

*San Mateo Branch  
Newsletter  
January 2013*

*HAPPY NEW YEAR!*

*President's Pen - Janice Sheng*

Dear Teachers: Thank you for your continued support in our branch programs and events. Our leadership team continues to work hard to serve you and your students. In the months of January and February, we will have another Student Recital, a general branch program for teachers, and the Spanish & Latin American Music Festival. I look forward to seeing you soon!

*Branch Program - Pat McNutt*

**General Branch Membership Meeting on Student Motivation**

**Date:** Friday, February 8 **Time:** 10:30 - noon **Location:** San Mateo Main Library, Oak Room 55 W. Third Ave., San Mateo.

Seven members from our branch will present brief, well thought-out ideas about how they motivate students. Their ideas will spark ideas for each of us and we will have a discussion, and Q&A. We will learn from the panel members, and they will learn from us.

*Certificate of Merit - Marcela Toma*

**CM Evaluation dates and Deadlines for the San Mateo County Branch:**

February 22nd BRANCH DEADLINE for teachers to enter

repertoire details online. March 10th CM Winds - San  
Francisco State University March 16-17 CM Piano March 23-  
24 CM Strings April 6th CM Voice

### **Latest Tip of The Week from the CM Council:**

Only one movement of a sonata or sonatina, a prelude or fugue, and one dance of a suite are acceptable for evaluations. The exceptions are Theme, Ensemble, Panel and YAG.

Please note that all the CM information you need can be found on the Teacher Home Page under CM Resources and Documents. This includes instructions for entering the repertoire, syllabus addenda, forms for all instruments, RAL, Panel info, CM Fees and the current CM Newsletter. The newly formatted 2013 Convention Recital Chart can also be found on the same page under Documents.

### ***Membership - Gina Vandellos***

New email address? Phone number? Mailing address? We do not want you to miss important news. Please keep your information up to date! Go to [www.mtac.org](http://www.mtac.org) -> to **MTAC Login**, proceed to Teacher Information and update.

### ***Community Outreach - Deanna Du Bois***

The Community Outreach Program (COP) will have two recitals in February. These will be open to all levels/any instrument. Students do not have to be a CM participant to perform in a COP recital.

The first COP recital is already scheduled on Saturday, February 9 at 2pm. It will be at Sterling Court Senior Living, 850 N. El Camino Real in San Mateo. We will keep you posted and let you know when and where the second recital will take place.

## *Student Recital*

**Date:** Saturday, January 26, 2013 **Time:** 2:30-3:30pm **Location:** Foster City Community Center - Wind Room **Address:** 1000 E. Hillsdale Blvd. Foster City

*Applications are now closed.*

## *Spanish & Latin American Music Festival*

**Date:** Sunday, February 24, 2013.

- Concert One: 4:30-5:30pm
- Concert Two: 6:00-7:00pm

**Festival Chair:** Irina Carrenca **Email:** mtacsm.festivals@gmail.com

### **Online Application & Payment:**

<http://www.mtacsanmateo.org/branch-festivals/festival-application.html>

### **Application Guidelines:**

- Each teacher can enroll up to 4 students. Each student can play up to 2 pieces.
- The total combined students' performance time per teacher is 15 minutes or less.
- This festival is for students only.

Don't forget our 2013 MTAC Convention - The theme is also "Spanish & Latin American Music".