

September 2, 2010

Dear Fellow WMC Members,

Here we are once again nearing the end of summer. Hopefully you've had some well deserved vacation time whether away or at home and are ready to embrace yet again another new year. As your president, I welcome you back and, together with the other officers and board members look forward to working with you to make the Woodbridge Music Club the best it can be. Thanks to the help of several very dedicated members, our 2010-11 Season is ready to go. We will begin the year **Saturday, September 25 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church** (1400 G Street, Woodbridge). The evening will include a delightful hour of music performed by our very own membership with selections featuring the piano, trumpet, violin, marimba, voice and organ. Afterwards, we will have a social hour so that we can get reacquainted with each other and get to know those who have recently joined us. Members are asked to bring some kind of goodies (appetizers, fruits, vegetables or desserts) for the tables. We are offering something new this year at the first concert. We will have tables set up in the lobby with information about other events and opportunities in the area. Plan to come early or stay afterwards to peruse the tables. If you are interested in advertising your "Musical Opportunity" please contact Laura Riski at laura@riski.biz by September 18, 2010. Please join us on the 25th to support your club in this season opener. Yearbooks will be available that evening as well.

We will have our first meeting/social gathering for members and their families on Saturday, October 23 at 5:00 p.m. at my home (6842 Lochmere Drive, Manassas). The evening will include a potluck dinner, a wonderful program of poetry and harp music provided by members Dr. Frederick Harper and David Crookston, and a meeting at which we will recognize our new members and provide information about our club and its upcoming season.

This year will bring with it two events that the WMC should help out with and participate in because they are both taking place in our locality. The NFMC National Biennial Convention will be held in McLean from June 6-12. The VFMC is hosting the event and asking that all clubs help out as much as possible. Because this is such a major event, the VFMC Spring Convention that is scheduled to be held in Fredericksburg on April 28-29, has been shortened and changed to a work meeting in preparation for the NFMC National Convention. I am asking you to consider helping out for a few hours on April 28 and perhaps helping in some way at the National Convention in June. Please put these dates on your calendar.

I am proud to be the president of the Woodbridge Music Club, and I take our mission seriously – *to promote the performance and education of music in our community*. I urge all of you to encourage others to become members and join with us as we celebrate music in our community this year. More information about our club can be found in your yearbook and on our web site at www.WoodbridgeMusicClub.org. All events for students are described and listed in your yearbooks. Encourage your students to participate in WMC student events.

WMC 2010-11 Concerts
House Concerts, Workshops and Meetings

September 25 – Members’ Concert

7:00 p.m. *St. Paul United Methodist Church*

October 23 – Meeting/Potluck (Harp & Poetry)

5:00 p.m. *6842 Lochmere Drive, Manassas 20112*

November 20 – Daniel del Pino, piano

7:00 p.m. *St. Paul United Methodist Church*

December 4 – Holiday House Concert & Potluck Dinner

5:00 p.m. *6842 Lochmere Drive, Manassas 20112*

January 15 – Navy Windjammer Woodwind Quintet

7:00 p.m. *Westminster at Lake Ridge Retirement Center*

February 19 – Navy Brass Quartet

7:00 p.m. *Westminster at Lake Ridge Retirement Center*

March 19 – Workshop – Round Table Discussion

2:00 p.m. *Location to be Announced*

April 2 – House Concert & Meeting

5:00 p.m. *12355 Hunters Grove Road, Manassas 20112*

April 16 – Laura Kobayashi, violin & Susan Gray, piano

7:00 p.m. *St. Paul United Methodist Church*

May 21 – Vanessa Sheldon, harp

7:00 p.m. *Westminster at Lake Ridge Retirement Center*

“Christmas in Occoquan” Concerts

Saturday Afternoons

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Quinn’s Jewelers 199 Union Street Occoquan

November 27

The New Dominion Choraliers

December 4

The Wesley Singers

December 11

The Woodbridge Community Choir

December 18

The Holy Family Catholic Church Choir

Conventions

NFMC National Biennial Convention – June 6-12, 2011

VFMC Convention/Work Meeting – April 28-29

I hope to see you on the evening of September 25.

Sincerely,
Elaine Brady, D.M.A.
President
Woodbridge Music Club