

TIMES SIGNATURE

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KAREN'S KORNER

February is a month dedicated to love. Our love for our special ones, each other in general, our pets, and anything else one can think of.

Here is a brief history of Valentines Day. The 8th century Gelasian Sacramentary recorded the celebration of the Feast of St. Valentine on February 14th. The day became associated with romantic love in the 14th and 15th centuries when notions of courtly love flourished. In 18th century England, it grew into an occasion for couples to express their love for each other by presenting flowers, candy, and greeting cards known as "valentines". We practice this tradition to this very day.

Speaking of love, we all love music! There has been an age old argument on whether music and math/science are related. I've been involved in some of those arguments and believe me they can get heated! On February 12th Nadine Lauffer will present "Music Is...Science" and perhaps the argument will be settled! See you there!

And as always, *Let there be music!*

Karen



FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK !



Presidential Ponderings

I've come to the conclusion after experiencing this January, that 2024 will play through at a tempo of Prestissimo. Although with another birthday fast approaching, I'd prefer Andante.

Here's a fun fact: there's a genre of electronic music that explores the realm of 1,000 to 10,000 beats per minute known as "extratone." I am thinking that I may have experienced those speeds once during a piano student's lesson ;-)

While on the subject of "beats per minute" or BPM, the month of February calls to mind Valentine's Day, and hearts. That is, hearts beating faster when in love. I don't know where all this is going but it's been fun to chase the thread, so wear red to our next meeting on Monday, February 12! We'll meet at the choir room of LifePoint Alliance Church at 9:30 am for refreshments, a brief meeting at 10:00 and a program by Nadine Lauffer, a student of Jessica Wood, exploring the connections of music, science and art.

Here's another fun fact: the definition of music is "the art and science of organized sound."

Happy New Year!
Kathy

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FEBRUARY MEETING INFORMATION !



JOIN US AT OUR FEBRUARY MEETING !

Music Is...SCIENCE!

Inspiration Provided
By
Jessica Wood

Presented by
Nadine Laufler

December 11, 2023

LifePointe Alliance Church
Music Room

Registration and Refreshment: 9:30 AM

Program: 10:00 AM



Hospitality Provided
By
Kris Hattman
And
Jessica Wood

High school student Nadine Laufler will be presenting on "Music: The Bridge Between Science and Art" before the Opus I Music Society on February 12th, 2024 at 10:00 AM. Combining her love of physics and music, Nadine hopes to highlight that the divides between science, math, and art might not be as wide as they seem. In fact, they may not be divided at all."



****Masks Are Optional!****

See you there!



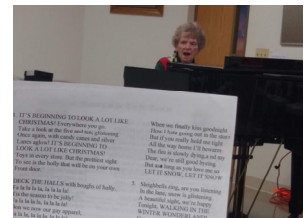
MEMORIES OF OUR DECEMBER MEETING !



While we were fewer in number than usual, everyone enjoyed singing holiday songs at the very entertaining direction of Margie Rinaman!



For example, for the "Twelve Days of Christmas" she had large cards with the days' gifts written on them, instructed us all to take one, and in some cases 2, cards, stand in a semi-circle so that we could see each other, and sing, simultaneously holding up the cards with the words needed for each particular verse.



Sue Stevenson led us through making some creative Christmas ornaments for the nursing home residents and ourselves using Scrabble tiles. A quote from Sue... "All I know for sure was that we had FUN!!! Even Daryl Kemerer enjoyed making the ornaments!! He made at least 2!!" We also enjoyed the delicious refreshments provided by Joyce Strobel and Linda Maurhoff! Mmmm!



We all had a great time!





MEMBER NEWS !



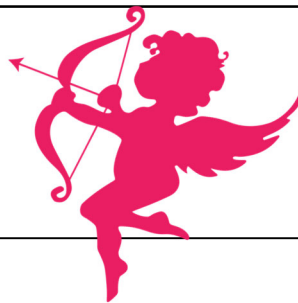
Mary Kitchen hosted a recent event at New Horizons. Her and her husband, Allen founded the Butler chapter of New Horizons which teaches people over 50 years of age how to play musical instruments.



Also...

Mary Kitchen and Ruth Ann McChesney attended the annual Chautauqua Choir reunion in NY January 26-28th and after going through 33 anthems Friday night, 6 were chosen to sing at the Hurlbut Church service Sunday! Fun!

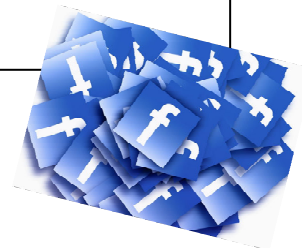
WE HAVE A NEW FACEBOOK GROUP !



To help spread the word and stay connected with one another between Opus I meetings, we now have an updated Facebook group! If you use Facebook, please find us and join. Any member can make a musical post on the group page to encourage and inspire others.

You can use this URL to find us: www.facebook.com/groups/opusonemusic (copy and paste into your browser!)

Happy Networking and thanks for helping us advertise to others how wonderful the Opus I Music Society is! See you there!



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MARK YOUR CALENDAR !

February 12, 2024

Music Is...Science

Presented by Nadine Lauffer

Where: LifePointe Alliance Church in the Music Room

When: 9:30 AM Registration and Refreshment

10:00 AM Program



♥HAPPY
Valentine's
DAY♥

March 11, 2024

When I Stepped Out of the Tent

Presented by Dr. Daryl Kemerer

Where: LifePointe Alliance Church in the Music Room

When: 9:30 AM Registration and Refreshment

10:00 AM Program

April 8, 2024

Music Is...Inspirational

Presented by Dennis Lisac

Where: LifePointe Alliance Church in the Music Room

When: 9:30 AM Registration and Refreshment

10:00 AM Program



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