

News of Note



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The Newsletter of The Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs



President's Message

I would like to extend a special greeting to all WFMC members. I hope you all had a Happy Thanksgiving and were able to relax and spend time with family and friends.

The Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs had a Board Meeting on October 6th where we presented the WFMC Citation Award to Diane Skrobis. We also installed our new Treasurer, Christine Lisiak. Please look for her contact information on Page 2 of this newsletter.

I am very pleased to let you know that the WFMC's 501©3 status has been reinstated and that we were not issued any fines or penalties by the IRS. So please remember to use our tax-exempt number for all of your purchases (ES11100). Also, any donations made to the Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs will be tax deductible.

The WFMC will have 18 Junior Festival events throughout the state during the months of February and March, making 2005 our biggest year for festival participation. Please see the listing of festival dates and locations on Page 3. Also, please remember that some rules have changed, the most important one being that any student who uses music will be disqualified.

2005 is Student Audition and Young Artist Year, plus in the rotation of the regions we are able to hold Stillman Kelly Auditions in addition to Wendell Irish Viola Auditions. We hope to have a number of entries in all of the above areas.

Two weeks ago I met with some members from the MacDowell Music Club of Janesville and Treble Clef of Beloit, who are hosting the WFMC Convention on June 18, 2005. We were able to finalize many of the details of the convention. Please read the article about the convention on Page 7. With past National President Ouida Keck as our guest, along with Odee Maier, vice-president of the North Central Region, and Diane Skrobis and her children's choir, this is an event you will not want to miss!

In the next few months I will be traveling to a number of WFMC Senior Club meetings and events. I look forward to attending these functions and will try to visit each club at least once a year. If you let me know in advance when you would like me to come, I will be able to arrange my schedule accordingly.

On a personal note, I moved in October. Not having phone or Internet service for 10 days and locking myself out late on a Friday night, wearing nothing but a nightgown and slippers were but two of the many problems I encountered for about a three-week period during and after my move. However, I have since settled in and met some wonderful neighbors. I am now an expert at hanging icicle lights, since I joined the decorating and landscape committee for our Condo Association. Our most recent project was to put up Christmas decorations. My job was to hang the icicle lights on all eight garages in my building!

The WFMC will have its Winter Board Meeting on January 8, 2005 at Klemmer's Banquet Center, 10401 W. Oklahoma Ave. The meeting will begin at 9:30 and lunch will be served. Once again, I invite all WFMC members to attend. I believe the more informed all of our members are, the stronger our organization will be. Some of the topics for discussion are: the 2005-2006 budget, revision of our bylaws, designing a WFMC website, the 2005 WFMC convention, and appointing a nominating committee in preparation for the election of officers for 2005-2007. If you are interested in attending, please contact me by December 30th.

I hope all WFMC members have a blessed holiday season and that the New Year finds you healthy, happy and looking forward to new opportunities in 2005!

Musically Yours,
Jeanne F. Kish, WFMC President

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From the Editor -- I hope you enjoy this issue of *WFMC News of Note*. You'll find lots of information about WFMC's activities inside..

The upcoming State Convention in Janesville in June, co-hosted by Beloit Treble Clef and Janesville MacDowell Music Club, is especially exciting news. We are very fortunate to be hosting guests Ouida Keck, past president of NFMC, and Odee Maier, vice president of the North Central Region. Ouida and Odee are both excellent speakers with much to share about NFMC and the North Central Region. Read all the latest details on page 7 of this newsletter and watch for last minute information in the May 2005 issue of *News of Note*.

I want to thank contributors Heidi O. Hong, Carol Fosshage, Kathy Baumgart, Peggy Radmer, Frieda Lubkeman, Carol Flocker and of course, WFMC President Jeanne Kish. Whether or not his or her name appears as a byline, each person contributed mightily to this newsletter. Thanks too, to all who sent words of advice and encouragement after publication of the Fall 2004 issue. I'm grateful also to Membership Chair Jon Radmer, who is always accommodating in my frequent requests for membership information.

This issue of *News of Note* includes our first advertisement, placed by Interstate Music, a division of Cascio Music. *News of Note* has a circulation of 785 Junior Clubs, Senior Club members, and friends of WFMC, making it an excellent vehicle for music-related advertisements. See the fee schedule below for advertising rates, and please contact me if you would like to place an ad.

Please send me your feedback, and most of all, please use *News of Note* to share news of your clubs and NFMC activities. I look forward to your contributions. -- *Christine Peterson*

Revised Dues and Festival fees Schedule

Established by WFMC Board, May 1, 2004

Item	Previous Fee	New Fee
DUES		
Junior Club Dues	\$.85/student	\$1.00/student (\$20 minimum)
Music Store Dues		
-- 0 to 50 members	\$ 0.00	\$45.00
-- 50 to 100 members	\$ 0.00	\$75.00
-- 101 + members	\$ 0.00	\$95.00
FEES		
Late Payment Fees		
-- rec'd after November 1	\$10.00	\$25.00
-- rec'd after January 1	\$25.00	\$50.00
Junior Festival & Gold Cup Fees		
-- application	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.50
-- Gold Cup	\$ 4.50	\$ 5.00
ADVERTISING		
Directory Advertisement		
-- ¼ page		\$35.00
-- ½ page		\$50.00
-- full page		\$95.00
News of Note Advertisement		
-- Business card size		\$20.00
-- ¼ interior page		\$35.00
-- ½ interior page		\$50.00
-- ½ outside page		\$100.00
-- full page		\$100.00
Publish in 2 consecutive issues		25% discount

New Contact Information for President Jeanne Kish and Treasurer Christine Lisiak

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Are you Moving? Do You Have a New Address?

So that you don't miss any WFMC mailings, please send your updated information to

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or

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Submit via e-mail as a Word document or text file attachment if possible, to chrisso@sbcglobal.net, or paste your content into an e-mail.

Pictures or graphics may be sent in the format of your choice as e-mail attachments.

If you don't have access to e-mail, send mail to Christine Peterson, WFMC News of Note Editor, 508 S. Concord Rd., Oconomowoc, WI 53066.

Next issue deadline:
April 1, 2005

Junior Festival Dates for 2005

Date	Center	Address	Notes
2/5/05	Burlington	United Methodist Church Hwy W Waterford WI 53105	
2/6/05	Sheboygan	Diane Remy School of Dance & Baton 2305 N. 8 th Street Sheboygan WI 53083	
2/6/05	Waukesha West	Cascio Music Co. 13819 W. National Ave. New Berlin WI 53151	
2/12/05	Green Bay	St. Norbert College 100 Grant St. De Pere WI 54115	
2/12/05	Janesville South	Saint Matthew Lutheran Church 709 Milton Avenue Janesville WI 53545	
2/12/05	Kenosha	UW Parkside 900 Wood Road Kenosha WI 53144	
2/12/05	Waukesha South	Wisconsin Lutheran College 8800 West Bluemound Rd. Milwaukee WI 53226	
2/13/05	Madison	Ward-Brodt Music Mall 200 W. Beltline Hwy Madison WI 53713	
2/19/05	Northshore	UW Washington County 400 University Dr. West Bend WI 53095	
2/26/05	Milwaukee West	Mount Mary College 2900 N. Menomonee River Pkwy. Milwaukee WI 53222	
2/26/05	Stevens Point	First Presbyterian Church 200 S. Lincoln Ave. Marshfield WI 54449	
2/27/05	Eau Claire	UW Eau Claire Hass Fine Arts Building 105 Garfield Ave. Eau Claire WI 54701	Incorrectly listed as Klienpell Fine Arts Building in Fall '04 News of Note.
2/27/05	Janesville North	Susan's School of Dance 3447 Mt. Zion Janesville WI 53546	
2/27/05	Milwaukee North	Peck School of the Arts UW-Milwaukee Box 413 Milwaukee WI 53201	
3/5/05	Beloit	Eaton Chapel Beloit College 700 College St. Beloit WI 53511	
3/5/05	Waukesha North	Wisconsin Lutheran College	See address for Waukesha South, 2/12/05
3/19/05	Milwaukee South	Wisconsin Lutheran College	See address for Waukesha South, 2/12/05 Note changed date!! Was 2/26/05

Errata in News of Note Fall 2004 listing of Junior Festival Dates

The location for the Eau Claire Junior Festival on Feb 27, 2005 was incorrectly listed in the Fall '04 issue of *News of Note*.

Please note the correct location on the chart at left.

I regret the error.
-- CEP

Reminder— Junior Festival Rules

All requests for transfers must be made through your district chairman. District chairmen should not accept requests for transfers from teachers or parents.

Also, keep in mind that some districts are dealing with large numbers of students and, consequently, may not have room to accept transfers.

-- Peg Radmer,
Festival Chairman



Ruth Morse Wilson Handbell Award

by Carol Fosshage, WFMC Chairman, (608) 756-5856

Adult and Collegiate WFMC Clubs, please pass this information to members of your club.

Applications are being accepted for the Ruth Morse Wilson Handbell Award of \$500.00. Ruth was a former state president of the Missouri Federation of Music Clubs and a Life Member of the NFMC. This award is given for outstanding handbell performance to a member of the federation. Adjudication will be by a panel of 3 distinguished authorities in the field of handbell music.

The handbell choir must play a program of at least 15 minutes in length. Original compositions or handbell arrangements may be used (handbells only). Include at least one composition by an American composer. Varied types of music should be used, such as: hymns, classical or secular music of different periods.

The application forms (CA 9-1 and CA 9-2), Video Tape, an original copy of the audition pieces, a large self-addressed stamped envelope, and a check made out to the NFMC for \$15.00 should be postmarked by March 15, 2005. Send to:

Carole Langley
1203 Whispering Pines Court
St. Louis, MO 63146

These forms can also be downloaded from the NFMC website: www.nfmc-music.org

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at cfosshage@jvl.net.

Application Deadlines

<u>Competition</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>State Chairman</u>
Student Auditions	January 15, 2005	Ruth Kreuser W166 S6716 Oak Hill Dr. Muskego, WI 53150
Junior Composers	February 1, 2005	Kenneth Bruce 4203 N. Morris Blvd. Shorewood, WI 53211
Stillman Kelly	February 1, 2005	Martha Veto 624 Grove Ave. Racine, WI 53405
Young Artists Auditions	March 1, 2005	Deborah Coleman N76 W2144 Chestnut Hill Rd. Sussex, WI 53089

Spanning the Generations *

By Heidi O. Hong **

At recent meetings I've attended, both local and national, I've noticed that there is often a lack of younger generations in attendance. This trend is worrisome to many organizations, and Music Clubs are no exception.

I am a second-generation member whose mother is still a member of the Barron Federated Music Club in Wisconsin. My sister and I are both members of the state organization and we enjoy doing all the activities, including the paperwork, for the Federation Festival in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Working together is a joy when your co-workers are cherished family members as well as devoted Music Club members. When was the last time you invited a mother, father, daughter, son, sister, brother or grandchild to join your music club? We are missing vital and important links in our chain of generations. With these missing links, we are losing our heritage as well as an influx of new ideas, energy, and creativity.

I sometimes think of the B. P. O. of Elks whose motto is "Why not make your Friend your Brother?" In other words, ask those closest to you to be a part of something you care about. What holds us back from asking a dear friend or relative in joining a cause we believe in? If every member would bring in one other member, we (the NFMC) would be most grateful. Think of all that we could accomplish in spreading the word of music and strengthening music careers and music education with our monetary awards throughout our nation.

Don't wait for the numbers in your club to drop to alarmingly low levels, or to see only dear friends in one generation carry the burden of all activities in the musical community. We need to build up our music clubs: local, state and national. It is necessary to recruit and educate in order to continue a legacy of enhancing music in our nation. Pick up the phone and make your friend or family member a part of the chain of generations in our beloved music clubs. All you have to do is ask, and remember you never know what lives you will touch or change through music. Just ask...

* Handout August 2004 – Council of State Presidents Meeting, Wilmington NC
(edited for length and format for WFMC *News of Note* Winter 2005 – CEP)

** Heidi O. Hong is past president of WFMC. She is also past NFMC Orientation and Leadership Chairperson and is currently serving as Chair of the NFMC National Council of State Presidents.

Recruitment

Make it Simple, Easy and Direct

Have an "Invite a Friend" dinner and/or concert.

- Make this attractive to the majority--don't eliminate potential members who cannot attend a meeting during work hours.
- Don't make your event too formal. Younger people and other potential members may not wish to attend this type of event.

Have an "Invite a Friend to the Meeting" event early in the club year, and at this time celebrate being a Music Club Member.

- Have a long time member explain why they still are a member;
- Have an officer explain why they volunteer many hours to the organization;
- Explain the different age categories of membership and the awards/programs that your club monetarily supports. Keep it simple--too many details will only overwhelm a potential member.
- Give people a reason to join and find a way to serve in a meaningful way.

Follow up

- Make phone calls or write letters to encourage those who attended to join.
- And remind them that we are not all musicians or teachers. We are individuals who care about music and have joined Music Clubs as a way to preserve American music as well as celebrate music in our lives. – Heidi O. Hong

CD Companion to the Piano Duets listed in the NFMC Bulletin 🎵

Judy Zahrndt of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, has compiled a 2-CD set featuring the duets listed in the NFMC 2004-05-06 Bulletin, from Pre-Primary through Elementary IV—more than 100 duets. When the next bulletin is issued in 2007, any works not on that list will automatically become choice selections, so the CD content will be useful for a minimum of 6 years. Ms. Zahrndt created the recordings as an aid in selecting the piano duets that are best suited to your piano teams. WFMC President Jeanne Kish has a set. The cost per set is \$20.00 plus \$2.00 shipping and handling.

Custom discs for digital piano can be ordered featuring select duets of your choice. This allows students to mute the 'primo' and play the secondo-- or vice-versa, or even to slow the tempo. Each CD is \$5.00.

Ms. Zahrndt also indicates that she plans to finish levels through MD2 or beyond soon..

For more information, see Judy Zahrndt's website: www.judyzplane.com, or e-mail her at judyz@judyzplane.com. She can also be reached at 225-752-0357, or write to her at 6123 Hickory Ridge Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70817.



Remember – Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs/ tax-exempt number is ES11100. Contact WFMC President Jeanne Kish if you need a copy of the certificate.

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Send your request to Christine Peterson, Editor, *WFMC News of Note*, at chrisso@sbcglobal.net.

See you at the 81st Biennial WFMC Convention *by Carol Fosshage*

Beloit Treble Clef and Janesville MacDowell Music Club will host the 81st Biennial State WFMC Convention on June 18, 2005. It will be held in Janesville at the Janesville Woman's Club, 108 S Jackson Street. The one-day event will begin at 8:15 with registration, followed by a short business meeting at 9:00. A continental breakfast will be available during registration and lunch will be served at noon. Information on hotels in the area will be available in the spring.

We are pleased to announce special guests who will be attending, Past National President, Ouida Keck and Odee Maier, vice-president of the North Central Region. Performers during the day will include an elementary school choir directed by Diane Skrobis, recipient of the Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs Citation Award, Erik Saunders, a very talented student of Vicki Wagner, a vocal quartet from MacDowell performing Neues Liebeslieder, and a High School senior pianist from Janesville, Christina Giuca. A Memorial Service will end the day at 3:30. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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In Memoriam

Carol Flocker, Schubert Music Club, Kenosha, sends sad news of the passing of one Virginia Wade Jornt:

Virginia Wade Jornt, 92, of Kenosha, died Tuesday (November 9, 2004) at her home.

Born in Kenosha on May 21, 1912, she was the daughter of the late Nicholas and Helen (Krueger) Wade. A lifetime Kenosha resident, she attended local schools, graduating from Kenosha High School in 1930. She earned her music degree from Chicago Classical School of Music.

On August, 1932, she married Earl F. Jornt at Grace Lutheran Church in Waukegan. He died May, 3 1983.

She was a piano teacher for many years. She joined her father in real estate at Wade Realtors after receiving her Realtor's license, later earning her GRI. She retired in 1990.

She was a life member of the National Federation of Music Clubs and a member of the Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Federation of Music Clubs. She was a past president of the Kenosha Schubert Club, serving as vice president at the time of her death. A strong supporter of the Kenosha Symphony Orchestra, she was honored by the group in December 2003. She was past president of Weiskopf School Parent Teacher Association, 3rd president of the past president of the City Wide PTA Council. She organized and was past president of the Washington Middle School PTA. She was a member of the Silver Century Club of Carthage and friends of Carthage, on the Board of Directors of the Quota Club, active in the Woman's Auxiliary-Shrine for Crippled Children, a former member of the Woman's Club of Kenosha, Kenosha Symphony League, Kenosha Friends of the Historical Museum and Friends of Kemper Center. She and her husband were charter members of Band Boosters in Kenosha and enjoyed chaperoning bands many times.

She enjoyed playing at nursing homes as well as playing the organ for the Pennoyer Home church services.

An active member of Grace Lutheran Church, she was involved in many groups and taught Sunday School. Survivors include four daughters Patricia (Orv) Canfield, Earlene (Mark) Girman, Juanita (Robert) Becker, and Rachel (William) Zahn, all of Kenosha; 11 grandchildren; and 4 great grandchildren

Preceding her in death were two brothers, Lester and Richard Wade, and two sisters, Grace Wade Thomas and Genevieve K. Wade as an infant.

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