

Illinois State Music Teachers Association Newsletter West Suburban Chicago Area Chapter

April 2007 Bonnie Brewster, Newsletter Editor Diane Lindsay, Mailing Coordinator

This Month's Events

- April 5 MONTHLY MEETING: Trinity Episcopal Church, West/Wesley St., Wheaton. 9:00 Coffee & Conversation; 9:30 Business meeting/program. Program: WILLIAM KOEHLER: MASTER CLASS.
- April 12 T.I.E. MEETING: 9:30 A.M: Group Teaching Ideas. Home of Liz Mackenzie **(please note change from the yearbook AND the March newsletter)**. Please call (790-9823) or email lizmackenzie@earthlink.net if you are coming.
- April 15 STUDENT RECITAL: 3:00 P.M. Wheaton College, Pierce Chapel 104. Joanne King, Coordinator.
- April 19 TEACHER PERFORMANCE GROUP: 9:30 A.M. - Home of Marcelyn Peterson **(please note change from March newsletter.)** Please call (784-0569) or email Marcelyn@Petersonlink.net if you are coming.
- April 28 SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST: 8 am to 5 pm College of DuPage, MacAninch Arts Center. Deadline March 16.



Deadlines

- April 15 DEADLINE: May newsletter. Please send items to: Bonnie Brewster, 1220 N. Main St. Wheaton, IL 60187 OR e-mail to Bonnie@extremespin.com
- April 27 DEADLINE: May 13 STUDENT RECITAL, Beth Svendsen, coordinator.

Upcoming Events

- May 3 CHRISTOPHER GOLDSTON: "Getting Students to Compose." Salad Luncheon.
- May 13 STUDENT RECITAL: Wheaton College, Pierce Chapel 104.
- May 17 BOARD MEETING: 9:30 A.M. Home of Diane Jankiewicz.



This Month's Program



Our April 5th meeting will be a Master Class given by William Koehler, Professor of Piano at Northern Illinois University, where he has taught for 22 years. In 2001, Dr. Koehler received the Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award from NIU and in 2005 he received the Presidential Teaching Award.

Undergraduate studies at Juilliard in New York City were followed by graduate studies at the University of Texas at Austin where he earned a Doctoral Degree in Music.

Active throughout the Midwest in solo and chamber music performance, William Koehler is also in demand as a speaker, adjudicator and master teacher. He is a past president of the Waubonsie Valley ISMTA Chapter, and has been a gracious and hard-working host for ISMTA conventions at NIU. Bill has come to our group on several occasions and is returning by popular request.

Three students will participate in the Master Class. The repertoire will be:

1. Beethoven: Sonata, Op. 31, No. 2--1st movement.
2. Chopin: Scherzo, No. 1.
3. Debussy: Clair de Lune.

Local Chapter News

The officer nominees for 2007-09 are as follows: Bonnie Brewster, President, and Lynette Zelis, 1st Vice President for Programs. Elections will take place at the April meeting. Anyone interested in nominating another member for these board positions should contact one of the members of the nominating committee. The nominating committee for this year is Diane Jankiewicz, Carol Ishman and Stephanie Myers.

Clavier Group Subscription

You can order a new or renewal subscription to Clavier magazine by sending \$9 to Janna Williamson, 1605 Orchard Court, West Chicago, IL 60185 (390-9677). This is a significant savings over individual subscriptions. Please make checks payable to Janna.



A Note from your President

Matt Talbott from the ISMTA Central office wanted me to share some important information with you. If you ever have questions about the state newsletter deadlines or mailing schedule, please click on "Newsletter" on our website. Hopefully, you have received an email from ISMTA asking that you "click here to confirm your subscription" to the new ISMTA mass email system. This is a system that will be used occasionally when an important bit of info. needs to be shared with the entire membership via email. It is an op-in only. The state will not share this info. with anyone, and it will not be used for marketing purposes. You can expect little more than an occasional message from Matt Talbott or Linda Barker.

I have some sad news to share with you. Helen Berkley passed away on Sunday, February 11, 2007. A memorial service will be planned sometime in the spring. I'm so happy that we had the opportunity to celebrate such a remarkable woman.

I received news from the Naperville Chapter that Mary Bittner has been quite ill. She has moved to a convalescent center where she expects to stay while undergoing radiation and chemotherapy. Mary welcomes visits and cards.

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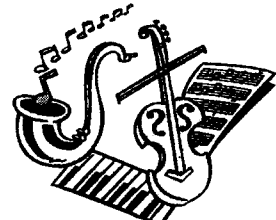


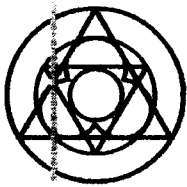
Wishing you a Happy Spring! --Carol Beilke

MTNA News

MTNA has recently updated its Tax Guide for members. It is available only as an "e-book" which can be ordered and downloaded online at mtna.org/marketplace. The cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for nonmembers. Remember that ignorance of the tax laws is not a viable defense and it "pays" to know your tax benefits.

Most homeowner's insurance policies do not cover instruments if they are being used for income purposes. MTNA announces a new partnership with Clarion and Associates which offers instrument insurance at a discounted rate to MTNA members. For more information about the Clarion Instrument Insurance package, visit clarionins.com or call (800) Vivaldi (848-2534).





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TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH, WHEATON, IL SEEKS PT CHOIR DIRECTOR

Brief Position Description:

Suburban parish seeking enthusiastic and talented musician to direct our Adult and children's choirs. Person will rehearse with each choir once per week and direct the choir(s) at a single service per weekend. Person will recruit new members, choose hymns in consultation with the priest; work collaboratively with other staff members and the worship commission. Music degree and experience in choral conducting preferred. Knowledge of appropriate church music and the role of music in the Episcopal Church necessary.

Ensembles: Adult choir of 10 to 15 members, Children's choir of 6 to 8 members.

Number of Weekly Services: 1 and Rehearsals: 2

Hours per Week: 10-12

Annual Salary: Based on experience and education.

Application Information:

Please send resume and references via email or postal mail to:

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