



Gas Prices & Summer Lessons

Is there no end in sight to the soaring cost of a gallon of gasoline? Don't get me started on my opinion about that! However, I know that I'm not "just around the corner" when it comes to how far you travel to get to your lesson each week. I've been thinking about how to handle summer lessons, keeping this in mind.

I will be directing the summer youth theater production through the Rogers City Community Theater. So, for my Rogers City students, I am willing to teach in your home during the time I will be traveling into town for this purpose. Rehearsals are (tentatively) going to be from 2 - 5 pm weekdays starting with auditions on July 7th and ending with the production the weekend before Labor Day weekend. I will be available until 1 pm (end time 1:30), and from 5:30 pm into the evening (although I will need to get a dinner break in some time). In order to

have time for all students, I will try to group as many students together on the same day as possible, keeping travel time between students in mind.

You know I prefer to see students (especially beginners) on a weekly basis. This is for the following two main reasons.

#1: it allows us to move forward on a steady basis without allowing bad habits (technique) to form.

#2: it reduces student frustration because of confusion over what is being taught (mostly the result of not having practiced as soon as possible after a lesson).

However, if you've been studying with me for a while, I am willing to work with you one hour every other week. This is contingent upon scheduling students so there is someone each week in the time slot.

So, if either of these options works for you, please talk to me about it as soon as possible, so we can set up your summer schedule to coincide with the end of the school year, if possible.

Sheet Music Plus

I am a registered music teacher at Sheet Music Plus. I've found their selection to be vast, their prices to be competitive and their service consistently excellent. If you'd like to purchase special sheet music (books, CDs, individual pieces), please go to my web site, <http://donnaklein.com> and click on the graphic link at the bottom of my home page. Using this click through gives me credit for your purchase, which in turn will eventually allow me to purchase more resources for my in-studio music library at a discount.



Rogers City Community Theater Summer Youth Production

I am very excited to have the opportunity to direct this summer's youth production of Alice in Wonderland (Jr.)! This musical is based on the Disney movie from the 1950s, with an updated script and music. It is a true ensemble piece, allowing many children a chance to "star." So, if you or someone you know would like to be a part of a summer of theatrical fun and adventure, please take note!

Auditions will be held on July 7th starting at 2 pm at the Rogers City Theater located at 257 N. Third in downtown Rogers City. If you or your friend can't be at the audition but would like to be a part of the production, please contact me at 733-5152 to schedule an alternative audition time. Auditions are open to anyone in Presque Isle County ages 7 -18 (entering their senior year in high school). We plan to rehearse weekdays from 2 - 5 pm. The show goes on from August 21-24.

If you don't want to be onstage, but still want to be a part of the fun, please let me know. We'll need help in a variety of areas. It takes a lot to put on a show! We need you.