Amador CHORALIERS & A musical Tradition Since 1963

GOLDEN JUBILEE



MAY



2013

FOREWARD



Music has changed a lot over the past 50 years, from LPs to CDs to MP3s; from Doo-wop to Hip Hop. But the goal of the Amador Choraliers remains the same, to bring the gift of song to its audience.

The Choraliers began as a small group gathering in private homes to enjoy singing together. The small group grew, the enthusiasm continued, and under the leadership of Bob Miller, became a chorus capable of presenting concerts to the public. Those concerts became a biannual tradition of Christmas and spring concerts for the people in and around Amador County to enjoy.

The Amador Choraliers is among a very rare and unique class of community choral groups. Very few survive to be 50 years old. There are always challenges to overcome: leadership, economy, and singers! The Choraliers has had its ups and downs, but we face each obstacle with optimism and a strong will to continue.

Singing is not the only contribution! Along with our singers, many others have added their talents – directors, piano accompanists, instrumental accompanists, narrators, and door hostesses. Moreover, many folks work hard to bring these concerts to the community: lighting and sound technicians, advertising, costuming and props, decorating, refreshments, posters, ticket sales, website hosting, photography, securing venues, paying the bills, database administration (for singing and Foundation members), hauling the trailer, setting up and tearing down, moving to the next venue... the list goes on.

The credit goes to all who have helped in any way, and no one has accepted a dime for their services. It has all been a volunteer offering for the love of music, and for those who come to enjoy the concert.

The Amador Choraliers Dedicates our 50th Golden Jubilee to *YOU*, our faithful audience,

We thank you for being the reason we do what we do.

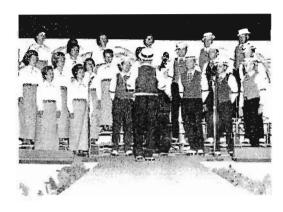
Here's to the next 50 years!

HISTORY

"One Voice", our opening number, tells it all. It takes just one voice, and that one voice was Marion Ferguson, who in the fall of 1962 placed a story in the Amador Dispatch. The story asked that musicians, either vocal or instrumental, contact her by phone. The response was good and over a dozen people met at Marion's Sutter Creek home. Although there were instrumentalists within the group, it was apparent that the majority wanted to form a vocal group. How fortunate for us that one

voice led to more voices. During this formative stage Bob and Meredith Miller of Sutter Creek became involved, and Bob was asked to be the director. The Amador Choraliers was born and was formally organized with by-laws at the beginning of the next year. From those humble beginnings grew a 50-year tradition of music, style and sophistication that continues to delight the heart of the Mother Lode.

Miller led the Choraliers for 32 years. He helped to forge the Amador Choralier Foundation, reaching out to the community and the schools. Some other remarkable people



had helped him on his journey. Don Singer accompanied the group on keyboard for over 30 years. Jack Ireland's legacy with the Choraliers infused the Foundation with the need to help the children of the community. Bob Knudsen and Don Conarroe continued to bolster the Bass section until their retirement in 2002 and 2001 respectively. Speaking of basses, Irv Gidding, another member from the beginning years, has been adding to the beat with his string and electric bass, not to mention a lively trill on his trumpet. He also still sings in the chorus when needed, and directs some of the numbers.

Miller always had his own style. One thing he always insisted on was memorization! Amador Choraliers is among very few groups that memorize all their concert material.

A New Generation

Bob Miller and Don Singer retired from the group in 1994 turning over the baton to a new group of musicians. Yet, even then, it took four people to take over for Bob and two for Don! Darlene



Williams, Karen Reed and Walt Parker took the reins to lead the next generation of singers. Irv Gidding also stepped up to the director's podium for the women's chorus and small ensembles. Karen and Walt took turns at the keyboard. The new leadership also added choreography and props to some of the numbers giving their performances another level of entertainment.

Currently, Darlene Williams and Karen Reed lead the group. JR Keith joined the leadership team four years ago as assistant director, directing the women's

chorus and occasionally, the whole group. Irv Gidding continues to provide the bass, trumpet and guitar, as well as stepping in to direct when needed. Karen still tickles the ivories when the group is not singing a Capella or to a CD, and occasionally Kathy Srsen steps in to help with the piano.

The Choraliers also boast specialty groups such as the men's and women's choruses, soloists, duets, trios, quartets to octets, and all the "tets" in between.

DID YOU KNOW...

- ➤ That over the years, the Choraliers have had thirteen husband/wife teams The Buettners, Holts, Marrs, Martins, Millers, Browns, Liberatores, Edwards, Reeds, Berglunds, Blairs, Magees and Traxlers. As well, the group has had a mother and daughter ~ Lee Ann and Darlene Williams, sisters ~ Barbara Brown and Judy Ferrell, and, for a short time, grandparents and granddaughter ~ Steve and Barbara Brown and Heather Walker-Hurth. This year we have an aunt/niece combo with Jennifer Harris-Cook and Melanie Harris?
- > When Bob Miller retired as director, it took *four* people to take his place! It took *two* people to replace Don Singer on the piano?
- > That for the first twenty years, the women baked cookies and the men bought gallons of cider for all of our concerts (thank you Save Mart!)?
- That we were once so poor that individual members loaned money to the Choraliers so that we could buy items such as the trailer, which hauls all our equipment?
- > That the women's first dresses were bought for one dollar plus an Accent Coupon?
- ➤ The women once wore dresses made of paper?
- That we need young recruits to replace our aging voices (any volunteers?)?
- That we are our own worst critics... ask any of the women?
- ➤ Irv Gidding is the longest-standing member of the group... since 1964?
- > Sandy Wagner is next ... since 1969?
- That for the past 50 years, over 150 folks have sung with the Choraliers?
- > Although over the years, there have been professional musicians within the group, no one has ever been paid a dime for their service?
- The Amador Choraliers are for those who enjoy music for the sake of the music itself; this is as it should be and will continue for the next 50 years?
- That we are on Face Book? Like us and follow us!



That you can further support the Amador Choraliers by becoming an Amador Choraliers Foundation Member? See the insert in this program for details or log on to www.AmadorChoraliers.org



WE THANK...

<u>YOU!</u> Without your loyal attendance for the past 50 years this Golden Jubilee would not be possible. Many of you have been coming to our concerts for over 30 years! We hope we continue to earn your faithful support.

BOB MILLER, DIRECTOR EMERITUS Today's Choraliers members are indebted to Bob for his vision for this group and his continued support and encouragement. Declining numbers of singers and audiences, as well as budget concerns are problems faced by many community choirs. However, the Choraliers has been blessed with his leadership that not only overcame these obstacles in the past, but also continues to encourage the current leadership to look for new ways to conquer the barriers that may continue to block its path. He also still houses one of our sheds that hold costumes and music.



became our first major sponsor in 2011. With their contributions we were able to purchase new sound equipment!

<u>Days Inn, Sutter Creek</u> also became a sponsor and provided us with a new venue to hold our concerts when the Sutter Creek Auditorium is not available.

Amador High School and Chris Tootle for the use of the band room for our rehearsals. Finding a place to rehearse can be any group's barrier to success. We are very grateful for this support. Thanks to Amador High School for making this possible and to Chris Tootle for allowing us to use his room.

<u>Sutter Creek Methodist Church</u> for the use of their building when the school is not available for rehearsals.

Amador Dispatch & TSPN Audiences would be unaware of our concerts without the support of the press. The Amador Dispatch has given us free press releases with large photos to get the word out to *YOU!* They also help us build our paid ads. TSPN has also been a big supporter. Even when budget limitations wouldn't allow for paid advertising, they would still advertise our concerts as well as allow us in their "Free-ticket-Friday contests.

<u>Bud and Cathleen Berglund</u> Though no longer singing with us, they still store our trailer that houses all of our equipment, and they never miss a concert. We are delighted they were able to join us for the Jubilee alumni numbers!

<u>Save Mart</u> has been a great help to our organization by offering discounts on the goodies we serve at our concerts. We are so thankful we don't have to bake cookies like the ladies did the first 20 years!

<u>Safeway</u> was instrumental in our raising money at the Sutter Creek Duck Race with their generous donation towards our booth.

Our Ticket Outlets We have had wonderful businesses that take time from their daily functions to sell advance tickets for our concerts: Ione Pharmacy, Ione; MotherLode Music Store, Martel; Bubble Gum Book Store, Sutter Creek; Pine Cone Drug, Pine Grove; and in past years, JB's (owner, Sharon, who now owns Strings). Please support these folks!

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Choralier Members

CHORALIERS BIOGRAPHIES

Pamela Bennetts ~ Ione

Pam is a 5th grade teacher at Ione Elementary. She enjoys reading, gardening and is an avid walker who plans to complete a 1/2 marathon the weekend of the concerts! She played violin in high school and college, and has sung in church choirs over the years. A 2nd alto, Pam started singing with the Choraliers in the spring of 2010, and has become a key voice in that section. She is an active single lady with 3 children and 6 grandchildren.



Barbara Brown ~ Jackson

Barbara joined the Amador Choraliers in 1993. As with many of our members, Barbara's been a key vocalist in many groups. Singing in glee clubs, school choirs, church choirs, and various small ensembles combines many years of experience and brings one strong, hard working alto to the Choraliers. Among her talents of singing, Barbara has also accompanied us on the keyboard. Her heart is also into traveling, cooking, and loving on her grandkids. She and her husband, Steve (a Choraliers Alumnus), have two daughters, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. For many years, she was an administrative assistant for Argonaut High School.



Joyce Burbank ~ Pine Grove

Starting in 1998, singing 2nd soprano with the Choraliers, Joyce has been sharpening her vocal and performance level while singing more and more solos and in small ensembles with us. Before moving to Amador, she sang with the Bay Area Choral Ensemble, and with Sweet Adeline's, an international organization, where their motto is "Harmonize the world." She has one daughter and 3 grandchildren. Joyce is a registered dental hygienist that currently works at two dental offices. Her other hobbies include painting, reading, and traveling (and is preparing for an overseas trip very soon).



Cindy Egloff ~ Ione

Over her 13-year career with the Choraliers, Cindy has sung 1st & 2nd soprano and 1st & 2nd alto at some point or another and is currently singing 2nd soprano. An avid instrumentalist, she plays viola, violin, trumpet, trombone, baritone, flute, guitar, saxophones, and others! Her goal is to learn every instrument in the orchestra! She and her husband Bill love their 4-footed children: their doggy Judy, an Aussie Shepherd, and their kitties Lewis, Sweetie, Sam, Boris, and Natasha. Cindy has dabbled in several careers from working with kids and adults with special needs, to retail and grocery, and a stint in Yosemite. She has the unique ability of working with scientific gas chromatographs. Her love of singing and playing instruments are somewhat equaled to sports and art and crafts projects.



John Emery ~ Volcano

John is our traveling Choralier. When he's not mountain climbing or traveling the globe, you'll find him in the bass section. Having sung with the San Diego Symphonic Chorale, John joined the Amador Choraliers in 1975. Being one of its longest standing members, he has a lot on his shoulders as a leading voice in our bass and baritone section. A few years back, he was our only bass / baritone singer for a holiday concert! With his wife, Sandy, they have a daughter, Tracey (who currently owns and operates the restaurant, *Taste*, located in Plymouth). John loves hiking, backpacking, snowshoeing, and traveling abroad. We are grateful to his service in the US Army from 1957-1963! John is a retired Stock Market Investor.



Charlene Evans ~ Volcano

Charlene auditioned with Bob Miller and sang under his direction the same year that came to be his last year with the Choraliers. She loves various genres of music and sang in choirs in both school and church. It was in churches where she polished her solo singing abilities and sharpened her harmonizing skills while in a quartet. She is married and has three children, a daughter and two sons. Her granddaughter and grandson are currently attending Boise State in Idaho. Charlene worked in the dental field for years after her kids started college. She loves hanging out with family and friends and enjoys traveling (been to France and England), gardening, sewing, and singing again (having taken a 7 year hiatus from the Choraliers).



Irv Gidding ~ Sutter Creek

Bob Miller called Irv his "right hand man." When Bob was not available to direct the Choraliers, Irv was always ready to wield the baton. Not much has changed from those early years. Irv is still willing to do whatever needs to be done. After 49 years with the group, he shows little sign of slowing down! Irv still directs some numbers, sings when needed, plays a variety of instruments, hauls the trailer to all the concerts and leads the men in setting up all the equipment. He taught music in Amador County schools and during his two years of military service in Korea, he played with 3rd Infantry Division Band and the 8th Army Band. He currently plays with three local bands, one of which has played in Washington DC. He also served as the Sutter Creek Methodist Church's choir director for 29 years. He still plays a mean round of golf, loves trout fishing, and back packing. You'll find his wife Lita at all the concerts, greeting folks and handling the tickets at the door. They have three children, six grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.



Melanie Harris ~Ione

Joining the Choraliers in 2013 as a 1st soprano, Melanie grew up singing in the Ione Elementary Red Ribbon Choir where she continues to assist with vocal coaching. Outside of working as an account rep for Dignity Health Medical Foundation, Melanie enjoys collecting antiques and searching and researching for her next perfect tattoo.



Jennifer Harris-Cook ~ Ione

Having worked in the corrugated industry for 21 years, Jennifer served 11 of those years with Cal Sheets in Stockton. She and her husband, Mike Cook, have one son, AJ. Jennifer's love of music extends back to grade school, Jr. High, and High School. She has sung in Church choirs as well, and we are happy she is singing alto in the Choraliers. Her hobbies include music (number one on her list!), wine tasting (and drinking), and cooking. Jennifer joined the group this season.



JR Keith ~ Mountain Ranch

In high school, JR was given his first big solo in "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolored Dream Coat". That same year, he started singing in the local baptist youth choir where he fell in love with choral work! He was awarded both the John Phillip Sousa Band and Johannes Brahms Choir Awards his senior year where he grew up in Frisco, Texas. Singing mostly tenor, he has sung in church, black gospel, and southern gospel choirs and quartets, jazz ensembles, and college choruses. He feels fortunate to have sung for three years with the Dallas Symphony Chorus and to have sung the Psalms concert with Turtle Creek Chorale. Beginning with the group in 2008, JR sings baritone and bass and assists the Choraliers' directors with the women's numbers. Also, he currently sings 1st tenor in the Sacramento Men's Chorus and their small ensemble. You can visit him for wine tasting in Sutter Creek at Cinque Tasting Room or at Sera Fina Cellars. He lives with his partner in Calaveras County and loves their dogs, Buddy "Bud Bud" and Beau "Bo Bo". He loves traveling, playing volleyball, cooking,



quality time with friends and family, and playing alto saxophone (that Cindy Egloff loaned him 3 years ago).

Pat Love ~ San Andreas

Pat joins us from San Andreas where she is a manager at the Calaveras Mini-Storage. She has been singing in church choirs and began singing as a member of glee clubs in secondary school. Pat's son and daughter are both married. She has two grandsons, six granddaughters, and one grandson-in-law. Pat enjoys attending plays, volunteering to aide senior citizens, participating in the Relay 4 Life and learning long-arm quilting. She began singing alto with us this season.



Michael Melligan ~ Sutter Creek

Born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, Michael didn't move to California until 1995. Being a Certified Real Estate Appraiser, he has seen crazy things happen in the industry these years of late. Michael brings to the group lots of experience having been in choruses most of his adult life. He has sung in choirs in the northwest suburbs of Chicago, the San Francisco and East Bay areas and right here in Amador County. Moreover, he's been involved in numerous Festivals of Carols and Inter-Faith choral events in the area. Joining us in 2011, he sings 1st and 2nd tenor and loves swimming, tennis, yoga and overall fitness activities.



Carole Meltzer ~ San Andreas

Joining the group in 1996, Carole has been active with the Choraliers and the Foundation ever since. She has been, and is currently serving as President of the Board as well as instrumental in launching the membership and sponsorship campaigns. Carole is a key delegator for dozens of duties to keep the Choraliers afloat! For many years, she has done all the design work for the posters, and manages the database. Starting as a 2nd soprano, she moved to the alto section in 2000 and occasionally sings solos and in small ensembles. She started singing in high school, and then under the direction of Jimmy Owens with the Cathedral Choraliers in Oakland, CA. She also sang for many years with the Mountain Ranch Choraliers. Recently retired, Carole is married, has two daughters and six grandchildren. In her spare time, she loves to garden and is an avid scrapbooker and crafter.



Thomas Moraitis ~ Sutter Creek

Thomas joined the Choraliers this season as a tenor. He is a designer for Valley View Interiors in Sutter Creek. He leads various social events in Sutter Creek and Amador County. Although new to the county, he has already become a community leader. Thomas held creative director positions at Citrix Online, Apartments.com, and Christianity Today and has recently transitioned from graphic to interior design. Thomas loves to draw and paint and lives by the expression, Rise Up! He will be riding his bike in the Aids Lifeline in June from San Francisco to Los Angeles!



Ginger Payne ~ Jackson

Living in Jackson, Ginger joined the Choraliers this spring. She has been an elementary education aide for schools in Oregon and New Mexico. Her marriage of 50 years has given her two sons, three grandchildren and one great-grandson. While she admits to not having a broad chorus background (high school chorus, octets and church choirs), she is one of our newest additions to the alto section.



Kathy Payne ~ Jackson

Claiming that singing is food for her soul, Kathy began her love of singing in her 2nd grade musical, "Cinderella"... and hasn't stopped singing since. She joined the Choraliers in 2005 and states: "The Choraliers has been my saving grace since my move from San Diego!" Outside of her fondness for our chorus, she shares from her heart that her husband, David, and her five daughters are her life. Kathy has been a leading 1st soprano for many years and will often be found singing solos and in small ensembles. She's also the queen of the tambourine!



Janine Purdy ~ Sacramento

Having sung in her high school madrigal choir and having been a vocal major at San Jose State, Janine brings a confident voice and tuned ear as a 1st Soprano to our chorus. Married for 34 years, she has four children and three grandchildren. Janine sings, acts, and directs—she was a music teacher for 17 years in Pine Grove at Community Christian School where she also directed stage and special productions and served as their bookkeeper for 18 years. Singing, reading, hiking, and walking are her favorite things to do. She began with the group in 2011.



Karen Reed ~ Ione

Growing up in Golden, Colorado, Karen began her singing career in junior high. She had the unique opportunity to be part of a 16-voice group in high school that embarked on a tour to New York and sang on Colorado Day at the New York World's Fair. She notes that the numerous choir tours she took in college were highlights of her college years where she majored in music. Karen has been a church pianist since her high school years and has directed many church cantatas, programs and specials. Wearing many hats since joining in 1991, Karen serves as an accompanist, soprano, music educator, and director (after Bob Miller's retirement in 1994). Karen's ear for pitch and continuity is extremely important to our chorus. She's happy to be retired from her 30-year public teaching career, but sometimes finds herself busier than ever as a wife, mom, grandma, church pianist, piano teacher and Choralier extraordinaire! She has been married to our very own Tom (the Music Man) for 41 years and spends as much time with her 2 children (with her daughter's family living overseas) and 7 grandchildren as she can.

Outside her love for music and training future pianists, she also loves walking, shopping, and traveling.



Tom Reed ~ Ione

We are happy to have our very own "Music Man" in Mr. Reed. Most of the time, Tom's favorite Choralier is his wife of 41 years, Karen! Tom is a self-taught guitarist that honed his skills playing for youth groups, church congregational singing, and Choraliers functions. He is a retired teacher and principal for ACUSD and a former pastor of First Baptist Church of Ione (now Cornerstone Church). While his major was Sociology, he has a keen interest in the English language, and continues to whittle away at becoming a fabulous writer. For many years, Tom wrote and emceed the narration of our concerts. His wit, intelligence, and tenor voice culminate into the multi-talented member he is! Tom is currently a CPR trainer and enjoys hunting, writing, and bike riding. His love for watching old westerns and war movies may eclipse, infinitesimally, his love of singing.



Kathy Srsen ~ Lodi

Kathy had an intense illness that almost kept her from finishing this season. We were relieved when she returned to us as a leading 2nd alto. Kathy is in her 36th year being a teacher and currently teaches kindergarten in Ione. Some of her musical background includes being a member of a choral group at the University of the Pacific, the Summer Theatre at the Kennedy Mine and the Lincoln Presbyterian church choir in Stockton. Kathy has been the pianist for Valley Bible Church in Stockton since 2000 and has accompanied numerous songs for the Choraliers over the years. Before joining the group in 2006, Kathy was our most avid audience member. She has been married to Pete Tercero for 26 years, and her hobbies include sewing, gardening, singing, playing piano, walking to Lodi Lake, and shopping.



Sandy Wagner ~ Pine Grove

Sandy joined about six years after the group became a chorus making her the second most seasoned member and a highly valued vocalist of the Choraliers. She notes that back then, we had to audition to become a member. She has worked for the Sierra Enterprise, Ralph Harder MD, ARC Amador/Calaveras... and at one point was a shop owner. Sandy can play the piano, the alto saxophone, and the organ, which she played at Faith Lutheran Church for over five years. In college she enjoyed the time she had singing in a collegiate choir. For 56 years, Sandy has been married to John (who often assisted the Choraliers with lights and sound). They have three daughters, five grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Being a creative soul, she is a fiber artist and creates quality hand-dyed fabric, wearable art garments, and gorgeous art quilts. When she isn't creating garments, Sandy golfs, travels, sings and plays music. She currently sings 1st alto and 2nd soprano, and is part of the women's quartet, "Side By Side".



Holly Wendland ~ Pioneer

One of the hardest workers of the chorus, you will find Holly lifting equipment, moving pianos, cheering us on, and inspiring the audience with her strength, spirit, and demeanor! She has been in the dental field since 1987. Married to a cabinet maker, she and her husband, David, have two sons—great young men that often helped us out during stage sets, and sound / lighting. Holly has her musical roots singing in two church choirs and in the chorus and musical theatre in high school. She recalls, "I still remember the first time I heard the Choraliers sing at Mount Zion Church in Pine Grove. It was so inspiring! I knew I that I wanted to be a part of this singing family and it has been my pleasure for the last eight years." Holly has sung soprano since she began singing with the Choraliers in 2005.



Darlene Williams ~ Jackson

Darlene may hold the record for youngest person to join our chorus! Growing up the daughter of Lee Ann Williams, an extremely gifted and long-time vocalist of the Choraliers, Darlene experienced the organization from a perspective like no other. She learned early on as a preteen that she wanted to be part of our chorus. In 1976, at a much shyer age of 18, Darlene received a phone call from Bob Miller, and due to the suggestion of her mom, he allowed Darlene to join without undergoing a stressful audition. Her musical background includes piano lessons, playing flute in 4th grade, and church choir by age 12. Her non-formal vocal training came naturally while with singing a multitude of duets with her mom and singing with the Choraliers. After Bob Miller retired, Darlene became one of the directors and has served as secretary to the board. Presently, she is the financial officer, the wardrobe manager, and when



not directing, the anchor to the altos with music memorized early in the season. Her AA degree in business comes in handy as an employee at Jeff Holman Auto in Jackson. Hobbies she enjoys include decorative painting, cross-stitch, and spending time with her four nieces and seven grand-nieces and nephews. Her favorite color is green.



Choraliers Alumni Performing with us this season



Anderson, Marilyn ~ Jackson
Beltz, Vic ~ Turlock
Berglund, Bud ~ Amador City
Berglund, Cathleen ~ Amador City
Brown, Steve ~ Jackson
Chevrette, Joanne ~ Plymouth
Ferguson, Dianna ~ Davis
Ferrell, John ~ Jackson
Ferrell, Judy ~ Jackson
Margie Guletz ~ Jackson
Harder, Ralph ~ Sutter Creek
Hunt, Georgie ~ Sutter Creek
MacNab, Bruce ~ Pioneer
Magee, Jack ~ Pioneer

Matta, Janet ~ Jackson
McGuinn, Billie ~ Pine Grove
McKenna, Bill ~ Sutter Creek
Miller, Bob ~ Sutter Creek
Munson, Betty ~ Ione
Parker, Walt ~ Utah
Price, Ben ~ Pine Grove
Richmond, Joanne ~ Ione
Ross, Lorna ~ Berkeley
Sobon, Leon ~ Plymouth
Solevad, Ellen ~ Pioneer
Underwood, Jackie ~ Jackson
Walker, Steve ~ Delhi
Woultee, Melissa ~ Willetts

Walt Parker ~ Utah

Walt returns from Utah to sing, not just with the alumni, but the entire concert season! He began with the Choraliers in the early '90's and joined Darlene and Karen as a director upon Bob Miller's retirement. A tenor extraordinaire, and accomplished pianist, Wally (as he was known to us back then) will not only sing with the chorus, he will accompany on the piano and perform his iconic solo, "Music of the Night". Welcome back Wally!

The Choraliers is a unique family ~ we grieve the loss of these loved ones.



WE REMEMBER...

Joe Bailey Joe Lubansky

Larry Cenotto Ted Marr

Don Connaroe Ed Martin

Jack Hutchinson Ada Popst

Jack Ireland Don Singer

Loyce Johnson Carol Tesch

Bob Knudsen Bob White

Dorothy Leist Floyd Wilcher

Dante Liberatore LeeAnn Williams



We apologize if any members have been overlooked

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Alexander, Carl Anderson, Marilyn Archer, Jeff Badgley, Gene Bailey, Joe Barnard, Phyllis Baron, Roma Bedard, Marie Beltz, Vic Bennetts, Pamela Bentley, Marcia Berglund, Bud Berglund, Cathleen Blair, Bob Blair, Joy Brandson, Kim Brawn, Tim Brown, Barbara Brown, Steve Buettner, Bill Buettner, Carlita Burbank, Joyce Carney, Larry Cenotto, Larry Chevrette, Joanne Connaroe, Don Cutler, Gail Davis, Lee Davis, Nichole Dimmers, Walt Edwards, Doug Edwards, Pam Egloff, Cindy Emery, John Evans, Charlene Ferguson, Dianna

Ferguson, Marion Ferrill, John Ferrill, Judy Finetti, Barbara Goldsmith, Debra Garibaldi, Teri Gidding, Irv Guletz, Margie Guthrie, Feliz Harder, Ralph Harris, Melanie Harris-Cook, Jennifer Holt, Shirley Holt, Terry Hunt, Georgie Hurth, Heather Hutchinson, Jack Ireland, Jack Johnson, Carol Johnson, Loyce Keith, JR Knudsen, Bob Leist, Dorothy Derania, Dorothy Liberatore, Dante Liberatore, Donna Linklatter, Bev Loiler, Amber Long, Connie Love, Pat Lubansky, Joe Lucero, Samantha MacNab, Bruce Magee, Jack Magee, Paulette Mair, Spencer

50 years!

Marr, Lysbeth Marr, Ted Martin, Cindi Martin, Don Martin, Ed Martin, Flo Matta Janet McCarley, Rick McGuinn, Billie McKenna, Bill Melligan, Michael Meltzer, Carole Miller, Bob Miller, Meredith Mills, Lois Moraitis, Thomas Moore, Gerry Morrison, Mary Munson, Betty Outland, Ron Owen, Tammy Parker, Walt Payne, Ginger Payne, Kathy Perfler, Rosalie Plant, Donna Plusko, Ann Popst, Ada Price, Ben Purdy, Janine Reed, Karen Reed, Tom Reilly, Henry Richmond, Joanne Roberts, Brent Robinette, Janelle

Robinette, Pat Roddy, Valerie Rogers, Bob Ross, Lorna Sanders, Sandy Sandro, Grant Schulze, Donna Sherrill, Judy Shiftlet, John Shiftlet, Michelle Singer, Don Skaggs, Cari Smith, Gini Smith, Lee Smithberg, Cheryl Sobon, Lee Solevad, Ellen Spadonni, Judy Srsen, Kathy Talbot, Connie Tesch, Carol Thomas, Kathy Thorsell, Corrinne Traxler, Dan Traxler, Julie Underwood, Jackie Wagner, Sandy Walker, Kay Walker, Steve Walsh, Middy Waltman, Carrie Wendland, Holly White, Bob Wilcher, Floyd Williams, Darlene Williams, Lee Ann Wuoltee, Melissa

Program

One Voice

Kathy Payne, Michael Melligan, Cindy Egloff & Chorus Words & Music by Barry Manilow, Arranged by Mark A. Brymer

Sixteen Tons

Words & Music by Merle Travis, Arranged by Kirby Shaw

Riders In The Sky

Men's Chorus

Words & Music by Stan Jones, Arranged by Norman Luboff

An American Trilogy

Soloist ~ Michael Melligan

"My Country 'Tis of Thee"
Words by Samuel F. Smith, Music: Thesaurus Musicus 1744

"America, The Beautiful"

Words by Katherine Lee Bates, Music by Samuel A. Ward

This Is My Country

Words by Don Raye, Music by Al Jacobs, Arranged by Mark Hayes

Over the Rainbow

Barbara Brown, Karen Reed, Sandy Wagner, Darlene Williams

Words by E. Y. Harburg, Music by Harold Arlen, Arranged by Russ Robinson

The Man I Love

Women's Chorus

Words & Music by George Gershwin & Ira Gershwin, Arranged by Mark Hayes

Alto's Lament

Women's Chorus

Words & Music by William Bowlus

We're The Men

Men's Chorus

Words & Music by Jay Althouse

Sisters

Barbara Brown & Karen Reed

Words & Music by Irving Berlin

Operator

Soloist ~ J.R. Keith

Kathy Payne, Kathy Srsen, John Emery, Michael Melligan & Chorus Words & Music by William Spivery, Arranged by Kirby Shaw

Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho

Traditional, Arranged by Mark Hayes

Fly Away Medley

Incorporating "I'll Fly Away" by Albert E. Brumley, "We'll Understand it Better By and By," When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," "On Jordan's Stormy Banks," and "When the Saints Go Marching In" Arranged by Mark Hayes

~~ Intermission ~~

Joy to the World

Words & Music by Hoyt Axton, Arranged by Jerry Nowak

Cruella De Vil

Cruella ~ Darlene Williams
Words & Music by Mel Leven, Arranged by Kirby Shaw

Java Jive

Kathy Payne, Kathy Srsen, J.R. Keith, Michael Melligan Words by Milton Drake, Music by Ben Oakland, Arranged by Kirby Shaw

When I'm Sixty-Four

Barbara Brown, Joyce Burbank, Carole Meltzer, Kathy Payne, Karen Reed, Kathy Srsen Words & Music by John Lemmon & Paul McCartney, Arranged by John Leavitt

Steam Heat

Women's Chorus

Words & Music by Richard Adler & Jerry Ross, Arranged by Mac Huff

Anything Goes

Women's Chorus

Soloist ~ Alumni, Lorna Ross (Sat-Sun) Words & Music by Cole Porter, Arranged by Philip Kern

Music of the Night

Solo~ Walt Parker
Words & Music by Andrew Lloyd Weber

Ya Got Trouble

Solo ~ Tom Reed
Words & Music by Meredith Willson

Seventy Six Trombones

Solo ~ Tom Reed

Words & Music by Meredith Willson, Arranged by Ed Lojeski

Just a Closer Walk With Thee

Chorus Alumni*

Adapted and Arranged by Ed Lojeski

Sound of Music ~ Medley

Chorus & Alumni*

Words by Oscar Hammerstein II, Music by Richard Rodgers, Arranged by Clay Warnick

*Alumni On Sat. & Sun. Concerts Only

Directors

Darlene Williams

Karen Reed

Irv Gidding

J.R. Keith

Director Emeritus ~ Bob Miller

Musicians

Pianist ~ Karen Reed Pianist ~ Kathy Srsen Pianist ~ Alumni, Walt Parker Bass, Guitar, Trumpet ~ Irv Gidding

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Narrator ~ David Payne Door Hostess ~ Lita Gidding Lighting ~ Timothy Skaggs Sound ~ Carl Simonsen Webmaster ~ Rick McCarly

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