

June 9, 2014

Dear MTAC SFEV Colleagues:

Thank you all for a productive 2013/2014 season for our branch! At our upcoming meeting, June 23rd, we will review the past year looking at both what went well and what needs improving. We will plan for next year, and install the same officers who served this last season. Thank you to all of you for agreeing to serve another year: Mark Richman, Francine Ross-Pancost, Laura Halladay, Kim O'Reilly, Aziza Syed, Rita Hovanesian, Arjang Hedayati, Michael Paul, Anahit Sevoyan and especially Sharon Shaheed and Pam Prasartongosth for handling the huge Certificate of Merit job!

I also want to make a special point to acknowledge Michael Paul for the huge amount of time he invested coordinating with Valley College the specific dates, numbers of rooms, rates, hourly schedules, etc. for the 9 events we held there this year! Thank you, Michael!!! We are extremely appreciative of the work you did on this for the Branch!!

In addition to those of you serving on the board, already more than 20 of you have generously offered to chair or assist with our programs and events next year. We have a few spots left to fill and we could definitely use more people to help Paul with the Benefit Concert. Please let me know during the next few days if you would be willing to add your name to the list (please see "Chairs and Assistants" below.) Thank you to those of you who are volunteering again as you have for many years and to new participants. We encourage brand new members to get involved right away!!

I will be at the President's Meeting at the Convention on Saturday morning. We will be represented by three delegates at the Monday morning Business Meeting: Aziza Syed, Susan Hurley and Rita Hovanesian. Thank you three!

Thank you all so much for supporting a great branch!!

Gillian

Spring Recital

Thank you, Regina, for all your work chairing the Spring Recital. There were 9 performances, several of which were winners from the Scholarship Competition. Teachers who had students performing at this recital were: Valeria Danielyan, He-Lyun Chung, Zhanna Gyulnazarova, Marc Macalintal, Nobuyo Nishizaka and Regina Vertheym.

BRANCH MEETING - JUNE 23

Our last meeting of the year will take place next Monday, June 23rd, at Piano Play, 14237 Ventura Blvd, Between Woodman and Van Nuys Boulevards - 91423. Thank you, Sharon, for letting us meet at Piano Play. It is a great space for our meetings because of its size, location and atmosphere. We really appreciate your hospitality. Our Installation of branch officers should only take a few minutes, since everyone is staying in the same job. The Planning part of the meeting is more complicated: your ideas and suggestions are encouraged.

It is always lovely to see all of you who attend these meetings.

9:45 AM Coffee
10:00 Meeting
12:30 (or possibly earlier) Adjournment

Kim O'Reilly Alfred Music Publishing Company CD's

I asked Kim O'Reilly to send me a link to all the many CD's she recorded as pianist for the Alfred Music Publishing Company's Repertoire Books. The link is below and can also be found on the home page of our website. I hope you all can access these books and CD's and enjoy them with renewed appreciation knowing that one of our own members is the performer!

<http://www.alfred.com/search/searchresults.aspx?q=kim%20o%27reilly&type=All>

Chairs and Assistants

EVENT:	CHAIR:	ASSISTANT:
General Recitals:		
October	Michael Paul	open
January	Anahit Sevoyan	open
June (Spring Recital)	Regina Vertheym	Aziza Syed
Contemporary:	Gillian Smith	Rita Hovanesian
Benefit Concert others???	Paul Pitman	Valeria Danielyan, Dilara Khalilova,
Classical/Romantic	Kim O'Reilly	Meg Falk
CM Piano:	Sharon Shaheed	Pam Prasarttongosoth
CM Strings coordinator)	Rachael Lonergan (West Valley Branch)	Hillary Smith (East Valley Branch)
CM Winds	Francine Ross-Pancost	open
CM Honors:	Roger Eshleman	Laura Halladay and Meg Falk
Bach Branch:	Nobuyo Nishizaka	Mariko Urushidani
Bach Regional:	open	open
Scholarship Competition:	Mark Richman	open
Concerto Competition:	Mark Richman	open
Website Coordinator	Dilara Khalilova	