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**Greetings Harpists!**

I hope everyone is having a wonderful fall and looking forward to a busy holiday season. I enjoyed meeting many of you at the 38<sup>th</sup> National Conference in Dearborn, MI, in June. For you all who couldn't make it, I hope to see you at the next one. Please keep sending me your news for our newsletter, which will now only be published once each season.

***THE AMERICAN HARP SOCIETY*  
*Eighth Summer Institute*  
**June 28-July 2, 2009****

Westminster College, Salt Lake City Utah  
The 2009 Summer Institute of the American Harp Society scheduled is scheduled for June 28-July 2, 2009. There will be a one day field trip to the International Harp Archives at Brigham Young University. Mark your calendars! Visit <http://harpociety.org/conference/summer.html> for more detailed information

***THE AMERICAN HARP SOCIETY*  
*18<sup>th</sup> National Competition*  
**June 28-July 2, 2009****

Westminster College, Salt Lake City Utah  
Visit [www.harpociety.org](http://www.harpociety.org) for more information on competition rules and regulations

***The Lyon and Healy Awards*  
**June 26 and June 27, 2009****

Westminster College, Salt Lake City Utah  
Rules and Repertoire can be found at: <http://www.lyonhealy.com/events.htm>

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of **Alice Chalifoux**. The beloved former principal harpist of the Cleveland Orchestra and long time mentor and teacher passed away on July 31, 2008, at the age of 100.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Alice Chalifoux will be held on Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2747 Fairmount Boulevard, Cleveland Heights, Ohio. Alice

Chalifoux was Principal Harpist of The Cleveland Orchestra from 1931-1974 and her legions of former students fill major harp positions around the world.

## Chapter News

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### Charm City Chapter

*President: David Ponder, davidgponder@gmail.com 410.243.6176*

September 27, 2008, 8pm duo Après, comprised of saxophonist Jeremiah Baker and harpist **Jacqueline Pollauf** will be presenting a concert entitled "Life as Reflected in Death" at An Die Musik Live. The program will include the world premiere of "Soul Journey" by Miguel Bolivar, along with works by composers including Bach, Piazzolla, and Britten.

November 21, 2008, 7:30pm at the Chesapeake Arts Center, **Patrick Ball**, Celtic Harp and Spoken Word, will perform.

March 29, 2009, 3pm at Towson United Methodist Church, the Charm City Chapter presents a concert of harp ensemble music.

### Morgantown Chapter

*President: Cindy Lewellen,  
Secretary/Treasurer: Christine Mazza*

The Morgantown Chapter continues to perform monthly concerts at the Health South Mountainview Rehabilitation Center. The chapter is in the process of writing an Impact Grant Proposal to secure public funds for a repair to the West Virginia University Harp used by Community music students.

**Calla Fullmer** and **Janice Harris** performed school concerts in 2008.

**Cindy Lewellen** performed a leap day and St. Patrick's Day Concert in Ireland, WV in 2008.

**Katie Zucker** will perform Act II of Swan Lake with the Community Orchestra in the Fall 2008.

**Kariana Ramsey** will perform in December 2008, with the Appalachian Children's Choir.

### North Jersey Chapter

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Treasurer: Marie Sass*

October 10-12, 2008, Harper's Escape Weekend, Princeton, NJ. Visit [www.harpersescape.com](http://www.harpersescape.com) for more information.

October 19, 2008, Friends of the Teaneck Library present **Joanne Hansen**, harp and Marcia Hankle, flute (The Harp Duo) in a concert of works by Rossini, Ravel and Kreisler.

October 28, 2008, The North Jersey Chapter hosted a presentation on harp careers by **Toni Stern** (performing on cruise ships), **Alix Weisz** (playing for patients recovering from cardiac surgery) and **Sarah Mullen** (harpist at Renaissance festivals) at the home of Diane Michaels.

November 8, 2008: **Kim Robertson** presents 2 workshops at the Religious Society of Friends in Upper Montclair, NJ. Workshop information: “A Lot of Nerve” runs from 1-2pm for a fee of \$15, and “Inspired Arranging,” a hands-on workshop is from 2:30- 4:00pm, \$30. Admission to both is \$40.

November 9, 2008, 1:30pm: **Kim Robertson** performs in concert at the Deutscher Club of Clark, NJ. Admission is \$10 for members of our chapter, \$25 for the general public.

November 12, 2008, 12noon **Andre Tarantiles**, harp and Christopher Lee, violin, perform at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark, NJ.

December 6, 2008, 8pm, at the Kaplan JCC on the Palisades, The Thurnauer Chamber Music Society presents **Frances Duffy** in concert featuring Debussy’s Sonate and Ravel’s Introduction et Allegro.

January 5, 2009, Mock auditions with judges **Elaine Christy** (Harp professor at Princeton University) and Kevin Brown (visiting bass specialist at Montclair State University)

February 8, 2009, Master Class with **Mariko Anraku**, Associate Principal Harpist at the Metropolitan Opera

March 2009: Chapter members harp ensemble will play a concert at the Christian Health Care Center in Wyckoff, NJ in honor of St. Patrick’s Day

April 26, 2009, Harpers Bazaar in Montclair, NJ– members will sell CD’s, arrangements and more, with an informal harp recital

May 17 2009, 2pm: AHS Concert Artist **Sadie Turner** presents a recital at the Daughters of Miriam senior care facility in Clifton, NJ

The chapter is in the planning stages for our Summer Harp Camp. This year, they will offer separate camps for youth and adults. Additionally, they hope to have a camp “wood shed” day in June where students can purchase music and read through some of it in an informal rehearsal.

## **Philadelphia Chapter**

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*Secretary: Peter Speziale*

*Treasurer: Cheryl Dugan Cunningham*

**Emily Klein** completed her harp studies at Interlochen Arts Academy and will continue her studies at the Shepard School of Music of Rice University as a harp performance major studying with **Paula Page**.

**Kim Rowe** in collaboration with **Elizabeth Hainen** will be starting the Temple University Music Prep Harp Ensemble (ages 18 and under)

**Monika Vasey** was appointed harp instructor at Settlement Music School's Mary Louise Curtis and West Philadelphia Branches.

September 14, 2008, 3pm, Southampton Chamber Music Society with **Cheryl Cunningham**, harp at the Old School Baptist Meeting House, Southampton, PA.

September 29, 2008, from 4-7pm. Virginia Harp Center presents a master class with **Bridget Kibbey** at the Virginia Harp Center.

October 3 and October 5, 2008, Elizabeth **Hainen** performs Ginastera Concerto for Harp with the Temple University Symphony Orchestra, Centennial Hall, The Haverford School.

October 16, 2008, at 7:30pm, Philly Chapter and Temple University present **Park Stickney** in Temple's Klein Recital Hall. Tickets are \$15-25.

October 19, 2008, **Ellen Tipper's** Multi Generational Harp Ensemble performs at the Abington Free Library, 1030 Old York Rd, Abington, PA. Students range from 12 to "I'm not telling"

October 26, 2008, 3pm, **Cheryl Cunningham** performs the Handel Concerto with the Greater Trenton Symphony Orchestra at Patriots War Memorial Theater.

November, 2008, TBA the Philadelphia Chapter will present a student recital in Chestnut Hill, PA. Visit [www.phillyharp.org](http://www.phillyharp.org) for more information.

November 3, 2008, 7:30pm, **Gloria Galante** Faculty Recital, Gates Family Recital Hall, Westchester University.

November 15, 2008, 8pm, Harp and 3 Divas Christmas Concert featuring harpist **Alison Simpson**. Solebury School, New Hope, PA

December 6, 2008, 8pm, **Jordon Thomas** will perform Britten's Ceremony of Carols with the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra at Science Center Theater at Montgomery County CC.

December 20, 2008, Winter Solstice and Tradition Celebration with WCU Harp Ensemble. Visit [www.silverlakenaturecenter.org](http://www.silverlakenaturecenter.org) for more information

January 28, 2009, 12:30pm Church of the Holy Trinity, Rittenhouse Square, Harp Trio Recital with **Maryanne Meyer**, harp.

Memorial Day Weekend, 2009, The Harp Music Festival of Philadelphia, Church of the Holy Trinity. The theme will be French Classical Music of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. For more information visit: [www.harpmusicfest.com](http://www.harpmusicfest.com) or call (215) 563-4848 or email [harpmusicfest@yahoo.com](mailto:harpmusicfest@yahoo.com)

## **Pittsburgh Chapter**

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*Vice-President: Debbie Vallin*

*Secretary: Julia Scott*

*Treasurer: Denise Ventura*

July 27, 2008, **Maria** and **Dimitrinka Tuturilova**, **Gretchen Van Hoesen** and James Gorton presented a recital at 5:00 PM the home of Gretchen Van Hoesen. Maria Tuturilova, a harpist originally from Sophia, Bulgaria, and currently working in Vienna, Austria, was the guest harpist. She and her sister presented works by Eastern European and Bulgarian composers for violin and harp.

October 11, 2008, **Lucy Scandrett** and **Jan Bishop** performed *The Planets* with the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra.

October 25 and November 22, 2008, The Music Education Evaluation of the Pittsburgh AHS Chapter will be held on the Fine Arts Building on the campus of Carnegie Mellon University.

December 6, 2008, 8pm, **Lucy Scandrett** performs works of Rutter, Britten's *A Ceremony of Carols* and a new work *Winter Solstice* by Paul Carey with the University of Pittsburgh Heinz Chapel Choir at Heinz Chapel.

December 7, 2008, 3pm **Lucy Scandrett** performs *A Ceremony of Carols* by Britten and *Carols and Lullabies of the Southwest* by Susa with the IUP Chorale at Gorelle Hall.

December 14, 2008, **Lucy Scandrett** performed S. Saens' *Christmas Oratorio* with the Choir of the Assumption.

December 24, 2008, **Lucy Scandrett** performed solo works and works of Britten and Rutter at Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church

March 12, 2009 **Lucy Scandrett** will present a joint faculty recital at IUP, Gorell Hall, with Jack Scandrett, horn.

March 2009, The Three of Harps, **Jan Bishop**, **Ruth Papalia** and **Lucy Scandrett**, present a recital of music in Orlando, FL, sponsored by the Orlando Chapter of the AHS. All March concerts will have a celtic theme and feature Simon Proctor's *Three of Harps* and *A Piece of Pluck*, composed for them.

March 17, 2009, 1pm, **Ruth Papalia** and **Lucy Scandrett**, present a recital for the Sewickley Music Club at St. James' Church in Sewickley.

March 18, 2009, **Ruth Papalia** and **Lucy Scandrett**, present a recital of music in Dayton OH,

March 28 and 29, 2009, The Pittsburgh Chapter of the AHS, in collaboration with Duquesne University, will sponsor **Sivan Magen**, to present a solo harp recital and master class on Sivan will perform at the PNC Recital Hall at Duquesne University in the afternoon of March 28.

April 26, 2009, at 4 PM, The Pittsburgh Chapter of the AHS has been invited to perform again at the Tiffany Series at Calvary Methodist Church on the North Side, **Debbie Vallin** and **Gretchen Van Hoesen** are co-chairing the event. The performance will feature a variety of harp solos, duos, and ensemble pieces.

May 17, 2009, 2pm, Students of **Lucy Scandrett** present a Finale Concert at Church of the Ascension.

May 24, 2009, Annual Chapter Recital will take place at the home of **Laura Mason Lockard**. The Recital, which will be presented by the chapter members and will include a historical harp presentation by Mrs. Lockard, will be followed by refreshments in the garden. **Lucy Scandrett** will teach at the Chatham University Music and Arts Camp.

August 17-21, 2009, **Lucy Scandrett** will have a harp camp at Church of the Ascension.

## **Tidewater Chapter**

*President: Barbara Chapman, harlover@cox.net 757.533.5434*

*Vice President: Elisa Dickon*

*Secretary: Betsy Fitzgerald*

March 19, 2008, harpist **Marian Harding** performed the second movement of the Sphor Sonata Concertante, Op. 114 for harp and violin at the Williamsburg Music Club with the Williamsburg Chamber Players.

November 9, 2008, the Tidewater Chapter hosts an educational event at the Norfolk Academy. Harp students of all ages are invited to participate. Students will perform for a panel of professional harp instructors. The instructors will provide written evaluation focused on technique, stage presence and musicality. All area harpists, auditors and family members are welcome.

## **Washington, DC Chapter**

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*Vice President: Elizabeth Blakeslee*

*Secretary: Sharon Strange*

*Treasurer: Brian Stevenson*

**Grace Browning** of McLean, VA, and a senior harp performance major at the University of Michigan has been appointed Principal Harp of the Lansing Symphony Orchestra in Lansing, MI.

The premier of William Culverhouse's *Requiem* for mixed chorus and harp was premiered May 16, 2008, at 7:30pm at The Cathedral of St. Matthew in Washington, DC. The premiere was given by the Schola Cantorum of the Cathedral and harpist **Robin Roys**.

**Frank Voltz** and Chiara Music Publishing are relocated as of January 1, 2009:  
1870 Curraghmore Road, Clemmons, NC 27012

October 18, 2008, AHS/DC presents a Master class with **Barbara Chapman**, principal harp of the Virginia Symphony and Virginia Opera, from 2-5pm at MENC, Reston, VA

October 25, 2008, 8:30pm at Sligo 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church in Takoma, Park, MD. AHS/DC presents the **American Youth Harp Ensemble** under the direction of **Lynelle Ediger-Kordoza**. Concert is Free.

November 13, 2008, 7:30pm. Eclatante Flute and Harp Duo, **Melissa Tardiff Dvorak**, harp and Sharon Pabon, Flute present a concert at the Lyceum in Alexandria, VA.

November 15, 2008, 8pm, Eclatante Flute and Harp Duo, **Melissa Dvorak**, harp and Sharon Pabon, Flute perform on the Kent County Friends of Chamber Music Concert Series in Chestertown, MD.

November 15, 2008 at 4pm the Beau Soir Ensemble with **Michelle Lundy**, harp and Lauren Panfili, flute, perform on the Concerts From Kirkwood Series at Kirkwood Presbyterian Church in Springfield, VA

November 16, 2008, 3pm, the Delaplaine Visual Arts Center the Catocin Music Studio of violin and harp students of **Astrid Walschott-Stapp**, present a recital.

December 5, 7, 13, 14, 2008, Harpist **Beth Mailand** performs a holiday concert program with the Master Singers of Virginia. Visit <http://msva.choralmusic.org/> for times and ticket info.

December 5, 2008, 7:30pm harpist **Robin Roys** presents a holiday concert at Spencerville 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church

December 14, 2008, 3pm the Maryland Classic Youth Orchestra Harp Ensemble performs at Strathmore Hall.

December 17, 2008 **Constance Whiteside** and ensemble Armonia Nova, 'Winter Solstice: An Early English Christmas' at the Cosmos Club in Washington DC.

December 28, 2008, Second Annual Christmas Harp Ensemble at the Mormon Tabernacle Visitors Center, Kensington, MD. Contact **David Crookston** davidtheharp@netscape.net for more information.

January 3, 2009 at 5:00 pm, Our Savior Lutheran, 825 S. Taylor St. Arlington, VA January 4, 2009 at 6:00 pm, Christ Church, 118 N. Washington St., Alexandria, VA. Armonia Nova, with director **Constance Whiteside** on medieval and baroque harps, performs a concert for Twelfth Night/Epiphany. Information at [www.armonianova.org](http://www.armonianova.org)

February 13, 2009, 8pm the Beau Soir Ensemble with **Michelle Lundy**, Harp and Lauren Panfili, flute performs on the Bonita Lestina Performance Series at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Dr, Fairfax, VA

February 15, 2009, 4pm Beau Soir Ensemble with **Michelle Lundy** harp, performs on the Chevy Chase Concerts at Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church One Chevy Chase Circle.

March 6, 2009, 8pm the Discovery Series at the Barnes at Wolf Trap presents French Harpist **Emmanuel Ceysson** in concert.

March 15, 2009, 3pm the Maryland Classic Youth Orchestra Harp Ensemble Performs at Strathmore Hall.

March 22, 2009, 2-3pm, at the home of Cheryl Roeske, Australian harpist **Sebastian Lipman** presents a workshop on technique building, hand position and avoiding performance injury.

March 23, 2009, 7:30pm the **Lipman Harp Duo**, Australian harpists **Sebastian** and **Sayo Lipman** will perform at the Australian Embassy on the Embassy Series.

March 24, 2009, 12pm Beau Soir Ensemble, with **Michelle Lundy**, Harp perform on the Church of the Epiphany Tuesday Recital Series

March 26, 2009, 12:30pm, Beau Soir Ensemble, **Michelle Lundy**, Harp perform on the National Lunchtime Christian Church Series 5 Thomas Circle, NW Washington, DC

March 29, 2009 at 4:00 pm, Grace Episcopal Church, 1607 Grace Church Road, Silver Spring, MD. Concert presented by Armonia Nova; director **Constance Whiteside** on medieval harp.  
[www.armonianova.org](http://www.armonianova.org)

April 19, 2009 at 8pm Gildenhorn Recital Hall, Clarice Smith Center, The University of Maryland, College, Park, MD—The AHS/DC Chapter will present the **Salzedo Duo** in a Concert celebrating the life of Alice Chalifoux.

May 16, 2009 at 1:30pm Beau Soir Ensemble, **Michelle Lundy**, harp, and Lauren Panfili, flute, perform on the Anderson House Afternoon Concert Series 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W, Washington, DC

May 31, 2009, at 4pm, the harp students of **Melissa Dvorak** present a recital at the Lyceum in Alexandria, VA.

June 7, 2009, 2pm Beau Soir Ensemble, **Michelle Lundy**, harp and Lauren Panfili, flute, perform on Glenview Mansion Sunday Afternoon Concert Series Rockville Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Dr, Rockville, MD.

July 9-12, 2009, **Constance Whiteside** joins the faculty at the Somerset Folk Harp Festival in Alexandria, VA, to give a lecture/demonstration, and workshop on historical harps.



## For Sale or Rent

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Harp for Sale: Lyon & Healy Style 85P, mahogany finish, approx. 8 years old, Wonderful, rich sound, well maintained, needs regulation. Asking \$7500. Contact Melissa Lee 201.767.0311

Harp for Sale: Venus Classic 1991 located in Maryland, beautiful, in excellent condition, new strings. Asking: \$12,750 Contact: Carol Rose Duane 301.424.6677 or 240.351.3910 or [carolrosed@aol.com](mailto:carolrosed@aol.com)

Harp for Sale: Lyon & Healy Style 23. #8181-23 Rebuilt in 2003. Asking: \$18,000 or offer. Purchaser to arrange shipping/pick up. Contact: [HelenAnne@aol.com](mailto:HelenAnne@aol.com)

Harp for Sale: Lyon & Healy Style 15 with new all weather cover. Approx. 40 years old. Asking: \$14,500. Contact: Alison Simpson 215.348.5288

Harp for Sale: Lyon and Healy Style 23 Asking: \$16,000. Contact: Alison Simpson 201.348.5288

Celtic Harp Rentals: Gloria Galante 215.520.8748