



One Choir ♪ One Sound

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Notetations

Christmas 2009

Woodbridge Community Choir and Prince William Community Band Joint Concert

By Lee Irwin Culbreth



Folks we have an exciting Christmas program lined up for you this year. First you should know that once again we will be putting on a joint concert with the Prince William Community Band (PWCB). It is my intent to have the choir and the band each individually do a third of the program and the final third is to be WCC & PWCB combined. It is my hope to incorporate various instrumentations for the choir selections on the program, in addition to the numbers that will be band and choir combined, given we will have a full concert band on hand to provide those instruments.

I have been asked to keep this article short (WCC has gone green) so rather than describing each selection on the program check out the web links to selections to listen to the arrangement.

O Come O Come Emmanuel <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=340465>
Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=340437>
Glad Noel <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=100075>
Do You Hear What I Hear <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=6361>
The Little Drummer Boy <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=6729>
Good Christian Men Rejoice Medley <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=340382>
The First Noel/Pachelbel's Canon <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=77342>
O Holy Night <http://listeninglab.stantons.com/item.php?stno=203377>

You will recognize the name of almost every selection on the program. These are songs that your grandparents might have sung but I think that you will be pleasantly surprised by the fresh new arrangements that I have found. The challenge to me is to appeal to a broader base of current and prospective new choir members. We need to grow in order to continue the legacy of the WCC for many years to come.

Are you down about the current economic situation then why not treat your ego to a boost? Come on out for one night a week and immerse yourself in music. Bring along some family members, neighbors and friends (you might even qualify for a discount). Remember this is a non-auditioning choir specifically designed to attract those that currently sing or have sung in church choirs or school. If you are a hands-on type of person we have lots of opportunities for you to help out. Talk to any board member to learn of ways you can help. "If you build it they will come." We have built it over the course of 40 plus years so come on out. You will have a chance to relax and enjoy the company of fellow choral musicians with no pressure. I do bark once in a while but seldom bite.

Mark Your Calendars!!!

Board Meetings

Held after Rehearsal
Open to All Members

- September 21st
- October 19th
- November 16th

August 31 — 7 pm

Rehearsals begin at Lutheran Church of the Covenant (LCOC)

Registration: 7 pm
Rehearsal: 7:30-9:45 pm

September 28 -

Choir Party/Social after Rehearsal

October 5 -

Line solo and feature solo auditions following rehearsal

JOINT REHEARSALS

October 26 -

Saunders Middle School
Rehearsal 7:30 pm

November 9 -

Saunders Middle School
Rehearsal 7:30 pm

ON-SITE REHEARSALS

November 23 -

Our Lady of Angels Parish Hall
On-site rehearsal 7:30 pm

November 30 -

High School TBD
On-site rehearsal 7:30 pm

CONCERTS

Friday, December 4 -

8 pm High School TBD

Saturday, December 5 -

8 pm Our Lady of Angels Parish Hall

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After serving 10 years on the WCC Board of Directors, Mark Cohen has decided to hang up his Board hat. During this time, there has not been a request made, a job requirement added or a last minute task assigned that Mark hasn't accomplished without complaint or issue. Because of his quiet approach, Mark accomplished much that went unheralded. When needed, the jobs got done, period. Mark spent part of his ten years as Production Chairman, an often thankless job that requires much background activity throughout the concert seasons and beyond. While serving in that capacity, Mark took on the job of obtaining a WEB site (with his brother's help) to get the Woodbridge Community Choir finally "on-line" with info available to the public via the Internet. He has continued to work at crafting and tweaking this site while adding current info as the seasons change. Mark's next Board position (while continuing with the WEB site) was Publications Chairman, which he pursued in his usual quiet way, making sure our newsletters were published and mailed on-time and our programs were delivered before each concert. The WCC Board will sorely miss Mark's willingness to pitch in, regardless of the request and hope he will continue to contribute and sing with us for many years to come. Thank you Mark.

Our Rehearsal Site: Lutheran Church of the Covenant
15008 Cloverdale Rd.

From the North on Minnieville Road

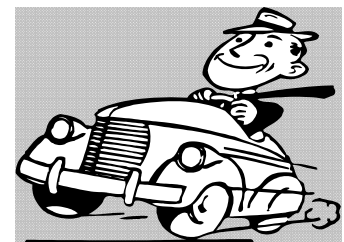
Take Minnieville Road South towards Dale City. Take a left onto Dale Boulevard. Follow Dale Boulevard to Cloverdale Road (4 lights). Take a right at the light for Cloverdale Road. Follow Cloverdale down the hill and back up again. LCOC is located just past the 7-11 on the right side of the road.

From Interstate 95

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Registration Discount

The Woodbridge Community Choir Board of Directors wants to offer a way to reduce or even eliminate your registration fee and increase our membership.

When you register and bring a new member for the Christmas 2009 Concert Season your registration fee will be reduced by \$10 per person up to \$30. If you bring a new member after you register you can still receive a discount but it will be applied to the next concert season. A new member is anyone that has not sung for the past two concert seasons. So, bring your friends and neighbors to join.



WCC NEEDS YOU!

For every concert season, a lot of work goes on behind the scenes where **we need your help.**

- **Can you play the piano?** Directors can use your talent to help with rehearsals.
- **Like to work on fundraisers?** Vicki Bayer needs you.
- **Can you move risers? Or help with stage setup?** Terilee Hanshaw is looking for you!
- **Can you contact people to take out ads in our programs?** Let Vicki Bayer know.
- **Do you have photos we could use in our scrapbook and website?** Contact Jackie Topolski.
- **Do you know of someone that can serve as ushers or help with the sales tables?** Let Vicki Bayer know.

There are so many ways for you to get involved.

Please consider volunteering to help make our concerts special.

Concert Attire

By Nona Duvall

Women: Black dress with long sleeves and skirt, black shoes and black stockings/socks. The sleeves are to be straight and the hem of the dress should come to the tops of the shoes. The black dress shoes should be comfortable and the stocking/socks should be opaque. Darker undergarments that will not reflect light should be worn since we have strong lighting. We order dresses from an outlet that has performance attire and we have a supply of seldom-worn dresses at reduced prices. The price for a new dress is \$70.00.

Men: Black vest with white Tuxedo shirt, black trousers, black socks, a black bow tie and black dress shoes. We can order the black vest for any man who needs one at a price of \$40.00 or you may buy your own as long as it is not completely satin material--a satin cowl collar is acceptable.



CONCERT COST

Were you aware of the cost for our Christmas Concerts? Most people think that Registration Fees cover the cost of the entire production. There are also costs for programs, advertising, rehearsal facilities and concert locations as well as sound and lights. One of the highest costs is that of the music. Here is the Christmas Budget.

Printing	\$ 900
Advertising	\$1,515
Building Use	\$1,320
Music	\$1,750
Sound & Lights	\$ 265
Costume & Props	\$ 250
Equipment Transport	\$ 250
Flowers/Gifts	\$ 200
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 150</u>
	\$6,600

WCC Committees

Fund Raising Committee

Vicki Bayer

Planning and manning fundraising events.

Production Committee

Terilee Hanshaw

Transport and set-up risers, lights, sound equipment, and staging.

Marketing/Publicity Committee

Lynne Pazuro

Press releases, distributing flyers, mailings, and soliciting advertising.

Social Committee

Lillian Koenig

Coordination & Set-up of choir social.

Nominating Committee

Lynne Pazuro

Prepares slate of officers for June BOD elections, recruits new musical directors, accompanists, and Advisory Board Members.

Grants

Committee

Ria Barrows

Research, prepare, submit grant applications.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees - please contact the committee chair.

Recording support by
RonArt associates
Recordings

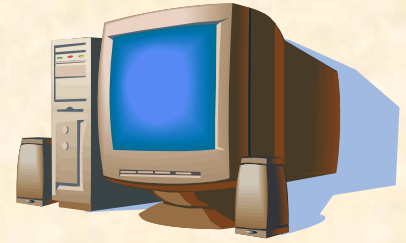
Printing by
**MacMurray Graphics
and Printing**

Newsletter Design by
Bill Lake



Publications Chairman
Bill Lake

New Website Design




The Woodbridge Community Choir (WCC) has developed a website with a whole new LOOK! We want everyone to know what a terrific organization the WCC is and to encourage them to learn more about us. The newly designed website provides easy to read information about all aspects of the WCC presented in a simple format and clean new lines. It has multiple links that are user friendly and logical to navigate. Regardless of whether a user is interested in joining as a choir member, becoming a donor/sponsor, or wanting to assist with production activity, everything they need to know is at their fingertips! Our hope is that the newly designed website will entice those who want to sing in a choir, to participate in performances for the community or to give back to the community in some other way in 2009 to find the WCC the place to be!

Please take a moment to check out what we have developed and provide us any suggestions or recommendations you may have to make our website even better! Just log onto www.woodbridgecommunitychoir/org/newsite and let us know what you think! The website team: Mark Cohen, Terilee Hanshaw, Lillian Koenig

Lillian Koenig
Special Events/Conference Chairman



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