



DISTRICT 115 MUSIC NOTES

Yorkville Schools

May 2009

DISTRICT 115 MUSIC STUDENTS SHINE

March 23, 2009 – In all, 135 students from Yorkville schools recently participated in regional solo/ensemble music contests and earned a total of 133 Division I (the highest) ratings.

On March 7, a total of 74 Yorkville High School music students performed at the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Solo/Ensemble Contest at LaSalle-Peru High School. Students (some who performed multiple times) received 62 Division I ratings, 32 Division II ratings, 6 Division III ratings and 5 Division IV ratings. In addition, three Yorkville High Band students received “Best Solo of the Day” recognition in their respective contest rooms: Jimmy Robbins on trombone, Mike Schwebke on marimba and Joel Smith on clarinet.

Participating YHS students included: Louis Allen, Blessing Bamibe, Alyssa Beerup, Brandon Beerup, Caitlyn Brookins, Darius Brown, Laura Caballero, Michelle Caballero, Kate Calhoun, Michael Craig, Sarah Eichhorn, Ben Elwood, Laurel Forlano, Amanda Friel, Megan Friel, Nick Fulco, Daniel Gallagher, Laurel Gawlik, Kristin Gilbertson, Brittany Grist, Kori Haarz, Julia Heeren, Christian Hidalgo, Jessica Hidalgo, Anna Hosey, Devin Johnston, Vanessa Karper, Brian King, Erika King, Lizz Knop, Amanda Kraupner, Kristin Krouse, Kierstin Kruse, Dana Lacey, Kelsey Lawson, Olivia Lawson, Blake Malley, Matt Matczuk, Charlie McFarlane, Amber Milliron, Taylor Molandro, Lauren Mozen, Meredith Olson, Erin O’Neil, Matt Pansera, Alma Ramos, Taylor Randall, Dan Rega, Breann Reichman, Lauren Rhodes, Rachel Riemenschneider, Jimmy Robbins, Alex Salinas, Elena Scherer, Bethany Schick, Savanna Schillinger, Cara Schlichting, Rachel Schmidt, Chris Schoeny, Mike Schwebke, Amy Smith, Joel Smith, Ryan Smith, Caitlyn Snodgrass, Keith Stanislaus, Cree Sullivan, Casey Sutcliff, Holly Taylor, Jake Teeling, Alison Thom, Matt Weaver, Saman-

YHS students (left to right) Jimmy Robbins (junior, trombone), Mike Schwebke (senior, marimba) and Joel Smith (junior, clarinet) received “Best Solo of the Day” recognition in their contest rooms at the March 7 IHSA Solo/Ensemble Contest at LaSalle-Peru.



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On Feb. 28, Yorkville Middle School music students participated in the Illinois Grade School Music Association (IGSMA) Solo/Ensemble Contest at Drauden Point Middle School in Plainfield, Illinois. Of the 61 participating students, 51 received Division I ratings, 19 earned Division II ratings and 21 finished with a Division III rating.

YMS participants included: Josh Ackerman, Nikole Adameczyk, Jessica Agama, Alex Ahlberg, Ryan Barkauskas, Danny Bertucci, Alexa Bridwell, Brittney Burrell, Kelsey Caldwell, Tatum Dalton, Joey Digangi, Evan Dill, Rachel Eaton, Casey Fellerer, Angela Fiorito, Audrey Fitzgerald, Caitlin Foster, Lindsay Foster, Payton Gammicchia, Sean Gavin, Katie Gette, Maddie Hames, Natlaie Hamp, Katie Haske, Kolten Heeren, Frankie Hernandez, Dax Jantz, Emily Kasprzyk, Alexis Kraber, Michael Krauss, Nick Lambert, Cheyenne Larson, Katie Lawrence, Jazmin Lazcano, Kayleigh Manukas, Matt McConathy, Thomas Milchewski, Chris Miller, Rheannon Patete, Rachel Plasch, Tommy Robbins, Tim Robinson, Joe Runkle, Eddie Sandor, Kayla Schoeny, Sydney Seeman, Michaela Shawl, Trevor Skibinski, Marissa Spevak, Jace Steller, Becky Strykowski, Daniella Tamayo, Mike Terrel, Paige Townsend, Alex Trotsky, Lewis Trotsky, Stephanie Wachter, Mike Weisbrook, Andie Williams, Phoebe Xoxakos and Kylie Zwiezen.

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2009 HONORS RECITAL



Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to participate in the Yorkville High School Honors Music Recital on Tuesday, March 31st during 1st and 4th blocks:

Joel Smith, clarinet solo

Mike Schwebke, marimba solo

Daniel Gallagher, flute solo

Laurel Gawlik, vocal solo

Devin Johnston, vocal solo

Amanda Friel, oboe solo

Cree Sullivan, vocal solo

Taylor Molandro, vocal solo

Jimmy Robbins, trombone solo

Brittany Grist, vocal solo

Adam Wyeth, snare drum solo

Concert Choir

Clarinet Choir

Joel Smith

Elena Scherer

Taylor Randall

Bethany Schick

Rachel Schmidt

Holly Taylor

YORKVILLE COMMUNITY BAND

The Yorkville Community Band will be continuing the tradition of helping the City of Yorkville celebrate Independence Day with their 17th Anniversary performance! This talented group of local musicians is excited to extend an



invitation to anyone and everyone who would like to join in on the 4th of July festivities.

A unique and fun feature of the group is the vast age differences of the band members. Students, ranging from middle school to college, are able to participate alongside some older

members who are...lets just say "seasoned veterans" of music! Not only are musicians invited to participate, but those wanting to get involved with either the color guard or "candy brigade" are also encouraged to contact us. It's safe to say, if you'd like to join us, we'll find something

for you to do!

The primary performance of the Yorkville Community Band is during the annual **4th of July** festivities celebrated in Yorkville. The band participates in the parade, which is then immediately followed by a concert in Towne Square.

If you, or anyone you know, wish to join the Yorkville Community Band, please do not hesitate to contact either Susan Munson (630)553-9750 or Linda Panlilio (630)913-7869. We will be more than happy to provide further explanations and details to anyone interested. Hope to hear from you soon!



YHS BAND AWARDS BANQUET

On Friday, May 29, 2009 at 7:00 PM the YHS Band will be celebrating and reflecting on a successful year at the band awards banquet in the YHS Cafetorium.

All YHS band students and parents are invited. The

program will consist of participation awards, extra effort awards, and national awards, concluding with a band video yearbook.

All those attending are requested to bring a dessert and/or beverage. The evening

should be a fun time of desserts and celebration of success!



FIVE YORKVILLE MUSIC STUDENTS MAKE ALL-STATE

On January 28th – 31st, five YHS music students attended the IMEA All-State Music Conference in Peoria, IL.

Devin Johnston sang tenor I in the All-State Honors Choir, Jimmy Robbins played trombone in the All-State Honors Jazz Band, Joel Smith played clarinet in the All-State Honors Band, Cree Sullivan sang baritone in the All State Choir, and Matt Teeling sang tenor II in the All-State Choir.

The students went through a rigorous audition process that started back in October,



Back row - Cree Sullivan, Jimmy Robbins, Devin Johnston, Front row - Matt Teeling, Joel Smith stand in front of the Peoria Civic Center in January at the All-State Music Festival.

2008 and represent the top 1% of high school musicians in the state of Illinois.

We are extremely proud of these five Yorkville musicians who are some of the best musicians in the state of Illinois.

YHS MUSICAL MOVES TO NEW DISTRICT AUDITORIUM



Yorkville High School's annual spring musical reached a new milestone this year as the production *My Fair Lady* moved from the high school cafetorium to the new auditorium

at the middle school. With over 600 seats in the new space, seating capacity for the musical was more than doubled, giving the students much larger audiences to perform to. The larger stage space allowed for more elaborate sets, built by Yorkville's Dale Worrell, such as a two story home for Professor Henry Higgins

and multiple large set pieces that rolled on and off the stage. "There's simply more things you can do on a larger stage," said Ken Wayne, director of the musical and choir teacher

at YHS. "Not only is there more wing space to hide sets on, but the proscenium is significantly taller, allowing for much grander set pieces."

The new theater area is also equipped with a stage craft room, make-up room and dressing rooms, giving the actors the space they require to get ready for a performance without using classrooms or PE locker rooms. There are also vastly improved lighting and sound systems, which significantly raised the level of professionalism for the production.

My Fair Lady ran for two performances on May 8th and 9th, 2009.

MY FAIR ORCHESTRA

The YHS production of *My Fair Lady* saw many changes implemented to the annual school musical, including it's first orchestra pit.

Previous productions had used only piano and percussion instruments, but this year, under the direction of YHS band director Nick Cagle, the songs of *My Fair Lady* were accompanied and performed by a full 19 piece orchestra, including both band and orchestra students from YHS.

The orchestra pit members were: Violin - Julia Heeren, Viola - Kori Haarz, Cello - Evan Metz, Bass - Amy Smith, Harp - Bea Egner, Flute - Daniel Gallagher, Oboe - Amanda Friel, Clarinet I - Joel Smith, Clarinet II - Elena Scherer, Bassoon - Rachel Riemenschneider, Trumpet I - Clin-

ton Hafenrichter, Trumpet II - Jessica Hidalgo, Trumpet III - Nikola Jelinkova, Horn - Sarah Eichhorn, Trombone I - Meredith Melvin, Trombone II - Brian King,

Tuba - Amber Milliron, Percussion - Mike Schwebke, Percussion - Jonathon Kee.



SENIOR SHOWCASE



Chris Ames

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College.
Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Jazz Band



Jeremy Arnold

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College.
YHS Symphonic Orchestra - 1st & 2nd Violin, Madrigal Ensemble, Festival in the Parks



Chelsea Aulis

Will be attending the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to major in business management.
Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Section Leader, Band Leadership Conference at Vandercook, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Oswego Marching Review, Geneseo Marching Competition, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Paige Bank

Will be attending the Aurora University School of Nursing then to U of I for a masters as a nurse practitioner.
YHS Symphonic Orchestra, Festival in the Parks



Adrienne Batres

Will be attending Northern Illinois University
Concert Choir 1; Solo & Ensemble 1; Honors Recital 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 2; Madrigals 2,3,4; Cabaret Night 2,3,4; Jazz Night 3,4



Rob Bermudez

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College
Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 3; Madrigals 4; Cabaret Night 4; Jazz Night 4, Solo & Ensemble 3



Gian Carlo Beltran

Will be attending the DePaul University majoring in Video Animation
Festival in the Parks



Stephanie Brookins

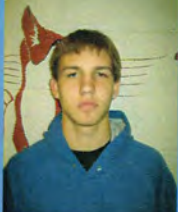
Will be attending Illinois University Circle campus to major in chemical engineering and minor in music.
YHS Symphonic Orchestra- 1st & 2nd Violin, Madrigal Ensemble 2008, Fox Valley 2008



Brad Brown

Will be attending Waubensee Community College

Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 3; Madrigals 3,4; Cabaret Night 3,4; Jazz Night 3,4



Matt Burgoine

Will be attending Northern Illinois University to major in secondary education and will continue playing in the NIU Marching Huskies.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, WSC Honors Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Section Leader



Kyle Camper

Will be attending Waubensee Community College or University of Illinois in Chicago with plans on majoring in the medical field.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Oswego Marching Review, Geneseo Marching Competition, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade, Church Worship Band



Courtney Duran

Will attending Waubensee Community College to start her major in psychology.

Concert Band, Color Guard, Disney Trip



Ben Elwood

Will be attending Southern Illinois University at Carbondale to major in physics and remain involved in music.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Solo/Ensemble Contest, Section Leader, Fox Valley Music Festival, WSC Honors Band, Yorkville Community Band, Madrigal Brass, Honors Recital, Aurora Youth Symphony, Youth Symphony of Dupage



Marjorie Fitzgerald

Plans for next year are still open-ended.

Orchestra



Allie Free

Will be attending Taylor University

Concert Choir 1; Solo & Ensemble 1; Honors Recital 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 2,3; Madrigals 2,3,4; Cabaret Night 2,3,4; Jazz Night 3,4



Amanda Friel

Will be attending Western Illinois University to major in elementary education and will continue to play music.

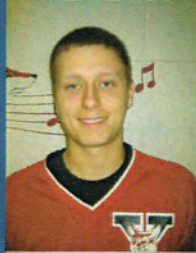
Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Color Guard, WSC Honors Band, Fox Valley Music Festival, Metropolitan Youth Symphony, My Fair Lady Pit Orchestra.



Christine George

Will be attending Waubensee Community College

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2,3; Varsity Choir 4, Spring Music Trip – Disneyworld 2,



Luke Gilbertson

Will be attending Aurora University majoring in criminal justice.

YHS Symphonic Orchestra, Music in the Parks



Jon Hernandez

Will be attending Benedictine University major in Chemistry.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band



Jessica Hidalgo

Will be attending Waubensee Community College with plans to major in nursing and will stay involved in music.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Solo/Ensemble Contest, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Fox Valley Music Festival, Yorkville Community Band, Pit Orchestra for My Fair Lady



Michael R. Holmberg

Will be attending Marquette University

Varsity Choir 4; Jazz Band 1,2,3,4



Karissa Janda

Will be attending Waubensee Community College to start her major in health administration.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Drum Major Camp, Band Leadership Camp, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Oswego Marching Review, Geneseo Marching Competition, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Geoffrey Kepka

Will be training to become a firefighter EMT-B

YHS Symphonic Orchestra, Disney Magic Music Days 2007, Festival in the Parks 2008



Brian King

Will be attending the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign to study math.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Jazz Band, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Geneseo Marching Competition, Oswego Panther Review, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade, "My Fair Lady" pit orchestra



Megan Klossing

Will be attending Olivet Nazarene University to major in nursing.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Geneseo Marching Competition, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Blake Malley

Will be attending Waubensee Community College to begin a major in music, theater, or film.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Madrigal Brass, Madrigal Singers, Varsity Choir, Cabaret Night, *Once Upon A Mattress*, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*, *My Fair Lady*. Fox Valley Concert Band, Suburban Prairie Honors Band, WSC Honors Band, Solo/Ensemble Contest.



Matt Mateczuk

Will be attending Waubensee Community College to start his major in music business and technology.

Concert Band, Drumline & Pit, Jazz Band, Solo & Ensemble



Evan Metz

Will be attending University of Illinois to pursue becoming a well rounded man of the renaissance.

YHS Symphonic Orchestra, Disney Magic Music Days 2007, Madrigal Ensemble 2008, Festival in the Parks 2008, My Fair Lady Orchestra 2009, Fox Valley Music Festival 2008, YHS Jazz Band 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009; YHS Spring Play 2009



Curtis Mills

Will be attending Columbia College

Varsity Choir 4



Laura Mitchell

Plans on attending Waubensee Community College with plans on majoring in digital art or photography.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Disney Music Trip, Oswego Panther Review, Sycamore Pumpkin Festival, U of I Marching Illini Festival.



Jeremy Neal

Will be attending Waubensee Community College

Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4



Pat Olson

Will be attending Waubensee Community College

Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Orchestra 1,2,3; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 4, Music in the Parks Orchestra Contest; Spring Music Trip – San Antonio 4

SENIOR SHOWCASE CONT.



Chris Pape

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College to start his major in accounting.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Disney Trip, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Geneseo Marching Competition, Oswego Marching Review, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Dominique Pickens

Will be attending Calvin College

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2; Varsity Choir 3,4



Vanessa Pierce

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College to start her studies in zoology.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Disney Trip, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Geneseo Marching Competition, Oswego Marching Review, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Megan Pierre

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College to start her major in forensic science or chemistry.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Disney Trip, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Geneseo Marching Competition, Oswego Marching Review, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Sarah Puttkammer

Will be attending University of Miami

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2,3; Varsity Choir 4, Solo & Ensemble 2,3,4, Yorkville Idol 2,3



Abbie Quantock

Will be attending Midwest School of Cosmetology to pursue a degree in cosmetics and message therapy.

Orchestra, Disney Trip 2007



Kyle Rorie

Will be attending Northern Illinois University

Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Spring Musical 3; Madrigal Player 4; Spring Music Trip – Disneyworld 2, Spring Music Trip – San Antonio 4



Julia Runkle

Will be attending Waubonsee Community College with plans to transfer to Western Illinois University to major in music therapy.

Concert Band, Pep Band, Solo/Ensemble Contest, Piano Recitals, Marching Band, U of I Marching Illini Festival, Oswego Marching Review, Geneseo Marching Competition, Sandwich Marching Competition, Mahomet-Seymour Marching Competition, Sycamore Pumpkin Parade



Brittany Ryan

Will be attending Waubensee Community College

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2; Varsity Choir 3,4, Spring Musical 3, Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4



Elena Scherer

Will be attending Augustana College and plans to continue playing in band.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Drum Major, WSC Honors Band, Fox Valley Music Festival, Solo/Ensemble Contest, Honors Recital, My Fair Lady Pit Orchestra



Chris Schoeny

Will be attending Waubensee Community College with plans to continue at the University of Illinois and major in mechanical engineering with a minor in music.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Solo/Ensemble Contest, Section Leader, Winner of Grandquest Music Competition, National Music Competition in Denver, Yorkville Big Band, Fox Valley Concert Band, NIU Youth Jazz Ensemble



Mike Schwebke

Will be attending the University of Iowa to major in music performance.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Philharmonic Orchestra, Choir Accompanist, My Fair Lady Pit Orchestra, Solo/Ensemble Contest – Best of the Day, Section Leader, Fox Valley Youth Symphony, WCC Steelband, WCC Percussion Ensemble, Praise Band



Megan Silagy

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2; Varsity Choir 3,4



Keith Stanislaus

Will be attending Western Illinois University to major in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration.

Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Marching Band, Jazz Band, Section Leader, Solo/Ensemble Contest, WSC Honors Band, Fox Valley Music Festival, Madrigal Brass, Honors Recital, Yorkville Community Band, Elgin Youth Symphony, Aurora Youth Symphony



David Stenger

Will be attending Northern Illinois University to major in communications and computer science with a music scholarship.

Concert Band, Marching Band, Pep Band, Varsity Choir, Disney Trip, San Antonio Trip, *My Fair Lady*.



Dylan Sutcliff

Will be attending University of Illinois

Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 2,3,4; Cabaret Night 2,3,4; Jazz Night 3,4; Western Sun Choral Festival 3,4; IHSA Organizational Contest 3; Solo & Ensemble 3; Honors Recital 3; Spring Musical 2,3; ISYM Music Camp Honors Recital

SENIOR SHOWCASE CONT.



Shelby Symonds

Concert Choir 1; Bel Canto 2; Varsity Choir 3,4

Beata Winkler

Varsity Choir 4

Aaron Young

Concert Choir 1; Varsity Choir 2,3,4

YMS 8TH GRADE CHOIR RECEIVES FIRST AT CONTEST

The YMS 8th Grade Choir participated in the IG SMA District 6 Organizational Contest on Saturday, March 14, in Minooka.

Singing three songs that are categorized as advanced high school/college level pieces, the 8th graders received a first division rating. Only three first division ratings were given by the judges the entire day!

All participating students received their very own first place medal, and Mrs. Motley has the classroom plaque on display in the choir room.

Congratulations 8th Grade Choir and Job Well Done!

FROM THE BOOSTER PRESIDENTS

We would like to thank everyone who has helped out with the Music Boosters this year. In addition to those who regularly attend our meetings, there are many parents who help support our music programs.

They made chili for our chili supper, managed uniforms, chaperoned outings, sold tickets for concerts, ran a raffle at a concert, staffed the Madrigal Dinner, prepared this publication, and gave of themselves in too many other ways to list here. We are truly grateful for all of their efforts.

Earlier this year, the Yorkville Music Boosters was registered as an Illinois not for profit corporation. We had a successful year of fundraising and have been able to meet our goal of helping our music students broaden their education and experience.

Please take a moment to look at our patron list and support those businesses that generously give to our music students. Some of the events we are proud to have financially backed are the 6th grade Solo and Ensemble event, the middle school musical, the high school spring trip, and the scholarships for summer

camp and seniors planning to major in music at college.

As this school year comes to a close, we need to plan for next year, and there are several areas where we could use your help.

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AREAS OF NEED INCLUDE:

- The Red Paw Chili Supper - Fall 2009 (*cooks, servers, raffle helpers, and more*)
- Concert raffles (*run a booster raffle at a concert at your child's school*)
- Culver's nights (*communicate with Culver's and distribute flyers*)
- Vienna Beef sale - Spring 2010 (*organizers*)
- Student escrow account management (*help the treasurer with these accounts*)
- Webmaster

Also, we will elect our officers for the 2009-10 school

year at our June meeting. (Monday June 8 at 6:15PM in the YHS bandroom) We will

elect a president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. Organizations thrive on new members and the energy they bring with them. We would love to have you!

If you can help the Boosters with any of the above projects, or if you have ideas to help the Boosters grow, please contact Rob Robbins at 630-553-0651 or by email at: rrob716@sbcglobal.net.

Watch for a welcome back event for parents in the fall.

Rob Robbins and Joyce Pratt
2008-09 Music Boosters
Co-Presidents



SEUSSICAL, JR. PRESENTED AT YMS



This spring YMS Arts Alliance presented a musical based on the work of Theodore Geisel, Dr. Seuss. More than 100 middle school students were part of the cast and crew, and many more participated in the artwork and other Seuss-related activities throughout the building.

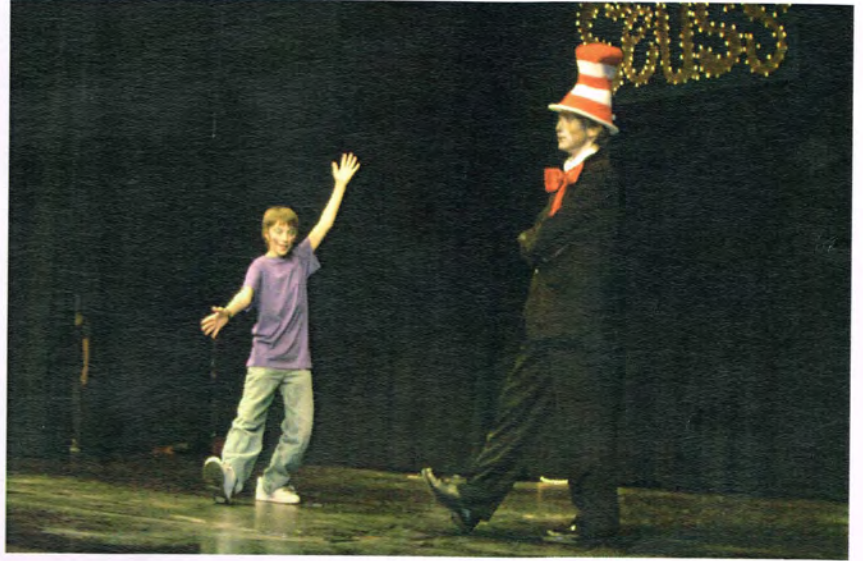
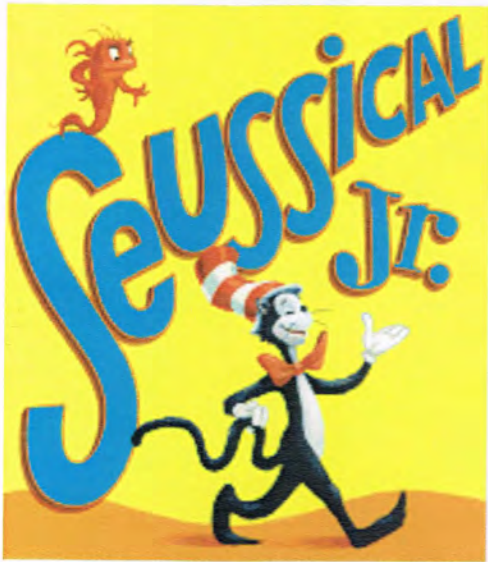
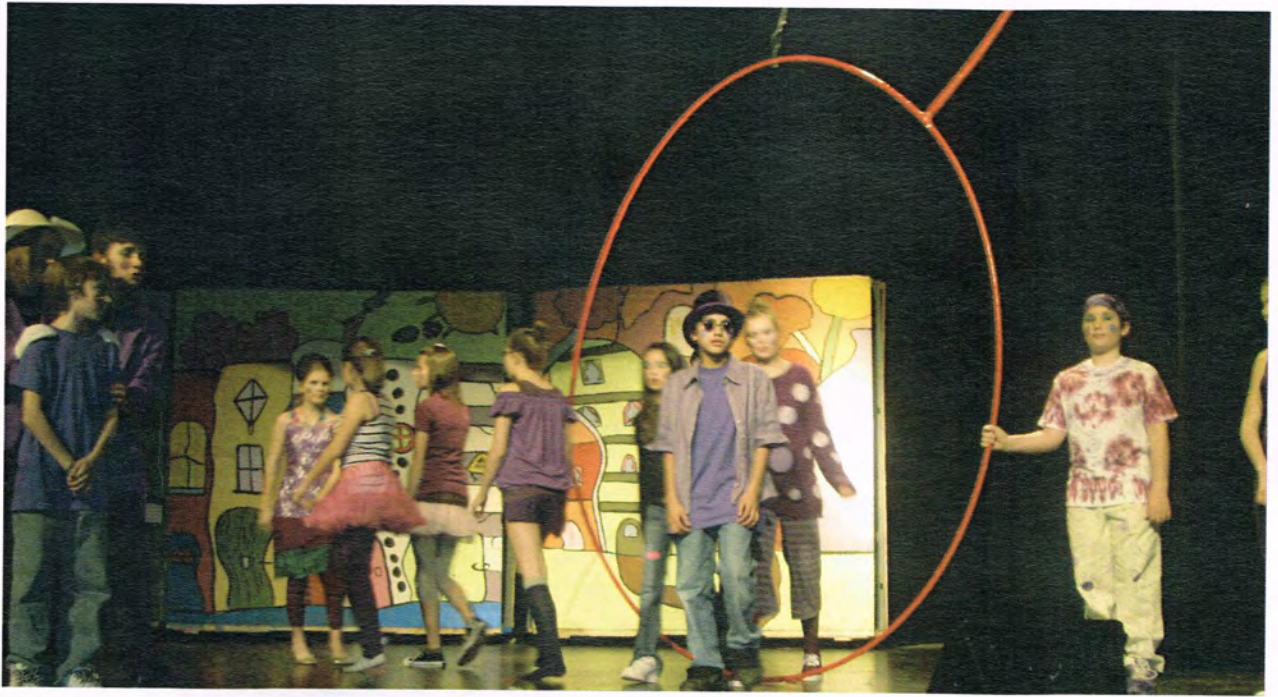
Under the direction of Mrs. Tamara Eaton, this production came to life before a full house of 6th graders, the student body of YMS, and then two well-attended public performances.

The music and choreography was directed by Mrs. Christy Motley. Mrs. Marnie Brophy and Mrs. Christy Glenn directed their art classes in the design and painting of the set art, billboard display, and several set pieces.

Ms. Effie Vitale was on board as a performance director, and Mrs. Wamecca Rodriguez, YMS librarian conducted a number of activities surrounding the work of Dr. Seuss.

Students in Living Skills classes designed, baked and decorated birthday cakes for Dr. Seuss. It was a school wide phenomenon!





YORKVILLE JAZZ SHOWCASE

On Saturday, May 30th, 2009, the YHS Jazz Bands and YHS madrigals will be presenting a Jazz Showcase featuring guest artist, John Tate, on jazz bass.

The evening will begin at 7:00 PM and will be a swingin' good time in the YHS Cafetorium. Tickets will be \$5.00 available at the door. We hope that you can come and enjoy the music and atmosphere of our Jazz Café on May 30th.

JOHN TATE

is an active bassist in the Chicago area. He attended Northern Illinois University, graduating with a degree in Jazz Performance. During his time at N.I.U., John was a member of the nationally acclaimed Jazz Ensemble and Liberace Jazztet, under the direction of Ronald Carter. He also was a member of Fareed Haque's Flat Earth Ensemble. As a member of these ensembles, he toured and recorded extensively.

John has studied with many of today's top bassists, including: John Clayton, Rodney Whitaker, Kelly Sill, Marlene Rosenberg, Reid Anderson, John Floeter, and Jeff Campbell.

Since moving to Chicago, John has performed with many of the city's top musicians, including: Chicago Jazz Orchestra, Cab Calloway Orchestra, Thomas Matta Big Band, Doug Stone/Doug Bratt Big Band, Dan Cray Trio, Scott Hesse Quartet, Joan Hickey Trio, Stuart Mindeman Trio, Jesse Palter Quartet,

DATE: SAT. MAY 30
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: YHS CAFETORIUM
TICKETS: \$5.00



and Kyle Asche Trio.

Currently, you can see John perform in the Tri-State area with one of groups mentioned above, or with his funk/soul band, Junk in the Trunk.



OSWEGO JAZZ FEST

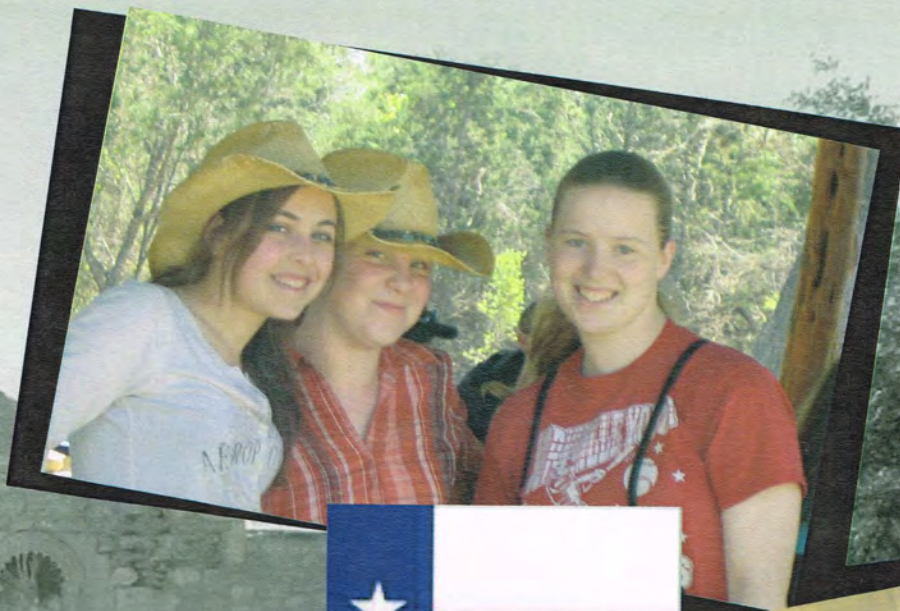
This March both the YHS and YMS Jazz Bands participated in Oswego High School's Jazz Fest 2009. The groups performed for students and directors of other area schools as well as two clinicians; local jazz specialist Mr. Shawn Maxwell and Mr. Rodrigo Villanueva of Northern Illinois University. Outstanding soloists for the day from Yorkville were, Alex Trotsky (*trumpet*), Tatum Dalton (*saxophone*), Jimmy Robbins (*trombone*), Evan Metz (*piano*) and Mike Schwebke (*percussion*).



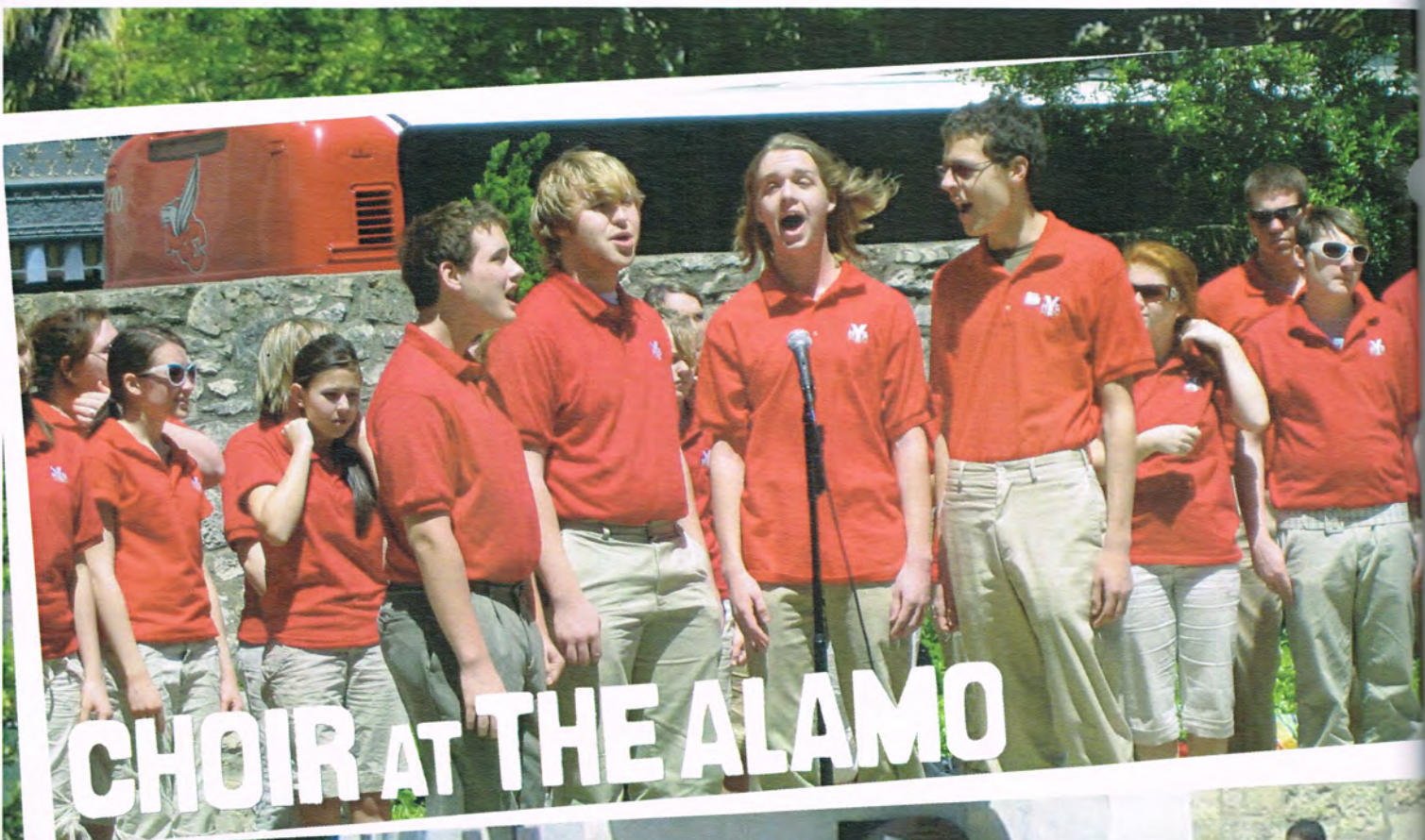


Over spring break 88 members of the Yorkville High School Music department traveled to sunny San Antonio, Texas where we enjoyed the warm weather, beautiful scenery, Texan culture, history and food, and of course performing music! The band, orchestra, and choir performed at three locations: the San Antonio Market Square, The Arneson Theatre on the San Antonio river, and the Alamo.





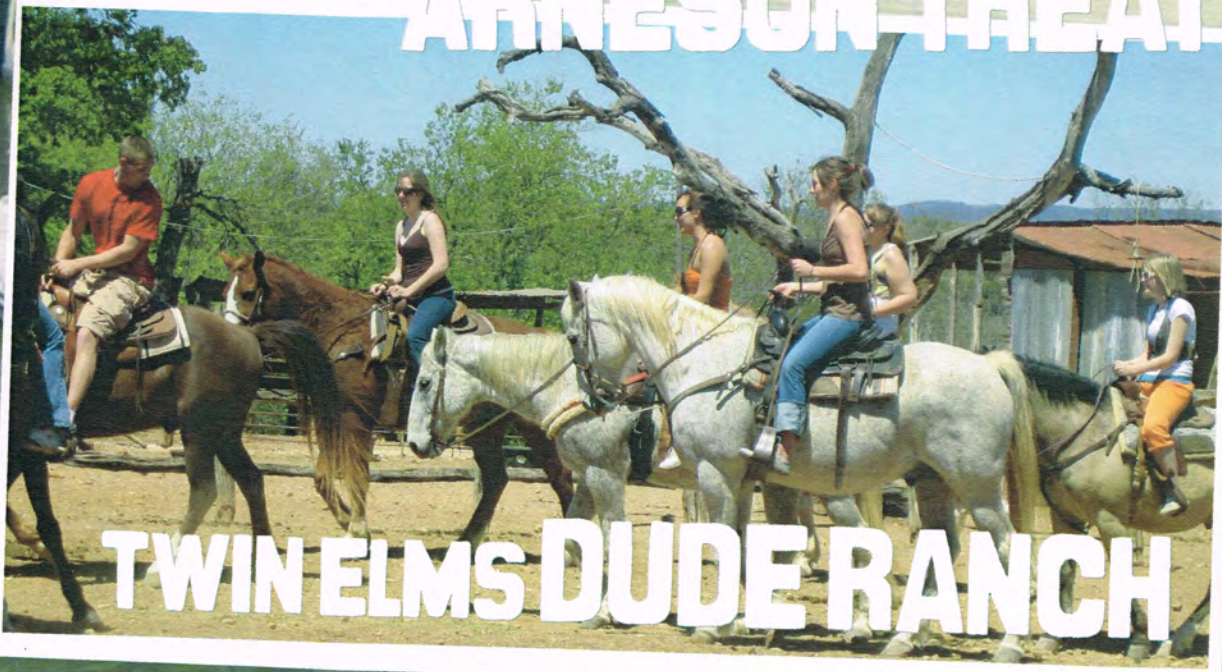
Our Texas experience was certainly well-rounded. While in the lone star state we had the opportunity to attend a concert given by the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra as well as Diamond W's cowboy dinner theater, and experience the Tower of Americas, a boat tour of the San Antonio river walk, a tour of the San Fernando Spanish Mission, an afternoon at the beach in Corpus Christi, and a day at the Twin Elms Dude Ranch.



CHOIR AT THE ALAMO



ORCHESTRA AT THE ARNESON THEATER



TWIN ELMS DUDE RANCH





BAND AT THE ALAMO



AN ENCHANTED BAND FESTIVAL

On March 23rd, 2009 the Yorkville Middle School 7th and 8th grade bands took a day long trip to VanderCook College of music in Chicago to participate in their annual Band Festival.

While at VanderCook both bands performed selections from their spring concert program for a panel of college band directors who gave us construc-

tive comments on a variety of subjects such as, winds, brass, percussion, conducting, and overall musical effect. Both groups performed admirably and received many accolades. After their performances, each group also partook in a 30 minute clinic session. Mrs. Stacy Larson of VanderCook College of Music was the 7th grade band clinician,

and Dr. Gregory Fuch of the University of Pittsburg in Kansas worked with the 8th grade.



Mr. A rocks out.

Following the day of music making the bands headed to Enchanted Castle in Lombard for an evening of bonding over pizza, pop, go-carts, laser tag, bumper cars, mini-golf, and video games. A good time was had by all, including the two directors and nine chaperones also in attendance.



The YMS 8th Grade Band hangs out on the quad at VanderCook College of Music.



The YMS 7th Grade Band poses on the steps of VanderCook College of Music after their performance.

PRIVATE LESSONS - THE KEY TO SUCCESS

Many private lesson teachers are available to Yorkville music students and more are becoming available every day as we continue to grow and attract more musicians to the area. Many professionals make a living playing music and are available to teach lessons to students at surrounding schools. We hope that you have taken a private lesson by now. If you haven't, this is the time to start! The summer is a great time to get into a new practice routine and start lessons. At Yorkville, we expect a lot out of the music students because we know what is possible when you really want to BE GOOD! It's no secret that the best musicians in our schools are the ones that take 30 minutes to an hour out of their week and study privately with a professional. Call the music office for a name of a teacher or feel free to contact one on the following list.

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