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CIYS Newsletter

January 2010

Senior Solo Competition Winner

Congratulations to Ellen Shinogle, winner of the 2009-2010 Senior Solo Competition! She will be performing Aruntunian's Trumpet Concerto with the Central Illinois Youth Symphony on our April 25th concert at Metamora High School.



Ellen Marie Shinogle began taking trumpet lessons at the age of eleven and soon began joining local bands such as the Peoria Heights Community Band and the Peoria Park District Summer Concert and Jazz Bands. In the fall of 2006, Ellen began studying under the direction of Dr. Todd Kelly, the trumpet professor at Bradley University.

Ellen has been a member of the Central Illinois Youth Symphony for the past three years. Last year she was assistant principal and this year she serves as principal chair. Additionally, she is a member of the Central Illinois Brass Ensemble and the Brass Quintet.

One of Ellen's favorite music festivals is IMEA. She has participated in the IMEA District 2 Concert Band the past three years and the Jazz Band the past two. During her sophomore year she placed 2nd chair in the Concert Band. In her junior and senior years she placed 1st chair in the Concert Band as well as 1st chair in the top Jazz Band. In addition, Ellen placed 1st chair in the 2009 IMEA Honors

All-State Concert Band and was a featured soloist in the 2009 IMEA commissioned piece, "Illinois." Ellen has been involved in the Mid-State 6 Conference festival the past two years placing 1st chair last year. Also, Ellen is involved in the IHSA solo and ensemble contests. She has received many 1st place awards in solos and duets, perfect scores in 2008 and 2009, and also "Best of Day" in 2009.

Ellen is a four year member of the Peoria Jazz AllStars and is currently 1st chair. She is also a two year member of the Peoria Jazz AllStars Combo. This past summer Ellen was accepted into the Birch Creek Jazz Camp in Wisconsin. She auditioned and placed in their top ensemble.

Currently, Ellen is a senior at Richwoods High School and participates in the symphonic, marching, and pep bands under the direction of Mr. Mark Jirousek. She has also been a member of the Madrigals the past two years where she played in both the brass quintet and in the recorder ensemble. She also played the herald trumpet during the dinner.

Ellen plans to continue to study the trumpet in college in hopes of receiving her bachelor of music degree in trumpet performance.

WEATHER PLAN

For the latest information on the status of rehearsals on evenings where weather conditions may be questionable, a decision will be made by 4:00 p.m. A message will be accessible on the symphony phone line, on the CIYS website and an email will also be sent out. In the event that rehearsals are cancelled, every effort will be made to have the cancellation posted on the local television event cancellation system as well.

AUDITION DATES FOR 2010-2011 SEASON

Thursday, May 6th - Cadet & Prep Auditions

Saturday, May 8th - Cadet & Prep Auditions

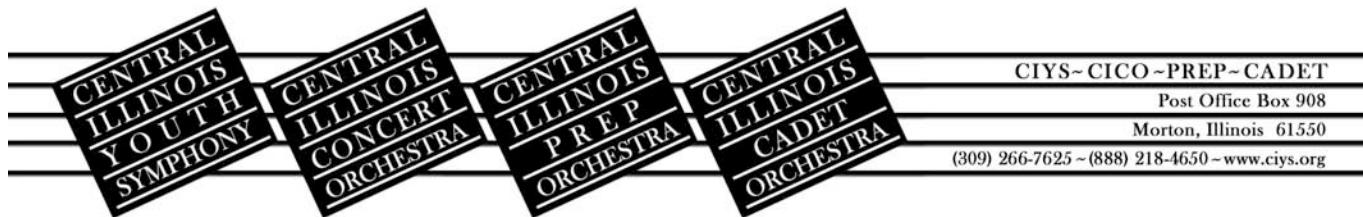
Thursday, May 13th - CICO and CIYS

String Auditions

Saturday, May 15th - CICO and CIYS

Auditions for all instruments

All auditions will be at Advent Lutheran Church in Morton by appointment only.



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Spring 2010

TO: Students in Cadet, PREP, CICO, CIYS and Organizational Ensembles

Subject: Marjorie and Elmer Szepessy Foundation Camp Scholarship

Here is your opportunity to attend the summer music camp of your choice, supported by CIYS scholarship money!

Each spring, CIYS accepts applications from students who plan to attend a specific camp, whether it is a week-long camp or all summer. Winning students are awarded scholarship money that will be paid directly to the camp of their choice. The scholarship committee will present the scholarships at the spring concert.

Scholarship applications must be received by April 2, 2010 for the committee's review.

All students of each orchestra are eligible to apply, with the following exceptions:

- ▶ previous camp scholarship winners
- ▶ graduating seniors
- ▶ those not planning to be part of the CIYS organization next season

Use the following format:

- ▶ Complete the Szepessy Scholarship Application and the required essay questions
- ▶ A letter of recommendation from your school and private music teachers, stating your name and the instrument you play for that teacher
- ▶ Mail the completed application and letter of recommendation to the CIYS address listed above.

Scholarship applications are available from the orchestra manager or on the CIYS website.

We look forward to considering you for a camp scholarship this summer!

Best regards,

CIYS Scholarship Committee
Cindy Fischer
Don Lusk
Cindy Silver

Senior Solo Recital

Congratulations to all of the students who auditioned for the Senior Solo Competition! Everyone gave a great performance, making the judges' decision difficult. The following students will perform their pieces with their accompanists at the Senior Solo Recital on Saturday, January 9th at 2 p.m. at Bradley University's Dingeldine Music Center: Michael Archer, trombone; Claire Barclay, flute and Kristin Dattilo, trumpet. A small reception will be held after the recital. The Senior Solo Recital is free and open to the public. Come show your support for your fellow musicians! We hope to see you there!

CIYS Small Ensembles

The Central Illinois Youth Symphony is proud of its small ensemble program. It has grown to include a string quintet, woodwind quintet, brass quintet, clarinet choir, flute choir, brass ensemble and a percussion ensemble. Do you have an upcoming social event where you'd like a little music? Our ensembles are for hire! Please contact CIYS managers Becky Carlyle or Renee Chernick at 888-218-4650 for more information.

Charms Music Management Program

CIYS is continuing the use of Charms Music Office Assistant. The website for it is www.charmsmusic.com. Every student in the CIYS organization has an account on Charms with all of your contact information. A handout was given at the parent orientation on how to log on to your account. If you have not received emails from Renee Chernick in the fall, please log onto your account and make sure that your email address is correct. If you need help logging on, please email Renee (ciysmanager@hotmail.com) for assistance. Besides keeping track of your contact information, you can track your absences, check tuition payments, download forms or letters handed out at rehearsals, and many more things. Please make sure that all of your contact information stays up to date in your Charms account!

CIYS can earn a donation EVERY time you search the Internet and shop online!

Don't forget about the easy way you can support CIYS when you use the Internet. If you use www.goodsearch.com as your search engine, and designate Central Illinois Youth Symphony as your charity, EVERY time you search, we earn money! Likewise, use www.Goodshop.com, and a percentage of EVERY purchase you make will go to CIYS. Finally, if you shop at SheetMusicPlus.com or Amazon.com, please access those websites through at the link found on our homepage (www.ciys.org), and again, a percentage of you purchases will be donated to CIYS.

Guidelines While at Rehearsal Locations

Please remember that we are guests at First Mennonite Church, Bethel Lutheran Church and Advent Lutheran Church. We need to stay in the designated areas and treat these facilities and others in the church with respect. No food or drink is allowed, only bottled water. Your assistance in this is very important so that we can continue to use these wonderful facilities.

Youth Symphony to perform with Peoria Ballet

The Youth Symphony will be performing with the Peoria Ballet this spring! The Youth Symphony will provide live music while dancers from the Peoria Ballet perform on stage. The performance will be Sunday, April 18th at 7 p.m. at Metamora High School. Instead of performing one complete ballet, bits and pieces from several different ballets will be presented. *Hoedown* from *Rodeo* by Copland, the *Sleeping Beauty Waltz* by Tchaikovsky, *Jupiter* from *The Planets* by Holst and the *Bacchanale* from *Samson and Delilah* by Saint-Saens are some of the pieces that will be performed. There will be a rehearsal with the dancers on Thursday, April 15th from 6-9 p.m. at Metamora High School for the Youth Symphony.

CIYS Website

Don't forget about the Central Illinois Youth Symphony's website, found at www.ciys.org. The purpose of the website is to promote the Central Illinois Youth Symphony and to inform its members and the community of CIYS events and the importance of music in our world. We provide links to sites of musical interest; sites that sell music, books and instruments, and sites of businesses that support the Central Illinois Youth Symphony.

The CIYS Website includes a Bulletin Board that shows updates and items of interest that occur between newsletters. It also keeps you informed of changes in dates and times and of cancellations of rehearsals. Because technology is not infallible, it is still best to check our toll-free number (888-218-4650) for last minute updates in cancellations. A calendar is also an important part of our website, keeping you and the community informed of our concerts. You will also be able to find our handbook online as well as our newsletter.

We hope you will bookmark www.ciys.org and refer to it often. It has been and continues to be a valuable resource for us in communication as well as information. Let us know if you have any suggestions for our Links page, any articles for our Newsletter page, or any announcements for our Bulletin Board.

CIYS Musicians Take Part in IMEA District and All-State Festivals

The following CIYS musicians were selected for their IMEA District Music Festivals. Those that have an asterisk next to them have also been selected for the IMEA All-State Music Festival taking place the last week of January at the Peoria Civic Center.

MollyRuth Anderson, Violin
Natalie Anderson, Horn
*Claire Barclay, Flute
Anthony Berry, Violin
Autumn Bitner, Flute
*Seth Brown, Tuba
Noelle Campen, Flute
*Alex Chavez, Violin
*Emily Copley, Oboe
Abby Craft, Violin
Kathryn Curtis, Percussion
and Piano
*Kristin Dattilo, Trumpet
*Aimee Domaszewicz, Viola
*Emily Donnel, Flute
*Abigail Dreher, Viola
*Sarah Dremann, Violin

Elizabeth Fansler, Violin
David Fenner, Horn
Andrew Fischel, Horn
David Gerber, Trombone
*Grace Gerwin, Oboe
Kripa Guha, Flute
Prashant Guha, Violin
*Stewart Heatwole, Tuba
*Rebekah Hoffman, Horn
Allison Hoyle, Clarinet
*Lance Jessurun, Violin
Jen Jones, Flute
Austin June, Percussion
*Zachary Lee-Richerson, Violin
*Gabby Lewis, Cello
Michael Liu, Cello
*Carl Maragos, Euphonium

Katlyn Michael, Clarinet
Constance Moushon, Horn
*Luc Nguyen, Violin
*Justin Ommen, Bass
*Tyler Paget, Clarinet
and Saxophone
Ellen Prescott, Flute
Charlea Schueler, Violin
* Ellen Shinogle, Trumpet
Alex Silver, Viola
*Courtney Silver, Violin
Maggie Slotter, Trombone
Tori Suau, Flute
Daniela Vidal, Violin
Juliana Vidal, Clarinet
Santiago Vidal, Cello
Richard Wang, Percussion



Letters from conductors and board members

Congratulations to the entire CIYS Organization! What an incredible and inspirational concert you all were a part of in November! Sitting backstage at the concert, listening to all of the groups perform, I was inspired and heartened by the future of the CIYS program. All of the excited, warm, and endearing comments after the performance by audience members was the "proof in the pudding" of how well each and every one of you had performed!

BUT, the work is not over, and for that matter the fun isn't over either! CIYS, we have a loaded spring semester ahead of us ~ a collaboration performance with Peoria Ballet, and then a week later, the orchestral concert. You will note for the ballet performance, we are "double-dipping" the repertoire; meaning, we are borrowing music from both orchestral concerts to maximize our rehearsal time. But, we are also adding a couple works just for the ballet.

You are all going to have so much fun with the repertoire that is coming this spring. Many famous works and fun works to play! So get your instruments out, dust off the holiday dust, and let's get going!

A big congratulations to Ellen Shinogle, this year's Concerto Competition Winner. The overall competition was incredibly fierce this year, which is a great thing to see. I like it when the judges have a hard time picking from the cream of the crop! We will be accompanying Ellen on Aleksandr Grigori Arutiunian's Concerto for Trumpet. This is a great work that really spans the vast colors and sounds of the trumpet. If you don't know the work, I'm sure it will become one of your favorites this year.

Speaking of brass instruments, with such a successful first concert and listening to recordings of the show, I realized that the CIYS's brass section has quite a large number of graduating seniors. This is great for them, but not so great for us to lose their talent. I would like to 'officially' challenge each of the graduating seniors to work this coming semester to find a possible replacement for their position in the CIYS. You all know your colleagues in the area, those who you would like to play with, so, I would like for you to start thinking about this project. I believe that the word about our great program is spreading rapidly after November's concert, but let's all take ownership of this task and continue to grow this great orchestra from the "grass roots" of the ensemble itself!

I hope your holidays were fun and restful (and full of practice!), but it's time to get cracking and create some really great music!

See you all very soon!
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In February I will be stepping down as President of the CIYS organization, then serve a year as Past President, after which I will retire from the board. In all I will have served the organization for 8 years, all of which has been a privilege and an honor. The organization has grown during that time and today is poised, with excellent administrative and artistic staff and a strong dedicated board, to continue its upward trend in growing in numbers, quality and diverse experiences provided to the students. In its 44 years of existence, CIYS has established itself as the best community based music education program offered to the youth of central Illinois. It will be exciting to see the new directions the organization will take as it continues in its mission, all with your continued and much appreciated trust and support. Thank you – it has been a great ride!

Fran Donahue

Dear Parent:

Many **thanks to ALL the parents** who stepped forward and pitched in the first half of our season to support our fundraiser, our concerts, our ticket tables, and our rehearsals. Your combined efforts **logged over 100 volunteer hours!** THANK YOU! Every effort a parent puts forth is of value to CIYS, whether small or large. In many organizations of this size, parents are actually required to donate a minimum number of hours of their time in order for their students to participate. Your generosity with your time makes requirements like those unnecessary for CIYS. THANKS. We couldn't do it without you.

Our **Wine Tasting event at the Peoria Zoo raised approximately \$10,000!** A success like this means everything to CIYS, as tuition covers only a small percentage of the costs to put on the programs we do. Thank you, thank you, and thank you again, for all the ways you contributed!

We are pleased to announce our **2nd Annual Barn Dance will be held on Friday, April 23rd at Shore Acres Park in Chillicothe**. This event last year was a huge amount of fun for the entire family, so mark your calendars now! We'll need all the help we can muster to make this another successful event.

I'd also like to announce that we will be officially making the transition of our new Parent Organization Chairman in February. Please join me in welcoming Jennifer Suau. Continuing on in their Volunteer Coordinator roles are Grace Chong and Deirdre Nelson. Stephanie Parks is our secretary and also assists Grace and Deirdre with volunteer duties.

The best way to get involved and to stay in touch is to attend the parent meetings and regularly check your e-mail. They are the primary means for communicating about upcoming events, board decisions, and fundraising. More importantly, the parent meetings allow you to give voice to your ideas and feedback about this organization.

Parent Meeting Dates: Please note the earlier time for the February 25 meeting, at Bethel Lutheran Church (Cadet and Prep rehearsal site).

February 18: CICO/CIYS site, 7 p.m.

February 25: Cadet/Prep site, 6:30 p.m.

April 8: CICO/CIYS site, 7 p.m.

See you soon!

Janice Lukich

Chairman, CIYS Parent Organization

Do you know a CIYS alumni?

Next season (2010-2011) will be the 45th anniversary of CIYS! We are currently working on some great events to celebrate the anniversary. We are interested in having professional musicians who are alumni of CIYS come back as guest soloists for our concerts (as pianist Josh Russell did this past fall with the Youth Symphony). If you know of any alumni who might be interested, please have them contact the Youth Symphony conductor, Brian Dollinger at ciys_maestro@hotmail.com.

We are also looking ahead to our 50th season (2015-2016), where we are hoping to have an alumni orchestra perform on one of our concerts. If you know CIYS alumni who might be interested in taking part in this performance, please have them email their contact information (along with instrument) to Renee Chernick at ciysmanager@hotmail.com to be put on the alumni mailing list. We realize 2015 seems like a long way off, but putting together the alumni orchestra will take a lot of planning and networking. Getting an early start is the best thing we can do right now to ensure success with the project!

CIYS Spring 2010 Calendar

Date	Description	CIYS	CICO	Prep	Cadet	Perc	Brass	CC	FC	SQ	WWQ	BQ
01/07/10	2nd Semester Starts Except Cadet & Prep	X	X			X	X	X	X	X		
01/09/10	Senior Solo Recital Dingeldine, Bradley											
01/14/10		X	X								X	X
01/21/10		X	X			X	X	X	X	X		
01/18/10	No Rehearsal IMEA											
02/04/10	Semester Starts for Cadet & Prep	X	X	X	X						X	X
02/11/10		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
02/18/10		X	X	X	X						X	X
02/25/10		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
03/04/10		X	X	X	X						X	X
03/11/10		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
03/18/10		X	X	X	X						X	X
03/25/10	Open House	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
04/01/10	No Rehearsals, Spring Break											
04/08/10		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
04/13/10	Percussion Ensemble at Bradley, 7:30 p.m., Call time 6 .pm.					X						
04/15/10	Youth Symphony at Metamora High School with Ballet for rehearsal 6-9 pm	X	X	X	X						X	X
04/16/10	Small Ensemble Concert					X	X	X	X	X	X	X
04/18/10	Youth Symphony with Ballet	X										
04/22/10	Dress Rehearsal for Orchestral Concert	X	X	X	X							
4/23/10	Barn Dance at Chillicothe Shore Acres, 6:30-10 pm											
04/25/10	Spring Orchestral Concert	X	X	X	X							
	2010-2011 Season Auditions											
05/06/10	Prep & Cadet Auditions			X	X							
05/08/10	Prep & Cadet Auditions			X	X							
05/13/10	CIYS & CICO String Only Auditions	X	X									
05/15/10	CIYS & CICO All Instrument Auditions	X	X									

X = Regular Rehearsal **Perc = Percussion** **WWQ = Woodwind Quintet** **SQ = String Quintet**
FC = Flute Choir **BQ = Brass Quintet** **CC = Clarinet Choir**

Please note rehearsal dates for small ensembles in the month of April