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President's Corner By Christy Smith



I am writing this on the coldest day of winter with wind chill advisory, and I am sure our music teachers are very busy getting their students ready for the junior festivals. I hope that it will be pleasantly warm with some signs of spring by the time you read this message.

March is one of OFMC's busiest months with estimated 4,000 juniors participating in various events during 13 junior music festivals. Festivals are scheduled each Saturday during March. Please check ofmc.org website or this newsletter for your local festival dates and locations. These festivals require hundreds of volunteers. Please lend a hand in your district. Call your festival chair and ask if there is anything that you can do to help out. If you see your festival and gold cup chairs, please thank them for their countless hours of service.

The district conferences will be held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturday in April and the last on May 9. District 1 conference is April 11, district 2 is April 18, district 3 is April 25 and district 4 is on May 9. I plan to attend all four conferences which will give me the opportunity to meet you. All club presidents are required to attend. If the president can't attend, please send an alternate to represent you. The conference is not just a meeting for the club presidents. I encourage every OFMC member to attend the district conference. As a member, you have a voice, and your input is very important to us. If you have great and innovative ideas on how we can improve, we would like to hear them as they could be very beneficial to the health of your district and the OFMC as a whole. We want more attendees from your club. The registration form is in this newsletter. Please fill it out and send it along with your registration fee to your registrar as soon as possible. On the afternoon of the conference, there will be performances being presented by a college student scholarship recipient and the juniors who have achieved their qualification to perform.

If you are a teacher with students qualified to play at the district conference, now is the time to send your students' information (student's name, address, phone number, teacher's name and e-mail address, the composer's name and the piece that is being performed) to the district junior counselor. In district 1 and 3 where there are so many participants, please limit the length of playing time to 3 minutes. Please don't wait until the last minute, as it only causes inconvenience to the person who prepares the program.

Lastly, I want to thank our volunteers for their work with the festivals, including numerous parents and friends of junior members. My heartfelt thanks to the state festival chairs Richard and Audrey Rhinehart and gold cup chair Judy Bede. I also want to thank those involved in the preparation for the district conferences especially the council of district and club presidents, Donna Gerber. My very best wishes to everyone.

DISTRICT I SPRING CONFERENCE

Jeannine Morris, district president (email:jkmorris2@gmail.com)
 Christ Episcopal Church, 2627 Atlantic St. NE, Warren, OH 44483
 Hosted by : Warren Music Club—Jeannine Morris, president

SATURDAY, April 11, 2015**(Meeting in Sanctuary)**

Registration and Luncheon—\$12

Send Reservations to: Ila Jean Paxson

Phone: 330-332-9458

Deadline: Monday, April 6

333 West 10th St.

Email: ilapaxson@neo.rr.com

Registration & Coffee at 9:00 a.m.

Salem, OH 44460-1517

Meeting/Student Audition Winner 9:30—12:00 Lunch—Noon

Checks payable to: OFMC District I

Junior Honors Recital 1-2:30

Please use form on page 4

From **east side of Cleveland** take 422 toward Warren. Exit at the Rt. 5/82 bypass east toward Sharon, Pa. Take East Market St. Exit toward Warren and turn right on East Market St. Turn right at the first traffic light on North Rd. **Follow North Rd.** and turn left on Atlantic St. NE. Church will be on the right.

From **west side of Cleveland** take the Ohio Turnpike to Warren exit #209. Follow 5/82 toward Warren and take bypass around the city. Take the East Market St. exit and turn right onto Market St. Then follow directions above starting with **turn right** at the first traffic light.

From **Lisbon & Youngstown**, take Rt. 11 north and exit left on Rt, 82. Follow 82 toward Warren. You pass one traffic light at Howland-Wilson Rd. Go down the hill toward Warren, stay in the center lane and exit left onto East Market St. Turn right and follow North Rd. Then follow directions above for **east side of Cleveland**.

From **Akron** follow I-76 toward Youngstown and Warren. Stay on I-76 east to Rt. 11 north. (Then follow the **Lisbon & Youngstown directions** starting with “exit left toward Warren on Rt. 82” above.)

From **Alliance & Salem** follow Rt. 45 north to Warren. Turn right onto W. Market St. then curve left at the **Y in the road** to continue on Market St. Take Market St. thru town and past Trumbull Memorial Hospital to the next traffic light at Genesee. Turn left. Go to the 2nd traffic light and turn right on Atlantic St. The church will be on the left.

DISTRICT II SPRING CONFERENCE

TBA, district president

SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2015

Covenant Presbyterian Church
 2070 Ridgecliffe Road
 Columbus, OH 43221
 614-451-6677

Directions: <https://goo.gl/maps/t1C98>

Registration and Luncheon—\$12.00

Deadline: April 10, 2015**Checks payable to : Jim Dorinsky**

1052 Norway Drive

Columbus, OH 43221

For information please contact

Registration and refreshments: 9:00 a.m.

Meeting: 9:30 a.m.

Light Luncheon: 12:00 Noon

Followed by Junior Recital

Chris Dorinsky at

jcdorinsky@sbcglobal.net**From your newsletter editor**

When I agreed to take on this position, I was a little out of step with the majority of OFMC members. Although most members have been in Senior Clubs, there was not one in Kent where I lived. So I joined as a Senior Special member and have been one ever since. My first love was teaching piano to children. I joined so that these children would have some adjudication in which to enter, which would provide an incentive for practice and increase their love for music. And I would like to thank the Senior Clubs for providing this incentive to these musicians of the future. Although it is not free, it is definitely rewarding for these children and also for the Senior Clubs, who wish to further the love of music throughout the world. Thank you!

Sue Hassler, Newsletter Editor



DISTRICT III SPRING CONFERENCE

Sally Christman, district president

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2015For information: Sally Christman
(937) 434-7407
kscdchristman@aol.com

Otterbein-Lebanon Retirement Center, 385 State Rt. 741, Lebanon, OH 45036-9516

Registration only:\$3.00 Registration, Continental Breakfast & Lunch —\$12.50

Check payable to: OFMC District IIISend to: Dr. Gwen Brubaker
4550 Parklawn Dr.,
Kettering, OH 45440-1547**Reservation deadline: Monday, April 15, 2015**

Registration and Coffee—9:00 A.M.

Meeting—9:30 A.M.

12:00 noon—Lunch

1:15 P.M. Honors Recital

Directions:From **Dayton area**—Take I-75 south to State Rt. 63. Go east on 63 to St. Rt. 741. Turn left at traffic light and drive north on Rt. 741 to the Campus Center on your left. **OR** take Rt. 741 south until you come to the Center on your right.From the **Cincinnati area** —Take I-75 north to State Rt. 63. Turn right and go east on SR 63 to N. State Rt. 741. Turn left at the light and onto North 741 to the Campus Center on your left.**Parking:** Large parking lot adjacent to the Campus Center**DISTRICT IV SPRING CONFERENCE**

Trinity Lutheran Church, 508 Center Street, Ashland, OH 44805

SATURDAY, MAY 9**(NOTE DATE CHANGE)**For information: Ron Marenchin
419-651-3747, ronmarenchin@ohio.net

Registration: \$15 per person for Meeting, Registration and Lunch

Check payable to Ashland Musical Club**Registration deadline: Monday, May 4, 2015**

9:a.m. registration

9:30 a.m. meeting

12 noon Lunch

1:00 p.m. Junior Recital

Send to:Carol Bernhardt
AMC Treasurer
1370 Royal Oak Dr.
Mansfield, OH 44906-3521**Directions:**

From the west: US 30 East to US 42 to Claremont Ave. Then right on West Walnut Street.

From the north or east: 171 to Exit 186. Left on US 250 toward Ashland. Stay straight on OH 96 when US 250 turns right. Turn left onto Liberty or East Walnut Streets. Website with map and directions: www.trinityashland.org.Please return form with reservations (Circle One) **District: I II III IV**

Name _____ Club Name _____

Address _____

Offices Held (Local) _____ (OFMC) _____

(NFMC) _____ No. of Registrations _____ No. of Luncheons _____



2015 ADULT COMPOSERS' CONTEST

Marietta Brits, Chair

There were two contestants for the 2015 Adult Composers' Contest which was adjudicated by Cora Kuyvenhoven from Columbus, and David Rives and Debbie Price, both from Worthington.

First prize winner was Ching-chu Hu from Newark for his vocal chamber music entry *Three Songs*.

Second prize was awarded to Janet Sima from Cleveland Fortnightly Music Teachers for her piano solo *Mountain Spring*.

OFMC congratulates the winners and wishes them continued success in their future compositional endeavors.

Adult Composers' Competition (1st \$600, 2nd \$450, 3rd \$300)

Application Deadline: January 15, 2016

Chair: Marietta Brits, 1692 Van Pelt Street, Columbus, OH 43220

Phone: (614) 273-0251 Email address: marietta.brits@gmail.com

For rules and entry forms please visit the OFMC website www.ofmc.org

News from the Foundation by Ron Marenchin

The Ohio Federation of Music Clubs Foundation for the Advancement of Music is fortunate to be able to award about \$50,000 each year in awards, scholarships and prizes to selected recipients on the junior, collegiate and senior levels. We encourage you to become familiar with the Competitions and Awards page on the OFMC website and to alert those you know who might be eligible to apply. These awards are made possible by the generous donations of clubs, individuals and estates. Funds are then invested. The Agnes Fowler Scholarships for college students are among these awards.

Miss Fowler was a longtime professor of French and Italian at Miami University (from 1928 to 1967!), a supporter of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and the Cincinnati May Festival, and a leader in a number of civic and professional organizations. She was president of the Oxford Music Club, a district president and a state officer of the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs, and for more than ten years was the OFMC state historian. We are pleased to be able to continue her desire to support those pursuing excellence in the arts. If you are interested in making a gift to the OFMC Foundation, please contact **Marjorie Poorman, OFMC Finance Chair**.

MUSIC IN POETRY

Every April we need to submit to the National Federation of Music Clubs our activities for Poetry. Come to think of it, they're due April 15th, just like the income tax! Historically we don't have much activity and this follows the rate of National participation.

In the Winter issue is the form I need to send in, listing a host of activities that qualify for reporting. If each club President would be so kind as to fill out a copy for their club and email it to me by April 1st, that would give me a chance to compile the results and ship them off by the deadline. Even if you have no activity and are not planning anything you can send me an email saying "No activity for ____ Club". The Winter Newsletter is still available at OFMC.org.

Please send your report to Jack Pottmeyer pottmeyer@tusco.net and I can fill out my handy-dandy spreadsheet to send to National. Thanks for your help. **Jack Pottmeyer**, Music in Poetry Chairman

Gift to the OFMC Foundation

Honor a deceased member of your club, a family member or a special person by making a contribution to The Foundation for the Advancement of Music.

Detach and mail the gift form to:

Ron Marenchin
1415 Cottage Street
Ashland, Ohio 44805-1224. Phone: 419-651-3747,

Foundation Gift Form

In memory of: _____

Or Honor/Tribute gift to: _____

Address: _____

Donor: _____

Address: _____

Make check payable to: OFMC Foundation. (Appropriate acknowledgement & notification cards will be sent to the donor and to the recipient or bereaved family).

Ohio Federation of Music Clubs

VENETIA HALL PIANO CONCERTO COMPETITION

Rules

Sally Christman, *Chairman*
1965 Loma Linda Ln.
Dayton, Ohio 45459-1358.
Phone: 937-434-7407
Email: kscdchristman@aol.com

1st Place- \$600, 2nd Place- \$400, 3rd Place-\$200 (given by Saturday Music Club)
OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY, WESTERVILLE, OHIO

ELIGIBILITY: The entrant must be between 15-18 years of age as of March 1 of the competition year and be a member of the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs through an affiliated Jr. Music Club or as an individual (junior special) member. The entrant may choose his or her own accompanist and will be responsible for that person's compensation.

1. The entrant should complete the application and make a copy. Keep one for yourself and send one copy to the state chairman: Sally Christman, **by April 1** 1965 Loma Linda Ln. , Dayton, Ohio 45459-1358
2. There is an entry fee of \$15, which should be included with the application. (Check or money order payable to OFMC.)
3. Entrants must be prepared to play from memory, the **first** or **last** movement of a **Senior Concerto which is listed in the NFMC Festival Bulletin**. This can be the Senior Concerto that was performed by the student at Junior Festival. .
4. A contestant cannot win first place two years in succession.
5. Unless high standards of performance are met, no winner will be declared. Decision of the judges is final.
6. Music being performed must be supplied for the judges. No photo copies.

Please contact the **Chairman, Sally Christman** prior to the competition if you have applied but are unable to compete.

Note: Directions to the competition site at Otterbein University will be sent to the applicant the week prior to competition.

OFMC 2015 Junior Festival Schedule

DISTRICT	DATE	LOCATION	CHAIRMAN	GOLD CUP
District I-A	January 16 March 14	Cleveland State University	Cindy McAdams 801-766-1789 Ofmcjrfestival1a@yahoo.com	Karen Spisak 440-543-1400 Dkmsba06@yahoo.com
District I-B	January 14 March 14	Youngstown State University	Patricia Paridon & Steph Miner 330-207-4062 & 330-207-3996 patricia.paridon@gmail.com	Cindy Cleeland 330-792-9274 cpianokeys1@zoominternet.net
District I-C	January 21 March 21	Kent State University	Sue Hassler 330-673-9164 dhassler@kent.edu	Mack Hassler 330-673-9164 dhassler@kent.edu
District I-D	January 7 March 7	Baldwin Wallace College	Martha Custer 440-877-9563 ofmcjrfest1d@sbcglobal.net	Kathy Savinell 330-686-1285 ksavinell@gmail.com
District II	January 16 March 14	Ohio State University	Marie Nichols 740-787-9846 nmusiccenter@mail.com	Marie Nichols 740-787-9846 nmusiccenter@mail.com
District III-A	January 31 March 28	Miami Universty	Irene Sakelos 513-738-5221 jammimeldoy@aol.com	Nancy Gruber 513-367-1710 nkgpaino@yahoo.com
District III-C	January 10 March 14	Cedarville University	Angie Vaubel 937-431-0570 angie@vaubel.net	Debbie Dustin 937-399-3679 deb@kincaidmusic.com
District III-D	December 15 March 7	College of Mount St. Joseph	Anne Schummer 513-661-2424 piano@fuse.net	Marcia Lucas 513-385-9263 msslucas@zoomtown.com
District III-E	January 7 March 7	University of Dayton	Daira Skriblis 937-312-0134 daira.skriblis@gmail.com	Eric Bess 937-335-2804 Ebess61@juno.com
District III-F	January 31 March 27 PM March 28 All Day	Miami Universty Oxford	Marion Peraza deWebb 513-681-5551 Perazam1@hotmail.com	Amy Weaver 513-777-8882 weaversink@gmail.com
District III-G	January 10 March 7	Wright State University	Jennifer Shoup 937-426-6920 Pianoprepschool.yahoo.com	Open
District IV-A	January 1 March 7	Heidelberg University	Denise Hauden 419-261-1477 jhauden@windstream.net	Ray Montgomery & Sue Zacharias 419-875-5110 & 419-825-1374 bluegrasscamp@aol.com
District IV-B	January 10 March 14	Ashland University	Sonja Kalb 740-360-2916 fourstarguest-house@yahoo.com	Donna Sturts 419-522-3805

Dr. Gulimina Mahamuti Piano Students Share Their Talents at Multiple Local Events

Piano students from Dr. Gulimina Mahamuti's Piano Studio were invited to perform a Valentine's Day Recital at the Wedgewood Senior Residential Community in Mansfield, OH on Feb. 14. The students also performed at multiple events in the 2014 holiday season, including an invited Christmas Piano Recital at the Waterford Senior Residential Community in Mansfield on December 20 and at the Richland County Medical Society Annual Christmas Party on December 11. In addition, the students participated in the Richland County Chapter of Ohio OMTA Christmas Recital on December 12. All of the students received their Ribbons at the 2014 Richland County Chapter of Ohio OMTA Ribbon Festival on December 6. The young musicians enthusiastically shared their talents and love of music and piano with our community.



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In the enclosed picture are the following students:

bottom row: Ulo Ezike, Eleane Lin, Ava Ghazarian, and Olivia Togliatti.

top row: Dr. Gulimina Mahamuti, Eleanor Judd, Jason Lin, Stuart Cox, Cheyenne van Langevelde, Tracy Lin, Andrew Xiao, Claire Phillips, and Emily Ghazarian.

(Meiyan Timberlake and Gracie Pfeiffer are not in the picture)

For more information visit:
www.guliminapianostudio.com.

CALENDAR 2015

March	1	Application and Composition Deadline for Collegiate Composers Contest to Peggy Conner, 4824 Judith Drive, Kettering, OH 45429-5328, Ph. 937-439-7756, Email: pconner5@woh.rr.com
	1	Application and Essay Deadline for R. Keith Newton Music Education Essay Award , to Wanda Stubbart, 2002 Brimfield Court, Columbus, OH 43229-3814, Ph: 614-885-0987 or Email: wanda.stubbart@gmail.com .
April	1	Music Therapy Scholarship application is due to Ronna Kaplan at rkaplan@themusicsettlement.org .
	1	Music Therapy Internship due to Ronna Kaplan at rkaplan@themusicsettlement.org .
	1	Disinger Summer Marching Band Camp Scholarship applications due to Norma Disinger, normadisinger@gmail.com .
	1	Venetia Hall Piano Concerto is due to Sally Christman at kscdchristman@aol.com (form online)
	11	District I spring conference, Warren, OH
	15	Application for Dance Award due to Mary Fahrenbruck at pianomary@gmail.com .
	15	Music in Poetry form due to pottmeyer@tusco.net . Form on website in Winter Newsletter
	18	District II spring conference, Columbus, OH.
	25	District III spring conference, Otterbein Lebanon
May	9	District IV spring conference, Ashland
May	3-10	National Music Week
May	15	DMA and MA Scholarship application deadline
June	16-20	NFMC Biennial Convention—Fargo, North Dakota
July	10-12	NFMC Northeast Regional Meeting—Chautauqua, New York
Oct.	10	OFMC Board Meeting—Time and Place TBA

New Board Member

Welcome to the newest OFMC Board member, Dr. Richard Bobo. He will be in charge of the scholarships for the Master's program and DMA program. Dr. Bobo is a long time member of the Dayton Music Club. He received his Bachelor's degree in Piano Performance at the Ohio State University, an MA from the Manhattan School of Music and a DMA from Indiana University. He taught piano and music literature in various universities such as Indiana University, Southwestern College in Kansas, and Northwestern Missouri State University for nearly 35 years. Since his retirement from full time teaching, he has served part time on the music faculty at Sinclair Community College in Dayton. Dr. Bobo lives with his wife Jana and their cat, Pasha in Centerville.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS & ADDITIONS

Delete Athens Music Club #201
Delete Westerville Women's Music Club #208
Delete Middletown Music Club #309
Delete The Music Club of Upper Sandusky #408

NEW CLUBS

Donna Gerber has a new email address. It is minydur@twc.com.

Campo Piano Studio, Counselor Karen Campo, 4674 Ledgewood Dr., Medina, OH 44256, phone: 330-723-9705
District I, email: karencampo@zoominternet.net.

Star City Music Studios Junior Club, Counselor Samee Griffith, 20 N. Second Street, Miamisburg, OH 45342,
Phone: 937-265-1264, email: samee@starcitymusicstudios.com, District 3E

The Anderson Music Studio, Counselor Cynthia Anderson, 236 Parrott Court, Fairborn, OH 45324, Phone: 937-878-5864, email: cmpjanderson@sbcglobal.net, District 3

Waisala Junior Music Club, Counselor Jeanine Waisala, 9909 Regatta Trail, Aurora, OH 44202, Phone: 330-562-9273
Email: jwaisala@yahoo.com, District I

Babcock Music Studio, Counselor Holly Babcock, 1105 Laver Road, Mansfield, OH 44905-2346, Phone: 419-589-7532.
Email: HMBabcock2@aol.com, District 4

Joyful Jubilation, Counselor Grace Chen, 9897 Lorelei Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45231, Phone: 513-931-9695, email: mymusicalzoo@gmail.com, District 3