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**Guess what?
We are meeting in a different place
And
At a different time**

Whoever told you that being a member of LMM would be such a chore. We had to find the new place for meetings, now we have to find another new place for this meeting. Phooey, why don't we just meet on the Capitol Lawn? Why? because we don't want to, and who could hear this good program on the capitol lawn.

SUNDAY, 3:00 p.m.

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**OKEMOS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JOINT MEETING - PAS AND LMM**

This looks like a really good program. We have the Renaissance Singers with our own Penny Draper, director, AND performances by PAS members.

The Renaissance Singers is a group of 24 adults and children who rehearse weekly to present programs like the one we will hear on Sunday. For our program they will present choral, instrumental music and dance, and besides that they perform in replicas of Renaissance dress. WOW

This program will feature the chorale singing "Boar's Head Carol", published in 1521, by Wynken de Worde, "Noe, noe" by Antoine Brumel, and "To Shorten Winter's Sadness" by Weelkes.

There are some motets that we will hear also. "Angelus ad pastores ait" by Gabrieli, "Ave Maria...virgo serena a6" by Des Pres, and "Cantate Domine" by Croce. They will sing "De la virgin" by Cabezon, and Riu, Riu Chiu by an anonymous composer but with percussionist Kristine Dombroski

There is a recorder group who will present some pieces just for recorders. How long since we have heard something like this? They will play "Kyrie: Jam Christus" by Palestrina.

Now to top it off the Junior Renaissance Singers will perform the piece, "The Battle Pavane" by Susato. What an opportunity to see and hear music that you would never hear any other place. That's one of the reasons for being an LMM member.

This must keep Penny busy day and night.

We will also hear student members of PAS. At every meeting there are several members who perform, on many different instruments, so it is very good and interesting program.

Hajin Kim is the chairman of PAS and will tell us all we need to know about the scholarships available, and upcoming events for the group.

Now for the 15th reason to come. Brenda Crouch and committee. Brenda always has enough food for the crowd and even better.... it's always good. Count on her to bring some different and interesting treats for the students and parents...also the LMM workers.

The young people come for the performances, but they never miss stopping by the refreshment table on the way out...at least once. Her helpers are Carol Broughton, Joan Wierzba and me. I don't do much. The others do.

But it is worth it to come and see how the PAS is run for the young students in the area. Good performances, interesting information about music and top it off with good refreshments.

You know where the church is. Take Okemos Road and go where the stop light is by the Okemos Middle School. Go west on Bennett Rd and turn in at the driveway which comes off Bennett Rd.

Chorale to Resume Rehearsals

The holiday vacation is over and rehearsals will begin again for this group which is a very important part of Matinee Musicale. Rick Uren is the conductor and finds all kinds of interesting music for the group to sing. Take a chance and go to the next rehearsal and find out what happens.

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP TIME

It's now after Christmas and the new year is starting and it's Scholarship Time. There will be auditions for piano, strings, woodwind and brass, dance, and art song. These are open to PAS members who have attended at least 2 meetings and paid dues by January 10, 2018. If you know of anyone who has attended the meetings but not paid dues, remind them now so they will be eligible for scholarships.

There is also an attendance award for students who attend all 6 meetings and pay the dues by the deadline. This is a new award started last year.

The membership in PAS for this year has grown and has given many students the opportunity to try for a scholarship.

The auditions are usually held on Sunday afternoon in one of the churches in the area. This is a lot of work for the Scholarship committee and for those who run the scholarships.

It means finding a place. Does it have a piano?, warm on Sunday afternoon,, then getting all the applications in the mail, or mailbox,. This is all for the young students in PAS. Is it worth it? The answer is YES. Matinee Musicale wants to help the young people in the area to continue their studies in music and be better people because of it.

Whoever remembers when PAS was started let me know. We know it's been around a long time and helped many young people continue their study of music, we might add, our own children. It's one of the good things that make LMM a wonderful organization.

EDITOR'S CORNER

We have all recovered from Christmas and all the family gatherings, trips out of town, trips to town, any way to be together on this big holiday. This is still a nice excuse for families to get together, see how the children and grandchildren have grown, and wow, they don't wear size 6 anymore.

Many of our children come many hours and miles to join in the festivities. My son and family came from Boston amid much snow and slippery roads. I thought they were crazy to drive in such stuff, but they came anyway...and returned amid some more snow also. Phooey, Christmas should be in June when the roads are better.

I wonder how many of our children and grand children are interested in music and play an instrument? We ought to take a survey. My number is 8. What's yours????



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