



MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB OF PORTLAND

Enriching Lives Through Music

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Dear Club Members,

It has been an honor for me to serve as President for the last two years and I'm sure that I can say the same for our entire board of management. I am very proud to have had the opportunity to help lead our club through this difficult time. It has been challenging and plainly not as enjoyable as it would have been with live on-stage events, but I think we can claim great success in holding the group together with Zoom events and by finding creative ways to work with the musicians and music programs that we support in Portland. Thank you to our board and to our 100-plus members who stayed on with us through the pandemic despite the challenges.

I want to now recognize Cynthia Marberry and the entire nominating committee: Gyrid Hyde-Towle, Bonnie LaFord, Ardith Stensland, Teryl Williams and Bev Owen for their great work in assembling an outstanding group of individuals to lead us in the 2021-22 year ahead. Please mark your calendars for **Monday, June 7th at 1 pm** to attend our annual meeting so we can achieve a quorum, hold our election and install these fine officers. The slate of nominees pending election and installation on June 7th includes:

President - Bev Owen
Vice President - Terri Johnstone
Treasurer - Cynthia Marberry
Financial Secretary - Jan Petersen
Recording Secretary - Nancy Woo
Corresponding Secretary - Janette Barbour

Directors:
Paula Buckwalter
Ellen Burns
Greta Christensen
Gyrid Hyde-Towle
Bonnie LaFord
Florence Lersch
Cynthia MacLeod
Jerre Ann Pappelis

During the past 12 months the board has had to suspend specific rules to keep the club running efficiently. The lack of volunteers has been among the most challenging obstacles we have faced. A special thanks is made to all those individuals who have agreed to remain in positions beyond the usual amount of time. The Board unanimously voted in favor of suspending the rule that no officer shall continue in the same office for more than two consecutive years due to a lack of volunteers, so thanks again to Janette Barbour who reluctantly agreed to serve for a third full year as Corresponding Secretary.

Should anyone still wish to volunteer for a position, nominations can still be received from the floor on June 7th. Of course it would be preferred to receive any volunteers names ahead of that time, so please contact Cynthia Marberry in case you are interested in serving as an officer. Aside from the elected officers, there are several appointed committee positions that will need to be filled by the incoming President this summer. We ask all of our members to consider volunteering for elected or appointed positions.

Thank you all for your consideration and for your support of our club and the incoming President and board. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about this letter or our annual meeting. It will be held by Zoom Video/Teleconference and the invite information will be provided with this newsletter.

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