



GNHCC News & Notes

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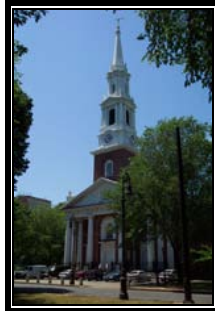
Quick Notes:



May 1st Retreat:

Volunteer to lend a hand with planning and preparation for our May 1st Retreat. Helping to organize an event like this is a great way for new GNHCC members to get to involved and for all our members—new and veteran—to get to know each other better and to have fun.

A number of chorus members who are organizing activities will be asking for your help—please jump in and volunteer!



This Week's Rehearsal Location

Rehearsal for this week will be held at Center Church on the Green in New Haven.

To minimize confusion when we arrive, Kathy McManus has created a seating plan indicating where each part should sit for Thursday's rehearsal. **(The seating arrangement can be seen at the end of this newsletter.)**

Center Church is easily located (the center of the three churches which face the New Haven Green. The street address is: 250 Temple Street, New Haven, CT 06511

Please Note: No snacks or goodies this week!

Food and beverages are not allowed at the Center Church and therefore we will not serve refreshments during the break. However, you may bring a closed water bottle for hydration during rehearsal. Please be respectful of the space.

Sponsor Sheets:

Please continue to actively solicit ads and sponsors for our concert program. Additional Sponsor sheets are available from Fran Giffin. Please plan to return the ads and sponsor listings by May 6th.



Remember, this is one of the most critical sources of revenue for our chorus—***your*** chorus. Without financial support we cannot provide the rich and rewarding opportunities which we do for the experience of singing and performing such exciting music.



"Small Change for Big Changes" canisters were distributed at rehearsal on 4/15/10. If you didn't receive yours yet, please remember to get it this week. Take it home and whenever you have some loose change in your pocket, drop it into the GNHCC 'piggy bank'. After a few weeks, you'll be asked to turn in your collected change to Vickie Gerdon, the Chairperson of our

Finance/Fundraising Committee, who will take care of processing the coins.

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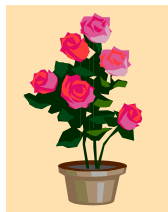


As reported last week, former GNHCC

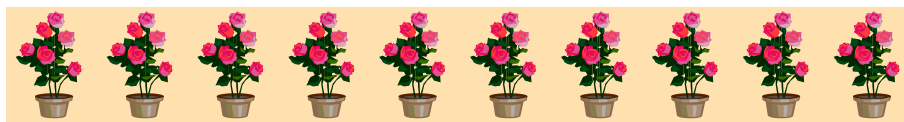
Artistic Director, Steven Black, will be leaving New York in the summer to finish his Doctoral studies on the west coast. However he will be at the University of Southern California, not at UCLA, as indicated in last week's article. We wish him the best in his new endeavor.



Gift Basket To Have Mother's Day Theme



Next week we will offer a gift basket filled with items sure to make Mom smile. If you have items you'd like to donate to be included in this special Mother's Day collection, please bring the items to Vickie Gerdon at this week's rehearsal, or contact her to make arrangements for getting the item(s) to her.

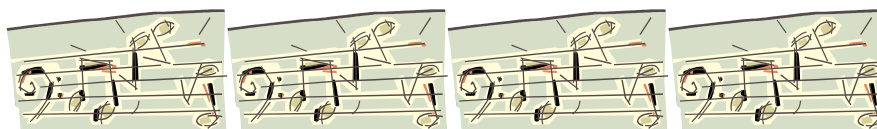


Member Corner:



Laurence Grotheer is a new member of the GNHCC, having joined in time for the Holiday 2009 concert which he thoroughly enjoyed. Laurence has expressed how pleased he is to be part of such a warm and welcoming group, with so much talent. Laurence is originally from New York, and has lived in New Orleans, Boston and on the central coast of California, and sees New Haven as a homecoming of sorts.

During the day, Laurence commutes to Hartford where he works at the Capitol as a press secretary/ghost writer for members of the State Senate. In his spare time, Laurence is involved in municipal government as Vice-Chairman of the Woodbridge Board of Finance, and was recently appointed to fill a vacancy on the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen. His "swearing-in" photo appeared in the Milford-Orange Bulletin last month. Laurence has visited 48 of the 50 states and thinks Hawaii is very special. Now, choristers need to find out which two states Laurence has *not* visited!





Upcoming Concerts

FAUST - Hillhouse Opera Company

(GNHCC member, Laura Pringleton is the Choir Mistress for this production.)

April 24, 8:00 PM; Pratt Hall in New Haven, CT

April 29 & May 1, 8:00 PM; Immanuel Lutheran Church in Danbury, CT

A free will donation (suggested \$20 per person, \$30 per family, \$10 students and seniors) will be collected at the door.

MUSIC OF THE SPIRIT - Concora

Saturday, April 24, 8:00 p.m.

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church, Hartford

Music for a cappella voices, featuring Frank Martin's breathtaking

Mass for Double Choir

Tickets: \$10-\$45

Tickets and Information: www.concora.org • (860) 224-7500

PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN OUR TIME - Waterbury Chorale

(GNHCC members, Tomas Miranda and Vickie Gerdon will be singing in this concert.)

Sunday, April 25, 4:00 p.m.

The Congregational Church, Division Street, Naugatuck

Presenting:

"The Armed Man" - A Mass for Peace by Welsh Composer

Karl Jenkins

This mass was commissioned by the Royal Armouries Museum in Leeds for the Millenium celebrations and was initially dedicated to victims of the Kosovo crisis.

"Hymn To The Fallen" by John Williams and other selections

Tickets \$20.00 (can be purchased at the door)



AFRICAN CELEBRATION! – THE SHORELINE CHORALE

(One of our newest GNHCC members, Wanda Pizzonia, will be singing in this concert.)

Sunday, May 2, 4:00 p.m.

Church of Christ, Scientist, 49 Park St, Guilford (on the Green near the library)

African and derivative choral music with African percussion, horn, and piano accompaniment. Featuring Angela Clemmons (Shoreline Soul Workshops)

Tickets \$15 adult, \$12 senior/student, under 12 free, group rates available

Call 203-245-2887 for further info and tickets.

See Next Page for Seating Arrangement at Center Church for April 22nd Rehearsal!

Seating for GNHCC Rehearsal at Center Church April 22, 2010

Sarah (Grand Piano)	Sarah (Keyboard)	Christopher
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Under Balcony Seating		Alto I	Basses	Tenors	Soprano I	Under Balcony Seating
		Alto I	Basses	Tenors	Soprano I	
		Alto I	Basses	Tenors	Soprano I	
		Alto I	Alto II	Soprano II	Soprano I	
		Alto I	Alto II	Soprano II	Soprano I	
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