

# The Enquiring Music Teacher

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## President's Corner

It's hard to believe that we are now two months into school, and teaching again! Since becoming President of OMTA this year, I've been looking through many notebooks, reading reports from other WSMTA Chapters, minutes from our Chapter, etc., etc., trying to make sure that I keep on top of events of our Chapter and Statewide.

I recently took a really good look into our WSMTA Code of Ethics with its three subtitles: Responsibilities to Students, Responsibilities to Colleagues and Responsibilities to the Public. Have you read them recently? They are listed in the back of our Membership Directory. At our meeting this month, November 13, (9:30 am at Yenney's) we will be going over the Code of Ethics together and I will welcome your comments and input.

Also on the Agenda will be Adjudication report; Concerto Competition report; a report on the Harvest Recital just passed; our Beethoven's Hair project, and let's see---why don't you email me with any other agenda items that you have.

Looking forward to seeing you for coffee before the meeting at 9:30 am on Nov. 13th, business meeting to start right on the downbeat at 10:00!!!

President Jan Rowen Music

## Fall Harvest Festival Report:

Three recitals were held – 1:00 PM, 2:00 PM, and 3:00 PM. A total of 49 students signed up to participate; 44 showed up and played. The quality of playing (and singing!) was quite good.

The following teachers participated: Cherie Felts, Ilone MacDuff, Vivian Su, Amy Yang, Jan Rowen Music, Vera Dvorak and John van der Brook.

John wants to thank the participating teachers for their support.

## Master Classes January 25-27 with Dr. Jeanine Jacobson and Sandra Palmer

Winter Master Classes dates are Friday, Saturday, and Sunday on January 25th, 26th, and 27th, 2008. We are looking forward to having Dr. Jeanine Jacobson and Sandra Palmer as our guest teachers that week-end. This is somewhat different than the calendar dates in our OMTA Directory, so please make a note of this change. The decision has been made to have both Master Teachers in fall and winter on the same week-end. It makes for a busy time, but ties up fewer week-ends! Our Master Teachers can teach either/ or both levels of students which will make it convenient for everybody.

Sign-ups will be available at both our November and December meeting times or may be called in to Cherie Felts at (360) 491-5452 or e-mailed to [jscffelts@comcast.net](mailto:jscffelts@comcast.net). Master Classes schedules will be mailed to participating teachers in mid-December and will include fee totals for each of you. Fees are due

by January 8<sup>th</sup> (payable to OMTA) at the December meeting, or mailed to Cherie by that date. Thank you to those of you that are opening your studio for this Chapter project!

## Announcements:

The following was reported by Vera Dvorak. She entered four students in the Sonata Festival in Ellensburg, Central Washington University. There were 450 students participating for 14 levels, and her students took part in 6th, 11th and 12th levels. Her student Spencer Kua, who was in the 12th level was picked for the recital of winners, and got second place and a nice trophy.

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## Section 1.01 Calendar of Upcoming Events

- November 9-11, WSMTA Outstanding Artist Competition, EWU, Cheney
- November 9-11, MTNA Performance Competitions, Whitworth Univ., Spokane
- November 13, Chapter Meeting at Yenney Music
- December 11, Chapter Holiday Luncheon, Mercato's

***\*\*Please remember to not wear strong scents (perfumes, oils, body lotions, etc.) to our meetings due to the sensitivities of some of our members. Thank you.\*\****