

DGMC Newsletter

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Hello from your Prez ...

Greetings everyone! Happy springtime to each of you. Let's hear it for the early daffodils and crocus soon to be peeking out of the ground.

Take a look at the April offerings from our club. This is pretty phenomenal! **Four concerts in one month?** Yes, that is correct. So many talented musicians in our organization.

Choose the programs most interesting to you. Or, better yet, attend all four. Let's continue to cheer on our fellow musicians who work hard to present exciting and memorable events for our "listening pleasure."

At our April 2 program, your nominating committee will present its **slate of officers**. Be there to cast your vote and also to **champion our Rising Stars** young musicians in a wonderful program, chaired by **Gloria Salazar**.

We enjoyed another great fundraiser evening at Chris Garofalo's home, presenting the talents of **Chris, Jen Leckie and Todd Diehl**. As always, it proves to be an evening of fun and fellowship as well as commendable performances by these gifted musicians. Refreshments afterwards are yummy delicious, so our thanks go to those board members who so kindly contributed.

Hooray and hearty applause to our organization, which, under the guidance of **Rose Verona**, our Vice-President of Business Development, has raised a considerable amount of music award money, including a new category called "College Music Awards." Read further in this newsletter for all the details.

As always, keep a song in your heart and a tune on your lips. We hope to see many of you at our April programs!

*Blessings to you all,
Marilyn E. Wilgocki*

Piano Festival and Competition

The 2013 Piano Festival and Competition will be held on April 14th. We have 137 entries from 23 teachers. Six judges will be employed at five different locations. This year, contest results will be posted on our DGMC website www.downersgrovemusicclub.org within a day or two of the festival.

The **Honors Recitals** will be held on **April 28th at 2:45pm and 4:15 pm** at Divine Savior Church (6700 Main Street, DG). Everyone is invited to come to listen to the talented young piano students who will be performing.

April Programs

As Marilyn mentioned, this April is an extremely busy month for DGMC. In addition to holding the Piano Festival and Competition in April, four different and excellent programs have been scheduled.

Our first program is on **Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall at **Faith United Methodist Church** (432 59th Street, DG). This is our annual "Rising Stars" program which features the 2012 Rising Stars Award winners. It is going to be a great program! Not only will all six recipients perform, but we will hear from a former Rising Stars Scholarship winner - Josh Zajac. Josh has graduated from the Cleveland Institute of Music and is currently a member of the Chicago Civic Orchestra. In addition to our Rising Stars, we will hear performances from the Lakeview Middle School Jazz Band and the College of DuPage *Chapappella* vocal ensemble. And last, but not least, we will hear several local students who have been recognized at the state level for their compositional skills. Please come and support these fine student musicians. Page 2 has more details.

The other three programs will all be held at **Hendricks Pianos**. Please read the program details which follow in this newsletter – all of them should be wonderful! On **Sunday, April 7th at 4:00 pm**, we will hear an entire recital presented by *thesix* – a six-piece wind, brass and piano ensemble. Their pianist is DGMC member Abi Habegger. On **Sunday, April 21st at 4:00 pm**, we will hear a concert which includes solo piano, two-piano works, violin and clarinet. On **Tuesday, April 23rd at 7:30 pm**, we will hear a full recital presented by the Grant Street Quartet – an ensemble we are proud to have as a DGMC member. The venue for this program was originally planned to be the Brigantine art gallery but, because the gallery is in the process of moving to a new Downers location, they cannot accommodate us at this time. We are fairly certain the program will be held at Hendricks but please check our website for confirmation as the date approaches.

2013 Scholarship Awards

This year we are pleased to announce that we will be able to present Rising Star Awards of \$400 each to six juniors enrolled in music at the Downers Grove High Schools. The application deadline for these awards is April 1. New this year, thanks to two very generous donors, DGMC is also able to present \$1,000 College Music Awards to two seniors in District 99. The awards will be named for our two donors - Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital and

Rose Verona. The process we are using for selecting recipients of the College Music Awards parallels the process we already use for the Rising Stars awards. Because the amounts are larger, we decided to award seniors who will be attending college in the fall and we required that applicants submit a DVD of their playing. The application deadline for these awards is April 8th.

Rising Stars Benefit Recital and Reception

As you will see from the pictures on page 3, the March 16th Benefit Recital at the home of Chris Garofalo was a great success! The music was wonderful and the time to socialize afterwards was enjoyable. And then, this year, Gloria Salazar added a raffle to the evening which made it even more enjoyable.

Those of us who attend this annual event have such a good time that we tend to forget that its purpose is to raise money for the Rising Stars music awards. But each year, we surpass our goal. This year we are thrilled to report that we collected \$1,115 from ticket sales and donations plus gained an additional income of \$415 from the raffle.

We must thank our musicians—Chris Garofalo, Jen Leckie and Todd Diehl for their excellent performances. You will be able to hear Jen Leckie and Chris repeat their performance of Stravinsky's *Suite Italienne* on April 21st.

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Sunday, April 7, 2013

4:00 p.m.

Hendricks Pianos

421 Maple Avenue, DG

Quintet in E flat major for Piano and Winds Wolfgang Mozart
K. 452

- I. Largo - Allegro Moderato
- II. Larghetto
- III. Allegretto

Sextet for Piano and Wind Quintet in C Francis Poulenc
Op. 100

- I. Allegro Vivace
- II. Divertissement
- III. Finale

Libertango Astor Piazzolla

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**Dorothy Such, flute, Jenny Charles, oboe, Abigail Habegger, piano
Pepe Robinson, French horn, Martha Robinson, bassoon
and Shari Heda, clarinet**

Program Chair: Abigail Habegger

Sponsored by: Hendricks Pianos

Rising Stars

Tuesday, April 2, 2013

7:30 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Faith United Methodist Church

432 59th Street, DG (NW corner of 59th and Fairview)

Konzert in D dur Erich Wolfgang Komgold
Kathryn Krainc, violin; Justin Sisul, piano

From the Shores of the Mighty Pacific Herbert Clark
Brett Latman, trumpet; Pattie Barnes, piano

Ave Maria Bach/Gounod
Dan Leahy, tenor; Ingrid Mueller, piano

Morceau Symphonique Alexandre Guilmant
Joseph Vitti, euphonium; Ian Williams, piano

Ask Me Now Thelonious Monk
Ian Williams, piano

Cavatine Camille Saint-Saens
Josiah Williams, trombone; Chris Garofalo, piano

Suite per Violoncello Gaspar Cassadó
Josh Zajac, cello

Cello Concerto in d minor, 1st movement Edouard Lalo
Sean Hux, cello; Ingrid Mueller, piano

You Should Know Kaitlin Shannon
Kaitlin Shannon, voice and piano

Moonlight Medley arr. Gabrielle Henderson
Gabrielle Henderson, piano

The Magic of the Moment Allison Cordts
Allison Cordts, piano

The Magic of Music Abigail Folkening
Abigail Folkening, piano

"You Take My Breath Away" Freddie Mercury with Queen / arr. J. Greiner

"Fix You" Coldplay / arr. Philip Lawson

"You've Got A Friend" Carole King / arr. Ryan P. Keane

"Singin' In The Rain" arr. April Arabian-Tibi

Chapappella: College of Dupage Vocal Ensemble directed by Ryan Keane

TBA

Lakeview JHS Jazz Ensemble, directed by Brian Ohlsen

Program Chair: Gloria Salazar

DGMC Notes

♦ **April Elections:** At the April 2nd program, the nominating committee will present their slate of nominees for four open board positions – to be voted upon by the attending membership. The positions are: president, vice-president of business development, secretary and member-at-large.

♦ **Deadline for the May newsletter is April 15th.** If you have items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to Charlotte Ewing at CharEwing@aol.com or call her at (630) 985-8472.

**Sunday, April 21, 2013
4:00 p.m.**

**Hendricks Pianos
421 Maple Avenue, DG**

Sonatina No. 3 Muzio Clementi
Sicilienne Gabriel Faure
The Cascades Scott Joplin/arr. Phyllis Gunther
Sue Bergren and Marilyn Wilgocki, pianos

In Time's Unfolding (2000) Chester Biscardi
Incitation to Desire (1984) Chester Biscardi
Chris Garafalo, piano

In His Hands Joel Raney
Sue Bergren and Marilyn Wilgocki, pianos

Suite Italienne Igor Stravinsky
*Jen Leckie, violin
Chris Garafalo, piano*

Four Rags for Two Jons John Novacek
Oblivion arr. Belford Hernandez
Fantasia Jose Revelo, arr. Belford Hernandez
Alegria Belford Hernandez
*Trevor O'Riordan, clarinet
Belford Hernandez, piano*

Program Chair: Todd Diehl
Sponsored by: Hendricks Pianos

Grant Street Quartet

**Tuesday, April 23, 2013
7:30 p.m.**

**Hendricks Pianos
421 Maple Avenue, DG**

String Quartet in F major Maurice Ravel
1. Allegro moderato. Très doux
2. Assez vif. Très rythmé
3. Très lent
4. Vif et agité

String Quartet in F major, Op. 96, "American" Antonin Dvorak
1. Allegro ma non troppo
2. Lento
3. Molto vivace
4. Finale : vivace ma non troppo

Four for Tango Astor Piazzolla

Grant Street String Quartet
Jennifer Leckie, violin, Sharon Chang, violin
Ben Weber, viola and Tim Archbold, cello

Program Chair: Jennifer Leckie
Sponsored by: Hendricks Pianos



Our musicians - Jen Leckie, Chris Garafalo and Todd Diehl – relaxing after a job well done.

**Benefit
Recital**

**March 16
2013**



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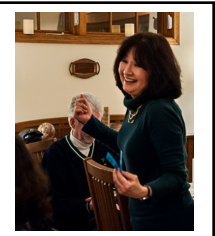
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Organizations and Events

AcappellaGo: Director, **Dennis Smith**, visit www.AcappellaGo.org or phone (708) 484-3797 ext 2.

Affinity String Trio: with **Anny Moravec**. Visit www.affinitymusicchicago.com for details.

Cantores Community Choir: This non-audition group is open to anyone high school age and older who enjoys singing, wants to learn more about music and wants to perform a wide range of musical styles and genres. Under the direction of Belford Hernandez, this choir performs a wide variety of four-part musical literature and styles. **Cantores Community Choir** is a member of DGMC. For more information, call (630)-999-1190 or visit www.cantorescc.org.

College of DuPage Chamber Orchestra (CODCO): Director, **Dan D'Andrea**. For more information about orchestra openings or upcoming concerts at McAninch Arts Center, contact Dan at (630) 322-9187.

Next concert is Wednesday, May 1 at 7:30 PM.

DGMC Piano Winners' Recitals culminate the Piano Festival & Competition.

Sunday, Apr. 28 at Divine Savior Church, 6700 Main Street, DG. Times: **2:45 PM** and **4:15 PM**.

Debe Welch Band: with **Anny Moravec**. Visit www.debewelch.com for details.

Dong Fang Chorus: The choral part of the Dong Fang Chinese Performing Arts Association - a volunteer, non-profit organization encompassing over 150 performers in 4 groups: chorus, dance, theater, and Chinese Opera. Visit www.dongfangarts.org/english.htm.

Sunday, Apr 14 at 5:00 PM: *Whisper of Spring* - an evening of vocal, choral, ensemble, solo & instrumental music and dance masterpieces. Program will include Chinese folk songs but also music by Grieg, Bach and Elgar ... Tickets are \$20. Wentz Concert Hall - North Central College, 171 E. Chicago Av., Naperville.

Downers Grove Choral Society: Director Dr. Amy G. Weller. Visit www.dgcs.org. Tickets: \$22 Adults, \$17 Seniors and \$7 Students.

Sunday, Apr 28 at 3:00 PM: *Choral Classics* features Mozart's *Vesperae solennes de Confessore* and Haydn's *Theresienmesse* - both performed with full orchestra. First United Methodist Church, 1032 Maple Ave., DG.

Grant Street String Quartet: This quartet was formed in 2010 by four professional musicians in the western suburban area of Chicago. It is based in Downers Grove and is a member of DGMC. For more information, please visit: www.grantstreetstringquartet.weebly.com.

Pianoforte of Chicago: President **Thomas Zoells**, Fazioli Pianos. Visit www.pianofortefoundation.org or phone Mr. Zoells at (312) 291-0000 for the many upcoming concerts. On the first Friday of every month, at 12:15 PM, listen to the *Pianoforte Salon Series at Columbia College Chicago* on WFMT 98.7 FM or enjoy the live performance at the Sherwood Conservatory.

Sinfonietta Bel Canto: **Dan D'Andrea**, Director. Concerts held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 5211 Carpenter St., DG. Individual tickets are available at the door. Single tickets are \$19 Adults, \$16 Seniors and \$7 Students under 21, Free - 6 & under. For more details, visit www.SinfoniettaBelCanto.org or call (630) 384-5007.

Sunday, Apr 28 at 3:00 PM: "Hinsdale Chorale" featuring selections from Mozart's *Les Petits Riens* with dancers from the Sinfonietta Bel Canto Ballet, Brull's *Serenade in E major*, op.36 and Mozart's *Coronation Mass* (with the Hinsdale Chorale).

Village Voices: This group was founded in 2006 by Director **Marilyn Wilgocki**. It includes 32 singers. Their music includes spirituals, gospel tunes, jazz, Broadway show songs, folk music and other light-hearted choral music. **Sarah Jett Flanagan** is their accompanist. For further information, visit www.villagevoicesdg.org or contact **Marilyn** at 630-971-1594.

The West Towns Chorus: an international quality barbershop style men's chorus. Visit www.westtowns.org.

Sunday, Apr 21 at 3:00 PM: *Castaway Your Cares* is the West Towns Chorus' spring concert with special guest quartets ForeFront and Roxy. Wentz Concert Hall - North Central College, 171 E. Chicago Av., Naperville.

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