

# May 2010 Newsletter

## Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards

### Junior Division:

1st Place -	Richard Hwang	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
2nd Place -	Hannah Gray	Teacher: Vicki Walker
3rd Place -	Gabrielle Thng	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
Finalists -	Carter Fox	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
	Tori Patrock	Teacher: Vicki Walker
	Emily Runnels	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
Alternate -	Casey Cai	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
Honor Award -	Emma Atkins	Teacher: Karen Harrington

### Senior Division:

1st Place -	Angela Cai	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
2nd Place -	Jenny Zhang	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
3rd Place -	Chris Powell	Teacher: Roger Price
Finalists -	Carissa Ford	Teacher: Mary Hawthorne
	Vivian Huynh	Teacher: Gloria Johnson
	Mitsuru Nagao	Teacher: Young-Eun Chung
Alternate -	Aldyn Phillips	Teacher: Barbi Cottingham
Honor Award -	Richard Song	Teacher: Mary Hawthorne

### Spindler/Lynch Piano Awards rules:

The rule for repertoire states that "one composition be from the Baroque or Classical period and the second one come from the Romantic or Modern period." We have had several students play sonatinas that are in the classical style but were actually written in the Romantic Period. With that piece they have also played a Romantic or Contemporary piece. Please make a note that the rule will be strictly enforced from this point and entrants must follow the rule for the different periods of music. Please refer to MTNA's list of composers or Jane Magrath's book on "Performance Literature."

Chair: Karen Harrington

## Summer Camp and Graduating Senior Scholarships

The scholarship auditions were held at the Philbrook Art Museum on April 24, 2010. There were just two piano entries for the Senior Scholarships and three entries for the Camp Scholarship – one piano, one voice and one harp. We awarded three camp scholarships; a one time event. The recipients are listed below. Judges for the auditions were Dr. Barbara Fast, OU – piano; Lindsey McKee, voice; and Jill Wiebe, harp.

### Summer Camp Scholarship Winners

Lindsay Pierce Teacher: Alice Brooks

Brenna Caldwell Teacher: Sharon Yenser

Lyrice Krautter Teacher: Lorelei Barton

### Graduating Senior Scholarship Winners

Lucille Weston Gourley Scholarship Not Awarded

Rosemary Huff Scholarship (\$600) Garrett Bogard  
Teacher: Vicki Walker

TAMTA Memorial Scholarship (\$800) Sarah Klein  
Teacher: Amy Cottingham

TAMTA String Scholarship Not Awarded

TAMTA Vocal Scholarship Not Awarded

Laven Sowell Vocal Award Not Awarded

Chair: Karen Harrington





## Gloria Johnson Honored

TAMTA is pleased to announce that our recipient of this year's OMTA CFO Fellow award is Gloria Johnson. Gloria has been a member of TAMTA for many years and has served in a number of leadership positions during that time. She has been an MTNA member since 1970 and has taught piano for 47 years. She studied with Lytle Powell, OU; John Smith, Phillips University; Dorothy Gideon at TU, and continues to study with Aldo Mancinelli from Illinois. She is currently MTNA Junior Performance Coordinator for the South Central Division and Vice President of Auditions for Oklahoma. Gloria maintains a full studio of all levels of advancement. Gloria puts in countless hours of work on behalf of TAMTA and OMTA teachers and students. She deserves much more recognition and words of appreciation than she often receives. Gloria is also a wonderful teacher whose students have won numerous awards and competitions. She is an incredible asset to TAMTA and OMTA and richly deserves our thanks and recognition. Gloria will be presented with her award at the OMTA conference in Ada.

**Congratulations Gloria!!**



## New TAMTA Officers Installed

The new TAMTA executive officers were elected at the April meeting and installed at the May meeting. We are grateful for their willingness to serve TAMTA! These new officers and the Board will be working hard this summer to schedule, plan and organize the activities for 2010-2011.

President: Barbi Cottingham

Vice President: Jo Dee Tinkel

Recording Secretary: Esther Fellows

Corresponding Secretary: Young-Eun  
Chung

Treasurer: Danny Calhoun

Parliamentarian: DeAnna Calhoun

## Dues Reminder

Don't forget to get your 2010-2011 dues paid as soon as possible so you are listed in the OMTA roster, TAMTA roster, and are able to enter students in all the auditions and competitions. You may pay your dues online at the MTNA website. A link to the site is on the [tamta.org](http://tamta.org) web site.



## OMTA Conference June 3-4

We are hope you are all planning to attend the OMTA State Conference in Ada, which is coming up very soon. The site of the conference is the brand new music building on East Central University's campus. It promises to be an excellent conference! Sessions like Ingrid Clarfield's "Preparing Students for Auditions and Competitions: Turning Fear into Fun", Robert Weirich's "Humanizing the Teaching of J. S. Bach", and Barbara Fast's "Efficient Learning When Practicing to Perform" will be helpful to all teachers. One thing that some of you may not be aware of is the OMTA theory tests, keys and aural exams may be purchased at the state convention from OMTA Theory Chair, Nancy Shelton, for a very reasonable cost. These are extremely useful in preparing your students for next year's exams. For more information about registration, programming and costs, you may refer to the OMTA newsletter or the OMTA web site ([okmta.org](http://okmta.org)). We'd love to have strong TAMTA contingent there!

## APRIL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The April General Meeting was called to order by President DeAnna Calhoun. She greeted everyone present and asked for a moment of silent blessing. DeAnna thanked Mary Hawthorne for the lovely arrangements and thanked those who made everyone present feel welcome. She also greeted Troy Small from Saied and the program guest, Michael Kirkendoll from OSU to the April meeting. DeAnna announced that Jo Dee Tinkel had the graded theory test from District Achievement Auditions - Tulsa South available to the teachers present, and asked those tests to be picked up after the meeting. Joan Tedrow announced that Linda Rice had donated books to the TAMTA library and the books were available to anyone who wished to take them. Also, an announcement was made about the Spindler- Lynch Scholarship performance taking place on Saturday, April 24, at the Patti-Johnson-Wilson Auditorium. After the announcements, DeAnna Calhoun had the pleasure of introducing Dr. Michael Kirkendoll to the TAMTA meeting as the program guest for April. Dr. Kirkendoll thrilled all in attendance with an exhilarating performance by exciting contemporary composers such as David Rakowski's Fists of Fire, and other passion-igniting pieces such as Cottonwood Blues, in which Dr. Kirkendoll demonstrated the use of his forearm's to simulate the loud clanging of a cotton gin factory. Thank you to Dr. Kirkendoll for such an exciting program.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Dee Tinkel, Recording Secretary

## April Financial Report

General Fund	\$11,846.68
Scholarship Fund	\$20,271.27
Laven Sowell Fund	\$13,036.53
Spindler-Lynch Fund	\$13,983.78

Respectfully submitted,

Danny Calhoun, Treasurer

## Mark Your Calendars

Be sure to put a big red circle around Saturday, September 11th. That is the date of our workshop with the acclaimed clinician, Nelita True. She will be sharing with us from her wealth of musical and pedagogical training, as well as conducting a master class with students from lower intermediate levels through advanced. If you have never seen one of her master classes, you are in for a treat!

## Roster Information Deadline

Please check your roster information to make sure your contact information, e-mail address, certification status, etc. is correct. If it is not, please call Janell Whitby with the correct information. Also, audition chairmen should be sure and get their information to Janell before the deadline of June 15th, 2010.

## June Board Meeting

The new Board will meet at Harweldon at 10:00 a.m. on June 11th, due to the OMTA State Conference. Please make plans to attend as this is one of the most important Board meetings of the year.

## Web Site and E-Mails

The web site will be updated with the 2010-2011 audition and competition information as soon as all the dates have been finalized. You will receive an e-mail notifying you when the web site has the new information.

If you would like to make any changes to your information on the "Find a Teacher" page of the web site, please let Kathy Wilson know by e-mailing her at [okathyw@sbcglobal.net](mailto:okathyw@sbcglobal.net).

Don't miss out on all the most current TAMTA updates by forgetting to notify Kathy Wilson of a change to your e-mail address, especially if it occurs after the roster has been printed.

## District Achievement Policy Change

The split into four separate Tulsa-area centers was very successful and was a big hit with parents, students and judges. The only real difficulty the chairs experienced was a shortage of teachers serving as monitors, theory workers, etc. the day of the audition. **Due to the smaller number of teachers in each center, TAMTA will no longer be able to offer half-day shifts for District workers. Also, pre-audition and post-audition jobs will not be offered in lieu of audition day work.** This is what other centers in the state have always required. Please be sure to mark the date of your center's audition on your calendar well in advance and plan on helping at the audition for the full day. Thank you!