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Welcome to spring? We hope!

Our February program was canceled due to one of many snowstorms we have had this winter. March is a busy month – we have no time for crazy weather.

March Program

Our next program is on **Sunday, March 2nd at 4:00pm** at Hendricks Pianos. It includes a great mix of music. From solo piano to a piano quartet, the program also features flute, violin, voice and Celtic harps. We will finally hear the flute quartet which was supposed to perform in February. Program details are to the right.

Piano Festival and Competition

This year, March is also the month for the Piano Festival and Competition. Do you realize this is the 71st year DGMC has been holding this event? One hundred eight students have entered, representing 21 teachers. The festival and competition will be held on **March 16th**. Contest results will be posted on our website www.downersgrovemusicclub.org by the afternoon of March 17th so teachers can communicate the results to their students as soon as possible. The Honors Recitals will be held on **March 23rd** 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. The times of the recitals have not yet been set; please check the website as the date approaches.

More volunteers are always welcome – especially piano instructors – on the day of the event (March 16) and at the honors recitals (March 23). Please contact Elissa Metropoulos, chairperson, at (708) 288-7336 or pianofest@downersgrovemusicclub.org if you would like to help.

In Memoriam

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Lydia Smutny Sterba, who died this past week at age 91. Lydia was a concert pianist and a well-respected piano teacher who was quite prominent in the west suburban music community. Lydia was a member of DGMC for many years and judged the senior competition for many piano festivals. She is survived by two children (her daughter, Doreen, a past member of DGMC), six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Sunday, March 2, 2014

4:00 p.m.

Hendricks Pianos
421 Maple Avenue, DG

Piano Sonata No. 61
I. Andante

F. J. Haydn

Susan Lee, piano

The Ash Grove

Trad. Welsh Tune/arr. S. Thomahlen

All Through the Night

Trad. Welsh Tune/arr. C. Blevins

Tourner a Trois (Turn Around Three Times)

Paul Machlis

Les Pins de Charlannes (The Pines of Charlannes)

Henrietta Renie

Hewlett

Turlough O'Carolan

The Water is Wide

Trad. Celtic/American Tune

Tapestry Celtic Harp Ensemble

Cathy Eyberger, Jan Gochenaur, Marcia Hosni,

Marilyn Wilgocki, Debby Williams

"Devil's Trill" Sonata

Giuseppe Tartini

Catherine Cilly, violin

Darlene Cilly, piano

Je te veux

Erik Satie

Milton Marcotte, baritone

Julie Marcotte, piano

Nymphs for Flute Quartet

G. Schocker

I. Gathering

II. In the Wood

III. In the Air

The Marcotte Flute Quartet

Julie, Elizabeth, Rebecca and Katherine Marcotte

Sheep may safely graze

J. S. Bach/arr. First Piano Quartet

Classical Cocktail No. 8, "United Nations"

arr. First Piano Quartet

Todd Diehl, Sarah Flanagan, Abigail Habegger, Marilyn Wilgocki, pianos

Program Chair: Todd Diehl

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PIANOS

New Member

We are pleased to welcome a new member, Sharesa Moffitt. Sharesa teaches pre-school music, piano and voice and also enjoys performing in musicals and in choirs. She received a BA from St. Xavier University in Music Education, with a vocal focus.

Please add the following contact information for Sharesa Moffitt in your directory:

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Rising Stars

Be sure to save Tuesday, April 8th for the Rising Stars program. This very popular concert features the 2013 Rising Stars award winners.

Applications for both the Rising Star and College Music awards are being accepted through April 1, 2014. Please visit our website for complete details.

DGMC Note

The deadline for the April newsletter is March 15, 2014. Please e-mail news to charewing@aol.com or call Charlotte at 630-985-8472.

Organizations and Events

Acappellago: Director, **Dennis Smith**, visit www.Acappellago.org or phone (708) 484-3797 ext 2. Tickets are \$17 adults, \$15 seniors and students.

Escape to ... Critical "Mass" ... Explore the important development of the Mass in Western music through several surprising sources: Byrd's *Mass for Four Voices*, Vaughan Williams' *Mass in G* and Vincent Persichetti's *Mass*. Two performances:

- **Saturday, Mar. 15 at 7:30 PM** in the Event Hall at Mayslake Peabody Estate, 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
- **Sunday, Mar. 16 at 4:00 PM** at the Congregational Church of Batavia, 21 S. Batavia (across from the library)

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.

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

Downers Grove Choral Society: Visit www.dgcs.org.

Sunday, Mar. 2 at 3:00 PM: a *Winter Concert* featuring Beethoven's *Mass in C Major*, Haydn's *Te Deum* and Mendelssohn's *Hear My Prayer* and *Ach Gott, vom Himmel Sieh Darein* at First United Methodist Church of 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 Foundation: Executive Director Thomas Zoells, also with PianoForte Chicago, his piano store. Visit www.pianofortefoundation.org for the many upcoming piano concerts. On the first Friday of every month, at 12:00 PM, listen to the *Pianoforte Salon Series Live* on WFMT 98.7 FM or enjoy the live performance at the new home of PianoForte Studios, 1335 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago.

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, Mar 9 at 3:00 PM: "**Vive La France**" featuring Ravel's *Pavane pour une infante défunte*, Herold's *Symphony #2, D Major* and Offenbach's *La chanson de Fortunio* (a one act comic opera).

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 Flanagan** is their accompanist. For further information, visit www.villagevoicesdq.org or contact **Marilyn** at 630-971-1594.

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