



MU Music Department

Fall 1998

FALL 98 CADENZA

ALUMNOTES

Katherine M. (Mazourek) Covert (BM ME `93) is teaching music part-time at T-S-T BOCES (Special Education) and part-time choral music at Newfield High School (her alma mater). She married Rob Covert of Ithaca in Aug. of `97 and received a MSE from Elmira College in May of `98. Katherine would love to hear from SAI and classmates! E-mail at Rcovert@baka.com

Louis (Stipp) Hall (BM ME `79) is an Associate Professor and Coordinator of Music at Niagara County Community College in Sanborn, NY where she teaches Music History, Aural Theory and Class Piano. She is director of the College Swing Choir and theatre department musicals and is an active performer and has been a soloist with the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Buffalo Choral Arts Society, and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Lois and her husband Keith live with Keith's son Brendan, age 9 and their son, Madison James, 8 months old. Their address is: 8920 Cayuga Drive, Niagara Falls, NY 14304.

Jim Latten (BM ME `86) is finishing the first two years of residency in the Ph.D. Music Education program at Penn State. His assistantship is with the Penn State Blue Band, which includes assisting with the 275 member marching band, conducting two basketball pep bands, and two concert bands. He is on leave from his position as high school band director in Homer, NY. Darlene (Nester) Latten (`87 Political Science) is finishing her tenth year as a high school guidance counselor, and daughter Bethany recently turned four! Their address is: 24 Bellrose Ave., Cortland, NY 13045

Stephen F. Zdzinski is a 1978 graduate of Mansfield High School and the son of the former chair of the Music Department, Dr. Edwin E. Zdzinski. Stephen attended Mansfield University during 1997-78 and summers until 1983. He is now teaching instrumental music education at Wayne State University and has 11 published research articles in the field of music education, including several studies that are used by Mansfield public school students. His address: 20260 Lancaster St., Harper Woods, MI 48225 (E-mail: s.zdzinski@wayne.edu)

Helen M. (Johnson) Gassler (BS Music `33) was reminded of her years at Mansfield College by reading the recent Cadenza. Kenneth Warmkessel (also a graduate of Mansfield Music Dept.) directed the Legion Band. During his period of directing, we had 4 visits to Germany and later one visit to a band in England - to a small town called "Sia Housess". A unique fishing village in a beautiful country setting. When Helen came to Mansfield in 1929, she recalls that many of her friends in college had to leave because their fathers lost all of their employment. It was the year of the "great crash", 1929. I was fortunate to be able to continue my music education and

graduated with a BS degree in Music. I'll always remember the happy years where I learned so many instruments and had singing instruction. I have had a private studio for over 50 years here in Danville where I taught voice, piano, violin, and organ. I've been the "Choir Director and Organist" in the Mohoning Presbyterian Church, Danville for 49 years. I visited North Hall last fall and it is beautiful. I was glad to see the "Well" restored. We stood by the 3rd floor and looked down. I lived on the 1st floor above the dining room for 2 years. I spent a lot of evenings in the practice rooms on 5th floor. After I had graduated 30 years - I was asked to come back to Mansfield to go through the initiation of "Sigma Alpha Iota" because when I graduated, it was not National and was called "Lambda Mu". I am now affiliated with the Susquehanna University Chapter of "Sigma Alpha Iota". Helen and her husband Ivan live at: 24 Oak St., Danville, PA 17821

Daria (Rosar) Groover (BM ME `86) and her husband Byron have been married for 1 1/2 years. They live in Alexandria, VA with their 2 dogs. Daria finished her Master's Degree in School Administration & Supervision in 1995 and was recently appointed as an Elementary School Vice- Principal in Prince George's County, MD. Byron is a financial planner and works for the Copeland Companies. They both enjoy sending and receiving e-mails from old Mansfield friends. Their address: 6512 Brookleigh Way, Alexandria, VA 22315

Kimberly R. (Kolesar) Lawler (BM MT `94) married Thomas C. Lawler (BM ME `90) on May 25, 1996. Their son, Christopher, was born on March 24, 1997. Tom is enjoying his new position of Director of High School Bands at Lehigh Area High School. Kimberly is a private piano instructor. Their E-mail address is: tigwin@postoffice.ptd.net; phone #: 610-377-0821, and mailing address: 433 Cypress St., Lehigh, PA 18235

Alyce Karns (BM ME `95) is a teacher at Washington High in Princess Anne, MD. Alyce is engaged to be married on Dec. 29, 1998 to Christopher Reavis of Hebron, MD. Christopher is also a music teacher. Alyce teaches piano privately and her fiance teaches percussion privately.

John H. Miller (BS ME `78) now lives at 7300 Cedar Post Rd. G-20, Liverpool, NY 13088.

Robert W. Johnson (BM ME `93) taught 4-8 grade band/general music in Central New Jersey for 3 years. Rob left Jersey for a year of graduate study (almost done!) at the University of Michigan. Currently he is the band director at East Middle School in Binghamton, NY. His E-mail address: gogjohns@clarityconnect.com; his address: 119 Robinson St., Apt. 2W, Binghamton, NY 13904.

Amy Elizabeth (Jones) Finnerty is presently working as a K-2 music teacher for the Clark County School District in Las Vegas, Nevada. Next year, she will be busy as the choral director for Courtney Middle School, a new school opening for the 1998-99 school year. In Feb. 1995, Amy married Bill Finnerty (BS ELED) who is a 6th grade science teacher for Clark Cty. School District. E-mail address: amydz@aol.com; their address: 1701 Rock Springs Dv. #2117, Las Vegas, NV 89128.

Wanda (Stevenson) Ashby (BS ME `75) recently released her 2nd original recording project entitled: Within Reach . . . Contemp. Christian /Crossover presented by Broken Records and

WSA Music. Wanda would like for you to visit the website at www.brokenrecords.com, click on contemporary artists to see and hear WSA!!! She has been traveling around promoting the project at various regional bookstores and radio stations. Anyone wishing to reach Wanda can do so at 3180 Lark Drive, York, PA 17404 or E-mail at WSAmusic@aol.com

Heather (Berg) Hoyt (BM `95) was married on May 23, 1998 to P.J. Holt. She began a new job at Zaph's Music in Philadelphia. Her address: 1011 New Hope St., Apt. 27A, Norristown, PA 19401.

MUSCS

Mansfield University Student Composer's Society

MUSCS was founded in the fall of 1997 by a small group of music students interested in advancing the knowledge and support of student composition at Mansfield. The growing, student- run organization meets once a week to advance their knowledge of theory and composition through prepared lessons taught my members of the group. MUSCS also orchestrates fundraisers and activities aimed at gaining campus and community recognition and support. One such event was the "Student Composer's Concert" held Sunday, April 26, 1998. For more information about MUSCS, contact Michael K. Myers care of Mansfield University Music Department.

WIND ENSEMBLE REUNION
CALENDAR
FACULTY CHART (FROM SHERAN)

1998-99 Freshman Scholarship Students

Natalie True, Hummelstown, violin
Sarah Ball, Baltimore MD, voice
Anthony Gimino, Northumberland, voice
Jason Glowatz, Mansfield, voice
Karen Ace, Orchard Park NY, flute
Audrey Szychulski, Langhorne, cello
Kate Madden, Goshen NY, flute
Jessica Filson, Lewistown, bassoon
Amanda Rhodes, Waynesboro, clarinet
Jennifer Lemoncelli, Elmira, cello
Ruth Beale, Philadelphia, violin
Darcy Lyle, Frenchville, trumpet
Irina Pevzner, Allentown, piano

30 YEARS AGO

October 6, 1968 Kappa Kappa Psi was founded by Donald Stanley, and student Bill Berresford. Currently there are over 250 brothers.

60 YEARS AGO

George Howard and Grace Steadman institute summer music camp, a five-week course of study costing a total of \$75.

Mansfield University Professor of Music since 1971, E. Edward Brown, twice recipient of the Distinguished Faculty Award for Excellence in Teaching; a member of the National Music Teacher's Association; served as PMTA State Chairman for Theory Composition from 1983 to 1985 and received the PMTA Distinguished Service Award in 1990, which said, in part - "A Musician of Outstanding Caliber, and a person extremely amiable"; has served as Province Governor for Phi Mu Alpha Fraternity; a faculty advisor since 1975 and received a Province Leadership Award in 1998; had adjudicated for the National Guild of Piano Teacher's in many states, including Hawaii and in Taiwan; coauthor of a music theory textbook, "Theoretical Foundations of Music", published by Wadsworth Publishing Co., died Monday, May 25, 1998 at Penn State Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, PA. Mr. Brown was the husband of Jean (Anderson) Brown. He was born in Boonville, NC, a son of Evan and Jettie B. Smith Brown. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Corning, NY.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Jason Edward Brown of Wrightsville Beach, NC, Geoffrey C. and Susan K. Brown of Wilmington, NC; a sister, Anna Brown of Boonville, NC, and two nieces, Teresa Price and Luann Brown.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Mansfield University Foundation, Brown Scholarship, Alumni House, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA 16933.

Faculty News

Kenneth Sarch, MU Director of Orchestral Activities and Associate Professor of Violin and Viola, took over the reigns of the merged National School Orchestra and American String Teachers Association for the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware after serving two years as President-elect. Dr. Sarch's first duties as the new president was to preside over the June 5th Board meeting of the organization and to serve on the PMEA Planning Committee on June 13 for the 1999 Valley Forge Conference near Philadelphia. Sarch will serve as President of NSOA-PADESTA for the next two years.

The world premiere of Sarch's suite for string orchestra, "A Colonial Williamsburg Odyssey" took place in Virginia on May 16 by the Loudoun Symphony Orchestra conducted by Jed Gaylin. An enthusiastic response greeted the premiere. The suite, which was written by Sarch last year after receiving a Pennsylvania SSHE grant to establish a residency at Colonial Williamsburg, was released in August (1998) by the KJOS MUSIC CO. of California.

The MU Symphony Orchestra under Sarch's baton completed a successful year of concerts which included an American Music Festival with award winning guest composers Garrison Hull and Sy Brandon in attendance, a Pops Concert with the Concert Wind Ensemble, a student soloist concert featuring four outstanding MU music students as soloists. In addition, the orchestra completed its second successful tour to high schools in Athens and Lewisburg. Last year marked the first time that the orchestra had resumed touring in 20 years!

Kenneth Sarch completed his third year as Concertmaster of the Williamsport Symphony. He performed the concertmaster solos for Scheherazade on this past season series and will perform the solo violin part in Stravinsky's "A Soldier's Tale" in this coming season.

Sarch presented a String Session at the April 1998 PMEA Conference in Erie on "Fun Routines and Exercises to Advance Your String Students".

The Laurel String Quartet with Sarch as first violinist performed again on June 19 at the Laurel Festival in Wellsboro. Other members of the quartet include Sarch's wife, Margo, violin, Ellen Murphy, viola, and Brad Holtman, cellist. The program consisted of quartets by Mozart and Beethoven and the Serenade for String Trio by Dochnanyi.

This summer, Kenneth Sarch will perform as Concertmaster for a special July 4th concert at Hershey Park. He also presented solo recitals and chamber music, taught, coached, and gave master classes on the faculty at the NSOA-ASTA String Conference at Freedonia, NY and the Fame Music Festival in New Jersey.

Peggy Dettwiler, Director of Choral Activities, had a busy semester with activities both on and off the campus. She, along with members of the Student Chapter of ACDA, hosted several exciting choral events on the Mansfield campus. In March, Judy Willoughby-Miller, renowned children's choir director, led a children's choir workshop featuring the Miller Singers and the Hamilton-Gibson Children's Chorus. The following week, Anthony Leach brought his exciting gospel choir, "The Essence of Joy" to perform in Steadman. Dr. Leach stayed for two more days to work with area choirs and the Mansfield Concert Choir on choral techniques related to the spiritual and gospel genre. Two weeks later, "Chorus Sine Nomine," from Vienna Austria, appeared on the Steadman stage as a part of their USA tour! This is the choir that won the "Florilege Vocal de Tour" Choral Festival in which the Mansfield Concert Choir participated in the finals two years ago. We were thrilled with their exhilarating sound and intonation.

The Festival Chorus and Concert Choir presented wonderful concerts of their own this semester. On April 18 & 19, both groups performed the beloved oratorio, Messiah by G. F. Handel. Featured soloists were Mansfield alumni: Anna Maria Santalucia Meyers (1981), Fran Shumway (1981), Steven Shumway (1980), Mark Rehnstrom, formerly Johnson (1979), and Todd Robinson (1992). It was a wonderful opportunity for the 140 choral singers to perform with professional soloists along with orchestra. The very next week, the Concert Choir traveled to Erie, PA, to perform an entirely different program for the Pennsylvania State Music Conference! It was the sixth invitation the choir has received in as many years to perform at conventions or festivals. Plans are under way for a second European tour in May of 1999.

Peggy also had a number of guest conducting appearances off the university campus. She conducted for three PMEA events: District 9 Chorus in Lehman, PA; Region III Chorus at Bedford, PA; and District 8 Elementary Song Fest held in Mansfield. In addition, she was the guest conductor for the Central Daughin School Festival Chorus in Harrisburg, and she presented a reading session of SATB choral literature at the PMEA State Conference. Peggy was honored to be the guest speaker for the Student Activities Luncheon at the ACDA Eastern Division Convention held in Providence, RI. This invitation came as a result of the Mansfield Student

ACDA Chapter winning the National Outstanding Student Chapter Award last year!

This summer, Peggy participated as a conducting-fellow at the Oregon Bach Festival in Eugene, Oregon. For almost three weeks, she was surrounded by the wonderful music-making of the renowned Bach expert, Helmut Rilling. Her specific learning assignments were Haydn's Creation and Bach's Orchestral Suite No. 2. To relieve all the stress of her exciting life, she has taken up Rollerblading!

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09/20 3:00 PM Joseph Murphy Faculty Saxophone Recital
09/26 8:00 PM Prism Concert
09/27 3:00 PM Prism Concert

10/03 4:00 PM Elizabeth Lane Senior Flute Recital
8:00 PM Fine Arts Series - St. Lawrence String Quartet
10/04 3:00 PM Konrad Owens Faculty Clarinet Recital
10/10 9:30 AM-2:30 PM Barry Bernstein Percussion
10/16 8:00 PM Gershwin Jazz Concert
10/18 3:00 PM Valerie Eisenhower Senior Voice Recital
10/24 Men's Chorus - Big Sing!
8:00 PM Choral Concert
10/25 8:03 PM Octubafest
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11/08 3:00 PM Jennifer Lunde Senior Saxophone Recital

11/13 8:00 PM Opera Workshop
11/14 2:00 PM Adrienne Basilio/Heather Hartman Joint Senior Voice Recital
5:00 PM Michael Myers Senior Bassoon Recital
8:00 PM Jazz Ensemble
11/15 3:00 PM Orchestra Concert
11/18-20 Wind Ensemble Tour with Jazz Band
11/22 3:00 PM Wind Ensemble Fall Tour Concert

12/04 7:30 PM Holiday Concert
12/05 7:30 PM Holiday Concert

SPRING SEMESTER 1999 (additional recitals/concerts added later in the academic year)

01/06-08 Jazz Ensemble Tour
01/16 7:00 PM Percussion Symposium
01/23 3:00 PM Adam Brennan Faculty Percussion Recital
01/30 7:00 PM Faculty Gala Concert

02/06 7:00 PM Concert Wind Ensemble Concert
02/07 2:00 PM Concert Wind Ensemble Reunion Concert
02/13 8:00 PM Student Conductors Wind Ensemble Symphony
02/14 3:00 PM Wind Ensemble/Orchestra Pops Concert
02/18-02/21 Musical (Alternate)
02/20 7:00 PM Jessica Hope Kotch/Mollie Nöelle Bealer Joint Violin/Saxophone Recital
02/25-02/28 Musical
02/27 4:00 PM Amanda Shull Senior Saxophone Recital
02/28 3:00 PM Fine Arts Series - Rachel Spencer, soprano

03/04-03/05 Orchestra Tour
03/14 7:00 PM Teal/Galloway Joint Voice/Trumpet Faculty Recital
03/15 8:00 PM Alyssa J. Munger Graduate Voice Recital
03/17-03/20 Music Therapy Conference
03/19-03/21 Intercollegiate Band at M. U.
03/23-03/24 Choral Festival
03/27 7:30 PM Jazz Festival Concert
03/29 8:00 PM Fine Arts Series - Hesperus
03/30 - 04/01 Band & Orchestra Festival

04/07-04/09 Concert Choir Tour
04/10 2:00 PM Stephanie Gromlich/Liane Kuznick Joint Senior Piano Recital
8:00 PM Jazz Ensemble Concert
04/11 3:00 PM Concert Choir Concert
8:00 PM Symphonic Band Concert
04/23 8:00 PM Orchestra Concert
04/24 3:00 PM Small Ensemble Concert
8:00 PM Festival Chorus Concert

04/25 3:00 PM Wind Ensemble Concert

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