



# Sharps & Flats

AN OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE FLORIDA FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS



**THEME:** *Keeping the Music Alive for the Future!*

**SONG:** *Climb Ev'ry Mountain*

## On a Musical Note

**A**s I write my last message as FFMC President, our Federation is busy at work. The Junior Convention Committee is processing applications of 1532 Junior members representing 197 teachers! This is an increase of over one hundred entrants from last year. This year we will have three Federation members from Colorado visiting our Junior Convention. They will be judging for us as well as observing our event. We welcome Colorado!

Capital District President Sharleen Williams and convention committee are busy at work preparing the FFMC Spring Convention which will be held May 19-21, 2011 in the Fort Walton/Niceville area. This Spring Convention will feature musical talent from Capital District as well as the 2009 Ellis Piano-Duo Winners Drs. Jeffrey and Karen Savage. Please read the enclosed Official Call. We look forward to seeing you at the FFMC Spring Convention!

This year we have placed extra emphasis on developing our Student Division. Six college students entered our auditions to qualify for the NFMC Student/Collegiate competitions. We are very pleased to announce that Florida will be represented this year at those auditions in piano solo, women's voice and men's voice. This is a first!

Finally, as FFMC President I wish to thank everyone who made my job enjoyable. It was a pleasure working with each and every one of you. Together we had a very productive two years from the Jeanie/Stephen auditions, the Festivals auditions, Jr. Conventions and now the Student/Collegiate auditions. And finally to our seven Districts and twenty four clubs, thank you for continuing our grassroots effort to promote music in our communities.

### Keeping the Music Alive for the Future!

Michael Edwards  
FFMC President

#### Get Onboard - Get Online

The FFMC website has had a recent facelift and is now more user friendly. Please visit our website, [www.ffmc-music.org](http://www.ffmc-music.org), for all the latest FFMC news and events.

## Ninety-Second FFMC Spring Convention Treasures of the Emerald Coast

Calling all FFMC members: You are cordially invited to the Ninety-Second FFMC Spring Convention May 19-21 hosted by Capital District in Niceville!

Convention planners have been working hard to insure this event will be well worth your drive to Northwest Florida. Cheryl Poe will present a workshop on "Fundraising with Festival", and NFMC Southeastern Region Vice President Beth McAuley will be present to deliver a keynote address titled "Bucks and Bushes". The election of state officers and important committee meetings will round out the business segment of the convention.

This year's convention theme is "Treasures of the Emerald Coast", and the musical entertainment provided will certainly be one of the best treasures found in this area! Featured will be the local talent of pianist Sharon Jeffrey, acappella women's trio Pitch Black from Hurlburt Field, Capital District Jeanie candidate Sarah Folsom, and local composer/director Dr. David Ott. Our extra special musical treat will be a concert on Friday evening following the banquet by Drs. Karen and Jeffrey Savage, also known as Eighty-eight Squared. The Savages are the 2009 winners of the Ellis Competition for Duo Pianists, and in addition to having performed nationally and internationally, they were featured guest performers at the 2009 NFMC Biennial Convention in Orlando. Capital District has always strongly supported duo piano events, and we are thrilled to bring this couple to Northwest Florida for an unforgettable performance. This is an event you will not want to miss!

Please make plans to attend and explore the "treasures" of FFMC and the Emerald Coast!

### It's Official!

The NFMC Nominating Committee has recommended the following slate of officers for 2011-2013:

President	Carolyn Nelson	North Dakota
First Vice President	Michael Edwards	Florida
First Vice President, SE Region	Barbara Hildebrand	Tennessee
Recording Secretary	Melanie Perez	Louisiana
Treasurer	Suzanne Carpenter	Florida

## REPORT FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The 2011 nominating committee has unanimously approved the following slate of nominees for 2011-2013 term of office:

**President** Ann Stockton  
**Vice President** Barbara Kirby  
**Recording Secretary** Nancy Jontz  
**Treasurer** Suzanne Carpenter

Resumes:

**ANN STOCKTON**, a native of Florida received her BS in Elementary Education with a minor in music from Florida Southern College. She received her Music Education Degree from University of Tampa as well as a Master's Degree in Administration and Supervision from the University of South Florida. Ann began her journey in music when her mother, a graduate of Juilliard School of Music, made sure she had piano, dance and voice lessons starting at the age of four when she started competing in festival events.

Ann has been President of the Tuesday Music Club of Lakeland from 2000-2004 and 2008-2010. Her leadership skills have helped the club grow and become more visible in the community. She was Bay Ridge District President from 2003-2005, State-wise Ann has chaired the Stephen Foster/Jeanie Auditions as well as being chairman of the Achievement Book, Poetry in Music, American Women Composers, and Arts Division Chairman. Ann co-chaired the FFMC Swansation Fall Workshop in September. She has recently been appointed Southeastern Regional Chairman for Opera.

Finding that she is happiest when working in an area of music, she has directed church choirs and children's choirs for over 30 years. She has taught music in the public schools as well as participated in community theaters, community choruses, such as Nova Singers, Lakeland Choral Society and Gold Coast Opera Productions. She is active in a philanthropic and educational organization called PEO, Church Choir, Polk Arts Alliance, Lakeland Choral Society, the Guild for the Imperial Symphony Orchestra, and Polk Historic Theater. She is known as an advocate for the performing arts and works with the schools, colleges, and theaters working as a board member or volunteer to further the cause of promoting quality performing arts to the community.

She is an advocate for the National and Florida Federation of Music Clubs, contacting colleges and schools to inform them of scholarships and programs available through the federation. She is a life member of Tuesday Music Club, the National and Florida Federation of Music Clubs, as well as a Florida Fellow.

### **BARBARA KIRBY**

EDUCATION--Bachelor Degree in Music, Howard College/Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama Piano Major; Organ Minor

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1960 Private Piano Studio  
1960-1970 Associate Organist First Methodist Church, Gainesville  
1970--Substitute Organist

#### PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

Florida Federation of Music Clubs: Vice President 2009-2011  
Suwannee District : President 2003-2005, 2007-2009  
Gainesville Musicale 1970- until merger with Foundation of Promotion of Music  
President 1984-1988  
Florida State Music Teachers Association  
Gainesville Music Teachers Association 1960-  
President 1988-1990

Treasurer 1984-1988  
Secretary:2009-2011-

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Widow of Dr. Taylor Kirby, Three Children

### **NANCY JONTZ**

Personal Information:

2000-Present: Owner of Music N More  
[www.musicnmoreorlando.com](http://www.musicnmoreorlando.com): retail music store and conservatory located inside Piano Distributors, 8114 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32809. nancyj@musicnmoreorlando.com.  
(407)692-0777.Family: 4 children ages 26, 24, 16, and 12.

Federation Activities:

2005-2007: FFMC Recording Secretary, Lake District Treasurer, Orlando Music Club President  
2007-2009: FFMC Student Collegiate/Young Artist Chairman  
2009-present: Lake District President

Background:

Education and Professional-Bachelor of Music Education Degree from Union University in Jackson, TN. Certification in Orff Schulwerk and Elementary classroom education at the University of Memphis.  
Certified Public School Music Teacher (K-12)  
NCTM with MTNA  
Member of American College of Musicians  
Member and Exam Center Representative: National Music Certificate Program (Royal Conservatory) [www.nationalmusiccertificate.org](http://www.nationalmusiccertificate.org)  
Member of Orlando Music Club  
Junior Counselor: Keys to Success Junior Music Club

### **SUZANNE CARPENTER**

Professional Experience: Private Piano Teacher, 1976-

Professional Organizations and Positions:

National Federation of Music Clubs, 1976-  
Life Member since 2001

Board Member Representing Florida 2009-2011

Florida Federation of Music Clubs, 1976-  
Treasurer, 1999-2003; 2005-2011

State Junior Festivals Chairman, 2003-2005

Member of the Year, 2002

Charter Florida Fellow, 2001

Financial Secretary, 1993-1999

Suwannee District:

Foundation for the Promotion of Music 1977-

Named Musician of the Year 2008

Gainesville Festival Chairman, 2002-

Gainesville Area Gold Cup Chairman, 1980-1999

Riverland Music Club, 2000-2007

Music Teachers National Association, 1978-

Florida State Music Teachers' Association, 1978

Secretary/Treasurer, FSMTA Conference 1998

Gainesville Music Teachers' Association: Treasurer

1991-1998, 2003-

Suzuki Association of the Americas, Inc., 1976-

International Suzuki Association, Inc., 1978

Educational Background:

Master of Fine Arts, University of Florida

Bachelor of Science, University of Wisconsin

Personal Information:

Married to Dr. Ronald H. Carpenter, Professor English and Communication Studies, University of Florida Three children

## FFMC PAST PRESIDENTS ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCEMENT

With gratitude to Michael Edwards, this year's PPA Chairman's request for participation by FFMC Clubs and Districts is being included in the Sharps and Flats. Please act on this notice. This message is for all club and/or district FFMC presidents. The NFMC Past President's Scroll of Honor that is published annually in Music Clubs Magazine is based upon the responses to the request from the NFMC State Chairmen for participation. If you have any questions you may feel free to contact me. Email: [ddingus@cox.net](mailto:ddingus@cox.net)

The Past Presidents Assembly exists in (the senior division) to encourage all past presidents to stay involved by belonging to a chapter of the PPA. A goal is to provide funds for the Young Artist Fund through PPA dues. The annual Scroll of Honor includes chapters that have been chartered, have paid current dues and have made a contribution to the Young Artist Fund for the current year. The Scroll of Honor list will include chapter numbers, by states, in numerical order.

Anyone who has completed a term as President of an NFMC organization is automatically eligible to be a PPA member. Annual dues of \$2.00 per member are divided between the NFMC and the state organization. Each chartered chapter is obligated to make a contribution to the NFMC Young Artist Fund (no minimum is required) and if desired, a contribution to the state Young Artist Fund as well. Please keep a copy of your report for your files and send the original to this chairman. The State PPA Chairman's deadline to receive dues and contributions is May 1. These then go to the State Treasurer who has another deadline to observe to send her report to NFMC. Please send your response soon in order to be timely.

In 2010 all participating clubs were sent a report form with their charter number already entered on it. If you no longer have a copy of that form (FI 9-1) you may obtain one from me or from NFMC (website: [www.nfmc-music.org](http://www.nfmc-music.org)). If your group has not yet been chartered you may remedy this by applying to the NFMC PPA Chairman. Included herewith is the list of chartered FFMC clubs and their charter numbers.

137 Tuesday Music Club of Lakeland  
192 Sarasota Music Club  
220 Wednesday Musicale of Wauchula  
286 Code Brillante (Lake Wales)  
296 West Palm Beach  
343 Wednesday Music Club (West Palm Beach)  
412 Friday Morning Music Club of Tampa  
458 Morning Musicale of Fort Lauderdale  
504 Tuesday Morning Music Musicale, Inc. (of Hollywood)  
527 Boca/DelRay Music Society  
534 FFMC State Presidents PPA  
619 Caribbean Music PPA  
620 Coral Gables Music Club  
622 Miami Music Club  
624 South Miami Music Club  
662 Choctaw Bay Music Club  
663 Orlando Music Club  
727 Riverland Music Club  
734 Cecilian Music Club of Venice  
755 Harmony Music Club of Jacksonville  
768 Gainesville Music Club  
771 Lake District PPA  
\_\_\_ Calusa Music Club (Number unknown PPA was chartered 2010)

Please do not send reports and checks to the state treasurer, but send them directly to me: Helen Dings, FFMC PPA Chairman, 610 Camborne Avenue, NE Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547-1703

Please note that this is the only notice you will receive. Please notify me of any changes. Thank you. **Helen Dings, FFMC PPA Chairman**

## SENIOR CLUB REPORT DUE MAY 1

How did your club do this year? How much did your club raise for scholarships? We would all like to know. All Senior Club Presidents are requested to take a few moments to fill out the Senior Club Report and file with Chairman Barbara Kirby by May 1. This report can be found in the NFMC Manual 2009-2011 on page 126a. Please contact Barbara Kirby ([tkirby2@bellsouth.net](mailto:tkirby2@bellsouth.net)) if you cannot locate your Manual.

By filing this report, we will be able to recognize all the accomplishments of all of our clubs throughout our state. Make sure your club gets counted!

## High School - Time for Talent

Lisa Moore – FFMC Festival Cup Chair  
[omc.lisa.moore@gmail.com](mailto:omc.lisa.moore@gmail.com)

The outstanding stars in your junior music clubs have a real chance to shine in their high school years. The Grand Cup and President's Gold Cup represents an amazing level of achievement. For students who have earned their 30-pt Solo Cup, a "top cup" may be within their reach!

How do they earn 75-points or 90-points prior to their graduation? First step - read your Festivals Bulletin carefully to learn the rules for "combining" Solo with Concerto points. Then - see if you have any potential candidates, Grade 9 or above. Students must be in Difficult 1 or higher.

Most important - prepare Form JR 4-1\* for planning purposes. You may add possible 5+5 points for Solo when combined with Junior 3 Concerto. Even better: Add possible 5+8 points for Solo when combined with Senior Concerto. Remember to indicate the choice on your gold cup form. (Points do NOT get added to "Concerto Cup" with this option.) Study the examples and email me, if you have any questions!

Enlist the help of the parent. Provide them with their own copy of Form JR 4-1 to track AND project the points. Each year is a new challenge: Solo, or Solo and Concerto. If the student knows that both events may count as one, this encourages them to complete the next cup size! (Superior in Senior Concerto is worth 8 points as Solo, with a \$4.00 entry fee.)

Finally - when the student has reached 75 or 90 "total" points, send it in to your local Festival Cup Chair. We then forward the application paperwork to the National Federation of Music Clubs Festival Cup Chair for final approval. If all guidelines are met – success!

Share the news through Junior Keynotes. Let the rest of us know about your student and their major honor! Remember to include a photograph with a brief "bio" sketch for the announcement. We want to see their smiling face – and YOU, too! Submit article to Jean Moffatt, JKN editor/chair. (Check inside front cover for contact information.)

\* Download Form JR 4-1 from the NFMC website: Junior Publications.

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## BALLET WINNERS 2011

BALLET ENTRANTS FROM ALL OVER FLORIDA appeared for the April 2011 ballet auditions for the Frances Rands Beery Memorial Awards in Classical Ballet held April 2 at the Highland School of Dance in Lakeland. Hayley Amis-Stewart, a former winner of the ballet award, offered her facilities for the auditions. Eleven students auditioned.

### First prize \$500 was awarded to:

Jeannette Fiallo, age 18, student of Hayley Amis-Stewart

### Second prize \$250 was awarded to:

Kirsten Sandridge, age 15, student of Hayley Amis-Stewart

### Honorable mention awards of \$25 were awarded to:

Alexis Low, age 13, student of Courtney McMahon

McKenna Ortiz, age 13, student of Hayley Amis-Stewart

Winners also received a plaque and a sketch of the career of premier ballerina Frances Rands Beery, who operated a ballet studio in Lake Wales and served as FFMC dance chairman. Serving as judges were two performing artists: Maria Elena Laude, who performs in the Tampa Bay Area and is a former ballet student of Frances Rands Beery, and Anna Preston, artistic director of Anna Preston & Dancers of Stuart. Maria holds dual bachelors' degrees from the University of South Florida as well as a master's degree from Florida State University. She has credits in the private study of ballet and operates the Maria Laude Studio in Tampa. Anna Preston has a Bachelor of Arts from Florida Atlantic University and a Master's degree from Barry University. She is on staff at Florida Arts and Dance Company, The Dance Academy of Stuart, and Mo's DanceWorks.

The next auditions will be held in 2013 for students between the ages of 12-18.

**Postmark deadline for applications is March 1, 2013, to the chairman, Dr. Isabella Laude, 444 Seminole Road, Babson Park, FL 33827. For information: 863.638.2629. Application is available online or e-mail Dr. Laude: isabellamary@verizon.net**

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## NFMC Student/Collegiate Awards

FFMC held auditions for the NFMC Student/Collegiate Awards by CD audition March 6 and 7, 2011. We are pleased to announce that Florida will have three students competing in this NFMC competition. They are:

Alan Clark – Piano Solo

Jenna Siladie – Women's Voice

Christopher Kline – Men's Voice

Good Luck!!

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## WENDELL IRISH VIOLA AWARD STATE WINNER

Florence Van Arnam – FFMC Chairman

Hannah Lee is the Florida Wendell Irish Viola Award winner. Hannah is a student of Maree Sawney from Palm Beach Gardens. Hannah's CD was forwarded onto NFMC for adjudication. Should she be the Southeastern Region winner, she will receive a \$500 monetary award.

## 2011 FFMC State Composition Contest Winners Marty Marshall, Chairman

### Junior I (ages 9 and under)

1st Place: **Marco Jimenez** \$35 and trophy. Teacher, Mark Sforzini

2nd Place Tie: **Emma Barnard** \$25 and ribbon. Teacher, Francies Dodge

2nd Place Tie: **Lorelei, Gifford** \$25 and ribbon. Teacher, Lucy Warren

### Junior II (ages 10-12)

1st Place: **Brandon Richman** \$40 and trophy. Teacher, Donald Waxman

2nd Place: **Paul M. Newnum** \$30 and ribbon. Teacher, Lucy Warren

3rd Place Tie: **Lydia Gifford** ribbon. Teacher, Lucy Warren

3rd Place Tie: **Michael Stauffer** ribbon. Teacher, Marian Cox

### Junior III (ages 13-15)

1st Place: **Jordan Maurodis** \$45 and trophy. Teacher, Donald Waxman

2nd Place: **Austin Booth** \$35 and ribbon. Teacher Mary Wendelken

3rd Place: **Savannah Vasquez** Ribbon. Teacher, Suzanne Hollis

### Junior IV (ages 16-18)

1st Place: **Joseph Prior** \$50 and trophy. Teacher, Lucy Warren

2nd Place: **Christina Cassagnol** \$40 and ribbon. Teacher, Victoria Schultz

3rd Place: **Kathryn Gertz** ribbon. Teacher, Ann Pray

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## GREAT NEWS!! FLORIDA HAD 52 ENTRANTS IN THE FFMC ESSAY CONTEST

### 7-8 grade division:

Winner: Madeline Hsiang, student of Loretta Hake

2nd place: Melissa Herron, student of Dr. L.A. Denning

### 9-12 grade division:

Winner: Grace Shepard, student of Dr. Dianne Garvin

2nd place: Abigail Brigham, student of Vickie Stake

Other teachers include Lisa Barwell, Ann Buchholz, Suzanne Carpenter, Marian Cox, and Svetlana Gubnitskaya. All essays have been sent to NFMC, and the National winner from Florida will be announced in May. The judge for this event was Richard Stiefel, a retired English teacher, Dean of students, and a church musician.

Thanks to all who made this event so successful!!!

Marian Cox, State Essay Chairman

## Official Call Junior Division

### FLORIDA FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS, INC. SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL JUNIOR CONVENTION AND AUDITIONS

University of North Florida, Jacksonville  
May 6-7, 2011

#### JUNIOR DIVISION OFFICERS

President: Sam Crawford  
Vice-President: Ben Canas  
Secretary: Christina Savvidas  
Treasurer: Catherine Yip  
Parliamentarian: Natalie Comeaux

#### JUNIOR COUNSELOR

Vickie Stake  
10737 Golden Spike Lane  
Jacksonville, Fl. 32257  
904-260-9873  
vickiestake@gmail.com

#### FESTIVAL CHAIRMAN

Shirley Clark  
5125 NW 64 Blvd.  
Gainesville, Fl. 32653  
352-375-6606  
Shirley@obe1family.com

#### NATIONAL JUNIOR THEME

"Our Youth...the Future of American Music"

#### NATIONAL THEME

"Music...A Gift for all seasons"

#### STATE THEME

"Keeping the Music Alive for the Future"

#### Official Headquarters:

University of North Florida,  
Jacksonville, FL

#### DIRECTIONS:

##### From I-95 (North of Jacksonville):

Take I-95 South. Merge onto SR-9A N. Exit at the UNF / St. Johns Town Center exit. Stay in your right-hand lane and merge right into the campus.

##### From I-95 (South of Jacksonville):

Take I-95 North. Exit right onto SR-9A E (Jax Beaches). Continue on SR-9A, which will turn into SR 9A N. UNF is approximately 9 miles ahead and on the right (past J Turner Butler Blvd). Exit to your right to merge onto UNF Drive.

#### REGISTRATION DESK:

All participants must register and pick up materials pertaining to times and room of events. All students and Teachers participating at the audition and convention must be pre-registered on the "Entrant and Performance Form". All other guests attending are free.

#### Check-In and Auditions will take place in the Fine

**Arts Building:** Check-in begins at 7:30 am. Auditions at 9:00 am. Warm up rooms will be available from Friday morning to Saturday night for 5 minute intervals.

**Meals:** On your own.

**Achievement Book:** Leave at the Registration Desk for judging.

**Summer Scholarships:** Information and Application forms are at the Registration Desk available to High School Students currently in grades 9, 10, and 11.

**Junior Officer Elections:** Interested eligible Juniors may pick up an application and apply for the office of their choice at the Registration Desk all day Friday. All applications must be submitted by 10:00 am Saturday at the Registration Desk. Time and place for the elections will be posted at the registration desk.

**Rules:** All rules for the Junior Convention can be found in the FFMC Junior Division Procedures Manual. This document is located at [www.ffmc-music.org](http://www.ffmc-music.org) under FFMC Junior Convention.

**Important:** If a student drops out of any event and this information was not available prior to the convention, please report this to the Registration Desk.

Events are open to the public.

#### FRIDAY, May 6, 7:30 p.m.

##### Lazzara Theatre

Concert by 2010 Scholarship Winners  
Announcement of Fridays 2011 Winners

#### SATURDAY, MAY 7, 7:30 p.m.

##### Lazzara Theatre

Concert by 2010 Scholarship Winners  
Announcement of Saturdays 2011 Winners

#### 2011 FFMC

##### JUNIOR CONVENTION HOTELS

When making reservations make sure that you inform the reservation agent that you are attending a Florida Federation of Music Club Event sponsored by the University of North Florida.

##### Wingate Inn Southpoint

Butler Blvd. and I-95  
4681 Lenoir Ave. South  
West on Butler, right on Bonneval  
904-281-2600  
\$58.00 per night  
Cutoff date: 4/22/11

##### FREE FULL HOT BUFFET BREAKFAST

##### The Four Points by Sheraton

8520 Baymeadows Road  
904-562-4920  
To make reservation go to:  
<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/FFMC>  
\$68.00 per night  
Cutoff date: 4/28/11

##### Includes PRIVATE BREAKFAST

##### Embassy Suites Jacksonville-Baymeadows

9300 Baymeadows Road  
King or Double Suites  
904-731-3555  
\$89.00 per night  
Cutoff date: 4/22/11

##### Includes COMPLIMENTARY HOT, COOKED-TO-ORDER BREAKFAST

**OFFICIAL CALL**  
**FLORIDA FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS, INC.**  
**92nd SPRING CONVENTION**  
**TREASURES OF THE EMERALD COAST**  
May 19-21, 2011

**Host District – Capital**

Host District President – Sharleen Williams  
Host District Chairman – Sharleen Williams  
Registrar – Phil LeGrand

**Official Headquarters: Holiday Inn Express – Niceville**

106 Bayshore Drive, Niceville, FL 32578  
850.678.9131 or 800.465.4329  
Email [www.hiexpress.com/nicevillefl](http://www.hiexpress.com/nicevillefl)

**Directions:**

**From I-10 West:** Take exit 56 (State Hwy. 85). Turn left (south). Continue on Hwy. 85 for approximately 17.5 miles to John Sims Pkwy. (State Hwy. 20). Turn left. Hotel is less than a block away on the right.

**Reservations:** Call and reserve your room with the Holiday Inn Express using group block code *FMC*. **Cutoff date for rooms is *May 1***. The cost is \$103.75 per night plus tax. The rooms are available in 2 double beds or 1 king. Free hot breakfast buffet is included, as is a welcome beverage and an evening ice cream social from 7:30 – 9:30.

**Meal Reservations:**

**Friday Lunch:** Baked Parmesan Encrusted Tilapia over Spring Mix Salad with Tomato Vinaigrette or Crunch-n-Munch Sandwich (cream cheese, alfalfa sprouts, tomatoes, sunflower seeds) with Tomato Bisque Soup.

**Friday Night Buffet:** Smoked Pork Loin or Shrimp and Andouille Pasta (includes Chopped Salad – chopped lettuces, feta cheese, grapes, golden raisins, Sautéed Vegetables and Smoked Gouda Cheese Grits)

**Saturday Lunch:** Spinach Quiche with Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chicken Salad Croissant with Broccoli Salad (Broccoli/Apples/Raisins).

**Registration:** \$25.00. Registration deadline is May 11, 2011.

**Plans of Work:** All FFMC and NFMC Chairmen, District and Club Presidents are to submit a report including highlights of this year and what you hope to accomplish next year. Send a copy of your report to Distribution Chairman **Carrie Clancy**, 7303 Frankfort Street, Navarre, FL 32566-7729, email [carrie-bug@hotmail.com](mailto:carrie-bug@hotmail.com), by **May 12** so it can be included in delegates' packets given out at convention. You will also be asked to present a verbal report of up to 2 minutes to report highlights from your printed report. Also bring 1 copy of your written report to be given to the Secretary.

**Achievement Books:** For judging, wrap carefully, use sufficient postage and insurance and mail in time to have the books reach the Chairman by **May 3** deadline. Send to **Connie Smith**, 1839 Lindsey Magnolia CT, Navarre, FL 32566-2138.

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**Registration and Meal – CUT AND MAIL**

**Make checks payable to: FFMC**

**Mail to: Registrar** Phil LeGrand, 25 Ridgelake Drive, Mary Esther, FL 32569-1649

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title(s) for Badge: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee:** \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Luncheon:** \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of Baked Parmesan Tilapia Salad \_\_\_\_\_ or Bisque and Sandwich \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Night Buffet:** \$25 \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of Smoked Pork Loin \_\_\_\_\_ or Shrimp and Andouille Pasta \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Night Concert:** \$20 \_\_\_\_\_

**Saturday Luncheon:** \$15 \_\_\_\_\_

Choice of Spinach Quiche \_\_\_\_\_ or Chicken Salad Croissant \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Deadline: May 11, 2011

Registration Fee: \$25

Room Reservation Deadline: May 1, 2011

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check One if Voting Delegate:**

\_\_\_\_\_ FFMC Executive Committee

\_\_\_\_\_ Club Delegate

\_\_\_\_\_ Junior Counselor

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Organization

\_\_\_\_\_ FFMC Life Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual Member

Please check if you are a Florida Fellow \_\_\_\_\_

Florida State Past President \_\_\_\_\_

## 92nd FFMC SPRING CONVENTION SCHEDULE

### Thursday, May 19, 2011

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Bylaws Committee  
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Budget & Finance Committee

### Friday, May 20, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Registration- Holiday Inn/First Baptist Church Niceville  
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Student Division – Nancy Jontz  
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Stephen Foster Committee – Ann Stockton  
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Junior Division - Vickie Stake  
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Executive Committee/Board of Directors  
  
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Luncheon Honoring Florida Fellows  
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Official Opening of the 92<sup>nd</sup> FFMC Spring Convention. Nominating Committee Chairman, Suzanne Carpenter will present the Slate of Officers for 2011-2013 and their qualifications.  
Proposed amendments to FFMC Bylaws  
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Music and Cookie Break – Music by Sharon Jeffrey  
3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. **Workshop:** "Fundraising with Festival" – Cheryl Poe  
  
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Banquet at Compass Rose Restaurant Honoring FFMC Member of the Year  
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Concert at NFSC – 2009 Ellis Duo – Piano Winners in Concert - Drs. Karen & Jeffrey Savage

### Saturday, May 21, 2011

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Registration  
8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. Memorial Service - Vickie Stake, Chaplain  
9:15 a.m. - 9:35 a.m. Music Break - Pitch Black – A cappella singers from Hurlburt Field  
9:35 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Reports of National and State Chairmen, Districts / Council of District and Club Presidents  
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Musical Break- Dr. David Ott: Bassoon Sonata / Recently Published Preludes  
11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **Keynote Address:** Beth McAuley NFMC Southeastern Region Vice President "Bucks and Bushes"  
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. Musical Break with Jeanie Candidate Sarah Folsom  
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Luncheon Honoring S.E. Regional Vice President Beth McCauley  
2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. Reports of National and State Chairmen, District / Council of District and Club Presidents  
Finish any unfinished business, Awards.  
Installation of Officers 2011-2013  
3:15 p.m. Post Executive Committee Meeting if necessary



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## LATE BREAKING NEWS!!

Christina Lai, a student of Maria Gomez is the winner of the NFMC Marilyn Caldwell Piano Award! This is a competitive event held in the odd number years for piano students in grades ten through twelve. 2011 marked the first year of this prestigious award. Congratulations Christina!!

### ALSO

We have just been notified that four Florida Junior Composers won at the NFMC Southeastern Regional Competition! Four of the ten going to the NFMC National Competition are from Florida. These ten winners will receive a \$50.00 award. The Florida winners in the Junior Composers Competition are:

Class I Marco Jimenez of St. Petersburg; teacher, Mark Sforzini  
Class II Brandon Richman of Coral Springs; teacher, Donald Waxman  
Class III Jordan Anne Maurodis of Parkland; teacher, Donald Waxman  
Class IV Joseph Prior of Winter Park; teacher, Lucy Warren

### Congratulations and good luck at the NFMC National Composers Competition

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#### 2011 Musical Marathon -- A Huge Success

As a Senior Club of the Florida Federation of Music Clubs, The Foundation for the Promotion of Music hosted its first annual Musical Marathon on Saturday, January 22, 2011 from 9:00 am – 6:00pm at the Tioga Fine Arts Center in Gainesville, Florida.

The event was a benefit for the Friends of Alachua County Public Schools Elementary Arts Programs Fund. All proceeds from the event were donated to this Fund, which supports and enhances music and art experiences beyond the classroom for all Alachua County elementary public school children.

The Musical Marathon was organized similar to a walk-athon. Participating performers collected monetary pledges from family and friends and then performed prepared selections at the day-long recital.

Over one hundred talented musicians ranging from 5 to 50+ years performed on piano, bagpipe, violin, Indian instruments and voice at the Tioga Fine Arts Center. Students were encouraged to participate by nine federated studio teachers. In addition to listening to talented musicians, the audience had an opportunity to view outstanding works of art by local Florida painters and sculptors.

The Foundation for the Promotion of Music incurred no expenses because of generosity of local businesses. As a result, a total of \$3170.00 from the pledges was awarded to the Friends of Alachua County Public Schools Elementary Arts Programs Fund at their annual meeting on February 22, 2011. For more information about the Musical Marathon, contact Cheryl Poe at (352) 316-0886 or email poect925@aol.com



Barbara Young and students participating in the First Annual Musical Marathon sponsored by FFMC senior club, Foundation for the Promotion of Music.

#### Florida Fellows

As we look forward to our time together at Fort Walton Beach, I want to encourage FFMC members who are not already Florida Fellows to consider becoming a part of this philanthropic group. It is an opportunity to show your support of FFMC and its mission of furthering music and music education.

Remember, any individual who contributes (or in whose honor or memory is contributed) the sum of \$1,000 to the FFMC Operating Endowment fund, shall be known as a Florida Fellow. This is a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization 501 (c) 3, and gifts are tax deductible.

Contact Florida Fellows Chairman Bess Stallings by mail at P.O. Box 1865, Wauchula 33873, phone (863)773-3594, or e-mail bessstallings2@gmail.com for further information and/or application. This is a one-time contribution. Don't delay in joining the 36 other Florida Fellows who are leaving a lasting legacy to the Federation.

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#### Jeanie/Stephen Auditions

##### Ann Stockton, Stephen Foster / Jeanie Audition Chairman

Now is the time to start looking for vocalists to compete in the 61st Annual Jeanie/Stephen Foster Auditions on Oct. 7-9 in White Springs, FL. This competition was created to provide promising vocalists an opportunity to win monetary awards to help them further their music career. Today we award scholarships of \$1500 for Jeanie, \$750 for two Jeanie maids as well as \$1000 for the Stephen Foster winner and a \$500 award for the Stephen runner-up.

By finding your candidate now you are giving them a head start in choosing and preparing their music while still studying with their vocal coach before the summer break. The Stephen Foster State Folk and Culture Center in White Springs is a co-sponsor with us for this annual event. It is a state park near the Suwannee River devoted to educating the public on the life and music of Stephen Foster.

Information regarding the Jeanie/Stephen Auditions can be found on the FFMC website. Let's make this year an outstanding year for the auditions with candidates from all over the state.

Let's keep the music alive for the future

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**Proposed Amendments to FFMC Bylaws  
To be voted upon at the 2011 Spring Convention**

Three changes are proposed to the bylaws and shall be voted on at the Convention on Friday, May20th in Niceville, FL.

- 1. The FFMC Bylaws are amended to eliminate the Fall Session and Workshop and have an annual Convention in the spring of each year. Elections would be held in odd-number years.**
  
- 2. The notice for meetings shall be changed to 30 days.**

*The revised sections are as follows:*

## **ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS**

**Section 1.Convention.** FFMC shall hold an annual convention in the spring to be hosted by the districts in rotation beginning in May 2011 as specified in Section 2. The convention shall be held for the purpose of receiving reports from officers, the Board of Directors, and Division Chairmen, planning for the upcoming year, for the election of officers, and such other business as determined by the Board of Directors. A thirty day notice shall be given to all voting members.

**Section 2.Convention Schedule.**The Convention shall be hosted by the districts according to the following schedule, and the schedule shall be extended indefinitely to all future Conventions unless the Executive Committee, for reasons of an emergency nature, grants an exception.

2011-2018 Schedule (to be extended into the future)

Capital	2011	Convention
Lake	2012	Convention
Royal Poinciana	2013	Convention
Saint Johns	2014	Convention
Seminole	2015	Convention
Suwannee	2016	Convention
Bay Ridge	2017	Convention
Capital	2018	Convention

**Section 3.Special Session.** A special session of the Federation may be called by the president upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors. A thirty day notice of a special session shall be given. The purpose of the session shall be stated in the official call and no other business shall be transacted.

## **ARTICLE V. VOTING BODY**

**Section 3.Quorum.** Twenty-five qualified voters shall constitute a quorum for the convention.

## **ARTICLE VII. DUTIES OF ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

**Section 3.** The **Recording Secretary** shall:

- A. Be the custodian** of all official papers and documents, receive three copies of the reports of all officers, chairmen and district/club presidents and plans of work at the convention and distribute these to the president, archivist, and files of the recording secretary;

**Section 4.** The **Treasurer** shall:

- B. Present a full report** at each meeting of the Board of Directors and at the state convention; submit copies of the fiscal year report along with copies of I.R.S. forms filed and Florida Corporate Report forms filed to the Executive Committee by mail by September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year; submit a monthly financial report to the president and chairman of the Finance Division; submit financial records to the audit committee for audit at the end of each fiscal year and file audit report in the treasurer's records; present at FFMC Convention a compilation report and when the treasurer leaves office a biennial review on all Federation finances that has been prepared by a certified public accountant;

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## ARTICLE XI. ELECTIONS

### Section 2. Nominating Committee.

- A. **Selection** of the Nominating Committee: At the convention in the even-numbered calendar year, the state president shall appoint the chairman of the nominating committee. The Board of Directors shall elect six additional members who have shown active interest in the Federation, one from each of the remaining six districts.

## ARTICLE XII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

### Section 2. Duties.

The Board of Directors shall:

- B. **Meet once a year**, at the convention, the dates to be approved by the Executive Committee.

**Section 3. Absences.** If a member of the Board of Directors is unable to be present at the convention, a written notice, with the cause of absence, shall be sent to the president.

## ARTICLE XIV. DIVISIONS AND COMMITTEES

**Section 2. Duties.** Division, and committee chairmen shall present plans of work and reports at the convention, and shall keep records of important materials and reports for seven years, and shall give all of these to their successors within thirty days.

## ARTICLE XV. FINANCES

**Section 3. Audit Committee.** An Audit Committee of three members who are not members of the Finance and Investment Committee shall be appointed by the president to audit the treasurer's records at the end of each fiscal year. A report shall be presented by the chairman of the committee to the Board of Directors at the convention and filed in the treasurer's records and the Executive Committee minutes.

**Section 4. Budget Committee.** A Budget Committee shall prepare a budget and submit copies to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for approval at the convention. The committee shall be composed of a chairman and two members appointed by the president, the Finance Division chairman and the treasurer.

## ARTICLE XVII. NATIONAL BOARD MEMBER

**Section 1. National Board Member.** The representative of FFMC on the Board of Directors of NFMC shall be elected by FFMC members in even-numbered calendar years for a term of two years. The name of the elected representative, together with qualifications and assurance of willingness to serve, shall be submitted to NFMC in accordance with procedures established by NFMC. No person may serve more than two terms consecutively as NFMC Board member, a term being two years.

**Section 2. Board Member at Large.** Suggestions of possible nominees for Member at Large may be sent to the chairman of NFMC Nominating Committee by vote of FFMC Board of Directors. The names of nominees, together with qualifications and assurance of willingness to serve, shall be submitted to NFMC in accordance with procedures established by NFMC.

### 3. *Addition to member of the year criteria*

**ARTICLE XXI. MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD** shall be modified by adding to Section 2 –“The award may only be received one time by the same individual. “

Note: If the above bylaw changes are adopted, the **Procedures for State and District Meetings and Standing Rules** shall be modified by eliminating fall session.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**Elizabeth C. Madden**

1924-2011

Elizabeth Connor (Betty) Madden, longtime member and supporter of the Florida Federation of Music Clubs, died on February 14, 2011 at the Northwest Florida Medical Center in Fort Walton Beach following a brief bout with recently diagnosed liver cancer. Betty held longtime leadership roles in the Choctaw Bay Music Club and Capital District of FFMC. At the time of her death she was Choctaw Bay Music Club's Scholarship Chairman.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, Lt. Col. Robert A. Madden, (USAF), her parents Dr. and Mrs. Hanson M. Connor of St. Louis, Missouri, brothers Bill and Jack Conner and sisters Dorothy Conner and Patricia Blood. She is survived by sons Robert A. Madden, Jr., William B. Madden and his wife Kathryn, grandsons Matthew and Connor Madden and Wallace and Liam Jones.

For many years Betty was the local chairman of the National Guild of Piano Teachers. She also acted as chairman of the Mozart Competition sponsored by the local organization of Masons, OCMTA and the Playground Music Center. She was an active member of Okaloosa County Music Teachers Association, Florida State Music Teachers Association and Music Teachers National Association holding various offices in OCMTA and FSMTA. She was granted certification as a teacher of piano by FSMTA.

Betty's many friends, her colleagues and her long list of music students will miss her talents, friendship and sunny disposition as well as her considerable contributions to the music life of the community.

A memorial service was held at The Salvation Army Church in Mary Esther, Florida on Saturday, February 19, 2011. Interment was to follow in Barrancas National Cemetery on the U.S. Naval Base in Pensacola.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Elizabeth Madden Memorial Music Fund were requested to be sent to the Browning law Firm, attn: Liz Browning, 418 Racetrack Road, N. E., Suite B, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547. (Phone: 850-864-4384)

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