



STAFFLINES

Monthly Newsletter of the Tidewater Music Teachers Forum



President's Notes



Dear Fellow Music Teachers,

It is August! How are you doing? How are you adjusting in the new normal? The whole world has turned upside down since March. It seems that everyone's lives have been changed, altered or affected, sometimes in disturbing ways. MTNA understands that music teachers are facing many unique personal and professional challenges during the COVID-19 health crisis. In order to save you time and effort, MTNA has compiled a curated list of some of the best and most helpful resources to support your teaching practice during this unprecedented time. Visit the MTNA website, www.MTNA.org for more information.

A big "Thank You" to the officers and chairs of TMTF who continue to work behind the scenes preparing for the events planned for our 2020-2021 academic year. I would like to bring your attention to a few changes:

- TMTF Teachers' Recital venue and date has been postponed until further notice.
- VMTA Theory Test Date has tentatively moved to March 2021.
- TMTF Levels of Progress will only offer on one weekend at four locations.
- Fall 2020 Student Recitals for all locations are canceled.

Please check our **tentative** calendar in this issue and on our website, www.tmtf.org for our upcoming events and workshops. Also, if you have not renewed your membership, please do so promptly to be included in our yearbook and website as well as to be eligible to participate in our auditions/events.

Lastly, I hope that we will be together in person soon. I truly hope that you and your families are staying healthy, safe and have a great summer!

Mun Lee Han, NCTM
TMTF President



It's MTNA Renewal Time!

You may have already received reminders to renew your membership via email or snail mail.

Don't wait, don't procrastinate - Do it today!

Tip #1: Check your renewal form carefully and update anything that has changed in the last year. Now is the time to remove your email address from the form if you don't check your email regularly. This helps us to know the best way to contact you.

Tip #2: **RENEW NOW** to guarantee your inclusion in the 2019-2020 TMTF Yearbook and the VMTA Yearbook.

For ease in joining, you may go to <http://www.mtna.org/membership-information/> and renew online.

Membership with MTNA does more than simply complement your career as a music professional - it supports, supplements and shapes it. It empowers music teachers nationwide to become better educators through networking, leadership, mentoring and educational opportunities.

MTNA Membership Delivers:

- Peer Connections - a network of outlets, forums and channels for like-minded individuals in the music profession to collaborate and communicate, both locally and nationally.
- Ongoing Education - conferences, events and advice on teaching tips and pedagogy, technology and web trends, master classes and informational sessions.
- Invaluable Resources - access to countless benefits, from Certification, publications and consultation services to competitions, teacher enrichment grants and insurance.

Questions about membership?

Donna Halleck, Membership Chair

757 681-7782

donnahalleck@gmail.com

Invite a teacher friend to join!

For more benefits of membership, visit: www.mtna.org or: www.tmtf.org

Thank you for your support!

Welcome

New member
Katherine Wright, NCTM



HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

August

5	Bethany Jacob
14	Jacquelyn Spady
14	Crystal Villanova
17	Cecelia Robinson
20	Daniel Miller
30	Sharon Whealton
31	Susan Atkins
31	Marilyn Forman

September

2	Josephine Jones
6	Elizabeth Edler
16	Sharon Alston
17	Jessica Tuttobene
28	Christine Ward
30	Vernon McCart

MTNA Certification Now is the time!

Are you thinking what I'm thinking? After frantically switching my teaching studio to an online format - with mixed results, I must say - I can now take a step back, take a deep breath, and ponder, what else can I be doing?

What would be productive and benefit my professional teaching career? Why not work towards MTNA certification?

Unfortunately, we can't have any in-person meetings just yet, but if you're interested, I'll be glad to do a Zoom meeting when it's convenient for you. First take a look at the MTNA certification website - www.mtnacertification.org. There you'll find lots of information, and more than a few questions, I dare say. Well, bring it on - that's what I'm here for.

Just think, in less than a year, you could proudly sport those 4 little letters after your name - NCTM - Nationally Certified Teacher of Music.

Now is the time to get started - Contact:

Susan Atkins, NCTM
pianolearningcenter@gmail.com
757-282-8220 (cell)



Eastern District Audition

The Eastern District Auditions, originally scheduled for May 2020 has been rescheduled to Saturday, September 26.

The deadline for applications will be August 31.

Please send your applications to:
Alisa Bohon, 112 Yacht Ct, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

Please note, according to state guidelines this year, the selection of repertoire may not be changed once applications have been received. Upon receiving your application I will email to let you know.

Alisa Bohon
Eastern District Chair
757-880-8631

Need Students? Want to refer students?

Look no further than the TMTF website:

www.tmtf.org

You can submit your contact information and teacher profile to our webmaster

Mun Lee Han
munleehan@gmail.com

If you need to refer a student simply give them the webmaster address:

www.tmtf.org

It's that easy!



Yearbook Ad

There is still time if you want to place an ad in our yearbook or to send me any leads or contacts you may have about organizations, schools or businesses (big or small) that may be interested placing an advertisement. Any help would be appreciated.

You can email me at
lynnkleisler@yahoo.com.

Lynn Kleisler, NCTM
Yearbook Ads Chairman



TMTF SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS: 4TH QUARTER 2019-2020**TMTF SCHOLARSHIP CHECKING ACCT. 4/1/20 thru 6/30/20**

Opening Balance:		\$ 451.01
Income:		
VA Baptist Endowment	\$ 2,041.00	
Glover Scholarships	\$ 4,850.00	
Total Income:	\$ 6,891.00	
Expenses:		
VA Baptist Endowment	\$ 2,041.00	
Transfer from Glover for Zion Baptist Deposit - Glover Celebration	\$ 100.00	
Glover Scholarships	\$ 550.00	
Total Expenses:	\$ 2,691.00	
Closing Balance:		\$ 4,651.01
Outstanding checks: (To reflect actual account balance)	\$ 2,159.00	\$ 2,492.01

GARROW SCHOLARSHIP SAVINGS ACCT. 4/1/20 thru 6/30/20

Opening Balance:		\$ 1,062.10
Income:		
Account interest	\$ 0.02	
Total Income:	\$ 0.02	
Expenses:		
Total Expenses:	\$ -	
Closing Balance:		\$ 1,062.12

GLOVER SCHOLARSHIP SAVINGS ACCT. 4/1/20 thru 6/30/20

Opening Balance:		\$ 9,894.21
Income:		
VA Baptist Endowment	\$ 2,041.00	
Account interest	\$ 0.21	
Total Income:	\$ 2,041.21	
Expenses:		
Glover Scholarships	\$ 4,850.00	
Total Expenses:	\$ 4,850.00	
Closing Balance:		\$ 7,085.42

MAYBERRY SCHOLARSHIP SAVINGS ACCT. 4/1/20 thru 6/30/20

Opening Balance:		\$11,824.88
Income:		
Account interest	\$ 0.29	
Total Income:	\$ 0.29	
Expenses:		
Total Expenses:	\$ -	
Closing Balance:		\$11,825.17



Stafflines Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles for Stafflines is the 21st of each month. The editor must receive the articles no later than this date.

Please submit all articles via email to
Yuko Farman
yukofarman@gmail.com

Alternatively, you may submit a printed article via U.S. Postal Service.

Stafflines Advertising Rates

The following advertising rates are for Stafflines news that is not related directly to TMTF activities.

Two to three line announcement such as a recital or job opening: No Fee

One half page (8.5" x 5.5"): \$10.00

Full page (8.5" x 11"): \$20.00

Make check payable to TMTF and send along with your ad to

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