

**Roanoke Valley Music Teachers Association
President's Report
2011-2012
Presented at the VMTA Spring Conference
Charlottesville, VA June 9, 2012**

Membership:

RVMTA had a total of 44 members for the year, including 1 student from Hollins University and 1 home-schooled student.

VMTA Fall Festival:

Saturday, November 19, 2011

105 students of 14 teachers registered

97 students performed (piano solos, piano duets, vocal, violin)

79 "superior" ratings

18 "excellent" ratings

VMTA Theory, Sightreading & Skills Tests: TBA

RVMTA Student Recital:

RVMTA held a "*Music with Friends*" recital on March 11, 2012.

Students from our member's studios performed ensemble music.

34 students performed, representing 6 RVMTA teachers.

Scholarships:

There were no applicants for the annual \$500 RVMTA Scholarship.

There was one applicant for the annual \$1000 Mae Stemple Scholarship. This scholarship is for undergraduate students who were former students of RVMTA members. (If no undergraduate students apply, we open the scholarship to RVMTA members what are candidates for their Masters or PHD in Music.) The undergraduate winner was David Michael Johnson, student at James Madison University and former student of RVMTA member, Lynne Kessler. David was presented the \$1000 check at the RVMTA meeting on May 11, 2012, and he presented a wonderful recital for the membership.

Website:

RVMTA website has been an efficient and inexpensive means of communication for our members. The website can be found at: www.rvmta.org Sarah Reaser O'Brien has served so skillfully as our webmaster.

Programs:

September 9, 2011: Roma Scriven, NCTM, "The Uniqueness of One"

October 14, 2011: Sherrie Boone, Piano Technician, "Let's Look Under the Lid: What to look for when purchasing and maintaining a piano."

November 11, 2011: Donna Boles and Vicky Elliott, "Accompanying...A New Generation"

January 13, 2012: Roundtable: "What is a contemporary idiom?"

February 10, 2012: Peggy Schaaf, RVMTA President-Elect, "Where to Go if You Want to Know: Helpful Websites for Teachers and Students"

March 9, 2012: Suzanne W. Guy was scheduled as our presenter, but due to an injury she was rescheduled for the May 11 meeting. Instead, member Laura Woodrum presented her Senior Recital for Hollins University.

April 12-13, 2012: Hollins University annual Galbraith Masterclass, Recital and Teacher Workshop with Guest Artist, Phillip Keveren

May 11, 2012: Mae Stemple Scholarship Winner's Recital presented by David Michael Johnson, JMU, Business Meeting, Workshop by Suzanne W. Guy: "Timeless Tips from the Keyboard" and a Dutch Treat lunch followed.

New Officers for 2012-2014:

President: Peggy M. Schaaf

President-Elect: Sherrie N. Andrews

Vice-President: Terry L. Francisco

Recording Secretary: Mary E. Gunderson

Corresponding Secretary: Kathleen J. Merrell

Treasurer: Jean K. Williams

Historian: Sarah Reaser O'Brien

Immediate Past President: Bittsy R. Hall

Business Meetings:

Business meeting were held in September and May. The 2012-2014 RVMTA Executive Board and the Finance Committee will meet in early summer to plan future events and a budget.

Respectfully submitted by
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President, RVMTA