



# L.I.F.E. Style

A Year Of Friendship July 2009



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## LIFE and Mr. Holland's Opus Donate \$25K in New Instruments to Louisville Middle School

Through the incredible efforts of all LIFE Members who participated in the 'Kids Need Music' program that we held last year (remember those orange wrist bands we were selling?) The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation (MHOF), a non-profit organization that supports music education programs in schools nationwide, surprised students at the Farnsley Middle School in Louisville, KY with the donation of \$25,000 worth of instruments to the school's music program.



Over 300 band and orchestra students took part in the 'surprise'.

You might remember that the funds LIFE Members raised were in support of Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation. It was our way of 'bridging the generation gap' and giving younger music fans the opportunity to enjoy and play music in the same way that we do as music makers.

Farnsley Middle School serves 1,100 6th through 8th grade students in the Louisville area. Over 300 music students at the school took part in the unveiling during early morning classes. Farnsley's current school music program budget is \$5500 a year for both orchestra and band, so the donation came as a well-needed boost to the music program and the students.



Representing LIFE Members was **Central Music** in Louisville and their LIFE Chapter, **Derby City LIFE**. Pictured at right are Lowrey Regional Sales Manager, **Andy Cerone, Taffy and John Williams** (representing The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation, **Pam Fleitz**, district music supervisor, **Alan Cronin**, owner of Central Music, **Cora Swindell**, **Derby City LIFE president**, and **Ralph Hardee, LIFE Member**. It was Ralph who built the infamous 'Sugar Shack' that was housed at their local K-mart during a BBQ fundraiser the group held.

As you can see our Kids Need Music program was an incredible success and each and every LIFE Member that participated should feel proud of their work and that they have helped affect the life of a child who might otherwise not have known the joys of music! Congratulations, all!!

## Hal Leonard Songbooks

### July: SONGS OF THE FIFTIES

E-Z Play  
Member Only  
25% Discount  
\$14.95

59 songs, featuring: *Blue Suede Shoes • Blue Velvet • Here's That Rainy Day • Love Me Tender • Misty • Rock Around the Clock • Satin Doll • Tammy • Three Coins in the Fountain • Young at Heart.*

**To Order:** visit [www.musicdispatch.com](http://www.musicdispatch.com), or call 1-800-637-2852. Use LIFE code **LL07** when ordering. Hal Leonard songbook code: **101934**

Note, there is a shipping and handling charge.

E-Z Play August: **BEACH BOYS GREAT-EST HITS**  
Member Only  
25% Discount  
\$8.95

21 enduring pop classics by the Beach Boys in our famous E-Z Play® notation featuring the note names in the note heads. Includes: *Barbara Ann • California Girls • Dance, Dance, Dance • Do It Again • Don't Worry Baby • Fun, Fun, Fun • Good Vibrations • Help Me Rhonda • I Get Around • In My Room • Kokomo • Little Deuce Coupe • Sloop John B • + more!*

**To Order:** visit [www.musicdispatch.com](http://www.musicdispatch.com), or call 1-800-637-2852.

Use LIFE code **LL-08** when ordering. Hal Leonard songbook code: **100152**

Note, there is a shipping and handling charge.



## Notes From 'The Professor'



Hello fellow L.I.F.E. Members. Thought I'd talk about your wonderful black Lowrey song book that came with your Lowrey. The LC, LX, SE and SU models play some or all of the songs from this book.

All of these songs, with their great arrangements, were recorded

by Lowrey artist, **Bil Curry**. Each one is a masterpiece! (Of course, we don't tell him that... LOL!)

The smaller models have these songs recorded internally in the organ. The larger models have these songs on a disk(s). This wonderful Lowrey feature gives you three great benefits:

1. Listening to these songs for entertainment value. Find out how to "chain" these songs to automatically go from one song to another. This enhances the value of your investment.
2. Let this feature teach you how to play any or all of the songs available on your model. (Remember, not all models have all 50 songs). Some mid-size to larger models have a "Play Along" feature which allows you to do just that - play along with Bil.
3. In most cases, as any of these songs are playing, you can capture or "memorize" the registrations for you own use. Find out if your model activates the Karaoke feature.

I realize this is only a broad picture, but I hope it will encourage you to explore the capabilities of your particular model with regard to this ability!

*Paul Shaub*

## The Points Corner

### JULY DOUBLE POINTS: Volunteer Activity

Typical volunteer activities can range from donating time, food, toys and materials, to organizational help, as well as helping raise funds. You can claim points for Volunteer efforts all year long for any local or national charity your Chapter chooses to volunteer for. **Normal Points are 500. Double Points are 1000.**

### RULES and RESTRICTIONS:

Only Members who participate in the event or volunteer receive 1000 points for each event.

### IMPORTANT NOTE:

**A Volunteer Activity is NOT CONSIDERED 'MAKING MUSIC IN YOUR COMMUNITY'.** A Volunteer Activity is when you help others in your community that doesn't involve playing at a senior center, nursing home, etc. Those activities are considered 'Making Music In Your Community'. Only if you hold a fundraiser concert will playing for others be considered a Volunteer Activity.

### AUGUST DOUBLE POINTS:

#### Bring A Friend To Class

When you bring a friend to your classes, you're introducing your friend to a great hobby and you should be rewarded for it. Normal Points are 3000. Double Points are 6000.

### RULES and RESTRICTIONS:

**One new friend, per class. Members cannot claim points for bringing the same friend to class each week, or on different months.** Qualifying friends may not have ever been enrolled in Lowrey classes before and may not have ever been a member of LIFE. **To receive points, Members must write in the name of the friend they brought to class on the Activity Award Authorization Form.**

## Tis A Wee Bit Irish!!

Meet **Braeden Tripp**, 11 1/2 months old and the esteemed winner of **Minnesota Loon-y Tunes**, 'Guess The Number of Candies In The Jar' contents. Leave it to a youngster to know the answer when it comes to candy, right? (Actually the winner, entered under the name of Braeden, who is the son of the group's class leader, **Jay Tripp**). You can't tell from the black and white, but little, happy as the day is long, Braeden is decked out completely for St. Pat's day in a green and white hat and Irish quilt - tis a wee bit Irish, takes on new meaning!



The beautiful quilt was donated by one of the students and her daughter at **Schmitt Music of Roseville**. Minnesota Loon-y Tunes has been raising funds for Wonderful World of Music, a local organization that serves as a lending library to supply new and refurbished musical instruments to kids who are eager to learn to play but who's families cannot afford to rent or purchase an instrument for them. To date, Minnesota Loon-y Tunes has raised \$1900 for this incredibly worthwhile cause. The 'Guess The Number of Candies' contest alone raised \$354.00! Wonderful work, Minnesota Loon-y Tunes!

## Spring Fling At Piano Gallery!



It was Spring Fling Time at the **Piano Gallery in Riverdale, Utah** recently. Lowrey Artist **Dennis Awe** and Lowrey Regional Sales Manager, **Bob Ashworth** congratulate the LIFE folks who played for Friends Play for Friends at the Spring Fling 2009.

Pictured from left to right are **Bob Ashworth, Elayne Day, Nancy Paulsen, Bessie Petersen, Norman Farr, Sandy Sandor, Virginia Barnard, Doris Garlick, Arlene Wright and Dennis Awe.**

## Laugh Out Loud

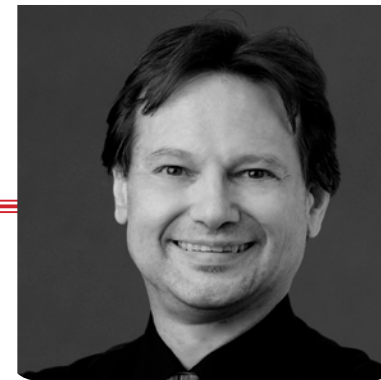
Youth is that period when you're looking for greener pastures. Middle age is when you realize you can hardly mow what you've got.

I've finally 'gotten it all together' - and now I've forgotten where I put it!

You know you're getting older when you discover your grandchildren's history lessons are what you studied as current events!

## Bil's Corner "The Star Spangled Banner"

Since this month the 4th of July rolls around, I thought it only fitting we highlight "The Star Spangled Banner". Of course it's great to play on any occasion (even in the U.K.). After all, the original tune, Anacreon in Heaven was actually a popular British drinking song and the theme of the "Anacreon Society" (a gentleman's club for amateur musicians).



### THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Francis Scott Key (TRANPOSE THE ORGAN DOWN TO B<sup>b</sup> OR A<sup>b</sup> TO GET A BETTER KEY FOR SINGING.) John Stafford Smith \*

## The Sparks of LIFE!

**LIFE In The Heart Of PA**, sponsored by has recently voted to change their Chapter name to '**The Sparks of LIFE**'. They've also come up with a new 'mission statement' which we thought was great!

*Here's the new 'Sparks of LIFE' -*  
**First row: John Marto, Marion Polhar, Don Kelly, Jim Hursh, Jo Hursh, Cherie-Bischoff, Back row: Rich Eberman, Don Rose, Pat Kelly, John Martino, Hilda Martino, Bob Zimmerman**



## Friends For LIFE Donates \$5500 To Bids For Kids

Once again, **Lambert's Music Center** and **Friends For LIFE in Andersen, IN**, took part in helping to raise funds for their elected charity, 'Bids For Kids'. This year, the group raised an outstanding \$5500 toward the effort! Proceeds benefit the Exchange Clubs Family Resources for the prevention of child abuse in Andersen.

More than 1,400 items and certificates will be auctioned this year during the 20 hours of the televised Bids for Kids auction.

As part of Friends For LIFE's contribution, Lambert's held a benefit concert starring the Master of Ceremonies himself, **Dennis Awe**. The auction itself was held live on television, so our Friends For LIFE Members are now TV stars!

*Lamberts and LIFE Members presenting the \$5500 check!*



*Lambert's Music enter owners Phil and Judy Lambert present check & auction MC Brett Busby*



*Call Center staffed by LIFE members*

