



Newsletter of the Peoria Area Music Teachers Association February 2012

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**Monday, February 27, 2012
First Christian Church
6400 N. University, Peoria
10:00 a.m. Meeting**

RARE, MEDIUM OR WELL DONE?

Practice Strategies

Come join a round table discussion of this important subject.

UPCOMING PAMTA EVENTS

AIM - Please bring your registrations and repertoire sheets to the meeting to give to AIM chair, Pam Eyerly. If you cannot attend the meeting, please get them into the mail to her by then. Don't forget to include your teacher volunteer sheet as well.

SACRED AND CHAMBER MUSIC RECITAL – This recital will be held at 3:00 p.m. this coming Sunday, February 26th at First Christian Church. Come attend a delightful program!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Tara Gebbink married Dr. Ben Wellenreiter on December 23, 2011. They live in Morton. He teaches at Morton Jr. High School and Illinois State University. She is the executive assistant to the Vice President at Easter Seals, and she teaches piano lessons and is working on her Masters degree at Bradley University.

Melissa Beutel and her husband announce the birth of their son, Lincoln David Beutel. He was born February 5th and weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Scholarship Winners this year are: Junior High School - **Elizabeth Lindqwister** (student of *Brenda Conroy*) and Senior High School – **Sydney Campen** (student of *Rebecca Gebbink*).
Congratulations to both the students and their teachers!

SENIOR RECITAL

Jared Rixstine, student of *Myrna Beitz*, and a resident of Washington, Illinois, will present his senior recital on April 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Lecture Recital Hall at ICC. Jared has won both the junior and senior high scholarships from PAMTA and also won the Bradley University competition last November. His program will include music by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Gershwin, and Debussy. Jared plans on being a piano performance major at a college still to be decided.
