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- On Saturday, immediately following the auditions, lunch will be served in Nellie By’s Kitchen at a cost of $10.00 payable at the door. Here you will be able to meet and greet the Jeanie Contestants.
- There is still time for senior clubs to sponsor a Jeanie Candidate. The deadline is September 24th, 2005. Please contact Chairman, Helen Wooden at hfinw48@juno.com.

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Looking ahead to June 2009 with our FFMC Biennial Convention.

Students, when submitting your composition, please include:
1. Completed application form signed by both teacher and student can be printed from FFMC website: www.ffmc-music.org or requested from the Junior Composer’s Contest Chairman Eveline Bland, 941-924-7549, 4741 Antler Trail, Sarasota, FL 34238 or Eveline40@aol.com.
2. Manuscript (include name, age, class, and title on composition). Student must note on manuscript paper or can be computer generated if done by student.
3. Tapes, or CD’s (required for any composition for more than one instrument, should be sent with Classes III and IV, optional for Classes I and II), if submitted, should be clearly marked with title, composer’s name, age and class.
4. Entry fees:
   a) $10.00 check written to Florida Federation of Music Clubs, Inc.
   b) If choosing to enter the Festival Cup plan, make a separate $3.00 check to Florida Federation of Music Clubs, Inc.
5. Self-addressed stamped envelope, no smaller than 9” x 12” with sufficient postage. Manuscript, tapes and rating sheets will be returned to students in these envelopes.

Application form and fees must accompany each entry.

From the FFMC Junior Counselor—Michael Edwards

The Sixty-Eighth Annual Junior Convention was held May 6-7, 2005 at the University of North Florida. Forty-four Hundred and Eighty Juniors were registered in over 3,100 events. One hundred and ninety-seven teachers were represented at this Jr. Convention. A big thank you to The Executive Director of UNF Fine Arts Center, Sharon Paxson and her staff for helping to make this Junior Convention a first class event. A big thank you to Suzanne Carpenter and Kenny and Shirley Clark who worked tirelessly helping to organize this Convention, Vickie Stale and Jennifer Bent for securing judges, Gavin Taylor and Lisa Smith for securing monitors, Catherine Gavin our String- Division Chairman, and Helen B. Nielson our Voice Chairman. Connie Tuttle-Lill represented Bonnie Hinely, our President, who was recovering from an illness. Connie did an outstanding job representing Bonnie and FFMC.

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Junior Convention will be held May 5-6, 2006 at the University of North Florida. Recommendations for the 2007 Junior Convention facilities are being accepted for consideration. The facility must include an auditorium that will seat 1000 minimum and 12 auditions rooms. These aud- ition rooms should include at least three band-choral rooms to accommodate large numbers. This facility must have access to piano companies to meet the needs of the event. The host district must organize a com- mittee to secure judges, monitors and work with the host facilities.

Please read the recommendations that were approved at the FFMC Spring Session. Several of these recommendations will affect the 2006 Junior Convention. An updated Jun- ior Convention Procedures Manual can be located online at ffmcmusic.org.

The FFMC Junior Officers for 2005-2006

President: Esther Wang
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Treasurer: Joyce Wang
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2005 FFMC Junior Convention Awards:

Gold Cup Senior Concerto Scholarship: Maria Valmorte—$1,100.00
Mary Elizabeth Land Awards:
Senior Piano Concerto—First Place, Katherine Shaw—$400.00
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Vi Kinsman Memorial Award: Junior III B Piano Concerto—First Place, Eric Guo—$300.00
Ruth B. Lockmiller Memorial Award: Junior III B Piano Concerto—Second Place, Vivi Chengshi—$200.00
Senior III A Piano Concerto Award: Kevin Sierra—$200.00
Senior Violin Concerto Award: Paishun Nelson Hsieh—$300.00
Violin Solo Advanced II Award: Caitlin Lowery—$200.00
Robert Smith Memorial Award: Piano Solo Musically Advanced: Elizabeth Wang—$300.00
Casey Lisk Memorial Award: Piano Solo Musically Advanced: Winner, Polina Gutnabita—$200.00
Junior Award for Outstanding Violist: Brett Waffa—$200.00
Junior Award for Musically Outstanding Voice: Ana Capalito—$200.00
Eleanore Billy Gronlund Hymns Playing Award: Bryant Manno—$200.00
Betty Najarian Patriotic/Folksong Award: Christina Lai—$200.00
2005 FFMC Music Week Essay Contest
7th and 8th Grade Winners
Doreen Xu—$50.00 savings bond
Ashley Christina Messenger
2005 FFMC Composition Winners
Level One:
Winner, Hua Zhou—$20.00
Honorable Mention, Matthew Yang—$10.00
Level Two:
Winner, Alexia Graw—$25.00
Honorable Mention: Molly Banks—$15.00
Level Three:
Winner, Alan Clark—$30.00
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Level Four:
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Recommendations Adopted

Eighty-Seventh Annual Convention, Orlando, May 28, 2005

—That FFMC consider hosting the 2006 NFMC Biennial Convention somewhere in Florida.

—That a special committee be appointed to explore and consider the hosting of the National Convention and report back its recommendation to the General Session on Saturday.

—That the Frances Rand Berry Memorial Award for Classical Ballet be increased to $500 for First Place and $250 for Second Place.

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—That the procedures for the FFMC Junior Convention be changed by inserting—Senior Piano Concerto Event—Change preliminary round from seven minutes to five minutes and the entrant will choose the five minutes.

—That the procedures for the FFMC Junior Convention be changed by inserting—Junior III-B Event—The Junior Piano III-B Concerto Event auditions be held in the following format. There will be a preliminary round of four minute audition per entrant. The entrant will choose which portions of the concerto the entrant will perform. At the close of the preliminary round the judges will choose up to five entrants to compete in the final auditions. The results of the preliminary round will be posted up to one hour before the final audition. Entrants will perform the complete movement of the final concerto in the final audition. The winners and honorable mentions will be determined by the final auditions. The time and place of the final audition will be published in the Junior Convention schedule.

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—Recommend we award a $1,000 honorarium to “the computer guy” for his dedicated work.

Recommendations that $200.00 be added to All Junior Convention Scholarship Awards for 2006. Funds will come from the 2005 Junior Convention scholarship.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Connie Hinely at hfinley68@juno.com.

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Calendar of Events

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Oct. 7-8 Fifty-Third Annual Junior Auditions & Ball—Stephen Foster Cultural Center. White Springs, FL. Host: St. John’s District

FFMC District Meetings

Oct. 6 Suwannee–Gainesville Capital—Ft. Walton Beach
Oct. 9 Tallahassee
Oct. 15 Bay Ridge–Wausatch Royal Poinciana–Palm Beach
Oct. 19 Lake–Altamonte Springs
Oct. 29 Seminole–Orlando

Mar. 6, 2006 St. John’s–Jacksonville