MTAC Kern Branch

April 2017

Musical Notes

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Upcoming Branch Events, Deadlines

DATE	EVENT
Apr 1	Select Student auditions
Apr 6	MTAC Branch Meeting 9:30 a.m. at Calif. Keyboards – we will vote!
Apr 7	Scholarship applications due to Andrea Allen
Apr 8	Baroque Festival at Valley Baptist
Apr 20	Composers Today Symposium deadline
Apr 21	Recital forms due to Dorothy Burgess
Apr 22	Select Student recital
Apr 29	Select Student recital
Apr 30	Honors & Regular recitals, Dorothy, Ellen & Alma
May 4	Scholarship Auditions
May 5	RSVP for luncheon to Alicia Ellsworth
May 7	AMSL
May 11	End-of-Year Branch luncheon
May 12	Recital forms due to Andrea Allen
May 20	Showcase & Awards recital 2:00 pm Beale Library

March Monthly Recital

CM Notes From Marilyn

CONGRATULATIONS TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS – WOW !!
Here are a few statistics:

- 52 Honor Students
- 100% on the theory tests: 7 perfect papers:
  - Emily Dodd: Prep
  - Eli Phillips: Prep
  - Evan Weighall: Prep
  - Emma Bridgman: Level 1
  - Morrison Dobere: Level 1
  - Coral Rose Chapman: Level 4
  - Gus Phillips: Level 5

Classical Festival

A Classical Festival winner with her trophy!

April Branch Meeting

Thursday morning April 6th, 9:30 a.m. at California Keys.

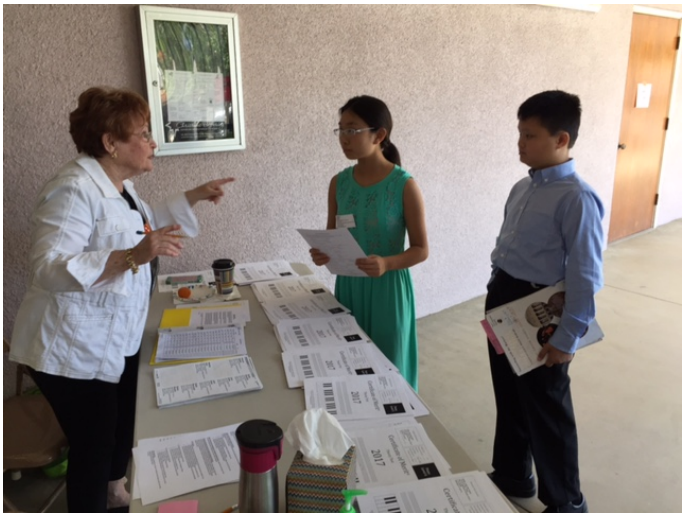
Come learn how the Alexander Technique may be applied when making music to move with more freedom, avoid injury, and cope with performance anxiety! Ryan Ramming will be giving a brief introduction to the Technique which will include working hands-on with a few volunteers. Please be prepared to play a short musical excerpt (memorized or with music) if you would like work with him during this demonstration.

Also -- this meeting will be our general membership meeting. It is very important that everyone who can possibly come does come, so we can vote on our new board. Here are the candidates:

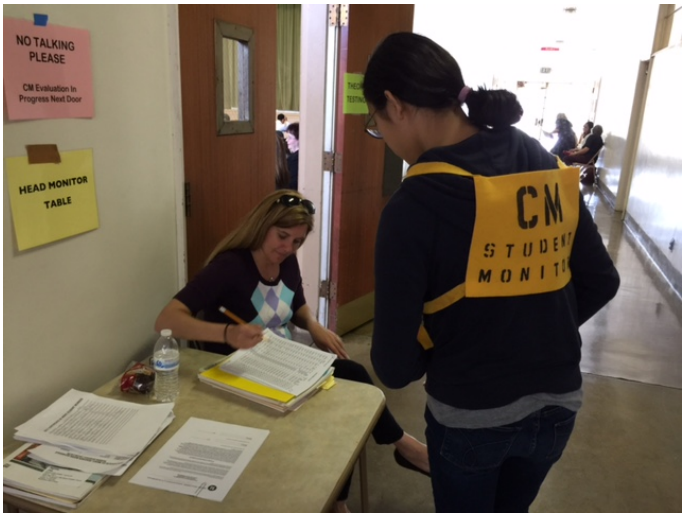
President - Dorothy
First V.P. Recitals - Jayne
Membership secretary - Natalya
Recording secretary - Alix
Treasurer - Alicia

Certificate of Merit Day

Did we have fun or what!? In fact, let's do it again next year!



Students checking in at CM, Meg gives directions



Student monitor in yellow vest reviews instructions with Head Monitor, Andrea.

Alicia & Margo watch theory students during a lull in a busy day.

Helen & Bonnie are hard at work on the first stack of tests.

Ear Training test – students listen intently

A beautiful outdoor area for parents to wait for students to complete their CM evaluations.

Ellen & student monitor Juliet, wait under the site map. This student was eager to play!

Professional CM students, brothers and sister, all dressed up and waiting to pick up their theory tests.

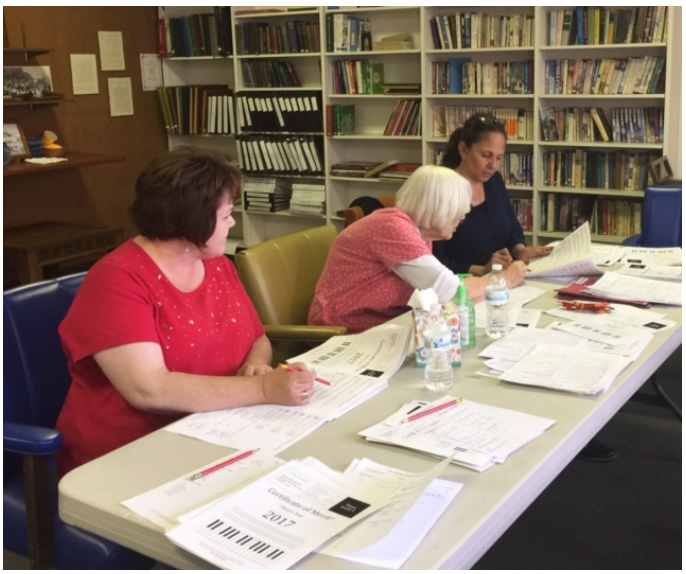
Tasha with students and monitors, waiting their turn.

Yes, we all get a lunch break ☺

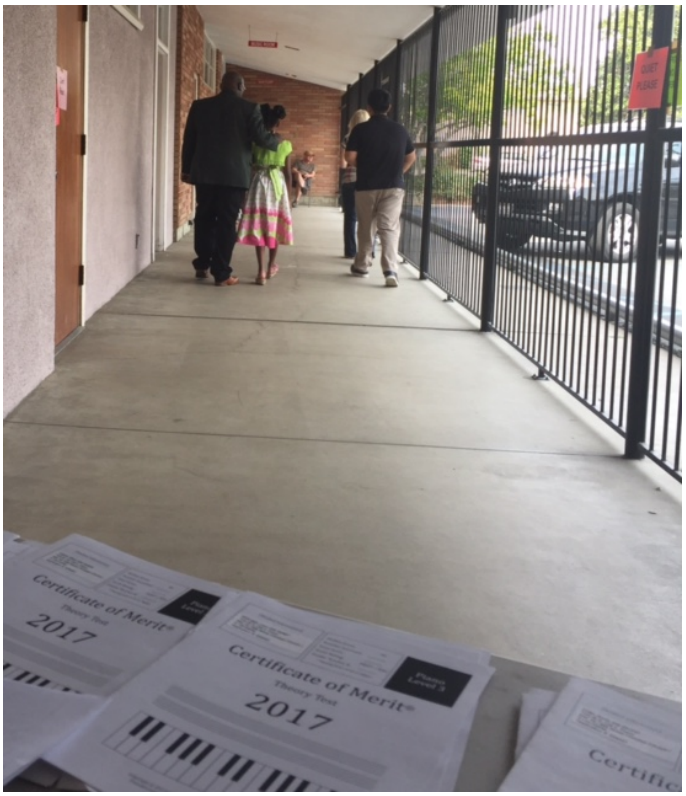
Judges, teachers, and student monitors enjoyed the delicious Luigi's lunch organized by Donna.

CM Chair Marilyn is standing at the left. She was busy all day … finally caught up with her for a photo!

Alma, husband Monty, and Ellen



Alix, Bonnie, & Alma take a shift in the test-grading room.



A dad and daughter walk to the patio to wait for big sister.

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That's our branch website – go check it out!!

MTAC Convention 2017

It's already time to start thinking about our upcoming convention in Santa Clara! Emails went out last week to all members with the links you need to register, get a hotel, and see what's on the agenda!

Next Month's Newsletter

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