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## ESO, choir to celebrate legacy of the Dwyers

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CRYSTAL LAKE — Raue Center will celebrate two incredible people through the music of Broadway and Hollywood on Sept. 29 at 7 p.m. Join the acclaimed conductor Kurt Bestor as he leads the Elgin Symphony Orchestra and veterans of stage and screen in a remarkable night of uplifting music dedicated to Raue volunteers Bill and Joyce Dwyer.

They'll be joined by Broadway sensation and former Rockette Kim Shriver and Williams Street Repertory's very own Dana Parker and Mathias Austin.

"We are so thrilled the Elgin Symphony Orchestra and also Voices in Harmony will be at the Raue for an evening of wonderful music and to celebrate my mom and Bill's love for the Raue and the community," explains Joyce Dwyer's son, Thomas O'Connor. "It will be a great event."

This special event features the Elgin Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Kurt Bestor. Voices in Harmony choir will also lend their pipes to a few songs. Barbara Paul of Piano Trends Music Co. serves as the artistic director.

Bill Dwyer was the organization's first board president and Joyce spent many hours volunteering. She was a part of the cookbook committee that recently raised enough money for the outdoor sign now illuminated across the theater's fly tower.

Tickets range from \$30 to \$40. They can be purchased online at [rauecenter.org](http://rauecenter.org); via the box office at 815-356-9212; or in person at the theater, which is at 26 N. Williams St. in downtown Crystal Lake.