the evening. The night will end with a late evening food service along with lots of hugs and smiles as we say our good nights.

This is an event not to be missed. Tickets are \$95. To see who's already signed-up visit: <http://bttbalumni.ca/#social2017>.

Come Blow Your Horn with Today's Teen Tour Band at Sunday's Concert in the Park





On Sunday evening at 7 p.m., the Alumni will join with the Burlington Teen Tour Band for a concert in the bandshell in Central Park. This event is free for any Alumni to participate in and is also free for anyone who wishes to join the audience. We'll also be doing two rehearsals with the current Band on Sunday, June 11 from 2 to 4 p.m., and Wednesday, June 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. Attendance isn't mandatory, but we'd like to see as many of the Alumni Concert Band participants out as possible. For those interested in playing, you can sign-up and select your music at: <http://bttbalumni.ca/#concert2017>.

Registering by Printable Form? Send it in ASAP

If you have chosen to register for the Reunion using the printable form, rather than paying by PayPal, be sure to send it in, along with your cheque, ASAP. Until we have the forms in hand, we do not know that you're coming and may not be able to provide you with the proper size uniforms for the parade.

Need an Instrument?



If you're looking for an instrument to use for the parade, concert or both you are in luck. [Long and McQuade](#) offers very inexpensive short-term rentals. That will give you enough time to get ready for the weekend, without having to break the bank. If you are a drummer or a sousaphone player, we will be providing those instruments for you, but you need to let us know as soon as possible. That said, if you have your own drum or sousaphone please bring it.

Need a Place to Stay?

If you're coming from out of town (and your parents haven't kept your

teenage bedroom exactly as it was when you were in Band), we've done a deal with the Admiral Inn (<http://www.admiralinn.com/burlington/>) for \$99 per night which includes free breakfast and Wi-Fi. When booking be sure to ask for the BTTBand rate.

Volunteers Needed

To run an event of this size we need a lot of volunteers to work both before and during the weekend. Specifically, we're looking for those who can help out on the Saturday night, particularly with the Audio/Visual component of the evening. If you have a child or grandchild that needs to complete their volunteer hours for high school, we have several opportunities available for them. If you are interested, available or have any special skills that you think would be of use to the organizing committee, we'd love to hear from you. You can get in touch with us at bttbalumni@gmail.com and we'll give your name to the proper person.

Photos, Video and Audio Wanted



If you have any photos, video or audio of the Band we'd love to talk to you. In particular, we're looking for pre-2000 photos of the Band at key performances. If you have something that you think we might be interested in, contact us at bttbalumni@gmail.com and we'll make arrangements to add it to our collection.

Everyone's Got a Story

We all have stories about our time in the Band, be they funny, sad or inspiring. If you have a story you'd like to share with your fellow Alumni send it to bttbalumni@gmail.com and we'll share it in an upcoming Newsletter, on our website or [Facebook](#).

Hashtag #BTTB70

When talking to your friends on social media about the Reunion, please use the hashtag [#BTTB70](#) so others can find you and help spread information about the 70th to as many Alumni and friends as we can.

Contact Us

If you need to get in touch with the 70th Anniversary organizing committee you can do so by e-mail at bttbalumni@gmail.com, on our website at www.bttbalumni.ca, on [Facebook](#) or through the mail at BTTB Alumni Association, 426 Brant St., P.O. Box 5013, Burlington, Ontario, L7R 3Z6.

Looking forward to seeing you all in June.

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