

## **Beth Staples**

Beth Staples has a Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance from the University of North Carolina School of the Arts and a Masters in Voice from Florida State University. With the assistance of a P.E.O. ELF loan, she also earned a Masters in Theological Studies from Drew University. While in college, Beth was initiated into Chapter M/NJ, the same chapter from which her mother, grandmother, and sister began their P.E.O. experiences. She has held every officer position in Chapter M and on the NJ State Board and was president of NJ State Chapter in 2020.

After nearly 30 years working as Chief of Staff for three successive New Jersey State Assemblywomen handling all constituent relations, legislation, press, and scheduling, Beth is now happily retired.

As one-half of the singing duo, Dolce Canti, she has sung in various recitals and concerts in the US and Europe, and has composed, arranged and written a number of children's stories and musicals. With her licensed pet therapy dog, Piper, she visits assisted living, memory care, and psychiatric residents.

Beth has served as a municipal councilwoman and as the chair of many local boards, committees, and commissions. She is a church elder, deacon, and choir member. Her interests include music, walking, kayaking, reading, British mysteries, baking, and giving parties for Chapter M.