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# the Chorale

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## NEWS BITS

**CONCERT JEWELRY NEWS** The Board has voted to change the Concert Dress rule regarding earrings from "no earrings allowed" to "stud earrings may be worn," still eliminating dangles and anything larger than  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.

**MUSIC TURN INS** Karen Min and Jeannette Rice will have boxes at the foot of the stairs backstage ready to receive your music. Don't miss putting your whole set of octavos in these boxes. It is a very expensive process to have to search for and replace missing music.

**SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT NEWS** Judy Ann Davila, one of our 3 latest recipients to receive our scholarships, has her complimentary ticket to our "Holiday Hits" concert in hand and plans to attend. Judy plans to teach music in a school setting and is concentrating this year on piano skills. Alysia Murray and Donna Beccia will also be sent complimentary tickets.

**VIVALDI INVENTORY** Each Vivaldi CD and music set costs almost half your membership fee. If you wish to keep them give a \$5 check to Jeannette Rice or Carol A. (identify "For Vivaldi"). Otherwise after the Vivaldi concert 1) write your name on a small paper and attach to your CD; 2) drop your CD and all Vivaldi music not being used in the December concert "Vivaldi Box" on the Tuesday check-in table. If for some reason you do not have a CD, write a note with that information and drop it in the box for Jeannette.

**LIBRARY WORKDAYS** If you are looking for a way to help "keep the Chorale going" consider coming to help at one or both of the two Library Workshops between semesters. Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 3 will be a day of sorting and putting away F'08 music and repairing music in preparation for S'09 music. The second Library Workshop is Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4 pm when S'09 packets will be stuffed and set in order for our first rehearsal on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

## ReFUND EVENTS

Ruby's \$75.31

Scarantino's \$75.00

Souplantation \$46.64

Mechanical Mann \$180.80

Today's Bon A Pita Event \_\_\_\_\_?

## "A Concert Sell Out?" *You Decide!*

In December 2007 we achieved our first and only "Sold House." Club members sold 600 tickets before sales were turned over to the box office. The box office sold 117 tickets and comp tickets made up the rest of the distribution (comp tickets were given to all of our advertisers as well as several community leaders - no advertisers this year until the spring program). As we go to press 416 tickets have been purchased by club members. That gives us a goal of 84 tickets to be purchased today and then 100 more next Tuesday to match last year's member sales of 600. We have just 84 tickets on hand today. But next week can we sell 100 tickets? 150? You know how exciting it was last year to see that sign go up on the box office "Sold Out!" Let's do it again!

## A World of Music

Music has been chosen and is in the process of being pulled and/or ordered for our "A World of Music" spring concert on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. A big boost of advertising for our spring semester began with the distribution of Saddleback College and Emeritus Institute catalogs. Joyce Hale, our reporter will be submitting articles to the Globe all through the holidays. And our director Doug will promote our next season at our upcoming concert. The week after our concert "Meet the Chorale" flyers will hit the announcement racks in all the clubhouses.

After a nice break, we will begin again - on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 2 pm with the full Board will back at work planning and organizing for all the events of the new season. Immediately following the Board meeting, from 2 to 4 pm, music packets will be stuffed so that on REGISTRATION/FIRST REHEARSAL DAY on Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> a packet of new music will be ready for each of the 90 returning members plus the expected 15 or so new registrants -- several whom we know have been waiting for the new semester to start.

Registration on January 13<sup>th</sup> begins at 1:30. The rehearsal runs from 2 to 4 pm.

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# Reminders for December

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Mon 1 Today is Vivaldi Rehearsal 6:45 pm CH3 Auditorium  
Tue 2 There is no Section Rehearsal today  
**Today is Chorale Rehearsal 2-4 pm**  
Rebate Event "Bon a Pita" all day  
**Happy Birthday! Phil Enns**  
Sat 6 **Happy Anniversary! Pat & Karen Cardinale**  
Mon 8 Today is Vivaldi Rehearsal 6:45 pm CH3 Auditorium  
Tue 9 Today is TBA Section Rehearsal 1-2 pm  
**Today is Chorale Rehearsal 2-4 pm**  
Today is Last Day for Member Ticket Purchases  
**Today is Vivaldi Concert Curtain 6:30 / Concert 7**  
Sun 14 **Happy Birthday! Shirley Behar**  
**Happy Anniversary! Rosie Hackney**  
Mon 15 **Today is Messiah SingAlong 7 pm Geneva Presb**  
Tue 16 Today is TBA Section Rehearsal 1-2 pm  
**Today is Chorale Rehearsal 2-4 pm**  
Fri 19 **Today is Dress Rehearsal 1pm CH3 Auditorium**  
Fri 20 **Today is Concert Curtain 1pm / Concert 3 pm**  
Tue 23 **Happy Birthday! John Stevens**  
Wed 24 **Happy Birthday! Ken Min**  
Sun 28 **Happy Birthday! Ed Bailey**  
Mon 29 **Happy Anniversary! Dick Bissell**  
Tue 30 Today is Library Workday 12:30 pm Rehearsal Rm  
**Happy Birthday! Joyce Hale**

**Tenor Phil Enns** - Enjoyed summer trip -Kiawah Island, SC. Likes to hike, read fiction and non-fiction. Does golf, swimming, and computer games. Would like to sing better and swing better! Enjoyed living in Lexington, KY. Joined S'07.

**Soprano Karen & Bass Pat Cardinale** - Have been married since '69. Have 5 children, and 6 grandchildren. They like to travel, hike, do Bible study. They collect--he: coins; she: books, dolls, art, shells, sea glass! Joined Chorale in S'05.

**Soprano Shirley Behar** - Has much training and experience including radio performance. She was impressed to meet Edith Head, clothing designer. Likes TV "Ballroom Dance" and "Project Runway." Has 4 children & 5 grandkids.

**Soprano Rosie Hackney** - Rosie & Roger have 2 daughters, and 6 grandchildren. She was born in Philippines. She plays uke, hikes, travels, reads. Sings in several groups.

Has sung in several church choirs--since childhood. Likes OC

**Bass John Stevens** - Loves hamburger/onions; Favor-ites: his new camera, his computer, his cello, his kitchen. Shook hands with Lennie Bruce. Plans to learn more re: Astronomy and Physics. A Detroiter - joined chorale in F'03

**Tenor Ken Min** - Enjoys Golf, network surfing and Bible Study. Maybe someday will do swimming, birding, hiking, woodworking, cooking, photography. Completed computerized Computer course. Retired from "Research Engineer"

**Bass Ed Bailey** - Ed has been in the Chorale since '05 and has done at least one solo with the group. Born in Pasadena he is active in his church. He has one son and 3 grandchildren. He lives near the golf course - gates 5 & 6.

**Tenor Dick Bissell** - Joan and Dick have been married since 1950. They have 5 kids and 12 grandkids. He most enjoys War History, reading fiction and non-fiction, gardening, birding, and photography. Joined chorale in S'00.

**Alto Joyce Hale** - Joined the chorale in '05. Is widow with son, 2 grandsons. Is experienced reporter. Does pottery, ceramics, painting, reading, piano, & volunteering, Favorites: Hero-Elizabeth II; Author-Thorne Smith; PBS. .

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Any time you miss a rehearsal check our website for new announcements, stats, and reminders.  
You will also find there lots of pictures, music, videos, and other items of interest.

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THE ANNUAL POTLUCK . . . . .Some group singing, some vocal and piano solos, some interesting conversation, and three tables full of delicious food! That was an event to remember - our Annual Potluck - 2008!

The "I Collect" people displayed interesting things for us to talk about: Karen Cardinale brought 2 of her dolls - HANDMADE - by Karen! (Hard to choose a favorite!) Jan Kremenik brought a whole boatload of critters (Who would have thought animals could have so much personality?). Karen Min set up an amazing display of rocks from her collection -

some machine polished and some ocean polished. (Impressive). Carol Andrews brought some of her paper weights and, as well, some rhythm instruments (which came in handy during our singalong entertainment!)

Grace Hu and team did a well appreciated job of planning, supplying, setting up, and cleaning-up! Thanks so much Grace, Sophia and Ed Chiang, Evelyn Ellis, Jay Huang and wife, Evelyn Ellis, Lupita Jimenez, Nancy Lannon, Shuny

Lee, Grace Lin, and Marie Spradley! And a big thank you to Phyllis Trilling, who selected and set out wine and crackers!