MARCH 14-24 ORCHESTRA TOUR

The 1974-75 Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra with their Principal Conductor, Dr. Thor Johnson.

NATIONAL MUSIC CAMP / INTERLOCHEN ARTS ACADEMY / INTERLOCHEN, MICHIGAN 49643

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumni and Friends:

One of the goals I set for Interlochen a few years ago was to develop a dynamic alumni organization that will reach out across the nation. A strong alumni organization will help to keep Interlochen moving ahead.

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Both surveys show that a significant number of our students, friends, and alumni are actively involved in their communities.

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The following question: 

"How can we help us with our two most pressing issues?"

The response was surprising. The majority of alumni felt that the arts are an important part of their lives and that they want to support the arts in the community.

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It appears that alumni are very interested in supporting the arts in their communities.

The Schedule

March 14: The orchestra travels to Elkhart, Indiana, where the concert will be at 8:00 p.m., in the Concord Junior High School sponsored by the Elkhart Symphony Society, Inc.

Orchestra Hall

The Chicago Orchestra Hall, always a highlight of any tour, will be on display in Chicago at 8:00 p.m.

EXTINCTION FOR PRIVATE EDUCATION?

Some educators have compared the fate of private education to that of the whooping crane.

While this alarmist statement may be true at the moment that Interlochen is about to become extinct—for we know that alumni, parents and friends care about our school and our future—just as we have active groups across the entire nation, who can help us with our most important challenges, namely, student recruitment and fundraising.

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We conducted two surveys last year in an attempt to learn how students at the Camp and Academy have been affected by the alumni. We had hoped to learn how the alumni, business, with assistance of a full-time alumni director, have had a good year, and we were surprised to learn that they have kept in touch with our most important constituencies, namely, student recruitment and fund raising. It is our hope to expand this effort as we are working on developing slide shows and film strips with supporting recordings for our alumni organizations.

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The 9th Annual NMC Alumni Reunion will be held at the Blackstone Hotel following the Interlochen Orchestra Concert. This is a marvelous opportunity to attend this reunion should be made in advance.

NOTA BENE: NMC REDUX!

The 9th Annual NMC Alumni Reunion has just been scheduled for August 9, 10, and 11, the seventh weekend of Camp, to celebrate with alumni concerts! Make plans now to spend a part of your summer vacation at Interlochen this year.

For the last decade a rapidly growing number of former campers have returned to Interlochen during the summer to renew important friendships made there, and in many cases, simply to take a fresh look at a unique place and lifestyle which for a short time has been such an intense and exhilarating part of their lives. In 1973, more than twice as many former campers, staff, faculty and parents returned for the reunion than in any earlier year.

The invitation is extended—to all Interlochen parents and alumni, friends and families! Interlochen’s charm and significance have remained intact and available for our brief, but spectacular reunion.

The setting remains spectacular—the sky, the trees and lakes are invigorating, the camaraderie is infectious and heartwarming. The excitement is palpable. Our plans are in place for a great reunion on August 9, 10, and 11, for a genuinely refreshing experience. Details on the reunion will be announced later in the spring.

C. Ronald Stone 1974 NMC Reunion Chairman
NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

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IS INTERLOCHEN YOUR PET PROJECT?

In these days of spiraling costs, it almost goes without saying that Interlochen needs additional dollars in order to continue our excellent program both during the academic year and the summer. Our very imminent needs have been documented before in these pages.

Besides direct financial support, there are other ways alumni can be of great help. One of the most important things you can do is to help those who influence decisions relative to fund-raising.

For example, the giving habits of most foundations and corporations are well established and are usually set by a handful of people. The personal decision of the chairman of the board or the family or local interests. During the past two years the executive director, Keepin, has taken the time to study the scores of foundations, corporations and individuals through the "usual" proposal form. He has found that most success can usually be traced to a small number of key people who have, to Interlochen, who, from the inside, has sufficiently influenced decision makers at the top.

Don't be modest. Please take a moment now to think of those who have now, who could help Interlochen. Then, drop me a line about your suggestion.

This job is as special as Interlochen is unique, because general giving parameters often do not include the arts secondary education, scholarships or endowment. We have found, however, that by being earnest, sincere and persistent, some settling of the "usual" rules can be accomplished. "Break the rules for this special cultural asset of the nation."

Although we recognize the importance of foundation and corporate support, many of our other sources are made up of alumni like yourself. Together Interlochen, too, if we can help us understand them and, of course, the campus, Northern Michigan is a beautiful setting for such an enterprise and the climate is wonderful. We have traveled the distance to see Interlochen as a home for Interlochen to fall in love again," someone recently said. This is true. Give us a chance and we'll roll out the red carpet for them.

The Interlochen development team is small but organized to help you to help us. We are equipped to research prospects. One or more of us will go with you to make calls if it's possible for you to set up an appointment. We can discuss deferred gifts through wills, trusts and life insurance as well as cash gifts, gifts in-kind or stocks.

We have a multi-faceted plan on the drawing board now to which we may give you additional tools to help Interlochen secure funds in the near future. Most successful fund-raising activities include a major alumni trust. We are developing our prospect list to determine the potential for such an campaign which will be successfully culminated on the 50th birthday of the Academy at the beginning of the 1977 season. Please help us in this initial prospecting phase by identifying people who might be interested.

In closing, let me say that I never cease to be impressed with the generosity of the alumni. I know the name, "Interlochen." Only recently, on a trip to New York, I rode up the elevator with a very looking young man. A colleague and I were discussing what the weather must be like at Interlochen. This stranger looked at us with a bright smile on his face and said, "Interlochen! What a wonderful place. My college roommate used to work summers there on the food staff."
Herbert Steed was honored at the annual Christmas dinner given for the Interlochen Staff in December when President Paul (note the new hairdo) presented him with an Award of Merit in recognition of 35 years of dedicated and loyal service to Interlochen.

ATTENTION TEACHERS
Kodaly Workshops will be held at Interlochen this summer during the regular session. Six workshop sessions of 5 days, each devoted to a specific grade (1 through 6), will be conducted under the direction of Mrs. Katrinia Daniel, Curriculum Director of the Kodaly program of the San Ramon Valley School District in San Mateo County, California. Mrs. Daniel is a student of Zoltan Kodaly and holds degrees in elementary education and piano pedagogy from the Royal Academy of Music in Budapest.

The Kodaly approach to creativity, music reading and rhythm, choral singing and materials will be given special attention through discussion and demonstration. The Workshops may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credits from the University of Michigan, or on a non-credit basis.

For detailed information write: Kodaly Workshops, National Music Camp, Interlochen, Michigan 49643.

FIVE JOIN “LIFERS”
Since the last issue of Crescendo, the Alumni Association is pleased to announce the addition of five new Members—and to welcome them into this growing organization.

These newest members are: Robert Barrington (Staff 69), Mrs. Benjamin H. Birckbich (Greetsiel, Gettys, MD 55-66), U.S. Staff 58), Audrey Borth (66, 67, 68; Staff 70, 67-70 grad), and Mrs. Claude R. Sutherland (Mary Lou McIntosh, IAA 62-64 grad).

Life Memberships are available for the rather minimal dues of $30...just send your check (made payable to Interlochen Alumni Association) to the Alumni Office, Interlochen, Mich 49643. We suggest a Life Membership would make a fine gift for the Interlochen alumnus or alumna.

IN MEMORIAM


Donald Underwood (Staff 1943-63) died November 7, 1973.

Mary M. ten Hoor (HS 30, U 63-65 grad) died November 15, 1973. Widow of Murray ten Hoor, Advisory Bd. Member, Educational Foundation.

Irving Tallmadge (Faculty 1945-58) died December 4, 1973.


Sigurd Swanson (Faculty 1946-73, IAA 1965-64) died February 3, 1974.

MOTIFS
Robert Reynolds (HS 53), Professor of Music and Conductor of Wind Ensemble at the University of Wisconsin, was guest conductor of the IAA Band last spring, and the H.S. Symphonic Band during the 73 season.

One of many of his highlights of this most successful current year at the Academy was the December performance of “The Nutcracker” given by the Dance Department with the assistance of the Academy Orchestra.

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WORKSHOP ADDED TO ADULT MUSIC CONFERENCE
A timely and attractive Harpsichord Kit Building and Performance Workshop will be given during the Adult Music Conference, August 20-27. Keith Hill, a professional harpsichord kit builder of Grand Rapids, will engage in the final assembly of a Hubbard harpsichord kit and Dr. George Lukenstein will conduct daily harpsichord performance sessions.

The 24th Annual Adult Music Conference will again include the String, Piano and Chamber Music Workshops, in addition to the new harpsichord offerings. Additional information may be obtained by writing: Adult Music Conference, National Music Camp, Interlochen, Michigan 49643.

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Published by Interlochen Center for the Arts Interlochen Arts Academy National Music Camp For Alumni and Parents Melba Bram, Editor Director of Alumni Relations Randi McMillan (IAA 63-65 grad) has returned to the Traverse City area where she recently has opened a new business, Fox Fire Craft Supply, Inc. Not only will they supply equipment and materials for artists, but they also offer instruction for adults in watercolor, tempera, and jewelry. Mrs. McMillan (Nance Chase, IAA 64-65 grad) is still in Ann Arbor working toward her doctorate in economics and is chairman of the Art Department at Boston U. (65, Staff 71). In 1967-68 she attended Oberlin two years after she left Interlochen. She then attended school in Luxembourg one year before transferring to the Schola Cantorum in Basel, Switzerland. She also taught English there and worked toward a master’s degree in music in which she is specializing on the viola de gambe. Mrs. McMillan (3rd grad) also attended University of Michigan... Terri Anne Pratt (HS 65, Staff 67, Staff 71). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian... Gene Sittenfeld (I 64, U 65, Staff 69-70). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian... Gene Sittenfeld (I 64, U 65, Staff 69-70). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian... Gene Sittenfeld (I 64, U 65, Staff 69-70). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian... Gene Sittenfeld (I 64, U 65, Staff 69-70). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian... Gene Sittenfeld (I 64, U 65, Staff 69-70). IAA 67-69 grad received a bachelor’s degree from Indiana Univ, last spring and is now in New York this winter studying with Galamian...
The NOVEMBER REPORT

OFFICER and Advisory Board members of the NMC Alumni Organization returned to the campus on November 10-11 for the 3rd annual planning meeting. It was a great weekend at IAA for all as it was the first of the "Great Cities Weekend" activities that we have planned for both our spring and fall seasons. The weekend activities included a career symposium, a tour of Silver Spring Museum, a visit to the Headmaster, Deerfield Academy, and a reception at Mr. Forrester's home in Interlachen during the winter—for we did have a winter weekend. We learned about how the Weekend was handled and what to expect for the good update from Barry Toppaner (IU Staff 62-63) and how to look for graduates from Interlachen. Barry is currently a 3rd year medical student at the Univ. of Minnesota with a keen interest in politics (1973 Chairman of the Univ. of Toronto Student Ontario Medical Assoc.) as well as student politics in general. He is a staff writer and record/book writer for "Rolling Stone" magazine and is a very important production of "Chicago" on Broadway.

Let us assure you that in addition to the fun, there were work sessions held in which there was much discussion of many ideas—and some definite planning done. A budget for the planning weekend was also formulated, and plans were formulated for the NMC Reunion to be held at Camp on August 9, 10, 11 (Illinois Summer Assembly) and the Winter Assembly now—and see Ron Stowe's report in this issue. It was also decided that the NMC Alumni Organization would, for the first time next August, award two scholarships at the Fall Assembly held on the last day of the season. They will go to the top camper in the HS and HS Division. Your dues to the Alumni Organization will finance these awards.

 Cecil E. Spiegel, 2930 Ossian Place, New York, N.Y. 10011

W. Burton Place, No. 10024; Francis C. Proctor, 63-64, Staff 66, 68, 72, 74, IAA 70-71 grad) was known to Interlachen, has been a great help to Interlachen and to many, many camps, students and faculty have been in her shop and home in Benzie. So we voice our warmest congratulations to Mrs. Proctor for her receipt of the Doctor of Fine Arts Degree conferred by the University of California in December 1973. We have no lost—this is the 3rd or 4th time that various universities have accorded her this honor. We are very proud of her and the good update from Barry Toppaner (IU Staff 62-63) and how to look for graduates from Interlachen. Barry is currently a 3rd year medical student at the Univ. of Minnesota with a keen interest in politics (1973 Chairman of the Univ. of Toronto Student Ontario Medical Assoc.) as well as student politics in general. He is a staff writer and record/book writer for "Rolling Stone" magazine and is a very important production of "Chicago" on Broadway.

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