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Patricia Smith, Editor

**WEDNESDAY
MARCH 7
Ascension Lutheran Church
1:00 P.M.**

Another interesting and good program for March. Susi Grenier, vocalist, with Verna Holley, pianist, and then...the New Horizons Band. Great contrast in the program. What better way to start spring, with no more snow or water.

Come to hear Susi Grenier, accompanied by Verna Holley present a program called "I Will Wait For You". She has been singing for as long as she can remember, in church choirs and school musicals.

Susi has a complete musical background consisting of playing the violin, piano, cello, but went back to singing. She is currently the vocal soloist for the Asbury Brass Quintet, and is a member of the choir at Congregation Shaarey Zedek.

Some of the songs she will sing are: "The Isle of Innisfree" by Farrelly, "Part of Your World" from The Little Mermaid by Alan Menken/Howard Ashman, "The Weakness in Me", by Joan Armatrading, "Burn" from Hamilton, by Lin Miranda, and one I know "Memory" from Cats by Andrew Lloyd Weber. Gee, we only knew one of them.

The accompanist is Verna Holley who we all know. Verna is a member of LMM; she is also a piano teacher and the accompanist for the Okemos Suzuki String cello group. Verna is the director of the Earl Nelson Singers, a group of people who sing programs for many in the Lansing area. You should go to one of their programs.

All in all, this sounds like something you don't want to miss. What a nice group of songs sung by a nice person just for us to enjoy. What better reason than this to be a member of LMM. and enjoy all the fine music this group has to offer; all of this plus refreshments after the concert. WOW

Following this fine music we will have The Michigan State University Community Music School New Horizons Band play some more fine music.

This group of people are all musicians who choose to play with each other once a week. There are many New Horizon bands throughout the country. The New Horizons Band welcomes adults of all abilities including those who would like to learn a band instrument as well as those with more playing experience.

The New Horizon band meets at the MSU Community Music School at 4930 S Hagadorn Rd. in East Lansing for classes and concert performances. Jack Mike is the conductor and Larry Thompson, the assistant conductor.

The program will include "Balladair", El Capitan", "Pictures at an Exhibition", "Southern Folk Rhapsody", "Ashokan Farewell", and "The Patriot". We recognize some of those pieces, it should be a great concert.

After hearing all of this you will need some refreshments, so stay, stop by the table on your way out and help yourself to some of the goodies provided you by the refreshment committee, chaired by Carol Broughton. This month's group of cooks include Marilyn Elena, Liz Doyle and me. They will do the work, I just type!

**STUDY CLUB
Burcham Hills
East Lansing
March 21**

It's time to go to the Study Club meeting at Burcham Hills. You really should go so you can hear our string quartet. The members are Liz Febba and me, violin, Nancy Marttila, viola, and Marilyn Kesler, cello. We have been practicing since before Christmas and hope you will enjoy the Haydn string quartet called the "Emperor", and some others that you may know also, which we have prepared for you.

It's always a pleasure to play for Matinee Musicale members and the people at Burcham Hills. We hope you will come and enjoy with everyone else.

**PAS MEETING
MARCH 18
3:00 P.M.
CENTER FOR SOCIAL DANCE
2807 JOLLY RD, OKEMOS**

Notice the different location. It's almost directly across from Okemos High School.

We will have a dance program as well as student performers on piano and strings at the dance studio. We appreciate the work of Joyce Stoughton-Kim who has arranged for us to have a meeting there.

It is nice to be able to accommodate the dancers by going to their studio. Be sure to come and see all the ways to dance and many people showing us all of these. Who knows....maybe you should be a dancer too!!!! Or a string or wind player or pianist.

IT'S SCHOLARSHIP TIME

It's that time again; scholarships for students in the Lansing area. The committee has been working hard to arrange all the times for students, judges, refreshments for all, especially the judges when they have been working many hours.

This is a big job for the chairmen of these events...making sure the judges don't know the applicants, can write comments that are worthwhile, can hear differences in performances... and are nice people. .

Piano was held on February 25, at the First Presbyterian Church in Okemos, with Penny Draper , chairman. She is the one who makes the schedule,

finds judges, worries, etc. They had many applicants in several categories according to age...first and second prizes in each. There are grades 5-6 awards, junior high, and senior high awards. We are so lucky to be able to offer this many awards and offer monetary prizes. The winners are:

Grades 5-6,

Mika Takahashi, 1st place,

Emma Grant Zimmer award, grades 7-9,

Eric Yun, 1st place, Sophia Lee, 2nd place.

Jean Hull award grades 10-12

Eric Yu, 1st place Kelly Bohan , 2nd place

Our thanks to all the teachers who work with these young people to get them to love and appreciate good music, whether it be piano, strings, voice or wind instruments. Music is good for everyone, young, middle, and old.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Now it's almost spring, but what are we doing with all this water around everywhere. As I sit here I can see the Red Cedar River in my backyard. Hopefully it will stay there and not come in. After all it wasn't invited.

As I sit here now, the water is receding and it didn't come into the basement which is lots better than the 3 houses down the street which had water in their basement and even the first floor. It's not fair!

But when the water goes away and things get back to normal, this will be a nice place to live, and the weeds will grow fast due to the nice soil. Then all I have to do is weed, weed, weed, and more.



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