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FOR CONDUCTORS AND ORCHESTRA MUSICIANS

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Dear Friends,

Soon our 63rd season will be upon us. We open on June 25th in our lovely hall, refurbished and increased in size. School begins on the 19th with daily sessions of reading through a large repertoire and learning more about how to conduct this repertoire or to play it.

Our very gifted teacher Michael Jinbo will be going into his 11th year at the school. He was the assistant to Charles Bruck who succeeded Maitre Monteux, so the tradition goes on. We continue with our policy of inviting back each summer one of our former conducting students for a working visit. This year it will be Thomas Baldner ('52, '54), who is in his thirtieth year on the faculty of Indiana University's School of Music, twenty six of which he served as Chairman of the Department of Instrumental Conducting. Read more about him in the newsletter.

Much repair work was done this year on our cabins, the barns and finishing the shingling of the hall, thanks to a grant from the Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation. And we have a delightful new rehearsal studio, gift of Phil and Phoebe Devenish, as well as a rebuilt grand piano also thanks to the Devenishes.

We are reinstituting our annual free concert for children on July 24th at 10 a.m. with the Woodwind ensemble "Young Audience" style. The program will be planned by the student musicians.

Please let us hear from you. We depend on your annual contributions to run our seasonal programs and to pay our operating expenses. These include Maestro Jinbo's salary, scholarships for students, utilities, maintenance and other routine needs. We appreciate your help in keeping this wonderful project going.

Cordially,



Ginia Davis Wexler
President