

Long Beach Branch  
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### President's Message

Dear Branch Members,

May is the birthday month of Richard Wagner, Brahms and Tchaikovsky. And April was the month for our successful CM at CSULB. Many thanks again to all who helped make this event possible. In this newsletter, you will read about students of this Branch and their perfect theory scores at CM. Bravo to them and their/our teachers. This month we have several signature Branch events, including the Teacher's Recital, in which our talented members have a chance to shine. The May 1 Business Meeting at the home of Linda Pryor is also a special event, due to the abundance of good food and the voting of the new Slate of Officers to the Board - who will assume the responsibilities on the evening of June 2. So, this is my penultimate President's Message to all of you. Please note that there will be a change of location to the June 2 Potluck. The event will now be held at the home of Sarah Sandvig. Her address is the our current MTACLB Directory. I look forward to writing the June Message and to seeing you at Branch events.

Best wishes

Leonne Lewis

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**LOCATION CHANGE FOR JUNE 2 POTLUCK**

The Branch Potluck on June 2 , from 5 pm -, will now be held at the home of Sarah Sandvig, 11162 Ranger Drive, Los Alamitos, Ca. 90720. It is requested that Board members bring a main dish and the membership bring something like: a salad, appitizer, 'finger food,' fresh fruit, dessert. Also, it is requested that a few members might like to arrive a little early to help Sarah, should it be needed.

Thank you.

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### **You Are Invited...**

Teachers from the Long Beach Branch, affiliated with the Music Teachers' Association of California, are performing in a recital to benefit the maintenance of our Mason & Hamlin piano.

Date: Sunday, May 5, 2013

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Place: Seal Beach Center for Seal Beach Spiritual Living  
500 Marina Drive  
Seal Beach 90740

\*Suggested donation: \$10

\*all are welcome

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### **MAY Calender**

May 1 Wed. 9:30 am Annual Business Meeting at the home of Linda Pryor  
May 4 Sat. 10-2 pm. Branch Recital #3 at SBCSL  
May 5 Sun. 4-7 pm. Teachers' Recital at SBCSL  
May SCJBF Regional Festival at CSUDH, TBA  
May 16 Thu. 9:30 am Board Meeting at the home of Leonne Lewis  
May. 18 Sat. 9-5 pm Sonata /Sonatina Competition at SBCSL

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### **VOCE Winners:**

Results from VOCE State Final Competition at Chapman University, April 21, 2013

From Luna Studio:  
Congratulations go to:

Mizuki and Daichi Horiguchi (ages 8/9) received honorable mention in the Intermediate Ensemble Category (up to age 15)

Trio of Ryan Kim, Ray Cheng, and Joseph Yen won 2nd place in the Senior Ensemble Category (up to age 18).

\* The pianist, Joseph Yen, is a student of Teri Watson from the Orange Coast North branch.

Great achievement from a state-wide competition of the finest young players from top teachers in California.

Janice Luna

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### **The MTACLB Branch Announcement**

The MTACLB Branch would like to congratulate students, and their teachers, of last month's CM on achieving a perfect score on their Theory Test. Please read the following list.

Best wishes,

Our Branch

Katlyn Ferrer	Piano	Yukiko Y. Nobles
Perry Han	Piano	Andrea H. Chou-Wu
Eliana Kim	Piano	Rachel Hye-Jeong Ahn
Emma Larson	Piano	Ellen M. Noble
Maximilian Lee	Piano	Rachel Hye-Jeong Ahn
Pranit Mohnot	Piano	Jessica Ann Baptist
Ryan Nam	Piano	Rachel Hye-Jeong Ahn
Darwin Nguyen	Piano	Rachel Hye-Jeong Ahn
Jack Passanisi	Violin	Ann Cavadini Goodwin
Prisha Sadhwani	Piano	Jessica Ann Baptist
Safa Saeed	Piano	Lilia Pershina
Delaney Sanacore	Mezzo-Soprano	Sarah Sandvig
Shelby Stanton	Piano	Ellen M. Noble
Ellie Ta	Piano	Yi Joon Kim
Andrew Wu	Piano	Ann Cavadini Goodwin

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### **News from the studio of Lisa Michiko Kato (Long Beach School of Music and South Bay School of Music in Redondo Beach):**

Congratulations to:

Justin Geffrey, High School Senior Medallion Winner

Collin Bachet, First Alternate Winner, Adult Performance Program

Nicholas Echeverry, Winner SCJBF Local, Branch Honors & State Convention

Allison King, Branch Honors & State Convention

Keren Tiffany Brown, Certificate of Merit Honor Roll

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**News from the studio of Susan High (Long Beach School of Music):**

Congratulations to:

Noah Lovold: Branch Honors & State Convention

Stephen Kelman: Branch Honors & State Convention

Alan Maedo: Branch Honors & State Convention

Lucas Coriaty: State Convention

Bach Festival Winners:

Noah Lovold

Stephen Kelman

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**Nancy Wheeler**

I just learned that our long time member Nancy Wheeler fell & broke a hip on March 30. Her daughter Ann says Nancy has had surgery and is now recuperating in a skilled nursing facility in Long Beach. She would appreciate cards sent to her home: 269 St. Joseph Ave., Long Beach 90803. Ann's phone # is 562-303-4500 if you would like an update.

Dolly

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**March general meeting photo**



Principal oboist of the Pacific Symphony Jessica Pearlman and Leonne.

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## **MTACLB New Member/Members/Program Directors/Newsletter Editor Website Instructions**

If you have a new email address and need to update your information:

1. Please email Christine at [violine1@aol.com](mailto:violine1@aol.com) to receive the MTACLB email updates.
2. Please contact Beejell Soco, webmaster at [beejell@gmail.com](mailto:beejell@gmail.com) if you have any questions concerning the website. You will also need to do the following to update your Classical Edge account and receive the MTACLB newsletter.
3. Go to [www.mtacb.com](http://www.mtacb.com).
4. Click on "Login" and log onto the MTACLB website with your current name and password.
5. go onto "Edit My Profile" and change your listed email address.

Do NOT start a new account with a new user name!

### **New Members:**

How to sign up as a new member on the [www.mtacb.com](http://www.mtacb.com) website?

Open up a firefox browser or download a firefox web browser for free. You can download it for free at [www.firefox.com](http://www.firefox.com) Our website works best when you use the correct web browser!

Type [www.mtacb.com](http://www.mtacb.com) in your web browser

Click on "Login" in the box on the top of the website.

Click on "Create Account."

Fill in the all of the required information on that page.

Click on "Continue."

Fill in the all of the required information on that page.

Click on "Save".

### **MTACLB members with accounts:**

Type [www.mtaclb.com](http://www.mtaclb.com) in your web browser.

Type in your username in the blank box.

Type in your password.

(If you cannot remember your user name or password, click on "Forgot Username/Password")

Click on Login in the box on the top of the website.

To Edit your Profile, add or change the following: (note your instrument, specialty, education, email address, home address, etcj.)

Log on

Click on "Edit my profile."

Scroll down until you see "profession."

Example for teachers:

If you are a teacher, click on the following boxes:

"Teacher" "private studio" private studio"

Scroll down to the bottom of the page with the up/down scroll on the right side and Click "continue."

Complete the info on the next page.

Scroll down to the bottom of the second page and click "finish" to save your info.

**\*\*If you see a little message flash on your computer asking if you want to stay on the classical edge website, be sure to click "okay" to stay on the website. If you do not, the website will automatically time out for security reasons, and your information MAY NOT have been saved! You will have to do this every time you have about 10 minutes of inactivity.**

Additional email-related information. Please do not just click "reply" when you have a question regarding an email or program, as it will send the email to the 1st Vice President ( person relaying the emails) instead of the person in charge of the program. Be sure to look for the email address for the program director and email them directly!

Additional hint when entering a student in an event:

X means delete and the pencil means edit.

If you hold your mouse over an icon it will give you what it means.

There is an option at the bottom to print out the info for the students you have registered.

### **MTACLB Program Directors Instructions:**

Each program director needs to contact Reza at Classical edge at least a month before the scheduled event. [admin@classicaledge.org](mailto:admin@classicaledge.org) Please give him the following information:

1. The Name of the event.
2. The date of the event.
3. The online application due date.

4. Your name and email address.
5. Any specific additions or changes if this is a program that we have not had before. Otherwise, Reza will set up the new event from a template of the event from the previous year.

Open up a firefox browser or download a firefox web browser for free. You can download it for free at [www.firefox.com](http://www.firefox.com) Our website works best when you use the correct web browser! After you have downloaded Firefox,, and you see the word "firefox" on your menu bar, Click and hold on "file" and click "New Document"

Type [www.classicaledge.com](http://www.classicaledge.com) in your web browser.

Type in your username in the blank box.

Type in your password.

(If you cannot remember your user name or password, click on "Forgot Username/Password")

Click "Login."

Click "MTAC-LB" or the little file picture.

Click on "Programs."

Click on the Program Name, i.e. "MTAC-LB Sonata/Sonatina Competition"

Click on "Change Settings" or picture with paper and wrench. Scroll on both the outer right part of your window until you can see "Application Rules and Policies."

Type your event info, rules, and policies in the blank box. \*\*Be sure to click on the little diskette after every few minutes to save the information that you have typed!! \*\*If you see a little message flash on your computer asking if you want to extend the session (stay on the classical edge website), be sure to click "OK" to stay on the website. If you do not, the website will automatically time out for security reasons, and your information MAY NOT have been saved!

Example of information to include under "Applications Rules and Policies."

Piano Sonata/Sonatina Competition

Chairpersons: Willie Chen and Kazuko Yasukawa

Competition Date: Saturday May 16, 2009 all day

Entry Deadline: Saturday April 25, 2009 at 11:59 PM

Entry fee is \$25 per person. There is no teacher fee.

Please make one check out to MTAC-LB and mail to Willie Chen at (\*\*add program director's address here) postmarked by the entry deadline.

Location: Seal Beach Center for Spiritual Living

Due to the nature of the competition, we are unable to accept time requests.

Winners must be present at the end of each program to receive awards.

All teachers who enter students are expected to help out.

Time limits for each division: elementary 7 minutes, intermediate 9 minutes, advanced 12 minutes.

Please note that there is also a window scroll feature in the small window you are typing in as well. (There may be 3 scroll bars to control the different windows.) The size of the window is small, and you may not be able to see the entire window at once as you are editing it. This is not something that we can change at this time.

You will NOT be able to type in the following information.

Copy This Program:      Copy Now

New Program Start Date:

New Program End Date:

New Application Due Date:

(We have locked this process because program directors were creating duplicate programs and students were signing onto two separate events for the same program. Reza needs to copy and create a new program for the director.)

Click on "Performances" to put students in program order either by "Autoorder" or by moving students up and down with the down and up arrows

Click on "Performances" and "Notify" to notify teachers and/or students about their scheduled times.

### **Newsletter Editor Instructions**

1. Click onto firefox 2.0 browser on your computer, or download the newest version from [www.firefox.com](http://www.firefox.com), and create a new page by going under the pulldown menu "file" and clicking on "new window."

2. Go to [www.classicaledge.com](http://www.classicaledge.com) and log on and click on to the following: Log into your account. Click on "mtac-lb," then "account" then "website," "edit pages" and "newsletter" tab above. Click on the Create\* button below the tabs. Change the newsletter Name to the next month's name, such as "July Newsletter." Don't worry about the email and PDF options yet, and do NOT click "Publish Now." Once you publish a newsletter, it's difficult to alter it and resend it.

Go to the "Past Issues" on the top right of the screen and "cut and paste" the top information from last month's newsletter, changing only the necessary information such as date and newsletter editor info. Be sure to save your work constantly, by clicking on the little icon that looks like a floppy disk on the top line, about 4 icons over from the left, in the menu. If you do not see this menu, located under the Newsletter Name area, then click on the little down-arrow and it should reveal the icon menu.

You can click on the various icons to figure out each one.

I recommend that you do a "tester" newsletter to get familiar with how this program functions.

Some tips with formatting:

You can move your browser slowly over each icon and the title of each icon should appear.

The little line divider that I use between sections of the newsletter is located next to the smiley face on the right side of the icon menu.

One of the most difficult things about formatting the newsletter is that each paragraph must be moved by the up/down arrow on the right side, and you may not be able to see the entire paragraph at once because of the small screen. You will have to move the slider on the right to view the other parts that you cannot see. You may be able to open up this space with the little icon that looks like a computer screen (maximize the editor size.)



Importing photos: Click on the little square that has a mountain and sun on it, the middle-right of the icons (insert/edit image.) (Click on edit size if you wish to edit the photo size.) Click on the red "upload" button, wait a second, and then click on "ok." The photo should now appear in your newsletter. You can center the photo by clicking on the paragraph formatting icons.

Be sure to save your work frequently by clicking on the disk icon!

When you are ready to send out the newsetter:

Click "Create." Make sure you are using the correct Newsletter Name. Select "Email only Teachers" under Email Options. For PDF Options click "Include PDF on Website and Send Link on email."

3. I was able to type in the white box to set up a new tester page that says "Tester Newsletter for MTACLB by Noreen." I didn't publish it, so you can see it when you log in and go to edit the newsletter, but not from the [www.mtaclb.com](http://www.mtaclb.com) website. You may want to set up a tester newsletter to try it out before publishing.

4. I cut and pasted the top part of the April newsletter and clicked on the photo of the little disk immediately to save it. I did find that if I tried to cut and paste too large of a section, or a section with too large of font for that paragraph, I did receive a note that I exceeded the amount of space permitted for that paragraph, and my information DID NOT save. I went back and tried to cut and paste a smaller section, saving the section immediately, and it DID work.

5. After about 8-10 minutes, I did receive a pop-up alert asking if I wanted to extend the session. I clicked "okay", and it didn't kick me off. The pop up did not come up again for a long time.