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Eugene District Potluck & Entertainment *June 6th, 7:00 p.m.*

The June potluck is the first Monday of the month, not the second. It is at **Carolyn McHan's** home, 34324 Deerwood Drive. Everyone may bring their favorite dish (main dish, salad, dessert, etc.). It would be helpful to Carolyn if you tell her if you are coming and if you are bringing friends or family. Carolyn's email is jandcmchan@msn.com. After dinner **Daniel Ayres**, the Beverly Soule winner and student of Virginia Buhn and **Sean Andresen**, who received an honorable mention and student of Ellen McQuilkin will be performing for us. We look forward to seeing you.

Looking Forward to the Fall! *Eugene District September 12th Meeting*

Geneva Wright will be coming to our first meeting in the Fall. Her presentation is titled *Syllabus: Making the Most of it!* (Or how to take advantage of everything the syllabus has to offer.) What a great way to start out the Fall teaching year!

Eugene District Website, Yearbook and e-mail Updates

If you are an event chair for the upcoming year **please send me changes you want made to our website and yearbook by July 15th**. You do not have to re-type all of the information; just send me the changes. If you do not know the venue by July 15th you can send that information later.

If you are a District Officer or on a District Committee or Activity Committee and have a **new e-mail address** please send me your new address.

Thanks so much to all of you for the work you do!

I wish everyone a great Summer!

Delores Tiktin

Vice-President & Program Chair



Beverly Soule Memorial Scholarship Competition

The annual Beverly Soule Scholarship competition took place at the UO on Sunday, May 15, 2011. There were three contestants (all High School seniors) representing three studios. Heidi Evans of Tualatin Valley District once again served as our adjudicator.

This year's winner of the \$250 award is Daniel Ayres, student of Virginia Buhn. He is invited to perform his complete program at our potluck meeting on June 6, at which time he will receive the award.

Sean Andresen and Tess Clark, students of Ellen McQuilkin and Christy Matheson respectively, received Honorable Mention. They are invited to play one selection at the June potluck.

We congratulate these fine pianists and their teachers and look forward to hearing them perform in June.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen McQuilkin

Beverly Soule Scholarship Committee Chair, 2011

Festival of Popular Music Summer Reminder!

As Summer quickly approaches, be sure to mark your calendars and choose repertoire for the **Festival of Popular Music** to be held on Sunday, October 30, with an entry deadline of Friday, October 14th, 2011. Following the hard work spent on Spring recitals, learning music from a wide variety of popular, jazz and contemporary genres is the perfect reward and change of pace for students as they look forward to Summer.

I look forward to seeing you then! Please call or e-mail me if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Soria Phillips-Meadow

Festival of Popular Music Chair



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Wyatt L. Burger, editor

Spring Syllabus

Thanks to all the teachers and students for making this year's OMTA Spring Syllabus Exams a success. We had 26 teacher's studios represented entering 162 students for exams. We were very fortunate to have 7 of the top adjudicators from around the State adjudicate our students. Thanks also to the University of Oregon faculty including Dean Kramer, Claire Wachter, Toby Koenigsberg and Idit Schner for the use of their studios and all the teachers who opened up their homes and studios for adjudications.

We had a total of 13 full days of adjudications from Thursday, May 12 through Sunday, May 15. Thanks also to Crystal Zimmerman for securing the University of Oregon studios.

The OMTA will be releasing a newly revised OMTA Syllabus Manual due out this Summer as well as a new upper division repertoire list. These will be available on the OMTA website and will be in effect for Spring 2012. Please be watching for these.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Hull, NCTM

Eugene District Syllabus Chair