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GENERAL BOARD MEETING

March 17, 2016

Charlie's Restaurant
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Other League Events:

Rite of Spring*

Thursday, March 10, 2016
Hilton Garden Inn,
Levis Commons
Perrysburg
*NEW DATE & NEW VENUE

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TUNE IN TUESDAYS*

~Damon Coleman~
April 12, 2016
~Amy Heritage~
May 10, 2016
*Toledo Country Club

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PARTIES OF NOTE

~Savoir-faire with
Chefs Marty & Christine~
April 28, 2016
~Time for Tea~
June 2, 2016

President's Letter

Greetings, Toledo Symphony League Members,

The winds of March bring wonderful news. We have a new slate of officers. Thank you to the Nominating Committee, chaired by **Lynda Gilbert** and consisting of **Rusty Phlegar, Marlene Uhler, Bev Zielinski, and Barbara Brown** (nonvoting) which has announced the Slate of Officers for 2016-2017. (See Box)

TSL/TSO Special Events Liaison **Patty Etue-Stephens** planned and executed a very successful Pro-Am reception in conjunction with **Mitch Wechsler** of the Toledo Symphony Orchestra on February 20, following the outstanding Toledo Symphony Orchestra's Pro-Am concert at The TMA Peristyle. Patty's reception committee consisted of **Beth Bowman, Rusty Phlegar, Kathy Scheer, Karen DeNune, Cathy Tolbert (and her big black guard dog), Marcia Helman, Lynda Gilbert and Barbara Brown**. These women brought the dream to life at the lovely reception at Symphony Space. Over 75 musicians, family and friends enjoyed music, frivolity, delicious savories and sweets, while rejoicing in the Music, Music, Music.

Side by Side plans are under way. (See Education) Make your reservation, today.

RITE OF SPRING Chairmen **Mary Beaber and Barbara Bettinger** have confirmed the plans for March 10, at The Hilton Garden Inn at Levis Commons. With valet parking, vendors, raffle baskets, creative dinners, the Flour Garden and a garden expert speaker, there is something for everyone. This is an excellent time to share the excitement of The League with friends and family. The doors open at 10:00 a.m. (See Finance) This would also be an excellent event for prospective members to attend.

I must share with you the importance of the League and you as members to the Toledo Symphony picture. The hours of volunteer work, underwriting, chairing and organizing of events are vital to the functioning of our wonderful Symphony. I hope you read the **BLADE** article where **Kathy Carroll** is quoted as saying how important the existence of our support is to the Toledo Symphony Orchestra. Each of you makes the League successful.

If you heard the interview Fred Lefebvre of WSPD iHeart Radio did with chairs of the Education committees, you got a true insight of the impact we have upon the community. Thank you to P.R. Chairman **Cindy Champer** for arranging this opportunity. Thank you to Fred Lefebvre for hosting us and promoting our mission. His follow-up interview later that week with **Dorothy Coats** was outstanding.

There are two Parties of Note to complete our year. Don't miss the elegant sit-down dinner in the home of **Don and Venice Michel** on April 28, or the wonderful tea chaired by **Darlene Carpenter and Judy Maurer** in Dee's home on June 2. Parties of Note Chairman, **Marlene Uhler** has given us a year to remember.

Wishing you a Music Filled Year,
Barbara Brown
President

The MISSION of the Toledo Symphony League is to provide financial, educational and volunteer support to the Toledo Symphony Orchestra so that it may provide quality musical performances for the entire community.

NEA INVESTIGATES ARTS AND AGING

By Nancy Phlegar

One in seven Americans is 65 or older, and 10,000 people are turning 65 every day! Life expectancy in the United States has increased from 45 years in 1900 to 79 years in the year 2000. People alive today have better education, nutrition, and health care; and despite significant poverty levels among older adults, people 50 or older hold a large share of the wealth.

Last year the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the Center for Creative Aging (NCCA) released a white paper, “*The Summit on Creativity and Aging*”, prior to a White House Conference on Aging. The report investigated three topics relevant to healthy aging: Health and wellness and the arts, lifelong learning in the arts, and age-friendly community design. Held last July, the White House Conference on Aging was to foster a cultural change in America’s attitude toward aging by reframing the issues of aging and the opportunities that it offers, as well as the challenges. Many implications for the arts became evident through the conference. The NEA gathered and analyzed the comments and findings covered throughout the Summit discussions and prepared a set of recommendations for consideration by the leadership of the creativity and aging fields.

1. Work to eliminate ageism across all federal policies in the arts, healthcare, education and community design.
2. Federal funding of interdisciplinary research and collaborations to expand the evidence and, consequently, to support funding and more informed policy.
3. More federal incentives for the private sector to encourage the creation of high quality programs and services in the arts and design to meet growing demand from people living longer, healthier lives in communities of their choice.
4. Collaborative public and private leadership among arts, aging, health, and community service organizations can expand evidence-based programs across healthcare systems and community services.

The new longevity of older adults presents distinctive challenges, but the opportunities are unprecedented. Creative expression is important for older people of all cultures and ethnic backgrounds regardless of economic status, age, or level of physical, emotional or cognitive functioning. The arts can serve as a powerful way to engage elders in a creative and healing process of self expression, enabling them to create works that honor their life experience. The next 50 years have the potential to be a renaissance in art and design – one that will enable generations to flourish in their homes and in their urban and rural communities.

TOLEDO SYMPHONY LEAGUE SLATE OF OFFICERS 2016-2017

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EDUCATION

By **Beth Bowman and Nancy Phlegar**, Vice Presidents of Education

We want to thank **Tune in Tuesday** Committee members **Janet Spencer** and **Judy Helm** for organizing the Feb. 16 “TNT “. 34 League members and guests enjoyed speaker, TSO Manager **Keith McWatters**. The 4th “TNT”, April 12 will feature **TSO cellist Damon Coleman**.

The **TSO/TSYO Side By Side concert** featuring performances by our Young Artists Competition winners, **Sean Park, Miray Ito, and Larissa Michel**, is **Sunday March 20, at 4:00 at the Peristyle**. The League has reserved a block of seats (Raised Section F) at a reduced rate. The League is holding its inaugural post concert reception for the winners, family, teachers, and League supporters at **Symphony Space**. Cost for the concert and reception is \$25.00. A registration form is enclosed.

A warm thank you to our first “bake less baked goods” donor, Betty Britton! The Showcase of the Arts Reception will be held at Imagination Station in April. Policies have changed and the League can no longer bring in donated baked goods. If you were a regular Showcase baker, please consider donating the cost of what you baked to help defray the cost of catered food. **It is surprising how \$5.00 and \$10.00 donations add up**. Please send your donations to **Beth Bowman, Showcase Reception, 7728 Woodstone Dr., Maumee, Ohio**

Many thanks to the Education Department Chairmen **Claudia Trombla, Jettie Sansbury, Sandra Laas, Dorothy Bonser, Janet Keener, Dorothy Coats, Lynda Lieto, Phyllis Wadley, Marianne Payne, and Helen Rogge**. Their efforts make the TSL’s mission of education outreach a reality!

Ann Lieder, Chamber Series Ushers Chairman reminds us to circle Sunday evening, March 13 for **THE BLADE CHAMBER CONCERT** at The Toledo Club, 7pm. Many League members may remember **David Saltzman**, Principal TSO Tuba player, who was a speaker for our **TSL Tune in Tuesday** series. David will be performing **Suite No.2 for Horn, Tuba, and Piano** composed by Alec Wilder (1907 – 1980). Joining him will be **Alan Taplin**, horn and **Valrie Kantorski** piano. This performance is a Toledo Symphony premiere.

The theme of this concert is Dvorak’s “DUMKY”. This composition features **Piano Trio No.4 in E Minor “DUMPKY”** performed by the Bezonian Piano Trio, **Merwin Siu**, violin, **Michael Boyd**, piano, and **Damon Coleman**, cello.

League members volunteering as door hostesses are **Claudia Trombla, Wanda Anderson, and Susan Hirsch**.

FLOUR GARDEN

Beautiful Antique dishes needed for Rite of Spring Flour Garden

Member created baked goods needed for Rite of Spring Flour Garden

For each item you donate, you will be entered in a drawing to be held at
RITE OF SPRING

Drop off Wednesday, March 9, at Hilton Garden Inn, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Look for Signs

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JOIN THE FUN!!

Dorothy Coates, Youth Orchestra Manager

The annual Side by Side Concert with the Toledo Symphony is always an exciting time for the Toledo Symphony Youth Orchestras, and this year is no exception. The program is scheduled for 4:00 pm, Sunday, March 20 in the Peristyle at the Toledo Museum of Art.

Seated side by side with TSO members, each TSYO group will perform one selection.

Concert Orchestra members will be heard in "Jupiter" from The Planets by Holst. Written in 1917, The Planets achieved immediate success. Imaginatively written for large orchestra, with many melodies reminiscent of English folk songs, it was the 20th century's first British work to respond to the influence of well known European composers, i.e. Strauss, Stravinsky, Schonberg, etc., "Jupiter" is one of seven movements designed to give a progressive astrological impression of the planets - somewhat akin to the process of human life.

The beautiful "Waltz" from Sleeping Beauty by Tchaikovsky (1889) will be performed by the Symphonic Orchestra with the TSO. The Tsar of Russia gave a lukewarm reception to the lavish staging of the ballet in the early 1890's but it has become a lasting favorite for both ballet and concert goers!

Philharmonic Orchestra members will join the TSO in the exciting and evocative "Danse Bacchanale" from Samson and Dalila (1877) by Saint-Saens, for the Youth Orchestras final portion of the concert.

Details for the Young Artists winners and their performances at this concert are included elsewhere in this SCORE. It should be noted that Sean Park, co-concert master of the Philharmonic Orchestra is one of the winners of the Young Artists Competition and will be performing on the piano in that portion of the concert!

REMINDER: This is a ticketed event. Please contact the TSO Box office for information: 419-246-8000

YOUNG ARTISTS COMPETITION WINNERS and MUSIC THEY WILL PERFORM, March 20, 2016

Miray Ito, age 13 – Prokofiev Violin Concerto # 2, first movement

Sean Park, age 15 – Grieg Piano Concerto in A Minor Opus 16, first movement

Larissa Michel, age 15 – Mendelssohn Violin concerto in E Minor Opus 64, first movement

CONDUCTOR FOR THE CONCERT IS SCOTT O'NEIL

Mark Your Calendars!

Toledo Symphony Youth Orchestras Concert Schedule

2016

March 20	Side by Side with TSO	4:00 p.m.	TMA Peristyle
May 2	TSYO	7:00 p.m.	Maumee Schools Performing Arts

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By Deborah Born, Vice President of Administration

Please send all information to President **Barbara Brown** regarding events, announcements, or photographs for the Toledo Symphony League Website. She will forward them to **Dr. Joanie Barrett, Webmaster**.

Also, please send all events or League information that needs to be promoted to President **Barbara Brown**. She will forward the information/request to **Cindy Champer, Public Relations Chair**.

Many accolades to **Pat Osborn** Copy Editor and to **Tricia Rodriguez** Layout Editor for their work on the newsletter. Proofreader, **Dr. Ruth Alteneider** is to be commended. The SCORE looks and reads wonderfully.

Many thanks to **Mary Beaber** and **Barbara Bettinger**, Opening and Closing Luncheon Chairs, who are also Co-Chairing Rite of Spring in March.

Membership

Feature Article

by Marti Huepenbecker, Duette Chairman

What Is A Duette?

A Duette is like a “Big Sister” to a new member of the Symphony League. She may write the new member a note or give her a phone call or send an Email to welcome her. It is a good idea to invite the new member to sit with the Duette at lunches and League vents. The Duette shares information with the new member about league projects. A Duette is officially a Duette to the new member for one year. However, it is a good idea to keep track to see if the new member remains active after that first year. If the new member does not remain active we suggest you follow up by encouraging her to take part in league events. Many Duettes are the sponsors of new members. However, not all new members have a sponsor. Therefore, we need other members to volunteer to be Duettes also. If you would like to volunteer to be a Duette contact Duette Chairperson, **Marti Huepenbecker** at 419-385-6355 or martilh@hotmail.com.

A big ‘Thank You’ to our Duettes So far this year they: are **Cathy Fifer, Barb Bettinger, Joni Fought, Beth Bowman** and **Margaret Doresco**.

New League Members – A Thought

The life of the Toledo Symphony League is not only made up of long time faithful members, but also new members who share their ideas, time and talents with the League. When I became Duette Chairman in 2005-2006, the League took in 21 new members. So far in 2015-2016 I know of five new members. Yes, I realize that times change and there are more women working, or active members of several other organizations. However, if you think about it, I would guess there are many of you who could invite a friend to become a member of the League. This might be someone who enjoys music and would like to help work on projects to support the Toledo Symphony and the music programs for the youth of the area. They may also enjoy working with and becoming friends with some of our outstanding League members as I have over the past 30 years. Remember, if you sponsor a new member you may be a Duette also.

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Pamela Pilz
CULTIVATING SUCCESS

By Lynda Gilbert and Joni Fought, Vice Presidents of Finance

Rite of Spring is just days away! It is time to say good-bye to old man winter; although, thankfully he took pity on NWO this year and made it wonderfully mild.

We hope when you found daffodils in your mailbox, it put a smile on your face. Thank you to **Tricia Rodriguez** for designing such a lovely invitation. Great job! If you haven't mailed in your reservation, you still have a little time. You definitely will want to check out this year's new and exciting venue. **Mary Beaber, Barb Bettinger** and their creative committee members have been busy planning to make our League's final big event fun, memorable and profitable.

Begin your day with shopping our vendors. Aegean, A-Studio, Bowinkles, Downtown Decoration, Giro Glassworks, Goat Milk Soap, Lori's Letter Art, Premier Designs, Purse Love, Ragazza, Sewing Matrix, Shared Lives Studio, Silverware by Nadine, Temari Excellence, and Yellow Cat Spoon Jewelry.

Back again for the third year, is our Flour Garden with goodies galore! Beautifully wrapped on a lovely dish or plate, gift ready, delicious and beautiful! There will be many Easter goodies perfect for tucking into your favorite bunny's basket. New this year, we are offering "catered desserts" that can be ordered and delivered to you on a mutually agreed upon future date. The menu includes, Carrot Cake, Rum Cake, Chocolate Meringue Pie, Lemon Meringue Pie, Fresh Blueberry Custard Pie, and Homemade Breads. Ordering information and pricing will be available on the day of the event.

Let's not forget the raffle! **Cathy Fifer** has been collecting great items, so your raffle tickets are worthy of winning you some great gifts! It's all about Soto Loft, Pottery, Picnics, Restaurants, Hair, Food, Channel #5, wine and Vera Bradley just to name a few!

Marlene Uhler, chairman of Lunches in the Garden, has done an excellent job finding the perfect and unusual party! These popular parties and opportunities are offered by silent auction. Just a little tease of what you could win. How about a Fairy Garden Tutorial and gourmet lunch for 8, "Kitchen Adventure with Botanical Oil and Vinegars" at Bumble and lunch for 10? Maybe you would enjoy receiving homemade cookies for six months, delivered straight to your door. You could be the highest bidder and win a totally unique experience, and remember these are just half of what will be offered that day!

After our fun-filled morning, relax and enjoy a delicious lunch. **Theresa Hoen**, owner of **Hoen's Garden Center & Landscaping** will be our guest speaker. She is a fabulous garden professional who will share the latest news and tips on flowers, gardens, products, and more. You will be motivated, even if your thumb isn't green!

See you soon for a day of shopping, fun and garden delights on **Thursday, March 10**, at the **Hilton Garden Inn**. Don't forget, valet parking is available. Spring has sprung!

PARTIES OF NOTE

Savoir-faire with Chefs Marty Kokotaylo, & Christine Wilson, "Grazing in the Garden", will be Thursday April 28, 2016, 4-7p.m., in the home of Don and Venice Michel. This party features a seated gourmet dinner and French dessert prepared before your eyes and served with elegance, as well as grazing around the luxurious indoor pool.

This party is single, friends, and couple friendly. Reservations are being accepted.

Attendees

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UPCOMING

TOLEDO SYMPHONY EVENTS

KEY BANK POPS – EILEEN IVERS & IMMIGRANT SOUL
March 12, 2016 – The Stranahan – 8:00 p.m.

THE BLADE CHAMBER SERIES – DVORAK’S “DUMKY”
March 13, 2016 – The Toledo Club - 7:00 p.m.

CLASSICS – THE INEXTINGUISHABLE
March 18 & 19, 2016 – The Peristyle – 8:00 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENT - PINK MARTINI
March 24, 2016 - The Peristyle - 8:00 p.m.



