



Schenectady City School District
Zoller Elementary School

Jane Poklemba
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February 14, 2004

To Whom it May Concern:

Yesterday my four kindergarten classes had the wonderful, 'Music Mobile' experience. As always, Ruth Pelham quickly engaged students in her series of songs and interactive routines. Joining in on one of the classes, I was not surprised to see the students smiling, clapping and hugging each other in response to her suggestions.

We ended Ruth's visit with a family concert and invited all our primary grades, their teachers and parents. What a wonderful way to close out the school week! Everyone joined in to sing along with lyrics like "love is all around" and "peace the whole world round."

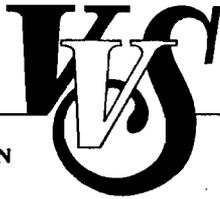
In thanking Ruth for her time and energy at the end of the day, I reminisced that I had now known her for 22 years! I first encountered the Music Mobile at the NYS Museum. My four-year-old daughter and I were visiting the Sesame Street Exhibit (new at the time) and there was Ruth, making guitars from cardboard and rubber bands with a group of preschoolers. My daughter immediately joined in the fun.

As an assistant principal and then principal at three different elementary schools in Schenectady, I have made it a point to be sure that my students had the 'Music Mobile experience'. Ruth has never disappointed. I think I enjoy her every bit as much as the students. Rest assured, you will too!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mrs. J. Poklemba".

Mrs. J. Poklemba
Principal



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January 25, 1988

Ms. Ruth Pelham, Director
Music Mobile, Inc.
P.O. Box 6024
Albany, New York 12206

Dear Ms. Pelham:

On Thursday, January 7, 1988, you presented two programs entitled "Children As Peacemakers" to the student body here at John D. George Elementary School. During each of the programs, you encouraged our boys and girls through sing-a-long songs, informal conversation, and a delightful slide presentation to be more aware of our neighbors in the Soviet Union.

Through song you were able to "move" our school family into a greater understanding of our neighbors around the world and most especially in Russia. Through your delightful slide presentation, we were able to travel with you to the U.S.S.R. and to see that the boys and girls that live there are not so very different than we are. In view of our recent Reagan/Gorbachev meetings, this was certainly a timely program for our students. Finally, you shared with us your faith and hope in our potential to be peacemakers and that through cooperation, compassion, love and understanding we may one day be a world family.

On behalf of the faculty, staff, and students at our school, thanks for sharing your message of peace as you are truly an inspiration to us all. We will look forward to inviting you back in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen J. Orcutt
Principal

HOWE INTERNATIONAL MAGNET SCHOOL

Schenectady City School District

Dr. Alan J. Zemser, Principal

370-8295

April, 1992

To whom it may concern:

Ruth Pelham has come to our school a number of times and each time we are delighted with her program. One of our first grade teachers writes: "Ruth made jingle sticks with my class and they loved doing that activity. She gives excellent step by step directions. The children sang using their jingle sticks. It's a really good time! Our school assembly was also enjoyable. Ruth sang songs that fit in with our curriculum topics. She wrote a wonderful song about her Dad, (in relation to our theme of immigration), during her residency with us and it was inspiring for the children to hear the song. It was a terrific program for all grades!"

Ruth knows how to relate to children of all ages. She is a skilled teacher, a warm human being and a gifted performer. We look forward to her return next year!



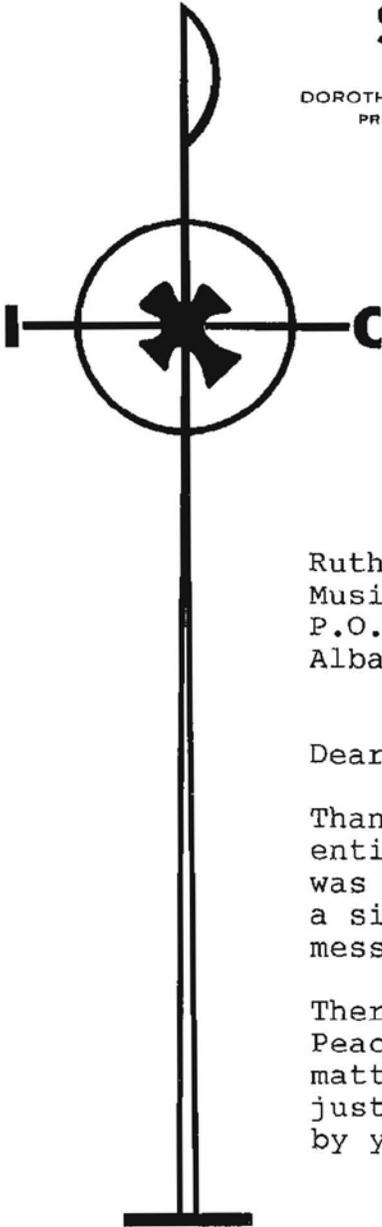
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March 21, 1988

Ruth Pelham
Music Mobile
P.O. Box 6024
Albany, New York 12206

Dear Ruth,

Thank you so much for your fabulous performance. Our entire school from junior kindergarten to sixth grade was mesmerized. Your ability to involve the audience in a sing-along puts everyone at ease and allows the message to sink in.

There is no finer purpose to devote one's life to than Peace. With your perception it seems like such a simple matter to achieve, one that everybody can begin to do by just loving their neighbor. We were all truly changed by you.

Thank you!

Suzanne Kesser
Special Education