



President's Message

Our wonderful Note-Ables' entertainment at the November meeting filled us with warm, fuzzy feelings. Our annual Holiday Party promises to extend those feelings. Carole Murphy will be hosting our Holiday Party with a brunch in her home. It is for members and spouses only and there is nothing to bring except our bright and smiling faces. I want to thank Carole for again stepping forward to make this a joyous event for all of us. Gift certificates for the Home Tour will be available for purchase at the brunch.

As we prepare for the upcoming holidays, I want to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and Season's Greetings.

This time of year is busy for all of us, especially for those of you who are spending endless hours behind the scenes to carry out our mission of providing musical enhancement to area elementary grade students. Our education programs have been very active these past months. Thank you for your many hours of service in this endeavor.

In addition, special recognition goes to Vicki Buxton and those volunteers working with her to prepare for our 2016 Home Tour. Many volunteers are needed **now** to make our Home Tour a success. Please contact me if you are available in any capacity to participate in the preparations for this event so that we have funds to continue our music education mission. Our 2016 Home Tour is March 5 & 6 this year, so preparations must be made now.

Future Programs

Looking ahead to January, we are going to be treated to an outstanding program by:

Marion Russell Dickson, soprano

Richard Nunemaker, clarinets

Shannon Hesse, piano

I am very excited since the first selection has been my favorite piece since I first heard it in the early 70's, *Der Hirt auf dem Felsen* (The Shepherd on the Rock) Op. 129 of Franz Schubert.

Other pieces on the program will be

Improvisations on "Lines Where Beauty Lingers" (2002) by M. William Karlins

Selected Aria TBD

Peter Quince at the Clavier (2013) by Robert Nelson

Additional information will be provided in the January Newsletter and in the program at the meeting.

In February, we will have our second evening meeting with four members of the Bass section of the HSO. Expect a surprise to be announced soon for this meeting.

In March our own members will be featured showing off their talents.