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Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association

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Ten students win music scholarships at festival

by Roxanna Maron

Many musicians and performers showed off their talents at the annual Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Mar. 10-14 with the final concert on Mar. 16.

Coordinator Kathy Faris says everything went very well and for the final concert 300 people attended.

"There was also a pretty good turnout for the creative music and family class competitions. We had roughly 65 people come out," she said.

Scholarships were given out to the top participants in each category. For piano the recipients were Jaclyn Goutbeck for the Kathleen Faris preparatory piano scholarship, Sophia Renke for the Gwen Montgomery junior piano scholarship, Catherine Wilgosh for the Irene Pawlikowsky senior piano scholarship, Nicole Gelata for the Yvonne Jenkins popular jazz, movie, television and pop scholarship, Jaelyn Cyca for the Fort Saskatchewan Medical Clinic Provincial Syllabus scholarship and Tamara and Nicole Peredery for the Sherritt International Cor-

poration duet and family class scholarship.

In the speech art category Ravi Amarnath received the Boston Pizze solos scholarship and Win Ferguson Grade 1 and Grade 2 won the Women's Institute of Fort Saskatchewan choral speech scholarship. Laura Lawrence, Shawn Ord, Heather Raven, Clayton Tyner and Chelsey McIntosh received the Kathy McDonald dramatic

group scholarship.

For the vocal and choral category Tegan Becker was the top performer receiving the Madeline Lamoureux solos and provincial syllabus scholarship, the Fort Sask. Allied Arts Council folk song scholarship and the Northwestern Utilities movie and television contemporary ballad scholarship. Other winners included Junior McNeil Singers receiving the Josephburg Choral

Society duets, trios and groups scholarship. Eve Harrynuk receiving the Shirley Yakimets musical theatre scholarship, the Fort Sask. Elementary School Choir receiving the Dow Chemical classroom choral scholarship and the Fort Sask. Elementary School Grade 2 class receiving the A&W classroom choral and local syllabus scholarship. In the instrumental category Charles Turanich-Noyen won

the Helen Crook woodwind solo scholarship followed by Brianna Hicks and Lana Kuzyk receiving the Fort Mall chamber ensemble and brass duets scholarship.

Sydney Legere won the James Mowat Parent Advisory Council scholarship for the mixed woodwind and brass ensemble category followed by the Fort Sask. High School receiving the Marsulex Inc. concert and stage bands scholarship. Patrick and

Charles Turanich-Noyen also received the Music Enrichment Society award for the woodwind and string duets category.

The Lee family was the big winner in the family class categories as well.

Faris said that a number of performers have been recommended to attend the provincial music competition in Edmonton on June 6 and 7 at the Alberta College.

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Music Achievement Day

John Paul II High School was well represented at this years Music Achievement Days, held in Fort Saskatchewan March 10-14. Our Concert band, Stage band and Choir took part under the direction of Mr. Nobert, as well as several students who entered in vocal and instrumental. All groups did very well, with the Concert Band and Choir finishing first in Grade three Band and mixed Choir respectively. The Stage Band also performed very well finishing a close second to Ardrossan. All those groups will be performing at our annual spring Concert Wednesday April 16 at 7:00 pm

Mr. F . Nobert



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A variety of talent was displayed last week during the Music Achievement Days. Pictured are students from John Paul II as they competed in the mixed woodwind and brass ensemble category. (l-r) Mellissa Black, Leah Collins (former JP II student now attending New Horizons in Sherwood Park), Kim Pawlyna and Allison Scully.

Music festival a great chance to showcase talent

by Roxanna Maron

The 38th annual Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival is geared up for a week of fun-filled competitions and a chance for young performers to display their musical talents.

The festival begins today and will run through to Friday. There are 409 entries this year and about 2000 performers. This is in comparison to last years entry count of 400 and 1,969 competitors.

Kathy Faris, past president of the music festival, said there are four categories this year and judges have been chosen for each category. The judges are, for vocal and choral Loretta Baker, piano Janet Scott Hoyt, instrumental Tom Dust and David Hoyt and speech arts Beth Dunbar.

Participants in the various categories range anywhere from six to 19 years old and entries include communities around the Fort as well.

The family class seems to be a favorite among people this year. There are a lot of entries in this category.

"The idea of the family class is to promote music in families. This year it seems to be quite popular," she said.

A creative music class has been introduced this year. Participants will write their own music and then perform it. They will be judged both on the writing and the performance.

The different competitions will be held all over the Fort. The piano competition will be held at Our Lady of the Angles Church, choral at Win Ferguson School, vocal and speech arts at the Community Baptist Church, instrumental, solos and ensemble at the First United Church, and bands at the Rudolph Hennig School and Fort High.

The festival is all run on donations from the community and Faris said it would that the music festival committee is always accepting donations. A final concert will be held at the Win Ferguson School on Sunday beginning at 3 p.m. The concert will include the top performers of the week. Faris said the concert always has a good turnout and is worth seeing.

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Mayor Ken Hodgins officially proclaimed March 10-14 Music Achievement Days, as representatives from the music festival association looked on. (l-r) Kathie Geleta, Kathy Faris and president Kathy McDonald.
Liz Nayowski/Record Photo

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Students tune up for Music Festival

by Steve Srubowich

All around town school age children are tuning up their musical abilities in preparation for the 38th annual Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival in early March.

Adjudicator chairman Sharon Cameron says this year's Music Achievement Days — March 10 to 16 — promises to be bigger and better.

"Last year we had about 1,900 students involved and this year we are expecting about 2,100. There will be five bands coming from Redwater, Ardrossan, Landing Trail of Gibbons, Lamont and Namao which will boost

the numbers."

A core of 10 volunteers will co-ordinate the major event. A marshal and a secretary are mandatory at each concert.

"We are looking for volunteers and grants to pay the adjudicators. We really need one more instrumental adjudicator, too."

Anyone interested in volunteering to make the music festival a success can call Cameron at 998-1243.

Festival categories include piano, vocal, speech arts, choral and instrumental.

The festival will run at churches and schools between 9 and 4:30 p.m. and there are no

evening performances. First-place finishers in each category will participate in the final concert on March 16 at 3 p.m. in Win Ferguson School.

Many scholarship winners will be announced on Mar. 16, too. Cameron is excited about the expertise of the four adjudicators who will oversee the hundreds of young musicians.

They are David Hoyt, Janet Scott-Hoyt, Beth Dunbar and Loretta Baker.

Hoyt is currently the resident guest conductor with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra. He began as a principal horn with ESO 21 years ago and per-

formed as a member or soloist with almost every orchestra in Canada. Hoyt is a regular with the ESO.

Scott-Hoyt spent 22 years with the Banff Centre for the Performing Arts and taught at the U of A. A regular performer on CBC radio who maintains her own studio of students.

Dunbar owns and operates her own speech arts and drama studio, played many stage roles, conducts workshops and adjudicates around Alberta.

Baker will adjudicate the choral section and was the supervisor of music for many years with Strathcona County.

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upcoming community events

FT. SASKATCHEWAN & AREA

Fort Saskatchewan This Week Newspaper welcomes submissions from non-profit organizations to the Community Calendar.

Please clearly include the name of the organization and the event, along with a phone number, the date and time. Limit submissions to 30 words or less. The deadline for all submissions is Tuesday at 2 p.m. for publication in the following Friday's paper. Send your information to *Fort Saskatchewan This Week*, 10109-99 Ave., Fort Saskatchewan, AB, T8L 1X7 or fax it to 998-3258.

Music Achievement Syllabus

The Fort Saskatchewan Music Achievement Days syllabus is now available. Please contact Kathy McDonald at 998-0863.

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THIS WEEK, Friday, August 16, 1996

A look at some local volunteer opportunities

BY WENDY RHODES

VOLUNTEER CENTRE OF FORT SASKATCHEWAN

Why volunteer? Through volunteering, you can gain work experience, share your expertise, learn new skills while meeting new people and helping others. The Volunteer Centre has a number of volunteer positions available in Fort Saskatchewan.

PARTY Program • Here is an opportunity to focus your time on helping with a new program for youth (Prevent Alcohol and Risk related Trauma in Youth). Time commitment: one day per month from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Treasurer • Do you want job experience? Here is an opportunity to share your expertise while learning new skills. The Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association requires a treasurer for their organization. Time commitment: monthly meeting September to June.

Raffle Ticket Fundraiser • Your support is needed in assisting the Alberta Committee of Citizens with disabilities with their fundraiser "Cash Calendar Raffle". Sell tickets at the Fort Mall August 22 to 31. Time commitment: one to two hour shifts.

Office Clerk • Keep up your clerical skills as you assist with office work within the tri-centre programs office at the Fort Saskatchewan Correctional Centre. Duties will include filing, typing, word processing and record keeping of statistical information. Time commitment: any time during office hours, Monday to Friday between 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.

For more information on the above positions or others not listed, please call the Volunteer Centre at 992-6281 or drop by the office, located at the JRC. Summer hours are Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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Our Good Neighbor is Kathy Paris.

Kathy has been nominated for providing leadership and direction to the Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association for the past four years in her role as President.

For her nomination she received a certificate for a dozen donuts compliments of Robins Donuts.

Readers who would like to nominate their Good Neighbor are invited to contact Linda at The Record at 998-7070.

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The Record Good Neighbor



Our Good Neighbor is
Karen Calver

Karen volunteers a lot of time as treasurer of the VPA Board. She's always very involved in helping with Ringette and the Musical Festival.

For her nomination she received a \$20 gift certificate compliments of McDonalds.

Readers who would like to nominate their **Good Neighbor** are invited to contact Linda at The Record at 998-7070.

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**The
Fort Saskatchewan
Music Festival Association**

would like to thank all the many
volunteers who helped make the
1996 Festival such a success.

From March 4 to March 10
over 1900 students participated
in the Festival.

Without your help,
Music Achievement Days
would not be possible.

We appreciate your dedication.



Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association

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Music festival largest ever

by Brian Drewry

Chalk up another success story for the Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association. The 1996 Music Achievement Days held March 4-10 saw the largest number of participants since 1992 and several youths were selected to move on to Provincial festivals.

The final concert at Win Ferguson School capped off the week-long event that saw 1,913 youths participate.

"It was a very good time for everyone," says Association president Kathleen Faris. "The adjudicators were all pleased with the events and gave some very good compliments."

Dr. Robert deFrece, Janet Scott Hoyt, Dr. Tom Dust and Walter Kaasa were the adjudicators and they recommended Clarice Mah go to the Provincial Festival for piano, Tegan Becker for musical theatre, Jaelyn Cyca for piano and also the Ardrossan Ju-

nior High School band.

"The best performers I've heard here are equal to the best I've heard elsewhere," said Dr. Tust, who adjudicated the band and instrumental performances. "It's not as large as some other festivals, but the standard of performance is very high."

The Provincial festival for solos will go June 7-8 at Alberta College in Edmonton and the choral and band festival is in May in Camrose.

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The mixed woodwind and brass duet of Erin, left, and Cathy van Delden warm-up prior to their performance at the first United Church on Thursday. They were among several performers at the church as part of the Music Achievement Days last week. Brian Drewry/Record Photo

March 12, 1996



Josh Cox, on the large drum, Lee Mackin on the small drums, Christine Hennig on the xylophone and Radley White on the cymbals — the percussion section of Rudolph Hennig's grade eight and nine band — got down to some serious practicing last week as they gear up for Fort Saskatchewan's annual Music Achievement Days running all this week.
Brian Drewry/Record Photo

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Music festival fun on its way to the Fort

Get set for some music fun as the Fort Saskatchewan Music Achievement Days near. Planned for March 4 to 8, the event will embrace local talent in the areas of piano, vocal and choral, speech arts and instrumental and band performances.

Calling on over 1,000 hours of volunteer help, the music festival attempts to rally around talent in this community. Over 1,000 students from Fort Saskatchewan and surrounding areas perform and receive encouraging and constructive adjudication.

Those who wish to attend the event are welcomed by organizers and will be delighted with the talent. To find out more information or to get a program of the event, call Kathy at 998-5495.

This Week

Feb 23, 1996

Music festival set

Music buffs in Fort Saskatchewan should mark March 4 to March 8 on their calendars as the Music Festival Association brings the annual festival to town. Set at various locations around Fort Saskatchewan, the festival showcases the talents of youth in the area and gives them an opportunity to be judged by professionals. Entry classes include vocal and choral, piano, instrumental and speech arts. With application deadline set for Jan. 15, organizers are encouraging local musicians to get involved. Application forms and more information can be available from Kathy Faris at 998-5495.

The final concert and the awarding of scholarships will be held at Win Ferguson Community School on March 10.

This week

Jan. 05, 1996

Music festival needs volunteers

The Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association is looking for volunteers for Music Achievement Days which will be held March 4 to 8 in Fort Saskatchewan.

This annual event showcases the talents of youth in our area and gives them an opportunity to be adjudicated by professionals. Entry classes include: Vocal & Choral, Piano, Instrumental and Speech Arts.

The Final Concert and awarding of scholarships will be held at Win Ferguson School on March 10.

Application deadline is January 15. Any student who is a resident of Fort Saskatchewan, attends school in Fort Saskatchewan, or the Sturgeon and Elk Island School Divisions, or studies with a music teacher who resides in those areas, is eligible to apply.

The Association is funded solely by the Foundation for the Arts, and private donations.

If you would like to volunteer your services in any capacity please call Kathy Faris at 998-5495.

December 27, 1995



Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association

The Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association has approximately 65 volunteers whose duties include secretarial work, set up and organization of the festival. The festival is held every March and hosts about 1600 musicians from age five years to 19 years each year.

More volunteers are always welcome.

Thanks to the many volunteers without whom this event would not be possible. We appreciate your dedication.

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This week
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Music Festival results announced

The following are the award winners of the recent Music Festival held in Fort Saskatchewan.

INSTRUMENTAL:

Renee McLean, Joanne Corder, Denette Tews, Christina Fedorak, Kristan Tetz, Sarah Sprake, Michael Harrison, Darren Roper, Matthew Schultz, Vasudev Mandiyam, Peter Parisian, Mandy Stewart, Karen Tetz, Ryan Clarke, Michael Mandrusiak, Rachelle Armstrong, Warren Goertzen, Dana Turner, Lauren Yallop, Adam McDougall, Holly Collier, Craig McLaughlan, Tim Eddy, Warren Goertzen, Dale Jansen, Renee Dion, Hayley McLean, Sarah Sprake, Sean Bennett, Robert Scott, Aspen Gowers, Cathy van Delden, marie Buchta, Sheena Marshall, Tanis Sandu, Erika Sprake, Sarah Dunmore, Brittni Sorenson, Justin Chapman, Chantell Honey, Ken Akerboom.

VOCAL:

Carla Granger, Jessica Sowden, Deanne Workman, Leah Collins, Nicole Hanson, Eve Harrynuck, Kristin Kaweckl, Kimberly Traviss, Tegan Becker, Dan Duncan, Kyle Ord, Amanda Williams, Shalyn Stokes, Carly Kaban, Kari Spicer, Win Ferguson Gr. 3, F.S. Elem. Gr. 4-6, Johanna VanderVaart, Fort Sask. Sr. High, Swing Choir.

SPEECH:

Peter J. Taylor, Tahra Bolen, Tiffany Scheirling, Dan Duncan, Johanna VanderVaart, Win Ferguson School, James Mowat School, Fort Elementary School, Poorra Murphy, Ravi Amarnath, Sarah Taylor, Kelsey Avery, Cody McIsaak, Nathan Drury, Jenny Griffiths, Sarah Hoque, Jocelyn Bickford, Katie-Sue Derjko, Katie Duffield, Donna Jossy.

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INSTRUMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS:

Erv Miller (Woodwind & Brass Ensemble, Provincial Syllabus) - Rachelle Armstrong and Dale Jansen. Helen Crook (Woodwind Solo, Provincial Syllabus) - Mark Stecyk Fort Mall (Brass and Percussion Solo, Provincial Syllabus) - Jeff Hicks Marsulex Inc. (Concert and Stage Bands) - Rudolph Hennig Grade Seven Concert Band Music Enrichment Society (Woodwind Ensemble, Local Syllabus) - Mandy Stewart & Karen Tetz. James Mowat Parent Advisory Council (Mixed Woodwind/Brass Ensemble, Brass Ensemble, Local Syllabus) - Sarah Dunmore & Cathy van Delden.

SPEECH ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS:

Gus' Steak and Rib House (Dramatic Impровisation, Group Scenes, Duologue, Storytelling) - Peter James Taylor, Tahra Bolen, Tiffany Scheirling Boston Pizza (All Solos except Biblical) - Dan Duncan Christian Education Association (Biblical Solo) - Johanna VanderVaart Piano Scholarships: Gwen Montgomery (Junior Piano) - Sophia Renke Irene Pawlikowsky (Senior Piano) - Tricia Gabert Fort Sask. Fast Food Enterprises Ltd. (Preparatory) - Ryan Galloway Sherritt Inc. (Duet and Family Class) - Catherine Wilgosh & Renee Thornhill Yvonne Jenkins (Popular and Jazz) - Tricia Gabert Fort Saskatchewan Medical Clinic (Provincial Syllabus) - Clarice Mah

Vocal and Choral Scholarships: Madeline Lamoureux (Solos, Provincial Syllabus) - Carla Granger Dow Chemical (Classroom Choral, provincial Syllabus) - Fort Sask. Elementary Grade 4-6 A & W (Classroom Choral, Local Syllabus) - Fort Sask. Elementary

Grade 4-6

Northwestern Utilities Ltd. (Movie/TV and Contemporary Ballad) - Jessica Sowden Shirley Yakimets (Musical Theatre) - Deanne Workman Josephburg Choral Society (Duets, Trios and Groups) - Leah Collins & Nicole Hassen Fort Saskatchewan Allied Arts Council (Folk Songs, Sacred Composers) - Eve Harrynuck.

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Next Week

17-year-old Craig McLauchlan warms-up for his brass solo in the 36th annual Music Achievement Days which ran all last week. Look for the list of award winners in next week's issue.

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March 14, 1995*

Music festival set

Local music lovers get set for the annual music festival. Set to hit Fort Saskatchewan from March 6 to 10, the event is sure to please all with many talented and exciting individuals showing off their abilities. Hoped to be a show case for Fort talent, the music festival has become the place where young musicians can learn about their trade.

Categories of competition include the piano, instrumentals, vocal and choral and speech arts. In order to judge the talent appropriately, local organizers have enlisted the talents of numerous well known judges.

Included in this list is Bill Dimmer. Having been active in the Tommy Banks Band and the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra for many years, Dimmer will bring to the Fort Saskatchewan music festival a strong background in the instrumental department.

Barbara Mackin is a pianist and music teacher living in St. Albert. She has recently prepared an ear-training book and a harmony book for publication.

*This Week
Feb 10, 1995*

Music Festival organizers are hoping for good turnout

by Arnim Joop

Organizers of the 36th annual Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival March 6-10 are expecting a large turnout.

"We had over 1,200 participants last year, and we're hoping to have more this year," says Kathy Faris, president of the Fort Saskatchewan Music Festival Association.

The festival will feature classes for elementary and secondary students in piano, vocal, choral, speech, and instrumental.

Classes will be held between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the United Church, Community Baptist Church,

Our Lady of the Angels Church, Fort Saskatchewan Junior High School and Rudolph Hennig School.

All classes are open to the public. Some classes will be held at 7 p.m. Monday evening to give working parents the opportunity to attend.

The festival will wrap up with a public concert at 7 p.m. March 12 at Win Ferguson Community School, featuring the week's best performers.

Festival participants must be currently attending school or taking lessons in Fort Saskatchewan.

This year's adjudicators will be Barbara Mackin, a

pianist and music teacher living in St. Albert (piano); Kim Mattice-Wanat, a soprano singer and voice teacher at the University of Alberta (vocal and choral); Walter Kaasa, a veteran actor of stage, radio and television from Edmonton (speech); and Bill Dimmer (instrumental).

"We are financially supported by local businesses, organizations and individuals," Faris says. "The music festival is truly a community effort."

Last year the festival received \$4,742.21 in donations and \$2,439 from entry fees.

But Faris says the admission fee for the final

concert may have to be increased, because renting the gymnasium at Win Ferguson Community School is no longer free. Last year admission was \$2 per person.

Faris says the music festival is a good opportunity for Fort Saskatchewan students.

"It's really a good way to showcase the talents we have in our community," she says. "It's the only event for all the kids and schools in Fort Saskatchewan."

Faris says about 65 volunteers are involved in the preparation of this year's festival.

"It takes a lot of volunteer hours," she says.

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