

OhioMTA Central East District

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Newsletter
October 2, 2019

President's Message

Greetings, colleagues! The 2019-2020 year is off to a great start – Pianorama is well underway, and our Fall Conference/Piano Workshop & masterclass with Dr. Jane Magrath was very well attended by teachers and college students. Many thanks to Pianorama chairs Amy Girvin and Andrea Keil, Conference chairs Ashley Wise and Theresa Murphy, and Piano Workshop chair Dr. Fan Zhang (in collaboration with OSU) for their work on these events. The printed directory and the CEOMTA website both have easily accessible calendar overviews so that you can plan to get involved in our wonderful teacher and student events. I hope to see you at the State Conference in Sylvania later this month!

--Rachel Mauricio Mills, NCTM

Student Activities

Pianorama

Pianorama is an exciting multi-piano ensemble event organized by CEOMTA every other year. Students learn duet literature with a partner, gain audition and rehearsal experience, and perform in a large ensemble concert. Elementary through advanced students perform duets in groups divided by their proficiency levels and are conducted by a CEOMTA teacher.

This year, over eighty teams successfully passed their Auditions and will be performing at the Pianorama Concerts. Please encourage your students to attend one of the free concerts on October 19th at 6 p.m. or 8 p.m. (there will be different groups performing at each concert). The concerts will be held at Westerville North High School – 950 County Line Road, Westerville, 43081.

--Amy Girvin & Andrea Keil, Pianorama chairs

Out & About

The November Out & About will be on a Saturday instead of the usual Sunday. Saturday, November 16 event is a Recital format with a sit-down audience, taking place at Friendship Village Columbus with music beginning at 2:00 pm for residents. Come join us! Sign up soon.

--Miriam Brown, NCTM, Chairman

Solo & Ensemble Recitals

The next Student Solo and Ensemble Recital is scheduled for Sunday, November 3, 2019, at Graves Piano & Organ Co., 5798 Karl Rd. (at Rt. 161), at 2:00 p.m. Be sure to get your registrations and participation fees in by Thursday, October 24, 2019 (postmarked). The recitals are open to students of all members who have studied for at least one year. They are a great performance opportunity in a non-competitive setting for any well-prepared student, and the perfect chance for them to hear other fine students from our district.

Detailed information can be found on our website: <http://www.ceomta.org/student-events/student-solo-ensemble-recitals>. Please contact Dr. Caroline B. Salido-Barta, chair, at 614-440-3555 or thepianoartsstudio@yahoo.com, for additional questions.

Teacher Activities

IMTF

The fall IMTF will take place on Friday, October 18 at Mozart's Café (4784 N. High St., 43214). The topic of discussion will be teaching students with special needs. Come share your experience, expertise, discoveries, and thoughts.

Contact IMTF chair Olena Mladenova (olena.mladenova@gmail.com) with questions.

Certification

Information about MTNA's National Certification program is available by contacting me and by researching at certification.mtna.org

Our recent clinician Jane McGrath says it well: "Music teacher certification through MTNA strengthens the music teaching profession by asserting the validity of teaching credentials in the public eye. What could be more important to preserve and announce than our credentials as music teachers of excellence?"

--Janice Cook, NCTM, Chairman

Directory Corrections & Updates

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In Sympathy – Beverly A. Rawles

Beverly Rawles was a Patron Member of Ohio Music Teachers Association for many years and donated money for teacher grants, teacher private study assistance, and student assistance. She volunteered at Scale Olympics and served as Publicity Chairman. After a professional career in information science, working as a researcher at Battelle Memorial Institute, Beverly started piano lessons at the age of 67, and said it was more difficult than earning her doctorate degree! She died September 17, 2019 at the age of 89 and was very grateful for the music education she received. She loved supporting piano teachers and their students, and she will surely be missed.

A celebration of her life will be held January 11, 2020 at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Upper Arlington. For more information, go to:

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/dispatch/obituary.aspx?n=beverly-rawles&pid=194016227>

This picture is from Bev's 86th birthday celebration, surrounded by piano teachers and adult piano students.

--Janice Cook, NCTM



Endowment Fund

Are you looking for a unique gift giving opportunity? Make a tax deductible donation of any size to the OhioMTA Central East District Endowment Fund. It is a great way to honor that special musician or music lover in your life. The fund has reached \$6,750 of the \$10,000 target needed to start implementing earnings into our operational budget.

Contribution forms and our current list of honorees can be found on our website. www.ceomta.org. Click on Endowment Fund.

--Bruce Piper, NCTM, Treasurer

Save the date!

OhioMTA State Conference

October 24-26, 2019

Sylvania, Ohio

<https://ohiomta.org/fall-2019>

MTNA National Conference

March 21-25, 2020

Chicago, Illinois

<https://www.mtna.org/MTNA/Engage/Conferences/Conferences.aspx>