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#### Co-Presidents' Note

The new year is bringing many changes to the

Rochester Music Guild in focus and direction. We are trying to make YOUR contributing dollars count!

## Going Green!

In past years we have mailed out a membership directory (with names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses) to all contributing members. In the interest of saving trees and postage, the Board of Directors has decided that the complete directory will be sent to the Board only. Our general membership will be acknowledged in the newsletter but will not be sent a directory unless it is requested. If you would like to have a copy of the membership directory, please notify Maureen Lemens at 282-3280 or moann@magnaspeed.net. Members will continue to receive the newsletters by mail, or you can access them on the RMG website (www.rochestermusicguild.org).

#### **New Grant Applications**

Rochester Music Guild is expanding its vision! The purpose of the Rochester Music Guild is the promotion of music appreciation through education and performance. To meet these goals, the Rochester Music Guild has a limited amount of funds available for grants to non-profit music organizations. Applications are due by June 1 for projects running September-December, and October 1 for projects running January-August.

#### **New RMG Fundraiser**

Rochester Music Guild is partnering this year for the first time with Petit Music in a fundraiser to be held January 30-31. This fundraiser replaces the November Barnes & Noble BookFair, which we participated in for many years. For more details on the Petit Music fundraiser, see the article in this newsletter on page 3.

#### **Continuing Activities**

We will participate again this year in the Herberger's Community Day fundraiser, and of course our traditional Garden of Note fundraiser. See the articles about these events in this newsletter (page 3 and page 5).

Our Lunch & Learn program continues to expand. See the upcoming programs for this spring in the article on page 8.

Again this year, the Guild is sponsoring its annual Scholarship Competition for young musicians in the area. The competition will be held on February 7. Be sure to attend the Winner's Recital on February 15. See the article on page 2 for more details.

#### Good-bye to Sue Spackman

One of our Co-Presidents, Sue Spackman, is moving to Jacksonville, Florida, in February. We will miss having her energy and vision on the Board. Please join us at a reception to say good-bye.

#### Farewell Reception for Sue & Tom Spackman

Friday – January 30, 2009 7:00-9:00 pm Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints R2300 Viola Heights Dr NE

> DeAnn Spencer and Sue Spackman, Co-Presidents

# 2009 Young Musicians Scholarship Competition Saturday, February 7

For the 45th year, dozens of music students will soon gather to compete for scholarships awarded by the Rochester Music Guild. This year's Young Musicians Scholarship Competition, to be held on Saturday, February 7, at First Presbyterian Church in Rochester, will determine the recipients of scholarship awards ranging from \$300 to \$500 in four divisions -- piano, voice, stringed instruments, and wind instruments. A judge in each division, recruited from area college and music school faculties, will hear students and provide helpful feedback on their performances as well as determine who will receive the awards.

The four divisions are named for noted Rochester musicians who spent much of their lives involved in music – performing, teaching, and promoting music and the arts in our community.



Carter Douglas was a gifted young pianist whose developing talent touched many in our community in her short life.



Georgia Daniel worked for over 22 years in the Rochester Public Schools, teaching students and directing school orchestras.



Sally Duffy, a twotime President of the Rochester Music Guild, sang with the Rochester Symphony Orchestra Chorale and had a passion for music and the arts.



Carl Schroedel, who served on both the Rochester Music Guild Board and the Rochester Orchestra and Chorale Board, was a performer himself as well as a dedicated supporter of the arts.

Last year, 50 students participated in the competition and we anticipate a similar number this year. It takes many hands to facilitate this day-long event and volunteers are needed to help with a number of tasks: checking in students, showing them to rooms where they can warm up before performing, assisting judges with the flow of students in and out of the audition rooms, and serving lunch to the judges. We would like to invite any interested Guild members to help on the 7th. If you have a couple hours you can spare and are interested, please e-mail us at pres@rochestermusicguild.org. A winners' recital will be held on Sunday, February 15, at 2:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church to showcase the talents of this year's winners. It will be followed by a reception to honor and greet the students. If you can help by providing a dozen or two bars or cookies for the reception, please e-mail us as well

Thank you for supporting our talented young people. You can take pride knowing that a significant portion of your membership dues has helped fund these scholarships. On behalf of the Board, we thank you for your generosity!

Jackie James and Chris Parisi, Scholarship Co-Chairs



#### **SEMYO Board offers discount to Guild Members!**

As a thank you for your support, the SEMYO board is offering RMG members a **\$2.00 coupon** off the regular admission price for their next two concerts, which will be held on **February 8** and **March 1**. See Upcoming Events in the next column for details about these concerts.

Call the SEMYO office at 507-282-1718 to get the coupon.

# **Upcoming Events**

January 23, 2009
Young Musicians of
Southeastern Minnesota
Recital
Unitarian Universalist Church
7:00 p.m.

January 30-31, 2009

Fundraiser

Rochester Music Guild

with Petit Music

2765 Commerce Drive NW

January 31, 2009 RSOC Concert Celebrations and Inspirations Mayo Civic Center 7:30 p.m.

February 2, 2009 Lunch & Learn Spanish Vocal Music Zumbro Lutheran Church 11:30 a.m.

February 7, 2009 Scholarship Competition First Presbyterian Church

February 8, 2009 SEMYO Concert Orchestra Bethel Lutheran Church 2:00 p.m.

February 15, 2009 Scholarship Winners' Recital First Presbyterian Church 2:00 p.m.

February 16, 2009 Lunch & Learn Maestro Jere Lantz Charter House—11:30 a.m.

> RSOC Concert Big Band Bash Mayo Civic Center 7:30 p.m.

February 28, 2009 Herberger's Community Day

March 1, 2009 SEMYO Chamber Strings, Symphonic Winds, and Philharmonic ensembles Willow Creek Middle School 2:00 p.m.

# **More Upcoming Events**

March 6, 2009
Young Musicians of
Southeastern Minnesota
Recital
Unitarian Universalist Church
7:00 p.m.

March 15-16, 2009 RSOC Radiothon at KNXR

March 20, 2009 Lunch & Learn Michael Culloton Honors Choirs Zumbro Lutheran Church 11:30 a.m.

> March 28, 2009 RSOC Concert Wanderlust Mayo Civic Center 7:30 p.m.

April - June, 2009 Garden of Note Sale

April 23, 2009 Lunch & Learn Bella Voce Young Women's Choir Zumbro Lutheran Church 11:30 a.m.

> April 25, 2009 RSOC Concert Sunny Italy Mayo Civic Center 7:30 p.m.

May 2, 2009

Guild Annual Luncheon

Zumbro Lutheran Church
11:30 a.m.

May 10, 2009 SEMYO Chamber Strings, Symphonic Winds, and Philharmonic ensembles Century High School 2:00 p.m.

May 10, 2009 SEMYO Concert Orchestra Century High School 4:00 p.m.



Petit Music January 30-31, 2009

Petit Music is partnering this year with the Rochester Music Guild to raise funds for the scholarship and education activities supported by the Guild.

Ann and Larry Petit, owners of Petit Music and longtime supporters of music activities in Rochester, are adding extra store hours on Friday, January 30 (10:00 am to 6:00 pm) and Saturday, January 31 (10:00 am to 4:00 pm) to give you extra time to make purchases at Petit Music and support the Rochester Music Guild.

Use the Rochester Music Guild coupon (see back of this newsletter) to purchase anything from Petit's complete selection of new, used, and restored pianos — in addition to their large selection of printed music, music gifts, and accessories — and Petit Music will donate 5% of purchases made on January 30-31 to the Rochester Music Guild. Coupons are also available from any RMG Board member.

Clip your coupon now and plan to shop on January 30 or January 31!

Naomi Atubin, Member-at-Large



Herberger's Community Day Saturday, February 28, 2009

# <u>Double your money</u> and help fund music education and scholarships!

Herberger's Community Day Sale provides a great opportunity to support music in Rochester while also shopping for gifts for family and friends, or for yourself.

By purchasing a \$5.00 coupon booklet for Herberger's Community Day on February 28, you will receive a coupon for \$10.00 off an item priced at \$10.00 or more. In addition to the \$10.00 coupon, there are 8 additional coupons for 20% off. All coupons are good on most regular priced and sale items.

And the best part is that every penny of your \$5.00 donation goes *directly* to the Guild. Thanks to your generosity, RMG received over \$1800.00 from this program in 2008, which enabled us to provide funds to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale as well as to finance music scholarships.

Not available on February 28? Herberger's graciously allows pre-sales for the four days preceding Community Day. The shopper selects the desired merchandise and leaves those purchases along with credit card information at one of the "At Your Service" desks. The merchandise is rung up as a sale on February 28 and can then be picked up anytime over the next few days following the sale.

To buy booklets in advance or to pick up several to sell, please contact Linda Anderson (292-0251) or any RMG Board member. Please consider either purchasing a booklet or making a donation of \$5.00 to support RMG's mission. If we sell over 50 booklets, Herberger's provides a generous cash bonus. We appreciate your help as we attempt to meet this goal!

Mailing address:

Rochester Music Guild PO Box 5802 Rochester MN 55903

Linda Anderson, Member-at-Large

# Night in Vienna

On Friday, November 7, the Rochester Music Guild hosted their fall social – *A Night in Vienna*. It was an evening of food, music, and friends. A five-course dinner was served, while a string quartet played beautiful music in the background. After the dinner, attendees were serenaded with Viennese music by Adrienne Dangerfield (violin) and Tom Spackman (piano). The finale of the evening included presentations by all 18 of the non-profit music organizations in Rochester.



A wonderful string quartet from SEMYO entertained during the dinner – Katie Anderson, Aaron Anderson, Lukas Matern, and Carly Blazing.



Under the direction of DeAnn Spencer and Sue Spackman, nearly 100 people enjoyed an evening of Viennese food and music.



The menu for the evening was Hungarian Mushroom Soup, Salad, Wiener Schnitzel, Himmel und Erde, German red cabbage, and lemon carrots. Desserts included: Streusel Kuchen, Apfel Kuchen, Apfel Strudel, Gugelhupf, and Sacher Torte.

The Hungarian Mushroom Soup was the highlight of a menu where every dish was a treat and was made from a recipe handed down to DeAnn Spencer from her mother. Many of those who attended are begging DeAnn to let them in on the secret!

Servers were young women from Bella Voce and SEMYO - Julia Winemiller, Marissa Wagar, Gwen Rosenbush, Meghan Lowe, Tori Lowe, Katyln Slater, Ellie Sutherland, Kathryn Perndergast, Corin Blazing, Lindsey Kilen, Emma Greer, Brinley Poulsen, and Bridget White.



We are grateful to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for donating the use of their facilities for the evening.

Sue Spackman and DeAnn Spencer, Co-Chairs for the event

#### Thank You to All Members!

Rochester Music Guild currently has 156 members committed to supporting music in Rochester.

Because you have renewed your membership, we are able to support our goals of music appreciation, education, and performance in the Lunch & Learn Series, the Guild's Young Musicians Scholarship Competition, HoNk\*SqUeAk\*ScRaTcH\*BoOm, the Young Musicians of Southeastern Minnesota Recitals, and the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale concerts. We want to thank you for your generosity!

During previous years the Rochester Music Guild has published and mailed a directory to all members. In an attempt to make the best use of our resources, we have decided, for the 2008-2009 year, to provide a printed directory or an e-directory only upon request.

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A list with names of the current members is included on the last page of this newsletter. Current members will also be acknowledged in the printed programs for Lunch & Learn events.

We would appreciate any feedback regarding your use of the directory so that we can plan appropriately for future years.

Maureen Lemens, Membership Chair



# Radiothon



For the 14<sup>th</sup> straight year, KNXR 97.5 FM radio will be hosting **Radiothon**, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale's most important annual fundraiser. The RSOC's determination to keep concert ticket prices affordable means that

box office income covers only about one-third of our production and educational program expenses. We rely on the support of our donors to continue to share the gift of high-quality musical performances with our community.

We will be broadcasting live from the KNXR studio on Saturday, March 14, and Sunday, March 15. Tune in to enjoy highlights from past Rochester Symphony & Chorale concerts, catch the unveiling of the 2009-10 concert season, listen to conversations between popular radio hosts & your friends in the community, keep tabs on our progress toward raising \$90,000, and most important, to pledge your support! The Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale is a non-profit, federally registered 501(c) (3) organization. Cash contributions are fully tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

#### Garden of Note Benefit



In spite of the cold and snowy weather we've had recently, we promise Spring is on the way! As you plan and prepare for your spring plantings, remember to plan to take advantage of our annual Garden

of Note sale. We will once again give you an opportunity to support our music scholarship program and our pledge to the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale by using our Garden of Note vouchers for all your prom, graduation and spring planting needs.

The vouchers cost \$25 each and are redeemable anytime before the expiration date shown on the voucher for \$25 worth of merchandise at either Sargent's location. The Rochester Music Guild makes 20% on each voucher sold. The funds are used to provide music scholarships for Rochester students and to underwrite one of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale concerts. This is a win win situation for everyone involved! You get full value for your flower dollars, the Guild makes money to fund student music scholarships, and the community has the opportunity to enjoy a great concert.

Vouchers will be available from Carla Nelson (281-0162 or CarlaNelson@CarlaNelson.org) or from Barbara Eakins (288-8700 or eakinsbf@aol.com) or from volunteer RMG sellers.

Carla Nelson and Barbara Eakins, Co-Chairs

# Rochester Music Guild Annual Luncheon Meeting Saturday, May 2, 2009

Mark your calendars for the annual luncheon meeting of the Rochester Music Guild at Zumbro Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 2, 2009 at 11:30 am. A delightful luncheon will be served by Fred Regal and we will be entertained by winners of the Music Guild Competition.

Please join us as we honor retiring board members and welcome the new. Watch the mail for your personal invitation and more details. The cost is \$10.00 per person.

# Remember to check out our website rochestermusicguild.org

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# Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale Upcoming Concerts

Tickets for RSOC concerts are available at the Mayo Civic Center box office, RSOC office, and through Ticketmaster. For concert or ticket information, please call the RSOC office at 507-286-8742.

#### Saturday, January 31, 2009, 7:30 pm Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall

The RSOC continues their 2008-09 concert season with *Celebrations and Inspirations*. As we celebrate Mendelssohn's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday, we also mark Schubert's 212<sup>th</sup> and remember Haydn. We'll trace how Haydn inspired Schubert, who, in turn, inspired Mendelssohn, through their masterworks: Schubert's sweetest overture, Mendelssohn's ultimate masterpiece, and Haydn's most majestic mass.

Concert program:

Schubert: Overture in the Italian Style;

Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto - Michael Antonello, violin;

Haydn: Mass in Time of War

Guest Artist: Michael Antonello, violin

Antonello will perform Mendelssohn's violin concerto on his

Stradivarius, the "Ex-Rochester".

Prior to the concert, you may now preview Maestro Jere Lantz' concert program notes online. The RSOC has also added video and audio elements to their website and their new Facebook page – please check out all that's new at www.rochestersymphony.org.

A pre-concert reception will be held beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Mayo Civic Center Legion Suite, across from Presentation Hall. No reservations necessary, all concert-goers are welcome to attend and enjoy the cash bar, socializing, special entertainment and a pre-concert chat by Maestro Jere Lantz at 6:50 p.m. previewing the evening's program. You may also sign up to win a gift certificate for dinner at one of our fine dining restaurant partners – please see www.rochestersymphony.org (the RSOC website) for more details.

# Saturday, February 21, 2009, 7:30 p.m. Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall

Welcome to the *Big Band Bash* — a night celebrating Big Band, when Swing was King! With the help of Minnesota's nationally acclaimed "Klezmer and All That Jazz," we trace the rise of the Big Band from dixieland and blues, featuring the hits of Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller and more. And we'll explore how the great Benny Goodman integrated his band a full decade before Jackie Robinson ever put on a Dodgers uniform.

Guest Artists: Klezmer and All That Jazz

A preconcert reception will be held prior to the concert beginning at 6:30 p.m.; please refer to www.rochestersymphony.org (the RSOC website) for more details.

#### Saturday, March 28, 2009, 7:30 p.m. Mayo Civic Center Presentation Hall

**Wanderlust!** Travel around the world with us on a musical journey as we march through London, linger in the Mediterranean, dance in Spain, whirl through Russia, and finally come on home to familiar spirituals where "The Saints Go Marching In."

Concert Program:

Coates: Knightsbridge March from London Everyday Suite

Ibert: Escales (Ports of Call)

Falla: Suite from The Three-Cornered Hat

Stravinsky: Scherzo à la Russe Rutter : Feel the Spirit (Guest Artists)

Guest Artists: Christin-Marie Hill, mezzo-soprano, Honors Choirs of SE MN Concert Choir (Michael Culloton, Artistic Director and Conductor)

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A pre-concert reception will be held prior to the concert. Please refer to the RSOC website at www.rochestersymphony.org and mailings for more information.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Marketing Director



# RSOC Aspiring Conductor Contest Candidates To Be Announced

The third annual "Aspiring Conductor" contest will kick off with the announcement of five candidates from our community at the January 31 Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale concert. Five "aspiring conductors" will compete for the chance to conduct the Symphony Orchestra and Chorale at the April 25 "Sunny Italy" concert.

Each contestant will compete by getting donations for RSOC. The contestant who raises the most funds will earn the opportunity to conduct at the April 25 concert. Last year the contest raised over \$16,000. The winner, Bruce Rohde from Mayo Clinic, conducted a piece at the spring concert.

The RSOC Aspiring Conductor contest is a concept used in other cities around the country. The LaCrosse Symphony Orchestra and Chorale *Conductor Wannabe* contest has been very successful.

Be sure to support the candidate of your choice. Contribution envelopes will be available from the candidates, at the concerts, or at the RSOC office at 400 South Broadway. You may also support your candidate by credit card by calling the RSOC office at 286-8742. For more information about the contest and each of the candidates, please visit the RSOC website after January 31 at www.rochestersymphony.org.

Sharon Schmoll, Amy Adamson and Anne Judisch RSOC Aspiring Conductor Co-Chairs

## Meet RMG Board Member Sylvie Nickel



Sylvie Nickel was born to be the Arts Advocate of the Rochester Music Guild. If ever there was a right person for the right job, the Guild found that person when Sylvie agreed to come on the Board last fall as our Arts Advocate. Sylvie has had an avid, life-long interest in the performing arts, participating as a teenager in Stewartville

High School in both theater and vocal music ensembles. Her interest didn't wane when she fled the dairy farm where she grew up, coming to Rochester to work as a secretary at the YMCA after high-school graduation. Sylvie's craving for intellectual stimulation led her to enroll in a two-year program at what is now known as RCTC.....she cut back her work hours to half-time and ate a lot of macaroni and cheese. Nearing the completion of her two-year degree (and at the end of her tether with mac'n'cheese), Sylvie took a job at IBM, beginning a long and very successful career with Big Blue. She retired as a Staff Software Engineer (which in plain English means she was a senior technical writer of IBM publications) in 1997, and then her real life began!

Sylvie had become more and more involved in various arts organization during her IBM years – holding season tickets to Minnesota Orchestra in Rochester, the Northrop Dance Season at the University of Minnesota, and the Rochester Symphony Orchestra, as well as frequently attending local theatre performances and concerts by out-of-town performers across the entire spectrum of music genres. Sylvie's tastes are eclectic in the extreme.....she loves blues, jazz, and classical, as well as '50s and '60s rock'n'roll music. Sylvie was known to her friends as someone who kept her finger on the pulse of what was happening in the arts in Rochester, so it was only natural to suggest her name to the nominating committee when they were looking for a new Arts Advocate last fall.

In addition to keeping the RMG board and members aware of what's happening in the arts in the city of Rochester and the state of Minnesota, Sylvie has served on the Kutzky Park Neighborhood Assn board, was a charter member of the newly reconstituted Rochester Heritage Preservation Committee, joined the Friends of RPL Board as treasurer, served on the Community Education Citizens Advisory Council, and most recently joined the L.I.F.E. (Learning is ForEver) board of advisers (finally admitting she's a "senior"!).

In her 11 years of retirement, Sylvie has volunteered in the Friends of RPL (Rochester Public Library) used-book store, acted as a city/county election judge, co-led the Mystery Readers Book Group at RPL, prepared taxes for seniors as an AARP volunteer, protested the DM&E railroad expansion, and taken horticulture classes at RCTC. Most recently, she added volunteering in the Technical Services department at RPL, campaigned for various [mostly losing] political candidates, and she is now exploring the new Rochester Citizens Coalition.

Sylvie enjoys traveling – her most adventurous trip was an RCTC-sponsored trip to Hong Kong the last year that it was a

British colony (was that 1996?) – but she says that since retirement "mostly I've stayed pretty close to home in Rochester ..., getting reacquainted and involved with my community and family and also indulging some interests that got too little time while I was employed." Sylvie admits that she also does a lot of reading; classes, conferences, and seminars; day trips; musical, dance, and ice-skating performances; gardening (or at least thinking about it), computer research, and generally enjoying (almost) every minute of her retirement. She says "Not very exciting to some, I suppose, but it suits me." Don't you wonder where she would find the time for more excitement?

Joyce Lewis

#### Meet RMG Board Member Wendy Johnson



Wendy was welcomed to the Board of Directors at this past Annual Meeting as the incoming secretary. She brings to the board three years prior experience as secretary for the Southeast Minnesota Youth Orchestra.

Wendy's interest in the musical arts goes back to her childhood in the Province of Alberta, Canada. She studied the piano throughout her years of education, and also played the clarinet in both her high school and college bands. Her parents felt music was an important part of life. They took her to concerts, especially classical music programs.

Her education continued at Brigham Young University, where she studied humanities, earning a master's degree. It was at BYU where she met her future husband, Michael, from the State of Arizona. Following their marriage, she accompanied her husband to North Carolina, where he received a medical degree and attended graduate school. The Mayo Clinic brought them to Rochester, in 1986, where Michael continued his studies as an intern and a resident. He then accepted a position in the Department of Anesthesiology at Mayo Clinic. Michael also has an interest in music, currently taking lessons on the viola.

During the 1990s, Wendy sang in the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale, of which she stated, "I loved every minute of it!" The pressures of a growing family required her to drop out of the choir.

Wendy and Michael have five children, all of whom followed their parents' interest in music, participating in school orchestras, bands, and choirs. Their two youngest children have participated in SEMYO and the SE Minnesota Honors Choir. Seven grand-children are now a part of the family.

Wendy stated almost modestly that she had "only" been a full time mother and homemaker. However, with five children to rear, she had to have a pretty busy life and a tremendous responsibility. In reflecting what music has meant to her, she responded, "Music has been a part of my life since childhood – I find it soothing and exciting."

Glenn VanLaningham

# **Lunch & Learn Spring Programs**

We hope that you will find the time to come to these programs that are truly fun and informative. They are free and open to all, and you will learn things about music that will enrich your life and the lives of those around you. Do take part and bring friends. Lunch & Learn programs are held at Zumbro Lutheran Church and at Charter House.

Lunch is an option at any of these programs and costs \$8.50. To reserve a lunch and let us know that you are coming, please call Esther Pfeifer at 507-282-5383 or Marilyn Riederer at 281-8341 to reserve lunch. It is not necessary to buy lunch. Bring a brown bag if you wish. All programs are free and open to all.

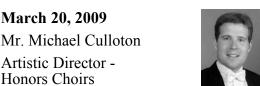
# **February 2, 2009**

Dr. Suzanne Draayer & Dr. Deanne Mohr
Winona State University
Spanish Vocal Folk Music
Zumbro Lutheran Church - Fireside Room



# February 16, 2009

Maestro Jere Lantz Big Bands and All That Jazz Charter House - Northwood Room



Performance and Lecture

Zumbro Lutheran Church - Fireside
Room

# **April 20, 2009**

Bella Voce Young Women's Choir

Shelly Winemiller Performance and Lecture

Zumbro Lutheran Church - Sanctuary

At all programs lunch is at 11:15 a.m., with the program following at 12:15 p.m. Lunches at Zumbro Lutheran Church are provided by Daube's Bakery. Lunches at Charter House are provided by Charter House. Purchase of lunch is optional and costs \$8.50. Bring a brown bag if you wish.

Jeff Webster, Lunch & Learn Chair



# HoNk\*SQuEAk\*ScRaTcH\*BOOM!

On Saturday, January 10, the now familiar sounds of *Honk, Squeak, Scratch, Boom!* resounded throughout the Mayo Civic Center at the 13<sup>th</sup> annual musical instrument try-out workshop put on by the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale.

This free-to-the public event features RSOC musicians and volunteers assisting 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students as they try out musical instruments. The RSOC originated this program, designed to help students experience the feel and sounds of musical instruments through minimusic lessons. In the past 13 years, over 3000 children have tried out orchestra instruments in more than 15,000 mini lessons.

As always, members of the Rochester Music Guild helped in both the morning and afternoon sessions. Thank you to all those who volunteered. Thanks also to the teachers who volunteered, because they felt that this was an excellent program for our schools.

All of our volunteers have provided a wonderful experience for our young people, who will be the foundation of the future music programs in our Rochester community.

Laurie Mona, RSOC Marketing Director

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