

# WHAT'S UP WEEKLY

December 13, 2021

## 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 DECEMBER

Linda B. 12/1, Allison T. 12/6, Janet R. 12/6, Caroline 12/25.

### From Caroline

#### CONGRATULATIONS to MARJORIE, our newest M.O.S.T!!!

Last Monday night's celebration of our **most** deserving recipient was just fabulous! BIG thanks to everyone who worked behind the scenes to make it all happen. Seeing our **Marjorie's** face when she realized what had just transpired - well, it was definitely worth the price of admission! Another marvelous memory to add to our Chorus history book!

#### **HO,HO,HO! Christmas is almost here!!**

**That means TONIGHT will be our last get-together of the year. Let's make it an extra-fun night!**

**Linda** will be bringing her fabulous foursome, **Troubadour**, to sing for us, we'll have a **Tag-of-the-Month Contest** (White Christmas) plus a few other surprises. You really don't want to miss it! **Feel free to wear something festive!** We have much to celebrate, including our third successful Holiday performance in a row. **Woohoo!**

**Thanks to everyone** who came out to sing and/or cheer us on Saturday outside Lomita City Hall. It was a beautiful day for our annual **Christmas Sing** with our brothers-in-song, **The Coastliners**. We were thrilled to see a few very familiar faces smiling back at us as we sang. Here's hoping things will improve on the crazy Covid front next year, so everyone can be back singing with us in person. Wouldn't that be grand?

We're also lucky to have been welcoming some wonderful Monday night guests, so maybe January we'll see a few more? Thanks for making them feel welcome! (By the way - If you happen across any good basses, invite them along - just be sure they can actually sing :-)

In addition to a White Christmas (not much chance of that here!) I'm dreaming of some fun theme nights and more performance opportunities for next year. Stay tuned on that! **We'll be back together Monday Jan 10, 2022, same place, same time.** Our current rehearsal format seems to be working - for now - so let's plan to keep going with a 7:00pm arrival and solid hour of singing 7:30-8:30. **Keep singing over the break** and don't forget to learn/work on our *Irish Medley*. It's going to be a blast to revive that little Emerald-Isle gem!

That's it from me. See you tonight - with bells on!

**Have a lovely Christmas, stay safe and here's to a HAPPY, HEALTHY New Year!!!**

**I LOVE YOU ALL!**

Cxxx

**PS:** Our Wednesday night 7:00pm Zoom Room will continue over the Holidays for anyone who wants to check in for a chat! **I will be MIA this coming Wednesday** - have tickets to see Linda's, Tim in his latest show - I'll see some of you there!

**From Susie**

### **SILENT AUCTION OF UNLOVED HOLIDAY GIFTS**

**Monday, January 10, 7:00**

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 Marjorie

### M.O.S.T. 2021

My Dear Chorus Sisters,

Thank you so much for honoring me with the Meritorious & Outstanding Service Trophy award (MOST) for 2021. It was such a pleasure to see all your smiling faces and to think of the incredible journey we have taken, whether in an Arabian Nights harem, or in a paddleboat steamer chugging down the river!

Being able to sing together and perform these visions conjured up by our talented and creative director, Caroline, has truly been a dream come true over the past 14 years. I am so pleased to have been able to offer my financial expertise to support the long-term goals of our chorus in these challenging times. Let us continue to Lift Up Our Heads and voices together in glorious song for many years to come.

Sincerely from my heart,  
Marjorie



## HOLIDAYS IN HARMONY \$\$\$ REPORT

What a wonderful Holidays in Harmony! Not only did we sound fabulous under that wonderful acoustic ceiling, but we were an astounding financial success as well. And everyone had a lot of fun under the sun. We took in an amazing \$890!

Leftover 18 pieces of greenery (at 50% off) = \$250.

Cash donations by Susan Reid's friends and family (Jason Reid-\$100 and Karen Marrs-\$20) = \$120

Sales of jewelry (plus some hats) = \$520

Thanks to everyone who helped with all the sales!

### From Donna L

#### CHRISTINA

Christina McQuirk's new address is 21814 Granite Mountain Terrace, #401 Ashburn, VA 20147.

### From Jennifer V

#### YOUTUBE CHOIR PERFORMANCE

"Hi ladies, I hope you'll pardon a proud mama! My son sings second bass in the Gettysburg College Choir, and they and two other school choirs live-streamed their Winter concert last weekend! I wish I could've been there in person, but this way I can share it with you all, too!

Here's the link: <https://youtu.be/sqHs-xnZWio> **Move the white dot to 19:45** to hear the singing. My son is the tall young man wearing a white mask, second from the right side in the back.

**FUN PHOTO OF THE WEEK**

**2010 – Prop Closet after “Where Did the Van Gogh?”**



The door opens inward so you can imagine my surprise when I had to shove my way in!!! The Prop Schleppers were very eager to get to the Afterglow for their overdue glass of wine!

# FUNDRAISERS & ZOOM 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](https://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 Rachel**

### **ZOOM MEETING WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

Rmoine@aol.com is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.  
Topic: LASTS' Wednesday Zoom Meeting  
Time: 7pm Pacific Time (the US and Canada)

**Join Zoom Meeting:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82374987169?  
pwd=WUJFVHVQRTYxK21NdkhjY0dOaV4Zz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82374987169?pwd=WUJFVHVQRTYxK21NdkhjY0dOaV4Zz09)

**If using [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us), use:**

Meeting ID: 823 7498 7169

Passcode: 299796

You may, upon joining our ZOOM meeting(s), be prompted to enter the **Captcha Code**. This is just another level of security. It will be given to you to enter into the designated area. Enter the letters (upper and lower case matters) and numbers you see under that.

**Dial by your location:**

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

Meeting ID: 823 7498 7169

Passcode: 299796

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82374987169>

Chorus Weekly Zoom Meetings continue with ONLY the 1<sup>st</sup> **Wednesday** of the month being held in an informal Happy Hour format.

## CALENDAR

All times listed are arrival times

Bold = New Entry, \*\* = Extracurricular Event,  
CAPS = CHORUS PERFORMING

### 2021

Monday, Dec 13

**Happy Hour!** Our last rehearsal night of the year.  
We will be **DARK** Dec 20, Dec 27, and Jan 3,  
resuming rehearsals on **Monday, January 10.**