



North DeKalb Music Teachers Association

# NEWSLETTER

April 2005

Julie Soh-Harbin, President



## President's Corner

Times flies so quickly. My President's term will end soon in May and Leslie Kennedy will take over for the next two years. I feel like I was just elected as president of NDMTA. Thanks for all your support for the past years.

What a wonderful program Glen Eckman presented with two Baroque dancers last month.

I also like to congratulate Lois Finlay who was the 2005 NDMTA nominee for Teacher of the Year.

Leslie, Margaret and I enjoyed the MTNA Conference in Seattle last week very much. We learned so much from the interesting sessions.

Please sign up with Glen Eckman for the "We Do It" program on April 21<sup>st</sup>. Our own teachers sign up to perform for this program. We have Voice, Piano, duets, Trio, Comedian acting, Harp and other instruments. Come and have fun with us!!!

See you on April 21<sup>st</sup>!!

See you at the meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup>!

*2004-2005*

## Program Highlights

**Apr 21, 2005** We Do It!

**May 19, 2005** Spring Luncheon & Installation of Officers

## Quotes about the MTNA Convention...

"Attending the MNA Conference was another great learning time for me!" - Margaret Liu -

"It was a great experience meeting and talking to all the composer!." - Leslie Kennedy -

"It was so exciting to receive lots of **FREE** collections of music and learn the performance practices first-hand from the composers themselves!" - Julie Soh-Harbin -

## April Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, April 21, 2005

**Location:** Steinway Piano Galleries

**Time:** 9:30 am - Coffee/Social

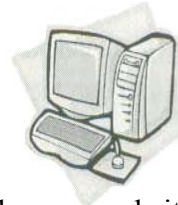
10:00 am - Business

11:00 am - Program

**Program** "We Do It!" - NDMTA members

**Hostesses:** Bette Chambliss and LaNelle

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## New Website

The new website address is:

[www.ndmta.com](http://www.ndmta.com)

Please email Leslie Kennedy at [lkmusic@bellsouth.net](mailto:lkmusic@bellsouth.net) to provide her with a User Name and Password to be able to access the secured Membership Directory. Thank you!

## Subscriptions

*Clavier Magazine* - 1 year subscription group rate: \$10.00  
Make checks payable to:  
**Margaret Liu** (by May meeting)

*Keyboard Companion Magazine* - 1 year subscription group rate: \$16.00  
Make checks payable to:  
**Keyboard Companion & Give to LaNelle Nash** (by May meeting)

*Happy Birthday*

**April**  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Ann Steele  
20<sup>th</sup> – Frances Yao



**Congratulations!..**

to our new **NDMTA** officials:  
President elect : **Rwei Hao**  
Recording Secretary : **Sally Mitchell**  
Local Audition chair : **Julie Soh-Harbin**  
Assistants : **Rwei Hao and Gayle Vann**

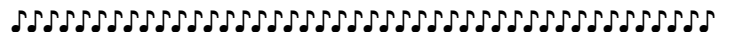
**Announcements**



- 1) Anyone who needs senior certificates please email Julie at [juliesohharbin@yahoo.com](mailto:juliesohharbin@yahoo.com)
- 2) Congratulations to LaNelle Nash's student, who won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Georgia for the Junior Composers contest of the NFMC in Junior Class 1. She went to Regial and made a Superior!
- 3) Congratulations to Gayle Vann's son (& student), who won 1<sup>st</sup> place in Georgia for the Junior Composers contest of the NFMC in Junior Class 3. He was one of the winners for the SE Region and will now be competing at the National level!
- 4) **Rachel Howard Sonatina/Sonata Competition** will be on October 22, 2005 at Piano Works. Please contact : Lois Finlay and Gayle Vann for more informations.
- 5) **GMTA Auditions for Pre-College Piano, Piano concerto and Theory 2006** will be on Friday and Saturday, April 21-22, 2006 at UGA.

*Upcoming Events*

- April 2-6, 2005** - MTNA National Convention, Seattle, WA.
- April 11, 2005** - Postmark deadline for GMTA Spring Auditions for Pre-College Piano, Piano Concerto, and Theory testing at UGA, Athens.
- April 16, 2005** - GMTA Spring Auditions - All categories including college piano, instrumental concerto, instrumental solo, and voice. (Pre-College Piano and Piano Concerto exempted).
- May 13-14, 2005** - GMTA Spring Auditions for Pre-College Piano only at UGA, Athens
- May 14, 2005** - GMTA Spring Auditions for Piano Concerto and Theory testing.



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