



Orff Notes

President's Message Judy Beale

Happy 2011! Every New Year's Eve as the countdown begins and the ball drops, when the lights flash on count "0", I always find myself full of hope, excitement, and anticipation for wonderful days ahead. I hope this year has begun with much hope and excitement for each of you.

The Atlanta Chapter has several spring workshops planned to add to your excitement and anticipation for wonderful days ahead. Starting with Jim Solomon on February 12th, this workshop will be from 9 – 3 instead of our usual 9 – 1 time. March 12th will be our annual Chapter Share Session with many exciting ideas shared by our own members. Finishing the workshop series on April 16th will be AOSA President, Dr. Julie Scott. You won't want to miss any of these gifted clinicians as they inspire us with their expertise! Be sure to visit the website for more information concerning these workshops – www.atlantaorff.org.

Each year the Atlanta Area Chapter offers a scholarship to aid members in levels training. You must be a national AOSA member to qualify. A list of all approved courses can be found on the national AOSA website – www.aosa.org. Level I will be offered again this summer (June 20 – July 1) at UGA. Scholarship forms are available on the Atlanta Chapter website. The completed forms are due by the April 16th workshop.

So often around this time of year many teachers begin to deal with frustration and stress as school systems begin discussing budget cuts, furlough days, etc. Often, we as music specialists may feel isolated and discouraged because we are the only music teacher in the school. I'd like to encourage each of you to attend our workshops where you will not only gather new ideas, but can also find hope and excitement as we make music together. See you in February!

Judy Beale, Atlanta Area Chapter President

Jim Solomon Workshop – February 12, 2011

We are very excited about our next workshop: "How'd They Learn That? Process Teaching", presented by Jim Solomon. Please remember that this is a longer workshop (9-3), so bring your lunch! There will be no snack served during the mid-morning break. Also, please bring your recorder and a tubano drum if you have one.

Atlanta Honor Orff Ensemble Concert – March 19, 2011

Make plans to attend this year's Honor Orff Ensemble concert on March 19 at 5pm. The concert will feature 4th and 5th grade students from fifteen Atlanta area schools. The theme is "Earth, Water, Fire, and Air – The Four Elements." The concert will be held at Grace Fellowship Church, 1400 Dogwood Rd in Snellville. We hope to see you there!

Chapter Share Session – March 12, 2011

If you attended the National AOSA Conference in Spokane, WA this past fall and are willing to share what you learned in one of your sessions with the chapter please contact Katie Christenberry (kchristenberry@gmail.com).

Check List for Share Session:

1. Contact Katie and let her know what session you would like to share.
2. Attend a brief organization meeting after the Feb. 12 workshop.
3. Contact Clinician and ask permission to share all or some of the notes with our chapter.
4. Copy notes for the chapter (80 copies should be enough) If you are unable to do this, please let Katie know. Don't forget to write "used with permission" on the notes.
5. Present 15-20 minutes on Mar. 12. THANK YOU!

Introduction to Orff-Schulwerk Workshop

Karen Cornell and Katie Christenberry will be presenting an Introduction to Orff-Schulwerk at the University of Georgia on March 26 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The workshop will be held at the UGA School of Music Building off of River Road. All college students, student teachers, and teachers new to Orff are invited to attend.

Atlanta Area Chapter Scholarship

Each year, the Atlanta Area Chapter offers a scholarship to aid members in Orff Teacher Training courses. You must be a national member and an active member of our chapter for at least one year to qualify. Scholarship forms are available on www.atlantaorff.org and at the February 12 and March 12 workshops. Completed forms will be due at the April 16 workshop.

PLU Credit

Two PLUs may be earned from North Georgia College and State University for attending all five workshops (20 contact hours). One PLU may be earned for attending three workshops. The cost is \$15. See Mary Ann Richards for more information.

Summer 2011 Orff Teacher Training

Interested in taking an Orff Teacher Training Class this summer?

Go to www.aosa.org and click on the "AOSA – Approved Courses" link.

Atlanta Area Chapter AOSA Facebook Page

For all of our members who are hooked on Facebook, we now have a Facebook Page for our Atlanta Chapter. Be sure to check it out and make it one of your 'friends'.

Newsletter Contributions

This is your space to share your expertise! Please contact Mary Ann Richards, the newsletter editor, for any announcements, special events, techniques, or lesson plans that you would like to share in future newsletters. Email Mary Ann at marichards@bellsouth.net.

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