Sing and Play It Forward

The Future of Music in Arkansas

Convention Location:
Westminster Presbyterian Church
3819 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, Arkansas

Hotel Information:
Comfort Inn & Suites
3627 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71913
Phone: (501) 623 – 1700

Check in: Friday, April 28, 2023, 3:00 pm
Check out: Saturday, April 29, 2023, 11:00 am
Link to reserve rooms: https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/EZ49J5
Group name: Arkansas Federation of Music Clubs
Group Number: EZ49J5
All rooms have two queen size beds: $134.00

All Rooms must be booked before Friday, April 14, 2023. After this date, group room block is released to the general public and the special group rate no longer applies. The hotel is located behind Walgreens and Texas Roadhouse on Central Avenue.
Registration Form  
(Complete and mail along with check)

Name _________________________________ E-mail: ____________________________
Address ______________________________________________________________________
City __________________________ State__________ Zip ________________
Club ________________________________________________________________________
Club office __________________________ AFMC Chair _______________________

MEALS

FRIDAY – Catered by SMOKIN’ IN STYLE BBQ  
Brisket, Chicken, Beans, Coleslaw, Potato Salad, Banana Pudding, Tea, Water, Lemonade

SATURDAY – Catered by SAN FRANCISCO BREAD CO.  Choose one

____Frisco Style sandwich (Roast beef, turkey, ham, provolone cheese, lettuce, tomatoes, red onions, mayonnaise, and mustard on sourdough), Chips, Fruit Cup, Cookie

____Chicken Salad on Croissant, Chips, Fruit Cup, Cookie

____ Strawberry Salad - Spring mix, strawberries, parmesan cheese, and pecans with a poppy seed dressing, Fruit Cup, Cookie

Registration Fee: $20.00 $___________
Friday Dinner: $18.00 $___________
Saturday Luncheon: $15.00 $___________
I wish to contribute to AFMC. $___________

Total $___________

Please make checks payable to AFMC.  Send registration form and checks to:

Kathie White /AFMC President
125 Larkspur Court
Hot Springs, AR  71901

Registration Deadline:  Friday, April 14, 2023
Convention Schedule

Friday, April 28

2:00 – 3:30 pm  Registration and Hospitality – Fellowship Hall Entrance/Lobby

2:45 pm  Finance Committee Meeting – Church Parlor

3:30 pm  Workshop: “Living Today in the Future of Music” presented by Larry Dunn Fellowship Hall

4:15 pm  AFMC Board & Executive Committee Meeting - Fellowship Hall
           This includes AFMC Officers, Chairs, Club Presidents, National Board members, past State Presidents, and Festival Chairs

5:30 pm  Dinner - Fellowship Hall
           Guest Speaker:  Jean Moffatt, Vice-President of NFMC South Central Region

7:00 pm  Concert - Church Sanctuary

After Concert - Reception in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 29

8:30 am  Registration and Hospitality – Fellowship Hall Entrance/Lobby

9:00 am  General Session – Fellowship Hall

10:00 am  Jr. Honors Recital – Church Sanctuary

11:00 am  Special Interest Workshop – Fellowship Hall

12:00 pm  Luncheon – Fellowship Hall    Guest Speaker:  Jean Moffatt

1:30 pm  Benediction

Guest Speakers

Jean Moffatt was born in Lubbock, Texas and reared 30 miles south in Tahoka. She grew up loving two things, music and journalism. After graduating from Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas with a B.A. in journalism in 1968, she moved to Seminole to edit the weekly Seminole Sentinel. She joined the Seminole Music Club in 1969 and married the love of her life in 1970. John was the printer and sports photographer for the Sentinel. After four years with the Sentinel, she became the journalism
and English teacher for Seminole High School. She also played piano for the band and choir program. She later earned her master’s degree in mass communication from Texas Tech University.

After serving as president of the Seminole Music Club, she served as District 2 president from 1978-80 when there were ten clubs. Today she is president of District 1, which includes two of those original clubs. She began editing the Texas FMC quarterly newsletter in 1979, serving 40 years in that position. She became the Texas president in 2001, and upon leaving became editor of Junior Keynotes for the National Federation, serving for eight years. In 2011 she was appointed editor of Music Clubs Magazine, a position she continues today. She has been sweetheart of the Seminole Lions Club since 1969. In 1970 the Seminole Rotary Club sent her to Mexico as a Community Ambassador for ten weeks. She was named Outstanding Citizen in 1987. She continues to accompany band and choir soloists, and now teaches GED Preparation at the Seminole Adult Learning Center.

She was honored as the first Texan to receive the Servant Leadership Award in 2012, and later was asked by Founder Gloria Grilk to chair that program, which still continues today. She went on the Governing Board of Opera in the Ozarks while serving as state president, and has been the recording secretary since 2002. She also presents the annual Mary Prudie Brown Past National President Continuing Education Award at the conclusion of the opera season. She helped start the Yellow Rose Society in 2013, which continues Mrs. Brown’s legacy in NFMC and TFMC.

Jean and John were blessed with two sons in 1976 and 1985. Tragically, the younger son died in 2006 at age 21. John passed away in 2016. Jean and John Welch continue his business, Seminole Printing Company, and read the weather for Seminole each morning, something he began in 1963.

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Larry Dunn is the MSD Director of Performing Arts and choral instructor at MHS. Mr. Dunn says, “Education has always been a passion for me, primarily because without it, I would be nothing. There are countless educators that poured their love and passion into me to help me become successful--being able to do that for the next generation is the ultimate reward.”