

ECC/EPAC Newsletter, October 5 & 6, 2009

The practice corner

Everyone: Work on the Auction music. How do you get to the Auction? Practice, practice, practice!

ECCO

From Jennifer McConochie: Thanks for all the terrific support you have offered to ECCO at this busy time of preparation for the Auction and the holiday program.

Remember we have a rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 20. The rehearsal will allow all who are signed up to review the music and introduce it to new members. Sue Abraham will accompany us on guitar. Thanks to Sue and to Mary McDiarmid, who have volunteered to play guitar for us this year.

If you Can't Keep from Singing and love giving The Gift of Song, join us Down by the Riverside (the sanctuary at Emmaus Lutheran) for a fun time of music and camaraderie at 6:30 October 20th. If you're curious about ECCO, please come see what it's about!

Lock your car!

Last week during rehearsal, a choir member's car was broken into and several items taken. The parking area is very dark and an easy target when we're all captive in the church hall. To make your car as unattractive a target as possible, be sure the doors are locked, nothing inviting is visible inside, and that you take any valuables with you.

The Traceys

Annie Tracey, ECC alto, and Steven Myers, ECC tenor, will perform with The Traceys on Friday evening, October 9, 6:00 p.m., at UVAs* wine bar, located in the Oakway Mall near Heritage Courtyard. The Traceys are Eugene's premier acoustic soul band, featuring award-winning songwriter and harmonica player Michael Tracey. Don't miss it!

Saint Mary's Episcopal Church choir

We're looking for some hardy souls who aren't afraid to sight-read in public (just kidding. We hardly ever do that anymore). ☺ We sing a wide variety of music, from Renaissance motets to Gospel to modern and a lot of stuff in between. We also sing compositions by our fearless leader, Tom Trent, and our fearless leader emeritus, Harold Owen. Hal is a renowned composer, counterpoint expert, and musicologist. His arrangement of Amazing Grace in the AME (African Methodist Episcopal) tradition brings down the house. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the church, located at 13th and Pearl in Eugene. If you're interested, see Jill Liberty at rehearsal or e-mail jliberty@efn.org.

*From your scribe: What a great name for a wine bar. I don't know if that's why the proprietors picked the name, but *uva* in Latin means "a bunch of grapes." You know that little thing that hangs down at the back of your throat? It's called the "uvula," which is the diminutive of *uva*. A little grape, anyone?

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