SCSCC HANDBOOK

2019 – 2020

ST. CLAIR SHORES COMMUNITY CHORUS

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MEMBER NAME

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SCSCC Board Members and Director

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About the Chorus

In 1963, Ruth Brennan, a former teacher of Lakeview and East Detroit schools Districts, founded the SCS Civic Chorus. Ruth established the chorus when one of her students expressed a desire to continue singing after high school. Under Ruth's leadership the chorus presente3d holiday and spring performances. In addition, the organization performed for various community functions.

In 1963 Virginia Rivard Steller became director. She was a graduate of Wayne State University where she majored in church music. The name of the chorus changed to the SCS Community Chorus. Virginia introduced the idea of awarding scholarships to graduating seniors who demonstrated proficiency in and expressed interest in studying vocal music. Costumes and choreography were introduced into the chorus.

In 1998 Cynthia Ohrt embraced directorship. Cynthia is a former music education teacher in the Lake Shore School District. She earned her Bachelor of Music from Michigan State University. During her thirty-eight years of teaching. Cynthia led her students to win numerous awards which included mixed ensembles, women's chorales, and show choirs. Under Cynthia's leadership the SCS Community chorus introduced the SCSCC Show Choir, Women's Ensemble, and Mixed Men's Ensemble. Live accompaniment also began when LSHS students joined in our concerts.

In addition to our regular holiday and spring concerts, the chorus has participated in numerous charitable appearances for senior citizens and other interested groups and organizations. We have also had the privileged of singing at the SCS annual Christmas Tree lighting and other special events in SCS including participating in the annual Memorial Day Parade and the Memorial Day Ceremony at Veteran's Memorial Park.

Our most recent change is becoming a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. We have also added a Cabaret Dinner Show to our annual spring calendar which is our main fundraising event for our scholarship fund.

Please consider joining us! No auditions are required, just a love of music. You must be at least 14 years of age and a freshman in high school.

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Member Well Wishes Ads
$5.00 per ad

Well wishes ads can be 1 or 2 lines thanking family for support, wising luck to the chorus, or any other thought you may have (positive of course) to share with everyone in our program. They can be signed or miscellaneous. Just specify below if you want your name printed. Here are some examples of previous well wishes……

Here's to rocking out the night!
Thank you (name) for giving me my night out on Mondays and supporting me always.

Be creative! Create your ad below.

_____
_____
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Signed _____

—or— No signature please

Cash Check#_____

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RECEIPT FOR DONATION
St. Clair Shores Community Chorus
Non-Profit Tax ID 35-2427400

(Business Name)

_____
has generously donated to the St. Clair Shores Community Chorus Scholarship Fund.

Amount of donation or item donated for raffle

_____

Chorus Member Signature

_____

Date received

_____

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WHO WE ARE

We are a diverse group of men and women who are dedicated to a joyful environment of friendship and fun. The chorus does not require auditions and is open to everyone who has a love for singing. Members do not need to be a St. Clair Shores resident.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the St. Clair Shores Community Chorus is to engage and inspire participants and audiences through musical performances featuring choral, solo and ensemble singing within the City of St. Clair Shores and surrounding communities.

VISION

Our vision is to:

- Build a community who is passionate about music and strives for excellence
- Continually grow and build upon our existing structure
- Support the community through events and sponsorships
- Provide scholarships to local graduating high school seniors in support of furthering their education

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Board Member Duties

All new board members will take office June 1st, following the election. All board members listed below are given the following rights and responsibilities: MUST attend ALL board meetings called by President, and will have a vote for all solo and scholarship tryouts.

President:

- Arranges and leads all meetings
- Maintains lines of communication with director, members, and officers
- Books and manages all special events (parade, tree lighting, nursing homes, etc.)
- Books all special helpers, as needed, i.e. Santa
- Guides elected positions
- Leads chorus to future vision
- Takes over duties of any officer in his/her absence
- Appoints special committee's as needed
- Sends "Thank You" to those who have made donations
- Acts as Registered Agent for the Chorus

Vice-President:

- Collects orders for flowers, DVD's, photos, costumes, and T-shirts each season
- Places orders with suppliers, picks-up or sets up delivery of goods, and disperse to members.
- Places order for director's floral bouquets per concert
- Assists members with costumes and props.
- Assist all board members to finish their projects
- Serve as an advisor to all board members
- Takes the place of President when he/she is unable to attend rehearsal/meeting/event

Secretary:

- Takes meeting minutes and sends to board for review
- Keeps and updates the roster
- Sends out scholarship letters to local schools
- Sends out email reminders and director notes as needed
- Sends out emails to members as requested
- Updates and edits handbook annually
  Keeps bylaws and policies up to date

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Donation Information

Business Name

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Personal Donation

Name _____

OR

NO NAME PLEASE

Monetary Donation

$_____

Description Of Raffle Item *Donated*

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St. Clair Shores Community Chorus
Tax I. D. 35-2427400

Dear Friends,
The St. Clair Shores Community Chorus is a non-profit organization which provides brilliant choral entertainment to audience members in its surrounding communities in both spring and holiday performances.
Over the years, the chorus has provided music scholarships for graduating high school seniors within surrounding community schools, both private and public. These students audition before the SCSCC board members for the scholarships. The top three winners perform at our annual spring concert.
None of this would be possible without the generous gifts from our supporters. Monetary donations as well as raffle item donations are greatly needed to help us continue giving to our very talented high school graduates.
We would love to acknowledge your donation by placing your name in our program and/or a sign next to your donation in our raffle. If you wish to remain anonymous, simply let our member know at the time of your donation.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you for considering a donation to our scholarship fund.

Sincerely,

The St. Clair Shores Community Chorus

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Treasurer:
- Creates an annual budget
- Provides financial reports to board upon request, which when approved by board, will dispersed to all chorus members
- Responsible for all business with the bank
- Collects and deposits all money
- Maintains a balanced banking account
- Maintains a fully stocked petty cash box for all events
- Pays bills, responsible for scholarship payments, and reimburses members for covered expenses
- Responsible to file for licensing for all raffles
- Responsible to file financial reports to the state (licensing requirement)
- Renews website domain name annually
- Responsible for filing annual tax forms
- Responsible for filing LARA form (Licensing and Regulatory Affairs)
- Responsible for keeping 501©3 current
- Creates tax forms as required

Librarian:
- Organizes all sheet music into files after each season
- Assembles rehears- *al* folders prior to each season
- Orders, collects, and disperses all rehearsal and con- cert folders
- Places orders for new concert/rehearsal folders as needed
- Provides attendance log book for every rehearsal
- In Director's absence, orders and returns all extra sheet music per season

Historian:
- Attends all functions and take photos
- Sends pictures to the webmaster to post
- Prints pictures and stores for future use
- Makes posters with pictures if needed for events
- Keeps copies of newspaper articles
- Keeps copies of programs

Volunteer Coordinator:
- Contact existing and past members to see if they would like to volunteer
- Coordinate the training of the volunteer duties
- Assign volunteer duties
- Send “Thank You” to the volunteers

Fundraiser:
- Assembles all fundraisers, collects forms and money, orders goods and disperses to members
- Purchases raffle tickets as needed for 50/50 and raffles

Publicity:

- Advertises the chorus
- Advertises beginning of each season 2-3 weeks prior to season
- Advertises concerts 2-3 weeks prior to concert
- Advertises scholarship auditions every spring 4-6 weeks prior to auditions
- Forms of media include local newspapers and city channels

Program/ Graphic Designer:

- Creates, prints and disperses concert flyers per season
- Collects names of members for full chorus, individual groups, musicians, emcees, and scholarship winners and works with director to be sure the names are spelled correctly and are in their correct voice parts. Have members check list to verify spelling
- Obtains photos of scholarship winners, emcees, etc. for program
- Designs program cover
- Collects ads and ad money from members and reconcile monies
- Keeps track of who purchased ads, what size, and which members obtain the ads
- Gives ad monies to treasurer
- Creates ads for the program
- Creates program order and collaborates with the board and director for revisions
- Gets quote for programs and obtains the treasurers approval
- Orders programs from printer once approved
- Collects programs from printer and distribute to members and take to performances to be distributed
- Makes sure that all musicians, director, emcees, etc. have copies of programs for performances
- Making flyers and posters
- Sends “Thank You” and programs to those who purchased ads

Webmaster:

- In charge of social media outreach on all applicable platforms
- Responsible for ensuring any communication is directed to the appropriate board member
- Promotes the SCSCC mission and community interactions externally through social media and website
- Works closely with the board to update any member related materials in the member area of the website, including rehearsal music and materials specific to members
- Reviews analytics for website and social media to ensure we are making the best use of available resources
- Makes sure all web pages are up to date
- Works with board members to create web pages for special events and communications

IDEAS FOR RAFFLE ITEMS

Personal Training Gym Basket
Victorian Doll
Thirty-One Items
Avon Basket
Bath and Body Works Basket
Chocolate Sampler Basket
Coffee Basket
Arts and Crafts Basket
BBQ Basket
Electric Skillet
Three step ladder with cleaning supplies
Cracker Barrel Basket
Picnic Basket
Sanders Basket
Gardening Basket
Movie Night Basket
Lotto Tree/Bouquet (all contribute)
Jungle Java Basket
Edsel Ford House Tour
Wine and Cheese Basket
Italian Pasta and Wine Basket
Candy Basket
Oil Painting
Bucket of Tools
Car Wash Supplies Tub
Beer Basket
Hot Cocoa and Mugs Basket
Make-up Basket
Scrapbook Basket
Donations from Fanatic U
Wrapping Paper Basket
Stationery Basket
Music Basket
Oriental Rood Basket
Mexican Food Basket
Book Lovers Basket
Golf Basket
Travel Basket
Spa Basket
Sports Basket
Camping Basket
Dog Lover Basket
Cat Lover Basket
Tailgating Basket
College Sports Basket

OUR ADVERTISERS

Please consider these companies when making purchases.
Be sure to mention that you saw their ad in the SCS Community Chorus program.

BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PHONE
DeRonne True Value Hardware	28700 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48081	(586) 779-1940
Elegant Home Improvement	36600 Tessens, Clinton Township, MI 48035	(586) 909-1409
EPI Advisors, LLC	5700 Crooks Road, Ste 206, Troy, MI 48098	(248) 281-1500
Farm Bureau Insurance	20879 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236	(313) 884-2695
Financial Services of America (FSA)	30500 Van Dyke, 8th Floor, Warren, MI 48093	(586) 623-6494
GE Appraisal Service LLC	Gary Edgar – gary@geappraisal.com	(586) 778-0825
Grosse Pointe News	16980 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230	(313) 882-6900
Lac Ste Clair Kiwanis	lacsteclairkiwanis@wowway.com	(586) 255-6616
Leslie Gayle Lafer, D.O.	1437 East 12 Mile Rd, Madison Hts., MI 48071	(248) 948-1990
Midas	29611 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48082	(586) 775-1830
Mimi's Cookies and More	mimiscookiesandmore@yahoo.com	(586) 295-2533
Moehring Woods Florist	20923 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236	(313) 882-9732
Rodan & Fields	cakowalski.myrandf.com	(586) 801-4494
Rose's Family Dining	31301 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48082	(586) 296-9390
Salon Biondo	17854 Mack Ave, Grosse Pointe, MI 48230	(313) 881-6833
Shores Auto Body Inc.	20555 E. 9 Mile Rd, St Clair Shores, MI 48080	(586) 774-8260
St Clair Shores Senior Center	20100 Stephens, St Clair Shores, MI 48080	(586) 445-0996
Stonik Services	26507 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48081	(586) 872-3532
Village Market	28510 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48081	(586) 771-1187
Viviano Florist	32050 Harper Ave, St Clair Shores, MI 48082	(586) 293-0227
Women's Only Workout	22601 Greater Mack, St Clair Shores, MI 48080	(586) 859-7132

PAST ADVERTISERS	
Apollo Bowling Center	(586) 772-2070
Ardmore Café	(586) 443-4597
Armour Bridal Salon	(586) 293-6809
The Pantry	(586) 939-1370
Binson's Medical Equipment	(888) 246-7667
Cathy's Homemade Cookies	(586) 285-0500
Circare Handmade Items	(586) 771-8510
Van-Dies Engineering	(586) 283-1430

POTENTIAL NEW ADVERTISERS	
One-A-Chord Music	(586) 949-6030
Guitar Center	(586) 296-6161
Eastside Music Ltd	(586) 774-9870
The Turning Pointe	(586) 445-6753
Blue Goose Inn	(586) 296-0950
Grosse Pointe Music Academy	(313) 458-7723
Shores Inn Food & Spirits	(586) 773-8940
Sabby's Lounge	(586) 771-5121

Member Liaison:

- Keeps in contact with old chorus members
- Sends all sick, sympathy cards, and floral arrangements as needed
- Keeps members up to date on past members events, etc.

Membership Recruiter:

- Establishes new member recruitment and active member retention goals and reports progress to chorus bi-annually
- Develops recruitment materials and creative strategies that attract new members into the chorus and promote choral singing
- Responds to all membership inquiries from chorus website, social media, local publicity, chorus performances, member referrals, and direct inquiries
- Promotes benefits of choral music and actively recruits members at community events
- Cultivates a welcoming culture to ease assimilation of new members into chorus
- Conducts follow up of members who leave the chorus to identify the reasons
- Develops retention strategies to minimize member turnover
- Encourages chorus member involvement in recruitment of friends and family as well as board member ideas/ suggestions

APPAREL

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EVERYONE PLEASE GOOGLE "ANGEL CITY CHORALE"
Sample pictures of apparel are posted on one of our display boards and in the handbook.
This Angel City Chorale appeared on *America's Got Talent 2018*. Their appearance was very dignified and classic, simple yet elegant, and allowed everyone to have a similar look even though their apparel was all different. **Black is the color of their apparel. Their appearance is very tastefully done and the overall appearance is very updated, current, and simply – sharp!!!!!**

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Women

Black dressy top of your choice with black slacks or long black skirt/dress
No cold shoulders. You may have slited sleeves.
Top may have shiny additions such as sequins, silver accents, etc
You may use your past black dress & jacket if you would like.
Black shoes and nude/tan hosiery – if desired
Rhinestone jewelry – necklace, earrings, bracelet – your choice
Hairpieces are to be decided.

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Men

Black vest, black tuxedo shirt
Holiday ties (provided) – Holiday Performance
Silver, metallic ties (provided) – Cabaret Performance
Black socks and black shoes

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$50 Half Page Ad – Approximately 5" x 4"
$25 Ad – Approximate size of business card
Personal Ad - $ 5

586-771-1187

VILLAGE MARKET

28510 Harper Ave. • St. Clair Shores, MI
www.guastellosvillagemkt.com

ROSE'S FAMILY DINING
Ron & Krstana
Specializing in Broasted Chicken & Fish & Chips
Specializing in home cooked meals
Complete carry-out service
Banquet Room facilities
31301 Harper Avenue
St. Clair Shores, MI 48082
(586) 296-9390

Colleen & Jillian ~
It is so nice knowing I will spend Monday evening with you. Rob ~ thank you for always supporting me and the chorus.

~Pam Kidd

FULL PAGE AD EXAMPLE
Approximate size 5” x 8”

Kiwanis

Lac Ste Clair Kiwanis is looking

for a few good community minded

people to join their club.

Meetings take place on Tuesdays at
Rosie’s Diner on Harper North of 13 Mile.

Meetings are:

- **Noon** on the ***1st & 3rd*** Tuesdays
- **6:00 p.m.** on the ***2nd and 4th*** Tuesdays

Contact Bryan Mazey at 586-255-6616 or
email lacsteclairkiwanis@wowway.com

TICKET PRICES

(*Prices are subject to change*)

Holiday Concert—Pre-Sale Adults $12, $15 at door;
Ages 6-12 $6; Children 5 and under FREE

Cabaret Dinner Show—Adults $35 Children $10
Ticket includes full banquet dinner, raffle, and dinner show performance.

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CONCERT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Backstage help needed for both performances!

If you have adult family members who would like to help with selling concert tickets, ushering and guiding people in attendance, selling raffle tickets, and many more backstage tasks, PLEASE LET THE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR KNOW!
Helpers who have helped in the past are MOST WELCOME to continue assisting the chorus as they so faithfully have done for past performances. There will be a brief meeting a few days before each performance to go over the responsibilities. You will be given this information as the holiday and cabaret dinner performances get closer.

Colleen Dyer
586-260-3974
cdyer@fbinsmi.com

FINANCIALLY SPEAKING

* DUES * FLOWERS * DVD'S*

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DUES are $45 per session – Fall & Spring
or
$80 for both sessions in one payment

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DVDS ARE $30 – payment due end of Nov. / April
Prices are subject to change in January 2020 - TBD

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POINSETTIA & SPRING PLANTS – $ TBA
payment due end of Nov. / April

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The Chorus currently accepts Cash or Check payments.
Checks should be made out to
St Clair Shores Community Chorus or SCSCC

"PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE"

WHERE DOES YOUR MONEY GO?

SCHOLARSHIPS	OPERATIONS
CABARET RAFFLE BAGS	DUES
CABARET RAFFLE BASKETS	50/50 DRAWINGS
HOLIDAY RAFFLE BAGS	CABARET TICKET SALES
HOLIDAY RAFFLE BASKETS	HOLIDAY TICKET SALES
PRIVATE DONATIONS	FUNDRAISER PROFITS
BAKE SALES IF APPLICABLE	RAM'S HORN OR
	WATER MARK F/R EVENTS
	DIRECTOR FEES
	MUSIC FOR PROGRAMS
	BUILDING USAGE FEES
	INSURANCE

COST OF ADS HELP TO PAY FOR COST OF PROGRAMS

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RECEIPT FOR AD

St. Clair Shores Community Chorus
Non-Profit Tax ID 35-2427400

(Business Name)

_____

has purchased an ad to be placed in our upcoming program.

SAMPLE

Amount Paid _____

Chorus member signature

_____

Date sold _____

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Business Ad Form

St. Clair Shores Community Chorus
Non-Profit Tax ID 35-2427400

Ad type (see attached sheet form examples)

☐ Quarter Page $25.00

☐ Half Page $50.00

☐ Full Page $100.00

SAMPLE

Company Information: Please attach ad artwork or business card

_____

(chorus use only)

Chorus Member

Name_____

Business

Name_____

☐ CASH ☐ CHECK #_____

Ad registered _____Ad placed on page _____

HOW TO NAVIGATE THE WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGES

Website

Under the Members tab you will find our rehearsal music for the season.
Under the Calendar tab you will find our upcoming concert flyers.
The website is updated frequently so please check back often.
If you have a question concerning the website please direct them to Shiela Jones, our webmaster. She may be contacted at shielajones@yahoo.com.

Facebook

We have two pages on Facebook

A public page open to all members and non-members. You can find this page here: https://www.facebook.com/stclairshorescommunitychorus/ . This page is used to get the word our about the chorus and our events. This also allows a broader outreach to attract new members and donors.

A private group page for members only. You can find this page here: https://www.facebook.com/groups/SCSCCMembers/. We use this page to interact with our members, ask questions and provide announcements. You must request to be added to this page. Click on Join Group button and your request will be sent to the administrator for approval. This page is titled St. Clair Shores Community Chorus Members Page.

You can search for either page by typing St. Clair Shores Community Chorus in the search bar at the top of your Facebook page. Both the public page and the members page will pop up. Be sure to join the members page and go to the public page and click on the like button. Always share any new information that comes up on the public page!

Please let the webmaster know of any problem you have with either the website or Facebook. These are very useful tools and we hope you will take advantage of using them!

Terms and Symbols Used in Music

Accelerando – gradually faster

Adagio – slow

Allargando – slowing down

Allegro – quick

Andante – walking tempo

A tempo – return to regular tempo

Calando – decrease in speed and volume

Cantabile – smooth, singing style

Coda – close, ending

Con moto – with movement

Crescendo – getting louder;

Decrescendo – getting softer;

Diminuendo – gradual decrease in volume

Double flat – play down one whole step (𝄫)

Double sharp – play up one whole step (𝄪)

Da Capo – repeat from the beginning (*D.C.*)

Dal Segno (D.S.) – repeat from the sign (𝄋)

Dolce – sweetly

Fermata – hold, pause (𝄐)

Fine – end, close

Forte – loud (*f*)

Fortissimo – very loud (*ff*)

Grave – Slow, solemn

Largo – slow, broad

Legato – smooth, connected

Lento – slow

Maestoso – majestic

Marcato – accent, marked (<)

Meno – less

Mezzo forte – medium loud (*mf*)

Mezzo piano – medium soft (*mp*)

Moderato – moderate

Piano – soft (*p*)

Pianissimo – very soft (*pp*)

Più – more

Poco – a little

Presto – very fast

Rallentando – slowing down (*rall.*)

Ritardando – slowing down (*rit.*)

Repeat – repeat complete section (𝄆 𝄇)

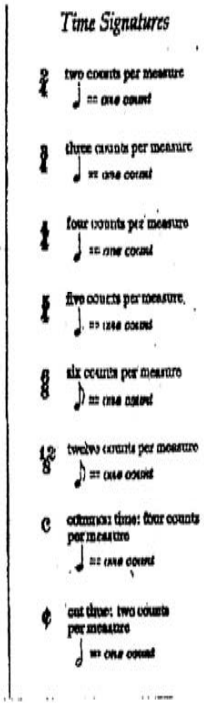
Sforzando – forced, loud (*sf* or *sfz*)

Sforzato – strong accent (𝆏)

Staccato – shorten value of note and substitute a rest (𝆭)

Tenuto – give full value to note (𝆹𝅥)

Vivace – very fast, lively



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Tax ID# 35-2427400

Dear Friends,

The St. Clair Shores Community Chorus is a non-profit organization which provides brilliant choral entertainment to audience members in its surrounding communities in both Spring and holiday performances.

Over the years the chorus has provided music scholarships for graduating high school seniors within the surrounding community schools, both public and private. These students audition before the SCSCC Board Members for the scholarships. The top three winners perform at our Spring concert.

We would like you to consider an ad in our upcoming program. This helps offset the cost of printing.

There are 3 types of ads available; a quarter page ad $25, a half page ad $50, and a full page ad $100. Please see the attached pages for examples from our previous programs. This is a great way to promote your business. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Thank you so much for your time and generosity.

The St. Clair Shores Community Chorus

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HOW TO USE THE AD FORMS

Business Ad Letter – This letter should accompany the business ad examples and be left at the business with your name and contact information if NO PERSON OF AUTHORITY is there to actually purchase the ad.

If you are able to sell the ad right away, fill out the Business Ad Form IN FULL and bring it to rehearsal along with check or cash and artwork or business card attached. We can make up any ad they want if they give us enough information. Put ad and money in envelope with your name and deposit in the ad box at rehearsal.

Next fill out the Receipt for Ad IN FULL and give to the business for tax purposes.

Donation ONLY letter is given to a person or business that may wish to donate to our raffles or give a monetary donation to the scholarship fund. This letter explains what we do with their money.

If you are able to obtain a donation, fill out the Receipt for Donation COMPLETELY and give to the business owner or individual.

Fill out the Donation Information form and hand in to the Treasurer at rehearsal.

Member Well Wishes Ads are for members to purchase for our program to wish their fellow members well, thank a family member or just plain be silly. You may choose to have NO SIGNATURE when ad is placed in the program. Put these ads in an envelope with your name and payment, and put into the Ad Box at rehearsal.

"Singers and Musicians…."

"Singers and Musicians are some of the most driven, courageous people on the face of the earth. They deal with more day-to-day rejection in one year than most people do in a lifetime.
Every day, they face the financial challenge of living a freelance lifestyle, the disrespect of people who think they should get real jobs, and their own fear that they'll never work again.
Every day, they have to ignore the possibility that the vision they have dedicated their lives to is a pipe dream.
With every note, they stretch themselves, emotionally and physically, risking criticism and judgment.
With every passing year, many of them watch as the other people their age achieve the predictable milestones of normal life - the car, the family, the house, the nest egg.
Why?
Because musicians and singers are willing to give their entire lives to a moment - to that melody, that lyric, that chord, or that interpretation that will stir the audience's soul.
Singers and Musicians are beings who have tasted life's nectar in that crystal moment when they poured out their creative spirit and touched another's heart. In that instant, they were as close to magic, God, and perfection as anyone could ever be. And in their own hearts, they know that to dedicate oneself to that moment is worth a thousand lifetimes."

- David Ackert, LA Times

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WHY DO YOU SING?

RESEARCH HAS SHOWN for some time that singing in a choir has tremendous benefits for physical and mental well-being, leading some to prescribe it as a treatment for medical conditions. In addition, recent findings suggest that there are specific benefits that are unique to choral singing:

- Strengthens feelings of togetherness
- Regulates heart rate
- Reduces stress levels and depression
- Improves symptoms of Parkinson's and lung disease
- Improves feelings of social well-being
- Increases life-expectancy

http://www.cmuse.org/psychological-and-physical-benefits-of-choral-singing/
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SCSCC FALL Schedule 2019 – A Classic Holiday Celebration - St. Margaret's Church of Scotland

Aug 26	Monday	Sponsorship-Wahby Park by Blossom Heath – 7:00 p.m. – 8:00p.m. Swing Shift Orchestra
Sept 9	Monday	7:00 – refreshments & welcome new members- 7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal
Sept 16	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal
Sept 23	Monday	5:30 – Show Choir, 6:30 – Women's Emsemble, 7:00 – Men's Emsemble
Sept 30	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Dues due
Oct 7	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal
Oct 14	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Concert Tickets Available for Sale
Oct 21	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Feature solo tryouts 8:45 & Costume $ due
Oct 28	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal
Nov 4	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Ads and Ad money due
Nov 11	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Flowers and DVD – orders and $ due
Nov 18	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal – Ticket Money due
Nov 21	Thursday	5:00-7:30 – Show Choir – Shorepointe Rehab. & Assisted Living Centers
Nov 25	Monday	7:30 – 9:10 Rehearsal
Dec 1	Sunday	Full Chorus – Perf. at Triumph. Cross Church – morning times TBA
Dec 2	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Dec 5	Thursday	Rehearsal at St. Marg. 6-9:30 -Attendance imperative-Cindy sets up 5:15
Dec 6	Friday	Full Chorus-Tree Lighting Ceremony City Hall – 5:30-7:30
Dec 7	Saturday	Delivery of poinsettia & raffle baskets to St. Marg. – 2:00 – Board only
Dec 8	Sunday	HOLIDAY PERF. at St.Marg.1:30 set-up, 2:00 choir to choir rm.,3:00 perf.

SCSCC Spring Schedule 2020 – Singing & Dancing through the Decades @ The Carpathia Club

Jan 6	Monday	7:00 refreshments, 7:30-9:00*Review of the season, handbooks, events, music
Jan 13	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Jan 20	Monday	7:30-9:10 Reh.*MLK Day*5:30-Sh.Choir*6:30-Wom. Ens.*7:00-Men's Ens.
Jan 27	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal-Dues due
Feb 3	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Feb 10	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal-Deadline for Scholarship Audition Submission
Feb 17	Monday	7:30-9:10
Feb 20	Thursday	7:00 – Scholarship Auditions/Tryouts – Board meets at 6:30 sharp.
Feb 24	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Mar 2	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal-Nominations for next year's Board Members
Mar 9	Monday	7:30-9:10 Reh.-After reh.-Feature Solo Tryouts-if needed
Mar 16	Monday	7:30-9:10 Reh.-Voting for 2020-2021 Board Members-if applicable
Mar 23	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal – Small Solo tryouts if needed due to in-reh. selections
Mar 30	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal – All Ads and Ad payments due
Apr 6	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal – Flower & DVD orders and payments due
Apr 13	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Apr 20	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
Apr 27	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal
May 4	Monday	7:30-9:10 Rehearsal-THIS IS PERF. WEEK. THIS REH. at the church.
May 6	Wednesday	6:00-9:30 Rehearsal-At the Carpathia Club-Set-up time is 1:00
May 7	Thursday	6th Annual CABARET-SINGING & DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES
May 11	Monday	7:00-8:15 Memorial Day Rehearsal at the church
May 18	Monday	7:00-8:15 Memorial Day Rehearsal at the Park
May 24	Sunday	7:45-10:00 Mem. Day Perf. begins at 9:00A.M. *Veteran's Mem. Park*Full Choir

Summer Board Meetings: June 22-7:00-church, July 20-7:00-church, August 17-7:00-TBD

FUND RAISING INFORMATION FOR 2019-2020

Ongoing – please bring in your "clean" cans and bottles weekly in bags.

Also, don't forget to shop at Kroger's and sign-up online. Kroger will donate a portion of quarterly profits earned to our 501c3 organization – the St. Clair Shores Community Chorus.

Do you shop Amazon? Consider shopping at https://smile.amazon.com Choose St. Clair Shores Community Chorus Inc. Amazon will make a donation to the chorus on behalf of your purchase. Thank you!

FALL FUNDRAISERS

MOTOWN SOUPS
Start—Sept 30th 2019
End—Oct 14th 2019
Delivery—Oct 21st 2019

ACHATZ PIES
Start—Oct 28th 2019
End—Nov 11, 2019
Delivery—Nov 25, 2019

WATERMARK RESTAURANT DATES
Date—Friday November 8th 2019

SPRING FUNDRAISERS

NATURE'S D-LIGHT
Start—Feb 24, 2020
End—Mar 9, 2020
Delivery—Mar 16, 2020

BUTTERBRAIDS
Start—Mar 2, 2020
End—Mar 16, 2020
Delivery—Mar 30, 2020

WATERMARK RESTAURANT DATES
Date—Friday April 10th 2020