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President's Greeting

"Music builds community" is the first part of my theme because the OFMC is a community of music lovers who appreciate the role that music plays in their lives and have built relationships with others to experience, strengthen and share that love.

Who is in your music community?

Most of us would answer that by listing the folks in our senior club, music studio, or student group. And that is true - as far as it goes. On a larger scale the OFMC is a community of communities - groups of music lovers who relate to each other through events, meetings, contests and concerts. Each group, each activity is the OFMC, but each individual interaction is not ALL of the OFMC.

The last issue of the *Ohio Music Club News* was a summary of our biennial state convention and all of the music we shared together that weekend. The next issue will list many of the 2018-19 scholarships and awards received by our students on the local, state and even national level - it will be an exciting newsletter!

This issue of the *OMC News* is focused on the upcoming spring conferences, where we will gather with folks from other clubs and studios. In addition to other information we will share, I will have some specific requests.

First, I want to hear about your club. If Walmart can say "Save Money. Live Better." and Subway wants you to "Eat Fresh" and Nike says "Just Do It," surely you will be able to jot down three unique things about your local club, each of five words or less. "Sponsors three recitals a year." "Scholarships for high school seniors." "Poetry every meeting." You get the idea. I'll have the postcards to fill out, you bring the phrases.

Second, there are tasks and responsibilities which need to be done in order that our community life goes better. This is an odd-numbered year, so we will be having the election of district officers. And there are other responsibilities in our statewide organization which need to be lovingly cared for by interested persons. I will be sharing a list of opportunities with your current district leaders. Perhaps you will have some ideas too

Third, we will have a short discussion of Past Presidents Associations and their role in OFMC in 2019-20. There are things we can do to make life more interesting for all of us!

See you in a few weeks! Let's meet others in our music community.

Ron Marenchin
OFMC President



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OFMC Officers 2018-2019

President: Ron Marenchin

Vice President: Jason Volovar

Recording Secretary: Julie Riegler

Treasurers:

Sr. Division - Gwen Brubaker

Jr. Division - Diane Larochelle

Festival - Brenda Zeigler

2019 SPRING CONFERENCE INFORMATION

Please copy and distribute this information as widely as possible.

DISTRICT I (Northeast) CONFERENCE

Date: Saturday, April 6

Location: New Lisbon Presbyterian Church
111 E Chestnut St
Lisbon, OH 44432

Host Club: Lisbon Music Study Club

Cost: Registration **and Lunch:** \$13 **OR** Registration **only** (with coffee & donuts): \$5
All OFMC members and guests who attend any part of the conference should pay the \$5 registration, even if they don't make a lunch reservation.

Please make checks payable to "OFMC District I" and mail with registration form to:

Registrar: Ila Jeanne Paxson, 333 West 10th Street, Salem, OH 44460-1517
ilajeanne333@gmail.com // Phone: 330-337-8895

District I Schedule of Events

9:00 am Registration - Coffee and Donuts
9:30 Meeting - (including a Welcome from the host club, an invitation to the 2020 Conference, District secretary & treasurer's reports & election of district officers)
10 to Noon Junior Honors Program - **(Come & enjoy our talented juniors!)**
12 noon Lunch - OFMC president speaks
1:00 pm OFMC Agnes Fowler Award winner recital
1:45 Council of District & Club Presidents meeting

Driving Directions

From the North: (Chardon & Warren): Take OH-11 S toward Youngstown. Curve right onto I-80 E & OH-11 to pass by Girard. Keep left at the fork of I-80 & OH-11 to continue on OH-11 south toward Canfield. Continue on OH-11 to Lisbon. Take the OH-154 exit. Turn right on OH-154 W and follow into town. At the third stop light, turn right onto Market St. Go two blocks and the church will be on your right as you start up the hill. **Parking lots are located** behind the church. Those needing access to a lift should park on E. Chestnut St.

From Dover & New Philadelphia: Take I-77 N to Canton, exiting onto US-30 E towards East Liverpool. Follow US-30 through Minerva, Kensington, & Hanover into Lisbon. At the second stop light, turn left onto Market St. Go 2 blocks and the church will be on your right as you start up the hill. **(See above for parking.)**

From Alliance & Salem: Take US-62 E towards Salem. At the Salem by-pass, turn right onto OH-45 (Circle K will be on your left). After arriving in Lisbon, continue through one stop light and go 4 blocks. The church will be on the left at the bottom of the hill. **(See above for parking.)**

From Kent: Take I-76 E to the exit for OH-14. Follow OH-14 to the Salem by-pass. At the stop light, turn right onto OH-45 (Circle K will be on your left). After arriving in Lisbon, continue through one stop light and go 4 blocks. The church will be on the left. **(See above for parking.)**

District II (Central) & District IV (Northwest) will have a JOINT CONFERENCE

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2019

Location: Trinity Baptist Church, 220 S. Main, Marion, OH 43302

Host Club: Marion Music Club

Registration and lunch: \$12

Please make checks payable to "Marion Music Club" and mail with registration form to:

Registrar: Carolyn Heimlich, 176 Johnson St., Marion, OH 43302-3361

csheimlich@gmail.com // Cell: 740-251-8106

District II / IV Schedule:

9:00 am Registration and Coffee

9:30 Business Meeting begins

10:30 Musical Interlude

11:00 Business Meeting continues

12 noon Lunch

1:15 pm OFMC Agnes Fowler Award winner recital

1:30 Juniors Honors Recital begins

Driving Directions

From Ashland: Follow US-42 S and US-30 W to OH-598 S in Jefferson Township. Exit from US-30 W and turn left onto OH-598 S. Follow OH-309 W/Portland Way S to S Main St in Marion. Turn left onto S Main St. Church is on the left.

From Columbus: Follow OH-315 N and/or US-23 N. (OH-315 N joins US-23 N just south of Delaware.) Continue north towards Marion. Turn left onto Bethlehem Rd E (OH-119). Turn right at the 1st cross street onto OH-423 N. Continue north for 7.4 miles, church will be on the right.

DISTRICT III (Southwest) CONFERENCE

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2019

Location: Otterbein Senior Center, 385 State Route 741, Lebanon, OH

Host: Dayton Music Club

Cost: Combined registration and lunch, check for \$15 issued to "OFMC District III"

Registration Deadline: April 20

Registrar: Dr. Gwen Brubaker, 4550 Parklawn Drive, Kettering, OH 45440
gwenbrubaker2017@gmail.com // 937-297-0463

District III Schedule of Events

10:00 am Registration and coffee and rolls

10:15 Music Interlude

10:35 Meeting

12 noon Lunch

1:15 pm Agnes Fowler Winner Recital, followed by Juniors Honors Recital

Driving Directions

From the South: Take I-75 North and then exit 29 at OH-63.

At the ramp, turn right onto OH-63 until you are at the second light. Turn left onto OH-741.

Otterbein Senior Center is on the left. Take the driveway which is directly across from the water tower.

From the North: Take I-75 South and then exit 29 at OH-63.

Turn left at the ramp onto OH-63. Turn left onto OH-741 at the second traffic light.

Otterbein Senior Center is on the left. Take the driveway which is directly across from the water tower.

In Memoriam...

Mary Kathryn (Penrod) Gwynne, 92, of Alliance passed away on January 7, 2019. She was a member and Past President of the Alliance Music Study Club, Past Vice President of the Ohio Federation of Music Clubs, a Life Member in National and Ohio Federation of Music Clubs and organized Junior Music Clubs in Alliance. Mary attended the First Baptist Church of Alliance, where in addition to her many other activities she was a choir member and soloist and sang duets with her mother during Sunday services.

Stephen Varney of California passed away on February 24, 2019. Stephen, along with Naomi Sanchez, was the 2005 NFMC Ellis Duo Competition winner. Stephen and Naomi were married on December 23, 2018, just two months ago. Stephen conducted the NFMC American Festival Chorus at the annual meetings from 2011 to 2014. In addition Stephen chaired the Beyer Composition Award from 2011 to 2016 and served as NFMC Board Representative for the California Federation of Music Clubs. Most recently Stephen and Naomi judged the 2019 Ellis Duo Competition in mid-February.



Save these 2019 Dates!

National Music Week is **May 5-12**. The theme is "Music... A Magic Key"
The **NFMC 2019 Biennial Convention** in Jacksonville, Florida is **June 18-22**.
The **Northeast Regional Meeting** in Chautauqua, NY is **July 13-14**.

Come, join the festivities and build community!



Mark Your Calendars 2019 Fall OFMC Meetings

Friday, October 18

1 pm - District and Club Presidents

2 pm - Combined Meeting of Executive Committee and Board of Directors

Please plan to attend if you are a club or district president,
or a member of the OFMC Executive Committee or Board of Directors.


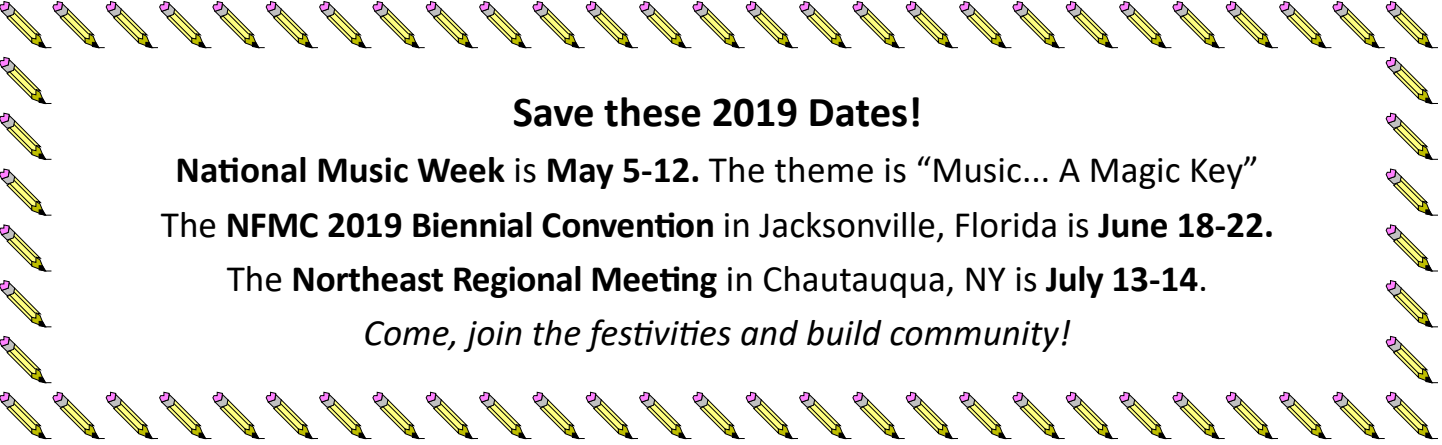
Saturday, October 19

Juniors Day

Gerber, Walter, and Gray Competitions

Church of the Messiah

51 N. State Street
Westerville, OH 43081



FORMS TO CUT OUT AND RETURN



Donation Form to the OFMC Foundation



It is due to the generosity of our contributors that we are able to give the kind of scholarships we do to our college music students and other musicians in training. Please consider a contribution in honor or in memory of a member to OFMC Foundation for the Advancement of Music.

Donor's Name _____ Date _____

Circle one: (In memory // in honor) of _____

Donor's Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email Address _____

Please mail this form along with a check issued to "OFMC Foundation" to our Foundation Treasurer:

David Roepke, 1130 E. Main St. #160, Ashland, OH 44805

Registration Form for 2019 District Conferences

Please cut and fill out this form and send it along with your check to the registrar listed in your district no later than one week before your conference.

Name _____ Club's Name _____

Your Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email Address _____ Phone _____

Please check the appropriate Registration Fees:

D-I: \$13 (includes lunch) ____ **OR** D-I: \$5 (NO lunch) ____

D-II & D-IV: \$12 ____ (includes lunch)

D-III: \$15 ____ (includes lunch)

Amount Enclosed: _____