

## NWSMTA Meeting

The April 20 meeting of NWSMTA meeting was called to order at 9:50 am at Rolling Meadows Library by Mi-Young Kim, Vice-President. Motion to approve the April minutes was made by Lori, seconded by Marie. Motion carried.

Treasurer Chieko Garling reported we have \$17,534.25 in checking and \$19,104.42 in the investment account.

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President & Program Chair: Mi-Young reported on the Teacher's Musicales held last weekend at Northbrook. It was a success. Today's program is by member Brenda Huang.

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President & Membership Chair: Suzanne Murray reported we now have 137 members. Last year we had 140 members. She reminded members to send in membership renewals soon.

## Committee Reports

AIM: Helen reported that last Sunday was the final day for exams. She thanked all who entered students and helped and judged. She passed out score sheets. Recital dates for level 12 students will be announced soon. The AIM committee meeting is May 4 and all are welcome to attend.

Awards Competition: Galina reported that it was held at Harper College yesterday with 99 students participating. Primary level – 38 students, Elementary level – 25 students, Junior – 16 students, Intermediate – 15 students, and Senior – 3 students. Saturday April 25 will be the celebratory concert to present trophies to winners at Steinway Gallery in Northbrook. Judges select the piece each student will play. Thanks to all members to helped that day. She asked members to consider being on the awards competition committee.

Certification: Jennifer Cohen reported the Certification Coffee is May 20 at her house. She encouraged all who had an interest to come.

Classical: Mi-Young reported that there were 21 students from 12 teachers participating.

Pop/Jazz: Mary Ann reported the recital was also yesterday. There were 20 students from 9 teachers participating. She reminded members to please check the rules before enrolling students. Students cannot use their music except for ensembles.

Festival of Pianos: Sandy Liebowitz reported that our 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive Festival of Pianos is set for September 26-27. The deadline to enroll is June 30. Send enrollment forms in to Diane Adamek.

Finance: no report

Group Tickets: no report

Historian: Janice Wilkans reported that Susan Payne had lost her husband and she sent a card. She also sent a card to Robin, our President, from our group.

Independent Music Teachers: no report

Library: Suzanne Fleer is not present, but requests that members return items to her at the May luncheon.

Luncheon: Justyna reported the luncheon is May 18 and the cost is \$29.

Placement: no report

Publicity: no report

Scholarship: Maureen reported that the committee has 3 entries for college scholarships and they are working on getting them judged.

Sonata/Sonatina festival: no report

Workshop: Marcia Mally volunteered to be on the committee.

Old Business – none

New Business: Mi-Young announced a fundraising event in Bloomingdale on June 7, a Sunday, at Indian Hills resort. They are asking for a pianist to volunteer to play any music. This would be good experience for an advanced student.

Nominating Committee: Mary Ann reported that Marcia, Fran, Vonnie, Janice, and herself met to fill the offices of Membership Chair, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. They nominate the following:

Membership chair - Sue Ioriatti

Recording secretary – Lori Sorman

Treasurer - Chyi-Ling Evans

Maureen Flood has been nominated to finish the term of Mi-Young who will be moving June 1.

There were no nominations from the floor. Motion to accept the slate of nominees was made by Marie, and Rick seconded. Vote passed.

Member of the Year: Maureen nominated Sandy Liebovitz. Janice nominated Lyn Ehrgott. Mary Ann nominated Chieko Garling.

After a vote, Sandy Liebowitz was declared our Member of the Year. State conference and dinner is paid by our chapter. Congratulations!

Helen reported on the MTNA conference in Las Vegas. She is foundation fellow. Sessions were excellent, and concerts were excellent. James Galway gave a conference/recital. She also heard Canadian Brass, Ann Schein, Lang-Lang perform.

Janice also reported that the conference was educational and fun. She commented on Mark Samples' conference on branding and other sessions with Michael Benson, and Randy Faber.

Motion to adjourn was made by Maureen, and seconded by Marie. Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am.

Brenda Buchanan, Recording Secretary