



Newsletter of the Peoria Area Music Teachers Association August 2011
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Monday, August 22, 2011
First Christian Church
6400 N. University, Peoria
10:00 a.m. Meeting

Come and get an overview of our upcoming year. Updates for our handbooks will be available. Membership directories for the new year will be handed out. Get caught up with what everyone did over the summer. PAMTA will provide coffee, tea, and place settings. Please bring continental style type goodies, such as coffee cake, muffins, bagels, fruit, etc. See you there!

Meeting dates will continue to be on the 4th Monday of each month with the exception of December when we will have a brunch on the third Monday, and May when we will have our spring luncheon on the third Monday. So mark these dates on your calendar: August 22nd, September 26th, October 24th, November 28th, December 19th (brunch), January 23rd, February 27th, March 26th, April 23rd, and May 21st (luncheon).

Here is a brief preview of what some of the program topics for this year will be: Monster Concert music; Accompanying; Teacher-Parent-Student Relationship; Technique; Pedagogy; Evaluation of Methods; and Special Needs Students. Good stuff, right?

Some other dates to mark on your calendar: AIM Theory Exams: November 19 & 20, 2011
AIM Performance Exams: March 17 & 18, 2012
For further information, you may contact chairman, **Pam Eyerly**, at 367-6086 or rhapsody32@eyerly.us

Recital, Presentation and Master Class at ICC on November 3rd from 2:00-6:00 p.m. in the Lecture Recital Hall by Dr. Tammie Walker, Dr. Jeffrey Brown, and Michael Stryker all from Western Illinois University. Please let **Brenda Conroy** know if you have any students who would like to perform in the master class (classical or jazz). She can be reached at 635-4118 or bconroy88@comcast.net

Kudos to **Jane Harms** for accompanying the Chillicothe Theatre production of *Bye Bye Birdie* July 21-23. Condolences go to **Janet Dickerson** whose husband, Ken, recently passed away. Welcome back to Peoria and to PAMTA to **Polly Sharp!**

MONSTER CONCERT REHEARSAL SCHEDULE

This schedule was e-mailed to all the members early this summer. It is printed here again especially for those of you who are receiving this newsletter by regular mail.

There will be a total of four pre-concert rehearsals. Students are required to attend the first rehearsal the weekend of October 15th-16th (see rehearsal schedule below) and the rehearsal the morning of the concert (January 21, 2012). A more specific rehearsal schedule for the morning of the concert will be forthcoming. In addition there will be two other rehearsals of which the student will be allowed to miss one if necessary, but students are encouraged to attend all rehearsals.

Following is what the rehearsal schedule will be:

Saturdays – October 15, November 5th, and January 7th (all at the Musiccenter in Don's MusicLand on University Street).

8:00-8:20 (Nachtmusik)	8:40-9:00 (Rocky Top)	9:20-9:40 (Yellow Sub)
8:20-8:40 (Siamese Cat)	9:00-9:20 (Can Can)	9:40-10:00 (Do Re Mi)

Sundays – October 16, November 6th, and January 8th (all at the piano lab at ICC).

1:40-2:00 (Phantom)	2:20-2:40 (Bibbidi)	3:20-3:40 (Grand Old Flag)
2:00-2:20 (Yo Ho)	2:40-3:00 (My Heart)	

Remember the student must attend the October rehearsal and the rehearsal the morning of the concert (which will be at Five Points). In addition, they must attend at least one other rehearsal and are highly encouraged to be at both of the other rehearsals.

Teacher rehearsal times will be on the above Sundays. 3:40-4:00 (Grand Celebration March)
4:00-4:20 (Tea for Two)

Remember you can always check the PAMTA website at pamta.org for more information on everything. All the recitals we will be having are listed on there as well as in your membership book you will be receiving.

We are still in need of someone to serve as President. Please give this some thought and let us know if you would be willing.

Here's to a good year!

Liz Reed
PAMTA Secretary and Newsletter Editor