

## Coming Up . . .

### Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

CAMTA Meeting - Faith Lutheran  
*Incentives and tricks to motivate and encourage our students*

### Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

CAMTA Meeting - Faith Lutheran  
Special guest speaker, Mary Siciliano  
*Developing Technique for Beginner and Intermediate Students*

### Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm

"Halloween Hoot" Recital  
Faith Lutheran Church, Okemos

### Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> 9:30am

CAMTA Meeting/Master Class - Faith Lutheran  
Special guest instructor, Eric Zuber



## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It takes a village and our busy CAMTA village has been planning an exciting year for all of us!

Our year takes off on Friday morning, **September 8<sup>th</sup>**. Our first meeting will be at Faith Lutheran Church at 9:30 on Dobie Road in Okemos. ***Ideas and Incentives for Motivating Our Students*** will be a group discussion with our members. What a great way to begin our 2023-2024 season! We will meet in the older sanctuary which is located down the hall from the current sanctuary.

Our **Halloween Hoot** will be on Saturday, **October 28<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you to Megan Nyquist and Heather Vedder for organizing this CAMTA favorite event!

Remember to register for the **MMTA Conference**. Being held at Oakland University **October 20 and 21**, it's always a great way to network and see our colleagues from around the state.

Dylan Savage, author of *The Transposed Musician* writes, "*Remind your student that the mind, like a muscle, also needs periodic rest—intense focus can't be sustained endlessly.*" Being music educators, we wrestle with attempting to balance our families, our students and usually too many other jobs and positions. Please remember the periodic rest as we begin our fall season.

Happy Teaching,  
Gail

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our first meeting is this coming Friday September 8<sup>th</sup>.

By popular demand we are going to discuss the topic of Ideas and Incentives for motivating our students. Please note that there will be no speaker, or in other words, ***we all are the speakers***. Bring your ideas, games, strategies and come prepared to share your experience!

## Personal Announcements

Our deepest sympathy goes to Linda Jones on the passing of her dear mother on August 13, 2023.

Congratulations to Heather and Justin Vedder and family on the birth of their beautiful daughter, Katherine Elizabeth Vedder, born on July 25!

## UPCOMING STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Halloween Hoot**  
**Saturday, October 28th**  
**1:00pm**  
**Faith Lutheran Church**  
**Okemos**

- ◆ **Costumes welcome!**
- ◆ **Memorization of pieces is not necessary**
- ◆ **Solo & Ensemble pieces are welcome**
- ◆ **No cost to participate**
- ◆ **Please register using the link provided**
- ◆ **Registration closes on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**
- ◆ **Limited to 25 performers**
- ◆ **Teachers: Please bring a bag of candy to share**

**Register by Oct 20, 2023:**

**[HALLOWEEN HOOT REGISTRATION](#)**

Questions: Heather Vedder ([heathervedderpiano@gmail.com](mailto:heathervedderpiano@gmail.com))

### **Student Achievement Testing**

**SAT**

**Saturday, March 2,  
2024**

Details to come

### **Lansing Matinee Musicale**

**LMM extends an invitation to all music teachers** to come to the first meeting on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm at Eastminster Presbyterian Church, 1315 Abbott Road, East Lansing 48823. The meeting is combining the adult members with the student group, Performing Art Students (PAS). The **guest artist is Dr. Onur Alakavular**, who is a music educator, composer and jazz guitarist. **Encourage your parents and students to come to get more information about LMM & PAS.** This should be a fun and interesting program!

Performing Arts Students' meetings  
3pm Eastminster Presbyterian Church

October 8, 2023  
November 12, 2023

Lansing Matinee Musicale  
3pm Okemos Community Church

Sunday Oct. 8  
Sunaday, Nov. 12

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