

## **CAPMT District II News - December 2007**

### ***News on November Auditions***

Piano and Ensemble Auditions were held 17 November for Santa Clara Valley and took place in the previous week for the East Bay Chapter. Congratulations to all the East Bay and Santa Clara County students who played.

Participating students receiving a rating of 5 are invited to play at the Northern Festival Recital. Arleen Pickett has consented to be the chairperson for this event. I'm happy to let you know that we have also found a site and a date for the CAPMT Northern Festival.

Here is the information:

Community School of Music and Arts  
230 San Antonio Circle  
Mountain View, CA 94040  
Saturday, January 26, 2008  
Arleen Pickett, Chair  
408-356-3233  
arleenpickett@gmail.com

### ***Santa Clara County Chapter***

News from Santa Clara County Chapter and Betty Davis:

Santa Clara Valley Chapter is up and running with a full slate of events for the teachers and the students. A big thank you to all the chairs that have worked wonders for the Chapter.

The November General Meeting was held on Nov. 14, 2008 at the home of Pat Milstead. The lecture, "Balance, Posture and Position" with Jean Couch presenting was attended by 15 teachers. It was very enlightening, very entertaining and extremely well presented. We learned how to sit correctly and be stress free. The potluck afterward is always a delight. A time for chit chat, recapitulation and friendship.

Shen-an Wong and Jui-ping Chou have orchestrated two Festival Recitals - one at Santa Clara University and one at the Palo Alto Community Center. Both facilities are beautiful and Shen-an and Jui-ping work hard to present well balanced programs. Thank you both for your years of work with this program.

Teachers are still needed to lend a hand at the recitals. The next Festival Recital will be held on January 26, 2008 at Santa Clara University. The registration forms are on line at the CAPMT website. Enter [www.capmt.org](http://www.capmt.org).

Scroll to District II, click on Santa Clara Valley Chapter and scroll down to the form.

The Piano Auditions and the Ensemble Auditions were held Saturday, November 17, 2007 at Santa Clara University and Prudence Choi and Lucia Hong were the able chairs. And a thank you to the rest of the committee, Carol Herndon, Sylvia Lee, Angeline

LeLeux, Patricia Milstead, Arleen Pickett, Mila Shakman, Ann Sun and Shen-an Wong. This is a big and exciting event and there was a crew of teachers assisting with the logistics of getting the students to the right room at the right time. Thank you all.

Save February 15 - 17 to attend the CAPMT Conference in City of Industry. If you have never been to a conference, you will love it. What a thrill to live and breathe music for 3 solid days!

The next board meeting for the Santa Clara Valley Chapter will be held on February 21, 2008 at 9:30AM. Contact Betty Davis if you have any items you would like discussed.

The next General meeting will be on February 27, 2008. The location will be announced and the presenter will be Susan Bruckner. Don't miss it.

Betty C. Davis, acting President

FYI...when you have a question...

Santa Clara County Chapter Officers:

President: Betty Davis, (acting)

Secretary: Tania Smith

Treasurer: Betty Davis

Programs: Arleen Pickett

Membership: Pat Milstead

Newsletter: Candace Fazzio

Chairs:

Piano Auditions: Prudence Choi and Lucia Hong

Ensemble: Angeline LeLeux

Festival Recitals: Shen-an Wong and Jui-ping Chou

Evaluations: Muza Mdzinarishvili

### ***East Bay Chapter***

Some events to note in the East Bay Chapter, from coordinator, Muza Mdzinarishvili:

1. Winter Recital -Sunday, December 9th 2007 2:00 PM - open to all students, all instruments.
2. Etude Extravaganza! -Sunday, March 9th, 2008 2:00 PM
3. Ensemble Concert -Sunday, April 6th, 2008 2:00 PM -featuring duets, 2- piano, solo instrument with accompaniment, and chamber music.

Above events will be held at The Crowden School, 1475 Rose Street, Berkeley

4. Kindertanzen ( Children's Dances) - Sunday, May 18th 2008 2:00 PM - concert featuring dance-forms from all composers and styles.

This program will be held at Berkeley Piano Club, 2724 Haste Street, Berkeley.

## ***District II Honors Recital***

This just in from Lenora Mathias as regards the events of 1 December. Congratulations to all the participants and teachers for their wonderful accomplishments. Three Honors Recitals were presented on Dec. 1 in the Ballroom of the Crocker Mansion at The Nueva School in Hillsborough. Special thanks to the teacher and parent volunteers who helped make this a very enjoyable day. I am grateful to our distinguished judges, Thomas Hansen and Juliet McComas, for lending their musicality, intelligence and diligence to this event!

Lenora Mathias  
District II Honors Recital Chair

## ***Our members perform as well as teach...***

Castlerock (Angeline LeLeux and William Bajzek) have a new CD of Irish music finished and available for purchase online! It's entitled "Long Night's Journey" and can be found on Amazon.com or at CD Baby, <http://cdbaby.com/cd/shelteringsky2>

Castlerock will have a new 'slowplay' CD out very soon featuring common session tunes played at a reasonable pace for beginning melody players, accompanists, bodhran players, and dancers. You can find them online at <http://myspace.com/castlerockirish>

## ***from the editor...***

The date is December 5th as I write. In our next edition of the CAPMT News, I would be delighted to publish news on CAPMT events and member activities, but only if I receive it. Please send your news to me no later than 21 January. Then, watch for the newsletter on 1 February.

The holidays are upon us. Soon it will be a new year. Happy Happy to all!!

Candace Fazzio  
editor