

**What's Up Weekly  
January 6, 2020**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Any announcements for this newsletter should be sent to Marta by **10:00** on Mondays to be included in that day's WUW.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THESE JANUARY LADIES!  
7—Debbie Smith, 14—Donna Day, 30—Beverly Young

**From Caroline**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We closed out last year together in style celebrating the Holidays at our annual Christmas Party! What a wonderful evening and how fabulous everyone looked. It was really a "feel good" event and a perfect chance for us to eat, drink, dance, SING and be merry! Thanks again to Beverly and everyone who helped to make it such a special event for us all.

Many thanks too for all your lovely Birthday Greetings - gratefully received! It's really not too bad being a Christmas baby :-)

Now here we are - 2020!! How crazy is that? I mean, it was just the Millenium, right? Does that mean we're all getting older? I guess so - but SINGING will keep us all young so here's to a happy, healthy and fun-filled year ahead!  
I can't wait to see you all tonight...

**From Ann Peitzman**

It's been quite an adventure singing with L.A.South Towns..... memorizing numerous songs, creating & sewing costumes, participating in our incredible shows, yearly trips to Bako contest, and forming enduring friendships.

But now after 28 years, I am "retiring" from the chorus (effective Jan. 1, 2020). Like the old song says, "Thanks for the Memories"!

**From Sharon Savene**

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope you had some time to visit with your loved ones, and enjoy some good food over the last few weeks. Here's a nice little piece from one of our local Arts groups who gave us a mention:

[http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?  
m=1115792947715&ca=93691d59-8f38-48b8-8ac9-d7cfd385d7da](http://campaign.r20.constantcontact.com/render?m=1115792947715&ca=93691d59-8f38-48b8-8ac9-d7cfd385d7da)

SWEET ADELINES, REGION 11

Now that it's 2020, let's start planning for Regional Contest Weekend: March 27-29.

Request your vacation time! Save your Money!

Also, regarding Contest, here's a message from Region 11's Debbie Curtis:

“You have just 2 more weeks to sign up for All-Event Tickets (AETs) and Single-Event Tickets for our March contest!

Deadline is Friday, January 17. Here’s the link to register:

<https://www.sairegion11.org/event/region-11-convention-bulletin-1/> “

#### LASTS CHORUS TEAM

The team meeting is planned for Tuesday, January 28. Let me know if you have any business the team needs to discuss. The Team is short of a few members, so if you have room in your life, and your heart to join us please don’t hesitate to step in! The more people helping out, the less work it is for everyone.

#### LASTS LIFE

Bring Jokes for the Joke box!

Be on the lookout for gig opportunities.

Start your give-away pile for the Summer Garage Sale.

Invite your singing friends to join us!

#### **Sweet Adelines International:**

**IES 2020 Registration is NOW OPEN!**

Register now to Find Your Voice in artistic, historic San Antonio, Texas (USA) at IES! Whether you’re a singer, director, seasoned member, or newbie, you’ll find something designed especially for you during the three full days of classes at IES.

**July 22-26, 2020**

**Trinity University**

**San Antonio, Texas, USA**

#### SAI BOARD ELECTIONS RESULTS

**Elected to a three-year term beginning May 1, 2020:**

Thérèse Antonini, North Metro Chorus, Region 16

Paula Davis, Song of Seattle Chorus, Region 13

Vickie Maybury, Skyline Chorus, Region 8

Mary Rhea, OK City Chorus, Region 25

**Appointed to a one-year term beginning May 1, 2020:**

Leslie Galbreath, Skyline Chorus, Region 8

Elaine Hamilton, Forth Valley Chorus, Region 31

#### FROM ME

FYI, I am starting my new job today, and will likely be coming to chorus straight after work. If you see me nodding off on the risers, give me an elbow jab or at least prop me up, lol.

### **From Marj McKarns**

I'm very concerned about Carolyn Slagle. My Christmas card to her was returned by the Post Office marked "no such address." When I phoned her, her phone has been disconnected. I know that her husband, George, is in a rest home somewhere in Los Angeles. She has a son who was living with her, and supposed to be looking out for her. But, he is "questionable "(her words), and so I don't know who pays the bills, if Carolyn is unable to do it. Is there anyone in the Chapter who is willing to drive to her home and check things out?

I haven't yet called the Police Dept. but if no one knows what happened to her, maybe we should do so.

### **From Susie**

#### **FUNDRAISER - AMERICA'S FUNNIEST VIDEOS**

We have an opportunity to be part of the studio audience for a taping of America's Funniest Videos, Saturday, Jan. 25, 2020, 10:30am to 2:30pm, at the Manhattan Beach Studios on Rosecrans in Manhattan Beach. They will pay us \$18 for each person who attends if we have 10 or more, and it's lots of fun. In previous years, Judit Harris and Konnie Kenney have won a \$250 prize for being the Best Dressed female audience member. Bring your friends, relatives, and neighbors. Minimum age is 16. Details will be sent out the week before the taping. A sign-up sheet will be on the table. Please sign up by Jan 13.

#### **BARNES & NOBLE GIFT WRAPPING**

Another successful fundraiser - we raised a record \$477 for the chorus! We had fun, met a lot of nice people, and some of us had a chance to visit with other chorus members who we don't have time to talk to at length on Monday nights. Marta, Suzanne and her daughter Kelsea spent the majority of their shift wrapping 15 gifts for one man, who donated \$80! We also had an opportunity to add an extra evening due to another organization's schedule change, so Susie and Caroline manned the table from 5:00 to 7:15, then Alli joined Caroline so Susie could leave to take care of other business. Alli and Caroline had planned to stay only to 8:30-ish, but they had such a good night that Alli had to "drag" Caroline out at 10:30pm. Thanks, everyone who volunteered!

#### **CONVENTION/COMPETITION IN BAKERSFIELD**

Each member attending Convention/Competition in March must register online on the regional website: [www.sairegion11.org](http://www.sairegion11.org)

Click on Events/Upcoming Events near the top, then click on Region 11 Convention, then scroll almost to the bottom for the registration info (no cost.). There is also a space to sign up for the Sunday brunch (\$36 - optional). Once you've registered the screen will flip, and say at the very bottom "thanks for registering", and you will receive a confirmation email. Tickets for non-members will be available at the event.

If you don't know your SAI member number, the list is on the table. And, if you are not able to do the registration and have no one to help you, see Alli. Deadline for registration is January 17.

## SILENT AUCTION OF UNLOVED HOLIDAY GIFTS - Monday, January 13

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 Joani**

I wasn't familiar with Pharrell Williams' Happy and searched it on Youtube. Here's the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZbZSe6N BXs> It'll make you smile. It's definitely "Happy!"

### **From Roxie**

Please bring in your holiday cards for recycling. It's nice for many of us to know we don't have to throw them away and that they will be reborn into other items. Our craft group also accepts 'pre-owned' birthday and get well cards.

Thank you and Happy New Year to everyone. :)

**Calendar** \*All times listed are arrival times.\*

**Bold=New Entry** \*\*=Extracurricular Event

CAPS=CHORUS PERFORMING

## **2020**

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| Monday, January 13 | Silent Auction of Unloved Holiday Gifts  |
| March 26-29        | REGION 11 CONVENTION, BAKERSFIELD        |
| June 13            | Yard Sale                                |
| August 6-9         | Summer Sizzler, Bakersfield (NEW DATE)   |
| Oct. 12-17         | International Convention, Louisville, KY |
| Nov. 11-15         | Fall Festival, Bakersfield               |