

# WHAT'S UP WEEKLY

## August 08, 2022

### 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 AUGUST

**Susan W. 8/3, Sheri DS 8/10, Gini G. 8/15, Susie C. 8/22, Laura R. 8/26**

#### From Caroline

Hi, Everyone!

Terrific rehearsal last Monday night at "Leah's Church"! Huge thanks to **Leah** for arranging for us to hold our practice there in their beautiful sanctuary. Wonderful acoustics always helps make ringing chords extra-fun! Tonight we'll be back at our regular Knob Hill haunt, 7:00-9:00.

Only a few more weeks until summer will be over. Maybe tonight, if it's another balmy evening by the beach, we can rehearse outside on the patio? Let's see how we feel when we get there. We'll spend some time polishing up the tunes on our current song list and **Donna L.** will host her **TAG of the MONTH CONTEST!**

Thanks to everyone who responded to my request for singers for the December 7 performance at the Torrance Woman's Club.

We have 18 signed up thus far - let me know tonight if you would like to be added to the list. For more info...check your old email!

Thanks again to **Susan Warner** for recommending us for this event.

If **you** know of any group or organization that would enjoy an **L.A. South Towns Mini-Show** let me know! And if you're interested in helping us to "Harmonize the World" in our local community by being our **PERFORMANCE COORDINATOR** let us know that too. It's not a difficult job - it's rewarding and fun - if you're interested we can fill you in on more details. Now that performance opportunities are starting to open up, we (I) could **REALLY** use some help!

In anticipation of future mini-shows I'm putting together song lists to suit a variety of possible venues, occasions and number of singers. For smaller group performances (7-10 singers), auditions will be required on the songs of choice (it's not scary, I promise - but does require you to really know your music :-). And that's a GOOD thing!  
Stay tuned for more.

Coming up - Monday, August 29 will be our Annual **It'll be ALL WHITE on the NIGHT** celebration (our last chance to wear white before Labor Day!) As always I'll have a few prizes for the wittiest, wildest, wackiest - and whitest - sartorial looks, so be prepared!

That's it from me - see you tonight!  
Love,

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### **From Sharon Savene**

#### **MEMBERSHIP IN SWEET ADELINES**

**For those of you who may wish to continue as a member in Sweet Adelines,** please contact Sweet Adelines membership directly for assistance in paying your \$100 annual membership fee when it becomes due (based upon the date you joined SAI) and whatever process is necessary to become a member of another chorus (paying region 11 dues of \$132) **or** to become a member at large.

### **Calendar Update**

#### **CALENDAR ADDITIONS**

1. Board Meetings will be held the second Wednesday of each month on Zoom.
2. The performance at the Torrance Woman's Club in December.

**From Donna L**

### **TAG-OF-THE-MONTH**

Tag contest **TONIGHT**, Monday, **August 08**. The tag for July will be “**Who Will Buy**”!! Jump in and give it a try!!

**From Alli**

### **NO RECYCLING FOR 2 WEEKS**

Please **do not** bring any recyclable items on **Aug 8, and Aug 15**. Thank you!!

**From Donna D:**

### **PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY**

Hello LASTS Friends,

I am writing on behalf of a friend of mine, Anne Destabelle, who is the creator of the performing group The Pennyroyal Players. Take a look at their website ([www.pennyroyalplayers.org](http://www.pennyroyalplayers.org)). They have been performing musical plays that Anne has written for over 17 years and in the process, have raised and donated over \$167,000 to many charities in the South Bay area. Their performance schedule was of course slowed down by COVID, but they have some performances left this year to do and like us, they have some members who are currently not able/available to participate. Anne is looking for more talent – right now as a backup and possible performer in three performances on Sep 24 and Oct 9 and 12 this year. There would be several rehearsals in September to prepare, in Palos Verdes or possibly Torrance.

If you are interested in learning more or being considered, please contact me.

Donna Day, 310-351-6643, [donnaday@cox.net](mailto:donnaday@cox.net)

## FUN PHOTO OF THE WEEK

### 2014 – Downton Shabby



The sinking of the Titanic, the safest ship on the high seas, has alerted the Grandham family! Lady Mary, in her favorite blue wig, has clearly put the family at ease by scoffing “pish posh” at such ridiculous news!!

**Lord G:**     *(Picks up newspaper)* GOOD HEAVENS!!!

**CHORUS** leans toward Lord G.

**Lord G:**     What’s THIS?

**CHORUS** gasps.

**Lord G:** The Titanic has SUNK?!

**CHORUS:** THE TITANIC HAS SUNK? (*Chorus slumps.*)

*Chorus SNIFFLES AND WIPES EYES WITH APRONS*

*Lady G and Edith and walk toward center stage mic.*

*Edith turns and silently scolds chorus for being emotional.*

**Lady G:** Wasn't dear cousin **Patrick.**, the HEIR to our beloved **family** estate, supposed to be traveling on the Titanic? Did you say it just SANK?! (*Munching on toast*) The toast is quite delicious this morning, isn't it, Dear?

**Lord G:** Yes, never more tasty. My, this IS unfortunate! He's the HEIR to "Downton Shabby," our beloved family estate!

**Edith:** Oh this could ruin everything. Does this mean we'll have to go into full mourning and wear only BLACK?! No one will kiss me if I'm wearing black!

**Sybil:** (*At table mic*) Oh I don't think we need to go to all that trouble. We barely knew him.

**Edith:** That's right! And black makes me look so sadly, sickeningly sallow (*patting her face*). (*Edith and Lady G. return to the table.*)

**Dowager:** I never much cared for him anyway. He was a perfectly blithering fool!

*Milk Maid starts sobbing and becomes hysterical. Some Chorus members console her. Rubbermaid exits stage right.*

# CALENDAR

All times listed are arrival times

\*\*\* 2022 \*\*\*

**Wednesday, August 10** - Zoom Board Meeting at 7pm

**Friday, September 16** - LAST's Small group performance at the Palos Verdes Peninsula Village Group at lunch time. Details TBN.

**Saturday, October 15** - **FALL FIESTA**. Details TBN.

**Monday, October 17** - **No Chorus**

**Wednesday, December 7** - LAST's performing opportunity, from 1:00 to 2:00 approx, at the Torrance Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia Ave., Torrance 90501. [www.torrancewomansclub.org](http://www.torrancewomansclub.org)

**Saturday, December 10** - Holidays in Harmony! Details TBN.

**Monday, December 12** - **No 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**

#### **AMAZON SMILE**

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop!! When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the **exact same low prices**, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization.

How great is this? All you do is shop on Amazon Smile and a portion of your purchase gets donated to the chorus! If you have friends or family who are not currently using Amazon Smile, invite them to support LA South Towns Show Chorus!

### **Amazon Smile Sign Up Instructions:**

1. Type [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) into your web browser (or search for Amazon Smile and click on the link that says smile.amazon.com)
2. You will be asked to sign into your amazon.com account. The next thing you will see is **Welcome to Amazon Smile**.
3. You will be asked to select your charity. Look below the part that asks you to choose from one of their Spotlight charities and you will see a box where you can pick your own charity. In that box, type **L A South Towns Show Chorus** and hit the search button.

Make sure there is a **space** between L and A.

4. When you find our link, it will say **L A South Towns Show Chorus, Sweet Adelines International**. The location will say **Rolling Hills, CA**. This is correct! It is our official charity address. That's us!
5. Press the Select button and you will see a page that says you understand you must always shop with **smile.amazon.com** in order to have donations count for us.
6. **Check the box next to YES and press the Start Shopping button!**
7. **You are done!** Now, remember to always go to **smile.amazon.com**. You will get the same great deals, same prices, etc., AND L A South Towns will get 0.5% of each purchase deposited into the chorus bank account.

**That's it! Shop Away, and thank you for your support!**

### **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.

Please, if at all possible, place the aluminum cans in one bag, plastic beverage bottles in another bag, and glass bottles in another bag. Thank you so very much!!!

### **From Susie**

## **RALPHS COMMUNITY REWARDS**

### **IF YOU HAVEN'T REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE**

1. Log into [www.ralphp.com](http://www.ralphp.com) (<http://www.ralphp.com>) and click on "Create an Account". Follow the 5 easy steps to create an online account
2. You will be instructed to go to your email inbox to confirm your account.
3. After you've confirmed your account by clicking on the link in the email, return to [www.ralphp.com](http://www.ralphp.com) (<http://www.ralphp.com>) and click on "my account" (you may have to sign in again) View your info and edit if necessary.
4. Link your card to LASTS by clicking on : "Community Rewards", then "Edit my community contribution" and follow the instructions.
5. Click on the circle to the left of our name: Sweet Adelines L.A. South Towns, organization # BB396

### **IF YOU'VE ALREADY REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE**

1. Log into [www.ralphp.com](http://www.ralphp.com), click "Sign In", enter your email address and password, then click on "My Account" (top right hand corner), and view your info and edit if necessary.
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