Summer Edition 2017



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 who were phenomenal 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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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

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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.

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

Please mail to Linda Rinderknecht (<u>rinderknechtlinda@gmail.com</u>), 1120 Edgewood Drive,

Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

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

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

Counselor: Tel. no.

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._____

Counselor's address:

Complete Address: ______

Email address _____ Age: ____ Grade in school: _____

Counselor's address:

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2017-2018 JUNIOR CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Ohio Music Club News

PLEASE 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.
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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.
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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. *
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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 or clubs inactive for 2 or more years) \$15.00 \$
16 members or fewer with a postmark of October 1\$37.00 \$
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Students WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE to participate in the 2018 Festival if the envelope is postmarked after December 1.
<u>Publications:</u> 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 = \$
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SEND COMPLETED FORM AND A CHECK/MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO OFMC JUNIOR DIVISION
TO THE STATE OFMC JR. TEASURER: 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 (4"x10") envelope for every 20 cards.
(Smaller envelopes require \$.85 postage due to thickness). Large quantities should be ordered directly through NFMC. # Requested

2017-2018 JUNIOR SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP

(For students age 18 & under)

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Tentative 2018 Festival Schedule

DISTRICT	DATE	LOCATION	CHAIRMAN	GOLD CUP				
District I-A	January 20 March 17	Cleveland State University	Cindy McAdams 801-766-1789 Ofmcfestival1a@yahoo.com Co-Chair: Coren Mino	Karen Spisak 440-543-1400 <u>Dkmsba06@yahoo.com</u> Co-Chair: Rozina Aamir				
District I-B	February 1 March 10	Youngstown State University	Elena Mavar 330-207-6885 emavar@ymail.com	Cindy Cleeland 330-792-9274 Cindysnotes2@zoominternet.net				
District I-C	January 24 March 24	Kent State University	Sue Hassler 330-673-9164 dhassler@kent.edu	Mack Hassler 330-673-9164 dhassler@kent.edu				
District I-D	January 10 March 10	Baldwin Wallace College	Martha Custer 216- 856- 2415 marthalcuster@sbcglobal.net	Kathy Avenel 330-686-1285 ksavinell@gmail.com				
District II	January 12 March 17	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 17	Miami University Oxford	Irene Sakelos 513-738-5221 jamminmelody@aol.com	Irene Sakelos 513-738-5221 jamminmelody@aol.com				
District III-C	January 1 February 24	Cedarville University	Angie Vaubel 937-431-0570 angie@vaubel.net	Debbie Dustin 937-399-3679 deb@kincaidmusic.com				
District III-D	December 15 March 9 & 10	College of Mount St. Joseph	Anne Schummer 513-661-2424 piano@fuse.net	Marcia Lucas 513-385-9263 mslucas@zoomtown.com				
District III-E	January 5 March 10	University of Dayton	Daira Skriblis 937-312-0134 <u>daira.skriblis@g</u> mail.com	Igors Skriblis 937-312-0134				
District III-F	January 31 March 17	Miami University Oxford	Dennis Wein 937-548-1435 dwein@woh.rr.com	Judy Bohne 513-895-3079 rjbohne@msn.com				
District III-G	December 16 March 3	Wright State University	Kimberly Ritzinger 937-367-6732 ofmc.district3g@gmail.com	Abigail Call Geist 920-342-1145 <u>call.11@wright.edu</u>				
District IV-A	November 1 March 3	Heidelberg University	Denise Eikum 419-261-1477 deniseeikum@gmail.com	Kevin Eikum 419-351-8702 <u>kevineikum1@gmail.com</u> Co-Chair: Susan Zacharias				
District IV-B	TBA TBA	Ashland University	Sonja Kalb 740-360-2916 fourstarguesthouse@yahoo.com	Open -				

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 September17.

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

<u>Keyboard Musicale</u>, Esther Chiu, counselor, had 22 students perform at assisted living facilities

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

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

<u>Collegiate Division</u> - 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.

<u>Senior Division</u> - <u>Akron Tuesday Musical Association</u> 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

<u>Folk Music Report</u> - 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.

<u>National Music Week</u> 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



NFMC Weekend at Chautauqua

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 everincreasing 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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Ohio Music Club News

National Winners:

Congratulations to **Daniel Bayot** who won the **NFMC Marion Richter American Music Award** of \$1,100 for his composition of "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 phenominal 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.

59[™] 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 Mc Cutcheon 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 hallowed 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.

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

Christy Smith, reporting



The Ohio delegates during the Memorial Breakfast.







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

Schedule of due dates:

August 30: Deadline for Liability Insurance for activities from September to January

September 1: Entries for Gerber, Walter and Gray competition due to Linda Rinderknecht

September 1: Nomination for Outstanding Jrs. Due to Sally Christman

October 6: OFMC Annual Meeting at the Church of the Messiah

October 7: Juniors Day Competition and Awards

October Deadline for Annual Dues

November: Parade of American Music

December 30: Liability Insurance Due for January-June activities

January: Founders Day Celebration

January 15: Adult Composition Entry due

January 15: Junior Composition entry due

January 15 Stillman Kelley Competition entry due to Donna Gerber