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Changes, changes, changes! Sometimes all of these changes will make our heads spin! However, changing is a part of life; it must happen for life to progress! We must be adaptive to all of this changing or we as individuals stagnate. So let us embrace all of this changing and make things happen. Let us embrace all of this changing and be happy!



Speaking of change, as you all know Opus I meets on the second Monday of the month. September's meeting will be different. We will be meeting on the 19th rather than the 12th. We still will be having our Annual Luncheon with a "salad" theme. There will be more information about the meeting in September's *Times Signature*.



A quote from Michael Jordan: "Talent wins games, but teamwork wins championships".

And as always, "Let there be music"!

Karen



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK!

President's Ponderings

Dear Members and Friends of Opus I Music Society,

It's been a real pleasure to see how you members and officers have kept Opus I alive these years I've served as your president (again)! Thank you for your faithfulness and diligence in program planning, refreshments, inviting guests, doing the newsletter, and even welcoming new members! Since the North Hills Music Club disbanded, we have several folks who are coming to our meetings, and since they were mostly a choral club, we may even get our own chorus rejuvenated (and start a 'recorder' sextet!)

However, we can't do any of this unless you step up to the plate and volunteer and get involved! Are you ready? I certainly hope so. We need YOU! If nothing else, DO attend the meetings and encourage the presenters! Thanks again to all who have faithfully served in any capacity in Opus I and are continuing! But read on....

I am thrilled to announce that **Kathy Kemerer** has agreed to assume the position of President of Opus I for the next 2 (or 4) years!! Kathy is a Charter member of our club, was president 2009-2011, and has been our program chair for years, often presenting programs, (along with other responsibilities)! She (and Daryl) have faithfully driven from Prospect to just about every meeting we've had. What commitment and dedication. We are SO fortunate to have Kathy assume the leadership role.

That left the Vice President's position open and it's exciting to tell you that one of our newer members (since 2018), **Jessica Wood**, has agreed to serve as Vice President!! She is another "commuter" to our meetings, driving from Ellwood City each month. Jessica is also on the PFMC board as chair of the "Jr. Music in Poetry" contest and musical theme artwork and now oversees the "Winners' Book" published each year – a BIG job! THANK YOU, Jessica.

Of course, we couldn't survive without our faithful Secretary, **Kathy Csellar**, and Treasurer, **Linda Maurhoff** who have handled these positions for years. Bless you both for your willingness to continue and bless **Karen Douglass**, newsletter editor!!

Our "craft creator", Sue Stevenson, has agreed to work with me on the programs for the 2022-23 club year and the theme will be from the "Great American Songbook". We'll be in touch with some of you to see what program you might present along that idea, or something entirely different! PLEASE say "YES" when asked.

Our officers will be installed on **Monday, September 19th**, when we first meet for the upcoming year. Yes... it's the THIRD Monday – and not on the 12th. Mark your calendars right now!! And October 10th.

Blessings to each and every one of you, Ruth Ann McChesney

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MEMBER NEWS!



Something from Jessica Wood to bring a smile to our faces:

"I have a very calm, nesting robin that is directly outside of my music studio entrance. She is currently on her third brood of the year! Siblings and parents often spend some time on my swing where they get to watch the parents tend to and feed their babies. It's a joy to see them go from eggs to fledglings! On cooler summer mornings, she even gets serenaded by my violin students outdoors!"



MEMBER DUES ARE DUE! NOW!

Reminder: Dues are \$35 for the year

Check: Payable to Opus I Music Society

Send to: Linda Maurhoff

203 Downieville Rd Valencia, PA 16059

If you would like the Opus I yearbook mailed to you, please add \$1.50 to your dues check.





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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



September 19, 2022 Please note the change of date!

Opus I Annual Brunch

This year we will be having a salad themed brunch

There will be more information about the meeting in next edition of

The Times Signature

Where: LifePointe Alliance Church, Coffee Cafe When: 9:30 AM Registration and Refreshment

10:00 AM Program

Masks Are Optional!



October 10, 2022

Opus I Club Meeting - Program to be announced

Where: LifePointe Alliance Church,

When: 9:30 AM Registration and Refreshment

10:00 AM Program

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!



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