

November 2018 Newsletter (corrected)

Kern Branch

Please notify Dorothy with other news.

Hello Members,

It's already November!

Looking back...

October 31 was the last day to **register students online for CM.**

We were busy in October with **4 recitals!!!** Thank you to the Chairs and Hosts of those recitals: AMSL at Deborah Nystrom's home (Jayne), Teachers' Recital at First Pres (Meg), monthly Kern Branch Recital at Valley Baptist (Tasha, and Bonnie for refreshments), and MSSL at Mill Creek Christian (Donna). About 40 students participated in the MSSL Recital wearing Halloween costumes. All recitals were well-attended!

At our **October Kern Branch meeting**, Alix presented a very interesting program using an app to create a digital music inventory to keep track of the music you have.

Looking ahead...

CM

The State Office will send information by email to your students' parents on November 1 with instructions to open the Parent Portal and make their **payment for CM**. It would be a good idea to alert your parents this and ask them to pay as soon as possible. This will help avoid calling the parent who hasn't paid on the last payment day (November 10). November 10 is Saturday of a 3-day weekend so parents may be unreachable; in addition there will be only a couple staff members in the State Office on that Saturday to take care of any problems that arise.

Jazz-Pop Schedule

Alix received about 60 entries for the Jazz-Pop Festival. She will send the recital times for the students this coming weekend. The **Jazz-Pop Recital will be Saturday, November 10 at California Keyboards.**

November Monthly Kern Branch Meeting – **Notice the change in date! Calendar Change!!!**

Our meeting will NOT be on Thursday in November. It has been changed to **FRIDAY, November 9, 9:30, at California Keyboards**. This was changed to accommodate Gail Lew's schedule – she will present a program on **"New Materials."** These pieces qualify for the New Materials Recital at Convention for Level 1 and higher. Alix has distributed fliers to many non-MTAC teachers in the area. We will have a short business meeting before Gail presents the program. She always brings free publications for those attending, and brings a list of the pieces she will play.

November Recital Deadline – **Notice the change in deadline and new Recital date! Calendar Change!!!**

Please mark your calendar – the **Recital Registrations are due to Margo Mayer November 10** (same day as Jazz-Pop Festival). She will be assisted by new member Carla Martin who will bring refreshments. **The new Recital date is Sunday, November 18** at Valley Baptist. This is the first Sunday of Thanksgiving Break – be sure students who register will not be out of town early for Thanksgiving. (The change was made so we will avoid having events 3 days in a row.)

Jazz-Pop Festival

The Jazz-Pop Festival will take place at **California Keyboards** on **Saturday, November 10**. Students do not need to bring their music.

Other Events:

November 4, 4:00 p.m. – Dukes Concert Series, The Figarden Trio (see attachment)

November 9 – Master Chorale "Salute to our Veterans"

November 10 – Bakersfield Symphony Orchestra (students may use the voucher for a discounted price)

Heads Up for December:

- **Barnes & Noble Holiday Recital registrations are due to Donna on December 1 – the Recital is Saturday, December 8. Start saving donations for Jamison Center. (Flier attached.)**
- **December MSSL Registrations are due December 9 – the MSSL recital will be Sunday, December 16.**
- **The Central California Baroque Festival sponsored by the Fresno Branch will receive applications until December 11. Their Festival is the same day as our Romantic Festival in February.**