

North Texas Suzuki Association
Fall General Meeting Minutes
September 14, 2014
4:00 pm

Welcome by Amy Tomlinson

Introductions:

Amy Tomlinson
Anna Halperin
Mary Margaret Haraden
Tom White (new SMID piano)
Ian Salmon
Lisa Shields
Louise Rossi
Donna Davis
Hsing-Yi (Cindi) Lin
Patty Purcell
Jeanette Runyon
Jenny McHenry
Matt Bethe
Christine Faught
Susan Vaughn (new Denton Suzuki piano)
Ashley Skidmore
Denae Chance
Daina Volodka Staggs (new violin - NTSTE - Frisco)
Bob Hauck
Rita Hauck
Nicolette Solomon
Bret Serrin
Charles Krigbaum
Irene Mitchell

Board and Committee Members:

President

- Amy Tomlinson

Vice President

- Ian Salmon

Treasurer

- Charles Krigbaum

Secretary

- Irene Mitchell

Past President

- Jeanette Runyon

Committees:

Scholarship

- Patty Purcell, Anna Halperin, Rita Hauck, Ian Salmon

Teacher Development

- Charles Krigbaum / Bret Serrin

Trophy Festival

- Mary Margaret Herendon, Jeanette Runyon, Ashley Skidmore

Teacher Development: Charles Krigbaum

TERI EINFELDT - Violin Master Teacher Trainer is coming January 2 & 3, 2015! She will present a 10 hour enrichment course.

NTSA member fee \$150.00 (non-members add \$25 & will become members); additional \$15 if added to SAA transcript

3 sessions planned (the beginning student, care/development of intermediate students, advanced supplementary literature)

Location: South Eules Elementary School (Patty Purcell's school)

Workshop Times: Friday from 4-8 pm, Sat from 9-12, 1:30-4:30

Although this will be geared to the violin/viola teachers, there will be much information applicable throughout the Suzuki disciplines.

Many thanks to Charles for his years of service as Teacher Development Chair.

Bret Serin will be the 2016 Chair of Teacher Development.

Trophy Festival

Thanks to Christine Faught for her many years of excellent direction as head of the Trophy Festival.

Mary Margaret 2015 new director, Ashley Skidmore and Jeanette Runyon will assist.

Possible Dates: February 21 or 28, 2015

So that more funds can be spent on Student/Teacher Scholarships, NTSA members will volunteer time as adjudicators, tuners, organizers, etc.

All teachers who enter students in festival will need to plan on donating one hour of time per 1-10 students (2 hrs per 20, etc),

or ask a qualified Suzuki colleague to take their place.

Possible locations: Grapevine Church/school (Jessica Kirby) or Wilshire Baptist (Dallas/Irene)

Space needs: 3-4 piano rooms plus scholarship piano room, violin rooms

Christine Faught suggested adding parent talks/master classes to supplement the trophy festival experience

Advanced kids could also be asked to tune other kids (payment in pizza/donuts)

Celebration Concert Bob and Rita Hauck OCTOBER 11, 2015 (info on NTSA website)

CORRECT DIRECTIONS TO CELEBRATION ARE ONLINE

DIRECTIONS ON FLYER HAVE THE CORRECT ADDRESS

Anna, Mary Margaret, Jeanette, Patty will be at Registration Table

9:30 am orchestra members arrive (bringing music stands, their own copies of the music)

they can also help ready the facility (put up signs, etc)

10 am orchestra rehearsal (teachers only)

9:30-10:30 registration of students

10:30 choral rehearsal with everyone

11:30 lunch

12:30 Combined rehearsal

1:30 Instrument Play ins (or Play downs)

TEACHER PLAYS INTRO for BKS 1-3 to help student pianists

Organizers responsible for contacting Rita/student pianists with tempi, etc.

Violins - Ian will organize

Violas - Nicolette will organize

Cello - Matt will organize

Piano - Jeanette will organize

Harp - Kristin will organize

2:30 - 3 Concert (Concert attire is 'dressy casual', NTSA or school shirts if 'dressed up')

3-3:30 Birthday party

cake Mary Margaret

we need cases of small bottles of water -

Everyone, please make plans to help clean up the church so they will allow us to return.

Many thanks to Jeanette for making her home church available to all of us.

Membership Ian Salmon

- 52 current members
- 26 lapsed and expecting to renew
- 16 new members during Sept. 2013-Sept. 2014

Ian has gone through old membership records and deleted copies.

Mechanism in place to avoid overcharging membership fees.

Ian has reached out to all new area SAA members and invited them to join NTSA

2014 Scholarship Audition Committee Report - Patty Purcell

\$2500 awarded to students, \$300 to teachers

21 auditions were heard, judges were extremely impressed with the fine quality of students' performances

The three top winners will perform at the Suzuki Celebration Concert:

- Laura Jacks, piano, student of Rita Hauck \$500 Helen Gerald Memorial Scholarship
- Shawna Hartman, viola, student of Charles Krigbaum \$500 Gwen Runyon Memorial Scholarship
- Max Dabagia, piano, student of Bret Serrin \$500 Jenny Burton Founder's Award Scholarship

Bob Hauck suggested in future, concerto competition might be played with faculty orchestra accompaniment; and there are now string orchestra accompaniments to many of the Suzuki violin/viola/cello pieces

Scheduling of upcoming Spring 2015 meeting:

March 29, 2015 Sunday Amy Tomlinson's house:

- 7901 Jefferson Circle Colleyville 76034 4 pm meeting (3 pm Board mtg)

Bob and Rita Hauck presented Jeanette with a gift for her exemplary service as NTSA President, a beautiful serving dish from Gavin Gardens in Hot Springs AR

The Haucks also presented Ian with a Starbucks gift card as thanks for his website help on the Celebration Concert

Meeting adjourned and yummy food followed...

If you didn't make it to this meeting, we'd love to see you in March at Amy's lovely home!