



# GNHCC News & Notes

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## Quick Notes:



### Non-chorus Volunteers Needed

**Ushers** (4-5) are needed, as well as 1-2 (preferably 2) people to handle **box office** duties on the evening of our June 12th concert. Ushers stand at each door, collect tickets and hand out programs; those handling the box office distribute tickets being held for pick-up (or 'will call' and sell tickets to those buying 'at the door'.



If you have a spouse, adult child, or friend who would be willing to help, please see Kathy McManus at rehearsal or send her an e-mail - [kmcmamus1764@comcast.net](mailto:kmcmamus1764@comcast.net).  
*Thank you!*

### Parking challenge:



Once again this week the New Haven Symphony will be holding their Woolsey Hall concert on Thursday evening, so parking will again be a challenge. Come early and carpool if possible!

How time flies!!!



### Be Sure These Dates Are On Your Calendar

As previously announced, it is essential for everyone to participate in the following rehearsals and performances. Please make sure your calendars are marked!

#### **Thursday June 3, 2010**

Arrive no later than: 6:30 PM  
Ready to Rehearse: 7:00 PM

Rehearsal at Battell Chapel, New Haven  
400 College Street-at the corner of Elm Street  
New Haven, CT

#### **Sunday June 6, 2010**

Arrive no later than: 12:15PM  
Ready to Rehearse: 12:30 PM  
Concert begins at 2:00 PM

Preview Concert at Jewish Community Center  
of Greater New Haven  
360 Amity Road  
Woodbridge, CT 06525

#### **Tuesday June 8, 2010**

Arrive no later than: 6:30 PM  
Ready to Rehearse: 7:00 PM

Rehearsal at Battell Chapel, New Haven  
400 College Street-at the corner of Elm Street  
New Haven, CT

#### **Thursday June 10, 2010**

Arrive no later than: 6:30 PM  
Ready to Rehearse: 7:00 PM

Rehearsal at Battell Chapel, New Haven  
400 College Street-at the corner of Elm Street  
New Haven, CT

#### **Saturday June 12, 2010**

Arrive no later than: 5:30 PM  
Ready to Rehearse: 6:00 PM  
Concert begins at 8:00 PM

Performance at Battell Chapel, New Haven  
400 College Street-at the corner of Elm Street  
New Haven, CT

## CONCERT NEWS...

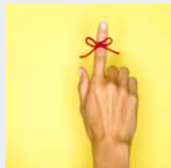
Important information  
from the Concert Committee

**Concert Tickets are now available.** Please stop by the rear table during break to pick up your tickets. An envelope containing 5 tickets has been prepared for each of you....but please feel free to ask for more! Members of the Concert Committee (Kathleen Johnson, Sara Jones, Liz Brennan) will be on hand to assist you.



**All tickets must be paid for by June 10;** please return any unsold tickets by that date as well.

**Reminder:**



**Sponsor Sheets:**

Please bring in all sponsor listings, ads and sponsor checks this week!



Deane Bell and his wife Karen welcomed their new grandson, Daniel Borsari Bell, into this world on May 8<sup>th</sup>. All generations are doing great!

**50/50 Tickets**

Don't forget to get your tickets for the 50/50 drawing from Ruth Lombardi this week.

As you know, tickets are only \$1 for 3 tickets (4 tickets if you're wearing your nametag). The holder of the ticket number that is drawn at the end of rehearsal receives 50% of that night's contributions. The other 50% of the money collected is applied toward the \$100 per week rental fee for our rehearsal space.



**Rehearsal Seating**

As our concert draws near, it's time to rearrange rehearsal seating to more closely resemble where you will be standing on stage at Battell Chapel.

**When you arrive for rehearsal this Thursday, please check the seating lists on the attendance table.** Each member has been assigned a row number and seat number based on height. Changes can be accommodated for your singing comfort -- within reason (e.g., if you are 5'10", please don't sit in the front rows!) Minor adjustments likely will be required at Battell, but for now, it's important to become comfortable rehearsing next to members you will be singing with at both the June 6 pre-concert performance at the Jewish Community Center, and our June 12 concert at Battell Chapel.

Your cooperation is appreciated. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Kathy McManus by e-mail ([kmcmanus1764@comcast.net](mailto:kmcmanus1764@comcast.net)) or speak with her at rehearsal.



**Concert Dress**

*For both the June 6 pre-concert and June 12 concert, if you remember '**black, long**', you won't go wrong!*

**Ladies** –

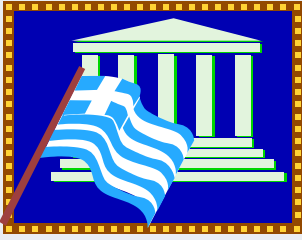
Long black pants (no capris or cropped pants) or skirt (floor-length), long-sleeved black top (must cover the elbow - no bare arms), black shoes, black stockings/socks. Any jewelry should be modest in size and not glitzy.

**Gentlemen** –

Long black pants, long-sleeved black dress shirt, black shoes and black socks.

For the June 12 concert at Battell, the ladies will be provided with light blue corsages, the gentlemen with light blue bow ties.

PLEASE remember.....at **all** rehearsals and concerts -- NO perfume or cologne, scented hair products or scented deodorant.



#### Reminder—

Payment # 2 is due for the trip to Greece trip is due on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

Haven't signed up for the trip yet? Good news! **You can still sign up!** You just have to contact the tour company and 'catch up' to the current payment schedule.

**We'd really love to have more people join us**—whether you plan to sing Camina Burana or not—it promises to be a *wonderful* trip! If you'd like more information, please contact Susan Conover who can put you in touch with the tour organizers.

## Matching Donations



The **Finance and Fundraising Committee** recently met with our new Ad Hoc Committee with the goal of establishing an Advisory Committee for the Chorus. One of the recommendations from that initial meeting was to see if our members have access to such funds as employer matching contributions.

Many companies, regardless of size, will match donations made by their employees to non-profit organizations like Greater New Haven Community Chorus (501{c}{3} tax-exempt organizations).

We are asking each member to confirm with your boss or HR/Personnel staff as to whether or not your company currently offers matching gifts. If it is offered, there is usually a form for you to complete when you make a donation. If the company requires our non-profit information before they will approve matching gifts, please let us know. If they do not yet offer such a program, ask them to consider it!

Last week everyone at rehearsal was given a form which will assist us in our fundraising efforts. If you haven't already done so, please complete the form and get it back to us as soon as you can. Vickie Gerdon will be available to collect the forms on Thursday evening.



## Member Corner



**Sara Jones** (Alto) has been singing with GNHCC for four years. She is also a member of the Concert Committee where you will find her assisting you with your concert tickets. Sara came to New Haven as part of a Master's Program at Yale, where she currently works as a research associate at the Center for Outcomes Research and Evaluation at Yale Medical School.

In addition to singing, which she has been doing since grade school, Sara somehow manages to find time to hike, cook and bake, and spend time with friends, like fellow alto, Kathleen Johnson. Sara lived in Italy when she was young, which perhaps accounts for her love of opera and classical music.

Recently, Sara was accepted at several universities such as Yale, Harvard, and UNC at Chapel Hill to start a PhD program in cardiovascular disease epidemiology. She has chosen UNC, where she will be closer to her family and her Williamsburg, Virginia roots. But alas, farther from the chorus. We will miss her enthusiastic participation, and hope that Chapel Hill has a chorus for her.

## Concerts to enjoy this weekend...

### The University Glee Club

will be presenting its  
annual spring concert

### An American Musical Portrait

on Sunday, May 16,  
2010, at [Trinity Lutheran  
Church](#), 292 Orange  
Street, New Haven, CT,  
4 PM.

### ¡Cantá desde el Corazón! - 'Sing from the Heart!'

New Haven Chorale welcomes  
Alturas Duo\*\*\* for two performances:

#### Saturday, May 15, 2010, Bridgeport

4:00 PM, Saturday, May 15, 2010

St. John's Episcopal Church

*Proceeds will benefit Project Learn,*

*a homework assistance program serving over 150 students.*



#### Sunday, May 16, 2010, New Haven

4:30 PM, Sunday, May 16, 2010

Battell Chapel, Elm Street at College Street

The New Haven Chorale welcomes the critically acclaimed Alturas Duo for a performance combining voice, guitar, viola, charango and other instruments in songs of popular and classical Central and South American music. The program will include the lively, percussive and popular *Misa Criolla* by Argentinean Ariel Ramírez; *Salmo 150 (Psalm 150)* by contemporary Brazilian composer Ernani Aguiar; Pinto Fonseca's joyful arrangement of folk dance melodies, *Muié Rendêra*.

#### Guest Ensemble, The Alturas Duo

Hailed for "one of a kind...marvelous virtuosity," the Alturas Duo promotes South American and classical music by integrating the viola, charango, and guitar with Andean rhythms and new music. Formed in 2001 by Carlos Boltes and Scott Hill, the Duo has performed and lectured in the U.S., Canada, Bolivia, Brazil, and Chile, recorded for Briosio and Naxos records, and appeared on NPR and Chile's Radio Beethoven.

[Click here to purchase tickets for these performances!](#)

\*\*\* (You may remember the GNHCC holiday concert, *Fiesta de Gloria*, which we presented a few years ago. The Alturas Duo, who performed with us in that concert will be joining the New Haven Chorale for these concerts this weekend.)



### Piano Recital



Music by  
Brahms, Debussy,  
Liszt's *Mephisto Waltz*,  
Beethoven's "*Appassionata*"

Will Duchon, *pianist*

*Saturday, May 15, 2010 7:30 PM*

Christ Episcopal Church

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