President’s Corner

I was very honored that the NFMC biennial convention was held in Dayton at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on June 20-24, 2017. As chairman of the convention, I found myself working overtime. That was a looong 2-year project for this chairman. Overall, it was a successful convention. We showed our guests, who came from all over the country, the CHARM and great talents in our great state of Ohio. Convention pictures are on page 11.

There were 215 NFMC members who came to the convention to enjoy the wonderful concerts and workshops. I was most proud of our Ohio performers. I received so many fantastic comments. One newbie said, it was her first time to attend and she had so much fun and said, “I am Hooked”. Another said it was the best convention that she’s ever attended. So many attendees were so impressed with all the inventions that happened here in Dayton. I led three busloads of tourists. And my husband Chuck gave a walking tour of downtown Dayton. Several people who have never heard or knew very little about Dayton were so amazed and said, they want to come back to see more of the city. There were 17 contestants for the Young Artist competition which made judging very challenging for the adjudicators. The four winners were truly outstanding. I hope you would consider inviting one of them to perform for your club.

April is my travel Ohio month, the month for district conferences, held on Saturdays except April 15 because that was Easter weekend. I attended all four conferences. I enjoyed hearing your innovative ideas to strengthen our organization. I also enjoyed listening to the juniors during the afternoon recitals. We also finished the updating of the Bylaws.

I attended the Northeast regional meeting at Chautauqua in western New York on July 8-9. I gave a report on Ohio and participated in a beautiful memorial service. I had the privileged to meet the scholarship winner from Ohio.

I would like to thank Marjorie and Allen Poorman of Ashland, OH for hosting our finance meeting on July 18. We had a very productive finance meeting and I am happy to report that our senior/collegiate and junior division treasury are doing very well. Our Foundation investments have been doing very well so you will see increases in our scholarship offerings. Unfortunately, 12 of the 13 festival sites lost money. There’s not enough funds to buy the cups in January making it necessary for the foundation to cover the deficit. Thus, the budget committee voted to increase the festival fee by $1.00.

I hope that everyone had a relaxing and restful summer, rejuvenated and ready to start a new school year.

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Here’s a very important announcement! We have a new treasurer!
All district and Senior club treasurers: Please send your dues to our new senior and Collegiate treasurer:

Dr. Gwen Brubaker, 4550 Parklawn Drive, Kettering, OH 45440

Mark your calendar please, Friday, October 6 is our annual meeting

**OFMC Executive Meeting** starts at 10:00 A.M.

Executive committee Luncheon (Compliments of Christy Smith) starts at noon

District and Senior Club Presidents Meeting starts at 1:00

Board of Directors Meeting starts at 2:00 P.M.

**All meetings will be held at the Church of the Messiah, 51 N. State Street, Westerville, OH 43081**

If your name appears on pages 9-10 of the 2016-'17 directory, you are required to attend the meeting.

If you are not attending due to unresolved conflict, you must send a letter of excuse along with your report two weeks before the meeting.

To all Club Presidents: Your council of presidents’ chairman Donna Gerber distributed the club president’s folder containing the report forms at last year’s convention. I hope you have gone through the contents of that folder and submitted your report on timely manner. **Please bring your folder with you to the 1:00 P.M. meeting.**

Juniors Day will be held the following day on Saturday, October 7.

Requirements for participation in the Elizabeth Gerber Competition, the Marilyn Walter Competition, and the Charlotte & W. Alfred Gray Competition.

1. Student must have 5 or more consecutive superiors in the Junior Festivals.
2. Student must have performed on the Afternoon Honors Program after receiving 3 consecutive superiors.
3. Student must have performed on the District Conference Honors Recital after receiving 4 consecutive superiors.
4. It isn’t necessary that the student compete at the state level every year after receiving 5 consecutive superiors if they continue to receive superior rating at the festival.
5. Students are to perform one selection that does not exceed 5 minutes for a panel of judges. (If a student is eligible in more than one event or instrument they must choose which they would like to perform.)
6. The selection is the student’s choice.
7. Student should bring his/her music to the competition for the judges. **No photo copies.**

Gerber Competition (grades 4-6)
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Application deadline: **September 1, 2017 (Application must be postmarked by September 1, 2017)**

Please mail to Linda Rinderknecht (rinderknechtlinda@gmail.com), 1120 Edgewood Drive, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

Performer’s Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________ Tel. No. ___________________________

Grade in school: ____ Instrument: __________________ Accompianist: ___________________________

Teacher’s Name: ___________________________ Accompianist Tel. No. ___________________________

Teacher’s Email: ___________________________ Accompanist Tel. No. ___________________________

Title of piece: ___________________________ Composer: ___________________________

Accompianist: ___________________________ Length of piece: ___________________________

*Marilyn Walter Competition (grades 7-9)*

Application deadline: **September 1, 2017 (Application must be postmarked by September 1, 2017)**

Please mail to Linda Rinderknecht (rinderknechtlinda@gmail.com), 1120 Edgewood Drive, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

Performer’s Name: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________ Tel. No. ___________________________

Grade in school: ____ Instrument: __________________ Accompanist: ___________________________

Teacher’s Name: ___________________________ Accompanist Tel. No. ___________________________

Teacher’s Email: ___________________________ Accompanist Tel. No. ___________________________

Title of piece: ___________________________ Composer: ___________________________

Performing Composition Winners. Send this form to Linda Rinderknecht by September 7

1120 Edgewood Dr. Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Postmark by September 7.

Name: ___________________________ E-mail address: ___________________________

Phone No.: ___________________________ Title: ___________________________

Charlotte & W. Alfred Gray Competition (grades 10-12)
Ohio Music Club News

Application deadline: September 1, 2017. (Application must be postmarked by September 1, 2017)

Please mail to Linda Rinderknecht (rinderknechtlinda@gmail.com), 1120 Edgewood Drive, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

Performer’s Name: _____________________________________ Email: _____________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________ Tel. No.__________________________

Grade in school: ___________________ Instrument: __________________________

Teacher’s Name: _____________________________________

Teacher’s Email: _____________________________________ Teacher’s Tel. No.________________________

Title of piece: _______________________________________ Composer: ___________________________

Accompanist: ________________________________________ Length of piece: ___________________________

Outstanding Junior, ages 9-13 (Please attach nominee’s musical accomplishments.)

Nominee’s name: _____________________________________ Tel.no. ___________________________

Complete Address: _____________________________________________________________

Email address_________________________ Age: _______ Grade in school: ______________

Club name: __________________________ District: ______________

Counselor: ______________________________________ Tel. no.________________________

Counselor’s address: _____________________________________________________________

Email address: _________________________________________________________________

Outstanding Junior, ages 14-18 (Please attach nominee’s musical accomplishments.)

Application deadline: September 1. Send application to Sally Christman, 1965 Loma Linda Lane, Dayton, OH 45459
E-mail: kscdchristman@aol.com

Nominee’s name: _____________________________________ Tel. no.__________________________

Complete Address: _____________________________________________________________

Email address_________________________ Age: _______ Grade in school: ______________

Club name: __________________________ District: ______________

Counselor: ______________________________________ Tel. no.________________________

Counselor’s address: _____________________________________________________________

E-mail Address: _________________________________________________________________

2017-2018 JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP
PLEAS READ CAREFULLY, COMPLETE AND RETURN BY OCTOBER 1, 2017

(Fees and deadlines were approved by the OFMC Board of Directors on 8/11/16)

**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 3 possible membership options:

______ Senior Club Membership Information.  I have joined the following senior music club for the 2017-18 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 the Senior Treasurer with the form designated for that purpose.

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

**STEP 2 – JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP (students)** 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/TYPE CLEARLY FOR ACCURATE RECORDS+++**

Club Name: _______________________________ Date __________________

Counselor: __________________________________________ Additional Teachers? If yes, please attach a typed list of their names, addresses, senior membership and # of students. Also include fees for JRK Magazine. *

Counselors Address: ____________________________________________________

Provide your complete mailing address (including City and Zip Code) for the JRK magazine & Directory.

Phone # ( ) __________________ E-Mail Address __________________________

TOTAL # of Jr. Members: ________  Festival District (circle one) 1A 1B 1C 1D 2 3A 3C 3D 3E 3F 4A 4B

- New Club Fee (applies to all newly formed or clubs inactive for 2 or more years) $15.00  $__________
- 16 members or fewer with a postmark of October 1 _______________ $37.00  $__________
- 16 members or fewer with a postmark of October 2 - 31 _______________ $47.00  $__________
- 16 members or fewer with a postmark of November 1 - 30 _______________ $57.00  $__________

Number of additional members over 16: ___________ @ $2.00 each = $__________

Subtotal $__________

Students WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE to participate in the 2018 Festival if the envelope is postmarked after December 1.

**Publications:** Annual dues INCLUDE one subscription (3 issues) of Junior Keynotes for the club counselor. *If your club has additional teachers who send students to a Festival through your Jr. Club, they are required to subscribe to Junior Keynotes.*

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 JR. 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 ($0.60 postage) self-addressed business-sized (4"x10") envelope for every 20 cards. (Smaller envelopes require $.85 postage due to thickness). Large quantities should be ordered directly through NFMC. # Requested _______
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2017-2018 JUNIOR SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP
(For students age 18 & under)

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY, COMPLETE AND RETURN BY OCTOBER 1, 2017

Please print clearly to insure accurate records.  

DATE____________________________________

TEACHER’S NAME_______________________________________________________________

ADDRESS______________________________________________________________

CITY & ZIP CODE_________________________________________________________________________________

PHONE #(______)______________________________EMAIL________________

TEACHER’S OFMC MEMBERSHIP.  All teachers who are entering students in any OFMC and NFMC event must be members of the Federation.  PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR (TEACHER) MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION.

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

_____ Senior Club Membership Information.  I have joined the following senior music club for the 2017-18 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 the Senior Treasurer with the form designated for that purpose.

_____Life Member.  I am a life member of OFMC and NFMC.

CIRCLE THE FESTIVAL DISTRICT THE STUDENT WILL BE ENTERING. (CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING)

1A     1B     1C     1D     2     3A     3C     3D     3E     3F     3G     4A     4B

STUDENT’S INFORMATION:  NEW ENTRY __________  OR  RENEWAL ________

Student’s Name_________________________________________________________   Age____________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

City & Zip Code: ________________________________________________________________________

Phone No: (______) _____________________________ E-Mail _____________________________

ANNUAL DUES INCLUDE THE STUDENT’S SUBSCRIPTION (3 issues) to Junior Keynotes

Paid by October 1, 2017........................................... $13.00
Paid October 2 – November 1, 2017......... $15.00
Paid November 2 – December 1, 2017..............$18.00

Amount enclosed ___________

Students WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE to participate in the 2018 Festival if the envelope is postmarked after December 1.

Send this completed form and check or Money Order (payable to OFMC) to the Junior Division Treasurer, Diane Larochelle, 5401 Oleva Drive, Dayton, OH 45440. Email: dlarochelle@woh.rr.com
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Senior Club News:

The Dayton Music Club reached their $10,000 goal with their scholarship Fund Raising. This is the second year that the club reached their goals. The club also had a “Getting to Know You” picnic on July 10th on the grounds of Otterbein Retirement Center. The picnic was a success. Congratulations!

Featuring: Jim McCutcheon of the Dayton Music Club was the recipient of the Governor’s Award in Arts and Education. This prestigious award was presented by the Ohio Arts Council at the award ceremony and luncheon held at the Athenaeum Hotel in Columbus on May 18. Congratulations Jim for this well-deserved award.

Long-time member of the Dayton Music Club, Barbara Wasson was featured in the Dayton Daily News as she announced her retirement from piano teaching during her last students’ recital in April. Barbara is 99 years young. Barbara was chosen as the Honoree of the Year by the Dayton Music Club. The award presentation will be held at the club’s first meeting on September 17.

Music Outreach These Senior & Junior Clubs reported bringing the gift of music to those who are totally or partially confined. The Saturday Music Club of Columbus

Keyboard Musicale, Esther Chiu, counselor, had 22 students perform at assisted living facilities

The Carolyn Sloan Smith Music Studio gave programs at the Hanna House at University Hospital. Ashland Musical Club gave a program at Belmont Tower Assisted Living. The 5 choirs of The Warren County Music Club in Lebanon volunteered 7,751 hours. Warren Music Club & the Treble Clef Club, Karen Ferren, counselor, presented a program at Autumn Hills Assisted Living. Salem Music Study Club and Dayton Music Club members volunteered at assisted living facilities and at nursing homes. Members of the Marion Music Club direct & sing in the choir at the Senior Center.

Crusade for Strings - Junior Division - 18 programs included strings at club meetings and in assisted living & nursing homes. Juniors performed at district meetings and at the state convention.

Collegiate Division - There are 23 music departments at universities in Ohio that are members of OFMC and NFMC, & all of them have string instruction. Some have orchestras.

Senior Division - Akron Tuesday Musical Association presented classical string concerts & awarded four string performance scholarships.

Members of the Alliance Music Study Club & the Musical Art Society in Cleveland purchase season subscriptions to the Alliance Symphony Orchestra & the Cleveland Orchestra concert series. Salem Music Study Club, Dayton Music Club & Warren Music Club included strings on their club programs. Strings scholarships are given by several clubs. Reported by Jeannine Morris for Stephen Domka, OFMC string chairman

Folk Music Report - Eleven Senior Clubs sing from Together We Sing. Many clubs include folk music in their programs, especially those songs in Together We Sing. Some clubs have a program with the major focus on folk music. Reported by Jeannine Morris for Ila Paxson, OFMC chair.

National Music Week is sponsored by NFMC & celebrated the first full week of May. The 2017 Theme was Music... An Adventure for Life - These 7 Senior clubs had programs during NMW: Ashland Musical Club, Dayton Music Club, Lisbon Music Study Club, the Musical Art Society of Cleveland, Fortnightly Music Club of New Philadelphia, the Saturday Music Club of Columbus & the Warren Music Club. Reported by Jeannine Morris for Carolyn Heimlich, OFMC NMW chairman
The northeast regional meeting was held in the morning of July 8 at the Chautauqua Suites. NFMC chairman of Summer Music Centers, Mary Ellen Noletti, promoted the importance of supporting the 20 Federated Summer Camp Centers around the country. There was concern about the ever-increasing cost of attending these summer camps and that we should give more scholarships. At the luncheon, Deborah Sunya Moore, Chautauqua’s vice president in charge of programming, spoke to us about the newly renovated amphitheater. Later that afternoon, we attended an outstanding recital given by NFMC scholarship winners to study at Chautauqua Institution. In the evening, we attended a Chautauqua production of the opera L’Orfeo by Monteverdi. On Sunday morning, we attended the worship service & heard the 100-voice Chautauqua Choir and the Massey Pipe Organ, the world’s largest outdoor pipe organ. NFMC Young Artist, Nicholas Susi, pianist, presented a recital followed by a reception in his honor.

In Memoriam

Lelia Mitchell passed away unexpectedly at her home on June 5. Lelia was a very dedicated and active member of Salem Music Club. She was treasurer of her club and OFMC at the time of her death. For at least a decade, Lelia served as Secretary in district I. Lelia was 76 years old. She left behind a son and daughter. We will miss her dearly.

Collegiate News:

Congratulations to Benjamin Rogers. He is the recipient of the $500 award from OFMC to attend Chautauqua Institution. Benjamin is pursuing a Master’s Degree in Cello Performance at the Cleveland Institute of Music. Benjamin told me that he had taken a summer session with 1991 Young Artist winner and 2017 Grammy Award winner Zuill Bailey in Sitka, Alaska. Christy Smith, reporting.

Agnes Fowler Collegiate Scholarships are presented annually by the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs Foundation in memory of the longtime professor of French and Italian at Miami University. She was a supporter of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and the Cincinnati May Festival, and a leader in many 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.

2017 recipients of the $1,000 Agnes Fowler Scholarship, their schools and districts are:

- Jacob Poiner, Ashland University (IV)
- Phanuwat Sripramodya, Bowling Green State University (IV)
- Tyler Schultz, Heidelberg University (IV)
- Liliana Garlisi, Kent State University (I)
- Levi Muriuki, Malone University (I)
- Aaron Wolff, Oberlin College Conservatory of Music (IV)
- Jarrett Barr, Ohio Northern University (IV)
- Joshua Zoppa, Ohio Wesleyan University (IV)
- Dana Dirksen, Otterbein University (II)
- James Gates, University of Akron (I)
- Jenna Hoffman, University of Mount Union (I)
- Michael Miranda, Wright State University (III)
- Thomas D. Starr, Youngstown State University (I)
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National Winners:

Congratulations to Daniel Bayot who won the NFMC Marion Richter American Music Award of $1,100 for his composition “Philosophy of the Wood”. Daniel is a senior at the Bowling Green State University. Daniel hails from Mililani, HI.

Nat’l Winners...Congratulations to Aviva Muskin, recipient of the NFMC Dorothy Dana Bullock Music Therapy Award of $1350. Aviva is an intern at Cleveland Music Settlement under the guidance of Ronna Kaplan. Aviva had worked with preschool children with learning disability and in nursing homes working with geriatrics.

Junior Division News:

Congratulations to Noah Horowitz who won 2nd place in the NFMC Lana Bailey Piano Concerto competition. He performed the third movement of Rachmaninoff’s Piano Concerto in C Minor, opus 18. Noah is a member of the Fortnightly of Cleveland.

Kelley Long, a member of Kathleen’s Studio of District II was the winner of the Venetia Hall Piano Concerto Competition held in Columbus in May. She received a $600 award. She performed the first movement of Concerto in D Minor K. 466 by Mozart. Kelley is entering her senior year at New Albany High School. Congratulations, Kelley.

Grand Cups, President’s Cup and Elsie Stupp 12-yr superior and cup Awards

Nine Juniors were recipients of the grand cup award. In D-1A, they are Miguel Martinez, Temima Muskin, and Peter Nachtwey. In D-1B, they are Ian Ward, Max Lee, and Avery Blasko. Angela Liu is from D-1C, Alex Chan is from D-2.

Four juniors won the President Cup. They are Anna Cunnane, Ananya Kalahasti, Daniel Berlin and Rohun Vangal. The Elsie Stupp $100 award were given to four juniors who achieved 12 consecutive superiors and achieved the grand or President cups. Congratulations to Miguel Martinez, Rohun Vangal, Angela Liu and Bryson Karrer. The winners participated in piano solo and concerto except Bryson who is a violinist.

University Newsflash

The University of Dayton hosted the NFMC Young Artist Competition held on June 20-22, 2017. A great big thanks to Jim McCutcheon for arranging the event and to Dr. Sharon Gratto, chairman of the Music Department, for allowing NFMC to use their Music Facility. Christy Smith secured the adjudicators for the 17 semi-finalists. She also secured accompanists for the performers. The competitions were for Piano, Strings (violin, viola or cello), Male Vocal and Female Vocal. NFMC Chairman for the Young Artist competition Ann Harrington said, the contestants were excellent performers. They are truly ready to embark on a career as Professional performer. The winners are: Kevin Ahfat, piano, Sujun Lee, cello, Natalie Conte, female vocal, and Andre Chiang, male vocal. Each of the winners were awarded $20,000 and a two-year contract to perform all over the United States. The winners gave a phenomenal recital on June 22 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Wright State University was the site for the Collaborative Piano Competition in April headed by Dr. Jackson Leung. The winner of the $1,000 Award was Joselyn Hui of WSU. Congratulations! Joselyn accompanied a flute player Jessica Thomas who also received a $200 award. Other competitors were from Oberlin and Kent State.

The college Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati received a $1,200 award for being the winner of the College Dance Competition. Hooray, CCM!

Congratulations to the three recipients of the $1,400 scholarships: Austin McCabe Junke is a candidate for Ph. D in Musicology at Ohio State University. Alyssa Mehnert is also a candidate for Ph. D in Musicology at the college Conservatory of Music. Another recipient is Laura Makara who is pursuing a Master’s degree in Horn Performance at Youngstown University.
Ohio Music Club News

59th Biennial Convention in Dayton

The Ohio Federation of Music Club hosted the NFMC 59th Biennial Convention on June 20-24, 2017 at Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton. Christy Smith was the chairman of the convention which attracted 215 attendees from all over the country. I was very honored to have secured the Color Guard from Wright Patterson Air Force Base. The evening before the opening Ceremony, Jim McCutcheon gave a full program charming his audience with his classical Guitar playing. Jim stepped in as an alternate performer with only 48-hour notice when the performer of the evening cancelled out. He gave a wonderful performance despite the short notice. Bravo, Jim. The Opening Ceremony on Wednesday morning was spectacular with the U.S Air Force Band of Flight Brass ensemble accompanying the audience in the singing of God of our Father as the officers entered. The audience went wild as the Brass Ensemble performed. It was a perfect opening as they energized us all. After all, the theme of the convention was “Music, our Source of Energy and Motivation”. Our mid-morning presentation was of Internationally acclaimed poet from Dayton Paul Lawrence Dunbar. The audience really enjoyed Dunbar’s poetry that so many bought his Poetry book at the Wright Dunbar Center, our first tour stop, causing a delay to our next tour stop. On Wednesday evening, the attendees heard African drumming of the Burundi Drummers. I got to beat one of their drums, a 200-pound hollowed out tree covered with pig skin. And they carried them on their heads!!! Then the four winners of the Young Artist competition presented a wonderful recital on Thursday evening. At the Friday formal Banquet, 1991 Young artist winner and 2017 Grammy Award winner Zuill Bailey was awarded the Presidential Citation by Michael Edwards. Zuill performed a couple of pieces.

Christy Smith, reporting

NFMC officers enjoyed a tour of Hawthorn Hill, home of the Wright Brothers.

Connie Randall and Christy

Michael, Jeanne and Christy participated in the drumming. Fun!

The Burundi Drummers carried their 200-pound drums on their heads.
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