



NEWSLETTER OF THE TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

TAMTA General Meeting

January 17, 2018

“Mindfulness and the Science of Attention”

Michael Dean, Presenter

IMPORTANT DATES

- January 17** — Postmark Deadline, TAMTA Sonatina Competition, Gloria Johnson, Chair
- January 17** — NCTM Certification Workshop, 2445 S. Peoria (10:30am)
- January 17** — TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria (11:45am)
- January 27** — OMTA Winter Board Meeting
- February 2** — Board Meeting, Brookside Library
- February 3** — Online Entry Deadline, Senior Competition, University of Tulsa, DeAnna Calhoun, Chair
- February 10** — Postmark Deadline, District Achievement Auditions, ORU, Kathy Wilson, Chair (*submit entries at www.oklahomamta.org)
- February 17** — TAMTA Sonatina Competition, ORU, Gloria Johnson, Chair
- February 21** — TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria

Welcome in the new year with TAMTA friends on Wednesday, January 17, 2018 with the ever-popular Michael Dean (OBU). He will be presenting on “Mindfulness and the Science of Attention” - a very interesting topic that impacts not only our students, but ourselves as well.

Thank you to all who donated to TAMTA’s Holiday Showcase in support of Family and Children’s Services of Tulsa! We raised \$738!!! Way to go, TAMTA!!!

SONATINA ENTRY DEADLINE

The entry deadline for the Sonatina Competition is this Wednesday, January 17, 2018. Entry forms are available on the TAMTA website, www.tamta.org, under the Member Login section. Please mail entries to Gloria Johnson. You may also bring the entries to Gloria at the TAMTA General Meeting on the 17th.

SCHOLARSHIP / SPINDLER-LYNCH PIANO AWARDS

Scholarship and Piano Awards are coming soon. This is a wonderful opportunity for your students to experience competition on a very high level with prestigious recognition and monetary awards.

Preliminaries take place on Saturday, April 7, with the finals on Saturday, April 14. Scholarship Auditions are also on Saturday, April 14.

Entry forms may be obtained by emailing the Spindler Chair, Jo Dee Davis, at missjodee@ovationu.com or on the TAMTA website, www.tamta.org.

Rules and requirements may be found on pages 22-23 of the current TAMTA roster.

THANK YOU FROM KATHY WILSON

Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement. I was so touched by that expression of sympathy, and by how many of you attended Brad’s funeral service. Your friendship and support are precious to me.

LUNCH RESERVATIONS

Please remember that lunch reservations for TAMTA Meetings are made by emailing Linda Nichols at nicholspiano@gmail.com.

2018 MTNA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The 2018 MTNA National Conference will be held at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, March 17–21, 2018. Just minutes away from Walt Disney World® and the Magic Kingdom Park®, the most magical place on Earth, this conference is sure to be an enchanting experience for music teachers, both personally and professionally.

The MTNA National Conference has established itself as the premier source for professional development of music teachers of all areas. This year's conference is no exception—featuring more than 100 sessions, showcases, teaching demonstrations and master classes on topics ranging from teaching methods, literature and performance to entrepreneurship, studio management and business practices. An extensive Exhibit Hall of print music, instruments, software and pedagogical materials; the MTNA Student Competitions; and Pedagogy Saturday complete the event.

The internationally renowned pianist, Jeremy Denk, and the groundbreaking trio, Time for Three, will highlight the evening recitals. The conference keynote address will be given by noted neurologist and flutist, Dr. Eckart Altenmüller, chair and director of the Institute of Music Physiology and Musicians' Medicine in Hannover, Germany. Master classes will be led by well-known pedagogues Pavlina Dokovska of the Mannes School, and Fei Xu, an independent teacher who specializes in teaching intermediate level students.

For additional information about MTNA or the 2018 MTNA National Conference, contact MTNA national headquarters at (888) 512-5278, mtnanet@mtna.org or visit the website at www.mtna.org.



SUMMARY OF TAMTA BOARD MINUTES

January 5, 2018 at Brookside Library
Original minutes by Laurie Lightbody,
VP for Communications

President Kathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:14am. In attendance were: Kathy Wilson, Laurie Lightbody, Jan Meyer, Karen Harrington, Gloria Johnson, Danny Calhoun, DeAnna Calhoun and Jo Dee Davis.

Laurie Lightbody read the previous board meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Danny Calhoun reported that the balance in the general fund is \$15,827.70. He sent a check to Family and Children's Services for \$738 from the Holiday Showcase. A couple of other checks came in that Danny will send along. A couple of donations came in for scholarships. Danny also sent in the annual form to MTNA with any changes to dues. There were no changes this year.

Laurie Lightbody – VP for Communications – read a thank you card from Kathy Wilson. She also reported that she sent roster to Tanya Baker.

Jan Meyer – VP for Membership – Jan reported that overall we have 8 new members plus 4 members who have renewed.

Committee Reports:

Achievement Auditions – Kathy Wilson – She has 10 piano judges and 1 full day string judge. She might need another ½ day string judge. All theory testing will be in room 58.

Arrangements – Linda Shade – The menu has been emailed to the membership.

Festival – Laurie Lightbody – The total profit was \$2,538.53.

Holiday Showcase – Young-Eun Chung – The Promenade Mall seemed a little down in shoppers. Might look at other venues for next year. Sent check to Family and Children's Services for \$738.

Library – Jan Meyer – Jan might do a Featured Book at the monthly meetings.

Music Sales – DeAnna Calhoun – We made \$286 at the Festival. She might look into selling music reference books on Amazon.

Newsletter – Laurie Lightbody – Please submit newsletter items by 1/12 for issue date on 1/15.

Program – Kathy Wilson – Michael Dean is presenting at the January 17 meeting. Danny Calhoun will present for the March meeting.

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards – Jo Dee Davis – We still have judges for both events. Laurie needs to update the applications for the new year.

Senior Competition – DeAnna – Two judges are confirmed. Online entry deadline is Feb 3rd.

Sonatina Competition – Gloria Johnson – She has been working since October to get

judges. Nobody wants to drive far distances. She might need 2 judges if there are enough entries.

Website – Laurie Lightbody – Member information has been updated as requested. Domain renewal is 1/5/2019.

Workshop – Karen Harrington – She might look at changing location and day of workshop. Possibly Wednesday instead of Saturday. Karen will talk to Tom Lanners then might do a member poll for input.

Young Musicians – Karen Harmon – The deadline is Jan 6th.

New Business:

National certification meetings will continue this January 17th before the general meeting. Terri Hlubek will drive in from OKC to conduct these. OMTA Winter Board meeting is Jan 27th. The meeting adjourned at 11:22am following a motion from Jo Dee Davis.



Musical Notes

NEWSLETTER OF THE TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

TAMTA General Meeting

February 21, 2018

“The Life and Music of Scott Joplin”

Skye Garcia and Houston Mount, Presenters

Please make plans to join us this Wednesday, February 21, for a presentation on “The Life and Music of Scott Joplin.” Skye Garcia and Houston Mount are excited to present this fascinating program as this year marks the 100th year birthday of Scott Joplin. We hope to see you there!

OMTA State Conference information for Hotel and Guest Speakers is online! Check out all the information at www.oklahomamta.org!

IMPORTANT DATES

- February 21** — TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria
- February 24** — Senior Competition, University of Tulsa, DeAnna Calhoun, Chair
- March 2** — TAMTA Board Meeting
- March 4** — Deadline for Schedule Changes, District Achievement Auditions, Kathy Wilson, Chair
- March 10** — District Achievement Audition, Kathy Wilson, Chair
- March 14** — TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria
- March 14** — Postmark deadline, Scholarship and Spindler Awards, Jo Dee Davis, Chair
- March 17-21** — MTNA Conference and Competitions, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

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LIBRARY CORNER JAN MEYER, LIBRARIAN

This month we are featuring the book by Neil Rutman entitled STORIES, IMAGES, and MAGIC from the PIANO LITERATURE. Neil was a presenter at our OMTA State Conference last year as well as at the MTNA National Conference in Baltimore, and it was my privilege to attend both of these conference meetings and to meet and talk with him personally. (I also got a signed hardback copy of this wonderful book.) The book is written with one purpose in mind: to stimulate the imagination of pianists as they study and perform the great works of the piano literature. It brings together for the first time under one cover, for the delight and edification of the musician, a plethora of programmatic, poetic, or imaginative musical images and stories on piano works from the classical literature. Many images originate with the composers themselves, the pens of their acquaintances or contemporaries, while others derive from pianists and authors of distinction from later generations, as well as from translations of poetry on which a piano work is based. It's a true gold mine of information and will inspire you as you teach the works of composers from Bach to Weber. Hope to see you all Feb. 21 where you can check this book out for yourself!

2018 DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AUDITIONS

Kathy Wilson, Chair

Schedule Change Deadline: March 4, 2018

The District Auditions will be held on Saturday, March 10th, at ORU. Students play one memorized piece for an adjudicator who will assign a rating and write a critique. Students who earn a I+ or I rating will receive a medal if they bring their critique to the awards desk in the lobby after playing. Students who earn a I+, I or I- may register for the State Achievement Audition, which will be held on May 18th and 19th at OU in Norman. Registration for the State Audition must be done at the District Audition, and students must pay the **\$25.00** registration fee *in cash*.

ORU faculty studios are no longer available to us, which means that eight of the rooms we've used every year for auditions cannot be utilized. As a result, I will be scheduling rooms that are closer together than is ideal. It will be more important than ever for us to remind people about keeping noise levels down near audition and theory rooms and be sure students and parents wait in the designated areas instead of directly outside rooms.

Students who were registered as Merit Division students will qualify to play their Merit piece at State and receive their extra award if they take the theory test and earn a I+ or I rating at District. Merit students who earn a I- at District will automatically be switched to the Solo Division and will play their District piece again at the State Audition. Please note that Merit Division repertoire cannot be changed after February 17th.

Theory tests will be given during the District Audition starting at 9:00 a.m. in Room 58. Students should plan on bringing ear buds or headphones and using a cell phone or tablet to stream the aural awareness portion of the test. Some CD players will be available for students who do not have access to a device, but we do expect most students to bring their own. Tests should be ready for pick up a few weeks after the audition.

2018 TAMTA Sonata Competition Results

<p>Level I</p> <p><i>First Place</i></p> <p>Samantha Yau, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>Levi Bender, student of Young-Eun Chung</p> <p><i>Third Place</i></p> <p>Madison Shi, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Honorable Mentions</i></p> <p>Daniel Hsieh, student of Lester Brothers</p> <p>Ella Newhouse, student of Karen Harrington</p> <p>Kylie Watkins, student of Gloria Johnson</p>	<p><i>Honorable Mention</i></p> <p>Sophie Kim, student of Inki Cho</p> <p>Philip Oh, student of Inki Cho</p> <p>Level III</p> <p><i>First Place</i></p> <p>Ian Pei, student of Young-Eun Chung</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>Abby Tan, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Third Place</i></p> <p>Daniel Wang, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Honorable Mentions</i></p> <p>Alex McCorkle, student of Teresa Kanold</p> <p>Esther Zhu, student of Gloria Johnson</p>	<p><i>Third Place</i></p> <p>Julie Phung, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Honorable Mentions</i></p> <p>Jadyn Halford, student of Vicki Walker</p> <p>Amanda McCumber, student of Vicki Walker</p> <p>Level V</p> <p><i>First Place</i></p> <p>Jerry Han, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>Annalise Huynh, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Third Place</i></p> <p>Kaytlin Flathery, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Honorable Mentions</i></p> <p>Chanel Sun, student of Tatyana Lantos</p> <p>Kate Callery, student of Danny Calhoun</p> <p><i>Congratulations to these students and their teachers!</i></p>
<p>Level II</p> <p><i>First Place</i></p> <p>William Spence, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>Karissa Lu, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Third Place</i></p> <p>Jayden Pei, student of Young-Eun Chung</p>	<p>Level IV</p> <p><i>First Place</i></p> <p>Hannah Shaw, student of Gloria Johnson</p> <p><i>Second Place</i></p> <p>Lauren Hsieh, student of Gloria Johnson</p>	

A Special thanks to Laurie Lightbody for the TAMTA design on both the certificate and critique sheets, to Tulsa University specifically Dr. Roger Price and Stuart Deaver for the use of their studios, and to the monitors and assistants on the day of the Competition: Karen Harrington, Linda Shade, Young-Eun Chung, Inki Cho, Teresa Kanold, Lester Brothers, Vicki Walker and Danny Calhoun.

MTNA ELECTIONS

www.mtna.org

Please to go to the MTNA website and cast your vote for the South Central Division Director-Elect. Oklahoma's own Barbara Fast is one of the two nominees. It takes just a few minutes to vote. The deadline is February 28th at 3:00 P.M. eastern time. Thank you!

2018 OMTA STATE CONFERENCE

Mark your calendar now for the 2018 State Conference – May 31-June 2! The conference will be held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman. You can read more details about the Guest Artist, Clinician and Presenters as well as conference hotel information at www.oklahomamta.org.



SUMMARY OF TAMTA BOARD MINUTES

February 2, 2018 at Brookside Library
Original minutes by Linda Fields,
Recording Secretary

President Kathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:08 am. In attendance were: Kathy Wilson, Jan Meyer, Laurie Lightbody, Young-Eun Chung, Linda Fields, Gloria Johnson and Karen Harrington.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as read. Linda thanked everyone for emailing any written reports to her for attaching to the minutes.

Danny Calhoun, Treasurer: The balance in the general fund is \$16,021.17.

Laurie Lightbody, VP for Communication: She has posted scholarship applications to the website and finished updating the Sonatina Competition certificate.

Committee Reports:

Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson: The entry deadline is February 10th. Laurie Lightbody and Kathy Wilson will do an ORU walk-through to check the new room layout. The online entry form has been updated. Two ORU student helpers will work 3-4 hours.

Arrangements – Linda Shade: The February menu was emailed. The good menus and food quality have been appreciated.

Holiday Showcase – Young-Eun Chung: The parent of one of her students volunteered the use of their high-quality keyboard, with sound system, including set up and knock down for both days. This welcome

offer means that other venues could become viable options, which Young-Eun will explore.

Library – Jan Meyer: She will prepare a brief Book Feature each month. Generally this will be presented live at the General Meetings, except for February, when it will be in the newsletter.

Music Sales – DeAnna Calhoun: She has received additional donations.

Newsletter - Laurie Lightbody: The deadline is 2/16 for issue on 2/19.

Program – Kathy Wilson: Skye Garcia and Dr. Mount will present February's program on Scott Joplin, featuring live performances. Karen Harrington will host (arranging for tuning, and equipment set-up); Kathy Wilson will introduce the speakers. Since it will be a full hour program, catering will need to start 15 minutes early, at 11:30, so the presentation can be from noon-1pm.

Senior Competition – DeAnna Calhoun: There are 4 entries so far; tomorrow is deadline; a reminder went out today.

Sonatina Competition – Gloria Johnson: The new venue of Tulsa University shows lots of promise. Gloria will do a walk-through on Tuesday before sending out the schedule for the two judges. There are 42 entries, similar to last year, with several new teachers participating. Laurie did a beautiful job on the certificates; lunch will be provided for the judges.

Website – Laurie Lightbody: Updated event entry forms are posted.

Workshop – Karen Harrington: Tom Lanners will present on Wednesday, 9/19 at Tulsa Historical Society. The day will start at

9:00am; program from 9:30am-1:00pm, including a 45-minute break for lunch.

New Business: Kathy reported that at the OMTA Board meeting Danny Calhoun was elected MTNA Foundation Fellow. Congratulations, Danny!

The Nominating Committee is working to prepare a slate of nominees, which will be read at our March meeting and voted on at our April meeting. National certification sessions are planned for 10:30-11:30 a.m. directly before the meetings in February, April and May. Terri Hlubek drives in from OKC to conduct these. Things are going well – attendees have completed the first step and will start work on the second step this month.

We were reminded to vote in the South Central Division Election; Barbara Fast is nominated for Director-Elect. Submission of our OMTA Fellow is due in April, with nominations due soon for the March vote. New nominees are encouraged, although it is allowed for someone to be nominated more than once.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10am following a motion by Karen Harrington.

MARCH 2018



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MARCH 14th PROGRAM

Danny Calhoun presents
"Why We Do What We Do"

Don't miss this meeting!

2018 DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AUDITIONS
Kathy Wilson, Chair

The District Achievement Audition was held this past Saturday, and went quite well. A huge event like that doesn't happen without many hours of work before, during and afterwards, and I'd like to say "thank you!" to everyone who helped make it successful. I noticed that teachers had done a wonderful job of keeping parents and students informed, resulting in fewer inquiries about what room they were supposed to go to or where they could get cash for the State entry fee. Way to go! Every teacher and volunteer who monitored, handed out awards, graded theory tests, and helped in the theory room was needed and appreciated.

A special "thank you" to **Vicki Walker** and **Joyce Bridgman**, ORU faculty members and TAMTA members, who provided support, help and advice about how to adjust to the room use policy changes. Vicki also served as Facilities Chair and oversaw the set up and break down for the audition, with the help of our hard-working ORU student workers. Another huge thank you to **Beth Chedester**, who stepped into the hard-to-fill shoes of **Sandy Pierce** as Monitor Chair, and did a great job handling the constantly changing monitor schedule. Sandy was there all day to support Beth, as well as serving as a hall runner. **Danny Calhoun** did a wonderful job, as always, as our State Registration Chair, with data entry being done by **DeAnna Calhoun** and **Linda Fields**. **Phillele McBryer** led the orientation for the judges and processed all the judges' paperwork, and provided much needed help with the daunting task of finding judges to hear all 570 of the piano, string, woodwind, reed, and vocal students that played. **Laurie Lightbody** is our Theory Chair and will be working with our Grading Chair, **Margie Berman**, to make sure the hundreds of theory tests are double-graded as quickly as possible. **Shauna Westall** did a great job as Hospitality Chair, making sure morning coffee and snacks and boxed lunches were ordered from Sodexo before the event, and helping out as a monitor floater the day of the event. The work is not done! Please contact Laurie about volunteering to help grade theory tests, if you are able to do so.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 14 – TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria

March 14 – Postmark deadline, TAMTA Graduating Senior and Camp Scholarships, Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards

March 17-21 – MTNA Conference, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

April 6 – TAMTA Board Meeting, Brookside Library

April 7 – Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards Prelims, ORU

April 14 – Scholarship Auditions/Spindler Finals, ORU, Jo Dee Davis, Chair

2018 OMTA STATE CONFERENCE

Mark your calendar now for the 2018 State Conference, May 31–June 2! The conference will take place at the Tower Hotel in Oklahoma City. You can read more details about the Guest Artist, Clinician and Presenters as well as conference hotel information at www.oklahomamta.org.

POSTMARK DEADLINE

All teachers who have students wishing to enter the Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards competition, or audition for one of the many TAMTA Scholarships, should have their applications, fees and transcripts turned in (postmarked) by the end of the day on Wednesday, March 14th. Entry forms may be requested from Jo Dee Davis or downloaded from www.tamta.org. You may turn them in at the TAMTA meeting on March 14th, or mail them to Jo Dee Davis. *If you are entering students for the Summer Camp Scholarship, please note the audition date is April 14th. The date in the roster is incorrect.*



Safe travels to TAMTA members attending the MTNA Conference in Florida!

Senior Competition Finalists



2018-2019 Slate of Nominees

9th Grade

Derek Huang (pianist), student of Gloria Johnson, *Tulsa*

10th Grade

Michael Hwang (pianist), student of Gloria Johnson, *Tulsa*

11th Grade

Elizabeth Grice (pianist), student of Mahlon Halleck, *Stillwater*
Katy Craig (vocalist), student of Sharon Yenster, *Tulsa*

12th Grade

Sarah Rose (pianist), student of Karen Harrington, *Tulsa*
Brianna DeBoer (pianist), student of Dr. Roger Price, *Tulsa*

Laurie Lightbody
President

Shauna Westall
VP for Communications

Debra Presley
VP for Membership

Michele Cowen
Recording Secretary

Danny Calhoun
Treasurer

Kathy Wilson
Immediate Past President

Happy Spring Break

SUMMARY OF TAMTA BOARD MINUTES

March 2, 2018, Brookside Library
Original minutes by Linda Fields,
Recording Secretary

President Kathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:07 am. In attendance were: Kathy Wilson, JoDee Davis, Danny & DeAnna Calhoun, Jan Meyer, Laurie Lightbody, Phillele McBrayer and Linda Fields.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as read. Linda thanked everyone for emailing any written reports to her for attaching to the minutes.

Danny Calhoun, Treasurer: The balance in the general fund is \$16,194.47. (See attached report). The Sonatina Competition profit was \$480, although a few small expenses may still be outstanding. A Memorial donation was made to honor Shauna Westall's father. The Laven Sowell award will be sent out this week.

Laurie Lightbody, VP for Communications: no report.

Jan Meyer, VP for Membership: She will call Sharon Yenster to see about scheduling a new member brunch on a Saturday in April.

Committee Reports: Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson: The event will be

on March 10th, with 582 entries, 10 theory only, and over 80 strings. The schedule is basically full, with only 2-3 cancellations so far. Kathy is looking for one full day piano judge to replace a cancellation.

Arrangements - Linda Shade: The March menu is Spinach salad w/ranch and raspberry vinaigrette dressing, smoked brisket, mac and cheese, green beans, rolls, and apple cobbler.

Judges - Phillele McBrayer: She will run the District judge orientation meeting.

Library - Jan Meyer: Will do same book that was planned for February: Neil Rutman's Stories, Images and Magic from Piano Literature.

Newsletter - Laurie Lightbody: The deadline is 3/9 for issue on 3/12. A correction for the Summer Camp Scholarship date listed in the roster will be in this newsletter. Program - Kathy Wilson: This month Danny Calhoun will present, "Why We Do What We Do."

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards - Jo Dee Davis: The Summer Camp Scholarship audition date in the roster is incorrect. It should be April 14th. In addition to noting this in the newsletter, Kathy will send out an email with the correction.

Senior Competition - DeAnna Calhoun: The event went well with 13 entries (about half of last year; the other center, Shawnee, had quite a few more than last year).

Sonatina Competition - Gloria Johnson: The winners were published in newsletter.

Website - Laurie Lightbody: Routine updates are done

Workshop - Karen Harrington: Preparations are going smoothly.

Young Musicians - Karen Harmon: report pending, but Danny noted that even with fewer entries and a higher facility fee than last year, the event still broke even.

New Business: JoDee moved that we accept the following Slate of Nominees to be read at the March General meeting for April vote:

President: Laurie Lightbody

VP for Communications: Shauna Westall

VP for Membership: Debra Presley

Recording Secretary: Michele Cowen

Treasurer: Danny Calhoun

Immed. Past President: Kathy Wilson

Kathy moved that Laurie Lightbody be our nominee for OMTA Fellow; the motion carried. The OMTA Conference Booklet will be re-instated, along with the online Guildbook. We will once again place a full-page ad. Terri Hlubek will hold the certification meeting in March since February was canceled.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55am following a motion by Danny.



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TIPS AND TAKEAWAYS FROM THE MTNA CONFERENCE

Please join us on April 18th to hear various TAMTA members share insightful tips and resources from this year's MTNA Conference. If you've ever thought about attending a MTNA Conference, this meeting might just help you decide! See you there!

IMPORTANT DATES

- April 18** – TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria
- April 21** – OMTA Senior Competition Finals, Norman, OK, Mary Sallee, Chair
- May 4** – TAMTA Board Meeting, Brookside Library
- May 16** – TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria
- May 18/19** – OMTA State Achievement Auditions, OU, Norman

MTNA ACHIEVEMENT AWARD / MEMBER RECOGNITION

The Frances Clark Center for Keyboard Pedagogy was awarded the MTNA Achievement Award at the Music Teacher's National Association's annual conference on March 21, 2018 in Orlando Florida. *The MTNA Achievement Award, MTNA's highest honor, is bestowed to an individual who has made significant and lasting contributions to the teaching profession (www.mtna.org).* In the twenty-eight year history of the award, it has only been awarded to an organization three times.

TAMTA member and Recording Secretary, Linda Fields, has recently accepted the position of Chairman of the Committee on Music Learning in Early Childhood for the National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy. NCKP is one of the three divisions of The Frances Clark Center. She would be happy to speak with anyone who has a strong background in methodologies such as Dalcroze, Orff, Kodaly, Suzuki, Gordon Music Learning Theory etc. and is passionate about how piano/keyboard lessons can be informed/enhanced by these.

Congratulations to Linda on her new position and to the Frances Clark Center for this prestigious award!

JUDGE COMMENTS

We would appreciate comments concerning District Achievement judges and their critiques, both what you liked, and anything you didn't care for. Your feedback is important. Please take time to email Phillele McBrayer at pncbrayer2@gmail.com, or give her a call. Thank you!

ROSTER CHANGES

Please submit any roster changes to DeAnna Calhoun at decal74@sbcglobal.net by July 31 to be included in the new updated roster.

MTNA CERTIFICATION

Have you been thinking about pursuing National Certification? OMTA will pay 50% of the certification fee for its members. Visit <https://www.oklahomamta.org/about/national-certification/> for more information or contact Terri Hlubek at magpies86@aol.com.

2018 OMTA STATE CONFERENCE "LIFELONG CONNECTIONS" MAY 31-JUNE 2, 2018

Registration is now open for the 2018 OMTA State Conference. You won't want to miss this exciting event! The conference will be at the University of Oklahoma in Norman. Rooms are available at the conference rate until May 9th. Visit OMTA's website for more details, www.oklahomamta.org.

SPINDLER PIANO AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

JO DEE DAVIS, CHAIR

2018 SPINDLER PIANO AWARDS WINNERS

JUNIOR DIVISION

First Place – Lauren Hsieh, student of Gloria Johnson
Nocturne, Op. 32, No. 1 — Chopin

Second Place – Mataya Woodard, student of Vicki Walker
Sonatina Op. 20, No. 1 — Kuhlau

Third Place – Annelise Huynh, student of Gloria Johnson
Nocturne in C# Minor — Chopin

Finalist – Alex McCorkle, student of Teresa Kanold
Turkish March, Sonata No. 11 in A Major — Mozart

Finalist – Luke Maxwell, student of Karen Harrington
Sailor's Song, Op. 45, No. 4 — Heller

Congratulations to these students and their teachers!



2018 SPINDLER PIANO AWARDS WINNERS

SENIOR DIVISION

First Place – Tony Tan, student of Gloria Johnson
Sonata K457 1st Mvt. — Mozart

Second Place – Derek Huang, student of Gloria Johnson
Valse Romantique — Debussy

Congratulations to these students and their teachers!

Also, a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Sergio Monteiro for judging this event. There were no entries in the Scholarship Auditions this year.



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Original minutes by Linda Fields, Recording Secretary

President Kathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. In attendance were: Kathy Wilson, Jo Dee Davis, Young-Eun Chung, Jan Meyer, Laurie Lightbody, Phillele McBrayer, Linda Fields, Danny & DeAnna Calhoun. The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as read. Linda thanked everyone for emailing any written reports to her for attaching to the minutes.

Danny Calhoun, Treasurer: The balance in the general fund is \$15,643.42. OMTA has reimbursed TAMTA for the judge's lunches at District. The 2nd half of the Memorial Scholarship was paid as well as the entire Laven Sowell award. We received a memorial contribution in memory of Roberta Lewis and TAMTA made a donation in memory of Teresa Kanold's father. Danny will place our regular full-page ad in the OMTA conference booklet.

Laurie Lightbody, VP for Communication: Laurie expressed her appreciation for being honored as TAMTA's OMTA Fellow. She reported that she mailed a roster to our new member.

Jan Meyer, VP for Membership: Sadly the new member brunch is not coming together for this year, despite Jan's good efforts.

Committee Reports:

Achievement Auditions – Kathy Wilson: Joyce Bridgman & Vicki Walker provided much appreciated support with meeting a few challenges related to the new room usage policy at ORU. The theory tests are almost completely graded and about to be entered in the State database. The graded tests will be available for pick up soon, as well as being distributed at the general meeting. Feedback about judges is helpful and welcomed. Members may email Kathy Wilson or Phillele McBrayer with their input. 304 students registered for State despite the higher fee; the percentage of the number who qualified was equal to or greater than last year.

Arrangements – Linda Shade: The April menu is Caesar Salad, Baked Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce, Lemon Peppered Mixed Veggies, Bread & Butter, Bread Pudding w/Whiskey Sauce, and Iced Tea.

Holiday Showcase – Young-Eun Chung: She is beginning to research the possibility of using a different venue for this event.

Judges – Phillele McBrayer: Feedback is welcomed regarding District adjudicators.

Library – Jan Meyer: There were no new acquisitions; the Rutman book was the only one borrowed.

Music Sales – DeAnna Calhoun: Selling on Amazon is not working out; she may look into donating to a library or university resource center.

Newsletter – Laurie Lightbody: The deadline is 4/13 for issue on 4/16.

Program – Kathy Wilson: "From the MTNA Conference" will be presented by members who attended last month. We will also elect new officers.

Reservations – Linda Nichols: The deadline for reservations is 3/12.

Roster – DeAnna Calhoun: Now is the time to check for roster accuracy. Members will get reminders at upcoming meetings and in newsletters.

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards – Jo Dee Davis: There are 6 students entered in the Junior Division and 3 in the Senior Division. The only student entered in the Scholarship Audition has applied for the Camp Scholarship. Members will be encouraged to attend the Spindler Finals, since the winners will not be playing at our May meeting.

Website – Laurie Lightbody: Routine updates are done.

New Business:

It's time to register for the OMTA Conference, both meals and hotel. Kathy reminded us that the May Board meeting is when end-of-year reports/policy and procedure updates are due to her, unless there are no major changes and she has something accurate on file. The meeting adjourned at 10:55am.



NEWSLETTER OF THE TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

LESSONS FROM OUTSIDE THE MUSIC WORLD

MAY 16, 2018

STEVE BETTS, PRESENTER

We are happy to have Steve Betts present "Lessons from Outside the Music World" for our last May meeting. Those of you that have heard Steve before know how well organized and practical his knowledgeable presentations are. We'd love to see you there!

We will also be recognizing our incoming Executive Officers, as they were elected by acclamation last month.

Incoming 2018-2019 Executive Officers:

President — Laurie Lightbody
 Vice President for Membership — Debra Presley
 Vice President for Communications — Shauna Westall
 Recording Secretary — Michele Cowen
 Treasurer — Danny Calhoun
 Immediate Past President — Kathy Wilson

IMPORTANT DATES

May 16 – TAMTA General Meeting, 2445 S. Peoria

May 19 – Deadline for OMTA State Conference (pre-conference rates)

May 18-19 – OMTA State Achievement Auditions, University of Oklahoma, Norman

May 31-June 2 – OMTA State Conference, University of Oklahoma, Norman

June 8 – TAMTA Board Meeting

June 30 – Deadline to renew MTNA dues

**2018-2019
 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DEADLINE
 JUNE 30, 2018**

Remember to renew your MTNA membership (which includes OTMA and TAMTA) by or before June 30, 2018. Go to www.mtna.org to renew.

Dues must be received by MTNA by June 30 in order for teachers to enter students in OMTA auditions next year.

Dues must also be paid by June 30 in order for teachers to be included in the TAMTA yearbook and to be on the referral list.

This is also a great time to encourage your colleagues to join. Invite them to become a member and get involved in our events!

**FROM THE PRESIDENT
 KATHY WILSON**

I would like to thank TAMTA members and the TAMTA Board for all the support and encouragement I've received as President over the past four years. I am proud of the work the board and I accomplished, which includes restructuring board positions, creating a digital Policies and Procedures file, and a major update and revision of the TAMTA By-Laws. I've also deeply appreciated the financial assistance that TAMTA provides to its President to help with attending the MTNA and OMTA Conferences.

I'm excited about the new slate of officers! I know we all appreciate the willingness of the incoming officers to serve, and they will do a great job. There are wonderful things ahead for TAMTA!

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

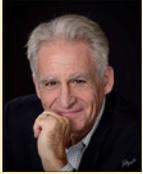
Congratulations to TAMTA member Karen Harmon, whose composition "Catapult" was performed by the Tulsa Signature Symphony on May 4th! Karen's students will perform with the Tulsa Honors Chamber Orchestra on July 3, 2018!

ROSTER CHANGES

Please submit any roster changes to DeAnna Calhoun at decal74@sbcglobal.net by June 30 to be included in the new updated roster.



OMTA STATE CONFERENCE



GUEST ARTIST – Craig Sheppard. In 1972, Sheppard gave his New York debut at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Six months later, he won the Silver Medal at the Leeds International Piano Competition, launching his international career. In 2010, Sheppard founded the annual Seattle Piano Institute with his colleague Dr. Robin McCabe, an intense piano workshop for aspiring young pianists held every July at the School of Music of the University of Washington, now coming into its ninth highly successful season (www.seattlepianoinstitute.org). His many students over the years, both in Great Britain and this country, are employed in music schools and universities throughout the world.



GUEST CLINICIANS – Catharine Lysinger is on the faculty at SMU's Meadows School of the Arts where she teaches applied piano and piano pedagogy. She is also Coordinator of the piano pedagogy area and the director of the Piano Preparatory Department. Lysinger is a frequent guest of festivals nationally and internationally. Lysinger is also a frequent adjudicator for and presenter to MTAs regionally and nationally and has been a featured presenter at the National Conference on Keyboard Pedagogy. She is the founding director of the SMU Institute for Young Pianists, a summer festival that attracts the best and brightest young pianists in the region and from as far away as China and Hong Kong.



Dr. ChihChen Sophia Lee, Music Therapist-Board Certified (MT-BC), is the Director of Music Therapy at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, Weatherford, Oklahoma. Professionally active at the local, regional, national, and international levels, Dr. Lee has published, co-authored, and presented numerous papers as well as the Continuing Education for Music Therapists (CMTE) courses in peer-reviewed professional journals, books and other professional publications, and conferences in music therapy and expressive arts therapy.

Oklahoma Music Teachers Association State Conference 2018

"Lifelong Connections"

May 31-June 2, 2018

The University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma



REGISTRATION

Please register online at www.oklahomamta.org by May 19, 2018 by 11:59pm to get the pre-conference rates. Be sure to visit the website for all of the latest information on the conference!

SUMMARY OF TAMTA BOARD MINUTES

May 4, 2018, Brookside Library

Original minutes by

Linda Fields, Recording Secretary

President Kathy Wilson called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. In attendance were: Kathy Wilson, Young-Eun Chung, Jan Meyer, Laurie Lightbody, Phillele McBrayer, Linda Fields.

The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as corrected. Linda thanked everyone for emailing any written reports to her for attaching to the minutes.

Danny Calhoun, Treasurer: The balance in the general fund is \$14,685.38. Due in part to increased facility fees, the Spindler-Lynch/Scholarship Fund principal was reduced more than usual this year. The long-term health of the fund may require some changes, either in venue or in entry fee. Options are being considered.

Laurie Lightbody, VP for Communication: Laurie read two thank you notes received from Spindler-Lynch/Scholarship entrants.

Jan Meyer, VP for Membership: There are only about 5-6 publicity cards left. The

master is on disk, ready to be updated and used to print more as needed.

Committee Reports:

Achievement Auditions – Kathy Wilson: Feedback about judges was passed on to Phillele McBrayer.

Arrangements – Linda Shade: The May menu information has been emailed out.

Holiday Showcase – Young-Eun Chung: Young-Eun is looking into other venues, including retirement facilities such as University Village, Inverness and Methodist Manor.

Judges – Phillele McBrayer: The board agreed that this position is still needed, even after the OMTA Adjudicator Database is launched.

Newsletter – Laurie Lightbody: The deadline is 5/11 for issue on 5/14.

Program – Kathy Wilson: The May host/hostess needs to contact Steve Betts regarding his needs for his program. Unless someone else has already volunteered, Kathy said she would do this.

New Business: New officers will be recognized at the May meeting. The June board meeting will be the first meeting with the 2018-2020 board. Outgoing board members are also encouraged to attend to aid in the transition. The Hardesty Library is being considered as the location. We were reminded about the upcoming OMTA Conference and also about turning in end-of-year reports/policy and procedure updates to Kathy. The meeting adjourned at 10:50am.



Musical Notes

NEWSLETTER OF THE TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION



IMPORTANT DATES

- June 30** – Deadline to renew MTNA dues
- June 30** – Deadline for changes for roster to DeAnna Calhoun

TAMTA EVENT DATES FOR 2018-2019

- OMTA/MTNA COMPETITIONS: NOVEMBER 3-4, 2018 (OU)
- JUNIOR COMPETITION: NOVEMBER 10, 2018 (ORU)
- TAMTA FESTIVAL: NOVEMBER 17, 2018 (ORU)
- HOLIDAY SHOWCASE: DECEMBER 8-9, 2018
- OMTA WINTER BOARD MEETING: JANUARY 26, 2019 (OSU)
- TAMTA SONATINA COMPETITION: FEBRUARY 2, 2019
- YOUNG MUSICIANS: FEBRUARY 16, 2019 (ORU)
- OMTA WEST SENIOR COMPETITION: FEBRUARY 16, 2019 (OBU)
- OMTA EAST SENIOR COMPETITION: FEBRUARY 23, 2019 (TU)
- DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AUDITIONS: MARCH 9, 2019 (ORU)
- MTNA CONFERENCE: MARCH 16 - 20, SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
- SPINDLER-LYNCH PRELIMS: APRIL 6, 2019 (ORU)
- SPINDLER-LYNCH FINALS: APRIL 13, 2019 (ORU)
- TAMTA SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS: APRIL 13, 2019 (ORU)
- OMTA SR. COMPETITION FINALS: APRIL 20, 2019
- STATE ACHIEVEMENT AUDITION: MAY 17-18, NORMAN, OK
- OMTA CONFERENCE: MAY 30 – JUNE 1, UCO, EDMOND, OK

2018-2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DEADLINE JUNE 30, 2018

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GENERAL MEETINGS

- SEPTEMBER 19, 2018 (WORKSHOP)
- OCTOBER 17, 2018
- NOVEMBER 14, 2018
- JANUARY 16, 2019
- FEBRUARY 20, 2019
- MARCH 13, 2019
- APRIL 17, 2019
- MAY 15, 2019

BOARD MEETINGS

- SEPTEMBER 7, 2018
- OCTOBER 5, 2018
- NOVEMBER 2, 2018
- JANUARY 4, 2019
- FEBRUARY 1, 2019
- MARCH 1, 2019
- APRIL 5, 2019
- MAY 3, 2019
- JUNE 7, 2019

2018-2019 ROSTER CHANGES

Please let DeAnna Calhoun know if you have changed your phone number, e-mail address, mailing address, etc. from what was listed in last year's handbook by June 30th. It is your responsibility to make sure the information listed in the roster is correct. Thank you!

DeAnna Calhoun – decal74@sbcglobal.net

NEW EMAIL AND TEXT SYSTEMS FOR 2018-2019

We are testing some new email and text message systems that would allow us to send automated messages to the membership. Once testing is done, we will roll out the new systems in the fall (possibly summer). You will have the opportunity to "opt-in" to these systems. Please remember, though, that if you choose not to receive these messages, you will not receive important information such as deadlines, announcements, newsletters, etc. You will still be responsible for meeting all deadlines as listed in the roster.

TAMTA WORKSHOP WED, SEPTEMBER 19, 2018 9:30 AM-1:15 PM TULSA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TAMTA's September workshop will feature Thomas Lanners from Oklahoma State University. Lunch will be served. Dr. Lanners will present on topics including Practicing with Presence, Understanding the Mind's Role in Natural, Healthy Movement and Musical Interpretation, and Hearing Voices (Balancing Voice in Pianistic Textures). The workshop will be open to students and the public.
NOTE: This is a Wednesday, not the usual Saturday for workshop. We would love to see a great turnout for this event to kickoff our new year!

TAMTA Executive Board Meeting June 8, 2018 - Hardesty Regional Library

President Laurie Lightbody called the meeting to order at 10:25 am. In attendance were: Laurie Lightbody, Young-Eun Chung, Kathy Wilson, Michele Cowen, Cynthia Briscoe, Debra Presley, Shauna Westall and Linda Fields. The minutes of the previous board meeting were approved as read.

The treasurer's report, submitted by Danny Calhoun, was distributed. Danny reported to Laurie that TAMTA is doing fine financially. A sympathy card on the passing of DeAnna Calhoun's grandmother and a get well card for Sandy Pierce were signed. Debra Presley, VP for Membership, will mail both cards.

Shauna Westall, VP for Communications, read a card from Tony Tan thanking TAMTA for the Spindler-Lynch Scholarship.

Debra Presley, VP for Membership, will contact Jan Meyer for information regarding her position. Kathy Wilson talked about the New Members Brunch generally held in August. Danny Calhoun should have the most up to date member list of new members. Kathy suggested we explore the possibility of a mentorship program for new members. Another suggestion was implementing a studio-crawl 1x month or other kinds of studio collaboration that would not only enhance our own studios but could also be used as a marketing tool.

Laurie Lightbody reminded the board about online reimbursement forms.

Committee Reports

Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson

There were not enough large rooms this year. Kathy will visit with John Jenkins at ORU about other options. It was decided using judges for 1/2 days wasn't feasible if the judging day needed to be longer. Kathy reported that Elizabeth Alpert will be the theory chair. The possible date for the Achievement Auditions is March 9, 2019.

Arrangements - Vacant Chair. Discussion

included the need to keep decorations simple and make sure the menu fit the needs of our hungry members! Linda Nichols reported to Kathy that TAMTA averages 15.7 members at our general meetings out of a total membership of 81. Laurie will contact the Tulsa Historical Society for TAMTA 2018-2019 general meeting dates.

Festival - Laurie Lightbody: Possible date for festival is November 17, 2018 pending ORU availability. Members can fill out an online spreadsheet and then mail in entry fees.

Holiday Showcase—Young-Eun Chung: Possible date is December 8-9, 2018. Several suggestions were made for locations including, Barnes and Noble, Reasors, Promenade Mall.

Historian - Cynthia Briscoe: Laurie welcomed Cynthia and will provide her with the info for this position.

Judges - Sandy Pierce: Phillele McBryer will transition the material to Sandy in a few weeks.

Junior Competition - Margie Berman: Possible date and location is November 3, 2018 at ORU.

Library - Vacant Chair

Music Sales - DeAnna Calhoun: The money made from the music sold at Festival goes towards supporting the Sonatina Competition.

Newsletter - Shauna Westall: Shauna will email a TAMTA newsletter with an issue date of June 25, 2018. Information for the newsletter needs to be received by June 22.

Program - Vacant Chair: Kathy Wilson has the results of the member poll.

Roster - DeAnna Calhoun: June 30, 2018 is the deadline for new or revised information for the directory. Reminder will be put in the newsletter.

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch Piano Awards - Vacant Chair: The OMTA Senior Competition date needs to be confirmed before TAMTA can set a date. A possible date is April 6, 2019.

Senior Competition - This position needs a new chair, which will be solved at the OMTA level. A possible date is February 23, 2019.

Sonatina Competition - Vacant Chair: This competition needs to be held earlier in February possibly at TU.

Workshop - Karen Harrington: The next workshop will be September 19, 2018, with Dr. Thomas Lanners. The fee for the workshop will be waived for guests. Guests will be responsible for the lunch fee.

Young Musicians - Karen Harmon: Karen requested this event be moved from January to February. A possible date is February 16, 2019 at ORU.

New Business:

Cynthia Briscoe thanked TAMTA for the money donated in memory of her father.

2018-2019 Calendar: November 14, 2018 will be the general meeting so as not to meet the day before Thanksgiving. Remind.com: Laurie will sign up the membership but give members the option of opting out of e-mail or text.

2018-2019 Board meetings: Laurie will try to reserve the Helmerich Library at 91st and Yale for upcoming board meetings. New start time at 10:30am.

Program ideas: Danny Calhoun's presentation on Music in the Digital Age will be added. Tips and takeaways from the MTNA conference will be in May 2019. February and March general meetings could be local presenters. It was agreed that we would like Steve Betts to come back and complete his wonderful workshop from the Spring. A trip thru the TAMTA Library would be good for an earlier program. A panel or round table discussion on specific topics was also suggested.

Laurie Lightbody mentioned that next year (2019) will be the TAMTA Centennial and wants to plan a celebration. A committee will be formed in the fall. Suggestions included: piggyback onto the Fall Workshop, a year long reminiscent of TAMTA events, be a banquet atmosphere, be social with husbands/guests invited, have the Mary Sallee Jazz Ensemble perform. General consensus was that we should definitely do something to celebrate the Centennial. Discussion will resume in the fall. Kathy Wilson moved that the meeting adjourn at 12:12.

MUSICAL NOTES

SEPTEMBER 2018 | TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

WORKSHOP: DR. THOMAS LANNERS FROM OSU

WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 19, 2018



TAMTA welcomes Dr. Thomas Lanners from Oklahoma State University as our 2018 Workshop Clinician.

Tom has performed, presented master classes, and given lectures on various musical topics throughout the United States, Mexico, Canada, Europe and Asia. He received his Master's and

Doctoral degrees in Piano Performance and Literature from the Eastman School as a student of Barry Snyder.

DATE:

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

PLACE:

Tulsa Historical Society, 2445 S. Peoria Ave, Tulsa, OK 74114

TIMES:

Registration - 9:00am (pastry and coffee served)

Workshop - 9:30am - 1:15pm

Lunch (optional) - 11:45am - 12:30pm

- cost is \$12.00 and a reservation must be made*

LUNCH MENU:

Fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, home-style green beans, biscuits and butter, bread pudding, iced tea and coffee

IMPORTANT DEADLINE

*Lunch reservations for workshop are due by Wednesday, September 12th. Please make your reservations with Danny Calhoun via email: dan88keys@sbcglobal.net or at 918-284-3124.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Sept 19 - Workshop
- Oct 13 - OMTA Adjudicator workshop
- Oct 17 - General meeting
- Oct 17 - Online entry deadline - TAMTA Festival
- Oct 20 - Online entry deadline - OMTA Jr. Competition

OMTA ADJUDICATOR WORKSHOP

Saturday, October 13th
First Presbyterian Church
3rd Floor Choir Room
709 S. Boston Ave, Tulsa
9:30am - 12:30am

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Potential adjudicators

Current Adjudicators

OMTA teachers interested in learning more
District Chairmen

This seminar is FREE to all OMTA members. College students of OMTA members may attend for \$5.00. All attendees receive the OMTA Adjudication booklet and will practice adjudicating live student performances.

REGISTER NOW
(Space is limited)

Contact Kathy Wilson
okathyw@sbcglobal.net

2018-2019 Dates (updated from June issue)

OMTA/MTNA Competitions: November 3-4, 2018 (OU)
Junior Competition: November 10, 2018 (ORU)
TAMTA Festival: November 17, 2018 (ORU)
Holiday Showcase: December 8-9, 2018 (Woodland Hills)
OMTA Winter Board Meeting: January 26, 2019 (OSU)
Young Musicians: February 16, 2019 (ORU)
OMTA West Senior Competition: February 16, 2019 (OBU)
OMTA East Senior Competition: February 23, 2019 (TU)
TAMTA Sonatina Competition: March 2, 2019 (TU)
District Achievement Auditions: March 9, 2019 (ORU)
MTNA Conference: March 16 - 20, Spokane, Washington
Spindler-Lynch: April 6, 2019 (ORU)
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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Laurie Lightbody

Welcome to the 2018-2019 year! The TAMTA Board has been hard at work over the summer and we are excited about our upcoming events.

Please make plans to attend our Workshop on September 19th. This is always a great kickoff to the year - you can also pick up your rosters then.

Be sure to note the updated dates (left). These dates have all been confirmed for this year.

I'm looking forward to some great programs and events - mark your calendars NOW so you don't miss out on all the excitement! See you soon!

TAMTA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING 9/7/18 HARDESTY LIBRARY

President Laurie Lightbody called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. In attendance were Kathy Wilson, Debra Presley, Danny Calhoun, DeAnna Calhoun, Karen Harrington, Sandy Pierce and Shauna Westall. The minutes of the June, 2018, Board meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Danny Calhoun went over the annual report. TAMTA is in excellent financial shape. He also reviewed the financial report for June - August. The IRS E-postcard to renew our 501c3 non-profit status has been filed.

Shauna Westall, Vice President for Communications, reported that reservations for the workshop luncheon should be turned in to Danny Calhoun by Wednesday the 12th. The morning hospitality (\$7/person) will be handled by the caterer, as well as the luncheon at our normal \$12/person cost.

Debra Presley, Vice President for Membership, read a thank you note from Sandy Pierce. The board expressed its pleasure that Sandy was able to attend the meeting and is on the road to recovery. Debra is working on scheduling a date for a New Member Brunch on a Friday in September. The establishment of a mentorship program for new members was discussed. Kathy Wilson agreed to help Debra develop the program, as well as serve as a mentor.

Committee Reports

Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson reported that she has already engaged some judges.

She is working on the issue of not having enough practice rooms that can serve as audition rooms at ORU, and hopes to find a solution.

Arrangements - Shauna Westall will work with the caterer on menus for meetings. Members will e-mail or call in reservations to Danny Calhoun, who will then send the final number to our caterer and Laurie. Kathy Wilson and DeAnna Calhoun volunteered to help with setup prior to the meeting.

Festival - Laurie Lightbody reported that the date is November 17th, and she is still looking for a few more judges.

Holiday Showcase - Young-Eun Chung was unable to attend, but reported that this year's showcase will be held at Woodland Hills Mall.

Judges - Phillelle is handling this until Sandy is feeling well enough to step into the position. Chairs are reminded to check with Phillelle before contacting adjudicators for their event.

Junior Competition - Margie Berman could not attend, but sent word that Ron Lewis is working on engaging judges for the November 10th event.

Librarian - After discussion, the board decided to liquidate the materials in the library after the March program, which will be "A Trip through the TAMTA Library".

Music Sales - DeAnna Calhoun reported that we received a large donation of music earlier in the summer from a music teacher's estate. Margie Berman offered to make a sign for the music sales area during Festival.

Newsletter - Shauna Westall asked for input regarding release dates for newsletters this term. It was decided to send them out to the membership one

week prior to general meetings, which will give everyone enough time to send in lunch reservations after receiving it.

Programs - Laurie Lightbody scheduled programs for this term. The first program in October will be a TAMTA Round Table Discussion.

Roster - DeAnna Calhoun reported that there have been some significant challenges with formatting problems due to errors by the printer, and the rosters will need to be re-done. They will be ready for the September workshop.

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch - Karen Harrington graciously agreed to take this job again. The board voted during the summer to consolidate this event into one day. Doing everything on one day will be a considerable savings of both time and money.

Sonatina Competition - DeAnna Calhoun is chairing this event, which will be at TU on March 2nd. The tentative February date did not work for TU.

Website - Laurie Lightbody reported that the calendar has been updated, and that she will change the calendar format so it is easier to read.

Workshop - Karen Harrington reported that Tom Lanners is looking forward to this year's workshop, which will be on Wednesday, September 19th.

New Business

Laurie Lightbody announced that future board meetings will be held at Helmerich Library (5131 E. 91st). She also mentioned the OMTA Adjudicator Seminar on October 13th at First Presbyterian Church (downtown) and encouraged members to participate.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

10/5/18 Helmerich Library

President Laurie Lightbody called the meeting to order at 10:40 am. In attendance were: Laurie Lightbody, Michele Cowen, Danny Calhoun, DeAnna Calhoun, Shauna Westall, Debra Presley and Kathy Wilson.

The minutes of the September 7, 2018 meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Treasurer Danny Calhoun went over the September 1, 2018 TAMTA Financial Statement (see attached).

Shauna Westall, VP for Communications, reported that all rosters had been mailed. Shauna went over the menu for the next TAMTA general meeting.

DEBRA PRESLEY, VP FOR MEMBERSHIP, REPORTED THAT SHE HAS REACHED OUT TO ALL NEW MEMBERS AND IS WORKING ON A FUTURE NEW MEMBER LUNCHEON. CARDS FOR JODY NAIFEH AND ROBYN BARBOUR WERE PASSED AROUND FOR MEMBERS TO SIGN.

THE BOARD MEMBERS WERE REMINDED THAT PHILELLE MCBRAYER IS CELEBRATING HER 92ND BIRTHDAY ON OCT. 6TH. IT WAS SUGGESTED WE ALL SEND HER A BIRTHDAY GREETINGS E-MAIL.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
ACHIEVEMENT AUDITIONS - KATHY WILSON IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF SECURING JUDGES AND WORKING WITH ORU TO SECURE ENOUGH ROOMS FOR THE AUDITIONS.

ARRANGEMENTS - SHAUNA WESTALL REPORTED THAT MARY HAWTHORNE HAS THE TABLECLOTHS USED FOR GENERAL MEETINGS. SHAUNA WILL CHECK WITH LINDA SHADE ABOUT THE TABLE DECORATIONS.

FESTIVAL - LAURIE LIGHTBODY REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NO ENTRIES YET. LAURIE REMINDED US THAT THE ENTRY DOCUMENT SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO HER VIA E-MAIL. SHE IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF SECURING VOCAL AND PIANO JUDGES.

HOLIDAY SHOWCASE - IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT MEMBERS CAN START TO SEND IN THEIR TIME RESERVATIONS TO YOUNG-EUN AND THAT A REMINDER BE PUT IN THE TAMTA NEWSLETTER.

HISTORIAN - THERE WAS NO REPORT.

JUDGES - THERE WAS NO REPORT.

Junior Competition - Margie Berman was sick but sent in her report to Kathy Wilson who reported that personal invitations to several local teachers had been sent out encouraging them to enter students in the Junior Audition. A reminder about the deadline and online registration will be included in the newsletter.

Library - no report

Music Sales - DeAnna Calhoun reported receiving more music for sale at Festival.

Newsletter - Shauna Westall reminded us that the deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the Monday after the Board meeting.

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Programs - Laurie Lightbody scheduled programs for this term. The first program in October will be a TAMTA Round Table Discussion.

Roster - DeAnna Calhoun reported that there have been some significant challenges with formatting problems due to errors by the printer, and the rosters will need to be re-done. They will be ready for the September workshop. Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch - Karen Harrington graciously agreed to take this job again. The board voted during the summer to consolidate this event into one day. Doing everything on one day will be a considerable savings of both time and money.

Sonatina Competition - DeAnna Calhoun is chairing this event, which will be at TU on March 2nd. The tentative February date did not work for TU.

Website - Laurie Lightbody reported that the calendar has been updated, and that she will change the calendar format so it is easier to read.

Workshop - Karen Harrington reported that Tom Lanners is looking forward to this year's workshop, which will be on Wednesday, September 19th.

New Business

Laurie Lightbody announced that future board meetings will be held at Helmerich Library (5131 E. 91st). She also mentioned the OMTA Adjudicator Seminar on October 13th at First Presbyterian Church (downtown) and encouraged members to participate.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

MUSICAL NOTES

OCTOBER 2018 | TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS: INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW



One of the best resources that music teachers have is other teachers. The Oct. 17th general meeting is a great opportunity to trade ideas and tips that are sure to energize your studio!

Topics will include studio set up, student incentives, methods-familiar and new, technology in lessons, and much more.

Members may submit questions or a unique teaching tip that you use in your studio. Email Laurie Lightbody at lightbody.laurie@gmail.com by Monday, 10/15.

DATE: October 17th

PLACE: Tulsa Historical Society,
2445 S. Peoria Ave, Tulsa, OK 74114

TIME: 11:45am-1:00pm

*Optional lunch cost is \$12.00 and a reservation must be made by Thursday, October 11th with Danny Calhoun dan88keys@sbcglobal.net or 918-284-3124.

LUNCH MENU:

Mixed Baby Green Salad with Ranch and Balsamic Vinaigrette,
Bread and Butter, Salisbury Steaks, Red Skinned Mashed Potatoes, Glazed Carrots, Assorted Dessert Sampler

Holiday Showcase December 8-9

*December will be here before you know it.
You may begin submitting student names to
Young-Eun Chung: ychung823@gmail.com

ROSTER EDIT: Please update the following phone
number in your rosters - Nancy Haswell - 918-407-6180.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Oct 13 - OMTA Adjudicator workshop (see below)
- Oct 17 - General meeting
- Oct 17 - Online entry deadline - TAMTA Festival
- Oct 20 - Online entry deadline - OMTA Jr. Competition

OMTA ADJUDICATOR WORKSHOP Space is still available if you register by Wednesday, October 13th!

Saturday, October 13th
First Presbyterian Church
3rd Floor Choir Room
709 S. Boston Ave, Tulsa
9:30am - 12:30am

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Potential adjudicators
Current Adjudicators
OMTA teachers interested in learning more
District Chairmen

This seminar is FREE to all OMTA members. College students of OMTA members may attend for \$5.00. All attendees receive the OMTA Adjudication booklet and will practice adjudicating live student performances.

REGISTER NOW
(Space is limited)

Contact Kathy Wilson
okathyw@sbcglobal.net

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

10/5/18 Helmerich Library

President Laurie Lightbody called the meeting to order at 10:40 am. In attendance were: Laurie Lightbody, Michele Cowen, Danny Calhoun, DeAnna Calhoun, Shauna Westall, Debra Presley and Kathy Wilson.

The minutes of the September 7, 2018 meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Treasurer Danny Calhoun went over the September 1, 2018 TAMTA Financial Statement (see attached).

Shauna Westall, VP for Communications, reported that all rosters had been mailed. Shauna went over the menu for the next TAMTA general meeting.

Debra Presley, VP for Membership, reported that she has reached out to all new members and is working on a future new member luncheon. Cards for Jody Naifeh and Robyn Barbour were passed around for members to sign.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson is in the final stages of securing judges and working with ORU to secure rooms for the auditions.

Arrangements - Shauna Westall reported that Mary Hawthorned has the tablecloths used for general meetings. Shauna will check on the table decorations.

Festival - Laurie Lightbody reported that there were no entries yet. Laurie reminded us that the entry document should be attached to her via email.

Holiday Showcase - It was suggested that members could start sending in their time reservations to Yougn-Eun Chung. A reminder would be put in the newsletter.

Historian - no report.

Judges - no report.

Junior Competition - Margie Berman was sick but sent in her report to Kathy Wilson who reported that personal invitations to several local teachers had been sent out encouraging them to enter students in the Junior Audition. A reminder about the deadline and online registration will be included in the newsletter.

Library - no report.

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Roster - There was a big thanks to DeAnna Calhoun for getting the rosters printed.

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch - no report.

Sonatina Competition - DeAnna Calhoun approved a new Mozart Sonata that will be added to the official competition repertoire list.

Website - There was no report.

Workshop - It was agreed that the September workshop with Dr. Thomas Lanners went well. It was suggested that the board consider having lunch after the workshops in the future.

Young Musicians - there was no report.

New Business:

The board was reminded of the Adjudicator Workshop on October 13th. A reminder will be put in the newsletter. Kathy Wilson needs 1 more elementary-intermediate student for judging practice.

Kathy Wilson recommended we make a donation to Tulsa Public Radio, 88.7. Danny Calhoun suggested a \$500.00 base donation open to members donations or just a one-time annual gift. The Board voted to approve a one-time \$500.00 gift to Tulsa Public Radio. Danny suggested that with the amount of money that TAMTA has, the board might consider increasing existing scholarships or creating new pre-college scholarships.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Michele Cowen, Recording Secretary

MUSICAL NOTES

NOVEMBER 2018 | TULSA AREA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING PARTNERS IN PERFORMANCE: FUELING FUN WITH DUETS

DANNY & DEANNA CALHOUN, PRESENTERS

DATE: November 14th

PLACE: Tulsa Historical Society,
2445 S. Peoria Ave, Tulsa, OK 74114

TIME: 11:45am-1:00pm

*Optional lunch cost is \$12.00 and a reservation must be made

Reservation due Thursday, Nov. 8th
- Send to Danny Calhoun at
dan88keys@sbcglobal.net or 918-284-3124.

LUNCH MENU:

Baby spinach salad with cranberries, toasted almonds, feta cheese, ranch and raspberry vinaigrette; bread & butter; oven roasted pork loin with apples & onions; potatoes & brussel sprouts, and bread pudding with whiskey sauce

TAMTA FESTIVAL November 17, 2018

Nov. 10th - Deadline for schedule changes
Contact Laurie Lightbody, Chair
lightbody.laurie@gmail.com

Nov. 10th - Deadline to order festival lunch
(choice of ham, turkey, or veggie sandwich)
Contact Shauna Westall at shaunawestall@gmail.com

We will have our annual music sales table. Come buy quality music at prices lower than a cup of coffee! Please spread the word to students' families, fellow teachers, and any other musicians that you know.

Results from the Junior Competition will be emailed to members and included in the January newsletter.

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 10 Junior Competition, ORU

Nov. 10 Deadline for Festival schedule changes

Nov. 14 General Meeting

Nov. 17 TAMTA Festival, ORU

Dec. 8-9 Holiday Showcase,
Woodland Hills Mall

No December meetings

HOLIDAY SHOWCASE DECEMBER 8 -9 WOODLAND HILLS MALL

Teachers, time slots are filling up for this year Holiday Showcase. As stated below, students this year get to play on a beautiful grand piano rented from Saied's.

Please continue to send you time slots (no students names necessary) to Young-Eun Chung at ychung823@gmail.com.

Nov. 30 is the final deadline to submit your requests for a time slot.

Special Thanks

A family in Young-Eun Chung's studio has kindly rented a 6' 1" in grand piano from Saied's to be used by students participating in the Holiday Showcase. We extend our deepest appreciation for their generosity!

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

11/03/18 Helmerich Library

President Laurie Lightbody called the meeting to order at 10:40 am. In attendance were: Laurie Lightbody, Michele Cowen, Sandy Pierce, Margie Berman, Shauna Westall, and Kathy Wilson.

The minutes of the October 5, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

It was noted that in the October Financial Statement that the memorial gifts to the TAMTA Scholarship Fund were in memory of Dorothy McFadden and Rebecca Kerby, Robyn Barbour's mother.

Shauna Westall, VP for Communications, reported that information is forthcoming on the menu for the November general Meeting and will be included in this month's newsletter.

Membership - no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Achievement Auditions - Kathy Wilson reported that 10 piano judges and 1 full day string judge have been retained. She is looking for one more 1/2 day string judge. Shauna Westall volunteered to be Hospitality Chair for this event.

Arrangements - no report

Festival - Laurie Lightbody reported that there are 295 paid entries this year. The deadline for schedule changes is November 10. Sandy Pierce and Shauna Westall will be monitor co-chairs.

Holiday Showcase - The father of one of Young-Eun Chung's students has graciously rented a 6'1" grand piano from Saied Music for this event. A thank-you card has been sent.

It was noted that there will be 30 chairs available for the audience. Teachers can send in their time slots to Young-Eun. All of this information will be included in the November newsletter.

Historian - no report.

Judges - Sandy Pierce reminded the board that feedback on judge performance is crucial for successful student performance experiences.

Junior Competition - Margie Berman reported that there are 43 students from 9 teachers represented in this year's competition. All teachers have received their student's schedules. Results of the competition will be sent out online to all OMTA members.

Library - no report

Music Sales - no report. There will be information about the music sales at Festival in the Newsletter. All teachers are encouraged to spread the word about this terrific sale to students and fellow musicians.

Newsletter - Shauna Westall needs all newsletter information by November 5.

Program - The November TAMTA meeting will be presented by Duo Pianists DeAnna and Danny Calhoun.

Roster - no report

Scholarship/Spindler-Lynch - no report

Sonatina Competition - no report

Website - no report

Workshop - no report

Young Musicians - no report

New Business - Margie Berman is creating a TAMTA banner that can be used at all TAMTA events.

There will be no Board Meeting or General Meeting in December.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15am.

*Have a wonderful
holiday season!*