WHAT'S UP WEEKLY SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Linda, Suzanne, Caroline, Leah, Chris, Alli, Andrea, Donna L, Judit, Lynn, Sharon F, Diana, Gini, Julie, Karen, Vicki, Donna D, Jennifer, Nancy, Susie, Konnie

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Sharon S 9/2, Suzanne 9/4, Wanda 9/11, Konnie 9/16, Ruth 9/27, Donna L 9/29

Calendar date change! Coastliners Holiday Show is changed to December 10. Also, added event with Jim Campbell

From Caroline

Hi, Everyone,

Happy Monday - the last one of this month! How did *that* happen - time just flies by! The neighbors are already out festooning their porches with fake cobwebs and giant hairy-legged spiders. No need to do that at this old house - we, as you might expect, have the real thing :-)

TONIGHT - we'll be doing a repeat of last Monday's "Small Group Coaching" exercise - continuing on our path to singing well while LISTENING WELL! It was amazing how quickly each group improved with a little input from our in-house panels of "sound judges" (aka ourselves!) Bravo!

Outside coaching from an expert is always valuable for fine-tuning our individual/group sound and presentation, but we can help ourselves at every rehearsal by coming musically prepared and really listening to the overall sound. That basically starts with knowing the **NOTES and WORDS** for the songs included on our **REHEARSAL SCHEDULE**.

Then we can focus on creating a consistent group sound, locking and ringing chords with minimal synch errors. We've been making progress in leaps and bounds - let's keep the momentum going - it's really the **MOST FUN to SING WELL!**

Last week **Donna L.** unearthed a couple of bags of leftover hats and handbags that had been buried in the hall closet since one of our previous events. After an impromptu table sale we made a few extra \$\$ for our growing **Riser Fund!** Tonight, we'll have another chance to "shop" between rehearsal sessions. To add to last week's leftovers. I'll be bringing a few "curated" items for our **RF Resale** (It may even become a regular Monday night attraction. :-)

If you find yourself powerless to resist a bargain or two, every little helps us on our merry way to **NEW RISERS!**

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

Donna L

Fundraiser!!

We have an opportunity to have an easy fundraiser! Hof's Hut offers a 20% donation back to the chorus for participating in their "Fundraising with Hof's Hut" event. This will work for everyone, and you get to EAT!

Details:

You can dine from **7am to 9pm** on the date we choose.

The average menu price is \$24.

The donation does not include sales tax or alcohol.

Week dates only from Monday thru Thursday

We will figure out the day of the week by a show of hands at the break tonight and I will check to see if an October date is available for the day chosen.



Happy Birthday to Ruth on 9/27



2023 - May performance at Leah's Church

Happy Birthday to ME on 9/29



March 2013 in Bako after competition!
"Let a Smile be Your Umbrella-Smile Darn Ya Smile
Medley" and "Singing in the Rain." We did our
special sound effects for trickle, rain, and thunder!



Oh, and did I mention the colorful umbrellas?



A bit of trivia: That year we won this award in a regular competition. Open Division was introduced the following year.

FUN PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

Double Quartets Over the Years



Ginger, Kathleen, Donna L, Melody, Joani, Caroline, Debbie, Norma 2005 - You Bet II singing "Making Love Ukulele Style."

CALENDAR

*** **2023** ***

*Updates - **Date Change - ***New

Sun, Oct 8 - Manhattan Beach Hometown Fair, Details TBD

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

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

***Mon, Oct 16 - Jim Campbell will be coming to work with us TONIGHT!

Mon, Oct 30 - HALLOWEEN/BIRTHDAY Theme Night.

Oct 30 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).

Sun, Dec 10 - BASED ON CHORUS AVAILABILITY! Golf Club Lunch. Lunchtime gig. Details TBD

Mon, Dec 11 - CHORUS HOLIDAY PARTY!

**Sun, Dec 10 - Coastliners Holiday Show - details to follow.

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 all 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 GUIDELINES

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

**The only glass bottles accepted are water bottles, soda bottles and BEER bottles or any bottle that has the CRV sign on it. NO Wine and other hard liquor bottles as they are not allowed.

PLEAS DO NOT BRING prescription bottles, yogurt or Ensure bottles, food containers, like mayonnaise or pickle jars or canned- goods cans or take-out containers, honey containers, cooking oil containers or other things like that. Bring only California Redemption Value (CRV) 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 trash bag. I will not accept bags that are not tied closed. Open bags are not acceptable because they 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 contact me if you have any questions! Thank you so very much!!! Alli

From Susie

RALPHS COMMUNITY REWARDS

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- 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: LA South Towns, SPEBSQSA # BB396

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