



Tuning Up!

The Rockland County Music Teachers Guild

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Dear Member and Guests of the RCMTG...

June 3, Wed. 11.30 a.m.



LYNCH'S RESTAURANT IN STONYPPOINT

MENU

- 1) Penne a la Vodka
- 2) Chicken Francaise
- 3) Blackened Bass with Mango Salsa
(speciality)
- 4) Carved Sirloin

All entrees are served with pilaf rice and vegetables.

Mixed green salad and soda bread served before the entrée.

Included: soda, coffee and tea.

Price: \$22 which includes gratuity.

DIRECTIONS AND PARKING

- 1) Palisades Pkwy N to Exit 15
- 2) Turn left onto 210 until 9W
- 3) Turn right on 9W for 1/4 of a mile
- 4) Lynch's is on right—across from TD Bank
- 5) Parking is available at restaurant or

Municipal Parking Across the Street

Restaurant Telephone: 845-553-9300

RSVP: by May 30th to Helen Wolff

hwolff@att.net or 845-352-5105

President's Message

Ah, June! Spring Recitals, end of school, and summertime approaches. Students are excited about summer plans: camp, vacations, free time. As a child, I looked forward to a few months when I played the piano without a lesson on the horizon. Dad's music cupboard was full of esoteric sheet music that I loved to dig out and mess around with and nobody could yell out "is that your lesson?" (How I hated those words, full of accusation.) Lucky for me those words did not drive me away...but I know they still ring out in households where music students are trying to find a meaningful way into playing music. Let's remind parents to encourage and value those early, clumsy explorations - as they are at the core of what might later become a lasting relationship with music. Happy Summer everyone!

- Tedo Wyman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Benefit Concert

A benefit concert for Rockland Symphony on Sunday, May 31 at 4 PM at Grace Church, Nyack. Chamber Music performed by the principal players in the Symphony and "friends"...

2. Hudson River Pianofest 2015

Tammy Lum is happy to announce that the 2015 Hudson River Pianofest at Nyack College will be held on May 29 & 30th (Friday & Saturday). This inspiring two-day program of piano master classes, lectures, workshops, piano ensembles and concerts is open to all music lovers: students, adult amateurs, teachers and observers. The program welcomes pianists from intermediate to advanced piano level to be active participants. Participation of the Hudson River Pianofest can be one or two days, and also by single event.

The featured guest artists and master teachers are the world-renowned virtuosi pianist, Sergei Babayan, Contemporary music expert, Christopher Oldfather, award winning pianist, Alexandre Moutouzkin and Tammy Lum. We are happy to partner with the Carnegie Room Concerts at the Nyack Library, which will present Mr. Moutouzkin on the May 30th concert.

Application forms for master classes and observers packages are available on the website:

<http://hudsonriverpianofest.org/>

3. Taubman Piano Festival

- a group of RCMTG'ers is mounting an expedition to the Taubman Piano Festival at Montclair State the weekend of June 26-28. \$75 per day or \$225 for all 3 days: masterclasses, lectures and recitals all centered around the work of the late Dorothy Taubman. Two recent lecturers at RCMTG: David Witten and Sondra Tammam will be involved. If you would like to join us, contact Tedo at tedo.wyman@gmail.com. Deadline to sign up for the special rate is June 1 through their website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/taubmanfestival2015/home>

NOTICES

1. Dues are due: From now until June 15th the dues for 2015-2016 are being accepted by our treasurer, Rosemary Waltzer send to our P.O. Box 283 New City NY or write a check at the luncheon.

2. At our annual luncheon in June members will have the opportunity to offer ideas to the Guild and vote on the following slate of officers up for election and re-election.

President: Fredrica (Tedo) Wyman

Recording Secretary: Arlene Linke

Nominations are acceptable from the floor at this occasion.

3. The RCMTG Board is discontinuing the publishing of our Directory this year and instead printing up an attractive card that will be placed in all libraries and music stores and other venues to advise anyone looking for a music teacher to check our websitewww.rcmtg.org for alphabetical and area listings.

CALENDAR

May 29/30 Hudson River PianoFest 2015

May 30 Deadline for RCMTG luncheon reservations: call Helen at 352-5105

May 31 a benefit concert for Rockland Symphony on Sunday, May 31 at 4 PM at Grace Church, Nyack

June 1 deadline for sign-up to TaubmanFestival

June 3, Wed. Annual RCMTG Luncheon at Lynch's in Stony Point.

June 15 Deadline for RCMTG member dues. Members \$60.