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# Score

## From the President

### Upcoming Events May

May 3

English Tea

Darlene Carpenter's  
Home  
306 E Wayne St.  
Maumee  
1:00 p.m.

May 7

TSO

CARNEGIE HALL  
PERFORMANCE

May 14

"Tickle the Ivories"

Dr. Ryan Behan  
Toledo Club

May 19

General Board

Meeting

9:30 a.m.

Toledo Country Club  
3949 River Rd.  
Toledo, Ohio  
Closing Luncheon  
11:00 Social Hour  
11:15 Music Program  
Living Room  
Thomas Stuart,  
Violinist  
Noon-Lunch  
Medallions  
Installation of  
new Officers

Dear Symphony League Friends,  
May has arrived and with it many exciting activities as our program year comes to an end. The upcoming events calendar, as well as the individual articles, highlights most of these events.

The very special "Trip to Carnegie Hall" where our outstanding TSO plays on Saturday evening, May 7 in prime time at 8:00 p.m. will be supported by more than 1400 folks who will fly, travel by car, or bus to be present.

Since this is my last President's letter, I would like to acknowledge our SCORE Editor **Dee Howard** for providing our membership with an outstanding professional newsletter. She has made it an appealing, readable, and useful guide to the League's activities. She was always very patient when deadlines were not kept. **THANK YOU, DEE**

Working with Dee were our SCORE Proofreader **Beverly Zielinski** and her husband, **Herman**. They are to be commended for their attention to detail in checking grammar. **THANK YOU BEVERLY AND HERMAN!**

Our mailing team of **Fran Darcy** and **Sue Potts** continued the careful process of

preparing the SCORE. **Fran** would receive the copies from Maumee Quick Print, fold and attach labels, prepared by **Trina McGivern**, and then give them to **Sue Potts** who completed the needed paperwork before taking them to the post office. Our third team member, **Barb Topping**, was unable to help regularly due to the automobile injuries she suffered in October, but she was able to return home recently and she and her husband **Dick** are also providing the needed assistance to this team effort. **THANK YOU, FRAN, SUE, BARB and DICK!**

I remain grateful to all of you who supported and encouraged me. Through this membership gift, given to me by **Myrna Bryan** more than eleven years ago, I have come to know and count as friends and acquaintances some of the most generous, talented, dedicated and hard working women in this area. The League, Toledo Symphony Orchestra and the area community members are the beneficiaries of your individual gifts.

During the Closing Luncheon, our special TSL medallions will be awarded, new officers installed and welcomed, as well as have an opportunity to thank members for the gift of their time, talent and treasure to enable us to fulfill our pledge to the Orchestra.

I would like to extend a very special thanks to the Executive Committee, the General Board, President's Committee, Past Presidents and the Crescendos. Your assistance, understanding and support during my presidency will remain a special treasure for me.

As TSL President, I had the honor to serve on the Toledo Symphony Orchestra's Executive Committee and Board of Trustees. This partnership has strengthened the understanding of each other and more importantly helps to fulfill our mission to the orchestra and community.

Finally, I wish to congratulate our new President, **Elizabeth Bowman** and her Executive Committee. Be assured of my support and best wishes for a most successful year!

*Gratefully,  
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 May & June

May 21

Orchestra

Appreciation Dinner  
Stranahan Foyer

3:00 p.m.

If you are able to help with setting up, food preparation, or decorations, please contact Kim Danes at [greatdanes@bex.net](mailto:greatdanes@bex.net) or 419.261.8697.

The dinner is in-between the rehearsal and the performance at the Stranahan Theater. The program is "Dancing With the Symphony."

June 11

Young Artists'  
Competition  
Symphony Space

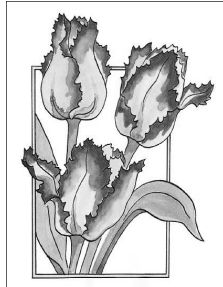
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# ADMINISTRATION

*Helen Relation, Vice President of Administration*

Spring will be a-blooming on May 19 at Toledo Symphony League's Closing Luncheon of the 2010-2011 year. The luncheon will be held at the Toledo Country Club.



Mary Beaber and Barb Bettinger, co-chairs, said the menu will be a "Chef's Spring Surprise". Tables will be decorated with potted flowers and these centerpieces will be sold at the conclusion of the luncheon.

Mary Beaber designed and printed the invitations for our Closing Luncheon, which were mailed in mid-April. The luncheon cost, \$25.00, includes a violin

program performed by **Thomas Stuart**, which was arranged by **Mary Miller**, program chair.

As always, invitations were sent with the help of **Trina McGivern** (who prints the labels), **Fran Darcy** and **Sue Potts** (who deliver mailings to the post office).

During the Closing Luncheon, the new officers will be installed and assume their duties.

The Closing Luncheon will mark the end of my term, therefore, your new VP of Administration will write the next SCORE article.

After a decade of living in the Toledo area, I will be moving this summer to Boston, Massachusetts. Thank you all for enriching my life here—and for the years of fun!!

## PARTIES OF NOTE

It is with great pleasure that I tell you that the Parties of Note have surpassed all budget expectations!! It is due in part to everyone's participation in these events, but largely because the following women have been so gracious to host one of these parties: "Over the Moon Jazz"-**Myrna Bryan** and **Nancy Phlegar**, "English Fare Tea"-**Joanie Barrett**, "Valentine Brunch"-**Mei Mei Williams** and **JoAn Nichols**, "CABI Parties"-**Pam Pilz**, "May Day Tea"-**Darlene Carpenter** and **Judy Maurer**, "Girls Night Out"-**Trina McGivern**. These parties are an intimate way to get to know other members and make new friends. If you would like to host a party next season or have any party ideas please contact me: Trina McGivern, 419-874-6050 or [trina@mcgivern.com](mailto:trina@mcgivern.com). Again, THANK YOU HOSTESSSES for all your hard work!

## VOLUNTEERS

### THE TSL & TSO WANTS.....YOU!!!

The Toledo Symphony League and the Toledo Symphony Orchestra want YOU to become part of a volunteer program designed to ease workflow at Symphony Space. Volunteers are needed to answer the telephone, work on mailings on an "as needed" basis, and fill in at the will call box before concerts.

The time commitment is two to four hours on a pre-scheduled basis. An in-service for volunteers will be held at Symphony Space during the summer.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Ann Randolph** or **Beth Bowman**. Thanks!



# ARTS ADVOCACY

by Nancy Phlegar

## US Budget Update

Congressional leaders reached a budget compromise to avoid a government shutdown. With the help of many advocates, Congress has restored a portion of the Arts in Education and protected the NEA from more drastic cuts. The \$155 million provided for the NEA is \$12.5 million cut from the current level of \$167.5 million. The final funding bill includes \$25.5 million for the Arts in Education Fund, which is enough to continue the next year of funding for multi-year grants currently in progress. As soon as the FY2011 spending levels are passed, attention will be focused on building support for the FY2012 budget.

## Positive impact of El Sistema Programs

In 2008, I wrote an article about “El Sistema”. This national program, which started in Venezuela, provides musical education for hundreds of at-risk youth. Founded by Jose Antonio Abreu in 1975, this program reaches out to young children in the poorest and most crime-ridden areas of Venezuela.

Today, more than 368,000 children agree to a rigorous schedule of four to six hours of practice per day, five to six days a week. “El Sistema” now has over 60 children’s orchestras, 200 youth orchestras, 30 professional adult orchestras and dozens of choruses. In Venezuela, the government seems to understand what Abreu was trying to accomplish and most of “El Sistema’s” budget comes not from arts funding but from social services. The success of this program has produced astonishing results. Crime and school dropout rates have declined so substantially that every dollar invested in the program returns about \$1.68 in social dividends.

Like-minded programs are springing up across the United States as well as Canada, Europe, Asia, India and Jamaica. A recent report, commissioned by the Scottish government, has reported that “Sistema Scotland”, which began in 2008 in one of the most deprived areas in the country, has already had a positive impact on the 388 children involved. Ninety have joined an orchestra, playing together for up to twenty hours a week. Enthusiasm has replaced lack of experience and the spiritual richness of classical music has overridden the poverty of their lives. As self esteem grows, the “El Sistema” graduates move on in their lives with a sense of capability, endurance and resilience.

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## REMEMBRANCE FUND

*Janet Keener, TSL Remembrance Fund Chair*

The Remembrance Fund chairperson has had a busy Spring. The Toledo Junior Youth Orchestra auditions were held March 15 & 16. The following students are 2011 Scholarship winners who were awarded at the TJYO Concert on April 17:

**Starr Jiang**, Cello, Honor of TJYO by anonymous donor.

**Malik Khalfani**, Violin, Memory of **Richard Molter** and **Sylvia Molter Neill**.

**Esther Kim**, Violin, Memory of **Betty Foster**.

**Tierney McClure**, Flute, Memory of **Marissa Rose**.

**Hanna Modene**, Flute, Memory of **Susan Wiseman**, former TJYO director.

**Janice Park**, Violin, Memory of **Betty** and **Alfred Foster**.

**Henry Yang**, Violin, Memory of **Richard Molter** and **Sylvia Molter Neill**.

On March 29, the Senior Auditions were held. The Judge is an Assistant Dean in the College of Musical Arts at BGSU. The winners will be announced at the Toledo Youth Orchestra Spring Pops Concert, Monday, May 16, at BGSU College of Musical Arts.

Twenty four TYO members auditioned on April 2 & 3. This year was our first year to have “blind auditions”. These musicians were very good and the results have not been announced at this time.

Inadvertently, **Faye Fenwick** was not included in our list of audition helpers who were thanked in last month’s SCORE. Thank you, **Faye!**

We are very grateful for the many donations by family and friends of **Betty Foster**, **Alfred Foster**, and **Mary Madigan** which the Remembrance Fund has received this year.



## Annual Retreat

The Annual Toledo Symphony League Retreat will be Thursday, June 23 from 9:30 to 12:00 at The Father Wurzel Center on the East campus of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Sylvania.

All Officer and committee chairs for the 2011-2012 TSL year are required to attend.

All interested League members are invited to attend the Retreat.



The purpose of the Retreat is to discuss plans for next year including projects and fund raising.

Sandwiches and drinks will be provided by the League

# EDUCATION

by Jettie Sansbury, Vice President of Education

As I reflect over the past two years and write my last article for the Score as Vice President of Education, I am honored to have served with such a talented and dedicated Executive Board. I am appreciative and humbled by the exemplary leadership of our Education Committee chairs. These women have worked many, many hours to accomplish the mission of the League and to make our projects and programs successful and worthwhile. I thank each of you for your encouragement, support, and commitment.



### The Education Update

**Penny Carson and Helen Rogge** are chairs for the three Community Music Lesson receptions held immediately following each recital in early May. The Community Music Lesson program was formed in late 1980's to provide high quality music education to students in metropolitan Toledo. Monetary donations toward the refreshments can be made by contacting **Helen** or **Penny**.

**Carolyn Moening**, Summer Study Grants chairman, will present grants to TSO members desiring to study during the summer to enhance their musical skills. These grants will be awarded at the closing luncheon on May 19, 2011 at The Toledo Club.

**Claudia Trombla and Dorothy Bosner** are planning the upcoming Young Artists' Competition which is scheduled for June 11, 2011 at The Symphony Space.

**Mary Miller and Jettie Sansbury** extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to all the league volunteers who devoted hours to the

success of the 2011 Showcase of the Arts. The Imagination Station provided complementary admission tickets to the event for winners and their siblings. The Toledo Symphony League provided tickets for parents and teachers. In addition, the students and teachers received two complementary tickets from The Toledo Symphony to attend a 2011/2012 concert at the Toledo Museum of Art Peristyle Theater in appreciation for their participation. Many thanks to **Cheryl Goodfriend** and **Sara Young** of the Imagination Station and **Sandra Clark** of the Toledo Symphony for their generous support and assistance. To **Ted Bowman**, we are all grateful for your generosity of taking pictures of students and teachers. The Showcase of the Arts is a wonderful program and we are amazed at the creativity of the students and thankful for the commitment and support of the teachers.

**Phyllis Wadley**, Showcase of the Arts Reception chair, wishes to thank the following members who donated cookies and brownies: **Sue Potts, Marcia Helman, Kathy Scheer, Ann Randolph, Shawn Sansbury, Beth Bowman, Fran Darcy, Jettie Sansbury, and Nancy Phlegar**. Also a special thanks to **Imagination Station, Kroger- Sylvania Avenue, Pepsi America and Meijer-Central Avenue** for their continued support.

**Janet Keener**, chairman of the Remembrance Fund, presented scholarships to the 2011 TJYO winners on Sunday, April 16. Refer to Janet's article in the May SCORE for details and to **Dorothy Coats'** article regarding the Toledo Youth Orchestra's upcoming concert.

**Again, I wish to extend my sincere appreciation to the Executive Board, Education Committee chairs and League members for your support, assistance and cooperation. It has been a pleasure to serve you and to work with you.**



# EDUCATION TYO/TJYO

by Dorothy Coats, TYO/TJYO Manager

## **BGSU KOBACKER HALL SITE FOR TYO SEASON FINALE**

A grand buffet of popular concert music will be featured on the annual POPS CONCERT of the TYO Philharmonic and Symphonic Orchestras. Performing together in one huge ensemble (166 to be exact), the orchestra will be heard in such favorites as: *Fascinating Rhythm* by George Gershwin, Robert Russell Bennett's arrangement of selections from *My Fair Lady*, Paul Desmond's *Take Five* and Tchaikovsky's Waltz from *Sleeping Beauty*.

The feast will continue with tunes from the musical, *Chicago*, a selection from Percy Granger, *Jazz Pizzicato* by Leroy Anderson and music from the *Bounty Hunter*. Several other "pop concert" favorites will complete the program—ending with John Phillip Sousa's ever popular *Stars and Stripes Forever!*

In addition to **Dr. Ken Thompson** and **Wasim Hawary**, assistant conductors **Mark Irwin** and **Brian Troutman** will be on the podium. The concert will be held on Monday, May 16, at 8:00 p.m. in Kobacker Hall at Bowling Green State University. As an orchestra fund raiser, tickets will be sold by students and at the door the evening of the performance. Adults: \$8.00, students: \$5.00. Plan to be there for this gala "Pops" evening!!

**NOTE:** Auditions for new TYO members are set for May 17, 18, (and 19, if needed). Call Dorothy Coats (419-882-1953) for information and to schedule a time.



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### 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](mailto:slaas@bex.net) so that a note can be sent from the League membership.

~Sandra Laas,  
Corresponding Secretary



### THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

I would like to thank the Chimers for the many calls made relative to our events of this year's calendar. These ladies are really appreciated for the time and energy with which they make those reminder calls for us! I'd like to recognize **Nancy Phlegar, Marge Michalak, Rosalie Hinde, Helen Relation, Mary Decker, Betty Benjamin, Sue Potts, Marcia Helman, Jean Hersland, Mary Ann Tigges, and Marilyn Ulrich.** Thanks so much ladies!

~ Carol Mohler, Chimers Chairman

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# FINANCE

by Beth Bowman, Vice President of Finance

The Toledo Symphony League year may be winding down, but the Finance Department has yet to reach its finale! "Tickle the Ivories", our gourmet dinner/piano concert/silent auction gala event will fill the Toledo Club on May 14. Don't miss the opportunity to enjoy a wonderful evening and support the final TSL fund raising event of the 2010-2011 year.

"Rite of Spring" blossomed March 24 on a cold sunny day at the Toledo Hilton. Chairman **Rusty Phlegar** and her committee including **Mary Beaber, Trina McGivern, Helen Rogge, Karen Fruth, JoAn Nichols, Sandra Laas, and Marti Huepenbecker** created a daytime event unlike any other offered in Toledo. Thank you and congratulations! Mark your calendars for next year's Rite of Spring, **March 29, 2012!** Next year's centerpieces are already in the works!

The final "**Party of Note**" is the May Day Tea on Tuesday, May 3, in the home of **Darlene Carpenter**, assisted by **Judy Maurer**. This event is **SOLD OUT!**

I will soon be stepping down as V.P. of Finance. Thank you to **Pam Bettinger, Marlene Garbe, Trina McGivern, Rusty Phlegar, Pam Pilz, and Joni Fought** for being such gracious and effective event chairs. Their enthusiasm, coupled with the hard work and determination of their MANY committee members enabled the Finance Department to reach each of its goals!

Please attend the Closing Luncheon and share in the excitement of presenting our complete pledge check to the Toledo Symphony Orchestra! **Each TSL member** contributed to its financial success in 2010-2011. Please share in it!

## "TICKLE THE IVORIES"

It's almost here! "**Tickle the Ivories**" will fill the Toledo Club May 14, 2011. **Joni Fought, Pam Pilz,** and their committee have dotted every "i" and crossed every "t" to make this an exceptional end to the League's year.

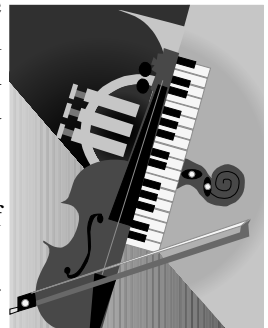
Guests will arrive at 6:00 p.m. to the sounds of young Suzuki musicians from the Toledo Symphony School of Music. After drinks and appetizers with jazz sounds from the St. John's Jesuit High School Jazz ensemble, guests will enjoy a dual entrée meal. A piano concert, by **Dr. Ryan Behan** will be the after dinner entertainment. Desserts and coffee, plus a meet and greet with our guest artist, will "cap" the evening.

Dr. Behan's performance has special significance to the Toledo Symphony League. His first piano teacher was **Mei Mei Williams**. His family tree includes "Showcase of the Arts" co-chair **Mary Miller** and TSL's President, **Ann Randolph**.

**Karen Craig** and **Lori Paton** have done an outstanding job securing financial support for "Tickle the Ivories". Our presenting sponsor, **Cardinal Services**, has been joined by **The Andersons, Inc., Jonathon Schoen/Cleaner & Dryer, Pamela Pilz/Sulphur Springs, The William Fall Group, Inc., and Lori Paton/Welles Bowen**. This exceptional outpouring of community support for the League is a testament to the mission of our organization. If you have not already sent in your reservation, please fill it out and drop it in the mail!

It would be a pity to miss an opportunity to hear an up and coming young artist, lose a chance to bid on amazing auction items, or pass on what is sure to be a memorable evening!

While you are at "Tickle the Ivories", please give a nod of appreciation to committee members **Trina McGivern, Mary Miller, Karen Craig, Lori Paton, MeiMei Williams, Dr. Pat Donahue, Dr. Joanie Barrett, Cindy Champer, and Beth Bowman**.





# MEMBERSHIP

by Lynda Gilbert, Vice President of Membership

## OUR OFFICAL MEMBERSHIP IS 238. . . AND COUNTING!

### WELCOME NEW MEMBER

**Ms. Sandra Seiple**  
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### Please add this new member to your Pink Book!

It has been a very good year for membership! We have welcomed a total of **14** new members since September. They are **Jenny Barlos, Christine Braithwaite, Betty Britten, Jenelle Buschur, Karen Craig, Elizabeth Ference, Brenda Hill, Carolyn Kawecka, Joy King, Mary Miller, Jeanne Reisler, Sandra Seiple, Allie**

**Smith, and Rosalind Welch.** We are happy to have these ladies in the League.

A reminder that we hope to see you on May 19, at the Toledo Country Club for the closing luncheon. It is a great time and a special day to celebrate our accomplishments and acknowledge our officers and volunteers. What a perfect opportunity to invite your Duette! Hope to see you there!

### SAVE TIME & SAVE A STAMP

Dues statements are right around the corner. If you'd like, simply drop off your dues statements at the luncheon. Renewal forms will also be available too.

### “DINNER AND A CONCERT RAFFLE”

“Tickle the Ivories”, scheduled for Saturday, May 14, 2011, is the FINALE! to the Toledo Symphony League's year. The “**Dinner and a Concert**” raffle is a wonderful way to support this great event. The raffle features an opportunity to win **two Toledo Symphony Orchestra Classics Series tickets and nine \$50.00 gift cards to area restaurants.** At \$10.00 each, or three tickets for \$25.00, it is a terrific deal.

Our goal for the raffle is to raise \$7,000 selling 700 tickets. At a rate of \$10 per ticket, that is an average of 88 tickets per each of the eight concerts in our “selling season”. Each concert at which you sell tickets entitles you to one (1) half-price ticket to that concert. For members who have series tickets, please combine the “work” of the League with your concert attendance and consider selling tickets.

Selling raffle tickets to your friends and neighbors would be a great addition to the sales at concerts. Restaurants in the “**Dinner and a Concert**” raffle include **P.F. Chang's, J. Alexander's, Mancy's Blue Water Grille,** and “more”!

Please contact **Cindy Champer** at [CindyChamper@aol.com](mailto:CindyChamper@aol.com) or 419-350-0477 to schedule a concert to attend and sell or to arrange personal ticket sales. Thank You for helping make “**Tickle the Ivories**” and the “**Dinner and a Concert Raffle**” a success!

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## *The Toledo Symphony Concert Schedule*

### **FAMILY SERIES—SPRING FOR MUSIC! WITH THE TOLEDO METROPARKS**

Sunday, May 15, 2011 | 3:00 pm | The Toledo Museum of Art

*Get out and about the Toledo metro-area and celebrate Spring! The TSO performs nature-inspired pieces with help from the Metroparks of the Toledo Area!*

### **KEYBANK POPS SERIES – DANCING WITH THE STARS!**

Saturday, May 14, 2011 | 8:00 pm | Stranahan Theater

*Symphonic Pops star Michael Krajewski leads this program of toe-tapping, hand-clapping tunes perfect for a night of dance! Stars of Broadway, Joan Hess and Kirby Ward, join the TSO for a complete audio-visual treat.*



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