



FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Take note of these important 2019 dates. Changes will be made as new information is received.

- Dec 14 Church Performance - St. Michael All Angels
- Dec 18 No Rehearsal
- Jan 8, 2020 Regular Rehearsal

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Past, Present & Future

Please send any information for publication to me by **Saturday noon** at: rickimiles@shaw.ca

Thanks, Ricki ☺



"He's here to hit the high notes."

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Rehearsal Schedule - December 11, 2019

Review song list for December 14 show including “Rockin’ Around the Christmas Tree”.



Change in Membership and Chapter Dues

From Bruce Wilton

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Please find below a resolution that was passed at the District Convention on October 25, 2019:

"That the current \$9.00 Chapter Assessment be discontinued and replaced with a \$10.00 Member's Dues increase (from \$24 to \$34)"

- This change results in a net increase to the District of \$1 per member by reorganizing the revenue stream from the Chapter Assessment to the Member's dues.
- The assessment amount \$9 plus \$1 more would now be paid by the individual member, making LOL Member's Dues \$34, just below the average of all 17 Districts.
- This \$10 annual increase would be the only member's dues increase since 2007. This is about an 83 cents a year increase
- General membership and member's participation in Conventions, Leadership Academy, etc has dropped considerably since 2007, mainly due to aging.
- This results in less revenue as most District revenue has come from the Chapters' \$9 per member assessment (Policy 10.03 set in 2011) and Member's \$24 District dues (Policy 10.01 set in 2007)
- The District has instituted, and is contemplating a variety of additional, cost cutting measures to reduce expenses and is looking at other creative ways to increase revenue outside of membership dues.
- This would eliminate the District and Chapter's assessment billing and payment process.
- The Chapter would retain the assessment amount, that they are currently paying, for its own operations.
- While any increase in dues is uncomfortable, the cost to our Members is still less than \$3/month and that supports the District's ability to continue to deliver value through programs like: education/support programs for Chapters/choruses/quartets, Pitch Piper, Leadership Academy, conventions & contests, YIH, support for chorus/quartets representing LOL at International, etc.

Bottom line - The Chapter will not be assessed the \$9 District dues from International. Members will be charged an incremental \$10 when they renew their membership after January 1, 2020. To minimize the impact on Chapter members, the Executive has decided that chapter dues will be decreased from the current \$80 per year to \$70 per year effective January 1, 2020.

Any questions on this change in dues structure should be directed to myself. Thank you.

Wardrobe for December 14 Show

By Les Creek

Following is the wardrobe for the upcoming Christmas show:

For the RCS-only church show (Dec 14)

Women:

Black shoes and hose, black pants / skirt, white blouse, red accents (belt, scarf etc)

Men:

Black shoes and socks, black pants, plain white long sleeved shirt, long red chorus tie.



Update on Christmas Chorus Wind Up at the Bredesen's on Dec 14th

From Bruce Wilton

Please be advised that following our performance at St. Michael & All Angels church on Saturday, December 14th, all chorus members and LTSB members together with their significant others, are invited to a wind up party at the home of Larry and Sherrie Bredesen at 99 Dayton Dr. in Southdale. There will be a charge for party snack food.

Although you are to bring your own beverages, if you are a beer drinker, there will be beer available for sale, which has been stored since our last BBQ.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there, Bruce



RIVER CITY SOUND CHORUS CHRISTMAS SHOW 2019

DECK THE HALLS – general carol version, with the audience - *Larry*

30 SECOND FA LA LA *Larry*

I SAW MOMMY KISSING SANTA CLAUS *Sherrie*

WHITE CHRISTMAS *Larry*

LET IT SNOW *Larry*

I'LL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS (*Maybe, if ready*) *Sherrie*

ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE *Sherrie*

FOR THE LONGEST TIME *Sherrie*

AUDIENCE SING ALONG (*if needed*) *Larry B leading, Sherrie on piano*

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM - *Sherrie*

ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH *Larry*

FOLLOW THAT STAR *Larry*

SILENT NIGHT *Sherrie vs. 1, 2 Larry vs. 3,4*

KNEELING AT THE MANGER *Larry w/Sherrie mic'd at piano*

WHISPER, WHISPER *Larry*

MARY, DID YOU KNOW?

O HOLY NIGHT *Sherrie*

PEACE, PEACE *Larry*

Dec.14/19

Harlequin and -Leather 'n Lace



~ December 2019 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Prince of Peace performance 2::30	2	3	4 Joint rehearsal—Bethel Mennonite Church	5	6	7 Joint Christmas - Afternoon & Evening Shows
8	9	10	11 Executive Meeting	12	13	14 Church Performance - St. Michael All Angels
15	16	17	18 No rehearsal	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

~ January 2020 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Music Committee Mtg Regular rehearsal	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Executive Meeting	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Regular rehearsal	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Regular rehearsal	30	31	

River City Sound

Notes 4 U

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2019 Leadership Positions

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Wardrobe - Les Creek, Charlie Siegel
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