



**President's Message
May 2021**

Hello everybody,

And June arrived, and the school year is close to its end... I hope all your private "end of the year" music events went well, or will go well.

This last month, our teacher showcase in May used the iMovie format again, and it was a happy event, with the participation of different teachers from our district. So, we may have to remember that sometimes this format may be stimulating in some way. Thanks Wyatt for organizing!

The masterclasses with Lara Downes opened us to the great music, and was very informative. Thanks Janet for encouraging the participation of our district in this collaboration with the U of O Music School!

We hope that the Covid situation improves enough to have all events in-person next year. The December Barnes & Nobles Play-a-thon won't be offered, as it may still be too risky healthwise. Instead, we will have a Holiday Festival at the beginning of December. A big change for our district is that we will now have to find space, and pay rent for all our events, since we no longer have automatic access to Unity of the Valley. At this point, we don't know which spaces will be available beginning in September. I hope to gather all the information soon, and we should be able to post the students' activities schedule on the website by the end of this month. A good thing is that we now have a plan B for events: online Zoom gatherings!

Now, it is important to stay aware of our colleagues who go through challenges. On this tough side, I want to inform you that our dear Victor Steinhardt is having a very hard time with his health. He is still able to have visitors and would enjoy spending time with friends. Please keep him and his wife Betsy Parker in your thoughts.

Thanks again to all of you who participated this year, presenting students, coming to meetings, organizing events, editing, accounting... You are a great team, and we will make sure this team grows in number, and energy, as we hopefully return to in-person activities.

The monthly meeting on June 14 will be a special outdoors event. Please read the information provided by Sandy Hull in the following pages.

I also hope to meet a lot of you at the OMTA State Conference!

Very musically,
Genevieve Mason

Eugene/Springfield District OMTA President

May District Meeting Meeting, Monday June 14

Hello OMTA members,

For our final meeting this year, we will go for a hike/walk instead of our traditional brunch.

We will meet at Dorris Ranch trail head (upper parking lot by restrooms, first left upon entering park) on Monday, June 14 at 9:00 am for walk and then return to parking lot by about 10:30 for a social time. If you want to skip walk and show up for social time only - please feel free to join us around 10:30. Please feel free to bring family and/or pets (on leash - dogs - not kids)

What to bring: water, own snacks, thermos of coffee, chair (for social)

Dorris Ranch Loop Trail is a 1.9 mile paved path with a bit of a downhill at beginning but levels off the majority of trail. Distance is variable to your comfort level and of course there will be a slight incline returning to parking lot. My gps reports elevation to be about 32 feet. Beautiful views of river and plenty of tree cover for shade are this trails benefits.

<https://goo.gl/maps/PxCQbfr2muBVKfC59>

Directions: 205 Dorris St, Springfield, OR. 97477 - willamalane.org/dorris_ranch.php)

From Franklin Blvd. head towards Springfield

After going through the round about - cross bridge and Franklin becomes "A Street"

Go right at first light onto 2nd street

Continue up and over hill

Go straight into Dorris Ranch park and take immediate left up slight hill to parking and bathrooms.

Looking forward to seeing everyone!

Sandy Hull, NCTM 541-206-0538

Call or text me if you have questions, get lost or need a ride?

The deadline for submitting articles and announcements for the September 2021 issue of Con Brio is Sunday, September 5, 2021.

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.

OMTA Eugene Treasurer's Report



Account Activity
May 1, 2021
through
May 31, 2021



Checking Account

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
May 1, 2021	Beginning Balance			\$ 2,526.88
May 1, 2021	Scholarship transfer	\$ 60.00		
May 3, 2021	Scholarship prize trans.		\$ 1,050.00	
May 4, 2021	Adjud. For Bev Soule	\$ 112.50		
May 11, 2021	Scholarship	\$ 700.00		
May 11, 2021	Scholarship	\$ 200.00		
May 12, 2021	Scholarship	\$ 150.00		
May 22, 2021	Membership		\$ 75.00	
May 31, 2021	Ending Balance			\$ 2,429.38

Savings Account

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
May 1, 2021	Beginning Balance			\$ 10,997.08
May 1, 2021	Transfer from checking		\$ 60.00	
May 3, 2021	Transfer to checking	\$ 1,050.00		
May 31, 2021	Interest		\$ 0.43	
May 31, 2021	Ending Balance			\$ 10,007.51

Certificate of Deposit

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
May 31, 2021	Balance			\$ 2,410.07

Treasurer Cheri Ann Richardson

Con Brio June 2021

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The **Teacher Showcase Recital** premiered on Zoom Sunday, May 16 at 3 PM. The video has been posted to **YouTube**, and is currently available to view at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8wao9twrBO4>

If you haven't viewed the video yet, please watch it and share the link. Let's see how many "views" we can get!

We had seven teachers performing in this year's event, along with the three student winners of the *Beverly Soule Scholarship*. Thank you to the teachers and students for their participation, and excellent performances.

Your comments and suggestions about this event are helpful and always welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Wyatt Burger, Teacher Showcase Chair



Have a wonderful Summer, everyone.

—Editor (Neil)