

# Lansing Musicians Perform Brahms To Boogie-Woogie

Nearly 120 young musicians from Lansing's 5th and 6th grade band, the 7th and 8th grade orchestra and the high school band performed an eclectic selection of musical works last Tuesday, November 19 at the Middle School Auditorium.

The program featured instrumental selections originally written by artists as varied as Prokofiev and Danny and the Juniors.

The evening's entertainment began with the sixty-six piece 5th and 6th grade band, conducted by Mrs. Gail Hughes. It performed four selections, including John O'Reilly's *Crater Lake Overture* and Eric Osterling's *Phantom Patrol*.

The 7th and 8th grade orchestra of violins and cellos was conducted by Mrs. Kathleen McHugh. Their program consisted of Brahms' *Dackow's Scherzo from Serenade No. 1 in D Major*, Grainger's *Alshin's Over The Hills and Far Away* and Prokofiev/Wielozynski's *Troika from Lt. Kije*.

The high school band, conducted by Mr. William Phelps, provided a counterpoint to previous musicians with a whimsical contemporary program. Its selections ranged from John Berry's *Phantom of the Opera* to Mike Sweeney's *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy* to a medley of 1950's early rock and roll.

**5-6 Band:** CONDUCTOR: Mrs. Gail Hughes  
**FLUTE** - Jamie Wingate, Jessica Tull, Melissa Usack, Gwynne Mapes, Kelly Nagle. Carolyn Wharton, Lorelee Howell, Jenny Geiger, Angelina Melice, Amie Nguyen, Hattie Saltonstall, Jackie Ryan.

**CLARINET** - Christina Valesente, Karyn Hartz, Danielle Sharp, Simon Ingall, Valerie Dedrick, Patty Carvalho, Sam Gorman, Drew Colvin, Jeff Booth, Ryan Sheive, Peter Skvarla, Amanda Catone, Nicole Coleman, Jessica Sherman, Casie Eastman, Elizabeth Olver.

**BASS CLARINET** - Michael Darfler, Darin Buck  
**ALTO SAX** - Joey Usack, Matt Biviano, Erik Herter, Beth Emmett, Douglas Bennett, Dana Conley, Shawn Russell, Morgan Tracy-Fortner.  
**TENOR SAX** - Melanie Bortz.

**BARITONE SAX** - Sabrina Jones.  
**TRUMPETS** - Adam Burke, Thomas Colt, Andrew Barnard, Bryan Zaborowski, Alejandro papachryssanthou, Chad Mehlenbacher, Cody Inman, Seth Tucker, Chris Haring, Jacob Herrewyn, Prasun Pal, Landon Cook, Michael Trotter.

**TROMBONE** - Jeff Abbott, Justin Thompson.  
**BARITONE** - Jaimi Bain, Kara Maul  
**PERCUSSION** - Ben Bruno, Jeremy Deans, Chase Harper, Leslie Hotaling, Scott Corbin, Erin Carlson, Brian Vaughn, Micah Beck.

**7-8 Orchestra:** CONDUCTOR: Mrs. Kathleen McHugh  
**VIOLINS** - Laura Bowen, Cara Campbell, Erika Eddy, Wesley Gorman, Katie Haring, Kyri Murdough, Heather Ormsby, Puneet Panda, Kaitlin Stilwell, Kara Wilcox.  
**CELLO** - Emily Dean, Stephanie Grooms, Andrew Warnick.

**High School Band:** CONDUCTOR: Mr. William Phelps  
**FLUTE** - Dixie Chaffee, Katie Hollister, Janna Hatfield, Kim Dean, Wendy Allen, Britta Erickson, Tiffany Howe, Sheli Grooms, Christian Jones, Sarah Keating, Casey Carr.  
**OBOE** - Tabitha Hughes, Emily Tucker.  
**CLARINET** - Kim VanPelt, Melissa Jennings, Darcy Baxter, Sonia Slade, Shigei Gebremendhin, David Huffman, Ricky Ducharme, Chris Lucas.  
**BASS CLARINET** - Katie Crandall.  
**BASSOON** - Kim LaComb  
**ALTO SAX** - Jonasz Ely-Rubik.  
**TENOR SAX** - Peter Lippert, Ben Darfler.  
**BARITONE SAX** - Mike Skvarla.  
**HORN** - Meghan Deans.  
**TRUMPET** - Tyson Benson, Robert Mitchell, Paul Munson, Melanie Sweazey, Jason Howell, Amber Volbrecht, Sarah Willard.  
**BARITONES** - Jason Moore, Doug Turner.  
**TUBA** - Tom Metzger  
**PERCUSSION** - Taqui Raza, Jonathan Smith.



**CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF A GOOD THING** - 70 Lansing Middle Schoolers and 120 Elementary pupils "swarm" around the ice for two hours of recreation and relaxation once a week for six weeks thanks to a collaborative effort involving the Town's Recreation Department, the School District and the RINK.

## Lansing Elementary & MS Kids Think RINK Every Mon. & Wed.

Sixth grader Lorelee Howell, 11, doesn't know that the Lansing Recreation Department designed its ice-skating program to let elementary and middle school students burn off energy and relax. She doesn't realize that the staff at the RINK wants the youngsters to develop a lifetime recreational activity. All Lorelee cares about is that coming to the RINK on Wednesday afternoons after school is "all about fun."

That's actually the way Rec. Dept. director Steve Colt wants things. The after school program is purposely not structured and some kids spend as much time socializing off the ice as they do skating, said Colt. "There are no coaches or lessons. It's simply a place to relax and have fun with friends," he said.

Lansing's after-school skating program started about 5 years ago at Ithaca's Cass Park. Since the RINK opened on East Shore Drive two years ago, it's been possible to offer the program at lot closer to home.

About 120 elementary school children

come to the RINK on Monday afternoons and another 70 Middle School youngsters arrive on Wednesdays. For an \$18 fee they get six two-hour sessions of skating, skate rentals and round trip bus transportation from and back to school. "The school's transportation department is flexible and always there when we need them," said Colt.

Every student has his or her own special reason for liking the RINK. Fifth grader Stefan Whittenburg, 10, likes to go as fast as he can while Howell prefers to do twirls on toe-pick. Scott Walters, 11, adored last Valentine's Day 4th grade skating party (and didn't go hungry munching on the teacher-baked cupcakes). Simon Ingall enjoyed wearing costumes to the recent Halloween skating party and Jill Gardner, 11, just likes skating with friends.

"It can get a little nerve-wracking with a 'family' of a hundred or more kids," admits Colt. That's why he appreciates the parents who volunteer their time to make sure everything runs smoothly on the ice.

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