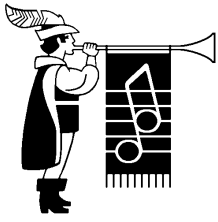


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Symphony Notes

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Message from the President

Although COVID continues to haunt us, there are solid reasons for optimism. The rate of new cases is the lowest since spring, booster shots are available, and Woodlands is back in business. Several shows have already been presented.

We did have to postpone two more events this fall. The Hot Springs Children's Concert was moved to April and the **BRAVO Amici** concert was moved to February. On the bright side, however, Arkansas Symphony Orchestra has started their season with a wonderful concert that included a full orchestra for the first time in almost two years. The auditorium was also full, meaning no social distancing requirements.

The good news for your Symphony Guild is that we are now confident that we will present **ASO Christmas in the Village** on Sunday, Dec 6 at Woodlands. Tickets are already on sale. This show is usually a sellout, and the first week of ticket sales was strong. Don't hesitate. This will be our first live program in Woodlands in over two years. (The Christmas program in 2019 was in late November). The ASO Christmas concert is always one of my favorites, and this year will be extra special after what we have endured during the pandemic. I could not be more excited, and I hope to see many of you there.

Speaking of exciting, the rest of the 2022 schedule is shaping up as well. We have some wonderful programs lined up which you will hear about soon. Keep an eye on our guild website and watch you email. Equally exciting, our education programs are also ramping up again. Thanks to the amazing generosity of our members, we are in surprisingly strong financial condition and ready to go.

Please stop by our table at the Community Fair on October 20 and say hello.

Sincerely,

Jim Gifford

The Guild's first Cork & Bottle Sponsor Day



Pictured are Cork & Bottle's Craig Annen with Guild Board member Sally Crawford

For several years, Cork & Bottle Liquors on Hwy 7 has supported the nonprofit organizations in our area through its Sponsor Day program. Non-profits may schedule a Thursday as their special day. On that day 5% of the gross sales is donated to the non-profit. The non-profit agrees to purchase advertising spots on KVRE radio to promote the event and Cork & Bottle. Over the years, this program has become a win-win for the business and all participating non-profits.

The Symphony Guild hosted its event this past August 19. Thanks to our members and interested others, the Guild received \$123. Every little bit we can use toward our mission of fostering music education in our local area schools really helps!

Quiz Bowl Question

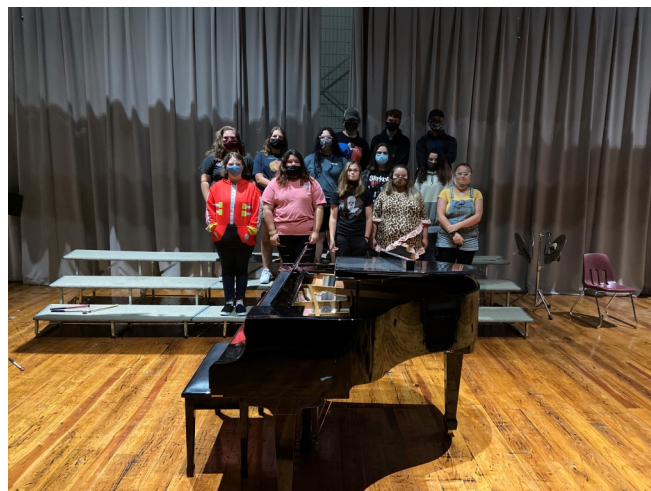
What Classical music composer was inspired by his cat while writing one of his compositions? (answer below)

Quiz Bowl Answer

After Domenico Scarlatti's cat walked across his keyboard, he composed Cat Fugue in G Minor K30.

Mountain Pine School receives generous gift

Visit our table at the HSV Community Fair



The Guild will once again participate in the Hot Springs Village Community Fair. This year's fair is scheduled for Wednesday, October 20 from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. in the Ponce de Leon Center/Woodlands Auditorium parking lot. You will learn more about our missions, be able to visit with some of your Guild board members, and have the opportunity to enter some fun drawings. Tell your friends and neighbors that we have a special drawing opportunity for a lucky someone (or couple) who joins the Guild onsite that afternoon—a chance to win a complimentary ticket (or 2 tickets should a couple both join the Guild) to “ASO Christmas in the Village,” December 5, 3:00 p.m., Woodlands Auditorium. This drawing is open to new Guild memberships on that day only. What an opportunity for a mere \$20 per person (credit cards will be accepted at the Fair).

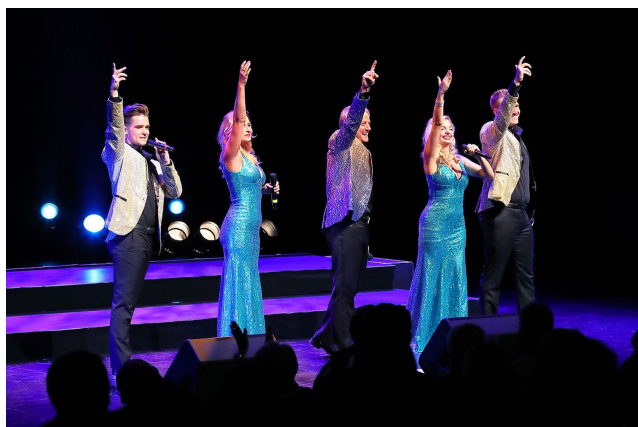
Hope to see many of you on October 20.

Thanks to an anonymous donor, Mountain Pine school is the recipient of a grand piano and a saxophone. Band and Choir Director Chris Johns has made such a difference in the Mountain Pine music program these past few years. This year his band participated (early in the morning) in the Village Walk for Cancer research. Here's a couple of photos, featuring the choir with the piano and the band leading the walkers to the Balboa Trail.

Another Quiz Bowl Question!

What is the most expensive opera costume of all time? (answer below)

BRAVO Amici rescheduled



Challenges, challenges! We're sure many of our readers have experienced holding Woodlands Auditorium concert tickets these past 18 months, only to have the event postponed, maybe even twice. Such has been the saga of the Guild's "2020" fundraiser, BRAVO Amici. The concert was originally scheduled in the fall of 2020, only to have the pandemic postpone this and so many other events. Once things appeared to be improving the group was rescheduled for September 16. But COVID wasn't through with our world, not by a long shot. The troop leader could not leave New Zealand thanks to this pandemic. So with high hopes and continued prayers, we expect BRAVO Amici to delight our HSV audience on February 24, 2022.

BRAVO Amici have wowed audiences all over the world, from London to LA, Miami to Moscow, St. Moritz to Sardinia, New York to New Zealand. Combining the essential elements of classical crossover -- pop, Broadway, the West End and opera -- this group of endlessly talented friends and stage stars melt hearts and blow minds in every theater they perform, becoming a worldwide phenomenon over the years. With a show that not only entertains and excites audiences, but also connects with them on a deeper level (at a time when the world needs all the love, acceptance, and inclusion it can get) this will be an unforgettable concert, and one to look forward to over the next few months.

Look for more news regarding tickets and a pre-concert dinner opportunity early in 2022.

Save the date for "April In Paris"



Creative, inventive, inspired – that's our Special Events team. How could there be a better theme for a Spring 2022 "Soiree" than "April in Paris?" Following a preliminary meeting, the planning committee chose the theme, then visited the desired event site. Now we are delighted to announce the Symphony Guild Gala will be held on April 22, 2022 at the Xplore DeSoto. In the spirit of the evening's theme, "April in Paris" will highlight lovely music, outstanding beverage and entree choices, and offer the community an elegant spring evening event. The 2019 Great Gatsby Gala was such a popular success, it is undoubtedly time for another celebratory evening! We hope you will mark your calendars for April 22, 2022. More of the exciting details will be announced after the 2021 holidays.

Another Quiz Bowl Answer!

A costume worn by Adelina Patti at Covent Garden in 1895. Valued at 15 million English pounds.

Our 2021—2022 Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 5, 2021 3:00 p.m.—ASO Christmas in the Village, Woodlands Auditorium, Hot Springs Village. Tickets on sale now at www.hsvticketsales.org or at the Ponce de Leon Center during regular business hours.

Saturday, January 22, 2022 2:00 PM — Henderson State President's Music Award Winners in Concert, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 199 Barcelona Rd, HSV.

Thursday, February 24, 2022 7:30 PM — BRAVO Amici, Woodlands Auditorium, Hot Springs Village. Pre-concert dinner begins at 6:00. Details forthcoming.

Friday, April 22, 2022 5:30 PM — “April In Paris,” Xplore DeSoto, Hot Springs Village. Details forthcoming.

Sunday, April 24, 2022 — ASO Youth/Academy Orchestras, Woodlands Auditorium, Hot Springs Village. Details forthcoming.

Thursday, October 6, 2022 7:30 PM — The Dallas Brass, Woodlands Auditorium, Hot Springs Village.

Sunday, December 4, 2022 3:00 p.m.—ASO Christmas in the Village, Woodlands Auditorium, Hot Springs Village.

Bus service available for both Masterworks and Pops Concerts

If you have tickets to the Sunday performance of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra Masterworks or Pops concert series and don't want to drive, we offer bus service from the Village. The bus is available for the remaining Masterworks Pops concerts at the Robinson Center. The price the Masterworks concerts is \$30 round trip on the day of the concert. The price for the Pops concerts is 35 round trip on the day of the concert. The bus departs the Good Samaritan Campus at 12:15 and continues to the East Gate Shopping Center for departure at 12:45 PM. The bus will return all the passengers to the Village following the concert at both the departure places. To sign up to ride the bus, please contact Molly Crawshaw at 922-0622 or by email at mscrawshwa@yahoo.com.

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Once you are logged into the website, you may see the directory, edit your personal profile to keep us up-to-date if any of your contact information changes, adjust your email preferences, and adjust your privacy (directory) settings. For help with the website, please contact Suzanne Kuch at 915-8016 or info@symphonyguild.org.

If we do not have your email address and you would like a printed copy of the directory, please contact Jim Dixon at (214) 632-2351.

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Stay Up-To-Date at the Guild Facebook Page

Keep up with current Guild events and projects at the HS/V Symphony Guild [Facebook](#) page. The page is filled with photos of recent Guild events as well as up-to-the minute announcements regarding upcoming events. And if you “**follow**” the Guild on Facebook these photos and events will make it to your newsfeed. Please invite your Facebook friends (Guild members or not) to **follow** our page too!

Supporting All Arts

The Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village Symphony Guild is a member of the Hot Springs Village Arts Council, and fully supports all of the creative, visual and performing arts in and around Hot Springs and Hot Springs Village. For information on the upcoming events of the Council's members, please visit www.hsvarts.org.

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