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MYA's Weekly News

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Upcoming Concerts This Week!

Friday Night, May 9, 2008

Dream Street – MYA's Jazz Combo concert
7:00 PM (MYA Center at Ft. Sheridan)
The concert is free and open to the public!!

Family Music & Fun Fest!

Attention Parents and Musicians!! Please mark these times down in your calendars now for the scheduled performances at the Music Fest on **Sunday, May 18**, from **12:00 – 6:00 PM!** All of our musicians are expected to participate in what promises to be a fantastic day of music and fun!

12:30-12:45	CHORISTERS
12:45-1:00	CHORALE
1:00-1:30	CONCERT ORCHESTRA
2:00-2:30	SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
2:30-3:00	BIG BAND (Please note change)
3:00-3:15	READING ORCHESTRA
3:15-3:30	CADET ORCHESTRA
3:30-4:00	JAZZ ENSEMBLE (Please note change)
4:30-5:00	VOICES RISING (Please note change)
5:00-5:15	PREP ORCHESTRA
5:15-5:30	VOICES RISING (Please note additional performance)
5:15-6:00	JAZZ ORCHESTRA (Please note change)

Here's a glimpse of some of the other entertainment at MYA's Fun Fest!: **Academy of Irish Music, Holy Cross Chimers and Choir, Mt. Prospect Steel Drum Band, Wilmette Cello Choir and McNulty Irish Dancers!!!!**

Dream With Us – MYA's Endowment Campaign Countdown

Family Participation Goal: 100%

Participation to Date: 40% (180 families)

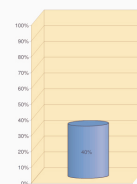
Financial Goal: \$1,100,000

Raised to Date: \$901,325

Total Needed to Make Goal: \$198,675

**Help Meet our
Pledge Goals!**

Percentage of Current MYA Families Participating



Come to MYA this Summer!

Sign up for Evening Big Band (Mon & Wed) or Evening Orchestra (Tues & Thurs). Perform at Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park on Sunday, July 27! There are also Summer Workshops for Strings, Piano, Winds and Brass! – go to www.mya.org/summer for more information!

PROGRAM INFORMATION

CHORAL

Chorale

There is rehearsal this **Saturday, May 10**, at **10:00 AM!**

Voices Rising

• **CONGRATULATIONS** on a wonderful concert last Sunday! Many of the audience members spoke to me to tell me how much they enjoyed it. Good job!

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Building a Home
with the Power of Music
to Enrich the Lives
of our Students
and Community

- **SEASON FINALE AND AWARDS!** On Sunday, May 18, we'll perform at the MYA Family Fun Fest. Here's the scoop: we'll meet at 4 PM in the NORTH Rehearsal Hall (not the South one where we usually meet). Wear your COLORED T-SHIRT and casual bottoms of your choice (blue jeans, shorts, etc. are okay. My only request: NO FLIP-FLOPS OR SANDALS. Please wear closed-heel shoes-- sneakers are fine. We'll warm-up and rehearse a bit, then do a short performance at 4:30 (about 15-20 minutes). Right after that, I have some special awards and gifts to give out! Then, we'll go outside and do another performance outdoors at 5:15. You'll be done at 5:30 pm.
- Remember, NO rehearsal this Sunday, May 11. Enjoy Mother's Day with your moms!

JAZZ

May 9, 2008 – Dream Street

7:00 PM Combo Concert at MYA! All combos must be at MYA by 6:15 PM!

ORCHESTRA

Orchestra Rehearsal Schedule for May 17:

- 9:00 AM Cadet Orchestra (1 hour rehearsal)
- 10:00 AM Reading Orchestra (1 hour rehearsal)
- 10:00 AM Concert Orchestra (2 hour rehearsal)
- 11:00 AM Prep Orchestra (1 hour rehearsal)
- 12:00 PM Symphony Orchestra (3 hour rehearsal)

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

If you know of someone else who should be the spotlight, please go to our website at www.mya.org/support/volunteer and click on "Volunteer of the Week".

Thank you's!

- Cynthia Hallas, Sunday Soiree Coordinator, expresses her appreciation to all the families (far too numerous to name) who have provided refreshments for the various soirees held during the past year. Your contributions have been much appreciated by performers and audience members alike - thank you, thank you, thank you!
- Thank you to Nina Simpson (Shane/Jazz Orchestra) for selling tickets at FitzGerald's. Thank you to Lali Watt (Liah/Prep & VR, Rian/Symphony, Dale/Prep) for taking care of tickets for the Voices Rising & Choristers Concert.

Volunteer Opportunities

Family Fun Fest – Contact Gena at genaandreasen@mya.org.

We are still looking for parents and teens to supervise the following activities at the Fun Fest on May 18.

Saturday Set-up, May 17

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| Tent Set-up | 10:00 – noon | 4 people (bring your sledge hammers) |
| Auction Set-up | 12:00 – 3:00 | 4 people |

Sunday, May 18

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| Dunk Tank | 1:30 – 2:30 | |
| Ring Toss | All Day | |
| Helium Balloons | All Day | |
| Balloon Tying | All Day | |
| Get your Nails Done | All Day | |
| Auction | All Day | |
| Stage Crew | All Day | 5 - 6 people |
| Parking Directors | All Day | 3 - 4 people |
| Clean up | 6:00 – 8:00pm | |

Bake Walk We are accepting **cakes, breads, cookies, brownies, and bars**. We ask that cookies, brownies and bars be attractively packaged in 12 - 18 pieces, so that it becomes a rough equivalent to a cake. We will be using it for our 'Bake Walk.' We would like to know what and how much you can bring. We're asking for the goods to be delivered by Noon on Sunday, so if you want to drop it off during rehearsals on Saturday, that is OK. Just mark it for the 'Fun Fest.' If you bring it the day of, there will be a tent in the back by the parking lot for the baked goods.

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

MYA Posting School Events

Stevenson High School: Spring Consortium String Orchestra Festival, Performing Arts Center, **Monday, May 12 at 7:30 PM.**

Warren Township High School: Blue Note Jazz Concert, WTHS – Almond Campus Black Box Theatre, Gurnee, **Monday, May 12 at 7:00 PM.**

Woodlawn Middle School: Area 125 Consortium Orchestra Festival (Gr. 7-8), Stevenson High School, **Monday, May 12 at 7:00 PM.**

Buffalo Grove High School: Jazz Band Concert, **Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 PM.**

Glenbrook North High School: Spring Band & Orchestra Concert, CPA, **Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30 PM.**

Neuqua Valley High School: Spring Concert, Naperville, **Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 & 8:00 PM.**

Woodlawn Middle School: Band Concert (Gr. 6-8), Long Grove, **Tuesday, May 13 at 7:00 PM.**
Deerfield High School: Spring Band Concert, Auditorium, **Wednesday, May 14 at 7:30 PM.**
Elgin High School: Choir Concert, EHS Auditorium, **Wednesday, May 14 at 7:00 PM.**
Woodlawn Middle School: Orchestra Concert (Gr. 4-8), Long Grove, **Wednesday, May 14 at 7:00 PM.**
Glenbard North High School: Band Concert, Auditorium, Carol Stream, **Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 PM.**
Highland Park High School: Percussion Concert, Auditorium, **Thursday, May 15 at 7:00 PM.**
Mundelein High School: Spring Pops Concert, Auditorium, **Thursday, May 15 at 7:00 PM.**
Stevenson High School: Spring Choral Concert, Performing Arts Center, **Thursday, May 15 at 7:30 PM.**
Rolling Meadows High School: Choir Concert, **Friday, May 16 at 7:30PM.**
Neuqua Valley High School: Fine Arts Festival, Naperville, **Saturday, May 17, 8:00AM – 4:00PM.**
Evanston Township High School: Spring Choral Concert, **Sunday, May 18 at 3:00PM.**
Cooper Middle School: Spring orchestra concert, Buffalo Grove, **Monday, May 19 at 7:30PM.**
New Trier High School: Choir-Opera Spring Revue, Gaffney Auditorium, Northfield, **Monday, May 19 at 7:30PM,** tickets: \$3.
Rolling Meadows High School: Spring Band Concert, **Monday, May 19 at 7:30PM.**
Glenbard North High School: Choral Concert, Auditorium, Carol Stream, **Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30PM.**
Prospect High School: Spring Concert, **Tuesday, May 20 at 7:30PM.**
Vernon Hills High School: Choir Cabaret Concert, Auditorium, **Tuesday, May 20 at 8:00PM,** tickets: \$3 Adults, \$2 Student.
Rolling Meadows High School: Spring Orchestra Concert, **Wednesday, May 21 at 7:00PM.**
Elgin High School: Orchestra/Band Concert, EHS Auditorium, **Thursday, May 22 at 7:00PM.**
Evanston Township High School: Orchestra Concert, **Thursday, May 22 at 7:30PM.**
New Trier High School: Spring Music Festival, Gaffney Auditorium, **Thursday, May 22 at 7:30PM,** tickets: \$3.
Vernon Hills High School: Spring Band Concert, Auditorium, **Thursday, May 22 at 8:00PM,** tickets: \$3 Adults, \$2 Student.
Buffalo Grove High School: Senior Honors Band Concert, BG Theater, **Tuesday, May 27 at 7:00PM.**
Rolling Meadows High School: Spring Jazz Concert, **Wednesday, May 28 at 7:30PM.**
Vernon Hills High School: Spring Orchestra Concert, Auditorium, **Wednesday, May 28 at 7:30PM,** tickets: \$3 Adults, \$2 Student.

KUDOS, B-DAYS & OTHER!

Birthdays

05/11/95, Julia Clafford, viola, Prep	05/14/91, Will Kyriazis, piano, Jazz Orchestra
05/13/93, Grace Householder, viola, Concert	05/14/93, Megan Lathan, viola, Concert
05/13/90, Joon Lee, trumpet, Symphony	05/15/90, Lauren Mitchell, oboe, Symphony
05/14/90, Brent Fernandez-Morera, trombone, Jazz Combo	05/16/96, Laura Gu, violin, Cadet
05/14/94, Daniel Montgomery, violin, Concert	