

Kodály Educators of Iowa



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KEI Notes and News

Although it is only February, it is time to think ahead to the next year and to the opportunities that we will have as a chapter. One of the things that will take place this spring is officer elections for the upcoming school year. (This will be done by e-mail, since we do not meet again.) We need to fill almost every position on our board, and this is a great opportunity to get involved in our organization. Following is a list of chapter offices and the primary duties performed by that office. A big thanks to those that have held office throughout our chapter's history. (FYI, attending chapter meetings is listed for each office. These meetings take place at the close of any workshops or chapter events. A summer planning session may also occur.)

President - attend MKMEA and OAKE conventions, write articles for MKMEA Journal and OAKE Envoy, contact clinicians, facilitate chapter meetings

Vice President - assist the president with tasks as needed, attend chapter meetings.

Secretary - create and distribute publicity for workshops, record minutes at chapter meetings

Treasurer - attend to financial duties of the chapter, fill out annual report, attend chapter meetings

At-Large Members - assist the chapter with tasks as needed, attend board meetings

KEI at OAKE

Seven members of KEI will be attending the OAKE national convention in Chicago. Besides going to the sessions, we will also have the chance to assist. Cynthia Marten is one of the members of the planning committee, and we will have the opportunity to serve as session hosts and room monitors. Dr. Sylvia Munsen and the Ames Children's Choirs Concert Choir will give one of the featured performances.

Thanks from KEI!

Thanks to all who attended our winter sharing workshop. Eleven participants braved the sub-zero wind chill to attend. Thanks to Kris VerSteege for hosting and to Cynthia Marten, Shelley Droe, Kris VerSteege and Sonia Johnson for providing food. A good time was had by all!

Check This Out!

Cool website!

Kris VerSteegt has created a wonderful music website for her school, and she invites teachers to take advantage of the song resources she has provided. You can visit her amazing site at the following address:

<http://www.kversteegt.ankeny.iowapages.org/>

Folk Dance Workshop

First Iowa Orff is sponsoring a folk dance workshop featuring Sanna Longden on April 21st from 9am-3pm at UNI. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch. For more information, visit <http://www.firstiowaorff.org/>

Did you know...

We have two new members of KEI. Welcome to Dianne Aboud from Algona and Mary Newton from Newton! We are glad to have you as part of our chapter, and we look forward to seeing you at KEI events!

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