

## *Maxine Cotton Senior Participation Award*

This senior participation award is a tribute to Maxine Cotton, who was a very active member of this organization until her prolonged illness and death on September 26, 1988. She served as president during the years 1978 and 1979. She also served as chairperson of many activities. Maxine was responsible for compiling a cookbook of favorite recipes of members with little tidbits of musical expressions and teachers' amusing experiences with their students. This became a fund raiser for the Gold Cup program. Maxine loved this festival because of the goals designed to inspire the average student in achieving his own rating, rather than a competitive type festival. She was always involved in some capacity of promoting and helping to organize the workings of this festival. It is because of her love, encouragement, inspiration and outstanding dedication that this award is presented each year to deserving graduation seniors.

**Purpose:** To recognize graduating High School seniors who have been Junior members of NFMC.

**Eligibility:** any graduating senior who meets the following requirements:

1. Must be studying privately with a teacher who is a member in good standing of GCMA.
2. Must be a GCMA Jr. Club member in good standing as of March 1 of the year of the award.
3. Meet one of the following:
  - a. Students must be in the Festival for at least 5 years, including the year of the award.
  - b. Acquire a minimum of 15 participation points, including at least 1 point earned during the year of the award.

**Points:** Participation points (1 pt. per event) are earned by entering events in Gold Cup Festival such as solo, ensemble, etc. Points are also earned by attending the State Festival in various events. A point for theory test participation will be awarded if the grade is 70 or above.

**Awards:** Cash awards and a certificate

1<sup>st</sup> place: \$200 plus \$1 per participation point (10 point minimum).

2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$150 plus \$1 per participation pt. (any no. of points with a 5 pt. min.)

3<sup>rd</sup> place: (if funds are available) \$100 plus \$1 per participation pt. (5 pt. min.)

Honorable Mention: (if funds are available) \$50 plus \$1 per participation pt. (5 point min.)

Chairman: Current Gold Cup Festival Chairman

Registration Deadline:

January Meeting- Submit names of awards candidates to Chairman **IN WRITING**

April Meeting – Submit completed entry forms to chairman