



RM TA Fall Newsletter 2013

Dear RM TA members and friends,

What an exciting start to a new fall season of teaching! I hope that each of you had a wonderful summer and are enjoying seeing all those smiling faces of your students. I actually got to send my little Caleb off to kindergarten as he begins his year as an elementary school student. And, my Luke started preschool this year too. Each year seems to get a little bit busier, but it gets more exciting at the same time.

It was wonderful seeing so many of you at our September kick-off meeting! We celebrated our summer music camp scholarship winner, many of our current members and their accomplishments, our new members, and much more. Hope you all enjoy our new RM TA yearbook and all the many activities that are planned for 2013-2014. I am looking forward to so many of the events this year.

Currently, we are working on creating a new RM TA website and hope to have that completed in a few months! We also have a new logo as seen on the yearbook, newsletter, and our advertisements.

On October 26, 2013, Phillip Patrick and I will be attending the Local Chapter Presidents' Leadership Summit with the other leaders of music associations in Virginia. It will be held at James Madison University. We hope to share and learn about what each association is doing this year.

Mark your calendars early for the VMTA Annual Conference 2014 ~ a 50th anniversary celebration. It will be held from July 17-20, 2014 at Wintergreen Resort. We would love to see many of you there!

Thanks to each of you for all your hard work within our organization! We appreciate you and all your contributions!

Many thanks,
Jennifer Scott
RM TA President

Fall Festival

The VMTA Fall Festival will be held Saturday, November 16, 2013 at the University of Richmond, Booker Hall. The postmark deadline for entries is October 14, 2013. Two memorized pieces are required – one traditional and one contemporary. The fee is \$9.00 per student. Spark your students' enthusiasm early and join us for this perfect fall performance opportunity!

Debby Martin, 387-0459 and Lynn Redford, 561-0331

Events At A Glance

Please mark your calendars and make plans to participate in the exciting events this year. Full information and details are found in the yearbook.

Saturday, October 5	10:00 a.m. "Mapping Music" with Nancy Breth Rhapsody Piano, 11527 W. Broad Street
Saturday, October 12	11:00 a.m. RMTA/VCU MTNA Collegiate Chapter Mixer Home of Lois Broadwater
Saturday, November 16	Fall Festival at University of Richmond
Saturday, January 18	10:00 a.m. Potluck Breakfast Meeting, Home of Fay Barss
Saturday, February 1	10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Playathon, Regency Mall
Sunday, February 9	Theory, Sight Reading, and Skills Tests at VCU
Saturday, March 8	Bach Competition at University of Richmond
Sunday, March 9	3:00 p.m. Bach Winners Recital
Saturday, April 26	10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Lecture/Masterclass with Jerry Lee Home of Fay Barss
Saturday, May 3	11:45 a.m. Annual Luncheon, Tarrant's Cafe

Yearbooks

Yearbooks will be mailed soon to members who were not able to attend the September meeting. There is one correction to note: on page 57 (Bach Competition Application) the entry fee for the Bach Competition is now \$25.00.

Phillip Patrick, Yearbook Editor

Congratulations

Congratulations to Savannah Hatcher, the first President of the VCU MTNA Collegiate Chapter, on receiving the \$2,000.00 RMTA Collegiate Chapter Scholarship. The funding for this scholarship came directly from our students who raised money through performance in the Playathon. Award money was sent directly to VCU for tuition.

Gabriella Ryan, Chairman

Membership Updates

Itzell Hamill, Vice President Membership

Welcome to new members Lauren Darrell, Bekah Hughes Davis, Chad Inch, Kristin Bourlas, and Dana McComb. Lauren, Bekah, and Chad are listed in our new yearbook. The contact information for our other two new members is listed below along with two renewing members. Please add these to the roster in your yearbook.

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RMTA Student Recital Series 2013-2014

Make your plans now to enter students in the Student Recitals which are held at 3:00 p.m. on Sundays in the chapel at St. Catherine's School, 6001 Grove Avenue, Richmond, VA 23226. Please read the guidelines in the RMTA yearbook. Students should have some recital experience, and solo pianists must play from memory. Appropriate concert attire is expected. If you have questions or are willing to volunteer to help with the receptions, please call or email Betty Ann Spiers, 282-6808 or erspiers@comcast.net.

Dates and Deadlines:

October 6, 2013	(postmark September 23 rd)
November 3, 2013	(postmark October 21 st)
January 26, 2014	(postmark January 13 th)
February 23, 2014	(postmark February 10 th)
April 27, 2014	(postmark April 14 th)

Betty Ann Spiers, Chairman

The postmark for the next RMTA Newsletter is December 1st. Please send information to:
aedunton@comcast.net