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Eugene District Meeting - April 9th - Summer Teaching Ideas!

Our April meeting will take place at the home of Nancy Harris, 3317 Southview Drive, Eugene. Please join us at 9 AM for a social time and refreshments. After our social time we will have a business meeting and then a presentation by Carol White and Sarah Burch on *Summer Piano Camp: Ideas to keep students active and motivated over the summer.*

Our **Eugene District annual brunch on May 14th** will once again be held at the beautiful Rogue Room at Valley River Inn. Our gourmet brunch prepared by Chef Michael Thieme is offered at a special price of \$14.00 including gratuity (remember this is a tax deductible professional expense). Please feel free to invite family and friends.

Place your reservation early by e-mailing ddtikin@gmail.com or sign up at the April meeting to help in planning. We need to have a check of \$14.00 per person prior to the brunch this year since we are responsible for paying for the number of people we say will attend the brunch. Please bring your check to the April meeting or mail it to Delores Tiktin at 1865 Charnelton St., Eugene 97401.

Delores Tiktin

District Vice-President & Program Chair

Spring Theme Festival

Dear Colleagues,

The Spring Theme festival will take place on Sunday, April 29, at the Westminster Presbyterian Church. The deadline for applications is Friday April 13. This year's theme is "Music of the Americas", and music from both North and South America is welcome. More information is available on the website. Send the forms to Genevieve Mason, 4815 Center Way, Eugene OR 97405.

If you have questions, please contact me at ginou@soundmason.com, 541-485-6263

Genevieve Mason

Chair

The deadline for submitting articles and announcements for the May 2012 issue of Con Brio is Saturday, May 5, 2012.

Send your news and announcements to district members between regular issues of Con Brio! Simply submit the news item or announcement as usual, indicating you would like it sent immediately. It will be formatted and sent via email to all members.

Spring District Recitals

The Spring District Recitals were held on Sunday, March 18, 2012 in three recitals: 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00 p.m. There were 47 students who performed, with 12 teachers participating. The performances went very well, and there was good audience attendance. There was enough time between recitals so that photos could be taken, the crowd could exit, and the next group of performers and audience could enter. Thanks to Fern McArthur and Sandy Hull for helping to check in the students. (Some of the costumes were interesting, but perhaps that is the style these days.)

Two students (Isabella Miller and Grace Kim) were ill and were not able to play. One student was not well, but toughed it out and came and played anyway. Anthony Ro played in the 4:00 pm recital instead of the 3:00 pm because of a last minute change. I reprinted just a few programs so the family, teachers and Archive can have corrected copies.

Thanks to Sandy Hull as well for the great help in putting the programs together. We actually came out in the black on this one. We took in \$339 and spent \$161.32. There is program paper left over as well for use in any other recitals. Thanks, as well, to the United Lutheran Church for the nice venue. The piano was well placed and had been tuned as of December.

Thank you to all the teachers and students for their hard work and preparation. It was an afternoon well spent.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Wilson

Spring District Recital Chair

Beverly Soule Scholarship Award, 2012

The deadline for the third annual Beverly Soule Memorial Scholarship auditions is Monday, April 9. Our tentative date for the auditions this year is Saturday, May 5. This scholarship award competition is open to high school seniors, whether or not the applicant plans to continue music studies after graduation.

Students are required to perform from memory three pieces representing three of the five style periods, Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Impressionist and Contemporary; total time is not to exceed 20 minutes. One award of \$250 will be given with Honorable Mention(s) also selected. Honored students will be invited to the OMTA meeting in June to perform. See the complete description on the website or in the Yearbook.

To enter, submit the completed entry form along with the application fee of \$10.00 to Ellen McQuilkin 4895 Donald St. Eugene, OR 97405 postmarked no later than April 6, 2010 or handed to me at the meeting on Monday, April 9.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Ellen McQuilkin

Beverly Soule Memorial Scholarship chair

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Neil Patton, editor