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UPCOMING EVENTS

Thurs. Sept. 4 9:30 a.m. MONTHLY MEETING AND PRESENTATION. **Dr. Kyle Dzapó – Bradley University.**

Thurs. Sept. 11 TIE Meeting. Time and location TBA.

Thurs. Sept. 18 9:30 a.m. - Local Board Meeting at Liz Mackenzie's house.

Thurs. Sept. 25 10:00 a.m. - Joint Board Meeting at Trinity Church, Wheaton.

DEADLINES

Tues. July 1 *DEADLINE* to renew your ISMTA dues if you want to be included in next fall's Chapter Directory. It takes time for the national headquarters to give us a list of member's that have paid their dues.

Wed. August 15 *DEADLINE* for September Newsletter. Please send articles and information to Diane Lindsay, 242 S. Edgewood Ave., Lombard. Telephone 630-363-7513 or email to dmlindsay@ameritech.net.

LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

- We welcome Ruth J. Tremper, as a new member of our chapter! Please add her address and telephone to add to your directory: 901 S. Gables Blvd., Wheaton, IL 60187. Telephone: 630-653-4380.
- The Pedagogy website -- "PianoVision.com" -- was mentioned at the May 1st monthly meeting by Carol Ishman. Membership costs \$80/year. Contact Carol for more Information.
- Linda Krueger is asking teachers to contact her regarding recreational music making for adults. Linda can be reached at 630-665-8276.

MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

The results of our fee survey generated the following results: 12 surveys were returned, and the rate for 30 minute lessons ranged from \$15 to \$32. Most fees were in the \$20-\$25 range. Our Member of the Year is Carol Beilke, the immediate past president, whose biography is printed in this newsletter. Congratulations, Carol! Please be sure to send your 2008-2009 dues to MTNA before the end of June, if you have not already.

We have a deadline of July 1st for inclusion in the local chapter directory. Do yourself a favor and take advantage of the many enriching workshops that are taking place in the area this summer--some are even free!

See you September 4 for our first meeting of the school year, and pick up your new directory.

Bonnie Brewster

MEMBER OF THE YEAR -- CAROL BEILKE



Carol Beilke has been a member of the West Suburban Chapter since 1993 and is honored to be their Member of the Year. She received a Bachelor of Music degree in piano performance (cum laude) from Lawrence University, Appleton WI. and was chosen to perform as soloist in the annual commencement concerto concert. She also received a Master's degree in piano pedagogy and performance from Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.

Carol has been teaching piano for the past twenty years. Eleven of these years were with North Central College's preparatory department, Naperville, IL. And the last nine years have been with the Community School of the Arts (CSA) at Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL.. She is coordinator for the CSA Preparatory Program, teaches more than fifty students ranging from age 5 – adult, and teaches group classes in the piano lab. Her students have won awards in various competitions, and participate in both AIM and Guild. Carol has done some mentoring for students pursuing the teaching field.

She is an active performer as soloist and accompanist in the chapter's teacher performance group and CSA faculty recitals.

Carol has had the privilege to study piano with Marjory Irvin and the late Donald Isaak and pedagogy with Frances Larimer and Elvina Pearce. She currently continues her piano studies with Annie Sherter.

Her past offices in the chapter have been immediate past president, second vice-president for publicity/historian, performance AIM coordinator, AIM scheduler, and currently monthly music coordinator.

Her goal as a piano teacher is to instill in her students a "life-time love" of music and confidence that can be extended into all of life's challenges.

Congratulations to Carol and thank you for all you contribute to our chapter.

ISMTA Speaker List for 2008-2009

- Sept. 4 – **Dr. Kyle Dzapo – Bradley University.**
- Oct. 2 – **Janice Razaq – Dominican University** -"American Impressionist Composers: Rewarding Piano Works to Perform and to Teach."
- Nov. 6 – **Molly Slotter – Bradley University** – "Body Mapping – from the Alexander Technique".
- Dec. 4 – **Bruce Berr** "Repertoire-by-Request"
- Jan. 8 – **DVD – "From Mao to Mozart" Isaac Stern.** AIM Judging session
- Feb. 5 – **Daniel Horn** –"Mendelssohn" lecture recital.
- March 5 – **Joan Stough** –Motivation. Retired Wheaton College Professor.
- April 9 – **Heidi Mayer** - "Off the Beaten Path: Exploring Modern Musical Gems for the Intermediate through Advanced Level Student."
- May 7 – **Master class – Emi Murata.** Late Beginning to Intermediate students.

Advocate of big school musicals

John H. Pearce 1927 ~ 2008

By Joan Giangrassse Kates | Special to the Chicago Tribune *June 13, 2008*

Mr. Pearce, 80, of Naperville, a choral instructor and chairman of the music department at Naperville Central from 1965 to 1985, died Monday, June 9, in Edward Hospital in Naperville, after suffering a massive stroke. He is survived by his wife, Elvina, a member of our Naperville chapter, who gave our workshop in February 2008 and many programs in the past. Mr. Pearce was a former member of the Lyric Opera Company. As longtime head of the music department at Naperville Central High School, Mr. Pearce encouraged his students to think big by staging many large-scale musicals and Broadway shows never staged before at the west suburban high school. Other survivors include a brother, Frank, and eight nieces and nephews. A memorial visitation was held Friday, June 13 from 5 to 9 p.m. at Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home, 44 S. Mill St., Naperville.

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2008 Summer Piano Workshop Season

at Brookdale Music, 550 N. Rt. 59, Naperville, IL 60563

Time for all workshops: 9:30-Noon. Registration: starting at 9 am

Workshops are free. Call Jeff at 630-983-5100 or bdalemus@aol.com to register!

- July 10, 2008 - Thursday
Fred Kern also visits us from Hal Leonard. "Better than Ever and Never too Late!"
- July 30, 2008 - Wednesday
KJOS Publications gives us Jane Bastien. "Thoughts on Piano Teaching with Questions" focused on beginning & intermediate students.
- August 5, 2008 - Tuesday
FJH Music presents Helen Marlais. "Succeeding with the Masters, In Recital, Jazz, Blues & Rags, Festival Collection, Sight Reading & Rhythm Series."
- August 11, 2008 - Monday
Alfred presents Melody Bober. "Six Tried-and-True Ways to Help Energize Your Piano Studio."

Suzanne Guy Piano Workshop

Friday, August 15, 2008

Luscombe Music Inc

122 W Vallette, Elmhurst, IL 60126

Phone: (630) 833-7381

Contact: Laura Pearson by telephone or email to register!

lpearson@luscombemusic.com

Suzanne Guy will present *My First Piano Adventure*[®] series,
Gold Star Performance, Expressive Etudes,
Focus on Melody, Volumes 1 and 2
and the brand new *Focus on Rhythm, Volume 1.*

RESULTS FROM THE BERKLEY/PENDELL PIANO COMPETITION

The 2008 piano competition was held Saturday, April 26 at the McAninch Arts Center College of DuPage. We had an exceptional group of students perform this year. Forty-six 46 students entered the competition, 7 in elementary track one, 16 in track two, 15 juniors, and 8 seniors. Thank you to the judges, teachers, and parent volunteers who helped to make this a meaningful and enjoyable experience for our students. Judging the elementary tracks were Soyoung Kee and Dr. Myung Hee Chung and the junior and senior divisions were judges Alexander Djordjevic and Mark Lee.

<u>DIVISION/TRACK</u>	<u>STUDENT NAME</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>CHAPTER</u>
<i><u>Elementary Track One</u></i>			
1 st Place	Gianne Hsieh	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
2 nd Place	Corey Chung	Paulette Moffett	Naperville
Honorable Mention	Takanori Lau	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
Honorable Mention	Emma Mueller	Nancy Liley	Naperville
<i><u>Elementary Track Two</u></i>			
1 st Place	Taylor Herr	Paulette Moffett	Naperville
2 nd Place	Michelle He	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
Honorable Mention	Nicolas Xu	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
Honorable Mention	Steve Song	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
Honorable Mention	Elizabeth Chang	Pawel Checinski	Naperville
Honorable Mention	Sophie Sun	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
<i><u>Junior</u></i>			
1 st Place	Romi Xi	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
2 nd Place	Daniel Shen	Julia Tsien	Salt Creek
3 rd Place	Alyssa Griffith	Muriel Mosher	Waubonsee Valley
Honorable Mention	Derrek Chung	Paulette Moffett	Naperville
Honorable Mention	Aaron Chen	Pawel Checinski	Naperville
Honorable Mention	Tara Safavi	Christine Paryl	Naperville
<i><u>Senior</u></i>			
1 st Place	Jonathan Leu	Pawel Checinski	Naperville
2 nd Place	Lilian Chou	Marilyn Andersen	West Suburban
3 rd Place	Sarah Chaney	Janna Williamson	West Suburban
Honorable Mention	Peter Groch	Rose Marie Wood	Waubonsee Valley



Beyond the Score Group Tickets

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Due to the success of last year's group sales, I am once again organizing group sales to next season's BTS programs. The "Beyond the Score" series at Symphony Center, Chicago are highly successful programs of multimedia explorations of single musical masterworks. Creative director Gerard McBurney narrates, and with the help of the CSO, an actor, mimes, dancers and a big screen full of images, he unfolds his tale, so dramatically that the entire audience is whisked back into the time and place when the piece was composed. Here are the Beyond the Score concerts for the 2008 - 2009 season:

- Sunday, September 28, 2008 at 3 p.m. -- CSO-Mussorgsky, Pictures at an Exhibition
- Sunday, May 17, 2009 at 3 p.m. -- CSO-Sibelius, Symphony No. 5
- Sunday, June 7, 2009 at 3 p.m. -- CSO-Dvořák, New World Symphony

Beyond the Score Group Tickets Application Form

PLEASE PRINT

Please include the following items postmarked no later than **July 15th** (for Sept. 28 concert):
(Deadline for the May 17 and June 7 concerts will be announced later)
Gallery tickets are \$15. Main floor tickets are \$25.

Teacher/Studio Name: _____

Teacher's Address: _____
Street City State/Zip Code

Teacher's E-mail Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Sunday, September 28 at 3 p.m. (Mussorgsky: Pictures at an Exhibition): No. of tickets at \$15: _____ No. of tickets at \$25: _____ Total amt. enclosed: _____
Sunday, May 17 at 3 p.m. (Sibelius: Symphony No. 5): No. of tickets at \$15: _____ No. of tickets at \$25: _____ Total amt. enclosed: _____
Sunday, June 7 at 3 p.m. (Dvořák: New World Symphony): No. of tickets at \$15: _____ No. of tickets at \$25: _____ Total amt. enclosed: _____

Write one check per concert for the entire amount from your studio payable to CAMTA. Include one self-addressed stamped envelope per concert (i.e. if you will attend all three concerts, please send in three envelopes). Please send application form, checks, **and envelopes** to: Emi Murata, 325 S. Ridgeland Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302.

Checks are non-refundable once the tickets have been purchased. We will need at least 20 tickets purchased for each concert in order to get the group rate. If we do not have enough tickets purchased for a given concert, your check will be mailed back to you. Additional tickets may be available for purchase after the deadline, but only if we make our group quota.

Questions??? Call 708-386-5678 or e-mail: emipiano@aol.com.

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