



Notes and Measures

September 30, 2019

In Two Weeks: Strike Up The Band... Umm, Wind Ensemble

A couple of weeks ago, Liz started soliciting volunteers for a very important assignment. No, Liz wasn't a spymaster looking for singers to save the world; Liz arranged for a small group from GCCC to accompany the Gold Coast Wind Ensemble as they perform the English folk song "I'm Seventeen Come Sunday" at their concert on October 20th. The small group (along with our full Tenor and Bass sections) have been practicing diligently after rehearsals on this challenging piece; now that the performance is less than three weeks away, we'd like to talk about how that'll affect rehearsals for the Chorus and how we can show our support for their efforts.

On **Monday, October 14th**, Liz and the small group will be meeting at the Newbury Park High School Performing Arts Center (PAC) to rehearse "I'm Seventeen Come Sunday" with the Wind Ensemble. For those of you not participating in that performance, that means that you've got the night off; please don't come to Church of the Foothills for rehearsal on the 14th (but if some of you would like to get together somewhere else to rehearse, you're more than welcome to do so).

Not part of the small group but want to show your support for them and the Gold Coast Wind Ensemble? Come join them for what should be a really fun concert! Beside the appearance by GCCC, the concert will feature a mix of American standards, jazz, comic opera (!), and folk music from the British Isles, all arranged for concert bands. The concert will be held at 2:30 p.m. on **Sunday, October 20th** at the Newbury Park High PAC; tickets are just \$20 for general admission, \$10 for seniors 62 or better, or \$5 for students, and can be purchased at the door or by phone by calling (805) 766-6968

The Newbury Park High School PAC is located at 456 N. Reino Rd, Newbury Park, 91320. Here are the directions to the Newbury Park High PAC:

FROM VENTURA, OJAI, OXNARD, AND POINTS WEST: Take the U.S. 101 South to the Wendy Drive exit. From the ramp, cross Wendy Drive straight ahead and continue on Old Conejo Road for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile, then turn left on to North Reino Road. Continue on Reino Road for about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and then turn left at Lesser Drive. The PAC will be on your right; turn right to enter the parking lot.

FROM SANTA PAULA, FILLMORE, AND POINTS NORTH: Take Highway 126 West to the Victoria Avenue exit. Take the second ramp and turn right on to Victoria Avenue. Continue on Victoria for about 1 $\frac{1}{12}$ miles, and then use the right two lanes to turn right on to Valentine Road and merge on to the U.S. 101 South. Take the U.S. 101 South to the Wendy Drive exit. From the ramp, cross Wendy Drive straight ahead and continue on Old Conejo Road for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile, then turn left on to North Reino Road. Continue on Reino Road for about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and then turn left at Lesser Drive. The PAC will be on your right; turn right to enter the parking lot.

FROM THOUSAND OAKS AND POINTS EAST: Take U.S. 101 North to the Wendy Drive exit. At the ramp, turn left on to Wendy Drive, and then left on to Old Conejo Road. Continue on Old Conejo Road for about $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile, then turn left on to North Reino Road. Continue on Reino Road for about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and then turn left at Lesser Drive. The PAC will be on your right; turn right to enter the parking lot.

For more information about the Gold Coast Wind Ensemble, please visit their website at gcwe.org.

Hit a Home Run for GCCC When You Shop With A Smile

My wife and I are devoted Dodger fans; it's been a rare evening or weekend afternoon this season where we haven't taken a couple of hours off to enjoy watching a Dodger game live on the living room TV. Needless to say, we're thrilled that the Dodgers have made it to the playoffs again; we're hoping that they'll finally go all the way this year and become World Champions, and we'll be watching every game from the best seats in the house (or our house, at least). That means we'll need to stock up on all the usual game-day snacks – peanuts, popcorn, Cracker Jacks, perhaps a pack or two of Dodger Dogs – as well as new playoff T-shirts and baseball caps. If you'll be doing the same – or you'll be stocking up for a tailgate party, if you're more of a football fan – you can support the Chorus by doing your shopping through Amazon Smile.

So what exactly is Amazon Smile? It's a special fundraising program where customers can register and do their shopping on Amazon using a special link; when they do, Amazon donates one-half of one percent of the cost of their purchase to a participating non-profit like GCCC. Now, half a penny for every dollar you spend may not sound like a lot of money, but you'd be surprised how quickly those half-pennies can up to a nice little donation, especially when as many people as possible participate. You get the same great items at the same good prices from Amazon, and we receive a little money to support the Chorus – it's that simple!

To sign up to support GCCC through Amazon Smile, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/77-0214637> and take a moment to register; once you do, be sure to go to **smile.amazon.com** the next time you shop, and you can start supporting us with your next purchase! Please be sure to share the above link with your friends; if you have any questions about Amazon Smile or would like a hand with registering, please see a member of the Board. Go Dodgers!

That's it for this edition – see you next issue!

If you have news or information that you'd like to share in a future issue, please contact a member or the Board at rehearsal, or send an e-mail to Paul Schnebelen at membership@goldcoastchorus.org.