I am bursting with excitement! It has been great to receive very positive reports from the various chairs. We have more participants in OFMC competitions and more scholarship recipients. It tells me our chairs are more inspired. Thank you so much for your leadership and your hard work. We are also growing with new memberships. We have a new senior club in District III, the Miami Valley Music Club, and one college affiliation, Malone University in District I. OFMC is getting energized!

How do you like our new centennial logo? It was designed by our graphic designer Sue Zacharias. Sue is also our new editor. She is involved in District IV-A and has a lot of experience in newsletters. Sue and I are working hard to provide you with great news. She is patient and very understanding, qualities this president desperately needs.

In April I attended the four district meetings across Ohio. The District I Conference was hosted by Akron’s Tuesday Musical Association on April 9. Wanda Stubbart and her Saturday Music Club hosted the District II Conference on April 16 in Worthington.

After the District II conference, I spent the afternoon at the Ohio Historical Society to dig into the OFMC archives. That evening, I attended a memorial program given by the Marion Music Club titled “Past, Present, and Future.” I took a group picture of their ten past presidents who were honored for their dedicated musical service to the community.

On April 23, District III held their conference at the Otterbein Retirement Center in Lebanon. The District IV Conference was held on April 30, hosted by the Mansfield Music Study Club. I thoroughly enjoyed the recitals given by the Agnes Fowler Scholarship recipients and a total of seventy-three juniors who performed, allowing them to compete at the state convention.

I attended the Venetia Hall Piano Concerto Competition on May 14 at Weigel Hall on the campus of The Ohio State University and had the privilege of presenting the award certificates. The winners, especially first place winner Yun Cao, were so deserving of their prize. They were really awesome. A great big thanks to Marie Nichols for her leadership and also to her family who served refreshments.

You now have the option to pay your convention registration, meals and accommodations with credit cards such as MasterCard, Visa, American Express, or PayPal through Eventbrite. Wow, are we really moving into the electronic world? Our state convention planning is shaping up very well as you can see from the convention schedule printed in this newsletter. The planning committee has lined up a wonderful array of programs.

Since OFMC is celebrating its one hundredth anniversary, the upcoming convention will be well worth...
attending. On Thursday afternoon, we will tour the National Museum of the United States Air Force, the largest aviation museum in the world, where we will learn about the importance of music in the military. On Friday afternoon, there will be a two-hour session for college and post-college students, which will include learning how to better manage finances, how to quickly eradicate student loans, and ideas on how to secure a job either by audition or interview after graduation.

During Juniors Day, we will feature different master classes for violinists, pianists, and vocalists. There will also be a silent auction, perfect for gift items at prices that will not break the bank. It is one way we can raise funds to help pay our convention bills and may be tax deductible! Auction bidding will begin Friday morning and continue until 11 a.m. Saturday. Winning bidders will need to pay and pick up their items by 11:30. For more conference information, see page 10 and 11.★

Sally Christman

JUNIOR DIVISION NEWS

Juniors Day at the OFMC State Convention will be Saturday, August 13, 2016, at the Holiday Inn, Fairborn. The Elizabeth Gerber Award competition is scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by the Donald Babcock Junior Composers Award winners at approximately 11:45. The Junior Club and individual awards presentation will be at 1:00 p.m., followed by the Marilyn Walter Young Musicians Award competition at approximately 1:10. The Charlotte & W. Alfred Gray Competition is scheduled approximately 2:40 p.m. Please arrive fifteen minutes early to register.

Applications for the Gerber, Walter, and Gray competitions must be sent to Linda Rinderknecht, the competition chair, by July 15, 2016. Contact information along with the entrance forms can be found on page 5 and on the OFMC website. Applications for the Outstanding Junior Award can be found on page 6 and are also due to me by July 15.

The meeting of the District Festival chairs will take place August 13, 9:30–10:30 a.m. Festival chairs should plan on attending to discuss festival issues and to pick up festival materials. Please bring bins from last year for the materials. If you cannot attend the meeting, please have a representative attend to pick up the materials, as they are too expensive to mail.

Dues have been increased with earlier deadlines. October 1 is the new deadline for payment of OFMC Junior Club dues and December 1 is the deadline for payment of dues to be able to participate in festivals. Forms for Junior Club dues can be found on pages 7 and 9 and on the OFMC website. Junior Division dues are to be sent to Diane Larochelle, Junior Division treasurer. Teachers pay their own Senior Division dues through membership in a Senior Club or Senior Special (Individual) Membership. Forms for these clubs will be sent in September. The deadline for Senior dues is November 1.★
DISTRICT SPRING CONFERENCES

The OFMC District I Conference, hosted by the Tuesday Musical Association, was held April 9 at Faith Lutheran Church in Akron. Thirty individuals were in attendance, with nine of the district’s twelve clubs represented. The conference theme was “Music...Notes to the Future.” Janet Sima, a member of the Cleveland Federation of Music Teachers I-D, played her winning piano composition, “Somber Dream,” for the prelude and also accompanied “The Star-Spangled Banner.” Laurie Gilles, vice president of the Tuesday Musical Association, led the Federation Collect.

A musical interlude was presented by George Pope, professor emeritus of flute at the University of Akron and flute instructor at Baldwin Wallace’s Conservatory of Music. OFMC President Christina Smith’s message was on OFMC’s one hundred years of musical legacy. Nelya Stefanides, District I college representative, introduced Ian Bell, the OFMC Agnes Fowler Award recipient. Bell, a University of Akron student, presented four bassoon solos, accompanied by Fran Shevock.

District I Junior Counselor Sean Baran introduced the twenty-six students performing in the Junior Honors Recital. The program consisted of one flutist and one violinist; the rest played piano. Eleven-year-old Marina Ziegler (on the right end of row 1) was the talk of the audience following her flawless performance of Chopin’s Fantasie-Impromptu, Op. 66. Students in the recital were: (in the order they played) Kara Li, Evan Wilson, Jonathan Lin, Gilda Chestney, Brianna Remias, Diane Castner, Andrew Crans, Chiara Jacobson, Ryan Kilka, Margaret Chen, Sonya Kim, Elena Ziegler, Drake Dewey, Catherine Esper, Jasmine Richardson, Zuhar Jaffar, Grace Min, Mario Mavar, Andrew Huang, Emma Arduin, Benjamin Ketterer, Akyssa Wilson, Clara MacPherson, Angelica Golota, Caroline Teng, and Marina Ziegler.

Reported by Jeannine Morris

Hosted by the Saturday Music Club, the District II Conference was held April 16 at the Worthington Community of Christ with interim president Christina Dorinsky presiding. The district voted to increase district dues to $10. Wanda Stubbart was elected to the state nominating committee, representing District II. Saturday Music Club member, Elmer Cabotage, performed on piano. In the afternoon Lauren Blumburg, from Otterbein University and recipient of the Agnes Fowler Scholarship Award, performed followed by twelve juniors.

Reported by Christy Smith

The OFMC District III Spring Conference was held at the Otterbein Retirement Center in Lebanon on April 23. Violinist Audrey Gray accompanied by Cynthia Gray on piano gave an impressive rendition of two pieces by Fritz Kreisler and “Millionaire’s Hoedown.” A great big thanks to this year’s host the Warren County Music Club. Northern Hills Piano Teachers Forum will be the host in 2017. Donna Gerber, Council of District and Club Presidents chair, presented updated club president’s information. Christy Smith, state president, announced the Senior Club Awards Competition as an incentive for Ohio clubs to become more active in the organization.

Pat Brooks agreed to serve on the state nominating committee while Christy Smith and Irene Sakelos will serve on the District III nominating committee for 2017. Brooks and Sakelos nominated the Herndon family to be Musical Family of the Year; however, a final decision was postponed until further nominations were received from District III festival chairs.

Discussion was held regarding the August 11–13 state convention at the Holiday Inn, Fairborn. The convention committee provided the following update: Wilma Meckstroth was nominated for the Citation Award and her nomination was approved unanimously; a chorus featuring Cynthia (continued on page 5)
AWARD REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for participation in the Elizabeth Gerber Award, the Marilyn Walter Young Musicians Award, and the Charlotte & W. Alfred Gray Competition at the state convention on Saturday, August 13 are:

‡ Student must have five or more consecutive superiors in the Junior Festivals.
‡ Student must have performed at the Junior Festival’s afternoon Honors Program after receiving three consecutive superiors.
‡ Student must have performed at their District’s Spring Conference Honors Recital after receiving four consecutive superiors.
‡ It isn’t necessary the student compete at the state level every year after receiving five superiors as long as they continue to receive superiors.
‡ Students are to perform one selection for a panel of judges that does not exceed five minutes. The selection is the student’s choice.
‡ Students should bring their music to the competition for the judges. No photo copies.

Good Luck!
Gray’s compositions will perform and Gray has agreed to be a presenter; Mary Fahrenbruck spoke on plans to use the silent auction as a fund-raiser; Nancy Harrison presented ideas for workshops, speakers, and performers; and Judith Murray will be in charge of scheduling volunteers as greeters and workers at the registration desk. The goal is to have more than one hundred in attendance.

Christy Smith also shared senior club updates, including District III’s newest club the Miami Valley Music Club and a new OFMC university affiliate, Malone University in Canton.

Hosted by the Mansfield Music Study Club on April 30 at Main Street United Methodist Church in Mansfield, District IV President Marjorie Poorman welcomed nine other OFMC members from the district, along with Christy Smith, state president, Donna Gerber, Council of District and Club Presidents Chair, and Susan Zacharias, new OFMC newsletter editor.

Christy Smith shared information regarding plans for the August 11–13 state convention in Fairborn and for the national convention to be held June 20–24, 2017, in Dayton. Smith also presented guidelines for new club awards that will be presented for the first time at this year’s state convention.

The musical interlude was presented by Colin Henley, a senior from Mansfield Senior High School. He is the principal violist with both the Mansfield Symphony Youth Orchestra and the Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra. He shared an unaccompanied Bach prelude and the first movement of Brahms’ Viola Concerto in E-flat. Henley plans to enter Baldwin Wallace University as a music performance major in the fall.

The afternoon session began with a trombone performance by Jaylynn Buchmelter, an Agnes Fowler Scholarship winner from Ashland University (AU). She performed “Homage to Anais Nin” by Robert Sibbing, “Concerto” by Launy Grondahl, and “Blue Bells of Scotland” by Arthur Pryor. Buchmelter is a junior at AU and is a music education major from Wintersville. She currently participates in the AU Marching Band, Jazz Orchestra and AU Chamber Singers.


Reported by Christy Smith

Outstanding Junior Award • Due July 15, 2016

Please attach nominee’s musical accomplishments.

☐ Age 9–13 ☐ Age 14–18

Nominee’s Name: ________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip: ______________________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________________________
E-mail: _____________________________________________________________
Grade: ____________________________ Age: _________________
Club Name: ______________________________________________
District: ___________________________
Counselor: _______________________________________________
Counselor Address: __________________________________________
Counselor City/State/Zip: __________________________________________
Counselor Phone: __________________________
Counselor E-mail: _____________________________________________

Send completed form to: Sally Christman, 1965 Loma Linda Lane, Dayton OH 45459, kscdchristman@aol.com

OFMC Festival Chorus

If you like to sing, choral director Ednita Vaflor would love to have you sing in the chorus at the state convention. Please fill out this form and send it ASAP to Christy Smith, 825 Olde Farm Ct, Vandalia OH 45377, ofmc@woh.rr.com. Christy will send you copies of the music.

Name: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City/State/Zip: __________________________________________
Phone: __________________________________________
E-mail: __________________________________________
Club: __________________________________________
Check vocal part: ☐ Soprano ☐ Alto ☐ Tenor ☐ Bass

Performers at the District IV Spring Conference.
AGNES FOWLER WINNERS

Seven more OFMC-affiliated Ohio colleges have chosen their Agnes Fowler Collegiate Scholarship winners since the last newsletter went to print. Additional recipients are:

Qiincheng Zeng, Bowling Green State University
Deonte Reese, Central State University
Tyler Schultz, Heidelberg University
Samantha Hach, Miami University
Gregory D. Gennaro, Oberlin Conservatory of Music
Lauren Blumberg, Otterbein University
Ian Bell, University of Akron

GRAND CUPS

The following is a listing of those who achieved the Grand and Presidents Cups in 2016.

DISTRICT I-A
Daniel Berlin, Piano
(Cynthia Crotty, teacher)
Ann Cunnane, Piano
(Cynthia Crotty, teacher)

DISTRICT I-B
Rohun Vangal, Piano
(Diane Debiec, teacher)

DISTRICT III-D
Jenny Duma, Piano
(Amy Immerman, teacher)

DISTRICT IV-A
Rachel Kirkwood, Piano
(Denise Eikum, teacher)

PRESIDENT

DISTRICT II
Vivian Chan, Piano
(Molly McGrath, teacher)

DISTRICT IV-A
Matt McPherson, Piano
(Linda Rinderknecht, teacher)
Mark Bixel, Piano
(Kathy Price, teacher)
Elissa Crowder, Piano
(Linda Rinderknecht, teacher)

The following are winners of the 2016 Elsie Stupp Awards. (Twelve Consecutive Superiors and a Grand Gold Cup)

DISTRICT I-A
Daniel Berlin, Piano
(Cynthia Crotty, teacher)
Anna Cunnane, Piano
(Cynthia Crotty, teacher)

DISTRICT IV-A
Matt McPherson, Piano
(Linda Rinderknecht, teacher)★

A note from the editor: Please submit any articles, news, or other OFMC related information to Susan Zacharias, suza@embarqmail.com. Deadline for submission in future issues of OFMC Music Club News will be: Fall, August 15, 2016; Winter, November 15, 2016; Spring, February 15, 2017. Items not received by the above deadlines will only be included if space permits.

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 (OFMC), and for more than ten years was the OFMC state historian. By her generous contribution to the OFMC Foundation in the past her help for the musicians of tomorrow has continued down to the present day.★
OHIO FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS
JUNIOR DIVISION – JUNIOR (STUDENT) MEMBERSHIP 2016–2017

Please read carefully, complete and return by October 1, 2016. (Fees and deadlines were approved by the OFMC Budget Committee on 2/29/16)

STEP 1 TEACHER’S MEMBERSHIP: All teachers who are entering students in any OFMC and NFMC event must be members of the Federation. PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR MEMBERSHIP STATUS BEFORE PROCEEDING TO STEP 2.

Please check one of the three possible membership options:

☐ Senior Club Membership: I have joined the following senior music club for the 2016-2017 season:
   Name of Senior Club __________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ Senior (Adult) Individual: I am not a member of a senior club, but I have submitted my senior individual dues to Lelia Mitchell with the form designated for that purpose.

☐ Life Member: I am a life member of OFMC and NFMC.

STEP 2 JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP: All students participating in any OFMC and NFMC event must be a member of OFMC either as a member through a Junior Club (use this form) or as a Junior Special Member.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY FOR ACCURATE RECORDS

Club Name: ____________________________________________ Date: ______________________

Counselor: ____________________________________________ Addition Teachers: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please attach a typed list of their names, addresses, senior membership, and number of students. Also include fees for Junior Keynotes Magazine.*

Counselor’s Address: ____________________________________

Complete mailing address for the Junior Keynotes Magazine and OFMC Directory.

Counselor’s Phone: ___________________________ E-mail Address: __________________________________________________

TOTAL # of Jr. Members: _______

Festival District (circle one) 1A   1B   1C   1D   2   3A   3C   3D   3E   3F   3G   4A   4B

New Club Fee (applies to all newly formed clubs or clubs inactive for two or more years) ..................... $15.00 $_____________

16 members or fewer paid by October 1 ................................................................. $37.00 $_____________

16 members or fewer paid between October 2–15 ................................................................. $47.00 $_____________

16 members or fewer paid between October 16–November 1 ............................................................ $57.00 $_____________

16 members or fewer paid between November 2–December 1 .......................................................... $67.00 $_____________

Number of additional members over 16: _______ .....................................................................@ $2.00 each = $_____________

Subtotal $_____________

Students WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE to participate in the 2017 festivals if the envelope is postmarked after December 1.

Publications: Annual dues INCLUDE one subscription (three issues) of Junior Keynotes Magazine for the club counselor.

*If your club has additional teachers who send students to a festival through your Junior Club, they are required to subscribe to Junior Keynotes Magazine.

Number of additional subscriptions/teachers: _______ .............................................................@ $6.00 each = $_____________

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED $ _____________

SEND COMPLETED FORM AND A CHECK/MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO OFMC JUNIOR DIVISION TO THE STATE OFMC JUNIOR TREASURER: DIANE LAROCHELLE, 5401 OLEVA DRIVE, DAYTON OH 45440

QUESTIONS ARE WELCOMED: dlarochelle@woh.rr.com or 937-427-3827

(OPTIONAL) MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Send stamped ($.60 postage) self-addressed business-sized #10 envelope for every twenty cards. (Smaller envelopes require $.85 postage due to thickness). Large quantities should be ordered directly through NFMC. # Requested _____
OFMC AWARDS

2016 DONALD BABCOCK JUNIOR COMPOSERS AWARD
This year’s Junior Composer’s Contest brought in eighteen entries from eight clubs in six districts. The state overall
winners were: Noah Horowitz, first place; Sidney Raabe, second place; and Margaret Z. Chen, third place. Regional
winners from the NE District were William Beck and Elijah Thacker. Beck was the national winner from Ohio.
The Ohio application for the Donald Babcock Junior Composers Award contest is updated yearly and is on
the OFMC website. Only the OFMC application is required. Judges for 2016 were Dr. Kaleel Sheirik, Xavier
University; David Engle, editor of Willis Music Company; and Dr. Nikola Resanovic, University of Akron.
Susan Carlock

VENETIA HALL PIANO CONCERTO COMPETITION
The Venetia Hall Piano Concerto Competition was held at Weigel Hall at The Ohio State University on May 14.
There were five entries, but one had to cancel. The winners were: first place, Yun Cao from District I who played
Beethoven’s Concerto No. 1 in C Major, Op. 15, “Allegro con brio”; second place, Kelley Long from District II who
performed the first movement of Saint-Saëns’ Concerto No. 2 in G Minor; and third place, Mark Bixel from District IV
who performed Mendelssohn’s Piano Concerto in G Minor, Op. 25, “Presto.” Thanks to Marie Nichols for chairing
this event.
Christy Smith

DANCE AWARD
It is a great pleasure to announce that Kent State University is the winner of the 2015–2016 OFMC Collegiate Dance Award.
There were seven applications from the University of Akron, Baldwin Wallace University, Cleveland Music
Settlement, Kent State University, Mount Union University, Oberlin College, and Ohio State University. The
award for this competition is $1200.
Mary Fahrenbruck

R. KEITH NEWTON MUSIC EDUCATION ESSAY AWARD
Adam Satorius, from the University of Cincinnati’s (UC) Conservatory of Music, won first place in the R. Keith
Newton Award. Betty Anne Gotlieb, assistant professor of Music at UC wrote, “In his short time at CCM, he has
developed a secondary level general music class, participated in numerous outreach activities with our collegiate
chapter of OMEA, built a private studio, performed regularly with the guitar ensemble, assisted with our class
guitar course, and traveled to Europe for a music education immersion experience.”
Dr. Laura Joss, Baldwin Wallace University, was the national winner from Ohio.

EDUCATION ESSAY AWARD

GRADUATE MUSIC AWARDS
The OFMC Collaborative Piano Award Competition concluded at Wright State University on March 17. There were
four teams from four different schools that participated in the event. The schools represented were The Ohio State
University, Wright State University, the Cleveland Institute of Music, and the College-Conservatory of Music
in Cincinnati. A variety of ensembles performed included: violin/piano, viola/piano, a clarinet/cello/piano trio, horn/

Richard Bobo

GRADUATE MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

For many years OFMC has also generously provided music therapy scholarships of $1,200 to outstanding
students enrolled in an AMTA-Approved Music Therapy Degree program, but have not started an
internship. These individuals include: Cassandra Acree, Carey, from Cleveland State University; Stephanie Allaire,
Cincinnati, from Ohio University; and Molly Beth Dickson, Circleville, and Devanne Hargis, Cleveland, both from the University of Dayton. Congratulations to all of this year’s recipients.

Ronna Kaplan
OHIO FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS
JUNIOR SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP 2016–2017
For students age 18 and under. Please read carefully, complete and return by October 1, 2016.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY FOR ACCURATE RECORDS

Teacher's Name: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Teacher's Address: ______________________________________________________________________

Teacher's City/State/Zip: __________________________________________________________________

Teacher's Phone: _________________________________________________________________________

Teacher's E-mail: ________________________________________________________________________

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CIRCLE THE FESTIVAL DISTRICT THE STUDENT WILL BE ENTERING: 1A  1B  1C  1D  2  3A  3C  3D  3E  3F  3G  4A  4B

STUDENT’S INFORMATION: ☐ New ☐ Renewal

Student’s Name: ___________________________ Age: ___________________________

Student's Address: ______________________________________________________________________

Student’s City/State/Zip: __________________________________________________________________

Student's Phone: _________________________________________________________________________

Student’s E-mail: ________________________________________________________________________

ANNUAL DUES INCLUDE THE STUDENT’S SUBSCRIPTION (three issues) TO JUNIOR KEYNOTES MAGAZINE

Paid by October 1, 2016 .......................................................................................................................... $13.00 $_____________

Paid between October 2–November 1, 2016 ........................................................................................... $15.00 $_____________

Paid between November 2–December 1, 2016 ..................................................................................... $18.00 $_____________

Amount Enclosed $_____________

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Christy Smith

STATE CONVENTION

This year marks the one hundredth anniversary of the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs and I would like you to help us celebrate this remarkable milestone by attending the 2016 OFMC State Convention, August 11–13 at the Holiday Inn in Fairborn. All those who register for the convention will receive a commemorative gift in honor of our centennial celebration.

When it comes to attractions, the sky’s the limit in Dayton! No matter how varied your interests may be, there is a wealth of Dayton attractions sure to educate and entertain you. On Thursday, August 11, you will have the opportunity to visit one of those attractions, the National Museum of the United States Air Force. Here you will find more than 360 aircraft styles from several eras at the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world. Explore space aircraft, presidential planes and fighter-jets, as well as the new NASA Space Shuttle Crew Compartment Trainer.

The newly renovated convention hotel, the Holiday Inn, is conveniently located near I-675 and close to Wright State University, the Wright Patterson Air Force Base, the Dayton Art Institute, and the Mall at Fairfield Commons. The hotel offers free Internet service, an indoor heated pool, and McKenna’s Bar and Grille is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

During the convention there will be a silent auction fund-raiser. Attendees are invited to bring items to be sold. Here are just a few ideas from Mary Fahrenbruck, who will be in charge of the silent auction: keyboard neck tie; coffee mug set with coffee; gift baskets with towels, lotions, and soap; or a soft throw, either handmade or bought. Other items that will be accepted and sold outright include pill boxes, computer cleaner cloths, glass jewelry, etc. Please do not bring sheet music. Items can be dropped off at the silent auction room at times listed in the schedule of events. E-mail Mary if you have any questions.

Following is just a short overview of what you can expect at this year’s convention:

- Learn about the incredible history of OFMC
- Listen to performances covering American folk songs, classical guitar, and Broadway
- See a demonstration of Native American flutes
- Join the O-H-I-O festival chorus with Ednita Vaflor directing
- Meet the NFMC President Michael Edwards, our key speaker
- Enjoy percussionist Jane Varella who will entertain us at the banquet
- The convention will also offer: ways to recruit new members to your club; learn about new programs to promote music in your community at the Council of Presidents meeting; sessions specifically for college music students; and master classes for vocal, violin, and piano for juniors. And don’t forget to attend the anniversary reception and the Saturday luncheon and awards presentation.

This will be a convention unlike any other! Come and meet new friends, renew friendships, and celebrate with us this August in Dayton. ★

SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The Dayton Music Club presented their scholarship awards to thirty juniors. The total amount of scholarships awarded was $8,500.

President Christy Smith had the pleasure of attending Marion Music Club’s (MMC) program at the Prospect Street United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 17 at 3:00 p.m. The program theme was “Marion Music Club: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow.” The program paid tribute to the club, which was established in 1920, and to its organizers, performers, and to the audiences that provided a raison d’etre for the club’s musical activities. The free program was open to the public, but donations were gratefully accepted for the club’s college and music camp scholarship fund.

Program chair and MMC past president Ednita Vaflor, a retired Marion City Schools teacher for the talented and gifted, and also a local performer and church and senior center music director, volunteered her time to organize MMC’s program. She recruited club members and local community volunteer performers to present vocal and instrumental music selections to celebrate the club’s past contributions to the Marion area.


Musical selections included opera, jazz, musicals, strings, folk, and gospel. Performers were Gabriel Vaflor and Carol Becker, Lorelei Heineman, Sarah Konvalinka, Trish Fredritz, Lynette Burris, Lee Ann Derugen, Tom Willauer, Kelly Culler, and Julie Kubbs and friends.

The “tomorrow” portion highlighted the club as a community asset providing a venue for encouraging young artists to perform and pursue musical studies. Pleasant Local School students, Eric MacFadden, Gretchen Kieffer, and Tyler Crease sang selections from the musical Guys and Dolls. Club member and school music director Kelly Culler showcased the River Valley singers in a performance of numbers from the musical, Shrek. And from the very young musicians, Marion City School’s music teacher Sarah Gold directed her elementary violin students. The afternoon program was well-attended by the community. ★
REGISTRATION FORM

2016 OFMC State Convention | Fairborn | August 11–13

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11
10:00 AM  Meeting of the executive committee
1:00 PM  Aviation tour (includes the role of music in the military)
4:00 PM  Board of Directors meeting
7:00 PM  Classical Guitarist Jim McCutcheon performs
8:00 PM  Festival choir rehearsal

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12
8:30 AM  Silent auction opens, Prelude
9:00 AM  Opening of the convention

GENERAL SESSION
10:00 AM  Historical Timeline of OFMC
11:40 AM  A Broadway show by soprano singer Madelon Kinsig, accompanied by Jennifer Shoup
12:00 PM  Luncheon
1:00 PM  Council of Presidents meeting
1:00–3:00 PM  Sessions for college students on handling student loans, staying out of debt, and finding jobs after graduation
1:45 PM  American folk song presentation and performance by Mary Jo Ward
2:30 PM  Jim McCutcheon will demonstrate the science of music
3:10 PM  Published choral composer Cynthia Gray will present a program on choral work selections for young singers
3:40 PM  Opera performance by Dr. Minita Cox
4:00 PM  Festival choir rehearsal
5:15 PM  Presidents group picture
5:45 PM  Presidents parade
6:00 PM  Banquet and performance of festival chorus; music by percussionist Jane Varella on the marimba; key speaker, NFMC President Michael Edwards; and awards presentation
8:00 PM  Piano recital by Benjamin Geist
9:15 PM  Anniversary reception

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13:
8:30 AM  Memorial ceremony
9:00 AM  Musical Family of the Year, the Herndon Family perform
9:30 AM  Meeting of the Junior Festival chairs
10:00 AM  Junior master classes for vocal, violin, and piano
11:00–4:00 PM  Junior competitions and programs
12:00 PM  Luncheon and awards

*While this schedule may not be final, the performers and presenters have been confirmed.

METHOD OF PAYMENT
Check/Money Order Enclosed (payable to OFMC District III)
You may also pay by credit card through EventBrite
MAIL TO: Dr. Gwen Brubaker, 4550 Parklawn Drive, Kettering OH 45440

*For more information or questions, please e-mail Gwen at gwenbrubaker@att.net or call (937) 297-0463.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION (Please print clearly)

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY/STATE/ZIP

PHONE

CLUB/POSITION

E-MAIL

ROOMMATE NAME (if applicable)

HOTEL RESERVATION (hotel reservation must be in by July 10)

Nightly Rate  ____ @ $109.00

One King-Sized Bed  Two Double Beds

Nights:  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday

My roommate is:  Guest  Member

State club of roommate, if a member:

*Room rates includes a full breakfast or up to two in a room. Hotel reservation must be sent to the convention registrar to be exempt from Ohio sales tax.

REGISTRATION AND MEALS (Deadline is July 23)

- Full Registration  ____ @ $35.00
- Friday-Only Registration  ____ @ $25.00
- Thursday Luncheon  ____ @ $19.00
- Caesar Salad  Club Wrap

- Thursday Aviation Tour, 1 PM  ____ @ $0.00
- Thursday Dinner (Crusted Chicken)  ____ @ $29.00
- Thursday Dinner (Salmon)  ____ @ $31.00
- Friday Luncheon (Roasted Pork Loin)  ____ @ $22.00
- Friday Luncheon (Vegetarian)  ____ @ $21.00
- Friday Luncheon (Chicken Roulade)  ____ @ $25.00
- Friday Dinner (Chicken Cordon Bleu)  ____ @ $29.00
- Friday Dinner (Pecan Crusted Salmon)  ____ @ $31.00
- Saturday Luncheon (Turkey Wrap)  ____ @ $19.00
- Saturday Luncheon (Chicken Salad Wrap)  ____ @ $20.00
- Saturday Luncheon (Club Wrap)  ____ @ $19.00
- Saturday Child's Meal (12 and under)  ____ @ $14.50

*There will be a cash bar on Friday evening from 5:15–6:00 and after the concert.

PAYMENT

HOTEL RESERVATION (must be in by July 10)  $_______

REGISTRATION  $_______

MEALS  $_______

DONATION TO OFMC FOUNDATION  $_______

TOTAL PAYMENT  $_______
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