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Score

From the President

Upcoming Events October

October 15
General Board
Meeting

UAW Arrowhead
Administration Bldg.
1691 Woodlands Dr.
Maumee, Ohio
9:30 a.m.

October 18
TYO/TYO

Sinfonietta Concert
Peristyle 4:00 p.m.

October 18
Chamber Concert
Toledo Club
7:00

October 29
Young People's
Concert
Peristyle

Dear Symphony League Friends,

Toledo's Labor Day Parade had a very distinguished League touch with our own **Fran Darcy** as Grand Marshal. Fran was the first woman to be given this extremely special honor. Not only has **Fran** been very involved with the Union movement and other civic and charity organizations, she has been a dedicated and committed League member earning a Crescendo pin. She, along with **Barb Topping** and **Sue Potts**, are responsible for the monthly mailing of the SCORE.

Members and friends enjoyed the "Hollywood and Vine" theme co-chairs **Sue Byerly** and **Pam Pilz**, and committee members, used to transform Belmont Country Club for the Opening Luncheon on Thursday, September 17. A black and white color scheme, along with a Brown Derby Restaurant menu and Celebrity Baskets filled with the appropriate memorabilia, provided background for those gathered to take a step back to the movie industry's Golden Age. Thanks for all who helped with this event!

Our Opening Luncheon always includes recognition of four of our outstanding, hard working members. They are awarded

Crescendo pins indicating their active involvement in the League for at least five years and serving on the Executive Committee and/or the General Board or as a committee chairman or other like chairmanship of equal commitment.

My sincere congratulations to these four most deserving members: **Karen Craig**, **Rosalie Hinde**, **JoAn Nichols**, and **Claudia Trombla!** **Beth Bowman**, Vice President of Membership, has provided additional information on their individual involvement and support for the League in her article.

Once this Crescendo status has been reached, active members are encouraged to continue to be actively involved in current League projects. As with all members, Crescendos are encouraged to become season ticket subscribers. The Toledo Symphony Orchestra provides many opportunities to allow League members and others in the community to experience the very best musical entertainment through the Classics, Pops, Mozart & More, as well as the Chamber Series. Hopefully you are able to enjoy one of these musical

performances.

As you continue to read the SCORE you will find other opportunities to support the League. **Pam Bettinger**, VP of Finance, will list the fund raisers. They include "Parties of Note" as well as the Holiday Fashion Show and Purse Auction, which will take place on Tuesday, December 8, at Fat Fish Blue on Levis Commons Blvd. This will be followed by the "Rite of Spring" scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, 2010, at the Toledo Hilton. Other gatherings/fundraisers are needed and will be advertised in future SCORES. Please consider helping as your personal/professional obligations allow.

Of course, I welcome your comments and questions as together we further the mission to continue as our founders began, "to make music available for everyone" through the various means of support available.

Your individual support does make a difference.

Sincerely,
Ann Randolph, President

Mission

The mission of the Toledo Symphony League is to provide financial, educational and volunteer support to the Toledo Symphony Orchestra so that it may provide quality musical performances for the entire community.



Upcoming Events November

November 13
 Bridge
 "Party of Note"
 Sue Neckers,
 Hostess



November 19
 General Board
 Meeting
 UAW Arrowhead
 Administration Bldg.
 1691 Woodlands Dr.
 Maumee, Ohio
 9:30 a.m.

ADMINISTRATION

Helen Relation, Vice President of Administration

This is the second SCORE issue prepared by our new editor. Vicki "Dee" Howard did an outstanding job with the September, 2009 SCORE, and we're very pleased to have her editing Toledo Symphony League's newsletter.

Belmont Country Club "became" Hollywood and Vine on Thursday, September 17, when the League gathered for the Opening Luncheon. Co-chairs, **Sue Byerly** and **Pam Pilz**, along with their workers, used a black and white color scheme to enhance a Hollywood theme to transport members and guests back to the movie industry's Golden Age.



Five celebrity wine baskets were raffled off. Each basket, named after a Hollywood star, was filled with CD's of hit songs and movies made by its star. Some baskets even included wine named for the themed celebrity.

The Celebrity Baskets were donated by **Sue Byerly**; **Pam Bettinger** and **Pam Pilz**; **Joanie Barrett** and **Sandra Laas**; **Trina McGivern** and **Myrna Bryan**; along with **Beth Bowman**, **Ann Randolph**, and **Helen Relation**.

Table decorations were black and white

woven baskets holding a peace lily and ivy. They were sold at the conclusion of the luncheon.

The menu was reminiscent of Hollywood's Brown Derby restaurant- Cobb Salad, broccoli and corn chowder, rolls, and chiffon cake.

The League's new cookbook, Masterpieces from our Kitchen, made its debut at the luncheon and was on sale there. **Trina McGivern**, Distribution Chair, was in charge. The books sell for \$20.00.

Sue Byerly and **Pam Pilz** are also planning the Closing Luncheon for Thursday, May 20, 2010. Tentatively, they report, it will be centered on a "Summer Thyme Tee".

Artist Hospitality Chairman, **Norene Drewicz**, expects to deliver 16 SOFO baskets to Toledo Symphony Orchestra guest artists during the Orchestra's 2009-2010 season. SOFO's continue to provide these baskets free of charge to the League. So please remember this as you do your shopping.

One final and important news flash! **Linda McBee** has said she is eager to assist all members of the Toledo Symphony League to improve their sales and marketing skills. So---when you find all those advertisers for the SCORE---call Linda with your lists of customers!!

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ARTS ADVOCACY

by Nancy Phlegar

Federal Update

Congress has not yet set NEA's funding for next year. So far, the House has approved a \$15 million increase and the Senate Appropriations Committee and the President have recommended a \$6.3 million increase. Before the bill can advance to the White House to be signed, the two chambers will need to reach consensus on a final appropriation amount.

Something To Think About

The economic uncertainty and roller-coaster markets may have you feeling stressed – and if so, you may want to turn off the news and tune into classical music!

We all know that unrelieved stress is bad for us. It's well documented that long-term stress and anxiety can lead to increased risk for cardiovascular disease and other health problems. A recent British study has shown that chronically stressed workers are 68 percent more likely to develop heart disease, facing as well a significantly higher risk of dying, suffering a non-fatal heart attack or developing angina.

While it doesn't appear that these financially stressful times will end soon, there are small ways we can reduce the impact of stress in our lives. It may be as easy and as pleasant as tuning into your iPod or your radio.

Listening to classical music can have a tremendously relaxing effect on both mind and body. More than just beautiful music for your ears, this type of music can slow the heart and pulse rate, lower blood pressure and reduce the levels of stress hormones.

A recent release from the American Heart Association and researchers from the American Society of Hypertension have shown that listening to classical music just half an hour daily, or as little as three times per week, can significantly reduce your blood pressure. It may be one small step toward a healthy life but certainly a giant leap in dealing with socio-economic situations over which we have little control.



Give it a try----you might find some positive effects!!

Masterpieces from our Kitchen

Correction

Page 37, **Very Mild Chili**, Linda Mc Bee's recipe calls for 1/2 cup WHITE SUGAR not 1/2 cup WHITE VINEGAR as printed.

It was sent in correctly: returned to be corrected during our proofing process. Apparently it didn't happen. Sorry this happened.



Upcoming Events December

December 8

Holiday Fashion Show
and Purse Auction
Fat Fish Blue
Levis Commons Blvd.



December 15,
Holiday Tea
with a Flare
"Party of Note"
Joanie Barrett,
Hostess



EDUCATION

by Jettie Sansbury, Vice President of Education

I had the pleasure of ushering for the first Toledo Blade Chamber Concert held at the Toledo Club. What an enjoyable event for all in attendance. Ann Lieder has stated on many occasions that the Toledo Club and the concerts exemplify "The atmosphere of a European Manor House, showcasing the individual talents of TSO musicians". If at all possible, attend one of these concerts.

Ann Lieder, usher/hostess chairman for The Toledo Blade Chamber Concerts submitted the following: The Toledo Blade Chamber Concert Series was launched on September 13, 2009. Many thanks to Faye Fenwick, Susan Mason and Jettie Sansbury for volunteering as hostesses. The second concert will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2009. The hostesses will be Barbara Brown, Carol Mohler and Pat Osborn.

Dorothy Coats, manager of the Toledo Youth Orchestra and the Toledo Junior Youth Orchestra, has an article in this issue of the Score regarding the new Toledo Youth Sinfonietta to the youth orchestra family. The Toledo Youth Sinfonietta is under the direction of Wasin Hawary. The opening concert of the Toledo Youth Orchestra is Sunday, October 18, 2009.

Lynda Lieto, chairman of Young People's Concerts, reminds us that the first concert is Thursday, October 29, 2009.

Mary Miller, chairman of the Showcase of the Arts, will be assisted by Jettie Sansbury. The theme for the 2010 showcase is "Back to Basics". The event will be held April, 2010. More information will be shared in the November issue of SCORE.

A Message from the Corresponding Secretary

Please contact me if you know of a League member who has suffered the loss of a family member, is sick or in the hospital, or just needs a special remembrance. You can email me at slaas@bex.net so that a note can be sent from the League membership.

Sandra Laas
Corresponding Secretary



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all our members who
are celebrating in October.
We wish you all the happiness
that your special day deserves.



EDUCATION TYO/TJYO

by Dorothy Coats, TYO/TJYO Manager

YOUTH ORCHESTRA NEWS

TYO TO HOST TYO SINFONIETTA'S PREMIER CONCERT APPEARANCE

Sunday, October 18, will be a red letter day for the Toledo Youth Orchestra as they welcome the new TYO Sinfonietta to the Youth Orchestra family in the Toledo Museum of Art Peristyle at 4:00 p.m. Made up of string players in grades 9 through 12 from many school systems in Northwest Ohio and Southeastern Michigan, the new orchestra offers opportunities for additional talented young musicians to perform in a large venue. To be conducted by **Wasim Hawary**, their first concert will include music by **Gustav Holst** and **Edvard Grieg**.

Wasim Hawary, a lifelong resident of the Toledo area, graduated from Bowling Green State University in 1998 with a degree in music education and has continued his education at the Vandercook School of Music in Chicago. Having taught music in Toledo Public Schools since 1998, Mr. Hawary is currently the orchestra director at both Start and Scott High Schools. He served as the Assistant Director of the TYO from 1999-2005 and also taught both guitar and piano at Owens Community College. An accomplished double bassist, Mr. Hawary actively performs in the region with various ensembles. When not on stage or in a classroom, Wasim spends a great deal of time in various recording studios writing, performing and producing all types of music. His music has been used in Feature Films and on the USA network. He enjoys photography, playing tennis, and currently coaches boys' tennis at Start High School.

Welcome aboard Mr. Hawary and TYO Sinfonietta members!!

Back for his second season with the Toledo Youth Orchestra, **Dr. Kenneth Thompson** has chosen to open the season with another World Premier. This composition entitled, "Glass", is written by award winning BGSU Doctoral student, **Timothy Stulman**. Most recent among Mr. Stulman's awards is the New York Youth Orchestra composition contest. "The Moldau" by Smetana, Brahms Hungarian Dance #5 and the colorful 4th movement of Dvorak's Symphony #8 will complete the program. Don't miss this exciting opening Youth Orchestra concert on **Sunday, October 18, 4:00 pm** at the Toledo Museum of Art Peristyle! Remember it is **FREE!!**



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FINANCE

by Pam Bettinger, Vice President of Finance

Happy Fall!! It's hard to believe that we are already into October and well on our way to raising money for the Toledo Symphony League.

Our first **Party of Note** will be on Friday, November 13th at the home of **Sue Neckers**. She will be hosting a bridge party. Please send your reservation to Trina McGivern, 614 Kingsborough Ct., Perrysburg, OH 43551, or call 419-874-6050 if you are interested in attending. Also, if you are interested in hosting a party of note, please contact **Trina McGivern** or **Pam Bettinger** to get your event on the schedule.

The style show committee is working hard for this year's event. Chairmen, **Lynda Gilbert** and **Bev Zielinski** have really great things planned this year. The Style Show will take place December 8, 2009 at Fat Fish Blue in Levis Commons. The show will feature clothing and accessory stores from Levis Commons. We are also doing a purse auction and raffle. You won't want to miss it. If you have a new or

gently used purse to donate, please call me, Pam Bettinger, at 419-833-8465 and I will be happy to make arrangements to get it.

The **Rite of Spring** committee is beginning the planning process for this year's event. **Barbara Waite-Shenk** will head up the committee as our Chairman. It's not too late to get involved. We would love to have your input and need your skills to help make this event successful. If you are interested in becoming involved, please call **Barbara Waite-Shenk** at 419-270-6049. This promises to be a lively group to work with!!

If you have any ideas for fundraisers that would help the league reach their financial goals, please feel free to contact me at pamb@amplex.net. I am always looking for fresh ideas!!

Sincerely,
Pam Bettinger, V.P. Finance

MEMBERSHIP

by Beth Bowman, Vice President of Membership



Brava! to **Barbara Brown, Sandra Laas, Carol Mohler, Pam Pilz, Ann Randolph, Karen Rose, and Bev Zielinski** for taking part in "membership initiative" meetings August 24 and 26. We discussed many issues concerning TSL membership—from dues to ways to reach new members and retain "experienced" members. We will be meeting again. If you would like to join us, please e-mail me at bowsmom50@sbcglobal.net. I would be happy to send you a copy of the minutes to give you a sense of our discussions.

As V.P. of Membership, I had the privilege of "unveiling" the Crescendo Class of 2009. A Crescendo is awarded to an outstanding TSL member who has been an active member 5 years, has chaired a major event or had an equal commitment, such as serving on the Executive Committee or General Board. **Karen Craig, Rosalie Hinde, JoAn Nichols, and Claudia Trombla** were awarded Crescendo pins at the September 17 Opening Luncheon. A short "CV" of each new Crescendo follows.

Karen Craig has served the League in many capacities: chairing elements of Benefit Luncheons, Holiday Parties, and TSL Ball raffles. She served as a Gala Chair as well as being Luncheons Chair. From 2005-2007, she served as Corresponding Secretary and instituted the first TSL Celebrity Wait Night. **Rosalie Hinde** answered the "call" to TSL service literally as Chimer Chair twice and remains an active chimer. She has worked wherever needed — from "Showcase of the Arts", to selling raffle tickets, to welcoming new members as new members chair! **JoAn Nichols** was the TSL "one woman" publishing company 2002-2007. This involved tracking down "late" stories, always with a smile and extreme patience. In between deadlines, she helped sell raffle tickets and served on a Gala committee. **Claudia Trombla** has performed many services to the League. Her volunteer light shone brightest during her chairmanship of "Showcase of the Arts", 2004-2007! She then "moved up" and became VP of Education for the TSL, 2007-2009.

The next time you see or talk to one of the new Crescendos, please congratulate them; or honor their example of service by saying "yes" to the next volunteer opportunity that comes your way.

~Beth Bowman, VP of Membership

Parties of Note



These small-group, themed, events are hosted and underwritten by various league members. 100% of the proceeds go to fund the League's educational programs.

Space is limited at each party and reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Please send your reservation to Trina McGivern, 614 Kingsborough Ct., Perrysburg, OH 43551, 419-874-6050.

An Evening of Party Bridge

Sue Necker's lovely Belmont home will be the setting for an evening of Party Bridge. There will be two groups of three tables with three prizes awarded in each group. A grazing table and wine will keep tummies occupied. Singles are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Date: Friday, November 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Place: 9753 Carnoustie Rd., Perrysburg, OH

Price: \$25 per person

Maximum Reservations: 24

English Fare with "Holiday" Flair

Back by popular demand, you and your guests are cordially invited to a one-of-a-kind English Holiday Tea Party in the home of Joanie Barrett. Enjoy an array of teas, scrumptious sweetbreads and savories combined with great friends, holiday music and a festive array of prizes that all guests will be entered to win. This Party of Note will insure a great start to your holiday season! Seating is limited for this unique opportunity. All funds collected will be donated to The Toledo Symphony League. Come and enjoy a time of holiday peace and joy!

Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2009,
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Place: 8646 Plum Hollow Point, Holland, OH

Price: \$30 per person

Maximum Reservations: 25



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The Toledo Symphony Concert Schedule

MOZART & MORE SERIES - LA CLEMENZA DI TITO... PLUS HAYDN

Saturday, October 10, 2009 | 7:30 pm | Franciscan Center, Sylvania | Conductorless
Mozart — Overture to La clemenza di Tito, Dvořák — Wind Serenade, Haydn — Symphony No. 101

TOLEDO YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Sunday, October 18, 2009 | 3:00 pm | The Peristyle | Wasim Hawary, Ken Thompson, conductors

KEYBANK POPS SERIES – TIME FOR THREE*

Saturday, October 17, 2009 | 8:00 pm | Stranahan Theater | Damon Gupton, conductor
Zachary (Zach) De Pue - violin, Nicolas (Nick) Kendall - violin, Ranaan Meyer - double bass

The groundbreaking, category-shattering trio, Time for Three, transcends traditional classification, with elements of classical, country western, gypsy and jazz idioms that form a blend all its own.

THE BLADE CHAMBER SERIES II

Sunday, October 18, 2009 | 7:00 pm | Toledo Club
Boulanger Three Pieces for Cello and Piano Fauré Violin Sonata in A Major op. 13 Shostakovich Piano Quintet*

TOLEDO YOUTH ORCHESTRA PERFORMANCE

Sunday, October 18, 2009 | 3:00 p.m. | The Peristyle | Wasim Hawary and Ken Thompson, conductors

CLASSICS SERIES - SOLZHENITSYN RETURNS

Friday and Saturday, October 23 & 24, 2009 | 8:00 pm | The Peristyle | Ignat Solzhenitsyn, conductor and piano
Mozart - Piano Concerto No. 11 in F Major, K. 413, Rachmaninoff - Symphony No. 2

*Toledo Symphony Premiere / Debut. Programs and artists subject to change