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Taking Note! ...

Williamsport Music Club

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Ah! Fall has arrived! The leaves are turning and oranges/golds are in sight everywhere! Pumpkins adorn porches and decks and the apple dumplings are delicious!

Here at WMC, our program is in full swing. Thank you to Ann Workman, our VP, for her time arranging for our meal to be catered, as well as her time setting up and preparing our beautiful table décor. Also, thank you to Marilyn Kern and her willing team of phone callers who reach out to our members for dinner reservations. It takes a village to make things happen each month and we are music club because we each participate, serve, and do our part. We enjoyed a great dinner, fellowship, and program at our Sept. meeting, The Millionaire Strolling Strings entertained us in grand fashion! Thank you to Donna Hensler for making all of the arrangements for the group of Williamsport Area High School students to be with us! She was beaming with pride as she took pictures of her granddaughter playing her violin!

We're looking forward to some enthusiastic singing at our second outreach of the season with The Meadows residents on Friday, Oct. 17 @ 3:00 PM. Please contact Kristin Ivers if you plan on joining us so that the Meadows may plan on the number of folks for whom to prepare. They like to provide cookies and punch for us when we come to share their appreciation.

"Let there be music!"

Kristin Ivers, Newsletter Editor

From the President's desk...

Musical greetings to you,

It was a pleasure to see everyone after the summer break for our fall dinner, and what a night it was! After our delicious meal, catered by “The Food Guy,” we were thrilled by the sights and sounds of the Strolling Strings! The Strollers played a variety of tunes including “My Favorite Things” from *The Sound of Music*, a medley of Beatle’s hits, and some toe-tapping polkas. It was inspiring to see the work of Matt Radspinner, the original Budd Memorial Scholarship winner, and learn about his familial connections to our club. Thank you to Ann Workman for hosting our meal, all those who contributed desserts and assisted the calling tree, and Donna Hensler for organizing an entertaining evening to start our 2025-2026 Season!

The 2025-2026 Season is the Williamsport Music Club’s opportunity to take part in the “America 250” celebrations taking place nation-wide, leading up to July 4, 2026. Please mark your calendars for the upcoming musical programs, all at Pine Street United Methodist Church at 7:00 p.m. unless noted otherwise:

- Tuesday, October 28, 2025 -America’s Celtic Music Roots
- Tuesday, November 25, 2025 - 250 Years of American Music
- Sunday, December 7, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m. - Americana Christmas by Candlelight
- Tuesday, January 27, 2026 - American Hymns & Spirituals
- Tuesday, February 24, 2026 - The Williamsport Music Club’s Birthday Bash
- Tuesday, March 24, 2026 - American Divas
- Tuesday, April 28, 2026 @ St. Mark’s Lutheran Church 7:30 p.m. - Gala Performance Featuring Budd Memorial Scholarship Winner
- Tuesday, May 26, 2026 - American Musical Theatre
- Tuesday, June 2, 2026 - America’s Future Musicians

Next month, Kristin Ivers has organized a fitting program to celebrate America’s Celtic Music Roots. Unfortunately, as much as I love the music of the Emerald Isle, I will not be able to attend as my wife and I will be on our honeymoon. I expect a full report upon my return home!

Enjoy the autumn weather and see you in November,

Ryan



OCTOBER MEETING INFORMATION!

Williamsport Music Club presents...
A Celebration of Celtic Music

Tuesday, October 28 @ 7:00pm

Pine Street UMC Sanctuary
 441 Pine Street, Williamsport

Featuring



Also

Wendy McCormick, Celtic Harp
 Jamie Chambers, Peggy Moorehart,
 Lauren Welshans, flute & Melinda Sechrist, piano

Program Chair...

Kristin Ivers

Greeters...

Mitzi & Jim Burget

Poem & Song of the Month...

Charlie Getchell & Kristin Ivers

Donation basket...

Williamsport Symphony Youth orchestra
 & Junior Strings

MEMBER DUES ARE DUE! NOW!

Reminder: Dues are \$40 for the year, \$25 first time members, \$60 married couples

Checks: Payable to **Williamsport Music Club**

Send to: Leatha Kieser @ 22 N. Montour St., Montoursville, PA 17754

Remember: Dues will be considered delinquent after November 1, 2025

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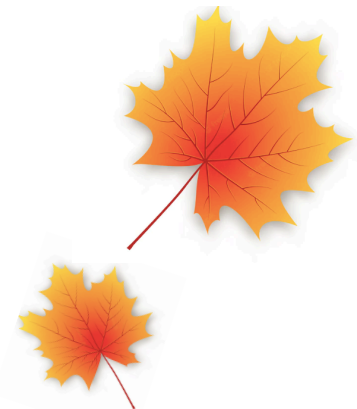




MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



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| October 3, 2025 | <p>Homecoming Concert: Excerpts from Pirates of Penzance</p> <p>Where: McIver Rehearsal Hall, Trachte Music Center, Lycoming College</p> <p>When: 7:00 PM</p> |
| October 4, 2025 | <p>Trumpet and Organ Concert - Chuck Seipp & Todd Fickley, w/Catharine Getchell Samuels</p> <p><i>Co-sponsored by Williamsport Chapter American Guild of Organists and Covenant Central Presbyterian Church in observance of the 30th anniversary of their Schantz pipe organ</i></p> <p>Where: Covenant Central Presbyterian Church, 807 W. 4th St, Wmspt</p> <p>When: 3:00 PM</p> |
| October 17, 2025 | <p>Sing Along with Williamsport Music Club Outreach</p> <p>Where: The Meadows, 2160 Warrensville RD, Montoursville</p> <p>When: 3:00 PM</p> |
| October 18, 2025 | <p>98th Annual PFMC Northeast District Conference (<i>WMC Board members encouraged to attend, but all WMC members are welcome, as well!</i>)
(LET'S CAR POOL)</p> <p>Where: First Methodist Church, Wyoming & Montgomery Ave, West Pittston, PA</p> <p>When: 9:15 AM-1:30 PM</p> |
| October 24, 2025 | <p>Williamsport Symphony: Galanta Dances & Carmina Burana</p> <p>Where: Community Arts Center</p> <p>When: 7:30 PM</p> |
| October 28, 2025 | <p>Celtic Music Celebration Chair: Kristin Ivers</p> <p>Where: Pine Street UMC, 441 Pine St, Wmspt</p> <p>When: 7:00 PM</p> |
| October 30, 2025 | <p>Threads of Song: Voice Faculty Recital</p> <p>Where: Shangraw Performance Hall, Mary Lindsay Welch Honors Hall</p> <p>When: 12:00 PM</p> |



Member news...

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to **Mary Beth Kibbe** for continued healing from her health difficulties experienced over the summer. Our prayers go out to you. We hope that you are on the mend.

Congratulations to *WAHS Distinguished Alumni* **Jim Burget**! We hope you feel celebrated and that you enjoyed your family cheering you on as you were recognized this past week.



Got news? Please, share your news with your club!... Contact Kristin Ivers

District Day – You're invited! Ya'll come!

98th Annual PFMC Northeast District Conference

Saturday, October 18, 2025

The First Methodist Church Wyoming and Montgomery Avenues, West Pittston, PA
Hosted by Mozart Club of Wilkes-Barre

Registration, Meet & Greet at 9:15AM with coffee/tea

Business Meeting at 9:45AM

Lunch at noon (\$15 check payable to Mozart Club of Wilkes-Barre)

Please mail lunch checks to Rosa Khalife-McCracken

111 Grandview Drive, Pittston, PA 18640.

Due by Friday, October 10th

Each Club is asked to bring:

5 copies of your President's Report

District dues of \$1.00 per member. Check payable to PFMC NE District

5 copies of Club Yearbook, Show and Tell materials including Achievement Records Book

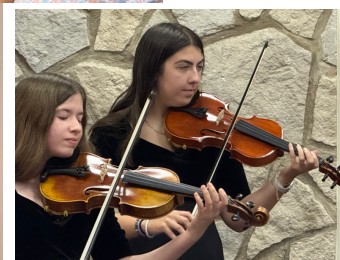
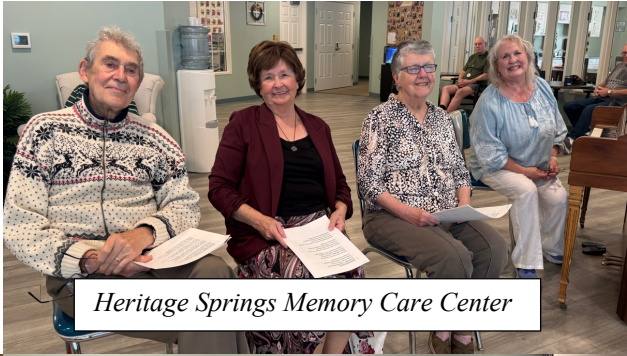
After lunch, there will be a reciprocity program. Each club is encouraged to bring entertainment for everyone to enjoy! A piano keyboard will be available.

Parking is provided in the empty lot on the side of the church on Wyoming Avenue or on the street on Montgomery Avenue.



Please call Rosa at (570) 212-0948 if needed.

A look back at September ...



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