

WHAT'S UP WEEKLY

March 27, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send all newsletter articles to DONNA L. any day or time but no later than 10:30 AM on Monday mornings.

BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL

Vicki Scrimger 4/7

From Caroline

Hi, Everyone!

Wow, we're almost done with March Madness - the time just gallops along! So much to do and so little time to do it!! On the subject of DOING IT, last week we were back **ON THE RISERS** - Hurray! BIG thanks to those who pitched in to help haul them back out from the darkest depths of the hall closet and set them up. Certainly not for the faint of heart!

It felt a bit strange at first being back in a "real" stack formation, but by the end of our rehearsal it was feeling like old times - and sounding good! The riser positions are the world's biggest puzzle to figure out (it seriously takes me several hours of deep concentration to put it back together - phew!). And it's tough to get right so it's a work-in-progress - always :-). Please be flexible if things change (which they invariably will, depending on adjustments needed for sound, presentation, attendance etc.) Thanks!

TONIGHT: the one-and-only **Jim Campbell** will be with us to help us fine-tune our newest song, *Lovely Way to Spend an Evening*. My plan is to focus primarily on the **tag and intro** (in that order). Be ready and willing to revisit some basic singing skills so we can nail it from the start (rather than singing straight through it and risking getting into any bad habits :-)

To "qualify" to join us on the risers tonight, you'll need to have the notes - and words - OFF PAPER. As I mentioned last week if you haven't yet had a

chance to work on this song, I get it (so much to do and so little time to do it!) - Please be prepared to listen and learn from the side - thanks!

Check out our **REHEARSAL SCHEDULE** for the other songs we'll be singing through tonight before/after our coaching session.

In other news, over the weekend Peter and I attended the **BHS Far Western District Spring Convention** in Burbank. It was terrific to be there, in-person, with lots of old friends (and scads of new ones!) We cheered on 22 quartets in Friday night's line-up (22!!!) then watch the Finals/Show of Champs on Saturday night. After several years away it felt seriously good being there in a cloud of ringing chords! Time-permitting I'll give you a more full report tonight!

NEXT WEEKEND - our very own megastar, **LINDA B.** will compete with **TROUBADOUR** at the Sweet Adelines Region 11 Quartet Contest in Oxnard. We know you'll be amazing! Have a fabulous time on stage (and off) - we'll all be with you in spirit, cheering you on every second of the way! We'll be expecting a full report next week!

That's it from me. SEE YOU TONIGHT!

Love,
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FUN PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

The next few weeks will highlight our quartets over the years, both pickup and established quartets.



**Caroline, Jim, Kate, and Peter
2006 – “Ready Willing & Mabel” performing on the HMS Queen
Mary. This was Jim’s debut with RWM!**



**Donna L, Marta, Debbie, and Norma
2006 – “Monday Night Live” also performing on the HMS Queen
Mary singing two of the three songs we knew at the time. One of
those songs was “This is a Lovely Way to Spend an Evening!”**



Donna D., Suzanne, Gini, and Sharon F.

2010 – “After Five” in “Why Do The Wrong People Travel?”

From Donna L

For all of you who have **quartet or chorus related** photos,
please SEND THEM TO ME!

Email only!! Frenchfries13@att.net.

They can be old or new! **Send the history** along with the
photos.

I know that some of our newer members would like to join in
the photo fun so take pictures!! Send them to me!! Thanks!



CALENDAR

*** 2023 ***

*Date Change - **New

Mon, Mar 27 - Jim Campbell coaching us on "Lovely Way."

Mar 30 thru Apr 2 - REGION 11 Spring Convention, Oxnard, CA

Mon, Apr 10 - EASTER PARADE Theme Night - Hats Off to Us!

Wed, Apr 12 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Wed, May 10 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Sun, May 21 - Centennial Celebration of "Leah's Church," the First United Methodist Church, Torrance. Time and details to be noted.

Mon, May 29 - NO CHORUS - Memorial Day

Wed, Jun 14 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

***Sat, July 1** - STARS & STRIPES in HARMONY

Wed, July 12 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Wed, Aug 9 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Mon, Sept 4 - NO CHORUS - Labor Day

Wed, Sept 13 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

Sat, Oct 7 - FALL FIESTA (patio party)

Wed, Oct 11 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

October 12-15 - BHS Far Western District Convention, Gilbert, AZ

Mon, Oct 30 - HALLOWEEN/BIRTHDAY Theme Night.

Oct 10 thru Nov 4 - SAI Intl CONVENTION, Louisville, KY

Wed, Nov 8 - Team Meeting at 7:30 via Zoom

***Sat, Dec 9**- HOLIDAYS in HARMONY (Inside ON RISERS).

Mon, Dec 11 - CHORUS HOLIDAY PARTY!

Mon, Jan 8 - Return to Chorus

From Donna L

LAST MUSIC LIBRARY

Many of you may not know that our chorus has an extensive list of music that we own. I have scanned in all of the sheet music from **LASTS music library** and they are available to any of you. Just know that the chorus has first right of refusal on any song on the list so you may (eventually) be singing a chorus song even if your quartet chooses the same song.

About 80% of the songs have not been used in the current years so it would be new-ish to any of you who are forming a one-song-quartet or a more permanent quartet. Some have learning tracks but most don't. That shouldn't stop you from taking a look. I can have tracks made at your cost so if you are interested in tracks, contact me.

FUNDRAISERS INSTRUCTIONS

From Alli

RECYCLE CANS AND BOTTLES!!

Please bring your aluminum cans, plastic bottles, and glass bottles to rehearsal and load them in my car! Examples include water bottles, soda cans, beer cans, plastic juice containers, plastic protein-drink bottles, like Ensure and Glucerna. This is a great ongoing fundraiser for the chorus!

Please **do not** bring food containers, like mayonnaise or pickle jars or canned-goods cans or take-out containers or things like that.

Bring only beverage cans and bottles.

I will no longer be accepting UNSORTED recycling materials. Cans, plastic bottles and glass bottles must be separated and placed in a plastic bag or trash bag. Please do not put them in an open paper bag (like a Trader Joe's bag) because then the cans fall out of the bag and all over my car.

If you only have 2 or 3 cans and lots of plastic bottles, you can put 2 or 3 cans in a small bag and then stick that small bag in your big bag of bottles.

Please see me if you have any questions! Thank you so very much!!!

From Susie

RALPHS COMMUNITY REWARDS

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