



Sigma Alpha Iota
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Dear Sponsor,

We are writing to ask you for your support of our music scholarship programs. In an effort to raise funds for our scholarships, we will present a benefit concert, *Changing the World Through Music*, on Sunday, February 11, 2018 at the First Congregational Church of Western Springs at 3:00 p.m. You can support our efforts by taking an ad, making a donation and/or purchasing tickets to attend the concert.

This exciting event is our major fundraiser for the year and will feature local scholarship winners and select college level SAI performers. We will be honoring renowned choral conductor and music educator, Emily Ellsworth, Artistic Director of Anima Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus. As a National Honorary Member of Sigma Alpha Iota, Ms. Ellsworth is among a distinguished group of professional musicians including such members as Renee Fleming, Rachel Barton Pine and Kristin Chenoweth. We are thrilled that Anima Glen Ellyn Children's Chorus will be featured in this extraordinary afternoon of music. In addition to support for our regular scholarship funds, this year's benefit will award a special "Emily Ellsworth Scholarship" to Anima.

Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity was founded in 1903 and is the largest Greek music organization in the United States. We have college and alumnae chapters throughout the country which are dedicated to fostering and growing music in our communities and globally. The Oak Park and LaGrange Alumnae Chapters are active in your community! We provide scholarships for junior high and high school music students through the Mabel Biever Summer Camp Scholarship and Elsie Sterrenberg String Scholarship Competition. Student competitors come from many local suburbs including Western Springs, La Grange, Brookfield, La Grange Park, Hinsdale, Oak Park, Wheaton, Glen Ellyn and many more. Our chapters also support local music efforts including Fox Valley Symphony, DuPage Symphony Orchestra, West Suburban Symphony, Rachael Barton Pine Foundation, New Philharmonic, New Classic Singers, Anima Young Singers, Oak Park River Forest Symphony, The Hadley School for the Blind, and the Maud Powell Society for Music and Education. We are your teachers, colleagues, neighbors, and friends.

We hope you will consider supporting our efforts. Please see the enclosed form for details and feel free to contact Beth or Mary Ann with any questions. We would love to see you on February 11th at what is certain to be an inspiring concert!

Sincerely,

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