

Ohio Music Teachers Association  
**Annual Report**  
Fiscal Year 2017-2018



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## President Annual Report

The Ohio Music Teachers Association has had a productive and successful 2017-18 year. Our strong financial health enables us to continue to offer excellent conferences for continuing education as well as teacher grants and student scholarships.

At the MTNA National Conference in Orlando, Judy Bede was honored during the Gala as the 2018 Foundation Fellow from Ohio. Ohio had two students who placed in the finals of the MTNA competitions. In addition, several Ohio members gave session presentations. Finally, we all enjoyed connecting at our annual state dinner during the conference.

The 2017 State Conference was held in Van Wert in November at the beautiful Niswonger Performing Arts Center. The Five Browns gave an exciting performance to a capacity audience. Irina Gorin was the featured clinician. We started what we hope will be an annual tradition of having a winners recital that features student musicians from the Buckeye and MTNA competitions. Lightning talks were scheduled again as representatives from IMTF, Collegiate Chapters, and College Faculty Forums presented short sessions. Many Ohio presenters gave inspiring and information sessions on a wide variety of subjects. College students presented posters from their collegiate chapters as part of the poster competition. Susan Treer was chosen as the 2017 Certified Teacher of the Year. I had the pleasure of performing the 2017 Commissioned Composer Jennifer Merkwitz's work, *The Best of Both Worlds*, with Steven Wedell on viola.

The 2018 State Conference will be held in October at Cleveland State University. The featured conference artist is pianist Logan Skelton. There will be many interesting sessions that will follow a daily theme. At the conclusion of our awards luncheon, the new Executive Board will be installed.

Congratulations to our 2019 MTNA Foundation Fellow Nominee, Sheila Vail! Sheila has served OhioMTA on many levels, most notably as chairman of the Royal Conservatory of Music Certificate Program. Sheila will be honored at the 2019 MTNA Conference Gala in Spokane, Washington. We will be collecting donations for her fund as well as holding a raffle at the state conference in October.

The 2018 OhioMTA Certified Teacher of the Year is Annette Suhovecky from the Central East District. Our districts are very active in conducting successful certification classes for teachers. Our membership numbers remain strong as of the end of August. We anticipate many collegiate members will join in September. Our collegiate chapters continue to be active, with eleven chapters in total. We expect good participation from our collegiate chapters at the state conference through their attendance and the annual poster competition. Despite our healthy numbers, we still consider membership to be of utmost importance and will continue to recruit new members while encouraging previous members to rejoin.

Our organization communicates with members in four ways: an annual mailing delivered in August with information for the year (paid for by advertising), monthly E-notes sent to every member, a Facebook page for up-to-date information and announcements, and a website that is updated continuously with the latest information. Thanks to Richard Van Dyke for maintaining the site.

OhioMTA continues to offer student scholarships with money received from the Royal Conservatory of Music Certificate Program, our state examination program. Our teachers have potential grants for which they can apply, made possible by Mattlin-Hyde Piano Company.

We welcome our new board members since fall of 2017:

Publicity/Advertising: Bruce Piper  
MTNA Junior/Senior: Andrew Villemez

Events Attended by the President in 2017-18:

MTNA Leadership Summit (September 2017) – Cincinnati, Ohio  
OhioMTA Fall Conference (October 2017) – Van Wert, Ohio  
OhioMTA Executive Committee Meetings (Oct. 2017, Feb. 2018, May 2018)  
MTNA Central East Division Competition (Jan. 2018) – Champaign, IL  
MTNA National Conference (March 2018) – Orlando, FL  
East Central Division Meeting  
Ohio State Dinner  
State Presidents Advisory Meeting  
MTNA Foundation Gala  
Annual Business Meeting of the Organization

I appreciate the opportunity to OhioMTA these past two years!

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Newcomb, DMA, NCTM  
OhioMTA President

## **President-Elect Annual Report**

### **Constitution and Bylaws:**

- The OhioMTA state constitution and bylaws continue to be in accordance with the FTC ruling.
- All district bylaws are located in Dropbox.

### **Finance Committee:**

- The Finance Committee's motion to approve the following changes was ratified by the Executive Committee, Summer 2018:
  - Increased Buckeye Auditions award
  - Changed hotel reimbursement requirements for judges
  - Changed Teacher of the Year to correctly read "1" recipient
  - Changed RCM medals to correctly reflect awards of Gold only (scores of 90+)
- The finance committee is working on achieving one standard Buckeye registration fee that will be entirely online; the change is planned to be implemented Summer of 2019.

### **August Mailing:**

- Bruce Piper accepted the position of Advertising Chair. The Advertising Chair coordinates with the host-district conference advertising chair for conference book ads.
- All OhioMTA members received a mailing in August containing a President's letter, conference information, information/applications for competitions and scholarships, Buckeye Audition Rules & Regulations, and five ads (one more than last year, further defraying the cost of printing and mailing). Covap in Cincinnati provides excellent service and continues to be our mailing distributor.
- The ads spreadsheet is shared on Google Docs between the Advertising Chair (Bruce Piper), President-Elect, and the host-district's advertising/publicity chair for the state conference. Advertisers can purchase ads for either or both August mailing and conference program book at the same time.

### **MTNA Leadership Summit:**

- attended the 2018 MTNA Leadership Summit, Cincinnati, OH (September, 2018)

### **MTNA 2018 National Conference:**

- attended the following meetings/forums: College Faculty Forum, Certification Forum, Competitions Forum, East Central Division meeting, and State Presidents Advisory Council meeting at the 2018 National Conference
- presented session "Cue the Soloist! – How to Prepare the Concerto Soloist for Their Orchestral Debut"

Respectfully submitted,  
Sonya Szabo-Reynolds, NCTM  
President-Elect OhioMTA

## **Vice President for Affiliated Associations Annual Report**

The OhioMTA E-notes for June 2018 included a “District Feature” article, detailing information about the Northeast District OhioMTA association and their recent activities. The board intends this new article to become a regular publication each year (or perhaps more often).

Summit County MTA has reorganized under the name Western Reserve MTA.

District presidents will, as last year, meet for dinner during the OhioMTA Conference to share ideas and concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Morin  
VP for Affiliated Association

## Vice President for Conferences Annual Report

### 2017 Conference

October 12-14

Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, Ohio

Hotels: Comfort Inn and Holiday Inn Express North (free shuttle service available)

Hosted by MW District: Annette Hoverman (Chair), Marilyn Alessandrini, Mary Lou Anthony, Paula Deardurff, Dee Fisher, Tamara Mullenhour, Rebekah Ricker, Krysti Schey, Sarah Wells, Elisha Wey, Jeannine Zwibel

Guest Clinician: Irina Gorin

Guest Artists: The Five Browns

Presenters: Margarita Denenberg, Joy Morin, John Mortensen, Jeanmarie Strawbridge, Lucia Unrau, Victor Welsch, Eric M. Wilson

Commissioned Composer: Jennifer Bernard Merkowitz

Approximately 90-95 people were in attendance.

### 2018 Conference

October 18-20

Cleveland State University

Hotel: Comfort Inn

Hosted by NE District: Andrew Focks (chair), Megan Denman, Jason Simon, Amy Tan

Guest Artist: Logan Skelton

Presenters: Andrea Arese-Elias, Margarita Denenburg, Andrew Focks, Amy Rose Immerman, Clinton Pratt, Paola Savvidou, Sonya Szabo-Reynolds, Cicilia Yudha

Commissioned Composer: Jacob Reed

### 2019 Conference

October 24-26

Franciscan Center of Lourde's College in Sylvania, Ohio

Hosted by the Northwest District, Natalie Denhoff (chair)

Possible guest pedagogue: Sam Holland

Respectfully submitted by  
Karen Campo, MM, NCTM  
OhioMTA VP for Conference



## Vice President for Membership Annual Report

### Membership

OhioMTA includes 602 paid members as of August 3, 2018.

As per the recently established protocol, the portal is being accessed each month to procure the latest membership information and update our email list. New and reinstating members are welcomed personally by email.

### Past Year Ends (June 30<sup>th</sup>)

2006: 776	2014: 620
2007: 764	2015: 640
2008: 740	2016: 627
2009: 745	2017: <b>628 (Correction from 2017 AR)</b>
2010: 708	2018: 602 (Confirmed this number with
2011: 645	MTNA National Headquarters.)
2012: 658	
2013: 658	

### Awards

During the Fall conference, the following 25-year members will be recognized.

#### 25 Year OhioMTA Members

Marybeth Cordes	Rebecca L Casey, NCTM
John W. Sampen	Elena Belfor
Rozetta Kim	Andrea L. Michelson, NCTM
Hyla J. Sharrock, NCTM	Shirley J. Rosa
Michael L. Benson, NCTM	Amy Rose Immerman, NCTM
Sandra K. Wallace	

#### 50 Year OhioMTA Members

Jane H. Bell  
Gail J. Berenson, NCTM

MTNA has put together a new YouTube video that Mr. Shepard encourages we share answering the question “Why Should You Join MTNA?” I have provided the link here in hopes it will be shared with prospective member teachers.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adn-FEi0wTU>

The 2018 OhioMTA Teacher Scholarship Application is sponsored by Mattlin-Hyde Piano Company and found online at:

<http://www.ohiomta.org/scholarships-and-grants.html>

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Benson  
VP for Membership

## Vice President for Student Activities Annual Report

### OhioMTA Scholarships

10 students applied for OhioMTA scholarships. The following 8 scholarships were awarded (\$1,368):

- Katie Amend, \$99 scholarship (RCM Level 1 exam), student of Joy Morin
- Sam Chaliu, \$69 scholarship (RCM Level 1 exam), student of Joy Morin
- George Chen, \$200 scholarship (BGSU Summer Piano Camp), student of Daira Skriblis
- Timothy DeLeon, \$200 scholarship (Maranatha Music and Drama Camp, Wisconsin)
- Miette Schloneger, \$165 scholarship (RCM Level 9 exam), student of Brent Schloneger
- Victoria Smith, \$200 scholarship (Ohio Summer Piano camp), student of Chris Fisher
- Ari Webb, \$200 scholarship (Green Mountain Summer Music Camp), student of Sarah Kim
- Emily Qian, \$200 scholarship (Extra piano lessons in preparation for upcoming competitions), student of Ella Karasik

The next deadline is February 1, 2019 (postmark).

### Buckeye Competition

The finals of the Buckeye Competition were hosted by Dr. Michael Benson at Malone University on June 16, 2018. The judges were Dr. Laura Silverman and Yao Lu (piano); Julie Sarver (brass/woodwinds), Janice Moore (strings) and Rachael Pavlosk (voice).

Complete winners' results can be found on the website at

<http://nebula.wsimg.com/05e33c4636cbc7142cb8c2a2db9faf5d?AccessKeyId=47F99DFE98C2366E8761&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>

### MTNA State Competitions

MTNA State Competitions were held at Capital University on October 15-16, 2016. Tianshu Wang was site coordinator; Fan Zhang was Young Artist/Chamber Music Chair; Gulimina Mahamuti was Junior/Senior Chair; Jessica Madsen is Composition Chair. Complete winners' results can be found on the website at

<http://nebula.wsimg.com/c9c032c804f7776b4e4c8d230377ab8d?AccessKeyId=47F99DFE98C2366E8761&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>.

Andrew Villemez will be the new Junior/Senior Chair moving forward.

Planning is underway for 2017-18 Buckeye and MTNA competition winners were invited to perform at the 2018 OMTA State Conference in Cleveland at 7:30pm on Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at Cleveland State University.

Respectfully submitted by:

Dr. Laura Melton  
Professor of Piano & Chair of Music Performance Studies  
Bowling Green State University

## **Treasurer Annual Report**

Please see the attached Profit/Loss Statement for 2017-2018 and the Balance Sheet for 6/30/18.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent Schloneger, Treasurer

**Ohio Music Teachers Association**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 July 2017 through June 2018

	Jul '17 - Jun 18
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Amazon Smile Donations	5.00
RCM Rebates	1,360.00
<b>Conference Income</b>	
Registration	9,744.27
Exhibit Space	300.00
Ads	1,730.00
<b>Total Conference Income</b>	11,774.27
MTNA Competition	3,465.00
Dues	16,606.00
120 NEWS ADS	400.00
166 BUCKEYE AUDITIONS	1,230.00
MTNA Foundation Inc	172.00
170 INTRST CHKG	95.72
Membership Labels	45.00
<b>Total Income</b>	35,152.99
<b>Expense</b>	
Collegiate Poster Session Award	250.00
MDP Medals and Expenses	219.27
MDP Scholarships	1,133.00
Immediate Past President	119.77
Executive Comm. Conf. Reimb.	
VP for Student Activities	833.00
Immediate Past President	845.00
President	2,260.37
VP for Affiliated Associations	621.87
President-Elect	2,357.77
VP Conferences	433.12
Treasurer	1,050.00
<b>Total Executive Comm. Conf. Reimb.</b>	8,401.13
Teacher of the Year	86.49
Vice President for Membership	108.00
Technology	588.00
Advertising	15.00
ComposerOfYear	1,500.00
<b>Conferences</b>	
Concerts	1,240.00
Meals	2,687.50
Seminars	739.16
Office/Misc.	678.83
Facilities/Equipment	6,600.00
<b>Total Conferences</b>	11,945.49
Newsletter Postage	196.68
MTNA Foundation	655.09
<b>MTNA Competitions</b>	
Hospitality	144.89
Travel Grants	750.00
Judges	4,208.81
MTNA Competitions - Other	840.63
<b>Total MTNA Competitions</b>	5,944.33
Legal/Organizational	100.00
220 NEWS PRINT	269.62
Buckeye	
Awards	2,600.00
Facilities	342.50

Ohio Music Teachers Association  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of June 30, 2018

	<u>Jun 30, 18</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Account	
Travel Grant Schl. Fund - Int.	449.27
General Scholarship Fund (MDP)	1,060.00
Checking Account - Other	<u>69,174.75</u>
Total Checking Account	70,684.02
Scholarship Funds	
OhioMTA Travel Grant Schol Fund	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total Scholarship Funds	<u>50,000.00</u>
Total Checking/Savings	<u>120,684.02</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>120,684.02</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>120,684.02</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	18,818.28
Retained Earnings	101,540.75
Net Income	<u>324.99</u>
Total Equity	<u>120,684.02</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b><u>120,684.02</u></b>

## **Immediate Past President Annual Report**

The primary functions of this position include preparing the Annual Report, chairing the Nominating Committee, maintain the Job Descriptions, and act as Recording Secretary at the Executive Committee and Board Meetings.

Meetings attended as the Recording Secretary:

- Executive Committee Meeting - January 2018
- Executive Committee Meeting - May 2018

Other MTNA Meetings/Events attended

- MTNA National Conference - March 2018

A special thanks to the Nominating Committee for their work in preparing the 2018-2020 slate of officers. Members included: Joy Morin, Rachel Mills, Sheila Vail, Sonya Szabo-Reynolds, and Andrea McAlister.

Job Descriptions have been updated and placed in the 2018-2020 folder in Dropbox.

Respectfully submitted,  
Andrea McAlister  
Immediate Past President

## **Buckeye Auditions Chair Annual Report**

Please accept this document as the 2018 Annual Report for OMTA Buckeye Auditions. I would like to thank all the District Buckeye Chairs (included below) for their detailed work and timely correspondence with our new online registration as developed by Mr. Brent Schloneger in collaboration with Dr. Richard Van Dyke. The online registration allowed more ease of use with developing the state Buckeye programs and certificates as well as improved communication via email and phone significantly. Thank you all for working together to implement this new process and thanks as well to Dr. Suzanne Newcomb, President of OMTA, for her support, encouragement, and advice along the way.

Also, I would like to thank Mr. Brent Schloneger, Mrs. Janelle Penn Phinney, and Ms. Raquel Faiello Teare for their service and leadership in my absence on June 15 and 16, 2018. By all accounts from teachers, students, and families the day went well and that is due in large part to the experience of these individuals and their willingness to encourage the wonderful musicians that participated in the 2017 OMTA State Buckeye Auditions.

2018 OMTA State Buckeye Auditions will take place June 7 (rehearsals) and June 8 (Buckeye Auditions) at Malone University in Canton, Ohio.

The winners of the 2018 OhioMTA State Buckeye Auditions will perform on Thursday, October 18 at 7:30 PM at Cleveland State University during the OMTA State Conference in Cleveland, Ohio.

### **OMTA District Buckeye Chairs for 2018:**

Central East: Ms. Rose Zuber  
Middle East: Mr. Joseph Licitri  
Middle West: Dr. Margaret Young  
Northeast: Ms. Megan Denman and Ms. Jennifer Howell  
Northwest: Dr. Caroline Eva Chin  
Southeast: Dr. Christopher Fisher  
Southwest: Dr. Frank Huang  
Western: Mrs. Laura Atkins

### **Volunteers**

Brent Schloneger, Janelle Penn Phinney, Raquel Faiello Teare, Mary Haines

### **Adjudicators**

Piano: Dr. Laura Silverman and Yao Lu  
Brass/Woodwinds: Mrs. Julie Sarver  
Strings: Mrs. Janice Moore  
Voice: Mrs. Rachel Pavloski

## **Awards**

### **ELEMENTARY PIANO**

Mayuka Mizuno (student of Benita Tse-Leung) - WINNER  
Keliang Yao (student of Kathleen Sadoff) - HONORABLE MENTION

### **JUNIOR PIANO**

Jonathan Luo (student of Benita Tse-Leung) - WINNER  
Victoria Smith (student of Christopher Fisher) - HONORABLE MENTION

### **SENIOR PIANO**

Calvin Huang (student of Inna Terekhov) - WINNER  
Athena Grasso (student of Sean Schulze) - HONORABLE MENTION  
Changning Xu (student of Nina Polonsky) - HONORABLE MENTION

### **ELEMENTARY STRINGS**

Nicole Lin (student of Tatiana Hanna) - WINNER

### **JUNIOR STRINGS**

Joseph Lin (student of Tatiana Hanna) - WINNER  
Loa Cho (student of Amir Eldan) - HONORABLE MENTION  
Daniel Dorsey (student of Sarah Kim) - HONORABLE MENTION

### **SENIOR STRINGS**

Katherine Gao (student of Kun Dong) - WINNER

### **SENIOR VOICE**

May Coppler (student of Stephanie Fox) - WINNER

### **JUNIOR WINDS**

Mariana Castaneda (student of Heather Mandujano) - WINNER



## **Certification Chair Annual Report**

Please accept this as the annual report for Professional Certification or Nationally Certified Teachers of Music as it pertains to the state of Ohio from August 31, 2017 through August 31, 2018.

1. There were seven newly certified teachers (NCTM) in OH.  
Miriam J. Brown, NCTM;  
Alison Marie Morris, NCTM;  
Carey Wentzel, NCTM;  
Janice Cahill, NCTM;  
Audrey Rutt, NCTM;  
Deborah Longenecker, NCTM;  
Bernice Tamkin, NCTM
  
2. There were four nominations for OhioMTA Certified Teacher of the Year:  
Marlene Rayle recognized by the Northwest District  
Annette Suhovecky recognized by the Central East District  
Karen Vandall recognized by the Middle East District  
Eve Warner recognized by the Southwest District

A panel of three reviewers recommended that the OhioMTA recognized Annette Suhovecky, NCTM as the Certified Teacher of the Year.

Annette will be the OhioMTA nominee for the MTNA Teacher of the Year Award. Her paperwork will be submitted online to MTNA by the December 1, 2018 deadline.

The three reviewers were:

Dr. Lia Jensen-Abbott - Associate Professor from Albion College  
Dr. Krista Wallace-Boaz, Professor of Piano and Pedagogy from University of Louisville  
Dr. Nicholas Phillips- Associate Professor of Piano from University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire

3. As of August 2018, there are currently 17 active applications for NCTM in OH.

Respectfully submitted by,

Cicilia Yudha, DMA, NCTM

## Collegiate Chapters Chair Annual Report

### Collegiate Chapter Poster Sessions

The 2017 Collegiate Chapter Poster Session competition took place at the 2017 Ohio Music Teachers Association State Conference at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert, Ohio. The results are as follows:

1st Prize: Ohio University

### 2017 MTNA National Conference

The Ohio University Collegiate Chapter of MTNA was selected by peer review to present their research at the MTNA National Conference this weekend in Orlando, Florida.

### Collegiate Chapters

There are currently ten collegiate chapters in Ohio:

Bowling Green State University - Cole Burger  
Capital University - Orlay Alonso  
Malone University - Michael Benson  
Miami University - Lian Tan  
Northern Kentucky University - Richard Van Dyke  
Ohio State University - Ken Williams  
Ohio University - Christopher Fisher  
Otterbein College – Nicholas Ross  
University of Cincinnati - Andrew Villemez  
University of Mount Union - Maira Liliestedt

Respectfully submitted,  
Christopher Fisher, DMA, NCTM  
OhioMTA Collegiate Chapter Chair

## **Performance Competitions Chair Report**

The 2017 MTNA State Competitions were held at Capital University on October 21-22, 2017. Competition Chair Cole Burger was assisted by Fan Zhang, Young Artist and Chamber Music Competitions Coordinator; Gulimina Mahamuti, Junior and Senior Competitions Coordinator; and Site Coordinator Tianshu Wang. There were a total of 49 entries in 10 different competitions across the Junior, Senior, and Young Artist levels. Winners and Representatives advanced to the Central East Division Competition held at the University of Illinois in Champaign/Urbana on January 6-7, 2018.

### **Senior Piano**

Winner: Tim Granovsky, student of Daniel Shapiro  
Alternate: Catharine Baek, student of Sean Schulze  
Honorable Mention: Wenyu Deng, student of Tianshu Wang  
Honorable Mention: James Wilson, student of Alvin Chow  
Honorable Mention: Theodore Deddens, student of Catherine Rollin  
Judges: Stephanie Titus (Bluffton University), Christopher Durrenberger (Wittenberg University), Cicilia Yudha (Youngstown State University)

### **Young Artist Piano**

Winner: Zhanglin Hu, student of Robert Satterlee  
Alternate: Stephen Joven-Lee, student of Alvin Chow  
Honorable Mention: Celina Kobetitsch, student of Alvin Chow  
Honorable Mention: Phanuwat Sripramodya, student of Laura Melton  
Honorable Mention: Felisien Felisien, student of Haewon Song  
Honorable Mention: Benjamin Crook, student of Robert Satterlee  
Judges: Gerald Lee (West Liberty University), Siok Lian Tan (Miami University), Jerry Wong (Kent State University)

### **Junior Strings**

Winner: Cecilia Martin, violin, student of Tatiana Hanna  
Alternate: Alex Zhu, violin, student of Wei-Fang Gu  
Honorable Mention: Grace Zhang, violin, student of Linda Li  
Judge: Kevin Nordstrum (Wright State University)

### **Young Artist Strings**

Winner: Skyler Covert, Violin, student of Joan Kwuon  
Alternate: Yu-Chih Chang, violin, student of Won-Bin Yim  
Judge: Kevin Nordstrum (Wright State University)

### **Junior Piano**

Winner: Kasey Shao, student of Ran Dank  
Alternate: Jonathan Luo, student of Benita Leung  
Honorable Mention: Arun Kamath, student of Richard Van Dyke  
Judge: John Mortensen (Cedarville University)

### **Senior Woodwinds**

Winner: Chris Njenga student of Ryan Alexis  
Alternate: Charlie Ballard student of Antoine Clark  
Judge: Jeremy Long (Miami University)

**Young Artist Woodwinds**

Winner: Justin Evangelist, student of Todd Gaffke  
Alternate: Stephen Dubetz, student of Kevin Schempf  
Honorable Mention: Wenbo Yin, student of James Bunte  
Judge: Jeremy Long (Miami University)

**Chamber Music**

Winner: Rhine Quartet, coached by James Bunte  
Evan Gidley, Soprano Saxophone  
Cecily Terhune, Alto Saxophone  
Erick Miranda, Tenor Saxophone  
Carly Hood, Baritone Saxophone  
Alternate: Pitnix, coached by Thomas Rosenkranz  
Samantha Tartamella, Flute, Piccolo  
Stephen Dubetz, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet  
Emily Morin, Piano  
Judge: Jeremy Long (Miami University)

Respectfully submitted,  
Cole Burger, August 2, 2018

## **Collegiate Faculty Forum Annual Report**

The Collegiate Faculty Forum Session was last held at the State Conference in October 2017 at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Vert, Ohio.

- CFF continues to be held in conjunction with Independent Music Teachers Forum (IMTF) and Collegiate Chapters in the form of “Lightning Talks.” This format has seemed to work well as it allows each area to invite multiple guest speakers to provide information in an efficient manner. I recommend keeping this format.
- The 2017 presenters were:  
Cicilia Yudha  
Andy Villemez  
John Mortensen

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Huang, DMA, NCTM  
Collegiate Faculty Forum Director

## **Commissioned Composer Report**

The 2018 commissioned composer is Jacob Reed.

The 2017 commissioned work, *The Best of Both Worlds* for piano and viola, by Jennifer Bernard Merkwowitz, was premiered during the OhioMTA conference on October 13th, 2017; *The Best of Both Worlds* was performed by Suzanne Newcomb on piano and Steve Wedell on viola.

Respectfully submitted by Margarita Denenburg

## SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNUAL REPORT

Beginning balance (7/1//2017)  
Principal ..... \$50,000.00  
Interest..... \$347.15  
**Total ..... \$50,347.15**

Deposits  
Interest..... \$802.15

Withdrawals ..... \$700.03  
Toward travel grants to National MTNA competitions

Ending Balance (6/30/2018)  
Principal ..... \$50,000.00  
Interest..... \$449.27  
**Total ..... \$50,449.27**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brent Schloneger

## Technology Chair Annual Report

During the 17-18 year, the Technology Chair received one request for the mailing list of our membership.

OhioMTA continues to subscribe to a mass emailing service (Constant Contact) in order to keep in touch with its membership and Event Marketing to allow members to register and pay for events online.

The Technology Chair was responsible for setting up the registration forms and process for the 2018 Buckeye Auditions and the 2018 OhiOMTA Conference, using the Constant Contact event platform.

The redesigned website ([ohiomta.org](http://ohiomta.org)) is hosted at [godaddy.com](http://godaddy.com) and is being continually updated by Richard van Dyke. Comments and suggestions regarding the website are always welcome.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent Schloneger, Technology Chair

## Webmaster Annual Report

The primary function of the OhioMTA website is to keep its members informed about important issues communicated by MTNA, the OhioMTA Executive Committee, OhioMTA Board and members at large. OhioMTA has contracted with GoDaddy.com to host and provide services for the website. The current design and layout was created by Richard Van Dyke using a Standard Go-Daddy Templates. OhioMTA renewed its subscription with Go-Daddy for an additional two years until June 2020.

### OhioMTA Site Map:

- Home
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- About
  - Constitution:
  - Districts
  - Officers
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  - Past Conferences
  - Proposal Submission
- Membership
  - Collegiate Chapters
  - Wellness
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- Student Activities
  - Buckeye Auditions
  - Certificate Program
  - MTNA Competitions
  - Student Scholarships

The Executive Committee and Board Members should review and submit additions or updates to the website intermittently to ensure accuracy. All updates should be submitted directly to the webmaster upon approval by the appropriate executive committee member.

- Be proactive and notify the webmaster with changes.
- Submissions should be concise and to the point. Minor edits may be necessary to fit the page.
- Please indicate which webpage you wish to post your submission.

- Send a single E-mail message to the Webmaster with all appropriate updates/additions include the page, text and photos you wish to have edited. The more complete the detail the more quickly posting may occur
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- Upon the update/change is complete, the webmaster will notify the President and appropriate Executive Committee Member. Please respond to verify that all changes are correct.

Future updates to the website include the creation of a *Summer Festivals Page* and completion of the *Past Conferences Page*.

Respectfully submitted,  
Richard Van Dyke  
Webmaster



## **Wellness Annual Report**

1. The current webpage for OhioMTA Wellness – <http://www.ohiomta.org/forums.html>
2. MTNA Wellness Resources webpage - [https://www.mtna.org/MTNA/Learn/Wellness\\_Resources/MTNA/Learn/Wellness\\_Resouces/Musician\\_Wellness.aspx?hkey=55fa497e-af7a-4192-a0ab-0a90c78693b1](https://www.mtna.org/MTNA/Learn/Wellness_Resources/MTNA/Learn/Wellness_Resouces/Musician_Wellness.aspx?hkey=55fa497e-af7a-4192-a0ab-0a90c78693b1)
3. Wellness related sessions at this year’s OhioMTA State conference include “Spice up your Lessons: Imaginative Yoga-Based Activities for Piano Students” presented by Paola Savvidou.
4. The theme for MTNA Pedagogy Saturday on March 17, 2018, was “Empowering Musicians: Leading a Healthy and Fulfilling Life.” A bibliography compiled by Linda Cockey can be found at: <https://www.mtna.org/downloads/conference/Handouts/Saturday/WellnessTrack.pdf>
5. College Music Society Webinars – archived and upcoming wellness-related webinars can be found on the CMS website - <https://www.music.org/>

**Respectfully submitted,  
Lynn Singleton, Chair Wellness Forum**

## Central East District Annual Report

### Financial Report:

Our income was \$16,322.28. Our expenses were \$15,505.76. We had a net operating income of \$816.52. Our bank account has \$30,925.09. Our long-term assets are \$12,099.06, with a total assets of \$43,024.15

### Student Events:

The **OhioMTA/Graves Competition** was held March 3-4, 2018. There were 28 participating teachers with 75 students competing. At the student solo and ensemble recital on April 22, 2018, 8 students participated from 4 teachers. Our **Out and About** events have been numerous and well-attended. The students play at various hospitals and other venues around Columbus as a service to the community. We were able to award \$3200 in **summer study scholarship** money because \$900 was from outside donors. At **Buckeye Auditions** held on May 5, 2018 there were 15 contestants, 12 piano and 3 strings. Our first **Music Camp** was held in July. Despite lower than anticipated numbers, the event was a success.

### Membership:

There are 157 members of our District. We have two recently nationally certified members: Bernice Tamkin and Miriam Brown. Annette Suhovecky was named 2018 Central-East Nationally Certified Teacher of the Year. We enjoyed soups and salads at our Membership meeting and Spring Conference on April 13, 2018, where we had 26 attending. The guest speaker at that conference was Andrea McAlister, whose topic was, "Better than Good." There are 185 subscribers to our website.

### Teacher Events:

**IMTF** was held Feb. 2, 2018. The topic was the use of music downloads in teaching. Despite only 4 attending, there was a good discussion. Our **Piano Workshops** were: Oct. 19, 2017 with Dr. Christopher Fisher: "The Secret Ingredient to Piano Teaching Success: The Powerful Role of Parents." 17 attended that day. January 15, 2018 was a masterclass with Dr. Philip Thomson. 12 teachers participated. The final workshop on Feb. 23, 2018 was with Dr. Peter Mack, "Marvelous Moderns and their Needlessly Neglected Mid-Level Masterpieces." We had 28 attend including 2 non-members. Unfortunately there were no string, voice, or wind workshops held in our district this year.

Cheerfully submitted:

Lee Ann Forgrave, NCTM  
President, Central East District  
OhioMTA

## **Middle East District Annual Report**

**Membership:** We currently have 69 active members,

**Activities:**

We hosted The Pridonoff Duo for our annual Fall District Conference on Friday, October 27, 2017 at the Steinway Gallery in Hudson. They spoke on “The relationship between technique, choreographed gesture and musical intent” and then performed a brief concert.

Buckeye Auditions: April 29, 2017, Kent State University

Chair: Joe Licitri

Judges: Angelin Chang, Randall Fusco, Sandra Shapiro

Winners: (all piano)

Elementary Winner: Isabella Lin (teacher: Tatsuya Nagashima)

Elementary Alternate: Elena Ziegler (teacher: Tatsuya Nagashima)

Junior High Winner: Amanda Liu (teacher: Nancy Bachus)

Junior High Alternate: Jason Zhang (teacher: Nancy Bachus)

Senior High Winner: Subi Simmons (teacher: Jerry Wong)

Senior High Alternate: Joel Kreuzwieser (teacher: Sean Baran)

Following the Buckeye Auditions, Joe Licitri resigned from his position on the board. The board has appointed Sean Baran to the position of VP of Student Activities, with his main role being the Chair of the Buckeye Auditions. We are excited to have Sean join us!

Local chapters Western Reserve, Stark County and Tuscarawas County held several teacher and student programs throughout the year.

**Officers** for 2017-2019:

Co-Presidents: Dr. Maira Liliestedt and Karen Campo

VP for Teacher Activities: Karolyn Rice

VP for Student Activities: Sean Baran

Secretary: Elaine Strock

Treasurer: Brent Schloneger

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Campo, MM, NCTM  
Co-President, Middle East District OhioMTA

## **Middle West District Annual Report**

The MWOMTA hosted the State Conference Oct 12-14 at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center. We were refreshed with new teaching ideas from pedagogue Irina Gorin, and inspired by The Five Browns with a concert Friday night and a conversation with them Saturday morning. We thank everyone for attending and participating in this event, we hope you enjoyed!

This past year our district met 6 times. The first 2 were conference prep meetings, with many thanks to Annette Hoverman for her leadership! For the next meeting, we had a guest Stephanie Titus present “Bartok Teaching Pieces: Mikrokosmos”. In the spring, Annette Hoverman presented “Technique-Developing the Tools for Success”, Paula Deardurff presented “Effective Practice Techniques”, and we heard from Dee Fisher some of her favorite power pieces for students with her presentation “Pupil Savers”.

Student activities included the Duettist Competition held at Ohio Northern University on October 28, chaired by Kathy Jendrusik. In this event, 19 pairs of performers were judged by Dee Fisher and Annette Hoverman with winners receiving trophies.

On November 18, students performed at Bluffton University in MWOMTA’s Annual Ribbon Festival. 205 students representing 30 teachers were critiqued and awarded blue ribbons. This event was organized by Paula Deardurff. It was noted that student participation is down from 240 in 2016 and 280 students in 2015. Music Evaluation Day, April 7, was also held at Bluffton University with Karen Heath and Annette Hoverman in charge. 39 students participated with each receiving a plaque on the successful completion of all 5 categories.

Buckeye Auditions were held at Ohio State University Lima on April 30. Dr. Margaret Young chaired this event. There were 6 students who participated, representing 1 teacher. We also awarded a \$150 scholarship to a collegiate member who was doing a study abroad program & benefit concert.

We had 26 members in our district for 2017-2018.

Middle West officers:

President: Krysti Schey

President Elect : Annette Hoverman

Vice President of Programs: Vicki Mills

Vice Presidents of Marketing and Membership: Philip Schey and Paula Deardurff

Secretary: Elisha Wey

Treasurer: Marilyn Alessandrini

Respectfully submitted,

Krysti Schey, 2017-2018 President

## Northeast District Annual report

### *Officers:*

President: Julia Russ

Vice President of Events: Dr. Andrew Focks

Vice President of Information and Records: Jason Simon

(Note: This position oversees and maintains memberships, our neomta.org website, our gmail account, and taking minutes of the 4 board meetings each year)

Festival Co-Chair: Oksana Melnychenko

Festival Co-Chair: Amy Tan

(Oksana and Amy were in charge of hosting our annual Fall and Spring Music Festivals)

Buckeye Chair: Megan Denman

Buckeye Co-Chair: Dr. Jennifer Howell

YAF Chair: Dr. Sungeun Kim

(Note: Sungeun was in charge of our annual Young Artist Festival)

Treasurer: Jan Bis

*Membership:* 73 members

### *Programs:*

#### *Fall Teacher's Workshop*

On October 20th, 2017, Nancy Bachus presented a workshop on guiding effective student practicing.

#### *Fall Festival:*

Held in November 2017 at Cleveland State University, this event hosted 125 students in piano and violin. All students were evaluated by high-quality judges and received ribbons and certificates.

#### *Young Artist Festival:*

Held in January 2017 at Cleveland State University, this event hosted 12 high level piano students from our region

#### *Spring Festival:*

Held in March 2018 at Baldwin Wallace Conservatory, the event hosted 129 students of piano and violin. All students were evaluated by high-quality judges and received ribbons and certificates.

#### *Spring Masterclass:*

On Friday, May 11th, 2018, three talented students were coached by Dr. Michael Baron, concert pianist and Head of Keyboard Studies at Florida Gulf Coast University. A discussion regarding teaching techniques followed with our members.

#### *Buckeye Auditions:*

Buckeye Auditions for our division were held at Baldwin-Wallace Conservatory in May 2018 with piano, flute and violin participants. There were 29 competitors. The following students advanced to the state level:

Elementary Piano: Christina Xin

Junior Piano: Rebekah Hong

Senior Piano: Athena Grasso

Junior Flute: Mariana Castañeda

*Finance:*

Our current usable funds in our account are: \$14,194.38

*Others:*

Our district will be hosting the OMTA State Conference in October, 2018. The venue will be held at Cleveland State University. The featured presenter is the University of Michigan's piano faculty member, Logan Skelton. The conference committee board is as follows:

Chair: Andrew Focks

Hospitality: Jason Simon

Treasurer & Hospitality: Amy Tan

Marketing/Publications: Megan Denman

Respectfully submitted,

-Andrew Focks, DMA

Current president, Northeast Ohio Music Teachers Association

## **Northwest District Annual Report**

The Northwest District sponsored a Piano Pedagogy Seminar on February 10, 2018 in the Moore Musical Arts building of Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. After beginning the day with the annual district meeting, attendees attended sessions and a master class given by Dr. Helen Marlais. Dr. Marlais is the author of the Succeeding at the Piano method books as well as many other pedagogical books for the beginner through advanced level student. She is an exclusive writer for FJH Music Company and a sought out speaker throughout the country. Bowling Green State University student Kristina Mason presented “An Introduction to Group Piano in High School Institutions.” BGSU alum Maria Viero presented “A Study of Compositional Elements in Ciclo Brasileiro by Heitor Villa-Lobos.”

The 2018 Dubois Piano Festival and Competition was held February 16-18, 2018 at Bowling Green State University.

Buckeye District Auditions were held on March 10, 2018 at BGSU. Caroline Chen, Assistant professor of violin chaired this event and reported the following number of applications in each category: 7- piano, 4- strings, 1- voice. Winner in the Elementary Piano category was Andrew Rhee. Winner in the Junior Level for piano was Ethan Zheng and in the strings category was Loa Cho. Winner in the Senior level for piano was Julia Schuster.

### **The affiliated chapters and county chairpersons within the Northwest District organized a wide variety of programs and performances throughout the year:**

- ◆ In the 2017-18 academic year, BGSU’s Ohio Music Teachers Association chapter hosted several events, both familiar and new. Members gained valuable experience in creative and logistical planning as well as networking with local teachers for the first Falcon Piano Fest in November, a fun afternoon of musical sharing and learning for area students. The group took advantage of traffic at New Music Festival in October, and Praecepta’s coffeehouse on Valentines Day to fundraise with successful bake sales. In both the fall and the spring, as at every semester’s end, Bryan Recital Hall was reserved for Mock Jury Night, giving CMA students an extra chance to perform before exams. Finally, OMTA hosted Dr. Martha Thomas, professor of piano at the University of Georgia for a pedagogy residency consisting of a masterclass, dinner with members and a lecture presented to the undergraduate piano pedagogy class. Abby Maser, President of the BGSU OMTA Collegiate Chapter submitted this report.
- ◆ The annual Lucas County OMTA Festival was held on March 24, 2018 at the University of Toledo. Ninety-one students and sixteen teachers (10 OMTA members and 6 nonmembers) participated.
- ◆ The Wood-Ottawa Counties Music Teachers Association held seven meetings throughout the year. In addition there was a field trip to Sweetwater Music in Fort Wayne, IN in November 2017. The association also held two Wood-Ottawa Counties Recitals on November 19, 2017 (with 26 students participating) and on February 25, 2018 (16 students participating).
- ◆ The Findlay Area OMTA held five meetings throughout the year. We celebrated Local Piano Month on September 30, 2017 with a fun informal program at Coffee Amici in downtown Findlay. Students created artwork to match their pieces and played on a full size keyboard while the public listened to different styles of music. Findlay held the Second Honors Recital on November 5, 2017 at First Presbyterian Church. The 41st Annual Findlay

OMTA Ribbon Festival was held on March 17, 2018 at Trinity Lutheran Church; 109 students participated in this fun event.

- ◆ The Seneca-Sandusky Counties Heidelberg Music Festival was held March 11, 2018 at Breneman Music Building, Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio. Fifty-one students participated in this fun event.
- ◆ The Music Teachers Association of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, and Williams Counties held seven meetings (always fun and educational), including the following festival. The Fall Music Festival had 25 participants and was held on November 18, 2017, at St. John's Christian Church in Archbold. A senior living outreach was also held on March 16, 2017, at Hillside Country Living Nursing Home in Bryan, OH.

Although the Toledo Piano Teachers Association is not officially an OMTA organization, it includes many OMTA members. TPTA held several monthly gatherings that included several presentations by their members as well as featuring their students in the UT Dorothy Price Artist Masterclasses. Additional events included having their students provide Holiday music in December for the Children's Wonderland in Sylvania, helping to sponsor the OMTA Lucas county festival at UT, and ending the season with a Brunch Recital featuring members' students at the Wildwood Preserve Manor House.

#### **2017-18 District Officers**

President	Twinkle Ratnasamy
President-Elect	Jessica Briggs
Treasurer/Membership	Denise Eikum
Immediate Past President	Ana Yoder Coulter
Annual Handbook	Jessica Briggs
Website Administrator	Joy Morin
Buckeye Auditions	Caroline Chin
Lucas County Music Festival	Bonnie Rowe
Seneca-Sandusky County & Heidelberg Music Festival	Carlynn Framstad

#### **2017-18 County Association Chairs**

Defiance-Fulton-Henry-Williams	Judy Lewis
Wood-Ottawa	Jessica Briggs
Findlay Area	Marlene Rayl

Respectfully submitted,

Twinkle Ratnasamy, *OMTA Northwest District President*



## **Southeast District Annual Report**

President: Wendy Blackwood  
President-elect: Merewyn Weinkauff  
Vice-Chair for Student Activities: Carole Cordray Syracuse  
Vice-Chair for Teacher Activities: Dr. Youmee Kim  
Vice-Chair for Membership: Katherine Fisher  
Certification: Carole Cordray Syracuse  
Treasurer: Marsha Reilly  
Secretary: Merewyn Weinkauff

### **Teacher Activities**

**Fall Conference:** Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 – *Curious Piano Teachers* gave a presentation via Skype and a second presentation on green screens took up the second hour.

**Spring Conference:** The teachers of the Southeast District paired with Ohio University's Piano Pedagogy Conference on June 22-23, 2018 and had attendance of over 60 teachers and student teachers.

- The district held a business meeting immediately following the Fall Conference and a planning meeting on May 17, 2018 at Ohio University.

### **Student Programs**

**Pop Music Showcase** (Chair – Wendy Blackwood) – Over 35 students participated in the Pop Music Showcase, which features piano students performing with a paid drummer and bassist. This event, in its second year, took place on November 18<sup>th</sup> and was again a huge success. Students performed jazz, pop, and ragtime selections on stage with the drummer and bass player.

**Pianothon** – Because of spring break and snow days, there was not much interest in the Pianothon this year from local students and therefore was canceled.

**Buckeye Auditions** (Chair – Dr. Chris Fisher)

There were two students sent to represent our district, one of which won honorable mention at the state level!

The Southeast District holds membership steady currently at 15 members, having lost two members last year and gaining two new members at the same time. Currently 42% of our members are Nationally Certified, and we continue to promote certification throughout our district via mailings, personal connection, and our Facebook page.

Respectfully submitted,  
Merewyn Weinkauff  
Southeast District Chair

## Southwest District Annual Report

### District Officers – 2016-2018 Installed June 2016

Brianna Matzke President  
Shawn Wyatt Immediate Past President  
Rebecca Slater President Elect  
Shelley Dumoulin VP Communications  
Kate Krueger VP Student Activities  
Clinton Pratt VP Membership  
Darlene Suggs VP Programs  
Peter Oehrtman Treasurer  
Eve Warner Secretary

New chair: Polina Bepalko, Chair of Community Engagement

### Membership

The Southwest District membership is at 132 members. This number has decreased from 144 during 2016-2017.

### Program Meetings/ Workshops/Conferences

All workshops and conferences are offered free to our membership. Student activities have a fee per student.

#### September

Beginning of the Year Meeting – 9/8: Anderson Town Center  
Theme: “Adult Education”  
Expenses: \$188

Ronald McDonald House Play-a-thon Fundraiser - 9/14-16: Various locations  
A collaboration with local arts organization, Aliven Arts. Students and teachers set up their own fundraising plan or teachers organized events and all of the money collected went directly to the Ronald MacDonal House. Suggestions for fundraising included: post a YouTube video to facebook of a performance, or live-stream a recital! Post a link to collect donations.

#### October

OMTA Conference – 10/12-14 – Van Wert, OH  
Members are encouraged to attend. The president-elect attended this conference.

Masquerade Musicale – 10/28-29: Barnes & Noble at Newport on the Levee  
Chairs – Terry Granick and Amy Immerman  
This is a good fundraiser for our district. Students play in 30-minute recitals throughout the day and can dress up in costume.  
Income: \$2329.00  
Expenses: \$732.72  
Net income: \$1596.28.

## November

Fall Conference – 11/12 – 1-7pm - Cincinnati Conservatory of Music  
“We’re On the Same Team: Developing Young Musicians in Community”  
Presented by local school and private teachers, MTNA and collegiate representatives, with topics including: How school and private teachers can complement each other; competing with sports: recruitment/retention strategies adapted for music; how to prep for evaluations (including solo and ensemble); Benefits of certification and professionalization in music education; also featuring an afternoon chamber music concert.  
Speakers - Richard Van Dyke, OMTA Past-President  
Terry Herschman, OMEA Past-President  
Katie Personke (former school teacher/now private)  
Jennifer Northcut (flautist)  
Stephanie Jones (Mason HS orchestra)  
Jon Noworyta (former school teacher)  
Clinton Pratt (piano teacher)  
Kate Krueger (voice teacher)  
Melissa Curtice, MTNA Membership Processing and Certification Manager  
Adam Mayon, CCM-MTNA President  
Chairs - Brianna Matzke and Darlene Suggs  
Expenses: \$1242.62

## December

Holiday Carolfest – 12/15 – Home of President Brianna Matzke  
Social affair for teachers to get together and share food, drink and music.  
Potluck, performing and socializing  
Expenses: \$0

## January

Program Meeting – 1/18– Music Resource Center  
Topic: Tour of the Music Resource Center, a community music education center  
Expenses: \$0

## February

Winter Pedagogy Conference – 2/10 – NKU  
The NKYMTA hosts this no-fee conference. We contribute \$200 towards this conference each year in an effort to work together. Co-sponsors: NKU School of the Arts, NKMTA, OMTA-SW  
Featured speakers: Marvin Blickenstaff, plus additional sessions devoted to the adult student, concluding with a recital of solo and collaborative music.  
Expenses: \$200

## March

Auditions Festival – 3/18 – Cincinnati Conservatory of Music  
Chair - Clinton Pratt  
Adjudicated event for piano and vocal students. New this year: adjudication for guitar. Students are evaluated by a judge and scored according to each student’s level. Advanced level students performed in a recital format and were adjudicated and awarded trophies.

Income: \$5820.62  
Expenses: \$3797.46  
Net income: \$2023.16

April

Program Meeting – 4/6 – Toedtman School of Music  
Topic: Roundtable Discussions  
Expenses: \$0

Buckeye Auditions – 4/27-28 – Xavier University  
New this year: winners invited to appear on the Xavier University Piano Series  
Chair – Frank Huang  
Income: \$1660.00  
Expenses: \$1921.23  
Net income: \$-261.23

May

Showcase Recital - 5/19 - CCM Werner Recital Hall  
This event showcases the best students in our district through teacher nomination.  
All instruments and style are welcome.  
Income: \$300  
Expenses: \$150  
Net income: \$150

June

End of Year Luncheon - 6/22 - Moerlein Lager House  
Traditional celebration of outgoing and incoming board  
Expenses: \$0

**Fiscal Report Summary**

Please see attached for our Fiscal Report for the 2017-18 year.

**Community Outreach**

Each year our OhioMTA Southwest District Collegiate Chapter Grant is awarded to one of the collegiate chapters in our district. It is a \$1000 grant to be awarded to the collegiate chapter in the fall of 2018 to use for chapter events and help students attend OMTA or MTNA conferences. We gave \$250 to help support our Ohio fellow honored by MTNA. We gave a final \$1600 to the CCM Keyboard Division to conclude our bi-annual collaborative agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brianna Matzke, President – OhioMTA Southwest District

## Western District Annual Report

### Officers for 2017-2018

Andrea Arese-Elias, President  
Samee Griffith, Vice President - Programs  
Janet Davis, Vice President - Student Activities  
Marsha Holcomb, Vice President - Certification  
Sonya Szabo-Reynolds, Vice President - Membership  
Angela Vaubel, Recording Secretary  
Angie Wickizer, Treasurer  
Kathleen Husko, Immediate Past President  
Christina Sidas, Webmaster

### Student Activities - Co-chairs

Andrea Arese-Elias, Music Development Program  
Laura Atkins, Buckeye Auditions  
Judy Bede, Student Composition Contest

### Teacher Programs/Events 2017-21018

September 6, 2017: "Our Year Ahead" - An information session for members about the upcoming year's District, State, and National student and teacher events.  
November 3, 2017: State Conference Session Summaries & Tiraje Ruckman - "A Trip to Paris"  
December 9, 2017: 4th Annual Members Night Out: Dinner at Citilites, Schuster Center and "A Swingin' Holiday Celebration" with the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra  
February 17, 2018: Panel Discussion - Tips for a (Long) Successful Teaching Career"  
April 7, 2018: Amy Rucker "Strategies for Teaching Very Young Children"  
May 9, 2018: Annual Member Luncheon, Certified Teacher of the Year: Dr. Eric Street, NCTM

### Student Events 2017-2018

November 5, 2017: Student Recital  
December 16, 2017: Ribbon Festival & Scale Olympics, Wright State University  
(This is a popular student event and fundraiser . Festival Coordinator was Janet Davis. 103 students participated in Ribbon Festival and 114 participated in Scale Olympics)  
February 11, 2018: Student Recital  
February 2018: Student Composition Contest  
(7 students representing 2 teachers participated in this event)  
April 21, 2018: Western District Ohio Buckeye Auditions  
(6 students representing 4 teachers participated in this event)  
May 6, 2018: Student Honors Recital

Respectfully submitted,  
Laura Atkins, President 2018-2019  
OhioMTA Western District  
Ohiomtawest.org

