

## The Birth of a Band – Inaugural rehearsal of the Stittsville Concert Band

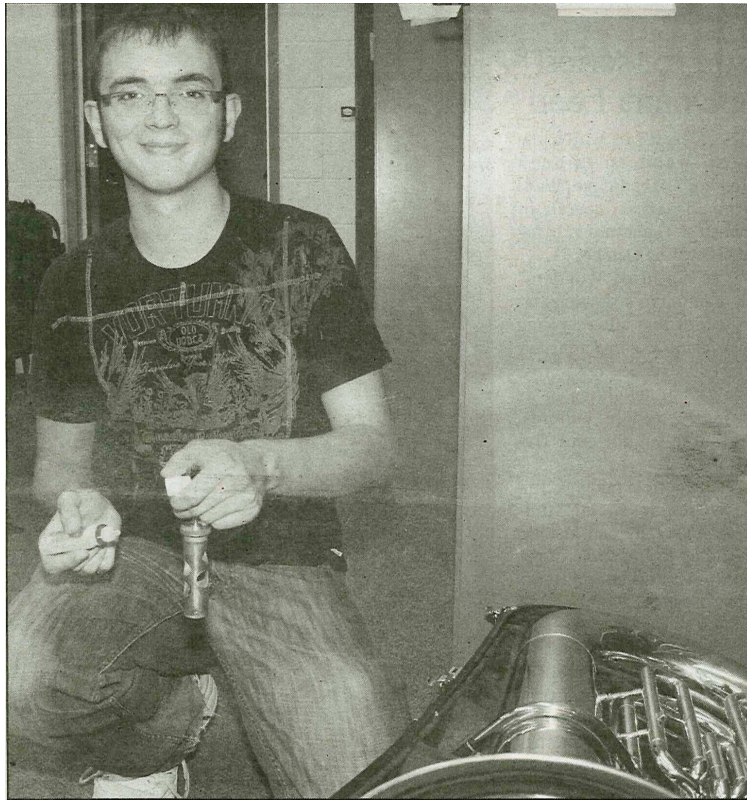
After much planning and organizing, the founding group of musicians attended the first rehearsal of the brand new Stittsville Concert Band, the brainchild of local musician Christine Philipson. Under the baton of Matt Dawber, the new group of around eighteen members met at Sacred Heart High School on Thursday September 4, 2008 to make joyful sound and plan for performances in the community, and for publicity to invite other musicians to join the band.



Matt Dawber, centre, background, standing, directs the new Stittsville Community Band at its first rehearsal session at Sacred Heart High School in Stittsville on Thursday evening, September 4. About 18 musicians were in attendance at this inaugural rehearsal. Other

musicians are most welcome to join the new band. For more information, email Mr. Dawber, the band's conductor, at [matt.dawber@ottawacatholicschools.ca](mailto:matt.dawber@ottawacatholicschools.ca)

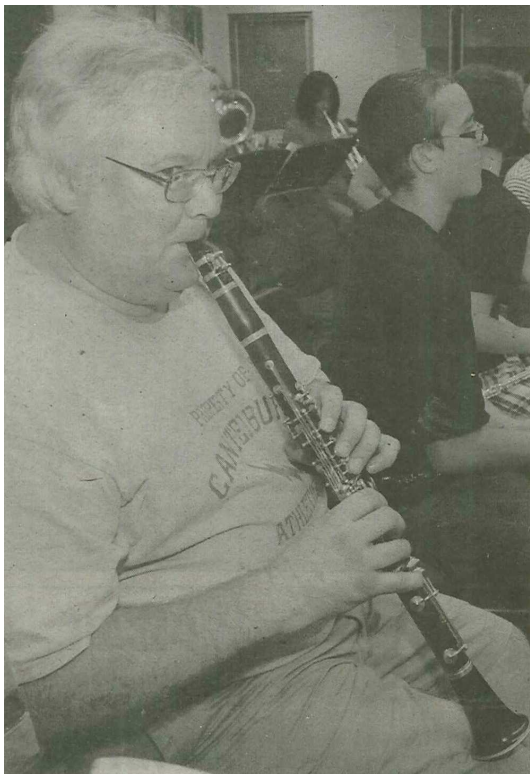
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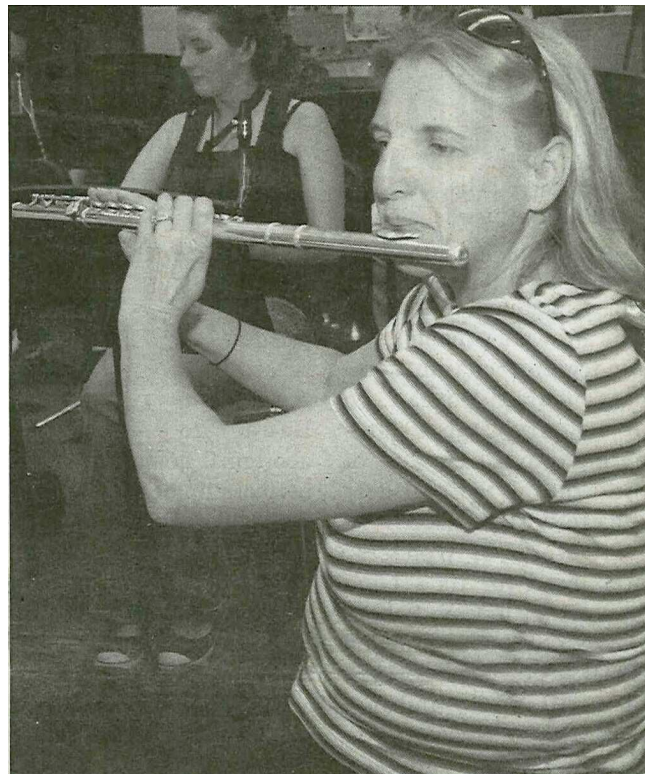
Connor Leroux oils one of the valves of a tuba as he prepares to take part in the inaugural rehearsal session for the new Stittsville Community Band which was held last Thursday evening at Sacred Heart High School in Stittsville. The new band will continue to hold rehearsal ses-

sions on Thursdays at 7 p.m. at Sacred heart, with new musicians interested in joining always welcome. More information on joining the band is available by calling Christine Philipson at 613-831-1575.

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Brian Boggs (Photo by John Brummell)



Christine Philipson (Photo by John Brummell)