~ PROGRAM ~

Introductory Remarks

Javier Perez AuSable Valley High School Principal

Symphony Orchestra

Jeris French, Director

Water Music, Suite No. 1

George Frideric Handel arr. David Stone

Capriccio Espagnol

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov arr. Richard Meyer

The Dark Knight

Hans Zimmer and James Newton Howard

arr. Douglas Wagner **Johannes Brahms**

First Symphony, Fourth Movement

arr. Vernon Leidig

Mixed Chorus

Michael McAvaney, Director Ryan Mahoney, Accompanist

Standing Tall

Cristi Cary Miller and Jay Michael Ferguson

Kvrie

Andrea Klouse Traditional Spiritual

Elijah Rock!

arr. Roger Emerson

Goin' Home

Antonio Dvorak Words and Music by Paul Langford

Featuring Cello Soloist: Elizabeth Bayer, PCSD

This Is Me

Benj Pasek and Justin Paul arr. Mac Huff

Concert Band

Patrick Towey, Director

Andromeda

David Shaffer Johnnie Vinson

For Evelyn Constance Myers

And Hold in Memory...

African Dreams Reverberations

Brant Karrick Brian Balmages



CONDUCTORS



Jeris French is recently retired from Crown Point Central School where she taught music for twenty years. Originally hired to teach general music, she initiated a string program in 1999. By 2001 there were enough string players in Essex County schools to establish an annual All County Orchestra.

A violinist, Mrs. French earned a Bachelor of Music from SUNY Fredonia and went on to teach strings in Fairfax County, VA and in Gouverneur, Schroon Lake and Peru Central Schools in NY.

Mrs. French credits teacher Anthony Miograno, Utica Symphony Concertmaster, for her lifelong passion for string music. Her ensemble experience includes participation in The Utica Symphony Orchestra, Fairfax Co. Symphony, Mt. Vernon Chamber Orchestra, Ft Pierce Opera Orchestra, and currently, the Champlain Philharmonic Orchestra.

A staunch proponent of community participation, Mrs. French established the Champlain Valley Strings chamber orchestra and is director of the Ticonderoga Community Summer Band, and the Champlain Valley Chorale. She has also played in many pit orchestras for local theater productions, a favorite activity.

She is currently a board member of two organizations, the Ticonderoga Festival Guild and Piano By Nature, located in Elizabethtown, which are devoted to increasing cultural opportunities in our region.

Mrs. French lives with her husband, Dale, in Crown Point and continues to teach privately.