NWSMTA Meeting Minutes - February 19th, 2024

Meeting called to order by President Chyi-Ling Evans

1st VICE PRES/PROGRAM CHAIR - Nancy Dempsey

- The March meeting will be held at Countryside Church Palatine
- Our member Dr. Pang Kroll will present her Doctoral Dissertation, "Humor and Irony in Beethoven's Promethius Piano Variations Opus 35. Bring your scores.

2nd VICE PRES/MEMBERSHIP – Marcia Rudin: Total members 118, 1 new member in January 2024. Up 2 from last year.

RECORDING SECRETARY - Position is still open.

TREASURER – Yushan Sui

- Harris Bank Balance \$ 16,814.94 as of 2/19/2024
- Fidelity Investment has a market value of \$ 42,752.97, a \$ 251.12 increase.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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Performance Exam Level 3-9 – Vonnie Mrozinski

- The date will be 3/17/2024.
- Registration Deadline has passed. No new entries or time changes will be accepted.
- Please reply to accept your judging time.

April Exam Levels 1-2 Complete & Levels 10-12_Performance - Suzanne Murray

- Registration deadline is March 14
- For level 1 and 2 please send \$30 fee send to Suzanne
- For Level 10 12 a \$20 Reenrollment fee should be sent to Suzanne for students who took theory in a previous year and are taking performance now.
- For Level 12 a \$25 recital fee for students who are doing a recital.
- For students to receive a plaque, must pass all exams (both theory and performance) with at least 80.
- More help is needed in the morning. Also, setup help is needed early.

FESTIVAL OF PIANO - Will be in the fall at Northbrook mall. Repertoire will be online soon.

STUDENT RECITALS - (Classical and Pop & Jazz)

April 28th at St. Michaels Episcopal Church in Barrington

Registration deadline 4/14/2024. Enroll on the website. Have the students memorize the music.

TEACHERS MUSICALE - Held on 5/6/2024 at the same church.

Email Yoko details if you want to participate 7-10 days before the event.

JAZZ COMBO EXPRIENCE - Maureen Flood & Justyna Weirich: Will be held on Father's Day at House of Music and Entertainment.

MIDWEST KEYBOARD PERFORMERS CHALLENGE – Brenda Huang & Janice Razaq

- 50% increase in enrollment
- Full day 9 5pm
- Schedule ready soon

SCHOLARSHIPS – Suyi Su: Check the deadlines on the website

YEARBOOK – Maureen Flood: Let Maureen know any businesses who might want to advertise.

LUNCHEON - Justyna Weirich: Will be at "The Bakester" in Arlington Heights. Delicious French Café menu.

PUBLICITY – Lily Zhang: Last month posted new photos on Facebook.

MINUTES - Minutes from January 2024 meeting were read and approved. (Debbie moved / Marsha second)

Helen Marlais Workshop – Sunday, 9/22/2024 at Northwestern McClintock Recital Hall Sponsored by NSMTA, CAMTA and NWSMTA (\$200). The monthly meeting will have a 90-minute presentation on "Essentials for success: Self-directed intelligent practicing".

Nominating committee: Nominate President and 1st vice president for 2024-2026. Justyna, Vonnie, Brenda Haynes, Lois, and Helen Chang volunteered. Brenda will be the chairperson.

MEETING ADJOURNED (Brenda moved / Debbie second)

Respectfully submitted,

Chyi-Ling Evans