

## Letter from the President

June 20, 2011

Dear Fellow WMC Members,

Summer has arrived and the 2010-11 season for the Woodbridge Music Club has come to an end. It has been an active year and I am looking forward to next year. The Woodbridge Music Club has welcomed several new members this past year. We want to continue increasing our membership in the future, so that we continue to have the resources necessary to bring in quality performing artists, provide teaching workshops, offer performance opportunities for our members in evening programs and house concerts, and provide more performance and scholarship opportunities for our students. Many of you are members or directors of different performance groups. Please spread the word about our club and encourage others to join. This is a music organization for anyone who loves music. Our membership includes professional musicians, music teachers, amateur musicians, and music lovers. We welcome and encourage all to join us.

As President, I am still in the process of filling the different chair positions in the club for next year. I need your help to continue running this club smoothly. I am looking for members to fill the following positions: Publicity Chairman, Senior Scholarship Chairman, and Student Recital Chairman. If you are not already actively involved, please consider filling one of these positions. If you are interested in helping out in some other way, please send me an email to let me know how you would like to participate. I really appreciate all the time and effort each of you has put into this club in the past three years that I have been president, and I hope you will continue in the future.

I have attached a copy of the WMC Membership Application for those who have not yet sent in their form and dues for next season. The postmark due date without late fee is July 1. Be sure to add a \$5 late fee if you send your renewal membership after July 1.

Because some members did not receive the newsletter from May, I summarized the WMC activities by category including all events from February through the present:

### **Concerts:**

- ◆ **The Navy Brass Quartet** performed at Westminster at Lake Ridge Center on February 19. The music was wonderful and the program was very well attended.
- ◆ **The Kobayashi/Gray Duo** dazzled us with their violin/piano music at St. Paul United Methodist Church on April 16.
- ◆ **Vanessa R. Sheldon** performed a harp concert at Westminster of Lake Ridge Center on May 21. What a lovely ending for the WMC 2010-11 Concert Season. Thanks again to June Shuffett for arranging all the wonderful programs we have enjoyed this past season.

### **Workshop:**

- ◆ **“Taking Students to the Winning Level”** was a tremendous success thanks to Laura Riski and Grace Reid who organized and ran the event. Panelists included David Salisbury, David Crookston, Katherine Nelson-Tracey, Dr. Zuill Bailey, and Dr. Elaine Brady. This was the second workshop we hosted this year, and I, for one, am looking forward to future workshops. Thanks Laura and Grace.

## Student Events:

- ◆ **The NFMC Festival** took place at the end of February and the beginning of March. Many students had the opportunity to perform and the event was a complete success. Thanks to all who helped.
- ◆ **The WMC Competitions** included the Kiki Thomaidis Piano Competition, the WMC Instrumental Competition and the WMC Vocal Competition. Thanks to Betty McCary the competition ran like clockwork. We had 60 students enter in all, and 18 prizes were awarded. What a success!!
- ◆ **The Senior Scholarship Competition** took place Monday evening. Gretchen Krupp was chosen as Senior Scholarship Winner this year. She performed in the Gold Cup/Senior Scholarship Winners Recital on Sunday, May 8. Congratulations to Gretchen and her teacher, Connie Bloomer. Thank you Cyndy Elmore for organizing and running this event.

**House Concert:** Leslie Bennett hosted a delightful evening of music and friends on April 2. Thank you Leslie.

**National Music Week Events:** National Music Week took place this past week, May 1-8, 2011. Many thanks are extended to Terry Stackley for all her hard work putting this entire week together. The agenda included:

- **Sunday** Youth Orchestras of Prince William
- **Monday** Senior Scholarship Competition & New Dominion Choraliens Concert
- **Tuesday** Crookston Music Studio Harp Ensemble at the McCoart Building followed by a proclamation by the PWC Board of Supervisors acknowledging the Woodbridge Music Club and their role in National Music Week.
- **Wednesday** Celebration Singers at Westminster at Lake Ridge
- **Friday** Trois Amis Trio at Epiphany Lutheran Church in Dale City
- **Sunday** Gold Cup/Senior Scholarship Winner Recital (3:00 pm) & General Student Recital (4:00 pm) at St. Paul United Methodist Church. Thank you Grace Reid for all you did in organizing and running these events.

**The NFMC Biennial Convention** was a tremendous success. Thanks to all who helped. I'd like to extend a very special thanks to Cyndy Elmore and Susan Tury, co-chairmen for the convention.

**Spring Luncheon:** On June 14, members met at the Thai Orchid Restaurant in Dale City for a delicious luncheon and delightful company.

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**The Members Concert** for next season will once again be advertised as a fundraiser for scholarships for our student competitions. Be sure to mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 19, 2011** at 7:00 pm. These public concerts, scheduled once each year, are comprised of performances by members of the WMC. They provide public performance opportunities for our members and wonderful entertainment for those who attend the programs. If you are interested in performing in next season's program, please contact June Shuffett ([musicnowornever@aol.com](mailto:musicnowornever@aol.com)).

I look forward to working together with you in the coming year and serving one final year as President of the Woodbridge Music Club. I wish you a wonderful and restful summer.

Musically,  
Elaine Brady, D.M.A.  
President, Woodbridge Music Club  
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Please indicate the type(s) of performing groups or musical activities in which you are involved.

- Orchestra                       Band                       Theatre  
 Music Societies or Clubs  
 Non-Religious Choral Groups  
 Church/Synagogue Choirs     Adult                       Children  
 Music Camps  
 Hospitals (VA or other)  
 Senior Centers/Retirement or Nursing Homes  
 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a conductor or music director? \_\_\_\_\_ Name of group \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a music teacher? \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument(s) you teach \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to be included in the WMC teacher referral program? \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (phone or email?) \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of teaching studio \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been teaching? \_\_\_\_\_ What levels do you teach? \_\_\_\_\_

How many (if any) students of yours will be attending a music camp this summer? \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate your areas of interest in club participation from the following categories:

- Programs  
 Workshops  
 Meetings  
 Performance Opportunities for you  
 Performance Opportunities for your students

The Woodbridge Music Club is a non-profit organization, run and supported by its members. Please indicate in which of the following areas you would be willing to help:

- Refreshments     Publicity     Student Recitals     Competitions     Senior Scholarship  
 Membership     Programs     Yearbook     National Music Week     Arts Council Rep  
 Other (Please specify how you could help) \_\_\_\_\_

What skills do you possess that might benefit our club (organizational skills, computer skills, artistic design, program making, recruitment, advertising, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you consider serving as an officer in the Woodbridge Music Club next year? \_\_\_\_\_

Comments or questions \_\_\_\_\_

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