

SOUTH SUBURBAN MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

February 2019 Newsletter

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CALENDAR

February 9, 2019: **SSMTA Student Recital**, Sky View Presbyterian.

February 12, 2019: **SSMTA February 2019 Meeting**
Arapahoe Road Baptist Church
(Dr. Stephen Fiess, NCTM, program presenter:
"Music from Canadian Composers")

Feb. 23, 2019: **SSMTA Achievement Day**
Please be sure to come to the meeting and write your students names on the door schedules! This can also be done at Set-up on February 22nd.

March 2, 2019: **Rising Stars Festival Entries due.** For more information on this event, please check out www.comusicteachers.net/risingstars

March 12, 2019: **SSMTA March 2019 Meeting**
Arapahoe Road Baptist Church
(Dr. Samuel Welsh, program presenter:
"Always Under Foot: Old and New Perspectives on the Pedal")

March 15, 2019: **Deadline for submitting Performance Award & Excellence in Music Award applications to Nazila Nekoerad.** Please see www.ssmtamusicteachers.org for more details!

April 13, 2019: **Rising Stars Festival**

April 27, 2019: **SSMTA Student Recital, Sky View Presbyterian Church.** Duets encouraged!!
Registration is due April 13.
(This is a great opportunity to get extra points if you have any students who need them for the Performance Award!!)



MEASURE FOR MEASURE

from Bonnie Kreutz, President

I am personally very happy to announce that the Clementi Sonatina Festival is back! It's a great opportunity for your students to perform with an orchestra. The John Branson duet parts can be purchased from <https://www.young-musicians.com/> Here is the information as I received it:

2019 CLEMENTI FESTIVAL

It's back! After a brief hiatus, the Clementi Festival will take place this Fall 2019 at Schmitt Music in Denver. Founded in 1995 by the late John Branson, this popular festival gives intermediate-level piano students the exciting opportunity to perform a sonatina with orchestral accompaniment composed by Mr. Branson and performed by members of the Mercury Ensemble. Applications are due August 15 and should include a recording of the student

playing with teacher accompaniment (CD or upload). Below is the repertoire list. For more information, contact Lisa Harrington at lisaharrington@me.com

Clementi: Sonatinas Op. 36, Nos. 1-6; and Op. 34/4, Nos. 1-6

Kuhlau: Sonatinas Op. 20, No. 1, and Op. 55, Nos. 1, 2, 3

Beethoven: Sonatina in G, Sonatina in F; and
Sonata, Op. 49, No. 2

Mozart: Sonata in C major, K. 545

Kabalevsky: Sonatina, Op. 13, No. 1

Branson: Variations on a Theme of Paganini (one piano,
six hands)

Another great student opportunity is the annual **American Guild of Organists Summer Scholarship Program**. This is a chance for your upper-level students to receive free summer organ lessons and perform in a recital at St. John's Cathedral on a pipe organ, at the end of the summer. **Applications must be received by midnight on Tuesday, April 2.** Auditions will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2019. I will send out all the details with attachments in a group email.

ACCOMPANIST REFERRAL LIST

Linda Cody, (303) 796-0369; Stephen Fiess, (303) 946-4483; Barb Galuzzi, (303) 906-0430; Bonnie Kreutz, (303) 378-5265; Carol Rankin, (303) 477-2686; Cheryl Saborsky, (303) 771-2532; Elaine Van Dellen, (303) 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!

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2018 SSMTA MEETING

(Minutes of the December 11, 2018 SSMTA Meeting, and Minutes of the January 8, 2019 SSMTA Meeting are both printed in today's February 2019 SSMTA Newsletter.)

The meeting was called to order by President Bonnie Kreutz. The November minutes were accepted as published in the December 2018 SSMTA Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of November 30, balances are:

\$4,414 in the General Fund (Checking)

\$10,563 in the Scholarship Fund (Savings)

Treasurer Sheila Hamaker also gave an update on how we are doing on our budget for the year so far.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SSMTA Student Recitals (*Pam Simpson, chair*)

The **December 8, 2018 recital** at Skyview Presbyterian Church was well attended.

The next recital is **February 9, 2019** at Skyview. **Registration is due by January 26.**

For the **April 27, 2019 recital**, the committee is encouraging (but not requiring) **DUETS!!!**

SSMTA Achievement Day (*Kaye Craig, Chair*)

February 23, 2019 -- **Forms due December 27**

Please check the website for all forms and instructions!

Performance Classes will be jazz improv workshops – please see details on the website!

Student compositions are due in January – send videos to Kaye Craig

PROGRAMS

December 11 program was a Musicale followed by potluck lunch

January 8 program: *"Making Lemonade from Lemons! Music and Teaching Ideas for students who temporarily Become One-handed"*, presented by Patty Kershaw

Reminders about signing up for CSMTA and MTNA conferences in the Spring. Gloria Ross will be representing us at the MTNA conference.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Vogan, Secretary

SAVE THE DATE!!!

2019 CSMTA STATE CONFERENCE
CO-HOSTED BY REGIS UNIVERSITY MUSIC DEPARTMENT
THURSDAY, MAY 30 – SATURDAY, June 1, 2019

Early registrations due by May 1st.

Registration materials can be found at:

www.comusicteachers.net

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 8, 2019 SSMTA MEETING

(Minutes of the December 11, 2018 SSMTA Meeting, and Minutes of the January 8, 2019 SSMTA Meeting are both printed in today's February 2019 SSMTA Newsletter.)

The meeting was called to order by President Bonnie Kreutz.

The December minutes were accepted as published in an addendum to the January 2019 SSMTA Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of December 31, 2018, balances are:

\$4,831 in the General Fund (Checking)

\$10,511 in the Scholarship Fund (Savings)

MEMBERSHIP

Nazila Nekoerad encourages everyone to "like" the SSMTA Facebook page. Doing this will increase our visibility!!

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SSMTA Student Recitals *(Pam Simpson, chair)*

There will be two more recitals. **The next recital is February 9, 2019** at Skyview. **Registration is due by January 26.**

For the April 27, 2019 recital, the committee is encouraging (but not requiring) DUETS!!!

SSMTA Achievement Day *(Kaye Craig, Chair)*

February 23, 2019 -- **Forms due December 27**

Please check the website for all forms and instructions!

-Achievement Day has an increase in students and teachers this year.

-ALL information about Achievement Day is on the website.

-Videos of students who are playing their own compositions are due to Kaye by January 26.

-High school students **who want to earn community service points** are needed to volunteer in the Game Room

-Email Yoko Ashcroft with cancellations or any changes you need to make in schedule

PROGRAMS

January 8 program: *"Music and Teaching Ideas for students who temporarily Become One-handed"*, was presented by Patty Kershaw, NCTM

February's program will be presented by Dr. Stephen Fiess, NCTM, on Canadian Composers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.
Linda Vogan, Secretary

**SSMTA MEETING DAY SCHEDULE
FEBRUARY 12, 2019**

9:30 -- 10:20 a.m.	SSMTA General Meeting
10:20 -- 10:35 a.m.	Break
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 Nazila Nekoerad, and Bonnie Kreutz, who are providing refreshments for our February SSMTA meeting!

As well, ongoing thanks to Barb Galuzzi for taking such good care of hospitality at all of our meetings and student events!

OUR FEBRUARY PROGRAM

PLEASE join us Tuesday, February 12th, for a delightful and very informative presentation by Dr. Stephen Fiess, NCTM, entitled "*Music from Canadian Composers.*" You won't want to miss this information-packed presentation!!!!

OUR FEBRUARY TEACHING MOMENT

Our February *Teaching Moment* will be provided by Linda Vogan.

