
Katharine’s Note

Symmetry has its place in art and music and two events, one at the beginning of the season and one at the end, bring to mind a kind of symmetry too. The first event of the 2004 summer season at Rocky Ridge was a jazz party on June 11th. Thanks to the support of our friends, Herb and Barbara Hoover, we engaged the legendary Queen City Jazz Band for a concert to benefit Rocky Ridge and the Estes Valley Land Trust. Nearly 100 people came to enjoy delicious appetizers and wine in our historic lodge. Board Member Robin Estes then introduced the Queen City Jazz Band. But our main event of the evening was the impromptu invitation for a “finish-the-phrase” evening, arranged by us and the Colorado Mountain School. The final numbers of the night were Jukebox Jive and Take Five. Both events brought in generous support and donations. What these events also demonstrated was how fortunate Rocky Ridge is to have so many wonderful friends. Again our thanks to those who came to these events!

I hope both will become annual events. So for those of you who live further away, mark your calendars now and consider planning a trip to Estes Park in mid-June or mid-September so you can join us next season. I guarantee you will have a good time.

Katharine Smith-Warren
The Board of Trustees appointed Connie Cook Glen to a new position, Associate Director, effective September 1, 2004. Ms. Glen has been associated with Rocky Ridge for twelve years, teaching piano, ensemble literature, ear, rhythm, and music theory courses, as well as numerous mini-sessions on specific topics such as "Women in Music," "Impressionism," and "Rhythmic Impulses." She was named Program Director for the Junior Student Seminars in 2004 and will continue in that capacity.

Ms. Glen received a Master in Music degree from the Indiana University School of Music, and has completed all the coursework for the Doctorate. She serves as an adjunct faculty member. In addition, Ms. Glen serves on the staff of the Office of Student Ethics and Anti-Harassment Programs. Recent presentations there include "Academic Integrity" and " Civility in the Classroom" for a variety of forums at IU (2002-4) as well as " Academic Integrity: The Truth of the Matter" at NASA 2000 (National Association of Student Personnel Administrators).

Ms. Glen presides over the Bloomington Community Chamber Music Association, and co-chaired the Bloomington Multicultural Festival 2002 (in association with the Lotus International Music Festival). She also maintains a piano studio teaching both children and adults.

Ms. Glen’s experience at Rocky Ridge includes her own piano study for many years with Beth Miller Harrod, while in high school and college. Both of her children, Jeremy and Hilary, attended Rocky Ridge as cello students of James McWharter and Stephen Harrison (Hilary also studied piano with Katherine Herbener), and Jeremy has served as a counselor and staff member.

Carrie Cook Glen remarks: "I know from experience that Rocky Ridge Music Center offers a terrific opportunity for young musicians and I am pleased to now focus my energy on contributing to it in a greater capacity than in the past. My own years there as a student opened up my future and inspired my music education. I look forward to working with the wonderful team of people that guide the Rocky Ridge Music Center—everyone is so enthusiastic and committed to excellence in education, which matches my own energy and commitment to music education."

Rocky Ridge is located in the former Hewes Kirkwood Lodge built in 1907 and one of the finest examples of log construction of the period. It was named a National Historic District in 1995 and is also on the Colorado Register of Historic Buildings. Rocky Ridge has offered summer music programs since 1942 and ranks as one of the oldest classical music camps in the United States.

Carina Voly states: It is an honor to be appointed to the position of Music Director, and at the same time it’s a great responsibility to uphold the enduring traditions of the Rocky Ridge Music Center. I am looking forward to continuing those traditions and to seeking new opportunities for the Center, following in the footsteps of my predecessors, Beth Miller Harrod and Elizabeth Mueller Grace. I look forward to working with the wonderful team of people that guide the Rocky Ridge Music Center— everyone is so enthusiastic and committed to excellence in education, which matches my own energy and commitment to music education."

The future of Rocky Ridge is in excellent hands.

Norman Paulu
President Board of Trustees
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