

## SOUTH SUBURBAN MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

April 2011 Newsletter

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### CALENDAR

April 12: **SSMTA April Meeting** at Arapahoe Road Baptist Church, 780 E. Arapahoe Road; 9:30 a.m.

**SSMTA Performance Medals** are available to be picked up at the April 12<sup>th</sup> SSMTA meeting. (If you are not able to come to the meeting, please ask someone who lives close to you to pick them up for you. Or you can pick them up from Yoko Ashcroft's house.)

April 18 **Deadline for early registration for CSMTA State Conference – make plans now to attend this excellent event!**

May 4 : **SSMTA/DAMTA Teacher Performance Group** at the home of Blanche Greenberg, 8101 E. Dartmouth Ave. #39, Denver 80231. For more information, or to RSVP, please call Blanche at (303) 755-7879.

June 1: **Deadline for SSMTA Educational Grant Proposals** to be received by Yoko Ashcroft

June 1-4: **CSMTA State Conference**, Ramada Plaza Hotel, Northglenn.

### TEACHER REFERRAL

If you have any openings for new students, our SSMTA Referral Chair Dorothy Lomme has requested that you call her as soon as possible. Her phone number is (303) 798-5579. *Thanks, Dorothy!*

## MEASURE FOR MEASURE

*from Linda Vogan, President*

I have had so many people emailing me about my surgery, that I decided to just send out this quick report. Thanks for the words of encouragement and the prayers on my behalf! I had a laminectomy and lumbar fusion at L4/5 on March 28. The surgery went as expected by the doctor and I already have relief from the numbness and tingling in my leg which I have had for months.

After some complications, I am now beginning to feel better and stronger each day. I am getting more ambulatory, using a back brace whenever I am sitting or walking. This morning I even went upstairs by myself! I was hoping to be able to teach by next week (I have 32 students getting ready for a May recital) but I may have to do some shorter lessons at first, resting in between. Sorry I will miss our meeting next week, but hope to see you all in May!

*Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Linda for a speedy recovery!!*



## MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2011 SSMTA MEETING

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Vogan at 9:40 A.M.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the January 2011 Minutes as published. (Note: The February 2011 SSMTA meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.)

Linda Cody read the Treasurer's report, and it was accepted as read. There is \$11,623.00 in our CD, and \$5,837.00 in checking.

Ruth Wyeno announced a contribution of \$150.00 from the Colorado/Wyoming Optimists Club for the SPARKS fund. *Thank you to the Colorado/Wyoming Optimists Club for their generous contribution!*

### PROGRAMS

Marilyn Madsen announced that Dr. David Korevaar will present today's program on *elegant piano technique*.

### MEMBERSHIP

No new members were present. Once again, we were asked to contact members and encourage them to attend the meetings.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

**Achievement Day** – It was noted that the 2011 Achievement Day went very well. Sheila Hamaker asked about possible suggestions for the theory test administration. Linda Cody asked that more people consider volunteering for next year's Achievement Day. *Thank you to all who helped!!!!*

**SSMTA Masterworks Festival** – Ardith Sloan announced that two thirds of the participants received a "1" rating!!! Well done!!! All awards must be given to Yoko who asked that a committee be formed to help with the awards. Sheila Conolly-McKin volunteered.

**SSMTA Student Recitals** - Pam Simpson announced the upcoming recital, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. at Baker's Piano Center.

### REFERRALS

Dorothy Lomme mentioned that she has received a good number of calls from teachers with availability in their schedules, but very few calls from students seeking teachers.

### MTNA CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVE

Because Linda Vogan will not be able to attend the MTNA Conference due to back surgery, Pam Simpson will be our representative at the MTNA Conference. Congratulations, and enjoy! Linda, we wish you a speedy recovery!!

### SPARKS

Ruth Wyeno announced that she needs help in getting out and putting away the heavy boxes of SPARKS music!!! Please arrive a little early to help and/or plan to stay a bit after the meeting to give Ruth a hand!!!! One person cannot do all this work! Your help would be greatly appreciated!

### CSMTA WEBSITE

Sheila Hamaker announced that our SSMTA web site is on its way to being developed by Kathleen Rector, along with help from the SSMTA web site development committee. Thanks to everyone helping with this very important task! The fee to Kathleen Rector is \$400.00.

### FROM OUR SSMTA PRESIDENT

Linda Vogan discussed the need for more people to take the initiative to volunteer for various duties, including being on committees, etc. To make our organization the best it can be, we need everyone to pitch in and help. Most of the tasks are not arduous and do not take much time, but when the same members do everything, it becomes a more time-consuming task! Please consider volunteering for an area of your interest! Our organization will be better for it. *Many hands make light work!!*

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 by Linda Vogan. We then enjoyed a very informative and interested program on *elegant piano technique* by David Korevaar, Chair of the CU Keyboard faculty.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheila Conolly-McKin

### ACCOMPANIST REFERRAL LIST

Linda Cody, 796-0369; Stephen Fiess, 791-6473; Barb Galuzzi, 936-1772; Alicia Johansson, 797-9630; Nancy Kettering, 204-6430; Carol Rankin, 477-2686; Cheryl Saborsky, 771-2532. Please contact newsletter editors if you wish to have your name added to this list!



### PIANOS FOR SALE

Two **Cable console pianos**. Blond wood finishes. Asking \$500.00/obo for each piano. (Seller has offered to donate a large portion of the proceeds from the sale of each piano to SPARKS.) For more information, please call Stephen Fiess or Neal Wegener, (303) 791-6473

**Bradbury console piano** made by Aeolian. Dark oak finish. Asking \$700.00/obo. For more information, please call Lynette at (303) 683-8843.

## 2011-2012 Budget

	2009 - 2010 Actual	2010-2011 Budget	2010-2011 EOY Projected Actual	2011-2012 Proposed Budget
<b>Inflow</b>				
Ads in Yearbook (Commercial Members)	150	400	400	400
Donations	100			
Interest Earned	553	180	95	100
Member Dues	1062	1060	1020	1000
Achievement Day Fees	3660	3700	3780	4000
Ensemble Festival Fees	2536	2550	2540	2550
Masterworks Festival Fees	1030	1030	975	1000
Saturday Recitals Fees	520	500	500	500
Music Carnival	360			
<b>Total Inflows</b>	<b>9971</b>	<b>9420</b>	<b>9310</b>	<b>9550</b>
<b>Outflows</b>				
<b>General Administration</b>				
Web Site			400	50
Conference Expenses for Officer	1019	1000	1000	1100
Financial (Audit + Bank Charges)	7	150	227	100
Meetings (Hall Rental, Office Supply, Refreshments)	538	550	537	550
Membership (Yearbook + Member Care)	216	250	144	150
Newsletter	68	75	75	50
Teacher Service & Appreciation	214	180	180	200
<b>Total General Administration</b>	<b>2062</b>	<b>2205</b>	<b>2563</b>	<b>2200</b>
<b>Public Relations &amp; Community Service</b>				
Colorado Symphony	150	150	150	150
MTNA Fund	150	150	150	150
Other PR	0	50		
<b>Total PR &amp; CS</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Other Expenditures</b>				
<b>Student Activity Expenses</b>				
Achievement Day Expenses	1990	2100	2535	2350
Ensemble Festival Expenses	1906	1900	2049	2000
Excellence in Music Awards	400	400	400	400
Masterworks Festival Expenses	1143	1150	799	900
Performance Medals	352	350	350	350
Saturday Recital Expenses	375	385	216	250
Music Carnival	161			
<b>Total Student Activity Expenses</b>	<b>6326</b>	<b>6285</b>	<b>6349</b>	<b>6250</b>
<b>Teacher Enrichment</b>				
Library/Educational Grants/Other	584	180	95	100
Monthly Programs	700	700	700	700
<b>Total Enrichment</b>	<b>1284</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>800</b>
<b>Total Outflows</b>	<b>9972</b>	<b>9720</b>	<b>10007</b>	<b>9550</b>
<b>Net Income Less Expenses</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-300</b>	<b>-697</b>	<b>0</b>

Sparks projected income of \$300 and Sparks grant not included in the budget

## SSMTA MEETING DAY SCHEDULE Tuesday, April 12, 2011

9:00 -- 9:15 a.m. Board Meeting  
 9:15 -- 9:30 a.m. Arrival and Refreshments  
 9:30 -- 10:30 a.m. SSMTA General Meeting  
 10:30 -- 11:30 a.m. April Program

### PLEASE HELP THE MEETING RUN SMOOTHLY

Help is needed from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. to set up the tables with boxes of SPARKS music. This should also be the time that materials are put on the sign-in table.

Please arrive on time for refreshments if you plan to partake, and be seated at the tables by 9:30 so we can begin the meeting on time.

Please plan to stay for the program.

### AT OUR APRIL SSMTA MEETING

Our April meeting program, presented by guest Brenna Berman, will be a workshop based on the pedagogical principles of Dorothy Taubman. Please plan to attend this interesting and informative program!

### REFRESHMENTS FOR OUR APRIL MEETING

Refreshments for our April meeting will be provided by Erin Garner, Roberta Morris, and Robin Stewart. Thanks to all who have provided refreshments during this past year!