TFMC’s state board meeting Aug. 27-28 in Dallas

State Convention Coming -- Plan Ahead!

The 96th annual convention of Texas Federation of Music Clubs is coming March 31-April 2, 2011 at the Waco Hilton. District 4 is host, led by Doris Ann Stanford.

National guest is Starla Blair of Springfield, MO, who serves as chairman of the Council of State Presidents. Featured concerts include Young Artist Dr. James Cockman of Lawrence, KS, 2009 winner in piano, who will perform on Friday; and Dr. Joyce Jones, organ professor at Baylor University, who will give a Thursday night concert.

TFMC Festival Chorus to sing

After the fabulous success our TFMC Festival Chorus had in Lubbock, it will be performing at the TFMC 96th State Convention in Waco, March 31 - April 2, 2011. We are requesting that each district send a minimum of one trio, SSA, to perform.

We will sing three songs, at least one of which will be SAB, so all male voices will be appreciated. The chorus is open to all members.

Please send names and e-mail addresses to TFMC president Carla Johnson as soon as possible. Director Irma Davis will begin making contacts after the first of the year.

The winter MM will include the official call, as well as a proposed slate of officers for 2011-2013. These officers will be elected and installed at the convention, and will assume their offices July 1. Be looking for it to arrive in February, six weeks prior to the convention.

2011 Dues Are Due Now

Dues notices for 2010 - 2011 have been sent to all clubs. Dues for Senior clubs must be sent to TFMC treasurer Dorene Allen by November 15th so that she can meet the December 1st deadline required by NFMC. Senior club dues will be $5 per member with $2 remaining in Texas. There is a $50 minimum per club. Senior clubs must send a list of all members, names and addresses with the dues. Also send Life Member names and addresses. This is for the mail out of the Music Clubs Magazine from National. The subscription year will extend from December 1, 2010 - November 30, 2011.

Please include the Founders’ Day contribution ($1 per capita) and the Past President (PPA) dues of $2 for each term served as president of club, district, or state, and any contribution for state or national. This goes to the Young Artist fund.

Subscriptions to Music Clubs Magazine are included with dues for senior members, student advisors, and Junior counselors. Clubs have been asked to send $5 per year to the PNP Fund to endow the scholarship fund of President Lana Bailey at the conclusion of her term in 2011. A late fee of $5.00 will be due for Junior membership if paid after January 31.

Mail all funds to Dorene Allen, TFMC Treasurer; 4606 Fountain Lane, Odessa, TX 79761; (432) 367-2827; E-mail: ldoreneallen@yahoo.com

Music lovers from throughout the state convened in Dallas August 27-28 for the fall board meeting of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs. The 24-hour meeting took place at the Embassy Suites Love Field.

Highlighting the meeting were musical performances by two Opera in the Ozarks alumni, Samuel “PJ” Lopez and Tiffany Hamilton, and by other all-state performers from the TFMC Festival held in May at San Marcos.

Another highlight was presentation of the Ruth Humphrey Community Service Award to District 6, accepted by district president Lois Armor. The award is determined by community service in each of the nine districts and awarded by Mary Frances Ross, chairman of Music Service in the Community; Laverne Love, Sacred Music chairman; and Shirley Spoon, Music Outreach chairman.

A number of groups and individuals performed in Friday night’s dinner entertainment, “A Tribute to Rodgers and Hammerstein.” Almost all districts and many clubs were represented in the program.

The event offered state officers and chairmen the opportunity to outline their goals for the year and to encourage districts and clubs to send in reports of activities to then be reported to NFMC. Report forms can be found on the NFMC website at www.nfmc-music.org. and included in these pages when possible.

Photos from the state meeting, the NFMC meeting Aug. 3-8 in Pittsburgh, and various district conferences can be found in the online version of the Musical Messenger at the two web sites in the masthead above.
From Your TFMC President

"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting and autumn a mosaic of them all."
- Stanley Horowitz

I hope the last three months have been as wonderful and fulfilling for you as they have been for me. On August 3 - 8, 2010, eleven TFMC members attended the NFMC Fall Session in Pittsburgh. What a glorious experience we had as we toured Pittsburgh, heard inspiring music, attended informational workshops, heard wonderful reports, and met new friends. For more information be sure to read your fall Music Club Magazine when you receive it.

What a joy it was to convene with forty-four TFMC members for our 96th Fall Board Meeting. Be sure to read the article about our board meeting. The music that was performed was outstanding and included our own members, All State Festival winners and Opera in the Ozarks scholarship winners. Our Rodgers and Hammerstein program was awesome. Much thanks goes to all who participated and helped.

During September and October, I was privileged to visit with Districts VIII, VII, V, IX, and VI. It is so exciting to see what the clubs and districts are achieving. On October 29 - 30th, I attended the Opera in the Ozarks governing board meeting in Oklahoma City along with five other Texans. We have so much talented and dedicated leadership. We learned that OIO has a new artistic director, Thomas Cockrell, and a new office manager in Rogers, Carole Kelley. It was a joy to be in the audience November 6 at Weill Recital Hall, a part of Carnegie Hall, to hear Young Artist Daniel Seigel sing. Our thanks to Francis Christmann for hosting this beautiful biennial event. See photos of both of these events in the photos of the online version.

I can’t tell you how much I enjoy all of the 2010 - 2011 club yearbooks that I am receiving. If you haven’t sent your yearbook to the appropriate people (including me), please do so now. Texas received the most certificates from NFMC this past year. Reading through the yearbooks is both enjoyable and exciting as I see what our local clubs are doing. The programs are wonderful, and I do hope you are inviting and bringing guests to your meetings. The guests today are many times our members of tomorrow.

We are fortunate to have such a legacy of wonderful leadership who have and do love our Federation. One of our TFMC past presidents and our Representative to NFMC, Francis Christmann, sponsored a concert November 6, 2010 at Carnegie Hall for our 2009 Young Artist winner, baritone Daniel Seigel. You will remember that Daniel was the performer at the Young Artist Concert at our 95th TFMC Convention in Lubbock. Several Texans were planning to attend the concert and the reception following at the Waldorf Astoria. Thank you, Francis. This is the year that our state nominates members to run for the NFMC Board of Directors. These nominees will be presented and voted on at our 2011 56th Biennial Convention in McLean, Virginia. Our state is pleased to nominate Laurel Ince. Due to their positions, Francis Christmann as our TFMC representative to NFMC and Jean Moffatt as the Junior Keynotes editor, they do not have to be nominated or elected.

It is hard to believe that it is already November. I hope you are making plans and have the dates on your 2011 calendar to attend our 96th TFMC Convention which will be March 31 - April 2, 2011 at Waco, Texas. Our convention will be held in the beautiful Waco Hilton, and our two concerts will be in the fabulous Roxy Grove Hall at Baylor University. Reservations may be made at the hotel by calling 1-800-445-8667 or 254-754-8484 and asking for the Texas Federation of Music Club rate. We are very fortunate to have a $105 rate per night for either a king or 2 queen bed room. Reservations that are made may be canceled up to 4:00 p.m. the day before your arrival. Since Waco is centrally located, we are hoping to have a large contingency from all of our districts and the entire state.

Always know, that if you have any questions or suggestions, you can contact me at my e-mail address: CarlaTFMC@aol.com. In addition to our two websites, you can now get information and see pictures on our Facebook page - Texas Federation of Music Clubs.

Here’s hoping that you have a wonderful Thanksgiving season and a blessed Christmas.

Musically yours,

[Signature]

Carla Johnson

DISTRICT V

Seven members from four of the District V clubs met October 1, 2010 in Clear Lake. TFMC President Carla Johnson spoke to the group about NFMC, TFMC and district information. Duties for the TFMC 2012 convention in Galveston were discussed, and officers for 2011 - 2013 were chosen.
TFMC districts hold fall conferences

DISTRICT I

District 1 had its fall board meeting Saturday, October 9, at the Lubbock Women’s Club with Lubbock Music Club as host. Marcia Evans, president, conducted the conference with all three district clubs represented.

A highlight was a performance by Anna Hogan, soprano, a student at South Plains College in Levelland. The Lubbock native is the 2010-2011 recipient of the D’Aun Marshall District 1 Scholarship. She was accompanied by Jon Johnson of SPC, who related the history of the school and what four previous award winners have done since they were honored.

Francis Christmann, Texas representative to the NFMC Board of Directors, installed the 2011-2013 district officers, who include Marcia Evans, president; Joy Moutos, vice-president; Jean Moffatt, secretary; Fay Carter, treasurer; Katherine Leonard, historian; Laura Bearden, parliamentarian; and Florence Gum, auditor.

All three club presidents gave reports, and various awards were presented during the day.

DISTRICT VI

Five Gonzales Music Study Club members journeyed to Austin’s Westlake United Methodist Church to attend the Fall Conference of District 6 of the Texas Federation of Music Clubs hosted by Wednesday Morning Music Club of Austin.

We enjoyed a morning musical interlude, hearing the delightful music of some of America’s Music/Theaters’ famous composers, sung by mezzo soprano Rose Taylor and with pianist Rick Rowley who are both on faculty at University of Texas, Austin.

We were privileged to hear an address by Tex. Fed.of Music Clubs President Carla Johnson who spoke about the fine heritage we have as people enjoying music in Texas. Music abounds and there are many scholarships given to students funded by generous endowments in TFMC and NFMC. There are also local scholarships given by District 6 five clubs.

Laurel Ince, Member-at-Large of NFMC Board of Directors reported that all National meetings are now ‘Open’ to observers and that any member of a Federated club can now submit a name for office by email.

District 6 Pres.Lois Armor reminded those present to make use of the new TFMC Directory which contains information we all need and has new useful features.

Officers of TFMC, District 6 were elected who will serve 2011-2013. They are Pres. Lois Armor of the Etude Club of San Antonio, Vice Pres. Barbara Houde of New Braunfels, Recording Secretary Mary Eck of Etude Club of San Antonio, Treasurer Herb Karnau and Historian Carol J. DuBose of Gonzales Music Club, Corresponding Sec. Lee Yelton of San Antonio’s Etude Club and Parliamentarian Shirley Spoon of Gonzales. The Installation of Officers ceremony was conducted by TFMC Pres.Carla Johnson who briefly addressed the officers, thanking them for accepting this honorable responsibility.

The next meeting of District 6 will be in June of 2011, the Summer Board Meeting.

DISTRICT VIII

The District VIII annual meeting was hosted by the Hill Country MTA at the St. John’s Lutheran Church in Boerne on Sat. Sept. 11, 2010. Members were present from most of the clubs in the district.

Honored guests at the meeting were Carla Johnson, TFMC President and Lora Lynn Christensen, Immediate Past TFMC President. Carla spoke to the members about goals and programs within NFMC and TFMC.

Lora Lynn installed new district officers for 2011-2013. They include Lynn McNew, President; Harriet Payne, Vice-president; Jan Pressgrove, Secretary; and Ada Smerek, Treasurer.

The highlight of the meeting was performances by Festival students of Mary Thomason and Mary Davis. The meeting was followed by luncheon at the Peach Cafe in Boerne.

DISTRICT IX

The eighth annual conference of TFMC District IX was held in Midland on October 9 at the First United Methodist Church. Host club was the Midland Musicians Club, Peggy Jones, president. This completed 59 years as a member of NFMC. There were 29 in attendance.

District IX president, Maria Mutis, Odessa Music Study Club, conducted the meeting. Members were honored to receive an address from TFMC president Carla Johnson.

Musical selections performed included “During am Meinem Finger,” Schumann, Barbara Shinn, mezzo-soprano, accompanied on the piano by Ronald Bennett, “Traumerei,” Schumann, piano solo by Ronald Bennett, Tuesday Morning Music and Arts Club, and “Turkish March,” Beethoven, violin by Maria Mutis and Andrea Spartz, accompanied on the piano by Laverne Love, Odessa Music Study Club.

A Memorial Service honoring Mary Prudie Brown, Stanton Music Club and JoAnn Steel, Tuesday Morning Music and Arts Club, was presented by JoAnn Collett, District Vice-President, Midland Musicians Club.

The highlight of the District meeting was the musical presentation by Mark Hayes, world-renowned American pianist. Mark is an American composer and arranger. His predominant output is of choral music in the Christian sacred music and gospel music genres.

To conclude the meeting, the 2011-2013 District Officers were installed by TFMC President Carla Johnson.

See pictures of these meetings in the online version of the Musical Messenger.
State chairmen submit requests, reports

JUNIOR COMPOSERS
Do you know a budding composer? Then make sure he/she participates in the Junior Composition program. This is a terrific way for a child to receive ratings, positive critiques and recognition for her efforts. Students may also work toward festival cups!

For the competition, all compositions, application forms, critique sheets, recordings (if applicable), and fees must be sent to me postmarked on or before January 1. Please note the new deadline. Entrants must be members in good standing of NFMC as either an Active Junior Club member or an Individual Junior Special Member, so sign them up this fall.

Compositions must be entered in the State contest for judging. First and second place state winners are forwarded to the Regional Chairman. Regional winners are then selected and forwarded to the National Chairman.

More information, rules and forms can be found online at tfmc.littletrey.com/About_TFMC.html, www.nfmc-music.org or texasfederation.com. Be sure to secure the correct forms before submitting your entries.

The Junior Composers program is one of the best kept secrets in Texas and we need to get the word out about such a great opportunity for a young Bach or Gershwin. Share the news with your colleagues and friends. Let's have a "Texas-sized" contest this year!
Sherry Frush, NCTM
TFMC Junior Composers Chair
3434 Ivanhoe Lane Abilene Tx 79605
325.692.9233 sherryfrush@yahoo.com

MUSIC IN POETRY
Last March in Lubbock, I challenged the music clubs to take Robert Burn's poem, "Red, Red, Rose" and set it to music. Hopefully, many of our composers have met this challenge.

Ronald Bennett in Odessa, has graciously offered to judge the entries for this exciting competition. The deadline will be January 15, 2011. The winner will be announced and presented in Waco at the TFMC 96th convention, March 31 to April 2, 2011.

If anyone needs to contact me, my address is 1215 Barbara St., Tyler, Texas 75701, phone number, 903 597 1937, and email: busterb.barlow@gmail.com
Ronald Bennett does not desire to be contacted by email. His address is: 1605 E. 37th St., Odessa, Texas 79762, Phone number is 432 366 1994.

PAST PRESIDENTS ASSEMBLY
CALLING ALL PAST PRESIDENTS of local federated music clubs.

If your club has a PPA (Past Presidents Assembly) chapter then you are doing the right thing. Past presidents of local clubs and the state organization should belong to a PPA. The dues of $2 per presidency goes to support the NFMC Young Artist fund. The $2 per person is so little for each person, but it adds up to so much when you look at the nationwide impact. Please feel free to add extra contributions. The Young Artist program is a rather expensive one.

If your club does not have a PPA, please consider chartering one. It can be as simple or as involved as you want to make it. Some PPA's merely collect their dues and contributions, then have the local club treasurer send them to TFMC Treasurer, Dorene Allen when regular dues are paid. Some PPAs have a tea to honor local club scholarship students, perhaps presenting them in recital.

If you don't know whether you are a chartered PPA, or don't know your charter number, Dorene Allen has this information.

Most of our clubs in Texas have been around for decades. Many of us have served as president. If everyone who had served as president was a member and all the $2 fees were sent in, the Young Artist program would be securely funded in the future.

As Immediate Past President of TFMC it is my responsibility to inform and direct PPAs. It is my goal to have 100% club participation. Let Texas lead the way in having every past president become a member of a Past Presidents Assembly.
Lora Lynn Christensen
TFMC IPP

AMERICAN MUSIC
November is American Music Month
The Parade of American Music report is now called the Professor Rudolf R. A. Schramm Parade of American Music Club report. We are pleased to announce that every club can claim the points for having the Governor’s proclamation naming November as American Music Month. The report form as well as a Mayor’s Proclamation form is also available on the website: www.nfmc-music.org. (click on “about NFMC” and then publications.)

We would urge all of you to send in your report with your printed program and other information. Please include your city’s name with your club’s name, as there are several clubs with the same name. Remember to fill out the front and back of your form. Send all reports to the South Central Region chairman of American music, Anita Blackmon, 1101 S. Ricky Rd., Kennett, MO 63857; 573/0888-3998; email abblackmon@att.net.

Although the due date is March 1, 2011, you may send your reports in early.

NMW ESSAY CONTEST.. REMINDER!!!
The Essay contest is a wonderful opportunity for young people grades 7-12 to creatively express themselves.
Dear TFMC members,

During our most recent TFMC Fall Board Meeting in Dallas, many of you were interested in finding out more about one of the San Antonio Junior Clubs, Dreams Fulfilled Through Music. It is a non-profit, 501 (c) (3) organization that is dedicated to developing the personal accomplishment, social growth and self-esteem of persons with special needs through adaptive music education, music therapy, guided music making and through participation in performance opportunities.

The students of Dreams Fulfilled Through Music have participated in NFMC Festivals for the past two years performing in accordion, handbell, and piano solo events. In 2011, nearly 100 applications are pending in this one junior club for entry into NFMC Festival events! To the best of my knowledge, our San Antonio NFMC Festival is the only one in the country with this number of special needs students actively and enthusiastically participating!

DFTM serves students with limited financial means who are motivated and committed to creating greater success in life. Due to recent economic cut-backs on grants funded by local government agencies, DFTM is facing serious financial shortfalls which will surely impact its ability to provide these services.

In fact, we are mounting a special fundraising campaign to raise $2,000 to help defray the cost of NFMC Festival fees, music for Festival, parking fees at Festival, and transportation costs for participants coming to Festival from area Methodist Mission Homes and area MOSAIC homes as far away as Seguin, Texas. These expenses must be paid by the end of October to be eligible for participation in the 2011 NFMC Festival. Will you help us meet this goal?

You can help by forwarding this letter to your senior club presidents (as well as any other interested parties) in time for their September (or October) club meetings where club members might consider contributing to this fund. Every penny counts, so even just a small donation will help achieve the goal of this campaign!

Please act today! Checks should be made payable to Dreams Fulfilled Through Music and mailed to: Donna Price, Treasurer, P.O. Box 40548, San Antonio, TX 78229. Please enter “NFMC Festival 2011” on the memo line of the check so that funds will be used strictly for Festival.

Your contribution is tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Please make checks payable to Dreams Fulfilled Through Music and send to: P.O. Box 40548, San Antonio, Texas 78219. Credit card and Paypal payments are also accepted so please visit dreamsfulfilledthroughmusic.org or call 210-771-5809.

Please call us with any questions you may have. Also, please send this message to anyone you know who will help. Thank you so very much for your time and your attention to this deserving organization!

Navasota club hosts first annual scholarship gala in September

The Music Study Club of Navasota, a member of the National Federation of Music Clubs, held its first annual scholarship gala in September. It was a musical success! The weather was kind enough to stop raining promptly at 6:30 p.m. when our event was to begin in the gardens of Martha’s Bloomers. The Navasota High School Choir, Brothers in Harmony and “Oasis” delighted our guests who were from as far away as Georgetown and Rockdale and the wonderful people of Navasota who supported our scholarship program. “Oasis” is a quartet from the Houston Horizon Chorus, a Sweet Adelines organization. Oasis won the regional competition and went to Seattle to compete in the International Competition in October. The Brothers in Harmony are five brothers from the same family, elementary through high school, who sing their own barbershop arrangements. They are from College Station. We were pleased to raise over $4500 towards our scholarship. It was truly a wonderful evening of outstanding music, delicious food and renewing old and making new friendships. See a picture of “Oasis” in our online edition.

The Van Cliburn Foundation announces the sixth International Piano Competition for outstanding amateurs in Fort Worth May 23-29, 2011. Applications for the competition are now online. The competition is open to talented amateurs who do not earn their living in music performance. Check the Cliburn website for details.
National Federation of Music Clubs

PROFESSOR RUDOLF R.A. SCHRAMM PARADE OF AMERICAN MUSIC CLUB AWARD
AM 1-1

Entry Form and Requirements

The National Federation of Music has declared the month of November as American Music Month. The Professor Rudolph R. A. Schramm Parade of American Music honors its founder, Ada Holding Miller, by encouraging NFMC clubs to increase programming and performance of American music; to bring more recognition to American composers; to stimulate public appreciation and awareness of American music; and to broaden the knowledge of American music. The Parade encompasses all aspects of music, i. e., folk music, jazz, hymns, musical theater, symphonies, bands and solo compositions. This Award was established in 1987, by the widow of Professor Rudolf R. A. Schramm (see suggested publicity for additional details)

Entry requirements on following page.

Reporting period covers November 1 – November 30.

Year ___________

Name of Club ________________________________

Membership division: Senior ___  # of Active Members __________

Name and Title of Sender ________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

Telephone ___________________________ E-Mail ____________________________

Send to regional chairman postmarked by March 1.
Regional chairman send four finalist entries to national chairman by March 20th.

Entry Requirements on Following Page

Regional Chairmen:
Northeastern:  Lois Tamplin, 411 Tamplin Street, Sharon, PA  16146;  (724)347-3298

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North Central: Kathy Wilson, 4614 W 129th St., Savage, MN 55378;  (952) 890-7935

South Central: Anita Blackmon, 1101 S. Ricky Rd., Kennett, MO 63857;  (573) 888-3998

Western:  Marie Ashton, 1951 Browning Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84108;  (801) 582-1370

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NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK ESSAY CONTEST

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North Central, South Central, Western Regions:
Address: Cora Barr, 726 West 61st St., Minneapolis, MN 55419; (612) 869-2525; corazbarr@msn.com
States: AR, AZ, CA, CO, ID, IA, IL, KS, MN, MO, MT, NB, NM, ND, OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA, WI, WS

Awards: ♫ An award of $50.00* will be presented in each state in which a winner is declared.
♫ An Award of Merit Certificate will be presented to each winner and teacher.

Essay Rules:
2010 Theme: Music … A Key to the Future
2011 Theme: Music … an Instrument of Universal Expression
• Contest open to 7-12th grade students. Essay must be typed and no longer than 500 words. Essay is judged on content, neatness and legibility. Membership in NFMC is NOT required to enter.
• Entry form postmark deadline is February 1, and mailed to the regional chairman for your state. (Address above).
• Include a wallet size photo with your application form.
• The essays become the property of the NFMC and may be published. Winners, teachers and state presidents will be notified in the winning states.

Entry Form for National Music Week Essay Contest
Entry form and essay must be sent to the Regional NMW Chairman of the entrant’s home state by postmark deadline February 1. All entries become the property of NFMC and will not be returned. The undersigned hereby applies to enter the National Music Week Essay Contest. State winners are ineligible to re-enter

Name of Entrant __________________________________________________________________________________
Address (Street, City, State, Zip) ____________________________________________________________________
Grade in School: __ 7 __ 8 __ 9 __ 10 __ 11 __ 12 Include Wallet Photo
Are you a member of an active junior club __ Yes __ No
If a member, give the name of your group ___________________________________________________________
• I hereby certify that I am eligible to enter this contest according to the rules and will comply with all of the conditions outlined.
• If I am one of the national winners, I request that my award be sent to the address listed above, and that the Award of Merit be presented to the following in my name:

Teacher’s Name ______________________________________________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________________________________________________

*In the event of financial shortfalls, advertised award amounts may be adjusted. Applicants would be notified of the award change.

Mail by Dec. 15 to Annette Griesbach, 903 Cady Road, Rockdale 76567 512-446-3266; annetteg9@sbcglobal.net
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### Calendar of Events

**Opera in the Ozarks Governing Board meetings, Oct. 29-30, 2010 and March 4-5, 2011, Oklahoma City, OK**

**TFMC 96th convention, March 31-Apr. 2, 2011, Waco Hilton; District IV host**

**National Music Week May 1-8, 2011; theme “Music . . . An Instrument of Universal Expression”**

**TFMC State Festival, May 21, 2011, Texas State University, San Marcos**

**NFMC 56th Biennial Convention, June 6-12, 2011, McLean, VA**

**Opera in the Ozarks Federation Days, July 20-23, 2011, Eureka Springs, Arkansas**

**TFMC Fall Board Meeting August 26-27, 2011, Embassy Suites Love Field**

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Texans attending the NFMC Board Meeting Aug. 3-8 in Pittsburgh, PA, included, seated from left: Francis Christmann, Jean Moffatt, Cletis Williamson, Joe Ince, Laurel Ince; and standing from left: Laverne Love, YA Daniel Seigel, Carla Johnson, Sue Breuer and Mary Lou Connelly. This picture was taken at the South Central Region luncheon.

Accompanist Allen Perriello poses with Young Artists Daniel Seigel, Naomi Sanchez and Stephen Varney following Daniel’s performance at the Pittsburgh NFMC Fall Board Meeting.

Francis Christmann, Texas Representative to the NFMC Board of Directors, lights a candle at the Memorial Service remembering Mary Prudie Brown, past state and NFMC president.
TFMC members enjoy August fall board meeting

RIGHT: Past TFMC presidents attending the fall board meeting are, seated: Francis Christmann, Laurel Ince, Carla Johnson and Carolyn Poe; standing: Lora Lynn Christensen, Jean Moffatt, Betty Hall, Gloria Thrasher and Sue Breuer.

BELOW: Opera in the Ozarks singers Samuel “PJ” Lopez and Tiffanny Hamilton sing for the members, and Lois Armor, District VI president, accepts the Ruth Humphrey Community Service Award from Laverne Love and Mary Frances Ross as Carla Johnson watches.

BOTTOM: Carla Johnson congratulates and presents small checks to Victoria Spray, Caroline Willlet, and Kevin Taylor, three juniors who earned All-State designations at the 2010 TFMC Junior Festival and who performed for the Fall Board Meeting in Dallas. Caroline’s teacher is also pictured with her and Carla.
District I speaker Jon Johnson and scholarship winner Anna Hogan from South Plains College, Levelland.

District I officers for 2011-2013 are Florence Gum, auditor; Fay Carter, treasurer, Jean Moffatt, secretary; Joy Moutos, vice-president; Marcia Evans, president; and Laura Bearden, parliamentarian;

MIDDLE: District V and VII members meet with TFMC president Carla Johnson.
BOTTOM LEFT: Carla installs District VI officers at the conclusion of their conference. See stories from all of these meetings on pages 2 and 3 of the first eight pages of this edition.

Districts have conferences
Districts have interesting conferences

TOP: District VIII performers are flanked by Lynn McNew and TFMC president Carla Johnson. Right are District VIII officers and Carla.
MIDDLE: District IX entertainer Mark Hayes and new officers.
BOTTOM: Carthage Music Club entertainers “Oasis” and District VI entertainers Rick Rowley and Rose Taylor.
Texans attending the Nov. 6 Carnegie Hall concert of NFMC Young Artist Daniel Seigel were, from left: seated: Phyllis Noonan, Martha McDonald, Mary Lou Connelly, Sue Breuer and Betty Hall; and standing: Carla Johnson, Francis Christmann, YA Daniel Seigel, and Tim Danielson. Photo taken by Texan Phil Johnson.

Texans attending the Opera in the Ozarks Governing Board meeting October 29-30 in Oklahoma City were, seated: Jean Moffatt, recording secretary; Carla Johnson, TFMC president; and standing from left: Richard Drapeau, at-large member from Beaumont; Dr. John Schmidt, at-large member from San Marcos; Lee Meyer, Texas trustee; and Sue Breuer, vice-president.