



Newsletter of the Peoria Area Music Teachers Association March 2013

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**PAMTA MEMBERS PLAY JAZZ, POP, ROCK
MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013
PIANO GALLERY ON BRANDYWINE DRIVE
10:00 A.M.**

Bring your favorite jazz, pop or rock piece or two that you would enjoy playing for the membership. Please note the above change in location for the meeting. This is also a good opportunity to see the Piano Gallery if you have not been there yet. If you would like to play, just give Brenda Conroy a heads up at bconroy88@comcast.net. She doesn't need to know the name of the piece. So come and share and listen to some fun music. See you there!

AIM

The AIM exams were a success! There were 207 students from 26 teachers registered for the performance exams. Thanks to ALL of you who helped with judging and administration. Carrie Purtell and Rebecca Gebbink deserve special thanks for working both AIM days! Some make-up exams are needed—please have your make-ups completed by May 15. I will bring the AIM file box to the March meeting if you need to pick up your students' rating sheets and certificates (thanks, Becky!). I will contact teachers when the pins, medals, and plaques arrive. Thanks again for all your help to make this a successful experience for our students! – Pam Eyerly, PAMTA AIM Coordinator

RECITALS

The **Honors Recital** is coming up on April 28th at 2:00 p.m. at First Christian Church. Please submit your registration for students by April 14th to Rebecca Gebbink. You are encouraged to register them online, but you may mail registrations also to Becky.

MEMBER NEWS

Judy Truitt is giving away a Schober electronic organ. It has two full 60-key manuals and 32 pedals and 2 expression pedals. There are about 30 stops. It has AGO standard measurements and includes 3 speakers: a fine instrument for home practice, teaching and church. Two strong men carried the organ up a staircase to the loft in Judy's condo. To see a picture of it, go to "The Schober Organ page" online. If you are interested, please call Judy at 263-6015.

UPCOMING EVENTS

You should have received an e-mail in regard to the April meeting. PAMTA members who have contacted Doreve Alde-Cridlebaugh about performing pieces from the new Alfred catalog provided by Kidder Music will play those pieces that day. Doreve is still looking for a few more members to play. This meeting will be held at Kidder Music and will be open to any area music teacher to attend and hear these new pieces. This is a wonderful way to expose more teachers to PAMTA. Because we also need to have a brief business meeting that day which will include the election of officers, this meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, April 22nd.

The May luncheon will be at Sazani's on Route 29. It will be at 11:00 on May 20th.

PAMTA MINUTES, February 25, 2013

The meeting was opened by the president, Janet Dickerson at 10:00 a.m.

The January minutes were not read.

The treasurer's report indicated \$6,888.69 as the ending balance for January.

The group voted to send \$200.00 to the MTNA **Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund** for piano teachers.

The successful Sonata/Sonatina Festival was discussed and suggestions for the next committee were made. A Festival survey will be sent to teachers and judges.

AiM: The state Aim committee is revising the syllabus. Pam Eyerly accepted registration forms for AiM exams to be held March 16th and 17th.

Scholarship Competition: The competition was cancelled; only two junior high students registered.

Programs: The March 25th meeting will be held at the Piano Gallery. Teachers can play favorite jazz, blues, rags and popular pieces. Any level will be appreciated.

The April meeting will take place at Kidder Music in the form of a workshop. Alfred catalogs were given to the teachers present to choose a piece to play. Choices should be sent to Doreve Cridlebaugh at solfeg@mtco.com. She will order the music from Wayne at Kidder. Piano teachers from the area will be invited and discounts will be given on music.

Remember the Honors Recital on April 28th at First Christian Church. Music is to be memorized.

The meeting was adjourned.

Rebecca Gebbink presented the program on Technology in her music studio.

Secretary pro-tem

Doreve Alde-Cridlebaugh