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from the President...



*My Dear Wonderful
Friends and Colleagues:*

*Your support and too
numerous kindnesses
during my husband's
illness and death have*

*been overwhelming, and I and my family are so
deeply appreciative. Thank you most sincerely.
I was raised to always accept that bad things
do happen; that life isn't always fair; and that
we should dust ourselves off, and get on with
the problems at hand. This time, however, I
am finding that difficult to do, and much as I
hate it, I find I must cry "Uncle"...at least for a
while. I am facing additional health issues that
were put on hold when Paul became ill, and
additionally, I am currently fighting a profound
depression that I guess I never really understood
before. I just know that even the smallest task is
impossible to do on many days, and that I spend
much time spinning wheels and feeling guilty*

*over the things I'm not doing. I truly do believe
this will pass, but on the advice of my doctor, I
am easing my life of many responsibilities and
stressors.*

*MSMTA needs and deserves a full time president
and at this moment I am not able to effectively
handle the issues you have entrusted to me. I
have asked Carol Wolfe-Ralph to take over as
President six months early, and ask you to please
give her the same wonderful support I have had
the last three and a half years.*

*It has been my great privilege and honor to serve
as the representative of MSMTA, and I will
always be grateful for that. What a wonderful
Board I had to work with...intelligent, caring,
thoughtful musicians who unselfishly gave their
time to advance the standards of our profession,
and didn't shirk from making sometimes very
difficult decisions.*

It was a true pleasure...bless all of you!

Josephyn Cross Makowski

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MSMTA NEWS

2006-2007 JUDITH A. FERENCZ MEMORIAL GRANT WINNERS

Congratulations to the following MSMTA members who have won the 2006-2007 Judith A. Ferencz Memorial grants, provided by Jordan Kitt's Music! These members submitted their proposals for their grant use last autumn, then it was the job of the local association presidents to choose only ten recipients from the many applications. This was not an easy task, as all the grant requests were worthy of an award! As you can see from the list of winners, the majority of the grant applications were for dedicated students in need of monetary assistance in order to continue their musical studies. Many thanks to Jordan Kitt's for their continuing generosity to MSMTA and its members.



Bruce Anderson, Lori Bower, Avis Casely, Olga Kuperstein (for David Kuperstein), Kateryna Merchant, Molly Stier, Deborah White-Bondhus, Ellen Winner, Chris Syllaba. Not pictured: Carole Kriewaldt, Valerica Maican and Larisa Shtirberg
Bruce Anderson is the Vice President, Director of Education; Chris is the Vice President of Sales

1. Lori H. Bower (teacher education) Frederick County MTA
2. Avis J. Casely (student scholarship) Montgomery County MTA
3. Carole Kriewaldt (student scholarship) Frederick County MTA
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A NOTE FROM THE TREASURER...

The Board of Directors has passed a motion stating that any checks issued by the MSMTA must be cashed within three (3) months. If they are still outstanding after three months, the checks will be voided. Please deposit any judging fees or reimbursement checks when you receive them. Thank you.

ATTENTION ALL STRING TEACHERS

Winners of the Solo String Competition will be offered a scholarship to attend the International Music Institute and Festival USA. Details will be sent to the winners after the Festival.

Cecylia Barczyk

"THE DEADLINES ARE COMING - THE DEADLINES ARE COMING"

Elizabeth R. Davis Memorial Piano Competition	April 3
Doris Chase Sonata Awards	April 3
Miriam Shields Gottlieb Memorial Piano Competition.....	April 14
Spring Festival: Piano Solo	April 14
Southern Maryland Theory Test Center	April 14
Prince Georges Theory Test Center	April 29

MTNA SHEPHERD AWARD FOR COMPOSITION

David Froom's "Lightscapes" has won the Shepherd Award of MTNA. This is the first time for Maryland. The piece will be performed in Toronto in the National Convention in March. Hope many of us can go to hear it.

MSMTA THEORY PRACTICE TESTS

Practice Tests are now available on a CD, which includes the syllabus. The cost of this CD is \$10.00, payable to MSMTA. Please mail the following form with your check to Deborah White-Bondhus.

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COMPETITIONS AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

DAVID R. HORWITZ MEMORIAL COMPETITION RESULTS

The third annual David R. Horwitz Memorial Competition for Violin and Piano Duo was held on December 17, 2006 at the Academy of Music in Gaithersburg, MD. This is one of the first of the many competitive events sponsored throughout the academic year by the MSMTA. Ten high school musicians performed works by Bartok, Beethoven, Brahms, Dvorak, Handel, Mozart and Schubert.

Piotr Gajewski, Music Director and Conductor of the National Philharmonic Orchestra, judged the event, and chose the following winners:

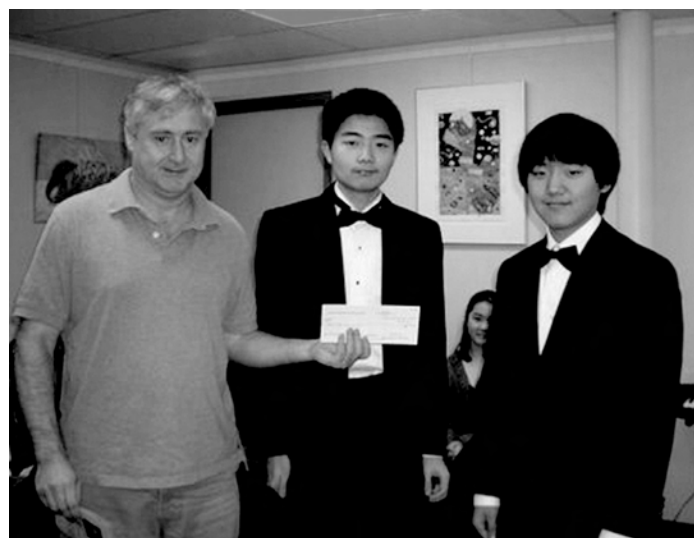
1st Prize (\$100) was awarded to Sean Symon, violin, student of Mia Choi, and Seo Young Hong, piano, student of Bok Hwa Kim.

2nd Prize (\$75) went to Ying Tang, violin, and Brett Yang, piano, students of Kate Rao.

3rd Prize (\$50) was awarded to Elizabeth Brandt, violin, student of Judith Silverman, and Belinda Juang, piano, student of Douglas Guiles and Mei Yu Lin.



Piotr Gajewski, judge, Sean Symon, violin and Seo Young Hong, piano, 1st prize winners

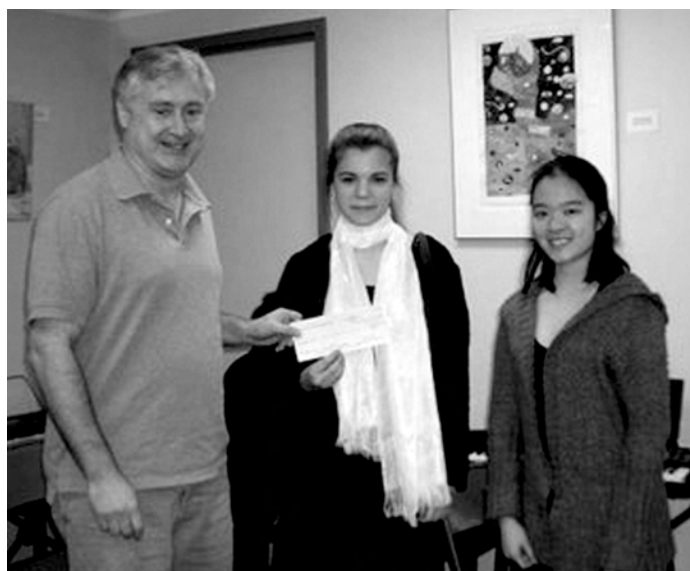


Piotr Gajewski, judge, Ying Tang, violin, and Brett Yang, piano, 2nd prize winners

Meier, and Maurice Abravanel. He later won the Leopold Stokowski Conducting Competition, and has also earned a law degree.

Co-Chairs Claudette Horwitz and Judith Silverman are very grateful to Philip Hosford for the use of his facilities at the Academy of Music.

Maestro Gajewski began his piano studies at the age of four in Poland, then came to the US and studied at the New England Conservatory and the University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. At the Tanglewood Music Festival in MA, he won a Leonard Bernstein Fellowship and studied with Leonard Bernstein, Seiji Ozawa, Andre Schuller, Gustav



Piotr Gajewski, judge, Elizabeth Brandt, violin, and Belinda Juang, piano, 3rd prize winners

2007 MSMTA GERTRUDE BROWN MEMORIAL PIANO CONCERTO COMPETITION WINNERS

The MSMTA's 2007 Gertrude Brown Memorial Piano Concerto Competition was held on Sunday, January 21 at the Rockville Campus of Montgomery College. The event was a great success with 189 students from the studios of 33 MSMTA teachers participating in the competition. There were four divisions -- Junior I, Junior II, Intermediate, and Senior. The competition produced 24 winners and 23 alternates (two teams in each movement of the four concertos) plus 39 honorable mentions. Participating teachers assisted as monitors for rehearsals and the competitions. This is in addition to the services of eight judges and four accompanists. We would like to express our gratitude and thanks for all who assisted to make this event run so smoothly.

*Hyun Park, Chair,
2007 Piano Concerto Competition
Carol Wolfe-Ralph,
Vice President for Student Activities*

Junior I -- Haydn Divertimento				
Judges: Haewon Moon and Shisa Suskey				
Mvt	FirstName	LastName	Award	
1	Annie	Bao	Elena Arseniev	Winner (Team I)
1	Julian	Mu	Hyun Park	Winner (Team II)
1	Paul	El-Hallal	Faye Bonner	Alternate (Team I)
1	Le	Qi	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team II)
1	Caroline	Dong	Christopher Hall	Honorable Mention
1	Crystal	Luo	James Litzelman	Honorable Mention
1	Jamie	Park	Bok Hwa Kim	Honorable Mention
2	Daniel	Liu	Annie Hou	Honorable Mention
2	Handong	Park	Hyun-Sook Park	Winner (Team I)
2	Brian	Shen	Mei-Yu Lin	Winner (Team II)
2	Elizabeth	Hu	Marjorie Lee	Alternate (Team I)
2	Sophia	Moon	Hyun-Sook Park	Alternate (Team II)
2	Jennifer	Gan	Alice Ma	Honorable Mention
2	Evelyn	Song	Natasha Dukan	Honorable Mention
2	Amy	Wang	Annie Hou	Honorable Mention
2	Tiffany	Wang	Annie Hou	Honorable Mention
2	Claudia	Xie	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
2	Vicky	Yu	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
3	Caroline	Diehl	Gloria Youn	Winner (Team I)
3	Jeremy	Tsao	Janice M. Puckett	Winner (Team II)
3	Kevin	Hwang	Bok Hwa Kim	Alternate (Team I)
3	Julianna	Hsing	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team II)
3	Julian	Mu	Hyun Park	Honorable Mention
3	Le	Qi	Hyun Park	Honorable Mention
3	Joshua	Lien	Christopher Hall	Honorable Mention
3	Haines	Whitacre	Marcia Slentz-Whalen	Honorable Mention

Junior II - Haydn Concerto				
Judges: Margarita Gramticova and Marjorie Lee				
Mvt	FirstName	LastName	Award	
1	Dina	Ralchenko	Natasha Dukan	Winner (Team I)
1	Emily	Zhang	Sima Elkis	Winner (Team II)
1	Audrey	Shi	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team I)
1	Jenna	Yi	Faye Bonner	Alternate (Team II)
1	Robert	Chen	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
1	Sharona	Yen	Hsien-Ann Meng	Honorable Mention
2	Chi Chi	An	Christopher Hall	Winner (Team I)
2	Elissa	Lin	Mei-Yu Lin	Winner (Team II)
2	Jessica	Wang	Annie Hou	Alternate (Team I)
2	Angela	Wei	Chen-Li Tzeng	Alternate (Team II)
2	Ariel	Hsu	Conchita Jan	Honorable Mention
2	Jeffrey	Yang	Hyun Park	Honorable Mention
3	Peter	Weng	Li-Ly Chang	Winner (Team I)
3	Jessica	Park	Bok Hwa Kim	Winner (Team II)
3	Jeffrey	Yang	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team I)
3	Audrey	Shi	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team II)
3	Elissa	Lin	Mei-Yu Lin	Honorable Mention
3	Zehao	Sui	Christopher Hall	Honorable Mention
3	Lillian	Gao	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention

Intermediate -- J.C. Bach				
Judges: Jeannine Case and Patti Crossman				
Mvt	FirstName	LastName	Award	
1	Carmen	Knoll	Marjorie Lee	Winner (Team I)
1	Adam	Detzner	Laurie Hudicek	Winner (Team II)
1	Daniel	Yu	Hyun-Sook Park	Alternate (Team I)
1	Ashley	Seto	Li-Ly Chang	Alternate (Team II)
1	Zanetta	Chang	Hui-yen Chang	Honorable Mention
1	Dorothy	Kim	Bok Hwa Kim	Honorable Mention
1	Tiffany	Kang	Li-Ly Chang	Honorable Mention
1	Candace	Lee	Li-Ly Chang	Honorable Mention
2	Tiffany	Kang	Li-Ly Chang	Winner (Team I)
2	Christopher	Hsing	Hyun Park	Winner (Team II)
2	Lena	Jia	Li-Ly Chang	Alternate (Team I)
2	Daniel	Yu	Hyun-Sook Park	Alternate (Team II)
2	Andrew	Peng	Hyun Park	Honorable Mention
2	Ting	Lew	Conchita Jan	Honorable Mention
2	Katy	Tong	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
3	Ashley	Seto	Li-Ly Chang	Winner (Team I)
3	Rongmei	An	Sima Elkis	Winner (Team II)
3	Christopher	Hsing	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team I)
3	Vicki	Pung	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team II)
3	Wenjing	Chen	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
3	Joseph	Zia	Mei-Yu Lin	Honorable Mention
3	Faith	Lam	Marjorie Lee	Honorable Mention
3	Li	Ma	Chen-Li Tzeng	Honorable Mention
3	Alice	Chang	Cherie Jeng	Honorable Mention

Senior -- Mendelssohn				
Judges: Eric Ruple and Naoko Takao				
Mvt	FirstName	LastName	Award	
1	David	Wang	James Litzelman	Winner (Team I)
1	Rebecca	Zhang	Marjorie Lee	Winner (Team II)
1	Alvin	Hua	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team I)
1	Naomi	Sapiro	Elena Arseniev	Alternate (Team II)
1	Pin-Joe	Ko	Mei-Yu Lin	Honorable Mention
1	Eric	Kuang	Hyun Park	Honorable Mention
1	Tina	Meng	Sima Elkis	Honorable Mention
2	Christina	Luo	Hyun Park	Winner (Team I)
2	Praise	Hong	Bok Hwa Kim	Winner (Team II)
2	Eric	Kuang	Hyun Park	Alternate (Team I)
2	Jozef	Schmidt	Nicole Amyot	Alternate (Team II)
2	Jung Ho	Hwang	Joselyn Makowski	Honorable Mention
2	Janice	Lan	Thomas Pandolfi	Honorable Mention
2	Iris	Cheng	Faye Bonner	Honorable Mention
3	Winston	Chiu	Sima Elkis	Winner (Team I)
3	Vicky	Yao	Hyun Park	Winner (Team II)
3	Kimberly	Hou	Marjorie Lee	Alternate (Team I)

MTNA COMPETITION AT UMBC

The young students' inspiring performances at the November 12 MTNA Competition at UMBC made it a sheer delight to be in the audience. The Senior Strings Competition, judged by Ronald Mutchnik, was won by violist Charlotte Steiner, student of Karin Brown. The alternate will be cellist Laura London, student of Laurien Laufman.

All of this year's senior woodwinds entrants were flautists. The competition, judged by Karen Becka Zgonc, was won by Michelle Ko, student of Lisa Cella. The alternate will be Ellen Rajnes, student of Beverly Rajnes. Honorable mentions went to Heather Runyon and Helen Shin, both students of Lucy Snell and, also, to Soo Lee, student of Carolyn Oh.



Nancy Breth and Monica We

The Junior Piano Competition, judged by Raymond Jackson, Bok Hwa Kim and Aglaia Koras, was won by Christine Chew, student of Nancy Breth. The alternate will be Kristina Hu, student of Marjorie Lee. Honorable mentions went to Fifi Zhang, student of Marjorie Lee, and to Tommy Zhang, student of Janice Puckett.

The Senior Piano Competition, judged by Claudette Horwitz, Matt Edwards and Cecilia Cho, was won by Monica We, student of Yong Hi Moon and Nancy Breth. The alternate will be Henry Zheng, student of Marina Young. Honorable mentions went to Samuel Barham, student of Carol Wolfe-Ralph, and to George Fu, student of Scott Beard and Faye Bonner.

Congratulations to these fine students and their teachers. We wish the best to the winners as they proceed to the Eastern Division Competition, January 5/6 at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA.

Marilyn Stoughton,
MTNA Chair



Christine Chew and Nancy Breth

KEYBOARD MUSICIANSHIP TEST FOR MCMTA



Luba Turkevich, MSMTA chair for Keyboard Musicianship Exam; Lois Jones, judge, Faye Bonner, judge, and Bonnie Kellert, chair for the Montgomery County center.

The Keyboard Musicianship Test for MCMTA was held on Sunday, November 19, at The Academy of Music in Gaithersburg, Maryland. One hundred eighty (180) students represented the following studios:

Faye Bonner, Carolyn Lamb Booth, Susan Burkhalter, Elena Dubovitsky, Claudette Horwitz, Cherie Jeng, Lois Jones, Bonnie Kellert, Jean Kim, Chieh-Ming Lee, Marina Ovtcharenko, Ellen Sakai, Luba Turkevich, Svetlana Volkova, Barbara Wing.

I want to thank all these teachers for donating their time to serve as judges and I want to congratulate them on the fine scores their students achieved. I would also like to thank Phil Hosford for renting us his well-equipped facilities. This event would not be possible without the invaluable help of Roman Turkevich.

This enrollment was a record number for Montgomery County. I hope other teachers will be encouraged to participate next year.

Bonnie Kellert, Chair
MCMTA Keyboard Musicianship Program

MEMBER NEWS

Musical Arts International, Inc will present Srata Trio-Nathan Williams, Clarinet, James Stern, Violin, Audrey Andrist, Piano- on March 17, 2007 (Saturday) at 8:00PM at Lativan Lutheran Church, 400 Hurley Avenue, Rockville, MA 20850. Program includes Trio Sonata in G by J.S. Bach, Eight Pieces Op83 by Max Bruch, Little Concerto by Alfred Uhl and Suite by Alexander Arutiunian. Please check out the web site at www.geocities.com/musicartintl or call 301-933-3715 for more information.

IN MEMORIAM...



MSMTA offers their warm thoughts and prayers to Helen Weems on the death of her mother who recently passed away in Missouri. Helen is president of the Greater Columbia Music Teachers Association.

MSMTA sends their heartfelt condolences to Karen England who lost her father in January, and we also send our sympathy to her mother who now lives here. Karen is a member of the Howard County Music Teachers Association.

MSMTA extends their deepest sympathies to Sarah Crandell on the loss of her husband Ray. He was fatally injured in an auto accident. Sarah is a member of the Anne Arundel Music Teachers Association.

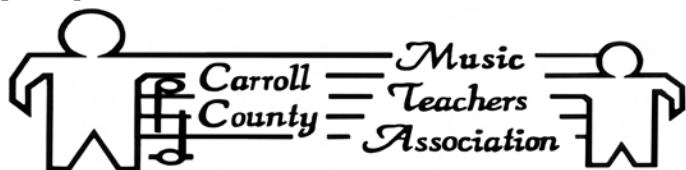
LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

Carroll County Music Teachers have had a busy fall and we are looking forward to an even busier winter.

In October we had *Dressed for the Music: A Costumed Concert*. Nineteen students from 6 studios performed a variety of music.

Music at the Mall had 50 students performing Christmas music for the mall shoppers.

Carole Gauthier is chairperson for the Keyboard Musicianship Test which was on January 27. Students from two studios participated.



The Ensemble Festival will take place in February. Students will perform ensembles with other students, with their teachers or even with a parent.

A Master Class chaired by Dr. David Kreider co-sponsored with McDaniel college will be on March 3 at McDaniel College in Westminster. The Master Teacher is Bonnie Kellert Goldberg. She will present a recital on March 2.

CCMTA and Stu's Music Shop will be co-sponsoring a professional enrichment class on Effective Practice Techniques. The presenter will be Nancy Breth. The date is March 13 with a 9:00 A.M. registration. It will be held at the Best Western Hotel on Route 140 in Westminster. Preregistration is required.

On March 17 the Theory Exam will be held.

Karen Mihalko, President

GREATER COLUMBIA MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Greater Columbia Music Teachers Association has changed the date of our Annual Spring Master Class to February 25, Sunday, from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. The Clinician is Rosita Mang. Please join us (teachers pay an audit fee of \$11, student auditors pay nothing!) at the studio and home of Kay Patterson (410-772-1680) for this satisfying event.

Helen Weems, President



HCMTA began the year on October 6, with a workshop presented at the Howard County Center for the Arts by Bonnie Kellert. Her workshop was entitled, "Ten Technical Challenges for Pianists," and was of great interest to all who attended! Our "Oktoberfest Recital," chaired by Nancy Riley, with assistance from Patricia Hannemann, was held on October 22, with enough students enrolled to have three recitals. On to November - Olga Kuperstein was our local chair for the MSMTA Keyboard Musicianship Exam. 153 students from eight studios participated in this event, which took place in the new Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center at Howard Community College. Also in November, Alla Merport chaired the first HCMTA student recitals to be held in the Montebaro Recital Hall at Howard Community College. Having the opportunity to perform in this special

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place was thrilling for our students, as well as for our teachers. Many thanks go to Kristina Suter, who has gone out of her way to make sure our events scheduled at the college run smoothly.

For February, we are looking forward to our annual Theme Festival - the theme being "Musical Firsts," which includes Preludes, first movements of suites, sonatinas, or sonatas, early level pieces for beginners ("first" repertoire!), and pieces with titles indicative of such firsts as "Spring," or "Morning." Alla Merport is chairing our MSMTA Theory Testing on February 24. That evening, at 7:30 in the Montebaro Recital Hall at HCC, Kristina Suter and Lisa Rehwoldt, the Accordare Piano Duo, are performing works by Dave Brubeck, Stravinsky, Saint-Saens, Lutoslawski and the premiere of a commissioned work by Kevin Olson. (For more information, contact Dr. Deborah Kent at dkent@howardcc.edu.)

On March 2, Nancy Breth will be presenting a workshop at Howard Community College from 10-1, entitled "Laying a Reliable Musical and Technical Foundation." All are invited to attend, but please contact Kathy Stansbery at 410-489-7717 or hgstans@erols.com, if you are planning to do so, so that HCMTA will know how many are coming.

Kathy Stansbery, President

Thanks to Maxine Lewack and Barbara Wing outstanding speakers have been drawing large numbers of members to our monthly meetings. Dr. William Wellborn opened our year with a stimulating discussion of the structure and great range of ornamentation in Scarlatti's sonatas. Martha Kirkpatrick Smith challenged our teaching with positive approaches for teacher, student and parents in the music studio at our October meeting.

Our own Dr. Immanuela Gruenberg gave an outstanding presentation of those lesser known piano works of Franz Schubert that are accessible to our students. Clearly the highlight of her lecture was her sensitive performance of the second of the Drei Klavierstücke that summed up her presentation.

While regretting that the Maryland Conference was cancelled, we were privileged at our December Holiday Luncheon to have Brian Ganz present his new edition of the Chopin Preludes (Schirmer Performance Edition). We learned from his special insights on performance practices for the popular works that are in many students' repertoires. Of course, the potluck lunch was festive. Our members shared their gourmet expertise in a warm and enjoyable time together as Carol Rose Duane provided harp music in the background. Guests are welcome at these meetings held on the second Tuesday of the month at Stone Ridge School on Rockville Pike.

The monthly meetings resume in February with Frank Conlon as the guest artist. A Judged Recital will be held on February 4 for Intermediate and Advanced students, Yoon Huh, chair, and a Festival of Music with the theme of "Shall We Dance?", Susan Roberts, chair, the following week.



Jean Lauderdale, President



We have good news and more good news to share! We continue our steady growth in membership and now number 40 active members. Along with that growth we continue to enjoy the camaraderie and collegiality that have characterized MTAB throughout its long history. Particularly pleasing to me is the progress we continue to make in increasing our user-friendliness to all our members – not only our pianists but our vocalists and other instrumentalists as well. Perhaps it is no coincidence that our newest member is another instrumentalist, Sharon Winton, who specializes in flute and piccolo, and we are happy to welcome her as we head into a new calendar year filled with enriching programs for our members and exciting events for our students.

We topped off 2006 with two special events in December: For teachers, our elegant Holiday Luncheon at the historic Sly Horse Tavern in Crofton (one of our favorite eateries) and, for students a special opportunity for ensemble performance. Question: What has 8 hands, 40 fingers and transforms black spots on lined paper into beautiful music? Answer: A quartet of piano students playing a German Dance by Mozart. In addition to the Mozart selection for eight hands at two pianos, the Ensemble Festival programming included pieces for six hands at one piano, four hands at two pianos, four hands at one piano, and various combinations of voices and instruments including harp, flute, French horn and piano. Several of the ensemble groups were comprised of siblings, and there were a number of student and parent combinations as well.

This month we look forward to our annual Chamber Music Festival through which we provide our students an opportunity to perform publicly with a "mini-orchestra" of

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paid professionals. The highlight of our January meeting will be a panel discussion on *Preparing Our Students for Music and Arts Ministry in the 21st Century*, and February's program is a presentation by Mary Rentschler on *The Benefits of Educational Kinesiology and Brain Gym for the Student and/or Performing Artist*. Both programs reflect our continuing commitment to make our monthly program content interesting and relevant for every member of MTAB.

As always, I am grateful for the capable leadership team of officers, committee chairs and event chairs who contribute so generously of their time and talent to make MTAB the wonderful organization that it is. Here's to a Happy New Year full of continued professional growth and inspired music-making!

Marcia Slentz-Whalen, President

PGMTA students played in a recital October 22 at Jordan-Kitts in College Park. The program featured solos, duets, and a spectacular two-piano performance by adult student Marian Jacques and her teacher Gary Dinn, of Infante's "Sentimiento" from *Danses Andalouses*. Participating teachers were Gary Dinn, Linda Head, Ann Matteson, and Ellen Sakai.



Linda Head, President

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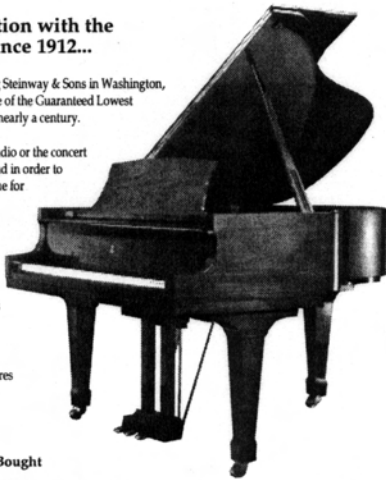
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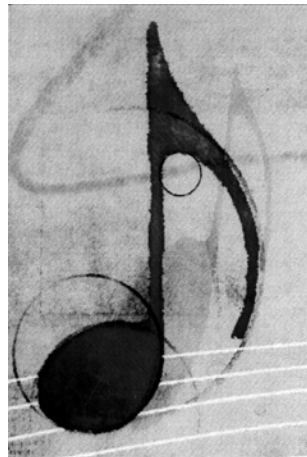
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