A Letter from the President January 5, 2012

Dear Fellow WMC Members,

The New Year has begun and it seems busier than ever. I wanted to make sure I passed on information to you about the WMC before we got too far into the winter season.

Please make a change on your calendar for this month. **The program scheduled for January 21 has been rescheduled to March 10.** There will be no program on January 21. The information about the rescheduled program is as follows:

Elaine Brady (that's me!) will perform a piano recital at St. Paul United Methodist Church on Saturday, March 10 at 7:00 p.m. I hope to see you there.

There are a lot of student events coming up in the next couple of months as well as WMC programs and meetings. Below is a list of those upcoming events. Please check your yearbook or on the web site for additional information.

- ◆ **Board Meeting** Tuesday, February 7 10:00 am at the home of Betty McCary (1608 Ashford Place, Woodbridge).
- ♦ **Student Recitals** Sunday, February 12 **2:00 and 3:30** student recitals at St. Paul United Methodist Church, (1400 G Street, Woodbridge).
- ♦ WMC Program (Home School Band conducted by Zuill Bailey) Saturday, February 18 7:00 pm –at Westminster at Lake Ridge Center (12191 Clipper Drive, Woodbridge). Should be great!
- ♦ NFMC Festival February 24-25 and March 17 at the Manassas Baptist Church (8800 Sudley Rd., Manassas). Paperwork turn in for this event has been scheduled and teachers have been notified in the packets Valerie Harris' front porch. If your have not picked up your packet please do so. If you are new to this event and have questions please feel free to contact me or another member who has taken part in the past or contact Mary Beran at <a href="Mary@BeranMusic.com">Mary@BeranMusic.com</a>.
- ♦ WMC Scholarship Competitions (Kiki Thomaidis Piano, WMC Instrumental, and WMC Vocal) Saturday, March 3 piano and instrumental. Monday, March 5 vocal. All competitions to be held at St. Paul United Methodist Church. This is a wonderful opportunity for young musicians to compete. Please encourage your students to participate. A mandatory winners' recital is scheduled on Sunday, March 11 at 2:00 p.m. TEACHERS, be sure your students know that in order for the winners to receive their certificates and monetary awards they must perform in the winners' recital. There will be no exceptions. Applications are due to Laura Riski postmark

deadline is February 11. See attachment. (The Scholarship information and applications should be available to you to download off the web site if you wish to do so.) \*\*Coordinating chair for these events has been changed to Laura Riski. If anyone is interested in judging for one or more of the competitions please email or call Laura (laura@riski.biz or 703-670-8541). This will save valuable time in setting up judges for the competitions.

- ◆ WMC program (Elaine Brady, piano) Saturday, March 10 7:00 pm St. Paul United Methodist Church. (Rescheduled from January 21 please make this change on your calendars.)
- ♦ Workshop (Spring Clean Your Studio) Saturday, March 24 2:00 -4:00 pm at the McCoart Building (1 County Complex Ct., Woodbridge). Workshop will be a round table discussion that focuses on areas of need submitted by WMC members. Teachers, please submit questions that you would like to be discussed to Laura Riski and join us that day. For complete information see attachment.
- ♦ **House Concert** Saturday, April 14 5:00 pm at Leslie Bennett's home (12355 Hunters Grove Road, Manassas). Please consider performing or simply attending. Contact Katie Largent at <a href="katieKT@verizon.net">katieKT@verizon.net</a>. (I included this event so that those wishing to perform can plan ahead for it.)

All the yearbooks have finally gone out. There was some mix up at the last program with yearbooks, and some may have been taken mistakenly. If yours was one of those and you still don't have one please send me an email and I will see that you get one. I want to thank everyone who has helped make our club run so smoothly this year. Remember to visit our web site for any information. I wish you all a Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you soon.

Musically, Elaine Brady, D.M.A. President, Woodbridge Music Club www.WoodbridgeMusicClub.org