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Eugene District Meeting - March 12th

Our March meeting will take place at the First Congregational Church, 1050 East 23rd Avenue, 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 our guest speaker, Margaret Littlehales, on *Choosing Student Repertoire: A Pedagogical Wheel of Fortune*. Margaret is an OMTA member in Bend. She is an excellent adjudicator and enthusiastic speaker whom we have enjoyed in previous presentations at our district meetings.

Looking ahead - Eugene District Meeting - April 9th

Carol White and Sarah Burch will give a presentation on *Summer Piano Camp: Ideas to keep students active and motivated over the summer* at the home of Nancy Harris, 3317 Southview Drive, Eugene.

Note: The locations of the March and April meetings on the District website are correct but the District Yearbook has the locations of the meetings for March and April reversed. The Yearbook should say that the March meeting is at the First Congregational Church and the April meeting is at the home of Nancy Harris.

Delores Tiklin

Vice-President and Program Chair

Spring Syllabus Update

Dear Colleagues,

Spring Syllabus forms and fees are due Monday, March 12. All the forms are available on the OMTA website. Please type in all the information and then print them. DO NOT send another time request or stamped envelope. If you have any questions, please contact:

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We would like to send our condolences to Keyte Hladky and her family. Keyte, we were so sorry to hear of the passing of your daughter. Please know that we are thinking of you, and that we are keeping you and your loved ones in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,
Your OMTA Family

Eugene District OMTA
Classical & Romantic Festival
Sunday, February 12, 2012
Rm. 163, School of Music, University of Oregon

The wonderful music of the Classical and Romantic periods filled Room 163 at the School of Music on Sunday afternoon. Forty-one students from fifteen studios performed beautifully before proud parents and teachers. Our adjudicators, Geneva Wright and Sandra Palmer, were outstanding in their comments regarding the students' performances, and the characteristics of the periods and composers at the end of each recital. The adjudicators commented again and again on the preparation and poise of the performers. Recitals ran on time with very little quiet time between performances; this was due entirely to having two adjudicators who were able to write comments for every other student. The adjudicators were very grateful for this procedure! I heard from three parents after recitals saying how grateful they were to the adjudicators for their comments.

Our income for this event was \$430. Expenses are: \$166.25 for Rm. 163 Rental; \$160 each for the adjudicators plus the piano tuning, which will be billed separately. We will be in the hole for this event. I would like to say that I believe these adjudicated events are a tremendous educational experience for our students, and having two adjudicators helps to make this kind of event run smoothly and timely.

Finally, I would like to thank Sandy Hull who became my co-chair (thank you, thank you, Sandy) and stepped in to help all day on Sunday. I also want to thank Lucy Clevenger for helping to get us organized with the music for the 1:00 and 2:00 pm recitals, and Linda Plant and Dave Chase For their help at the last minute. We are an amazing organization of friends and colleagues!

Respectfully submitted,
Carol A. White,
Chair

The deadline for submitting articles and announcements for the April 2012 issue of Con Brio is Saturday, March 31, 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.

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