

*Gulf Coast Music*  
*February 2015 Newsletter*

The Artfest Concert was fabulous! Our students did a great job!



The 2015 Camp Brochure is here!!!!

**Summer String Camp ~ July 6-10, 2015**

It may not be as exciting as, "The Girl Scout cookies are here!", but we are pretty excited. From beginners through advanced students in string quartets, we have lots of new and wonderful things planned for the students this summer. Our faculty will be local, from outside our state and from outside the country!

**Twinkles and Book Graduation Event ~ Monday, March, 23, 2015**  
**Unitarian Universalist Church Sanctuary**

Twinkle Graduation will begin at 4:00 PM and Book Graduation at 4:30 PM. Our students are feverishly preparing their pieces for this graduation. To graduate Twinkles, students need to have completed O Come, Little Children with their teacher. Each student graduating Twinkles will play one variation of their choice and Twinkle Theme. Graduating Twinklers will receive certificates.

To graduate a book, students need to have completed at least the first 2 pieces in the next book. Each book graduate will play one piece of their choice from the book, one piece picked from the bowl (random) in the graduated book and Twinkle Theme. Book Graduates will receive ribbons. *A celebration will follow in Hobart Hall with snacks and drinks supplied by our Gulf Coast Music families.*

Before we know it, the **April solo concert** will be here. Students in Book 1-4 may pick a solo piece at least 2 pieces before their current piece, which is approved by their private teacher. The solo piece choice must be submitted one month prior the concert.

*From Ms. Ali Frantz:*

Parents, practice once a week for fun! Let it be a silly practice with no corrections! We want to see laughter! Post a picture of your silly practice on our Facebook page.

