

**BEST NEWS EVER!**



This week we have some joy to celebrate. Kiera and Ken are now the parents of a very lucky little boy. Samuel Joseph Oliver was born on Thursday, April 2 at 9:08 pm. Sam was 8 lbs. and is happy to be part of his new family. Congrats to Ken, Kiera and Sam. We cannot wait to see you all. Til then, Kiera sent some photos as a sneak peak!



**CALOS UPDATE CHALLENGE #2**

This week’s selections, (“South County” – *new* for Senior Orchestra, “Forever Joyful – for String Orchestra, and “Kabalevsky Suite” – for Concert Orchestra), presented some new and different challenges for the ensembles and we were very pleased with the number of practice submissions once again.

**If you would like to see a sample of last week’s challenge submission, go to our website and view Anna Zhao (Senior Orchestra) playing “South Country Suites.”**

**This Month, CALOS Thanks.....**

The players, who continue to make music at home and participate in our weekly challenges.

Our special guest on the weekly Challenge Draw video, Mrs. V. Etchegary. If you did not see The Etchegary Duet of “Stand By Me,” go visit YouTube on the webpage. *A “Must See”!*

**This Week’s Challenge #2 Draw Winners**

**Senior Orchestra – Parsa Tayebi**



**Parsa** (Viola), is 14 years old and currently in Grade 8 at Lakecrest. At school, Parsa is involved in basketball and robotics. Outside of school, he swims with the St. John's Legends. The thing Parsa most likes about orchestra “is that lots of people with similar interests to mine are in one group where we can socialize and play music.” Musically, Parsa has been awarded Level 6 RCM certificate in viola and theory, and a Level 5 RCM certificate in piano. While he really enjoys playing sports, in the future Parsa hopes to become a better musician. *Parsa was the lucky recipient of a \$20 McDonalds gift card.*

**Quote of the Week**

“We are the music makers, and we are the dreamers of dreams.” - **Arthur O’Shaughnessy**

**Concert Orchestra – Charlotte Bridger**



**Charlotte** (Bassoon) is 11 years old and in 6th grade at St. Bonaventure's College. Multi-talented, Charlotte is in 4 school bands at school, is a goalie in soccer, and actively participates in gymnastics, boxing, and swimming. She enjoys orchestral playing because the “bassoon is a very unique kind of instrument and it’s different from alto sax, tenor sax, and piano.” Her accomplishments include RCM saxophone gold medalist, performed in Halifax during the Atlantic Region Celebration of Excellence, completion of three standards of Excellence Saxophone books and winning three gold medals and \$100. She also enjoys skating, cross-country skiing, playing games with her sister, and travelling around the world. In the future, Charlotte hopes to make it to senior orchestra and become a better goalie. *Charlotte was the lucky recipient of a \$20 Subway gift card.*



**Stay Tuned After**

**Easter!** As well as our regular challenge, we will have some **new, creative & fun challenges** for you to do!

**String Orchestra – Brigid Leger**



**Brigid** (Violin) is 13 years old, and in grade 8, at Brother Rice Junior High. She participates on the school’s Improv team and takes other violin lesson at SHS (Strong Harbour Strings). She enjoys being part of a group where everyone has a part that makes a song when all brought together. Besides violin playing, Brigid enjoys drawing and taking part in Improv. In the future, Brigid hopes to come to a great understanding of music and art. *Brigid was the lucky recipient of a \$20 Tim Horton’s gift card.*

**UPCOMING CHALLENGE # 3**

Challenge 3 is posted on our webpage. Login to listen to and then practice your musical excerpt.

**Deadline for Submission is April 13**, and the winners of this week’s participant draw will be announced on our YouTube live stream at 6 pm, Tuesday.

**Don’t forget to check that video was received.** Your conductor will provide feedback on your selection as quickly as possible.

**Please remember to send all video submissions to the proper email address:**

**Senior Submission Email: (Submission: Carmen)**  
[calos.senior@gmail.com](mailto:calos.senior@gmail.com)

**String and Concert Submission Email for this week: (Submission: March of the Scaffold)**  
[calos.concert@gmail.com](mailto:calos.concert@gmail.com)