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### President's Note

Greetings to all our wonderful members. We are grateful for your continued participation in the Rochester Music Guild. The quality of

music in our community seems to be getting better every year.

Since the last issue of *Bravo!*, we were saddened by the death of two of our board members, The Reverend Carl Schroedel in November and Ruth E. Vigness in January. Both were so valuable to our Guild. Carl was a member-at-large and Ruth was chair of "Lunch and Learn". Our board has designated money for our scholarship program in their names.

We also accepted with regret the resignation of Carol Schroedel as member-at-large.

Thank you Carol, for all your work for our music programs these many years.

We are grateful that our president-elect, Marilyn Riederer, will be taking over "Lunch and Learn" for the rest of the year.

We hope all of you will put the dates on your calendar because these programs are one of the main benefits of your membership.

Our fall social was scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup>. All the preparations had been made for a delightful evening at Realife Cooperative. Pauli Krieger again was to be our gracious hostess. Our musical treat was to be violinists Daniel Clauson and Thomas Parisi. There was only one snow event this fall, and of course the blizzard was that day. After consulting with many of our members we decided to cancel the event. The sun

came out the last two hours of daylight, and I thought I had made a mistake until we went out that evening and saw a seven-car pileup. That was also the sad day that Carl Schroedel died and many did not feel like going to a party.

We have a wonderful, competent board. (Several have written about our activities elsewhere in this issue of *Bravo!*.) Thanks to Jean Gutschenritter, our faithful secretary, to Glenn VanLaningham, treasurer, for his detailed and complete financial records, and to Ella VanLaningham, our past president for her continued incredible help and guidance.

One of our important and difficult jobs is held by our scholarship chairs, Jackie James and Chris Parisi. We thank them for their efficient management of our annual scholarship competition. Take time to hear the students perform. You will not be disappointed.

Gay Segar, our member-at-large, was in charge of fundraising through the two Herberger's Community Days. The next date is Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. I thank Gay for our record profits and all our members who volunteered, bought coupon books, and shopped.

Sylvia Swede headed the Barnes and Noble book sales and sold many of our elegant cookbooks. Now she is concentrating on selling our lovely note cards at an excellent price. (I like to color those roses with a red pencil before sending the cards.)

All of our board contributes to the success of RMG. Joyce Lewis has the awesome responsibility of publishing *Bravo!* and the Guild Directory [*Ed. Note:* with much help from Glenn and Ella VanLaningham]. Joyce also published some of our Lunch and Learn flyers this year.

## Upcoming Events

February 3, 2007  
Scholarship Competition  
RCTC

February 3, 2007  
RSOC Concert  
Nordic Notes  
Mayo Civic Center

February 18, 2007  
Scholarship Winners' Recital  
2:00 p.m.  
Unitarian Universalist Church

February 24, 2007  
RSOC Concert  
Ports of Call  
Mayo Civic Center

March 3, 2007  
Herberger's Community Day

March 17-18, 2007  
RSOC Radiothon at KNXR

March 22, 2007  
Lunch & Learn  
Suzuki Cello Method:  
Pathway to the Orchestra  
Zumbro Lutheran Church

March 24, 2007  
RSOC Concert  
On the Road with Mozart  
2:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m.  
Assembly of God Church

April 1 - June 1, 2007  
Garden of Note Sale

April 20, 2007  
Young Musicians Recital  
7:00 p.m.  
Unitarian Universalist Church

April 24, 2007  
Lunch & Learn  
Jan Matson, keyboardist  
Zumbro Lutheran Church

April 28, 2007  
RSOC Concert  
Back Home to Broadway  
Mayo Civic Center

May 5, 2007  
Guild Annual Luncheon  
Zumbro Lutheran Church

Rounding out our board is our loyal Pauline Krieger, Arts Advocate; Kay Weaver, our Membership chair; and Barbara Eakins and Carla Nelson who raise needed scholarship money through our "Garden of Note" program. Pauline Utzinger keeps our history records and writes many gracious notes, and Faye Waldo always efficiently organizes the ushers for our symphony concerts. If you are beginning to think that I'm writing a Valentine to our board, you're right. Thanks.

Periodically we send notices through e-mail. We know that many of you do not use e-mail, but if you do please send me (majelann@charter.net) your e-mail address. We only use this information to inform our members about activities of your music guild.

Our nominating committee, chaired by Ella VanLaningham, will be kept busy. The other members are: Marilyn Riederer, Gay Segar, Kay Weaver, Jackie James, and Carla Nelson. Please contact these people for your suggestions for our future leadership positions.

I hope to see many of you at the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale concerts and other musical events.

Majel Ann Hall, President



## Books! Books! Books!

The Rochester Music Guild cookbook, **Recipes of Note for Entertaining**, is still available for only \$6.00 each!

This is a great, inexpensive gift — perfect for hostess gifts, birthdays, and bridal showers or for other special occasions.

Rochester Music Guild notecards, with a musical note design, are also available (5 notecards for \$1.00). Another great gift option!

Call Sylvia Swede at 282-5132 to purchase either of these items.

Thanks to all who purchased books at the **Barnes and Noble Bookfair** November 24-28. We received \$83.49 for our music scholarship fund. This was down from \$200.52 last year; so plan to do your Christmas shopping next year at the Bookfair! Thanks to Barnes and Noble for providing this opportunity for non-profit organizations.

Sylvia Swede, Book Sales Chair



Herberger's  
Community Day  
Saturday, March 3, 2007

***Double your money  
and support RMG education and  
scholarship funds  
at the same time!!***

Sounds too good to be true? By purchasing a \$5.00 coupon booklet for Herberger's Community Day on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, you will receive a coupon for **\$10.00** off an item priced at \$10.00 or more. There's 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 \$1200.00 (!) from this program in 2006 to help support music in Rochester.

Not available on March 3<sup>rd</sup>? Herberger's graciously allows presales 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 March 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 Gay Segar (288-3158) or any RMG Board member. These make great gifts for friends and family. Please consider either purchasing a booklet or making a donation of \$5.00 to support RMG's mission. We appreciate your help!

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Gay Segar, Member-at-Large



**In Memoriam: Ruth Vigness, Carl Schroedel**

Ruth Vigness, 70, a current board member of the Rochester Music Guild, died Tuesday, January 9, 2007 at Saint Marys Hospital. The funeral was held on Thursday, January 11, at Bethel Lutheran Church in Rochester.

There are no immediate survivors. She is survived by two nieces, Margaret Ford of Plano,

Texas, and Sylvia Hopkins of Houston, Texas; and a nephew, Richard Vigness of Fort Worth, Texas. She was preceded in death by a sister and a brother.

Ruth Vigness was born Nov. 12, 1936, in Cameron County, Texas. She graduated from LaFeria (Texas) High School and received a degree from Texas Tech University with a double major in music and English. She played French horn in the school orchestra. She later earned a master's degree from the University of Minnesota.

Following graduation, she taught music for two years before moving to Rochester in 1961. She taught both Spanish and English in the Rochester middle schools and later added another field, history. One of her missions in this area was to teach students how to influence change through political participation. She retired in 1997.

Still active in retirement, Ruth directed the choir at the Presbyterian Church during an interim period while the church was seeking a music director. This was one of her most enjoyable experiences. During that time, she became acquainted with Rochester Music Guild and took on the board position of coordinating the RMG Lunch and Learn sessions, a position which she still held at the time of her death.

Ruth also devoted much of her time after retirement as a volunteer in other areas where she believed she could make a difference. She became a member of the Samaritan Bethany Foundation Board. In this capacity, she tried to improve the working conditions of the staff and the comfort of the patients. Through her own church, Bethel Lutheran, she devoted her efforts to both local and international mission programs. With her interest in the Mexican people and her knowledge of Spanish, she took mission trips, often twice per year, to Mexico. She also sang in the Bethel choir.

Ruth was a dedicated volunteer and a kind and gentle person. She will be greatly missed by her fellow board members at the Rochester Music Guild.

*Joyce Lewis*



The Rev. Carl Schroedel passed away unexpectedly at home on November 10, 2006. He left behind a legacy of service to this community, as well as his lovely wife, Carol, and a countless number of friends and associates. Words cannot express the loss we all suffered.

Carl and Carol were both members of the RMG Board of Directors. Understandably, Carol resigned from the Board following his death in order to spend more time with her son, Todd, and his wife and family of three daughters in Colorado.

In addition to being a scholar of the Bible, Carl was interested in many scholastic pursuits – history, archeology, astronomy, science and math. His community participation includes most everything that involves service to people – the Diversity Council, Samaritan Bethany Home, Family Service Rochester, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale Board where he served as president, and sang for many years in the choir.

Carl and Carol came to Rochester in 1969, Halloween Day, to be precise, from the St. Louis area. He came from a family of ministers, and was called to be the pastor of the Peace United Church of Christ where he served for over 30 years. Following his retirement, he continued his career by serving the UCC church in Dodge Center part-time.

Trained as an opera singer, Carl will long be remembered for his role as Tevye in “Fiddler on the Roof,” – not only once, but twice. He was a younger Tevye in the 1970s when he first performed the role as part of a Civic Music production; years later he was back by popular demand to repeat the role for the Rochester Civic Theater. Close friends, Jim and Judy Sloan, remember his performances well. As the butcher’s late wife portrayed in Tevye’s famous dream, Judy “got to strangle him.” Carl not only played Tevye, he said he “became Tevye” throughout the performances, especially when Tevye had his little talks with God.

He also played Captain Von Trapp in “Sound of Music.” Jim recalls coming to arrest him while dressed as a Nazi guard.

Carl touched the lives of many in the Rochester area, through the church, community services, the theater and music, but most important is that he will be remembered as “just a very good guy,” and one we will miss a lot.

*Glenn VanLaningham*

### **Rochester Music Guild Annual Luncheon Meeting**

You are invited to the forty-third annual luncheon meeting of the Rochester Music Guild on Saturday, May 5, 2007, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The luncheon will be held at:

Zumbro Lutheran Church  
624 3rd Avenue SW.

You will have an opportunity not only to hear a mini-recital by the 2007 RMG scholarship winners, but also to help determine the direction of our group. The cost is \$10.00 per person.

Please reply by April 28th to Marilyn Riederer, 281-8341, or [riederer@charter.net](mailto:riederer@charter.net).

*Marilyn Riederer, President-Elect*

## Guild Scholarships Supporting Young Musicians

The Music Guild Scholarship Competition on February 3 is bringing over 35 young talented musicians to the Rochester Community and Technical College to compete for \$4600.00 in scholarship funds.

Funds are awarded in four categories: piano, strings, voice, and wind instruments. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards in each category are \$400, \$300, and \$200 respectively.

The 1<sup>st</sup> place award in the strings category is the Georgia Daniel Memorial Scholarship, which was established in 2000 to honor Georgia Daniel for over 22 years of dedication, teaching strings and directing orchestras in the Rochester Public Schools.



The 1st place award in the voice category honors Sally Duffy, and is funded by a contribution made by her husband, Joe Duffy, shortly after Sally's death from cancer in 1994. The scholarship award honors Sally for her devotion to music and the human voice. Sally was a two-time President of the Rochester Music Guild, and had

a passion for the arts in general and for music in particular, especially choral music.

Judges will also determine the winner of the Carter Douglas Memorial Scholarship (\$500), which is awarded based on a combination of the performance score and the score on an essay written by each applicant (reviewed and scored by the Douglas family). The Carter Douglas Memorial Scholarship was established by the Douglas family and friends from this community and across the country following the untimely death of this gifted young pianist whose talent brought so much joy to her and to those who heard her play.



And finally, judges will select the winner of the Carl Schroedel Memorial Scholarship, a \$500 Summer Camp Scholarship. This scholarship is funded by the Judy and Jim Sloan Foundation in honor of Carl Schroedel, who passed away this winter. Carl was a member of the Rochester Music Guild Board and a former member of the Rochester Orchestra and Chorale Board, and was a very active and dedicated supporter of many other Rochester community activities.

In addition to the scholarships awarded at our annual scholarship competition, the Rochester Music Guild awards three \$100 scholarships each year to students chosen by each of the three Rochester public high school music departments. The Mayo and John Marshall students each receive a **Suddendorf Memorial Scholarship Award**. These awards honor Sid Suddendorf and his wife Carol, who were prominent members of the Rochester musical community for many years.

In 2005 the Rochester Music Guild established an additional scholarship award, currently \$100, to honor an outstanding music student at Century High School as a match to the Suddendorf Memorial Scholarship.

Currently, the funds for all scholarships, except the camp scholarship, are invested with the Rochester Area Foundation. The Rochester Music Guild Scholarship is used to fund second and third place Vocal and String winners in the annual competition and all winners in the Wind Instruments and Piano categories.

Continuing donations are added to the principals of all funds as received. You are welcome to send a contribution directly to the Rochester Area Foundation or to the Rochester Music Guild to benefit any of the funds.

*Jackie James and Chris Parisi, Scholarship Co-Chairs*

## Scholarship Winners Recital

**Sunday, February 18, 2007**

**2:00 pm**

**First Unitarian Universalist Church**



Enjoy hearing these talented young musicians.

The public is invited to the recital and a reception following the performance.

Please put this on your calendar and come to enjoy the artistry of our young people.

*Jackie James and Chris Parisi, Scholarship Co-Chairs*

## Thank You, Members

Many many thanks to all of you for your contributions which support our many endeavors. At its recent meeting, the Board of Directors approved a new budget to include support of educational programs, such as our *Lunch & Learn* series and the recital series, *Young Musicians of Southeast Minnesota*, co-sponsored with the Rochester Area Keyboard Club, Southeastern Minnesota Suzuki Association, the annual scholarship competition and the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale. None of this would be possible without your generosity.

In mid-November, a *Directory* was sent to 187 members. Since that time, we have added 2 additional members. Please welcome Jim and Darlene, and add their names to your *2006-2007 Rochester Music Guild Directory*.

James and Darlene Vowels  
627 Elton Hills Drive NW  
Rochester, MN 55901  
288-5188

*Kay Weaver, Membership Chair*

## Looking Ahead to 2014

As the Rochester Music Guild approached its 40th birthday in 2004, long-time member and two-time president Pauline Krieger looked ahead to our 50th Anniversary. She had been part of a team planning the 40th celebration that included a return of past Scholarship Contest winners who presented a lovely and memorable recital at the Christ United Methodist Church.

However, Pauline had even grander plans for ten years hence. She envisioned a 50th Anniversary Celebration of the RMG that would exceed all others. To plan for future expenses, she established the Past Presidents' Fund, first by making her own donation, and then by contacting all former presidents to seek their support. Other members are welcome to contribute as well.

The fund now approaches \$800 and is in a designated account. Any member wishing to contribute can mail a check to the Rochester Music Guild, PO Box 5802, Rochester, MN 55903, designating the money for the "Past Presidents' Fund."

*Glenn VanLaningham, Treasurer*



## Carl Schroedel Memorial Fund

The Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale (RSOC) is establishing a special fund to honor the memory of Carl Schroedel. Carl was a member of the Rochester Music Guild, a vocalist in the RSOC chorale, and served on the RSOC Board of Directors for six years, including two years as president. Carl was passionate about artistic quality, educational programs, helping new audiences experience the joys of classical music, promoting RSOC as a community treasure, and assuring a secure future for our organization.

To further the work that Carl loved, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale has established the Carl Schroedel Memorial Fund as a named fund within the RSOC Endowment at the Rochester Area Foundation. The fund will earn interest in perpetuity to enhance the initiatives that Carl held dear.

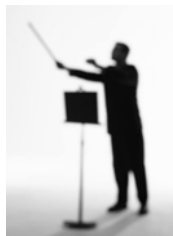
It seems fitting that gifts to the Carl Schroedel Memorial Fund will keep on giving, just as Carl kept on giving his entire life.

Donations can be sent to RSOC, 400 South Broadway, Suite 100, Rochester, MN 55904. Please include the words "Carl Schroedel Memorial Fund" with your contribution so we can assure your gift is deposited in the appropriate fund.

*Sharon Tuntland, RSOC Fund Development Chair*



## RSOC Aspiring Conductor Contest



On February 3rd, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale announced its first-ever Aspiring Conductor Contest.

Five community "aspiring conductors" have agreed to compete for the chance to conduct the Rochester Symphony Orchestra & Chorale

during the April 28 *Back Home to Broadway* Concert.

The candidates are Jerry Williams, Superintendent of the Rochester Public Schools; Ardell Brede, Mayor of Rochester; Paul Horgen, CEO of Think Federal Credit Union; Father Nick Mezacapa, Calvary Episcopal Church; and Carla Nelson, Olmsted Financial Group.

The campaign runs from February 3 to April 16. Each dollar raised by a contestant constitutes one vote. The contestant with the most "votes" earns the opportunity to give the downbeat on April 28.

The RSOC Aspiring Conductor Contest is fashioned after the very successful La Crosse Symphony Orchestra & Chorale Conductor Wannabe Contest. Look for some very creative fundraising techniques and be sure to support the candidate(s) of your choice. Contribution envelopes are available from the candidate, at the concerts, or at the RSOC Office (400 South Broadway).

*Sharon Tuntland, RSOC Fund Development Chair*



## Special Chorale Concert March 10

Last season, the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale served up a new idea for a concert—*Piping Hot*. *Piping Hot* was the brainchild of the late Rev. Carl Schroedel, who sought an opportunity

for Rochester to showcase the high quality of its organists and church choirs. At that first *Piping Hot* event, some 70 singers from Rochester area choirs joined RSOC Music Director Jere Lantz and the 65 members of the Rochester Symphony Chorale plus five of the area's top organists. Performers and audience agreed that the titanic sound produced and the vital energy released made this a **Hot** occasion indeed—one they couldn't wait to be part of again.

That chance will arrive on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, in *Piping Hot II*. Again church choir singers will join the Chorale and outstanding organists to create a powerful sound unique in southeastern Minnesota's rich concert scene. The entire concert is based around the organ—the stellar new instrument in the resounding acoustics of St. John's Catholic Church in downtown Rochester. Each of the choral works performed will feature the organ, as will solos selected to show the stunning variety and power of the sound of the "King of Instruments." Watch for information about selections and ticket prices, or call the RSOC office (286-8742).

**Lunch & Learn****March 22 and April 24, 2006**

On Thursday, March 22nd, we will be entertained by Suzuki Cello Instructor, Carolyn Mead, and several of her students. The program is entitled: *Suzuki Cello Method: Pathway to the Orchestra*, and we will learn about the philosophy and technique behind this method of teaching. Please join us at Zumbro Lutheran Church (624 3rd Avenue SW) at 11:30 for a delightful program and lunch. Menu choices for a picnic lunch will be available on the flyer that will be mailed in early March.

The last Lunch and Learn of the season will be held Tuesday, April 24th, and will feature Jan Matson. Ms. Matson, the principal keyboardist for the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale, is renowned as an accompanist in numerous venues across southeastern Minnesota. She is also well known for her hike across the Appalachian Trail. Please join us at Zumbro Lutheran Church at 11:30 for a picnic lunch and a look into the life of an accompanist. Menu choices will be available in early April.

To be on the list to receive a flyer or for questions, please contact Marilyn Riederer at 281-8341.

*Marilyn Riederer, Lunch & Learn Chair*

**Garden Of Note Benefit****April 1-June 1**

Spring is on the way (really it is). 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 June 1, 2007, 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 are available from  
CarlaNelson@CarlaNelson.org 281-0162  
or from

Barbara Eakins eakinsbf@aol.com 288-8700  
or from volunteer RMG sellers.

*Carla Nelson and Barbara Eakins, Co-Chairs*

**HoNk\*SQuEak\*ScRaTcH\*BOOM!**

On Saturday, January 13, the sounds of "Honk, Squeak, Scratch, Boom" resounded throughout the Mayo Civic Center. The members and board of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale assisted 4th, 5th, and 6th

grade students as they tried out several musical instruments.

This was the 11th annual event for this program, which is designed to help students experience the feel and sounds of musical instruments through mini-music lessons. Professional musicians were on hand with instruments such as brass, woodwinds, strings, and percussion. Both students and parents were enthusiastic. An estimated 3,500 students have participated in the past and many of them have become fine musicians.



Once again members of the Rochester Music Guild helped in both the morning and afternoon sessions. Thank you to all the volunteers: Heide Buettner, Thurston Davini, Pat Friederichs, Dick Hall, Majel Hall, Nancy Kampmeier, Carla Nelson, Marilyn Reiderer, Betty Sande, Bob Sande, and Sarabeth Watson. And a special thank you to Esther Pfeifer, who also recruited retired teachers as volunteers: Marlys Ostby, Norma Randvy, Karen Reopelle, Barb Seydel, Mary Ann Shetterly and Libby Witzeman. Thanks to those teachers, who 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.

*Majel Hall, President*

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## Meet RMG Board Members: Faye Waldo, Kay Weaver, Pauline Krieger



**Faye Waldo** is currently the chair of the Ushers committee, which provides volunteer ushers for all the Rochester Symphony Orchestra concerts. This is just the latest of many positions Faye has held over the years on the Rochester Music Guild board. After 25 years in the Rochester Music Guild (the last five as Ushers chair), Faye has truly “done it all.”

Faye came to Rochester with her husband and small children in 1964, after 6 years in Minneapolis while her husband finished his degree. Upon graduation, he took a job with IBM and moved the family to Rochester, where they have actually lived happily ever after. Faye can't say enough good things about the Rochester community -- what a fine place it is to live and to raise a family. Faye's five grown children all live far away; one son, in fact, lives in Norway. She and her husband have seven grandchildren, and another expected in Norway in May. Of course, they spend a lot of time traveling, but they manage to spend every summer at their summer home in upper Michigan where all the children and grandchildren come to visit.

Faye is a native of Duluth, Minnesota, and a graduate of Duluth East High School. She graduated from Saint Scholastica College with an education major, and minors in music and art. She taught in the Duluth elementary schools before moving to Minneapolis. She continued her pursuit of all these interests in Rochester, teaching at the Reading Center for over 30 years and playing violin in the Rochester Symphony for 32 years. Her hobbies are reading, painting (water colors), and of course music.

Faye is an ardent supporter of the Rochester Symphony and believes that the RMG provides the vital volunteer support that allows this community to have such a splendid orchestra. Her most fervent hope is that we will see a true performing arts center in Rochester in the near future.

*Joyce Lewis*



**Kay Weaver**, the current Membership chair of the Rochester Music Guild, says “I enjoy music, but I am not a musician.” She did, however, study piano as a child, and she sang with the Rochester Summer Music Project. She recalls that the first movie she saw as a child was *The Sound of Music* – apparently it made a lasting impression, since Kay has been involved with Rochester music ever since.

Kay was born and went to school in Rochester. She graduated from Mayo High School and received a BA in Accounting from Concordia College. Following graduation, Kay was employed in the field of accounting and lived in Willmar, MN and the Twin Cities area. In 1990, Kay married George Weaver, who works for IBM, and they spent the first year of their married life in New

Orleans, LA. In 1991, they returned to Rochester where Kay studied at RCTC, receiving AA degrees in Liberal Arts and Liberal Arts & Sciences. In 2001, she received a BA in Professional Studies from Winona State University.

Kay became a member of the Rochester Music Guild board in the mid-90s, and served as Treasurer from 2002 to 2004. In 2005, she became our Membership chair. She says she has thoroughly enjoyed serving on the board and getting to know both past and present board members.

Kay and her husband George adopted their daughter Mary Elizabeth from Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, in February 2005. Mary is now four years old and attends Aldrich Memorial Nursery School. Mary enjoys music, dancing, and playing with her friends, and Kay enjoys being a stay-at-home mom.

After Mary is in school full time, Kay looks forward to widening her horizons and pursuing new things she has not had a chance to do so far. Kay is a valued board member, and we hope her horizons will always include the Rochester Music Guild!

*Joyce Lewis*



Possibly the finest friend the arts has ever had in Rochester is **Pauli Krieger**. Her service to this community goes back to 1964 when she was one of the founding members of the Rochester Music Guild, and she has since devoted her time to funding, public awareness, education and improvement of all art forms.

Serving twice as president of RMG, Pauli has served many terms on the Board. She chaired the Scholarship Committee for several years, and filled the position of Arts Advocate, representing the Guild in statewide and national organizations. She has lobbied for funding to strengthen the support of the arts.

Her interests have not only been in the area of music. She has been involved in support of theater, dance, painting and sculpture as well. She believes all forms of art are essential for the cultural growth and development of a community.

Her interest in music began with piano lessons as a child. After graduation from college, she taught in the Department of Speech and Literary Arts at Macalester College in St. Paul. Her interest in education led her to substitute teaching in Rochester which she continues to the present time. She has also been active in AAUW, the YWCA, her church, and was president of the Friends of the Art Center. She once served an organization promoting scholarships for women and girls – P.E.O.

Pauli was married to Judge Harold Krieger until his death in 1995. For the past ten years she has been active in the American Lawyers Auxiliary, a program devoted to developing our children into law-abiding citizens. She is currently the National President, focusing her attention to educational scholarships. At Reallife, where she currently resides, she has graciously hosted several social events for the RMG.

*Glenn VanLaningham*

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