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President's Corner

Denise Daverso and Carol Crawford did an absolutely beautiful performance for us at the November meeting, followed by a very useful workshop on accompanying. It was a great pity that it was so poorly attended, but those of us who were there felt very enriched by it. The music was beautiful and we also learned a lot.

I'd like to say a special thank you to Cherie Felts for our first two Masterclasses this fall - it's a big job to organize all that, and we appreciate her hard work. Also, thank you Jan Music and Amy Yang for the fall Student Recital.

The Nominating Committee, Lynn Lewis, Mary Jo Wright, and Nancy Adsit, is working on putting together a slate of officers for next year.

Please send me your ideas for your preferred topic for next year's ('08) Festival, so the chapter can vote on it sometime this spring.

Please call Rhonda Morse to volunteer to help with the Concerto Competition on Dec. 2nd. She needs assistants!!!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual December luncheon

Brooke Beecher, President

Adjudications Update

Big Changes! – Adjudication forms are online!! (www.wsmta.net)

Adjudication information manila envelopes will be available at the December meeting/luncheon December 12, 2006. If you can't attend the luncheon, the envelopes will be left in the music teachers' box at Yenney Music Co.

Your envelope will include the following:

- 1) WSMTA Chapter Adjudication Booklet
- 2) Instruction sheet (Unlike many of your students, **read your instructions!**)
- 3) Teacher Registration Forms (for those without a computer)
- 4) Parent Information Sheet (for those without a computer)

Complete your forms online (in ms excel is does the calculations!) and make copies for yourself, one for State Adjudication Chair and one for the local adjudication chair. For those members without access to a computer, you will receive a copy of the teacher registration form to fill out and you will need to make copies just like everyone else.

Completed forms, along with your checks, are **due January 9, 2007** to **Mary Jo Wright**
Make check out to: OMTA (see additional adjudication information_on next page).

Get a Head start

The following forms are available online now;

Adjudication Booklet

Teacher Registration form (pdf and ms excel format)
Parent Information Sheet
Adjudicator Evaluation
Music Release Form (legally copied music from CD)
Page 1 – Schedule of students
Page 2 – Schedule of students
Student Evaluation Form

OMTA Adjudication Chair – Mary Jo Wright

Stephen Moore is Coming in January

Stephen Moore is performing at the United Churches at 3:00 PM on January 7th. He will also be at our chapter meeting on the 9th, and will be giving master lessons that week. Please contact Jan Rowen Music for more information.

Master Classes Update

Winter sessions of Jr. Classes, with Sandy Palmer are January 26th, 27th and 28th, 2007. The Sr. Classes, with Margaret Brink, are the following weekend on February 2nd, 3rd, and 4th, 2007. Signups were available at the November Chapter meeting and will be at the December luncheon meeting time as well. Requests for hours may also be called in to Cherie Felts (491-5452) directly. Please leave a message and calls will be returned promptly after teaching hours for the day, thank you!

Schedules will be mailed out mid to late December and fees are due at the January Chapter meeting on Jan. 9th. Checks may also be mailed to Cherie Felts (payable to OMTA) on or by that date.

I have just switched my e-mail address from jscffelts@aol.com to **jscffelts@comcast.net**. Please use this new address for all future e-mails and instant messages. Cherie Felts

Newsletter and Email Protocol

OMTA members are advised to send all their music-related announcements to the Newsletter Editor by the 20th of the month, rather than sending out mass emails to the membership. If there is a particularly urgent announcement, such as an upcoming music event that will occur before the next newsletter goes out, the Newsletter Editor will send a mass e mail to chapter members when appropriate.

December Luncheon

Our December Luncheon is at 11 AM on December 12 at Mercato Ristorante in Olympia! Plan to attend!

Call Jan ASAP to make your reservations, as her email isn't working. Her phone number is 456-1911.

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

*Asterisk signifies the event is held at Yenney's Music at 10 AM

December 2 Concerto Competition, SPSCC Ken Minnaert Center for the Arts.
December 12 Christmas luncheon, 11:00 AM at Mercato Restaurant.

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

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