

Announcements April 7, 2025

Tonight's news and reminders.

- Greetings everyone!!! I hope you all had a great week! Thank you, Richard, for filling in for Lance.
- Ticket Sales will start on 4/14/2025
- Ad Sales – Program ad sales will begin next Monday, 4/14/2025
- Section pictures for program ads will be on 5/12/2025 during break
- Latest information about our PazNaz venue is that the contract has been signed and the Spring Concert is a GO!
- Sectionals – No updates from any section leaders! Bass section pending...
- Name Tags – If you haven't already picked yours up, the requested nametags are on the back table.
- Dues – We're now in the third quarter of the season, so just a reminder to pay your dues early. As you know, Ayuko does follow up regularly!!!
- Towne Singers cap – Bill Yee purchased Towne Singers caps for all to wear. Thank you for wearing them, especially to advertise the Towne Singers!!! Suggested donation for a cap is \$15. Thanks to Bill for keeping the reminder about our organization "in front of us"!
- Learning tracks – This is Me is now available – let us know if you have issues with the tracks...
- Sign-up for Solos and Ensembles is closed, and auditions start next week.
- I'd like to introduce Ken Kimball, my unflappable (in my opinion) Co-President, who has a few words for you.
- New members – Please make our new members feel welcome!
- Recent fire – If any of you are concerned about inhalation of smoke or particles during our rehearsal activities, we have masks available that we purchased from a Canadian company. These have an N95 rating. In addition, the church is in the process of having the entire campus cleaned professionally because of the fire. This room was worked on several weeks ago.
- Small groups/Solos Rehearsals – If anyone needs to get in early, please let me know so I can have the door open for you.
- Resources on website
 - Seasonal Activities Calendar – The most recent version is on the website. A few copies are on the table. When changes are made, they will be highlighted in yellow.
 - Announcements – These have been added to the website and will no longer be sent out.

- Rehearsal Notes – Teresa’s rehearsal notes have also been added to the website. Please note that these are cumulative and will “grow” from week to week, so if you miss a week, you can still get the update. They will no longer be sent out.
- DVDs/CDs – If any of you ordered a DVD or CD of the Holiday 2024 program, see Ayuko Siegel. If you ordered it, you must pay for it.
- Concert Program – There were extra programs left from the Spring 2024 and Holiday 2025 Concerts which are available.
- Another topic that comes up quite frequently is fragrances. Because of allergies, we urge you to be “fragrance-free” on rehearsal nights, but this does not mean deodorant-free!
- Introduce Lance – Just a reminder that Lance, our “fearless leader” starts promptly at 7:00 p.m. with warm-ups and singing. As a courtesy to those around you, please do not talk or hum along (even quietly) when Lance is working with another section. It’s very distracting, and you’ll get your turn! Besides, you might learn something!
- One director – Another issue is all of the “wanna be” directors we have. Counting out loud, tapping your feet, directing with your hands, etc. These are all distractions to those around you...
- Introduce accompanist – Lance
- Attendance Sign-In – Be sure to sign in on the attendance sheets. We are allowed 3 missed rehearsals this season, including the large Saturday sectional rehearsals. The revised attendance policy is posted on the Towne Singers website, and there are a few copies on the table. If you are not feeling well, let your Section Leader know and STAY HOME.
- You will hear this over and over from both Lance and me that talking and whispering among yourselves during rehearsal should be kept to a minimum or not happen at all, especially when Lance is speaking. Also, no humming or singing along when Lance is talking or working with another section. These are opportunities for learning.
- Copies of these notes are available on the table and the website for anyone who needs them as a reminder. They’re in PDF format. This is a free online download for everyone.
- I’d like to introduce Ellen Totleben, our energizer bunny (in my opinion) and Artistic and Production Committee Chair, who has a few words for you.

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