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Taking Note!...

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Happy New Year!

Another year is dawning! Things are looking white and slippery outside of my window. As I turn my thoughts toward a new year, I do so with great anticipation. My husband and I are looking forward to celebrating two first birthdays with our grand babies, one in Kansas and one in Tennessee, and we will soon be flying off to spend that exciting milestone with them!

Let's definitely keep one another in our prayers for good health in the coming year. December was a bit rough on quite a few of our members, including yours truly! Let's keep in touch and care for one another as we are able. I would love to post more WMC member news so that we can be cheering each other on and be aware of ways that we can reach out to one another. Please share your "shareable" news with me so that I can pass it along, especially when we don't always see each other very often.

I hope your New Year resolution includes coming to monthly WMC programs and participating in any way you can. We still have the need for additional Achievement Records Book support – taking pictures at programs and assembling the book each month. If that sounds like something you could participate in, please reach out to me.

"Let there be music!" ~ Kristin Ivers, Editor



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK...



Happy New Year!

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in our 87th Annual Christmas Music by Candlelight!. If you missed the program, it is available to watch on YouTube.

<https://youtu.be/nRKtlkqVCbw> We used the opportunity to not just celebrate Christmas, but historical moments in the life of America at Christmastime. Part of the program highlighted a recent musical and visual arts program designed to help veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress, particularly around the holidays. You never know who might be in the audience, and I was thrilled that a couple approached me after the program to request more information for their son, a veteran with PTSD to see if the program could help him.

Thanks be to God.

Additionally, your generosity towards the Candlelight offering raised over \$300 for Dwell Orphan Care! Thank you so much to those who participated. I know for certain, these funds will be putting a smile on some kiddos' faces.

We return to Pine Street United Methodist Church for our next regularly scheduled program of Sacred Music on Tuesday, January 27th at 7:00 pm. Kathy Cimini has once again offered to chair this program and I'm sure it will be another uplifting evening of sacred and spiritual music.

Let us pray for continued good weather and health!

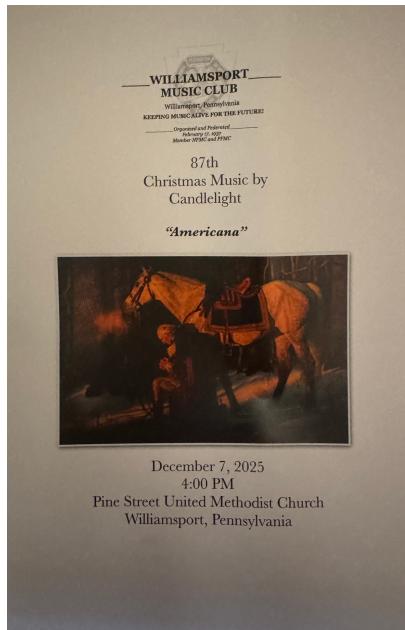
Thank you and God bless,

Ryan



A Look Back at December...

The gift of Christmas Music by Candlelight...



Community Holiday outreach...



These great gals led carols at the Heritage Springs Memory Care Center on Dec. 5th. No picture was taken on site, so we got them together at a rehearsal for the Candlelight. They continue to represent WMC in an outstanding fashion! Thank you to Bonnie Seltzer for stepping up to the piano/leading and answering the call when both Charlie and Carol were out of commission! Left to right... Bonnie Seltzer, Kathy Cimini, Nora Slattery, Kay Huffman, and Mitzi Burget.

Taber Museum Coffee Hour... Still Life!



Our January Program...

"Celebrating American Sacred Music", Chair Katharine Cimini

Greeters:

Greta Elliott & Ann Kaufman

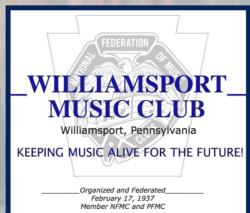
Song/Poem of the Month:

Mitzi Burget, presenter
Scott Schell, guitar

The Williamsport Music Club

Presents:

American Hymns & Spirituals



Tuesday, January 27, 2026 7:00 PM

Pine Street United Methodist Church

441 Pine Street

Williamsport, PA

www.williamsportmusicclub.com

Club Member News ...

Recently recovering from health challenges and hospitalizations... (of whom this editor is aware)

Suzanne Revak-Fedele, Carol Waltz, Charlie Getchell, and Mitzi Burget. I know that many of us have endured colds & laryngitis, as well. Let's pray for good health in the coming year so we can gather and enjoy some great music together!

*****I encourage our members to please pass along any member news to be included in our newsletters ~ Thank you!**





MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



January 17, 2026- Die schöne Müllerin

Lycoming College Professor Emeritus of Music Gary Boerkel, piano, and Susquehanna University Professor of Music David Steinau, voice, join forces to present Franz Schubert's song cycle.

Where: Shangraw Performance Hall, Welch Honors Hall, Lycoming College

When: 7:30 PM

January 27, 2026- American Hymns & Spirituals – Kathy Cimini, Chair

Where: Pine Street Church, 441 Pine St., Wmsprt.

When: 7:00 PM



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