

LRMTA  
Meeting – March 28, 2011

Many thanks to Brenda Lockmuller for inviting us to her home for this meeting.  
5 members were present – Christine Rogers, Brenda Lockmuller, Betty Jo Radley, Alma Davies and Joan Milton.

Agenda approved: Moved by Betty Jo; seconded by Brenda.

Treasurer's report: Brenda reported an Operating account balance of - \$2652.67; Scholarship account balance of \$1192.50. The Practise-a-thon generated about \$2300.00. The practise-a-thon money deposited to the operating account will be moved to the scholarship account. Brenda will present an Annual Financial report for the May meeting. Acceptance of report moved by Brenda, seconded by Betty Jo.

ARMTA rep still needed for 2 Board meetings a year: one in February and the other in the fall – September/October. There will be an AGM possibly coinciding with the same time frame of the Fall Board meeting. Arrangements for the meeting will be finalized soon. Please consider representing our branch in this valuable and rewarding capacity. Travel expenses are reimbursed by ARMTA.

Donations: Parents, students or sponsors who wish to make larger donations to our branch can receive tax receipts. Cheques need to be made out to CFMTA. A form is filled out and the form and cheque are sent to CFMTA. CFMTA processes the donation, sends a receipt to the donor and writes a cheque back to LRMTA. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Christine.

Pending the LRMTA financial situation, a decision will be made at the May meeting as to the amount our branch will contribute towards the Provincial database setup and maintenance. \$100 was the suggested amount.

Receipts: ARMTA annual receipts are now available online.

AMEF receipts will come to Christine and she will distribute. Thanks to all who supported AMEF by becoming members.

Next coffee meeting (Betty Jo) - April 18<sup>th</sup> – Roundstreet cafe – 9:30 a.m.

Business Licenses: Christine recently contacted Suzanne Lint at the Allied Arts Council.

Practise – a – Thon – Thank you to all who participated. Special thanks to Tamara Bowie for her involvement. Christine will submit report and photo to Herald. 48 students from 11 teachers practised over 250 hours and raised \$2309.50. Our goal for the next practise-a-thon is to increase the number of members who have students participating and we welcome suggestions that would encourage increased teacher involvement.

Bylaws meeting: Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at Christine's at 1621 Lakeshore Road S. Everyone welcome!

Brochures – hopefully Corrie can co-ordinate the Provincial logo along with the LRMTA logo so as to show our ARMTA connection. Christine will email the logo to Corrie.

Website: Christine will coordinate with Renee regarding the new display for subjects registered and subjects taught.

Performers' club - positive feedback – next session on Monday, June 13 at 10:00 a.m. at Linda Davies' home at 1260-5th Ave. S. Listeners and performers are welcome!

Information for referrals for Elementary Schools – Tamara is compiling a list of elementary schools so that we can drop off brochures for school music teachers to hand out to prospective students. Any teachers interested in having business cards available for handout as well, can give business cards to Tamara. Please contact her at 327-2918 by April 7<sup>th</sup> to make arrangements to drop off the business cards. Thanks to Tamara for organizing this initiative. Doreen volunteered to help drop off brochures at some of the schools. Another volunteer is still needed. Please contact Tamara.

Christine has a list of teachers who have advised her they are still accepting students. She will circulate this by email.

Piano class festival – contact Long and McQuade, Marilyn Sinclair or Karen McDonald for entry forms.

Recitals: Final General Recital – Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, at 7 p.m. – U of L Recital Hall.

Convenor: Joan Milton. One other convenor needed. Please have names to Joan, one week before. Two pianos are available. Please take advantage of this opportunity for students to play in this great venue.

Adult recital: May 28<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 at Betty Jo's home at 810 Kodiak Bay N. Please let Betty Jo know 1 week ahead.

Young Artist recital: Marilyn will coordinate a May recital date with Rita Kennedy, our provincial Young Artist convenor. Christine will check on the availability of the U of L Recital Hall. The student performing will be Quinn Gomez, a student of Linda Kundert-Stoll. Quinn will represent Alberta at the Nationals in Regina this July.

The Executive for 2011-2012: confirmed: Motion by Joan M. Seconded by Alma Davies. Thank you to all those contributing to our branch by serving on the executive. We really appreciate everything you do!

President: Christine Rogers

Vice-president: Tamara Bowie

Secretary: volunteer at meetings ?

Treasurer: Brenda Lockmuller

Corresponding Secretary: Mary Lee Voort

ARMTA Rep: ?

Phoning committee: Andrew Gierulski, Cheryl Hudak

Karen Barg, a friend of LRMTA donated door prizes for the Recital this past Saturday.

Karen Barg also wondered about the possibility of LRMTA operating a lending library. She has books she is considering donating for such a purpose. Anyone with ideas can contact Christine.

The topic of Professional Development has arisen within some of the branches. Should we expect teachers to account for upgrading or keeping on top of their profession? This would require monitoring. It is a topic for further discussion.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 a.m. It is tentatively booked for **Norman and Company: Suite #301, 402-2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. S.** (the old Fire Hall). If this location is unavailable, it will be held at Betty Jo's home at 810 Kodiak Bay N. This will be confirmed closer to the meeting date. Please check your email or the messages left by the phoning committee before the meeting.