

WHAT'S UP WEEKLY
December 4, 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 DECEMBER

Linda 12/1, Alli 12/6, Caroline 12/25

From Caroline

Hi, Everyone,

Happy Monday! Is it just me or does each festive season seem to be more bonkers than ever before? So much to do, so little time in which to do it - and don't get me started on the traffic (and the parking - ugh!!!) "*It's the cra-craziest time of the year...*" - I feel a parody coming on :-)) I did, miraculously, manage to get my family's Christmas gifts wrapped and shipped this weekend to deepest Yorkshire (okay, with a teeny bit of help from Amazon). And I *did* squeeze in time to work on our **Holiday Set-List Songs! I'm ready! ARE YOU READY???**

TONIGHT, will be our **LAST Monday rehearsal this year**. As you know, we have several important performances coming up in the next couple of weeks, so let's make it a good one! Hopefully our lovely guests will be back tonight. Thanks to Lynn - and you all - for doing a sterling job of welcoming them back each week and making them feel warm and fuzzy. They seem to be having a wonderful time singing with us. Hurray - let's keep up the good work - we want their Monday nights with us to be the best possible experience!

Thanks to everyone who made it to the **Coastliners'** rehearsal last Wednesday night to work on *Let There Be Peace on Earth*. It's sounding terrific! We'll run through it again tonight (minus the guys) so please be **OFF PAPER** on it!

Please do whatever you can to help promote the Show! Ticket sales are currently slow so let's spread the word - It's going to be a **Grand Night for Singing** and a splendid way to **Celebrate the Season** together!!

As always, I can't wait to **SING...then CELEBRATE!!!**

I hope you're all ready to **PARTY next Monday night!** BIG thanks to **Linda** for being our **Hostess-with-the-Mostess** this year (that's a fabulous Ethel Merman song, by the way, but possibly a teeny bit non-PC these days :-)) But don't get me going on that subject either!

That's it from me.

See you tonight!

Love.

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From Linda

UPCOMING HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES

Sunday, December 10, Los Verdes Country Golf Club Christmas Luncheon, 7000 West Los Verdes Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275. **Call time** 12pm, **Showtime** 12:30pm, set time 30 to 45 minutes. Parking is available.

Sunday, December 10, Coastliners Holiday Festival Show, El Segundo High School Auditorium, 640 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245. **Call time** 6pm, **Showtime** 7pm. Parking is available.

Sunday, December 17, Family Connect Care, Torrance, CA. **Call time** 12pm, **Showtime** 12:30pm. Street parking only, carpooling is advised.

Check your November Schedule for the set list of songs.

Our Holiday attire for performances will be the usual black, pants, black jacket, black dress, or black skirt and top, black shoes, Chorus red scarf and your own holiday pin. You may wear your own red or mostly red scarf and a black or red beret or small hat. No large-brim hats please.



12/13/2019

From Lynn

DUES REMINDER

This is to remind all Chorus Members the importance of keeping your Chorus Dues current. Make sure your Chorus Dues are paid through the end of this year before we take our break. Dues are \$40.00 per month. You can pay by check or cash. Make checks payable to L.A. SOUTH TOWNS. Please put the month(s) you are paying on the remit line. If paying by cash please put your cash in a sealed envelope with your name, amount and month(s) paid on the envelope. Any questions feel free to email me at LynnIosty@gmail.com or call at 310-530-4898 (landline). Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Lynn Iosty

From Susie

STUFFED BEARS

Bears will be available for sale again at the Coastliners show on Sunday, and at our holiday party on the 11th.

Happy Birthday to Alli on 12/6



Dec 2022 - Holiday Party Alli & Joey

Have a fab birthday, Alli!!

Happy Birthday to Caroline on 12/25



2018 - Installation Tea

Have a grand time on your birthday Caroline!

HOLIDAYS IN HARMONY #4 TOMIGHT!!!

Our Holidays in Harmony event is ready to go. Invite your singing friends and family to join us on Monday, November 20, and 27, and December 4. Our finale will be on Sunday, December 10, at the Coastliners show in El Segundo.

HOLIDAYS *in* HARMONY

a concert featuring:



South Bay
Coastliners
Chorus

L.A. South
Towns

Space Park Choral Ready, Willing & Mabel

and other fine musical acts from the South Bay!

December 10, 2023 | 7pm

El Segundo Performing Arts Center | 640 Main Street | El Segundo, CA 90245



TICKETS: \$27 PRESALE ONLINE AT [HOLIDAYSINHARMONY.LUDUS.COM](https://www.holidaysinharmony.ludus.com)

...OR \$30 @ THE DOOR

QUESTIONS? EMAIL SHOWS@COASTLINERS.ORG | CALL OR TEXT (310) 539-5166

If your friends and family would like to purchase tickets to this show, simply use the QR code and follow the directions. If you would prefer to go directly to the website, type in www.holidaysinharmony.ludus.com and follow the directions. You can choose your seats and receive a digital copy of your tickets via email or text, or you can print your tickets directly from the website.

From Linda

"Consider yourself, at home....consider yourself, invited to pa-arty!"

In lieu of a potluck, I will be ordering Italian food and having a little something for everyone! To cover the cost, I am asking for a small contribution of **\$10 per person**. Just show up with your favorite beverage and sing the night away!
Please RSVP to Linda in person or reply to the "Let's Party" email.



From Susie:

SILENT AUCTION OF UNLOVED HOLIDAY GIFTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 15

It's time for our annual silent auction of unloved holiday gifts. If you receive a book, you've already read, a sweater too big or too small, sweets not on your New Year's diet, or a knickknack that doesn't match your decor, no worries - bring them to the hall, and do some shopping yourself. New items only please. All proceeds go to the Chorus treasury.

From Donna L.

INSTALLATION DINNER - HOF'S HUT FUNDRAISER

Great news!! We will be having our Installation Dinner and making money at the same time. Our dinner will be held on the patio at Hof's Hut in Torrance. Details need to be worked out so stay tuned. We need one or two volunteers to help out with securing our section at the restaurant and a creating few little antics for our enjoyment. Let me or any Board member know if you can lend a hand.

FUN PHOTO(S) OF THE WEEK

Double Quartets Over The Years

Continuing next year!

From Judit

Taking Time Off

Dear Caroline, Once again I'm going to be taking a short break from chorus starting yesterday, Nov. 27 and hopefully return Jan. 8. I have some health issues with Ed that need my more immediate attention. Please let the chorus know. I wish you all a very happy holidays and you a very happy birthday 🎂. I'll keep in touch.
Love, Judit

From Konnie

Taking A Holiday Break

Konnie is taking leave through the end of the year to look for a new car and to generally chill out. She will be back when we return in January.

From Donna L

PHOTO OP

It occurred to me that some of these wreaths and swags, etc. might look fabulous on yours and your friends and family doors/homes. Ask your friends/family to take a photo of their greenery and send it to you. Send the good ones to me and we can use these photos as advertisements for our next Greenery fundraiser.

CALENDAR

*** 2023 ***

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

Sun, Dec 10 - **Golf Club Lunchtime gig**. Call time 12:00, sing at 12:30, Los Verdes County Golf Course, 7000 West Los Verdes Drive, Rancho Palos Verdes, 90275.

Sun, Dec 10 - **Coastliners Holiday Show and Holidays In Harmony Finale!** Call time TBD, Show time 7:00 pm at El Segundo High School, 640 Main St., El Segundo 90245.

Mon, Dec 11 - **CHORUS HOLIDAY PARTY** hosted by Linda Borg, 22222 Redbean Ave, Torrance 90505. Details to follow.

Mon, Dec 13 - **Board Meeting**, 7:30

Sun, Dec 17 - **Performance opportunity** at 3 senior residences in Torrance, from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. We will sing for 20-30 minutes at each residence. Details to follow.

Mon, Jan 8 - **Return to Chorus**

Wed, Jan 13 - **Board Meeting**, 7:30

Mon, Jan 15 - **Unloved Gifts Silent Auction**

*****Mon, Jan 22** - **Installation Diner** at HOF'S HUT. We're having another fundraiser! Details to follow.

From the Board:

NEW-MEMBER INCENTIVE!

After discussing ideas for promoting membership growth, The Board voted at the last meeting to approve the following incentive:

Any LAST member who brings in a new member will be eligible for ONE MONTH of FREE CHORUS DUES!

Requirements: New member must pass her Audition, be Approved by the Board, turn in a BHS Membership Application and Submit Payment for first month's dues.

Questions? Ask any Board Member!

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

IF YOU HAVEN'T REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE

1. Log into 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.ralphs.com (<http://www.ralphs.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: LA South Towns, SPEBSQSA
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IF YOU'VE ALREADY REGISTERED YOUR REWARDS CARD ONLINE

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

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