



**Illinois State Music Teachers Association
Newsletter
West Suburban Chicago Area Chapter
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wed. Feb. 18 9:30 a.m. **AIM Packet Meeting** at Adrienne Rose's home, OS 469 Winfield Rd., Winfield. Please call ahead if you plan to come: 630-653-1489.
- Thurs. Feb. 19 9:30 a.m. **Teacher Performance Group** at home of Judy Linhardt. Please contact Judy if you will be attending.
- Thurs. Feb. 26 9:30 a.m. **West Suburban ISMTA Joint Workshop, "Brain Gym with Barbara Bednarz"**, Trinity Episcopal Church, Wheaton.
- Sun. Mar. 1 3:00 p.m. **Student Recital**. Pierce Chapel Room 104, Wheaton College. Coordinator: Peggy Liu. Recital Deadline: February 16.
- Thurs. Mar. 5 9:30 a.m. **Monthly Meeting and Presentation. Joan Stough, "Is Motivation Only Skin Deep?"** Trinity Episcopal Church.
- Sat. Mar 7 **AIM Performance Exams**, Wheaton College.
- Thurs. Mar. 19 9:30 a.m. **T.I.E Meeting** at Home of Joanne King. Please contact Joanne if you will be attending.
- Sun. Apr. 5 3:00 p.m. **Student Recital**. Pierce Chapel Room 104, Wheaton College. Coordinator: Elinor Lee. Deadline: March 22, 2009.
- Sat. Apr. 25 **Berkley-Pendell Piano Competition**, McAninch Arts Center, College of DuPage. Applications are available online from our chapter's website. Contact Marilyn Andersen at 630-834-2704 if you have questions. Send all forms to Deb Bridenbaugh, 346 Normandie Drive, Sugar Grove, IL 60554. Her phone number is 630-308-0349 or dbbridenbaugh@yahoo.com. Postmark deadline is March 20, 2009. All the information, rules and forms are on the West Suburban ISMTA website. Go to www.wsismta.org and click on Berkley-Pendell Competition.

DEADLINES

- Mon. Feb. 16 *DEADLINE* for March 1 **Student Recital**. Coordinator: Peggy Liu.
- Fri. Mar. 20 *POSTMARK DEADLINE* to send **Berkley-Pendell Piano Competition** forms to Deb Bridenbaugh, Competition Chairman. Her address is listed above.
- Sat. Mar. 21 *DEADLINE* for AIM Performance makeup exam completion. Please encourage your students to make the necessary arrangements for their exam as soon as possible. Complete instructions for makeup exams will be given out to all AIM teachers.
- Sun. Mar 22 *DEADLINE* for April 5 **Student Recital**. Coordinator: Elinor Lee

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

I'm very pleased to announce the slate of officers for 2009-2011:

President: Lynette Zelis
1st Vice-President in Charge of Programs: Stephanie Myers
3rd Vice-President in Charge of Membership: Kathy Christian

I'd like to thank Rita Brown for chairing the Nominating Committee, and Judy Linhardt and Carol Beilke for being on the committee. The slate will be voted on at our March 5 meeting.

All members are encouraged to put their talents to work in our organization. There are small tasks as well as more demanding jobs, and all help is warmly appreciated! Please contact Bonnie Brewster at 630-665-6911 or bonniebrewster1954@gmail.com if you can help.

Thanks, Bonnie

SPEAKER PRESENTATION

Our speaker for the Thurs. March 5th monthly meeting will be *Joan Stough*.

Joan Bartel Stough was born in China, spent her childhood there before pursuing a nursing education and career. She married Dr. James W. Stough and they have three adult children and eight grandchildren. When their children were of school age she completed her graduate studies in psychology. Joan taught Developmental Psychology and Family Studies at Wheaton College for 18 years. She is a licensed marriage and family therapist with a local practice. Joan co-authored (with Ellen Elwell) When There Is Not Enough of Me to Go Around. She has had an active speaking schedule for professional groups and women's retreats and has developed marriage preparation and divorce recovery programs. She will speak to ISMTA on the question "Is Motivation Only Skin Deep?"

The Wheaton College Conservatory of Music is presenting an unofficial faculty piano festival as part of its ongoing Orange and Blue On Stage series. There is one program remaining in the series!

Sung Hoon Mo

Monday, February 23 at 8:00 p.m.

Pierce Chapel

Tickets are available at the door for \$6 general admission and \$4 for students and seniors (60+).

MUSIKGARTEN ADULTS - GROUP PIANO **WHEATON PARK DISTRICT**

Linda Krueger will be teaching "Musikgarten Adults - Group Piano" on Tuesday evenings April 7 - May 26 from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Wheaton North HS. Contact Linda at 630-665-8276 if you have any questions. Registration forms are online at the www.wheatonparkdistrict.com

TEACHING PIECES & BOOKS
I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT!

Submitted by Diane Lindsay
Piano & Voice Teacher

Elementary Level

Dennis Alexander, "Touch a Rainbow" (sheet)
Melody Bober, "Cathedral Chimes" (Melody in Style)
Arr. Fabers, anything in "Playtime Popular"
Arr. Palmer, Manus, Lethco, anything in "Prep Course-
Christmas Joy – Level A"
Arr. Kern, Klose, Rejino, "My Favorite Things" and
anything in *Broadway and Movie Hits Bks. 1 & 2.*

Intermediate Level

Robert Vandall, "Prelude No. 1 in C" (Preludes Vol.1)
and "Grandma's Ginger Cookies" (Celebrated Piano Solos
Bk. 2)
Kevin Olson, "Spanish Serenade" (Showcase Solos Bk. 2)
Melody Bober, "Flight of the Eagle" (Melody in Action)
Bill Boyd, "A Chording To Charlie" (Jazz Delights)

Collections

Carol Matz, "Famous & Fun Pop" Bks. 1-5 and
"Famous & Fun Classics" Bks. 1-5

Educational Support

Fabers, "I Can Read Music" Bks. 1-3
Alfred "Complete Color-Coded Flashcards"

Vocalists

Mark Patterson, "My Heart Sings". Excellent
collection of pieces for young voices.

Please submit your favorites to Diane Lindsay at
dmlindsay@ameritech.net (preferably) or
telephone 630-363-7513 by the 15th of month
deadline. List the title, composer, level, and
whether it is available in book/sheet music. You
may include any number of pieces you wish, but
space is limited. Categorize as you choose.

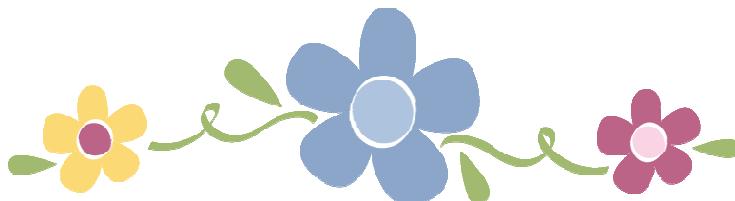
The NWSMTA 2008 Workshop Committee is
pleased to present Brenda Dillon who will present an
in depth workshop about **Recreational Music Making**
(RMM). Ms Dillon is Project Director for the
National Piano Foundation (NPF) and advisory board
member to the Frances Clark Center. Having taught in
college as well as having a home studio, Brenda now
teaches RMM classes at a senior center and focuses on
teacher training (including presentations for MTNA
Conferences), writing articles and developing
materials for RMM classes.

- **On Sunday, February 22, 2009, 3:00-4:30 p.m.**,
Ms. Dillon will give an overview of the RMM
philosophy and demonstrate all eight modules of her
beginner class.
- **On Monday, February 23, 2009, 9:30 a.m. to 2:15**
p.m., Ms. Dillon will explain the RMM philosophy
in more depth and specifically address the
differences between traditional and RMM teaching,
the logistics of teaching RMM, what else is
important to know about RMM, teaching RMM to
more advanced groups, how to get started and what
resources are available.

Workshop Fees are: Sunday only-\$25; Monday only-
\$35; Two Days-\$55 (\$48 if received by February 9) or
\$25 for first year NWSMTA members and Students.

Both events will take place at Rolling Meadows
Library, 3110 Martin Lane, Rolling Meadows, IL
60008. A Brochure with additional information and
the Registration Form will be mailed in early January.
If you do not receive one please **contact Denise**
Dolins at (847)215-2262 or e-mail: dolins@msn.com.
Additional information on this topic is available on
these websites: rmm.namm.org and pianonet.com

Helen Grosshans,
NWSMTA Workshop Committee Member



Call for Proposals

The Illinois State Music Teachers Association (ISMTA) is accepting proposals for the 2009 State Conference at Eastern Illinois University (Charleston, IL) on November 6 & 7. Panels, workshops, papers, and lecture-recitals are welcome. Please follow the guidelines below when submitting your proposal:

- Include your name, address, phone-number, and e-mail address
- Title of Presentation
- A brief summary of the presentation (one paragraph)
- Length of presentation
- Equipment needs
- A brief bio of the presenter.

Proposals can be submitted via e-mail or mail to:

Dr. Chung-Ha Kim
School of Music
Western Illinois University
1 University Circle
Macomb, IL 61455
C-Kim@wiu.edu

Submission deadline is May 15, 2009.

WEST SUB. JOINT CHAPTER WORKSHOP
“Brain Gym with Barbara Bednarz”
Thursday, February 26, 2009.
9:30 am – 12:30 pm
Trinity Episcopal Church, Wheaton

Admission at the Door:
Adults \$25, Students \$5
(Registration form is in Feb. Newsletter)

If you have any questions, contact:
Carol Ishman at 630-790-2769
Karin Edwards at 630-653-4967 or
Marion Talley at 630-917-1440.

GETTING READY FOR BAND

Lynette Zelis has initiated a new program called “Getting Ready for Band”. A few teachers have indicated their interest. More teachers would be nice. If you are interested, please contact Lynette Zelis at 630-260-9544 or lzmusic@sbcglobal.net.

CHICAGO BRASS BAND TO PLAY BENEFIT CONCERT IN WHEATON

The Chicago Brass Band will give a free benefit concert on Sunday, February 22, at 2 p.m. in Wheaton's Gary United Methodist Church, 224 N. Main St. A free-will offering will be taken to support the tenth anniversary of the Wheaton Band Festival scheduled for July 17-18. The Festival will bring brass, concert, jazz and military bands to Wheaton's Memorial Park.

The international award-winning Chicago Brass Band remains at the forefront of brass bands in North America. The Chicago Brass Band will be playing some of the numbers from their program prepared for this year's contest for the North American Brass Band Competition this spring. The band will represent the NABBA at the 2009 Brass Band Festival in Danville, Kentucky this summer. Dr. Colin Holman, of Glendale Heights, directs the Chicago Brass Band. He has directed brass bands to six NABBA championships and three runners-up finishes.

The WBF will launch its fourth annual music instrument collection drive at the February benefit concert. During the past four years the festival has collected \$10,000 worth of instruments that were no longer being used. These instruments are given to disadvantaged young people so that they can participate in music classes and summer band camps operated by the Salvation Army. Attendees who bring used instruments to the benefit concert will receive a tax-deductible receipt from the Salvation Army. More information about the benefit concert and the instrument collection project can be obtained by calling Glenn Arnold at 630-653-0310 or visiting www.wheatonbandfestival.org.

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