



## January Meeting:

Wednesday, January 11 /9:30AM

### BOARD MEMBERS

President:	Alicia Operti
Vice President:	Christina Dragone
Past President:	Ann Chen
Secretary:	Eric Parker
Treasurer:	Linda Budge
Member at Large:	Irina Semanova

### STANDING COMMITTEES

Awards (APPE):	Sonia Geoffrey Ann Chen
Certification:	Janice Derian
Historian:	
Honors Recitals:	Ellen Nixon Barb Marek
Membership:	Irina Semanova
Newsletter:	Alicia Operti
MMTA/SAT:	Diana Munch Christine Smith
Outreach Recitals:	Ellen Nixon Kathy Ranus
Rockin' the Keys:	Janice Derian
Teacher of the Year:	Brenda Krachenberg
Teacher Referrals:	Debra Cox
Website/	Margarete Thomsen Christine Smith

### Online Registration Forum

**Topic:** Our SAT Committee will help, train and guide you to every step require to feel the forms. We will also give an overview information of the changes coming in 2018

## From the President's Desk:

Dear Colleges:

We have left behind a year that went very fast and a new one began looking like it will move at the same unrestrained speed. We are trying in some way to keep up, adjust, and, if possible, profit from the advances of the times. Toward that objective, our SAT Committee undertook a big challenge and many hours of work to implement changes in the way we proceed with our students' registrations. It is our hope that the desired results will be achieved and a simplified process will help you to accomplish the first steps to one of our more tedious and time consuming tasks of our teacher's jobs. The online registration is in full gear. I hope you can easily steer your way through it.

A good, healthy and very prosperous 2017 for all of you.

**Alicia Operti**  
LAPTF President



## **Upcoming LPTF Events:**

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### **MASTER CLASS - with Tian Tian**

Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at the Steinway Piano Gallery  
Application deadline: January 18, 2017  
(Attached Application Form. Also, available on the website)

### **S.A.T**

**Sunday, March 5, 2017 – Levels 1-3:**

Schoolcraft Community College in Livonia

**Friday, March 11, 2017 – Levels 8-10:**

Steinway Piano Gallery of Detroit, Commerce Township  
late afternoon/evening

**Sunday, March 12, 2017– Levels 4-7: Piano & voice**

Steinway Piano Gallery of Detroit, Commerce Township  
all day

**Reminder:** January 16<sup>th</sup> is the deadline to submit the following:

- 1) 2017 LPTF SAT Student Registration Form
- 2) 2017 LPTF SAT Teachers Registration Form

Changes are not going to be made after applications were presented.

**Eastern District Semi-Finals: April 22, 2017**

Steinway Piano Gallery of Detroit, Commerce Township

**State Finals: Saturday, May 6, 2017**

Michigan State University, College of Music, East Lansing

**Honor recital:** Sunday, March 26, 2017 - 2 PM at Steinway Gallery

**Award for Piano Performance Excellence:**

Audition Date: April 23, 2016

Recital Date: April 30, 2016



## **Other Notes of Interest:**

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Doris Edwards continues at the same location, (Brookdale Northville, 40405 W. 6 Mile – 734-245-7206), with her usual upbeat spirit, working hard to recover and join the team she so efficiently handled for so many years. We hope to see her strong, active and involved in LPTF events shortly.

A new baby is in its way. Very soon Jeanne Hanley will be cuddling her newborn and, maybe for a while, engross in her full-time mom's roll. She has been instrumental in the task of implementing the new system of student's enrollment. Her knowledge, energy and ability has been crucial to reach that objective. A big **Thank you** and best wishes from the LPTF team.

### **New Members:**

A friendly welcome to our Forum to the following members:

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