

Corralin' the Chorale

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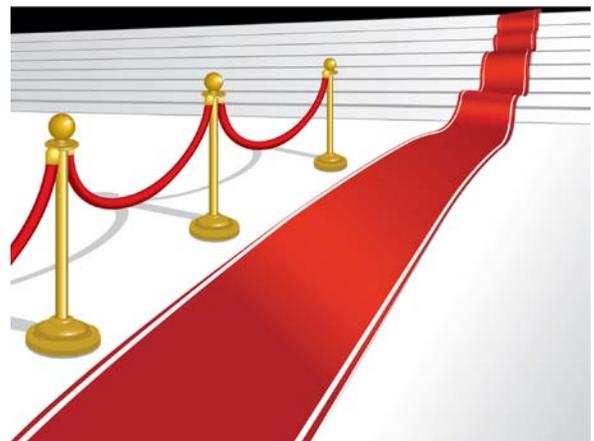
CHORALE COSTUMING

For several years now stage curtains have opened to reveal a classy, stylish looking Chorale dressed in basic black with touches of red or teal. Our men wear tuxedos (and don't they look sharp?). Our women wear black pants or long skirt of their choice. But the women's top is a special purchase made of easy-to-wear black spandex. Women appreciate adding this wonderfully basic, long-lasting, easy to care for garment to their wardrobe because it can be worn many ways for personal events as well as for Chorale dress.

Since we will be performing mid-February new members should be ready to place their order for their costume asap.

Our director is able to help with loaners for men who don't have their own tuxedo.

WELCOME



from our President, Ed Bailey

To all who are here starting our spring season, 2011 . . . whether you are brand new to the Chorale, whether you are returning after a break, or whether you are here to settle back into your regular routine of Tuesday afternoon rehearsals just know that you are very welcome!

With two important concerts ahead of us plus social events and weekly rehearsal fun we expect this second half of the Village Chorale's 4^{3rd} year to be one of the best!

Thursday, January 20th
Ruby's
Laguna Hills Mall

Pleasurable Eating for you + Income for the Chorale
All day • Members and guests
Just attach our flyer when you pay for your meals.

In Concert: Village Chorale and Orchestra
Sunday, February 13th • 3 pm • Clubhouse 2 • For Chorale Members and Guests

J.S. Bach: 142 Cantata • Schubert: Kyrie and Gloria from Mass in G • Mozart: Ave Verum

In Concert: Village Chorale and Orchestra with Guest Choir on tour from Washington, D.C.
Saturday, May 14th • 3 pm • Clubhouse 3 • Ticketed Concert For the Public

William Hall: I Know Where I'm Goin' • Folk Song: Shenandoah • plus much more



Reminders for **January**

Thu 6 **Happy Anniversary!** Shelly Ellman

Fri 7 **Happy Anniversary!** Phil Foreman

Sat 8 **Happy Birthday!** Elizabeth Chen

Tue 11 Today is Voice/Rhythm Class 1-2 pm
Today is Chorale Rehearsal 2 - 4 pm
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Today is Bach Ensemble Reh. 4- 5 pm

Thu 20 Today is REBATE EVENT
Support the Village Chorale = Eat Out
Ruby's / Laguna Hills Mall

Tue 25 Today is Voice/Rhythm Class 1-2 pm
Today is Chorale Rehearsal 2 - 4 pm
Today is Bach Ensemble Reh. 4- 5 pm

Mon 31 **Happy Birthday!** Betty Denton

Soprano Shelly Ellman and Bob have 2 children and a granddaughter; Shelly's favorite word is "Sale"; she likes to talk about movies and food - especially Chinese; she is good at computer; plays Mah jongg; doesn't like violent movies.

Tenor Phil Foreman and Debra moved to LW partly for him to be in Chorale; they have 2 children, no grandkids - yet; he always loved music; a Machine Shop teacher was a great mentor; born in Chicago, also lived in Arkansas and Colorado

Soprano Elizabeth Chen - sang in the Pacific Chorale and at Saddleback College; joined us in spring '09 and by fall '09 was our Library Chair; was impressed by the Chilean Miners story; enjoys memories of a childhood trip with family.

Soprano Karen Min - likes flower gardening. Personal favorites are: TV=Raymond, Team=Indians, Vista=the Tetons, Time of day= evening. As a child she was shy. She and husband Ken sing in their church choir.

Alto Betty Denton - plays the clarinet and saxophone; She joined the Chorale in 2000 and has served on Library Team, processing new music; her favorite decade was the '40s; likes to watch "60 Minutes"; Doesn't like strawberries.

FAMOUS QUOTES who said that?

"Breathing is the biggest way to get rid of toxins."

"Music is just a page with symbols on it"

"You need to learn how to make music into MUSIC"

"You can't do later lessons if you don't start at the beginning"

"There's a better way than *pounding* music into the head"

"Push chest forward, cock the head forward, scoop in the ABS"

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VILLAGE CHORALE ENSEMBLE'S BACH 142 CANTATA

Preparation for the Bach numbers began last fall but check with Director Doug Custance if you are interested in joining the group. Rehearsals are Tuesdays 4 to 5 pm.

The first of the choral numbers, from which the cantata takes its name is "*Uns ist ein Kind Geoboren / For Unto Us a Child is Born.*" It is the longest of the numbers and is imitative in musical style. There is a chorus in triple meter which has homophonic texture, and fast tempo. A concluding movement is an energetic chorale of praise entitled "Alleluia." It has a soaring, continuously flowing sixteenth-note melody written above the voices.

Performance will be in German, the language of Bach.

ABDICATE, To give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.

INOCULATTE, To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.

BOZONE LAYER, The substance surrounding stupid people that stops bright ideas from penetrating.

SARCHASM, The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and

the person who doesn't get it.

CATERPALLOR, The color you turn after finding half a grub in the fruit you're eating.

ESPLANADE, To attempt an explanation while drunk.