

## **On a Musical Note**

**December 2017**

### **IN MEMORIAM**

**Stephanie Westerfield**

**Dr. Virginia Uldrick**

NFMC membership dues and insurance liability premiums were due December 1. Jennifer is asking everyone for a little patience as headquarters will be understaffed until a new assistant to replace Tonya is hired.

In the winter issue of *MCM*, there will be an abbreviated official call for the NFMC Conference to be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The complete call will be online February 1 and in the spring issue of *MCM*. This will give the planning committee time to produce a more accurate schedule of events.

After an extensive search, the executive committee has approved a recommendation to hire IT Indiana to develop a new online software program. The new program will be ready to go live in approximately nine months. The goal of IT Indiana is to develop a simple, user-friendly software program.

The executive committee has also approved the hiring of SJ Consulting. SJ Consulting will work with IT Indiana to ensure that all benchmarks are completed in a timely fashion and to verify that there is complete documentation of all work performed by IT Indiana. There will be two committees to work with IT Indiana and SJ Consulting. One committee will work with the technical development of the software, and the second committee will work with the practical development of the software.

In early November, immediate NFMC Past National President, Senator Carolyn Nelson, was presented with the first ever "Outstanding Woman State Legislator Supporting the Arts" award from The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Women in Government. A detailed article will be in the 2018 winter issue of *Music Clubs Magazine*. NFMC is proud to have Carolyn Nelson as a life member and devoted supporter of our mission!

Wishing everyone a happy holiday and a prosperous new year!!!

**Keeping the Music Alive for the Future!**

**Michael**