

SOUTH SUBURBAN MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

April 2018 Newsletter

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CALENDAR

- April 7: **SSMTA Student Recital**, at Someren Glen Assisted Living, at 1:30 p.m.
- April 10 : **SSMTA April Meeting**
Arapahoe Road Baptist Church
780 E. Arapahoe Road
Program: MTNA Conference Report - Eric Jones

SSMTA Performance Award Medals can be picked up from Nazila Nekoerad at this meeting.
- April 14: **CSMTA Rising Stars Festival**
- May 1: **Deadline for early registration for the CSMTA State Conference.** For more information, please see comusicteachers.net
- May 8: **SSMTA May Meeting & Potluck Luncheon**
Arapahoe Road Baptist Church
780 E. Arapahoe Road
Presentation of Excellence in Music Student Award
Presentation of Teacher Service Award
- May 31 – June 2: **CSMTA State Conference –**
University of Northern Colorado
in Greeley.
- June 1: **Deadline for SSMTA Educational Grant Scholarship Applications** (For more information, please see ssmtamusicteachers.org)

MEASURE FOR MEASURE

from Bonnie Kreutz, President

Can you believe the school year is winding down already?

Time to start planning to attend the CSMTA Conference in Greeley, May 31st – June 2nd!!! It's always worthwhile and fun to come away with some fresh perspectives and ideas for teaching.

A big thank you to Eric Jones for your daily emails from the MTNA Conference! We look forward to hearing your report.

ACCOMPANIST REFERRAL LIST

Linda Cody, 796-0369; Stephen Fiess, 791-6473; Barb Galuzzi, 906-0430; Betsy Johnson, 719-649-2521; Carol Rankin, 477-2686; Cheryl Saborsky, 771-2532; Elaine Van Dellen, 955-5790. Please contact newsletter editors if you wish to have your name added to this list!

TEACHER REFERRAL

If you have any openings for new students, please contact our SSMTA Referral Chair Linda Vogan: (303) 908-1694; or denlinvog@comcast.net. Also, if you know of any potential students that you cannot accommodate, please give them Linda's contact information!



MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2018 SSMTA MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Bonnie Kreutz, President. The Minutes of the February 13, 2018 SSMTA Meeting were accepted as recorded in the SSMTA Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Sheila Hamaker reported a balance of \$6,746 in checking and \$10,650 in the Scholarship Fund as of 2/28/2018.

The SSMTA Budget Committee will meet in March to prepare the 2018-19 budget. Committee Chairs for each Student Activity should let us know projected income/expenses for next year, if possible. If you need a detail of this year's expenses paid out for your event so far, please email Sheila. Please turn in all receipts for reimbursement, and cash or deposit any checks received from SSMTA promptly. Thank you.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SSMTA Student Recitals

Pam Simpson reported that the final 2017-18 SSMTA Student Recital will be Someren Glen Assisted Living Center on April 7, 2018, at 1:30 p.m.

2018 SSMTA Achievement Day

Kaye Craig gave a wrap-up of Achievement Day.

2018 CSMTA Rising Stars

The CSMTA Rising Stars Festival is on April 14th. Several members indicated that they have entered students in this event.

2018 SSMTA Performance Awards

SSMTA Performance Medal tally sheets and *Excellence in Music Award* entries were collected by Nazila at the meeting.

MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2018 (Cont'd)

PROGRAMS

Eric Jones presented a program on using improvisation to teach technique, theory, and musicality, to every student.

TEACHING MOMENT

Our March *Teaching Moment* was presented by Gloria Ross.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Vogan, Secretary





IN REMEMBRANCE



Memorial service for long-time SSMTA member Roberta Morris will be held on **Saturday, May 19, 10:00 a.m. at Olinger Chapel Hill Cemetery, 6601 S Colorado Blvd.** She will be buried with her husband, Clyde.

Roberta taught piano in her studio for over 50 years, until her 80th birthday. Roberta was a very active member of MTNA, CSMTA and SSMTA for many years. She served as President of CSMTA (1979-81), and as Parliamentarian for both CSMTA and SSMTA for numerous years, and as an adjudicator for many events.

Roberta's students excelled in both CSMTA and SSMTA competitions; and even as her health declined, she was adamant about being there for her students.

Truly Roberta will be fondly remembered as a consummate teacher, a consummate Broncos fan, and a great friend and mentor to so many.

SSMTA MEETING DAY SCHEDULE
April 10, 2018

9:10 -- 9:30 a.m.	Arrival/Social Time/ Browse SPARKS music
9:30 -- 10:20 a.m.	SSMTA General Meeting
10:20 – 10:35 a.m.	Break/Browse
10:35 – 11:45 a.m.	SSMTA 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.

Please arrive early for refreshments if you plan to partake; and take your seat by 9:30 a.m. so we can begin the meeting on time.

REFRESHMENTS

Special thanks to Dorothy Lomme, Robin Stewart, and Bonnie Kreutz, who are providing refreshments for our April SSMTA meeting!

Ongoing thanks to Barb Galuzzi for taking such good care of hospitality at all of our meetings and student events!

TEACHING MOMENT

Our *Teaching Moment* for our April SSMTA meeting will be presented by Bonnie Kreutz.

OUR APRIL PROGRAM

The April 10, 2018 SSMTA Meeting program will be

What I Learned at MTNA Conference

Please Join Us!