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TFMC announces fall board meeting

TX hosts 60th anniversary celebration for Opera in the Ozarks in Arkansas

About 70 persons, half from the host state of Texas, participated in the 60th anniversary of Federation Days at Opera in the Ozarks at Inspiration Point Fine Arts Colony, Eureka Springs, AR.

Operas presented were Carmen, Don Giovanni, Tosca, and a special Saturday night concert featuring the opera Ruth written by past OIO artistic director Isaac Van Grove. The children's opera was Carmensita.

Absent due to personal or spouse illness were Governing Board president Carole Langley, treasurer Duane Langley, and recording secretary Jean Moffatt. Vice-President Sue Breuer ably filled in for Carole, and Gloria Thrasher ably substituted for Jean.

The silent auction raised about \$1,600 for OIO, with the centerpiece being an OIO quilt handmade by honorary Governing Board member Maxine Burkhard of Kansas and her family.

State Festival has 1,523 entrants

A total of 1,523 students gathered at Texas State University in San Marcos May 22 for the annual TFMC State Festival. Of those, 257 performed in the All-State Recital.

More than \$4,000 was awarded to outstanding performers in various categories.

Statewide, Festivals attracted 5,787 participants to 31 total events. A total of 4,952 Superiors were awarded.

See a photo of this event in the online edition of the Musical Messenger.

Texans honored with awards included Francis Christmann and Maria Putter for outstanding monetary contributions and Richard Drapeau for sales of cookbooks and posters, Mary Prudie Brown, past NFMC, TFMC, and Governing Board president; and David Hobart, son of IPFAC's founder; received memorial tributes.

All of the work that Texas members contributed was well worth the effort. As you know, Texas was the host state for the OIO 60th Diamond anniversary. Special thanks goes to Dortha and Ronald Bennett, Dorene Allen, Francis Christmann, Cletis Williamson, Gloria Galey, Nancy and Lewis Herling, Peggy Jones, Betty Hall, Lynn McNew, Carla Johnson, and all who baked cookies. The Friday banquet was elegant, and all who participated did an outstanding job. See pictures in the online edition of this newsletter.

Next year's operas will be Falstaff, Romeo and Juliet, Don Pasquale and the children's opera of Cinderella.

Lana Bailey, NFMC president, was the National guest. Francis Christmann served as her official hostess.

NFMC dues to increase

Beginning with 2010-2011, our NFMC dues will be increased by one dollar per active club member. TFMC is not increasing dues. This means club dues will increase from \$4 per member to \$5 per member each year. Two dollars of that will stay in Texas. The club minimum will increase from \$40 to \$50 for clubs that have fewer than 10 members.

96th annual session set Aug. 28-29 in Dallas

What fun it will be "Getting to Know You" as we join together for our Texas Federation of Music Clubs 96th Fall Board Meeting. "**The Sound of Music**" will permeate our meeting as we are to have performances from two of our All State recital winners (TFMC State Festival).

We will have reports from our TFMC officers, chairmen, and district presidents and vice-presidents. We will also hear important information from our NFMC Board Meeting and from the exciting events at Opera in the Ozarks. We will have a break-out session on report forms, and we plan to have a question and answer time.

The Embassy Suites will again provide a delicious dinner which will be followed by a fabulous program showcasing American music. We will feature the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein performed by our own very talented TFMC members. This is one evening you will not want to miss.

Our board meeting will begin Thursday, Aug. 27 at 1:15 p.m. and close Saturday noon with a luncheon in the Embassy Suites Atrium. The official call is included in the Musical Messenger. You will notice that the hotel deadline is August 13, 2010. A check for your registration and meals needs to be mailed to Dorene Allen to be received by August 15, 2010.

Please note that Dorene will be mailing out 2011 dues notices for senior, student, and junior clubs in September. These need to be paid by December 1 with all applicable fees.

From Your TFMC President

Oh, What a Beautiful Morning it is as I write my fifth message to you. I will share with you a few of *My Favorite Things*. It seems like events should slow down after our TFMC state convention, but such has not happened. The next week on March 11, I flew to Oklahoma City for the Opera in the Ozarks board meeting. We were able to pick up our new OIO cookbooks which were done to celebrate the 60th anniversary of OIO. The first fifty that Texas received have already been sold, but we will have more at our TFMC board meeting in August. The cost is only \$13, so hopefully you can begin thinking about birthday and Christmas presents, as these cookbooks will make wonderful gifts.

On March 17, I drove to Waco to finalize our plans for the 96th TFMC 2011 state convention. We are pleased that we will have our meeting at the lovely Waco Hilton Hotel. Baylor University is hosting our two evening concerts. We are excited that Joyce Jones, the organ professor at Baylor, will be playing an organ recital Thursday night, and James Cochran, our NFMC Young Artist, will be giving a piano recital Friday evening. Be sure to put our convention dates, March 31-April 2, 2011, on your calendar.

Jean Moffatt and I finished getting the spring *Musical Messenger* ready to print the middle of April. I hope that you feel that the *Musical Messengers* are as interesting as we do.

On April 16 my husband Phil and I drove to Carthage to meet with District III on Saturday, the 17th. We had a lovely meeting at the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame. It was exciting to hear the Panola College Chorus sing and to hear the wonderful things that the Tyler, Carthage, and Marshall clubs are doing. On May 19, it was wonderful to be able to speak to the Wednesday Morning Music Club in

Calendar of Events

NFMC Board Meeting August 3-8, 2010, Pittsburgh Airport Marriott, Coraopolis, PA

TFMC Fall Board Meeting Aug. 27-28, 2010, Embassy Suites Love Field, Dallas

Opera in the Ozarks Governing Board meetings, Oct. 29-30, 2010 and March 4-5, 2011, Oklahoma City, OK

Christmann Young Artist Debut Nov. 6, 8:30 p.m., Carnegie Hall, New York; Baritone Daniel Seigel

TFMC 96th convention, March 31-Apr. 2, 2011, Waco Hilton; District IV host

National Music Week May 1-8, 2011; theme "Music. . .An Instrument of Universal Expression"

TFMC State Festival, May 2011, San Marcos

NFMC 56th Biennial Convention, June 6-12, 2012, McLean, VA

Opera in the Ozarks Federation Days, July 13-16, 2010, Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Austin and to hear the winners of their Wilcox and Maurer Awards.

May 22 was our TFMC State Festival in San Marcos. How exciting it was to hear the All-State winners perform from 9:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. We are hoping to have two or three of these winners perform at our TFMC Fall Board Meeting. Be sure to read the Festival article on page 1.

June 19 was the District IV Conference in Navasota. It has been so much fun to hear about the exciting things that our clubs do. Waco, Rockdale, and Navasota will be the host clubs for our 96th TFMC Convention in Waco.

We have been making plans for a year to be the host state for the 60th Diamond Anniversary of Opera in the Ozarks. There were nearly 40 Texans who enjoyed informative meetings, great meals with OIO members performing, and thrilling operas. I cannot tell you enough how much I appreciate all of the effort and cooperation that went into making Texas a shining star for this outstanding event. You will enjoy reading our report of Federation Days at OIO.

We now begin the journey to prepare for this coming year. As you know, our NFMC Fall Board Meeting will be August 3-8, 2010 in Pittsburgh. We hope to bring new information and ideas to our TFMC Fall Board Meeting August 27-28 in Dallas. Due to the length of the page 1 article about our fall board meeting, I have separated the information and made it a separate article. However, be advised that we are going to have some special surprises.

I know that you are eagerly looking forward to a new year as you plan your programs and yearbooks and set goals for your clubs. I share this excitement with you as we celebrate "Music. . .the joy of the heart."

I look forward to seeing you in August.

Musically yours,



TFMC president

IN MEMORIAM

Clara Geistman Weir	Dec. 28, 2009	Abilene Harmony Club
Frances Elizabeth Warren	Mar. 13, 2010	Abilene Harmony Club
Lucille Pumphrey	April 3, 2010	Fort Worth Euterpean
Don Shores	April 27, 2010	Lubbock Music Club
Billie June Thompson	May 12, 2010	Seminole Music Club
Mary Johnston Payne	June 17, 2010	Abilene Harmony Club
Lucy Westbrook	June 23, 2010	Dallas Melodie Music Club

Please send names and dates of death of deceased members to TFMC president Carla Johnson for inclusion in quarterly issues.

OFFICIAL CALL

Texas Federation of Music Clubs

96th Annual State Board Meeting

August 27-28, 2010 :- Embassy Suites Hotel Love Field
3880 West Northwest Highway, Dallas, TX 75220

SCHEDULE

Friday, August 27

Finance Committee 9 a.m.
Executive Committee 10:45 a.m.
Regular Board Meeting 1:15-5:15 p.m.
Dinner 6:15 p.m.
Program -- Showcasing American Music
The Music of Rodgers and Hammerstein

Saturday, August 28

Board Meeting Continued 8:45-12 p.m.
Lunch 12:15 p.m.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Office/Chairmanship(s) _____

Event:	Price:	No.	Total
Registration (required)	\$10.00	_____	\$_____
Friday Dinner	\$28.00	_____	\$_____
Saturday Lunch	\$19.50	_____	\$_____
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED		_____	\$_____

Make checks payable to TFMC. Clip and mail by **August 14** to
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Please note: both room and meal rates are lower this year!

Hotel rooms are \$99 and are subject to city and state tax. Each room includes a deluxe breakfast. Cutoff date is **August 13, 2010**. Call 214-357-4500 and ask for the **TFMC rate**. Use the same number to get a complimentary shuttle to and from Love Field.

All state officers and chairmen, district presidents and vice-presidents will give a report. Please bring two copies for the secretary. If you are unable to attend, please mail/email a copy of your report with your regrets. Please consider mailing in a registration fee even if you are unable to attend. This helps defray the cost of the meeting.

All club presidents and TFMC members are encouraged to attend. You will receive much information to help you get off to a good start for your club year. Since NFMC is having its board meeting the first of August, there will be information that you need to know.

Our TFMC board meeting gives you an opportunity to see other music lovers around the state and get to know each other better. It is a fast, but very informative, and enjoyable meeting with lots of fun that you won't want to miss!

MM Notice

You may notice that there are no pictures in this edition. We are unable to include pictures in the printed version of the Musical Messenger, but there are several beautiful color pictures in the on-line version. Please access this from either of the two websites listed in the masthead and check out the photos. You may print them as needed.

We are also not including any report forms in this edition. These are also available online at the NFMC website: www.nfmc-music.org.

Please continue to send in news and photos as desired, and we will use them in the appropriate places. To receive the MM online, contact Carla Johnson; by mail, contact Jean Moffatt; address, p. 1.

Navasota hosts District IV

The Navasota Music Study Club, a member of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs and the National Federation of Music Clubs, hosted the District IV Annual Spring Conference June 19th at the First Presbyterian Church. State President, Carla Johnson, was the guest speaker. District President, Doris Ann Stanford, presided. Members of the Waco Euterpean Music Club and the Matinee Music Club of Rockdale were present. Reports of the activities of the clubs in District IV were shared.

Navasota recipients of the Jane Lott Music Scholarship, Daniel Nunez and Taylor Westfall performed. Daniel played piano selections by Gershwin and Liszt. Taylor played a bassoon solo by Mozart and sang a solo by Faure. Every year the Navasota Music Club gives a \$1500 scholarship to a graduating senior to study music on the college level. Following the meeting everyone enjoyed a lovely salad luncheon hosted by the Navasota Music Study Club.

The members who started the scholarship fund in the 1960's made many memorial donations to build the fund. Also, each year we have a nice musical event for the community to get donations. One year we had the Singing Cadets from A & M. The majority of the money is from gifts for memorials. At present we have about \$22,000 in the scholarship fund. Our goal for the next few years is to increase that amount to about \$33,000. At that point I think it should become an endowed fund and only the interest used in addition to the amount we might raise annually for scholarships. Our club also donated a Steinway grand to our school for the auditorium some years ago.

This year our fund raiser will be Sept. 25th. A small group, "Oasis", of the Sweet Adelines from Houston will be performing. We hope to raise about \$2,500 by selling tickets and getting sponsorships from local businesses.

See a picture of this event in the online edition.

Crownridge hosts showcase

The Crownridge Music Club is hosting a free music showcase for music teachers Saturday, August 7, at the Tuesday Music Club in San Antonio. Registration is at 9:30, followed by the showcase from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. About 250 selections from the new NFMC Festival Bulletin will be performed from a variety of divisions.

Odessa club gives awards

The Tuesday Morning Music and Arts Club of Odessa sponsored a Scholarship Silver Tea at the home of Mikie (Mrs. Randall) Kelly on Sunday, May 2, 2010.

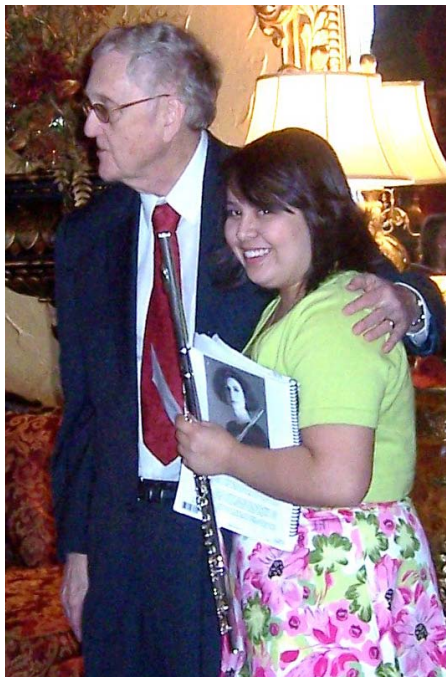
This annual event raises money for scholarships that are given in the form of awards to high school seniors that have studied with Odessa teachers and are planning to study music in college, or students that are already enrolled as music majors at Odessa College or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

This year's awards went to Odessa High School flautist Alexis Cortez, who will be enrolling in West Texas A&M in the fall; UTPB students Ashleigh Dunn, a sophomore voice student and Derek Wooten, a music education major with a concentration in double bass.

The awardees performed as part of the entertainment that was held during the two hour event. Also performing were voice students of Barbara Shinn and voice and piano students of Ronald Bennett.

Please see photos of this event in the online version of the [Musical Messenger](#).

The Wednesday Morning Music Club of Austin presented its annual Wilcox and Maurer awards May 19. See a photo of this event in the online version of the [Musical Messenger](#).



Ronald Bennett, representing the Tuesday Morning Music and Arts Club of Odessa, presents awards to Derek Wooten, Alexis Cortez, and Ashleigh Dunn at the Scholarship Silver Tea May 2. See story, page 4.



District IV dignitaries at the annual spring conference June 19 in Navasota were, from left, Carol Gessner, president of Navasota Music Club; Doris Ann Stanford, District IV president; Daniel Nunez and Taylor Westfall, scholarship recipients who performed at the meeting; and Carla Johnson, TFMC president. See story on page 4.

Dignitaries who helped with the TFMC State Festival May 22 in San Marcos were Cathy Neidert, Festival chairman; Carla Johnson, TFMC president; Laurel Ince, past TFMC president and founder of the state festival; and Herb Karnau, who coordinated the All-State Recital in the auditorium. More than 1500 juniors from across the state took part in the 2010 Festival. See story, page 1.





An amazing number of Texans attended Opera in the Ozarks at Inspiration Point Fine Arts Colony in Eureka Springs, Arkansas July 14-17. Here they surround Lana Bailey, NFMC president. See story, page 1.



Past TFMC president Dortha Bennett and husband Ronald man the registration table at Opera in the Ozarks. They are surrounded by dozens of delicious cookies provided by TFMC members and standing in front of a beautiful poster advertising the 2010 operas.



ABOVE -- TFMC president Carla Johnson poses with five scholarship winners from Texas who attended Opera in the Ozarks this summer. BELOW -- TFMC president Carla Johnson and NFMC president Lana Bailey flank the NFMC scholarship winner to Opera in the Ozarks, Nephi Sanchez from Brownsville, TX.

Opera in the Ozarks was celebrating "60 Years of Magic" in 2010.



Yearbook information for 2010-2011 included

“Together We Sing”

June 2010	Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean	Thomas a' Beckett	Unknown
July 2010	Swing Low, Sweet Chariot	Traditional spiritual	
August 2010	Home on the Range	Higley Kelley	
September 2010	Amazing Grace	John Newton traditional	
October 2010	Whispering Hope	Alice Hawthorne	
November 2010	Tenting Tonight	Walter Kitteredge	
December 2010	Good King Wenceslas	John Mason Neale	traditional
January 2011	Beautiful Dreamer	Stephen Foster	
February 2011	Hail, Thou Auspicious Day	US Patriots	traditional
March 2011	America the Beautiful	Katherine Bates	Samuel Ward
April 2011	Lorena	Joseph Webster	Henry Webster
May 2011	I've Been Working on the Railroad		Traditional
June 2011	You're a Grand Old Flag	George M. Cohan	
July 2011	The Little Brown Church	William S. Pitts	
August 2011	Clementine	Percy Mondross	

Directory Changes

(Please note that due to Mary Prudie Brown's death, her name needs to be removed from the list of the NFMC board of directors)

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Texas Federation of Music Club Chairmen - changes

Finance Committee Betty Hall, Chairman, Francis Christmann, Carolyn Poe

Insignia Chairman Carolyn Gessner

Rose Fay Thomas Chairman Francis Christmann

(only the local clubs who the above members belong to need to add these members to their "local club members on the TFMC Board")



Austin club honors winners

From left to right, the winners of the Wednesday Morning Music Club of Austin major awards May 18 are: Emily Fung, piano, first place winner of Maurer; Katie Velasquez, flute, tied for second place in Wilcox; Jessica Hwong, piano, tied for second place in Wilcox; Danny Chen, violin, first place winner of Wilcox. TFMC president Carla Johnson is on the far left, and Martha McDonald, WMMC President, and Barbara Buttrey, Awards Chair, are on the far right.