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President's Corner

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It was a busy time for this president who traveled around the state to attend all four district conferences held on three Saturdays in April and one in May. The last one was Saturday, May 9. I found it interesting that each of the districts are very different from each other. They have their own unique personalities, even though we all have the

same interests and goals. I enjoyed conferences gave me the opportunity to know their dedication during our visits. histories of each area of the state. The very well, and the juniors presented performers. Soon I will be writing my wonderful things that we do in the represent our state at the NFMC North Dakota, Following the our newly elected NFMC president, Dayton the end of June. We will

listening to reports from various clubs. The interact with the members and enjoy getting to I was delighted to hear different stories and Agnes Fowler Scholarship winners performed amazing recitals. I was so proud of our junior state report, which will include all the OFMC. Then I will pack and get ready to convention from June 15-June 20 in Fargo, convention I will be entertaining and touring Michael Edwards, who will be coming to discuss next year's NFMC convention which

happens to be here in Dayton. I travel to Chatauqua to attend the NFMC Northeast Regional meeting on July 10. Chuck and I will continue on to the big apple to visit our daughter Julia and her husband, Justin. Now it is summer. Enjoy a concert in the park, relax and if you travel, may your journey be happy and safe.

Consider a Gift to the OFMC Foundation

A great way to honor a deceased member of your club, a family member, a friend, or a special person in your life is to make a contribution to The Foundation for the Advancement of Music. Your contribution increases the funds so that enough income from investments can be generated to fund OFMC's many awards.

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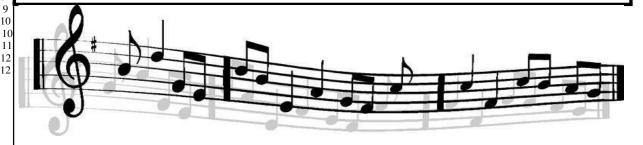
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The OFMC Foundation has received a memorial for Mary Emrick from the Lancaster Music Club. This donation and others like it will continue to benefit music students for years to come.

Ron Marenchin



District 1 Spring Conference Hosted by Warren Music Club

The OFMC District 1 Conference was hosted by the Warren Music Club on Sat., April 11 at Christ Episcopal Church in Warren. Twenty-seven members attended from 7 of the 12 clubs. The Conference theme was Sharing Achievements and Ideas. The prelude was performed by Gary Richards, organist/director of music at Christ Church, on the Casavant pipe organ. The Star Spangled Banner and Federation Hymn were accompanied by Nelya Stefanides, member of WMC.

The following officers were elected: Jeannine Morris, president, Cinda Pottmeyer, vice president, Lelia Mitchell, secretary, and Ila Paxson, treasurer. Reports were given by Sr. and Jr. Division officers, chairman and club presidents.

Heidi Keener and Nelya Stefanides, members of WMC, performed flute and piano solos. OFMC president, Christina Smith's message was Recruit-Educate-Energize-Celebrate Music. Elaine Maki WMC member, accompanied The Gift of Song. Sean Baran, dist. 1 Junior Counselor, introduced the Junior Recital of piano, violin and vocal solos, five piano concertos and a piano duet, performed by 37 students from four festivals.

Reported by Jeannine Morris









In the District 1C Spring Conference, the following students were scheduled to perform: Samantha Ma, Jocelyn Zhao, Natalie Foutts, Vincent Lin, Douglas Gurdak, Ivy Wang, Benson Li, Vivien Marmerstein, Ranit Drozhinsky, Joshua Samulak, Shruthi Ravichandran, Emily Vo, Galia Madfis, Michelle Xiao, Alexandra Corpuz, Ethan Sicafuse, Daniel Trolli, Rithika Vangal, Gabriella Smallwood, Bobby Smallwood, Ellie Blasko, Smaranda Solomon, Joshua Wang,

Vincent Lin, Andrew Gurdak, Timothy Dang, Farideh Saghafi, Catherine Sicafuse, Ethan Vo, Ian Ward, Charlie Martin, Rachel Boyer, William Baughman, Jenna McNeil, Marina Ziegler, and Ayaka Coffman. They are in the photos on this page. The performances were outstanding! We had a most talented group of students, and they should all be congratulated.

District II Spring Conference Hosted by Buckeye Music Club Molly McGrath, president



Andrew Kovaleski, saxophone, accompanied by guitarist Owen Hopper

The District II Spring Conference was held on April 18 at the Covenant Presbyterian Church in Columbus. Buckeye Music Club hosted the event. There were 9 in attendance during the morning meeting. Chris Dorinsky organized the very detailed schedule. District II interim president Molly McGrath presided. The interim secretary, Amy Kendall read last year's minutes and took the minutes of the meeting. Council of Districts and Club Presidents chairman, Donna Gerber, distributed the 2014-2015 Awards Chart. Donna discussed the numerous awards that members of OFMC can apply for. Donna also went through the district and club president's information which include the club's year report. State president Christy Smith distributed folders and flyers on the benefits of being a member. She also discussed various ways of recruiting new members. Molly McGrath, president and James Dorinsky, treasurer were installed by Christy Smith. Molly McGrath gave her invitation to the 2016 District II Conference, which will be hosted by Lancaster Music Club.

We ended the meeting with the singing of our official benediction "The Gift of Song". Lunch was served by the members of Buckeye Music Club. At 1:15 p.m. student representative Norma Disinger introduced our featured college performer from Otterbein University. Andrew Kovaleski, winner of the Agnes Fowler scholarship was

accompanied by guitarist Owen Hopper, also of Otterbein University. District Junior counselor Jan Rengert presented 12 very talented 4 year Superior juniors who performed beautifully.

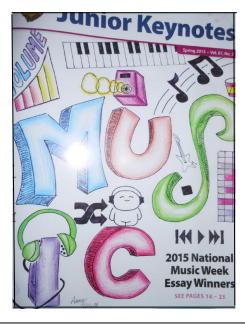
Submitted by Molly McGrath and Christy Smith



Four Year Superiors in Recital

Disinger Summer Marching Band Camp Scholarship

Alec Porter of District IV is the winner of this band camp scholarship. He attends Riverdale Local Scchool in Blanchard. He will use his scholarship of \$150 toward his tuition for band camp at Bowling Green University.



This wonderful cover art from the Junior Keynotes magazine is done by Ohio's own Amy Li, from District I. Amy is an 8th grade violin student of Olga Jacoby and a very talented artist. Amy is in the 8th grade at Kimpton Middle School in Stow where she plays the violin in the orchestra. She also plays with the Stow Youth Symphony and the Akron Philharmonic Youth Orchestra. She actively participates in the junior music festivals.

District 111 Spring Conference Hosted by Ohio Federation Music Club, District III-C Sally Christman, president



Dr. Mary Fahrenbruck, Robert Fisco and William Buchsbaum

The picture below is of the District III Junior Honors Recital performers. Performers included Sahir Kabir, Colleen McKenna, Caterina Tian-Svobodny, Claire Weaver, Natalie Suchy, Cecilia Han, Andre Schaeffer, Lucy Cheng, Ellen Schloemer, Julia Licu, Catherine Han, Elaina Clauson, Milan Bess, Rithvik Maran, Dustin Wilson, Adi Cooper, Sophia Rieman, Colleen Lake, Nithilaa Ramachandhran, Michelle Wang, Melinda Jia, Shannon Cheng, Shreya Singh, Krithik Maran, Lucy Wang, Rita Zhou-Wang, Habiba Mbugua, Gayatri Rajan.

The District III Spring Conference was held on April 25, 2015, at Otterbein-Lebanon Retirement Community in the Campus Center. Arrangements at Otterbein were made by Bob Gray and Carole Brown. The conference was hosted by the District III-C OFMC Music Club, Sally Christman, president. In the morning we held a business meeting and enjoyed Angie Vaubel's delightful performance of Mozart's Sonata in B-flat Major, K.333, mvmt. 3. District III Collegiate Representative Dr. Mary Fahrenbruck arranged for the afternoon's performance by trombonist Robert Fisco, recipient of the OFMC Agnes Fowler Scholarship from Miami University. Robert was accompanied by pianist William Buchsbaum. Shannon Bisson, District III Junior Counselor, coordinated the two concurrent student honors recitals that followed, with a total of 28 performers.

TMA 2015 Music Education Scholarship Winners

Collin Wheatley, Oberlin Conservatory has won the Winifred Collins Music Education Scholarship.

Tabytha Walls, University of Akron has won the Gertrude Seiberling Music Education Scholarship.

Reported by George Pope Emeritus Professor of Flute, University of Akron Instructor of Flute, Baldwin Wallace Cons.



District IV Spring Conference Hosted by Ashland Music Club Marjorie Poorman, president



Fatima Imani Smith, Agnes Fowler Scholarship Winner

Ashland Music Club Vice-President Ron Marenchin welcomed eight other OFMC members from District IV Music Clubs along with OFMC President Christy Smith and Council of District and Club Presidents Chairman Donna Gerber to their Spring Conference at Trinity Lutheran Church, Ashland on Saturday, May 9, 2015. The morning session included a roundtable sharing of the yearly activities of the three active senior clubs of the district—Ashland Musical Club, Mansfield Music Study Club and Marion Lecture Recital Club, with discussion directed toward increasing membership and participation in each club.

A musical interlude was presented by Ashland High School Junior Eugene Cho who gave a virtuosic performance of Beethoven's 32 Variations in C minor for piano. Eugene studies with Tatsuya Nagashima of Akron and by a competition won the opportunity to perform at Carnegie Hall last year.

During the business meeting following Eugene's performance, new District IV officers were elected: Marjorie Poorman, President; Randall Boquist, Secretary; and Carol Bernhardt, Treasurer. Ednita Vaflor continues as both Junior Counselor and Collegiate Rep for District IV.

The afternoon session began with a stunning vocal performance by Fatima Imani Smith, a junior music performance major with a theater minor from Ashland University. Fatima is an Agnes Fowler Scholarship winner and was accompanied by Sue Gregg of Ashland. Mansfield Music Study Club will host the District IV Spring Conference in 2016.





The Junior Honors Program continued with vocalist Maggie Ash, pianists Brooklyn Smith, Lainie Howell, Nicholas Kelley, Emi Kawamura, Elizabeth Bourassa, Niranjan Bhagwat and Emilee McCabe and violinists Gregory and Abigail Tan. Junior Counselor Ednita Vaflor voiced appreciation to the students, their teachers and their parents for all the time, energy, effort and dedication that goes into attaining the levels of achievement each one exhibited in this recital.

Agnes Fowler winners

This spring the OFMC Foundation presented nine Agnes Fowler Collegiate Scholarships to music students selected by their respective OFMC-affiliated school. Miss Fowler was a longtime professor of French and Italian at Miami University, 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. 2015 recipients from District I were Liyue Yin of Kent State University, Kierstin Jenkins of the University of Akron, and Brianna Searing of the University of Mount Union. Andrew Kovaleski of Otterbein University received the award in District II. District III recipients were Bobby Fisco of Miami University and Amy Pui-Lam Cheng of Wright State University. Fatima Imani Smith of Ashland University, Chang Tong of Ohio Northern University and Mary Linebaugh of Ohio Wesleyan University received the awards in District IV.

Submitted by Ron Marenchin

Stillman Kelley Award Announced

Donna Gerber informs me that Spencer Sharp has won the prestigious Stillman Kelly Award of \$500. The first award was on the State level, and Spencer has now won 2nd prize on the National level. Spencer lives in District III, and his teacher presently is Gabe Pegis from Cincinnati.



Spencer Sharp is an internationally acclaimed 17 year-old violinist. He was on stage performing by age 6 and winning competitions by age 8.

Spencer has brought his musical talents all over the world, performing solo in China, Austria, South Korea, France, and Spain. He performs more than 30 solo concerts every year all over the United States. He has been featured on radio and television many times.

He made his Carnegie Hall debut at age 14 and performed again at Carnegie at age 15. He has won over 18 Young Artist Solo competitions in the past 3 years. He has played solo with the Lebanon Symphony Orchestra, the Belleville Philharmonic, the Columbus Symphony's Young Artists' Showcase, the Evansville Philharmonic, the St. Louis Civic Orchestra, and most recently, he performed the Dvorak Violin Concerto on a 3-concert series with the Louisville Symphony Orchestra.

Spencer studies with Gabe Pegis, Principal Second Violinist in the Cincinnati Symphony. He is in the 11th grade, and he is homeschooled to give him freedom to travel and perform.



OFMC Collegiate Dance Award for 2014-2015

There were more applications than usual this year for the OFMC Collegiate Dance Award. Instead of mailing DVDs, applicants were invited to send Youtube uplinks. This made the whole process much easier for everyone involved. The universities still needed to mail the application form to the chair, Dr. Mary Fahrenbruck, but the judges could simultaneously receive the uplinks and view them at their convenience.

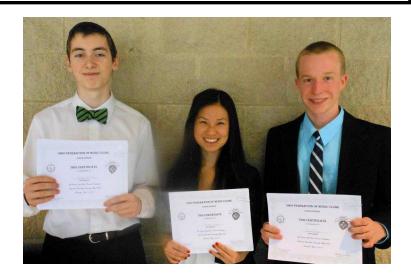
The applicants were: University of Cincinnati, Kent State University, Oberlin, Ohio State, The College of Wooster.

The judges determined the award should go to the University of Cincinnati. Judges were Richard Mosley, Barbara Pontecorvo and Michelle Sitterly. Copies of the evaluation sheets made by the judges will be mailed to the relevant university for feedback.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Mary Fahrenbruck OFMC Collegiate Dance Award Chairperson





Venetia Hall Piano Competition

The Venetia Hall Piano Concerto competition was held on Saturday, May 16 at the Weigel Hall at the Ohio State University. Christy Smith and Sally Christman co-chaired the even on an interim basis until a new chairman is found. The adjudicators agreed that the three winners were very equal with their performances, therefore each will receive the same award of \$300. Garreth Huston (left) of District II played the Bach Concerto in d minor. Kelley Long (center) also of District II played the Mozart Concerto in D Major, and Mark Bixley (right) of District IV played the Khatchaturian Concerto. We are in need of someone who is willing to chair this event next year. For information on the chairmanship, please e-mail Christy Smith at ofmc.jr@juno.com.

2015 Ohio Junior Composer's Contest Winners

JR. CLASS I—AGES 9 AND UNDER

1st Place in Class: "We are all God's Children"
1st Place in Class (Regionals) (voice and piano) by Margaret Chen
District 1-C, Brahms Allegro, Mary Ann Griebling

2nd Place in Class: **"Dripping Water" by Elizabeth Chen** District I-C, Brahms Allegro, Mary Ann Griebling

JR. CLASS II—AGES 10-12

1st Place in Class: "Abandoned" by Lucas Huang District II, Clavier Club, Vivian Ripley

2nd Place in Class: "A Beautiful Sunset" by Kevin Lewis 1st Place in Class (Regionals)
District III-D, The Rose Pedals, Amy Immerman

JR. CLASS III—AGES 13-15

1st Place in Class: **"For Time" by Emma Stark** District III-A, Jr. Special, Elizabeth Swift

2nd Place in Class: "Arachnid Acrobats" by Rachel Giffin District III-D, Bede Bourees, Judy Bede

JR. CLASS IV—AGES 16-18

1st Place in Class: "Mrs. Goins" by Grace Danby District II, Needman Jr. Music Club, Meredith Needman

2nd Place in Class: **"Song of Ages" by Sarah Mellinger** District 1-C, Brahms Allegro, Mary Ann Griebling



Chloe Metcalf, student of Sonja Kalb, is the Ohio winner of the National Music Week essay competition. Below is her essay.

Music- The Heartbeat of the Soul

"The first thing we hear in our life is the heartbeat of our mothers. We learn to be comforted by the smooth rhythm. Then we are born into the world and introduced to millions of sounds. Some are comforting, exciting or even scary. Once we discover these sounds, we then find that they can make music. Music is very important to everyone. For many people, there is not a day that goes by that doesn't involve listening to some kind of music. Just like food feeds the body, music is what feeds the soul. When someone is sad they tend to listen to music or when they are trying to be pumped up for a big event, they listen to music. Whenever an event is planned music is always on the list. Music can be very personal. It can be what brings people together or can even bring division. Music is the language of the world, but it can be someone's very own language.

My personal experience with music goes back to even before I was born. My mom would play piano music for me when I was still in her belly. Music became as normal to me as my own heartbeat. I began to play the piano when I was five. Music has always come naturally to me; it is almost like it flows through my blood. As I have grown I have come to enjoy all types of genres. Some types comfort me and remind me of happy memories from my childhood. Others wake me up in the morning or get prepared for a big game. When I was in fifth grade I began to play the flute. Learning to play a new instrument was interesting and fun and it came very naturally. There is not a day that goes by that I don't listen to music. It has really helped me get through some rough times and also creat wonderful memories.

I know that there are some people who may not listen to music as much as I do, but even those that I know that don't find music as fulfilling, still hold a few tunes dear to their heart. With songs come memories. I know I hear my parents reminisce about songs that were their songs "back in the day" that sometimes I enjoy as well. We may hear an oldie come on the radio and I see a smile on my mom's face and hear them discuss what year that song came out. I couldn't imagine not having the gift of music in my life; it would leave a huge emptiness that truly is not even imaginable. I think the heartbeat of the world would truly be damaged without the blessing of music."

2015 Junior Festival Report

Junior Festival co-chairs Audrey and Dick Rhinehart reported 4,107 participants in 35 events during the festivals in 13 districts last March. Congratulations to the 3,371 students who were awarded superior or unanimous superior ratings. A hefty congratulations to the 9 juniors who achieved 12 consecutive superiors. Students who achieved 3 consecutive superiors last year were invited to play in the honors program. Those who achieved 4 consecutive superiors last year and played in the honors recital were invited to perform at the spring district conference. This year there were 81 juniors who performed in their district honors program. Those who achieved their five consecutive superiors and have played at the district conference have met their qualifications to compete at the State Juniors Day on October 17 at the Church of the Messiah in Westerville.

2015 Gold Cup Program

Judy Bede, NCTM, Ohio Gold Cup Chairman

The 2015 results are in, with a total of 3,783 students participating in the OFMC Junior Music Festivals across the state. Thank you to the many volunteers, from the district chairs, gold cup chairs, and the many people under them in each district who worked tirelessly to make this another successful year for our students. Did you know that we presented 884 cups for our students' accomplishments? Here is the breakdown of each gold cup:

15 PT(Gold) 527, 15 PT (silver) 1

30 PT (Gold) 266

45 PT (Gold) 72

60 PT (Gold) 72

75PT (Gold) 9

90 PT (Gold) 1



Congratulations to the following students and their teachers for the following awards:

GRAND CUPS

- I-A Aviva Muskin, piano (Ella Karasik, teacher)
- I-B, Emily Ellis, piano (Diane Debiec, teacher)
 Ian Hames, piano (Audrey Rhinehart, teacher)
- I-D Jeremy Horvath, piano (Kathy Savinell, teacher)
- II Vivian Chan, piano (Molly McGrath, teacher)
- III-D Maureen Hickey, violin (Heidi Flanders, teacher)
- IV-A Matt McPherson, piano (Linda Rinderknecht, teacher) Elissa Crowder, piano (Linda Rinderknecht, teacher) Mark Bixel, piano (Kathy Price, teacher)

PRESIDENTS CUP

I-D Maria Churavy, piano (Susan Clark, teacher)

ELSIE STUPP AWARD (12 Consecutive Superiors)

- I-C Bianca Chan, piano (Jin Yu, teacher)
- II Vivian Chan, piano (Molly McGrath, teacher) Aspara Sankar, piano (Vivian Ripley, teacher)
- III-C Sophia Yu, piano (Nancy Davis, teacher) Logan McPherson, piano, (Shirley McPherson, teacher)
- III-D Maureen Hickey, violin (Heidi Flanders, teacher)
- III-F Bryson Karrer, violin (Marion Peraza de Webb, teacher)
- IV-A Elissa Crowder, piano (Linda Rinderknecht, teacher) Mark Bixel, piano (Kathy Price, teacher)



Elissa Crowder

Sophia Yu

Some of the Elsie Stupp Awards



Bianca Chan



Logan McPherson



Aspara Sankar



Bryson Karrer



Vivian Chan



Mark Bixel

Marjorie Neville Collaborative Piano Competition

Dr. Jackson Leung, chairman reported that the OFMC Marjorie Neville Collaborative Piano Competition was held at Wright State University. Three groups participated in the competition: one saxophone-piano team from the College-Conservatory of Music, University of Cincinnati, a voice-piano team from Ohio University, and a saxophone-piano team from Wright State University. The adjudicators were Tiraje Ruckman from the University of Dayton and Dr. Benita Tse from Wright State University. The team from Ohio University won the competition. Piano Accompanist Allegra Sorley received a scholarship of \$1000. She accompanied vocalist, Jeanette Floyd, who received \$200. Congratulations!





The Keith Newton Music Education Essay Competition, chaired by Wanda Stubbart, has two winners. Emily Morrison, a junior at the College Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati, was awarded 1st place and \$500.00. 2nd place went to Angelica Fulup, a junior at the University of Akron. Angelica received \$300.00.

DMA and Master's Degree scholarship chairman **Dr. Richard Bobo** announced the selection of the two DMA scholarships. One is from the Ohio State University. The other is from the College Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati.

- Ohio State University DMA scholarship of \$1,400 goes to **Alison Furlong** who is finishing her dissertation in Ethnomusicology, which explores music life in the German Democratic Republic.
- The College Conservatory of Music of the University of Cincinnati chose Katheryn Leemhuis for the \$1,400 DMA Scholarship Award.

Peggy Connor, Chairman of College Composition contest, reports two winners. First place winner is **Kevin Alexander Wilson** of Kent State University. His composition, "The Mercurial Cardinal" is for flute, clarinet and piano. Third place winner, **Nicholas Bartulovic** is a student at Ashland University. His composition is titled "Three Sketches for Piano". There was no second place winner.





A Whiny Plea from the Newsletter Editor

I've been your newsletter editor for a year now, and I just wanted to share a few thoughts with you. My predecessor told me that the most difficult part of this job was getting people to realize that the deadline was very important. And boy, was he ever right! The deadline for this particular issue was May 15. At that point I should have had all the information that I needed so that I could spend two weeks formatting and doing layout. And I did have most of the spring conference material, with one being just a little late because the date of the conference was late. And that was okay. Some of you are excellent at meeting the deadline, and I appreciate it more than I can adequately say. But for this issue, I had 13 reports come in after the deadline, and these are all reports that our president thinks are important and should be included in the newsletter. The problem is that it takes quite a bit of time doing all the formatting, etc., and when I get something else in, I have to start all over again#% @ &. So, in the future, if there is something that you think should be in the newsletter, please please please send it to me before the deadline. If you're sending it to the president, it should be easy just to copy me. Christy Smith has quite enough on her plate without having to forward everything on to a newsletter editor who is sort of new and fairly ignorant. My email address is dhassler@kent.edu. I promise I check my email every day. Thanks for your understanding!

> Sue Hassler Newsletter Editor

Summer Music Camp Scholarship Karen Hunt, Chairman

There are 15 winners of the \$150 scholarship awards for 2015.

George Shum of Haewon Song Piano Studio of District I-A will attend the Cooper Piano Festival at Oberlin.

Kara Li of Brahms Allegro of District I-C will attend Piano Camp at Kent State University.

Kelley Anna Long and Abhijit R. Devalapura both from Kathleen's Piano Studio of District II will attend Summer Sonata at CIM.

Max Rubin of Kathleen's Piano Studio of District II will attend Otterbein's Piano Camp.

Elaina Grace Clauson of Evans Violin Studio of District III-C will attend Wright State University's String Camp.

Joshua Adams of District III-D Ft. Thomas Fiddlers will attend Cincinnati Young Artists at CCM.

Vania Jiao of Daria Skriblis Piano Studio of District III-E will attend BGSU's Piano Camp.

Nadia Mahmood, Pablo R. Peguero, Beatrice Baker, Sophie Catherine Kushman, and Aishwarya Varma, all from Peraza Strings of District III-F will attend Encore at CCM.

Alec Conner Porter of Price Piano Studio of District IV-A will attend BGSU's Flute Camp.

Mark Edward Bixel of Price Piano Studio of District IV-A will attend BGSU's Piano Camp.

Elissa Marian Crowder of Oak Run Music Club of District IV-A will attend Otterbein's Piano Camp.

Ohio Federation of Music Clubs

Adult Composers COMPETITION Application Marietta Brits, Chairman (614)273---0251

Email: marietta.brits@gmail.com

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I certify that my OFMC membership of	lues have been paid and	that I have composed and notated t	his piece myself.
Signature:	Date:		

Complete this application and mail it to the chairman along with three copies of your composition, three recordings of your composition, a \$20.00 check payable to OFMC, and a 9" by 12" self---addressed, stamped envelope (postage must be sufficient to return your materials). Must be postmarked on or before January 5, 2016.

Marietta Brits
OFMC Adult Composition Contest Chairman
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DUES COLLECTION PROCEDURE

<u>Senior Division Dues</u>, including Sr./Adult music clubs and Sr. Special memberships should be received by State Treasurer, Lelia Mitchell, 652 Deming St., Salem OH 44460-3742, Phone :330-332-9458, Email inmsew@hotmail.com by Nov. 1, 2015. Junior Division Dues, including Jr. Clubs and Jr. Special memberships should be sent to Jr. Division treasurer, Diane Larochelle, 5401 Oleva Drive, Dayton, OH 45440, Phone:937-427-3287,

Email <u>dlarochelle@who.rr.com</u> by Nov. 1, 2015 (form on p. 7)

<u>Teachers/Counseslors</u> who send students to Festival must pay Sr. /Adult dues for themselves, as a member of a music club or as a Sr. Special member. Their students must also be OFMC members by being in a Jr. Music Club or by being Junior Special members. As a Jr. Club Counselor, you should pay your dues before November 1st to avoid paying a penalty. If you do not know the exact number of students, pay the minimum of 20. You can add students later with no penalty for \$1.50 each.

Important Dates

June 15: Festival Management Program Training

NFMC Convention in Fargo, North Dakota, June 15-20, 2015

NFMC Regional meeting in Chautauqua, NY July 11-12, 2015,

Board Meeting at the Church of the Messiah, Westerville, October 16

Juniors Day and competition at the Church of the Messiah, Westerville, October 17, membership applications—Nov. 1, 2015