**OhioMTA Western District**

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**Newsletter - March 2018**

**Upcoming WD Events and Announcements:**

Our February 11th **Student Recital** featured ten talented piano students represented by three Western District teachers; a big “thank you” to our guest artist, **Jennifer Shoup**, for her beautiful performance and to **J.Y. How-Vandermeer** for chairing this event.

**March 21:** Deadline to enter students in **WD Buckeye Auditions.** Please send applications to **Laura Atkins** at 4321 E. Social Rd., Spring Valley, 45370, or e-mail: ldatkins@yahoo.com

This is a competitive event for music students (all instruments and vocal) ages 9-18 held on April 21st at **Central Christian Church in Kettering**. Cash prizes are awarded in 3 levels and the winners of each level will advance to State. Please contact Laura if you would like to see copies of past programs. This can be helpful in selecting repertoire for this event.

Our certification chair, **Marsha Holcomb**, is calling for nominations for **WD Certified Teacher of the** **Year**. Please submit your nominations to: shadyjww@aol.com or (937) 323-8463.

**Congratulations**! to WD members **Judy Bede** for being honored at the MTNA National Conference’s Gala as **2018 OhioMTA Foundation Fellow** and to **Sonya Szabo-Reynolds** for being one of the featured presenters at the conference.

**OhioMTA Events:**

**March 3-4: OMTA Graves Piano Solo & Ensemble Competition**, Columbus

**MTNA Events:**

**March 17 -21: MTNA Performance Competitions, National Conference, Disney Coronado Springs Resort, FL.** For late registration: see conference details on the MTNA website: www.mtna.org/conference 2018

**Andrea Arese-Elias, President**

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