

ECC/EVAE Newsletter, April 21 & 22, 2008

Concert week!

Concert week activities are all outlined in last week's newsletter. For those of you who missed it, there are extra copies at rehearsal. You can also look it up on our website: www.eugeneconcertchoir.org. Go to our website and click on the word "Members" at the bottom of the homepage. The last week's newsletter is always on top, then moved to the grouping of past newsletters the next week.

Correction on EVAE Recital Night date

Recital Night for the Eugene Vocal Arts Ensemble is still Monday, May 12, as announced from the very beginning. The date listed in last week's newsletter was incorrect.

There are still many openings to rehearse with Hung-Yun on April 28 and May 5. Contact her to sign up for a practice time.

Re-evaluations for tenors and sopranos

Sign-up sheets are available at rehearsal. Dates are May 13 and 20. If you are unable to attend on either of those dates, please put your name at the bottom of the sign-up sheet, and Diane will contact you to schedule an alternate time for you.

Choir potluck

From Judith Knight: Please take a moment to sign up tonight (April 21) for our end-of-season potluck. This is the last time I will put out sign-up sheets. Refer to previous announcements for details. I encourage sections to put together humorous skits or songs commemorating our season. Can you do it?

From your scribe: The potluck is also the occasion of our annual meeting. We'll be electing board members. Below is the slate of candidates. Thanks to Larry Moran for this information.

Board slate

New Board members or returning members to be re-elected:

- Lann Leslie (President)
- Gary LeClair (returning)
- Frank Turner (new)
- Helen Lester (new)
- Jeri Stark (new)

Board members continuing (mid-term, no election needed):

- Robin Burk (Vice President)
- Robin Clement (Treasurer)
- Larry Moran (Secretary)
- Peg Renkert

Retiring Board member (with many thanks for his service!):

- Dennis Hyatt

Thank you to Deborah Rogers

From Diane: Our wonderful administrative assistant is moving to San Diego! Deb Rogers has been a terrific help to the Choir and has served in her position as administrative assistant with extraordinary dedication and commitment. Deb has covered a myriad of tasks in the office, at concerts, and at our auction and receptions, with excellence and grace. We will miss her very much! Deb is returning to the sunny climate of California, where family and many friends reside. She will continue with ECC through the end of April but will leave us before our year-end Choir potluck. Thank you, Deborah, for the many ways you have contributed to our organization!!!

Office volunteers needed

Because Deb is leaving, volunteers to help out in the office this spring and summer will be a great help to Diane. We do not have plans to hire another administrative assistant until the fall. The best way to let Diane know how you might be helpful would be to e-mail her at diane@eugeneconcertchoir.org and state what skills you have, what you would be willing to do, and what hours and days you might be available, either on a continuing or occasional basis.

History of the Eugene Concert Choir

Please see the newsletter of April 7/8 for the complete notice from Lisa Young. She would like to remind you that she really wants your input. She won't be singing in the *Voices of Eastern Europe* concert and, consequently, won't be at the rest of this season's rehearsals. You may still send your contributions to her via e-mail (lyoung@molbio.uoregon.edu) or snail mail (250 West 37th Avenue, Eugene 97405). You may also give your contributions to ECC member Mary Ann Hanson, who lives near Lisa and wouldn't mind collecting your reminiscences and delivering them to Lisa. Whatever you do, please include your name, the year you joined the choir, and your story. Lisa says, "A number of folks said they had written some things for me. I can't wait to see them! Thanks so much."

Kids' alleged responses to teachers' questions

- Teacher: Maria, go to the map and find North America.

Mary: Here it is.

Teacher: Correct. Now, class, who discovered America?

Class: Maria.

- Teacher: George Washington not only chopped down his father's cherry tree, he admitted it. Louie, do you know why his father didn't punish him?

Louie: Because George still had the axe in his hand.

- Teacher: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

Harold: A teacher.

Answer to last week's question: What's the difference between a pop musician and a jazz musician? A pop musician plays three chords for a thousand people. A jazz musician plays a thousand chords for three people.

Sumer is icumen in,
Lhude sing cuccu!
Groweth sed, and bloweth med,
And springth the wude new.

From your scribe: I've missed singing with you this semester. Have a wonderful summer. I hope to see you in September!

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