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Next year the HBS will co-sponsor two conferences in honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Adolphe Sax. The first, presented in conjunction with the Bern (Switzerland) University of the Arts, will take place February 4–5; the other, together with the Brussels Museum of Musical Instruments, in July.

In 2015 Steve Plank and Oberlin College will host our Early Brass Festival, an event that will also afford an opportunity for a close-up look at the musical instruments in the Selch Collection of American Music History.

I am pleased to have this opportunity to acknowledge a few of the people who help the HBS throughout the year. Special thanks go to our co-editors Stew Carter and Howard Weiner, HBSJ production editor Benny Sluchin, web editor Bryan Proksch, and webmaster Steve Lundahl; HBS membership Secretary Charlotte Leonard, HBS Treasurer Alex Bonus, and the members of the HBS Board of Directors, Editorial Board, and Bucina Board.

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