

RMTA Report for Spring VMTA Meeting June 9, 2012

MEMBERSHIP: At last count we had 80 members. It looks like we are adding new members on a monthly basis so it might be more by now.

PROGRAMS 2012-2013

September: Annual Kickoff Meeting with a potluck luncheon.

October: Jazz Lecture and workshop with Russell Wilson

Examining and interpreting Jazz from the written score for the elementary and intermediate student.

January: Potluck Breakfast Meeting & Music Discussions

Roundtable questions about music and teaching.

April: Lecture and Workshop with Dr. Paulo Steinberg

Performance anxiety and memorization-I knew the music but my mind went blank.

May: Annual Luncheon

This year we went to TJ's at the Jefferson Hotel

MUSICAL OPPORTUNITIES

Richmond Symphony Open Dress Rehearsals

Students invited to observe a complete 2 ½ hour rehearsal and students may ask questions after the rehearsal. There were 4 different rehearsals offered.

Play-A Thon

It was held Saturday February 11 in Norstroms at Short Pump Mall. The students performed music for pledges. We raised over \$4,000.00 to be used for student scholarships.

Student Recital Series

The recitals are held at St. Catherine's School. There are 5 recital opportunities each year.

Bach Competition and Winners' Recital

This was held in March at the University of Richmond, Perkinson Recital Hall. The competition was on Saturday and the winners' recital on Sunday afternoon. Participants are required to

perform two memorized pieces: one piece by J.S. Bach and another from a different period of music. There were three judges and four student classifications. The winner of each classification received a cash prize. All students received a certificate of participation.

VMTA Fall Festival

This was held in Richmond on Saturday, November 12th at the University of Richmond.

SCHOLARSHIPS

We have two types of scholarships that we offer. One is for a high school senior who is planning to continue musical education in college. The other scholarship is for a student to attend a summer music camp.

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE

RMTA was the host chapter for the VMTA Fall Conference at VCU in Richmond.

We conducted a Richmond Music Teachers Association Survey. The question categories included: Demographic Information, Income, Rate Increases, Lesson Lengths, Weekend Teaching, Other Services Provided, Billing, Make-Up Policies, Swap Lists, Interviews, Written Policies, and Registration Fees.

Respectfully Submitted

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