



Dundas Valley Orchestra

"Hi" Notes

May 2013



Our two most influential conductors: Founder Art Vogt on right and Glenn Mallory (1997-2011)

President's Message

Well, we are 35 years old this year and, as you will see from the DVO Time Machine article in this issue, we are still impressing people, even former members. Those newer members who don't have a copy of the book would find our history an interesting read, especially so because they are performing alongside other players who made that history.

May is always a busy month and this month is no exception. We have reversed our usual order of playing our public concert at the end of the season so that it will be cooler for everyone and we don't conflict with Buskerfest. Our two Nursing home concerts are now concluding the season.

Finally, it is most important that our June 9 fundraiser be a success. Please try to pull out all stops to support it.

Peter
President

Our 35th Anniversary Year!

Music Director's Message

It's hard to believe but the concert is upon us. Time flies when you're having fun and I hope you've enjoyed this repertoire as much as I have. You've done a lot of work on the music and it is easy to hear that. You've been sounding very good at the last few rehearsals and I am confident that we're going to present an excellent, varied and "something-for-everyone" concert.

Thanks to everyone - Board and general membership - involved in concert preparations. Caroleen and Larry have the program looking fantastic. Ron is always on top of getting St. Paul's ready for us and Alicia keeps everyone very well informed. I'd also like to say a special thank you to Mark for his leadership in the Composer Competition. His thoughtful comments were really helpful to the Board and I enjoyed our discussions of the works submitted.

The DVO Board approaches the organization's leadership with a remarkable blend of enthusiasm and careful consideration. As we near the end of this season I want to say thank you to Peter and the Board members who take such care in the operations and planning of the DVO. It is much appreciated. Kudos to all. Have a great concert! See you Sunday,

Laura
Music Director

Lake Field Music Camp

Gary Fleming announced that he and his wife are attending this camp in Lakefield on August 11 - 18 and have done so in the past and they have really enjoyed it. Due to the rush of business at rehearsal when he recommended it to everyone,

there was not enough time to give details - so here is the website where you can get all the details:

www.lakefieldmusic.ca

DVO Fundraiser getting closer!

Our major fundraiser to be held on June 9 2013 is being organized by **Baya Vertes** and **Simon Woodside**. It is an **invitation only** event and, in many respects takes us back to the origins of fundraising for the DVO so ably carried out by Gordon Webster (our first President) and his wife, Betty who held “Strawberries and Champagne” concerts in the garden of their Ancaster home in the early 1980’s. Once again, our guests will enjoy summertime refreshments, works of art and music by the DVO.

Attendees this year will have the option to receive an original work of art by John MacGregor created especially for this event.

There are two donation options:

a **single** admission is \$100 with a signed print or (\$50.00 for no-print election) or

a **couple** admission with a signed print at \$130 or (\$80 for no-print election).

Whichever option you choose, a Tax receipt for \$50.00 will be provided.

If you’d like to attend, please speak to **Baya** or **Simon** soon.

Remember the date!
SUNDAY June 9 2013

DVO Time Machine An excerpt from “The Dundas Valley Orchestra, A Jewel in the Valley: 1978-2011”

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The year was 2003 and it marked the 25th Anniversary of the founding of the orchestra by Art Vogt back in 1978. Naturally, a special concert was planned and Art was invited back to listen, enjoy and participate. Not only was the public invited but a special effort was made to attract former players to the event. To this end, an invitation (seen on following page) was devised and circulated. It was an important event not only because of the quarter century achievement but also because it marked the welcome news that money had been found for the funding of the desperately required timpani, courtesy of the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

The audience filled St. James Anglican church and the orchestra was at its best. Art was impressed by everything he saw and everyone was smiling. Though the orchestra is not much inclined to take official photographs, the orchestra did spend time after the concert posing for this historic event.

The orchestra received many congratulatory messages from well-wishers on that day and a note arrived from a former member congratulating them on the anniversary. It read: “Greetings to the Dundas Valley Orchestra on their 25th Anniversary on May 25, 2003. I spent several very enjoyable years playing with the DVO in the early eighties and one of the things I really missed when I moved back to Ottawa was playing with them. They still remain my favourite orchestra.”
Margaret Holton

Recognise anyone?



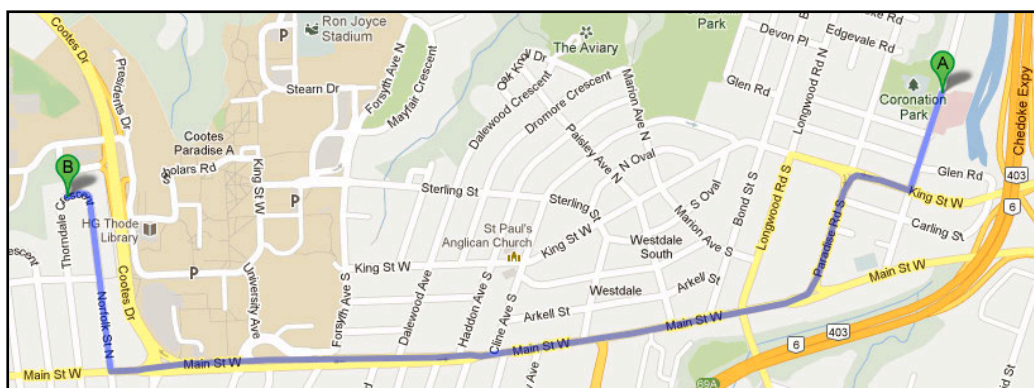
The Dundas Valley Orchestra
Conductor Glenn Allan Mallory
~
Founding Conductor Arthur Vogt
25th Anniversary Concert, May 25, 2003

(NOTE: That's **Arthur Vogt** seated at the front on the far left side.)

Orchestra Social after the Shalom Village concert on May 21 2013

Liz Lesser (cello) has very graciously offered to host an after-concert Social at her home at **62 Thorndale Crescent, Hamilton**. The map below shows how to travel between Shalom Village and her home. Liz is one of the founding members of our orchestra and spent some 20 years (1981-1994 as Secretary and 1998-2002 as Social Convenor) on the Board. It is a pot-luck event so please prepare a preferred selection of food (enough for about 4 people) to take with you. If you'd like to have a beer or wine, please supply your own and to share. If you were not at the May 7 rehearsal when a head count was taken, please tell Glenn Welbourn or Jennie Kyle if you wish to attend. We need numbers to ensure there is enough for everyone.

And a very big **THANK YOU** to Liz, not only for the evening but for all her dedication over the years!



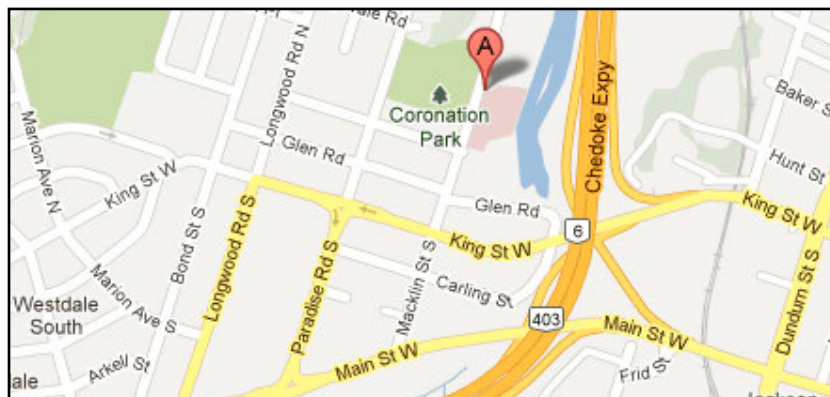
Nursing and Retirement Home Concerts:

May 21 2013

Arrangements have been made for **Tuesday, May 21, 2013** for us to visit **Shalom Village** on Macklin Road in Hamilton.

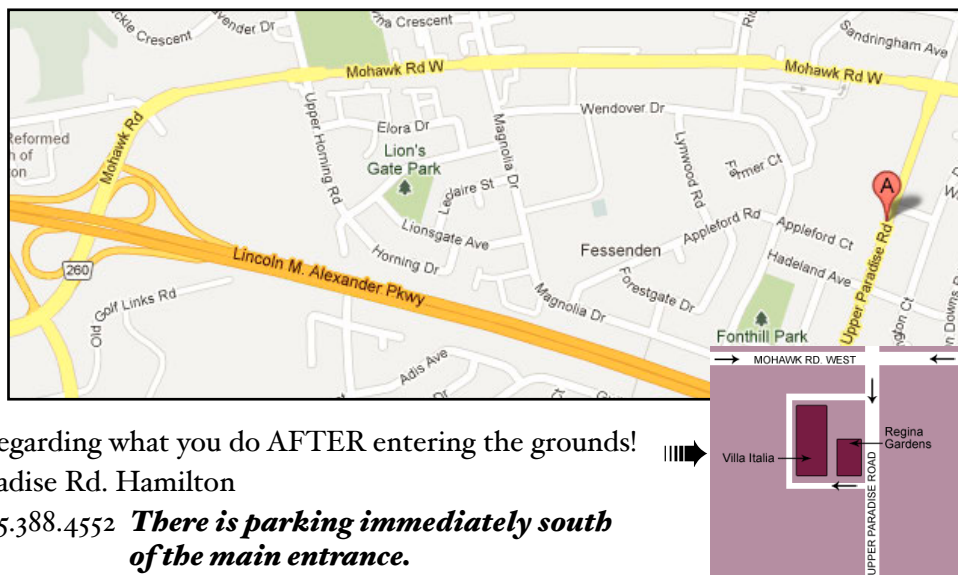
70 Macklin Rd. N. Hamilton
905.529.1613

Arrive at 6:30 p.m.



May 28 2013

Arrangements have been made for **Tuesday, May 28, 2013** for us to visit **Villa Italia** on Upper Paradise Road in Hamilton. We have never played there before but their large entrance lobby provides a fine venue for a concert. Arrive for 6:30 pm.



See the inset regarding what you do **AFTER** entering the grounds!
530 Upper Paradise Rd. Hamilton
Telephone: 905.388.4552 ***There is parking immediately south of the main entrance.***

Calendar

May 12, 2013

Public Concert at St. Paul's United Church, Dundas

May 14, 2013

Annual General Meeting of members 7:00 p.m.

May 21, 2013

Shalom Village

May 28, 2013

Villa Italia Concert

June 9 2013

DVO Fundraising event!

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