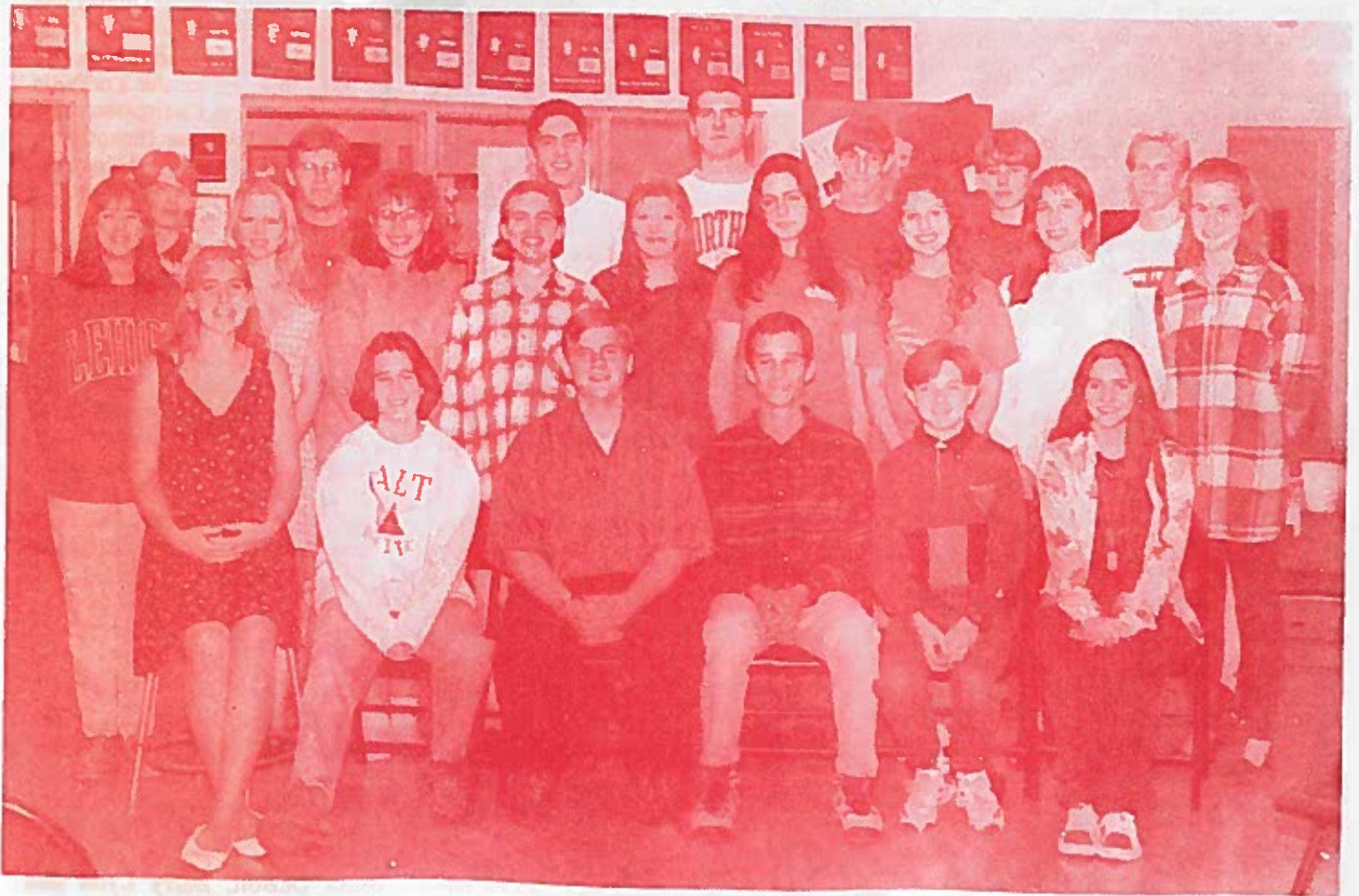


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Madrigals Give Two Performances



Yorkville High School Madrigal Singers are, back, left to right, Tim Alderson, Nathan Ament, Mark Busby, Chris Parker, Rick Goins, Luke Baldwin, Chris Young; middle, Kendra Svendsen, Nicole Moore, Melissa Liggett, Linda Ashley, Sarah Engelhardt, Sarah Krowka, Erin Segal, Sondra Trumble, Jackie Borneman; and, front, jester Stephanie Sibenaller, Jessica Doverspike, Chris Olson, Parker Trumble, Colin Stokes and Michelle Lupei. Not present for the photo were Suzie Lippard and jester John Doppelhammer.

Second Annual Madrigal Dinner Becomes A Two-Night Sellout

By Peg Trumble
Director of YHS Choirs

The Yorkville High School Madrigal Singers began preparing for the second annual Madrigal Dinner in early September. Auditions were held the second week of school. Fifty-four talented vocal students were involved in the audition process. Twenty-two students were selected to be members of the 1995-96 YHS Madrigal Singers. They are: Tim Alderson, Nathan Ament, Linda Ashley, Luke Baldwin, Jackie Borneman, Mark Busby, Jessica Doverspike, Sarah Engelhardt, Rick Goins, Sarah Krowka, Melissa Liggett, Suzie Lippard, Michelle Lupei, Nicole Moore, Chris Olson, Chris Parker, Erin Sega, Colin Stokes, Kendra Svendsen, Parker Trumble, Sonda Trumble and Chris Young. The 1995-96 Madrigal Dinner Jesters returned from last year for another year of fun and frolic: John Doppelhammer and Stephanie Sibenaller.

The YHS Madrigal Singers attended a Madrigal Festival at Illinois State University on Nov. 3. The former ISU Madrigal instructor, Dr. John Ferrell, critiqued the Yorkville Singers. Helpful supportive ideas were expressed to the students. The

Madrigal Singers were allowed to hear other Madrigal groups throughout the state perform. The days' events ended with the ISU Madrigal Singers performing for all visiting high school Madrigal Singers.

Besides preparing for the Second Annual Madrigal Dinner, the Madrigal Singers have been very involved in community engagements: Yorkville Congregational 10:15 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, Worship Service; singing for the senior citizens at the Parish Center on Thursday, Dec. 7, and singing for the Advent Service at Immanuel Lutheran Church on Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1995.

The 1995 Madrigal Dinner was expanded to two nights this year. Within the first two weeks after tickets went on sale, both nights were sold out. Many people worked together to make this event happen. Special thanks go to: the Yorkville Fine Arts Boosters; Debbie Cool (General Chairperson and Booster secretary) and Tom and Marge Wagner (ticket sales and Booster's treasurer) volunteered many hours to help make the second annual Dinner a success; Kathy Brown from the Williamsburg organized the dining room staff, comprised of volunteer high school students serving as waiters and waitresses; Steve Moline, director of bands, organized and rehearsed the Madrigal Brass - Mark Lowry and Brooke Skeen, trumpet; Randi Haskins - baritone; Todd Schifeling - French horn; Steve Moline - tuba; Todd Schifeling organized and rehearsed the string ensemble: Kara Heintz, Kurt Muth, Leslie Scott, Diane Steinhoff - violin; Jenny Krowka, Jenny Tagle - viola; Alicia Cook and Ben Draper - cello; Anne Barnes from Barnaby's Catering prepared a delicious meal; food bearers were freshman concert choir members Mark Morris and Jeff Olson; seating criers were YHS Principal Frank Babich on Saturday night and YHS Assistant Principal Mike Early on Sunday night; Colleen Konop - pictures and food bearer's tray; Chris Cinto - Jester make-up; Fox Country Players - loaning platform for the head table; Anne Engelhardt and Carolyn Freese creating the Madrigal table cloth; Unified Lighting of Yorkville donating spot lights for the head table; Reel Pro Video - videotaping the Dinner; Judy's Flowers for donating the use of candelabras; Rev. Joy Baumgartner and the Yorkville Congregational Church for hosting the 1995 YHS Madrigal Dinner; friends, relatives, parents donating their time and stitchery talents to create the lovely costumes; Mrs. Paul Svendsen for the many hours she volunteers as rehearsal accompanist; Brian DeBolt, Barry Lyon and custodial staff for helping transport props. Last, but not least, thanks to the Madrigal Singers themselves. Many, Many hours of practice have been dedicated to this project. As you can see, the Madrigal Dinner is truly a community project. My heartfelt thanks to all of you.



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Saturday Enrichment, Community Service For Busy Art Students

By Carolyn Freese
Art Teacher

Another year is underway as both new and advanced level art students find their way to the end of the north wing and...the Art Room. Basic Design, the entry level art class, is full of any budding talents as freshman to senior students challenge their visual awareness, creative problem solving, and meet the ever-pressuring due dates! Advanced level students are deep into the study of interior design and experiencing the job skills of producing a room rendering for a client - from the architectural design to color schemes and furnishings, while painting students study color theory and visual effect. Independent Study students Courtney Blatner and Jami Stuck are hard at work after having written their semester contracts and curriculums.

On Oct. 4, advanced art students Andy Saar, Jeny Card, Christina Cookas, Benjamin Schmitz, Hector Donation, Jessica Doverspike, and Courtney Blatner, had an after school pumpkin painting pizza party to create table decorations for the Senior Citizen Services' Halloween Dinner. We had a great time and the senior citizens loved the pumpkins which were given away as door prizes at the end of the dinner. We hope to do an activity of this kind for each of the holidays.

Courtney Blatner and Jeny Card accompanied Ms. Freese to Chicago recently to view the internationally acclaimed Monet Exhibit at the Art Institute. Another small group will be visiting the exhibit on Oct. 28 as we resume our Saturday enrichment program.

Niki Ratos Receives Award at Blue Lake

Corie Heaton, a third year art student, was last year's recipient of the Womans' Club scholarship. Corie participated in the NIU summer camp for Visual Arts and said she really had a wonderful time with lots of new creative experiences. Corie completed several large three-dimensional works while at camp.

Another third year student, Niki Ratos, also shared the Womans' Club scholarship. Niki chose the Blue Lake program

where she had been awarded a partial scholarship on talent. This year, out of 150 art campers, Niki was selected the "Outstanding Art Camper," an award given to one camper in each department (Art, Dance, Band, etc.). This very select group received a 50 percent tuition scholarship for the following year. Congratulations, Niki. Niki said camp was very worthwhile with many new instructors and new experiences in many visual art fields.

Orchestra

21 CCIS Students in Beginning Orchestra

By Todd Schifeling
Director of Orchestras

The CCIS Beginning Orchestra began lessons on Monday, Oct. 2. The first week of lessons was the culmination of a recruiting process that began with a demonstration assembly for all fifth grade students on Tuesday, Sept. 12. All students received a demonstration on all band and orchestra instruments. Students were asked to return letter forms indicating interest in being a member of this year's Beginning Orchestra. An informational meeting was held on Thursday, Sept. 21. Many interested students and parents attended, eager to begin the journey to becoming a budding stringed instrument performer.

Each student receives one thirty minute lesson per week. (Lessons are scheduled for every fifth school attendance day to ensure an equal number of lessons for each student). Students take lessons with other students who play the same instrument.

I am certainly very pleased to see such a large group of students choose to be a part of our Beginning Orchestra program. It certainly says wonderful things about the future of the orchestra program in the Yorkville Public Schools. A big "thank you" goes out to all parents of this year's Beginning Orchestra students for their help and encouragement in assisting their student's music education. Thank you for all of your help.

This year's Beginning Orchestra members include Katie Cooper, Rebecca Crown, Laura Drake, Carin Fisher, Mary French, Steven Geinosky, Hilary Hawkinson, Megan Hindi, Keith Hoffman, Emily Karales, Brittany Kot, Nicole Malinowski, Tony Marr, Brendan McCurdy, Carolane Paugels, Eric Raavel, Natalie Sigrist, Rachel Stehlin, Ashley Sytar, Audrea VanPelt and Doug Wampler.

Honors



YHS students who attended the IMEA District 1 Festival were, front, left to right, Sondra Trumble, Kara Heintz, Melissa Liggett, and, back, Jennifer Krowka, Kurth Muth, Nathan Ament and Diane Steinhoff.

Seven Represent YHS at IMEA Festival

Several Yorkville High School music students were chosen to participate in the 1995 Illinois Music Educators Association District 1 Music Festival on Saturday, Nov. 18, 1995 at Plainfield High School.

Students were selected on the basis of auditions held Wednesday, Oct. 11 at Naperville North High School. Auditions consisted of prepared selections, scales or triad singing, and sight reading.

Representing Yorkville High School were: Band: Nathan Ament; Chorus: Melissa Liggett and Sondra Trumble; and Orchestra: Kara Heintz, Jenny Krowka, Kurt Muth and Diane Steinhoff.

Students participated in day-long rehearsals with nationally renowned guest conductors. The day's activities culminated with the Festival Concert at 4 p.m. in the Plainfield High School Gymnasium.

The Illinois Music Educators Association sponsors eight district festivals throughout the state of Illinois in preparation for the All-State Music Festival and Convention, to be held in Peoria on Feb. 1-3, 1996.

Yorkville Grade School Holiday Program Dec. 14

Mrs. Maloney's and Ms. Meints' fourth grade have been singing 1940's songs in connection with their studies on World War II. They also rediscovered the great songs from "The Sound of Music" in preparation for that movie.

Honors



Circle Center Middle School students chosen to perform at the IMEA District 1 Festival were, front, Kelly Stallman, Rebecca Hart, Bob Borneman, Marci Schwartz; and, back, Bart Olson, John Holland, Christine Adams, Jenni Phillips and Seth Sinding.

CCMS Well Represented At IMEA District Festival

Circle Center Middle School was proud to have many students participate in the 1995 Illinois Music Educators Association District 1 Junior Division Music Festival on Saturday, Nov. 11, 1995 at Lincoln Way - East High School in New Lenox.

Selected students included: Orchestra: Christine Adams, John Holland, Rebecca Hart, Marci Schwartz, Kelly Stallman, and Seth Sinding; Chorus: Bob Borneman, Bart Olson and Jenni Phillips.

Students participated in day-long rehearsals with regionally-recognized guest conductors. The activities ended with the Festival Finale Concert at 3:30 p.m. in the gymnasium at Lincoln Way East High School.

Congratulations to these students for representing CCMS and the community of Yorkville in such a fine fashion. We are all very proud of you.

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Band

Big Red Bandwagon On A Roll With Full Enrollments for Varsity, Cadet Bands

By Steve Moline
Director of Bands

WE HAVE FINALLY TURNED THE CORNER! All Bands are boasting solid enrollments, with spirited enthusiasm as yet another school year begins. Our pride, dedication, and commitment continues and WILL continue as the years go by.

The YHS Big Red Marching Band just completed a stellar season of sound excitement. Leading the way are our two drum majors, Wes Dickson and Brent Burns. Nathan Ament (senior, alto saxophone) received the Red Plume Award for the Outstanding Senior Marcher. Many, many thanks to Ross and Connie Ament, and to Becky and Harold Oliver for their unselfish help throughout the season. We actually saw Northwestern University win a football game on Band Day! GO CATS! Nathan Ament, Mason Oliver (junior percussion)

and Steve Hornik (junior percussion) will have auditioned for a chance to play in the District 1 IMEA band festival, with the hope of playing in the state festival in January.

How about the Lil' Foxes Marching Band! It's always a treat that they can march and play at the same time! What a special addition they make in the Homecoming parade and pre-game show! I'm glad they get excited!!

To see our Varsity and Cadet Bands in the parade and pre-game show....I know these band members will have lasting memories. How fast they grow up! More and more band students are taking private lessons! Good for you!!

Let's everyone get on the bandwagon!

YHS Jazz Band To Play in New Trier Festival

The high school Jazz Band is swinging hard! Practices are held every Thursday night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. In February, the band has been invited to play in the New Trier Jazz Festival. This is an outstanding event held on the North Shore.

Members include: Nathan Ament, Brett Hardecopf, Brian Nemmers, Rich Batka, Brent Burns, saxophones; Mark Lowry, Brooke Skeen, Becky Gilbert, Luke Teausaw, Ryan Adam,

Kyle Voiland, trumpets; Sondra Trumble, Diane Steinhoff, Mason Oliver, Steve Hornik, rhythm.

Our representative to the Band Division for the IMEA was senior alto sax, Nathan Ament. Rehearsing and playing in the concert at Plainfield High School, I'm sure, will have lasting memories! What a special event for a very talented musician!

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Orchestra

New YHS Symphony Orchestra Includes Select Band Students

The YHS Orchestra has enjoyed a highly successful start to the 1995-96 school year. Many incoming freshman students have combined with our "returning veterans" to form the nucleus of a very fine performing organization. The dedicated members of our orchestra have spent many hours of rehearsal and preparation to make the performances by this year's YHS Orchestra truly memorable.

The YHS Orchestra "kicked off" the concert season with a very successful performance at the Fall Choral and Orchestra Concert on Monday, Oct. 30. The orchestra performed the "Frolicsome Finale" from Benjamin Britten's "Simple Symphony," an arrangement of the popular song, "Endless Love," "Colorado Suite" by Francis Feese and an inspired performance of Vaclav Nelhybel's "Danza." The concert was very well attended and many positive comments were heard about the overall maturity and polished quality of the performance. All students should be very proud of their efforts and accomplishments.

Currently, the members of our orchestra have combined with selected wind, brass and percussion students from the band to form the YHS Symphony Orchestra. This group becomes the feature orchestral performing organization at

YHS. The group rehearses on Thursday afternoons from 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. to accommodate all members of the organization. With many highly skilled musicians taking part in the group, this group should be a pleasure to hear and enjoy.

Morale of the group is high. Students work very hard at all aspects of elements of instrumental performance. I certainly compliment each of the members of this year's YHS Orchestra for making me feel very much "at home" here at YHS.

Members of the 1995-96 YHS Orchestra include Anne Brownlow, Alicia Cool, Ben Draper, Jennifer Hart, Kara Heintz, Colleen Hogan, Katie Holmgren, Amber Jurgens, Jenny Krowka, Nichole Lupei, Angie Marr, Kristina McDonald, Jessica Morris, Kurt Muth, Erin Neubaum, Judy Rott, Ben Schmitz, Leslie Scott, Charlie Segal, Diane Steinhoff, Brittany Sytar and Jennifer Tagle. Students participating in the YHS Symphony Orchestra include Nathan Ament, Brent Burns, Alissa Corrington, Jenny Cravens, Wes Dickson, Becky Gilbert, Bobby Goins, Randi Haskins, Steve Hornik, Krista Krenzke, Mark Lowry, Michelle Lupei, Rommy Mueller, Mason Oliver, Matt Olson, Jill Paetzel, Brooke Skeen, Samantha Sinding, Luke Teausaw, Parker Trumble, Sondra Trumble and Kristin Williams.



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Chorus

Choirs at Middle School Off To A Great Start

By Taryn Croft
Director of CCMS Choirs

Choirs at CCMS are off to a great start this year. The students are rising to the challenge of the year, new songs, and a busy schedule ahead. All choruses performed at our fall concert which was Nov. 2, 1995.

Various members of the CCMS Choral Department have taken part in an extra-curricular ensemble, the Ladies' Ensemble, which will give its first performance at the Holiday Concert. Ladies in this group have been meeting after school every week to practice in preparation for the concert.

Several students chose to participate in this fall's IMEA District Festival, which was held at Lincoln-Way High School, East Campus (despite the surprise of the season's first snow the night before). The students spent the entire day in rehearsal and preparation, and concluded the day with an afternoon concert before returning home. Students included were: Bob Borneman, Kristy Cesarone, Bart Olson, Rena Pedersen, and Jenni Phillips.

Chorus members for the 1995-96 school year are:

Sixth Grade Chorus

Kristen Bergeron
Sarah Card
Rachel Carrington
Leanne Case
Adam Collins
Michelle Crowe
Katie Defelice
Joy Doverspike
Lindsay Dreps
Christopher Duncan
Bryant Ekwinski
Ashley Floyd
Alex French
Troy Gilliam
Jenelle Greiter
Matthew Grommes
Megan Gustafson
Brian Hefferan
Jodi Hubbard
Adam Jurgens
Sarah Kandler
Katie Kelly
Angela Klimczak
Krystle Koszola
Leslie Kritzberg
Daniel Landes
Heather Leon
Daniel Litzhoff
Maggie Malley
Sara McCoy
Angela Metrou
Scott Morganegg
Matthew Mozen

Erin Mueller
Jesse Nehmelman
Stephanie Paugels
Karriann Peterson
Thomas Pickert
Heather Ramirez
Jim Ratos
Mandy Robb
Ryan Sartain
Amber Schleuning
Rebecca Schnitz
Andy Schwartz
Joan Sebbly
Nicole Smith
Kristen Sommerfeld
Nicole Stafford
Ashley Stargardt
Rebecca Stevens
Kimberly Stevenson
Amanda Steward
Carrie Stoner
Sarah Svendsen
Andrew Swithin
Toni Thomas
Amanda Thompson
Matthew Weber
Michael Wehrli
Nicole Wickel
Doug Williams
Chad Woodworth
Kara Yabsley
Ryan Young

Seventh Grade Chorus

Daniel Alderson
Alejandra Amador
Jessica Anderson
Dustin Avenarius
Delayna Baczkowski
T.J. Bahr
Erin Barringer
Jennifer Benson
Janice Bergeron
Josh Blackman
Jamie Borneman
Shane Brady
Crystal Briggs
Phillip Case
Rachel Casper
Ryann Clark
Ryan Clayton
Kyle Cook
Matthew Coryelle
Aaron Diehl
Jana Dodd
Brady Doetschman
Daniel Doverspike
Kristin Drake
Matt Dunley
Charyl Evans
Carey Fisher
Bethany Foote
Ryan Foringer
Angela Fye
Michael Gauer
Katie Gengler
Mitch Goodale
Michael Gunter
Chad Hankins
Megan Hannigan
Lindsay Harkins
Leslie Heckelsberg
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Angela Hague
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Nick Jennerella
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Leslie Knobeloch
Shannon Konrady
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Jennifer Leden
Brandie Libby
Corry Loftus
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Theresa Marr
Carinne McKeever
Becky McQuade
Chad Messersmith
Luke Niels
Travis Odum
Alison Pamson
Ronnie Paugels
Rob Pfaff
Hannah Pierce
Megan Pocius
Kevin Robbins
Janet Schnitz
Natalie Schobert
Rachel Sebbly
Jeff Seidler
Tim Seidler
Paige Seifrid
Matt Sibenaller
Erin Slattery
Todd Sloan
Rachel Smith
Clinton Stathis
Kara Ulrich
Chris Ward
Amy Wegner
Matthew Weiland
Ryan Woodworth
Melody Wroblewski

Eighth Grade Concert Choir

Brent Anderson
Anne Armbruster
Daniel Arntzen
Nichole Barth
Sherie Basinger
Robbie Baumann
Adam Baxa
Beth Beach

Rachel Hopkins
Lindsey Jones
Sarah Kelly
D.J. Kramer
Justin Malohn
Lauren Marshall
Doug Martin
Audra Mattox

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Chorus

Vocalizing The Key To Quality of Chamber and Concert Choirs

By Peg Trumble
Director of YHS Choirs

Yes, we begin each class vocalizing. Why, you ask? Focus, proper breath support, vowel formation, and tone quality are a few ideas that come to mind. Singing requires a great deal of concentration to produce a good, quality sound.

CCMS Choirs...

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Cassie Benson	George Metrou
Allison Berard	Marcia Nelson
Bobby Borneman	Michalene Nevills
Aaron Brown	Dan Niles
Nicole Brown	Bart Olson
Tracy Callmer	Nicole Pavlik
Andrew Carlson	Rena Pedersen
Kristy Cesarone	Jennifer Phillips
Melissa Cockriel	Quentin Plock
Cami Collins	Nicole Pope
Allison Corredato	Chantelle Ragan
Michelle Cosma	Sophia Ramirez
Stephanie Croyle	Nicole Randles
Rachel Cugier	Nicole Rice
Amy Cullison	Cheryl Robbins
Brad Dailey	Katie Roberts
Jacqueline Dean	Tim Rosenwinkel
Erica Dobbertin	Eric Ross
Vanessa Donatlan	Kevin Saar
Joel Doppelhammer	Sara Seidler
Justin Fisher	Yasmeen Shamsuddin
Jeremy Gates	John Shields
Matthew Gillette	Christina Smith
Steve Gilmour	Cherese Spears
Amy Grandchamp	Nicole Stuck
Christopher Groesch	Julie Thorson
Jennifer Gunier	Becky Ulrich
Emily Halbesma	Kristen Votava
Allison Harding	Dustin Werner
Christopher Heaton	Cody Wemsman
Lindsay Hejtmanek	Susie West
Mark Hight	Michael Wickel
Kari Hillock	Christina Wright
Cynthia Hitzeman	Kimberly Writer
Lindsay Holmgren	Tim Zaspal

This year's Chamber Singers, once again, attended Northern Illinois University's "Choir Days" on Thursday, Oct. 26, 1995. The Choral Program followed on Monday, Oct. 30, sharing the concert with YHS Orchestra members.

This year's Chamber Singers' roster includes: Tim Alderson, Nathan Ament, Linda Ashley, Mike Balda, Luke Baldwin, Jackie Borneman, Mark Busby, Carlton Cook, Alissa Corrington, Christen Cosma, Jenny Cravens, Rachel Davis, Ericka Diehl, Jessica Doverspike, Sarah Engelhardt, Molly Erickson, Erika Fye, Katie Gates, Rick Goins, Kara Heintz, Deseraye Kick, Sarah Krowka, Jaclyn LaChance, Melissa Liggett, Suzie Lippard, Nicole Moore, Seth Nelson, Chris Olson, Scott Olson, Chris Parker, Rebecca Pinks, Jessica Rosa, Amber Schillinger, Patrick Scott, Crystal Seng, Marijo Shields, Stephanie Sibenaller, Kendra Svendsen, Sondra Trumble, Brian Ulrich, Karen Walter, Erika Wegner, Sarah White, Erin Wilhelm, Chris Young.

Crystal Seng volunteers her time to take attendance daily. Section leaders are: Sondra Trumble and Linda Ashley - soprano; Sarah Krowka and Sarah Engelhardt - alto; Carlton Cook and Brian Ulrich - tenor; Nathan Ament and Chris Parker - bass.

Concert Choir this year is designed to include soprano, also, tenor, and bass (SATB) voicings. Although Concert choir is not an audition-based choir, this choir is comprised of 50 very talented underclassmen: Abby Ament, Melissa Anderson, Jonna Bahr, Greg Barrette, Becky Beringer, Tony Carr, Kari Clawson, Scott Cravens, Jackie Crawford, Kara Danko, Ben Draper, Laurie Erickson, Lisa Erickson, Jamie Gartner, Corey Ginger, Bonnie Gutzwiler, Lisa Herron, Elizabeth Hickey, Jill Johnson, Genny Kilianek, Julie Knutson, Kim Krantz, Nicky Kuczkowski, Becky Malkowski, Sara Metzger, Valerie Milam, Leah Monroe, Mark Morris, Tara Murray, Tanya Nehmelman, Michelle Neitzel, Sarah Nemmers, Lisa O'Brien, Jessica Ohl, Jeffrey Olson, Kristina Pfeifer, Kristen Pocius, Lindsay Rees, Jamie Roscoe, Christine Schnitz, Erika Scott, Amanda Spoden, Tiffany Stafford, Colin Stokes, Ryan Tinsley, Kira Tripp, Parker Trumble, David VanParys, Hannah Washburn, Jami Wells.

Concert Choir's section leaders are: Jill Johnson and Valcrie Milan - soprano; Abby Ament and Kim Krantz - alto; Ryan Tinsley and Parker Trumble - tenor; Mark Morris and Jeff Olson - bass. Kara Danko, daily, takes attendance.

The Holiday Concert, featuring YHS Orchestra, Band, and Choir is scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 17, 1995 at 2 p.m. in the YHS gym. Hope to see you there.

Paula Svendsen, thank you again for your time and talents. I greatly appreciate the many hours you volunteer to help accompany the YHS Choral Department.

New Teachers Join Yorkville Music Department



Todd Schifeling



Taryn Croft

Todd Schifeling works with all district orchestras

Now in his tenth year of teaching, Todd Schifeling is teaching all of the orchestras in the Yorkville School District.

He most recently taught in East Peoria Schools and was previously director of bands at Mattoon (Ill.) High School.

An Illinois Wesleyan University graduate, Schifeling has served as a guest conductor for Illinois Music Educators Association District 5 festival, as well as at festivals in Galesburg and Cedar Falls.

His training is in strings and he has performed with both the Peoria Symphony and Knox-Galesburg Symphony.

CCMS vocal music programs under director of Taryn Croft

The new Vocal Music teacher at CCMS this year is Taryn Croft. She is a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University with a degree in Vocal Performance, and completed her Master's Degree in Education this spring from Olivet Nazarene University. Before coming to Yorkville she spent two years with a ministry in Homewood, Illinois while completing her master's degree, working with a large variety of different types of music from classical to contemporary Christian.

Miss Croft has studied both voice and choral conducting at places across the country including the Juilliard Opera Center, the Aspen Music Festival, and Westminster Choir College in Princeton, New Jersey, and has coached with opera greats such as Jon Vickers, Dawn Upshaw, and Margaret Harshaw. She has performed as a soloist and in numerous competitions at various places across the country including the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York, Kansas City, Missouri, San Diego, California, and as a semi-finalist in the St. Louis Symphony Young Artist Competition.

She has worked with choirs of all ages, from elementary, to middle school, high school and college, and is excited to be at Circle Center this year.

Sally Olson now teaching kindergarten to fourth grade

Sally Olson described herself as a displaced New Englander (Mass.) She now lives in Rochelle with her husband, Gary, and three sons. Gary is a postal clerk in Sycamore (for 27 years!). Sean is a high school freshman, Patrick is in fifth grade, and Chandler is in early childhood.

When she is not watching soccer, wrestling, basketball or baseball games, or helping with Cub Scouts, she enjoys golfing, pencil and jigsaw puzzles. She is also Director of Music at St. Jude's in Rochelle, along with Sunday School, Pre-School and Bishop's Committee.

Over the past 16 years, she has taught vocal music in St. Charles, LaSalle, Sycamore, Kirkland and Shabbona.



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Orchestra

Special Rehearsal Techniques Result In Fine Performances by CCMS Orchestra

By Todd Schifeling
Director of Orchestras

The CCMS Orchestra have certainly had a very successful start to the 1995-96 school year. During the months of September and October, the Symphony Orchestra spent rehearsals reviewing the techniques and elements of string instrument performance that form the basis for continued growth and improvement. The Philharmonic Orchestra spent time rehearsing music for the first school concert of the year; sight reading a variety of music before deciding on a diversified program featuring a symphony movement by Tchaikovsky, a complex, four movement serenade and a Slavic dance selection.

Students in the Symphony Orchestra rehearse three days per week for each student. Violins and violas rehearse on Mondays and Tuesdays, while cellos and basses meet on Thursdays and Fridays. All students meet together on Wednesdays. This schedule has two definite advantages: 1) the schedule allows like instruments to rehearse together since the techniques on those instruments are similar and 2) the schedule allows all sixth grade students to attend art classes for two days per week.

Some techniques developed during the first nine weeks of school for the Symphony Orchestra have included: slurs and ties, reading key signatures, left and right hand positions and using independent finger technique. In addition to playing selections from their text books, "All for Strings, Book 1", students continually work on saying note names and finger numbers aloud to improve their note reading abilities.

The Philharmonic Orchestra has had extensive experience in performing music of various difficulty levels in various key signatures; some of a much more challenging nature than others. Some key signatures have allowed the group to discover the use of finger extensions and enharmonic names for notes not always familiar to our playing repertoire. Students have spend some time working with elements of music theory, including how to draw and utilize a "Circle of Fifths" to determine key signatures. Rehearsal techniques and compositional devises studied have included balance and blend, fugue, rondo form, rubato and complex meter.

Both orchestras performed very successfully at the first school concert of the year, the Fall Band and Orchestra Concert on Thursday, Oct. 26. The concert was very well attended and many wonderful comments were made about the group's performances. The groups can certainly be very proud of their efforts and achievements. A big "thank you" goes out to all CCMS Orchestra parents for continuing to aid and encourage their student's interest in playing in this year's orchestras. Without your encouragement, these efforts would not be possible.

Members of this year's Philharmonic Orchestra are Christine Adams, Tim Cook, Erin Cool, Rebecca Hart, John Holland, T.J. Johnson, Lindsey Jones, Chris Muth, Brendan Neuman, Marci Schwartz, Seth Sinding, Kelly Stallman, Jon

Stott, Nicole Stuck, and Loyal Wagner. Students participating in the Symphony Orchestra include Allison Dean, Stacy Doherty, Brandie Hall, Jacqui Hill, Katie Hogan, Jessica Joray, Holly Keller, John Krusemeier, Eric Nichols, Abbey Rees, Lindsay Scott and Ben Sibenaller.

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YHS Poms to Perform in Miami at the Federal Express Orange Bowl Halftime

On Dec. 28, 1995, the Yorkville High School Pom Pon Squad will be flying to Miami, Fla. to perform at the 1996 Federal Express Orange Bowl as members of the Just for Kix National All Star Performance Team representing the Fox Valley area.

The All-Star Team will be performing an "Outta This World" production during half-time of the Orange Bowl. Only three high school teams from Northern Illinois have been invited to participate.

The half-time show will be aired nationally at approximately 9:30 p.m. with a spectacular lights, lasers, and fireworks display. This will be the final Orange Bowl played in this stadium and a 20 minute tribute will take place with the girls performing a six minute routine with the All Star Team.

The squad and Coach Cheryl Lippard wish to thank everyone who has supported them and helped in so many ways in raising over half of the required \$14,000 funds needed to go.

The 14 member 1995-96 YHS Pom Squad was selected last spring after a three day workshop and tryout session. Girls were judged on attitude, grades and dance ability and were required to perform in a group routine, individual routine and an impromptu 8 count.

This year's squad members include: Captain - Samantha Vondrak, Football season co-captain - Rachel Dixon, Basketball season co-captains - Christa Klingsick and Vanessa Skeens, seniors - Melissa Briggs, Amy Monroe, Eva Ruggiero; juniors - Carrie Aubrey, Kara Heintz, Nicole Moore and Nichole Olin; sophomores - Wendy Cox, Kristina McDonald and Kate Seifrid.

The squad is coached by Cheryl Lippard who is entering her third year in this capacity.



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