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WOW!! It's GREAT to feel well again. So THIS is what normal feels like! I almost forgot. Actually, I was able to spend some of the time recuperating by standing outside the other studios, and listening . Was I amazed by what I heard!! Think that's what helped me to get better in far less than the Doc's expected. *HERE'S FUN THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO AS WE GO INTO THE HOLIDAY MODE*

PARTY TIME!!! I'm scheduling this one in Early December rather than later, in hopes that we won't get caught up in the three weeks of activities at this festival time of year. Look for the red invite which will accompany this letter. Also, instead having you fill out the bottom of the invites and sending them in with the students, just e- mail me your RSVP (yes or no)?

AND NOW.....I get to tell you about the greatest pleasure I'm able to share with you at this holiday season. Sean Garnhart, (an extraordinary musician, composer, sound designer, re-recording mixer and lovely person) is a father of my student, Lindsey. She once gave me a gift of Sean performing original selections, which is always within reach for when I take a long walk, meditate, fall asleep., etc. Recently, I happened to asked Lindsey what her father's next project was she, and she told me of a new CD coming out of Holiday Music. I jumped up, sprang into action and asked her to ask Sean for the opportunity to allow me to share his works with all of you. I've heard bits of each of his selections on CDBABY.com/artist/SeanGarnhart. The nicest surprise is, while eight are familiar holiday pieces, the OTHER eight are original pieces. My favorites are 'Gratitude', 'Winter Walk,' and 'Stop and Smell the Snow.' Think George Winston, but more ethereal and 'cozy'.

While I've already ordered my CD's of 'Christmas, a long time coming,' as gifts for my family and close friends, the three of us came up with the idea of giving my student's families the convenience of ordering them through me. It's easier, and quicker, plus a savings in mailing. There's more detail enclosed on a flyer is also accompanying this newsletter.

Ending with a little vignette. While looking up Sean's works on CDBABY, whom did I come across? Julia Muench, who is a marvelous piano teacher in the Atlantic Highland's area, (Mommouth Conservatory) and is abe a cousin to my children and step-children. She just finished a CD of Spanish composers. I had the honor of watching her grow up (she's now a mother of college agers). There were times when I would walk into the house, and either she or her Great Uncle Paul (my ex, ALSO an exceptional performer) would be practicing in one of the studios, and I couldn't tell them apart. NEVER underestimate the strength of genes: I STILL can't tell them apart.

Fondly, CKK

