

INTRADA NO.44 (2007/2008)

In Memoriam Barbara Paulson

The MYSO has lost a dear and valued friend in the sudden passing of Barbara Paulson on May 29, 2008. Barbara enjoyed a long association with the orchestra starting when her daughter Rebecca played clarinet over twenty years ago. After Rebecca graduated and moved on, Barbara helped the organization in so many ways. For twenty years she served on the Board of Directors, never missed a performance, was always there to help with plant sales and silent auctions, and contributed generously to the financial needs of the orchestra. She loved to stop by on a Saturday afternoon to “catch up” and listen to a rehearsal. Her appreciation and love of classical music was an important part of her life and after our final concert she left a phone message to say how thrilled she was by the exquisite concert.

Barbara had numerous hobbies and interests. For twenty seven years she worked in the Howard County Public School System as an elementary school teacher, special education teacher, and assistant principal. As well as being a wife, mother and grandmother, she was a devoted loyal friend who will be forever missed.

To keep her memory alive in the orchestra that she loved, **The Barbara Paulson Chair** will be established with an annual tuition scholarship given to the concert master.

Welcome New Members:

Alyssa André,	violin	Glenwood Middle School
Elise Ansher	Clarinet	River Hill High School
Kelsey Balimtas	Flute	River Hill H.S.
Alexei Beresnev	Violin	Home schooled
Nathan Chai	Violin	Home Schooled
Ryan Cherng	French Horn	Burleigh Manor M.S.
Tyler Frazee	Violin	Middletown H.S.
Betsy Fu	Violin	Folly Quarter M.S.
Jarrel Garner	Tuba	Towson Univ.
Ashley Gartside	Viola	Patuxent M.S.
Brittany Hassan	Violin	Old Mill H.S.
Matthew Hemler	Trumpet	Oak Mills M.S.
Nick Keller	Trumpet	Bonnie Branch M.S.
Helen Lam	Viola	Centennial H.S.
Zachary Levin	Piccolo	N. Hagerstown H.S.
Hunter McDonough	Cello	Folly Quarter M.S.
Annie Park	Violin	Reservoir H.S.
Seongho Park	Violin	Glenelg Country School
Matthew Ramos	Violin	Arundel M.S.

Matthew Reges	Clarinet	Catonsville H.S.
Jonathan Terry	Cello	Reservoir H.S.
David Trinkoff	Oboe	Sudbrook Magnet M.S.
Venki Sivasailam	Trombone	Burleigh Manor M.S.
Brittany Tobler	Violin	Meade H.S.
Melissa Valiante	Violin	CCBC Catonsville
Nathan Wagner	Violin	Bonnie Branch M.S.
Dorothy Wang	Clarinet	Glenelg H.S.
Sophie Yang	Viola	Centennial H.S.

Poinsettia Sale

We thank all the participating families who made our poinsettia fundraising sale a success.

Concerts:

The opening concert of the season on October 28, 2007, featured the winners of the International Young Artists Piano Competition in a performance of the Piano Concerto No. 2 by Shostakovich. Pianists were Sam Xi of Howard County, MD, Catherine Song from Massachusetts and Elaine Chen from Virginia. Also on the program was *On the Steppes of Central Asia* by Borodin and *Suolahti's Sinfonia Piccola*.

A Gala Concert on January 26, 2008, combined the Maryland Youth Symphony Orchestra and the Orchestra of St. Mary's College of Maryland in a *Salute to Hollywood*. Guest soloist José Cueto played the violin solo in *Schindler's List*.

The last concert of the season (May 18) was dedicated to Humberto Ayestas and an elegy written by Angelo Gatto was performed in his memory. Other works performed were *Romeo and Juliette* by Tchaikowsky and *Schubert's Unfinished Symphony*. Our guest soloist, Jeffrey Silberschlag, played a concerto for trumpet and Orchestra by Pakhmutov and the concert ended with *The Moldau* by Smetana.

Spring Plant Sale

On the first Saturday in May the annual plant sale took place. Thank you to all the families who supported this fundraiser.

The following seniors are pursuing a career in music:

Dondi Ellis, Flute at Peabody Conservatory
Zachary Levin, Flute at Duquesne University.

Other graduating seniors

Sean Symon, Violin to University of Maryland College Park

Barathi Sivasailam, Violin – Brown University
Yoomee Kim, Violin - UMBC

Alumni News

Congratulations to **Sean Lyons** on completing his B.M. in viola performance from the Cleveland Institute of Music. He will continue at CIM to work on his Master's degree in viola. This summer he was selected to participate in the National Orchestral Institute in College Park.