

President's Corner



On the sunny side of life.... my prayers, relating to an extended summer were answered. In western Washington the first part of September is proving to be the warmest, longest stretch of sunshine that

we've enjoyed all year, making it difficult to attend to the business at hand. It's a challenge when tennis, picnics at the beach, guests from out of town and life in general pull tug at your planning schedule!

However, time and the calendar march on! Schools will have begun, lessons will be underway, chapters will have held their opening meetings (extending invitations to non members too, I hope), I will have visited two chapters, (Gig Harbor and Seattle) and our Leadership Seminar will have passed when you receive this Clarion.

In spite of all this, I hope that many of you have taken on new goals for this fall. I for one have been encouraging and have now invited an independent teacher in our area to attend our September chapter gathering; hopefully she'll come. It's a bit tricky in this economy, but enthusiasm is contagious and the friendship and activities available will tip the scales I'm sure. Investigate the wsmta.net, mtna.org and your chapter web sites so you are knowledgeable about the offerings MTNA, WSMTA and your local chapters have when you invite non-members. You might even find information you were not aware of during your investigation.

Let's also be making contact with **collegiate chapters** in our districts. We can offer to help provide assistance they may need, *(Continued on Page 3)*

Bravo!

Conference 2011 Awards Hall of Fame Award



L-R: Phyllis Pieffer, Margaret Presley, Selina Chu (for Michiko Miyamoto) & Jane Campbell

Three Hall of Fame Inductees were honored on Sunday, June 26th, 2011 at the WSMTA Conference banquet at the Red Lion Hotel in Pasco. This year we had the privilege of honoring Michiko Miyamoto, Seattle Chapter; Phyllis Pieffer, Grays Harbor Chapter; and Margaret Presley, Spokane Chapter. Mrs. Miyamoto was not present at the banquet, so her former student Selina Chu accepted the award for her. *(Continued on page 3)*

South King County Receives Chapter of the Year Award

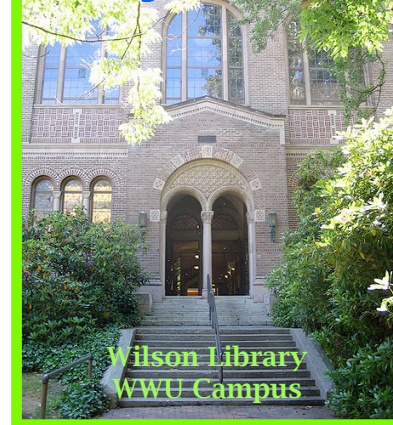


L-R (standing) S. King County Members: Stephanie White, Dianne Nichols, Mary Kaye Owen, Karen Hollenback; (seated) Margee Webster, Patti Robertson, Cindy McKay, Bill McKay; Jani Peterson at the podium.

The WSMTA 2011 Chapter of the Year award was presented to the South King County Chapter at the conference opening banquet. Several surprised and excited members from the chapter were in attendance to accept the award. *(Continued on Page 3)*

Coming Events

WSMTA Conference 2012 in Bellingham on the Bay



Mark your calendars now for the 2012 WSMTA Conference in beautiful Bellingham, June 18-22. The Lynden Chapter is delighted to host members at the campus of Western Washington University. WSMTA members will be inspired by the music of guest artist Angela Cheng, who is, as one reviewer put it "...nothing short of magic...a pianist one could listen to for hours..." While enjoying all that the 2012 WSMTA Conference has to offer, why not treat yourself to the Historic Fairhaven District, close to WWU, known for its Victorian red brick architecture, charming shops and restaurants or go for a walk along Boulevard Park with great views of Bellingham Bay and a section of boardwalk over the water. Two websites of interest for the upcoming conference are Angela Cheng's:

www.pianistangelacheng.com

and for more information about Bellingham:

www.bellingham.org

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Michal Rosenberger

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Carmen Smith

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Naomi Kato

Student

Anna Prykhodko

WSMTA Conference 2012
June 18-22

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without making huge expectations or getting in their way. Possibly sending your chapter newsletters to their president or inviting them to a district conference, or special workshop would start communications. Let's support the collegiate chapters and build relations. The faculty advisor (who is a WSM TA member) may be able to use some assistance as well from your chapter. Let's make an initial offer and be ready to serve them. In case you don't know where those collegiate chapters are, the following are five registered collegiate chapters that I am aware of:

WWU, Bellingham: Hannah Geneser, President; Jeffrey Gilliam NCTM, Advisor

WSU, Pullman: Julianne Zahl, President; Michelle Mielke NCTM, Advisor

Whitworth U, Spokane: Rose Halcomb, President; Judith Schoepflin NCTM, Advisor

Seattle Pacific U, Seattle: Myrna Capp NCTM, Advisor

EWU, Cheney: Mak Kastelic, President; Margee Webster NCTM, Advisor

You may also want to introduce WSM TA/MTNA to student teachers you have in your studio, or high school students who might entertain the idea of becoming *student members* (available only through WSM TA, **not** MTNA). Perhaps you can share a Clarion or your AMT magazine that might have interesting articles for them. Let's be thinking of numerous ways to extend and reach a new potential member.

A word of encouragement to member teachers certified in the past by WSM TA; you will be seeing WSCTM after your names in WSM TA lists and references. The WSCTM indicates a member was certified by WSM TA under a certification program similar to MTNA before MTNA developed the extensive national certification program. You can thank Jani Peterson for recommending, and your Board of Directors for approving the use of those initials at the June 2011 board meeting. I'm personally very pleased, because I was certified, under the WSM TA program and I was disappointed when we discontinued validating our state program. Thank you Jani and the BOD!

Continue putting \$ aside for attending the National Conference in New York

in March and our State Conference in Bellingham in June with our prestigious guest, Angela Cheng!

I leave you with this thought, "*To Teach is to Change a Life Forever*" and we want to accomplish this in the most positive way possible! Thank you all for your contributions to WSM TA, making it an organization all music teachers would desire to belong to!

Dianne Johnston, WSCTM
WSM TA President

Bravo!

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Conference 2011 Awards

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Hall of Fame Awards

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Ellen Pickell, of Grays Harbor Chapter, presented the remarks of all the accomplishments of Phyllis Pieffer. Margaret Presley was well represented by her family and Spokane Chapter colleagues as we all joined in recognizing all she has accomplished in her career. These three each in their own way have genuinely demonstrated their joy and passion for music and have spent their lives being involved in sharing that passion with those in their communities.

Please look for the Hall of Fame nomination form on the wsmta website and in the November issue of the CLARION. Since it's initiation in 2002 to date there have been 51 Hall of Fame Honorees. Each year the Hall of Fame Committee can select three individuals to represent this honor. Who do you know that deserves to be recognized for their accomplishments for the betterment of music in our state, country, and around the world?

Jane Campbell, NCTM
WSM TA Hall of Fame Chair

Chapter of the Year Award

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The award is presented yearly to a local WSM TA association. The application material--which includes information on the local chapter's activities and programs over the past year and a half, including involvement in local, state and national events, and community outreach--is submitted by local chapters and then evaluated for the award. More information about the process for 2012 Chap-

ter of the Year Award is available from chairperson Marilyn Linde, (jmlinde@embarqmail.com) or Judy Price (WSM TA_office@comcast.net).

Coming Events

WSM TA Outstanding Artist Competition - Nov. 4-6

Outstanding Artist Competition is almost upon us. This year the competition will be at Central Washington University in Ellensburg, a great middle point to our state. It is easy to find, and has plenty of parking and amenities. There should be plenty of practice rooms and two designated warm up rooms (specific to OAC, so don't panic!) and a lovely recital hall where the competition will be held. And the best part? The MTNA competition is in the concert hall next door! Teachers will not have to do the drive, the walk, or pull their hair out trying to get to two places at once! You can come hear your student, AND attend a full 3 days of free, amazing music by instrumentalists and singers. Who knows, maybe this year we will all hear the winners of both events and be able to cheer our own MTNA winners on to the Northwest Division Competition rather than just reading about them! Remember, the competition is open to the public and there is no charge to listen.

If you haven't participated in a competition, this is the place to find out how it all works! Anyone interested in volunteering to help, please email me at swienty@clearwire.net. We will need timers, door monitors and registration table people to greet and direct students and parents as to where to go (it is a big building!).

If you would like to help out by providing food for the adjudicators or volunteers, that would be great. Last year we were able to supply wonderful freshly prepared lunches, as the facility had a big kitchen. We will not be able to do this again this year. If you could make homemade cookies, bring fresh fruit, or help organize a lunch, the judges would be so appreciative.

Our judges will be staying at The Hampton Hotel so please avoid booking rooms there. The Best Western Lincoln Suites have made a block of rooms available at a reduced rate. There will be more in the letter that goes to each student once they have registered.

A big thanks to John Webster, our webmaster who created the new online registration system.

I look forward to hearing all the wonderful students and getting to talk to each of you wonderful teachers who have invested so much time and effort into your students!!!

Sincerely,

Julie Swienty, OAC Chair

WSMTA/MTNA Performance Competitions: Nov. 4, 5 & 6
Central Washington University
Ellensburg, WA

The 2011 WSMTA/MTNA performance competitions will be here soon. The deadline for student entries has passed and thanks to the dedicated help of all involved in organizing the event, we are ready to host another successful competition. Many congratulations go out to all of the student and teachers who have entered this year. A quick reminder to all of the teachers: If you have not yet sent in your Teacher Entry Fees, please do so as soon as possible. Mail them to Bill McKay, 1811 Birch Ave., Richland, WA 99354.

As Julie has mentioned in her article for the OAC competition, we can always use help at the competition site. If you are interested in volunteering some of your time, please give me a call or send me an e-mail. (509) 547-0511, ext. 2332 or bill.mckay@columbiabasin.edu.

I look forward to seeing you all at CWU in November.

Sincerely,

Bill McKay, NCTM
WSMTA Vice President
MTNA Performance Competition
Coordinator



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October 31 is the deadline to submit proposals for potential presenters at our State Conference. The proposal form was included in the September issue of the Clarion. Thank you for your input and suggestions.

Karen Scholten & Meg Krieg, NCTM
2012 Conference Co-Chairs

Education



To Be Heard Above the Din

Recently, I had a discussion with several music teachers regarding audience noise. We were dismayed by the behavior of audiences at recent performances that we had attended. The noisy and inattentive audience members were not only disrespectful and distracting to the performers—they disturbed the other listeners who wished to enjoy the music.

In our society, we, as musicians and teachers, can no longer assume that audiences know how to behave at classical music concerts. At rock concerts and sporting events it is not expected that the audience will sit quietly and give the performers their undivided attention. Therefore eating and drinking, cheering, singing along, coming and going at will, talking, and texting are the norm. It is no wonder, then, that audiences who have never attended classical music concerts would carry these behaviors with them when they attend our performances or the performances of our students.

We, as music teachers, have a tremendous opportunity to change this situation by teaching concert etiquette as an integral part of our curriculum. Here are some ideas that have been successful with other music teachers.

- (1) Teach students that they are expected to sit quietly and give their full attention to the performer. Practice these expectations during performance classes and studio recitals. Observe the students. If a student is disruptive during a performance, follow up with the student and his/her parent, making it clear that proper audience etiquette is a requirement of your studio.
- (2) Whenever you send written notification of upcoming performances,

include a reminder of expected audience etiquette.

(3) Include brief written instructions for audience behavior on printed recital programs. Note a location where parents of young children can go if the child becomes noisy or unruly.

(4) At the beginning of the performance, verbally give instructions to the audience. If the audience becomes disruptive, stop the performance and remind the audience that the performers have worked hard and deserve the audience's full attention. This may need to be done often. After a few recitals where the audience is frequently educated, they will get the idea. The beauty of this is that once the expectations have been set for your studio, new students and families will be educated by the demonstrated behavior of your very polite studio.

Some teachers may be concerned that they will offend parents if they demand proper concert etiquette. I have found the contrary to be true. The majority of parents are more offended if they have come to hear their child perform, only to be disrupted by the rude behavior of others.

Perhaps the most important reason to demand good concert etiquette is because the performers work hard to give the gift of music to the audience. Demanding an audience's full attention shows that we have respect for our art, for our students, and for ourselves.

Joann Richardson, NCTM
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Dear (music teacher—put your name here),

Hello again! How are you? I hope today is a great day for you!

I decided to write an old fashioned letter today...I love getting them so I can go back and savor them. Everything seems like it is so fast paced these days—email, voicemail, tweets, well you get the idea. My students think everything should happen instantly. Maybe it's just my advancing age, but lingering over a "tricky spot"

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until it is mastered gives me more joy than rushing through a new piece "playing it" from beginning to end. I hope in our fast paced, instant results oriented society that my students will also learn to appreciate, if not downright savor, the lingering times.

I have some news to share about several of our member teachers! Three of them have applied for national certification and are now working on their Teacher Profile Projects. Also they have each applied for and been awarded a WSMTA Certification grant. Offer congratulations and encouragement to each of the following teachers: Katie O'Rourke (Bellingham), Benjamin Fowler (Tri-Cities), and Aline Fletcher (Spokane). I look forward to congratulating each of them again when they complete the certification process and hearing their stories about "lingering times" they encountered in the process.

As I write this letter, there are still 2 certification grants available. The grant is for \$100 which covers half of the certification application cost. If you are not nationally certified and the cost has been a "tricky spot" for you...linger no longer. Submit your certification application to MTNA then contact me to start the short and easy grant application. My contact information is below. Information about the complete certification process can be found at www.mtna.org. If you have any questions about any step of the process, just let me know...we'll work out those "tricky spots" together.

I look forward to hearing from you soon... Linger a little and enjoy these October days!

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District News

District V Concert & Conference Yelena Balabanova Oct. 7 & 8

District V will be hosting Dr. Yelena Balabanova, as she performs, speaks, and teaches in Omak and Tonasket the weekend of Friday, Oct. 7th, and Saturday, Oct. 8th.

Friday afternoon Dr. Balabanova will conduct a special session with Omak High School band and choir students. Friday evening she will perform a public piano

concert on the Steinway at the Omak Performing Arts Center at 7 PM.

Saturday's Workshops, entitled "Building Blocks for Strong Students: New Ways to Successfully Teach Artistry, Technique, and Creativity," will include three sessions: **(1) Teaching technique and artistry from the early start.** Approach built on Russian method: physical connection with the piano, healthy movement, and expression from the first note. **(2) Building unity of efficient healthy technique, expressive playing, and creative interpretation in intermediate and advanced level students and their repertoire,** including tips and tricks from a "Magic Hat." Q & A time will be provided for any topics. **(3) A Master Class** comprised of various levels of students, two students from each of District V's chapters.

Teachers, students, families and music lovers are welcome at both the recital and workshops. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. For more information, registration forms, directions, etc., contact Roz Nau at roznau@hotmail.com, (509) 486-4673, or PO Box 728, Tonasket, WA 98855-0728.

District III Conference

**OCTOBER 29, 2011 9am - 3pm,
followed by an off-site
no-host wine bar**

**Agnus Dei Lutheran Church
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Gig Harbor, WA 98332**

"MUSIC TEACHERS SPA DAY" A day to be pampered with mini-massages, lattes and lunch with our colleagues. Guest speakers Irene Bowling and Kathy Strickland will inspire and inform us in three sessions:

1. "IN THE TRENCHES" - How to Win as an Independent Music Teacher. Strategies for the Independent Music Teacher to win the economic, artistic, and professional "war" in music education.

2. TEACHER BURNOUT - Keeping Passion Alive in the Pursuit of Excellence. How to remain creative, inspiring, and happy as a music teacher.

3. "IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT BEING NICE!" The format for this session will be the MTNA Code of Ethics. Topics will include discussions about being professional, handling student transfers, ethical behavior among colleagues, and our commitment to our communities. Ethical

behavior is essential for smooth-running chapters and happy teachers.

Dr. Irene Bowling has taught and performed in Kitsap County and the Seattle area for the past 30 years. She has developed an extremely successful music school utilizing cutting-edge technology, old-fashioned know-how, and a network of creative and inspiring teachers and friends.

Kathy Strickland, WSMTA State Ethics Chair, is a charter member of the Gig Harbor Chapter and has served in nearly every chapter capacity, including the formation of the chapter's Trio Program. She has guided many area teachers and students in her 40-plus years of teaching and continues to be an inspiring mentor and innovative leader in both the local and state levels of WSMTA.

Fees:

\$15 Registration fee for District III members (\$15 covers lunch - the conference is free to District III members)

\$25 Registration fee for non-District III members (includes conference fee and lunch)

Mail checks by October 15, payable to District III WSMTA, to:

Erin Oliver
1707 6th Ave. SW
Puyallup, WA 98371

For more information contact Co-Chairs Amy Grinsteiner, at 253-759-0527, amygrinsteiner@gmail.com or Mary Ellen Cavelti, NCTM at 253-845- 2358, molly60music@comcast.net.

Chapter News

CHAPTER SPOTLIGHT

Bellingham

Greetings from Beautiful Bellingham on the Bay. We are excited for the upcoming 2012 state conference, which will be held at WWU, our backyard hilltop! At the last Bellingham conference we were treated to a bay cruise and we know that the Lynden chapter will have similar surprises in store.

Our chapter hosted its first Guild Auditions last year, as well as the WSMTA Musicianship Examinations. We awarded 11 grants from our scholarship fund to senior students of chapter members. Dr. Roger

Briggs gave a repertoire and composition master class, and Dr. Jay and Sandra Mauchley adjudicated for us in March. In January we were treated to a workshop by Cassandra Carr on story-telling in music. We chose to have fewer business meetings and instead watched music-related movies as a reason to gather, exchange information and enjoy each others' company. In addition, several of our members have held "mini-meetings"

as a mentoring vehicle for newer teachers.

On November 5 we will present an Arts Extravaganza at Whatcom Community College's Heiner Center, where we will be joined by community members to create a family-oriented celebration of local talent. We will enjoy the teaching of Maria Sier and Kay Vladislak in master class and ad-judications. We are also looking forward to a piano tuning demon-

stration by a local tuner and WWU's Professor Gilliam speaking on "The Ten Commandments of Fingering". Chapter member and state VP Nancy Heyer will "visit" us this year as well. The Bellingham Chapter will enjoy another music-filled year here in the fourth corner!

*Barbara Borries & Lorraine Earle, NCTM
Bellingham Chapter Co-Presidents*

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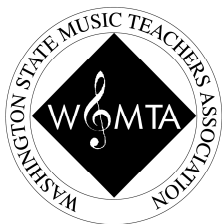
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DATES 'N DEADLINES

Oct. 1: Edmonds Chapter Baroque Dances Workshop.

Oct. 7 & 8: District V Concert & Workshop with Yelena Balabanova, in Omak & Tonasket.

Oct. 15: District I & II Conference in Marysville.

Oct. 15: Deadline for Dues Renewal for members participating in Adjudications.

Oct. 29: District III Conference in Gig Harbor.

Oct. 29: Eastside Chapter presents Hans Boepple (contact Sammie Marten: nmarten@msn.com or 425-454-1970).

Oct. 30: Enumclaw Chapter presents Peter Mack in Recital.

Nov. 4-6: MTNA Performance Competitions, Central Washington University.

Nov. 4-6: WSMTA Outstanding Artist Competition, Central Washington University.

Nov. 17-19: South King County Chapter Seminars: How to Prepare for a Career in Music.

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