

January 6, 2010

Hello All!

Our next MTVA meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, January 12, at St. Cecilia. This important meeting will include event updates, a vote on proposed amendments intended to clarify Standing Rule I.C in the Handbook, and information from Terry Sanford regarding the new online All-State registration process. Lia will also have available the additional All-State piece. Anyone who is unable to attend the meeting will need to make provisions for receiving the piece.

After the business meeting, Dr. Jamila McWhirter will be providing a session entitled "A Refresher Course on Middle School/Junior High Voices." (Check out the attached flier.) I know you will want to take advantage of this opportunity! If you attended her session last year, you know how much useful information she can pack into a short amount of time. Dr. Paul Hondorf, who we announced earlier would provide a session, discovered a conflict and was unable to come. He will be at our meeting in February, and I hope you will make plans to attend.

David Ford sent me an email and said that he has had very little response to the opportunities that he presented at our last meeting for Scholarship and Mentoring programs offered by the Concert Chorale of Nashville. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact him at DmfSings@aol.com.

Please remember the following important dates in January:

- January 8 – Middle School Honors Deadline
- January 12 – General Membership Meeting
- January 12 – Deadline for the Elementary/Middle School Choral Festival*
- January 14 – Deadline for the High School Choral Festival*
- January 23 – Middle School Honors Audition – Rockvale Middle School

***You may bring your Choral Festival checks to the meeting.**

The following will be on the website soon:

- Minutes from the September 8, 2009, Board Meeting
- Draft of the Minutes from the November 10, 2009, Membership Meeting - Please review for approval.

See you next Tuesday!

Valerie DeHoff
MTVA President