

MAY 2020 – PFMC PRESIDENT’S NEWS

Greeting Federation Friends,

Last week I could have opened with a warm, spring greeting but today that’s not happening! It’s just plain cold today. May the love we have for music warm our hearts!

PFMC Updates:

The PFMC Festivals Competition for PA West has been tentatively scheduled for June 13, 2020 at PYCO in Wexford, PA. The auditions will be closed due to the current health restrictions. More information will be coming in the next few weeks. PFMC Festivals Competition for PA East is being planned and a date will be announced very soon.

PFMC Festivals Area Chairs: Please contact the studio teachers in your Area and ask each teacher to make a list of students from their studio who plan to participate. Include the Piano Solo level for 2020 Festivals and email Charlene Hubbard (charlenehubbard@hotmail.com) for PA West or Susan Stillo (s_stillo19@live.com) for PA East. The application and check can be sent closer to the date. Charlene and Sue need to know how many students plan to participate. Contact either Charlene or Sue for details about the competition.

PFMC 88th Convention planning continues. Most presenters have committed to the rescheduled dates, **September 17-19, 2020**. NFMC President Frances Nelson will be our National Guest. Be sure to make your hotel reservation soon:

Lehigh Valley Hotel and Conference Center Phone: 610-866-5800

Online: https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.55077.html?groupId=H16FM2C1

Remember to mention PFMC to receive discounted room price of \$89 for King or Double. The room price includes a hot breakfast buffet each morning.

Necrology List for 2019-20 – I am compiling a necrology list for this past year. To date I have received the following: Opus I Music Society (1), Mercer Music Club (2), North Hills Music Club (1), Williamsport Music Club (2). If you have names to add or if you sent names previously and your Senior Club is not on this list, please send the information.

PFMC Chair Reports – Thank you to the few (very few!) who have sent a report. Most of us did not finish the club year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. I ask PFMC Chairs to complete a report with info you have and if there is no information at all, please let me know.

The reporting form is attached.

PPA Dues are due – send the reporting form and check to Pam Hoffman by May 15th.

Am Women Composers report due May 15th – Send to NFMC Chair

American Music JUNIOR CLUB report due May 15th – Send to NFMC Chair

National Music Week report due June 1st – Send to Paula Kudelko.

Junior Club Rating forms due June 1st. Send to NFMC Chair

Looking ahead: Senior Club Reports due July 1st and EKK Reports due July 30th.

Report forms are posted on PFMC website: pfmc-music.org

Last fall we voted to give Senior/Junior Clubs a \$20 Award for bringing an Achievement Book to the Fall District Conference. The checks were to be presented at the PFMC Spring Convention which is now rescheduled. I will mail checks to clubs who brought an achievement book to 2019 District Conference and the NMW Certificates I received last fall.

Plan to complete Achievement Books for the 2019-20 club year and bring to the PFMC Convention in September. We will judge the books this time and award checks will be mailed.

I am using the current roster for club officer names and addresses. If you have new officers for the coming year, please send the information to Charlene Hubbard and to me asap.

I am thinking of you. I know this is a difficult time and I am sure we all have moments of uncertainty. We may not know what the future holds but we can know WHO holds the future. May you find a lasting peace that only God can provide. We will get through this!

Happy Mother's Day!

Linda Maurhoff

PFMC President

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