

COPPER COUNTRY SUZUKI NEWS

September 2011

CALENDAR

- Aug. 31 CCSA Family Gathering, The home of Maria Bergstrom, 5:00 p.m.**
- Sept. 6 Lessons Begin**
- Sept. 7 Rehearsal for Parade of Nations, Finnish American Heritage Center, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- Sept. 8 CCSA Board Meeting – Chapel of St. Matthew, 7:15 p.m.
- Sept. 14 Rehearsal for Parade of Nations, Finnish American Heritage Center, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- Sept. 17 Parade of Nations Performance – 11:00-11:30 a.m. 5th and Elm downtown Houghton AND 12:00 at Dee Stadium.**
- Sept. 20 Musical Tuesdays at the Portage Lake District Library, 10:15 a.m.
- Sept. 29 MTU Pre-school – 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.**
- Houghton Elementary School Open House Performance, 6:00 p.m.**
- Sept. 30 MTU Pre-school– 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.**

CCSA News

Welcome Back! I would like to welcome everyone to the 2011 CCSA Fall term and extend a special welcome to students who are new to the CCSA. If you have any questions or concerns during the first few weeks of lessons, please don't hesitate to call the CCSA office at 487-3606.

This coming year marks the 40th anniversary season of the CCSA. We have several performances coming up and I am encouraging as many of you as possible to take part. Returning CCSA students should plan on signing up for at least one of these events. We will be performing this month at the Parade of Nations and in the Houghton and Hancock schools and at MTU preschool. If you attend one of these schools please plan on performing at your school. Thanks!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

➤ **CCSA and Music Together** This fall the CCSA and Keweenaw Family music will be offering a special package for 3-4 year old beginning cello students. With registration in a Music Together class, parents can attend a CCSA parent violin class. The mixed age class is one that children can attend from birth to age 5 with an adult. Music Together shares with Suzuki the philosophy that all children are musical. Registration can be done directly through Amanda who can be reached at 487-9426.

➤ **KYSO and CCSA at the Parade of Nations!** Our first performance of the year will be for the Parade of Nations. The KYSO will be performing outside 5th and Elm in downtown Houghton from 11:00-12:30 and then we are the *featured* performers on stage in the Dee Stadium from 12:00-12:20. KYSO students should plan on performing but any student in the middle of Book I and up can join. We will have a special selection of international songs for this performance so there will be two additional rehearsals in preparation: Wednesday, September 7 and 14 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. Rehearsals will take place at the Finnish American Heritage Center.

➤ **The 2010-11 CCSA Calendar is now available!** You can get one from your private instructor or by visiting the website. Please make note of the many performances we have coming up. Sharing our talents with others is a big part of what the CCSA is all about.

➤ **New Suzuki Shirts!** In honor of the 40th Season of the CCSA we have ordered new Suzuki shirts from Bohemia printing in Calumet. Printed with non-toxic, natural dyes, they are long sleeve, dark green (no more pizza stains!) with the CCSA logo. We are still deciding what color pants or skirts will be appropriate but most likely either black or khaki. They should be ready by our first performance at the Parade of Nations.

➤ **CCSA eMailing List:** If you put your e-mail address on your registration form, you will automatically be added to our list. The list is a great way to get information about upcoming events and changes to our schedule.