



# Baltimore Flute Choir Minor Notes

## Updates for the BFC Fall Season

### 2008 Concert Dates

Our fall season is well under way, please mark your calendars now!

- Sat. November 22 in the morning, exact time TBA — Columbia Flute Festival, Columbia Baptist Church, 103 West Columbia Street, Falls Church, VA 22046
- There will be a holiday concert at Jarrettsville United Methodist Church. Possible dates are:
  - Saturday, December 6 in the evening, or
  - Sunday, December 14 in the afternoon
 Please let Kristi know your availability for either or both dates so that we can finalize our concert.
- There will be several playing opportunities throughout the year through the Baltimore County Dept. of Aging. The flute choir is *paid* for these performances and the money provides an important boost to our annual budget. We have trio music organized and ready to go and just need to line up players when we receive the dates. Please let Martha or Kristi if you would be interested in doing this.

### Rehearsal Dates

The following are the remaining scheduled rehearsals for the fall season:

**October 26**

**November 2\*, 9, 16, 23, 30**

**December 7, 14**

\*Sunday, November 2 @ 5:30 p.m. — Board Meeting before rehearsal. All members are cordially invited to attend.

STAY TUNED — it is likely that we may need to update our rehearsal schedule based on the availability of our guest conductors and after we finalize the date for our holiday concert.

Unless otherwise noted, rehearsals will be held in the Smith Building at St. John's Lutheran Church, 8808 Harford Road, Parkville, MD 21234

*Please check your schedules now for potential conflicts with the performance/rehearsal dates. Please let Martha or Kristi know ASAP so we can redistribute parts and/or people if necessary.*

#### Special points of interest:

- Check out the web site at [www.baltimoreflutechoir.com](http://www.baltimoreflutechoir.com)
- Please check your folder for holiday music and bring it to our upcoming rehearsals.
- Martha is continuing the process of making the BFC a non-profit organization. This will allow us to apply for grants and pay a director a stipend, among other things. If you want to help with this process, let Martha know. She welcomes any and all help!

### OTHER NEWS

**Welcome new members:** Amy Koren, Anna Luther, Cathy Schultz, Catherine Noonan, and Onan Marroquin. We're delighted to have you!

Condolences to Deb Weiner on the loss of her mother. She is in our thoughts and prayers. We look forward to seeing her again in the spring season.

Congratulations to Shawn Lawall and Jenn Ambrosiano-Reedholm and the families on their pregnancies. Best wishes for continued good health and happiness!

Best wishes to Jenna Loomis on her new job and her new home. Unfortunately these new opportunities have forced Jenna to take a break from the BFC, but we look forward to having her rejoin us soon. Special thanks to Jenna for all of her hard work on behalf of the BFC as a former board member extraordinaire.

### Conductor Search

After two wonderful seasons as conductor of the BFC, Brian Stojak has asked for a leave of absence. He will be sorely missed.

Thanks to Brian's enthusiasm and leadership, we became a stronger group. Not only did our rehearsals become much more productive, but we also matured in our musicianship and in our ensemble playing.

Our audiences agreed that we sounded great!

We wish Brian continued success in all of his future endeavors, both musical and otherwise, and we do hope that he may be able to rejoin us again at some time in the future.

We welcome everyone's active participation as we move forward with the exciting

process of thinking about and deciding upon the future direction of the BFC. We have lined up guest conductors and are pursuing several leads on possible permanent conductors.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in conducting the BFC for a season or just for a rehearsal or two, please let Martha know.