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2023 & 2024

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Editor's Note 2023

Dear Singers,

The Directory of Singings looks much as it has for many years, but yet again, it is all provisional. Please be sure to check with organizers before planning any trips for events. Please be sure to check the pages that have instructions for submissions and fees, as many changes have been made. The information for ordering and receiving books can be found at **fasola.org/minutes**.

In July of this year, it was my privilege to attend Camp FaSoLa for the first time since 2019. It was such a joy to hear the phenomenal sound of young voices that are the future of Sacred Harp singing. Let us all alter the breakneck speed of our lives by hitting the pause button long enough to savor the harmonies of a Sacred Harp song. Or watch a sunrise. Or witness the innocence of life in the face of a newborn.

I wish you good health, good singing, and peace.

— Judy Caudle

“We thank the Lord of heav’n and earth, who hath preserved us from our birth. For present joys, for blessings past, And for the hope of heaven at last.”

HOW TO SUBMIT MINUTES

Minutes are compiled and submitted by the secretary of the singing. Please familiarize yourself with the general format and style of the minutes of other singings and use the same format and style for your minutes.

- **Name/Location/Date/Time** Start the minutes with exactly three lines showing: 1) the name of the singing, 2) the location, and 3) the calendar date(s) on which it was held. Do not use all-caps.
- **Breaks** Indicate breaks using RECESS or LUNCH, capitalized as shown, and on a line by themselves.
- **Multi-Day Singings** Indicate the start of a second or third day of singing with the day and date spelled out on a line by itself.
- **Names** Verify the spellings of all names. Do not put state names or abbreviations after singers' names. Do not insert commas between the name and the first song number.
- **Song Numbers** List songs only by number. List the name of a song only if the song does not appear in a printed singing book. If two songs begin on the same page, be sure to add lower-case "t" for top or "b" for bottom to the page number. For example: 31t or 49b. If a particular song is the only song beginning on its page, a "t" or "b" should not be used. For example: 306 (not 306b).
- **Other Singing Books** Use abbreviations listed on page 44.
- **Memorial Lesson** When listing those memorialized, please indicate the state of origin and year of death if known.
- **Officers** List officers at the end of the minutes, ending with the name of the secretary.
- **Brevity** Please be brief with any descriptions of business sessions, resolutions reports, memorial lessons, and expressions of thanks. Submitted minutes will be edited as needed for space reasons.
- **E-Mail Instructions and Deadlines** are listed on page 5.
- **Payment** To appear in the Minutes, please send \$15 per singing day. Please note that this fee supports the publication process, but it does not include the cost of ordering the books themselves.
- **Check Payable to:** Sacred Harp Minutes
Mail to: Judy Caudle
1821 Gum Pond Rd., Eva, AL 35621
- **Ordering Books** Please visit fasola.org/minutes for details.

E-MAIL INSTRUCTIONS

Please read and follow these instructions carefully:

E-mail format

- Type or paste directly into the e-mail. **Do not send attachments.**
- The first 3 lines should contain: Singing Name, Location, Date.
- Use 2 returns to make a blank line between all other paragraphs.
- Use 2 spaces between sentences.

Style All styles will be applied during book production.

Use ***plain text only*** in the minutes that you send us:

- Do not use bold, italics, underline, or other special formatting.
- Do not center the title.
- Do not type the title in upper case.
- Do not use “smart quotes”.
- Show long dashes (—) as two hyphens (--).
- Show bulleted items with a * at the start of the paragraph.

Need Help? A web page with examples of well-formatted minutes can be found at: <http://fasola.org/minutes/>

Editor’s E-Mail Address Along with the minutes, or any time during the year, please e-mail directory updates, local singing information, questions, or any other minutes-related correspondence to: minutes@fasola.org

Always Send a Printout Even when you e-mail your minutes, please also mail a printout along with your payment. This allows us to re-type the minutes in the event the e-mail is lost or unreadable.

DEADLINES

Please send minutes immediately after the singing. The deadlines are:

January-October singings

The 15th of the following month.

November singings

The Friday following the singing.

December singings

The 2nd Sunday in December, 5pm (Central time). Singings held after the 2nd Sunday will be in the following year’s book.

SACRED HARP SINGINGS

2024 DIRECTORY

ANNUAL SINGINGS

✦ This symbol indicates that directions to the singing are found on page 41. Fifth Sunday singings are included here by their dates, and, in addition, are listed in a separate section starting on page 26, with explanations of the formulas for determining their dates. Regular local singings are listed in a separate section starting on page 27.

January

First Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 1st—New Year's Day Singing—Cincinnati, Ohio (Location varies)—Always on New Year's Day—Info: <http://ohiosacredharp.ej345.com> or John Bealle

Mon., 1st—New Year's Day Singing—Mapperley Parish Church, Nr Ilkeston, Derbyshire, United Kingdom—11:15 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Info: sacredharp.uk

Mon., 1st—New Year's Day Singing—Hollingsworth Home—10:00 a.m.—*The Georgian Harmony*—1547 Adams Clarke Rd, Commerce, Georgia—
Info: atlantasacredharp.org

Mon., 1st—Dominic Ciavonne Ziegler Memorial Singing—Old Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California—Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Sun., 7th—Shady Grove Annual Singing—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Winston County, Alabama—The first Sunday of each year ✦

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 13th—The Chicago Winter Singing Workshops—Berry United Methodist Church, 4754 N Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois—12:40 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.—
Info: <http://chicagosingings.org>

Sat., 13th, 6:00 p.m.—Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley Memorial Singing—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—Saturday night before the second Sunday in January ✦

Sun., 14th—Uncle Jack Kerr and Henry Kerr Memorial—Camp Ground Methodist Church, 24581 County Road 49, Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to Fruithurst—Turn north onto County Road 49—Dutch Treat Singing—Meals are served at the church for a very reasonable price.

Sun., 14th—Anniversary Singing—Kilbourn Park Fieldhouse, 3501 N Kilbourn Ave, Chicago, Illinois 60641—9:30 a.m.—Info: <http://chicagosingings.org>

Sun., 14th—Helms-Bayne Memorial—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 20th & Sun., 21st—All-California Sacred Harp Convention—Convention rotates between Northern and Southern California—9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.—
Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Sun., 21st—Creel Memorial Christian Harmony Singing—Old County Line Church, near Corner, (Jefferson County), Alabama—9:30 a.m. ✦

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 27th—William J. Reynolds Sacred Harp Singing—School of Church Music, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991*

Edition—2101 Yates Street, Fort Worth, (Tarrant County), Texas—Dutch Treat—
Last Saturday in January—Info: singsings.texasfasola.org
Sat., 27th—Georgian Harmony Singing—Roberta Civic Center, South Matthews
St., Roberta, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Info: atlantasacredharp.org
Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—Keystone Convention—10:00 a.m.—
Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com
Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—Australian Convention—
Info: <http://sacredharpaustralia.com>
Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—W.L. Green Memorial and Baldwin County Cooper Book
Singing—Galilee Primitive Baptist Church, 37295 US Hwy 31 S, Stapleton,
Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January—
Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

February

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 3rd—Rotunda Singing—Alabama Department of Archives and History—9:30
a.m.—3:00 p.m.—Four books used: *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper
Book/Christian Harmony/Colored Sacred Harp*—between Adams and Washington
streets, Montgomery, Alabama—Lunch provided with \$10.00 donation
Sun., 4th—Burnham and Brown Memorial—Wesley Foundation, Jacksonville
(Calhoun County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Driving north on Hwy. 21, go through the
square—Once past Mountain Street, look for the Wesley Foundation building on the
left. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to help with lunch—
Info: katzenhw.47@gmail.com
Sun., 4th—Central Music Convention—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson,
Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 10th—Minnesota State Midwinter Singing—Location to be announced—9:30
a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: Matt Wells or fasolamatt@yahoo.com
Sat., 10th—Baylor University Singing—Truett Seminary Great Hall, Baylor U,
Waco, Texas—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: singsings.texasfasola.org
Sat., 10th—Cape Cod Sacred Harp Singing—West Falmouth Friends Meeting
House, 572 West Falmouth Highway, Falmouth, MA 20540-2115—10:00 a.m.—*The
Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—On Route 28A in West Falmouth, MA—Saturday before
the second Sunday in February—Info: Bill Holt, Chuck Micciche, FB events
Sat., 10th—Sanders Memorial—Liberty Church (McCormick), Jefferson County,
Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Danny Creel +
Sat., 10th—Emory University—Cannon Chapel, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—
Info: atlantasacredharp.org

Sun., 11th—Elder Roy Avery Memorial Singing—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist
Church, Tallapoosa County, Alabama—10:00 a.m. +

Sun., 11th—Lincoln's Birthday Singing—University of Chicago, Ida Noyes Hall,
Chicago, Illinois—1:00 p.m.—(Note: this singing is in connection with Folk Festival
and will alternate with first, second, or third Sunday)—
Info: <http://www.chicagosingsings.org>

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 17th—Panhandle Pioneer Museum—Blountstown, Florida—*Cooper Book*—
Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 17th & Sun., 18th—Pacific Northwest Convention—Ballard Homestead,
Seattle, Washington—9:30 a.m.—Singing school and singing on Saturday, and all day
singing on Sunday—Info: chair@pacificnwsacredharpsingers.org

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 24th—J.L. White Sacred Harp, Eclectic Harmony I, and The Georgian Harmony—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—3965 Glenwood Road—Info: atlantasacredharp.org +

Sat., 24th—South Yorkshire Sacred Harp Singing Day—Wisewood Methodist Church, Ben Lane, Sheffield, UK—10:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 24th—Troy All-Day Singing—Pioneer Museum, Troy, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—North of Troy on west side of Hwy 231—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sat., 24th & Sun., 25th—Texas State Convention—Coker United Methodist Church, 231 E. North Loop Road, San Antonio, Texas—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: singings.texasfasola.org

Sun., 25th—The Social Harp and Sacred Harp Singing—No. 3 Railroad Street Community Center, 3 Railroad St., Arnoldsville, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/The Social Harp*—Info: Michael Spencer

March

First Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 1st - Sun., 3rd—Canceled—Ireland Sacred Harp Convention—Cork, Ireland—Friday evening singing school, Sat, Sun: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Info: <http://www.corksacredharp.com/convention>

Sat., 2nd—Elmore Center Singing—Elmore Center United Methodist Church, 1165 County Road 21, Gordo, Pickens County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—4 miles south of Gordo on County Roads 9 and 21—Info: Jack Pate

Sat., 2nd—Arie and Mona Galloway Memorial—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd—Ohio State Convention—Convention usually alternates between Dayton, Cincinnati, Columbus. Location to be announced.—Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—Sunday 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—First Sunday and Saturday before in March—Info: <http://ohiosacredharp.ej345.com>

Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd—Elder Gerald Hand Memorial and Tucson Singing—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—rotates between Las Cruces, New Mexico and Tucson, Arizona—Info: jswarstad@gmail.com

Sun., 3rd—Rogers Memorial—Ephesus School Auditorium, Ephesus (Heard County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—On Georgia Hwy. 100—Info: Karen Rollins

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 9th—North Carolina Sacred Harp Convention—Pullen Memorial Baptist Chapel, 1801 Hillsborough St., Raleigh, NC 27605—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: ncshapenote.org or Facebook

Sat., 9th—Olympia All-Day Singing—Olympia, Washington—Info: pacificnwsacredharpsingers.org

Sat., 9th—John Etheridge Singing (in Memory of Winston Jones and Doss Bryan)—Valley Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Opp (Covington County), Alabama—*Cooper Book*—10 miles north of Opp on Hwy. 331—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sat., 9th—Sussex Shape Note Singing—Staplefield Village Hall, Cuckfield Road, Staplefield, Sussex, UK—10:00 a.m.—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 9th—Kyneton All-Day Singing—Kyneton, Australia—Info: Lauren Reader via kynetonsacredharp@gmail.com

Sat., 9th & Sun., 10th—Missouri State Convention—The Monday Club, 37 South Maple Avenue, Webster Groves, Missouri 63119—9:30 a.m.—Sacred Harp, 1991

Edition and *Missouri Harmony*—corner of South Maple and East Cedar Avenues—
Info: stlfasola.org and FB

Sat., 9th & Sun., 10th—Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention—
Location to be announced, Northampton, Massachusetts—9:30 a.m.—
Info: wmshc.chair@gmail.com

Sun., 10th—Enon Singing—Enon Baptist Church, Andalusia, Alabama—Cooper
Revision—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sun., 10th—Oxford Singing—Lafayette County Multipurpose Arena, Oxford, MS
38655—9:45 a.m.—70 F.B. Buddy East Parkway (off US 278)—Info: Warren Steel

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 16th—Hoboken Annual Singing—Hoboken Elementary School Auditorium,
224 Church Street North, Hoboken (Brantley County), Georgia 31542—9:00 a.m.—
Cooper Book—From U.S. 82 eastbound, turn north on Kelly (at the flashing caution
light)—Cross railroad tracks—Turn left on Chicago and enter the parking lot of the
school on the right—Info: Riley Lee

Sat., 16th—South Carolina State Singing in Memory of William Walker—Second
Presbyterian Church—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Christian
Harmony*—across from Wofford College—Spartanburg, South Carolina—Lunch on
your own.—Info: Robert Kelley

Sat., 16th—Stephenson, Wall, and Hocutt Memorial Singing—Pleasant Grove
Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred
Harp, 1991 Edition and Christian Harmony*—Northeast of Jasper, Alabama. Off
Alabama Hwy 69, turn on Boldo Cemetery Road—Info: shapenotesingsings.com

Sat., 16th—Vermont All-Day Singing—Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the
Upper Valley, 320 Route 5 South, Norwich, Vermont 05055—10:00 a.m.—*The
Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Saturday before the third Sunday in March unless
Easter—Info: vermontshapenotesingsings.com

Sun., 17th—Godsey Sisters and Sandra Spradlin Memorial (Leona Horton, Maude
Adams, Delia Watts, and Mina Adams)—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, 3
miles north of Double Springs, Alabama, on Hwy 195—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred
Harp, 1991 Edition*—Hwy 278W to Double Springs, Alabama. Turn right onto Hwy
195 N. Go approximately 2 miles, turn right on Co Rd 18.—Info: Nicholas
Thompson

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 23rd—Higher Ground Singing—Fairview Methodist Church, 600 W 6th
Street, Bloomington, Indiana—10:00 a.m.—*Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition and
Shenandoah Harmony*—Info: Barb Lund

Sat., 23rd—Ann Arbor Singing—Keverson Hall, Moore Building, University of
Michigan—10:00 a.m.—1100 Baits Drive, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
48109—Info: claguem@gmail.com

Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th—Georgia State Convention—Alpharetta City Hall,
Alpharetta, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 edition*—Info: Michael
Spencer, atlantasacredharp.org

Sun., 24th—Faircloth—Tom Woodham—Ezzie Hartzog Memorial—Union Hill
Singing Hall, Hwy 177, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—*Cooper Book*—
Info: Kevin Eddins, or sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sun., 24th—Palm Sunday Singing—Cumnor Village Hall, Leys Road, Oxfordshire,
United Kingdom—10:30 a.m.—Palm Sunday—Info: sacredharp.uk

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 30th—Parker, Hollis, Putman Memorial—Liberty Church (McCormick),
Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Saturday before the first fifth Sunday of
year—Info: Danny Creel +

Sun., 31st—Easter Sunday

Sat., 30th & Sun., 31st—Southwest Texas Convention—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, McMahan (Caldwell County), Texas—*Cooper Book*—On Farmers Market Road 713—Between Bastrop and Luling—East of Lockhart—First fifth Sunday in the spring (March or later)—Info: singings.texasfasola.org

Sun., 31st—Ivey Memorial—Liberty Church, 1500 Liberty Rd., Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—First fifth Sunday of year—

Info: David@davidivey.com +

Sun., 31st—Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—

Info: skyami89@gmail.com / jerilcclenney@gmail.com +

April

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 6th—Jones Memorial Singing—Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Opp (Covington County), Alabama—*Cooper Book*—0.5 miles west of Hwy 299 (Martin Luther King Expressway) on Hwy. 84—from North on Hwy 299, turn right on Hwy 84, from South, turn left—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sat., 6th—Harpeth Valley—Priestley Miller Memorial Singing—Radnor Primitive Baptist Church, 503 Brewer Drive, Nashville (Davidson County), Tennessee—9:30 a.m.—From I-65, take Exit 74A (Old Hickory Blvd. east) turn left onto Edmondson Pike (2.2 mi.), turn right on McMurray Dr. (1.1 mi.), turn left on Brewer Dr. From I-24, take Exit 59 and go left on Bell Rd, turn right on Nolensville Rd. (3.3 mi.), turn left on Brewer Dr. (.5 mi.) Church (.6 mi.) Signs will be posted.—Saturday before the first Sunday in April—Info: trcopes@gmail.com

Sat., 6th—Brazos River Singing—Martin Luther Lutheran Church—10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.—*Cooper Book*—202 Luther Lane, Carmine, Texas—20 miles west of Brenham on Hwy 290—Info: singings.texasfasola.org

Sat., 6th—Iowa Singing—St. John Lutheran Church, 600 Sixth Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa—Info: Michael Moore or facebook

Sat., 6th—Brighton Sacred Harp Singing Day—Exeter Street Hall, Brighton, UK—10:00 a.m.—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 6th—Sweetwater All-Day Singing—Church of the Mediator, 401 NE Cholokka Blvd., Micanopy, Florida

Sat., 6th & Sun., 7th—Potomac River Convention—Cherrydale Volunteer Fire Dept. Hall, 3900 Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia—Saturday, *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and Sunday, *The Shenandoah Harmony*—First Sunday and Saturday before.—Info: jdelre1952@gmail.com, or dcshapenote.squarespace.com

Sat., 6th & Sun., 7th—P. Dan Brittain Memorial Singing—West Fork Community Center, 222 Webster Street, West Fork, Arkansas 72774—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Missouri Harmony*—First weekend in April—Info: Syd Caldwell

Sun., 7th—Hugh Bill McGuire Memorial—Location to be announced.

Sun., 7th—Edwardsville Baptist Church—Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—U.S. Hwy 78, six miles east of Heflin, Alabama—Info: Cecil Roberts

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 12th—Elder Homer Benefield, Katherine Benefield, and Mildred Johnson Memorial—Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, 225 Shiloh Church Rd, Waco, Georgia—6:30 p.m. ET—Friday night before the second Sunday in April

Sat., 13th—Bainbridge Island All-Day Sacred Harp Singing—Seabold Hall, 14450 Komedal Rd, NE, Bainbridge Island, Washington 98110—Info: Kevin Barrans / kbarrans@gmail.com

Sat., 13th—State Line Church—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:00 a.m. CDT—From west to east: Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to the Georgia State Line; immediately turn around and come back to first road to the right (Co. Rd. 69). Go to the second road on the right (dirt—NOT paved—County Road 207) and turn right. Go approximately 500 yards and church will be on left.—From the east: Go to Georgia State Line and follow the same directions—Info: Pam Nunn

Sat., 13th—Barfield Memorial—Union Hill Singing Hall—*Cooper Book*—Hwy 177, 9 miles from Hwy 79, Miller Crossroads, Florida, near Bonifay.—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sun., 14th—Antioch Baptist Church—Ider (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Take I-59 north—Exit right at Exit 231—Turn left onto Hwy. 40/117—Go 1.4 miles and turn right on Hwy. 117—Go 9.5 miles (You will cross Hwy. 75)—Turn right onto Hwy. 141—Go 3.9 miles—Turn right onto County Road 783 and immediately back left onto County Road 782—Church is on left

Sun., 14th—County Line Church—near Corner, (Jefferson County), Alabama—9:30 a.m. +

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 20th—Paris Singing—Location to be announced.—10:30 a.m.—Saturday before 3rd Sunday in April—Info: leopoldine.guillaume@gmail.com

Sat., 20th—Middle Georgia Sacred Harp Singing—Union Primitive Baptist Church, Goggans, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Johnstonville Road between I-75 and Barnesville

Sat., 20th—Rhode Island All-Day Sacred Harp Singing—Providence Friends Meeting House, 99 Morris Ave, Providence, Rhode Island 02906—10:00 a.m.—Info: <http://risacredharp.org>

Sat., 20th—Landmark Park Singing—Landmark Park, Dothan, Alabama—Cooper Revision—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sun., 21st—Enon Primitive Baptist Church—Chickasaw County, Mississippi—Dinner at 12:00 noon with singing beginning at 1:00 p.m.—South of Hwy. 8—8 miles east of Houston—From Hwy. 8—Turn south on County Road 190—Church is on the left

Sun., 21st—Old Harmony—Old Harmony Primitive Baptist Church, 3490 County Road 60, Heflin, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Approximately 10 miles east of Heflin—Take Exit 210 (Ranburne/Muscadine, exit off I-20)—Take first road on right (County Road 60)—Go 1 mile—Church on right

Sun., 21st—New Haven Singing—New Haven, Connecticut—Info: Ian Quinn

Sun., 21st—Pine Grove Church—Lookout Mountain, Near Collinsville, DeKalb County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Rodney Ivey +

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 27th—Oliver Kindig-Stokes Memorial—York Friends Meetinghouse, 135 West Philadelphia St, York, Pennsylvania—Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sat., 27th—Golden Gate Singing—San Francisco Bay Area, Location TBD—<http://fasola.org/sf/goldengate/>—Info: chair@bayareasacredharp.org

Sat., 27th—Detroit Singing—Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 4800 Woodward Ave—9:30 a.m.—Info: Jamie Yeats

Sat., 27th—Atlanta Sacred Harp Singing—To Be Announced—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: atlantasacredharp.org or Andy Ditzler

Sat., 27th—New York State Regional (Spring)—Ithaca Friends Meeting House, 120 3rd St., Ithaca, NY 14850—10:00 a.m.—Info: Ginny Huszagh

Sat., 27th—Alabama State Cooper Book Convention—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—Semi-Annual Session—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 27th—Ryan Creek Singing—Valley Grove Community Center, Cullman, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Exit 306, Interstate Hwy 65,—Info: Butch White

Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—Rusk County Convention—Old Pine Grove Church, Henderson, Texas—*Christian Harmony* (Sat)—*Cooper Book* (Sun)—Fourth weekend in April unless falls on Easter, then third weekend in April—Info: singings.texasfasola.org

Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—East Midlands Sacred Harp Convention—Village Hall, Kegworth, Leicestershire, United Kingdom—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Cooper Book*—0.5 miles SE of M1 junction 24—5 minutes from East Midlands Airport and 45 minutes from Birmingham International Airport—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sun., 28th—Friendship Church—Winston County, Alabama, Eight miles southeast of Haleyville—On Hwy. 195, Turn south at church sign, go 2 miles, church on left—Going north—look for church sign, go south 2 miles

Sun., 28th—Alewine-Laminack Memorial—St. Michael Lutheran Church, 2213 County Road 14, Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m. CDT with Lunch 12:00 noon CDT—Take U.S. 78 to Fruithurst—Turn north (County Road 35) at post office—Go to County Road 49—Follow County Road 49 north to County Road 14 (Rosewood Community)—Turn right—Go approximately 2 miles—Church on left

May

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 4th—Huntsville Sacred Harp Singing—Burritt on the Mountain, Huntsville, (Madison County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Singing held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May—Info: David@davidivey.com

Sat., 4th—Northwest Arkansas Shiloh Singing—St. John's Episcopal Church, 707 W. Central Ave., Harrison, Arkansas—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Syd Caldwell

Sat., 4th & Sun., 5th—Portland Singing—The Little Church, 5138 NE 23rd Avenue, Portland, Oregon—9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—Saturday singing from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and Sunday singing from *The Christian Harmony*—Info: poshchair@gmail.com or Portland Sacred Harp on Facebook

Sun., 5th—Heath Memorial—Mabson Church, Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—5 miles east of Ozark on Hwy 36—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sun., 5th—Shady Grove Baptist Church—Dutton (Jackson County), Alabama—Info: Syble Adams +

Sun., 5th—Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery)—141 Keeton Lane, Nauvoo, Walker County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—Info: Glenn Keeton +

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 11th—Memphis Singing—Grace Chapel Primitive Baptist Church, 838 Berclair Road, Memphis, Tennessee—Info: Matt Bell

Sat., 11th—Pumpkintown Shape Note Singing (formerly Furman University)—Oolenoy Community Center, 5301 Dacusville Hwy (SC135), Pickens, South Carolina 29671—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Christian Harmony*—Saturday before second Sunday in May—Info: davefarmer@charter.net

Sat., 11th—Boston Singing—First Church in Jamaica Plain UU, 6 Eliot St, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts 02130—10:00 a.m.—Info: <http://www.bostonsacredharp.org>

Sat., 11th—Mid-Michigan Singing—Faith Lutheran Church, Okemos, Michigan—Info: fasolamichigan.org

Sat., 11th—Bristol Singing—Frenchay Quaker Meeting House, Beckspool Road, Bristol, UK—10:30 a.m.—Info: <http://bristolsacredharp.org>

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 18th—Providence Singing—Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church at Providence, Cullman County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—2 County Road 1428, Vinemont, Alabama 35179. Located on eastern side of Cullman County Road 1435.

Sat., 18th—Kentucky State Sacred Harp Convention—Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Versailles, Kentucky—Near Lexington—Info: Charles Coulston

Sun., 19th—Cane Creek Church—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—3.5 miles east of Heflin on U.S. Hwy. US Hwy 78—GPS: 33.685862, -85.525712—One quarter mile south of intersection of US-78 and CR-66.

Sun., 19th—Concord Baptist Church—Calhoun County, Mississippi—12:00 Noon Dinner, singing at 1:00 p.m.—West of Hwy. 32 at Ellard—In Ellard—Take County Road 238 west from Ellard to Concord. Cross Persimmon Bottom and continue up the hill to the church.

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 25th—Low Country Sacred Harp Society—Charleston, South Carolina—10:00 a.m.—Location to be announced—Info: Charleston Shape Note Singings FB

Sat., 25th & Sun., 26th—John Merritt Memorial Singing—Old Courthouse Museum, 1008 Cherry Street, Vicksburg, Mississippi—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition, J.L. White Book, Cooper Book, and Christian Harmony*—Info: Mark Davis or Henry McGuire

Sat., 25th & Sun., 26th—Germany Sacred Harp Convention—Cologne, Germany—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition and Cooper Book*—Info: Caro Stamm-Reusch, sacredharpberlin@gmail.com

Sat., 25th & Sun., 26th—The Big Singing—Marshall County Courthouse on the Square, Benton, Kentucky—10:00 a.m.—*Southern Harmony, The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: tcropes@gmail.com

Sat., 25th & Sun., 26th—Midwest Convention—Chicago, Illinois—9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., both days—Info: Randy Neufeld & Susan Geil or www.chicagosingsings.org

Sun., 26th—Rocky Mount Homecoming/Hillabee Sacred Harp Convention—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Daviston, Tallapoosa County, Alabama—10:00 a.m. CST +

Sun., 26th—Beda Church Singing—7971 Beda Road, Wing, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—20 miles southwest of Andalusia, Alabama, on Hwy 137 north of Wing, Alabama—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Mon., 27th—Memorial Day

Mon., 27th—Jack C. Smith Memorial Singing—Oakhurst Baptist Church, 222 East Lake Drive, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: atlantasacredharp.org

Mon., 27th—Memorial Day Singing—Old Paths Bible Church (Siloam Church)—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Missouri Harmony*—From Bowling Green, Missouri, take Hwy Y about nine miles past Farmer intersection to Pike County Road 410. Church is two miles on Rd 410; follow signs—Info: Tommy Schultz or www.stlfasola.org

June

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 1st—Vancouver All-Day Singing—Grandview Calvary Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia—9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.—Saturday before the first Sunday in June—Info: Matthew McLellan

Sat., 1st—Lamar and Pickens County Convention—Zion Primitive Baptist Church, Pickens County, Alabama +

Sat., 1st—Shaker Meetinghouse and Francis Bliss Memorial singing—Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village Meetinghouse, New Gloucester, Maine—Info: Barb Ames

Sat., 1st—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Elba, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—approximately 7 miles north of Elba on Hwy 87 just past CR315 (dirt road circles back to Hwy 87). Church is on left going north—
Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 1st—Newcastle Singing—St. Francis Church Hall, Cleveland Gardens High Heaton, Newcastle, UK—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Singing held on Saturday following the Whitsun Bank Holiday—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 1st & Sun., 2nd—Northern Shenandoah Valley Double All-Day Singing—Location to be announced—10:00 a.m.—singing from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* on Saturday; singing from *The Shenandoah Harmony* on Sunday—
Info: jdelre1952@gmail.com

Sat., 1st—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen, Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Info: Phillip Langley +

Sat., 1st & Sun., 2nd—Oslo Sacred Harp Singing—Saturday 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Sunday noon-3:30 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Singing school on Friday evening—Location to be announced—Info: Chris Affolter or sacredharp.uk

Sun., 2nd—Hill Roane Memorial—Sherman Baptist Church, Calhoun County, Mississippi—On Hwy. 32, 10 miles west of Bruce—Dutch treat: singers bring lunch.

Sun., 2nd—Liberty Decoration Day Singing—Liberty Church, 1500 Liberty Rd., Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: David@davidivey.com +

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 8th—Raymond Hamrick Memorial Georgian Harmony Singing—Roberta Civic Center, South Matthews Street, Roberta, Georgia—Info: John Plunkett

Sat., 8th—Hopewell Homecoming—Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church—9:00 a.m.—3596 Airport Road, Altoona, Blount County, Alabama—Info: Nate Green +

Sat., 8th—Exeter All-Day Singing—Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, Exeter Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania—10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.—U.S. 422 to Baumstown—Continue past homestead 1 mile to Meetinghouse Road—Left on Meetinghouse Road 0.2 miles to Meetinghouse on right—Set date of Saturday before the second Sunday in June—Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sun., 9th—June Singing—Alpharetta City Hall Building, 2 Park Plaza, Alpharetta, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—from Atlanta, exit GA400 North at Haynes Bridge—turn left—go to Old Milton Parkway—turn left—turn right on GA9—City Hall/ Courthouse ¼ mile on right—Info: Helen Bryson

Sun., 9th—Oak Springs Church—Calhoun County, Mississippi—Dinner at noon, singing at 1:00 p.m.—3 miles north of Derma

Sun., 9th—Aldridge Memorial—Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson Schoolhouse), Fayette County, Alabama—Info: Elene Stovall, Bridge Kennedy +

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Thu., 13th & Fri., 14th—National Sacred Harp Singing Convention—Birmingham Square Dance Association, Friendship Hall, Fultondale, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—
Info: Glenn Keeton and Mark Davis

Sat., 15th—Moore, Graves, and Calvert Memorial—Addington Chapel Methodist Church, Cullman County, Alabama—from I-65 take exit 299-go south on Hwy 69 toward Jasper approximately 10.8 miles—turn right onto County Road 59-go 1.5 miles, church will be on your right.

Sat., 15th—Mt. Adams All-Day Singing—The Trout Lake Grange Hall, 2390 Highway 141, Trout Lake, Washington—Take I84 east, cross the river at Hood

River, drive north on Hwy. 141 about 25 minutes—Friday night social in Trout Lake—Info: Melissa Stephenson

Sat., 15th—Clermont-Ferrand Singing—Location to be announced, Paris, France—12:00 p.m.—Info: Frederic Eymard, frederic.eynard@gmail.com

Sat., 15th—Morton Singing—Tiller Arts Center, Morton, Washington—Saturday before the third Sunday in June in alternate years—Info: Kate Fortin

Sun., 16th—Zion Hill Memorial Singing—Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Brachfield (Rusk County), Texas—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—About 12 miles southeast of Henderson—Take Farm to Market Road 840 toward Brachfield from Henderson—Turn right at the Welch Cemetery on County Road 368—Church is on the left—Always held on Father's Day—Info: singings.texasfasola.org

Sun., 16th—Albany Regional All-Day Singing—Burton Hall (East Town Hall), 1071 NY-40, Greenwich, New York 12834—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: twareh@gmail.com and FB

Sun., 16th—Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church—2277 Hopewell Road, 2 miles east of Ephesus, Heard County, Georgia off State Route 100—10:00 a.m.—Info: Karen Rollins

Sun., 16th—Clifford Wakefield Memorial—King School House (Mt. Vernon Baptist Church), Winston County, Alabama +

Sun., 16th—Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church—Macedonia Community (Jackson County), Alabama—10:00 a.m.—4 miles south of Section—7 miles northwest of Fyffe on county road to Section—Info: Dennis George

Sun., 16th—Pleasant Home Baptist Church—6107 Eagle Road, Andalusia, Alabama 36420—9:30 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 22nd—The Kermit and Steve Adams Memorial—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Winston County, Alabama +

Sat., 22nd—Oxford Sacred Harp Singing—Botley Women's Institute Hall, North Hinksey Lane, Oxford, UK—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sun., 23rd—DeLong-Roberts Memorial Singing—Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church, 4490 State Bridge Way, Alpharetta, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Exit GA400 N at exit 10—Go east for 2.6 miles—turn left at traffic light on to Kimbell Bridge Road (past Chick Fil'a)—take second left into parking lot—Info: Jesse Roberts

Sun., 23rd—New Hope Church—Cullman County, Alabama—Five miles south of Jones Chapel off Hwy. 278, turn south onto County Road 940—Church is on the right

Sun., 23rd—Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church—Fayette County, Alabama +

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Sun., 30th—Mount Pisgah—Sylvester (Worth County), Georgia—10 miles southwest of Sylvester—From I-75—Take Hwy. 112 to Ashburn and through Sylvester—Turn left on Evergreen/Doerun Road—Go 5.5 miles—Church on right—Always the second fifth Sunday each year—Info: Tim Meeks

Sun., 30th—Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—Info: skyami89@gmail.com / jerilclemney@gmail.com +

July

First Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 1st—Independence Day Singing—Location to be announced—Info: Rene Greene

Mon., 1st - Fri., 5th—Camp Fasola—Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama—For up-to-date information see campfasola.org—Info: David Ivey

Thu., 4th—Independence Day

Sat., 6th—Pioneer Valley Singing—First Congregational Church Chapel, Sunderland, Massachusetts—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Info: www.wmshc.org or Linda Shea

Sat., 6th—Lewes Sacred Harp Singing Day—South Malling Parish Church, Church Lane, Lewes, E. Sussex, United Kingdom—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 6th & Sun., 7th—Henagar-Union Convention—Liberty Church, 1500 Liberty Rd., Henagar, DeKalb County, Alabama—Saturday 9:00 a.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.—Two miles north of Henagar—Info: david@davidivey.com +

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 12th & Sat., 13th—Quebec Convention—Ways Mills Community Hall, Barnston-Quest, Quebec—10:00 a.m.—Friday night and Saturday before the second Sunday in July—Info: Chuck Neville

Sat., 13th—Flat Shoals Primitive Baptist Church Singing—Flat Shoals Primitive Baptist Church, 2052 Fairview Road, Stockbridge, Georgia—Info: Jesse Roberts

Sat., 13th—Victoria All-Day Singing—Dickson Street Space, 35-39 Dickson Street, Newtown, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia—Info: Elaena Gardner / sydneyshapenote@gmail.com

Sat., 13th—Scotland Singing—singing will rotate between Edinburgh and Glasgow—Info: shapenotesscotland@gmail.com

Sat., 13th & Sun., 14th—Cullman County Singing Convention—Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Ave., SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055—9:30 a.m.—On Hwy 31, three blocks south of intersection of Hwy 31 and Hwy 278

Sun., 14th—Montreal All-Day Singing—Sunday, Montreal Centre Culturel Georges Vanier—10:00 a.m.—Second Sunday in July—Info: montrealsacredharp@gmail.com

Sun., 14th—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur (DeKalb County), Georgia—Preaching at 10:30 a.m.—Lunch at 12:15—Singing 1:15 p.m.—*J.L. White Book* +

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Thu., 18th—Capitol City Shape Note Singing—Loeb Reception Center (near Kiwanis Park), 310 Columbus Ave., Montgomery, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Sponsored by the Alabama Center for Traditional Culture—Bring a sack lunch for the noon lunch break—Always held on the third Thursday in July

Sat., 20th—Shenandoah Harmony Singing—University Baptist Church, 1219 University Ave SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota—*Shenandoah Harmony*—Saturday before the second Sunday, after July 4—Info: <http://www.freude.com/fasola>

Sat., 20th—Walker County Convention—First Presbyterian Church (PCA), Jasper, AL—Info: Glenn Keeton

Sat., 20th—Michiana Singing—Fairview Grange, 22482 County Road 45, Goshen, Indiana—9:30 a.m.—Wilden Avenue in Goshen is County Road 45. Fairview Grange is in Dunlap 0.7 miles southeast of Ox Bow Park.—Info: Samuel Sommers

Sat., 20th—Melbourne All-Day Singing—Melbourne, Australia—Info: Shawn Whelan/Natalie Sims/sacred_harp@yahoo.com.au

Sat., 20th—Jeremiah Ingalls and Sacred Harp Singing—Newbury Center Town House, 4504 Scotch Hollow Rd, Newbury, Vermont—10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.—Saturday before the third Sunday in July—Info: j.l.squizzero@gmail.com

Sat., 20th & Sun., 21st—Rocky Mountain Convention—Colorado Session--Location to be announced—9:00 a.m.—Saturday, *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*,

Sunday, *Cooper Book*—Third Sunday and Saturday before in July—

Info: coloradofasola@gmail.com or sacredharpcolorado.org or FB

Sat., 20th & Sun., 21st—Gwehelog Singing Weekend—Gwehelog Methodist Chapel, nr Usk, United Kingdom—10:00 a.m.—Saturday, *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, Sunday, *Christian Harmony*—Third Sunday and Saturday before in July—
Info: <http://bristolsacredharp.org>

Sun., 21st—Kalamazoo Singing—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m. EDT—
Info: Martha Beverly or fasolamichigan.org

Sun., 21st—Chafin, Harbinson, Hollis Memorial Singing—New Prospect Church, Near Bremen, Cullman County, Alabama—From Cullman, Take Hwy. 69 south—Go past landfill—Take County Road 8 south—Go 1 mile (First paved road)—Take left and go 0.6 miles.

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 26th - Sun., 28th—Maine Singing Weekend—Friday night, Bristol Mills, Maine, Saturday and Sunday, Union Town House, Maine—Friday night 6:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m., Sunday 10:00 a.m.—Friday night, *Cooper Book*, Saturday, *The Sacred Harp*, 1991 edition, Sunday, *DH Mansfield American Vocalist*—
Info: <http://maineshapenotesinging.org>

Sat., 27th—Cotaco Convention—Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, 2086 Gum Pond Rd. (Morgan County) Eva, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—

Info: judycaudle@gmail.com +

Sat., 27th—Covington County Convention—Covington County, Alabama. Location varies each year.—Cooper Revision—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sat., 27th—Swannanoa Gathering Singing—Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Christian Harmony/Southern Harmony*—Coincides with summer programs at college. Be sure to check listings for date changes.—Info: shapenotesingings.com

Sun., 28th—Mt. Zion Memorial—Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 49 North Prospect Ave., Mt. Zion (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—In Mt. Zion at crossroads of Hwy 16/Mt. Zion Road and Prospect Ave., turn north onto North Prospect Ave., and drive 400 feet to church on right.

August

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 3rd—Eugene Singing—Eugene, Oregon area, Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—First Saturday in August—Info: Karen Stingle

Sat., 3rd—Lunsford and Jolly Memorial—Christ Lutheran Church, 4761 Cass Street, Pacific Beach, San Diego, California—Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Sat., 3rd & Sun., 4th—Chattahoochee Sacred Harp Convention—Wilson's Chapel, Southeast of Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—From the southeastern section of 166 (Carrollton bypass) turn south on OLD Newnan Road, at fork, bear left onto Cross Plains Rd—at three way intersection, bear right onto dirt road, Chapel on left.—From Alabama—Exit I20 at US Hwy 27, turn right, go about 10 miles, turn left at light onto Linda Lane, continue several miles until light at Old Newnan Road, turn left, after passing Cross Plains on right, keep straight after sharp curve, Chapel on left—Info: atlantasacredharp.org

Sun., 4th—Fayette County Convention—Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Fayette County, Alabama—9:30 a.m. +

Sun., 4th—Bulgar-Cockcroft Memorial—Red Oak Church, Hwy 55 between Andalusia and Florala, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—
Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 10th—Calhoun County Convention—Mount Herman Primitive Baptist Church, near Vardaman, Mississippi—9:30 a.m.—Info: Warren Steel

Sat., 10th—East Kentucky All-Day Singing—Calvary Campus, 31 Stuart Robinson Road, Letcher, Kentucky 41832—10:00 a.m.—from Hwy 15, turn on to Route 7 South at Isom and drive about 10 minutes—Calvary Campus is on the right—Info: Ben Fink

Sat., 10th—Ann Sleeva Memorial Cooper Book Singing—Chicago, Illinois—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: <http://chicagosings.org>

Sat., 10th—Winchester Singing—Winchester, United Kingdom—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: <http://ukshapenote.org.uk/>

Sat., 10th & Sun., 11th—East Texas Sacred Harp Convention—Henderson Civic Center, 1500 Lake Forest Parkway, Henderson (Rusk County), Texas—*Cooper Book*—Info: singsings.texasfasola.org

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 17th—Ramah Singing—Ramah Primitive Baptist Church, Lenox (Conecuh County), Ala.—*Cooper Book*—On County Hwy. 6, about 4 miles west of I-65 near Lenox—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 17th—B.M. Smith and Philip Denney Memorial Singing—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—I-20, Georgia, exit 11--US Hwy 27 south for about 13.5 miles, passing through Carrollton—turn right on Oak Grove Road and go about 1/2 miles. Turn left on Oak Grove Church Road and go about 1/2 miles, church is on the left.—Info: Karis Askin and Isaac Green

Sat., 17th—Mt. Rainier Singing—Buckley Hall, 127 N. River Ave., (between Main St. and Cottage St. N, Buckley, Washington—*Cooper Book*—Info: Karen Willard

Sat., 17th & Sun., 18th—Berlin Singing Weekend—Location to be announced, Berlin, Germany—Saturday 10:30 a.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m.—Saturday: *The Shenandoah Harmony* and Sunday: *The Sacred Harp, 1991 edition*—Info: Caro Stamm-Reush or sacredharpberlin@gmail.com

Sun., 18th—Willard Birthday Singing—Buckley Hall, 127 N. River Ave., (between Main St. and Cottage St. N, Buckley, Washington—Info: Karen Willard

Sun.,—Cleburne County Convention—This singing has been combined with the Labor Day Singing at Shoal Creek—Info: Cecil Roberts

Sun., 18th—Emma Beasley, Belton Beasley, and Phillip Lee, III Memorial—Concord Church, Winfield (Marion County), Alabama—Info: Marlin Beasley +

Sun., 18th—Cedar Creek Singing—Mt. Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church, Sylvester, Georgia—Info: Tim Meeks

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 24th—Palo Alto Singing—UU Church of Palo Alto, 505 E. Charleston Rd., Palo Alto, California—Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Sat., 24th—Cork All-Day Singing—St. Fin Barre's Cathedral, Dean Street, Cork, Ireland—Info: corksacredharp@gmail.com

Sat., 24th—Floyd County All-Day Singing—Savitz Barn, 326 Dreamers Lane, Floyd, VA 24091—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Shenandoah Harmony*—Info: chrisfromground2plate@gmail.com or 276-229-2394

Sat., 24th & Sun., 25th—Central Ontario Convention—Saturday-Friends House, 60 Lowther Ave. Toronto (singing school Friday night) and Sunday-Detweiler Meetinghouse, 3445 Roseville Road, North Dumfries Township (near Kitchener/Waterloo), Ontario, Canada—9:30 a.m. EDT—Info: torontoshapenote.org

Sat., 24th & Sun., 25th—Mississippi State Convention—Antioch Primitive Baptist Church, Near Forest (Scott County) Mississippi—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition, Cooper Book, J.L. White Book, and Christian Harmony*—Info: Mark Davis

Sat., 24th & Sun., 25th—Lookout Mountain Convention—Pine Grove Church, Near Collinsville, DeKalb County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Rodney Ivey +

September

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 31st—New Providence Primitive Baptist Church—Ringgold, Louisiana—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Cooper Book*—Info: Robert Vaughn

Sat., 31st—Georgian Harmony Singing—Roberta Civic Center, South Matthews Street, Roberta, Georgia—Info: John Plunkett or Oscar McGuire

Sat., 31st—Maidencreek Friends Meetinghouse—Near Leesport, Berks County, Pennsylvania—Saturday of Labor Day Weekend—Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sat., 31st—Mulberry River Convention—Old County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—1991 Edition—Saturday before the first Sunday in September—Info: Danny Creel +

Sun., 1st—Fox Valley Folk Festival Singing—Island Park, Geneva, Illinois—11:30 a.m.—Always the Sunday before Labor Day—Info: <http://chicagosings.org>

Sun., 1st—Shiloh-Littlevine Singing—Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, South of Tallapoosa, Georgia, off Hwy. 100—10:00 a.m.—From I-20—Take Exit #5 and go South on Hwy 100—1.4 miles to Shiloh Church Road—Turn right—0.8 miles to church

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 2nd—Labor Day

Mon., 2nd—Labor Day Singing and Cleburne County Convention—Shoal Creek Church, Talladega National Forest, Near Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—From West to East: Take Hwy. 78 east to Heflin and then into Edwardsville—Go through Edwardsville, just past mile marker 183, and turn north onto County Road 61 which is directly across the road from the volunteer fire department. There is a sign for Talladega National Forest—Go 5.6 miles, cross the creek, go 0.4 miles and look for a sign for the church. Turn right at the church sign onto a dirt road leading to the church—Info: Cecil Roberts

Sat., 7th—Cooper Book Singing—Little Flock Church, 3218 Molino Road, Molino, Florida—1.5 miles West of US Hwy. 29—
Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-sings

Sat., 7th—Greenville-Pioneer Day Sacred Harp Singing—The Church of Greenville, fellowship hall, 228 Ladean Court, Simpsonville, SC 29680—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—1991 Edition—Saturday before the Second Sunday in September—Info: davefarmer@charter.net or shapenotesings.com

Sat., 7th—Cape Meares Singing—Community Schoolhouse, Cape Meares, Oregon—Saturday following Labor Day—Info: Betsy Jeronen

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—United Sacred Harp Musical Association (United Sacred Harp Singing Convention)—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church is north of Bowdon, Georgia.—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—From I-20 take exit 5 at Hwy 100, travel 7.2 miles south. Turn right onto Smithfield Rd. The church is on the right.—Info: shapenotesings.com

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—Sacred Harp Workshop and Singing—Uppsala, Sweden—Info: Hanna Flyckt at hanna.flyckt@ub.uu.se

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 14th—New York City All Day Singing—Location TBA—9:30 a.m.—
Info: sacredharpnewyorkcity@gmail.com

Sat., 14th—Lee Rogers Memorial Singing—Home of John and Elsie Hollingsworth, 1574 Adams Clarke Road, Commerce, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—
Christian Harmony

Sat., 14th—Illinois State Convention—Texas Christian Church 8301 Texas Church Rd, Clinton, Illinois 61727—9:30 a.m.—Sacred Harp, 1991 edition and *Missouri Harmony*—Saturday before the third Sunday in September—Info: Mark Graber mlgrabert78@gmail.com or Ryan Hill ryanhill98@hotmail.com

Sat., 14th—Middle Creek Convention—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 14th—Santa Cruz Singing—Garfield Park Community Church, Santa Cruz, California—Info: Ed Rice, edsrice@gmail.com

Sat., 14th & Sun., 15th—United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention—Trinity Centre, Trinity Road, Bristol, UK—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sun., 15th—J.L. White Sacred Harp Singing—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, 3965 Glenwood Road, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—*J.L. White Book*—

Info: atlantasacredharp.org +

Sun., 15th—Smyrna Annual Sacred Harp Singing—Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church, Goodwater, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—From Hwy. 9, turn east in Goodwater on Hackneyville Road—Go approximately 5 miles to County Road 83, turn right (church sign there). Go approximately 0.25 miles, church is on left—Info: Jack Nelson

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 16th - Fri., 20th—Camp Fasola Europe—Canceled—for up-to-date information see campfasola.org—Info: David Ivey

Sat., 21st—Mountain Heritage Day Singing—Western Carolina University, Cullowhee (Jackson County), North Carolina—10:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Christian Harmony*—Always the last Saturday in September—Info: Will Peebles or wpeebles@wcu.edu

Sat., 21st & Sun., 22nd—Rocky Mountain Convention, New Mexico—Location to be announced—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before in even years—Info: Claire Singleton / Leslie Alperin

Sat., 21st & Sun., 22nd—Minnesota State Convention—Saturday: Location TBA—Sunday: Shakopee, Minnesota—9:30 a.m.—Fourth Sunday and Saturday before—Info: Matt Wells, fasolamatt@yahoo.com

Sat., 21st & Sun., 22nd—Alabama State Christian Harmony Convention—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—Info: Danny Creel

Sat., 21st & Sun., 22nd—Poland Convention—Warsaw, Poland—Info: <http://www.sacredharp86.org>

Sun., 22nd—Winston County Convention—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama +

Sun., 22nd—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church Singing—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church is north of Bowdon, Georgia. From I-20 take exit 5 at Hwy 100, travel 7.2 miles south. Turn right onto Smithfield Rd. The church is on the right.—10:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 28th—Young People's Singing—Southeast Pennsylvania. Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Saturday before the first fifth Sunday following July 4—Info: shapenotesingsings.com

Sat., 28th & Sun., 29th—Southwest Texas Convention, Fall Session—Jarrell, Texas—*Cooper Book*—Last fifth Sunday before Thanksgiving (August, September, or October)—Info: singsings.texasfasola.org

Sat., 28th & Sun., 29th—Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention—Alpharetta City Hall, Alpharetta, Georgia—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before after Labor Day—Info: David Smead or Lauren Bock

Sun., 29th—Lacy Memorial Singing—Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Just off AL Hwy. 117—1 mile north from intersection of Alabama Highways. 117 and 75—Church is just west of AL Hwy. 117—Follow sign—First fifth Sunday after July 4th—Info: Reba Windom

Sun., 29th—Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—Info: skyami89@gmail.com or jerilclemney@gmail.com +

October

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 5th—Cooper Book Singing—Shady Grove Baptist Church, Between Dutton and Section, Jackson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Syble Adams +

Sat., 5th—South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention—Liberty Hill Community House, Lamar County, Georgia—Singing previously held on Sunday—Info: Oscar McGuire

Sat., 5th & Sun., 6th—New England Convention—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—First Sunday and Saturday before in October—Info: info@neconvention.net

Sun., 6th—Alexander, Hullett, Lowe, Brothers, Wootten Memorial—Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, 3596 Airport Road, Altoona, Blount County, Alabama—Info: Nate Green +

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 12th—Columbia Singing—Dripping Springs Christian Church, 2701 Dripping Springs Rd., Columbia, Missouri—Info: stlfasola.org

Sat., 12th—Taylor United Methodist Church—Taylor (Lafayette County), Mississippi—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—8 miles south of Oxford

Sat., 12th—Northwest Pennsylvania Singing—First Universalist Church of Girard, 107 Myrtle St, Girard, Pennsylvania—Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sat., 12th—Sadsbury Cooper Book Singing—Sadsbury Meeting 1089 Simmontown Road, Gap, Pennsylvania 17527—10:00 a.m.—Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sun., 13th—Albright, Cates, Brown, and Sheppard Memorial—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia—9:30 a.m. CT—Info: Rene Greene or Pam Nunn

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 19th—Tri-State Convention—Traveler's Rest Church—*Cooper Book*—654 Traveler's Rest Road, Samson, Alabama 36477—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sat., 19th—Tennessee State Sacred Harp Singing—Arlington Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee—9:30 a.m.—Info: Barrett Patton, Emily Stutzman

Sat., 19th—Clermont-Ferrand Singing—Location to be announced, Paris, France—Info: Frederic Eymard, frederic.eynard@gmail.com

Sat., 19th—Andrew's Chapel—Upson County, Georgia—Singing previously held on Sunday—6.1 miles southeast of Thomaston on Hwy. 74—Turn right on the Rock Road to first stop sign—Bear left—1 mile to school—Bring covered dish.—Info: Oscar McGuire

Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th—New York State Convention—Location to be announced.—Third Sunday and Saturday before in October

Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th—Pacific Northwest Convention, Oregon—3721 SE Ankeny St, Portland, Oregon—9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—Saturday a.m. devoted to singing school. Regular singing Saturday afternoon and all day singing on Sunday—Info: poshchair@gmail.com

Sun., 20th—Reid Memorial Singing—County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m. +

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 25th & Sat., 26th—Alaska Sacred Harp Convention—United Methodist Church, Sitka, Alaska—Friday evening and Saturday—Info: Kari Lundgren

Sat., 26th—Seed and Feed Sacred Harp Singing—Location to be announced—10:00 a.m.—Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Decatur, Georgia area—
Info: atlantasacredharp.org

Sat., 26th—Putnam, Light, and King Memorial—Mt. Oak Methodist Church, Marshall County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—6 miles northwest of Arab—Turn west off Alabama Hwy 231 onto County Road 418 at Discount Warehouse Grocery, also called Ruth Eddy Road—Church is on the left.

Sat., 26th—The Rust Memorial Singing—Fairview Methodist Church, 600 West 6th St, Bloomington, Indiana—10:00 a.m.—Info: Barb Lund

Sat., 26th—Northwest Arkansas Fall Singing—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—Info: Holly Childs, Sydney Caldwell

Sat., 26th—Newton Singing—Church of the Redeemer, 379 Hammond Street, Newton, Massachusetts 02467—10:00 a.m.—*Norumbega Harmony* and *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Sylvia Martin

Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th—London Singing—Saturday: Highgate United Reformed Church, Pond Square Chapel, South Grove, London—Sunday: Heath Street Baptist Church basement, 84 Heath Street, London—10:30 a.m.—Saturday: *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and Sunday: *Christian Harmony*

Sun., 27th—Coweta County Courthouse Singing—Newnan, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Info: atlantasacredharp.org

November

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 2nd—Dallas Singing—Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church, 9027 Midway Rd., Dallas, Texas 75209—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: dndross1968@gmail.com

Sat., 2nd—Velton Chafin Memorial Singing—Liberty Church (McCormick), Sumiton, Jefferson County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book*—Info: Brenda Chafin +

Sat., 2nd—Denney Memorial—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Take I-20 to Georgia, exit 11—U.S. Hwy. 27 south for about 13.5 miles—turn right on Oak Grove Road—Go about ½ miles—turn left on Oak Grove Church Road and go about ½ miles. Church is on the left

Sat., 2nd—Hyde Park Singing—Chicago, Illinois—9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—57th Street Meeting of Friends, 5615 S. Woodlawn—Always Saturday before the first Sunday in November—Info: <http://www.chicagosingings.org>

Sun., 3rd—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen, Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Info: Phillip Langley +

Sun., 3rd—Southeastern Alabama Convention—Pleasant Grove (Carroll Church), Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 9th—Helwig-Coghlan Memorial Singing—Davis United Methodist Church, 1620 Anderson Rd, Davis, California 95616—9:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Saturday before the second Sunday in November—

Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Sat., 9th—Immanuel Baptist Church—222 Belle Meade Boulevard, Nashville, Tennessee—Between Harding Road, U.S. 70, and Harding Place—
Info: trcopes@gmail.com

Sat., 9th—Stapleford Sacred Harp Singing—Stapleford Baptist Church, Albert St, Stapleford, Nottingham, United Kingdom—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 9th—James River Convention—Richmond, Virginia—Saturday before the second Sunday in November—Info: Bridget Camden

Sat., 9th—Berkshire Foothills Singing—Lenox Community Center, 65 Walker Street, Lenox, MA, see WMSHC.org—10:00 a.m.—Info: wmshc.org

Sat., 9th—All Wisconsin Singing—Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 1100 N Astor St, Milwaukee, Wisconsin—Info: Jim Crawford

Sun., 10th—Calhoun County Convention and Boiling Springs Convention at Oak Hill Baptist Church—This singing has been discontinued.

Sun., 10th—State of Alabama Convention—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—Cooper Revision—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 16th—West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day—Holy Trinity Church Parish Centre, Rothwell, Leeds, UK—Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 16th—Georgian Harmony Singing—Hollingsworth Home, 1547 Adams Clark Rd, Commerce, Georgia 30530—Info: John Plunkett or Oscar McGuire

Sun., 17th—Davis Memorial—Historic Sugar Valley Baptist Church, 4380 Sugar Valley Road, NW, Sugar Valley, Georgia 30746—10:00 a.m.—GPS: 34.574923, -85.024869 (the historic church building, not the active First Baptist Church.) Go to the intersection of Hill City Rd and Sugar Valley Rd NW.—Info: Judy Mincey

Sun., 17th—Wakefield Memorial—King School House (Mt. Vernon), near Lynn, Winston County, Alabama +

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 23rd—Thanksgiving Sacred Harp Singing—Jordans Village Hall, Green Road West, Jordans, Buckinghamshire, United Kingdom—10:30 a.m.—

Info: sacredharp.uk

Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th—Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Convention—Shape Note Hall, 101 County Road 1082, Cullman, Alabama 35057—9:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: shapenotesingsings.com or David@davidivey.com

Sat., 23rd—Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA) Annual Meeting—Shape Note Hall, 101 County Road 1082, Cullman, Alabama 35057—2:00 p.m.—Meeting follows Saturday singing session—Info: David Ivey, David@DavidIvey.com or 256-258-8660

Thu., 28th—Thanksgiving Day

December

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 30th—Lehigh Valley All-Day Singing (Shenandoah Harmony)—Bethlehem, PA, location TBA—10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—First Saturday in December—
Info: pennsylvaniasacredharp.com

Sat., 30th & Sun., 1st—Florida State Sacred Harp Convention—Location to be announced—*Cooper Book*—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singsings

Sun., 1st—Joseph Jackson Beasley Memorial—Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield (Marion County), Alabama +

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 7th—Schoolhouse Singing—Lynd Schoolhouse, 723 North Lynd Rd., Orleans, Indiana—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Adrian Eldridge, Erin Fulton

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—Georgia State Christian Harmony Convention—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—*Christian Harmony*—Info: Mike Spencer or John Plunkett

Sun., 8th—Mt. Zion Methodist Church—Mercer County, Kentucky—3:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Southern Harmony*—South side of US 68 between Harrodsburg and Lexington, 3.5 miles west of Kentucky River bridge at top of palisades—Info: Jim and Marcy Thobaben

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 14th—Christmas Singing—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—Cooper Revision—Info: sacredharpbook.com/calendar-of-singings

Sun., 15th—(No listings)

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 21st & Sun., 22nd—(No listings)

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Tue., 24th & Wed., 25th—Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Fri., 27th, 5:30 p.m.—Barrett's Singing—Liberty Baptist Church, Fellowship Hall, Henagar, Alabama—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—1500 Liberty Road, Henagar, Alabama 35978—Info: Barrett Patton

Sun., 29th—Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—Info: skyami89@gmail.com or jerilclemney@gmail.com +

Tue., 31st, 7:00 p.m.—Wootten Family New Year's Eve Singing—Antioch Baptist Church, Ider (DeKalb County), Alabama—Info: Terry Wootten

Tue., 31st—New Year's Eve Singing—Hollingsworth Home, Ila, Georgia—Discontinued

FIFTH SATURDAY/SUNDAY SINGINGS

First Fifth Weekend	Saturday, March 30 Sunday, March 31
Second Fifth Weekend	Saturday, June 29 Sunday, June 30
Third Fifth Weekend	Saturday, September 28 Sunday, September 29
Fourth Fifth Weekend	Saturday, December 28 Sunday, December 29

First Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)

Parker, Hollis, Putman Memorial—Liberty (McCormick), Sumiton, Alabama—Saturday before the first fifth Sunday each year—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* +
Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—Bethlehem Rd. (between Hwy 37 and Hwy 39—one mile north of Hwy 674—five miles east of Fort Lonesome) Old Chicora, Florida—Fifth Sundays—*Cooper Book*—Info: Skylar Strickland, skyami89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@gmail.com +
Ivey Memorial—Liberty Church, Henagar, Alabama—First fifth Sunday of year +
Southwest Texas Convention—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, McMahan, Texas—First fifth Sunday in the spring (March or later)—*Cooper Book*

Second Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)

Mount Pisgah—Sylvester, Georgia—Second fifth Sunday of each year
Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—Fifth Sundays—*Cooper Book*—Info: Skylar Strickland, skyami89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@gmail.com +

Third Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)

Young People's Singing—Saturday before first fifth Sunday after July 4th
Lacy Memorial Singing—Ider, Alabama—First fifth Sunday after July 4th
Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—Fifth Sundays—*Cooper Book*—Info: Skylar Strickland, skyami89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@gmail.com +
Southwest Texas Convention, Fall Session—Jarrell, Texas—Last fifth Sunday before Thanksgiving—*Cooper Book*
Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention—Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Alpharetta, Georgia—4490 State Bridge Way, Alpharetta, Georgia—Exit GA400 N at exit 10—Go east for 2.6 miles—turn left at traffic light on to Kimbell Bridge Road (past Chick Fil'a)—take second left into parking lot—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before after Labor Day—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: John Plunkett, Helen Bryson

Fourth Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)

Old Chicora (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—Fifth Sundays—*Cooper Book*—Info: Skylar Strickland, skyami89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@gmail.com +

LOCAL SINGINGS

Alabama

Birmingham: First Tuesday night—6:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Southside Baptist Church, 19th Street and 11th Avenue South, near Five Points—Info: Tom Booth / Elene Stovall

Fairhope: Third Friday—6:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Cooper Book:* —The Ballroom at Homestead Village, 924 Plantation Blvd., Fairhope, Alabama 36532—Info: Kevin Dyess or facebook.com/ESSacredHarp

Fayette: Second Sunday night—6:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Mt. Lebanon Church—Bluff Road off Hwy. 107—8 miles northwest of Fayette—Info: Larry Ballinger

Henagar: First Sunday night, October through April—5:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Liberty Church—Info: Rodney Ivey or David Ivey

Huntsville: Monday Night, February 5, April 1, August 5, and November 4—6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Burritt Museum—3101 Burritt Drive, on Monte Sano Mountain—Take U.S. 431 south (Governors Drive) to top of Monte Sano Mountain—Turn north onto Monte Sano Boulevard—Turn onto Burritt Drive—Info: David Ivey

Ider: Second Sunday night, October through March—*1991 Edition:* —Antioch Church—5 miles north of Ider—Left on Hwy. 75—Info: Terry Wootten

Ider: Last Tuesday night of each month, March through October—6:30 p.m.—Senior Center, Ider, Alabama—Info: Tom George, Rodney Ivey

Jasper: Saturday night before second Sunday in January—Memorial Singing—*1991 Edition:* —Mrs. Luther Calvert and Mrs. Jim Woodley—Pleasant Grove Church—Boldo Community—5 miles east of Jasper—Hwy. 69.

Mobile: Fourth Friday—6:30-8:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Cooper Revision:* —Government Street United Methodist Church, 901 Government Street, Mobile, Alabama 36604—Info: Kevin Dyess or facebook.com/MobileSacredHarp

Alaska

Anchorage: Second and fourth Sundays—7:00 p.m.—call or email for location—Info: John David Thacker

Fairbanks: Sundays—7:00 p.m.—Info: Charley Basham or Robert Sullivan.

Sitka: Second Sunday—3:30-5:30 p.m.—Sitka Pioneers Home Chapel—Info: Kari Lundgren

Arizona

Phoenix: Second Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Foothills Community Church, 700 S. Hamilton St, Chandler, 85225—Info: Kathy Garrett / Phoenixfasola.org

Tucson: Most first and Third Saturdays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Sonora Cohousing—501 E. Roger Rd.—Info: Paige Winslett, tucsonfasola@earthlink.net

Arkansas

Big Fork: First Sunday—2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Info: Verla Huckaby or Flora Burns

Mena: Second and Fourth Thursdays—6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—Info: Verla Huckaby

Springdale: Second Sundays—1:30-4:00 p.m.—General Store at the Shiloh Museum, 118 West Johnson Ave.—Info: Sydney Caldwell

California

Claremont: Fourth Sunday—4:00-6:00 p.m.—Claremont Presbyterian Church, 1111 N. Mountain Ave—Info: Church office 909.624.9693, please call to confirm

Davis: First Saturday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Davis Friends Meeting, 345 L Street, Davis, CA 95616—Info: bayareasacredharp.org

Los Angeles (Culver City): Every Thursday—7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.—1991 Edition and Shenandoah Harmony: —Info: David Olson, david@thirdculture.com

Los Angeles (East side): First Sunday—3:30-6:00 p.m.—Info: Mary Rose O’Leary

Los Angeles (West side): Third Sunday—3:00-5:50 p.m.—Info: Laura Boyd Russell

Los Angeles (Santa Monica): Saturday before fourth Sunday—4:00-6:00 p.m.—Learners Workshop style—Info: Laura Boyd Russell

San Diego: Most Sundays—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Various locations—Info: www.sdfasola.org

San Francisco: First and Third Sundays—12:00-2:00 p.m.—Info: Location details and COVID precautions: Leigh Cooper or bayareasacredharp.org

San Francisco Bay (Peninsula/South Bay): Second and Fourth Sundays—1:00-3:00 p.m.—Unitarian Universalist Church, 505 E. Charleston Rd, Palo Alto—Info: Paul Kostka or bayareasacredharp.org

San Francisco Bay Area-Berkeley: Every Monday—7:00-9:00p.m.—Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, 1823 Ninth St, Berkeley—Info: Details and COVID precautions: Lindy Groening or bayareasacredharp.org

Santa Cruz: Second and Fourth Thursday—7:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Shelley Phillips

Colorado

Arkansas Valley: First Thursdays—6:30-8:30 p.m.—*seven shape Old Baptist Hymns:* —417 Carson Ave, La Junta, CO—Info: Pete Mathewson

Boulder: Second and Fourth Mondays—6:30-9:00 p.m.—1991 Edition, Cooper Revision: —First Congregational Church, 1128 Pine St.—Info: stephanie.fida@gmail.com or sacredharpcolorado.org

Colorado Springs: First Mondays—6:00-7:30 p.m.—1991 Edition, Cooper Revision: —Grace and St. Stephen’s Church, 601 N Tejon St., Colorado Springs. North entrance of Monument Street, Taft Hall. Loaner Books available.—

Info: dakotafuller@gmail.com or marymargaretalvarado@yahoo.com or FB

Denver: First and Third Mondays—6:30-9:00 p.m.—1991 Edition, *Norumbega, Cooper, and Christmas Harp in season:* —First Baptist Church, 1373 Grant Street, Denver, Colorado. The Denver group is also delighted to arrange special singings for out-of-town visitors to the Denver/Boulder area whenever possible.—Info: Sharon Kermiet or coral96@indra.com

Connecticut

Middletown: First and third Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—*Shenandoah Harmony:* —Church of the Holy Trinity, 381 Main St. (enter through south “Meeting Rooms” side doors).—Info: jonasori@gmail.com or joshuarushbarnett@gmail.com

New Haven: Every Tuesday (except late December when Yale is closed)—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Room 106, Stoeckel Hall, 469 College Street—Info: Ian Quinn

Newtown, other places: Meets occasionally—Connecticut Valley Harmony (performance group).

District of Columbia

Capitol Hill: Third Wednesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St. SE. Washington, D.C.—Info: BrendaLDunlap@gmail.com / maryhelend@gmail.com / DC Shape note facebook page

Capitol Hill: Petworth: First and second Mondays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Cooper Book:* —Dorothy Day Catholic Worker House, 503 Rock Creek Church Road NW, Petworth, DC—Info: dcshapenote.squarespace.com/takoma-park, Topher Lawton, Corinne Ducey

Florida

Gainesville: Sunday after third Saturday (except December)—3:30-5:30 p.m.—Episcopal Church of the Mediator, 501 NE Chokolka Boulevard, Micanopy—Info: fayb@myfastmail.com

Jacksonville: Sundays after fourth Saturday (November and December schedules may vary)—3:00 p.m.—St. John's Lutheran Church, 1950 Silver Street—Info: Vik Slen, vikslen@gmail.com

Pensacola: Second Friday—5:30-7:30 p.m.—*Cooper Revision:* —Grace Hall at Grace Community Church, 1114 East Olive Road, Pensacola—Info: Ryan Bowman or facebook.com/PensacolaSacredHarp

Tallahassee: First Friday—7:00 p.m.—*Multiple Books:* —Tallahassee Friends Meetinghouse, 2001 S. Magnolia Dr—Info: Morgan Bunch tallafala@gmail.com

Tallahassee: Third Friday—7:00 p.m.—*Cooper Revision:* —Tallahassee Friends Meetinghouse, 2001 S. Magnolia Dr—Info: Morgan Bunch tallafala@gmail.com

Georgia

Albany: Third Saturday except December—6:00-8:00 p.m.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 212 N. Jefferson St. (enter through bell tower doors)—Info: Laurin Harrison

Atlanta: First Thursday of each month, except July and December—7:00 - 9:00 p.m.—Robinson Fellowship Hall of Emory Presbyterian Church, 1886 North Decatur Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30307. Park behind the church, off Westminster Way. GPS: 33.793026,-84.314542—Info: Jim Neal at jim_neal@bellsouth.net, or Amy Wells, amyarmstrongmidwife@gmail.com

Atlanta: Third Sunday—6:00 p.m. Singing School—6:30 p.m. singing—Church of Our Saviour, 1068 North Highland Ave., NE—Info: Amy Armstrong Wells or Jesse P. Karlsberg

Athens: Monthly evening singings, dates and locations vary—Info: John Hollingsworth

Dahlonega: second and fourth Tuesday—7:00-8:30 p.m.—*Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition:* —St. Elizabeth Episcopal, 1188 Hamp Mill Rd, Dahlonega, Georgia 30533—Info: Esther Morgan-Ellis

Hoboken: Saturday before the third Sunday in each month—7:00 p.m.—Hoboken Elementary School—Take 82 East to Hoboken to the second caution light—Turn left on Kelly—Cross R.R. tracks—Take second paved street to the left—Go to the end of the block—The school and parking are on the right—Info: David/Kathy Lee Clarke/Julie Lee

Savannah: Saturday before second Sunday each month—1:00-3:00 p.m.—The Whitefield Center, 106 East 37th Street—Info: Dawn Stanford, dawnipawni@gmail.com facebook.com/groups/savannahsacredharp/

Valdosta: First Friday night every month—7:00-9:00 p.m.—*Cooper Book:* —VSU Music Annex, 1603 North Patterson—Info: Steven Taylor

Illinois

Chicago area: Second and fourth Sunday of each month—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Info: Susan Geil

Chicago (North Side): First and Third Sundays—4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—Various locations—Info: www.chicagosings.org

Decatur: Third Sunday in February, May, August and November—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Rock Springs Nature Center—Info: Terry Hogg
Hyde Park/Chicago: Every Thursday—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: www.chicagosings.org
Urbana: Third Sunday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—First United Methodist Church—Info: MaryE Yeomans or Terry Hogg

Indiana

Bloomington: Second and fourth Tuesdays—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—Fairview United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 600 W. 6th St, (basement level, entrance on corner of 6th and Jackson)—Info: John Hoerr or www.bloomingtonsacredharp.org
Goshen: First Sunday in each month (except January and July)—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Vista Community Health Center, 808 N 3rd Street, Goshen—Info: Samuel Sommers
Howard County: Second Sunday afternoon of each month—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Bahler residence—4903 N. County Road 200 E., Howard County, near Kokomo—Info: Brad Bahler
Indianapolis: First Saturday—1:00-3:00 p.m.—Benjamin Harrison House basement—ask at Visitor Center for help finding—Info: Indy Sacred Harp on Facebook, or Thomas Smith, 812-340-4255
Indianapolis: Third Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—North Meadow Circle of Friends—Info: Indy Sacred Harp on Facebook, or Thomas Smith, 812-340-4255

Iowa

Cedar Rapids: Second Saturdays—1:00-3:00 p.m.—Kenwood Park United Methodist Church, 175 34th St. NE (entrance and parking on north side)—Info: Bruce Western / sacredharp-iowa@gmail.com
Fairfield: Every Sunday—7:30-9:30 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Jennifer Hamilton

Kansas

Lawrence: Third Sunday—1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.—usually at Oread Friend Meeting building, 1146 Oregon Street—Info: Brad Levy

Kentucky

Berea: First and third Sunday—1:30-3:00 p.m.—Union Church—Corner of Main and Prospect (enter from parking lot by ramp)—Info: Kent Gilbert
Lexington: Second Sunday, September through May—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Niles Center of the Lucille Little Library at the University of Kentucky—Info: Mary Brinkman, mary.brinkman@uky.edu
Louisville: Third Sunday—2:30-4:30 p.m.—Ohio Valley Shape Note Singers—Vine Street Baptist Church—Info: Michele Cull
Whitesburg: First Saturdays—12:00-2:00 p.m.—Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College, Whitesburg Campus, 2 Long Ave—Info: Paul Dean Adams / boxcar1936@gmail.com
Whitesburg: Third Tuesdays—6:00-8:00 p.m.—Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College, Whitesburg Campus, 2 Long Ave—Info: Paul Dean Adams / boxcar1936@gmail.com

Louisiana

Baton Rouge: Fourth Sunday—2:00-4:30 p.m.—St. Alban's Chapel on the LSU campus—Info: Charlene Heaton
New Orleans: Alternate Tuesdays—6:00-8:00 p.m.—St. Luke Assembly of God, 2201 Franklin Ave, use Miro St. side entrance—Info: Ateven (504.408.8230), atevenp@gmail.com, or NewOrleansShapeNoteSingers Facebook page

Maine

Belfast: Third Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Emma Schwartz or singing@mainesacredharp.org

Damariscotta: Fourth Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Barb Ames or Corrone Bryant or singing@mainesacredharp.org

Dowest: First Saturday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—CCLC, 10 Commissary Point Rd, Trescott—Info: Kris Paprocki, kwpaprocki@gmail.com

Portland: First Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—New Church, 302 Stevens Avenue—Info: Elizabeth Stoddard or singing@mainesacredharp.org

Portland: Every Tuesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—First Parish Church, 425 Congress St—Info: Jesse Vear or singing@mainesacredharp.org

Waterville: Third Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—First Baptist Church, 1 Park Street—Info: Peter Golden or watervillesingings@mainesacredharp.org

Maryland

Baltimore: Second Sunday—4:00-8:00 p.m.—Christ United Methodist Church of the Deaf—1040 South Beechfield Ave.—Info: Elizabeth Cusick

Baltimore: First and third Thursdays—7:00-9:30 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Shenandoah Harmony:*—Peace Chapel of the Cathedral of the Incarnation, 4 E. University Parkway—Info: Nora Miller or Facebook groups

Sandy Spring: Third Sundays—4:00-6:00 p.m.—17801 Meetinghouse Road, in the small schoolhouse behind the Community Building—Info: David Greene

Massachusetts

Amherst: First Sundays—2:00-4:30 p.m.—*Multiple Books:*—The Octagon on the Amherst College Campus—Info: Linda Shea

Boston (Newton): Second Monday—7:45 p.m.-10:00 p.m.—Church of the Redeemer, 379 Hammond St. Newton—Info: Bob Parr, parr@ll.mit.edu or Sylvia Martin, warbler@neomailbox.ch

Boston (Charlestown): Second Sunday—3:00-6:00 p.m.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 27 Devens St, Charlestown 02129—Info: MB Gowins or www.bostonsacredharp.org

Boston (Beacon Hill): Third Thursdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Shenandoah Harmony:*—Beacon Hill Friend Meeting, 8 Chestnut St—Info: Michael Brown

Boston (Cambridge): Wednesdays after first and third Sunday—6:00-8:00 p.m.—Harvard Divinity Hall, 14 Divinity Ave—Please check in advance—Info: Patrick Burrows or Micah John Walter or www.bostonsacredharp.org

Greenfield: Fifth Sundays—1:30-4:30 p.m., location varies—*Cooper Book:*—Info: Sheila Kelley or www.wmshc.org

Lenox: Third Sunday—Singing School 1:00-2:00 p.m.—Regular Singing 2:00-4:00 p.m.—55 Main St—Info: Allison Steel

Leyden: Every fifth Thursday—Potluck supper at 6:00 p.m.—singing from 7:00-10:00 p.m.—*Various books used:*—910 Greenfield Rd.—Info: Laura Timmerman

Newburyport: Third Sunday—3:00-5:30 p.m.—*1991 edition and Cooper revision:*—Belleville Congregational Church, 300 High St.—Info: Chris Noren

Northampton: Every Tuesday—7:00-10:00 p.m.—Helen Hills Chapel, Smith College—Info: Linda Shea

Michigan

Ann Arbor: Second Sunday—1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—The Ark Coffeeshouse—316 S. Main—(734.761.1800)—Info: Charlotte Wolfe

Detroit: First Wednesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 4800 Woodward Ave—Info: Jamie Yeats

East Lansing: First & third Mondays—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—Edgewood United Church, 469 North Hagadorn Rd—Info: Bob Borcherding

Grand Rapids: First Saturdays—9:30-11:15 a.m.—Christ Church, 2500 Breton Rd, SE—Info: Susan Guerra

Kalamazoo: Third Sunday—4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—Pot luck dinner following—4124 Persionwood Drive in the Garden Homes behind Friendship Village, 1400 N. Drake Rd—Info: Martha Beverly

Lake Orion: Fourth Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—St. Mary's In-The-Hills Episcopal Church, 2512 Joslyn Ct—Info: Jamie Yeats

Minnesota

Duluth: First Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Duluth Friends Meeting House, 1802 East First St—Info: Larry Spears

Minneapolis (Dinkytown): Tuesday nights—5:30-7:30 p.m.—*Cooper Book*: —University Baptist Church—1219 University Ave. SE—near the campus of the University of Minnesota—Info: Matt Wells

Minneapolis (Dinkytown): Third Sunday—4:00-6:00 p.m.—*Shenandoah Harmony*: —University Baptist Church—1219 University Ave. SE—near the campus of the University of Minnesota—Info: Matt Wells

Minneapolis (Dinkytown): Fourth Sundays—5:00-7:00 p.m.—*Cooper Book*: —University Baptist Church—1219 University Ave. SE—near the campus of the University of Minnesota—Info: Matt Wells

Northfield: Second Thursdays—6:30-8:30 p.m.—Cannon Valley Friends Meetinghouse, 512 Washington St.

Minneapolis (Saint Paul): Second Sundays—5:00-7:00 p.m.—Saint Sahag's Armenian Church, 203 N. Howell Street—Info: Matt Wells mnfasola.org

Mississippi

Bruce: Third Sundays, November through March—1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church—Info: Warren Steel or Mark Davis

Jackson: Second Wednesday—6:00-8:00 p.m.—Beit Ha Torah Messianic Synagogue, Florence. Call for directions—Info: Mark Davis / Henry McGuire

Missouri

Cape Girardeau Area: Second Saturday—6:00-8:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Missouri Harmony*: —Cape Girardeau County History Center, 102 S High St, Jackson, MO—Info: claytonjhester@gmail.com or 573-275-4138

Columbia: Second and Fourth Tuesdays—7:30 p.m.—Trinity Presbyterian Church—Rollins Rd.—Info: Wendy Hofmann or Penny/Lou Kujawinski

Bowling Green: Second Saturday (except March, May, and September)—2:30-5:00 p.m.—Siloam Church / Old Paths Bible Church, outside of Bowling Green—Info: Tommy Schultz

Kansas City: See listing under Lawrence, Kansas

St Louis: First, third, and fifth Mondays—7:00-9:30 p.m.—*Sacred Harp, 1991 edition and Missouri Harmony, 2005*: —Info: Paul Figura / stlfasola@gmail.com / Dave Ressler / www.stlfasola.org

Montana

Billings: Third Sundays—3:30-5:00 p.m.—St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 180 S. 24th Street West (enter through south door)—Info: Gayla Bradberry

Missoula: Occasional singings—Info: Beverly Young

Nebraska

Omaha: Second Sunday of the month—1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.—St. Vincent's Orthodox Church—2502 North 51st Street—Info: Jim Solheim, jim@jamesolheim.com

New Hampshire

Hanover: Second Thursdays—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Hanover Friends Meetinghouse—Info: Dan Hertzler

Jackson: Second and fourth Thursdays—6:00-9:00 p.m.—*Please call or email ahead as location varies:*—Whitney Community Center, 10 Black Mountain Road or Old Jackson Library, 125 Main Street—Info: Carly Goss or Chris McKnight or singers @northcountryrsing.com

Nelson: Second Saturday and fourth Sunday—2:00 p.m.—Olivia Rodham Memorial Library, Lower Level, 1 Nelson Common Road, Nelson, New Hampshire 03457—Info: Monadnock Folklore Society (603)762-0235, shapenote@monadnockfolk.org

New Jersey

Princeton: Third Sunday—1:30-3:30 p.m.—October-July (no singing in August and September)—Lawrenceville School Chapel, Craven Lane at Rt. 206 in Lawrenceville—Info: Leon Pulsinelle

Upper Montclair: Fourth Sunday—2:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.—Montclair Friends Meetinghouse—289 Park Street—Info: Gina Balestracci

New Mexico

Albuquerque: Second and fourth Sundays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Immanuel Presbyterian Church-114 Carlisle SE—Info: Nancy Nortz / Leslie Alperin / Claire Singleton

Las Cruces: Second and fourth Tuesday—7:00 p.m.—Unitarian Universalist Church, 2000 S. Solano Drive—Info: Eric Morgan or Donna Sewell

Las Cruces: First Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Hallmark at the Village community room, 2880 N Roadrunner Pkwy—Info: Eric Morgan or Donna Sewell

New York

New York City Singings: Information—Info: nycsacredharp.com or Facebook

Albany (Schenectady): Every Wednesday evening—6:00-8:00 p.m.—St. George's Episcopal Church, 30 N Ferry St, Schenectady, New York—Info: Tarik Wareh/ albanysharpharp.org

Altamont: Old Songs Festival (June)—Altamont Fairgrounds—Altamont, New York—Morning singing, workshops—Always held the last full weekend in June, the last Sunday and the Friday and Saturday before.

Annandale-on-Hudson: Every Sunday—12:30-2:30 p.m.—Bard Hall at Bard College—Info: Keillor Mose, km6697@bard.edu, Ezekiel Rosenberg, er4196@bard.edu, Jonathan Mildner, jm2801@bard.edu

Bovina: Second Tuesday—6:00-8:30 p.m.—United Presbyterian Church, Bovina Center—Info: sacredharpcatskills@gmail.com

Chestnut Ridge: Tuesdays—7:30-8:30 p.m.—Hilltop—Info: Joel Franklin

Clinton: First Wednesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—St. James Episcopal Church—9 Williams St.—Info: Barbara Swetman or Margaret and Ron Bornick

Huntington Station: Second Sunday—1:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.—Bethany Presbyterian Church—425 Maplewood Road—Info: Terry Ryan

Ithaca: first and third Thursday—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—120 3rd St, Ithaca, New York 14850 or small pavilion at Stewart Park (weather dependent)—Info: benjaminsshoffman@gmail.com

Kingston: Meets twice a month on Second Wednesday and Fourth Tuesday—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—Holy Cross Episcopal Church—Info: Jim Ulrich

New York City (Brooklyn): Second Sundays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—*The Joe Beasley Singing, Denson, Cooper, Shenandoah Harmony:* —St. Paul’s Episcopal Church—199 Carroll Street (near the corner of Clinton Street; singing is upstairs in parish house—Info: Nancy Mandel, nbm327@gmail.com

New York City (Greenwich Village, Manhattan): Wednesdays weekly—6:30-8:30 p.m.—St. John’s Lutheran Church, 81 Christopher St (between Bleecker & W. 4th Streets, near 7th Ave. S)—Info: Jason Steidl Jack, jsteidl@siny.edu

New York City (Gramercy, Manhattan): Saturday before Fourth Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—*7 shape Christian Harmony and gospel:* —Menno House, 314 E 19th St (between 1st & 2nd Aves)

Plattsburgh: Sunday (floating)—1-4:30 p.m.—Unitarian Universalist Church—4 Palmer St.—we have refreshment break—Info: Bruce Kokernot

Rochester: Second Sunday—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Mennonite Fellowship Church—111 Hillside Ave.—Rochester, New York (14610 between Winton Road and Norris Drive, next to School #1)—Info: Chris Haller or Thom Metzger or Sue Hengelsberg

Syracuse: Second Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—May Memorial UU Society, 3800 East Genesee St—Info: <http://sacredharp.wix.com/syracuse>

Woodstock: Fourth Wednesday—6:00-8:30 p.m.—Edwina and Tom Unrath, 57 Harmati Lane, Shady, NY, 845-679-1273

North Carolina

Asheville: second and fourth Thursday—6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Singing School 6:00 p.m.—*Christian Harmony:* —40 Church St, Asheville, North Carolina 28801—Info: Clarke Williams

Charlotte: Date and location vary—Info: Facebook

Durham: Second Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—First Presbyterian Church, 305 E. Main St.—Info: ncshapenote.org

Durham: Wednesday evenings—7:30-10:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Kathy Kaiser

Raleigh: Fourth Sunday—1:50-3:50 p.m.—Mordecai Historic Park, One Mimosa St.—Info: ncshapenote.org, Lynda Hamburger

Swannanoa: Third Sunday, September to April—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Kittredge Recital Hall, Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina—Info: smkehrberg@gmail.com

Wilmington: Last Sunday of the month—2:00-4:00 p.m.; Beginner’s instruction at 1:30—Cameron Art Museum, 3201 S. 17th St—Info: 910.599.0398

Winston-Salem: Third Sundays—3:00 - 5:00 p.m.—St. Anne’s Episcopal Church, 2690 Fairlawn Drive—Info: Tom Dillon

Ohio

Akron: First Sunday—2:00 - 4:00 p.m.—First Congregational Church of Akron, 292 E. Market St. 44308—Info: Corey Sees

Cincinnati: Second Sundays—4:30-7:30 p.m. (with potluck meal)—Community Friends Meeting, 3960 Winding Way in North Avondale—Info: <http://cincysacredharp.ej345.com>

Columbus: First and Third Sundays—4:00-6:00 p.m.—Clinton Heights Lutheran Church, 15 Clinton Heights Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43202—Info: www.columbussacredharp.org

Dayton: Fourth Sundays (September-May)—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 155 East Thruston Blvd (Oakwood)—Info: daytonsacredharp.org

Oklahoma

Edmond: Fourth Thursdays—6:30-8:30 p.m.—2624 Sunflower Dr—Info: Nancy Price or OKCSacredHarpSingers@gmail.com

Oregon

Eugene: Second and fourth Thursdays—7:30-9:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Jean Murphy / Karen Stingle

La Grande: Second Sundays—6:00 p.m.—The Olde Meeting House (Quakers/Friends)—Info: Carla Arnold

La Grande: Every other Tuesday—4:30-6:30 p.m.—In a private home, location changes—Info: Carla Arnold

Portland: Every First Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—*Cooper Book*: —Waverly Heights UCC, Fellowship Hall, 3300 SE Woodward—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Portland: Every Second Sunday—5:00-7:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition*: —People's Co-Op—3029 SE 21st Ave, Community Room—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Portland: Every Third Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition*: —Cedar Hills UCC, 1169 SW Park Way—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Portland: Every Fourth Sunday—3:00-6:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition*: —McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room (SE Corner of the building), 5736 NE 33rd-singing school first hour—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Portland: Every last Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—McMenamins Kennedy School, Community Room (SE Corner of the building), 5736 NE 33rd—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Portland: Every first Friday—5:00-7:00 p.m.—*Christian Harmony*: —People's Co-op, 3029 SE 21st Ave, Community Room—Info: Betsy Jeronen, jeronenbetsy@gmail.com

Salem: Every Monday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Info: Melissa Stephenson or www.salemsacredharp.org

Pennsylvania

Douglassville (near Reading): Third and fourth Sundays—6:30 p.m.—Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, 191 Meetinghouse Road—Berks Sacred Harp Singers—Info: Ted Stokes

Lancaster: First Sunday—2:30-5:00 p.m.—Strickler's Barn, 1855 Stony Battery Road, Mountville, 17552—Info: Elizabeth Patton or Ruth Wampler

Philadelphia (Havertown): Second Fridays—7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.—St. James Church—Havertown—Info: Marian McKenzie and Walter Smith

Philadelphia (University City): Second Sundays—5:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.; Potluck at 6:30 p.m.—Parish Hall, St. Mary's Church, 3916 Locust Walk (on University of Pennsylvania Campus)—Info: Rachel Hall

Philadelphia (West Philly): Fourth Thursday—7:30-9:30 p.m.—The A-Space, 4722 Baltimore Ave—Info: Elizabeth Stokes

Philadelphia: Second and Fourth Thursdays—6:30-8:45 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Shenandoah Harmony*: —Mosaic Church at 123 S 51st Street in West Philadelphia.—Info: rachelwellshall@gmail.com or <https://phillysacredharp.org>

Philadelphia: First Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition*: —Historic Germantown Mennonite Trust at 6133 Germantown Ave.—Info: sophiegsokolov@gmail.com or <https://phillysacredharp.org>

Pittsburgh: Second Saturday—1:30-4:30 p.m.—St. Andrew Lutheran Church—Info: Penny Anderson

State College: Second and fourth Mondays of each month—7:00-8:30 p.m.—University Mennonite Church, 1606 Norma St.—Info: Hal Kunkel

West Chester: First and Third Mondays (usually)—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Birmingham Friends Meetinghouse, a few minutes south of West Chester—The singings are held twice a month, but call ahead for we shift the dates because of Monday holidays.—Info: Laura Densmore

Wilkes-Barre (Dallas): Meets irregularly—Info: David Martin

Rhode Island

Providence: Fourth Sundays—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Providence Friends Meeting House, 99 Morris Ave (corner of Olney St)—Info: ri-sacredharp.net/singings.html

Providence: Weekly, Thursdays during the school year (Sep-early Dec and late Jan-April)—5:00-7:00 p.m.—Brown University Campus—Info: ri-sacredharp.net/singings.html

South Carolina

Charleston: Fourth Saturdays (occasionally Third)—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Circular Congregational Church, 150 Meeting Street—Info: Stephen Jones, ss_jones@bellsouth.net

Greenville: Friday night before the third Sunday each month—6:30-8:30 p.m.—First Christian Church—704 Edwards Rd. 29615—Info: Leon and Frances Carnell

Tennessee

Chattanooga: Third Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—The Well, 1800 Rossville Blvd—Info: Mark Elrich or Judy Mincey

Collegedale: Second Saturdays—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Chattanooga First SDA Church, 7450 Sandifer Gap Rd., Fellowship Hall, Chattanooga, TN 37421—Info: kaye700@gmail.com

Johnson City: Third Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—*Christian Harmony 2010:* —St. John's Episcopal Church, 500 North Roan Street—Info: Don Wiley

Knoxville: (New Harp of Columbia)—Info: Sara Baskin

Nashville: First Sundays—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall, Immanuel Baptist Church, 222 Belle Meade Blvd., Nashville, Tennessee—Info: Tim Reynolds trcopes@gmail.com

Unicoi: Weekly on Sunday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition:* —Unicoi Christian Church, 417 Tennessee St, Unicoi, Tennessee 37692. Fellowship Hall (the white building on the left side of the parking lot) “second steeple on the left” Ample, safe parking, including for disabled Tennessee Street is NOT marked with signage; a large, stone, steepled church is where you turn.—Info: Gaea Singer, gsingerwriter@gmail.com

Texas

Austin: Third Sundays—3:30 - 5:30 p.m.—*Cooper Revision:* —Hyde Park Presbyterian Church, 3913 Avenue B—Info: Scott McCown or Gaylon Powell

Buda: Second Saturdays—10:00 a.m. - noon—*Christian Harmony:* —Buda United Methodist Church, 302 Elm St. (No meeting in July, or when there is a singing in Texas on that date—Info: Morris Nelms or Gaylon Powell

Dallas: Third Saturday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—(*1991 Edition/Cooper Revision:*) —Walnut Hill United Methodist Church, 10066 Marsh Lane, Dallas, Texas 75229—Info: Donald and Diane Ross

East Texas: First Monday—6:00-8:00 p.m.—*Cooper and Denson:* —Rotates among three churches—Westminster at Nacogdoches, Smyrna near Mt. Enterprise, and Zion Hill near Henderson—Info: David Rousseau or Robert Vaughn

Fort Worth: Second Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—(1991 Edition): —King of Glory Lutheran Church, 1659 Sandy Lane—Info: Chloe Webb
Houston: Fourth Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book*: —First Lutheran Church, 1311 Holman, Houston, Texas—Info: Donna Bing, donnalbing@aol.com
Kennard: Second and Fourth Tuesdays—7:00-8:00 p.m. (covered dish at 6:00 p.m.)—(Cooper Revision): —Kennard Auto, corner of Main and Broadway—Info: Margaret Wright
San Antonio: First Saturdays (except December)—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Coker United Methodist Church, Gibbs Bldg, 1st floor, 231 E. North Loop Road or entry off Wurzbach Parkway—Info: Mike Hinton or Janie Short

Utah

Provo: Second Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—St. Mary's Episcopal Church—50 West 200 North—Info: Stan/Jenny Jensen
Salt Lake City: First Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—All Saints Episcopal Church, 1710 Foothill Dr.—Info: Stan/Jenny Jensen
Salt Lake City: Fourth Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—(Cooper Book): —Home of Lynn and Pam Carson, 1480 Edison (1480 South 145 East)—Info: Stan/Jenny Jensen

Vermont

Brattleboro: First and Third Sundays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—KidsPlayce, 20 Elliot St—Info: Cuvv Lever
Burlington: Every Tuesday—6:30-8:30 p.m.—Ira Allen Chapel, 26 University Place—Info: bshsteeringcommittee@gmail.com, or Facebook
Derby Line: Fourth Sundays—3:00 p.m. with a pot-luck—Universalist Unitarian Church Hall—the church is about 500 feet from the International Border Line between Canada and the US—call/write to confirm—Info: Troad (Julia Richmond)
Glover: Second and fourth Tuesdays and Thursdays—Singing is held on Second Thursday in the winter, 7:00 p.m.; and every Tuesdays in the Summer, 7:30 p.m.—Bread and Puppet Farm—Rt. 122—Info: Linda Wells
Middlebury: First Sundays—1:00-3:00 p.m.—Middlebury College, McCullough Student Center, Mitchell Green Lounge—Info: David Rosenberg, rosenber@middlebury.edu, or vermontshapenotesingers.com/local-singings, and Facebook
Norwich: Fourth Sunday—1:30-4:30 p.m.—St. Barnabas Church parish hall—Info: Dan Hertzler (See also Hanover, New Hampshire)
Plainfield: Second Sundays, September through June—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Plainfield Community Center, 153 Main St.—Info: Pat Mayhew or Ann Flight

Virginia

Charlottesville: Fourth Saturday—4:00-7:30 p.m.—Charlottesville Friends Meeting House, 1104 Forest St—Info: Diane Ober or John Alexander
Charlottesville: Second Tuesday—7:30-9:00 p.m.—Friends Meeting House, 1104 Forest St—Info: Diane Ober or John Alexander
Floyd: Second Tuesday—6:30-8:30 p.m.—Sweet Providence Farm, 3313 Floyd Hwy N, Floyd, VA 24091—Info: Chris Wolf, chrisfromground2plate@gmail.com
Floyd: Fourth Tuesday—6:30-8:30 p.m.—Presbyterian Church of Floyd, 169 Newtown Rd NE, Floyd, VA 24091—Info: Chris Wolf, chrisfromground2plate@gmail.com
Northern Shenandoah Valley: First Saturday—4:00 p.m.—Potluck at 6 p.m.—Close to Winchester and Berryville—Info: John delRe and Kelly Macklin
Richmond Sacred Harp Singers/Ashland: First and Third Tuesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Info: Leyland delRe

Winnipeg: Generally second Wednesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Crescent Fort Rouge United Church, 525 Wardlaw Ave.—Info: “Peg City FaSoLa” on Facebook

France

Auvergne: Second and Fourth Wednesdays—

Info: sacredharpauvergne.wordpress.com

Paris: Every Saturday—2:00-4:30 p.m.—Info: leopoldine.guillaume@gmail.com

Germany

Berlin: Every Thursday—7:30-10:00 p.m.—Sharehaus Refugio-Lenastr. 4, 12047—Info: Caro Stamm-Reusch or www.sacredharpberlin.de

Bremen: Every Thursday—8:00-10:00 p.m.—Cappella della musica, Osterdeich 70 A, 28205 Bremen—Info: Sacred Harp Bremen on Facebook

Cologne: Every Sunday—6:00 p.m.—

Info: www.sacredharpcologne.com/english.html

Frankfurt am Main: Irregularly on Sundays—Info: sacredharpfrankfurt.de

Hamburg: Every Tuesday—8:00 p.m.—Englische Kirche—

Info: <http://sacredharphamburg.weebly.com>

Munich: First Sundays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—St. Martin, Arndtsrt. 8, 80469

Munchen,—Info: Peter Kocher, [sacredharpmunich](http://sacredharpmunich.com) on facebook

Holland

Amsterdam: Every second Friday of the month—7:45 p.m.—

Info: www.sacredharp.nl

Ireland

Cork: Every Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Unitarian Church, Prince’s Street, Cork—Info: corksacredharp.com

Dublin: Every Friday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—back of Franciscan Friary on Cook Street, Dublin 8—the entrance is through a grey door in a pink wall, on the right of the street from the city centre—Info: sacredharpdublin@gmail.com

Japan

Tokyo: Third Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Ikebukuro Anglican Church, 5-24-5, Nishi-Ikebukuro, Toshima Ward—Info: Peter Evan or Tim Cook,

Tokyo.sacred.harp@gmail.com

Tokyo: First Saturdays—5:00-7:00 p.m.—*Christian Harmony and other songs in 7 shapes*—Shimokitazawa Church of the Nazarene, 6-7-21 Daita, Setagaya-ku,

Tokyo—Info: Peter Evan or Tim Cook, Tokyo.sacred.harp@gmail.com

Korea

Seoul: Every Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Seoul Anglican Cathedral—Info: Brian Sears/Phillipa Gowdy-Jaehnig/Tyler Rasch

Norway

Oslo: First Sunday—2:00 p.m.—American Lutheran Church—Info: Jessica Slighter

Oslo: Thursday before third Sunday—7:00 p.m.—Uranienborgveien 2 (location varies)—Info: Jessica Slighter

Poland

Warsaw: Every Monday—7:30 p.m.—Freta 10, Dominicans friary—

Info: Magdalena Gryszko, or Facebook: Sacred Harp Poland

Scotland

Edinburgh: First Fridays, except August—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Quaker Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent—Info: Karen Turner / shapenotescotland@gmail.com

Edinburgh: Third Fridays, except August—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Quaker Meeting House, Victoria Terrace—Info: Karen Turner / shapenotescotland@gmail.com

Sweden

Uppsala: Alternate Sundays—7:00 p.m.—Vindhems kyrkan—Info: Zack Lindahl or sacredharp uppsala.wordpress.com

United Kingdom

Belfast: Every Sunday—7:30-9:30 p.m.—Corrymeela House, 8 Upper Crescent—Info: www.belfastsacredharp.com

Birmingham: Fourth Thursday monthly—Info: Ian West

Brighton: Second Fridays and Last Wednesdays—Info: www.brightonshapenote.weebly.com

Bristol: Every Tuesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Benjamin Perry Boathouse—Info: bristolsacredharp.org

Derby: First Friday monthly—Info: Helen Brown

Edinburgh: Third Friday monthly—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Info: shapenotescotland.weebly.com/

Gateshead: Second Sunday—Info: Helen Barbour

Glasgow: First Friday monthly—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Info: shapenotescotland.weebly.com/

Herts: First Friday monthly—7:30-10:00 p.m.—Info: Steve/Mary Welch

Leeds: Third Monday—Info: Susan Carr

Lewes: Second Monday—Info: Rachel Jordan/Nick Hall

London: Weekly singings—Info: londonsacredharp.org or Michael Walker

Manchester: Every four weeks on Tuesday—7:00 p.m.—The Kings Arms, Bloom Street, Salford—Info: Calum Woods

Newcastle upon Tyne: Every Tuesday—7:30 p.m.—Bridge Hotel, Castle Square—Info: Phil Tyler

Norwich: Every Monday—7:00 p.m.—Octagon Unitarian Chapel, Colegate—Info: Cath Saunt

Scarborough: First Tuesday—Info: Sally Greaves-Lord

Sheffield: First Monday—Info: Carmel Wood

DIRECTIONS TO CHURCHES WITH MULTIPLE SINGINGS

Alabama

Concord Primitive Baptist Church—Winfield (Marion County), Alabama—0.7 mile south of County Road 14—From Hwy. 78 in Winfield—Take Hwy. 129

North—County Road 14 turns west off Hwy. 129, then left at Church sign—Church is 0.7 mile on right

County Line Church—(Jefferson County), Alabama—Near Corner, off Miller Road—9 miles west of Warrior—Exit 284 off I-65 (Hayden/Corner Exit)—Turn left off the ramp—Turn right (Blount County Road 8)—Go approx. 7 miles—Turn left on Miller Road—Church is on right

Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church—(Morgan County), Alabama—2086 Gum Pond Road, Eva, Alabama, 35621—Located on the eastern side of Gum Pond Road in Morgan County, Alabama—From Alabama Hwy. 67, turn on Gum Pond Road at mile marker 16 between Ryan and Florette—Go about 4 miles to the church—From Alabama Hwy. 69 at Fairview, turn north on County Road 1527 (Wesley Ave., north)—Go about 3.5 miles, turn right on County Road 1544—About 3.5 miles to church

Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church—(Blount County), Alabama—3596 Airport Road, Altoona—6 miles east of Oneonta—1 mile east of Oneonta Airport—From I59—Take Hwy. 231 north—Go beyond mile marker 248—Take first paved road on right at sign for Robin Hill Baptist Church—Go to dead end—Turn right—Church is on left

King School House—Mt. Vernon Baptist Church (Winston County), Alabama—Near Natural Bridge—3 miles east of Natural Bridge—turn on County Road 357 between mile markers 30 and 31, off U.S. Hwy. 278

Liberty Church—Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—1500 Liberty Road, Henagar, AL 35978—From Henagar Crossing—Take Hwy. 40 west 0.6 mile to the Farmers Telephone Cooperative—Turn right and go to dead end—Turn right—Take first left past Henagar Methodist Church (Liberty Road)—Church is on right after 1.3 miles

Liberty Church—McCormick (Jefferson County), Alabama—2.5 miles southwest of Sumiton—Turn off Hwy 78 onto Hollis Goodwin Road—Go .7 mile (past New Horizon Funeral Home and cemetery) to McCormick Road—turn left—Church is on left

Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church—(Fayette County), Alabama—8 miles northwest of Fayette—Take State Highway 18 west from Fayette—Turn right, north, on State Highway 107—Go approximately 4 miles—Turn right on Mt. Lebanon Road (you will have passed Ballinger Road about midway)—There should be a sign—Church is on the left

Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church—(Clay County), Alabama—6 miles southwest of Ashland—In Ashland, turn south on AL Hwy. 9, turn right, west, on County Road 5 North. The church is a little over a mile on the left

Pine Grove Church—Lookout Mountain, near Collinsville (DeKalb County), Alabama—Take I-59 and turn east on Hwy. 68 (exit 205)—Follow signs to U.S. 11—Go south on U.S. 11—Look for sign to church between mile markers 210 and 211 (turn is almost directly in line with mile marker 211, Hwy. 469)—Go 2.6 miles, follow signs

Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—6 miles northeast of Jasper, On Hwy. 69—Follow Hwy. 69 into Boldo—The church is on the right, next to the fire station

Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson Schoolhouse)—(Fayette County), Alabama—From Birmingham, take I-59/20 to US Hwy 78(Arkadelphia Road) go west approx. 52 miles to Carbon Hill—turn south at sign for Fish Hatchery (4th St. SW)—turn right on Co. Rd. 63—go 4.7 miles to Pleasant Grove Church—turn right on Co. Rd. 44 for 1.6 miles to Pleasant Hill Loop Rd. Church is on right

Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—(Tallapoosa County), Alabama—4413 County Road 79, 3 miles southwest of Daviston, Alabama—Hwy. 22 to

Daviston—Take County Rd. 79 south to crossroads—Church on right—From Alexander City—Hwy. 22 east to Germany Ferrys Rd.—Take right—Church on left

Shady Grove Baptist Church—Dutton (Jackson County), Alabama—Between Section and Dutton—Off Alabama Highway 71 on the west side—Turn at church sign

Shady Grove—Keeton Cemetery (Walker County), Alabama—141 Keeton Lane, Nauvoo, Alabama—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill, 1.5 miles east of New Flatwoods Church on Hwy. 11

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church—(Winston County), Alabama—3 miles north of Double Springs on Hwy. 195

Zion Primitive Baptist Church—(Pickens County), Alabama—8 miles north of Gordo—turn onto County Road 49—Church is .25 miles west of Hwy. 159

Florida

Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church—Old Chicora, Florida—I-75 south to Hwy 674, then east on 674 to Fort Lonesome (from I-4 go south on Hwy 39) where 674 and 39 cross, east on Hwy 674 five miles to Bethlehem Road, then north one mile to church

Georgia

Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church—Decatur, Georgia—3965 Glenwood Road, Decatur—From I-285, Exit 44, west (toward Atlanta) on Glenwood Rd. 1.4 miles—Church is on left—From I-20, Exit 61, east on Glenwood Rd. 4.2 miles—church is on right—Church is between Columbia Dr. and Candler Rd

Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen, (Carroll County), Georgia—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end, turn left

Liberty Hill Church—Lamar County, Georgia—On Highway 36, Approximately 5 miles west of I-75—Take either High Falls exit or Barnesville / Jackson exit 201 and go west toward Barnesville—Church is on the left

How other singing books appear in the Minutes

Song numbers listed in the minutes are from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* unless another book is named in the title of the singing.

When multiple books are used at a singing, songs from books other than *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* are indicated by an abbreviation in parentheses after the number, for example: 517 (WB).

ACH	American Christmas Harp
AH	The American Harmony
AV	American Vocalist
CB	Cooper Book
CH	Christian Harmony
EH 1	Eclectic Harmony
EH 2	Eclectic Harmony II
GH	Georgian Harmony
HS	Harmonia Sacra
ICH	Ingalls Christian Harmony
JB	James Book
KH	Kentucky Harmony
KsH	Keystone Harmony
LD	Lloyd's Hymnal
MH	Missouri Harmony
NH	Northern Harmony
NHC	New Harp of Columbia
NbH	Norumbega Harmony
OSH	Old School Hymnal
ScH	Social Harp
ShH	The Shenandoah Harmony
SoH	Southern Harmony
WB	J.L. White Book

SACRED HARP SINGINGS

2023 MINUTES

BARRETT PATTON'S CHRISTMAS SINGING

Henagar, Alabama

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

The 14th session of Barrett's Singing began with Barrett welcoming everyone and leading 36b. He offered the opening prayer, and then led 172.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 382; Judy Caudle 81b; Nicholas Thompson 336; Blake Sisemore 225b; Isaac Green 295; Theresa Saylor and David Saylor 203; Daniel Lee 302; Emily Stutzman 64; Lisa Geist 228; Jesse P. Karlsberg 227; Lilly Underwood 348b; Susan Cheronos 349; Jamey Wootten 144; Ezra Lloyd 56b; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 146.

RECESS

The class was brought together by Barrett Patton leading 76b. Leaders: Marty Wootten 31t; Cheyenne Ivey 182; Cindy Tanner 220; Lauren Bock 273; Loyd Ivey 306; Mary Helen Dupree 350; Aaron Wootten 147t; Isaac Lloyd 312b; David Carlton 134; Linda Sides 270; Earl Ballinger 97; Jackie Tanner 73t; Elyssa Lloyd and Amariah Lloyd 319; Hayden Wootten 40; Ainslie Allen 186; Terry Wootten 317; Tony Ivey 26; Cassie Allen 345b (for Lucy Heidorn); Malachi Lloyd 30b; Jared Wootten 318; Barrett Patton "Tides of Love".

Barrett Patton led 56t as the closing song. Tony Ivey dismissed the class with prayer. Chairman—Barrett Patton; Secretary—Judy Caudle

DÉARDAOIN AN NOLLAG

Unitarian Church, Cork, Ireland

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

Aislinn Ahern led 32t to call the class to order. Leaders: Colleen Jones 34b; Amanda Parkes 56t; Kevin Kennedy 27; Katie Ahern 38t; Sinéad Hanrahan 81b; Aislinn Ahern 410b; Colleen Jones 30t (for Helen Peake and Mike Morrisroe); Amanda Parkes 411; Kevin Kennedy 370; Katie Ahern 371; Sinéad Hanrahan 390; Ross Harbison 404; Aislinn Ahern 162; Colleen Jones 272; Amanda Parkes 405; Kevin Kennedy 367; Katie Ahern 212; Sinéad Hanrahan 478; Ross Harbison 460; Aislinn Ahern 419; Colleen Jones 422.

RECESS

Amanda Parkes brought the class back together by leading 192. Leaders: Kevin Kennedy 193; Mike Morrisroe 377; Katie Ahern 418; Sinéad Hanrahan 392; Ross Harbison 344; Aislinn Ahern 383; Colleen Jones 440; Steph Malpass 385b (for Sadhbh O'Flynn and her grandmother); Amanda Parkes 453; Mike Morrisroe 'Stoneybatter' (his own composition); Kevin Kennedy 263; Katie Ahern 475; Sinéad Hanrahan 214; Ross Harbison 65; Aislinn Ahern 92; Colleen Jones 89; Steph Malpass 101t; Amanda Parkes 101b; Mike Morrisroe 201; Kevin Kennedy 326.

RECESS

Katie Ahern led 129 to restore order. Leaders: Ross Harbison 146; Aislinn Ahern 198; Colleen Jones 532; Steph Malpass 436; Sinéad Hanrahan 335; Amanda Parkes 131b; Mike Morrisroe 328; Kevin Kennedy 170; Katie Ahern 325; Ross Harbison 100; Aislinn Ahern 154; Colleen Jones 210; Steph Malpass 191; Sinéad Hanrahan 189; Kevin Kennedy 188; Katie Ahern 426b; Ross Harbison 528. Aislinn Ahern led 472 to close the singing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Aislinn Ahern; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

CHRISTMAS HARP SINGING
The Evergreen State College, Organic Farmhouse
Olympia, Washington
Saturday, December 31, 2022

The Christmas Harp Singing was held in Olympia, Washington. The two books used during the singing were *The Sacred Harp, 1991 edition* and *The American Christmas Harp*.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairwoman—Marla Elliott; Secretary—Jenna Tompkins; Chaplain—Rosie Sokolov.

The class was called to order by Marla Elliott leading 46. Leaders: Miranda Elliott-Rader 1 (ACH); Ian Suchon 84 (ACH), 81 (ACH); Alex Short 107; Susan Helf 90 (ACH), 92 (ACH); Sophia Schinske 29 (ACH), 28 (ACH); John Berendzen 77 (ACH), 88 (ACH); Carrie Walker 338, 542; Ruth Linehan 86 (ACH), 78 (ACH); Sara Ng 63 (ACH); Kevin Barrans 43 (ACH), 96 (ACH); Bob Schinske 122 (ACH), 114 (ACH); Anne Huckins 69 (ACH); Nicole Scott 24 (ACH), 25 (ACH); Doug Hill 538; Kate Fine 126 (ACH); Peter Schinske 41 (ACH), 19 (ACH); Carol Medlicott 99; Chris Noren 46 (ACH), 48 (ACH).

RECESS

Leaders: Marla Elliott 430; Nancy Price 31t; Rosie Sokolov 62 (ACH), 38 (ACH); Carrie Walker 73t; Jenna Tompkins 113 (ACH), 117 (ACH); Jennifer Jones 85 (ACH), 61 (ACH); Erik Schwab 8 (ACH), 56 (ACH); Leland Ross “Hawaii/O Kou Aloha No”; Karen Willard 111 (ACH), 110 (ACH); Esther Morgan-Ellis 124 (ACH), 70 (ACH); Thom Fahrbach 74 (ACH), 107 (ACH); Anne Huckins 89 (ACH), 31 (ACH); Betsy Jeronen 546; Kristofer Ilex 319, 159; Ian Suchon 104 (ACH), 10 (ACH).

RECESS

Leaders: Marla Elliott 178; Bob Schinske 391; John Berendzen 73b; Sara Ng 454; Rosie Sokolov 396; Nancy Price 146; Kevin Barrans 102 (ACH); Peter Schinske 9 (ACH); Chris Noren 82 (ACH); Doug Hill 116 (ACH), 474; Ruth Linehan 58 (ACH); Erik Schwab 100 (ACH); Jennifer Jones 475; Carol Medlicott 312b; Thom Fahrbach 73 (ACH); Karen Willard 129 (ACH); Carrie Walker 452; Esther Morgan-Ellis 113; Kristofer Ilex 535.

Marla Elliott led 162 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairwoman—Marla Elliott; Secretary—Jenna Tompkins

WOOTTEN FAMILY NEW YEAR’S EVE SINGING
Antioch Baptist Church, Ider, Alabama
December 31, 2022 - January 1, 2023

The class was called to order by Jared Wootten leading 56t. Chris Boggs offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Jared Wootten 32t; Terry Wootten 551, 74b; Elijah Boggs 82t; Daniel Lee 65; Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 441; Adrian Eldridge 440; Prisca Rice 142; Susan Cheronas 349; Samuel Williams 354t; Blake Sisemore and Shane Wootten 445 (for Marlon Wootten); Erica Hinton 229.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Jamey Wootten leading 101t. Leaders: Tony Ivey 157; Tom George 403; Theresa Saylor 209; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 429, 146; Nicholas Thompson 192; Daniel Williams 383; Shane Brown 228; Jesse P. Karlsberg, Lucey Rose Karlsberg, and Hattie Karlsberg 196; Jesse P. Karlsberg 189; Reba Windom 496 (for Louis Hughes); David Carlton 48t; Donna Wootten 274t; Cheyenne Ivey 222. Shane Brown asked a blessing before the meal.

SUPPER

The class was brought back to order by Marty Wootten leading 182. Leaders: Clayton Boggs and Chris Boggs 354b; Thomas Begley 472; Matt Hinton 448t; Sarah George 499; Anna Hinton 455; Isaac Boggs 153; Chris Boggs, Michelle Boggs, and Joseph Boggs 491; Lauren Bock 32b; Dennis George 81b; Sarah Wootten 460; Scott Ivey 348b; Rodney Ivey and friends 73t, 45t; Aaron Wootten 503; Shane Wootten 434 (for Sharon DuPriest).

RECESS

Leaders: Terry Wootten “Hold to My Hand”, 554 (CB), “Pass Me Not”; Tonya Edmondson and Sarah George 300; Jenny Mann 198; Terry Wootten and Reba Windom 542; Lauren Bock and Thomas Begley 58; Matt Hinton and Anna Hinton 227; Adrian Eldridge 337; Rodney Ivey 484 (CB); Shane Wootten 133 (CB), 99; Shane Wootten and Cheyenne Ivey 465 (CB) (in memory of Coy Ivey); Terry Wootten 345b (for Caroline Wootten), 511b (CB). Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jared Wootten; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

NEW YEAR'S DAY SINGING

Holy Trinity Church, Mapperley, Derbyshire, United Kingdom

Sunday, January 1, 2023

The class was called to order by Helen Brown leading 30t (CB). Dave Steggles offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Joe Vickers 265b (CB); Hannah Land 52t; Chris Brown 133 (CB); Ian West 105; Kate Kirwan 73t; Mark Wardlaw 507b (CB); Erin Johnson-Williams 54t (CB); Matthew Parkinson 541 (CB); Sarah West 380b (CB); Ed Johnson-Williams 48t (CB); Bridget McVennon-Morgan 210 (CB); Richard Mayers 382 (CB); Vicki Elliott 377; Julie Russell 155; Calum Woods 163b (CB); Hannah Land 38t (CB); Chris Brown 95b (CB); Ian West 98 (CB). Grace for the mid-day meal was offered by Jonathan Stayan.

LUNCH

Joe Vickers called the class back together by leading 187 (CB). Leaders: Vicki Elliott 39 (CB); Bridget McVennon-Morgan 336t (CB); Mark Wardlaw 522 (CB); Kate Kirwan 150 (CB); Sarah West 140 (CB); Richard Mayers 156 (CB); Matthew Parkinson 497 (CB); Helen Brown 505 (CB); Calum Woods 515 (CB); Erin Johnson-Williams 518 (CB); Julie Russell 178; Hannah Land 488 (CB); Mark Wardlaw 368t (CB); Ian West 500 (CB); Kate Kirwan 380t (CB); Chris Brown 134; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 514 (CB). A formal memorial lesson was not held, but the following were named and remembered: Charlotte Powell and Landis Powell-Texas; Ted Mercer-Illinois; Mary Ceresa-Michigan; David Thorpe, Jill Paton-Williams, Pat Lucy, Janet MacDonald, Marion Smalley, James Isam, Joan Jouan, and Martin Williams. The list of names of the sick and housebound as follow: Di Elliott, Dave Elliott, Karen Turner, Cath Tyler, Al Atkinson, and Seth Dickens.

RECESS

Sarah West called the class back to order leading 452. Leaders: Vicki Elliott 114; Richard Mayers 391 (CB); Ed Johnson-Williams 35 (CB); Julie Russell 33b; Joe Vickers 533 (CB); Helen Brown 511t (CB); Kate Kirwan 500; Calum Woods 506 (CB); Erin Johnson-Williams 176b (CB); Mark Wardlaw 114b (CB); Bridget McVennon-Morgan 292b (CB).

Helen Brown led 347 as the closing song, and Richard Mayers dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Helen Brown; Vice Chairman—Ted Brown; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders

SHADY GROVE ANNUAL SINGING

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama Sunday, January 1, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church was held on the first Sunday in January. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 32t. The opening prayer was offered by Danny Creel.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary/Arranging—Lisa Geist.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 163b; Betty Baccus 168, 192; Marlin Beasley 77t, 61; Warren Steel 224, 378b; Nancy Phillips 196, 27; Earl Ballinger 432, 439; Loretta Whitman 85, 124; Faye Donaldson 138t, 78; Tom Booth 425, 426t.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Glenn Keeton leading 175. Leaders: Ann Steel 384, 148; Ken Tate 385t, 136; Louise Yeager 503, 426b; Jeff James 117, 146; Butch White 86, 547; Roma Rice 323b, 212; Linda Booth 350, 162; Larry Ballinger 157, 528; Amber Davis 187, 402.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 104. Leaders: Danny Creel 138b, 405; Bunk Beasley and Linda Beasley 72b, 354b; Junior Poston 274t, 275b; Ricky Beasley 31t, 30b; Julie Poston 166, 421; Margaret Keeton 394, 403; Sarah Beasley 59, 388; Steve Miles 234, 36b; Lisa Geist 273, 492, 540. Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton led 62 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Lisa Geist

LILLIAN CALVERT

AND IRENE WOODLEY MEMORIAL SINGING Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo, Alabama Saturday, January 7, 2023

The 69th session of the Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday night before the second Sunday in January. The class was called to order Danny Creel leading 56t. The opening prayer was offered by Butch White.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cassie Allen; Secretary and Arranging—Ann Jett.

Leaders: Cassie Allen 104; Butch White 313b; Pam Kelley 216; Marlin Beasley 318; Brenda Chafin 270; Tom Booth 441; Rebekah Gilmore 340; Earl Ballinger 177; Wanda Capps 298; Ken Tate 348b (for Henry Guthery); Lisa Geist 228; David Jackson 63; Linda Booth 198; Glenn Keeton 215; Bea Aaron 475; Philip Gilmore 498; Margaret Gowan 141; Jim Aaron and Susan Bowen 47b; Louise Yeager 480; Rodney Ivey 489 (for Philip Denney).

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Cassie Allen leading 317. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 147t; Julia Poston 166; Cindy Tanner 187; Danny Creel 217; Ann Jett 440; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Cindy Tanner 208 (by request); David Jackson 31t; Lisa Geist 272; Butch White 31b; Rebekah Gilmore 220; Philip Gilmore 76b; Junior Poston 138b; Susan Bowen and Carolyn Thompson 481; Glenn Keeton 64; Rodney Ivey 30b; Pam Kelley 146; Cassie Allen 490 (by request); Margaret Keeton and Cassie Allen 276. Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen led 213t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Danny Creel.

Chairman—Cassie Allen; Secretary—Ann Jett

CHICAGO ANNIVERSARY SINGING

Kilbourn Park, Chicago, Illinois

Sunday, January 8, 2023

The 39th annual Chicago Anniversary Singing was held at Kilbourn Park, Chicago, Illinois, on the second Sunday in January. Eileen Ferguson called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 34b. Jim Swanson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Jim Swanson 49b; Dave Barford 99; Susan Geil 52t; Doug Stapleton 485; Eric Gu 35; Randy Neufeld 171; Michael Mosley 101t; John Seaton 38t; Lisa Grayson 201.

A business meeting was held to elect and appoint the following officers and committee members: Chair—Eileen Ferguson; Vice Chair—Ginny Landgraf; Recording Secretary—Jim Swanson; Corresponding Secretary—Mary Rogel; Arranging Committee—Marcia Johnson; Chaplain—Lyda Jackson; Finance Committee—Susan Geil.

RECESS

Ginny Landgraf called the class to order leading 540. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 283; Jim Helke 368; Noah Feeman 24b; Marcia Johnson 111b; Eileen Ferguson 112; Doug Stapleton 217; Jim Swanson 133; Dave Barford 304; Susan Geil 474; Eric Gu 107; Randy Neufeld 29t; Dan Nickel 156; Michael Mosley 303; Lisa Grayson 80t; Ginny Landgraf 81t; Jim Swanson 362.

RECESS

Eileen Ferguson brought the class back to order leading 84.

The memorial lesson was conducted by John Seaton, who led 318 for the following sick and shut-ins: Grace Brazil, Melanie Hauff, John Nakayama, Mary Owen, Robert Owen, Katherine Murphy, Gary Gronau, and Kris Richardson. He led 77t in memory of the deceased: Ted Mercer, Greg Plesha, Frank Ochal, Kathy Goble, Kent Organ—Illinois; George Colburn—Michigan; Annie Joyce Williams-Bezchon—Alabama; Albrecht Schultze—Germany; Patricia Geil—Oregon; Vykki Mende Gray—California; Nick Nagy and Anne Nagy—Ohio/Virginia.

Leaders: Jim Helke 43; Lyda Jackson 85; Noah Feeman 87; Marcia Johnson 278b; Susan Geil 565; Randy Neufeld 501; Eric Gu 196; Dan Nickel 448t; Michael Mosley 430. Lyda Jackson offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Lisa Grayson brought the class back to order leading 274t. Leaders: Doug Stapleton 178; Dave Barford 332; Ginny Landgraf 547; Jim Swanson 300; Lyda Jackson 146; Noah Feeman 311; Anne Heider 350; Eileen Ferguson 344; Matthew Seifert 548; Steve Warner 86; Jim Helke 278t; Susan Geil 163b; Matthew Seifert 168; Anne Heider 475; Anita Shaperd 224; Steve Warner 155; Susan Geil 102.

Marcia Johnson led 183 for the Founder's Lesson. Leaders: Randy Neufeld 236; Eric Gu 106; Michael Mosley 128; John Seaton 47t; Lyda Jackson 49t; Noah Feeman 158; Matthew Seifert 152; Steve Warner 47b; Anita Shaperd 384; Anne Heider 189.

Eileen Ferguson opened the floor for announcements and called for reports from the Finance Committee and the Secretary. Jim Swanson reported that sixty-nine lessons had been led and all leaders were from Illinois. Eileen Ferguson and Ginny Landgraf led 347 as the closing song, and Lyda Jackson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Eileen Ferguson; Vice Chairman—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Mary Rogel

UNCLE JACK KERR AND UNCLE HENRY KERR MEMORIAL
Camp Ground Methodist Church, Cleburne County, Alabama
Sunday, January 8, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing in memory of Uncle Jack Kerr and Uncle Henry Kerr normally held at Camp Ground Methodist Church, north of Fruithurst, Alabama, was postponed this year due to issues with the building. Please plan to sing with us on the second Sunday in January, 2024.

Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Donna Garner Bell

ROVING SHENANDOAH HARMONY SINGING
Morningside United Church, Edinburgh, Scotland
Saturday, January 14, 2023

This *Shenandoah Harmony* singing started in 2019 in Brighton. But why should it always be in the same location? The idea was born to make this a roving singing, that is held in a different place every year. London took the lead in 2020, followed by Edinburgh in 2023, and planned to continue in Newcastle next year. The venue was bright, the people joyful, and the songs sounded loud. Visitors came from wide and far: Germany, Norway, Ireland, England, and Scotland.

The class was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Anne Altringham leading 127. The opening prayer was offered by Alison Cole. Leaders: Karen Turner 221; Jan Geerts 3b; Ruth Holman 132; Alison Cole 6b; Margaret Bradshaw 260t; Jeremy Donaldson 167; Saara Pakarinen 21; Mika 204; Ailish McMahan 15; Derek Buckland 37; Conor Murray 180; Robin Bisson 177; Petra Ertl 322; Phil Tyler 264b; Laura Eisen 194; Melanie Tönnies 227.

RECESS

Calum Parker called the class back together leading 326b. Leaders: Hyke Sakaras 125; Ewa Lichnerowicz 108; Alison Cole 265; Mika 230; Conor Murray 70t; Johannes Sauer 260b.

Robin Bisson conducted the memorial lesson and the sick and housebound lesson. The following names of the deceased were read: Graham DeZarn—Virginia, USA; Joseph Derek Benjamin—Florida, USA; Dave Thorp, Andy Akhtar, Rachel Howell—United Kingdom; Rüdiger Forster—Germany; Breda Morrisroe—Ireland. The following names of the sick and housebound were read: Seth Dickens, Niamh Madigan, Cath Tyler, and Rosa Murray. He led 231 in their honor.

Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 80; Jeremy Donaldson 218b; Jan Geerts 120t; Petra Ertl 367; Ailish McMahan 1t; Derek Buckland 162; Melanie Tönnies 310; Phil Tyler 214; Anne Altringham 78. Derek Buckland offered grace for the shared lunch.

LUNCH

Anne Altringham called the class together leading 41. Leaders: Laura Eisen 51; Ruth Holman 170; Jeremy Donaldson 266; Conor Murray 173; Robin Bisson 414b; Calum Parker 22b; Saara Pakarinen 450; Harry Campbell 161; Hyke Sakaras 5t; Petra Ertl 254; Ewa Lichnerowicz 242; Mika 287; Johannes Sauer 278; Ailish McMahan 1b; Derek Buckland 332; Caro Stamm-Reusch 246b.

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw called the class together leading 137. Leaders: Phil Tyler 243; Melanie Tönnies 424b; Johannes Sauer 247; Laura Eisen 335; Saara Pakarinen 236t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 334; Jeremy Donaldson 76t; Karen Turner 140b; Conor Murray 326t; Ailish McMahan 241t; Petra Ertl 404t; Robin Bisson 403; Derek Buckland 54. Announcements were made.

Anne Altringham led 105. Melanie Tönnies offered closing thoughts, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Anne Altringham; Vice Chairman—Jan Geerts

ALL-CALIFORNIA SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION
Pedro Point Firehouse, Pacifica, California
January 14-15, 2023

Saturday, January 14

The 33rd session of the All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention met in person in Pacifica, California, with additional singers joining via Zoom. The class was called to order by Mary Rose O'Leary leading 47t. Alex Forsyth offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Co-Chairpersons—Leigh Cooper and Mark Godfrey; Vice Chairman—Al Grindon; Secretaries—Hannah Blair, Dave Barber, Sue Lindner, Mary O'Brien; Arranging Officers—Carolyn Deacy, Wren Hyde, Chris Thorman, Thom Fahrback; Chaplain—Alex Forsyth; Memorial Committee—Janet Herman; Treasurer—J.T. Harechmak; Resolutions Committee—Bridge Hill Kennedy and Brad Knoke; Online Technology—Paul Kostka.

Leaders: Leigh Cooper and Mark Godfrey 32t; Al Grindon 297; J.T. Harechmak 105; Dave Barber 426b (in memory of Jasper Twitchell); Hannah Blair 503; Chris Thorman 120; Wren Hyde 370; Carolyn Deacy 456; David Graff 300; Leah Coffin 65; Mary O'Brien 348t; Heather Purdy 108b; Paul Kostka 38t; Lindy Groening 483; Bryan Hillebrandt 63 (dedicated to his mother); Janis Mercer 77t; Linda Selph 475; Mischa Skeeter 278t.

RECESS

Lisa Bennett led 59 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Maggie Zhou 113; J.T. Harechmak 274t; Sue Lindner 217; Pat Coghlan 444; J.R. Rymut 101t (for Tim Cox); Midge Harder 410b; Betsy Jeronen 564; Michael Hagerty 448t; Bob Schinske 150; Jenny Solheim 536; Vincent Grato 448b; Lizzie Sanders 227; Sumie Arnold 313b; Dennis Aman 178; Jeffrey McLeod 81t; Seth Mitter 535; Shelley Phillips 270; Hugh McGuire 48t.

RECESS

Rosie Sokolov led 114 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Erica Martinez 460; Paul Landskroener 473; Luc Kleiner 213t; Evelyn Lamb 402; Anne Heider 547; Shawn Taylor 86; Alex Forsyth 56t; Ruth Linehan 485; David Schmitt 280; Jenny Solheim 147t (for Don Bowen on Zoom); Steve Warner 34b; Julia Zaffarano 210; Chris Thorman 122 (for Bob Brylawski on Zoom); Lisa Bennett 121; Sam Thomas 340; Emma Swartz 377; Betty Marvin 182 (via Zoom, assisted by Lindy Groening); Rachel Geary and Alex Forsyth 82t; Stephanie Fida 311. Alex Forsyth offered a prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Wren Hyde led 354b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Kristofer Ilex 106; Rosie Sokolov 542; Bridge Hill Kennedy 432; Brad Knoke 67; Kate Coxon 422; David Brodeur 528; Jennifer Jones 436; Kevin Barrans 566; David Smead 567; Thom Fahrback 212; Andy Ditzler 304; Ellen Ray 153; Peter Schinske 442; Linnea Sablosky and Suzanne Caflich 290; Jenny Solheim 532 (for James Solheim on Zoom); David Elsenbroich 479; Betsy Jeronen 534; Bob Schinske 500; Mark Godfrey and Leigh Cooper 35.

RECESS

Evelyn Lamb led 29t to call the class back to order. Leaders: Mary Rose O'Leary, Lucy O'Leary, and Rachel O'Leary 411; Anne Caswell 501; Rosie Sokolov and Kristofer Ilex 70b; J.T. Harechmak and Maggie Zhou 149; Emma Swartz and Jennifer Jones 430; Erica Martinez 216; Ellen Ray 215; David Brodeur, Lisa Bennett, David Smead, Andy Ditzler, and Shawn Taylor 192; Bridge Hill Kennedy and Brad Knoke 142; Mark Godfrey and Leigh Cooper 69b. Alex Forsyth asked a blessing to send us off into the rainy afternoon.

Sunday, January 15

The Sunday session of the All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention began with Leigh Cooper and Mark Godfrey leading 348b. Alex Forsyth offered prayer. Leaders: Al Grindon 40; Paul Kostka 334; Heather Purdy 38b; Sumie Arnold 178; Jenny Solheim 504; Wren Hyde 328; Dave Barber 229; J.T. Harechmak 324; Dami Osoba and Dave Barber 63; Chris Thorman 148; Lindy Groening 75; Brice Roberts 39t; Carolyn Deacy 430.

RECESS

Kevin Barrans led 338 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Mary Rose O'Leary 421; Hannah Blair 385t; Hugh McGuire 36t; Pat Coghlan 214; J.T. Harechmak 312b; Steve Warner 86; Lizzie Sanders 131t; Inder Khalsa 383; Luc Kleiner 73t; Ellen Ray 89; Shelley Phillips 58; Paul Landskroener 481; Betsy Jeronen 392; Midge Harder 497; Thom Fahrback 83t; Janet Herman and Conall Barber 142; Erica Martinez 271t.

RECESS

Alex Forsyth led 111t to call the class back to order. Leaders: Anne Heider 528; Kristofer Ilex 472; Peter Schinske 344; Linnea Sablosky 189; Vincent Grato 288; Sam Thomas 306; Rachael Geary 37b; Julia Zaffarano 335; Jeffrey McLeod 47t; Ruth Linehan 132; Suzanne Caffisch 284; Emma Swartz 453; Sarah Hill 455. The memorial committee gave a lesson for the sick and homebound, reminding us of the pain of isolation and the great warmth that can come from reaching out to a friend. Janet Herman led 108b for Karen LaBonté, Patricia Coffin, Arnold Zwicky, Seth Dickens, Susan Fetcho, Martha Leff, Gary Leff, Sharon Skeeter, Savannah Bush, Mimi Wright, Eileen Forsyth, Linda Berkemeier, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Peter Stenshoel, Barry Phillips, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Betty Herman, David Herman, Nate Green, Norma Green, and Joyce Walton.

This being the first All-California convention since January, 2020, the list of singers lost since the last time we gathered was almost unbearably long. The following list of names was read aloud: Floyd Melvin Aman, Sandy Tracey, Stephen O'Leary, Jim Harder, Jack Leslie, Dolores Bibb, David Fetcho, Katie Holldber, Joanne Cone, Sandy Hollister, Catherine Anderson, Wayne Mitchell, Nancy Nolan Miller, Donna Ambrogio, Claudia Handley, Michael Nisley—California; Solomon Ossa—Washington; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Dan Parkinson—Minnesota; Jackie Bryant—Maryland; Sonny Ermin, Curtis Owen, Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell and Beverly Nelms—Texas; Larry Gordon and Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Kim Phelps—Oregon; Renee Latham, Doug Ivey, Joan Aldridge, Coy Ivey and Elder J.L. Hopper—Alabama; Peter Golden—Maine; Jack Paulk—Georgia; Tom Deacy—Missouri; Jean and Dee Groberg—Utah; Nick Verni-Lau—Colorado; Dustin Murrell—Iowa; Jim Baldrige—Alaska; Don Forsyth—Pennsylvania; and Rebecca Over—UK. With gratitude for their lives and for our tradition which gives us space to love and grieve them, we sang 32b. Alex Forsyth led us in prayer.

The final leaders for the session were Leigh Cooper 283; Rosie Sokolov 426t. Alex Forsyth asked a blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dave Barber led 31t to call the class back to order. Leaders: David Schmitt 480; David Smead 272; Jennifer Jones 269; Bridge Hill Kennedy 361; Kevin Barrans 428; Lisa Bennett 506; Rachael Geary and Alex Forsyth 336; Stephanie Fida 234; Lucy O'Leary 112; Paul Landskroener 250; Ellen Ray 162; Mark Godfrey 225t; Inder Khalsa 168; Thom Fahrback 513; Mary Rose O'Leary 215; Lila Goehring and Leigh Cooper 82t; Lindy Groening 208.

RECESS

Brad Knore led 33b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Dave Barber 323t; Hugh McGuire 240; Andrea Tzvetkov 448b; Kristofer Ilex 203; Michael Haggerty 268;

Betsy Jeronen 499; Emma Swartz 61; Mischa Skeeter 461; Rosie Sokolov 445; David Elsenbroich 306; Erica Martinez 566 (in memory of David Fetcho); Peter Ross 99. A business meeting was held during which we resolved to meet again in 2024, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in January in the Los Angeles area. Following announcements and invitations to many singings far and near, Alex Forsyth asked a blessing to end our weekend of music and fellowship, and we took the parting hand. Co-Chairpersons—Leigh Cooper and Mark Godfrey; Secretary—Hannah Blair

CREEL MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING
County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama
Sunday, January 15, 2023

The annual Creel Memorial *Christian Harmony* Singing was held on the third Sunday in January. The class was called to order by Yancey Jett leading 31t. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Yancey Jett 338b, 281b; Cassie Allen 281t, 41t; Nicholas Thompson 316, 364; Jeff James 372, 50; Marlin Beasley 187, 143; Ken Tate 67b, 339; Cindy Tanner 258, 493t.

RECESS

Yancey Jett led 307 to bring the class together. Leaders: Butch White 420, 346; Danny Creel 186, 54; Tim Gregg 510b, 133; Ann Jett 149, 170; April Watkins 55b; Brenda Chafin 171, 16; Beth Branscomb 88, 105b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Yancey Jett and Cassie Allen leading 354. Leaders: Cassie Allen 81b; Nicholas Thompson 10; Jeff James 268; Marlin Beasley 184; Ken Tate 432b; Cindy Tanner 322; Butch White 471t; Danny Creel 64, 131; Tim Gregg 214; Ann Jett 180; Brenda Chafin 40b; Beth Branscomb 465; Ainslie Allen 308; class 546b, 548, 176; Danny Creel 110, 93; Nicholas Thompson 138; class 238; Cassie Allen 292; class 203, 172, 168b. Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen led 23b as the closing song. Jeff James offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Yancey Jett; Vice Chairman—Cassie Allen; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

W.L. GREEN MEMORIAL AND BALDWIN COUNTY
SACRED HARP CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)
Galilee Primitive Baptist Church, Stapleton, Alabama
January 21-22, 2023
Saturday, January 21

The W.L. “Bill” Green Memorial and Baldwin County Sacred Harp Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January. Bill Hogan called the class to order by leading 101t. He then gave a warm welcome to all in attendance.

Leaders: Nate Green and Rodney Ivey 418, 30t; Nancy Hogan 171; Mary Amelia Taylor 411; Gary Padgett 494; Tim Royoppa 101b; John Kelley 63; Rodney Ivey and Nate Green 380t (in memory of Bill Green); Tim Taylor 54t; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 152; Kevin Dyess 559; Russ Scholz 283; Charlotte Naylor 155; Wayne Jones 513b; Anne Royoppa 370; Ken Kelley 464; Tony Mazingo and Ken Kelley 505; Barbara Jones 277.

RECESS

Bill Hogan and Stephen Ross brought the class back to order by leading 146.

Leaders: Perry Keidel 107; Crystal Menas 572; Deana Austry 406; Will Kelley 392; Henry McGuire 567; Nancy Van Den Akker 573; Scott Ivey 416t; Will Menas 438t; Ateven Snderson 438b; Morgan Bunch 504; Joshua Mccoy 282 (in memory of Linda and Danny Mccoy); Jamey Wootten 29b; Mary Huffman 29t; Russ Scholz 87; Mary Amelia Taylor 242; Tim Royoppa 74b; John Kelley 82; Tim Taylor 131t; Charlotte

Naylor 348t; Ken Kelley 404; Anne Royappa 383; Deana Autry 100; Perry Keidel 587. The class sang 369 and Bill Hogan offered a brief prayer with the class joining with the Lord's

Prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Bill Hogan leading 212. Leaders: Nancy Van Den Akker 361; Wayne Jones 395b; Will Menas 463; Ateven Snderson 408; Morgan Bunch 514; Barbara Jones 140; Joshua McCoy 293b; Nate Green and Rodney Ivey 141, 96; Mary Huffman 422b; Gary Padgett 278b; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 98; Kevin Dyess 132; Crystal Menas and Linda Johnson 72; Henry McGuire 511t; Scott Ivey 444t; Jamey Wootten 515.

RECESS

Leaders: Bill Hogan and Bill Bragwell 478; Deana Autry and Kevin Dyess 65; Michael Johnson and Perry Keidel 323b; Becky Briggs 61. Announcements were made. Bill Hogan announced that this would be his last year as chairman of the convention, and that Mary Amelia Taylor will assume the role of chairperson beginning in 2024.

Bill Hogan, Nancy Hogan, Nate Green, and Mary Amelia Taylor led 520 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Michael Johnson, Pastor of Galilee Primitive Baptist Church.

Sunday, January 22

The Sunday session of the W.L. Green Memorial and Baldwin County Convention was called to order by Bill Hogan leading 210. The opening prayer was offered by Todd Derstine.

Leaders: Nate Green 381t; Rodney Ivey 571, 138t; Nancy Hogan 95b, 84; Tim Jones 31b, 553; Henry McGuire 540, 411; Scott Ivey 443, 398b.

RECESS

Bill Hogan brought the class back together leading 588 and 280. Leaders: Deana Autry 376, 38t; Will McGuire 162, 400, 48t; Jamey Wootten 32t, 111t.

The memorial committee was recognized to present the memorial lesson. Rodney Ivey expressed how important it is to remember the sick and shut-ins, stressing how much a phone call or a card will do to cheer a soul. The names of those on the sick and shut-ins list were read aloud: Lloyd Jones, Loyd Ivey, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Tommie Spurlock, Billy Kelley, and Kennon Smith. He led 465.

Bill Hogan spoke of singing families in our area who have been promoted to the church eternal. The following list of names of the deceased was read aloud: Wilburn Ellison, Milton Thrash, Juanita Beasley, Jerry Capps, Velton Chafin, Renae Makris, Coy Ivey, Joan Aldridge, Bill Windom, Margaret Spurlock, Bill Stewart, Loretta Jones, Ken Sundberg, and Jewel Wootten—Alabama; Sue Bunch, Ernest Cockcroft, and Chris Briggs—Florida; Charlotte Powell, Landis Powell, and Curtis Owen—Texas; Rebecca Over—United Kingdom; Jubal Schultz—Missouri. Bill led 73t in memory of the deceased. The memorial service was closed in prayer by Todd Derstine.

Singing continued with the following leaders: Gary Padgett 108t, 224; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 361, 95t; Charlie McGuire 399, 291; Morgan Bunch 268b (in memory of Sue Bunch); Rodney Ivey 123b; Henry McGuire 78; Tim Jones 49b; Nancy Hogan 49t, 277; Scott Ivey 292b; Deana Autry 290, 135; Will McGuire 309. The class sang 369; Nancy Hogan asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Bill Hogan led 59 as the closing song. Tim Jones offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bill Hogan; Vice Chairpersons—Nate Green and Mary Amelia Taylor; Secretary—Nancy Hogan

CORK SACRED HARP JANUARY SINGING
Unitarian Church, Prince's Street, Cork, Ireland
Saturday, January 28, 2023

Katie Ahern called the class to order leading 38b. Leaders: Helen Peake 38t; Dermot Peel 122; Kevin Kennedy 123t; Amanda Parkes 123b; Cath Saunt 91; Sinéad Hanrahan 150; Colleen Jones 110; Aislinn Ahern 30t; Aislinn O'Neill 312b; Rosalind Woods 474; Katie Ahern 475; Joanna Bennett 73t; Helen Peake 192; Michael Walker 528; Dermot Peel 299; Kevin Kennedy and Amanda Parkes 438; Cath Saunt 217; Sinéad Hanrahan 276; Laurie Skelton 76b; Colleen Jones 210; Aislinn Ahern 263; Aislinn O'Neill 442; June Murphy 333.

RECESS

Katie Ahern called the class back together by leading 512. Leaders: Michael Walker 369 (for Amanda Parkes and Kevin Kennedy); Joanna Bennett 521 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen, and all those who loved and supported her); Rosalind Woods 269; Kate Kirwan 511; Helen Peake 300; Dermot Peel 496 (for Desmond O'Flynn and Claire Lacombe on their 40th wedding anniversary); Kevin Kennedy 334; Amanda Parkes 556; Cath Saunt 362; Sinéad Hanrahan 392; Laurie Skelton 216; Colleen Jones 391; Aislinn Ahern 418; Aislinn O'Neill 430; June Murphy 547.

RECESS

Rosalind Woods led 497 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Michael Walker 144; Katie Ahern 532; Joanna Bennett 230; Helen Peake 485; Kate Kirwan 172; Dermot Peel 143; Kevin Kennedy 170; Cath Saunt 228; Sinéad Hanrahan 426b; Laurie Skelton 546; Colleen Jones 550; Aislinn Ahern 481; Aislinn O'Neill 224; June Murphy and Michael Walker 558. Katie Ahern reported that fifty-six songs were led by sixteen singers. Kevin Kennedy and Amanda Parkes led 472 as the closing song. Chairperson—Katie Ahern; Secretary—Katie Ahern

GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING
Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia
Saturday, January 28, 2023

The Georgian Harmony singing at the Civic Center in Roberta was held on Saturday before the first fifth Sunday in 2023. All selections are from *The Georgian Harmony*. Bill Hollingsworth called the class together leading page 1. Wayne Watson offered the opening prayer. Bill Hollingsworth led 108.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 9; Bill Dupre 10; John Hollingsworth 153; Chris Robinson 11; Tajin Rogers 100; Martha Harrell 107; Rosemund Watson 25; Laura Frey 29; Sheri Taylor 109; John Plunkett 174; Bert Collins 204; Glenda Collins 22; Helen Bryson 94, 50; Phillip Ford 95, 54; Jeremiah Ledbetter 18.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Bill Hollingsworth leading 33 and 249 (for Mary Brownlee, who was sick). Leaders: Oscar McGuire 49; Bill Dupre 28, 171; Chris Robinson 63, 62; Tajin Rogers 138; Rosemund Watson 13; Laura Frey 211. The class was dismissed for lunch with prayer by Elder Chris Robinson.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Bill Hollingsworth leading 179. Leaders: Sheri Taylor 96; John Plunkett 181; Bert Collins 3; Glenda Collins 180; Stephen Hammock 26; Jeremiah Ledbetter 51; Bill Dupre 177, 126 (for John Hollingsworth); Bill Hollingsworth 136; Chris Robinson 178; Tajin Rogers 198; Phillip Ford 186; Laura Frey 176; Sheri Taylor 2; John Plunkett 134; Stephen Hammock 130; Oscar McGuire and Martha Harrell 152. Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 255 as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Glenda Collins

PARKER, HOLLIS, AND PUTMAN MEMORIAL SINGING
Liberty Primitive Baptist Church
McCormick, Jefferson County, Alabama
Saturday, January 28, 2023

The annual Parker, Hollis, and Putman Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the first fifth Sunday of the year. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 32t. Butch White offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Amber Davis; Arranging—Lisa Geist.

Leaders: Amber Davis 129, 49b (in memory of her Papa, Murry Livingston); Ken Tate 280, 546; Jim Aaron 47b, 448t; Roma Rice 460, 323b; Betty Baccus 391 (in memory of Sandra Spradlin), 430; Earl Ballinger 432; Margaret Keeton 422; Butch White 313b, 547; Bea Aaron 64, 568; Mary Huffman 163b, 446.

RECESS

Brenda Chafin brought the class back together by leading 67. Leaders: Louise Yeager 143, 100; Marlin Beasley 512, 77t; Tom Booth 113, 123t; Julia Poston 35, 424 (for Charlie Wakefield); Larry Ballinger 448b (for Philip Denney), 56t; Linda Booth 46, 110; Junior Poston 569b, 77b; Lisa Geist 155 (for Lucy Heidorn), 528; Glenn Keeton 549 (for Henry Guthery).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 277 and 349. Leaders: Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Ken Tate 548; Roma Rice 164; Earl Ballinger 212; Butch White 503; Mary Huffman 556; Marlin Beasley 176b; Tom Booth 204; Larry Ballinger 97; Linda Booth 86; Julia Poston 166; Junior Poston 275b; Mary Huffman 362. Announcements were made.

Brenda Chafin and Glenn Keeton led 62 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Amber Davis

WILLIAM J. REYNOLDS SACRED HARP SINGING
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas
Saturday, January 28, 2023

The 36th annual Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Cowden Hall at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Fort Worth, Texas, on the last Saturday in January.

This is the twenty-ninth year that *The Sacred Harp*, 1991 Revision has been used.

Tim Reynolds called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. by leading 59. Donald Ross offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Donald Ross 225t; Beverly Coates 102; Josh Rogan 434; Ivy Hauser 114; Jerry Ryan 111b; Garrett Powell 178; Caleb Uhl 277; Diane Ross 430; Russell Farnell 569b; Gary Rogan 155; Abby Huckaby 193; LuAnn Thomas 46; Kristie Powell 47b; Vivian Rogan 163b.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds led 148. Leaders: Cory Winters 106; Allison Langston 209; Gaylon Powell 236; Donald Ross 546; Beverly Coates 318; Josh Rogan 189; Ivy Hauser 163t; Jerry Ryan 317; Garrett Powell 282; Landry Bennett 63; Caleb Uhl 159; Diane Ross 354t; Russell Farnell 146; Gary Rogan 129; Abby Huckaby 299; Owen Ross 442; LuAnn Thomas 65; Tim Reynolds 133. Announcements were made. Tim Reynolds asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Tim Reynolds led 64. Leaders: Kristie Powell 500; Vivian Rogan 32t; Donna McKay 429; Marcus Brown 85; Cory Winters 200; Allison Langston 171; Gaylon Powell

272; Donald Ross 273; Beverly Coates 347; Jerry Ryan 145b; Garrett Powell 235; Diane Ross 128; Gary Rogan 276; Abby Huckaby 217; Owen Ross 216; Kristie Powell 53; Vivian Rogan 84; Donna McKay 81t; Cory Winters 513; Allison Langston 270; Tim Reynolds 278b; Landry Bennett 72b; Gaylon Powell 328; Donald Ross 567; Beverly Coates 176t; Jerry Ryan 274t; Garrett Powell 288; Marcus Brown 314; Diane Ross 40; Gary Rogan 176b; Abby Huckaby 198; Owen Ross 254; Kristin Patrick 105; Kristie Powell 448t; Vivian Rogan 215; Donna McKay 31b; Cory Winters 36b; Allison Langston 335.

Announcements were made. Tim Reynolds made closing comments, and led 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Gary Rogan, and the meeting was dismissed.

Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—Dr. Marcus Brown; Secretary—Landry Bennett

AUSTRALIAN SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Dickson St Space, Sydney, Australia
January 28-29, 2023

Saturday, January 28

After cancelled national conventions in 2021 and 2022, the 6th Australian Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Dickson St Space in Sydney over the weekend following Australia Day. The day began with a singing school led by Angharad Davis, after which Natalie Sims offered the opening prayer.

Morag Logan led 46 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Angharad Davis 30t; Meg Quinlisk 40; Ruby Foster 99; Natalie Sims 323b; Lauren Reader 82t; Caitlin McHugh 127; Shawn Whelan 217; Thomas MacDonald 171; Peter Rayner 324; Morag Logan 122; Angharad Davis 134; Meg Quinlisk 29t; Ruby Foster 145t; Lachlan Warner 47b; Natalie Sims 368; Lauren Reader 472; Caitlin McHugh 313t; Shawn Whelan 481; Thomas MacDonald 195; Peter Rayner 201; Morag Logan 84; Angharad Davis 207.

LUNCH

Thomas MacDonald led 68b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Ruby Foster 475; Caitlin McHugh 143; Caro Wormell 504; Lachlan Warner 191; Meg Quinlisk 271t; Natalie Sims 182; Shawn Whelan 532; Peter Rayner 89; Angharad Davis 198; Morag Logan 189; Thomas MacDonald 550; Ruby Foster 236; Caitlin McHugh 86; Caro Wormell 401; Lachlan Warner 234; Thomas MacDonald 344.

RECESS

Natalie Sims led 270 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Shawn Whelan 474; Peter Rayner 183; Angharad Davis 328; Morag Logan 311; Thomas MacDonald 250; Ruby Foster 524; Caitlin McHugh 495; Lauren Reader 460; Meg Quinlisk 430; Natalie Sims 406; Shawn Whelan 274t; Peter Rayner 31t; Angharad Davis 225t; Morag Logan 551; Thomas MacDonald 179; Ruby Foster 129.

Shawn Whelan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, January 29

The Sunday session of the Australian Sacred Harp Convention met again at the Dickson St Space, Sydney.

Angharad Davis led 30b to bring the class to order. Leaders: Lauren Reader and Edie White 288; Ruby Foster 112; Morag Logan 297; Thomas MacDonald 294; Meg Quinlisk 380; Shawn Whelan 48t; Caitlin McHugh 133; Peter Rayner 66; Natalie Sims 32b; Angharad Davis 50t; Lauren Reader 153; Ruby Foster 478; Morag Logan 107; Thomas MacDonald 280; Meg Quinlisk 426b; Shawn Whelan 228; Caitlin McHugh 523; Peter Rayner 148.

RECESS

Natalie Sims led 39t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Thomas MacDonald 38b; Peter Rayner 113; Elizabeth Gray 83t; Meg Quinlisk 306; Shawn Whelan 224; Ruby Foster 547; Lauren Reader 187; Caitlin McHugh 81t; Angharad Davis 392; Morag Logan 367.

Natalie Sims conducted the memorial lesson and concluded by leading 284 and 341. Leaders: Thomas MacDonald 384; Peter Rayner 455; Elizabeth Gray 106; Meg Quinlisk 175; Shawn Whelan 155; Ruby Foster 479.

LUNCH

After the break, the group turned to sing from the *Shenandoah Harmony* throughout the remainder of the afternoon.

Thomas MacDonald led 1b (ShH) to bring the class to order. Leaders: Peter Rayner 170 (ShH); Morag Logan 390 (ShH); Angharad Davis 243 (ShH); Elizabeth Gray 62 (ShH); Caitlin McHugh 260t (ShH); Ruby Foster 408b (ShH); Natalie Sims 338 (ShH); Lauren Reader 78 (ShH); Meg Quinlisk 76t (ShH); Shawn Whelan 264b (ShH); Lachlan Warner 171 (ShH); Thomas MacDonald 404t (ShH).

RECESS

Peter Rayner led 306 (ShH) to bring the class to order. Leaders: Halcyon Foster 373 (ShH); Morag Logan 209 (ShH); Angharad Davis 96b (ShH); Elizabeth Gray 73 (ShH); Caitlin McHugh 334 (ShH); Ruby Foster 82 (ShH); Natalie Sims 254 (ShH); Lauren Reader 358 (ShH); Meg Quinlisk 156 (ShH); Shawn Whelan 258 (ShH); Thomas MacDonald 200 (ShH); Peter Rayner 326b (ShH); Halcyon Foster 265 (ShH); Morag Logan 76b (ShH).

Lachlan Warner reported as the treasurer that expenses had been met. The secretary reported that fifteen singers attended the convention, and thirteen leaders led one hundred nineteen songs, made up of ninety-one songs from *The Sacred Harp* and twenty-eight from the *Shenandoah Harmony*. Announcements were made that the next Australian Sacred Harp Convention will be held over the weekend of the 27-28th of January, 2024. The Chair thanked all those who contributed to the success of the convention. Angharad Davis led 114 (ShH) as the closing song. Natalie Sims led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Angharad Davis; Secretary—Thomas MacDonald

IVEY MEMORIAL

Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama Sunday, January 29, 2023

The Ivey Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the first fifth Sunday of the year at Liberty Baptist Church. The class was called to order by Scott Ivey leading 31b. Scott led 40, and Shane Wootten offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 111t (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Jackie Tanner 47t; Nicholas Thompson 217 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Dan Brittain 216; Lomax Ballinger 270; David Carlton 332; Sarah George 546; Jonathan Wood 481; Karen Rollins and Shane Wootten 120 (for Philip Denney); Loyd Ivey 424 (in memory of Andrew Ivey); Deborah Morton 299; Blake Sisemore and Nate Butler 48t; Lisa Geist 269; David Smead 422; Susan Cheronos 349; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 277; Prisca Rice and Emmaleigh Calhoun 49t.

RECESS

Scott Ivey led 172 to bring the class together. Leaders: Steve Schmidgall 156; Lisa Bennett 320; Warren Steel 351; Jeannette DePoy and Scarlett Tucker 448t; Lori Rodgers 198; Dan Edwards 448b; Lisa Grayson 528; Daniel Lee 302; Linda Sides 225t; Winfred Kerr 36b; Meredith Ivey 319; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 146; Everett Ivey 421; Clarke Williams 460; Ken Kelley, Jamie Kelley, Kristen Kelley, and Will Kelley 112; Leanne Carter 47b; Robert Chambless 303.

RECESS

Shane Wootten led 101t to bring the class to order. Leaders: Anne Steel 348b; Judy Mincey 311; Isaac Green and Tom George 478; Aaron Wootten and Jamey Wootten 63; Cheyenne Ivey 432; Adrian Eldridge 499; Wayne Wootten 276; Nate Green and Norma Green 314; Buell Cobb 69b; Georgeanna Presnell 282; David Ivey, Allison Ivey, and Rodney Ivey 384 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Erica Hinton 187; Jared Wootten 317; Rachel Hall 329; Steve Luttinen 387. Shane Brown asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Scott Ivey leading 99. Leaders: Linton Ballinger and Larry Ballinger 224; Tim Morton 485; Maddy Mullaney, Anna Whalen, Haukon Oyer, and Dani Hill 456; Tim Gregg 515; Hayden Wootten 441; Reba Windom and Elene Stovall 436; David Wright 454; Marty Wootten 182; Em Ekelund 48b; Matt Hinton and Lottie Hinton 542; Loyd Ivey, Lilly Underwood, Martha Brown, Marian Biddle, Lindsey Watkins, Callie Watkins, and Kate Watkins 501 (CB); Cindy Tanner and Ann Jett 498; Richard Ivey, Kelsey Ivey, Sasha Hsuczyk, and Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 30b; Keillor Mose 82t; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 207; Karen Ivey and Jeannette DePoy 532; Eric Schwab 391.

RECESS

Shane Wootten and Rodney Ivey led 426t in memory of Hobert Ivey. Leaders: Earl Ballinger and Cassie Allen 110; Garrett Morton 426b; Judy Caudle 428; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock 345b; Nathan Rees 131b; Tom George and Dennis George 352; Anna Hinton, Lottie Hinton, and Andrew Kirk 142; Alex Forsyth 138b; Sandy Ivey, Jayden Hunt, and Scott Ivey 31t; Shane Brown 383; Darlene Dalton 489; Donna Wootten 76b; Samuel Williams and Daniel Williams 160b. Announcements were made.

Scott Ivey, Shane Wootten, and Marty Wootten led 176t as the closing song. Marty Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

ROTUNDA SINGING

Department of Archives and History, Montgomery, Alabama Saturday, February 4, 2023

The 24th annual session of the Rotunda Singing was held in the foyer of the Department of Archives and History, Montgomery, Alabama. Four songbooks were used: *The Colored Sacred Harp*; *The B.F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Edition*; *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*; and *The Christian Harmony*.

Tim Taylor brought the class to order leading 47t (CB). Gary Padgett offered the opening prayer. Annemarie Anderson welcomed the singers.

The first session of singing was from the Sacred Harp, Cooper Revision. Leaders: Mary Huffman 30t (CB); Evie Eddins 210 (CB); Gary Padgett 217 (CB); Steve Grauberger 448 (CB); Anne Riley 559 (CB); Kennon Smith 189 (CB); Kevin Dyess 503 (CB); Jonathan Weaver and Katherine Weaver 38t (CB); Shane Brown 199 (CB); Brad Smith 282 (CB); Danny Creel 404 (CB); Judy Chambless 29t (CB); Lisa Bennett 392 (CB); Terry Wootten 567 (CB); Fynn Titford-Mock 54t (CB); Robert Chambless 72 (CB).

RECESS

The second session of singing was from the Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition. Leaders: Rodney Ivey 111t; Beth Branscome 228; Chris Parris 421; Jim Carnes 440; David Smead 271t; Charlotte Bishop 335; Kathy Maddox 358; Jamey Wootten 176t; Oscar McGuire and Cassie Allen 485; Ann Riley 178; Kennon Smith 268; Sarah Beasley 340; Gary Padgett 198; Lisa Bennett 55 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Becky Briggs 63; Shane Brown 383; Jonathan Weaver 535; Kevin Dyess 84.

RECESS

The third session of singing was from the *Christian Harmony*. Leaders: Tim Taylor 121t (CH); Danny Creel 493b (CH), 54 (CH); Chris Nicholson 67b (CH), 490 (CH); Jeff James 50 (CH), 51 (CH); David Daniel 184 (CH), 82b (CH); Cassie Allen 307 (CH); Herbert Buckhannon 143 (CH), “Give Me Just a Little More Time”. The class sang 369 (CB).

LUNCH

Tim Taylor brought the afternoon session to order leading 99 (CB). The first afternoon session was from *The Colored Sacred Harp*. Leaders: Steve Grauberger 82 (CSH); Jim Carnes 24 (CSH); Rodney Ivey 84 (CSH); Mary Huffman 65b (CSH); Herbert Buckhannon “My Day of Joy is Coming” (handout); Jim Carnes 31 (CSH). The second afternoon session was from the Sacred Harp, Cooper Revision. Leaders: Jamey Wootten 563 (CB); Alice Sundberg 449 (CB) (in memory of Ken Sundberg); Jerusha Wheeler 348t (CB); Fynn Titford-Mock 95t (CB); Chris Nicholson 212 (CB); Oscar McGuire and Charlotte Bishop 329 (CB); David Smead 522 (CB); Cassie Allen 514 (CB); Seth Holloway 235 (CB).

RECESS

The third afternoon session was from the Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition. Leaders: Danny Creel 76b; Terry Wootten 472; Beth Branscome 456; Evie Eddins 474; Brad Smith 457; Becky Briggs 73t; Jerusha Wheeler 148.

The fourth afternoon session was from the *Christian Harmony*. Danny Creel 1 (CH); Fynn Titford-Mock 354 (CH); Jeff James 264 (CH); Lisa Bennett 432b (CH); Beth Branscome 91 (CH); Gary Padgett 349 (CH); Steve Grauberger 179 (CH); Jim Carnes 133 (CH); Tim Taylor 78b (CH). Announcements were made.

Tim Taylor, Mary Huffman, and Evie Eddins led 23b (CH) as the closing song. Jeff James dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Tim Taylor; Secretaries / Arranging Committee—Mary Huffman and Evie Eddins

BURNHAM AND BROWN MEMORIAL **Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama** **Sunday, February 5, 2023**

The annual Burnham and Brown Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held in the Wesley Foundation Student Center on the first Sunday in February. The meeting of this singing had not been held since February, 2020. The class was called to order by Kathy Williams and Tom George leading 31b. Cecil Roberts offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tom George 479; Judy Caudle 167; Cecil Roberts 30t; Winfred Kerr 36b; Loyd Ivey 47t; Pearl Guier 68b; Barbara Brooks 410t; Denny Rogers and Karen Rollins 225t, 227; Philip Gilmore 47b; April Watkins 53; Judy Chambless 454 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Buell Cobb 52b; David Smead 113; Oscar McGuire and Margie Smith 475.

RECESS

Tom George led 88t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Glenda Collins 282; Lisa Bennett 436; Robert Chambless 313b (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Dennis George 204 (in memory of B.J. Harris); Cheyenne Ivey and Reba Windom 30b; Bert Collins 97; Fynn Titford-Mock 92; Sarah George 75; Samuel Sommers 560 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Rebekah Gilmore 187; Elene Stovall 440 (for her niece); David Brodeur 228; Reba Windom 208; Travis McCay 117; Don Bowen 39b (for Ed and Margaret Thacker); Lauren Bock 134 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Judy Mincey 474; Larry Brasher 385b; Rodney Ivey and Karen Rollins 489 (for Philip Denney); Rene Greene and Pam Nunn 217; Fynn Titford-Mock 275b; Judy Caudle 212 (for Sharon DuPriest); Samuel Sommers 437. Oscar McGuire asked a blessing before the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Kathy Williams leading 186. Leaders: Lisa Bennett and David Smead 406 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Judy Chambless and Robert Chambless 472; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 300; Tom George and Sarah George 418 (for Nate and Norma Green); Philip Gilmore, Rebekah Gilmore, and Travis McCay 146 (for Joe and Leslie Gilmore); Loyd Ivey and Rodney Ivey 283; Cheyenne Ivey and April Watkins 384; Fynn Titford-Mock and Lauren Bock 327; Karen Rollins and Denney Rogers 354b (in memory of Ann Simpson); Elene Stovall and Dennis George 411; Don Bowen and Judy Mincey 77b; Oscar McGuire and Cecil Roberts 229; Buell Cobb and Larry Brasher 513; Barbara Brooks and Winfred Kerr 129; David Brodeur and Reba Windom 542. Announcements were made. Kathy Williams led 347 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Kathy Williams; Vice Chairman—Tom George; Secretary—Judy Caudle

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY SACRED HARP SINGING **George W Truett Theological Seminary, Waco, Texas** **Saturday, February 11, 2023**

The 20th annual Baylor University Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Great Hall of the George W. Truett Theological Seminary on the Baylor University campus in Waco, Texas. Stuart Ivey gave a few introductory remarks about Sacred Harp and taught a singing school prior to the start of the singing. David Music then welcomed the class, and called the class together leading 99. Randal Bradley led the opening prayer. Leaders: Diane Ross 209; Jerry Ryan 145t; Robert Vaughn 47b; Kristie Powell 53; Gayle Avant 72b; Matthew Laube 277; LuAnn Thomas 35; Randal Bradley and Taylor White 354b; Donald Ross 475; Abby Huckaby 442; Gaylon Powell 361; Sarah Huckaby 39t; Emily Brown 455; Janie Short 288; Ivy Hauser 80t; Elizabeth Laube 178; Davis Lunsford 276; Beverly Coates 313b; Joseph Sterer 63; Chelse Miller 107.

RECESS

Leaders: Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212; Donald Ross 56t; Kevin Frankie 518; Tammy Powell 454; Drew Jackson 128; Derick Estale, Maria Monterio, and Diane Ross 81t; Joseph Sterer 122; Stuart Ivey 206; Chris Nicholson 30t; Andrew Brinkerhoff 148; Tyler White 105; Kevin Frankie 336; Beverly Coates 472; Matthew Laube 350; Davis Lunsford 49t; Tammy Powell and Abby Huckaby 475; Saul Winebrenner 59. Announcements were made. David Music offered grace prior to the meal.

LUNCH

Stuart Ivey brought the class back together leading 37b. Leaders: Sarah Huckaby 376; Ivy Hauser 142; Gaylon Powell 380; Emily Brown 532; Elizabeth Laube 481; Robert Vaughn 445; Alan Hollinger 68b; Janie Short 480; Logan Moore 45t; Chelse Miller 504; Revina Karani 312b; Kyle Hearne 38b; Sylvia Jones 496.

RECESS

Donald Ross brought the class back together leading 183. Leaders: Kevin Frankie 355; Drew Jackson 457; Stuart Ivey and Vivian Ivey 146; Tyler White 147b; Randal Bradley 58; Gaylon Powell 155; Kristie Powell 33b; George 274t.

Stuart Ivey 62 as the closing song. Maria Monteiro offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—David Music Secretary—Diane Ross

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY SINGING
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
Saturday, February 11, 2023

The 31st annual Lincoln's Birthday Singing was held on the second Saturday in February at Ida Noyes Hall, University of Chicago, in conjunction with the 63rd annual University of Chicago Folk Festival. The class was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Jim Helke. Because the room was filled with people unfamiliar with Sacred Harp, the Chair turned the floor over to the singing school master, Lisa Grayson, who explained the rudiments of shapenote singing and gave a brief history of Sacred Harp, using 49t as a teaching example.

Leaders: Jim Swanson 274t; Dave Barford 276; Doug Stapleton 178; Mark Dawson 496; Jeff Gauthier 228; Theo Economides 547; Matthew Siefert 361; Susan Geil 52t; Lisa Grayson 112; Eileen Ferguson 344; Mary Rogel 501 (in memory of Ted Mercer); Dill Ma and Ginny Landgraf 38b; Debbie Barford 198.

RECESS

Cathryn Bearov called the class to order leading 372. Leaders: Anita Shaperd 216; Sylvia Senauke and Lisa Grayson 457; Lisa Cohen 485; Randy Neufeld 47b; Ginny Landgraf 183; Rochelle Lodder 39t; Charles Euwel and Eric Gu 82t; Jerry Gripshover 268; Jim Helke 551; Eric Gu 196.

The floor was opened for questions from the participants, and announcements were made. The class took the parting hand while singing 347.

Chairman—Jim Helke; Secretary—Mary Rogel

SANDERS MEMORIAL
Liberty Primitive Baptist Church
McCormick, Jefferson County, Alabama
Saturday, February 11, 2023

The Sanders Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in February. The class was called to order by Brenda Chafin leading 35. The opening prayer was offered by Butch White.

Leaders: Brenda Chafin 37b; Glenn Keeton 77t, 40; Ken Tate 411, 385t. In a business meeting, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary and Arranging—Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: Danny Creel 384, 498; Roma Rice 66, 63; Butch White 278t, 448t; Nicholas Thompson 110 (in memory of J.H. Ballinger), 475 (in memory of Flarce Creel); Earl Ballinger 389, 299; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley), 137.

RECESS

Brenda Chafin led 76b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 98, 140 (for Henry Guthery); Ann Jett 141, 448b; Louise Yeager 503; Cindy Tanner 36b (for Caroline Wootten), 124; Lisa Geist 195 (for Ozella Blackmon), 527; Wanda Capps and Danny Creel 335, 89; Cassie Allen 517, 176b. Danny Creel asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 379. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 271b; Lisa Geist 472 (for Betty Baccus); Butch White 547; Roma Rice 102; Ken Tate 354t; Glenn Keeton 365, 361; Earl Ballinger 177; Cindy Tanner 368, 220 (for Barrett Patton); Marlin Beasley 282; Danny Creel 283; Ann Jett 269; Larry Ballinger 477; Cassie Allen 410b. Announcements were made.

Brenda Chafin and Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

EMORY SACRED HARP SINGING
Cannon Chapel At Emory University
and Church of Our Saviour, Atlanta, Georgia
February 11-12, 2023

Saturday, February 11

The 17th annual Emory Singing, held at Cannon Chapel on the campus of Emory University, was dedicated to the singing of new song submissions for the forthcoming revision of *The Sacred Harp*. The singing also included a Sunday session at Church of Our Saviour featuring singing from *The Sacred Harp*.

The Saturday session of the singing was called to order by Cathy Bonk leading 87. Bryan Black offered the opening prayer. Cathy Bonk turned the singing over to David Ivey, chair of the revision-music committee, who introduced the process for the day. Leaders, comprising members of the revision-music committee or the Sacred Harp Publishing Company board of directors, would take turns leading sets of songs from printed packets of song submissions, which the class would sing on the notes only, creating an audio recording that revision-music committee members would use to evaluate the songs.

Leaders: Lauren Bock; Jesse P. Karlsberg; Tom George; Richard Ivey; Nathan Rees.

RECESS

Bill DuPre brought the class back to order leading 472. During a business session the following officers were elected to serve: Chairwoman—Cathy Bonk; Vice Chairman—Bill DuPre; Secretary—Jerusha Wheeler. Jesse P. Karlsberg served as secretary pro tempore. Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg; Lauren Bock; Tom George. Amy Wells offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Cathy Bonk called the class to order leading 159. Leaders: Tom George; Richard Ivey; Nathan Rees; John Plunkett. David Ivey led a town hall session on the revision process. Jesse P. Karlsberg spoke about the design and production of the songbook. Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg; Lauren Bock. Cathy Bonk and Bill DuPre led 146 as the closing song. Cathy Bonk offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, February 12

The Sunday afternoon session of the singing, held at Robinson Hall at Church of Our Saviour, was called to order by Cathy Bonk leading 30t. Bill DuPre offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Cathy Bonk 84; Bill DuPre 448t, 540; Jesse P. Karlsberg 492, 291; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Anna Hinton 182, 383; Eva Striebeck 501, 217; Allison Blake Steel 112, 345b; Erica Hinton 83t, 228; Sadhbh O'Flynn 85, 204; Fynn Titford-Mock 80b, 150; Clarke Williams 200, 369; John Plunkett 111t, 105; David Smead 165, 390 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Lucey Rose Karlsberg 146.

RECESS

The singing resumed with Cathy Bonk leading 159. Leaders: Judy Mincey 504, 486; Amy Wells 142; Lauren Bock 332, 522; Tajin Rogers 148, 47b; Nathan Rees 103, 187; Lisa Bennett 388, 455 (in memory of Ann Simpson); Anders Wells 110, 99; Karen Swenson 440, 344; Matt Hinton and Lottie Hinton 542; Fynn Titford-Mock 521; Allison Blake Steel 138b; Kerry Cullinan 464; Eva Striebeck 39b; Karen Swenson 475; Sadhbh O'Flynn 394; Tajin Rogers 191; Clarke Williams 498; Judy Mincey 180; Nathan Rees 313t; Matt Hinton and Ted Huddleston 65.

Announcements were made.

Cathy Bonk led 62 as the closing song. Bill DuPre gave the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairwoman—Cathy Bonk; Vice Chairman—Bill DuPre; Secretary—Jerusha Wheeler

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONVENTION, WASHINGTON

Sunset Hill Community Club, Seattle, Washington

February 18-19, 2023

Saturday, February 18

The Washington Session of the 30th annual Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by David Wright leading 101t. Sidra Schkerke offered the opening prayer.

The convention held a business meeting, and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—David Wright; Vice Chairman—Laura McMurray; Secretary—Erik Schwab; Arranging Committee—Bob Schinske and Laura McMurray; Chaplains—Sidra Schkerke and Karen Willard; Memorial Committee—Kate Coxon, Marie Brandis, and Gillian Inksetter; Resolutions Committee—Rosie Sokolov and Nancy

Novotny. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Gedney Barclay 99; Erik Schwab 378t; Alan Viola 42; Sara Ng 212; Karen Willard 181; Peter Schinske 163t; Susan Helf 34b; Aisha Morgan 82t; Bob Schinske 32t; Shannon McGuire 196; Carrie Walker 569b; Greg Saue 147t.

RECESS

Emma Swartz called the class to order leading 29t. Leaders: June Thomasson 455; Dorothy Robinson 401; Steven Golob 335; Pat Coghlan 351; Anne Huckins 454; Rosie Sokolov 548; Chris Noren 377; Doug Hill 288; Gillian Inksetter 392; Lucinda Larsen Saue 178; Ruth Linehan 56t; Ian Suchon 285t; Karen Stingle 318; Mischa Skeeter 372; Carolyn Gilkey 171; Scott Kennedy 162; Kathy Vlach 475.

RECESS

Rosie Sokolov called the class to order leading 56b. Leaders: Wren Hyde 500; Sophia Schinske 63; Kevin Barrans 225t; Dorothy Mitchell 354t; Betsy Jeronen 436; David Schmitt 217; Emma Swartz 65; Kate Fine 198; Laura McMurray 123t; Thom Fahrback 482; Kate Coxon 430; Nancy Novotny 474; Kristofer Ilex 216; Andy Ditzler 380; Jenna Tompkins 532; Jane Cannon 32b. Sidra Schkerke asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

David Wright called the class to order leading 97. Leaders: Dave Barber 426b; Evelyn Lamb 202; Mark Godfrey 411; Inga Buckland 468; Stephanie Fida 232; David Brodeur 444; Marie Brandis 172; Lindy Groening 383; Leigh Cooper 142; Julia Zaffarano 442; Will Sims 277; Leah Coffin 245; Carolyn Deacy 91; Derek Buckland 165; Mryka Hall-Beyer 86; Katie Mahoney 425; Paul Chamberlain 49t; David Schmitt 313b.

RECESS

Laura McMurray called the class to order leading 138b. Leaders: Bethany Bylsma 282; Karen Willard 438; Jessica Hahl 121; Andy Ditzler 434; Gillian Inksetter 189; Inga Buckland 369; Jenna Tompkins 278t; Evelyn Lamb 441; Marie Brandis 527; Derek Buckland 44; David Brodeur 283; Carolyn Deacy 201; Wren Hyde 296; Kevin Barrans 511; Kate Fine 361; Mischa Skeeter 324; Jane Cannon 447. David Wright led 180 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Sidra Schkerke.

Sunday, February 19

The Sunday session of the Pacific Northwest Convention was called to order by David Wright leading 495. The opening prayer was offered by Karen Willard.

Leaders: Erik Schwab 30t; Gedney Barclay 384; Karen Willard 128; Andy Ditzler

390; Scott Kennedy 344; Susan Helf 547; Ian Suchon 163b; Laura McMurray 565; Kathy Vlach 34b; Kristofer Ilex 432; Peter Schinske 299; Chris Noren 507; Mark Godfrey 176t.

RECESS

Kevin Barrans called the class to order leading 111b. Leaders: Ruth Linehan 112; Lindy Groening 315; Derek Buckland 52b; Carolyn Deacy 286; Doug Hill 101t; Shannon McGuire 472; Carrie Walker 290; David Schmitt 268; Carolyn Gilkey 504; Paul Chamberlain 159; Anne Huckins 479; Sara Ng 430; Karen Stingle 106; Alan Viola 457; Mischa Skeeter 448t; Jenna Tompkins 455; Dorothy Robinson 419.

RECESS

Chris Noren called the class to order leading 49b. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 385b; Adam Morgan Berey 47b; Pat Coghlan 218; Lucinda Larsen Saue 503; Rosie Sokolov 414.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Kate Coxon, Marie Brandis, and Gillian Inksetter. Kate said that we remember not only those on the sick and shut-ins list, but also those who have not felt safe to return to singing since the COVID-19 pandemic began. Kate Coxon and Marie Brandis led 70t in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Linda Berkemeier, Kate Fortin, Bud Murphy, Patricia Coffin, Sharon Skeeter, Martha Leff, Gary Leff, Lenny Zilz, Nell Whitman, Seth Dickens, Grace Ann Baker, Paul McGuire, Jinx McGuire, Mike Greene, Tom Fickel, Tina Tanaka, Eric Holt, Mary Green, Karen LaBonté, Marla Elliott, Lu Zeng, Alfred Sausotte, Melanie Hauff, Jeff Begley, and Joan Durdin.

In remembering the deceased, Kate Coxon said that we are privileged to know through singing a variety of people we would never meet otherwise. Kate Coxon and Gillian Inksetter led 176b in honor of the following deceased since the last full convention in 2020: Alice Hammond, Ken Sunderland, Bill Windom, Joan Aldridge, Hubert Nall—Alabama; Sydney Lindeke—Alaska; Katie Holldber, Joanne Cone, Judi Clark, David Fecho—California; Stella Wyens, Sue Bunch—Florida; Philip Denney—Georgia; Matt Osterholt, Ted Mercer—Illinois; Jackie Bryant—Maryland; Bill Beverly—Michigan; Tom Deacy—Missouri; Leila Roberson—New Jersey; Daniel Davis—New Mexico; Daniel Nicholich—New York; Dorothy Lane, Timothy Aldridge, Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Nick Cohen—Ontario; Martha Sherwood—Oregon; Judy Toole—Tennessee; Charlotte Powell, Landis Powell, Beverly Nelms—Texas; Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Edwin Charles Walker, Grace Burns, Donna Rennick, Solomon Ossa, Rosella Helf—Washington; and Rebecca Over—England. Prayer to close the memorial lesson was offered by Gillian Inksetter. Leaders: Emma Swartz 410b; David Brodeur 140. Karen Willard asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

David Wright called the class to order leading 108t. Leaders: Wren Hyde 269; Stephanie Fida 528; Dave Barber 362; Leah Coffin 133; Evelyn Lamb 230; Inga Buckland 94; Will Sims 71; Kevin Barrans 137; Sophia Schinske 527; Thom Fahrback 263; Lindy Groening 546; Julia Zaffarano 271t; Leigh Cooper 512; Betsy Jeronen 440; Mryka Hall-Beyer 148; Bob Schinske 498; Mark Godfrey 83t; Jane Cannon 367; David Schmitt 499; Kate Fine and Justine Cruise-Robersen 489; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 543; Dorothy Mitchell 287; Gillian Inksetter 192; Jack Lofton 550.

RECESS

Stephanie Fida called the class to order leading 29t. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 340; Greg Saue 143; Marie Brandis 352; Kelly Kennedy 492; Kate Coxon 114; Derek Buckland and Inga Buckland 341; Carolyn Deacy 273; Scott Kennedy 228; Wren

Hyde 416; Susannah Cummins 27; Carolyn Gilkey and Karen Stingle 209; Ruth Linehan 67; Emma Swartz 215; Julia Zaffarano 58; Kevin Barrans 68b.

A business meeting was held to hear committee reports. The Chair reported that expenses were met through the generosity of attendees and made a motion to remit the Convention's purse to Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singers, Inc. , which was accepted. Nancy Novotny and Rosie Sokolov submitted a resolution, which was accepted, thanking the officers, committees, and volunteers, and setting the 2024 Washington Session on the third Sunday and Saturday before in February. The meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

David Wright and Laura McMurray led 62 as the closing song, while those who wished took the parting hand. Karen Willard offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Wright; Vice Chairman—Laura McMurray; Secretary—Erik Schwab

LYDIA LEWALLEN MEMORIAL SINGING

University Baptist Church, Minneapolis Minnesota, and Livestreaming Saturday, February 25, 2023

Beloved North Carolina singer Lydia Lewallen died on January 23, 2023. Megan Holm and Steve Luttinen organized this singing in Lydia's memory. Steve Luttinen began the memorial by leading 171. Leaders: Jake Kiakahi 569b; AnnaLeigh Smith 472; Noelle Copeland 475; Kat Kohorst 387; Steven Schmidgall 565; Steven Levine 38t; Alec Jenkins-White 38b; Dick Patterson 70b; Shana Wenger 455; Eleanor Haase 503; Elise delMas 182; Carol Buche 71; Dick Patterson 274t.

RECESS

After the recess, singers were invited to step to the podium and share a memory of Lydia then lead a song in her memory. Leaders: Megan Holm 230; AnnaLeigh Smith "Blessed Are They That Mourn"; Noelle Copeland 414 (requested by Amanda Jokerst); John Weems 27; Tamara Harris 127 (requested by Bridge Kennedy); Stacey Berkheimer 176b; Barb Patterson 228; Shana Wenger 30b; Kat Kohorst 348t; Miriam Delirium 285t; Jake KiaKahi 59 (requested by Val Stoehr); Elise delMas 122 (requested by Martha Henderson); John Weems 118; Eleanor Haase 454; AnnaLeigh Smith "This Heavy Load"; Steven Schmidgall 69b; Doug Donley 146; Dick Patterson 163t; Steven Levine 225t (requested by Lela Crowder); Ben Copenhaver 310; Michael Shewmaker 84; John Weems 153 (requested by Kit Walsh); Jake Kiakahi 111b (CH); Alec Jenkins-White 383 (OSH); Jim Goetz 340; Noelle Copeland 425; Steven Levine 528; Steve Luttinen 235. Elise delMas offered prayer. Lydia Lenore Lewallen November 14, 1988 to January 23, 2023. Rest in peace. Chairpersons—Megan Holm, Steve Luttinen; Secretary—Steven Schmidgall

SOUTH YORKSHIRE SINGING

Wisewood Methodist Church, Wisewood, Sheffield, United Kingdom Saturday, February 25, 2023

The annual South Yorkshire All-Day Sacred Harp singing was held at the Wisewood Methodist Church in Sheffield. The class was called to order by Vicki Elliott leading 171. Joe Vickers offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Sam Carter 59; Robert Bentall 32b; Jacoba Bruneel 101t; Chris Brown 108b; Hannah Land 475; Martel Reynolds 142; Joe Vickers 378b; Kate Howard 217; Werner Ullah 49t; Joshua Lant 74t; Thomas Greig 74b; Joyce Smith 283; Karen Turner 99 (for Sandy Semeonoff); Matthew Parkinson 30t; Steve Brett 39b; Phil Tyler 101b; Richard Mayers 34b; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 225t; Greg Carson 276; Claire Welford 28t.

RECESS

Eimear O'Donovan brought the class back to order leading 106. Leaders: Martel Reynolds 312b; Mika Upton 77t; Jacoba Bruneel 216; Robert Bental 39t; Claire Welford 181; Calum Woods 180; Erin Johnson-Williams 290; Kate Howard 31t; Karen Turner 448b.

John Sprackland offered the lesson for the deceased and for the sick and housebound. He read the following list of names of the deceased: Dave Thorpe, Richard Drane, Brianna Ghey, Gill Peake, Mark Jones—United Kingdom; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Graham DeZarn—Virginia, USA; Philip Denney—Georgia, USA; Dwight Diller—West Virginia, USA; Charlotte Powell—Texas, USA; Hubert Nall—Alabama, USA; Teresa Cavallar—Italy; Pat Lucy and Breda Morrisroe—Ireland.

He also read the following list of names of the sick and housebound: Michael Keane, Sandy Semeonoff, Lynn Semeraro, Cheryl Foreman, Jean McDougall, Joy Spreadborough, Seth Dickens, Cath Tyler, David Elliott, Chris Lever, and Denise Kania. John Sprackland and Tom Sprackland led 454 for all the above named.

Leaders: Hannah Land 56b; Werner Ullah 503; Joyce Smith 406; Chris Brown 72b. Grace for the mid-day meal was offered by Hannah Land.

LUNCH

Karen Turner called the class back together by leading 105. Leaders: Joshua Lant 456; Ed Johnson-Williams 396; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 159; Phil Tyler 182; Richard Mayers 263; Lottie Sumner, Sally Dunleavy, Connie Baldini, and Anna Baldini 146; Sam Carter 460; Joe Vickers 511; Eimear O'Donovan 296; Greg Carson 481; Steve Brett 358 (for the Minnesota singers and Lydia Lewallen); Claire Welford 385t; Matthew Parkinson 505; Thomas Greig 274t; Erin Johnson-Williams 192; Jacoba Bruneel 42; Mika Upton 448t; Calum Woods 398; Hannah Land 189; Tom Sprackland 214; Robert Bental 324.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Jacoba Bruneel leading 275t. Leaders: Steve Brett 76b; Werner Ullah 278t; Phil Tyler 573; Karen Turner 430; Martel Reynolds 268; Sam Carter and Lenny Lee-Fisher 38b; Sian Lant 339; Joyce Smith 373; Calum Woods 394; Richard Mayers 504; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 100; Joe Vickers 43; Tom Sprackland 434; Greg Carson 178; Eimear O'Donovan 521; Thomas Greig 410t. Eimear O'Donovan and Vicki Elliott led 347 as the closing song. Calum Woods offered the closing prayer.

Co-Chairpersons—Eimear O'Donovan and Vicki Elliott; Secretary—Jacoba Bruneel

TEXAS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Coker United Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas**

February 25-26, 2023

Saturday, February 25

The 29th annual Texas State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Coker United Methodist Church in San Antonio, Texas. Vickie Cook called the class to order leading 171. Mike Hinton offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Gary Rogan 418; Tammy Powell 542; Jeb Owen 208; Gaylon Powell 434; Elisabeth Conley 280; Riley Owen 168; Scott Curran 475; Robert Vaughn 500; Vivian Rogan 535; Janie Short 350; David Montgomery 33t; Robert Handel 440; Abby Huckaby 40; Jackson Owen 34b; Lauren Owen 178; Beverly Coates 313b; Philip Conley 480; Liz Owen 454.

RECESS

Gary Rogan called the class to order leading 384. Leaders: Sarah Huckaby 475; Tom Owen 481; Ivy Hauser 131b; Darlene Dalton 146; Mike Hinton 383; Diane Ross 430; Ellee Curran 159; Kristie Powell 142; Hoss Curran 58; Derek Buckland 56b; Abigail Curran 354b; Donald Ross 183; Linda Booker 569b; Catherine Rogan 299;

Silas Huckaby 155; Michele Curran 269; Ellen Ray 460; Scott Ivey 192; Criste Taura and Gaylon Powell 268; Janie Short 312b; Inga Buckland 128; Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212; Jeb Owen and Jaxon Ledford 503, 65; Elisabeth Conley 35; Riley Owen 448t. Jeb Owen offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Vickie Cook called the class back together leading 49t. Leaders: Lauren Owen 47b; Jackson Owen 410t; Jaxon Ledford 319; Liz Owen 328; Robert Vaughn 235; David Montgomery 276; Philip Conley 122; Scott Ivey 99; Mike Hinton 373; Inga Buckland 413; Robert Handel 489; Darlene Dalton 63 (for Syble Adams); Derek Buckland 275t. The following committee members were appointed to serve: Memorial Committee—Diane Ross, Michele Curran, and Ivy Houser; Nominating Committee—Vivian Rogan, Catherine Rogan, and Beverly Coates.

RECESS

Vickie Cook called the class back together leading 335. Leaders: Silas Huckaby 134; Ivy Houser 272; Scott Curran 472; Vivian Rogan 84; Ellee Curran 196; Tom Owen 106; Abby Huckaby 203; Kristie Powell and John Moorehead 39t; Michele Curran 504; Hoss Curran 388; Donald Ross 546; Beverly Coates 548; Linda Booker 494; Diane Ross 543; Ellen Ray 48t; Chris Nicholson 162; Sarah Huckaby 163t; Catherine Rogan 318; Gary Rogan 129. Announcements were made. Vickie Cook led 120 as the closing song. Janie Short offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, February 26

The Sunday session of the Texas State Convention was called to order by Vickie Cook leading 72b. Gaylon Powell offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Gary Rogan 48t; Tammy Powell 217; Gaylon Powell 53; Beverly Coates 283; Vivian Rogan 32t; Garrett Powell 30b; Inga Buckland 47t; Olivia Powell 565; Abby Curran 75; Catherine Rogan 441; Robert Handel 112; Kevin Powell 163b; Darlene Dalton 503; Michele Curran 224; Derek Buckland 48b; Donald Ross 331; Hoss Curran 101t; Ivy Houser 101b; Abby Huckaby 222; Linda Booker 490; Ellee Curran 196. Mike Hinton presented a plaque from The Sacred Harp Publishing Company to honor and express appreciation to loyal supporters and dedicated Sacred Harp singers to Marvin Powell.

RECESS

Gary Rogan called the class back together leading 176t. Leaders: Kristie Powell 110; Sarah Huckaby 568; Janie Short 442; Scott Curran 200; Diane Ross 344; Silas Huckaby 59; Tom Owen 528; Mike Hinton 527; Chris Nicholson 348b; Ellen Ray 33b.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Ivy Houser led 390 for the following sick and homebound: Cheryl Forman, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Syd Caldwell, Virginia Glass, and Caroline Wootten.

Michele Curran read the following list of names of the deceased since the singing last met: John Beard, Dorothy Price, Cecil "Mac" Hargrove, Marilyn Burkland, Margaret Rounsavall, Bob McLemore, Curtis Owen, Patricia Blevins, Dale Redmon Jr, Gloria Berendzen, Margret Rowell, Sylvia Ross, David Rousseau, Stephen Hutcheson, Tina Beard-Bryant, Leo Stanley, Ruby Morris, Landis Powell, Mary Stanley, Curtis Jones, Myrl Jones, Sue Batson, Beverly Nelms, Charlotte Powell—Texas; Ken Sundburg, Bill Windom, Margaret Spurlock, Coy Ivey, Joan Aldridge, Hubert Nall, Claudene Townson, Ethel Gilbert, Jimmy Gilbert—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Baron Powers—Louisiana; Bill Beverly—Michigan; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Rebecca Over, Martin Williams—United Kingdom. Diane Ross, Michele Curran, and Ivy Houser led 566. Diane Ross offered prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Kevin Powell 300; Gaylon Powell 505; Olivia Powell and Abby Huckaby 236; Garrett Powell 178; Kristie Powell 37b; Tammy Powell 454; Beverly Coates,

Tom Owen, and Diane Ross 153, 176b, 497; Vivian Rogan 86; Inga Buckland 369. Garry Rogan offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Vickie Cook called the class back to order by leading 150. Leaders: Catherine Rogan 273; Robert Handel 68b; Darlene Dalton 147t; Michele Curran 95; Derek Buckland 160b; Donald Ross 499; Hoss Curran 288; Ivy Houser 536; Abby Huckaby 189; Linda Booker 34t; Ellee Curran 142; Sarah Huckaby 299; Janie Short 148; Scott Curran 107; Silas Huckaby 277; Chris Nicholson 473; Ellen Ray 56t; Sara DeTurk 159; Inga Buckland 302; Abby Curran 146; Donald Ross and Diane Ross 30t; Derek Buckland 230; Gary Rogan, Vivian Rogan, and Catherine Rogan 36b; Darlene Dalton 480; Ivy Houser 73t; Robert Handel 137.

A business meeting was held. The following officers were elected to serve for next year: Chairman—Gary Rogan; Vice Chairman—Scott Curran; Secretary—Tammy Powell; Treasurer—Mike Hinton. A motion was made to stop at 11:45 and come back at 1:15 as the singers have to walk across the church campus for lunch. Motion passed. Thanks to the organizers of the convention.

Vickie Cook led 69t for the closing song. Tom Owen offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Vickie Cook; Vice Chairman—Gary Rogan; Secretary—Tammy Powell

THE SOCIAL HARP AND SACRED HARP SINGING **Railroad Street Community Center, Arnoldsville, Georgia** **Sunday, February 26, 2023**

The 49th annual session of *The Social Harp* and Sacred Harp Singing was held on the fourth Sunday in February. Michael Spencer brought the class to order by leading 86 (ScH). John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 146 (ScH), 182 (ScH); David Smead 155 (ScH), 154 (ScH); Lisa Bennett 188 (ScH), 200 (ScH); John Hollingsworth 250 (ScH); Judy Mincey 135 (ScH), 134 (ScH); John Plunkett 106 (ScH), 149 (ScH); Shawn Taylor 60 (ScH), 209 (ScH); Maddy Mullany 185 (ScH), 165 (ScH); Esther Morgan-Ellis 70 (ScH), 71 (ScH); Mary Baumeister 103 (ScH), 23b (ScH); Clarke Williams 107 (ScH), 18t (ScH); Chris Wilhelm 19 (ScH), 218t (ScH); Oscar McGuire 34 (ScH), 88 (ScH); Robert Kelley 141 (ScH), 75 (ScH).

RECESS

Michael Spencer brought the class back to order leading 87 (ScH). Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 31 (ScH); David Smead 195 (ScH); Lisa Bennett 239 (ScH); John Hollingsworth 37 (ScH); Judy Mincey 163 (ScH); Shawn Taylor 20b (ScH); John Plunkett 22 (ScH); Clarke Williams 183 (ScH); Esther Morgan-Ellis 140 (ScH); Maddy Mullany 108 (ScH); Mary Baumeister 21 (ScH); Oscar McGuire 24t (ScH); Chris Wilhelm 55b (ScH); Robert Kelley 201 (ScH); Shannon Primm 61t (ScH); Judy Mincey 159 (ScH).

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Michael Spencer leading 420. Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 354b, 236; David Smead 441, 267; Lisa Bennett and Leslie Gose 346, 224; John Hollingsworth 46, 186; Judy Mincey 540, 569t.

The class went into a business session and elected the following officers: Chairman—Michael Spencer; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—David Smead. Lisa Bennett was appointed as the Arranging Officer. The class voted to move the location of this singing to the No. 3 Railroad Street Community Center in Arnoldsville, and to change the name of the singing (formerly the University of Georgia Singing), as we are no longer meeting on the grounds of the University of Georgia.

Leaders: Christy Sinksen 107, 448t; Shawn Taylor 288, 543; Shannon Primm 211, 206; John Plunkett 280, 38t; Clarke Williams 181, 138b; Esther Morgan-Ellis 37b, 179.

RECESS

Leaders: Michael Spencer 382; Maddy Mullany 402, 138t; Mary Baumeister 567, 160b (in memory of Sharon Kellam); Oscar McGuire 323b, 515; Robert Kelley 541, 218; Judy Mincey 279; Maddy Mullany 383; Clarke Williams 32b; Esther Morgan-Ellis 30b. After announcements, Michael Spencer led 521 as the closing song. Shannon Primm offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Michael Spencer; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—David Smead

SUSAN CHERONES AND DANIEL LEE WEDDING SINGING

Sewanee, Tennessee

Thursday, March 2, 2023

A Sacred Harp singing was held in celebration of the wedding of Susan Cheronos and Daniel Lee. The class was called to order by Daniel Lee leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Gillian Inksetter.

Leaders: David Ivey 129; Emily Stutzman 159; Nicholas Thompson 200; Lisa Bennett 114; Tim Gregg 91; Kari Lundgren 344; Lance and Malachi 68b; Inga Buckland 312b; Bridge Kennedy 225t; Isaac Lloyd 276; Susan Cheronos and Kevin Dyess 173; Tom Fahrbach 328; Elissa Lloyd and Amariah Lloyd 319; Judy Mincey 182; Reba Windom and Pam Nunn 384; Karen Ivey 192; Derek Buckland 230; Gideon Lloyd 274t; Steven Miller and William Hargrave 45t; Ezra Lloyd 535; Robert Stoddard 318; Susan Cheronos and Daniel Lee (special song).

RECESS

The class was brought back together by David Ivey leading 131b. Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 422; Ann Riley 142; Meredith Ivey 196; David Smead 170; Grant Deboard 99; Deborah Taube 38b; Richard Ivey 187; Betsy Jeronen 392; Gillian Inksetter 456; Glerys Begertz and Gabriela Begertz 171; Leslie Booher 331; Mairye Bates 148; Lisa Bennett and David Smead 495; Daniel Lee 489; Inga Buckland and Derek Buckland 30t; Robert Stoddard and Elizabeth Stoddard 556; Tom Fahrbach, Gillian Inksetter, and Betsy Jeronen 327; Nicholas Thompson and Judy Mincey 228; Bridge Kennedy, Reba Windom, and Pam Nunn 546; Tim Gregg and Emily Stutzman 540.

The class was dismissed, and the wedding ceremony began.

CORK QUAKER HOUSE MARCH SINGING

Quaker House, Cork, Ireland

Saturday, March 4, 2023

Niamh O'Sullivan led 30b to bring the class together. Leaders: Katie Ahern 29t; Michael Walker 313t; Kevin Kennedy 218; Sinéad Hanrahan 297; Colleen Jones 299; Ross Harbison 81t; Niamh O'Sullivan 101t; Katie Ahern 101b; Michael Walker 135; Kevin Kennedy 298 (for Amanda Parkes); Rosalind Woods 497; Sinéad Hanrahan 230; Colleen Jones 272; Ross Harbison 29b; Niamh O'Sullivan 42; Katie Ahern 110; Michael Walker 182; Rosalind Woods 91; Kevin Kennedy 513; Sinéad Hanrahan 292; Laurie Skelton 318; Colleen Jones 440; Ross Harbison 312b; Niamh O'Sullivan 441; Katie Ahern 92; Michael Walker 567; Rosalind Woods 442.

RECESS

Kevin Kennedy restored order by leading 326. Leaders: Sinéad Hanrahan 293; Laurie Skelton 106; Colleen Jones 296; Michael Walker 460; Niamh O'Sullivan 436; Katie Ahern 426b; Ross Harbison 528; Rosalind Woods 377; Kevin Kennedy 263; Sinéad Hanrahan 422; Laurie Skelton 216; Colleen Jones 217; Michael Walker 212; Niamh O'Sullivan 349; Katie Ahern 512; Ross Harbison 47b; Rosalind Woods 535; Kevin Kennedy 502; Sinéad Hanrahan 546; Colleen Jones 347 (for her great-aunt Marie); Michael Walker 336; Niamh O'Sullivan 522; Katie Ahern 498; Ross Harbison 335; Kevin Kennedy 551; Sinéad Hanrahan 319; Colleen Jones 475; Michael Walker 410b. Niamh O'Sullivan led 472 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Niamh O'Sullivan; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

NORTH CAROLINA SACRED HARP SINGING

Pullen Memorial, Raleigh, North Carolina

Saturday, March 4, 2023

The North Carolina All-Day Sacred Harp Singing took place at Pullen Memorial Baptist Chapel, Raleigh, North Carolina, on Saturday before the first Sunday in March. Stefani Priskos called the class to order leading 56t.

Leaders: Kaleb Delk 34b; Kyle Johnston 37b; Lynda Hambourger 191; Thomas Begley 569b; Xaris Martinez 77t; Rick Motylinski 99; Jenna Harmon 532; Corrine Serfass 367; Elizabeth Stoddard 171; Janice Lautier 268; Chris Wolf 82t; Robert Stoddard 411; Sophie Sokolov 391; Clarke Williams 170; Cole Doster 209; Julius Pasay 32t; Matt Ference 455; Maddy Mulllany 192; Miriam Delirium 83t; Bridget Jamison 105; Ellie Snyder 108b; Indigo 344; Erin Newton 573; Adrienne Robertson 198; Eric Conrad 275t; Pat Temple 312t; Anthony Weston 66; Alice Noyes 178; Sadhbh O'Flynn 208; Anne Gilliland 127; Thomas Begley 460; Skeet Surrency 162; Corrine Serfass 187; Kyle Johnston, Maire Ragozzine, Dennis Corcoran 163b; Robert Stoddard 35.

RECESS

Kaleb Delk called the class back to order leading 270. Leaders: Lynda Hambourger 369; Clarke Williams 181; Stefani Priskos 303; Chris Wolf 230; Elizabeth Stoddard 57; Matt Ference 300; Sophie Sokolov 426t; David Wilson 143; Dan Jaasma 277.

LUNCH

Kaleb Delk called the class back to order leading 39t. Leaders: Eric Conrad 332; Xaris Martinez 215; Jenna Harmon 117; Bill Lowry 122; Julius Pasay 392; Bridget Jamison 448t; Celia Lechtman 100; Michael Archer 149; Ellie Snyder 436; Tyler Benjamin 472; Maddy Mulllany 543; Erin Newton 315; Miriam Delirium 414; Adrienne Robertson 84; Sadhbh O'Flynn 419.

Kyle Johnston and Pat Temple led "Sweet Beulah Land" from sheet music and then conducted the lesson to remember the following sick and shut-ins: Johanna Fabke, Marian Coich, Dan Buning, John Feddersen, Coronne Bryant, Ruth Ann Bryant, and Nancy Roan.

Lynda Hambourger conducted the lesson to remember the following deceased: Lydia Lewallen, Robert Owens, Jr., Tyra Somers, Jack Archer—North Carolina; Mary Wright, Graham Dezarn, Les Updike—Virginia; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Hubert Nall and Joe Gilliland—Alabama; Reidin O'Flynn—New York; Philomena Henderson—Ireland; Samuel Tannenbaum—Connecticut; Mitch Carnell—South Carolina; Victoria Medaglia—Tennessee; Philip Denney—Georgia. Lynda Hambourger led 503.

Leaders remembering Lydia Lewallen: Kyle Johnston 69t; Kathy Kaiser 501; Anne Gilliland 81t; Alice Noyes 47t. Sally Owens offered a prayer.

RECESS

Miriam Delirium called the class back to order leading 335. Leaders: Stefani Priskos 383; Indigo 312b; Robert Stoddard 196; Mary Johnston 146; Emily Ulrich 430; Bill Lowry 155; Elizabeth Stoddard 546; Corinne Serfass 399b; Chris Wolf 445; Ellie Snyder 30t; Clarke Williams 483; Bridget Jamison 338; Julius Pasay, Sadhbh O'Flynn, and Levi Pasay 182; Adrienne Robertson 551; Sophie Sokolov 499; Skeet Surrency 481. The class was dismissed.
Chairperson—Kaleb Delk; Treasurer—Rick Motylinski; Arranging Committee—Kathy Kaiser; Secretary—Derek Lane

ELDER GERALD HAND MEMORIAL SINGING AND TUCSON SINGING

Sonora Cohousing, Tucson, Arizona

March 4-5, 2023

Saturday, March 4

The 10th session of the Elder Gerald Hand Memorial Singing and the 16th annual Tucson Singing was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in March. The class was called to order by Michael McKernon leading 49b. Julie Johnson offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were elected or appointed: Chairman—Michael McKernon; Arranging Committee—JP Thom-Gronachan; Treasurer—Janet Plattner; Secretary—Erika Roush.

Leaders: Erika Roush 59; Barbara Pegis 87; Chris Wonderly 148; Jackson Fleder 39b; Janet Morgan 77t; Erica Martinez 284; Rosemary Wexler 159; Julie Johnson 480; Richard Poss 86; Jacob Robbins 47b; Lori Hand Rodgers 162; Holly Mutascio 419; Midge Harder 35; Janet Plattner 34b; Julie Johnson 119 (for Matt Wellman); Porter Lontz-Underhill 497; Chris Nicholson 212; Alex Forsyth 460; Elizabeth Poss 547; Irene Gilb 203.

RECESS

Julie Johnson brought the class back to order leading 65. Leaders: Craig Averill 312b; Abbie Sorg 504; Patrick Williams 486; Donna Sewell 171; JP Thom-Gronachan 66; Michael McKernon 228; Erika Roush 183; Barbara Pegis 146; Chris Wonderly 209; Jackson Fleder 345b; Janet Morgan 270; Erica Martinez 300; Rosemary Wexler 267; Julie Johnson 39t; Richard Poss 99; Jacob Robbins 535; Lori Hand Rodgers 379; Holly Mutascio 432; Midge Harder 556; Janet Plattner 30t; Abbie Sorg 457 (for Matt Wellman). Julie Johnson offered thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Michael McKernon brought the class back to order leading 299. Leaders: Porter Lontz-Underhill 68b; Donna Sewell 63; Barbara Pegis 282; Jackson Fleder 296; Janet Morgan 448t; Chris Wonderly 40; Erica Martinez 318; Craig Averill 410t; Erika Roush 128; JP Thom-Gronachan 551; Abbie Sorg 217; Patrick Williams 227; Rosemary Wexler 268; Julie Johnson 383; Richard Poss 117; Alex Forsyth 283; Jacob Robbins 49t; Lori Hand Rodgers 139; Elizabeth Poss 102; Irene Gilb 348t; Holly Mutascio 440.

RECESS

Midge Harder brought the class back to order leading 344. Leaders: Janet Plattner 65; Chris Nicholson 348b; Michael McKernon 182; Erika Roush 236; Abbie Sorg 170 (for Matt Wellman); Porter Lontz-Underhill 163b; Donna Sewell 73b; Barbara Pegis 333; Jackson Fleder 434; Janet Morgan 401; Chris Wonderly 33b; JP Thom-Gronachan 324; Erica Martinez 475; Craig Averill 276; Abbie Sorg 472.

Announcements were made.

Julie Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, March 5

The Sunday session was called to order by Michael McKernon leading 48t. The morning prayer was led by Julie Johnson.

Leaders: Erica Martinez 76b; Jackson Fleder 321; Porter Lontz-Underhill 421; Abbie Sorg 369; Erika Roush 85; Michael McKernon 362; Midge Harder 184; Janet Plattner 299; Donna Sewell 171; Holly Mutascio 280; JP Thom-Gronachan 178; Irene Gilb 474; Elizabeth Poss 107; Lori Hand Rodgers 34b; Chris Nicholson 569b; Alex Forsyth 411; Julie Johnson 384; Richard Poss 481; Janet Morgan 68b; Rosemary Wexler 216; Erica Martinez 217; Jackson Fleder 387.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by JP Thom-Gronachan leading 81t. Leaders: Elizabeth Poss 133; Michael McKernon 198; Janet Plattner 479; Lori Hand Rodgers 504; Chris Nicholson 473; Irene Gilb 455; Midge Harder 373; Richard Poss 300; Janet Morgan 235; Porter Lontz-Underhill 163t; Donna Sewell 40; Holly Mutascio 391; Alex Forsyth 101t; Abbie Sorg 117; Erika Roush 454.

A memorial lesson was conducted by Julie Johnson. The names of the following sick and housebound were read aloud: Catherine Baldrige Horne, Kathy Garrett, Mike Garrett, Paige Winslett, Eileen Forsyth, and Cheryl Foreman. Julie Johnson led 68b. The following deceased were remembered: Elder Daryl Hand (2022), Joseph Thacker, Sister Jean Reid (2022), Lissa Bird, Jimmy Applegate—Arizona; Tony Barrand, Margaret Dale Barrand, Larry Gordon—Vermont; David Kaynor—Massachusetts; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; David Fetcho, Jim Harder, Jack Leslie, Josie Herschel, Steven O'Leary—California; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Hubert Nall, Renee Latham—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Floyd Nicholson Jr., Leod Mary Stanley, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Mary Elizabeth Sloand (2021), Josh Chambers—New York. Julie Johnson led the class in 549.

Leaders: Rosemary Wexler 122; Erica Martinez 212; Jackson Fleder 30b; Elizabeth Poss 277; JP Thom-Gronachan 181. Julie Johnson offered thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Michael McKernon brought the class back to order by leading 232. Leaders: Lori Hand Rodgers 47t; Janet Plattner 236; Chris Nicholson 34t; Janet Morgan 77t; Irene Gilb 480; Midge Harder 532; Richard Poss 99; Porter Lontz-Underhill 189; Donna Sewell 146. There was a short business meeting.

Leaders: JP Thom-Gronachan 267; Alex Forsyth 201; Abbie Sorg 72b; Erika Roush 191; Julie Johnson 430; Rosemary Wexler 312t; Erica Martinez 542; Jackson Fleder 225b; Elizabeth Poss 168; Michael McKernon 155; Janet Plattner 106; Chris Nicholson 313b.

Irene Gilb led 347 as the closing song. Julie Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Michael McKernon; Secretary—Erika Roush

ROGERS MEMORIAL SINGING Ephesus School, Roopville, Georgia Sunday, March 5, 2023

The Rogers Memorial singing was held at Ephesus School on the first Sunday in March, after three years of not meeting. Denney Rogers called the class to order 10:00 a.m. by leading 47t. Karen Rollins led 46. Judy Chambless offered the morning prayer. Denney Rogers, as mayor, welcomed the singers to Ephesus. A short business session was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Denney Rogers; Vice Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Karen Rogers Rollins. Judy Chambless was appointed as Arranger.

Leaders: Judy Chambless 82t; Winfred Kerr 36b; Sherry Lovvorn 454; Robert Chambless 225t; Glenda Collins 63; David Smead 61; Jack Nelson 560; Bill Denney

73t (in memory of his brother, Philip); Bert Collins 340 (for Lawrence Edwards); Derek Buckland 28b; Lisa Bennett 378b; Scott Ivey 33b; Bridge Kennedy 31t; Inga Buckland 138b; Eli Hinton 142; Myron House 191; Samuel Williams 501.

RECESS

Scott Ivey called the class back together by leading 312b. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 229; Charlotte Bishop 551.

The memorial lesson was held. Karen Rollins noted that the names included were for a three-year period since we had not met in that time. The sick and shut-ins mentioned were as follows: Judy Henry, Don Bowen, Scott DePoy, Jimmy Carter, Lucy Garner, Jean Toole, Margaret Thacker, Ed Thacker, Caroline Wootten, Marlon Wootten, Ozella Blackmon, Pam Nunn, Jerry Kitchens, Richard Mauldin, William Futral, Virginia Futral, Melanie Hauff, Bill Rohde, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caldwell.

Names of the deceased mentioned were as follows: Virginia Dyer, Opal Rogers Cannon, Richard DeLong, Bentley McGuire, Steve Hester, Jane Rogers Adams, Wendell Langley, Harry Eskew, Gwen Caldwell, Eris Denney Muse, Jim Shadinger, Winford McCormick, Bobby Workman, Betty Jean Chambers, Eveline Garner, David Grant, and Philip Denney—Georgia; Bill Windom, Velton Chafin, Coy Ivey, Margaret Spurlock, Jewel Wootten, Ken Sundberg, Mary Ruth Stiefel, Ann Simpson, Joan Aldridge, Ottis Sides, Wanda Edwards, Hubert Nall, Boyd Scott, Elder J.L. Hopper, Nellie Avery Estees, Renea Makris, and Juanita Beasley—Alabama; Luther Rogers, Betty Rogers, and Aubrey Barfield—Florida; Solomon Ossa—Washington; Wendell Rogers and Mary Wright—Virginia; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Rebecca Over—United Kingdom; Peter Golden—Maine; Bill Beverly—Michigan; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Myrl Jones, Curtis Owen, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas. The children of Lonnie Rogers (Karen Rollins, Karleen Williams, Paige Harrod, Sherry Lovvorn, and Denney Rogers) led 87 for all the names on the lists. Karen Rollins closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Jeannette DePoy 111b; Lee Denney 143; Kacey Cook 145b; Dylan Denney and Nathan Rees 178; Wyatt Denney 203; Anna Hinton 455; Nicholas Thompson 120 (in memory of Philip Denney); Buell Cobb 103; Gene Duke and Donna Duke 217; Jan House 313t; Judy Caudle 432. Denney Rogers said grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Denney Rogers began the afternoon session leading 32t. Leaders: Jamey Wootten 48t; Laura Frey and Christian Webb 358; Lisa Webb and Rylee Webb 133; Oscar McGuire 485; Daniel Williams 38b; grandchildren of Lonnie and Vivian Rogers (Kayla McWhorter, Laura Robinson, Susan Rice, Randa Harris, and Barry Rollins) 59; Bill DuPre 74b; Erica Hinton 389 (in memory of Lonnie Rogers and Philip Denney); John Plunkett 97; Tim Gregg 79; Matt Hinton 112; Sheri Taylor 209; Nathan Rees 35 (in memory of Mary Wright); Larry Brasher 332; Judy Mincey 86; Barbara Brooks 235; Wyatt Denney 547; Derek Buckland 102; Inga Buckland 313b; and Tim Gregg 423. The Arranger then asked for all singers less than age 30 to lead a song. This group included Scott Ivey, Anna Hinton, Nicholas Thompson, Wyatt Denney, Carly Robinson, Will Warbington, Christian Webb, Samuel Williams, Jamey Wootten, and Eli Hinton. Announcements were made.

Denney Rogers led 56t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Cecil Roberts, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Denney Rogers; Vice Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Karen Rollins

SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN MUSIC SINGING
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Thursday, March 9, 2023

The singing at the annual meeting of the Society for American Music, held this year in Minneapolis, Minnesota, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Kevin Kehrberg leading 73b. Kay Norton, a member of the Society, offered the opening prayer. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* unless otherwise indicated.

Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg 82t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 448t; Erin Fulton 467; Eleanor Haase 155; Steven T. Schmidgall 369; Rachel Hall 299; Midge Olsen 454; Gordon Olsen 277; Bryant Kumlin 434; Shana Wenger 455; Karen Clark 234; Kat Kohorst 384; Steve Luttinen 440. Rachel Hall led 137 (CB), and noted its alto part by Miss Minnie Floyd, related to a paper she presented at the conference. Darlene Dalton led 503.

RECESS

Kevin Kehrberg called the class back to order leading 146 (dedicated to Ron Pen). Leaders: Matt Wells 500; Katie Boardman 186; Mark Clague 183; Paul Wyatt 464; E. Douglas Bomberger 39t; Ben Copenhaver and Stephanie Copenhaver 95; David McCarthy 25; Karen Swenson 501; Steve Levine 350; Carol Buche 86 (for Denise Kania); Alissa Eiesland and Shana Wenger 31t; Daniel Casello 128; Erin Fulton 410b (in honor of Barb Patterson and Dick Patterson); Bryant Kumlin 504; Darlene Dalton 47t; Monica Ambalal and Shana Wenger 378b; Karen Clark 534; Luis Sebastián Pabón Rico 159. Kevin Kehrberg led 267 as the closing song. Paul Wyatt offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

The Society for American Music Singing occurs in conjunction with the Society's annual meeting, the date and location of which vary each year. The 2024 singing will convene in Detroit, Michigan.

Chairman—Kevin Kehrberg; Vice Chairman—Jesse P. Karlsberg; Arranging Officer—Erin Fulton; Secretary—Esther Morgan-Ellis

MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION

Saint Louis, Missouri
Saturday, March 11, 2023

The 38th session of the Missouri State Convention was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in March at Old Orchard Presbyterian Church. For 2023 only, the convention met for one day. Song selections are from the 1991 *Sacred Harp* and the 2005 *Missouri Harmony*. John Huffman called the class to order leading 68b. Dan Dohman offered the opening prayer. John Huffman addressed the class with a word of welcome and gave information.

Leaders: John Huffman 350; Katie Huffman and Ruth Huffman 36b; Karen Isbell 78 (MH); Alvaro Witt Duarte 276; Shirley Figura 229; Hollie Powell 472; Jim Herr 546; Lisa Bulawsky 538; Emmaleigh Calhoun 122; Cindy Burlison 178; Martha Tyner 479; Marcus Whitman 33b; Jonathon Smith 214; Penny Kujawinski 228; Jenny Whitman 455; Matt Hinton, Lottie Hinton, and Eli Hinton 142; Cory Winters 299; Lori Graber 13 (MH); Jo Dell Albi 84 (MH); Tim VonEngeln 503; Prisca Rice, Jamie Dohman, and Clayton Hester 97 (in memory of Marlon Wootten).

RECESS

Lou Kujawinski brought the class back together leading 85. Leaders: Dan Dohman, Katie Huffman, and Ruth Huffman 569b; Clara Herr 564; Ginny Landgraf 148 (MH); Becky Browne 384 (for Gary Gronau); Dave Ressler 216; John Hoerr 269; Daniel Bearden and Brittany Bearden 2 (MH); Paul Landskroener 473; Paul Wyatt 189; Steven Schmidgall 496; Dan Brittain 43; Eli Hinton 186; James Eldridge 58 (in

memory of Boyd Scott); David Carlton 198; Roberta Strauss 236; Carla Bermudez and children 360; Prisca Rice 40.

Paul Figura conducted the memorial lesson by reading the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Caroline Wootten, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Ann Missavage, Denise Kania, Melanie Hauff, Gary Gronau, Cheryl Foreman, and Cheryl Fida.

Paul read the following list of names of the deceased since 2020: Mort Whitman and Jubal Schultz—Missouri; Kathy Smith Bowers—Colorado; Myrl Smith Jones, Curtis Owen, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Bentley McGuire, Richard DeLong, Harold Eskew, and Philip Denney—Georgia; Bill Beverly—Michigan; Velton Chafin, Joan Aldridge, Bill Windom, Jewel Wootten, Ken Sundberg, Mary Ruth Stiefel, Coy Ivey, Wayne Reed, Elder J.L. Hopper, Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Boyd Scott, Marlon Wootten, and Lloyd Jones—Alabama; Valerie Dunagan—Wisconsin; Mary Elizabeth Munce—Minnesota; Rebecca Over—England; Sue Bunch—Florida; Doris Steinmetz, Janet Miller, and Ted Mercer—Illinois; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Anne Nagy and Nick Nagy—Virginia; Jerry Harpst—Ohio. He led 490 for them all. Jim Herr closed the lesson with prayer.

RECESS

Marcus Whitman brought the class back together leading 30b. Leaders: Shaune Preston 457; Jenny Preston 268; Jon Marcovitz 313b. James Eldridge offered a blessing over the noon meal.

LUNCH

John Huffman brought the class back together leading 48t. Leaders: Grace Preston 359; Hollie Powell 209; Jonathon Smith 1 (MH); Cory Winters 318; Katie Huffman and Mike Mullin 528; Jim Herr and Clara Herr 556; John Hoerr 112; Matt Hinton and Lottie Hinton 460; Alvaro Witt Duarte and James Eldridge 99; Dan Brittain 34 (MH); Steven Schmidgall 333; Daniel Bearden and Brittany Bearden 127 (MH); Paul Landskroener 501; Lori Graber 111b; Paul Wyatt 75 (MH).

RECESS

Prisca Rice brought the class back together leading 146 (for Sharon and Randy Duncan's 57th wedding anniversary). Leaders: Karen Isbell 175 (MH); David Carlton 183; Rebecca Comas 282; Martha Tyner 454; Lou Kujawinski and Penny Kujawinski 368; Becky Browne 362; Jo Dell Albi 34t; John Markovitz and Barly Onofrio 180 (MH); David Lloyd 320; Paul Wyatt 330b; Paul Landskroener 349; Steven Schmidgall 138 (MH); Cory Winters and Dan Brittain 113 (MH).

After announcements, John Huffman led 347 as the closing song. Gary Huffman offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Huffman; Arranging Committee—Prisca Rice and Katie Huffman; Secretary—Jamie Dohman

OLYMPIA SINGING

Prosperity Grange Hall, Olympia, Washington

Saturday, March 11, 2023

The 12th session of the Olympia All-Day Singing met at the Prosperity Grange Hall on Saturday before the second Sunday in March. The class was called to order by Jenna Tompkins and Marla Elliott leading 46. Rosie Sokolov offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held, and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Jenna Tompkins; Secretary—Marla Elliott; Chaplain—Rosie Sokolov; Treasurer—Carrie Walker; Arranging Committee—Kate Fortin; Memorial Committee—Marla Elliott; Resolutions Committee—Carrie Walker. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Rosie Sokolov 303, 171; Molly Staley 30t; Kristofer Ilex 65, 425; Carrie Walker 89, 318; Nancy Novotny 187, 297; Emma Swartz 229, 228; Peter Abrahamsen 335, 82t; Nancy Price 34b, 35; Chris Noren 474, 496.

RECESS

Kate Fortin led 81t (in memory of Solomon Ossa) to bring the class together.

Leaders: Dorothy Mitchell 287, 306; Jennifer Jones 94, 270; Peter Schinske 485, 215; Ruth Linehan 42, 440; Scott Kennedy 347, 454; Laura McMurray 426t, 309; Mischa Skeeter 217, 278t; Bob Schinske 378t, 439; Anne Huckins 442, 350; Kevin Barrans 317, 112.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Jenna Tompkins leading 111b. Leaders: Kate Fine 254; Alex Forsyth 99, 283; Janet Shelstad and Karen Willard 68b; Richard Ivey 458, 396.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Marla Elliott. Marla read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Steve Mills, Martha Leff, Gary Leff, Jim van Horn, Darlene Simpson-Brown, and Eileen Forsyth. She led 430.

Marla spoke about the death last year of Solomon Ossa, the first chair of this singing. She read the following list of names of the deceased: Solomon Ossa, Josh Shelstad—Washington; Grace Ann Baker—Texas; Marlon Wootten, Hubert Nall—Alabama; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Sharon Skeeter—Oklahoma; Philip Denney—Georgia; Ernie Marbott—Oregon; Ted Mercer—Illinois. Marla led 547 and closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Pat Coughlan 214, 142; David Wright 206, 406; Lindy Groening 522, 83t; David Ivey 299, 336; Nathan Rees 345b, 272; Kathy Vlach and David Ivey 415. Rosie Sokolov asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Jenna Tompkins leading 28b. Leaders: Kate Coxon 500; Scott Kennedy 503; Dorothy Mitchell 354t; Chris Noren 236; Nancy Price 277; Ruth Linehan 195; Peter Schinske 546; Mischa Skeeter 372; Laura McMurray 572; Carrie Walker 274t; David Wright 411; Karen Willard 81b, 200; Richard Ivey 166; Kevin Barrans 108t; Lindy Groening 505; David Ivey 69b; Alex Forsyth and David Ivey 60; Nathan Rees 464; Kathy Vlach 169; Bob Schinske 456; Pat Coughlan and Jennifer Jones 444; Nancy Novotny 383.

RECESS

Kate Fortin brought the class to order leading 445. Leaders: Ann Huckins 86; Peter Abrahamsen 47b; Kate Fine 384; Janet Shelstad and Karen Willard 338; Rosie Sokolov and Hannah Peterson 499; Bob Schinske 328; Carrie Walker 276; Marla Elliott and Sonja Wiedenhaupt 269.

A business meeting was held to hear reports from various committees. Carrie Walker, as treasurer, reported that expenses were met. Carrie also served as the Resolutions Committee, thanking the officers and committee members for their service, the cooks and kitchen coordinators for their hard work and delicious food, and resolving to meet again next year on Saturday before the second Sunday in March. Kate Fortin and Marla Elliott reported on behalf of the secretary and arranging committee that ninety-two songs were led by thirty-seven leaders from five states. The meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

Jenna Tompkins led 267 as the closing song. Rosie Sokolov offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jenna Tompkins; Secretary—Marla Elliott

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Northampton Center For The Arts, Northampton, Massachusetts
March 11-12, 2023

Saturday, March 11

The 23rd Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention was held on the second Sunday and Saturday before in March. The class was called to order by Ben Sachs-Hamilton leading 82t. Will Harron offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Christine Andrews 39t; John Davis 354t; Matthew Leger-Small 29t; Magdalena Zapadowska 186; Myles Louis Dakan 547; Wendy Sibbison 548; Rebecca Hawkins 40; Daniel Harvester 179; Crispin Youngberg 63; Jennie Brown 283; Sally Langendorf 106; Will Harron 87; Michaela Natal 99; Liam Francis 95.

RECESS

Kit Walsh called the class to order leading 72b. Leaders: Jeremy Galvagni 299; Colleen Hayes 440; Chris Bracken 472; Yael Tarshish 203; Corey Walters 183; Sinead O'Mahoney 455; Lorelei Erisis and Becky Wright 114; Kate Richardson 371; Brian Harris 430; Jana Yeaton 77t; Laura Borrelli 153; Joseph Dunn, Lizzy Dunn, and Kelly House 335; Gwen Gethner 448b; Robert Stoddard 542; Judy Contompasis 460; Willis McCumber 396; Sara Lott 379; Gary Ryan 385t.

RECESS

Ron Woodland called the class to order leading 479. Leaders: John Holbrook 236; Pippa Stoddard 217; Tristan Gordon 36b; Mel Novner 496; Tom Evers 86; Jack Tremblay and Léandre Coupal 312b; Andrew Forsthoefel and Tana Frank 504; Deidre Montgomery 411; Rachel Field 324; Phillip Langley 272; Cheri Haire and Even Venditti 442; Alanna Goodman 506; Tarik Wareh 148; Clarke Williams 298; Stina Soderling 31t; Sam Kleinman 475; Frank Griggs 362. Will Harron offered the blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

Linda Shea called the class to order leading 145b. Leaders: Peter Irvine 384; Elizabeth Stoddard 454; Elsa Phemayotin 376; Eric Gu 38b; Jean Seiler 318; Sadhbh O'Flynn 532; Sunny Doyle 146; Shawn Taylor 543; Andy Ditzler 304; Maggie Zhou 34t; John Wiens 76b; Bridge Kennedy 377; Anne Evers 397; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 234; David Schmitt 277; Em Ekelund 245; Tim Gregg 426b; William Schuller 58; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 522; Dan Hertzler 417.

RECESS

Laura Clampitt called the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Bill Holt 340; Margaret Hughes 101b; Ron Trial 474; Jenny Wright 315; Michael Nord 394; Léandre Coupal 448t; Kerry Cullinan 165; Névé Dumas 400; Bradford West 228; Aube Larouche 117; Stefan Amidon and Zara Bode 290; Nicole Collins 34b; Owen Stoddard 268; Maddy Mullany and Riley Mullany 313t; Julius Pasay 462; Julia Zaffarano 215. Ben Sachs-Hamilton and Christine Andrews led 176t as the closing song. Will Harron offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, March 12

The Sunday session was called to order by Ben Sachs-Hamilton and Christine Andrews leading 48t. Dan Coppock offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Chris Bracken 131b; Janet Spongberg 229; Jeremy Galvagni 147t; Davenport Wallace and Crispin Youngberg 457; Will Harron 271t; Linda Shea 168; John Holbrook 155; Anna Bowen 56b; Pippa Stoddard 57; Laura Borrelli 196; Eric Gu 328; Maura Burns 198; Owen Stoddard 30b; Rachel Field 30t; Bradford West 300; Elsa Phemayotin 383.

RECESS

Myles Louis Dakan called the class to order leading 176b. Leaders: Becky Wright 374; Joel Rosen 178; Wendy Sibbison and Margaret Youngberg 558; Allison Langston and Magdalena Zapadowska 209; Micah John Walter 522; Molly Bledsoe

Ellis 220; Lorelei Erisis and Becky Wright 35; Dana Borrelli-Murray, Scout Borrelli-Murray, and Bess Borrelli-Murray 146; Max Kelly and Debora Siegel 528; Charles Biada 110; Joan Nagy 162; Rick Johnston 294; Keillor Mose 39b; Heather Schramm 276; Linda Coppock 344.

RECESS

Tarik Wareh called the class to order leading 467. Leaders: Cheri Haire 111b; MB Gowans 283; Clay Zeller-Townson 33b; Dan Coppock 227; Tom Evers and Anne Evers 489; Emma Rose Brown 498.

Yael Tarshish remembered the sick and homebound leading 384. Margaret Youngberg gave the memorial lesson leading 392. Dan Coppock closed the memorial lesson with a prayer.

Leaders: Matthew Wojcik 319; Nic Tuff and Tim Eriksen 385t; George Sigut 448t; Oona Coy 230; Jason Jack 177. Dan Coppock offered the blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

Robert Stoddard called the class to order leading 145t. Leaders: Allison Steel 542; Elizabeth Stoddard and Indigo 278t; Patrick DeDauw 512; Ryan Nash 189; Joanne Fuller 460; Sigrid Patterson 410t; Hayden Arp 434; Barbara Swetman and Joan Passay 454; Taylor Ward 89; Esther Wade 500; Matthew Kaufmann 406; David Brodeur 336; David Schmitt and Julia Zaffarano 133; Quinn Ross 112; John Wiens 361; Maggie Zhou 88t; Miriam Delirium 313b; Bridge Kennedy 212; Sunny Lawrence 107; Tim Gregg 375; Julius Pasay 419; Stina Soderling 269; Jacob Stebly 270; Ben Fenton 360; Sadhbh O'Flynn 131t.

RECESS

Sam Kleinman called the class to order leading 129. Leaders: Laura Clampitt, Becca Hawkins, and Susanna Hoffman 274t; Lilly Israel 127; Kelly House 456; Nicole Collins, Em Ekelund, Heather Schramm, and Frank Griggs 503; Emma Pepe-Winshell and Micah John Walter 290; Tim Eriksen 47b; Allana Goodman, Rebecca Rohrer, and Angela Ruggiero 142; Ian Davis 472; David Brodeur, Phillip Langley, Shawn Taylor, and Andy Ditzler 517; Larry Bingham 501; Kit Walsh 495; Sigrid Patterson, Léandre Coupal, Jack Tremblay, and Aube Larouche 348t; Clarke Williams 92; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 225t; Maddy Mullany 329; Néné Dumas and Ariane Roberge 83t; Tristan Gordon and Paul Vidick 73t.

A business meeting was held to hear reports from the various committees. Lorelei Erisis gave the Finance Committee report, declaring that all expenses had been met. John Davis gave the Secretary's Report, announcing that one hundred eighty-three songs had been led by two hundred twenty-two leaders. Two hundred ninety-three singers registered from twenty-three states and two Canadian provinces. John Holbrook and Anna Bowen gave the Resolutions Committee Report, thanking the officers, committees, and everyone who made the singing possible. The Committee resolved to reconvene for the 24th convention in 2024. The business meeting was concluded.

Ben Sachs-Hamilton, Christine Andrews, and John Davis led 62 as the closing song. Allison Steel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ben Sachs-Hamilton; Vice Chairman—Christine Andrews; Secretary—John Davis

OXFORD SINGING

Oxford, Mississippi

Sunday, March 12, 2023

The annual Oxford Sacred Harp Singing (the first since 2020) was held in the Lafayette County Arena on the second Sunday in March. The class was called to order by Warren Steel leading 48t and 39t. Marlin Beasley offered the morning

prayer. Mark Davis led 114 and 209. Regina Derstine was appointed secretary and Drew McGuire as the arranging committee. Leaders: Mark Davis 73t, 208; Mark Tew 339, 338; Regina Derstine 276, 460; Kim Funderburk 72b, 312b; Marlin Beasley 318, 61; Jeff James 68b, 106; Danny Creel 448t, 384; Charlie McGuire 181, 398; Anne Steel 504, 31b.

RECESS

Drew McGuire and Suzy Bishop brought the class to order leading 63. Leaders: Arlon Gardner 313b, 455; Jan Murray 285t, 457; Jeff Corbett 31t, 99; Bunk Beasley and Linda Beasley 81t, 45t; Scotty Polston 129, 100; Curtis Gregory 119, 341; Ken Tate 114, 117; Chuck Howell 569b, 49b.

LUNCH

Warren Steel called the afternoon session to order leading 280. Leaders: Will Gatewood 204, 205; Drew McGuire 212, 315; Henry McGuire 532, 442; Margaret Evey 285b, 192; Molly Peck 312t, 424.

A brief memorial lesson was held, commemorating those deceased since the last Oxford singing in 2020. For 2021: Bill Beverly, Gordon Cotton, Bill Windom, Velton Chafin. For 2022: Rebecca Over, Linda Funderburk, Joan Aldridge, Coy Ivey, David Beasley. For 2023: Ted Mercer, Hubert Nall, Juanita Beasley, Marlon Wooten, Cheryl Foreman, Willa Johnson, Roseanne Murray, Bob White. Warren Steel led 235 in memory of the deceased.

Leaders: Mark Davis 436; Mark Tew 108b; Regina Derstine 378b; Kim Funderburk 378t; Marlin Beasley 406; Jeff James 178; Danny Creel 383; Anne Steel 67; Suzy Bishop 154; Arlon Gardner 481; Jeff Corbett 344; Scotty Polston 74b; Curtis Gregory 40; Ken Tate 535; Chuck Howell 196; Will Gregory 507; Drew McGuire 198; Henry McGuire 475; Margaret Evey 323b; Molly Peck 189.

Following announcements, the officers led 157 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed with prayer offered by Drew McGuire.

Chairman—Warren Steel; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Regina Derstine

STEPHENSON, WALL, AND HOCUTT MEMORIAL SINGING

Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo, Alabama

Saturday night, March 18, 2023

The Stephenson, Wall, and Hocutt Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday night before the third Sunday in March. Cindy Tanner called the class to order by leading 30t. Ken Tate offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cindy Tanner 75; Roma Rice 49b, 65; Brenda Chafin 317, 270; Margaret Gowan 358, 141; Ann Jett 37b, 47b; Pam Kelly 499, 129; Ainslie Allen 76b, 29t; Cassie Allen 101t, 100; Ken Tate 102, 48t.

In a business session, the class and others in attendance discussed having an all-day singing next year for this memorial. The discussion also determined the books to be used will be *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* for half the day and *The Christian Harmony, 2010 Edition* for half the day. A vote was taken, and the proposal was accepted. The meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

Ken Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Secretary—Ann Jett

HOBOKEN SACRED HARP SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Mars Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Hoboken, Georgia

Saturday, March 18, 2023

The 26th annual session of the Hoboken All-Day Singing was called to order by Riley Lee leading 195. Riley offered opening remarks by welcoming those visiting,

and then led the class in singing the minor and major scale. Elder Terry Herrin offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: David Lee 463; Clarke Lee 374; Steve Luttinen 507b; James Williamson 500; Kevin Barrans 497; Brenda Dunlap 312; Sophie Sokolov 54t; Kristofer Ilex 65; Darlene Dalton 133; Matt Bell 92; Karen Clark 55; Carol Buche 171.

RECESS

Riley Lee brought the class back together leading 293b. Leaders: Tollie Lee 544; John Gentry 102; Clarke Williams 458; Scott Ivey 567; Gene Pinion 60; Daniel Williams 336t; Beverly Dayton 504; Jose Camacho and Kevin Juarez 514, 29b; Morgan Bunch 543; Lynn Batten and Tony Batten 63, 571; Oscar McGuire 293b; Brian Dennison 146.

RECESS

Clarke Lee brought the class back together leading 30b. Leaders: Julie Lee 558; Mary Elizabeth O'Neal 378t; Kathy Lee 68b; Shane O'Neal and Kellen O'Neal 392. The memorial lesson was held at this time. Riley Lee spoke of the singers who have passed away in the last two years, his memories of them, and the songs they loved. Specifically, he spoke about Resting, Resurrection, Reunion and Rejoicing. Riley led 503 for those loved ones who have passed away. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Elder Jason Deal.

Leaders: Jason Deal 72; Priscilla Bell 191; Marty Wootten 99 (in memory of Marlon Wootten); Timothy Altman 159; Jared Wootten 400; Ashley Thompson 31t; Jessica Altman 203. The lunch blessing was offered by Elder Shane O'Neal.

LUNCH

David Lee brought the class back together leading 76b. Leaders: Jamey Wootten 49b; Devin Scherck 505; Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 47b; Rob Dillion 451; Kinsley O'Neal 572; Steve Luttinen 416t; Kevin Barrans 563; Brenda Dunlap 210; Sophie Sokolov 464; Kristofer Ilex 38t; Darlene Dalton 587; Matt Bell 309; Phillip Reeves 101t; Karen Clark 520; Carol Buche 269; Clarke Williams 152; Scott Ivey 89; Daniel Williams 74t; Morgan Bunch 591; Oscar McGuire 276; Mary Elizabeth O'Neal, Kendra Sanctuary, and Dinah East 393; Marty Wootten, Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Hayden Wootten 129; Tollie Lee and Lynn Carter 511t.

Following announcements, Clarke Lee, David Lee, and Phillip Reeves led 62 as the closing song. Jonathan Altman offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Riley Lee; Secretary—Jessica Altman

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SINGING IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM WALKER

Second Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina Saturday, March 18, 2023

The 27th session of the South Carolina State Singing in Memory of William Walker was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in March. Frances Carnell called the class to order by leading 129 (CH). Leon Carnell gave the opening prayer.

The first morning session was from *The Christian Harmony* (2010 edition). Leaders: Frances Carnell 171 (CH); Dave Farmer 544 (CH); Mary Baumeister 32b (CH); Robert Kelley 472b (CH) (in memory of his father); Cody Brown 117 (CH); Bobbi Albert 396t (CH) (in memory of Ruth Partain); Bill Burns 51 (CH) (for John Bullard); Mike Spencer 493b (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter 265 (CH); Jonathan Wood 453t (CH); Debby Moody and Garrett Moody 367 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 349 (CH); Leslie Booher 546b (CH); Phil Perrin 289 (CH); Lisa Bennett 303 (CH); David Smead 201 (CH); Andy Morse 455b (CH).

RECESS

The second morning session was from *The Sacred Harp* (1991 edition). Frances Carnell led 145t. A business meeting was held. There was a discouraging Treasurer's report. We agreed to keep the same officers as follows: Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Treasurer—Bobbi Albert; Secretary—Mary Baumeister.

Leaders: Frances Carnell 143; Dave Farmer 324; Mary Baumeister 197; Robert Kelley 175; Cody Brown 236; Bobbi Albert 457; Bill Burns 128; Mike Spencer 393; Jeremiah Ledbetter 141; Jonathan Wood 376; Debby Moody and Garrett Moody 547; Chris Wilhelm 500; Leslie Booher 319; Phil Perrin 85; Lisa Bennett 213t; David Smead 129 (in memory of George Burnette); Andy Morse 163t; Barbara Brooks 161; Leon Carnell 163b.

LUNCH

The first afternoon session was from *The Christian Harmony* (2010 edition).

Leaders: Dave Farmer 75 (CH); Mary Baumeister 238 (CH) (in memory of little Jimmie Davis, d 1863); Robert Kelley 386 (CH); Cody Brown 400t (CH); Bobbi Albert 493t (CH); Mike Spencer 409b (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter 101 (CH); Jonathan Wood 67b (CH); Chris Wilhelm 515 (CH); Leslie Booher 543 (CH); Lisa Bennett 118 (CH); David Smead 50 (CH); Andy Morse 74 (CH); Alekz 336 (CH); Jacob Lindler 217 (CH).

RECESS

The second afternoon session was from *The Sacred Harp* (1991 edition). Leaders: Dave Farmer 209; Mary Baumeister 450; Robert Kelley 57; Cody Brown 333; Bobbi Albert 503; Mike Spencer 308.

The Financial business meeting was held at this time. During the COVID years our bank account was drained by bank fees. The Treasurer closed the account and held the remaining pittance as cash. We now move to a cash-only basis. Today's funds will go to the Minutes Committee, to Second Presbyterian Church for hosting us, and to the Spartanburg County History Museum which has an exhibit on William Walker.

Leaders: Jeremiah Ledbetter 410b; Jonathan Wood 288; Leslie Booher 178; Lisa Bennett 158; David Smead 287; Andy Morse 284; Jacob Lindler 315; Barbara Brooks 385b; David Smead 172 (CH) by request. Announcements were made.

As the closing song Dave Farmer led 347. Mike Spencer gave the closing prayer.

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

KÖLN (COLOGNE) SACRED HARP SINGING

Awo Veranstaltungszentrum, Köln, Germany

Saturday, March 25, 2023

The 4th annual Köln All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March. The class was called to order by Daniel Wippermann, who welcomed everyone and led 49t. Chris Geissler offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Hanka Faerber 277; Ulla Schlobohm 171; Tina Cramer 111b; Tobias Tenhaef 209; Stefan Swat 163t; Leif Simer 83t; Elisabeth Schallwig 112; Chris Geissler 162; Jasmina Graf 181; Paul Kolenbrander 191; Eleni Melis 567; Constantin Dorsch 542; Daniel Wippermann 278t; Eva Striebeck 151; Joanna Bennett 70b; Anne Eringa 210; Suzanne Vrinte 146; John O'Flynn 344; Aislinn Ahern 142; Werner Ullah 313b; Gerben Vos 315; Eloise Clark 507; John Bealle 200.

RECESS

Caro Stamm-Reusch led 29t to bring the class together. Leaders: Rike Fischer 270; Dominik Fraune 37b; Hanka Faerber 481; Sheila Girling Macadam 454 (dedicated to Hannah Land, who is in hospital); Edwin Macadam 444; Paul Kolenbrander 440; Tina Cramer 72b; Eleni Melis 399b; Chris Geissler 349; Jasmina Graf 216; Tobias Tenhaef 56b; Elisabeth Schallwig 328; John O'Flynn 155; Eva Striebeck 466;

Constantin Dorsch 123b; Joanna Bennett 411; John Bealle 434. Chris Geissler offered the prayer before dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Stefan Swat called the class back to order leading 457. Leaders: Gerben Vos 383; Werner Ullah 503; Eloise Clark 34b; Joanna Bennett 388; Ulrike Tietjen 512; Eva Striebeck 447; Caro Stamm-Reusch 377; John Bealle 250; Elisabeth Schallwig 224; John O'Flynn 306; Aislinn Ahern 319; Constantin Dorsch 506; Edwin Macadam 236; Stefan Swat and Ursula Diderich 300; Sheila Macadam 183; Anne Eringa 173; Eleni Melis 354b; Chris Geissler 353; Jasmina Graf 203; Paul Kolenbrander 522.

RECESS

Werner Ullah led 39t. Leaders: Daniel Wippermann 445; Janna Itter 196; Caro Stamm-Reusch 528; Stefan Swat 547; Rike Fischer 271t; Eloise Clark 276; Suzanne Vrinte 122; Gerben Vos 562; Anne Eringa 28t; Tobias Tenhaef 47b; Werner Ullah 448b; Aislinn Ahern 410b; Edwin Macadam 472; Ulrike Tietjen 505; Sheila Girling Macadam 504; Dominik Fraune 448t; Tina Cramer 535; Hanka Faerber 102.

Daniel Wippermann made closing announcements, during which he thanked all those involved in organizing the day. Dominik Fraune gave the Secretary's report and stated that eighty-three songs had been sung in total (including the closing song) by thirty-nine registered singers. Seven countries were represented, France, Germany, Ireland, The Netherlands, Switzerland, The United Kingdom and The United States of America. Tobias Tenhaef gave the Treasurer's report, stating that all expenses had been met, and thanked everyone for their generosity.

Daniel Wippermann led 62 as the closing song. Chris Geissler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Daniel Wippermann; Secretary—Dominik Fraune

GEORGIA STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, South of Carrollton, Georgia March 25-26, 2023

Saturday, March 25

The 59th session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention was held at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, south of Carrollton, Georgia, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in March. Michael Spencer called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Bill DuPre. Michael Spencer welcomed the class and mentioned that the last Georgia State Convention was held in 2019 in Athens, Georgia. The covid-19 virus prevented the convention from being held during the years 2020 through 2022.

Leaders: Michael Spencer 420; Kathy Williams 49t; Donna Garner Bell 225t; Anna Hinton 182; John Plunket 319; Nathan Rees 64; Denny Rogers 318; Glenda Collins and Hollis 32t; Winfred Kerr 36b; Jeannette DePoy 475; Karen Rollins 171; David Smead 76b (in memory of George Burnette, III); Judy Chambless 29t; Oscar McGuire 515; Bert Collins 542; Sheri Taylor 162; Charles Woods 283; Lisa Bennett 472 (for Hannah Land); Scott DePoy 201 (for Cindy Preece and Lynn Hanna); Cecil Roberts 312b; Robert Chambless 34b; Judy Mincey 473.

RECESS

Kathy Williams brought the class to order leading 222. Leaders: Cathy Bonk 159; Matt Hinton 39t; Gail Doss 66; Pam Nunn 411.

A business session was held, and the following officers elected: Chairman—Kathy Williams; Vice Chairman—Matt Hinton; Secretary/Treasurer—Donna Garner Bell. Anna Hinton was appointed to Arrange.

Leaders: Kathy Williams 208; Bill DuPre 448t; Thomas Begley 313t; Dave Farmer 454; Wyatt Denney 38b; Cassie Allen 214; Reba Windom 176b; Rodney Ivey 176t; Fred Eady 178.

Kathy Williams announced the following committee assignments: Memorial Committee—Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy; Finance Committee—Oscar McGuire and Cecil Roberts; Locating Committee—John Plunkett and Faye Holbrook; Resolutions Committee—Nathan Rees and Erica Hinton; Chaplain—Saturday—Dave Farmer; Chaplain—Sunday—Bill DuPre.

John Plunkett thanked the Philip Denney Family for allowing the Georgia State Convention to continue to be held at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church considering Philip's recent passing. John expressed gratefulness on behalf of the singers to have such a fantastic place to sing. The Georgia State Convention is a singing that moves to various locations. John said the singing could move to North Fulton County next year, but it has not been confirmed yet.

Leaders: Barbara Brooks 410t; Jacob Acton 457. Dave Farmer offered the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with Matt Hinton leading 327. Leaders: Jeannette DePoy 328; Gail Doss 512; Pam Nunn 507; Oscar McGuire and Cassie Allen 485; Judy Mincey 191; Thomas Begley 228; Dave Farmer 455; Karen Rollins and Denny Rogers 540; Cassie Allen 272; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 445 (in memory of Ann Simpson); Rodney Ivey 87; Sheri Taylor 183; Reba Windom 418 (for Nate and Norma Green); Bill Denney and granddaughters 73t; Winfred Kerr 314; Nathan Rees 217; Barbara Brooks 385b; Scott DePoy 179; Bill DuPre 74b; Lisa Bennett 388 (in memory of Ann Simpson); Michael Spencer 393; David Smead 392 (for Hannah Land); Cathy Bonk 349; John Plunkett 120; Cecil Roberts 285t.

Kathy Williams thanked everyone for coming. Announcements were made. Kathy Williams led 46 as the closing song. Dave Farmer offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, March 26

The Sunday session of the Georgia State Convention convened with Kathy Williams leading 47t. Bill DuPre offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Matt Hinton 42; Donna Garner Bell 52t; Karen Rollins 153 (in memory of her grandfather, who was clerk of Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church in 1906); Lisa Bennett 217; Jeannette DePoy 111b; Nathan Rees 157; Michael Spencer 386; Helen Bryson 176b; John Plunkett 175; Erica Hinton 37b; Winfred Kerr 146; Sheri Taylor 280; Jesse P. Karlsberg 185; Bill DuPre 195; Judy Mincey 538; Oscar McGuire 530 (in memory of E.C. Bowman); David Smead 517; Thomas Begley 275t; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 196; Judy Chambless 340 (in honor of Gayle Denney); Susan Cheronos 349.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey brought the class together leading 89. Leaders: Lauren Bock 498; Cassie Allen 316; Phillip Langley 430; Tammy Heinsohn 155; Rodney Ivey 389; Sasha Hsuczuk 227; Danny Creel 269; Ken Tate 475; Riley McKibbin 46; Kristofer Ilex 129; Lisa Webb 200; Elene Stovall 500; Don Bowen 283; Christian Webb 547; Maddy Mullany 573; Reba Windom 216.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Jeannette and Scott DePoy. Jeannette began, "Who would have thought in 2019 that it would be 2023 before we would meet again?" She mentioned things we can do for someone on the sick and shut-ins list such as write them a letter and tell them about the singing or ask what song they would like sung for them. Jeannette spoke about attending the funeral of a friend recently where the minister in his eulogy told the story of a lamplighter who walked the streets each night and lit each individual lamp one by one. A little five-year-old boy stares out the window watching. One night the little boy's dad asked, "Son, what are you doing?" The little boy says, "I'm watching the man punching holes in the darkness." Jeannette said she wanted to be that person who cracks the light open for someone on this list. The sick and shut-ins honored were Cathy White, Jean Toole,

Lucy Garner, Clay Kierbow, Margie Smith, Mary Crowder, Henry Guthery, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Cindy Preece, Lynn Hanna, Mary Ellen Wilkerson, and Hannah Land. Thomas Begley led 330b for the sick and shut-ins.

Scott DePoy read from the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer, "Oh Lord, support us all the day long until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in thy mercy grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and a peace at the last." Scott said, "When I think of people that are on this list they are at peace at the end and yet we that are left here still feel the sting of loss whether it has been a day, a week, or three years. I look around this room and in my mind's eye I can see people on this list. I can see Philip Denney running around; I can see Charlene Wallace unloading (someone shouts Carmel Cake) food—they are gone but we carry on. I drove up yesterday and saw Michael Spencer running around making sure coffee was made; Kathy Williams unloading food. We carry on because that is what the Sacred Harp community does." Scott stated that one of his favorite lines of Sacred Harp contains the words "and when from death I'm free I'll sing on". "Sing on y'all." The list of names on the deceased list is prodigious. It contains names for the past three years. Those remembered were Philip Denney, Eula Webb, Virginia Dyer, George Burnette III, Jacque Phillips, Susan Brand Roberts, Robert "Robby" Rivers, Charlene Wallace, Edna Garst, Bentley McGuire, Richard L. DeLong, David Grant, Mildred Patterson, Harry Eskew, Mary Lee, Tom Hanson, Mack Langley, Kay Langley, Eris Denney Muse, Irene Kerr Snow Leigh DuPre—Georgia; Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, Ann Simpson, Roy Nelson, Jane Tate, Ruth Daniel, Ottis Sides, John Earle Beasley, Martha Joyce Norris Hubbert, Wilda M. Holmes, Mildred Ruth Wyers, Bill Windom, Margaret Barfield Spurlock, Velton Chafin, Johnnie Chafin, Jewel Wootten, Geraldine Sheppard Rice, Kenneth Sundberg, Helen Louise Parker Price, Jeremiah Lance Phillips, Jerry Capps, Eunice Kimbrell, Renae Markis, Coy Ivey, Boyd Scott, J.L. Hopper, Lois Kerr Bowman, Joan Aldridge, Juanita Beasley, Edna Graves—Alabama; Gayle Cowart—Arkansas; Stephen O'Leary—California; Kathryn Bowers—Colorado; Thomas Aubrey Barfield, Sue Bunch—Florida; Ted Mercer, Karen Hajnacki—Illinois; Tierre Quantrell Williams—Kentucky; Dorothy Crawford Conner, Peter Golden—Maine; Roy Monroe Davis—Mississippi; Mary Chrestman, Bill Beverly—Michigan; Lydia Lewallen, Ruth Partain—North Carolina; Cheryl Foreman, Claude M. "Sonny" Erwin III, Myrl Smith Jones, Curtis Owen, Landis Powell—Texas; Mary Wright—Virginia; Dave Cooper and Rebecca Over—United Kingdom. Eli Hinton led 122 for the many deceased remembered. Bill DuPre closed the memorial lesson with prayer. Bill DuPre blessed the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

The final session of singing began with Matt Hinton leading 48t. Leaders: Erica Hinton 324; Danny Creel 314; Maddy Mullany 294; Thomas Begley and Barbara Ramey 292; Lottie Hinton 47b; Reba Windom and Rodney Ivey 384; Nathan Rees 464; Lauren Bock 477; Wyatt Denney and Weston Denney 383; Kari Stofer Ilex 215; Don Bowen 39t; Dan Edwards 148; Elene Stovall 30b; Daniel Lee 489; Fred Eady 178; Sasha Hsuczyk 542; Scott DePoy 277; Jesse P. Karlsberg 402; Ken Tate 399b; Lottie Hinton 472; Cassie Allen 435; Susan Cheronas, Jim, and Emily 500 (in memory of Philip Denney).

The convention went into a business session to hear the committee reports. Nathan Rees and Erica Hinton, Resolutions Committee, gave the following resolution: We, the 59th session of the Georgia State Convention, resolve to thank God for bringing us together in union and harmony.

We resolve to remember the founders of this convention and those who have sustained and supported it for decades since. We especially thank the Denney family

and their dedication to this singing over the years. We resolve to thank all those that have brought food and to those who have served as officers and on committees—who have kept the singing running smoothly.

We give thanks for this opportunity to reconvene after three years and pray that this absence will continually remind us of God's graciousness in providing us this gift of singing together. We resolve to meet again Lord willing in 2024. Donna Garner Bell gave the finance report stating that all expenses had been met and thanked everyone for their contributions. Anna Hinton, Arranging Committee, stated that the convention had eighty-seven leaders during the convention. John Plunket and Fay Holbrook, Locating Committee, announced that the convention could move to North Fulton County next year, but it has not been confirmed. A motion was made and carried to accept the reports as read and to be added to the convention minutes. Announcements were made. Kathy Williams led 62 as the closing song, while those who wished took the parting hand. Bill DuPre offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kathy Williams; Vice Chairman—Matt Hinton; Secretary—Donna Garner Bell; Assistant Secretary—Karen Rollins

BRIGHTON SACRED HARP SINGING DAY
Exeter Street Hall, Brighton, East Sussex, United Kingdom
Saturday, April 1, 2023

The 6th session of the Brighton Sacred Harp All-Day Singing was called to order by Catherine Roberts and Seth Dickens leading 448b. The opening prayer was offered by Jean Mahoney.

Leaders: Rachel Jordan 171; Rob Mahoney 107; Vicky Tremain 40; Steve Biggs 49b; Ron Hollman 133; Natalie Edelman 86; Anne Altringham 82t; Nick Hall 187; Teresa Maguire 106; Sheila Girling Macadam 353; Stacy Hackner 542; Joe Jones 314; Joyce Smith 33b; Amy Cutts 42; James Roche 213b; Neil Horlock 274t; Al Williams 551; Jessica Beer 32t; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 434.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Werner Ullah leading 49t. Leaders: William Cleary 415; Greg Carson 31t; Susannah Gill 270; David Black 452; Derek Buckland 278t; Joe Vickers 376; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 186; Seth Dickens 122.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Rob Mahoney in memory of Mike Cooper—Catsfield; Charlie James—Chatham; Gerry Barty—West Wittering; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Michael Keane—Newport; Elizabeth Walsh—Kilkenny; Teresa Cavallar—Tione di Trento; Richard Drane, David Thorpe, Peter Wiggins and Doreen Drinkwater—London; John Heptinstall—Kenilworth and Alastair Sayles—Leeds.

He also spoke for the following sick and housebound: Hannah Land, Ted Brown, Katia Triggiani, Emily Georghiou, Nigel Bowley, Brenda Bowley, Chris Judge, Helen Bushell, Stephanie Ramamurthy, Ram Ramamurthy, Greg Levin, Usahi Nölte, and Ian Lamb. Rob Mahoney led 47b, and Jean Mahoney closed the lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Nick Hall 448t; Machna Novak 68t; Steve Brett 129; Megan Streb 146; Emily Verrier 189; Catherine Roberts 203; Joshua Lant 400. Grace was offered by Jean Mahoney.

LUNCH

The class was called back together by Anne Altringham leading 527. Leaders: Joe Jones 288; Stacy Hackner 159; Ron Hollman 362; Rachel Jordan 500; Werner Ullah 457; Al Williams 164; Jessica Beer 480; Joyce Smith 33t; Derek Buckland 206; Sheila Girling Macadam 454 (for Hannah Land); Steve Biggs 276; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 456; William Cleary 384; Steve Brett 319; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 35;

Susannah Gill 442; Emily Verrier 200; Ron Hollman 547; Rob Mahoney 178; Joshua Lant 424; Joe Vickers 511; James Roche 528; Amy Cutts 210; Megan Streb 101b; Nick Hall 455.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Teresa Maguire leading 111b. Leaders: Anne Altringham 546; Neil Horlock 504; Vicky Tremain and Wren Tremain 472; Greg Carson 348t; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 499; Derek Buckland 131t; Machna Nowak 497; Emily Verrier 318; Joyce Smith 373; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 117; Jessica Beer 157; Megan Streb 324; Susannah Gill 38b; Sheila Girling Macadam 556.

Seth Dickens and Catherine Roberts made closing remarks and thanked all who had made the day possible. Bridget McVennon-Morgan reported that there were fifty-four registered attendees with thirty-five leaders and a total of seventy-nine songs sung. After announcements, Catherine Roberts and Seth Dickens led 347 as the closing song. Jean Mahoney offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairpersons—Seth Dickens and Catherine Roberts; Secretary—Sarah Hill

DAHLONEGA SINGING

St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, Dahlonega, Georgia

Saturday, April 1, 2023

The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Esther Morgan-Ellis leading 46. Grey Smith offered the opening prayer. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* unless otherwise indicated.

Leaders: Esther Morgan-Ellis 30b; Abigail Cannon 146, 178; Neva Garrett 155, 480; Delaney Waters 49t, 457; Helen Bryson 523, 522; Ivy Hauser 48t, 48b; Chris Wilhelm 446, 68t; David Brodeur 421, 384; Andy Ditzler 300, 47b; Shawn Taylor 138b, 318; Jerusha Wheeler 472, 107.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: John Plunkett 90; David Smead 417, 43; Lisa Bennett 50b, 466; Jim Neal 270, 84; Lily Hammond 63, 38b; Yawen Li 45t, 105; Bill Dupree 426t, 448t; Ruth Purcell 441, 245 (CH); Judy Mincey 468, 486; Esther Morgan-Ellis 283 (in honor of Don Bowen).

LUNCH

Esther Morgan-Ellis called the class back to order leading 179. Leaders: Esther Morgan-Ellis 515; Abigail Cannon 111t, 111b; Neva Garrett 59; Helen Bryson 287, 492; Ivy Hauser 132, 349; David Brodeur 404; Andy Ditzler 234; Shawn Taylor 212, 224; Jerusha Wheeler 86, 148; John Plunkett 160b; David Smead 227, 387; Lisa Bennett 504, 505; Jim Neal 339.

In a business meeting, it was agreed to establish an annual singing at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church, to take place on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. The following officers were elected to serve: Chairwoman—Esther Morgan-Ellis; Vice Chairwoman—Abigail Cannon; Arranging Officer—Neva Garrett; Secretary—Lily Hammond.

Lily Hammond called the class back to order leading 436. Leaders: Yawen Li 99, 142; Bill Dupree 195; Ruth Purcell 236; Judy Mincey 501; Stefani Priskos 145b, 411; Helen Bryson 176t; Ivy Hauser 217; David Brodeur 475; Andy Ditzler 34b; Shawn Taylor 32b; Jerusha Wheeler 159; John Plunkett 167; David Smead 455; Lisa Bennett 203; Jim Neal 406; Bill Dupree 120; Ruth Purcell 174; Judy Mincey 549; Stefani Priskos 399b. Announcements were made.

Esther Morgan-Ellis led 347 as the closing song. Simon Miller offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairwoman—Esther Morgan-Ellis; Vice Chairwoman—Abigail Cannon; Secretary—Teagan Boley

HARPETH VALLEY / PRIESTLEY MILLER

MEMORIAL SINGING

Radnor Primitive Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Saturday, April 1, 2023

The 60th annual Harpeth Valley / Priestley Miller Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Tim Reynolds leading 171. Larry Brown gave the morning prayer. Tim Reynolds led 84. Leaders: Emily Stutzman 270, 178; David Carlton 171, 48t; Caleb Dillehay 235, 37b; Larry Brown 49b, 63; Rick Fretter 38b, 503; Karen Rollins 354t, 354b.

RECESS

Lewis Frost brought the class back together leading 49b and 569b. Leaders: Claudia Padfield 47b, 282; Jason Whitt 122, 268; Febrienne Box Lovell 146, 106; Nakayah Box 455, 358; Tim Reynolds 168, 573; Larry Brown 99, 454.

RECESS

Caleb Dillehay brought the class back together leading 47t and 155. Leaders: Karen Rollins 87, 225t; Bill Denney 143, 457; Febrienne Box Lovell 405, 294; Nakayah Box 40, 159.

LUNCH

Lewis Frost called the class to order for the afternoon session by leading 85 and 39b. Leaders: Emily Stutzman 146 (requested by Michael Speyer in honor and memory of Covenant Presbyterian Church and School and the shooting victims from March 27, 2023), 361; Rick Fretter 147t, 209; David Carlton and Emma Litten 162, 236; Tim Reynolds 32b (in memory of the Covenant School shooting victims). After announcements, Tim Reynolds led 148 as the closing song. Caleb Dillehay closed the singing with prayer.

Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—David Carlton; Secretaries—Emily Stutzman and Connie Herndon

POTOMAC RIVER SINGING CONVENTION

Lacey Woods Park, Arlington, Virginia

Saturday, April 1, 2023

The 32nd annual Potomac River Singing Convention was held at Lacey Woods Park, Arlington, Virginia, on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Shenandoah Harmony*. The class was called to order by Leyland delRe leading 105 (ShH).

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Tophier Lawton; Vice Chairman—Alexa Silverman; Treasurer—Lucas Husted; Secretary—Bridget Jamison; Chaplain—Kelly Hughes, Arranging—Kelly Macklin. Tophier Lawton led 162 (ShH). Kelly Hughes offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Jim Glaser 127 (ShH); John delRe 313 (ShH); Jim Strube 5t (ShH); Jacob Hamidi 266 (ShH); Shea Hendren and Mona Lewandoski 276; Br. Jeremiah Tobin 535; John delRe 38b; Thomas Ward 28b (ShH); Mona Lewandoski 48 (ShH); Cheryllyn Neilson 17 (ShH); Alexa Silverman 422 (ShH); Bridget Jamison 213t; Madeline Senger 472; Maria Cramer 187 (ShH); Jennifer Glenister and Maria Cramer 268; Kathy Manning 424b (ShH); Barbara Barry 506; Nina Burris 148.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Maria Cramer leading 108 (ShH). Leaders: Adrienne Robertson 169 (ShH); Sierra Magee and Nora Miller 296 (ShH); John Morriberon 146; Judy Getrich and John Morriberon 270; Joni Seidenstein and Br. Finbar 195; Leyland delRe, Benjamin Hartland, Amira, and Theo 120t (ShH); Doron Henkin 336; Kyle Johnston 420t (ShH); Adrian Mariano 372; Nora Miller 217.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Alexa Silverman and Topher Lawton. Topher Lawton read the following names of the sick and shut-ins: Ethel Strube and Tim Slattery.

Alexa Silverman read the following list of names of the deceased: Graham DeZarn—Virginia, Ted Mercer—Illinois, Mary Wright—Virginia, Les Updike—Virginia, Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, Cheryl Foreman—Texas, Paul Dunn—New York, Charlotte Powell—Texas, Philip Denney—Georgia. She led 178 for them.

Leaders: Kelly Macklin 294 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 87 (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 78 (ShH); Lucas Husted 543; Corinne Ducey 99; Corinne Serfass 278 (ShH); Julia Seidenstein 179; Eli Batson 168; Susan Green 157; Topher Lawton 306 (ShH); Thomas Ward 140t (ShH); Jacob Hamidi 73t; John delRe 180 (ShH); Don Fahey and Adrienne Robertson 221 (ShH); Jim Glaser 569t. Kelly Hughes offered a blessing for lunch.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Corinne Serfass leading 70t (ShH). Leaders: Shea Hendren 186; Eric Ames and Alexa Silverman 277; Jim Strube 236; Mona Lewandoski 413 (ShH); Cherylyn Neilson 423 (ShH); Alexa Silverman 335; Lindsey Falbo 122; Madeline Senger 551; Bridget Jamison 320; Jennifer Glenister and Nora Miller 386; Brenda Dunlap 80t; Kathy Manning 242 (ShH); Maria Cramer 216; Doron Henkin 414b (ShH); Nina Burris 209; Adrienne Robertson 429 (ShH); Corinne Serfass 193 (ShH); Barbara Barry 159; Leyland delRe 440 (ShH); Emily Hancock 162; Judy Getrich 546; Joni Seidenstein 254 (ShH); Julia Seidenstein 457 (ShH); Lucas Husted 227.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Kyle Johnston leading 3b (ShH). Leaders: Eli Batson 500; Nora Miller 192; Jacob Hamidi 445; Kelly Macklin 274 (ShH); Adrian Mariano 364b (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 334 (ShH); Kelly Hughes and Jacob Hamidi 260t (ShH); Kyle Johnston 197 (ShH); Corinne Ducey and Lucas Husted 114 (ShH); Topher Lawton 9b (ShH).

Topher Lawton thanked the officers and volunteers. Announcements were made. The 33rd annual Potomac River Singing Convention will be held on the first weekend in April, 2024.

Topher Lawton led 53 (ShH) as the closing song. Kelly Hughes led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Topher Lawton; Vice Chairman—Alexa Silverman; Secretaries—Bridget Jamison and Nina Burris

EDWARDSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama

Sunday, April 2, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Edwarsville Baptist Church, Edwarsville, Alabama was held on the first Sunday in April. Cecil Roberts called the class together leading 59. Robert Chambless offered the morning prayer. After welcoming the singers and visitors Cecil Roberts led 30t. At a short business meeting the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice-Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless. Leaders: Judy Chambless 37b, 61; Glenda Collins 32t, 81t; Winfred Kerr 128, 282; Barbara Brooks 129, 410b; Robert Chambless 410t, 84 (in memory of Philip Denney); Bert Collins 542, 378t; Karen Rollins 87 (in memory of Philip Denney), 35; Oscar McGuire 163b, 34b.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 312b (in memory of Lois Bowman and Jeanette Laminack). Leaders: Bert Collins 340, 339; Winfred Kerr 515, 516; Barbara Brooks 162, 303; Robert Chambless 503, 225t; Glenda Collins 77t, 566

(both in memory of Richard DeLong); Karen Rollins 129 (in memory of Virginia Dyer), 45t (in memory of Ann Simpson); Oscar McGuire 71, 229.

LUNCH

Glenda Collins brought the class back to order leading 100. Leaders: Judy Chambless 29t; Cecil Roberts 89; Karen Rollins 354b (in memory of Ann Simpson); Bert Collins 142; Robert Chambless 145b; Oscar McGuire 56t; Barbara Brooks 72t; Winfred Kerr 77b; Glenda Collins 143. Announcements were made.

Cecil Roberts and Glenda Collins led 138b as the closing song.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless

MCGUIRE MEMORIAL

Bruce, Mississippi

Sunday, April 2, 2023

The 9th annual Hugh Bill McGuire Memorial Sacred Harp singing (formerly held at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church) was held at the Bruce Forestry Museum. Henry McGuire called the class to order leading 480b (WB). Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer. Henry McGuire then led 526 (WB), and appointed Warren Steel as secretary and Nicholas Thompson as arranging committee.

Leaders: Drew McGuire 213t, 426b; Mark Davis 157, 511; Warren Steel 189, 298; Nicholas Thompson 402, 216; Ken Tate 473, 107; Jeff James 105, 31t; Anne Steel 480, 38b; Mark Tew 406, 299.

RECESS

Henry McGuire and Drew McGuire called the class together leading 511 (WB).

Leaders: Amber Davis 300, 224; Danny Creel 456, 475; Larry Ballinger 428, 328;

Mike Hankins 59, 527; Chris Ballinger 344, 460; Marlin Beasley 336, 318; Will Gatewood 547b (WB), 378b (WB); Lisa Geist 492, 528; Ricky Beasley 457, 49b; Earl Ballinger 439, 373.

LUNCH

Henry McGuire, and three sons Drew, Will, and Charlie called the class together leading 486t (WB). Leaders: Will McGuire 181, 436; Chris Nicholson 212, 49t;

Charlie McGuire 398, 282; Andy Davis 196, 434; Regina Derstine 58, 440; Nicholas Thompson 442; Danny Creel 269; Amber Davis 192; Mike Hankins 155; Margaret Evey 61, 63; Chris Ballinger and Lisa Geist 120; Jeff James 569b; Marlin Beasley and Ricky Beasley 498; Ken Tate 411; Chris Nicholson 546t (WB); Drew McGuire and Will Gatewood 236; Henry McGuire 492 (WB). Following announcements, Henry McGuire and sons led 56t as the closing song. Marlin Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Henry McGuire; Secretary—Warren Steel

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SINGING

Seabold Hall, Bainbridge Island, Washington

Saturday, April 8, 2023

The annual Bainbridge Island All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sundy in April. The class was called to order by Kevin Barrans leading 448b. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Kevin Barrans; Secretary—Jenna Tompkins.

Leaders: Bob Schinske 63; Dana Steege-Jackson 81t; Karen Willard 29t; Laura McMurray 39b; Doug Hill 530; Kelly Kennedy 80t; Chris Noren 472; Carrie Walker 318; Mark Godfrey 408; Kristofer Ilex 324; Lindy Groening 480; Peter Abrahamsen 282; Caroline Deacy 302; David Wright 466; Kate Fortin 370.

RECESS

Brad Knoke led 410t to bring the class together. Leaders: Betsy Jeronen 212; Shana Wenger 228; Paul Chamberlain 137; Emma Swartz 189; John Berendzen 349; Jennifer Jones 270; Erik Schwab 177; Caroline Helmecci 191; John Weins 56b; Gillian Inksetter 436; Rosie Sokolov 406; Kevin Barrans 499; Sadhbh O'Flynn 118; Peter Schinske 163t; Nancy Price 277.

RECESS

The class was brought to order by Kate Fortin leading 32t. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 502; Thom Fahrbach 447; Julia Zaffarano 430; Shannon McGuire 504; Kate Coxon and Sam Coxon 105; Ian Suchon 444; Wren Hyde 411; Sean McPherson 235; Anne Huckins 159; Sara Ng 339; Ruth Linehan 297; Ana Tigh 112; David Wright 371; Laura McMurray 176b; Jennifer Jones and Nancy Novotny 527; Nancy Price 269.

RECESS

Leaders: Peter Abrahamsen 335; Rosie Sokolov 542; Peter Schinske 543; Gillian Inksetter 377; John Weins 522; Caroline Deacy 485; Kate Coxon 215; Mark Godfrey 365; Kristofer Ilex 58; Sadhbh O'Flynn 573; Kim Lusk 89; Erik Schwab 415; Shana Wenger 400; Caroline Helmecci and Spencer Stuart 313b; Thom Fahrbach 216; Julia Zeffarano 106; Lindy Groening 500; Bob Schinske 475; Carrie Walker 114; Emma Swartz 214; Kevin Barrans 111b.

RECESS

The class was brought together by Jennifer Jones and Ana Tigh leading 72b.

Leaders: Jenna Tompkins 317; Wren Hyde 376; Chris Noren 547; Karen Willard 464; Ian Suchon 195; Kate Fortin 338; Nancy Novotny 428; Sean McPherson 359; Shannon McGuire 117; John Berendzen 95; Ruth Linehan 399b; Paul Chamberlain 336; Ana Tigh 344; Kelly Kennedy 67; Betsy Jeronen 564; Marie Brandis 549. Kevin Barrans led 348b as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kevin Barrans; Secretary—Jenna Tompkins

STATE LINE SINGING

Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia

Saturday, April 8, 2023

The State Line Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in April. The singing could not be held in 2020, 2021, or 2022 because of Covid-19 restrictions, and State Line Church has weather damage that has occurred. The class expressed appreciation to Judy Henry of Holly Springs Church for her gracious offer to host the singing this year. The class was called to order by Pam Nunn and Rene Greene leading 186. Bill Dupre offered the opening prayer.

In a business session, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve:

Chairpersons—Rene Greene and Pam Nunn; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Rene Greene and Pam Nunn 36b; Judy Caudle 85; Winfred Kerr 146, 282; Glenda Collins 99, 300; Robert Chambless 503, 303; Lisa Bennett 163t, 132; Tajin Rogers 95, 159; Sarah George 447; Oscar McGuire 441, 336; Karen Rollins 171, 120 (in memory of Philip Denney); Jamey Wootten 162; Judy Chambless 454 (in memory of Bentley McGuire).

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Pam Nunn leading 40. Leaders: Shane Brown 383, 129; John Plunkett 310, 572; Prisca Rice 569b; Tom George 404, 385t; David Brodeur 197, 196; Adrian Eldridge 155, 440; Daniel Bass, Emma Vigneault, and Leah Clements 448t, 31t; Cheyenne Ivey 56t, 182; Jeremiah Ledbetter 123t, 484; Reba Windom 299; Bill Dupre 101t, 70b; Samuel Williams 173, 272; Emmaleigh Calhoun 122. John Plunkett asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rene Greene leading 142. Leaders: David Smead 292, 408; Barbara Brooks 119, 229; Daniel Williams 360, 175.

Shane Brown conducted the memorial lesson. He read aloud the following list of names of the deceased: Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, George Burnette—Georgia; Norma Green, Boyd Scott, Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Ann Simpson, Hubert Nall—Alabama; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina. He spoke briefly, and then led 381.

Shane also read aloud the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Donna Bell, Nate Green, Jeannette DePoy, and Mary Crowder. He led 480, and closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Matt Hinton and Karen Rollins 365; Sheri Taylor 84, 156; Scott Ivey 149 (in memory of Elder J.L. Hopper), 333; Shawn Taylor 39t, 168; Bert Collins 97, 542; Laura Frey 163b, 358; Nathan Rees 57, 353; Keillor Mose 321, 544; Adele Anderson and Katie Murphy 270, 298; Rene Greene 183; Pam Nunn 236; Rene Greene and Pam Nunn 269. Announcements were made.

Pam Nunn and Rene Greene led 46 as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairpersons—Rene Greene and Pam Nunn; Secretary—Judy Caudle

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

Ider, Alabama

Sunday, April 9, 2023

The annual Decoration Day Sacred Harp singing was held on the second Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Aaron Wootten and Jamey Wootten leading 82t and 63. Bro. Chris Boggs offered the opening prayer.

The following officers and committee members were appointed prior to the singing: Chairmen—Aaron Wootten and Jamey Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey; Arranging—Jamey Wootten.

Leaders: Jamey Wootten and Aaron Wootten 101t; Blake Sisemore 42; Cheyenne Ivey 61; Isaac Green 420; Susy Lee 349; Clark Williams 360; Bill DuPre 448t; Shirley Figura 229; Daniel Lee 52t; Shawn Carrol 28b; Charles Whitmer 218; Prisca Rice, Emmaleigh Calhoun, and Evie Eddins 89; Amber Saylor 457; Deborah Taube and William Walker 313b.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Jamey Wootten and Aaron Wootten leading 56t. Leaders: David Saylor 203; Kevin Eddins and Dana Eddins 31t; Paul Figura 415; Macy Bell 274t; Stanley Smith 383; Tom George 33t; Eric Eddins 448b; Luke Strickland 157; Clark Lee 365; Shelby Castillo, Reba Windom, and Paisley Goss 216; Ethan Eddins 337; Brenda Carroll, Chris Carroll, McKensie Carroll, Shawn Carroll, and Rebecca Norsworthy 384; Kaylee Mann, Karalee Bell, and Sheila Wootten 505 (CB); Julie Lee 87; Edith Eddins 535; Keith Willard and Karen Willard 99 (in memory of Marlon Wootten); Tim Taylor 228.

The memorial lesson was conducted by David Lee and Linda Thomas. David Lee spoke on behalf of the deceased and the sick and shut-ins. Linda Thomas read aloud the following list of names of the deceased: Cleva Dell Blevins, Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Doug Ivey, Boyd Scott, Norma Green, James Pike, Margie Cook, Renae Makris, Wendy Morton, Hubert Nall, Philip Denney, Cheryl Foreman, Lydia Lewallen, Glenn Conn, Hazel (Alvis) Brothers, Ann Simpson, Virginia Dyer, and Pauline Lee.

Linda then read aloud the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Chita Blakeley, Sarah Wootten, Caroline Wootten, Jerry Creason, Ann Sibole, and Vanetta Wootten. David and Linda led 288. Clarke Lee closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Phil Townson, Danette Townson, Raven Farrow, Dani Henshaw, Marsha Townson, Tate Farrow, and David Townson 540 (CB), 68b (both in memory of Claudene Townson); Keillor Mose 434; Samuel Williams 377; Maddy Mullaney 172; Ewan Eddins 270; Nathan Rees 182; Jessica Belaire 76b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Aaron Wootten and Jamey Wootten leading 32t. Leaders: David Killingsworth 159; Susan Pilcher and Stacey Pilcher 106; Eddie Mash 515; Emily Eddins 77t; Scott Ivey 163t (in memory of Marlon Wootten and Claudene Townson); Eli Eddins 147b; Mary Amelia Taylor 58; David Lee 74b; Wayne Wootten 144; Linda Sides 277; Loyd Ivey and Marian Biddle 424; Syble Adams, Pam Wilkerson, and David Lee 452; Daniel Williams 108b; Jeffrey Wootten and Dewayne Wootten 460; Rodney Ivey and Nate Green 418 (in memory of Norma Green); Shane Brown 29t; Elam Eddins 29b; Shane Wootten 426t; Beverly Dayton 347; Hayden Wootten, Brooke Wootten, and Jared Wootten 441; Anna Oliver 37b; Elijah Boggs 176t; Marty Wootten 399b; Teresa Saylor and Sierra Saylor 209; Darlene Dalton 454; Terry Wootten 316; Chris Boggs, Michelle Boggs, Elijah Boggs, Isaac Boggs, Joseph Boggs, and Clayton Boggs 491; Scott Ivey, Betty Shepherd, and Terry Wootten 30b; Cole Wootten and Karolina Mann 445. Hayden Wootten and Shane Brown were appointed to serve as chairmen in April, 2024. Jamey Wootten, Aaron Wootten, and Terry Wootten led “Pass Me Not” as the closing song. Jeffrey Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairmen—Aaron Wootten and Jamey Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

OLD COUNTY LINE CHURCH SINGING

Corner, Jefferson County, Alabama

Sunday, April 9, 2023

The annual Decoration Day Sacred Harp singing was held at Old County Line Church on the second Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Yancey Jett leading 30t. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Yancey Jett 312b; Mike Hankins 59, 527; Shaun Taylor 480, 436; Butch White 344, 547; Louise Yeager 569b, 503; Jeff James 31b, 56t; Roma Rice 310, 323b; Ken Tate 33b, 86; Amber Davis 389, 380; David Brodeur 511, 513.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Yancey Jett leading 42. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 378b, 163b; Ann Steel 171, 48b; Chris Ballinger 546, 512 (in memory of Harrison Creel); Lisa Bennett 200, 391; Greg Allred 36b, 72b; April Watkins 445, 47t; David Smead 331, 273.

RECESS

Cassie Allen led 317 in memory of Norma Green. Leaders: Warren Steel 163t, 236; Susan Allred 112, 182; Mark Davis 104, 530; Lisa Geist 269, 228; Henry McGuire 365, 532; Ann Jett 327, 172.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Yancey Jett leading 440. Leaders: Wanda Capps 142, 143, 144; Larry Ballinger 224, 215; Elene Stovall 426b, 292; Adrian Eldridge 568, 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Ainslie Allen 542, 430; Ainslie Allen and April Watkins 146; Danny Creel 498, 222; Jackie Tanner 298; Jackie Tanner and Cassie Allen 477; Nicholas Thompson 189, 454; Cassie Allen 329, 328; Beth Branscome 217, 99; Regina Derstine 497, 214; Pam Kelly 382, 383; Cindy Tanner 155 (for Lucy Heidorn and David Heidorn), 336, 397, 342 (in memory of Harrison Creel), 475 (in memory of Flarce Creel). Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen and Yancey Jett led 521 as the closing song. Ken Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-chairmen—Yancey Jett and Cassie Allen; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

CORK QUAKER HOUSE APRIL SINGING

Quaker House, Cork, Ireland

Saturday, April 15, 2023

Ger Wolfe brought the class to order by leading 148. Leaders: Michael Walker 131b; Katie Ahern 29t; Kevin Kennedy 32b; Sinéad Hanrahan 72b; Colleen Jones 99; Michael Walker 310; Katie Ahern 283; Kevin Kennedy 286; Sinéad Hanrahan 340; Colleen Jones 349; Ger Wolfe 57; Michael Walker 322; Katie Ahern 338; Kevin Kennedy 426t; Sinéad Hanrahan 292; Colleen Jones 31t.

RECESS

Ger Wolfe led 365 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Michael Walker 569b; Katie Ahern 263; Kevin Kennedy 250; Amanda Parkes 434; Sinéad Hanrahan 426b; June Murphy 512; Colleen Jones 272; Michael Walker 35; Katie Ahern 517; Kevin Kennedy 232; Amanda Parkes 234; Sinéad Hanrahan 236; Laurie Skelton 440; June Murphy 110; Colleen Jones 306; Michael Walker 369; Katie Ahern 212; Kevin Kennedy 518; Amanda Parkes 522; Sinéad Hanrahan 478; Laurie Skelton 546; Colleen Jones 475; Ger Wolfe 37b; Michael Walker 447; Katie Ahern 335; Kevin Kennedy 333; Amanda Parkes 327; Sinéad Hanrahan 573; Laurie Skelton 216. Ger Wolfe led 472 to close the singing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ger Wolfe; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

MIDDLE GEORGIA SACRED HARP SINGING

Union Primitive Baptist Church, Johnstonville, Georgia

Saturday, April 15, 2023

The 18th annual Middle Georgia Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. Oscar McGuire welcomed the class and led 59. Wayne Watson offered the morning prayer. Oscar McGuire led 34b.

Leaders: Lisa Bennett 378t, 288; David Smead 111b, 329. A business session was held, and the class voted to reelect the following officers: Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—David Smead.

Leaders: Glenda Collins 105, 290; Bert Collins 97, 35; Eli Hinton 63, 108b; Mary Brownlee and John Brownlee 341, 47b; Lilly Hooks and Rosemund Watson 354b; John Plunkett 33b, 405.

RECESS

Lisa Bennett called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Matt Hinton 112, 192; David Smead 51, 402; Randy Neufeld 31t, 501 (in memory of Ted Mercer); Lottie Hinton 472; Erica Hinton 503, 284; Rosemund Watson 515 (for Horace Hamrick), 147t; Martha Harrell 137, 542; Bill DuPre 101t, 448t.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 119. Lisa Bennett led 556 and 344. Glenda Collins led 454 for the following sick and shut-ins: Jeannette DePoy, John Hollingsworth, and Elsie Hollingsworth and for the following deceased: Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, Ann Simpson, and Ted Mercer.

Leaders: Bert Collins 455; Wayne Watson 480, 68b; Eli Hinton 448b, 157; John Plunkett 371; Matt Hinton 77t; David Smead 350; Randy Neufeld 270, 148; Bill DuPre 460; Lottie Hinton 216, 277; Erica Hinton 74b; Matt Hinton and Lilly Hooks 268; Martha Harrell and Oscar McGuire 178. After announcements, Rosemund Watson led 347 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Wayne Watson, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—David Smead

NEW HAVEN SINGING
Rosenfeld Hall, New Haven, Connecticut
Sunday, April 16, 2023

The 10th New Haven All-Day Singing was held in Rosenfeld Hall on the campus of Yale University. Michaela Natal called the class to order leading 38t. Tarik Wareh offered an opening invocation.

Leaders: Ian Quinn 150; Charles Biada 52b; Gwen Gethner 131b; LaRee Delahunt and Charles Biada 34b; Rachel Adelstein 107; Ernest Chamberlain 56b; Emily Hale-Sills 99; Al McCready 227; Crispin Youngberg 163t; Jasmine Mendoza 42; Tarik Wareh 490; Kevin Beirne 385t; Magdalena Zapendowska 228; Christina Foley 475; Quinn Ross 168; Liam Francis 95; Will Harron 72b.

RECESS

Kit Walsh called the class to order leading 157. Leaders: Ian Davis 354t; Kerry Cullinan 236; Michael Natal and Michaela Natal 45t; Wendy Sibbison 456; Jacob Stebley 300; Tim Leonard 474; Lu Zeng 504; Stina Soderling 196; Gideon Dresdner 30b; Laura Clampitt 94.

Rachel Hall led 30b after speaking for the following sick and shut-ins: Tommie Spurlock, Don Youngberg, Hannah Land, Ruth Anne Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Jesse Year, Linda Shea, Denise Kania, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, and Louise Culver Hurwitz. Erin Fulton led 434 after speaking for the following deceased: Annie Joyce Williams Belcher, Norma Sue Ivey Latham Green, Hubert C. Nall, Barbara Owen, Boyd Scott, and Claudene Wootten Townson—Alabama; Paul Heyman—Connecticut; Rebecca Over—England; Philip Denney—Georgia; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Alison Rieke, Ronnie L. Troxtell, and Mary Troxtel—Kentucky; Michael Clarke—New York; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Cheryl Ann Foreman—Texas; Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Richard Bingham and Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Laurel Tannenbaum; Samuel Tannenbaum. Tarik Wareh closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Jason Steidl Jack 277; Jeremy Galvagni 479; Mary Skidmore 280; Gary Ryan 271t; Miriam Delirium 235; Nancy Mandel 371. Tarik Wareh offered an invocation before lunch.

LUNCH

Ian Quinn called the class to order leading 501. Leaders: William Schuller 411; Carol Huang 500; Margaret Youngberg 362; Rachel Hall 396; Larry Bingham 122; Matthew Leger-Small 438; Sophie Sokolov 394; Allison Steel 345b; Lu Zeng 312b; Tristan Gordon 447; Marie Brandis 212; Sam Dembling, Hayley Earnest, and Sara Lott 47b; Kit Walsh 142; Magdalena Zapendowska 218; Erin Fulton 327; Will Harron 63; Jasmine Mendoza 442; Keillor Mose 482; Sara Lott 564; Christina Foley 326; Gwen Gethner and Emily Hale-Sills 430.

RECESS

Matthew Leger-Small called the class to order leading 73t. Leaders: Crispin Youngberg 172; Joel Rosen 36b; Stina Soderling 558; Chris Adams and Michaela Natal 48t; Tarik Wareh 516; Wendy Sibbison 548; Calvin Robertson and Ernest Chamberlain 81t; Tim Leonard 217; Quinn Ross 528; Liam Francis 29t; Laura Clampitt 114; Kevin Beirne 428; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Jacob Stebley 547; Miriam Delirium 285t; Nancy Mandel, Jason Steidl Jack, and Gideon Dresdner 569t.

Reports were given and announcements made. Sixty-nine participants registered from seven states. Michaela Natal, Charles Biada, and Gwen Gethner led 62, and the class took the parting hand. Jason Steidl Jack offered the closing invocation, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Michaela Natal; Secretary—Charles Biada

OLD HARMONY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Abernathy, Cleburne County, Alabama

Sunday, April 16, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Old Harmony Primitive Baptist Church was held on the third Sunday in April. Winfred Kerr called the class to order leading 59 and 89. Cecil Roberts offered the opening prayer. Winfred Kerr welcomed everyone, and a business session was held. The following officers were elected to serve: Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Glenda Collins. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 34b, 33b; Glenda Collins 45t, 32t (for her Uncle Lewis); Barbara Brooks 129 (in memory of Ruth Daniels), 303; Bert Collins 39b, 35; Cecil Roberts 340, 312b; Sheri Taylor 39t, 65; Laura Kidd 119, 117.

RECESS

Winfred Kerr brought the class back together leading 77b (in memory of Charlene Wallace) and 225t. Leaders: Sawyer Lett and Tina Lett 146, 452; Oscar McGuire 171, 515; Glenda Collins 445 (in memory of Ann Simpson), 76b; Barbara Brooks 235 (in memory of Virginia Dyer), 410t; Bert Collins 542, 335; Cecil Roberts 37b, 229; Laura Kidd 159, 163b; Sheri Taylor 68b, 334. Cecil Roberts asked the blessing at the table before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with Winfred Kerr leading 516 and 282. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 155, 441; Glenda Collins 63, 143; Barbara Brooks 72b (for Robert Chambless), 406; Bert Collins 142 (in memory of Phillip Denney), 148; Cecil Roberts 30b, 285t; Sawyer Lett and Tina Lett 378t, 145b; Laura Kidd 87 (in memory of Phillip Denney), 101t (in memory of her Grandmother); Sheri Taylor 77t, 79. Following announcements, Winfred Kerr led 47b as the closing song. The closing prayer was given by Oscar McGuire, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Glenda Collins

PINE GROVE SINGING

Pine Grove Church, near Collinsville, Alabama

Sunday, April 16, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Pine Grove Church was held on the third Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Scot Oliver leading 82t. The opening prayer was offered by Eddie Mash.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 123b (in memory of S.T. Reed), 144; Buell Cobb 92; Judy Caudle 421, 345b; Daniel Lee 52t, 34b; Jerry Turlington 85, 108t; Jerusha Wheeler 107, 171; David Smead 172, 218; David Brodeur 137, 110; David Jackson 111t, 99; Rebekah Gilmore 187.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Tom George leading 145t. Leaders: Jim Carnes 207, 436; Everett Ivey 401; Jamey Wootten 31t; Henry Johnson 88t; Larry Brasher and Linda Thomas 47t; Donna Wootten 314 (in memory of Milton Oliver and Norma Green), 56t (in memory of Barrett Ashley); Meredith Ivey 425; Isaac Green 483; Isaac Green and Henry Johnson 570; Eddie Mash 86, 480; April Watkins 53; Scott Ivey 58 (in memory of Boyd Scott); Nate Green and Rodney Ivey 418.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 166 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Richard Ivey 567; Philip Gilmore 47b; Ann Jett 43; Shawn Taylor 344; Linda Thomas 217; Lisa Bennett 358 (in memory of Boyd Scott), 283 (in memory of Earlis McGraw); Tom George 205; Emily Stutzman 504, 416; Cassie Allen 234. Elder Philip Gilmore asked a blessing at the table.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rodney Ivey leading 76b. Leaders: Susan Cheronos (Suzy Lee) 349; Shane Wootten 170; Reba Windom and Marty Wootten 546; Cheyenne Ivey 430; Cheyenne Ivey and Richard Ivey 384 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Jackie Tanner 73t; Joyce Morton and Reba Windom 475; Paula Oliver 540, 222; Nathan Rees 220; Sarah George 208; Kelsie Ivey 309; Marty Wootten 138t; Judy Mincey 540, 501 (in memory of Ted Mercer); Samuel Williams 354t, 426t; Alanna Blanks and Arleigh Beard 405, 551; Jeanette Dollar and Joyce Morton 100, 45t; Daniel Williams 162, 133; Nate Green 549; Cassie Allen 294 (for Pauline Oliver), 321 (in memory of Milton Oliver); Cindy Tanner 122 (by request), 498; Shane Wootten 42 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Richard Ivey and Meredith Ivey 270 (in memory of Bud Oliver). Announcements were made. Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 146 as the closing song. Marty Wootten dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Scot Oliver; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Judy Caudle

ATLANTA SACRED HARP SINGING
Westside Park Pavilion, Atlanta, Georgia
Saturday, April 22, 2023

The 4th annual Atlanta Sacred Harp Singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Andy Ditzler leading 46. Scott DePoy offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Vice Chairman—Bill DuPre; Secretary—David Smead; Treasurer—Lisa Bennett; Arranging Officer—Shawn Taylor.

Leaders: Andy Ditzler 360; Bill DuPre 53; David Smead 300; Shawn Taylor 392; Jeannette DePoy 339; Lisa Bennett and Benjamin Van Winkle 318; Glenda Collins 124; David Brodeur 391; Esther Morgan-Ellis 270; John Plunkett 431; Jim Neal 406; Tajin Rogers 128; Mark Noonan 312b; Neva Garrett 480; Bert Collins 542; Benjamin Van Winkle 102; James Burrell and Andy Ditzler 48t; Lauren Bock 283.

RECESS

Andy Ditzler, Adam DeBruler, and Kristen DeBruler brought the class back to order by leading 145t. Leaders: John Whittemore 40; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 146; Kelly Morris 147t; Jerusha Wheeler 59; Phillip Langley 171; Clay Zeller-Townson 33b; Bridge Kennedy 276; Jesse P. Karlsberg 302; Karen Morris 299.

John Plunkett conducted the memorial lesson. He spoke about the importance of connections in the Sacred Harp community. The sick and shut-ins list included Cathy White, Susan Firestone, Mary Crowder, and Caroline Wootten. The memorial list included George Burnette, Philip Denney, Mack Langley, Key Langley, Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Ann Simpson, Norma Green, J.L. Hopper, Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Lydia Lewallen, Larry Bumgardner, Harry Mamlin—North Carolina. John Plunkett led 330b, and the memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Jeannette DePoy.

Leaders: Scott DePoy 179; Dolan Dolan-Wolfe 284; Nathan Rees 100; Joan Durdin 45t; Taylor Ward 163t; Andy Ditzler 291; Jim Neal 496; Lisa Bennett 38b; Shawn Taylor 383.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Andy Ditzler and Andrea Angott leading 84. Leaders: Mark Noonan 410t; Andy Ditzler and Shawn Taylor 142; Clay Zeller-Townson 86; Dolan Dolan-Wolfe 95; Tajin Rogers 47b; Taylor Ward 58; Glenda Collins 63; Bridge Kennedy 168; Esther Morgan-Ellis 113; Nathan Rees 474; Benjamin Van Winkle and Lisa Bennett 242; Neva Garrett 155; Bert Collins 35; Phillip Langley 440; Laura Akerman 192; Kelly Morris 159; Jerusha Wheeler 200; John Whittemore 34t; Karen Morris 430; Jessalyn Miller and Esther Morgan-Ellis 133; Dolan Dolan-Wolfe 77t; David Smead 177; Taylor Ward 89; Laura Akerman 224; Clay Zeller-Townson 198; Bridge Kennedy 500; Tajin Rogers 148; Bill DuPre 475; Adam DeBruler and Lauren Bock 268. After announcements, Andy Ditzler and Bill DuPre led 347 as the closing song. Jim Neal offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Vice Chairman—Bill DuPre; Secretary—David Smead

OLIVER KINDIG-STOKES MEMORIAL SINGING
Hope Born in Christ Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania
Saturday, April 22, 2023

The 6th annual Oliver Kindig-Stokes Memorial Singing was held at Hope Born in Christ Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Ruth Wampler leading 134. Tim Gregg offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Ruth Wampler; Treasurer—Joyce Forry; Secretary—Elizabeth Patton.

Leaders: Elizabeth Patton 105; Joyce Forry 101t; Matt Drumheller 117; Hollie Long 283; Anna Melton 162; Lindsey Falbo 122; David Shulman 89; Betsy Gamble 472; Tim Culbertson 39t; Sophie Sokolov 39b; Ian Boswell 107; Sue Peters 59; Hal Kunkel 396; Linda Shea 371; Tim Morton 376.

RECESS

Hal Kunkel and Katie Browne called the class to order by leading 312b. Leaders: Ted Stokes 82b, 83t (for Sasha Hsuczyk); Korey Guerrieri 34b, 142; Robin Betz 354b; Matthew Leger-Small 71, 328; Erika Wilson 77t, 70b; Barb Vander Jagt 65, 168; Tim Gregg 91, 79; Erin Fulton 266, 131t; Kevin Griffin Moreno 82t, 189; Rachel Hall 423, 181; Pete Sandeen and Sophie Sokolov 47b, 457; Ruth Wampler 159 (for Joel Bassett).

RECESS

Tim Gregg and Erin Fulton led 48t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Hollie Long 111t; Joyce Forry 475; Hal Kunkel and Erica Hsieh 129, 318; Sue Peters 66, 87; David Shulman 277, 276; Korey Guerrieri 339, 340; Jimmy Griffin 547.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Ruth Wampler. Ruth read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Jesse Vear, Denise Kania, Dennis Montemurro, Lamar Matthew, Scott Robinson, and Len VanderJagt. She led 296 in their honor. Ruth read the following list of names of the deceased: Juanita Beasley, Norma Green, Elder J.L. Hopper, Hubert Nall, Barbara Owen, Claudene Townson, and Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Alison Rieke, Mary Troxtell, and Ronnie L. Troxtell—Kentucky; Helen Janora—New York; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Paul Melton—Oklahoma; Richard Butler, Evelyn Hissong, Gilbert W. Sier, Phyllis E. Sier, and Paul Wikerd—Pennsylvania; Jodie Edgar Bassett, Cheryl Foreman, and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Graham DeZarn and Bill Donahew—Virginia; Yu Hong Chen—China. Ruth led 240 in their remembrance.

Leaders: Kevin Griffin Moreno 228, 424; Tim Culbertson 448t, 522; Erika Wilson 411, 391; Lindsey Falbo 324, 270. Tim Gregg asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Linda Shea and Matthew Leger-Small led 72b bringing the class back together. Leaders: Sophie Sokolov 378b, 395; Ted Stokes 394, 430; Elizabeth Patton 466, 467; Ian Boswell 183, 113; Matthew Leger-Small 367, 361; Robin Betz 178; Robin Betz and David Shulman 236; Tim Morton 368, 212; Erin Fulton 225t; Tim Gregg 286, 99.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Lindsey Falbo and Kevin Griffin Moreno leading 335. Leaders: Matt Drumheller 146, 383; Linda Shea 448b, 348b; Betsy Gamble 106, 344; Anna Melton 274t, 217; Barb Vander Jagt 209, 496; Katie Browne 282; Rachel Hall 208.

Joyce Forry, treasurer, reported that all expenses were met. Elizabeth Patton, secretary, reported that forty-five singers attended from seven states, while ninety-three songs were led by twenty-six leaders.

Resolutions were given by the chairman.

Ruth Wampler led 414 as the closing song. Tim Gregg offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ruth Wampler; Treasurer—Joyce Forry; Secretary—Elizabeth Patton

EAST MIDLANDS SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Kegworth, Northwest Leicestershire, England

April 22-23, 2023

Saturday, April 22

The class was called to order by Anna Baldini and Sally Dunleavy leading 34b. Lee Dunleavy offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lee Dunleavy 88b; Ian West 32t; Joe Vickers 77b; Mick Verrier 163t; Cath Saunt 171; David Moore 361; Inga Buckland 472 (for Hannah Land); Matthew Parkinson 511b (CB); Emily Verrier 99; Chris Brown 475; Vicki Elliott 29t; Derek Buckland 28b; Joan Nagy 49b; Robert Bentall 31b; John Sprackland 147t; Joshua Lant 204; Cath Saunt 276; David Moore 38t; Inga Buckland 39t; Lee Dunleavy 312b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Ian West, who led 500 (CB). Leaders: Emily Verrier 31t (for her mum, Sarah Wilcox); Chris Brown 268b (CB); Connie Baldini and Lottie Sumner 146; Matthew Parkinson 269 (CB); Anna Baldini 217; Mick Verrier 107; Vicki Elliott 216; Joe Vickers 98 (CB); Sally Dunleavy 178 (for Margaret Jones); David Moore 95; Joan Nagy 162; John Sprackland 86; Inga Buckland 273 (CB); Joshua Lant 210 (CB); Robert Bentall 324; Cath Saunt 300; Lee Dunleavy 410 (CB); David Moore 236; Ian West 559 (CB). Lee Dunleavy asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Vicki Elliott leading 277. Leaders: Chris Brown 392; Matthew Parkinson 400; Connie Baldini, Lottie Sumner, and Emily Verrier 299; Joe Vickers 454 (for Hannah Land); Derek Buckland 206; Anna Baldini 117; Robert Bentall 481; Cath Saunt 556; John Sprackland 47b; Ian West 500; Emily Verrier 200; Lee Dunleavy 72b; Inga Buckland 163b (CB); David Moore 40; Mick Verrier 142; Joan Nagy 504; Joshua Lant 423; Joe Vickers 38t (CB); Matthew Parkinson 39 (CB); Anna Baldini 503.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Joshua Lant leading 113. Leaders: Derek Buckland 29b; Chris Brown 95b (CB); Lee Dunleavy 41; Vicki Elliott 198; Cath Saunt 228; Joan Nagy 56b; Inga Buckland 27 (for Lublia); John Sprackland 313t; David Moore 189; Mick Verrier 209; Emily Verrier 227; Joshua Lant 30b; Matthew Parkinson 460; Joe Vickers 465 (CB) (for Hannah Land). Anna Baldini and Sally

Dunleavy led 287 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Lee Dunleavy.

Sunday, April 23

The class was called to order by Anna Baldini and Sally Dunleavy leading 59. John Baldini offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Rachel Jordan 47t; Mick Verrier 106 (CB); Sheila Girling Macadam 50b (CB); Joan Nagy 48t; Joshua Lant 50t; Lottie Sumner 56t; Edwin Macadam 148 (CB); John Sprackland 457; Inga Buckland 65; Nick Hall 116 (CB); Werner Ullah 503; Jacoba Bruneel 392 (CB); Derek Buckland 70t; Sam Carter 39 (CB); Sheila Girling Macadam 369 (for her son-in-law); Emily Verrier 340.

RECESS

John Sprackland led 547 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Joan Nagy 87; Nick Hall 587 (CB); Mick Verrier 272; Jacoba Bruneel 71; Anna Baldini 324; Edwin Macadam 540; Inga Buckland 443 (CB); Rachel Jordan 565; Joshua Lant 271b.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Lee Dunleavy. He talked about keeping time quoting lines from hymns and led prayers. He read the following list of the sick and housebound: Hannah Land, Daniel Oldham, David Elliott, Ushi Nolte, David Adler, Ian Lamb, Seth Dickens, and Tricia Entwistle.

He then read the following list of names of the deceased: Mark Jones, Pat Lucy, Cheryl Foreman, Marlon Wooten, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, George Burnette, Philip Denney, Mike Cooper, Ian Holloway, Declan Collier, Lydia Lewallen, Dave Thorpe, Ted Mercer, Teresa Cavallar, Anna Zamboni, Richard Drane, Juanita Beasley, John Heptinstall, and Brigid Hurn. Lee Dunleavy closed the lesson by leading 566.

Leaders: Werner Ullah 278t; Derek Buckland 341; Emily Verrier 284 (for her mum, Sarah Wilcox); Sam Carter 68b; Edwin Macadam 273 (CB). John Baldini asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Anna Baldini and Sally Dunleavy leading 34b (for Penny Verrier). Leaders: Edwin Macadam 350; Inga Buckland 276; Nick Hall 279; Anna Baldini 182 (for Hannah Land); Derek Buckland 101b; Sheila Girling Macadam 353; Lee Dunleavy 47b; Jacoba Bruneel 201; Joshua Lant 463 (CB) (for Hannah Land); Sam Carter 38t (CB); Rachel Jordan 474; Mick Verrier 344 (for Jean Barton); John Sprackland 178; Joan Nagy 36b; Werner Ullah 77t; Emily Verrier 319; Connie Baldini and Lottie Sumner 146.

RECESS

Nick Hall brought the class back together leading 105. Leaders: Jacoba Bruneel 349; Edwin Macadam 236; Sheila Girling Macadam 299; Rachel Jordan 269 (for Mike Cooper); Sam Carter 504 (CB); Inga Buckland 28t; Mick Verrier 383; Joan Nagy 268; Joshua Lant 458 (CB); Emily Verrier 546; Werner Ullah 313b; Lee Dunleavy 505 (CB); Anna Baldini 209; John Sprackland 454; Derek Buckland 48b; Joan Nagy 523; Jacoba Bruneel 288; Sam Carter 134.

Anna Baldini and Sally Dunleavy led 347 as the closing song. John Baldini offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairmen—Anna Baldini and Sally Dunleavy; Secretary—Sally Dunleavy

GOLDEN GATE SINGING **Oakland and Point Reyes Station, California** **April 22-23, 2023**

Saturday, April 22

The 17th annual Golden Gate Singing was held at Omni Commons in Oakland, California, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Maggie Zhou leading 81t. Linda Selph offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairperson—J.T. Harechmak; Vice Chairpersons—Hannah Blair and Sumie Arnold; Secretary—Lindy Groening; Chaplain—Linda Selph; Treasurer—Joel Chan; Memorial Committee—Maggie Zhou and Leah Coffin; Arranging Committee—Leigh Cooper and Heather Purdy; Resolutions Committee—Mark Godfrey and Kate Fine. The business session was closed. Leaders: J.T. Harechmak 36b; Sumie Arnold 313b; Hannah Blair 277; Lindy Groening 135; Leigh Cooper 89; Heather Purdy 63; Leah Coffin 56b; Mark Godfrey 274t; Mary O'Reily 33b; Linda Selph 172 (in memory of David Fetcho); Dennis Aman 114; Paul Kostka 528; Carolyn Deacy 215; Alexander Cotton 38b; Susan Fetcho 171; Dave Barber 284; Jenny Solheim 500; Wren Hyde 370. Announcements were made.

RECESS

Lindy Groening brought the class together leading 39b. Leaders: Bryan Hillebrandt 268; David Graff 31t; Jonas Powell 162; Pat Coghlan 214; Joel Chan 72b; Kate Fine 532; Hans Guttman 282; Janet Herman 475; Rachael Geary 39t; Hugh McGuire 321; Bob Schinske 492; Thom Fahrbach 404; Betsy Jeronen 392; Alex Forsyth 337; Kevin Barrans 203; Hannah Blair 117.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Leah Coffin leading 29t. Leaders: Joel Chan 59; J.T. Harechmak 165; Anne Caswell 540; Mark Lambert 46; Mary O'Brien 385b; Leigh Cooper 273; Alexander Cotton 297; Sumie Arnold 47t; Wren Hyde 142; Heather Purdy 384; Dennis Aman 455; Paul Kostka 236; David Elsenbroich 479.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Maggie Zhou and Leah Coffin. Maggie encouraged appreciation of health and compassion for the ill or absent. She led 134 for the following sick and shut-ins: Eileen Forsyth, Betty Herman, David Herman, Hannah Land, Reginald Rhodes, Brian Umeki, and Arnold Zwicky.

Leah spoke of the community of singers we hold dear and our heartache at their loss. She led 65 in memory of the following deceased: Hubert Nall, Boyd Scott, Norma Green, and Claudene Townson—Alabama; Steve Damonte, and David Green—California; Philip Denney—Georgia; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Douglas Solberg—Indiana; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Pete Sutherland—Vermont. Linda Selph led a prayer to close the memorial lesson. Leaders: Mark Godfrey 425; Dave Barber 97; Jonas Powell 95; Jenny Solheim 189. Linda Selph offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Janet Herman leading 48b. Leaders: Susan Fetcho 464; Linda Selph 309; Pat Coghlan 351; Rachael Geary 430; Hans Guttman 480; Thom Fahrbach 302; Bob Schinske 349; Alex Forsyth 546; Betsy Jeronen 436; Hugh McGuire 512; Kevin Barrans 55; Carolyn Deacy 182; Kate Fine 426b; Maggie Zhou 112; David Elsenbroich 217. Announcements were made.

RECESS

Wren Hyde brought the class together leading 30b. Leaders: David Graff 209; Peter Ross 146; Andrea Tzvetkov 414; Janet Herman 440; Alexander Cotton and Alex Forsyth 275b; Kevin Barrans and Lindy Groening 121; Leah Coffin, Leigh Cooper, Hannah Blair, and Thom Fahrbach 567; Paul Kostka and Peter Ross 503; Carolyn Deacy and Betsy Jeronen 472; Jonas Powell and Jenny Solheim 377.

A business meeting was held in order to hear reports from various committees. J.T. Harechmak reported on behalf of the treasurer that expenses had been met through onsite donations and funding from Bay Area Sacred Harp. Lindy Groening gave the Secretary's report stating that fifty-two people from four states attended, and thirty-nine leaders led eighty-four songs. Mark Godfrey and Kate Fine of the Resolutions

Committee thanked keyers, cooks, and volunteers. They resolved to meet again next year. The business meeting was closed, and announcements were made.

J.T. Harechmak, Hannah Blair, and Sumie Arnold led 347 as the closing song. Linda Selph offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Sunday, April 23

The Sunday session of the Golden Gate Singing met at The Church at The Dance Palace, Point Reyes Station, California. The class was called to order by J.T.

Harechmak leading 503. The morning prayer was offered by Susan Fetcho.

Leaders: Leah Coffin 275t; Dave Barber 426t; Leigh Cooper 283; Bob Schinske 409 (in memory of David Fetcho); Carolyn Deacy 224; Paul Kostka 334; Rachael Geary 101t; Jonas Powell 318; Betsy Jeronen 225t; Alex Forsyth 32t; Sumie Arnold 178; Jenny Solheim 163t; Hannah Blair 271t; Pat Coghlan 272; Maggie Zhou 460 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Kevin Barrans 119; Susan Fetcho 61; Thom Fahrback 483.

RECESS

Lindy Groening led 171 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Mary Anne Ciavonne 56b; Paul Kostka 198; Mark Godfrey 456; Joel Chan 34t; Jenny Solheim 168; J.T. Harechmak 29b; Sumie Arnold 375; Alex Forsyth 376; Carolyn Deacy 480; Bob Schinske 204; Leigh Cooper 53; Jonas Powell 269; Maggie Zhou 192; Wren Hyde 495; Kevin Barrans 30t; Rachael Geary 319; Dave Barber 383; Betsy Jeronen 494; Hannah Blair 385t; Leah Coffin 193; Thom Fahrback 317.

RECESS

The afternoon session began with Wren Hyde leading 81t. Leaders: Pat Coghlan 550; Lindy Groening 566; Jack Zeigler 39t; Sumie Arnold 47b; Jonas Powell 448t; Rachael Geary 37b; Thom Fahrback 553; Leigh Cooper 316; Bob Schinske 439; Jenny Solheim 527; Dave Barber 208; Leah Coffin 328; Alex Forsyth 396; Hannah Blair 209; Carolyn Deacy 112; Joel Chan 67; Betsy Jeronen 422; Mary Ann Ciavonne 159; J.T. Harechmak 106; Maggie Zhou 185; Kevin Barrans 434; Susan Fetcho 288 (in memory of David Fetcho); Wren Hyde 421.

J.T. Harechmak led 499 as the closing song. Susan Fetcho offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—J.T. Harechmak; Vice Chairpersons—Hannah Blair and Sumie Arnold; Secretary—Lindy Groening

RUSK COUNTY CONVENTION **Pine Grove Church, Henderson, Texas** **April 22-23, 2023**

Saturday, April 22

The 14th annual Rusk County Convention met Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April at Old Pine Grove Church near Henderson, Texas. The tune book for Saturday was the 2012 Revision of The B.F. White Sacred Harp (*Cooper Book*). Chris Nicholson called the class to order by leading 49t. Elder Robert Vaughn offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Henry McGuire; Vice Chairman—Joseph Sherer; Secretary—Gaylon Powell. Leaders: Henry McGuire 49b (CB), 563 (CB); Joseph Sherer 540 (CB), 277 (CB); Gaylon Powell 171 (CB), 272 (CB); Robert Vaughn 142 (CB), 203 (CB); Emily Brown 140 (CB), 86 (CB); Ivy Hauser 336t (CB), 54t (CB); Charlie McGuire 399 (CB), 442t (CB); Danny Creel 404 (CB), 98 (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Henry McGuire 300 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 27 (CB), 273 (CB); Eva Striebeck 138t (CB), 309 (CB); Cindy Tanner 573 (CB), 230 (CB); Regina Derstine 152 (CB), 45b (CB); Ann Jett 503 (CB), 515 (CB); Lloyd Wright 83t (CB), 48t (CB);

Kristie Powell 514 (CB), 133 (CB). Chris Nicholson asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Henry McGuire 464 (CB); Margaret Wright 122 (CB), 380t (CB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212 (CB), 522 (CB); Elijah Wright 478 (CB), 277 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 28b (CB); Kerry Cullinan and Chris Nicholson 38t (CB); April Wright 470 (CB), 38b (CB); Eva Striebeck 210 (CB); Danny Creel 355 (CB); Charlie McGuire 386 (CB); Cindy Tanner 414b (CB); Regina Derstine 543 (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Henry McGuire 582 (CB); Ann Jett 39 (CB); Joseph Sherer 99 (CB); Robert Vaughn 521 (CB); Emily Brown 106 (CB); Elijah Wright 546 (CB); Ivy Hauser 95t (CB); Jeanie Noble 571 (CB); Kristie Powell 497 (CB); Lloyd Wright 491 (CB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 30b (CB); Margaret Wright 192 (CB); Gaylon Powell 244 (CB); April Wright 282 (CB). Henry McGuire appointed Chris Nicholson and Emily Brown to serve on the memorial committee. After announcements, Henry McGuire led 62 (CB) for the closing song. Robert Vaughn led the closing prayer.

Sunday, April 23

The Sunday session of the convention was held in conjunction with the Pine Grove Cemetery Homecoming. The tune book for Sunday was the 2010 Revision of *The Christian Harmony*. Henry McGuire led 204t (CH) for the opening song. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Robert Vaughn.

Leaders: Henry McGuire 51 (CH); Gaylon Powell 64 (CH), 155 (CH); Chris Nicholson 507b (CH), 50 (CH); Kristie Powell 138 (CH), 332 (CH); Robert Vaughn 60 (CH), 303 (CH); Emily Brown 255 (CH), 55t (CH); Regina Derstine 346 (CH), 193 (CH); Ann Jett 59b (CH), 338b (CH); Charlie McGuire 337 (CH), 331 (CH); Eva Striebeck 544 (CH), 546b (CH); Cindy Tanner 493b (CH), 85 (CH); Kerry Cullinan 67b (CH), 67t (CH).

RECESS

Leaders: Henry McGuire 432b (CH); Danny Creel 186 (CH), 316 (CH); Sonya Kirkham 486t (CH), 189 (CH); Ivy Hauser 13 (CH), 362 (CH); Charity Vaughn 82t (CH), 180 (CH).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Chris Nicholson made some opening comments. Emily Brown made some comments concerning the sick and shut-ins, and read the list of names: Uschi Nolte, Janie Short, Tammy Powell, Kevin Powell, Norma Dickerson, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Ruth Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Wanda Capps, and Lucy Heidorn. She then led 142 (CH).

Chris Nicholson made some comments in memory of the deceased, and read the list of names: Charlotte Powell, Cheryl Forman, Curtis Jones, Sue Batson, Beverly Nelms—Texas; Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Boyd Scott, Claudene Townson, Juanita Beasley—Alabama; Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Maria Tienda, Allen Dulaney, Patricia Gossett—Recent burials at Pine Grove Cemetery. He then led 76b (CH). The memorial lesson was closed with prayer by Elder Robert Vaughn.

Leaders: Natalie Fletcher 117 (CH), 113 (CH); Emily Brown 31t (CH); Ivy Hauser 36t. Gaylon Powell asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Henry McGuire called singers back together by leading 208b (CH). Discussion was held, and a decision was made to form a non-profit organization to take over and oversee the renovation and upkeep of the building.

Leaders: Henry McGuire 172 (CH); Kristie Powell 548 (CH); Kerry Cullinan 417t (CH); Danny Creel 307 (CH); Regina Derstine 308 (CH); Joan Smith 353 (CH), 58b (CH); Ann Jett 149 (CH); Eva Striebeck 354 (CH); Cindy Tanner 131 (CH); Charlie McGuire 448t (CH); Sonya Kirkham 128t (CH); Chris Nicholson and Charity

Vaughn 105b (CH); Natalie Fletcher 109 (CH); Robert Vaughn 82b (CH); Gaylon Powell 264 (CH).

After some announcements, Henry McGuire and Chris Nicholson led 549b (CH) as the closing song.

Elder Robert Vaughn led the closing prayer.

Chairman—Henry McGuire; Vice Chairman—Joseph Sherer; Secretary—Gaylon Powell

ALEWINE-LAMINACK-STEPHEN MCELROY MEMORIAL
St. Michael Lutheran Church, Cleburne County, Alabama
Sunday, April 23, 2023

The annual Alewine-Laminack-Stephen McElroy Sacred Harp singing was held on the fourth Sunday in April at St. Michael Lutheran Church, north of Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 49t. Cecil Roberts welcomed the singers and visitors, and offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 49b; Winfred Kerr 47b, 46; Robert Chambless 75, 452 (in memory of Ann Simpson); Karen Rollins 87 (in memory of Philip Denney), 162; Glenda Collins 81t, 100; Barbara Brooks 102, 378b; Oscar McGuire 33b, 34b; Bert Collins 35, 142 (in memory of Philip Denney).

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Bert Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless. The class voted yes on the recommendation that Stephen McElroy's name be added to the title of the singing.

RECESS

Oscar McGuire brought the class back to order leading 145t. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 37b, 229; Judy Chambless 82t, 29t; Barbara Brooks 129, 303; Robert Chambless 68b, 358 (in honor of Lucile McElroy); Bert Collins 335, 339 (in memory of Lois Bowman); Oscar McGuire 163b, 515; Cecil Roberts 410t, 312b; Glenda Collins 45t, 354b (in memory of Ann Simpson); Winfred Kerr 89, 225t; Karen Rollins 227, 36b.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 339. Leaders: Winfred Kerr 516; Glenda Collins 566; Robert Chambless 278t; Oscar McGuire 155; Bert Collins 278b; Barbara Brooks 406. Announcements were made.

Cecil Roberts and Bert Collins led 138b as the closing song. Barbara Brooks offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice-Chairman—Bert Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless

FRIENDSHIP PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING
Haleyville, Alabama
Sunday, April 23, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Friendship Primitive Baptist Church was held on the fourth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Ken Tate leading 100.

The opening prayer was offered by Butch White.

Leaders: Ken Tate 30t; Zena Tucker 31t, 147t; Rodney Ivey 145t, 142; Ricky Beasley 30b, 47b; Roma Rice 28b, 297; Paul Godsey 288, 275b; Butch White 313b, 547; Earl Ballinger 373, 200.

RECESS

Zena Tucker led 46 to bring the class together. Leaders: Louise Yeager 313t, 480; Marlin Beasley 270, 336; Joan Smith 45t, 457; Glenn Keeton 178, 507 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Ainslie Allen 475, 299; Loretta Whitman 312b, 129; Chris Ballinger 44, 111b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Zena Tucker leading 77t. Leaders: Pam Kelly 215, 500; Cassie Allen 123t, 343; Larry Ballinger 113, 234; Henry Guthery 420, 140; Margaret Keeton 276, 300 (in memory of Hubert Nall); Lisa Geist 182 (in memory of Tom and Lola Myrtle Robertson), 273; Rodney Ivey 418; Roma Rice 306 (for Parnell Berry); Butch White 287; Earl Ballinger 177; Marlin Beasley 274t; Glenn Keeton 340; Ainslie Allen 542; Loretta Whitman 61; Pam Kelly 530; Henry Guthery 543; Ken Tate 283 (for Parnell Berry). Announcements were made.

Ken Tate led 56t as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ken Tate; Vice Chairman—Zena Tucker; Secretary—Lisa Geist

RHODE ISLAND SINGING

Colt State Park, Bristol, Rhode Island

Saturday, April 29, 2023

The 17th annual Rhode Island All-Day Singing was held at Colt State Park in Bristol, RI on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by John Hughes leading 171. Liz Cantrell offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Deidra Montgomery 176b; Ron Trial 46; Jesse Polhemus 40; Liz Cantrell 56t; Margaret Hughes and Martin Hamilton 72b; James Baumgartner 73t; Tom Padwa 145b; Mike Richards 82t; Joanne Devoe 31t; Molly B. Ellis 299; Adam Graffunder 47b; Bill Holt 87; Andie Kennedy 318; Gabriel Zuckerberg 503.

RECESS

Erin Fulton led 378b to bring the class together. Leaders: Maura Burns 270; Nathan Bean 148; Myles Louis Dakan 388; Pete Sandberg 390; Carson Evans 448t; Liam Francis 86; Adele Anderson 163t; Davenport Wallace 457; Crispin Youngberg 352; Ethan Mc Nerney 30b; Gwen Gethner 353; Jesse Polhemus 497; Nic Tuff 95; Mary Skidmore 542; Magdalena Zapsolowska 200; Joan Frankel 284; Eric Sandberg 474; Pippa Stoddard 121; Charles Biada 77t; Tim Eriksen 83b; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 224; Becky Wright 428; Patty Mc Nerney 69t; Sara Sandberg 354t. Liz Cantrell asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with James Baumgartner leading 332. Leaders: Allison Steele 384; Erin Fulton 110; Myles Louis Dakan 461; Gwen Gethner 411; Crispin Youngberg 377; Bill Holt 419; Mary Skidmore 500; Ethan Mc Nerney 313b; Nathan Bean 56b; Charles Biada 208; Magdalena Zapsolowska 146; Pippa Stoddard 454; Sara Sandberg 313t; Nic Tuff 278t; Liam Francis 29t; Liz Cantrell 52b; Tim Eriksen 254; Margaret Hughes 76b; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 548; Molly B. Ellis 550; Andie Kennedy 168; Patty Mc Nerney 228; Carson Evans 504.

RECESS

Magdalena Zapsolowska led 274t to bring the class together. Leaders: Ron Trial 183; Erin Fulton 405; David Durstewitz 122; Becky Wright 278b; Adele Anderson 125; Allison Steele 345b; Joan Frankel 71; Mike Richards 222; Joanne Devoe 34b; Davenport Wallace 410t; Adam Graffunder 547; MB Gowins 406; Tom Padwa 515; Gerald Clark 242; James Baumgartner 300; Gabriel Zuckerberg 106; Laura Hodges 172.

The Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The Secretary reported that eighty-three songs were led by forty-six leaders from five states. The Officers led 62 as the closing hymn. Liz Cantrell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Hughes; Vice Chairman—Deidra Montgomery; Secretary—Ron Trial

MIDWEST SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Logan Avondale VFW, Chicago, Illinois

April 29-30, 2023

Saturday, April 29

The 36th meeting of the Midwest Convention took place at the Logan Avondale VFW on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in April. The class was called to order by Lisa Grayson leading 171. Anne Heider offered the invocation.

Leaders: Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld 99; Dave Barford 350; Michael Mosley 186; Steven Schmidgall 260b (ShH); Steve Warner 34b; Christine Stevens 140b (ShH); Lori Graber 548; Cathy Lutz 460; Eleanor Haase 142; Anne Missavage 217.

A business meeting was convened to elect the following officers: Chairpersons—Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld; Vice Chairman—Mary Rogel (in absentia); Secretaries—Rochelle Lodder and Eileen Ferguson.

Leaders: Jim Helke 441 (ShH); Hannah Lutz 112.

RECESS

Jim Swanson called the class to order leading 114. Leaders: Carol Crawford 458; Eileen Ferguson 501; Marion Mitchell 264b (ShH); Susie Kauffman 503; Richard Popp 145b; JoDell Albi 183 (ShH); Jonathon Smith 542; Anne Heider 268; Bob Borcharding 276; Alec Jenkins-White 277; Jim Crawford 313t; Susan Geil 474; John Seaton 47t; Paul Wyatt 266 (ShH); Rochelle Lodder 78 (ShH).

RECESS

Randy Neufeld called the class to order leading 36b. Leaders: Lisa Grayson 29t; Wendy Popp 148; Dave Barford 37b; Steven Schmidgall 125 (ShH); Steve Warner 81t; Christine Stevens 475; Michael Mosley 318; Lori Graber 28t; Cathy Lutz 344; Eleanor Haase 270; Jim Helke 377 (ShH); Anne Missavage 66; Jim Swanson 258 (ShH). Dave Barford offered grace before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Paul Wyatt leading 87. Leaders: Carol Crawford 538; Hannah Lutz 269; Eileen Ferguson 472; Lyda Jackson 421; Marian Mitchell 362; Eric Gu 426b; Dan Nickel 448t; Ginny Landgraf 364b (ShH); Richard Popp 80 (ShH); Alex Calhoun 141; Debbie Barford 193; Susie Kauffman 106; JoDell Albi 197 (ShH); Alec Jenkins-White 242 (ShH); Anne Heider 236; Susan Geil 315; Jonathon Smith 226 (ShH); Bob Borcharding 385t; Rochelle Lodder 363 (ShH).

RECESS

Lisa Grayson called the class to order leading 145t. Leaders: John Seaton 84; Wendy Popp 547; Steven Schmidgall 136; Randy Neufeld 102; Christine Stevens 254 (ShH); Eleanor Haase 171 (ShH); Cathy Lutz 432; Paul Wyatt 173 (ShH); Marian Mitchell 213b; Eric Gu 77t; Carol Crawford 433; Hannah Lutz 168; Debbie Barford 313b; Richard Popp 117; Bob Borcharding 430. Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld led 347 as the closing song, and John Seaton dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, April 30

Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld opened the Sunday session at the Logan Avondale VFW by leading 59. Dave Barford offered the invocation.

Leaders: Eileen Ferguson 34b; Michael Mosley 129; Paul Wyatt 440; Cathy Lutz 176b; Steven Schmidgall 369; Anne Heider 532; Martha Beverly 283; Anne Missavage 155; Lori Graber 122; Laura Noble 276; Will Fitzgerald 86 (in memory of Bill Beverly; Martha Beverly spoke up and mentioned that when they buried his ashes, they read the middle verse of this song); Alec Jenkins-White 57 (ShH).

RECESS

Rochelle Lodder called the class to order leading 36b. Leaders: Debbie Barford 6b (ShH); Eleanor Haase 221 (ShH); JoDell Albi 195; Jim Helke 540 (for Don Bowen); Marian Mitchell 157; Steve Warner 47b; Christine Stevens 310 (ShH); Hannah Lutz 479; Bob Borcharding 507; Dan Nickel 106; Jim Swanson 348b (ShH); Randy

Neufeld 146 (ShH); Ginny Landgraf 402 (ShH); Eileen Ferguson 140t (ShH); Steven Schmidgall 473; Michael Mosley 303.

RECESS

Jim Helke called the class to order leading 480. Leaders: Paul Wyatt 218b (ShH); Lisa Grayson 79 (ShH); Eric Gu 243 (ShH).

Steven Schmidgall spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins, reminding us that we all experienced being shut in during Covid, and especially calling our attention to the need to reach out to those with dementia and their caregivers. He led 414 on behalf of the following: Melanie Hauff, Kris Richardson, Wendy Wahn, Janet Fraembs, Ted Johnson, Marcia Johnson, Lisa Cohen, Donna Gunderson-Rogers, Jeff Bell, Becky Browne, Gary Gronau, Charles Taylor, Robert Owen, and Mary Owen.

Lisa Grayson gave the memorial lesson and led 112 in memory of the following deceased: Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Ted Mercer, Nathan Shelly, Walter Joshongeva—Illinois; Nadine Lee—Kansas; Lila Anne Mitchell—New York; Patricia Geil—Oregon; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Darren Millam—Missouri; Willa Mae Cott-Meissel—Minnesota; Jerry Harpst—Ohio; Nick Nagy and Anne Nagy—Ohio and Virginia; and Tony Seaton—United Kingdom. Steven Schmidgall closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Susan Geil 415 (ShH); Cathy Lutz 500; Anne Heider 220 (ShH); Martha Beverly 464 (in memory of Ted Mercer and Jeff Sheppard). Anne Heider offered grace before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Jim Swanson leading 274t. Leaders: Laura Noble 140b (ShH); Anne Missavage 454; Will Fitzgerald, Mark Fitzgerald, and Lak Cai 142; Lori Graber 101b; Alec Jenkins-White 320; Dave Barford 513; Eleanor Haase 352; JoDell Albi 214; Marian Mitchell 189; Steve Warner 84; John Seaton 49b; Christine Stevens 254 (ShH); Hannah Lutz 504; Bob Borcharding 362; Rochelle Lodder 236b (ShH); Randy Neufeld 163t.

RECESS

Michael Mosley called the class to order leading 61. Leaders: Matthew Siefert 342; Charlie Ewell 82t; Martha Beverly 210; Cathy Lutz 282; Paul Wyatt 417 (ShH); Will Fitzgerald 113 (ShH); Marian Mitchell 528; Alec Jenkins-White 328; Hannah Lutz 300; Eleanor Haase 522; Anne Missavage 212; Anne Heider 186. Reports were presented. The Finance Committee reported that all expenses had been met. Resolutions were presented.

Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld led 62 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Steve Warner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairpersons—Ginny Landgraf and Randy Neufeld; Vice Chairman: Mary Rogel; Secretaries—Rochelle Lodder and Eileen Ferguson

SOUTHWEST TEXAS SACRED HARP CONVENTION SPRING SESSION McMahan, Texas April 29-30, 2023 Saturday, April 29

The 122nd annual Southwest Texas Convention, Spring Session, met Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April, 2023, at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church at McMahan, Texas. The tune book for the weekend was the 2012 Revision of *The B.F. White Sacred Harp (Cooper Book)*, unless otherwise noted. Riley Owen called the class to order by leading 49t. Elder Sonny Huckaby led the opening prayer.

Leaders: Riley Owen 30b (CB); Silas Huckaby 418 (CB); Kristie Powell 300 (CB); Gaylon Powell 142 (CB); Seth Howard 148 (CB); Beverly Coates 270 (CB); Janie

Short 505 (CB); Scott Curran 200 (CB); Jeb Owen 138t (CB); Abby Huckaby 155 (CB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212 (CB); Stuart Ivey 53 (CB); Rosie Sokolov 380b (CB); Rick Foreman 31t (CB); Syble Adams and Jeb Owen 367 (CB); Don Ross 373 (CB); Owen Stoddard 298 (CB); Keyleigh Moseley 558 (CB); Jessica Bellaire 183 (CB); Hoss Curran 319 (CB); Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 47b (CB); Ainsley Ross 63 (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Riley Owen 58 (CB); Mike Moseley 464 (CB); Eva Streibek 551 (CB); Karen Ivey 182 (CB); Anita Landess 379 (CB); Nancy Price 81 (CB); Daniel Williams 394 (CB); Karen Rollins 171 (CB); Meredith Ivey 425 (CB); Marty Wootten 442t (CB); Elizabeth Stoddard 482 (CB); Shana Wenger 210 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 268b (CB); Abigail Curran 571 (CB); Richard Ivey 176t (CB); Donna McKay 108b (CB); William Price 268t (CB); David Ivey and Syble Adams 410 (CB); Chelsea Miller 40 (CB); Jamey Wootten 48b (CB); Robert Stoddard 567 (CB); Scott Ivey 380t (CB).

A business meeting was held. The following were elected to serve in the upcoming year: Chairman—Silas Huckaby; Vice Chairman—Jeb Owen; Secretaries—Gaylon Powell and Kristie Powell. Seth Howard asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 411 (CB); Mike Hinton 478 (CB); Ellee Curran 196 (CB); Vivian Ivey and Meredith Ivey 45t (CB); Ryan Ross 198 (CB); Priscilla Wiggins 47t (CB); Garrett Powell 494 (CB); Timothy Gaskell 125 (CB); Findley Ross 282 (CB); Olivia Powell and Kris Wiggins 235 (CB); Diane Ross 132 (CB); Greg Freed 563 (CB); Ellen Ray 486 (CB); Linda Booker 229 (CB); Catherine Rogan 192 (CB); Lauren Owen 39 (CB); Vivian Rogan 559 (CB); Tom Owen 133 (CB). Silas Huckaby appointed Scott Curran and Tom Owen to serve on the Memorial Committee.

RECESS

Leaders: Jeb Owen 101t (CB); Zach Rogan 384 (CB); Michele Curran 224 (CB); Amanda Bowles and Addison Bowles 572 (CB); Gary Rogan 168 (CB); Riley Owen 74b (CB); Tammy Powell 137 (CB); Rosie Sokolov 38t (CB); Jessica Bellaire 59 (CB); Hayden Wootten and Marty Wootten 330t (CB); Vivian Ivey and Meredith Ivey 146 (CB); Joy Simon 239 (CB); Shana Wenger 269 (CB); Owen Stoddard 129 (CB); Eva Streibek 112. After announcements were made, Silas Huckaby led 406 (CB) as the closing song. The closing prayer was led by Elder Mike Moseley.

After the close of Saturday's singing, a memorial service was held for Cheryl Foreman with burial at Jeffrey Cemetery.

Sunday, April 30

The Sunday session of the convention began with Silas Huckaby leading 68b (CB). The morning prayer was led by Gary Rogan. Leaders: Silas Huckaby 179 (CB); Kristie Powell 514 (CB); Gaylon Powell 374 (CB); Sarah Huckaby 522 (CB); Michele Curran 356 (CB); Charles Whitmer 344 (CB); Chelsea Miller 122 (CB); Greg Bowles 558 (CB); Ainsley Ross 540 (CB); Ellen Ray 546 (CB); Vivian Rogan 96 (CB); Rick Foreman 243b (CB); Priscilla Wiggins 365 (CB); Beverly Coates 520 (CB); Linda Booker 32t (CB); Ellee Curran 421 (CB); Anita Landess 484 (CB); Meredith Ivey and Vivian Ivey 146 (CB); William Price 31b (CB); Richard Ivey 590 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 500 (CB); Elizabeth Stoddard 150 (CB); Karen Rollins 38t (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 68t (CB); Gary Rogan 511b (CB); Abigail Curran 75 (CB); David Ivey 465 (CB); Robert Stoddard 375 (CB); Jamey Wootten 140 (CB); Nancy Price 41 (CB); Daniel Williams 332 (CB); Syble Adams, Tom Owen, and Sonny Huckaby 47b (CB).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Scott Curran made some comments concerning the sick and shut-ins, and read the following list of names: Virginia Glass, Baby Caroline Wootten, Betty Bayliss, Pat Callahan, Leon Ballinger, Kevin Powell, Weston Bowles, Ruth Anne Bryant, and Corrone Bryant. He led 60 (CB) in their honor.

Tom Owen made some comments concerning the deceased and read the following list of names: Flora Adams, Cheryl Foreman, Charlotte Powell, Sue Batson, Curtis Jones, Howard Aiken, Beverly Nelms—Texas; Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Norma Green—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Rob Taylor—Maine; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Dean Coppage—Oregon; Pete Sutherland—Vermont. He led 285t (CB) in their memory. The memorial lesson closed with prayer offered by Scott Ivey.

Leaders: Zach Rogan 406 (CB); Mike Hinton 544 (CB); Marty Wootten 99 (CB); Rosie Sokolov 400 (CB); Scott Ivey 450 (CB); Shana Wegner 207t (CB); Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 395b (CB); Owen Stoddard 272 (CB); Jessica Bellaire 207b (CB); Kris Wiggins 507t (CB); Findley Ross 276 (CB); Lauren Owen 282 (CB). Marty Wootten asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 277 (CB); Ryan Ross 402 (CB); Abby Huckaby 203 (CB); Diane Ross 434 (CB); Hoss Curran 388 (CB); Riley Owen 331b (CB); Don Ross 591 (CB); Catherine Rogan 463 (CB); Scott Curran 299 (CB); Tom Owen 217 (CB); Tammy Powell 553 (CB); Jeb Owen 422b (CB); Elizabeth Stoddard 423 (CB); Jamey Wootten 398b (CB); William Price 54t (CB); Anita Landess 575 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 587 (CB); Robert Stoddard 199 (CB); Scott Ivey, Marty Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Hayden Wootten 535t (CB), 98 (CB); Nancy Price 31t (CB); Syble Adams 505 (CB); Daniel Williams and Syble Adams 336t (CB); Jessica Bellaire 36b (CB); Shana Wegner 30t (CB); Rosie Sokolov 444t (CB); Owen Stoddard 27 (CB); Ainsley Ross, Riley Owen, Silas Huckaby, Findley Ross, Lauren Ross, and Abby Huckaby 543 (CB).

Silas Huckaby, Jeb Owen, Kristie Powell, and Gaylon Powell led “Blissful Hope” (no. 6 from *The Good Old Songs*) as the closing song. Elder Jeb Owen dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Silas Huckaby; Vice Chairman—Jeb Owen; Secretaries—Gaylon Powell and Kristie Powell

MOUNT PISGAH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Evergreen Road, Sylvester, Georgia

Sunday, April 30, 2023

The Sacred Harp Singing held annually at Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church on the second fifth Sunday of the year was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Trent Peachey leading 59 from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* songbook. John Robinson offered the opening prayer. Trent Peachey led 37t.

Leaders: John Robinson 49b, 48t; Oscar McGuire 34b, 33b; Tim Roop 40, 163b; Beverly Dayton 39t, 276, 274t; Tim Meeks 542, 47b; Kay Robinson 317, 154; Kaycee Robinson 335, 290; Bob Meeks 73b, 341; Myrtice Meeks 491, 452; Bonnie Rewis 569b, 373; Trent Peachey and Caroline Peachey 318; John Robinson 45t; Oscar McGuire 171.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Trent Peachey leading 66. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 515; Tim Roop 147t, 146, 142, 82t; Beverly Dayton 501, 540, 107, 99; Tim Meeks 77t, 178; Kay Robinson 87, 354b; Kaycee Robinson 282, 155; Bob Meeks 68b, 235; Myrtice Meeks 129; Bonnie Rewis 313t; Lamar Robinson 138b, 34t,

358, 490, 473; Tim Meeks 383. An offering for the South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention was collected, and announcements were made. Trent Peachey and Annie Peachey led 347 as the closing song. Lamar Robinson led the closing prayer.
Chairman and Secretary—Tim Meeks

HUNTSVILLE SACRED HARP SINGING
Heritage Primitive Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama
Saturday, May 6, 2023

The annual Huntsville Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May at Heritage Primitive Baptist Church, Huntsville, Alabama. The Old Country Church at Burritt on the Mountain was unavailable this year. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by David Ballinger leading 82t. Buddy Ballinger offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—David Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Linton Ballinger; Secretaries—Amanda Hardiman; Arranging Committee—Linton Ballinger and Lomax Ballinger. Leaders: Lomax Ballinger 277; Richard Ivey 150; Teresa Hope 361; Vella Dailey 145b; Mark Carroll 37b; Daniel Lee 52t; Jimmy Ballinger 565; David Smead 291; Christopher Mann 313b; Lori Rodgers 270; David Carlton 332; Amanda Hardiman and Addie Hardiman 345t; Shawn Taylor 95; Tom Booth 176b; Ron Harper 350; Zena Tucker 209; Buddy Ballinger 354b; Lisa Bennett 145t; Dennis George 276; Judy Caudle 540; Linton Ballinger 460.

RECESS

Richard Ivey led 101t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Kelsey Ivey and Everett Ivey 421; Larry Ballinger 97; Susan Lee 349; David Ivey 317 (for Joe and Francis Jones and in memory of Norma Green); Lisa Geist 272; Nicholas Thompson 304; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 146; Charles McCravy 428; Devin Scherck 34t; Tom George 213t; Dalton Green 157; Daniel Bearden and Brittany Bearden 115; Rick Hoffman 384; Sarah George 217; Nathan Rees 35; Linda Booth 273; Bill Denney 73t (in memory of Philip Denney); Meredith Ivey 196; Leanne Carter 503.

RECESS

David Ballinger led 108t with James Ballinger, Mary Ballinger, Grady Ballinger, Addie Hardiman, and Lyla Hardiman to bring the class back together. The memorial lesson was conducted by Judy Caudle. In memory of the deceased and to remember the sick and shut-ins, she called each name, and led 69b. Tom Booth closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: David Ballinger 110; Allison Whitener 67; Ron Harper 173. Ron Harper offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Ballinger and Jimmy Ballinger leading 99. Leaders: Teresa Hope 313t; Rick Hoffman 314; Zena Tucker 268; Dennis George 411; David Carlton 528; Lori Rodgers 162; Tom Booth 475; Judy Caudle 392; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 49b; Lisa Geist 472; Daniel Bearden 120; Sarah George 338; Richard Ivey 336; Susan Lee 564; Christopher Mann 354t; Amanda Hardiman 454; Dalton Green 192; Kelsey Ivey 296; Devin Scherck 33b; Linton Ballinger 186; Charles McCravy 87; Lisa Bennett 53; Mark Carroll 283; David Smead 205; Nicholas Thompson 216.

Following announcements, David Ballinger led 59 as the closing song. Mark Carroll offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Linton Ballinger; Secretary—Amanda Hardiman

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS SACRED HARP SINGING SPRING SESSION

West Fork Library Hall, West Fork, Arkansas
Saturday, May 6, 2023

The Northwest Arkansas Sacred Harp Singing, Spring Session, was held on the first Saturday in May at the West Fork Library Hall in West Fork. Cory Winters welcomed the group, and led 34b. Bill Caldwell offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cory Winters 47t; Allison Langston 49b, 40; Robert Vaughn 56t, 137; Tim Erickson 171, 67; Bill Caldwell 344, 480; McKenna Mullis 163t, 204; Syd Caldwell 475, 182; Lou Kujawinski 99, 66; Charles Woods and Arlene Woods 178, 283.

RECESS

Cory Winters called the class back to order leading 100. Leaders: Darryl Criss 282, 59; Willi Carlisle and Allison Langston 268, 445; Sonya Kirkham 30t, 207; Miriam Delirium 138t, 29b; David Johnson and David McKisic 159, 117; Kristofer Ilex 425, 348b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Cory Winters leading 551. Leaders: Tammy Heinsohn 155, 86; Penny Kujawinski 228, 472; Bill Caldwell 138 (MH), 180 (MH).

Robert Vaughn and Syd Caldwell conducted the memorial lesson. Syd Caldwell led 340 in memory of those who have passed since last meeting in 2019 as follows:

Virginia Dryer, Eris Denney Muse, Phillip Denney, Mary Woods Gray, Bentley McGuire, Richard DeLong, Harry Eskew, Jake Paulik, Norma Green, J.L. Hopper, Claudene Townson, Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, Bill Windom, Coy Ivey, Joan Aldridge, Margaret Spurlock, Jewel Wootten, Sue Bunch, Aubrey Barfield, Cheryl Foreman, Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell, Sonny Erwin, Curtis Owen, Dale Redmon, Myrl Jones, David Rousseau, Baron Powers, Gayle Cowart, Lydia Lewallen, Drea Boit, Graham DeZarn, Bill Beverly, Val Dunagan, Rebecca Over, Jubal Schultz, Ted Mercer, Waymon Minor, Ann Chalker, and Mary Ruth Stiefel.

Robert Vaughn read the list of the sick and shut-ins as follows: Anita Bowell, Norma Dickerson, Caroline Wootten, Gary Gronau, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker,

Darrell Parker, Ernestine Parker, Leon Ballinger, Melanie Hauff, Virginia Glass, Ken Terry, Bruce Ray, Peggy Ray, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, and Judy McGraw Henry.

Robert Vaughn led 34t. Bill Caldwell closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Tim Erickson 133 (CB), 138t (CB); Dan Brittain 160 (MH), 175 (MH). Bill Caldwell offered grace.

LUNCH

Cory Winters brought the class back together by leading 177 (MH). Leaders: Cory Winters 294; Tim Erickson 47b, 229; Allison Langston 209, 448t; Syd Caldwell 217, 113 (MH); Lou Kujawinski 272, 162; Charles Woods 196; Miriam Delirium 201, 285t; Robert Vaughn 7 (MH), 142.

RECESS

Syd Caldwell led 271t to bring the class together. Leaders: Syd Caldwell 140 (CB); Beth Janes 288, 300; Penny Kujawinski 159 (MH); Tammy Heinsohn 547; Dan Brittain 181, 333; Kristofer Ilex 380b (CB), 381t (CB); Cory Winters 112, 106;

Allison Langston 146; Syd Caldwell, Tim Erickson, Miriam Delirium, and Kristofer Ilex 384. Dan Brittain led 62 as the closing song. Bill Caldwell dismissed the class with prayer. There were twenty leaders and seventy-four songs led. Nine states and Italy were represented.

Chairman—Dan Brittain; Vice Chairman—Cory Winters; Secretary—Kim Vaughn

PORTLAND SACRED HARP SINGING
Laurelhurst Club, Portland, Oregon
Saturday, May 6, 2023

The All-Day Portland Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Jane Cannon leading 33b. Hayden Arp offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: John Berendzen 425 (in memory of Cheryl Foreman); Nancy Novotny 144; Jon Rand 448t; Steve Tarr 319; Emma Swartz 318; Betsy Jeronen 426t; Dorothy Robinson 379; Mischa Skeeter 278t; Scott Kennedy 344; Jennifer Jones 68b; Kate Fine 573; Reed Schilbach 277; Ben Brown 142 (in memory of Cheryl Foreman); Thom Fahrback 56t.

RECESS

Bradley Knoke called the class back to order leading 134. Leaders: Dan Thoma 430 (for his mother, Rita Thoma); Ana Tighe 422; Pat Coghlan 214; Chris Noren 454 (for Hannah Land and Darlene Dalton); Caroline Helmecci 224; Steve Cackley 502; Ruth Linehan 189; Hans Guttmann 282; Joel Rosen 228; Kevin Barrans 50t; Laura McMurray 108t; Leah Coffin 26; Anne Huckins 114; Gillian Inksetter 187; Andy Ditzler 269; David Wright 300; Wren Hyde 108b; Dave Barber 333; Karen Willard 429.

RECESS

Stephanie Fida called the class back to order leading 133. Leaders: Jenny Solheim 444; Jeff McLeod 448b; Rosie Sokolov 400; David Schmitt 565; Rachael Geary 30b; Mike Rasmussen 254; Julia Zaffarano 440; Idy Kiser 39t; Mark Godfrey 536; Evelyn Lamb 36t; Paul Landskroener 473; Maggie Zhou 89; Linnea Sablosky 414; Bob Schinske 546. Hayden Arp offered the noon blessing.

LUNCH

Jenna Tompkins called the class back to order leading 445. Leaders: Maddy Mullany 374; Kate Coxon 411; Sam Kleinman 298; Alex Forsyth 383; Calum Woods 169; Michael Walker 475; Sadhbh O'Flynn 456; Hayden Arp 384; David Brodeur 327; Julius Pasay 474; David Wilson 276; Clarke Williams 498; Lindy Groening and Dami Osoba 272; Stephanie Fida 372; Rodman Campbell 215; Gillian Inksetter 507; Paul Landskroener 212; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 449; Evelyn Lamb 57; Mark Godfrey 270.

RECESS

Emma Swartz called the class back to order leading 111t. Leaders: David Schmitt 528; Julia Zaffarano 500; Kaden Hurst and David Wright 203; Mike Rasmussen 236; Dami Osoba and Lindy Groening 504; Dolan Dolan-Wolfe and Isaac Dolan-Wolfe 95; Phil Owen 155; Wren Hyde 545; David Wilson 40; Linnea Sablosky 56b; Caroline Helmecci 179; Clarke Williams and Maddy Mullany 176b; Jenny Solheim 542; Alex Forsyth and Hayden Arp 73t; Jeff McLeod 499; Leah Coffin 287; Sam Kleinman and Maggie Zhou 123t; Dave Barber 125; Kevin Barrans 48t (for his grandmother); Michael Walker 111b.

The Secretary reported seventy-three leaders and ninety-three songs sung.

Following announcements, Jane Cannon, John Berendzen, and Nancy Novotny led 267 as the closing song. Hayden Arp offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jane Cannon; Vice Chairman—John Berendzen; Secretary—Nancy Novotny

EUGENE FORBES MEMORIAL SINGING
Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church, Ashland, Alabama
Sunday, May 7, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing in memory of Eugene Forbes was held on the first Sunday in May. Jacob Acton called the class together leading 33b and 59. The opening prayer was offered by Jack Nelson.

The class elected the following officers to serve: Chairman—Jacob Acton; Vice Chairman—Brandon Acton; Secretary—Jenny Acton. Leaders: Brandon Acton 300, 142; Jack Nelson 32t, 30b; Oscar McGuire 34b, 171; Robert Chambless 176b, 225t; Cecil Roberts 30t, 35; Bill Dupre 440, 53; Winfred Kerr 36b, 516; and Judy Chambless 222, 454 (in memory of Eugene Forbes and Lori Forbes Hinesley).

RECESS

Jacob Acton led 388 and 268 to bring the class together. Leaders: Jenny Acton 421, 229 (CB); Pam Anderson 405, 480; Roy Nelson 31t, 335; Charlotte Bishop 294, 452; Wendy Anderson 490, 341; Myrline Redmon 318, 358; Jacob Acton 100.

LUNCH

Jacob Acton led 87. Leaders: Tina Lett and Sawyer 145b, 445; Brandon Acton 168; Jack Nelson 518. The memorial lesson was held at this time. Oscar McGuire led 146 for Donna Hall, and in memory of Phillip Denney—Georgia; Hubert Nall, Patricia Anderson, and Lori Forbes Hinesley—Alabama.

Leaders: Robert Chambless 163b; Cecil Roberts 138b; Bill Dupre 472; Winfred Kerr 89; Jenny Acton 155 (in memory of Eugene Forbes); Pam Anderson 164 (in memory of her Mom, Edna Ruth Phillips); Myrline Redmon 147t, 405 (in memory of Lori Hinesley); Tina Lett and Oscar McGuire 503.

Following announcements, Jacob Acton led 62 as the closing song. Robert Chambless offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jacob Acton; Vice Chairman—Brandon Acton; Secretary—Jenny Acton

SHADY GROVE SINGING
Keeton Cemetery, Walker County, Alabama
Sunday, May 7, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Shady Grove Church, Keeton Cemetery, on the first Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 63. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton and Laurie Kirkland 40; Butch White 313b, 547; Louise Yeager 276, 56t; Jeff James 87, 47t; Becky Briggs 68b, 108t; Mike Hankins 168, 527; Tina Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Paul Godsey 47b, 111b; Brenda Chafin 203 (for Wanda Capps), 142, 542; Junior Poston 274t, 295.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Glenn Keeton leading 270. Leaders: David Jackson 480, 235; Roma Rice 348b, 138t; Marlin Beasley 298; Marlin Beasley and Tina Beasley 457; David Godsey 126, 45t; Earl Ballinger 44, 141; Linda Booth 46, 441; Chris Ballinger 84, 178; Ken Tate 50b, 378b; Larry Ballinger 551.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 64. Leaders: Danny Creel 234, 485; Lisa Geist 492; Amber Davis 499 (in memory of Sheila Kilgore), 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Nicholas Thompson 436, 215; Ricky Beasley 285t, 77t; Philip Gilmore 65, 456; Sarah Beasley, Marlin Beasley, Bunk Beasley, Tina Beasley, Becky Briggs, Ricky Beasley, and Junior Poston 340, 335; Julie Poston 421, 166; Seth Holloway 388 (in memory of Chris Briggs), 236; Joey Clinghan 182; Glenn Keeton and Lena Keeton 475, 497; Glenn Keeton 45t. Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton and Laurie Kirkland led 267 as the closing song. Philip Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Amber Davis

BOSTON SINGING

First Church in Jamaica Plain Unitarian Universalist

Boston, Massachusetts

Saturday, May 13, 2023

The Boston All-Day Singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Pippa Stoddard, who led 52t. Liz Cantrell offered the opening prayer. Leaders: William Schuller 101t; Brian Harris 73t; Ron Trial 63; Eric Hildebrandt 344; Christina Foley 36b; Jacob Stebly 48t; Erin Fulton 39t; Dennis O'Brien 480; Robert Stoddard 474; Clay Zeller-Townson 184; Liam Francis 95; Mel Novner 472; Lyra O'Brien 142; Michaela Natal 35; Anne Kazlauskas 447.

RECESS

Will Harron called the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: Owen Stoddard 148; Margaret Hughes and Martin Hamilton 312t; Sue Hanson 209; Marie Brandis 212; Liam O'Toole 47b; Jana Yeaton 117; Kit Walsh 100; Sally Langendorf 314; Sue Peters 73b; Liz Cantrell 56t; Eric Hildebrandt 442; Kerry Cullinan 444; Bill Holt 65; Elizabeth Stoddard 144; John Klaess 72b; Lyra O'Brien 428; Indigo Micciche 312b; Brian Harris 411. Liz Cantrell offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Bill Holt called the class back to order leading 299. Leaders: Sally Langendorf 176b; Owen Stoddard 200; Jana Yeaton 324; Jacob Stebly 277; Jesse Vear 568; Marie Brandis 328; Indigo Micciche 276; Kit Walsh 558; Will Harron 106; Liz Cantrell 475; Erin Fulton 423; Elizabeth Stoddard 546; Michaela Natal 32t; John Klaess 422; Kerry Cullinan 232; Robert Stoddard 456.

RECESS

William Schuller called the class back to order leading 133. Leaders: Margaret Hughes and Martin Hamilton 179; Ron Trial 497; Will Harron 320; Sue Peters 315; Christina Foley 228; Liam Francis 49b; Bill Holt 218; Anne Kazlauskas 118; Adam Schultz and Lizi George 178; Pippa Stoddard 42; Jesse Vear 498; Liam O'Toole 151; Tom Foley and Christina Foley 551; Mel Novner 59; Sue Hanson 452; Dennis O'Brien 454.

A business session was held to hear reports, and announcements were made. Pippa Stoddard, William Schuller, and Brian Harris led 62 as the closing song. Liz Cantrell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Pippa Stoddard; Vice Chairman—William Schuller; Secretary—Brian Harris

BRISTOL SINGING

Frenchay Quaker Meeting House, Frenchay, Bristol, United Kingdom

Saturday, May 13, 2023

The 8th Bristol All-Day Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Bridget McVennon-Morgan leading 131b. Al Williams offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Samuel Turner 274b; Joyce Smith 59; Barry Parsons 314; Steve Brett 72b; Rachel Wemyss 35; Jessica Beer 348b; Mandy Rose 457; Al Williams 87; Kate Kirwan 171; Susannah Gill 89; Joyce Cy L 459; Joe Vickers 376; Greg Carson 276; Katie Ahern 30t; Steve Fletcher 77t; Sonia Nayer 159; Seth Dickens 454; Karen Turner 542; Sophie Lockhart 410b; Jacoba Bruneel 411; Richard Mayers 173; Rob Mahoney 455.

RECESS

Sarah West brought the class back to order leading 162. Leaders: Julie Heptinstall and Sheila Girling Macadam 163b; Margaret Bradshaw 212; Steve Biggs 45t; Teresa Maguire 83t; David Garman 277; Rowan Simms 548; Cath Saunt 91; Nigel Bowley 49b.

The memorial and sick and housebound lesson was given by Jessica Beer who spoke movingly on the ways we remember people, and what we remember them for. The memorial and sick and housebound lists were read by Calum Parker and Jacoba Bruneel. We thought of our friends who couldn't be with us on the day, through circumstance and sickness, and heard the names of these friends, Hannah Land, Helen and Ted Brown, and Fynn Titford-Mock amongst them. Regrettably, the full list was not recovered from the Meeting House.

We heard the names of friends and family who had died in the past year, or during non-singing periods of the coronavirus pandemic, when we were unable to remember them together in this way. The names read were Betty Walsh—Co. Kilkenny, Valeska Cervantes—Mexico, Courtney Mulcahy—London, Vera Byrne—Dublin, Sabin Bataga—Romania, Teresa Cavallar—Italy, Dave Thorpe—London, Richard Drane—London, Anna Zamboni—Italy, David Alder—Scotland, Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, John Heptinstall—Kenilworth, Alistair Sayles—Leeds, Rob Oldcorn—Sheffield, David Childerhouse—Thetford, Jerry Barty—East Wittering, Charlotte James—Chatham, Cheryl Foreman—Texas, Graham DeZarn—Virginia, Gill Peake—Norfolk, Michael Keane—Newport and Bristol, Mary Turner—Midsomer Norton, Mike Cooper—Catsfield. Jessica Beer led 499. Leaders: Derek Buckland 278t; Jan Geerts 172; Mary Hodgkins 350; Marcos Sullivan 272; Constance Des Marais 315; Brenda Bowley 400; Stacy Hackner 440; Vicki Elliot 200; James Roche 556. Cath Saunt delivered the lunch prayer.

LUNCH

Al Williams called the class back to order by leading 42. Leaders: Samuel Turner 82t; Sam Carter 191; Nick Hall 436; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Lloy Cook 46; Matthew Parkinson 269; Michael Walker 426b (for Helen and Ted Brown); Rachel Jordan 189; Edwin Macadam 280; Seth Dickens 474; Susannah Gill 150; Sarah West 128; Vicki Elliot 532; Nigel Bowley 495; Katie Ahern 517; Richard Mayers 263; Cath Saunt 217.

RECESS

Rowan Simms called the class back together by leading 166. Leaders: Derek Buckland 160b; Francis Barton and Steve Brett 448t; Steve Fletcher 85; Margaret Bradshaw 168; Rob Mahoney 535; Lloy Cook 452; Jacoba Bruneel 114; Joe Vickers 138b; Janna Itter and Marcos Sullivan 196; James Roche 549; Michael Walker 290; Sam Carter 100; Matthew Parkinson 76t.

Joyce Smith gave the following secretary's report: over the course of the day, seventy-five registered singers sang seventy-six songs. We welcomed singers from seven countries (England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, Spain, Germany and Canada). Meg Winter gave the treasurer's report stating that all costs were met.

Bridget McVennon-Morgan led 521 as the closing song. Al Williams offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bridget McVennon-Morgan; Vice Chairman—Samuel Turner; Treasurer—Meg Winter; Secretaries—Joyce Smith, James Roche, Kate Kirwan, Barry Parsons

MID-MICHIGAN SINGING

Faith Lutheran Church, Okemos, Michigan

Saturday, May 13, 2023

The annual Mid-Michigan singing was held at Faith Lutheran Church in Okemos, Michigan, on Saturday before the second Sunday in May. Bob Borcharding

welcomed the class, and brought it to order by leading 228. Brandon Buxton offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cecelia Kramer 171; Marian Mitchell 40; Bob Borcharding 176b; Anne Missavage 106; Brandon Buxton 30b; Kathryn Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 285t; Wendy Wahn 546; Samuel Sommers 280; Lindsey Wiggins 216; Barbara Vanderjagt 503; Robert Hammond and Lindsey Wiggins 39t; Ginny Landgraf 542.

RECESS

Cecelia Kramer called the class back to order leading 49b. Leaders: Martha Beverly 189; Lori Rodgers 454; Mark Clague 27; Cecelia Kramer 71; Marian Mitchell 474; Bob Borcharding 227; Anne Missavage 99; Brandon Buxton 319; Wendy Wahn 480; Kathryn Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 81t; Samuel Sommers 24b; Lindsey Wiggins 385t; Barbara Vanderjagt 384; Robert Hammond and Lindsey Wiggins 462; Ginny Landgraf 463; Martha Beverly 504; Lori Rodgers 139.

RECESS

Anne Missavage called the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Mark Clague 417; Cecelia Kramer 311; Marian Mitchell 164; Bob Borcharding 163b; Anne Missavage 203; Brandon Buxton 410b; Samuel Sommers 184; Kathryn Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 89; Lindsey Wiggins 383; Barbara Vanderjagt 168; Robert Hammond and Lindsey Wiggins 45t. Brandon Buxton asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Barbara Vanderjagt called the class back to order leading 63. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 70b; Martha Beverly 222; Lori Rodgers 47t; Mark Clague 107; Cecelia Kramer 47b; Marian Mitchell 534; Bob Borcharding 536; Anne Missavage 150; Brandon Buxton 378t; Linda Heemskerk 86; Kathryn Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 110; Samuel Sommers 548; Lindsey Wiggins 408; Barbara Vanderjagt 129; Robert Hammond and Lindsey Wiggins 124; Ginny Landgraf 547; Martha Beverly 348t (in honor of Judy Hauff); Lori Rodgers 162.

RECESS

Marian Mitchell called the class back to order leading 59. Leaders: Mark Clague 87; Brandon Buxton 478 (in memory of his uncle, who passed away last month); Linda Heemskerk 56b; Kathryn Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 38b; Samuel Sommers 54; Lindsey Wiggins 348b; Barbara Vanderjagt 497; Robert Hammond and Lindsey Wiggins 448t; Ginny Landgraf 501 (for Beth Todd and in memory of Ted Mercer); Martha Beverly 377; Mark Clague 313b; Cecelia Kramer 180; Marian Mitchell 287; Bob Borcharding 122; Anne Missavage 192; Su Penn and Ginny Landgraf 142. Announcements were made, and thanks offered to the people who made the day a success. Bob Borcharding led 347 as the closing song. Brandon Buxton dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Bob Borcharding; Treasurer—Anne Missavage; Secretary—Marian Mitchell

SINGING AT PUMPKINTOWN

Oolenoy Community Center, Pumpkintown, South Carolina Saturday, May 13, 2023

The 2nd session of the Singing at Pumpkintown was held on Saturday before the second session in May. (This would have been the 24th Furman University singing.) The first morning session was from *The Christian Harmony* (2010). Frances Carnell brought the class to order by leading 21 (CH). Mike Spencer offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Frances Carnell 398t (CH); Dave Farmer 161t (CH); Mary Baumeister 238 (CH) (in memory of Jimmie Davis (d. 1863)); Nancy Hogan 131 (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter 265 (CH); David Brodeur 258 (CH); Andy Ditzler and Pat Ditzler 168b

(CH); Bill Hogan 54 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 448b (CH) (in gratitude for the abatement of Covid19); Phil Perrin 143 (CH); Cody Brown 142 (CH); Will Peebles 344 (CH); John Plunkett 543 (CH); Jonathan Wood 419t (CH); Shawn Taylor 23b (CH).

RECESS

The second morning session was from *The Sacred Harp* (1991). Leaders: Frances Carnell 87; Steve Walker 128; Mike Spencer 278t; Andy Morse 209; Julius Pasay 440; Maddy Mullaney 371; Clarke Williams 296; Judy Mincey 497; Dan Huger 86; Eric Carnell and Joy Carnell 277; Catherine Gurri 178; Eli Snyder 384; Emma Parrish 148; Barbara Brooks 129; Leon Carnell 268; Cody Brown 455.

In a business meeting, the officers were reelected by acclamation as follows:

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister. Grace was offered by Eric Carnell.

LUNCH

The first afternoon session was from *The Sacred Harp* (1991). Leaders: Dave Farmer and Otis Russell 454; Mary Baumeister 33b; Nancy Hogan 448t; Jeremiah Ledbetter 426b; David Brodeur 192; Andy Ditzler 475; Bill Hogan 439; Chris Wilhelm and Karen Tuttle 284; Phil Perrin 58; Will Peebles 59; John Plunkett 486; Jonathan Wood 208; Shawn Taylor 428; Steve Walker 107; Mike Spencer 393; Andy Morse 410t; Julius Pasay 317; Maddy Mullaney 65; Clarke Williams 124; Frances Carnell 456.

RECESS

The second afternoon session was from *The Christian Harmony* (2010). Leaders: Frances Carnell 130b (CH); Judy Mincey 547 (CH); Dan Huger 509b (CH); Emma Parrish 26b (CH); Eli Snyder 74 (CH); Bill Hogan 372 (CH); Chris Berg 507t (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter and Lily Ledbetter 78b (CH); John Plunkett 282 (CH); Mike Spencer 409b (CH); Judy Mincey 546b (CH); Dave Farmer 544 (CH); Nancy Hogan 214 (CH); Jonathan Wood and Eric Carnell 67b (CH). Announcements were made. Frances Carnell led 267 as the closing song. Leon Carnell offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

COCOA BEACH SINGING

Lutheran Church of The Resurrection, Cocoa Beach, Florida Saturday, May 20, 2023

The first Cocoa Beach All-Day Shape Note Singing from *The Sacred Harp* (1991) was called to order by Rachel Speer leading 59. The first hour of the day was a singing school, which began with Rachel leading the class in singing a major scale from page 18, followed by 45t, 49t, and 284. Dean Jens led a minor scale from page 18, followed by 159 and 276. Miriam Delirium led 448t. Rachel led 421, and concluded the singing school.

RECESS

Dean Jens called the class back together by leading 28t. Leaders: Dean Jens 565; Miriam Delirium 47t, 39t; Jessica Bellaire 128, 76t; Lorie Wacaster 183, 503; Marja Millard 163b, 282; Rachel Speer 65, 312b; Lynn Healey 277; Ellen Fournier 58, 178; Vik Slen 66, 48b. Zach Cole offered a prayer to bless the midday meal.

LUNCH

Dean Jens called the class back together by leading 429. Leaders: Dean Jens 168; Lorie Wacaster 535, 481; Miriam Delirium 163t, 86; Vik Slen 81t; Jessica Bellaire 445; Jessica Bellaire and Lynn Healey 129; Marja Millard 47b; Ellen Fournier 59, 207; Rachel Speer 236 (by request of Vik Slen).

RECESS

Rachel Speer led 146 to call the class back together, and then led 528 (by request of Ellen Fournier). Leaders: Ellen Fournier 31t, 49b; Miriam Delirium 271t, 83t; Jessica Bellaire 89, 384; Lorie Wacaster 191, 90; Lisa Close 87, 77t; Marja Millard 147t; Dean Jens 174, 203; Jessica Bellaire 335, 182; Miriam Delirium 472; Ellen Fournier 117. Rachel Speer offered thanks to all who attended, especially to Ellen Fournier for keying, Dean Jens for keying and arranging, and Nancy Damani and Lori Wacaster for kitchen assistance. Rachel led 62 as the closing song. Zach Cole offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rachel Speer; Secretary—Dean Jens

KENTUCKY STATE SACRED HARP SINGING
Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Versailles, Kentucky
Saturday, May 20, 2023

The 41st annual Kentucky State Sacred Harp Singing, hosted by the Appalachian Association of Sacred Harp Singers, was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Ron Pen. Ron made a few announcements about the singing, its history, the schedule and facilities, and thanked members of the organizing committee who worked behind the scenes in preparation for the singing. *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Southern Harmony* were used throughout the day. Jim Thobaben offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Ron Pen 24b, 73b; Jim Thobaben 128; Tim Gregg 68b; Adrian Eldridge 441; Joy Dunn 66; Tim Morton 254 (SoH); John Hoerr 171; Amy Pemberton 457; Jake Patty and Adrian Eldridge 146; Mary Brinkman 313b; Erin Fulton 83b; Ray Rechenberg 148; Kathy Sweeton and Randy Webber 236; Randy Webber “Nall” (scored by Randy Webber); Nathaniel Brown 178.

RECESS

Susan Liddle called the class back together by leading 497. Leaders: Gabby Manion and Grant Holcomb 49t; Ron Pen 455; Tim Gregg 299; Adrian Eldridge 475; Joy Dunn 40; Tim Morton 434; John Hoerr 448b; Amy Pemberton 117; Jake Patty and Adrian Eldridge 47b; Mary Brinkman 147t; Erin Fulton 19t (SoH); Ray Rechenberg 276; Kathy Sweeton and Randy Webber 277; Randy Webber 504; Nathaniel Brown 377; Susan Liddle 86.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg called the class back together by leading 87. Leaders: Michele Cull 300; Annaliza Cull 448t; Rob Coulston and baby Emilija 31t; Ron Pen 524.

Randy Webber shared comments about having been involved in sports, specifically boxing. He likened boxing to being one dimension of life, and how we will all eventually lose. He then read the names of the sick and shut-ins: Jesse Vear and Denise Kania. Erin Fulton led 279 for them. Ray Rechenberg led 285t for Brenda Rechenberg. Amy Pemberton called 105 for A. Robert Pemberton, led by Randy Webber.

Randy then conducted the memorial lesson. Philip Denney, a Georgian, had worked for the Sacred Harp Publishing Company and died in 2022 from cancer. Erin Fulton led 120 for Philip. George Liddle, Susan Liddle’s father, was a Californian and died in 2022 from cancer at the age of 95. Susan led 45t for him. Lydia Lewallen, a North Carolinian who died in 2022, had been a Sacred Harp singer who attended many singings and was well-known and well-liked. She was particularly fond of 198, which Tim Morton led for her. Hubert Nall, an Alabamian, had done a lot of the behind-the-scenes logistical work for more than one National Sacred Harp Convention. Hubert died in February of 2023 at the age of 92. Randy led 322 (SoH) for Hubert. That concluded the memorial lesson.

LUNCH

Tim Gregg called the afternoon session to order at 1 p.m. by leading 101t. Leaders: Adrian Eldridge 312t; Tim Morton 310; Joy Dunn and Tim Morton 142; John

Hoerr 29b; Tom Morton 209; Michele Cull 313t; Amy Pemberton 312b; Annaliza Cull 408; Mary Brinkman 48b; Erin Fulton 73t; Ray Rechenberg 29t; Kathy Sweeton 107; Randy Webber 38b; Nathaniel Brown 268; Charles Coulston 350; Ron Pen 103 (SoH).

RECESS

Tim Gregg called the final session of the day to order by leading 111b. Leaders: Brenda Waters and Tim Gregg 515; Randy Webber and Elizabeth Campbell 273; Adrian Eldridge and Erin Fulton 77t; Joy Dunn and Adrian Eldridge 481; Mary Brinkman 159; Ray Rechenberg 203; Michele Cull, Annaliza Cull, and Brenda Waters 535; Nathaniel Brown 479; Erin Fulton 328 (SoH); Tom Morton 496; Kathy Sweeton and Randy Webber 49b; Susan Liddle 334; Annaliza Cull 270; Nathaniel Brown 38 (SoH); Adrian Eldridge 133 (SoH); Tim Gregg 59 (SoH). Announcements were made.

Ron Pen led 267 as the closing song. All who wished shared the parting hand. Randy Webber gave the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed at 3:04 p.m.

Chairman and Treasurer—Charles H. Coulston; Secretary—Mary Brinkman

PROVIDENCE SINGING

Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church at Providence

Cullman County, Alabama

Saturday, May 20, 2023

The annual Providence Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Christopher Mann leading 56t. The opening prayer was offered by Butch White.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers and committee members: Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Cindy Mann; Arranging—Tom Booth.

Leaders: Christopher Mann 31t, 63; Cindy Mann 354b, 159; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley), 99; Sonya Sipe 32t, 208; Judy Caudle 317, 318; Philip Gilmore 76b, 47b; Joyce White 178, 146; Delone Cobbs 168, 354t; Hazel Heinze 84, 515; Carolyn Thompson 440, 430.

RECESS

Tom Booth led 441 to bring the class together. Leaders: Bea Aaron 475, 426b; Leanne Carter 47t, 448t; Anna Grace Sipe 39b, 77t; Nancy Phillips 282, 117; Butch White 547, 287. Christopher Mann asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Tom Booth leading 480. Leaders: Christopher Mann 489; Cindy Mann 274t; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 40; Sonya Sipe 36b; Judy Caudle 340 (in memory of J.L. and Glenda Hopper); Philip Gilmore 68b; Joyce White 127; Delone Cobbs 44; Hazel Heinze 145b; Carolyn Thompson 535; Bea Aaron 145t; Leanne Carter 313b; Anna Grace Sipe 56b; Nancy Phillips 268; Butch White 74b. Christopher Mann led requests: 27 (for Tom Booth), 276 (for Butch White), 329 (in memory of Kenneth Fannin), and 143 (for Hazel Heinze). Announcements were made.

Christopher Mann led 46 as the closing song. Butch White dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Cindy Mann

CANE CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Heflin, Cleburne County, Alabama

Sunday, May 21, 2023

The annual Decoration Sacred Harp singing was held at Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church near Heflin, Cleburne County, Alabama, on the third Sunday in May. Glenda Collins welcomed the singers and visitors to the singing and led 46 as the opening song. Cecil Roberts offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Glenda Collins 32t; Winfred Kerr 47b, 89.

In a business meeting the following officers were elected: Chairman—Glenda Collins; Vice Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Secretary—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Barbara Brooks 385b, 406; David Smead 159, 160b; Robert Chambless 569b, 77b; Bill DuPre 49b, 460; Shawn Taylor 143, 523; Oscar McGuire 515, 441; Lisa Bennett 42, 36t.

RECESS

Winfred Kerr brought the class back to order leading 36b. Leaders: David Brodeur 314, 430; Sarah George 338, 288; Shane Brown 39t, 383; Jerusha Wheeler 270, 315; Tom George 501, 294; Laura Frey 358, 119; John Plunkett 470, 471; Sheri Taylor 114, 203; Judy Chambless 472 (in honor of Karleen Williams), 318; Cecil Roberts 48t, 37b.

Lisa Bennett gave the memorial lesson and led 83t for the following sick and shut-ins: Barry Deese, Karleen Williams, Margaret Thacker, Ed Thacker, David Carlton, and Windell Wood. The names of the following deceased were read aloud: Hubert Nall, Boyd Scott, Norma Green, Virginia Dyer, Ann Simpson, Philip Denney, Claudene Townson, Hazel Brothers, Marlon Wootten, Billy Owen, Barbara Owen, Ted Mercer, Lydia Lewallen, and Doug Norton. Oscar McGuire offered prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Bill DuPre 448t; David Smead 386; Glenda Collins and Karen Owen 454; Sarah George 228; Robert Chambless 225t; Shawn Taylor 319.

LUNCH

Glenda Collins brought the class back to order leading 410t. Leaders: Sheri Taylor 126; John Plunkett 354t; Jerusha Wheeler 59; Tom George 82b; Winfred Kerr 516; Shane Brown 204; Lisa Bennett 235; David Brodeur 266; Cecil Roberts 312b; Oscar McGuire 485; Bert Collins 542, 97, 340; Laura Frey 143; Barbara Brooks 229; Lisa Bennett and David Smead 302; Laura Frey and Sheri Taylor 124; Tom George 505; Oscar McGuire and Bill DuPre 142; Glenda Collins, Barbara Brooks, and Shane Brown 63; David Brodeur and Shawn Taylor 208; Glenda Collins 192; Winfred Kerr, Cecil Roberts, and Bert Collins 30t; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 282.

After announcements, Glenda Collins led 62 as the closing song. Tom George offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Glenda Collins; Vice Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Secretary—Judy Chambless

CORK QUAKER HOUSE MAY SINGING

Quaker House, Cork, Ireland

Sunday, May 21, 2023

Colleen Jones brought the class to order by leading 39t. Leaders: Michael Walker 82t; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 47t; Katie Ahern 77t (for Dermot Peel and family); Kevin Kennedy 121 (for Florrie); Sinéad Hanrahan 120; Colleen Jones 176b; Michael Walker 215; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 187; Katie Ahern 175; Kevin Kennedy 498; Sinéad Hanrahan 433; Colleen Jones 432; Michael Walker 419; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 196; Katie Ahern 513 (for Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and family); Kevin Kennedy 502; Sinéad Hanrahan 197; Colleen Jones 228; Daire O'Sullivan 500.

RECESS

Michael Walker led 234 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Áine Uí Cheallaigh 300; Katie Ahern 497; Kevin Kennedy 512; Sinéad Hanrahan 324; Colleen Jones 426b; Daire O'Sullivan 235; Michael Walker 383; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 131b; Katie Ahern 131t; Kevin Kennedy 132; Sinéad Hanrahan 386; Colleen Jones 436; Daire O'Sullivan 387; Michael Walker 98; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 475; Katie Ahern 369; Sinéad Hanrahan 202; Colleen Jones 217; Daire O'Sullivan 229; Michael Walker 170; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 172; Katie Ahern 263; Kevin Kennedy 279; Sinéad Hanrahan 351; Daire O'Sullivan 399t; Michael Walker 399b; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 340; Katie Ahern 499. Colleen Jones led 472 to close the singing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Colleen Jones; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

CHARLESTON SACRED HARP SINGING

Parish Hall, St. Philip's Church, Charleston, South Carolina

Saturday, May 27, 2023

The 11th annual Charleston Sacred Harp Singing began at 9:30 a.m. with an introductory lesson by Allen Duggar, leading scales, 45t, and 29b for practice. Chairman Stephen Jones welcomed the class at 10:00 a.m. with prayer and announcements.

Leaders: Buck Lea 114; Rob Dillon 52b; Gene Pinion 147t (for Don Bowen); Dawn Stanford 383; Suzanne Coffman 277; Tom Ivey 228; Allen Duggar 276; Sharon Strong 52t; Holly Slice 178; Stephen Jones 123b; Tom Ivey 350 (for Buck Lea); Rob Dillon 452; Gene Pinion 229 (for John Gentry); Dawn Stanford 159.

RECESS

The second session was brought to order by Stephen Jones, who introduced a motion to allow two numbers per leader. After some discussion, motion carried.

Leaders: Suzanne Coffman 163b, 354b; Tom Ivey 354t, 376; Allen Duggar 101t, 53; Sharon Strong 121, 344; Holly Slice 40; Andrew Byrd 430; Stephen Jones 346; Rob Dillon 72b, 73t; Gene Pinion 38b, 39t; Dawn Stanford 86; Suzanne Coffman 106, 81t. Rob Dillon led The Moravian Blessing as a table grace for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Tom Ivey brought the afternoon session of singing to order leading 59. Leaders: Tom Ivey 112; Allen Duggar 480, 186; Sharon Strong 524; Andrew Byrd 33b, 479; Stephen Jones 338; Rob Dillon 89, 457; Gene Pinion 497, 496; Dawn Stanford 268, 282; Suzanne Coffman 30b, 31t.

RECESS

Stephen Jones made announcements, thanking our hosts at St. Philips Church for the wonderful facilities and warm welcome, acknowledging Suzanne Jones for her skill at arrangements. Leaders: Tom Ivey 30t, 254; Allen Duggar 299, 485; Sharon Strong 365; Andrew Byrd 474, 335; Stephen Jones 242; Rob Dillon 183, 334; Gene Pinion 218, 198 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Dawn Stanford 142; Suzanne Coffman 143, 503; Tom Ivey and Sharon Strong 212; Tom Ivey 549; Andrew Byrd 62. Stephen Jones closed the meeting in prayer at 3:00 p.m., and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Stephen Jones; Vice Chairman—Suzanne Coffman; Secretary—Rob Dillon

VINEMONT SINGING

Faith Baptist Church, Vinemont, Alabama

Saturday, May 27, 2023

A Sacred Harp singing was held at Faith Baptist Church, Vinemont, Alabama, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Tom Booth leading 34b. Butch White offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tom Booth 44; Linda Booth 31t, 32t; Delone Cobbs 34t, 354t; Larry Ballinger 101t, 97; Jim Aaron 47b, 68b; Bea Aaron 441, 80b; Judy Caudle 85, 69b; Christopher Mann 35, 39t; Hazel Heinze 63, 86; Earl Ballinger 87, 137.

RECESS

Tom Booth led 36b to bring the class together. Leaders: Lisa Geist 472 (for Julia Poston and Margaret Keeton), 120; Nancy Phillips 388, 436; Butch White 178, 535; Henry Guthery 527, 568; Delone Cobbs 147t, 347; Christopher Mann 106, 114; Larry Ballinger 408; Bea Aaron 438, 354b; Judy Caudle 56t, 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Nancy Phillips 274b, 326. Earl Ballinger asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Lisa Geist leading 148. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 141, 144; Hazel Heinze 145t, 515; Henry Guthery 512, 225t; Tom Booth 475; Larry Ballinger 398; Bea Aaron 456; Judy Caudle 389; Hazel Heinze 49b; Linda Booth 196; Nancy Phillips 275b; Delone Cobbs 49t; Christopher Mann 489; Tom Booth 499 (requested by Henry Guthery). Announcements were made.

Tom Booth led 521 as the closing song. Christopher Mann offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Booth; Secretary—Judy Caudle

GERMANY SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Stellwerk Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany

May 27-28, 2023

Saturday, May 27

The 8th annual Germany Convention was held in Stellwerk Hamburg, Hannoversche Strasse, Hamburg, Germany, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in May. The class was called to order by Chloë Spreadborough leading 145t. Peter Kocher offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Nathan Bowler 272; Daniel Wipperman 278t; Werner Ullah 49t; Inga Buckland 114; Anne Eringa 142; Peter Kocher 313t; Jasmina Graf 330t; Bertolt Hering 282; Melanie Tönnies 277; Marcos Sullivan 276; Lizzy Van Blerkam 29t; Derek Buckland 32b (for Eva Striebeck); Maria Neumann-Fraune 38t; Gerben Vos 203; Ewa Lichnerowicz 191; Paul Kolenbrander 171; Joyce Smith 283; Barnaby Walters 183; Stina Soderling 531; Rob Mahoney 159; Gabriel Kyne 434; Evelyn Lamb 295; Rowan Simms 548; Mary Jane Wilkie 348t; Sheila Girling Macadam 198.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Tina Cramer leading 274t. Leaders: Oskar Kvasnes 151; Walburga Ruhl 500; Meittam Govreen 163t; Tom Sprackland 137; Eleni Melis 399b; Manuela Engel 372; Al Williams 84; Sabina Henzelmann 47b; Edwin Macadam 288; Joel Igli 236; Julia Sievert and Tobias Saalman 361; Dominik Fraune 217; John Bealle 543; Camilla Marie Widholm 377; Chris Geissler 430; Joanna Bennett 245; Jessica Slighter 456; Caro Stamm-Reusch 172; Petra Ertl 448t. Evelyn Lamb offered the prayer before the lunchtime meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Elisabeth Schallwig leading 106. Leaders: Gabriel Kyne 383; Carolyn Deacy 91; Thom Fahrback 302; Sinead Hanrahan 214; Joshua Lant 181; Tristan Gordon 328; Steve Brett 406; Evelyn Lamb 367; Stina Soderling 269; Eloise Clark 486; Rachel Jordan 546; Chris Affolter 380; Sheila Girling Macadam 542; Nick Hall 441; Laura Eisen 428; Kerry Cullinan 36b; Marielle Minutella 59; Joyce Smith 384; Ewa Lichnerowicz 180; Barnaby Walters 168; Mary Jane Wilkie 99; Chloë Spreadborough 68b.

RECESS

Joanna Bennett called the class back together by leading 112. Leaders: Werner Ullah 287; Gerben Vos 425; Inga Buckland 88b; Manuela Engel 481; Anne Eringa 173; Edward Ricemeyer 445; Rob Mahoney 209; Melanie Tönnies 201; Derek Buckland 296; Rowan Simms 138b; Walburga Ruhl 200; Peter Kocher 300; Ulla Schlobohm 77b; Eleni Melis 567; Caro Stamm-Reusch 76b; Tina Cramer 74b; Meittam Govreen 74t; Tom Sprackland 416; Joel Igli 39t. Chloë Spreadborough led 347 as the closing song. Mary Jane Wilkie offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, May 28

The Sunday session of the 8th Germany Convention met again in Stellwerk Hamburg, Hannoversche Strasse, Hamburg. The class was called to order by Chloë Spreadborough leading 452. Tobias Saalman offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Marcos Sullivan 122; Daniel Wiperman 65; Mollie McCracken 504; Eloise Clark 501; Edward Ricemeyer 37b; John Bealle 192; Hanka Faerber 472; Nick Hall 231; Maria Neumann-Fraune 551; Thom Fahrbach 275t (for Eva Striebeck); Steve Brett 460; Chris Affolter 426b; Lizzy Van Blerkom 56b; Al Williams 473; Camilla Marie Widholm 280; Rachel Jordan 474; Weston Olencki 49b; Tristan Gordon 157; Sinead Hanrahan 202; Jasmina Graf 216.

RECESS

Dominik Fraune called the class back to order by leading 457. Leaders: Laura Eisen 103; Marielle Minutella 228; Magdalena Osthaus 388; Joshua Lant 411; Franka Sprzagala 107; Oskar Kvasnes 147b.

Sheila Girling Macadam gave the lesson for the sick and housebound. The following list of names was read: Joy Spreadborough, Hannah Kennedy, Bridge Hill Kennedy, David Carlton, Rojanna Wings, Eva Striebeck, Melanie Hauff, Fynn Titford-Mock, Ian Prior, Mike Rayment, Uschi Nolte, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Bryant, and Hannah Land.

Rob Mahoney gave the memorial lesson for the deceased. The following list of names of the deceased was read aloud: James Kyne, Wilmar Kocher, Lydia Lewallen, Merv Horst, Ted Mercer, Graham DeZarn, Beverly Nelms, Doreen Carlyle, Dave Thorpe, Pete Sutherland, Cheryl Foreman, Charlotte Powell, Mike Cooper, Alastair Sayles, John Heptinstall, Teresa Cavallar, Richard Drane, David Adler, Tina Turner, Els Theunissen, Michael Keane, Milad Naseri, Hugues Albanel, Brigid Hurn, and Juanita Beasley. Rob Mahoney closed the sick and housebound and memorial lessons by offering a prayer, and then leading 70t.

Leaders: Kerry Cullinan 369; Tobias Saalman 66; Mary Jane Wilkie 121; Paul Kolenbrander 129; Evelyn Lamb 390; Werner Ullah 410t; Petra Ertl 86; Joel Igli 178; Gerben Vos 272; Bertolt Hering, Anne Eringa 455. Kerry Cullinan offered the prayer before the lunchtime meal.

LUNCH

Joanna Bennett called the class to order again by leading 73t. Leaders: Edward Ricemeyer 440; Tristan Gordon 573; Caro Stamm-Reusch 562; Gabriel Kyne 436; Stina Soderling 170; Thom Fahrbach 225t; 532; Tina Cramer 397; Rachel Jordan 522; Edwin Macadam 538; Carolyn Deacy 212; Sinead Hanrahan 384; Jessica Slighter 197; Al Williams 569t; Camilla Marie Widholm 536; Sheila Girling Macadam 128; Julia Sievert 335; Ewa Lichnerowicz 138t; Chris Geissler 569b; John Bealle 442; Meittam Govreen 42; Joyce Smith 424.

RECESS

Melanie Tönnies began the final session by leading 215. Leaders: Ursula Diderich 523; Barnaby Walters 110; Inga Buckland 493 (for Uschi Nolte); Joshua Lant 400; Rowan Simms 351; Tom Sprackland 353; Manuela Engel 71; Aref Keshvari and Peter Kocher 45t; Steve Brett 319; Rob Mahoney 454; Eleni Melis 89; Petra Ertl 47t; Kerry Cullinan 444; Mollie McCracken 47b; Nick Hall 344; Jasmina Graf 181.

Chloë Spreadborough called for the various officer and committee reports. Derek Buckland gave the Secretary's report saying that there were ninety-four singers registered with seventy leaders, singing one hundred seventy-one songs with singers coming from nine countries, (Germany, France, UK, Ireland, Norway, Netherlands, Austria, Iran and the USA), including five USA states. Julia Sievert gave the Treasurer's report saying that all expenses had been met and thanking everyone for their generosity. Chloë Spreadborough thanked the Officers and Committee members for their hard work both before and during the Convention and everyone else who had helped. She thanked the arranging committee, the keyers, the venue search team who had found this place when most premises were unavailable owing to it being Pentecost, the cooks who had fed so many singers so well, Sinead Hanrahan for teaching the singing school on Friday night, and all the singers from near and far who had made the Convention such a success. The Convention thanked Chloë for her excellent job as Chair. Announcements were made.

Chloë Spreadborough led 62 as the closing song. Derek Buckland offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Chloë Spreadborough; Treasurer—Julia Sievert; Secretary—Derek Buckland

THE BIG SINGING **Old Marshall County Courthouse, Benton, Kentucky** **May 27-28, 2023**

Saturday, May 27

Gene Gilliland called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. CDT. All songs were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Gary Clark gave the morning prayer. Leaders: Gene Gilliland 59, 354b; Erin Fulton 209, 68b; Tim Reynolds 128, 155; John Hoerr 49t, 49b; Kerry Lovett 182, 45t; Gene Gilliland 334; Tim Reynolds 81t, 107; Erin Fulton 64, 570; John Hoerr 63, 229; Bernadine Sommer & Alice Bean 84, 178; Garrett Herndon 147t, 147b; Kerry Lovett 53; Gene Gilliland 159, 236; Tim Reynolds 300, 313b.

LUNCH

Gene Gilliland called the class back to order after lunch leading 145t and 339. Leaders: Bernadine Sommer & Alice Bean 503, 122; John Hoerr 48b, 163b; Erin Fulton 127, 69t; Gary Clark 347; Tim Reynolds 148, 547; Gene Gilliland 135, 457; John Hoerr 146, 29t; Erin Fulton 24b, 77b; Bernadine Sommer & Alice Bean 143, 34b; John Hoerr 48t, 31t; Tim Reynolds 39t, 278t; Erin Fulton 203, 72b; John Hoerr 235, 231; Tim Reynolds 108b, 77t; Erin Fulton 35, 160b; Bernadine Sommer & John Hoerr 535. After announcements Gene Gilliland closed the singing with prayer.

Sunday, May 28

The 140th annual session of The Big Singing was called to order at 1:15 p.m. CDT by Gene Gilliland reading some history of the beginning of the singing. He offered the morning prayer. All songs were from *The Southern Harmony and Musical Companion*. Leaders: Gene Gilliland 103 (SoH), 10b (SoH); Gary Clark 31t (SoH), 51 (SoH); Erin Fulton 275 (SoH), 8b (SoH); Tim Reynolds 322 (SoH) (by request from Dr. Deborah Carlton Loftis), 116 (SoH); Kerry Lovett 114 (SoH), 89b (SoH); Trent Hollinger 16 (SoH), 59 (SoH); David Killingsworth 46 (SoH), 165t (SoH); Gene Gilliland 11 (SoH), 20 (SoH) (as a memorial to Bill Tew); Tim Reynolds 291t (SoH), 325 (SoH); Kerry Lovett 332 (SoH), 123 (SoH); Trent Hollinger 38 (SoH), 33 (SoH); David Killingsworth 252 (SoH), 1 (SoH); Gene Gilliland 213 (SoH), 324t (SoH); Erin Fulton 39t (SoH), 4 (SoH); Tim Reynolds 83 (SoH), 133 (SoH); Trent Hollinger 189 (SoH), 296 (SoH); David Killingsworth 82 (SoH). Gene Gilliland led 334 (SoH) as the closing song. Gary Clark closed the singing with prayer.

Chairman—Gene Gilliland; Secretary—Tim Reynolds

NORTHEAST MISSOURI MEMORIAL DAY SINGING

Siloam/Old Paths Bible Church, Farmer, Missouri

Monday, May 28, 2023

The annual Memorial Day singing was held at the Siloam Church in Pike County, Missouri. Greetings were given by Bro. Tommy Schultz. The class was called to order by Prisca Rice leading 32t. Dan Dohman offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Clara Herr 105; Shannon Tibbs 277; Grace Preston 99; Emmaleigh Calhoun 288; Katie Huffman 318; Lisa Bulawsky 209; Penny Kujawinski 228; Lou Kujawinski 28b; Paul Figura 51 (MH); John Huffman 29t; Dan Dohman 31t; Daniel Bearden 5 (MH); Shaune Preston 180; Phillip Nelson 418.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Shirley Figura leading 213t. Leaders: Rob Bahler 536; Dave Ressler 224; Jim Herr 546; Alice Bean 49t; Bernardine Sommer 535; Theo Schultz 56b; Jairus Schultz 178; Adrian Eldridge 142; Brittany Bearden and Daniel Bearden 34b; Tommy Schultz 497; Jenny Preston 72b; Prisca Rice 2 (MH); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212; Clara Herr 348b; Shannon Tibbs 77t; Grace Preston 159; Emmaleigh Calhoun 127 (MH). Tommy Schultz closed the morning session with 164 (MH). Prayer was offered by Adrian Eldridge.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rob Bahler leading 48t. Leaders: Lou Kujawinski 421; Paul Figura 19 (MH); Daniel Bearden 140 (MH); Phillip Nelson 127 (MH); Rob Bahler 168; Dave Ressler 189; Jim Herr 556; Shirley Figura 67; John Huffman 492; Alice Bean and Dave Ressler 496; Bernardine Sommer 13 (MH); Shaune Preston 457; Adrian Eldridge 340; Brittany Bearden and Daniel Bearden 63 (MH); Tommy Schultz and Joan Droste (granddaughter of George Terrell Bounds, Mississippi Shape Note singing school teacher) 163t.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by leading 180 (MH). Leaders: Jenny Preston 39 (MH); Prisca Rica 121 (MH); Chris Nicholson 569b; Shannon Tibbs 163b; Penny Kujawinski 547; Clara Herr 63; Grace Preston 325; Emmaleigh Calhoun 93 (MH); Katie Huffman 45t; Lou Kujawinski 515; Paul Figura 68b; Daniel Bearden 154 (MH); Dan Dohman 365; Rob Bahler 550. Dave Kessler led 300 to end the afternoon session. Singing concluded with prayer offered by Gary Huffman. Chairman—Tommy Schultz; Secretary—Charity Vaughn

OSLO SINGING

Kampen Menighetshus, Oslo, Norway

June 2-4, 2023

Saturday, June 3

The 7th annual Oslo All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was held at Kampen Menighetshus in Oslo on Saturday before the first Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Marielle Minutella leading 39t. The opening prayer was offered by Hildegunn Rodrick.

Leaders: Chris Affolter 460; Camilla Marie Widholm 72b; Hanna Flyckt 147t; Gerben Vos 28b; Evelyn Lamb 42; Richard Mayers 102; Caro Stamm-Reusch 36b; Rob Mahoney 535; Carolyn Deacy 430; Tristan Gordon 81t; Margaret Hunt 428; Edwin Macadam 173; Aislinn Ahern 271t; Jim Solheim 192; Sheila Girling Macadam 28t; Lennart Nyström 388; Stina Soderling 37b; Matthew Siefert 368; Thom Fahrback 391.

RECESS

Leaders: Oskar Kvasnes 29t; Nora Gates 184; Paul Kirby 55; Jenny Solheim 214; Richard Mayers 24b; Evelyn Lamb 160b; Tristan Gordon 534; Gerben Vos 317; Aislinn Ahern 546; Edwin Macadam 99; Carolyn Deacy 95; Rob Mahoney 268; Caro

Stamm-Reusch 505; Camilla Marie Widholm 475; Hanna Flyckt 448t; Chris Affolter 353; Stina Soderling 112; Jim Solheim 318; Sheila Girling Macadam 500.

RECESS

Leaders: Marielle Minutella 269; Thom Fahrbach 232; Margaret Hunt 68b; Paul Kirby 178; Jenny Solheim 383; Nicolai Haaber Junge 47b; Matthew Siefert 504; Evelyn Lamb 131b; Tristan Gordon 26; Aislinn Ahern 567; Richard Mayers 263; Carolyn Deacy 485; Gerben Vos 277; Caro Stamm-Reusch 377; Edwin Macadam 236; Hanna Flyckt 171; Rob Mahoney 159.

LUNCH

Leaders: Saara Pakarinen 106; Stina Soderling 328; Jim Solheim 270; Sheila Girling Macadam 142; Thom Fahrbach 564; Jenny Solheim 532; Tristan Gordon 441; Matthew Siefert 361; Carolyn Deacy 302; Evelyn Lamb 513; Aislinn Ahern 528; Richard Mayers 254; Gerben Vos 569b; Caro Stamm-Reusch 417; Edwin Macadam 444; Hanna Flyckt 566.

RECESS

Leaders: Rob Mahoney 276; Margaret Hunt 65; Paul Kirby 79; Jenny Solheim 216; Matthew Siefert 168; Carolyn Deacy 201; Tristan Gordon 186; Aislinn Ahern 196; Sheila Macadam 369; Hanna Flyckt 228; Gerben Vos 34b; Evelyn Lamb 33b; Thom Fahrbach 423; Stina Soderling 76b; Jim Solheim 299; Caro Stamm-Reusch 286; Edwin Macadam 350; Richard Mayers 515; Marielle Minutella 62.

Chairman—Marielle Minutella; Secretary—Chris Affolter

HOLLY SPRINGS MEMORIAL SINGING

Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia

Saturday, June 3, 2023

The Holly Springs Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in June. Phillip Langley called the class to order by leading 59. Matt Hinton offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Phillip Langley; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Secretary—Andy Ditzler. Judy Chambless was appointed to arrange. Leaders: David Brodeur 560; Andy Ditzler 323b; Lela Crowder 68b; Winfred Kerr 36b; Glenda Collins 566; Prisca Rice 483; Bill DuPre 448t; Emmaleigh Calhoun 117; Robert Chambless 84; Lisa Bennett 333; Robert Kelley 472; Bert Collins 542; Helen Bryson 411; Janice Paulk 317; Matt Hinton 318; Karen Rollins 327; Oscar McGuire 475; David Smead 126; Shawn Taylor 111b; Rick Foreman 492.

RECESS

David Brodeur called the class back to order by leading 56t. Leaders: John Plunkett 473; Beverly Coates 95; Isaac Green 476; Robert DuPre 49b; Abigail Cannon 455; Wyatt Denney 376; Don Bowen 283 (in memory of Charlene Wallace); Cecil Roberts 312b; Eric Tweedy 200; John Kelso 77t; Judy Mincey 477; Dick Plunkett and Tyler Ingram 45t; Sheri Taylor 430; Reba Windom 155 (in memory of Carlene Griffin); Lori Graber 278t; Shane Brown 383; Pam Nunn 220; Blake Sisemore 532; Laura Frey 163b; Debra Langley 294; Judy Chambless 222; Karis Askin 142; Beverly Coates 107; Don Bowen 39b (for Ed and Margaret Thacker); Prisca Rice 381; Wyatt Denney 39t; Rick Foreman 31t; Lori Graber 122; Helen Bryson 313b. Cecil Roberts asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

David Brodeur called the class back to order by leading 76t. Leaders: Andy Ditzler 572; Lela Crowder 121; Winfred Kerr 146; Abigail Cannon 288; Karis Askin 43; Erica Hinton 270; Shane Brown 65; Pam Nunn 556; Blake Sisemore 399b (in memory of Richard DeLong); Reba Windom 454; Laura Frey 178; Dick Plunkett 268; Sheri Taylor 209; Judy Mincey 474; Eric Tweedy 442; Cecil Roberts 229; Robert DuPre 47b; Isaac Green 395; John Plunkett 471; Robert Kelley 205; Emmaleigh Calhoun 63; Shawn Taylor 515; John Kelso and Oscar McGuire 573; David Smead 478; Janice Paulk 517; Karen Rollins 120 (in memory of Phillip Denney and Cheryl Foreman); Robert Chambless and Laura Frey 358; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 335; Matt Hinton and Lottie Hinton 203; Oscar McGuire 276; David Brodeur 189; Bill DuPre 195. Announcements were made. Phillip Langley led 46 as the closing song, and Matt Hinton offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Phillip Langley; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Secretary—Andy Ditzler

LAMAR COUNTY AND PICKENS COUNTY CONVENTION
Zion Church, near Gordo, Alabama
Saturday, June 3, 2023

The 105th session of the Lamar County and Pickens County Sacred Harp singing convention was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Amber Davis leading 36b. Philip Gilmore offered the opening prayer. Amber Davis led 276 for Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Laurie Kirkland 45t, 63; Glenn Keeton 163b, 475; David Whitten 178, 142; Larry Ballinger 89, 162; Ricky Beasley 348b, 335; Mike Hankins 480, 527; David Jackson 101t, 111t; Philip Gilmore 336, 498 (for Joe Gilmore, Leslie Gilmore, and Margaret Keeton); Mark Davis 179, 107.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Amber Davis leading 155 for Lucy Heidorn. Leaders: Wayne Baines 100, 59; Calum Woods 297, 76b; Sarah Whitten 268; Lisa Geist 528, 472 (for Paula Springfield); Earl Ballinger 439; Thomas Begley 163t, 386; Glenn Keeton 361, 507 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Calum Woods 204, 345t; David Whitten 344, 72b; Mike Hankins 168, 477.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Amber Davis leading 216 for Betty Shepherd.

Leaders: Larry Ballinger 97; Ricky Beasley 127, 30b; David Jackson 47t, 37b; Philip Gilmore 47b, 77t; Mark Davis 29t, 350; Thomas Begley 44, 460; Wayne Baines 339; Sarah Whitten 122; Lisa Geist 273, 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Earl Ballinger 80b, 177 (in memory of J.H. Ballinger); Calum Woods 504, 211; Thomas Begley 326. Announcements were made.

Amber Davis led 62 as the closing song. Ricky Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Amber Davis; Secretary—Lisa Geist

TYNESIDE SHAPE NOTE SINGERS SACRED HARP SINGING
St Francis Church Hall, Cleveland Gardens High Heaton
Newcastle, United Kingdom
Saturday, June 3, 2023

The 17th annual session of the Tyneside Shape Note Singers met at St. Francis Church Hall, Cleveland Gardens, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom, on Saturday following the last Monday in May. The class was called to order by Conor Murray, who welcomed the class, and then led 46. Ted Brown offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Conor Murray; Secretary—Lin James; Treasurer—Phil Tyler; Arranging Committee—Lin James and Margaret Bradshaw.

Leaders: Phil Tyler 59; Tim McElwaine 107; Joel Wallenberg 35; Benny Ross, Alex Ford, and Jean Hill 178; Claire Welford 274; Nigel Anderson 49t; Erin Johnson-Williams 129; Jan Geerts 116; Margaret Bradshaw 105; Anne Altringham 171; Ruth Holman 63; Karen Turner 155; Anna Baldini 276; Sam Carter 179; Ted Brown 119; Phil Tyler 56b.

RECESS

Cath Tyler led 101t to bring the class together. Leaders: Ed Johnson-Williams 539; Kate Howard 217; Helen Barber 284; Jessica Beer 480; Emily Verrier 200; Tim McElwaine 117; Claire Welford 214; Nigel Anderson 473; Jan Geerts 231; Anne Altringham 556; Ruth Holman 208; Sam Carter 348b; Margaret Bradshaw 266; Anna Baldini 86; Karen Turner 340; Phil Tyler 505; Ted Brown 339.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Joel Wallenberg and Benny Ross.

Joel read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Joy Spreadborough, Sally Dunleavy, Hannah Land, and Winifred Ryan. He led 227.

Benny Ross conducted the memorial lesson based on Psalms 90 and led 285t in memory of Betty James, Ron James, and Mary Needham—Newport South Wales; Ted Mercer—Illinois, USA; Hubert Nall—Alabama, USA; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Cheryl Foreman—Texas, USA; Philip Denny—Georgia, USA; Daniel Oldham—Derby; Jim Brown—Scotland.

Leaders: Helen Brown 475; Mark Wardlaw 391; Kate Howard 497; Jessica Beer 277; Emily Verrier 270; Conor Murray 335. Joel Wallenberg gave thanks for the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Mark Wardlaw leading 123t. Leaders: Erin Johnson-Williams 384; Helen Brown 436; Sam Carter 500; Ted Brown 77t; Kate Howard 532; Jan Geerts 440; Jessica Beer 430; Emily Verrier 133; Anne Altringham 546; Karen Turner 269; Ruth Holman 287; Helen Barber 288; Margaret Bradshaw 300; Nigel Anderson 457; Claire Welford 362; Tim McElwaine 344; Phil Tyler 442; Benny Ross 182; Joel Wallenberg 149; Conor Murray 163b.

RECESS

Jan Geerts led 36b to bring the class together. Leaders: Jessica Beer 445; Sam Carter 439; Emily Verrier 323t; Kate Howard 31t; Helen Brown 565; Scottish East Coast Singers 472; Scottish West Coast Singers 299. Announcements were made. Lin James as secretary reported that with twenty-three leaders seventy-two songs had been led. Conor Murray as the chairman thanked the pitchers (Claire Welford, Jan Geerts, Erin Johnson-Williams and Joel Wallenberg) and all present for making this a wonderful day of song. He led 347 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Benny Ross.

Chairman—Conor Murray; Secretary—Lin James

LIBERTY DECORATION DAY SINGING

Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama

Sunday, June 4, 2023

The annual Liberty Decoration Day Sacred Harp singing was held on the first Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Scott Ivey leading 82t. Scott welcomed everyone, and then he and Rodney Ivey led 59. Marty Wootten offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 201 (in memory of Andrew Ivey); Loyd Ivey 89; Henry Johnson 138t; Nicholas Thompson 318 (in memory of Norma Green and Eloise Wootten); Isaac Green 414; Judy Caudle 301 (in memory of J.L. and Glenda

Hopper); Peter Trumbore 84; Karen Rollins 298 (in memory of Lonnie Rogers); Alex Forsyth 129; Linda Sides 270; Linton Ballinger 314; Jessica Belaire 101t; John Plunkett 150; Suzy Lee 349; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 347; Deborah Taube 344; Sila Huckaby 39t; Winfred Kerr 516 (in memory of Philip Denney); Margaret Ivey and Patrick Murphree 267; Danny Creel 383; Elene Stovall 189 (in memory of Karen House); Blake Sisemore, Shane Wootten, and Wayne Wootten 31t (in memory of Marlon Wootten); Rick Foreman 475 (in memory of Cheryl Foreman); Meredith Ivey 319; Andy Ditzler 228; Lori Graber 37b; Sarah Huckaby 47t. The class gathered in the cemetery to sing in memory of the deceased. Scott Ivey led 340, 571 (CB), and 572 (CB). Loyd Ivey and Lilly Underwood led 511b (CB).

RECESS

Scott Ivey and Rex Wilks led 480 to bring the class together. Leaders: Anna Hinton 142; Everett Ivey 146; Barrett Patton and Bailey Patton 72b (in memory of Bob and Paul Greeson); Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 40; Ken Tate 411; Erica Hinton 448b; David Brodeur 217; Abby Huckaby 222; Shawn Taylor 436; Beverly Coates 48t (in memory of Cheryl Foreman); Daniel Lee 32b; Aaron Wootten 30b; Cheyenne Ivey and Meredith Ivey 442; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 549 (for Nate Green and in memory of Norma Green); Alison Whitener, Grace Whitener, and Meredith Ivey 192; Jared Wootten and Anna Grace Wootten 182; Deborah Morton and Angie Collier 299; Richard Ivey, Kelsey Ivey, and Meredith Ivey 317. Danny Creel asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Shane Wootten leading 532 (for Ed and Margaret Thacker). Leaders: Alex Makris and Madellyne Shaw 418 (in memory of Norma Green and Renae Makris); Prisca Rice, Emmaleigh Calhoun, and Jayden Hunt 496; David Ivey, Meredith Ivey, and Grace Whitener 172; Natalie Castellanos and Zera Castellanos 184; Reba Windom 542; Sarah George and James George 208; Rodney Ivey 426b (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Matt Hinton 212; Tom George 546; Lisa Geist 269; Calum Woods 151; Jamey Wootten, Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Scott Ivey 445 (in memory of Hobert Ivey); Cassie Allen 197; Garrett Morton 216 (for Betty Shepherd); Karen Ivey, Grace Whitener, and Meredith Ivey 472; Thomas Begley 328; Shane Wootten 484 (CB) (in honor of the veterans present); Shirley Figura 213t; Marty Wootten 283; Ainslie Allen 430; Paul Figura 482 (for Nate Green and in memory of Norma Green); Cindy Tanner 187; Paula Oliver 540; Emily Stutzman 477; Philip Gilmore 300; Terry Wootten 74b; Wayne Wootten and Anna Oliver 276; Mark Carroll 499; Marian Biddle, Martha Brown, Teresa Bethune, Lilly Underwood, Will Ivey, and Loyd Ivey 501 (CB); Sharon DuPriest, Barrett Patton, and Nicholas Thompson 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Aaron Wootten, Sarah Wootten, and Caroline Wootten 171; Larry Ballinger 528; Syble Adams and Michael Adams 63; Charles Stiefel and Joyce Morton 277; Donna Wootten and Karen Ivey 108t (in memory of Marlon Wootten); Darlene Dalton 384; Rodney Ivey and David Ivey 465 (CB) (in memory of Coy Ivey). Announcements were made.

Scott Ivey, Shane Wootten, and Marty Wootten led 99 as the closing song. Jared Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

**TYNESIDE SHAPE NOTE SINGERS
SHENANDOAH HARMONY SINGING
Side By Side Arts, Dunsmuir Grove
Bensham, Gateshead, United Kingdom
Sunday, June 4, 2023**

The 7th annual session of the Tyneside Shape Note Singers met at Side By Side Arts, Dunsmuir Grove, Bensham, Gateshead on the first Sunday in June. All song selections are from *The Shenandoah Harmony* (ShH).

The class was called to order by Claire Welford, who welcomed the class, offered prayer, and then led 162 (ShH). Leaders: Phil Tyler 3b (ShH); Joel Wallenberg 397 (ShH); Margaret Bradshaw 264b (ShH); Colin Monson 94 (ShH); Benny Ross 363 (ShH); Mark Wardlaw 83t (ShH); Ed Johnson-Williams 78 (ShH); Anne Altringham 305 (ShH); Claire Welford 304 (ShH); Mark Wardlaw for Lin James 37 (ShH); Jan Geerts 154 (ShH); Karen Turner 418t (ShH); Sam Carter 260t (ShH); Helen Barber 138 (ShH); Erin Johnson-Williams 243 (ShH)

RECESS

Phil Tyler led 53 (ShH) to bring the class together. Leaders: Joel Wallenberg 221 (ShH); Claire Welford for Caleb Leeke 364b (ShH); Margaret Bradshaw 278 (ShH); Calum Parker 140b (ShH); Colin Monson 407 (ShH); Benny Ross 200 (ShH); Mark Wardlaw 351 (ShH); Ed Johnson-Williams 429 (ShH); Anne Altringham 125 (ShH); Mark Wardlaw for Lin James 57 (ShH); Karen Turner 6b (ShH); Jan Geerts 420t (ShH); Sam Carter 16 (ShH); Helen Barber 27 (ShH); Phil Tyler 64 (ShH); Joel Wallenberg 41 (ShH); Erin Johnson-Williams 204 (ShH). Claire Welford gave thanks for the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

Claire Welford led 22b (ShH) to bring the class together. Leaders: Margaret Bradshaw 242 (ShH); Conor Murray 120t (ShH); Calum Parker 326b (ShH); Claire Welford for Caleb Leeke 177 (ShH); Colin Monson 254 (ShH); Mark Wardlaw 344t (ShH); Ed Johnson-Williams 186 (ShH); Benny Ross 246t (ShH); Anne Altringham 114 (ShH); Claire Welford 115 (ShH); Benny Ross for Lin James 13t (ShH); Jan Geerts 199 (ShH); Karen Turner 404t (ShH); Phil Tyler for Helen Barber 312 (ShH); Phil Tyler 15 (ShH); Joel Wallenberg 418b (ShH); Conor Murray 403 (ShH); Margaret Bradshaw 88 (ShH).

RECESS

Leaders: Calum Parker 9b (ShH); Colin Monson 310 (ShH); Benny Ross 205 (ShH); Ed Johnson-Williams 77 (ShH); Erin Johnson-Williams 333 (ShH); Anne Altringham 146 (ShH); Claire Welford 288t (ShH); Benny Ross for Lin James 147 (ShH); Jan Geerts 457 (ShH); Karen Turner and Anne Altringham 76t (ShH); Helen Barber 230 (ShH); Phil Tyler 5b (ShH); Joel Wallenberg 12b (ShH); Margaret Bradshaw 265 (ShH).

The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Claire Welford, who then led 1b (ShH) as a closing song.

Chairman—Claire Welford; Secretary—Lin James

EXETER SINGING

**Exeter Friends Meeting House, Douglassville, Pennsylvania
Saturday, June 10, 2023**

The 21st annual Exeter All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in June at the Exeter Friends Meetinghouse. Jeff Shenk called the class to order by leading 34b. Alex Forsyth offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Matthew Kaufmann; Treasurer—Jeff Shenk; Secretary—Elizabeth Patton. Matthew Kaufmann welcomed everyone and gave opening remarks. He then led 105.

Leaders: Elizabeth Patton 271b; Ruth Wampler 522, 394; Tim Leonard 86, 87; Tom Stokes 186, 187; Joyce Forry 101t, 75; Katie Browne 282, 117; Pete Sandeen 47b, 178; Scott Robinson 276, 277.

RECESS

Kobi Bordoley called the class back together by leading 81t. Leaders: Hollie Long 208; Chelsea Feltman 40; Nancy Mandel 329; Clarke Williams 318; Gary Ryan 125; Erin Fulton 140; Alanna Goodman 42; Rachel Hall 460; Greg Holt 176b; Colleen Hayes 288; Rachel Farber 432; Ted Stokes 200; Maddy Mullaney 436; Jason Steidl Jack 335; Elizabeth Pilar 328; Alex Forsyth 348b.

RECESS

Ezra Batson called the class back together by leading 56b. Leaders: Sam Kleinman 123t; Jeff Shenk 569b; Sara Lott 410b; Calum Woods 342; Jared Shetler 35; Sophie Sokolov 124; Hayden Arp 269; Becky Wright 536; Corey Guerrieri 532; Patti Davis 122; Chelsea Feltman 270; Ryan Nash 300; Kobi Bordoley 268; Matthew Kaufmann 406; Ezra Batson 302. Alex Forsyth asked the blessing before dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Ted Stokes called the class back together by leading 106. Leaders: Dann Pell 396; Chris Cotter 506; Alanna Goodman 349; Alex Forsyth 546; Maddy Mullaney 172; Sam Kleinman 426b; Erin Fulton 331; Rachel Farber 214; Corey Guerrieri 245; Kobi Bordoley 95; Clarke Williams 296; Calum Woods 218; Colleen Hayes 284; Gary Ryan 271t; Hayden Arp 384; Nancy Mandel 548; Jason Steidl Jack 312b; Ezra Batson 542; Sara Lott 564; Hollie Long and Wendi Martin 426t; Corinne Ducey 216.

RECESS

Clarke Williams called the class back together by leading 145t. Leaders: Becky Wright 71; Greg Holt 365; Elizabeth Patton 409; Jared Shetler 354b; Sophie Sokolov and Ryan Nash 129; Hayley Earnest and friends (New York City singers) 146; Dann Pell 278t; Colleen Hayes and Rachel Farber 217; Ruth Wampler and Calum Woods 385b; Pete Sandeen, Corey Guerrieri, and Katie Browne (Philadelphia singers) 159; Maddy Mullaney and Clarke Williams (North Carolina singers) 32t; Tom Stokes and Ted Stokes 192; Hayden Arp and Matthew Kaufmann 84; Erin Fulton and Becky Wright 57; Rachel Hall and Alex Forsyth 30b.

Following announcements, the secretary gave her report. There were fifty-six registrants, including forty-five leaders, from six states, Canada and the U.K., who led eighty-nine songs. Matthew Kaufmann led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Alex Forsyth.

Chairman—Matthew Kaufmann; Treasurer—Jeff Shenk; Secretary—Elizabeth Patton

HOPEWELL HOMECOMING

Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, Oneonta, Alabama

Saturday, June 10, 2023

The 75th annual Hopewell Homecoming Sacred Harp singing was held at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Oneonta, Alabama, on Saturday before the second Sunday in June. Terry Hullett called the class to order by leading 81t. Doyle Alexander offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 144; Rebekah Gilmore 101t, 30t; Doyle Alexander 36b, 99; Judy Chambless 209, 29t; Winfred Kerr 225t, 282; Lori Graber 314, 548; Robert Chambless 549, 111b; Karen Rollins 87 (in memory of Cathy White), 120; Mary

Huffman 68b, 66; Buell Cobb 167 (in memory of Hubert Nall), 64; Carolyn Thompson and Karem Rodrigues 442, 448t.

RECESS

Terry Hullett brought the class back together by leading 276. Leaders: Emily Stutzman 275b, 416; Beth Branscome 208, 228; Butch White 287, 547; Linda Booth 273, 441; Judy Caudle 394, 448b (in memory of Herby Bailey); Elene Stovall and Linda Thomas 217, 47t, 475; Blake Sisemore 497, 436; Shane Brown 390, 383. The memorial lesson was conducted by Philip Gilmore and Rebekah Gilmore. They led 47b for the following sick and shut-ins: Nate Green, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, David Carlton, Leslie Gilmore, Joe Gilmore, Margaret Keeton, Wanda Capps, and Chita Blakeley. They then led 85 for the following deceased: Norma Green, Beulah Ann York, Evelyn Moody, Marlon Wootten, Hubert Nall, David Tidmore, Sandra Thames, Gary Robbins, Hazel Brothers, Glenn Conn, Renae Makris, Boyd Scott, Claudene Townson, and Marvin Green—Alabama; Philip Denney, Cathy White, Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Mary Wright—Virginia; Cheryl Foreman—Texas. Shane Wootten closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

LUNCH

Terry Hullett brought the class back together by leading 222. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 176b; April Watkins 445; Cindy Tanner and April Watkins 146 (for Wanda Capps), 546; Reba Windom 137 (in memory of Virgil Phillips); Rene Greene 192; Loyd Ivey 498, 283; Tom Booth 480, 123t; Vella Dailey 335, 452; Grace Gilmore 542; Rebekah Gilmore, John Gilmore, Grace Gilmore, and Mary Jewel Gilmore 455 (for Joe Gilmore and Leslie Gilmore); Travis McCay 354b; Travis McCay and Rebekah Gilmore 277; David Ivey 289; Shane Wootten 571 (CB) (in memory of Jewel Wootten), 67 (in memory of Doug Conn); Philip Gilmore 122.

Terry Hullett led 62 as the closing song. Philip Gilmore dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Nate Green; Arranging Committee and Secretary—Rebekah Gilmore

RAYMOND HAMRICK MEMORIAL SINGING (THE GEORGIAN HARMONY)

**Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia
Saturday, June 10, 2023**

The 8th session of the Raymond Hamrick Memorial Singing (*The Georgian Harmony*) was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in June at the Roberta Civic Center. Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 9 and 11. Wayne Watson offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Helen Bryson 50, 42; Jeremiah Ledbetter 51, 95; Bert Collins 3, 105; Glenda Collins 108, 25; Mary Brownlee and John Brownlee 94, 9; Taylor Warren 29, 15; Bill Hollingsworth 14, 13; Bill DuPre 171, 179; Phillip Ford 22, 176.

RECESS

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 49. Leaders: Martha Harrell 54, 107; Rosemund Watson 33, 109; Laura Frey 153, 187; Sheri Taylor 186, 110; Lisa Bennett 252, 198; Dami Osoba and John Plunkett 208; John Plunkett 206 (for Cathy White); Susan Ford 225, 12.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 26. Leaders: David Smead 38, 34; Jeremiah Ledbetter 66; Bert Collins 86; Glenda Collins 99; David Smead 19 (for Mary Brownlee); Taylor Warren 134; Bill Hollingsworth 87; Bill DuPre 81; Phillip Ford 59; Laura Frey 211; Sheri Taylor 56; Lisa Bennett 249; John Plunkett 155; Susan Ford 60; Oscar McGuire, Nancy Sasser, Ann Hamilton, and Peggy Miller 152. Announcements were made.

Rosemund Watson and Lilly Hooks led 255 as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Bill DuPre; Secretary—Helen Bryson

JUNE SINGING

Alpharetta Municipal Building, Alpharetta, Georgia

Sunday, June 11, 2023

The 155th annual session of the June Singing was held on the second Sunday in June at the Alpharetta Municipal Building. Faye Holbrook called the class to order leading 49t and 67. Faye Holbrook offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mile Castleberry 490, 59; Helen Bryson 312t, 178; Shawn Taylor 128, 457; David Brodeur 387, 337; Andy Ditzler 452, 369; David Smead 465, 466; Oscar McGuire 229, 171; Bill Dupre 472, 448t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 114, 113; Lisa Bennett 51, 87 (for her friend, Joni); John Plunkett 467, 159 (in memory of Cathy White).

RECESS

A short business session was held. The following were elected to serve: Chairman—Faye Holbrook; Vice Chairman—Janice Paulk; Secretary—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: Faye Holbrook 455; Mike Castleberry 569b; Helen Bryson 568; Shawn Taylor 378b; David Brodeur 336; Andy Ditzler 438; David Smead 232; Oscar McGuire 163b; Bill Dupre 195; Esther Morgan-Ellis 270; Lisa Bennett 98; John Plunkett 359 (for Ann and Trevor).

LUNCH

Faye Holbrook called the class to order leading 318 (for Janice and Jack Paulk).

The memorial lesson was conducted by Lisa Bennett who shared memories of the singers we sing for today. Today we remember the following deceased: Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Jack Paulk, Norma Green, Ann Simpson, Hubert Nall—Alabama; Cathy White, Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina. The sick and shut-ins remembered today are Seth Dickens, Margaret Thacker, Ed Thacker, and Karlene Williams. John Plunkett offered the memorial prayer.

Leaders: Mike Castleberry 512; Helen Bryson 227; Andy Ditzler 345t; Shawn Taylor 100; David Brodeur 441; David Smead 263; Oscar McGuire 485; Bill Dupre 120; Laura Patterson 63; Esther Morgan-Ellis 73t; Lisa Bennett 193; John Plunkett 80t; Faye Holbrook 380; Mike Castleberry 285t; Helen Bryson 313b; Andy Ditzler 358; Shawn Taylor 40; David Brodeur 222; David Smead 223; Oscar McGuire 350; Bill Dupre 142; by request from Emily Lemke the class sang 143; Lisa Bennett 332; John Plunkett 76t; David Brodeur 384 (per request). Announcements were made.

Faye Holbrook led 45t as closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Bill Dupre, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Faye Holbrook; Vice Chairman—Janice Paulk; Secretary—Helen Bryson

NATIONAL SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Birmingham Square Dance Association Friendship Hall

Fultondale, Alabama

June 15-16, 2023

Thursday, June 15

The 42nd session of the National Sacred Harp Convention was held on Thursday and Friday before the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 59. Randy Weber offered the opening prayer. The group was welcomed by Larry Holcomb, Mayor of Fultondale.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 36b; Buell Cobb 52t; Dorothea Maynard 373, 30t. A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Buell Cobb; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard; Arranging Committee—Nicholas Thompson and Tom Booth. The business meeting was closed.

Leaders: Tom Booth 460, 309; Nicholas Thompson 129, 482; Mark Davis 65, 440; Emily Stutzman 179, 153; Robert Chambless 75, 77b; Linda Booth 110, 481; Nathaniel Brown 178, 377.

RECESS

Buell Cobb led 52b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Warren Steel 185, 211; Carolyn Thompson 280, 53; David Ivey 210, 271t; Karen Rollins and Denny Rogers 225t, 222; Marlin Beasley 99, 144; Judy Chambless 318, 454; Elene Stovall 411, 564; Sarah Beasley 340, 354b; Julia Zaffarano 430, 215; Randy Weber 236, 107; Emily Stutzman and Nadia Bolz-Weber 361, 277; Nathaniel Brown 66, 128; Warren Steel 126, 157. Marlin Beasley offered the prayer for lunch.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Glenn Keeton leading 159. Leaders: Bea Aaron 441, 438; Mark Davis 371, 198; Becky Briggs 384, 388; Karen Rollins and Denny Rogers 120; Nathaniel Brown 117, 35; Nicholas Thompson 217; Julia Zaffarano 216, 106; Emily Stutzman 337; Warren Steel 296, 297; Randy Weber 163b, 195; Beasley family 176t, 146; Glenn Keeton 339; Linda Booth 269, 196. Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton led 323t as the closing song. Tom Booth dismissed the class with prayer.

Friday, June 16

The Friday session of the National Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 32t and 349. Danny Creel offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mark Davis 448t, 234; Buell Cobb 50t, 32b; Henry Guthery 543; Dorothea Maynard 442, 383; Tom Booth 348b, 480; Beth Branscome 155, 217; Bridge Hill Kennedy 276, 82t; Danny Creel 215, 498; Jack Nelson 399b, 30b; Karen Ivey 208, 569b; Bill Denney 47b, 40; Julia Zaffarano 500, 28b.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Randy Weber leading 87 and 547. Leaders: Linda Thomas and Larry Brasher 47t, 176b; Bea Aaron and Susan Boling 456, 568; Emily Stutzman 167, 45t; Elene Stovall 432, 470.

RECESS

Mark Davis led 101t to bring the class together. Leaders: Butch White 313b, 535; Marlin Beasley 457, 39t; Judy Chambless 29t, 472; Nadia Zaffarano and Julia Zaffarano 178, 277.

Buell Cobb read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Melissa Sparks, Barbara Thompson, Jerry Kitchens, Margaret Keeton, Karleen Williams, Barry Rollins, David Carlton, Ozella Blackmon, Richard Mauldin, Wanda Capps, Cora Jones, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Gaston White, Julia Poston, Darrell Parker, Ernestine Parker, Nate Green, Chita Blakeley, and Jim Darden. Buell led 66 (Gaston's favorite song) for the sick and shut-ins.

Buell spoke of Hubert Nall being a front man for this singing for so long and giving us a place to sing at the First Christian Church on Valleydale Road for over twenty years. Mark Davis read the following list of names of the deceased: Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, Ann Simpson, Boyd Scott, Doug Ivey, Norma Green, Elder J L Hopper, Ellen Brasher Harris, Juanita Beasley, Hazel Brothers, Glenn Conn, Renee' Makris, Claudene Townson—Alabama; Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, Cathy White—Georgia; Cheryl Foreman and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Solomon Ossa—Oregon, and Brenda

Pena—New York. Mark led 345b in memory of the deceased. Butch White closed the memorial service with prayer.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 270. Leaders: David Ivey 225b, 232; Sharon DuPriest and Bridge Kennedy 546, 212, 269; Sarah Beasley 61, 318; Becky Briggs 400, 313t; Linda Booth 137, 220; Marlin Beasley 336, 512; Karen Ivey and David Ivey 112; Emily Stutzman 436, 100; Warren Steel 213t, 254; Seth Holloway 388; Seth Holloway and Dorothea Maynard 354b; Buell Cobb asked Mark Davis to lead 236 as a longstanding tradition at the National Convention.

A business meeting was held to hear the committee reports. The Resolutions Committee, Dorothea Maynard and Marlin Beasley presented the following report: We thank the officers of the 42nd annual National Convention for their efforts, as well as everyone who brought food, served drinks, set up tables, and cleaned. We especially thank those who traveled near and far to sing songs of praise; without all of you this would not have been possible. We thank the Birmingham Square Dance Association and the City of Fultondale for the use of this building and their help shuttling us to our vehicles. We also recognize Glenn Keeton for his tireless efforts in putting everything together to make this convention possible. Respectfully submitted by Dorothea Maynard and Marlin Beasley.

Buell Cobb gave the financial report, and the business meeting was closed. Julia Zaffarano and Nadia Bolz-Weber led 532. Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton led 62 as the closing song. Danny Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Buell Cobb; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard

CORK QUAKER HOUSE JUNE SINGING **Quaker House, Cork, Ireland** **Saturday, June 17, 2023**

June Murphy opened the singing by leading 31t. Leaders: Áine Uí Cheallaigh 102; Michael Walker 101t; Kevin Kennedy 26; Colleen Jones 30t; June Murphy 29t; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 47t; Michael Walker 35; Katie Ahern 58; Kevin Kennedy 490; Sinéad Hanrahan 394; Anne Altringham 527; Colleen Jones 532; June Murphy 431; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 491; Michael Walker 486; Katie Ahern 517; Kevin Kennedy 518; Sinéad Hanrahan 521; Anne Altringham 82t; Colleen Jones 118; June Murphy 504; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 340; Michael Walker 513; Katie Ahern 528.

RECESS

Kevin Kennedy led 439 to restore order. Leaders: Sinéad Hanrahan 542; Anne Altringham 440; Laurie Skelton 442; Colleen Jones 444; June Murphy 445; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 202; Michael Walker 193; Katie Ahern 500; Kevin Kennedy 451; Sinéad Hanrahan 327; Anne Altringham 192; Laurie Skelton 216; Colleen Jones 228; June Murphy 544; Áine Uí Cheallaigh; Michael Walker 475; Katie Ahern 218; Kevin Kennedy 539; Sinéad Hanrahan 538; Laurie Skelton 318; Colleen Jones 89; June Murphy 71; Áine Uí Cheallaigh 315; Michael Walker 212; Katie Ahern 263; Kevin Kennedy 158; Sinéad Hanrahan 151; Anne Altringham 546; Laurie Skelton 189. June Murphy led 472 to close the singing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—June Murphy; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

MOORE, GRAVES, AND CALVERT MEMORIAL **Addington Chapel, Cullman County, Alabama** **Saturday, June 17, 2023**

The 113th session of the Moore, Graves, and Calvert Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order

by Danny Creel leading 30t. The opening prayer was offered by Tom Booth. Danny Creel welcomed the class, and then the following officers were retained for another year: Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Ann Jett.

Leaders: Danny Creel 37b; Butch White 235, 74b; Linda Booth 46, 166; David Ivey 123t (for Ed and Margaret Thacker), 121; Mike Hankins 527, 477; Judy Caudle 402, 403; Tom Booth 204, 34b; Jeff James 36b, 117; Emily Stutzman 35, 337; Earl Ballinger 317, 80b; Mary Huffman 569b, 39t; Mark Davis 200, 168; Beth Branscome 142, 300.

RECESS

Danny Creel led 428 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Randy Webber 320, 225t; Emmaleigh Calhoun 72b, 82t; Henry McGuire 84, 34t; Prisca Rice 452, 155; Rick Hoffman 111t, 192; Ainslie Allen 546, 196; Lisa Geist 391, 394; Philip Gilmore 85 (in memory of Leslie Gilmore), 76b; Brenda Chafin 336, 568; Larry Ballinger 133, 151; Ken Tate 213t, 547; Cindy Tanner 220, 436 (in memory of Kenny Graves); Charlie McGuire 185, 398; Dorothea Maynard 442, 383; Cassie Allen 291 (in memory of Vernice Calvert), 167. Butch White asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 485. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 460, 111b; Will McGuire 476, 181; David Jackson 499, 503; Sarah Beasley 340, 388; Becky Briggs 318, 81t; Joyce White 480, 39b; Ann Jett 327, 269; Mark Davis 228; Emily Stutzman 217; Rick Hoffman 314; Henry McGuire, Will McGuire, and Charlie McGuire 456; Lisa Geist 528; Randy Webber 146; Dorothea Maynard 280; Prisca Rice 389; Emmaleigh Calhoun 472; Mary Huffman 446; Beth Branscome 150; Philip Gilmore 47b; Butch White 313b. Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen led 131b as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Ann Jett

VERMONT SACRED HARP SINGING **The International Commons, Saint Michael's College** **Saturday, June 17, 2023**

The 41st annual Vermont All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Larry Bingham leading 87. The opening prayer was offered by Chaplain Joan Nagy.

Leaders: Joan Nagy 49t; Elizabeth O'Dowd 457; Kerry Cullinan 369; Lamar Matthew 35; Scott Lunscombe 472; Nicandra Galper 335; George Howe 159; Yuka Oiwa 203; William Schuller 70b; Linda Coppock 299; Erin Fulton 66; Sarah Maika 37b; Tarik Wareh 453; Rick Johnston 294; Ron Trial 474; Lynette Combs 312b; Eléa Regemal 29t.

RECESS

George Sigut called the class to order by leading 178. Leaders: Sage Chase 47b; Liz Patton 542; L.V. M. Shelton 268; Indigo Micciche 86; Dan Coppock 501; Christopher Wesolowski 143; Mark Williams 269; Jean Rosenberg 106; Lamar Matthew 156; Jim Coppock 273; Nancy Kilgore 163b; Scott Lunscombe 506; Nicandra Galper 344.

RECESS

William Schuller called the class to order by leading 319. Leaders: Kerry Cullinan 340; Jonathan Spencer 328; George Howe 276; Erin Fulton 207; Eléa Regemal 272; Rick Johnston 396; Mark Williams 504.

David Rosenberg conducted the memorial lesson, leading 347 in memory of the following deceased: Sahra Aschenbach, Dicky Drysdale, Ashley Dwelle-Jensen, Jonas Frike, Mat Doyle, Larry Gordon, Alexa Gould-Kavet, Dick Jenney, Andy Johnston,

Carlotta Moulton, Donna Piette, Elka Schumann, Leonard Spencer, Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Philip Denney—Georgia; Genevieve, and Remi Paillard—France; Tim Hertzler—Oregon; Robert ‘Hoff’ Hoffman—District of Columbia; Frances Klugman—Massachusetts; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Bill Tew—Virginia; Ronnie L. Troxtell and Mary Troxtell—Kentucky. May their memory bless and inspire us all. Larry Bingham recognized the list of sick and shut-in singers who were remembered by the community.

Leaders: Dan Hertzler 209; Yuka Oiwa 165; Linda Coppock 146.

RECESS

Erin Fulton called the class to order by leading 399b. Leaders: Sarah Maika 198; Tarik Wareh 456; Lynette Combs 280; Sage Chase 410t; Liz Patton 543; Larry Bingham 485; Indigo Micciche 186; Dan Coppock 187; L.V. M. Shelton 254; Haley Lewis 318; Ron Trial 200; George Sigut 444; Tom Begley 32t; Jim Coppock 532.

RECESS

Joan Nagy called the class to order by leading 162. Leaders: Philou Fortier 448t; Jonathan Spencer 71; Sue Dwelle 122; David Rosenberg 189; Jean Squires 503; Chris Wesolowski 300; Julie Sharha 84; Yuka Oiwa 282; Mark Williams 383; Scott Lunscombe 547; Lamar Matthew 154; Eléa Regembal 430; Larry Bingham 267.

RECESS

Ron Trial called the class to order by leading 63. Leaders: Nicandra Galper 142; Indigo Micciche (assisting Annabel Chabot and Charli Lessard) 348t, Tom Begley 477; Judy Carpenter 183; Haley Lewis 112; Sarah Maika 454; Tarik Wareh 521; Sage Chase 48t; Liz Patton 511; David Rosenberg 362.

Larry Bingham brought the business meeting to order. The Treasurer, Jean Rosenberg, reported that all expenses were met. The Secretary reported that there were eighty-six participants attending from seven US states (Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Hawaii, and North Carolina) as well as two Canadian provinces (Quebec and Ontario) and the UK. Today thirty-eight leaders led eighty-five songs. Larry thanked all who were involved in this event. The 42nd All-Day singing will be held in Norwich, Vermont, with exact date, location, and time to be determined. The business session was closed.

Joan Nagy offered the closing prayer, and Larry Bingham led 62 as the closing song. Chairman—Larry Bingham; Secretary—Elizabeth O’Dowd; Treasurer—Jean Rosenberg

ALBANY NEW YORK SINGING

Burton Hall, Easton, New York

Sunday, June 18, 2023

The Albany New York All-Day Singing was held on the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Tarik Wareh leading 47t. The opening prayer was offered by Joanne Fuller. Leaders: Tarik Wareh 146; Joanne Fuller 52t; Pattie Wareh 84; Ellen Foster and Jean Seiler 159; Alison Forster 542; Sally Langendorf 48t; Pat Geritz 523; Chris Holley 348b; Mary Skidmore 39t; George Sigut 38b; Erin Fulton 175; Larry Bingham 313b; Indigo Micciche 168; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Barbara Swetman 71.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Indigo Micciche, Julie Richard, and Elea Regembal leading 117. Leaders: Keillor Mose 32t; Anna Bowen 318; Will Harron 105; Liz Patton 274b; Jean Seiler 217; Jonathan Spencer 214; Elea Regembal 131t; Sally Langendorf 68b; Walter Keeley 228; Chris Holley and David Fuller 73t; Barbara Swetman 72b; Indigo Micciche 378b; Kerry Cullinan 378t; Erin Fulton 69b.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Alison Forster and Barbara Swetman leading 148. Leaders: George Sigut 448b; Joanne Fuller 460; Larry Bingham 99; Tarik Wareh 391; Anna Bowen 270; Elea Regembal 442; Will Harron 81t; Sally Langendorf 138b; Jonathan Spencer 118; Liz Patton 120; Patricia Geritz 479; Walter Keeley 344; Alison Forster 268; Keillor Mose 132; Mary Skidmore 567; Kerry Cullinan 133; Jean Seiler 472. The grace before the noontime meal was offered by Erin Fulton.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Larry Bingham leading 31t. Leaders: Indigo Micciche 278t; Chris Holley 420 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Barbara Swetman 484; Rachel Farber 316; Keillor Mose 432; Elea Regembal 480; Liz Patton 361; Anna Bowen 182; Will Harron 319; Liz Patton, Barbara Swetman, Lynn Wilson, Laurel Dempsey, Jean Seiler, Chris Holley, George Sigut, Lauren Keeley, Joey Keeley, Kathe Pilibosian, and Claudia Smigelski 171; Jonathan Spencer 260; Erin Fulton 353; Sally Langendorf 314; Pattie Wareh and Mary Skidmore 383; Larry Bingham and Kerry Cullinan 481; Elea Regembal, Julie Richard, and Rachel Farber 440; Jean Seiler 299.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Will Harron leading 87. Leaders: George Sigut 274t; Mark Bedard and Keillor Mose 277; Rachel Farber 439; Anna Bowen 474; Jonathan Spencer and Chris Holley 77t; Alison Forster 114; Barbara Swetman and Margaret Bornick 454; Indigo Micciche 408; Liz Patton 373; Walter Keeley, Lauren Keeley, and Joey Keeley 178; Erin Fulton 185; Keillor Mose 45b; Elea Regembal 125; Chris Holley 75; Joanne Fuller and Sally Langendorf 229; Rachel Farber 89; Jean Seiler and Anna Bowen 312b; Mark Bedard and Kerry Cullinan 445; Jonathan Spencer and Will Harron 198; Mary Skidmore 34t.

The secretary reported that eighty-eight songs were led by thirty-three leaders.

Singers came from two Canadian provinces and five U.S. states.

Tarik Wareh, Pattie Wareh, Jean Seiler, Joanne Fuller, and Mary Skidmore led 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Chris Holley.

Chairman—Tarik Wareh; Treasurers—Sally Langendorf and Jean Seiler; Arranger—Pattie Wareh; Secretaries—Joanne Fuller and Judy Pardee

BALLYMALOE SINGING

Ballymaloe Grainstore, Cork, Ireland

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Dermot Peel led 171 to open the singing. Leaders: Kevin Kennedy 272; Sinéad Hanrahan 150; Amanda Parkes 392; Ewa Lichnerowicz 270; Aislinn Ahern 288; Mischa Jamy 276; Niamh O'Sullivan 475; Katie Ahern 335; Daire O'Sullivan 440; Dermot Peel 114; Kevin Kennedy 398; Sinéad Hanrahan 368; Amanda Parkes 428; Ewa Lichnerowicz 112; Aislinn Ahern 35; Mischa Jamy 40; Niamh O'Sullivan 101b; Katie Ahern 100; Daire O'Sullivan 500; Dermot Peel 496; Kevin Kennedy 451; Sinéad Hanrahan 453; Amanda Parkes 302; Ewa Lichnerowicz 296.

RECESS

Aislinn Ahern restored order by leading 263. Leaders: Mischa Jamy 546; Niamh O'Sullivan 422; Katie Ahern 528; Daire O'Sullivan 539; Ger Wolfe 89; Dermot Peel 474; Kevin Kennedy 218; Sinéad Hanrahan 477; Amanda Parkes 110; Ewa Lichnerowicz 187; Aislinn Ahern 319; Mischa Jamy 42; Niamh O'Sullivan 460; Katie Ahern 531; Ger Wolfe 569b; Dermot Peel 515; Kevin Kennedy 512. Dermot Peel led 472 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dermot Peel; Secretary—Kevin Kennedy

HOPEWELL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Roopville, Georgia

Sunday, June 18, 2023

The 156th session of the Hopewell singing met on the third Sunday in June. Karen Rollins brought the class to order at 10:00 a.m. by leading 34b. Judy Chambless offered the opening prayer.

A short business session was held. The following officers were elected: Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Denney Rogers; Secretary—Karen Rogers Rollins; Arranging—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Denney Rogers 36b, 159; Winfred Kerr 282, 59; Sheri Taylor 48t, 39t; Wyatt Denney 122, 77t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 48b, 504; Bill Denney 457, 146; Erica Hinton 500, 111b; Robert Chambless 494; Robert Chambless and Margie Smith 225t; Jeannette DePoy 66 (in memory of Cathy White), 67.

RECESS

Jenna Frey led 178 and 454. Leaders: David Smead 523, 143; William DuPre 70b; Dorothea Maynard 442, 383; David Brodeur 475, 546; Anna Hinton 182, 142; Glenda Collins 99, 300; Judy Chambless 222; Karis Askin 209, 313b (in memory of her grandfather, Philip Denney); Bill DuPre 480, 448t.

The memorial lesson was held. Karen Rollins read a poem called “We Will Remember Them” published in the book Gates of Prayer. The names on the list of sick and shut-ins were Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Sherry Lovvorn, Judy Henry, and Jesse Roberts. By request, the tune “Amazing Grace” was led by Karen Rogers Rollins, Karleen Rogers Williams, Paige Rogers Harrod, and Denney Rogers for the following list of deceased: Cheryl Forman—Texas; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Sue Bunch—Florida; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Marlon Wooten, Norma Green, J.L. Hopper, Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Ann Simpson—Alabama; George Burnette, Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, Eris Denney Muse, Opal Rogers Cannon, Cathy White, Tillie Parmer, Wayne Nichols, Gwen Caldwell, Will Hardin, JoAnn Rogers, Darrell Teal, Dottie Teal, Sandra White, and Tee Meigs—Georgia. Matt Hinton closed the memorial lesson with prayer. Oscar McGuire led 34b to close the morning session.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire brought the class back together by leading 333. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 413, 449; Bert Collins 340, 339. Denney Rogers gave the Financial Report. Leaders: John Plunkett 153, 136; Shawn Taylor 329, 163b; Randa Harris, Barry Rollins, and Kayla McWhorter 268, 345t; Jim Neal 374, 406; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 186; Kathy Williams 455; Jesse P. Karlsberg 289, 158; Matt Hinton 139, 157; Cathy Bonk 84, 53; Gayle Denney, Lee Denney, Julie Brown, Bill Denney, and Oscar McGuire 153; Dick Plunkett 47b. Announcements were made.

Oscar McGuire and Karen Rollins led 46 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Bill DuPre.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Denney Rogers; Secretary—Karen Rollins

MACEDONIA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Section, Alabama

Sunday, June 18, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Tom George leading 52t. He offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Dennis George 176t, 176b; Blake Sisemore 425, 37b; Daniel Lee 565, 566; Isaac Green 331, 125; Samuel Williams 85; Cheyenne Ivey 389, 166; Suzy Lee 460, 564; Marty Wooten 36b; Rodney Ivey 59, 129.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 89 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 112, 187; Prisca Rice 29t, 420; Sarah George 68b, 143; Jared Wootten 39t, 426t; Joyce Morton 72b, 73t; Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 448b, 348b; Russell Varner 48t; Jeanette Dollar 358, 505 (CB); Emmaleigh Calhoun 503, 110; Scott Ivey 345t, 345b; Linda Sides 31t, 530; Shane Brown 204, 396; Reba Windom 270.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Tom George leading 410t. Leaders: Daniel Lee 489; Cheyenne Ivey 182; Suzy Lee 349; Nicholas Thompson 398; Prisca Rice 294; Charles Stiefel 47b; Sarah George 327; Jared Wootten 101t; Joyce Morton 47t; Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 39b; Emmaleigh Calhoun 100; Linda Sides 117; Shane Brown 299; Reba Windom and Nicholas Thompson 30b.

Announcements were made.

Tom George and Dennis George led 521 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairman—Tom George; Secretary—Dennis George

KERMIT ADAMS AND STEVE ADAMS MEMORIAL SINGING

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama

Saturday, June 24, 2023

The Kermit Adams and Steve Adams Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Mike Hankins leading 33b. Butch White offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve:

Chairman—Mike Hankins; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging—Mike Hankins.

Leaders: Mike Hankins 34b; Roma Rice 59, 31b; Louise Yeager 56t, 480; Butch White 77t, 30b; Loretta Whitman 30t, 61; Lauren Allen 100, 75; Margaret Keeton 146, 147t; Faye Donaldson 47t, 225t.

RECESS

Mike Hankins called the class back to order by leading 276. Leaders: Betty Baccus 285t, 101t; Roma Rice 46, 163b; Margaret Keeton 108t; Loretta Whitman 343, 283; Butch White 178, 37b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Mike Hankins leading 569b. Leaders: Lauren Allen 503, 77b, 323b; Christian Drew 45t; Faye Donaldson 144, 138t; Sara Berry 282, 294; Roma Rice 97, 40; Louise Yeager 124, 565; Loretta Whitman 166, 68b; Butch White 496.

Mike Hankins led 323t as the closing song. Butch White dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Mike Hankins; Secretary—Roma Rice

OLD SONGS BOOK SINGING

Altamont, New York

Saturday, June 24, 2023

The Sacred Harp book singing at the Old Songs Festival allows new singers to experience the style of a traditional singing in an abbreviated format.

Leaders: Guy Bankes 47t; Dave Whitman 86; Doug Kurtz 102; Jean Seiler 142; Chris Haller 442; Melody Johnson 475; Nathan Bean 146; Laura Densmore 315; Barbara Swetman 481; Karl Dise 380; Katie Reimers 547; Christopher Sblendorio and Doug Kurtze 474; Kathryn Chillemi 178; Marisa Covert and Guy Bankes 122; Judy Pardee 503; Clarice Kjerulff and Barbara Swetman 268; Guy Bankes and Laura Densmore 549.

Chairman—Guy Bankes; Secretary—Laura Densmore

OXFORD SINGING

Botley Women's Institute Hall, Oxford, United Kingdom

Saturday, June 24, 2023

The 24th Oxford All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. Sheila Girling Macadam called the class to order at 10:30 a.m. leading 34b.

Edwin Macadam offered the opening prayer.

The following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Treasure—Werner Ullah; Secretaries—Nick Hall, David Garman and Margaret Gillanders; Arranging Committee—Emma Rock and Sheila Girling Macadam; Pitchers—Rachel Jordan, Toby Goss, Helen Brown, Calum Woods and Michael Walker; Chaplains—Edwin Macadam, Michael Walker, Calum Woods, Ted Brown and Al Williams.

Leaders: Edwin Macadam 47t; Emma Rock 29t; Dave Townsend 217; Toby Goss 73b; Mandy Townsend 84; David Garman 107; Lorraine Irving 30b; Neil Horlock 65; Werner Ullah 28b; Sue Bird 535; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 294; Brenda Harvey 111b; Grace Scrimgeour 216.

RECESS

Calum Woods brought the class back to order leading 79. Leaders: Barry Parsons 63; Derek Buckland 278t; James Roche 499; Michael Walker 182; Machna Nowak 85; Helen Brown 421; Calum Parker 318; Nick Hall 150; Susanne Rolli 277; Inga Buckland 110; Matthew Parkinson 101t; Nigel Bowley 102; Rachel Jordan 492; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 46; Al Williams 227.

RECESS

Toby Goss brought the class back together by leading 472. Leaders: Ted Brown 391; Neil Horlock 400; Chris Coombs 103.

Michael Walker conducted a combined sick and housebound and memorial lesson. He drew on the writings of Søren Kirkegaard and his belief in the nature of love being focused on others, whether living or dead. We were asked to think of the following people still with us: Seth Dickens, Michelle Rice, Uschi Nolte, Eva Striebeck, Ann Wiggins, Elizabeth Roche, Stephanie Ramamurthy, Ram Ramamurthy, Daniel Oldham, Estes Jackson, Rob Mahoney, Hannah Land, and Sarah Tschiggfrie.

Thoughts were also addressed to those no longer with us Nigel Eagle—Stanton Harcourt; John Graham—Oxford; Mike Cooper—Catsfield; Norman Denny and Hector Gilchrist—Surrey; Jenny Bancroft—Hay-on-Wye; Bob Lister—Sedgeborough; Mary R Shepherd and George H Shepherd—Wantage; Doreen Carlyle—St. Annes-on-Sea; Dave Thorpe, Richard Drane, Norman Franklin, and Ernest Preston—London; Alastair Sayles—Leeds; John Heptinstall—Kenilworth; Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, and Norma Green—Alabama, USA; Phillip Denney and Cathy White—Georgia, USA; Ted Mercer—Illinois, USA; Cheryl Foreman—Texas, USA; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Richard Rosenbloom—New York, USA; Teresa Cavallar and Anna Zamboni—Italy; David Adler—Scotland; Marita Cummins—Ireland; Madeleine O'Brien—Eastbourne; and Tracey—Wales. Calum Woods closed the service with prayer.

Leaders: Michael Walker 131b; Helen Brown 220; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 335; Calum Woods 195; Anna Eggers 349; James Roche 549; Grace Scrimgeour 547; Barry Parsons 522. Ted Brown offered thanks for the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

The first afternoon session commenced with Nick Hall leading 207.

Leaders: Nigel Bowley 159; Werner Ullah 503; Machna Nowak 425; David Garman 146; Al Williams 551; Rachel Jordan 425; Matthew Parkinson 411; Derek Buckland 165; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Calum Parker 270; Emma Rock 480; Ted Brown

187; Inga Buckland 504; Edwin Macadam 236; Michael Walker 56b; Brenda Harvey 99; Susanne Rolli 300; Chris Coombs 430.

RECESS

The final session commenced with Pete Eiseman-Renyard leading 496.

Leaders: Sue Bird 178; Anna Eggers 564; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 201; Mandy Townsend 163t; Dave Townsend 183; Nigel Bowley 39b; Grace Scrimgeour 155; Calum Parker 276; Dilwyn Scott 40; Calum Woods 291; Rachel Jordan and Nick Hall 474; Helen Brown and Ted Brown 454 (for Hannah Land); Derek Buckland and Inga Buckland 38t.

The Secretaries reported fifty-one singers had registered from the UK, Ireland, and Germany and seventy-six songs had been led by thirty-five leaders. The Treasurer reported all the day's expenses had been met. Announcements were made. Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam thanked all the officers, committees and anyone who helped in any way to make this singing a success. It was agreed the 25th Oxford All-Day Singing should be held at the Botley Women's Institute Hall on Saturday, June 22, 2024.

Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam led 347 as the closing song. Al Williams offered the closing prayer, after which the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Secretaries—Nick Hall, David Garman, and Margaret Gillanders

QUILCENE SINGING

Gray Coast Guildhall, Quilcene, Washington

Saturday, June 24, 2023

The Olympic Peninsula Sacred Harp Singers met at Gray Coast Guildhall in Quilcene, Washington, on the fourth Saturday in June for the first Quilcene All-Day Singing. The class was called to order by Rosie Sokolov and Kristofer Ilex leading 82t. Kelsey Nelsen offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bob Schinske 39b; Laura McMurray 144; Reed Schilbach 312b; Kelsey Nelsen 146; Carrie Walker 31t; Sophie Sokolov 283; Nicole Scott 383; Peter Schinske 171; Susan Helf 34b; Erik Schwab 406; Lauren Heidt, Rosie Sokolov, and Kristofer Ilex 278t; Kevin Barrans 300; Dana Steege-Jackson 114; David Wright 423.

RECESS

Jenna "Bertie" Tompkins led 56b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Anne Huckins 479; Kate Fortin and Kyra Wheaton 71; Deb Koch 313b; Dami Osoba and Kelly Kennedy 522; Mark Godfrey 209; Marla Elliott and Blaise Sullivan 66; Jane Cannon 112; Julia Zaffarano 430; Josh Nestor and Thom Fahrbach 317; Lindy Groening 286 (for JJ); Aislinn Conroy and Kim Lusk 89; Pippa Stoddard 157; Kate Fine 546; Karen Willard 494; Maggie Zhou 75; Bridge Hill Kennedy 475.

RECESS

Lindy Groening led 72b to bring class back together. Leaders: Betsy Jeronen 534; Kathy Vlach 122; June Sanders and Sophie Sokolov 414 (for Margo); David Schmitt 208; Will Jevne and Carrie Walker 274t; Claire Hogan 165; Steve Luttinen 500; Nancy Novotny 444; Leigh Cooper 411; Stephanie Fida 26; Thom Fahrbach 460 (for those looking for where there's no sickness or pain); Dorothy Mitchell 354t; Rosie Sokolov 378b; Kristofer Ilex 505. Kelsey Nelsen asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Carrie Walker and Joanne Pontrello led 162 to bring the class back together.

Leaders: Kelly Kennedy 492; Kelsey Nelsen 312t; Dana Steege-Jackson 106; Maggie Zhou 192; Mullen Hamilton 384; Peter Schinske 302; Julia Zaffarano 142; David Schmitt 216; Leigh Cooper 269; Dami Osoba and Lindy Groening 504; Jane Cannon 548; David Wright 280; Claire Hogan 141; Bob Schinske 498; Pippa

Stoddard 392; Bridge Hill Kennedy and Michael Levine 45t; Stephanie Fida 464; Lindy Groening 179; Steve Luttinen 32b; Karen Willard 388; Carrie Walker 318; Betsy Jeronen 436; Thom Fahrback 472.

RECESS

Dana Steege-Jackson led 58 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Nicole Scott 335; Laura McMurray 512; Kevin Barrans 74b; Kate Coxon 377; Mark Godfrey 348b; Marla Elliott 535; Kate Fine 68b; Kathy Vlach 84; Erik Schwab 63; Kate Fine, Betsy Jeronen, Carrie Walker, and Kristofer Ilex 527 (for JJ); Anne Huckins and Reed Schilbach 344; Susan Helf 497; Sophie Sokolov 129; Kate Fortin 284; Kristofer Ilex 442; Rosie Sokolov 428. Announcements were made.

Rosie Sokolov and Kristofer Ilex lead 565 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Kelsey Nelsen.

Co-chairpersons—Rosie Sokolov and Kristofer Ilex; Secretaries—Nicole Scott and Peter Abrahamsen

MT. LEBANON BAPTIST CHURCH **Fayette County, Alabama** **Sunday, June 25, 2023**

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in June. The class was called to order by David Ballinger leading 56t. Buddy Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

After welcoming comments, the class organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Lisa Geist; Vice Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Secretary—Amanda Hardiman; Arranging Committee—David Ballinger.

Leaders: Chris Ballinger 270; Amanda Hardiman 453; Allie Ballinger and Linton Ballinger 35; Beth Wallace and Ridley Colvin 457; Ken Tate 143; Lilly Underwood 426t; Jimmy Ballinger 84; Brenda Robbins and Emily West 47b; Jeff James 47t; Will Thompson and Amy Thompson 45t; Buddy Ballinger, Sam West, and Aiden West 343; Sherry Stover and Linton Ballinger 460; Danny Creel 475; Tory Colvin 100; Earl Ballinger 204; Elene Stovall 200; Andy Ditzler 426b; Janet Litton and Anita Morris 472; Mike Hankins 477; Garrett Morton and Reba Windom 216.

RECESS

Larry Ballinger led 97 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Drew McGuire 532; Beverly Nelson, Drue Abel, and Evvie Abel 155; David Ballinger, Whitney Ballinger, James Ballinger, Mary Ballinger, and Grady Ballinger 108t; Jill Porter, Ella Porter, and Eady Porter 405; Ronnie Ballinger, Whitney Visser, Ben Visser, Blythe Visser, Byrdie Visser, and Owen Visser 269; Cheyenne Ivey 430; Warren Steel 411; Shawn Taylor 318; David Jackson 499; Judy Caudle 500; Philip Gilmore 422; Abigail Cannon 455; Robert Chambless 73b; Amelia O'Del, Mario Wilson, Joy Wilson, and Londyn Wilson 63; Phillip Ballinger 340.

RECESS

Lomax Ballinger led 277 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Daniel Hardiman, Amanda Hardiman, Addie Hardiman, and Lyla Hardiman 30t; Jagger Eastman, Anna Eastman, and Elizabeth Eastman 159; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 209; Barbara Cooley and Mike Ballinger 59; David Brodeur 220; Loyd Ivey and Lilly Underwood 424; Cindy Tanner 208; Paul Godsey and Zena Tucker 32t, 168; Alex Forsyth 396; Karen Ivey 503; Arlon Gardner 565. Gary Thomas offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Lisa Geist leading 492 and 377. Leaders: Rodney Ivey 528; Anita Landess 224; Nicholas Thompson 120; Anna Hinton 203; Tom George 386; Amber Davis 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Nathan Rees 306; Judy Chambless 222; Chris Nicholson 212; Rebekah Gilmore 31t; Reba Windom 542;

Matt Hinton 217; Cassie Allen 444; Tim Taylor 474; Louise Yeager and Loretta Whitman 480; David Ivey 448b; Chuck Howell 569b; Mary Amelia Taylor 298; Blake Sisemore 550; Sarah George 432; Henry McGuire 441; Erica Hinton 534; Wayne Baines 339; Ainslie Allen 192; Margaret Keeton 276; Ann Jett 546; Samuel Williams 271b. Announcements were made.

Lisa Geist and Chris Ballinger led 323t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Danny Creel, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Lisa Geist; Vice Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Secretary—Amanda Hardiman

NEW HOPE CHURCH SINGING **Cullman County, Alabama** **Sunday, June 25, 2023**

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at New Hope Church on the fourth Sunday in June. The class was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Christopher Mann leading 569b (in memory of Ruben Williams). Butch White offered the opening prayer. Christopher Mann welcomed everyone, thanked the caretakers that tend to the upkeep of the church building and cemetery, and expressed condolences to the family of Ruben Williams, who had previously been the primary caretaker and a proponent of this singing for many years.

In a business session, it was unanimously decided to keep the same officers as follows: Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Anna Grace Sipe; Secretary—Cindy Mann.

Leaders: Christopher Mann 565; Butch White 73b, 313b; Tom Booth 34b, 37b; Delone Cobbs 312t, 489; Nancy Tuck Brown 335, 358; Hazel Heinze 68b, 347; Buell Cobb 127, 82t; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 63, 77t; Linda Booth 481, 166; Cindy Mann 159, 274t; Geraldine Sharpton and Hazel Heinze 496; Geraldine Sharpton 490; Jim Pate and Londa Pate 59, 145t, 145b, 72b. The secretary of the cemetery committee gave a financial update on the status of the cemetery, recent improvements on the building, and thanked the singers for attending. A blessing was asked at the tables.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Christopher Mann leading 31t.

Leaders: Geraldine Sharpton, Essie Hollingsworth, and Nancy Tuck Brown 143, 45t; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 40; Joyce White 480; Joyce White and Londa Pate 312b; Tom Booth 475, 441; Hazel Heinze 147t; Linda Booth 146; Buell Cobb 79; Butch White 535; Cindy Mann 47b; Delone Cobbs 551; Christopher Mann 358 (by request). Announcements were made.

Christopher Mann led 62 as the closing song. Tom Booth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Anna Grace Sipe; Secretary—Cindy Mann

AMSTERDAM SINGING **Gist, Amsterdam, The Netherlands** **Saturday, July 1, 2023**

The 2nd Amsterdam All-Day Singing was called to order by Anne Eringa leading 171, and then, offering prayer.

Leaders: Eleni Melis 29t; Johannes Kunst 203; John O'Flynn 37b; Paul Kolenbrander 39t; Maria Neumann-Fraune 38t; Ailish McMahan 65; Lucie O'Flynn 159; Cath Saunt 73t; Ewa Lichnerowicz 33t; Dami Osoba 282; Fieta Spörhase, Jaro Spörhase, and Sonja Funke 268; Desmond O'Flynn 84; Daniel Wippermann 68b; Suzanne Vrinte 146; Niamh Madigan 401; Gerben Vos 354t.

RECESS

Aislinn Ahern called the class back to order leading 217. Leaders: Tjitske de Schipper 122; Claire O'Flynn and Mike Morrisroe 361; Dami Osoba 86; Maria Neumann-Fraune 114; Johannes Kunst 300; Desmond O'Flynn 504; Anne Eringa 180; Ewa Lichnerowicz 383; Eleni Melis 274t; Niamh Madigan 103; Cath Saunt 101t; Mike Morrisroe 77t; Daniel Wippermann 231; Steph Malpass 272; Ailish McMahan 127; Gerben Vos 66; Lucie O'Flynn 335; Paul Kolenbrander 440.

LUNCH

John O'Flynn called the class back to order leading 551. Leaders: Aislinn Ahern 426b; Niamh Madigan 507; Anne Eringa 173; Frans Ris 236; Maria Neumann-Fraune 112; Desmond O'Flynn 455; Tjitske de Schipper 198; Dami Osoba 63; Ewa Lichnerowicz 442; Hessel Castricum 260; Cath Saunt 276; Leif Simer 195; Eleni Melis 89; Johannes Kunst 142; Ailish McMahan 102; Mike Morrisroe 447.

RECESS

Lucie O'Flynn called the class back to order leading 480. Leaders: Gerben Vos 344; Steph Malpass 436; Daniel Wippermann 410t; Aislinn Ahern 472; Paul Kolenbrander 522; Desmond O'Flynn 178; Ciske Boekelo 209; Claire O'Flynn and John O'Flynn 556; Hessel Castricum 183; Tjitske de Schipper 107; Rike Fischer and John O'Flynn 29b; Frans Ris 143; Cath Saunt 228; Suzanne Vrinte 189; Steph Malpass 349; Dami Osoba 117; Mike Morrisroe 131t; John O'Flynn 99; Niamh Madigan 181.

The chair thanked all who had helped with the singing. The treasurer reported that all expenses were met. The secretary reported that after the closing song seventy-four songs will have been sung by thirty-four singers, of whom twenty-nine leaders, from six countries (Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands, Spain, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America). Announcements were made.

Anne Eringa offered the closing prayer. The class sang 62, and was dismissed. Chairman—Anne Eringa; Secretaries—Aislinn Ahern and Gerben Vos

LEWES SACRED HARP SINGING DAY

South Malling Parish Church, Lewes, Sussex, United Kingdom

Saturday, July 1, 2023

The annual Lewes Sacred Harp Singing Day was called to order by Rachel Jordan leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Edwin Macadam. Leaders: Nick Hall 163t; Eleanor Callaghan 474; Rob Mahoney 107; Iain Paxon 344; Ron Hollman 442; Natalie Edelman 86; Ian Lamb 515; Steve Biggs 276; Neil Horlock 324; James Roche 147t; Steve Welch 569t; Tom Gerber 148; Oskar Kvasnes 452.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Sheila Girling Macadam leading 47t. Leaders: Werner Ullah 503; Samuel Turner 274b; Teresa Maguire 67; Joyce Smith 34t; Edwin Macadam 288; Steve Brett 56t; Nick Hall 448t; James Roche 489; Eleanor Callaghan 48b; Rob Mahoney 268; Ian Lamb 551; Neil Horlock 400; Rachel Jordan 122 (for Seth Dickens); Steve Biggs 178.

RECESS

The third session commenced with Ron Hollman leading 444. Leaders: Iain Paxon 183; Steve Welch 147b; Edwin Macadam 330b. Rob Mahoney spoke for the sick and housebound and Jean Mahoney read their names as follows: Elizabeth Roche, Jon Jaffa, Seth Dickens, Ian Prior, Mike Rayment, Steven Black, Lin Cawthorne, Noreen Shaw, Louise Wilson and Herta Hoenisch. Rob then spoke for the deceased and Jean read the following names: Alice Duggan, Charlotte James, Eddie Mountfield, Jerry Barty, Teresa Cavallar, Richard Drane, Anna Zamboni, David Adler, Ernest Preston, Mike Cooper, Richard Spong, Chris Judge, Brigid Hurn, John Heptinstall, Lydia

Lewallen, David Thorpe, Graham DeZarn, and Michael Keane. Rob Mahoney led 70t in their memory, and closed the memorial with prayer. Leaders: Joyce Smith 69t; Sheila Girling Macadam 430; Teresa Maguire 129; Oskar Kvasnes 378t; Steve Brett 358 (for Helen and Ted Brown). Milly Murphy offered Grace before the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Brenda Bowley leading 159. Leaders: Tom Gerber 108b; Nigel Bowley 113; Nick Hall 314; Catherine Roberts 556; Sheila Girling Macadam 103; Rachel Jordan 500; Werner Ullah 457; Steve Brett 336; Edwin Macadam 550; Eleanor Callaghan 481; Samuel Turner 378b; Joyce Smith 300; Nick Hall 455; James Roche 528; Oskar Kvasnes 384; Ron Hollman 547; Neil Horlock 504; Teresa Maguire 71; Steve Biggs 49b.

RECESS

The final session commenced with Iain Paxon leading 99. Leaders: Rob Mahoney 163b; Brenda Bowley 101b; Ian Lamb 287; Catherine Roberts 445; Steve Welch 50b; Nigel Bowley 565; Samuel Turner 189; Werner Ullah 278t; Sheila Girling Macadam 114; James Roche 143; Edwin Macadam 499; Oskar Kvasnes 350; Teresa Maguire 72b. Announcements were made.

Rachel Jordan thanked all who had helped in any way to make this singing possible, and then she and Nick Hall led 347 as the closing song. Ian Lamb offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rachel Jordan; Secretaries—Nick Hall, James Roche, and David Garman

PIONEER VALLEY SINGING

Deerfield Community Center, Deerfield, Massachusetts

Saturday, July 1, 2023

The 21th annual Pioneer Valley All-Day Singing was held at the Deerfield Community Center on Saturday before the first Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Tim Eriksen leading 171. Leaders: Kit Walsh 36b; John Davis 32t; Myles Louis Dakan 460; Luke Mosher 268; Jana Yeaton 95; Jeremy Galvagni 100; Nic Tuff 33b; Christine Andrews 500; Rick Johnston 436; Liz Patton 187; John Holbrook 384; Erin Fulton 374; Wendy Sibbison 220; Ron Trial 200; Joseph Dunn 85; George Sigut 448t; William Schuller 132; Micah John Walter 377; Matthew Leger-Small 475.

RECESS

Peter Irvine called the class back together leading 155. Leaders: Anna Bowen 478; Johnathan Spencer 411; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 270; Laura Clampitt and Susannah Hoffman 335; Sue Peters 73t; Yael Tarshish 440; Janet Sponberg and Emily Ehrensperger 129; Kelly House 99.

Jana Yeaton led 285b for sick and shut-in singers listed below: Lance Fulton, Tim Gregg, Ella Gilliland, Nancy Paris, Tom Waggener, Sue Dierlis, Dan Phemayotin, Liam Lehrer, Pat Waggener, David Carlton, Jesse Vear, Malcolm Snape, and Jennifer Jones; as well as in memorial for the following deceased: Ronnie L Troxtell and Mary Troxtell—Kentucky; Philip Denney—Georgia; John Dexter, David Eye, and Jon Werberg—New York; Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Hoff—DC/VT; Cordelia Reimer, Aaron Reimer, and Benjamin Reimer—Massachusetts; William R Wylie—Maine; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Martha Lane Browne.

Singing resumed after Jana's prayer with Becky Wright leading 312b. Leaders: Allison Steel 345b; Bill Holt 455; Elsa Phemayotin 426t; Guy Bankes 534; Irene Gilb 372; Charles Biada 337; Mary Skidmore 426b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Kit Walsh leading 326. Leaders: Ateven Snderson 32b; Peter Irvine and Linda Shea 168; Marie Brandis 212; MB Gowins 300; Ivy Hauser 528; Stina Soderling 375; Sarah Maiko 198; Amy S. Finlay 189; Gwen Gethner 216; Tristan Gordon 157; Andrew Magee 56b; Lilly Israel 361; Joanne Fuller 406; Tim Eriksen 245; Liz Patton 383; Luke Mosher 59; William Schuller 410t; Erin Fulton 320 (in honor of Tom Waggener of Mississippi).

RECESS

Myles Louis Dakan called the class back to order leading 40. Leaders: Ron Trial 497; Emily Ross 182; George Sigut 72b; Joseph Dunn 47b; Irene Gilb 348t; Elsa Phemayotin 445; Jenny Brown 558; Guy Bankes 444; Wendy Sibbison 548; Sarah Maiko 454; Tristan Gordon 101t; Christine Andrews 456; Sue Peters 97; Stina Soderling 441; Ivy Hauser 67. Matthew Leger-Small closed the singing leading 62. NOTE—Special thanks to John Davis and Historic Deerfield, who graciously offered an indoor singing space when the original outdoor venue became unusable due to wildfire smoke.

Chairman—Matthew Leger-Small; Vice Chairman—Will Harron; Secretary—Kit Walsh

HENAGAR-UNION CONVENTION **Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama** **July 1-2, 2023** **Saturday, July 1**

The Henagar-Union Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in July. The class was called to order by Scott Ivey leading 82t. Gary Rogan offered the opening prayer. Scott Ivey welcomed the class, made a few announcements, and then led 171.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 59 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Nicholas Thompson and Garrett Morton 216 (for Betty Shepherd); David Ballinger and Jimmie Ballinger 84; Jessica Bellaire 276; Lily Hammond 47b; Tarik Wareh 300; Tom Owen 442; Midge Harder 137; Tim Morton and Ivy Morton 445; Esther Morgan-Ellis 48b; David Brodeur 377; Sarah George 228; Jonathan Wood and Emily Wood 142; Emmaleigh Calhoun 472; Blake Sisemore 34t; David Smead 36t; Molly Claire Gillett 39t; Jackson Owen 236; Wayne Wootten 155.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Shane Wootten and Loyd Ivey leading 101t. Leaders: Barrett Patton 470; Scott Curran 532; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 49b; Jerry Turlington 68b; Kathy Manning 426b; Tom Booth 480; Vivian Ivey, Meredith Ivey, and Stuart Ivey 146; Hoss Curran 319; Everett Ivey 421; Ellee Curran 196; Meredith Ivey, Vivian Ivey, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 186; Abi Curran 75.

RECESS

Scott Ivey led 129 to bring the class together. Leaders: Martha Beverly 504; Larry Brasher and Louise Brasher 385b; Bill DuPre 440; Kerry Cullinan 270; Marian Mitchell 299; Buell Cobb 439; Leigh Cooper 212; Kevin Dyess 209; Samuel Sommers 534; Will Fitzgerald and Farell Stearns 569b; Linda Booth 350; Hollie Long 170; Anne Evers 510; Louis Hughes and Allison Thompson 73t; Alex Forsyth and Rodney Ivey 217. Tom Owen asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Scott Ivey and Richard Ivey leading 399b. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 358 (in memory of Boyd Scott); Jim Carnes 162; Judy Caudle 336; Indigo Micciche 86; Ainslie Allen 546; Gillian Inksetter 411; Gary Rogan 168; Anna Hinton 383; Pat Temple 373; Yuka Oiwa 42; Stuart Ivey and Vivian Ivey 456; Andy Ditzler 527 (for Jennifer Jones); Derek Buckland 70b; Allison Thompson 335; Reba

Windom 192; Tom Evers 448t; Susan Lee and Mairye Bates 349; Shawn Taylor 283; David Wright 222; Inga Buckland 88b; Cecelia Kramer 71.

RECESS

The class was brought together by Cindy Tanner leading 76b. Leaders: Mark Godfrey 564; Kathy Williams 273; Calvin Rowe and Sierra Carvalho 448b; Matt Hinton and Emily Fink 503; Jaidyn Stump 282.

The results of the annual election of officers were announced by Tom George as follows: Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg 88t; Michele Curran 269; Julius Pasay 351; Abigail Cannon 87; Lauren Mason 455; Vivian Rogan 163b; Jeannette DePoy 89; Daniel Lee 302; Sadhbh O'Flynn 394; John Plunkett 105; Garrett Morton and Alex Forsyth 30b; Marlin Beasley 460; Paula Oliver 540; Tom George 224; Donna Wootten and Anna Oliver 99; Rodney Ivey, Loyd Ivey, and James George 97. Announcements were made.

Scott Ivey and Richard Ivey led 128 as the closing song. Matt Hinton dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, July 2

The Sunday session of the Henagar-Union Convention was brought to order by Scott Ivey leading 144. The opening prayer was offered by Dennis George. Leaders: Richard Ivey 371; Nicholas Thompson 189; Cindy Tanner 436; Karen Ivey and Vivian Ivey 182; Deborah Taube 99; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 282; Brenda Dunlap 478; Becky Briggs 179; Lauren Bock 234; Cole Wootten and Aaron Wootten 30b; Tom George and Dennis George 375; Rachel Speer 229; Chris Ballinger and Lisa Geist 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Cheyenne Ivey 172; Hayden Wootten and Brooke Wootten 399b; Adrian Eldridge 434; Jackie Tanner 73t (in memory of Bud Oliver); Beth Todd 89; Karen Rollins and Denney Rogers 222; Larry Ballinger, Linton Ballinger, and Earl Ballinger 460; Nathan Rees 464; David Carlton 538; Prisca Rice, Emmaleigh Calhoun, Jessica Bellaire, Ainslie Allen, and Jayden Hunt 430; Emily Stutzman, Mark Jones, and Thomas Link 361; Jamey Wootten 448t; Isaac Green and Sharon DuPriest 242 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Winfred Kerr 36b; Scott Curran and Michele Curran 200.

RECESS

Scott Ivey and Annie Grace Wootten led 138t to bring the class together. Leaders: Gary Rogan and Vivian Rogan 48t; Lori Rogers 162; David Light 112; Idy Kiser and Gillian Inksetter 392; Dean Jens 429; David Ivey 418 (in memory of Norma Green).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Judy Caudle spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins. She read aloud the following list of names: Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Jennifer Jones, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Bryant, Betty Shepherd, Jerry Kitchens, Richard Mauldin, Wanda Capps, Estes Jackson, Ercell Jackson, Ramona Light, Sandra Light; Sophie Sokolov, Rosie Sokolov, Tim Gregg, Brenda Waters, Rachael Geary, Jean Toole, Eva Striebeck, and Henry Guthery.

Judy read aloud the following list of names of the deceased: Marlon Wootten, Norma Green, Renae Makris, Doug Ivey, Claudene Townson, Elder J.L. Hopper, Hubert Nall, Boyd Scott, Juanita Beasley, Edna Graves, Rick West, and Wayne Culver—Alabama; Cathy White, Philip Denney, George Burnette—Georgia; James Harder, Jack Leslie—California; Réidín O'Flynn, Lila Anne Mitchell—New York; Samuel Tannenbaum—Connecticut; Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Lydia Lewallen, Lara Nguyen—North Carolina; Mary Wright, Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Solomon Ossa—Washington; Laura Weber, Kenneth Russell—Ohio; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Karen Walker—New Mexico; Philomena Henderson—Ireland. Hayden Wootten read the scripture found in Hebrews 9:27, and then read the words to the song on page 445 (Passing Away). He spoke, reflecting on the power and significance of those words. Hayden and Judy led 348b.

Shane Wootten spoke in memory of the deceased from Liberty Baptist Church (Marlon Wootten, Norma Green, Doug Ivey, Renae Makris, and Boyd Scott). Shane asked Loyd Ivey, Marian Biddle, Lily Underwood, Scott Ivey, Anna Oliver, Donna Wootten, and Wayne Wootten to join him in the square. They led 159. Tom Owen closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Hoss Curran 388; Jackson Owen 34b; Abi Curran and Michele Curran 274t; Louis Hughes and Allison Thompson 565; Ellee Curran 142; Linda Thomas 131b; Lily Underwood 39t; Brenda Carroll and Rodney Ivey 384 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Blake Sisemore and Alex Forsyth 507; Cassie Allen 512; Jared Wootten, Annie Grace Wootten, and Chelsea Wootten 313t. Jared Wootten asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Scott Ivey leading 111t. Leaders: Deborah Morton, Angie Collier, Josh Collier, and Garrett Morton 299; Butch White 313b; Lily Hammond 63; Maddie Mullaney 402; Rodney Ivey and Shane Wootten 398 (CB) (for Jack Ivey); Leigh Cooper and Mark Godfrey 318; Clarke Williams 204; Jerry Turlington 288; Pam Nunn 362; Shawn Taylor, Andy Ditzler, and David Brodeur 528; Stefani Priskos 203; Richard Ivey, Stuart Ivey, Everett Ivey, Vivian Ivey, and Meredith Ivey 111b; Matt Hinton and Anna Hinton 212; Anne Evers and Tom Evers 86 (in memory of Bill Beverly); Lisa Bennett and David Smead 110; Vella Dailey 452; Judy Caudle and Barrett Patton 428; Ann Jett and Barrett Patton 327; Shane Brown 260; Kathy Manning and Pat Temple 33t; Loyd Ivey and Marian Biddle 283; Cecelia Kramer, Martha Beverly, and Marian Mitchell 210.

RECESS

Scott Ivey led 56t. Leaders: Judy Mincey 504; Sarah George, Tom George, and Cindy Tanner 198; Sierra Saylor, Tullia Powell, David Saylor, and Teresa Saylor 209; Molly Claire Gillett, Kevin Dyess, Indigo Micciche, Chloe Somers, Kerry Cullinan, and Yuka Oiwa 369; Reba Windom, Abigail Cannon, and Shelby Castillo 542; Inga Buckland and Derek Buckland 102; Syble Adams and Marty Wootten 472; Julius Pasay, Sadhbh O'Flynn, and David Wright 390 (for Rosie Sokolov); Midge Harder and Darlene Dalton 67; Will Fitzgerald, Tarik Wareh, and Samuel Sommers 176t; Tim Morton and Jonathan Wood 228; Jeannette DePoy, Kathy Williams, and Jesse P. Karlsberg 147t; Daniel Lee and Susan Lee 278t; Paula Oliver and Connie Des Marais 270; Jaidyn Stump and Sierra Carvalho 268; Esther Morgan-Ellis 113; Marlin Beasley and Rodney Ivey 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Cheyenne Ivey and Rodney Ivey 465 (CB) (in memory of Coy Ivey); Shane Wootten, Sandy Ivey, and Scott Ivey 201; Hayden Wootten, Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Scott Ivey 47t (in memory of Hobert Ivey).

Scott Ivey and Richard Ivey led 62 as the closing song. Shane Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

INDEPENDENCE DAY SINGING **Union Methodist Church, Wellington, Alabama** **Monday, July 3, 2023**

The Independence Day Singing was held this year at the beautiful and historic Union Methodist Church, Wellington, Alabama. The class was brought to order by Rene Greene leading 40. Samuel Sommers offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Samuel Sommers 492; Nicholas Thompson 303 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); Pam Nunn 186; Will Fitzgerald 274b; Lisa Bennett 275b; Jessica Bellaire 89; Gillian Inksetter 73b; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Alice Bean 49t; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 225t; Marian Mitchell 53; Yuka Oiwa 56b; Adrian Eldridge 137; Lily Hammond 117; Glenda Collins 63; David Smead 446; Martha Beverly 171; Esther

Morgan-Ellis 340; Mairye Bates 168; Derek Buckland 48b; Prisca Rice 32t; Dan Brittain 111b; Midge Harder 92; Bill McNeese 229; Inga Buckland 110; Emmaleigh Calhoun 542; Bert Collins 35; Anita Landess 297; Barbara Smith 112; Samuel Sommers 232; Pam Nunn and Nicholas Thompson 269 (in memory of Shelbie Sheppard); Martha Beverly 217; Gillian Inksetter 181; David Brodeur 381. Nicholas Thompson offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Samuel Sommers leading 319. Leaders: Prisca Rice 38b; Kerry Cullinan 164; Dean Jens 45t; Lori Rodgers 47b; Adrian Eldridge 176b; Rachel Speer 187; Dan Brittain 333; David Brodeur 352; Derek Buckland 44; Esther Morgan-Ellis 225b; David Smead 346; Bill McNeese 565; Lily Hammond 196; Yuka Oiwa 103; Alice Bean 496; Marian Mitchell 107; Judy Chambless 29t; Lisa Bennett 29b; Jim Neal 477; Emmaleigh Calhoun 245; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 300; Anita Landess and Dan Brittain 472; Emily Stutzman and Mark Jones 276; Inga Buckland 34b; Barbara Smith 344; Kevin Dyess 376; Ian Suchon 58; Jim Neal, Emily Stutzman, Dean Jens, and Mark Jones 148; Robert Chambless and Will Fitzgerald 384; Jessica Bellaire and Rachel Speer 203; Lori Rodgers, Pam Nunn, and Rene Greene 556 (in memory of Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard and Rozlynn Greene). Rene Greene thanked the members of the church for their hospitality and for the visitors in attendance. Rene Greene and Samuel Sommers led 36b as the closing song. Judy Chambless offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Samuel Sommers; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

CAMP FASOLA

Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama

July 3-7, 2023

Monday, July 3

Arrival, Registration, and Orientation Registration for Camp FaSoLa 2023 began at 3:00 p.m. Campers were issued t-shirts, procedure lists, room assignments, maps, and identification badges. Campers had free time, followed by counselor orientation sessions, and then supper at 6:00 p.m. Everyone met with Director David Ivey at Lakeview Lodge at 7:00 p.m. for general orientation and instructions.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Lakeview Lodge. The class was called to order by Blake Sisemore leading 37b. Leaders: Gillian Inksetter and Jeannette DePoy 65; Judy Caudle and Jim Neal 61; Emily Stutzman, Tabitha Cook, Taylor Cook, and Trinity Cook 59; Jonathon Smith and Scott DePoy 201; Alex Forsyth, Landon Kiser, Kason Stone, Calvin Jens, and Mark Jones 32t; Pam Nunn and Barbara Smith 481; Lori Rodgers and Ian Suchon 475; Ann Mashchak, Laura Russell, and Dan Comstock 300; Paula Oliver and Idy Kiser 73t; Lily Hammond and David Wright 205; Hollie Long and Dean Jens 53; Jaidyn Stump and Rachel Geary 282; Joe Kwiatkowski and Tom Evers 86; Murf Clay and Becca Clay 47b; Will Fitzgerald and Sophie Sokolov 47t; Rachel Spear and Beth Todd 373; David Smead and Shawn Taylor 534; Samuel Sommers and Larry Hall 34b; Inga Buckland and Judy Mincey 107; Barrett Patton and Derek Buckland 28b; Kerry Cullinan and Michael Darby 68b; Connie Des Marais and Lisa Bennett 318. Blake Sisemore led 521 as the closing song. Samuel Sommers offered the closing prayer. Emily Stutzman gave the devotional.

Tuesday, July 4

Lesson: Youth Rudiments I 9:00 a.m. The Ark—Stuart Ivey taught the class. He reviewed the major scale, then led the class in singing the major scale and major triads. Stuart led 36t. He discussed rhythm, time, tempo, and note values. He led 39t, and dismissed the class.

Lesson: Rudiments I 9:00 a.m. Lakeview Lodge—David Wright introduced himself, and led 49t. He reviewed the major and minor scales, the shape notes and syllable names corresponding to degrees of the scale, and then the time values of notes and rests. The class examined page 143 to see how note and rest values are used to fill measures, and other notational elements such as repeats. David led 143 and 332. The class reviewed the modes of time. David led 39t, and the class was dismissed.

Lesson: Learning Songs/Basics 10:45 a.m. Lakeview Lodge—Nathan Rees welcomed the class. He offered some suggestions for learning songs, such as, sitting beside an experienced singer at a singing, listening to recordings, and watching videos of leaders. Nathan and campers practiced singing shapes and keeping time. Leaders: Marsha Green and Nathan 62; Samuel Cordova and Nathan 435; Wanda Everett and Nathan 82b; Alissa Eiesland and Nathan 213b. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Learning Songs/Youth 1:00 p.m. The Ark—Blake Sisemore and Alex Forsyth shared ways to learn songs, such as recordings, attending singings, and practice with experienced singers. They led 49t. The class practiced singing the following songs: 123b, 569b, 361, 213t, 354b, 455, 282, and 62. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Patriotic & Secular Songs in *The Sacred Harp* 1:00 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—This class focused on songs with patriotic or otherwise secular song texts. David Wright, the teacher, discussed the origin of various types of songs that are represented in the book and shared stories and history associated with specific songs. Leaders: David Wright 479; Barrett Patton 110; Beth Todd 137; David Wright 136, 346; Inga Buckland and Derek Buckland 323b; Esther Morgan-Ellis 358. David Wright led the following songs that are not in the Sacred Harp: ‘The Star of Columbia’, ‘America’, ‘The Star-Spangled Banner’. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Accent 2:15 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Nathan Rees welcomed the class, and referred to page 16, section 14 of the Rudiments, which defines accent. The class practiced observing accent while singing notes and words. Nathan led 32t, 64, 97, and 412. Ian Suchon led 417. Nathan encouraged campers to practice singing with accent, and then dismissed the class.

Lesson: The Music and Mystery of E.J. King 3:30 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Nathan Rees introduced himself to the class, and then introduced the composer, Elisha James King. He led 101t. Brent DeBoard led 87. Nathan discussed a few known facts about E.J. King: he was born in 1821 near Macon, Georgia; he moved to West Georgia where he met and was trained in music by B.F. White. Nathan stated that so little is known because E.J. King died young in 1844, before the Sacred Harp was published. He also mentioned E.J. King wrote no alto parts in his life and the following tunes were sung with no alto parts. Leaders: Tom Evers 33b; Kerry Cullinan 77t; Sophie Sokolov ‘Talbotton’; Rusha Wheeler 82t; Inga Buckland 99; Derek Buckland 100; Ian Suchon 98; Chloe Somers 102; Esther Morgan-Ellia and Lily Hammond 234; Connie Des Marais 227. Nathan dismissed the class.

Lesson: Leading Workshop/Beginners 4:45 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Judy Caudle introduced herself, stating that she is a fourth-generation shape-note singer. Judy led 76t. She referred to the exercises on pages 15 and 16 in the Rudiments. The class practiced keeping time while singing these exercises. Inga Buckland led 46. Kerry Cullinan led 310. Judy discussed tempo, stating that some songs lend themselves well to peppy tempos, while others do not. The discussion also covered dragging (giving notes more and more time) vs slow tempo (giving notes relative time). Leaders: Beth Todd 501; Kerry Cullinan 455; Thomas Evers 489; Laura Ann Russell 81t. The class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—The class was called to order by Rachel Geary leading 82t. Barrett Patton offered the opening prayer. The officers serving

for the night singing are as follows: Chairman—Rachel Geary; Secretary—Sophie Sokolov; Arranging Committee—Alissa Eiesland and Brook Figursky. Leaders: Alissa Eiesland 31t; Grace Whitener, Allison Ivey, and Vivian Ivey 46; Molly-Claire Gillett and Barrett Patton 344; Brenda DeBoard and Bill DuPre 195; Adrian Eldridge 211; Karen Ivey and Sally Langendorf 314; Leslie Booher 133; Kevin Dyess and Esther Morgan-Ellis 173; Taylor Cook, Trinity Cook, and Tabitha Cook 282; Kason Stone and Blake Sisemore 49b; Sierra Saylor and Tullaia Powell 504; Yuka Oiwa and Chloe Somers 312b; Brenda Dunlap 428; Cheyenne Ivey and Barrett Patton 182; Mark Bowman and Mike Green 155; Nandra Perry and Suzy Lee 300; Sophie Sokolov 124; Sierra Carvalho and Daniel Lee 410t; Dan Comstock and Laura Ann Russell 479; Ann Mashchak and Dan Comstock 551; Dean Jens and Ian Suchon 434; Alex Forsyth and Landon Kiser 123b; Michael Darby and Lily Hammond 148; Kerry Cullinan and Beth Todd 566; Rachel Geary 414. Molly-Claire Gillett offered the closing prayer. Samuel Cordova presented the devotional. The class was dismissed.

Wednesday, July 5

Lesson: Youth Rudiments II 9:00 a.m. The Ark—Jonathon Smith reviewed the major scale. He then defined the minor scale. He led 159. The class practiced singing the minor scale. Jonathon reviewed note and rest values. He led 49t. The class practiced observing quarter rests as Jonathon led 79. He called attention to the purpose of a fermata (hold), and led 59. He also pointed to 145b for the use of D.C., denoting a repeat. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II 9:00 a.m. Lakeview Lodge—This class focused entirely on practicing aspects of the scale. David Wright led various singing exercises to reinforce concepts in how the scale is used and practice melodic intervals and patterns. The class sang up and down the scale in different keys; they sang up and down the scale with small skips; they sang larger ascending and descending intervals; they sang familiar melodies while David pointed at the appropriate shapes. The class then divided into two groups and practiced singing harmony intervals. The class sang 230: one group singing tenor, one group singing bass, and then switching parts. David and the class practiced singing intervals on the minor scale, again dividing into two groups. David led 159, and dismissed the class.

Lesson: Sister Songsmiths—A Look at the Lancasters 1:00 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Lauren Bock joined the campers via Zoom to teach this class. Esther Morgan-Ellis led 345b.

Lauren: The three sisters are Ann, Sarah, and Priscilla. It wasn't uncommon for women to be composing, but it is special that they were sisters, very young, and all published. The whole family was musical, going back generations to England. Sarah was the most prolific and wrote in many styles. She lived with the B.F. White family while attending school.

Lauren shared excerpts from letters written by and to the sisters. One included feedback to Ann on "New Harmony". Tullaia Powell and Rebekah Clay led 406.

Lauren: The words to 406 came from a magazine called Religious Miscellany, although she (Ann) omitted the first verse and reordered the others.

Lauren read feedback sent to Priscilla from J.P. Reese on the tune "Oh, Sing with Me!" Sophie Sokolov led 374. It is not known whether or not she (Priscilla) took the advice in the letter.

Lauren: Sarah once wrote to Ann that she had tunes running through her head day and night. Allison Ivey, Grace Whitener, Vivian Ivey, and Lottie Hinton led 112. The campers sang all the songs up to this point in this class in three parts, as they were originally written. Minnie Floyd created the alto part for "The Last Words of Copernicus." The text is from a speech that was often printed in school books.

The song “Sardis” on page 460 was written in four parts, so the campers sang four-part harmony. The song was once the most popular song in the Sacred Harp. Yuka Oiwa led 460. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: How to Beat the 7 Modes of Time/Youth 3:30 p.m. The Ark—Blake Sisemore, Alex Forsyth, and Emily Stutzman led a class to help youth learn to lead and/or practice leading. Topics covered were bringing in parts, starting and stopping time, indicating repeats, and calling verses. Twenty students and teachers were in the class and twelve were led. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: The Memorial Lesson 3:30 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Allison Ivey made opening statements about the Memorial Lesson. Karen Ivey read the following list of names of the deceased: Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Norma Green, Renae Makris, Boyd Scott, Coy Ivey, Jeff Sheppard, and Shelbie Sheppard—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina. Barrett Patton led 81t in memory of the deceased.

Allison Ivey read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Rosie Sokolov, Jennifer Jones, Eileen Forsyth, and campers and teachers with Covid. She led 35 in their honor.

Elective: Leading Workshop 4:45 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Nathan Rees and David Wright demonstrated the method of keeping time for the different modes in the songbook. The class practiced keeping time with David as he led 45t. Leaders: Zena Tucker and Nathan Rees 127; Brooklyn Figursky, Josh Rose, and David Wright 65; Chloe Somers and Nathan Rees 455; Nandra Perry and Sophie Sokolov 30t; Ray Turner 299; Esther Morgan-Ellis 48b. The class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—The class was brought to order by Landon Kiser and Adison Cook leading 56t. Kason Stone offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Jim Neal 84; Mark Jones and Calvin Jens 49t; Jonathon Smith 95; Tullia Powell 142; Landon Kiser and Alex Forsyth 39t; Barb Smith 472; Larry Hall 78; Tabitha Cook 45t; Jaidyn Stump and Taylor Cook 59; Kason Stone 47t; Grace Whitener and Vivian Ivey 46; Sierra Carvalho 277; Zena Tucker 123t; Lottie Hinton 47b; Idy Kiser and Karen Ivey 32t; Emily Stutzman 294; Barrett Patton 422; Sophie Sokolov 285t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 224; Nathan Rees 272; Dan Comstock 338; Allison Ivey 89; Mark Bowan and Blake Sisemore 178; Yuka Oiwa 37b; Teresa Saylor and David Saylor 268; Marsha Green and Ian Suchon 159; Karen Ivey 217; David Wright and Nandra Perry 52t; Blake Sisemore and Kevin Dyess 196. Landon Kiser and Adison Cook led 323t as the closing song. Mark Jones offered the closing prayer. The devotional was presented by Taylor Cook, and then she led 68b, and the class was dismissed.

Thursday, July 6

Lesson: Youth Rudiments III 9:00 a.m. The Ark—Jonathon Smith reviewed the minor and major scales. The class practiced singing scales. Jonathon then discussed rhythm, and the class practiced clapping in time as Jaidyn Stump led 274t. Jonathon talked about accent in 4/4 time, 2/4 time, and 6/8 time. He led 274t, and campers practiced accent. The class continued, paying particular attention to rhythm and accent. Leaders: Jaidyn Stump 146; Mark Jones 59; Kason Stone 383; Taylor Cook 282. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III 9:00 a.m. Lakeview Lodge—David Wright reviewed the patterns of beating time. David led 117 to illustrate how the correct beating of time depends on the notation of the music. David discussed accenting as a part of Sacred Harp singing style and reviewed where primary and secondary accents fall in various modes of time. David encouraged the class to think of accent like the stress of particular syllables or words in spoken language. It should be a part of the natural flow of the music and help to organize and clarify the musical line, not sound choppy or break up the line. The class sang 71 and 275b to practice accent in compound

time, 168 and 300 to practice accent in 4/4 time, and 322 and 88t to practice accent in 2/4 time.

Elective: Dinner on the Ground 10:45 a.m. Lakeview Lodge—Karen Rollins welcomed the class. She presented a skit, featuring Emily Stutzman, Bill DuPre, and Denny Rogers, characterizing some of the rules of decorum at the lunch tables. Some examples were don't reach across the table, don't eat in line, don't pressure people to eat certain dishes, and don't loom over the person in front of you. Campers shared food disasters and advice. Karen shared her recipes for Sweet Alabama Pecan Bread, Pretzel Salad, and Southern Cornbread Muffins. Volunteers prepared a chocolate trifle during the class that was shared at supper time.

Lesson: Youth Learning Songs and Memorial Lesson 1:00 p.m. The Ark—Emily Stutzman and Barrett Patton led the class in learning songs. Leaders: Emily Stutzman and Mark Jones 294; Lottie Hinton 142; Taylor Cook 123b; Grace Whitener 46; Kason Stone 383; Calvin Jens 53; Trinity Cook and Jaidyn Stump 457; Jaidyn Stump 87; Tabitha Cook 312b; Vivian Ivey 45t; Landon Kiser 282; Jaidyn Stump 67; Mark Jones 59.

Barrett Patton discussed the tradition of the memorial lesson. He led 348b in honor of and in memory of present and past singers. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Life and Music of S.M. Denson 1:00 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Jonathon Smith taught this class in the absence of Jesse P. Karlsberg. Molly-Claire Gillett led 314. Jonathon shared information from a handout. Seaborn McDaniel Denson belonged to the family that oversaw the Denson revisions of the Sacred Harp. He was concerned both with modernizing the book and maintaining tradition. Connie Des Marais led page 6 (New Sacred Harp). The class observed that this is in a more conventional style than most Sacred Harp songs. David Wright led 183b (Union Harp), a revival chorus style song; and Sophie Sokolov led 120t (Union Harp), a plain tune style. Jonathon Smith led 118 (Union Harp), a song with many gospel characteristics. Rachel Geary led 430. Jonathon and the class reviewed alto parts written by S.M. Denson. Rachel Speer led 336. Jonathon Smith led "Seaborn" (from the 1960 edition of the Sacred Harp). Lily Hammond and Esther Morgan-Ellis led 436. Jonathon Smith led 161 (Sacred Tunes and Hymns) with piano accompaniment. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Sacred Harp Harmony 4:15 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—David Wright discussed Judy Hauff's concepts of thick (rich, full, sweet) and thin chords from previous camps. David reviewed the chart of chords from page 22 of the Rudiments, and discussed aspects of chord voicing such as inversions of chords, doubling of notes, and spacing of the notes in a chord. The class sang 49b and 503 as examples of songs that use mainly standard or thick voicings, and 163t as a song that uses a variety of contrasting voicings. Alissa Eiesland led 547. Participants offered observations about the sounds of various chords in these pieces.

Community Singing 7:00 p.m. Lakeview Lodge—Brenda Dunlap called the class to order by leading 542. Jim Neal offered the evening prayer. Leaders: Taylor Cook, Mark Jones, Landon Kiser, Kason Stone, Calvin Jens, and Tabitha Cook 59; Hollie Long 208; Adrian Eldridge 209; Tullia Powell 547; Henry Schuman 318; Rebecca Clay and Murf Clay 178; Tom Evers 503; Sierra Carvalho 448b; Wanda Everett 63; Connie Des Marais 474; Susan Lee and Daniel Lee 349; Alissa Eiesland 38b; David Saylor and Teresa Saylor 203; Bill DuPre 74b; Molly-Claire Gillett 106; Brooklyn Figursky, Josh Rose, and Nathan Rees 65; Sierra Saylor 216; Brent DeBoard 99; Rachel Geary 30b; Lottie Hinton 146; Judy Mincey 501; Jaidyn Stump and Taylor Cook 260; Leslie Booher 319; Mike Green and Marsha Green 347; Barb Smith 448t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 207; David Wright 500; Brenda Dunlap, Chloe Somers, Rachel Speer, and Jim Neal 276. Blake Sisemore led 62 as the closing song. Jim Neal dismissed the class with prayer.

Friday, July 7

Campers gathered in the Dining Hall for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. They were free to leave camp as soon as their gear was packed.

Camp Director—David Ivey

JOHN C. CAMPBELL FOLK SCHOOL

The Open House, Brasstown, Cherokee County, North Carolina

Saturday, July 8, 2023

Stefani Priskos, the Chairman for the Folk School singing, tested positive for Covid the day before, so Will Peebles taught the one-hour introduction to shapenote singing prior to the singing itself and acted as Chairman. Will Peebles welcomed the singers to the Folk School. Steve Walker gave the opening prayer.

Selections from *The Christian Harmony* (2010). Leaders: Will Peebles 61t (CH); Mary Baumeister 452b (CH); Emma Parrish 359 (CH); Lilly Hammond 55b (CH); Steve Walker 131 (CH); Esther Morgan-Ellis 146t (CH); Dave Farmer 87 (CH); Chris Wilhelm and Abigail Cannon 432b (CH); Abigail Cannon 78b (CH); Stephen Fox 367 (CH).

RECESS

Selections from *The Sacred Harp* (1991). Leaders: Emma Parrish 497; Will Peebles 59; Chris Wilhelm 145t; Mary Baumeister 274t; Lilly Hammond 63; Esther Morgan-Ellis 285t; Steve Walker 31b; Dave Farmer 155; Abigail Cannon 84; Dave Farmer 503. Grace was offered by Steve Walker.

LUNCH

Selections from *The Christian Harmony* (2010). Leaders: Will Peebles 51 (CH); Mary Baumeister 516 (CH); Emma Parrish 26b (CH); Lilly Hammond 165 (CH); Esther Morgan-Ellis 128b (CH); Steve Walker 486t (CH); Dave Farmer 347 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 174t (CH); Mary Baumeister and Lamar Chastain 175 (CH); Will Peebles 344 (CH); Emma Parrish 179 (CH); Will Peebles and Bo Wilkey 207t (CH).

RECESS

Selections from *The Sacred Harp* (1991). Leaders: Will Peebles 58; Helen Bryson 287, 178; Chris Wilhelm and Hannah Ladesic 457; Mary Baumeister 400; Emma Parrish 209; Lilly Hammond 542; Esther Morgan-Ellis 37b; Abigail Cannon 270; Dave Farmer 455; Steve Walker 565; Chris Wilhelm 284, 48t. Announcements were made. Will Peebles led 62 as the closing song. Steve Walker offered the closing prayer.

Acting Officers: Chairman—Will Peebles; Arranging—Chris Wilhelm; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

OZIAS SACRED HARP SINGING

McDonough, Georgia

Saturday, July 8, 2023

The annual singing formerly held at Flat Shoals Primitive Baptist Church was held at Ozias Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in July. The class was called together by Charles Wood leading 49b and 45t. The opening prayer was offered by Eric Tweedy.

Leaders: Eric Tweedy 47t, 282; Jim Cason and Lucile Cason 47b, 49t; Chris Tweedy 147t, 156; Emily Lemcke 347, 87; Oscar McGuire 34b, 515; Jesse Roberts 479, 270; Sandra Wilkinson 75, 277.

The class held a business session electing Jesse Roberts as chairman pro tempore and Sandra Wilkinson as secretary for the 2023 session.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Eric Tweedy leading 276 and 297. Leaders: Charles Wood 82t, 77b; Oscar McGuire 452 (for the Casons); Chris Tweedy 101t. Jesse Roberts offered the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Jesse Roberts began the afternoon session leading 178 and 179. Leaders: Chris Tweedy 100; Oscar McGuire 440 (for Emily Lemcke), 229, 138b; Chris Tweedy 192; Sandra Wilkinson 300, 473. Announcements were made.

Jesse Roberts led 46 as the closing song, and dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jesse Roberts; Secretary—Sandra Wilkinson

SCOTLAND SACRED HARP SINGING

Holy Trinity & St Barnabas Episcopal Church, Paisley, Scotland

Saturday, July 8, 2023

The Scotland All-Day singing was held in the Wade Hall at Holy Trinity & St Barnabas Episcopal Church, Paisley. This was the first time the all-day singing had been held in Paisley. Ruth Holman called the class to order leading 34b, and offered words of welcome. Karen Turner offered an opening reflection.

Leaders: Jan Geerts 30t; Joan Gordon 47t; Karen Turner 31t; Viv O'Duffy 49t; Anne Altringham 37b; Deedee Cuddihy 569b; Margaret Bradshaw 150; Naomi Russell 479; Hannah Coutts 99; Calum Parker 472; Kate Howard 299; Cath Ingham 155; Claire Welford 201.

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw brought the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Heather Thompson 278b; Martin Rodger 277; Scott Morrison 452; Nina Riegler 101b; Deedee Cuddihy 503; Alison Cole 39t; Susannah Gill 171; Marisa Strutt 49b; Eimear MacGuire 40; Alex Federa 268; Anne Altringham 189; Kate Howard 497; Claire Welford 217.

RECESS

Ruth Holman brought the class back to order leading 68b. Leaders: Viv O'Duffy 122; Eleanor Jones-McAuley 335; Joan Gordon 47b.

Susannah Gill conducted a combined sick and housebound and memorial lesson. She led 285t in honor of and in memory of the following: Sick and Housebound—Seth Dickens, Hannah Land, Sandy Semenoff, Sandra Shields, and Carol Anne Walker; Deceased—Doreen Carlyle—St Annes-on-Sea, Josie Symes—Glasgow.

Leaders: Calum Parker 480; Heather Thompson 86; Karen Turner 48b; Nina Riegler 77b; Eimear MacGuire 500; Cath Ingham 354b. The Selkirk Grace was offered by Joan Gordon before lunch.

LUNCH

Karen Turner brought the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Anne Altringham 270; Viv O'Duffy 148; Nina Riegler 368; Calum Parker 481; Eimear MacGuire 344; Ruth Holman 547; Susannah Gill 442; Kate Howard 504; Claire Welford 372; Alex Federa 89; Jan Geerts 546; Heather Thompson 186; Joan Gordon 178; Sula O'Duffy 300.

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw brought the class back to order leading 105. Leaders: Bernee 143; Alison Cole 114; Eleanor Jones-McAuley 168; Scott Morrison 417; Claire Welford 208; Hannah Coutts 146; Susannah Gill 425; Nina Riegler 38b; Cath Ingham 334; Kate Howard 532. Ruth Holman made closing announcements, and thanked all those who had travelled to sing and those involved in organizing the day. Ruth Holman led 323t as the closing song. Joan Gordon gave an Irish blessing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ruth Holman; Secretary—Karen Turner

CULLMAN COUNTY SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Cullman County Courthouse, Cullman, Alabama

July 8-9, 2023

Saturday, July 8

The 129th session of the Cullman County Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Cullman County Courthouse on the second Sunday and Saturday before in July. The class was called to order by Tom Booth leading 56t. Butch White offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tom Booth 34b; Butch White 503, 547; Christopher Mann 75, 332; Beth Branscome 474, 208; Adrian Eldridge 454, 455; Nancy Phillips 354b, 196; Hazel Heinze 145t, 438; Kerry Cullinan 70t, 164; Carolyn Thompson 442, 500; Winfred Kerr 516, 36b; Robert Chambless 163t, 84.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Joyce White leading 178 and 282. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 318, 40 (in memory of Dennis Beasley); Nadia Bolz-Weber and Tom Booth 277, 146; Danny Creel 106, 448t; Inga Buckland 28b, 425; Charles McCravy 127, 143 (for his aunts, his mother, and his grandmother); Jeff James 117, 31b; Judy Chambless 63, 37b; Derek Buckland 74t, 56b; Mike Hankins 168, 527; Glenn Keeton and Laurie Kirkland 497, 507; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 47b, 77t; Brenda Chafin 276, 319.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Joyce White leading 515. Leaders: Karen Rollins 225t (in memory of her father); Karen Rollins and Ann Jett 327; Daniel Bearden and Brittany Bearden 35, 114; Craig Holmes 513, 479; Ann Jett 269, 546; Linda Booth 198, 273; Inga Buckland 268; Kerry Cullinan 551; Derek Buckland 160b; Robert Chambless 111b; Adrian Eldridge and Carolyn Thompson 236; Karen Rollins 227; Hazel Heinze 347; Jeff James 124; Louise Yeager and Mike Hankins 490; Christopher Mann 31t; Winfred Kerr 89; Beth Branscome 569t; Charles McCravy 176b; Danny Creel 448t; Daniel Bearden and Brittany Bearden 78; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 159 (for Cindy Mann); Craig Holmes 323t; Butch White 287; Nancy Phillips 388; Tom Booth 475; Ann Jett 498; Linda Booth 350. Tom Booth led 267 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, July 9

Tom Booth welcomed the class to the Sunday session of the Cullman County Sacred Harp Convention. Tom led 77b, and Butch White offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Butch White 313b, 86; Carolyn Thompson 142, 203; Linda Booth 186, 361; Christopher Mann 209, 39t; Kerry Cullinan 180, 193; Nancy Phillips 572, 452; Inga Buckland 38b, 399t; Rebecca Gilmore 65, 349; Marlin Beasley 348b, 406 (in memory of his mother); Adrian Eldridge 275b, 383; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 159, 274t; Philip Gilmore 76b, 77t.

RECESS

The class reconvened with Travis McCay leading 345b. Leaders: Travis McCay 117; Derek Buckland 278b, 131t; Charles McCravy 87, 145t; Hazel Heinze 63, 452; Tom Booth 44, 354t; Linda Booth 218, 489 (in memory of Caleb Allred); Brenda Chafin 335, 336; Emily Stutzman 337, 408.

LUNCH

Craig Holmes called the class to order by leading 39b. Leaders: Craig Holmes 66; Marlin Beasley 61; Edwin Dixon and Marlin Beasley 153; Joyce White 72b, 276; Butch White and Joyce White 448t; Christopher Mann 277; Derek Buckland 278t (for Uschi Nolte and Eva Striebeck); Rebecca Gilmore and Travis McKay 457; Kerry Cullinan 378t (for Donna Carlson); Inga Buckland 535; Emily Stutzman 179; Adrian Eldridge 512; Philip Gilmore and Rebecca Gilmore 47b; Charles McCravy 43;

Nancy Phillips 282; Brenda Chafin 480; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 45t; Carolyn Thompson 53. Announcements were made. Tom Booth led 472 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Booth; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Arranging Officer—Carolyn Thompson; Finance Officers—Tom Booth and Christopher Mann; Chaplain—Butch White; Secretary—Linda Booth

COLORADO SINGING

Westminster Grange Hall, Westminster, Colorado

Saturday, July 15, 2023

The Colorado All-Day Singing met at the Westminster Grange Hall on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by David Schmitt leading 171. Nadia Bolz-Weber offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Erik Mason 47t; Cathy Van Blerkom 114; Paul Landskroener 312b; Mike Chaffin 31t; Christopher Maier 117; Julia Zaffarano 547; Sam Ellenberger 105; Sandy Hill 300; Will Sims 271t; Judy Van Duzer 63; Cheryl Waskiewicz 277; Jael Anderson, Karis Anderson, Esther Anderson, and friends 45t; Amandeep Boyer 98; Corrie Skiles and Landon Skiles 112; Nadia Bolz-Weber 178; Joe Anderson 148.

RECESS

Stephanie Fida led 108t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Ginnie Ely 228; Peggy Morrison 30t; Claire Singleton 82t; Andy Ditzler 386; Mike Rasmussen 368; Thom Fahrbach 522; Eleanor Haase 455; Evelyn Lamb 272; Porter Lontz-Underhill 383; Dorothy Robinson 180; David McPherson 50t; Betsy Jeronen 440; Joy Teichert and Evelyn Lamb 225b; Mark Godfrey 215; Irene Gilb 203.

RECESS

Thom Fahrbach led 224 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Corinne Serfass 326; David Schmitt 189; Abbie Sorg 217; Erik Mason 33b; Elizabeth Teichert 268; Carolyn Deacy 421 (in memory of Melanie Hauff); Rosie Sokolov 434; David Brodeur 316; Leigh Cooper 155; Isaac Teichert 53; David Wright 349; Mercy Teichert and Evelyn Lamb 337; Kristofer Ilex 128; Esther Teichert 47b; Brian McKee 472; Dami Osoba 282. Nadia Bolz-Weber asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Corrie Skiles leading 32t. Leaders: Deb Robson 198; Mike Rasmussen 236; Claire Singleton 344; Dakota Fuller 147t; Anton Popov 49t; Mia Alvarado 139; Andy Ditzler 362; Irene Gilb 56b; Eleanor Haase 384 (for Becky Browne); Leigh Cooper 436; Betsy Jeronen 499; Carolyn Deacy 208; David McPherson 430; Corinne Serfass 453; Rosie Sokolov 163b; Mark Godfrey 225t; Brian McKee 216; Dami Osoba 504; Dorothy Robinson 456; Evelyn Lamb 374; David Brodeur 560.

RECESS

David Schmitt led 276 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Abbie Sorg 361; David Wright 352; Porter Lontz-Underhill 497; Thom Fahrbach 195; Kristofer Ilex and Rosie Sokolov 406; Ginnie Ely 454; Sam Ellenberger 564; Cathy Van Blerkom 42; Mercy Teichert, Joy Teichert, Isaac Teichert, Esther Teichert, and Elizabeth Teichert 159.

A business meeting was held to hear reports from various committees. Erik Mason reported for the Finance Committee that all expenses were met. Cathy Van Blerkom and Thom Fahrbach of the Resolutions Committee read its report: thanking God for his blessings, thanking the officers and committee members for their service, thanking the cooks for bringing delicious food, and resolving to meet at the same time next year. Corrie Skiles gave the Secretary's report stating that fifty-nine leaders

representing twelve states led eighty-two songs. The meeting was closed.

Announcements were made.

Catherine Van Duzer led 62 as the closing song. Nadia Bolz-Weber offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairwoman—Catherine Van Duzer; Vice Chairwoman—Julia Zaffarano;

Secretary—Corrie Van Duzer

GWEHELOG SACRED HARP SINGING **Gwehelog Methodist Chapel, Gwehelog, Wales**

Saturday, July 15, 2023

The 21st annual Gwehelog Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Steve Brett leading 101t. Teresa Maguire offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Joyce Smith 34b; Barry Parsons 201; Samuel Turner 52t; Clara Potter-Sweet 114; Al Williams 77b; Susannah Gill 355; Mandy Rose 318; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 48b (for Seth Dickens); Jessica Beer 277; Grace Scrimgeour 216 (in memory of Melanie Hauff); Toby Goss 66; Teresa Maguire 276; John Sprackland 178; Chris Coombs 72b; Nancy Novotny 411; Karen Turner 440.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Al Williams leading 111b. Leaders: Anne Altringham 171; Steve Fletcher 56b; Chris Brown 447; Mika 81t; Edwin Macadam 110; Oisin Kisdon-Ireland 299; Helen Brown 422; Joe Vickers 60; Sheila Girling Macadam 186; Michael Walker 528; David Garman 133.

The sick and housebound and memorial lesson was delivered by Anne Altringham, who spoke of the importance of being free with our emotions, both in the hollow square and beyond it, and how our community is supportive of that.

The following sick and housebound list was read: Seth Dickens, Anne Rahmen, Jennifer Jones, Rosie Sokolov, Dave Elliot, Joy Spreadborough, Hannah Land, Rachael Shanahan, and Matthew Rose.

The following names of the deceased was read: David Thorpe—London; Mary Turner—Midsomer Norton; Nigel Eagle—Stanton Harcourt; Doreen Carlyle—St Annes-on-Sea; June Jaques—Lancashire; Jenny Bancroft—Ross on Wye; John Heptinstall—Kenilworth; Brigid Hurn—Byfield; Michael Keane—Bristol; Melanie Hauff and Ted Mercer—Illinois; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Marlon Wooten, Norma Green, Juanita Beasley, and Hubert Nall—Alabama; George Burnette, Philip Denney, and Cathy White—Georgia; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina. Anne Altringham led 448b. Bridget McVennon-Morgan offered the memorial prayer.

Leaders: Claire Welford 319; Ted Brown 566; Susannah Gill 556; Samuel Turner 340; Teresa Maguire 324; Toby Goss 547; Joyce Smith 330t. Grace was offered by Edwin Macadam.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Clara Potter-Sweet leading 29t. Leaders: Mika 183; Chris Brown 475; Joe Vickers 112; Sheila Girling Macadam 302; Francis Barton and Susannah Gill 148; Nancy Novotny 200; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 426b; Ted Brown 338; John Sprackland 147t; Anne Altringham 192; Steve Brett 129; Claire Welford 208; Karen Turner 358; Edwin Macadam 332; Helen Brown 500; Grace Scrimgeour 33b; Mandy Rose 504; Chris Cobs 122; Michael Walker 213t; Jessica Beer 313t.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Joyce Smith leading 144. Leaders: Steve Fletcher 481; David Garman 65; Barry Parsons 228; Oisin Kisdon-Ireland 189; Clara Potter-Sweet 268; Mika 410t; Joe Vickers 134; Edwin Macadam 466; Sheila Girling

Macadam 344; John Sprackland 457; Claire Welford 214; Anne Altringham 546; Michael Walker 297; Karen Turner 467; Toby Goss 497; Teresa Maguire 378b; Helen Brown and Ted Brown 225t; Nancy Novotny 345t.

Steve Brett made the closing remarks thanking all those involved in organising the day, including keyers, committee members, and those in the kitchen. Al Williams gave the Secretary's report stating that of a class of forty-three registered singers, thirty-one leaders had led seventy-eight songs, and six countries were represented, (Wales, England, Scotland, Ireland, Spain, and USA).

Steve Brett led 378t as the closing song. Jessica Beer offered the closing prayer, and dismissed the class.

Chairman—Steve Brett; Vice Chairman—Joyce Smith; Secretary—Al Williams

JEREMIAH INGALLS AND SACRED HARP SINGING

Newbury Center Town House, Newbury, Vermont

Saturday, July 15, 2023

The 16th annual Jeremiah Ingalls and Sacred Harp Singing was held at the Newbury Center Town House in Newbury, Vermont, on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. The singing was conducted from *The Sacred Harp*, 1991 edition and the 2005 four-shape edition of Jeremiah Ingalls' *The Christian Harmony* (ICH). The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Tom Malone leading 31t. The morning prayer was then offered by Tom Malone.

Leaders: Justin Squizzero 39t, 49b; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Evan Landon 38t, 38b; Linda Coppock 348t, 114; Traci Naylor 276, 107; Margaret Graver 187, 7 (ICH); Tarik Wareh 97, 63 (ICH); Jim Coppock 34b, 454.

RECESS

Dan Coppock called the class to order leading 78 (ICH) and 114 (ICH). Leaders: Pattie Wareh 113 (ICH), 178; Jonathan Spencer 12 (ICH), 221 (ICH); Jenni Lund 180; George Sigut 448t, 448b; Sage Chase-Dempsey 86; Dorothy Wallace 479; Justin Squizzero 216; Colleen Hayes 282, 171; Kerry Cullinan 569t, 369; Traci Naylor 383, 288; Tom Malone 318. Tom Malone asked a blessing before dinner.

LUNCH

The class was returned to order by Rachel Rudi leading 176t and 142. Leaders: The Danby singers with Tom Malone 236; Margaret Graver 76b, 400; Jim Coppock 212, 344; Tarik Wareh 92, 120 (ICH); Joan Nagy 504, 162; Linda Coppock and Frances Coppock 146, 542; Pattie Wareh 72b, 228; George Sigut 56b, 376; Jonathan Spencer 46 (ICH), 43 (ICH); Colleen Hayes 89 (ICH); Tom Malone 175.

RECESS

Dan Coppock led 35 (ICH) and 477 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Rachel Rudi 478, 285t; Sage Chase-Dempsey 47b, 163b; Dorothy Wallace 268; Ruthanna Hooke 299; Kerry Cullinan and Rachel Rudi 340; Margaret Graver 61 (ICH); Tom Malone 60 (ICH) (in memory of Elka Schumann). The secretary reported that sixty-nine songs were led by twenty leaders from three states. Announcements were made. Tom Malone led 57 (ICH) as the closing song, and offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Malone; Secretary—Justin Squizzero

MICHIANA SINGING

Fairview Grange, Goshen, Indiana

Saturday, July 15, 2023

The 33rd annual Michiana Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Matthew Lind leading 34b. Michael Miller offered the morning prayer, and led 40.

The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Matthew Lind; Treasurer—James Nelson Gingerich; Arranging Officer—Will Fitzgerald; Secretary—Samuel Sommers.

Leaders: James Nelson Gingerich 313b; Ray Rechenberg 277; Paul Wyatt 313t; Sarah Lynn Gershon 89; Brandon Buxton 390; Hannah Lind 282; Spencer Arrowood 481; Marian Mitchell 474; Thomas G. Smith 227; Martha Beverly 210; Shannon Tibbs 86; Jessica Bellaire 129; Christine Stevens 352; John Hoerr 269; Kathryn Flanagan 68b.

RECESS

James Nelson Gingerich called the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Bess Fitzgerald and Will Fitzgerald 475; Samuel Sommers 280; Catherine Brown 66; Jan May 276; Sarah Ward 148; Dennis Di Benedetto 69t; Carolyn Craig 133; Claudia Dean 266; Lori Graber 39b; Steve Warner 81t; Jo Dell Albi 163b; Deborah Taube 99; Ginny Landgraf 183; Anne Heider 528; Eileen Ferguson 547.

RECESS

Ginny Landgraf called the class to order leading 106.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Jo Dell Albi read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Jeff Bell, Becky Browne, Janet Fraembs, Gary Groneau, Donna Gunderson, Dorothy Hall, Jim Helke, Somsak Sirikerd, and Bob Stevens. Jo Dell Albi and Samuel Sommers led 362.

Matthew Lind read the following list of names of the deceased: Norma Green, Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer—Illinois; John Boelenyi, Jaime Gans, Andy Richardson—Indiana; Rosetta Lind—Michigan; Walter Graff—Minnesota; Nancy Slaughter—Mississippi; Lila Anne Mitchell—New York; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Joy Crosby—Pennsylvania; and Pete Sutherland—Vermont. Matthew Lind led 285t in memory of the deceased.

Leaders: Will Fitzgerald, Chris Blackwell, Charity Blackwell, Eliza Blackwell, and Evangeline Blackwell 61; Marian Mitchell 157; Ray Rechenberg 71; Brandon Buxton 82t; Kathryn Flanagan 122; John Hoerr 189; Catherine Brown 287; Martha Beverly 532.

LUNCH

Hannah Lind called the class to order leading 503. Leaders: James Nelson Gingerich 472; Paul Wyatt 440; Claudia Dean 105; Jessica Bellaire 182; Deborah Taube 38b; Jan May 344; Christine Stevens 216; Steve Warner 47b; Lori Graber 318; Jo Dell Albi 328; Ginny Landgraf 421; Anne Heider 236; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Bess Fitzgerald and Will Fitzgerald 447; Carolyn Craig 267; Dennis Di Benedetto 117; Sarah Ward 142; Shannon Tibbs 42; Thomas G. Smith 198; Sarah Lynn Gershon 383; Michael Miller 551; Samuel Sommers and Bonnie Meyers 112; Carolyn Craig 46; John Hoerr 448b; Paul Wyatt, Christine Stevens, and John Stevens 217; Jessica Bellaire 208; Deborah Taube and Claudia Dean 87; Jan May 540. Announcements were made.

Matthew Lind led 62 as the closing song. Michael Miller dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Matthew Lind; Secretary—Samuel Sommers

WALKER COUNTY SACRED HARP CONVENTION
First Presbyterian Church (Presbyterian Church in America)
Jasper, Alabama
Saturday, July 15, 2023

The 108th session of the Walker County Sacred Harp Convention was held on the Saturday before the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Brenda Chafin leading 31b. Butch White offered the opening prayer. Brenda then led 31t.

The following officers were elected: Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Arranging—Amber Davis; Secretary: Linda Booth.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 64, 63; Mike Hankins 168, 527; Beth Branscome 65, 565; Butch White 313b, 547; Pam Kelly 500, 530; Earl Ballinger 204, 177; Janet Jones 32t, 68b; Tim Gregg 101t, 99; Linda Booth 222, 273; Philip Gilmore 33b, 73t.

RECESS

Scott Pierce, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, welcomed the class, and offered prayer. Leaders: Tom Booth 40, 480; Julia Poston 145b, 166; Tim Morton 37b, 511; Louise Yeager 276, 56t; Larry Brasher 551, 528; Junior Poston 111b, 295. Lisa Geist gave a brief talk, outlining seven reasons why singing is important. She then led 472.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 282. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 203, 436; Carol Crompton 282 (dedicated to the memory of Larry Gordon and Dr. Anthony Barrand, who brought Sacred Harp to Vermont); Amber Davis 391, 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Mike Hankins 143; Beth Branscome 426t; Butch White 448t; Pam Kelly 171; Earl Ballinger 176t; Tim Gregg and Logan Costello 371; Linda Booth 137; Philip Gilmore 75 (in memory of his father); Tom Booth 340; Julia Poston 275t; Tim Morton 344; Louise Yeager 72b; Larry Brasher 402; Junior Poston 235; Lisa Geist 228; Nicholas Thompson 463; Carol Crompton 352, 47b; Glenn Keeton and Lisa Geist “Ashley” and “Joshua”; Amber Davis 373 (for her mother).

Glenn Keeton and Brenda Chafin led 267. Butch White offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Linda Booth

CHAFIN, HARBINSON, AND HOLLIS MEMORIAL New Prospect Church, Cullman County, Alabama Sunday, July 16, 2023

The 150th annual session of the Chafin, Harbinson, and Hollis Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Brenda Chafin leading 46 and 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Butch White. The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Ann Jett. Tom Booth was appointed to arrange.

Leaders: Ken Tate 48t, 47t; Tim Gregg 60, 49b; Marlin Beasley 434, 129; Tom George 437, 463; Loretta Whitman 343, 454; Tim Morton 61, 330b; Carol Crompton 106; Ann Jett 498, 546; David Jackson 225t, 235; Linda Booth 224, 166; Butch White 74b, 287.

RECESS

Ken Tate brought the class back together by leading 213t. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 101t, 411; Sarah George 100, 208; Danny Creel 405, 111b; Greg Allred 452, 36b; Lisa Geist 272; Jeff James 63, 31t; Cindy Tanner 297, 187; Nancy Phillips 496, 276; Chris Ballinger 339, 410t; Yancey Jett and Ann Jett 172, 440; Susan Allred 112, 384; Louise Yeager 426b, 56t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ken Tate leading 385t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 170, 151; Glenn Keeton 385b, 349; Tim Gregg 375; Earl Ballinger 337, 319.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ken Tate leading 155. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 270; Tom George 315, 472; Loretta Whitman 75; Tim Morton 76b; Carol Crompton 288; Ann Jett 269, 327; David Jackson 426t; Linda Booth 350; Butch White 278t; Blake Sisemore 186; Sarah George 143; Danny Creel 182; Greg Allred

72b; Jeff James 294; Cindy Tanner 358; Nancy Phillips 165; Danny Creel 342 (for Yancey Jett); Louise Yeager 313; Glenn Keeton 163b; Cindy Tanner 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Junior Poston 430, 432. Brenda Chafin expressed her thanks to all in attendance, and announcements were made.

Brenda Chafin and Ken Tate led 323t as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Ann Jett

KALAMAZOO SINGING

Carriage Barn At Drake Farm Homestead, Kalamazoo, Michigan

Sunday, July 16, 2023

On the 25th anniversary of their first singing, Martha Beverly opened the 22nd annual session of the Kalamazoo Singing leading 171. Samuel Sommers offered the morning prayer, and led 492. Leaders: John Fink 59; Catherine Brown 84; Brandon Buxton 109; Deborah Taube 276; Lori Graber 314; Jessica Bellaire 35; Ann Miczulski 335; Cecilia Kramer 47b; Paul Wyatt 29; Eileen Ferguson 501; Marian Mitchell 142; Anne Heider 66; Anne Missavage 163t; Mark Clague 464.

RECESS

Will Fitzgerald called the class back to order leading 153. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 368; David Hoekema 155; Shannon Tibbs 277; Jan May 228; Idy Kiser 385b; Steve Warner 86 (in memory of Bill Beverly); Christine Stevens 159; Scott Troyer 148; Linda Heemskerk 56b; Matthew Lind 133; Grace Flanagan and Kathryn Flanagan 122, 81t; Terry Cunningham 200; Will Fitzgerald 444.

RECESS

Shannon Tibbs called the class back to order leading 128. Leaders: Christine Stevens 272; Samuel Sommers 426b; Bess Fitzgerald 34t; Brandon Buxton 294; Cecilia Kramer 174; Matthew Lind 145b; Deborah Taube 209; Paul Wyatt 540; Anne Heider 497; Scott Troyer 178; Lori Graber 548; Martha Beverly 283.

LUNCH

Will Fitzgerald called the class back to order leading 105. Leaders: Jessica Bellaire 565; Anne Missavage 217; Megan Jennings 436; John Fink 186; Kathryn Flanagan 285t; Shannon Tibbs 38b; Elizabeth Fink 503; Steve Warner 34b; Linda Heemskerk 107; Mark Clague 227; Eileen Ferguson 479; Kate Lind and Will Fitzgerald 569b; Catherine Brown 313b; Bess Fitzgerald 77t; Ginny Landgraf 191; Jan May 300; Marian Mitchell 339; David Hoekema 40; Grace Flanagan and Brandon Buxton 408; Megan Jennings 384; Christine Stevens 456; Paul Wyatt 330b; Deborah Taube 448t; Jessica Bellaire 430; Jan May 489; Eileen Ferguson 472; Elizabeth Fink and John Fink 183; Terry Cunningham 146; Ginny Landgraf, Steve Warner, and Anne Heider 504; Martha Beverly 209.

Chairman—Martha Beverly; Secretary and Arranging Committee—Will Fitzgerald

COTACO SINGING

Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama

Saturday, July 22, 2023

The 134th session of the Cotaco Convention singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 121. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Daniel Hopper.

Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 76b (in memory of J.L. Hopper); Judy Caudle 74t; Jaidyn Stump 218; Tom Booth 148; Nancy Phillips 282; Taylor Cook 59; Zena Tucker 101t; Tim Gregg 68b; Cindy Tanner 182 (in memory of Becky Browne and Melanie Hauff); Rebekah Gilmore 187; Ann Jett 546; Glenn Keeton 349; Emily Stutzman 460; Daniel Hopper 515; Mark Davis 47b; Amber Davis 380; Lori Rogers 556; Susan Allred 183; Sarah George 530.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Jaidyn Stump leading 429. In a business session, the class voted to dedicate this session of the Cotaco Singing to the memory of Elder J.L. Hopper, and wife Glenda. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle 76t; Lisa Geist 273 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger on his birthday); Isaac Green 420; Dennis George 487; Earl Ballinger 317; Linda Thomas 32t; Blake Sisemore 532; Cheyenne Ivey 432; Chris Ballinger 178; Craig Holmes 535; Henry McGuire 442; Elene Stovall 192 (in memory of Becky Browne and Melanie Hauff); Beth Branscome 217; Barrett Patton 411; Hazel Heinze 145t; Tom George 543. Philip Gilmore asked a blessing before the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

Nicholas Thompson began the afternoon session by leading 120. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 304; Brenda Chafin 436; Rachel Pirkey 209; Marlin Beasley 336; David Light 200; Philip Gilmore 216; Reba Windom 430; Garrett Morton 196; Larry Ballinger 527; Adrian Eldridge 498; Butch White 313b; Henry Guthery 456; Linda Booth 454; Nicholas Thompson, Blake Sisemore, Daniel Hopper, Garrett Morton, Adrian Eldridge, and Tom George 198 (all wearing ties from Elder Hopper's collection); Mark Davis and Henry McGuire 189; Barrett Patton and Emily Stutzman 528; Jaidyn Stump and Taylor Cook 159; Ann Jett, Cindy Tanner, and Tim Gregg 146; Philip Gilmore, Rebekah Gilmore, and Travis McCay 277.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Judy Caudle read aloud the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Sharon DuPriest, Richard Mauldin, Ozella Blackmon, Betty Shepherd, Darrell Parker, Ernestine Parker, Estes Jackson, Ercell Jackson, Lucy Heidorn, Wanda Capps, Edna Smith, Sandra Light, Ramona Light, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Chita Blakeley, Jerry Kitchens, Margaret Keeton, David Carlton, and Kimberly Nutter. She then read aloud the following list of names of the deceased: Elder J.L. Hopper, Hubert Nall, Doug Ivey, Norma Green, Boyd Scott, Jeff Holmes, Anita Holmes, Nellie Joyce Williams, Marlon Wootten, Juanita Beasley, Renae Makris—Alabama; Becky Browne—Missouri; Melanie Hauff and Ted Mercer—Illinois; Philip Denney—Georgia; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Cheryl Foreman, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Sue Bunch—Florida. Judy and Nicholas led 459. Elder Daniel Hopper closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Dennis George, Tom George, James George, and Sarah George 172; Larry Ballinger, Lisa Geist, Chris Ballinger, and Earl Ballinger 472; Brenda Chafin, Susan Allred, and Rachel Pirkey 503 (for Carol Fannin); Blake Sisemore, Garrett Morton, Reba Windom and Cheyenne Ivey 30b; Adrian Eldridge 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Zena Tucker, Lori Rogers, and Beth Branscome 47t; Daniel Hopper and Judy Caudle 450, 276, 149 (in memory of J.L. and Glenda Hopper). Announcements were made.

Nicholas Thompson led 323t as the closing song. Dennis George offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Arranging—Jaidyn Stump; Secretary—Judy Caudle

MAINE SINGING

Harpwell Meetinghouse, Harpswell, Maine Saturday, July 22, 2023

The 20th session of the Maine All-Day Singing took place on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. Ethan McNerney called the class to order leading 52t. Chris Holley offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 32t; Patty McNerney 122; Robert Stoddard 33b; Joanne Fuller 406; Gwen Gethner 166; George Sigut 448t; Sue Peters 68b; Erin Fulton 132;

Owen Stoddard 144; Jesse Vear 106; Joan Nagy 56b; Sara Sandberg 430; Jana Yeaton 77t; Nick Pappas 176t; John Hughes 466; Meredith Ivey 319; Pattie Wareh 299; Pippa Stoddard 85.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by George Sigut leading 100. Leaders: Karen Ivey 475; Margaret Hughes 379; Doron Henkin 53; Indigo Micciche 268; Sophie Sokolov 543; Eric Sandberg 92; Dean Jens 47b; Everett Ivey and Richard Ivey 421; Glen Wright 474; Mary Skidmore 254; Thomas Begley 34t; Rachel Hall 227; Kerry Cullinan 489.

Elizabeth Stoddard led 50b for the following sick and shut-ins: Lance Fulton, Lisa Keefauver, Susie McIntosh, Patricia Callahan, Bobbie Goodell, John Plunkett, Jay Wu, Fran Wylder, Claudia Smigelski, Bob Whittle, Coronne Bryant, Ruth Anne Bryant, Cindy Bean, Jim Bean, Ron Trial, Jane Trial, Inez Benichasa, and Amy Frankel.

David Ivey conducted the memorial lesson, and led 341 in memory of the deceased. Leaders: Christina Foley 399b; Charles Biada 336; Rachel Speer 326; Tarik Wareh 449; Mel Novner 293; Kelsey Ivey 187; Rosie Sokolov 560; Jonathan Spencer 245; Rachel Taylor 163t; Ben Fink 556; Chris Holley 384.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Margaret Hughes leading 67. Leaders: Susan Mampre 280; Thomas Begley 426b; Erin Fulton 367; Sophie Sokolov 568; Indigo Micciche 186; David Ivey 69b; Laura Clampitt 501; Christina Foley 472; Dean Jens 181; Donna Carlson 496; Mel Novner 434; Kelsey Ivey 214; John Hughes 203; Joanne Fuller 73t; Joan Frankel 284; Doron Henkin 538; Rachel Speer and Den Jens 436; Richard Ivey 396; Pattie Wareh 228; Rosie Sokolov 411; Alice Bean 334; Nick Pappas 304.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Rachel Taylor leading 47t. Leaders: Tarik Wareh 490; Mary Skidmore 542; Charles Biada 397; Rachel Farber 422; Jesse Vear 328; Rachel Hall 428; Ben Fink 260; Jana Yeaton 146; Pete Sandberg 235; Gwen Gethner 63; Kerry Cullinan 340; Glen Wright and Susan Mampre 497; Karen Ivey and Meredith Ivey 425; Jonathan Spencer 365; Eric Sandberg 197; Joan Nagy 36b; Pippa Stoddard 35; Sue Peters 97; Chris Holley 75; Owen Stoddard 569b; Sara Sandberg 569t; Robert Stoddard 87.

Ethan McNerney, Patty McNerney, Elizabeth Stoddard, and Eric Sandberg led 62 as the closing song. Chris Holley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Ethan McNerney; Arranging—Elizabeth Stoddard; Chaplain—Chris Holley; Secretary—Patty McNerney

SWANNANOVA GATHERING SHAPE NOTE SINGING

Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina

Saturday, July 22, 2023

The 15th annual Swannanoa Shape Note Singing was held in Morris Pavilion, Warren Wilson College, in conjunction with The Swannanoa Gathering's Old Time Music and Dance Week. Ron Pen brought the class to order class with announcements, and by leading 70t (CH), followed by the opening prayer.

Leaders: Sarah Kehrborg 184 (CH); Eli Snyder 510b (CH); Clarke Williams 32b (CH); Ron Pen 117 (CH); Maddy Mullany 211b (CH); Andy Morse 191 (CH); Leslie Booher 396t (CH); Mary Baumeister 425b (CH); Stefani Priskos 493b (CH); Sadhbh O'Flynn 19 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 329 (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter 255 (CH); Dave Farmer 544 (CH); Lynda Hamburger 129 (CH); Jonathan Wood 67b (CH); David Wilson 453t (CH); Julius Pasay 365 (CH); Michael Spencer 409b (CH); Emma Parrish 393b (CH).

RECESS

Sarah Kehrberg called the class back to order leading 186. Leaders: Clarke Williams 434; Mary Johnston 344; Cari Grindon 58; Al Grindon 503; Ron Pen 455; Maddy Mullany 234; Tristan Gordon 73t; Stina Soderling 142; Barbara Brooks 410t; Andy Morse 280; Leslie Booher 319. Patty Judson offered a blessing on the meal.

LUNCH

Mary Baumeister brought the class to order leading 333. Ron Pen conducted the memorial lesson, and led 45t in memory of the deceased after reading the following names: Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Lydia Lewallen, Ruth Partain, Tommy Bratton, Tim Aldrich, and Lara Nguyen—North Carolina; Karen Walker—New Mexico; Philomena Henderson—Ireland; Reidin O’Flynn—New York; David Fink and Philip Denney—Georgia. He read the names of the sick and shut-ins, and then led 146. Leaders: Julius Pasay 209; Stefani Priskos 373; Kevin Kehrberg 547; Sadhbh O’Flynn 423; Jeremiah Ledbetter 61; Dave Farmer 318; Lynda Hambourger and Deborah Brogden 178; Jonathan Wood 43; David Wilson 276; Michael Spencer 289; Emma Parrish 288; Robert Kelley 292; Bill Hogan 99; Nancy Hogan 309; Deborah Brogden 47b.

RECESS

Sarah Kehrberg brought the class to order, and the class entered a business meeting. The class voted to keep the same slate of officers. The class voted to meet again in 2024 on the Saturday in July in conjunction with The Swannanoa Gathering’s Old Time Music and Dance Week. The business meeting was closed.

Leaders: Clarke Williams 88t; Eli Snyder 58 (SoH); Chris Wilhelm 173b (SoH); Cari Grindon 86; Al Grindon 171; Ron Pen 322 (SoH); Maddy Mullany 537 (CH); Andy Morse 72t (SoH); Leslie Booher 546b (CH); Mary Baumeister 145 (SoH); Julius Pasay 141; Stefani Priskos 91 (CH); Kevin Kehrberg 248 (CH); Sadhbh O’Flynn 13 (CH); Jeremiah Ledbetter 399b; Dave Farmer 196; Lynda Hambourger 200; Jonathan Wood 13t (SoH); Dave Farmer 109 (CH); Bill Hogan and Nancy Hogan 172 (CH); Robert Kelley 4b (SoH).

Eli Snyder gave the Secretary’s report stating that fifty-four singers from eight states registered, and thirty leaders led seventy-one songs. Following announcements, the officers led 267, and Sarah Kehrberg offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Sarah Kehrberg; Vice Chairman—Ron Pen; Treasurer—Clarke Williams; At-Large member—Maddy Mullany; Secretary—Eli Snyder

MT. ZION MEMORIAL SINGING

Mt. Zion, Georgia Sunday, July 23, 2023

The 129th session of the Mt. Zion Memorial Singing was held at Mt. Zion Methodist Church in Mt. Zion, Georgia, on the fourth Sunday in July. Oscar McGuire called the class to order by leading 33b. Cecil Roberts offered prayer. Oscar led 34b.

A business session was held with the following officers elected: Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Karen Rollins.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 35, 37b; Glenda Collins 32t, 454; Karen Rollins 87 (in memory of Philip Denney), 45t; Bert Collins 335, 339; Winfred Kerr 455, 225t; David Smead 295, 395; Bill DuPre 472, 440.

RECESS

Leaders: Glenda Collins 40; Jack Nelson 228, 500; Helen Bryson 77b, 112; Lisa Bennett 517, 381; Tristan Gordon 65, 283; John Plunkett 473, 471; Stina Soderling 30t, 203; Laura Frey 163b, 162; Sheri Taylor 278b, 371.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class back together by leading 57. Leaders: Glenda Collins 288; Stina Soderling 129; Laura Frey 178; Sheri Taylor 347.

A memorial lesson was presented by Oscar McGuire. He led 56t for the following deceased singers: Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, Norma Green, Barry Deese, Marlon Wootten, Ann Simpson, Hubert Nall, Cathy White, and George Burnette.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were Judy Henry, Margaret Thacker, and Ed Thacker. Jack Nelson led prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: John Plunkett 27; Tristan Gordon 134; Lisa Bennett 453; Jack Nelson 207; Bill DuPre 148; David Smead 222; Winfred Kerr 516; Karen Rollins 220; Cecil Roberts 312b; Bert Collins 124; Glenda Collins 100; Stina Soderling 558; Tristan Gordon 101t; Jack Nelson 504. Announcements were made.

Oscar McGuire and Glenda Collins led 323t as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Karen Rollins

YOUNG PEOPLES' SACRED HARP SINGING

CÉDA, Montréal, Québec, Canada

Saturday, July 29, 2023

The 40th session of the Young Peoples' Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Evelyn Lamb leading 48t. Dani Tardif offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Esther Wade; Co-chairman—Eléa Regembal; Arranging Committee—Lari Jalbert and Rachel Farber; Treasurer—Indigo Micciche; Secretary—Stuart Jackson.

Leaders: Philippe Doyle Gosselin 56t; Klara Longfellow 313b; Ariane Roberge 290; Philou 48b; Sunny Doyle 67; Patrick DeDauw 81t; Michaela Natal 565; Barbara Sweetman 208; Lari Jalbert 320; Stuart Jackson 44; George Sigut 86; Annie-Lou Chester 448t.

RECESS

Patrick Friesen brought the class to order by leading 73t. Leaders: David Rosenberg 189; Anne Evers 121; Kerry Cullinan 569t; Tim Leonard 430; Anabel Gravel Chabot 61; George Howe 159; Neve Dumas 89; Rachel Farber 214; Indigo Micciche and Michele Briand 274t; Charles Biada 349; Matthew Kaufmann 406; Tarik Wareh 102; Kit Walsh 558; Allison Steel 345b; Linda Shea 306; Shawn Taylor 371; Frank Griggs 352; Edouard Beaudry and Michele Briand 304.

RECESS

Tom Evers brought the class to order by leading 40. Leaders: Sophie and Chelsea 76b; Lael Birch 361; Jennifer Jones 527; Rachael Geary and Alex Forsyth 439; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 475; Jesse Vear 228; Chris Cotter 103; Gwen Gethner 548. Robin Luckwaldt and Stuart Jackson led 435 for the following sick and shut-ins: Em Eklund, Lance Fulton, Pat Waggener, Tom Waggener, Tim Reynolds, Larry Wootten and family, Dean Jens, Coronne Bryant, Ruth Ann Bryant, Cindy Bean, Jim Bean, Pat Callahan, Bobbie Goodell, Ella Gilliland, and Dan Phemayotin.

Dani Tardif gave the memorial lesson, led 131b, and read the following list of names of those memorialized: Dorian Allworthy—Pennsylvania; Lara Nguyen and Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Cathy White and Philip Denney—Georgia; Alison Rieke, Ronnie L. Troxtell, and Mary Troxtell—Kentucky; Seamus Barry—Massachusetts; Denis Gosselin—Canada; Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Norma Green, Hubert Hall, Boyd Scott, Elder Hopper, Juanita Beasley, and Renae Makris—Alabama; Joan Sheldon and Rob Taylor—Maine; Cheryl Foreman and

Charlotte Powell—Texas; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Mary Wright—Virginia; Karen Walker—New Mexico; Jon Werberg—New York.

Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 545; Rachel Hall 436; Sam Kleinman 564; Erin Fulton 134; Hollie Long 227; Leah Vellemen 347; Rosie Sokolov 63; Kathie Pilibosian 384; Jeff McLeod 285t; Mary Skidmore 172; Owen Stoddard 215; Clarke Williams 283; Elsa Phemayotin 376; Emma Schwartz 272.

LUNCH

The Montréal singers brought the class to order by leading 58. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 217; Keillor Mose and Hayden Arp 434; Lauren Bock 200; David Ivey 522; Andy Ditzler 422; Bridge Hill Kennedy 411; Mark Godfrey 204; Meredith Ivey 87; Joanne Fuller and Devero 142; Kelsey Ivey, Richard Ivey, and Everett Ivey 317; Thom Fahrbach 383; Rachel Speer 377; David Brodeur 426b; Karen Ivey 192; Becky Wright and Lorelai 536; Jesse P. Karlsberg 419; Abby Sorg 504; Leigh Cooper 29t; Maddy Mullany 94; Suzanne Caffisch and Jeff McLeod 203; Laura Clampit and Stephanie Hoffner 335; Stephanie Fida 372; R. Anuheia Sebstad 300; Evelyn Lamb 429; Hugh Tomas 191; Matthew Léger-Small 367.

RECESS

The Wakefield Singers brought the class to order by leading 318. Leaders: Marie Brandis 270; Rosie Sokolov 129; Heather Osowiecki 82t; Thom Fahrbach 464; Dami Osoba 375; Heather Schramm 176b; The Ivey Family 445; Yuka Oiwa 131t; Dean Brady, Michele Briand, Molly-Claire Gillett, and Meredith Browne 72b; Emma Swartz 410t; Nathan Rees 313t; Mark Godfrey 30b; Stephanie Fida 432; Maddy Smith 32t; Rachel Speer 340; Lauren Bock 111t. Announcements were made.

The Resolutions Committee recommended having the next Young Peoples' Convention in Southeast Pennsylvania on Saturday before the fifth Sunday after the fourth of July. The Resolutions Committee gave thanks to all officers, the revision committee, and the keyers. One hundred and thirty-eight singers registered from sixteen US states and three Canadian provinces. One hundred and two songs were sung.

Esther Wade and Élea Regembal led 62 as the closing song.

Chairman—Esther Wade; Co-chairman—Élea Regembal; Secretary—Stuart Jackson

LACY MEMORIAL

Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama

Sunday, July 30, 2023

The annual Lacy Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the fifth Sunday following the fourth of July. The class was called to order by Reba Windom leading 59. Aaron Wootten offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Shelby Castillo and Garrett Morton 48t; Nicholas Thompson 216 (for Betty Shepherd); Elene Stovall 99 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Loyd Ivey 97; Joyce Morton 36b; Samuel Williams 27; Shirley Figura 31t; Aaron Wootten 30b; Anna Oliver 426b; Winfred Kerr 283 (in memory of Rebecca Over); Linda Sides 215; Daniel Williams 82t; Lilly Underwood 348b; Tim Morton 137; Judy Chambless 358 (in memory of Boyd Scott); Marty Wootten and Jamey Wootten 276; Linda Booth 166; Daniel Lee 489; Karen Rollins and Bill Denney 87 (in memory of Philip Denney); Robert Chambless 494.

RECESS

Reba Windom led 101t to bring the class together. Leaders: Paul Figura 29t (in memory of Becky Browne); Deborah Taube 133; Philip Gilmore 47b; Lisa Bennett 200; Scott Ivey 129; Jeannette DePoy 171; Tim Gregg 313t; Larry Ballinger 428 (for Johnnie Ballinger); Judy Caudle 345b; Matt Hinton and Steve Taylor 383; Susan Lee 349; David Smead 195; Tom Booth 229; Donna Wootten and Dixie Carter 314; Peter Trumbore 300; Lacy family descendants 159; Shane Wootten 448t; Ann Jett

319; Tony Ivey 332; Sandy Ivey 421; Shane Brown 228. Philip Gilmore asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Reba Windom and Garrett Morton leading 186. Leaders: Rodney Ivey 418 (in memory of Norma Green); Rebekah Gilmore 440; Jonathon Smith 131b; Anna Hinton 411; Chris Ballinger 344; Prisca Rice 511; Tom George 419; Ellen Ray 328; Isaac Green 395; Emmaleigh Calhoun 335; Blake Sisemore 500; Abigail Cannon 270; Ainslie Allen 475; Jessica Bellaire 203; Deborah Morton, Josh Collier, Lacy Collier, Angie Collier, and Garrett Morton 299 (in memory of Lindberg Lacy); Lisa Geist 304; Stephen Miller 371; Cheyenne Ivey 222; Jackie Tanner 298; Sarah George 187 (in memory of Meagan Burrows); Cassie Allen 189; Loyd Ivey and Lilly Underwood 424 (by request); Charles Stiefel 378b; Cindy Tanner and Ainslie Allen 192; Cheyenne Ivey and Lisa Geist 177 (for Earl Ballinger); Bill Denney 40; Shelby Castillo 430 (for Sharon DuPriest); Reba Windom 542.

Announcements were made.

Garrett Morton and Shelby Castillo led 146 as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Reba Windom; Assistants—Garrett Morton and Shelby Castillo;

Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

VICTORIAN SACRED HARP SINGING

Melbourne, Australia

Saturday, August 5, 2023

The 8th annual Victorian All-Day Singing was held at the bluestone hall of Brunswick Uniting Church, Brunswick, Victoria, Australia. The outgoing Chair, Shawn Whelan, welcomed singers and offered an Acknowledgement of Country. Natalie Sims taught an introductory singing school on the rudiments of Sacred Harp singing and practice. She also spoke on the role of shape note singing as a literacy movement, as a teaching tool, and the importance of hospitality in the tradition. Shawn Whelan led 31t as the opening song. Morag Logan offered the opening prayer by leading the class in 148. Leaders: Lauren Reader 36t; Peter Rayner 95; Natalie Sims 32b; Myfanwy Godfrey 146; Meg Quinlisk 47t; Melanie Albrecht 203. A business session was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Shawn Whelan; Secretary—Lauren Reader; Chaplains—Morag Logan and Peter Rayner; Treasurer—Melanie Albrecht; Arranging Committee—Melanie Albrecht and Natalie Sims; Registration Committee—Myfanwy Godfrey and Felomena Li; Food Coordinator—Naomi Colville.

RECESS

Shawn Whelan led 297 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Morag Logan 472; Em Chandler 155; Lauren Reader 99; Stu Elith and Natalie Sims 547; Aaron Jelbart and Shawn Whelan 282; Peter Rayner 201; Natalie Sims 410t; Meg Quinlisk 497; Myfanwy Godfrey 535; Melanie Albrecht 34t; Shawn Whelan 56b; Morag Logan 551; Em Chandler and Lauren Reader 344; Lauren Reader 460; Stu Elith and Shawn Whelan 178; Aaron Jelbart and Shawn Whelan 72b; Peter Rayner 84; Natalie Sims 228; Meg Quinlisk 182; Myfanwy Godfrey 277. Morag Logan offered grace before the meal by leading the class in 49t.

LUNCH

Melanie Albrecht led 312b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Shawn Whelan 475; Lauren Reader 457; Myfanwy Godfrey 38b; Chris Phillips and Melanie Albrecht 455; Meg Quinlisk 474; Natalie Sims 481; Aaron Jelbart and Lauren Reader 66; Em Chandler and Melanie Albrecht 40; Peter Rayner 183; Melanie Albrecht

348t; Shawn Whelan 540; Lauren Reader 112; Myfanwy Godfrey 107; Chris Phillips 324.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Peter Rayner. The following deceased were remembered and honoured: Maggie Murphy, Jane Garrett, Jenny Hunter, Helen Wilkinson, Neil Thompson, Ian Breward. Melanie Albrecht led 163t. The following sick and shut in were named: Helen Rowe, Robin Gardner, Jennifer Jones, Robert Colville, Joseph Jordania, Bernice Dodd. Melanie Albrecht led 34b.

Leaders: Meg Quinlisk 110; Natalie Sims 254; Aaron Jelbart and Lauren Reader 47b; Em Chandler 395.

RECESS

Peter Rayner led 159 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Chris Phillips 209; Ruth McNamara and Alex McNamara 274t; Lauren Reader 122; Shawn Whelan 106; Myfanwy Godfrey 268; Meg Quinlisk 452; Natalie Sims 504; Em Chandler, Naomi Colville, Ruth McNamara, and Lauren Reader 299; Aaron Jelbart and Lauren Reader 276; Melanie Albrecht 430.

Shawn Whelan thanked those who worked to make the All-Day Singing happen, including officers, committee members, and singing school teacher. The Secretary reported that at least twenty-two singers from two states had sung sixty-two songs led by twelve leaders. The Treasurer reported that donations had been received and would be directed towards the use of the hall and the purchase of additional singing books. Announcements were made, and thanks were given, especially to the visiting singers.

Shawn Whelan led 340 as the closing song. Peter Rayner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Shawn Whelan; Secretary—Lauren Reader

CHATTAHOOCHEE CONVENTION **Wilson Chapel, Carroll County, Georgia** **August 5-6, 2023** **Saturday, August 5**

The 171st session of the Chattahoochee Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in August, 2023, at Wilson Chapel, Cross Plains, Georgia. The class was called to order by Chairman Sheri Taylor, who welcomed everyone, and led songs 32t and 59. Bill Dupre offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Laura Frey 163b, 178; Jenna Frey 454, 408; Lisa Webb 222, 361; Bill Dupre 378b, 171; Glenda Collins 63, 99; Bert Collins 97, 399b; Barbara Brooks 339, 162; Brent Deboard 56t, 282; Karen Rollins 84 (in memory of Philip Denney), 345t; Winfred Kerr 283 (in memory of Rebecca Over), 36b; Dave Farmer 65, 455; Lisa Bennett 30t, 64 (in memory of Jerry Kitchens).

RECESS

Laura Frey called the class to order by leading 145b. Leaders: David Smead 303, 464; Oscar McGuire 573, 556; Nathan Rees 345b, 440; Taylor Warren 410t, 318; Jonathon Smith 274t, 417; Dick Plunkett 45t, 47t; Christian Webb 82t, 89; Erica Hinton 204, 141. Gene Duke offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Lisa Webb and Christian Webb brought the class to order leading 87. Leaders: Matt Hinton 112, 275t; Janet Shepherd 384, 155.

The convention held a business session. The following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve for the 2023 session: Chairman—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairman—Laura Frey and Lisa Webb; Secretary—Jenna Frey; Chaplain—Bill Dupre; Arranging Committee—Laura Frey and Jenna Frey; Finance Committee—Lori Goode and Christian Webb; Memorial Committee—Lisa Webb and Lori Goode; Resolution Committee—Oscar McGuire.

Leaders: Bill Dupre 195; Oscar McGuire 229 (for Cecil Roberts); David Smead 501; Karen Rollins and Matt Hinton 365; Jenna Frey 445; Glenda Collins 300; Winfred Kerr 146; Brent DeBoard 268; Lisa Bennett 149; Dave Farmer 302; Riley McKibbin 79; Taylor Warren 143; Lottie Hinton 542; Nathan Rees 448b (in memory of Mattie Hinton); Donna Duke and Gene Duke 159; Dick Plunkett, Micheal Crafton, and Lisa Crafton 186; Erica Hinton 187; Matt Hinton 203; Jonathon Smith 196; Janet Shepherd 114. Announcements were made.

Sheri Taylor and Laura Frey led 323t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Bill Dupre.

Sunday, August 6

The Sunday session of the Chattahoochee Convention was brought to order by Sheri Taylor leading 39t. Leaders: Laura Frey 65; Laura Frey and Riley McKibbin 133; Lisa Webb 163b, 566; Jenna Frey 445, 82b; Oscar McGuire 34b, 515; Karen Rollins 540, 35; Helen Bryson 77b, 227; Abigail Cannon 100, 343; Winfred Kerr 294, 59; Samuel Williams 101b, 378b; John Plunkett 378t, 354t.

RECESS

Laura Frey led 162 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 30t, 37b; Chrissy Brown 455, 72b; Gene Duke 303, 56t.

The memorial lesson was led by Lisa Webb and Lori Goode. Lisa read Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

A year has come and gone. As we look around there are many who are not with us, due to health reasons or the Lord has called them home. Please remember those who are sick or lonely and send them a word of encouragement by card, phone or visit.

The names of the sick and shut-ins are Margaret Thacker, Ed Thacker, Wesley Ivester, Lucy Garner, and Clay Kierbow. Lisa led 30b in honor of the sick and shut-ins.

Lori Goode continued the memorial lesson for the deceased by reading the following names: Philip Denney, George Burnette, Virginia Dyer, Doyle Wilson, Gary Herring, Jackie Preston, Eula Webb, and Cathy White—Georgia; Norma Green, Jerry Kitchens, and Ann Simpson—Alabama; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Ted Mercer and Melanie Hauff—Illinois. Lori led 282 in loving memory of the deceased.

Leaders: Riley McKibbin 46, 401; John Plunkett 71, 69b; Lori Goode 358, 45t. Cecil Roberts offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Christian Webb brought the class back together by leading 120 in memory of Philip Denney, and then 87. Leaders: Dick Plunkett 268, 47b; Samuel Williams 345b, 271b; Abigail Cannon 472, 270; Winfred Kerr 225t, 549; Lisa Webb 477, 269; Lori Goode 82t, 345t; Christian Webb 334, 323b; Cecil Roberts 76b; Dick Plunkett 186; Oscar McGuire 344, 229; Gene Duke 569b, 542.

A motion was made and passed that the convention proceed into a business session for the purpose of hearing various reports. The Finance Committee, Lori Goode, read the financial report for the two days. Oscar McGuire submitted the following resolution from the Resolution Committee: First we thank God for allowing us to meet and sing praises to Him at the 171st session of the Chattahoochee Convention. We also thank Him for protecting us through this continuing covid pandemic. Secondly, we are thankful for all the members of the Wilson Family for their continuing support of the Chattahoochee Convention and for providing all of our needs. We also give thanks to everyone that came and helped sing because it takes singers to have a successful singing. Also, many thanks for all the food provided. Last but not least, be it resolved that we meet again on the first Sunday and Saturday before in August for the 172nd session of the Chattahoochee Convention. And in

closing, I quote: Lord in the morning thou shalt hear, my voice ascending high. To thee will I direct my prayer, to thee lift up mine eye. Motion was made and carried that the reports be accepted as read and added to the convention's minutes. The business session was closed. Announcements of future singings were made. Chairman Taylor and Laura Frey led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Cecil Roberts.

Chairman—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairman—Laura Frey and Lisa Webb; Secretary—Jenna Frey

FAYETTE COUNTY CONVENTION
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Fayette, Alabama
Sunday, August 6, 2023

The 122nd session of the Fayette County Convention was held on the first Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Chris Ballinger leading 56t. Buddy Ballinger offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers and committee members: Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Lisa Geist; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson; Arranging—Amber Davis.

Leaders: Chris Ballinger 146; Lisa Geist 228, 273; Nicholas Thompson 112 (in memory of Jerry Kitchens), 336; Amber Davis 224, 142; Mike Hankins 527, 477; Emily Stutzman 179, 475; Earl Ballinger 203, 208; Glenn Keeton 215, 349 (in memory of Clarence McCool); Marlin Beasley 448t, 512; Louise Yeager 276, 72b; Jeff James 178, 31t.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Janet Litton leading 528 and 110 (in memory of J.H. Ballinger). Leaders: Nicholas Holmes and Luke Holmes 565, 47t; David Jackson 63, 499 (for Estes and Erselle Jackson); Marty Wootten 76b; Glenn Keeton and Betty Baccus 134; Linton Ballinger 299, 300; Barrett Patton 151, 402; Beth Wallace 560, 442; Rodney Ivey 91; Rodney Ivey and Don Jones 317 (in memory of Joe Jones); Danny Creel and Cassie Allen 111b, 498.

RECESS

Chris Ballinger and Katie Ballinger led 145t and 457. Leaders: Jamey Wootten and Anna Oliver 176t, 99; Joey Gilmore 530, 436; Roma Rice 323b, 566; Buddy Ballinger 354b, 460; Bunk Beasley and Marlin Beasley 45t, 81t; Loretta Whitman 75, 48t. Danny Creel asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Chris Ballinger leading 270. Leaders: Ricky Beasley 127, 68b; Tom Booth 474, 176b; Julie Poston 166, 421; Mark Davis 428, 419; Linda Booth 454; Ken Tate 121, 473; Larry Ballinger 282 (in memory of Jerry Kitchens); Henry McGuire 48b, 322; Cassie Allen 297, 316; Wayne Baines 480, 100; Jamey Wootten, Marty Wootten, and Anna Oliver 101t; Emily Stutzman and Barrett Patton 361; Henry McGuire and Mark Davis 171; Rodney Ivey and Cassie Allen 348t, 138t. Announcements were made.

Chris Ballinger led 49t as the closing song. Glenn Keeton dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Lisa Geist; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

CALHOUN COUNTY CONVENTION
Mount Herman Primitive Baptist Church, Vardaman, Mississippi
Saturday, August 12, 2023

The 145th annual session of the Calhoun County Sacred Harp Musical Association convened at Mount Herman Primitive Baptist Church near Vardaman, Mississippi.

President Drew McGuire called the class to order leading 101t and 78. He offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Henry McGuire 349, 76b; Nicholas Thompson 460, 140; Mike Hankins 34b, 282; Kim Funderburk 47b, 72b; Arlon Gardner 278t, 565; Robert Earl Alexander 35, 361; Chuck Howell 373, 32t; Warren Steel 134, 442; Will Gatewood 28t (WB), 487t (WB).

RECESS

Drew McGuire called the class together leading 133. Leaders: Will McGuire 111t, 300; Earl Ballinger 283, 432; Mark Davis 519 (WB), 200; Lisa Geist 273, 472; Amber Davis 436, 192; Anne Steel 418, 348b; Dawn van Iderstine 63, 277; Drew McGuire 457 (for Fred Hawkins); Philip Wise 77t, 126.

LUNCH

After a plentiful and delicious lunch, President Drew McGuire restored order and led 131b. Leaders: Matthew Pryor 341, 159; Henry Drew and Will McGuire 492 (WB); Nicholas Thompson 189; Amber Davis 391; Melinda Lemmon and Mike Hankins 270; Lisa Geist 528; Dawn van Iderstine 384; Will McGuire 81t; Earl Ballinger 172; Arlon Gardner 183; Regina Derstine 284; Mark Davis 176b; Warren Steel 141; Kim Funderburk 105; Anne Steel 503; Larry Ballinger 291; Drew McGuire 236; Sophia Gardner 145t.

In a business session, Drew McGuire was retained as President, and Warren Steel was appointed Secretary. The Executive Committee thanked the people of Mount Herman for their hospitality, and reported that the Association agreed to meet again at a location to be determined in 2024 with a start time of 10:00 am; monies were collected for the day, to be dispersed as directed by the Executive Committee. A separate contribution was raised for Mount Herman Primitive Baptist Church. It was announced that the State Convention would be the fourth Sunday in August and the Saturday before at Antioch Church, Scott County. A singing will also be held at Taylor United Methodist Church in Lafayette County on the Saturday before the second Sunday in October. Following announcements, the day of singing was closed by Drew McGuire leading 30b as the closing song. Matthew Pryor dismissed the convention with prayer.

President—Drew McGuire; Secretary-Treasurer—Warren Steel

CHICAGO ANN SLEEVA MEMORIAL COOPER BOOK SINGING **Quaker House, Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois** **Saturday, August 12, 2023**

The 8th annual Chicago Ann Sleeve Memorial *Cooper Book* Singing was held at Quaker House (the Meeting House of the 57th Street Meeting of Friends) in Chicago, Illinois, on the second Saturday in August. Carl Foote called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 266t, and welcomed singers. Jim Swanson gave the opening prayer.

Leaders: Mary Rogel 265b; Eileen Ferguson 171; Ginny Landgraf 224; Samuel Sommers 448; Jerry Gripshover 293b; Jim Helke 133; Jim Swanson 95t; Matthew Siefert 464.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chairman—Eileen Ferguson; Secretary—Carl Foote.

RECESS

Leaders: Jim Helke 571; Carl Foote 503; Mary Rogel 502; Eileen Ferguson 112; Ginny Landgraf 514; Samuel Sommers 357 (in memory of Ted Mercer); Jerry Gripshover 587; Jim Helke 187; Jim Swanson 438t; Matthew Siefert 463; Carl Foote 501; Mary Rogel 386; Eileen Ferguson 461; Ginny Landgraf 89; Samuel Sommers 450; Jerry Gripshover 449.

RECESS

Leaders: Eileen Ferguson 486; Jim Helke 41; Dan Nickle 114t; Jim Swanson 98; Matthew Siefert 96; Carl Foote 99; Mary Rogel 500; Eileen Ferguson 508; Ginny Landgraf 182; Samuel Sommers 433; Jerry Gripshover 218; Jim Helke 210; Dan Nickle 141; Jim Swanson 53; Matthew Siefert 485. Samuel Sommers offered a prayer before lunch.

LUNCH

Jim Swanson called the class back to order with 504. Leaders: Carl Foote 346; Mary Rogel 510; Eileen Ferguson 427; Ginny Landgraf 242; Samuel Sommers 391; Jerry Gripshover 239; Jim Helke 225t; Dan Nickle 151; Jim Swanson 471; Mary Rogel 140; Carl Foote 150; Mary Rogel 572; Eileen Ferguson 427; Ginny Landgraf 135; Samuel Sommers 350; Jerry Gripshover 507b; Jim Helke 229; Jim Swanson 269.

RECESS

Leaders: Jim Helke 511t; Carl Foote 243b; Mary Rogel 267t; Eileen Ferguson 49b; Ginny Landgraf 385t; Samuel Sommers 460; Jerry Gripshover 282; Jim Helke 411; Jim Swanson 38t.

Jim Helke called for the report from the Secretary and announcements. Jim Helke, Eileen Ferguson, and Carl Foote led 95b as the closing song. Jim Swanson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chairman—Eileen Ferguson; Secretary—Carl Foote

WINCHESTER SINGING

St Paul's Church Hall, Winchester, United Kingdom

Saturday, August 13, 2023

The 6th annual Winchester All-Day Singing was held on the second Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Nigel Bowley leading 33b. Edwin Macadam offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Brenda Bowley 288; Kathryn Whelan 47b; Megan Streb 146; Toby Goss 37b; Neil Horlock 65; Edwin Macadam 313t; Al Williams 153; Sheila Girling Macadam 29t; Aldo Ceresa 56t; Barry Parsons 176t; Michael Walker 82t; Nick Hall 448t; Inga Buckland 32b; Jacqui Knowles 178; Pete Eisman Reynard 56b; Steve Brett 108t; Derek Buckland 34t; Jan Lawrence 540; Rachel Jordan 52t; Natalie Edelman 86; Maggie Eisman Reynard 89; Joyce Smith 30b; Steve Welch 489; Toby Goss 228.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Nick Hall leading 31t. Leaders: Neil Horlock 504; Edwin Macadam 352; Nigel Bowley 277; Al Williams 77b; Brenda Bowley 111b; Sheila Girling Macadam 481; Aldo Ceresa 472; Inga Buckland 411 (for Eva Striebeck).

Michael Walker conducted the memorial lesson. He read the following names of the sick and shut-ins: Joss Tait, Michelle Rice, Callum Woods, Samantha Cole, Eva Striebeck and Uschi Nolte.

He then read the following list of names of the deceased: Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Juanita Beasley and Hubert Nall—Alabama, USA; Melanie Hauff—Illinois, USA; Gracie Knowles—Tennessee, USA; Doreen Carlyle—St-Annes-on-sea; David Akhurst—Stroud; Keith Pigott—Hornchurch; David Thorpe—London; Jenny Bancroft—Ross-on-Wye; Nigel Eagle—Stanton Harcourt; Charlotte James—Chatham; Eddie Mountfield and Chris Winter—Lewes; Mike Cooper—Catsfield; Morag Smith—Falmouth; Micheal Keane—Bristol. Michael Walker led 290.

Leaders: Barry Parsons 476; Jacqui Knowles 159; Pete Eisman Reynard 276; Steve Brett 426t; Derek Buckland 278t; Jan Lawrence 314; Joyce Smith 371; Maggie Eisman Reynolds 133; Rachel Jordan 564; Nick Hall 217. Megan Streb offered thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Brenda Bowley called the class back to order by leading 445. Leaders: Nigel Bowley 466; Nick Hall 454; Aldo Ceresa 532; Steve Brett 442; Michael Walker 292; Rachel Jordan 522; Edwin Macadam 528; Barry Parsons 234; Sheila Girling Macadam 142; Neil Horlock 400; Brenda Bowley 99; Natalie Edelman 457; Toby Goss 515; Steve Welch 569t; Derek Buckland 44; Joyce Smith 426b; Al Williams 49b; Inga Buckland 496; Pete Eisman Reynard 497; Jacqui Knowles 84; Jan Lawrence 318.

RECESS

Al Williams called the class back to order by leading 128. Leaders: Billy Boulton 268; Maggie Eisman Reynard 72b; Natalie Edelman 503; Neil Horlock 324; Derek Buckland 61; Rachel Jordan 344; Steve Welch 147b; Joel Parkinson 419; Edwin Macadam 200; Inga Buckland 124; Nick Hall 455; Diane Heywood 282; Michael Walker 280; Joyce Smith 285t; Barry Parsons 82b; Sheila Girling Macadam 114; Steve Brett 225t; Aldo Ceresa 182; Pete Eisman Reynard 63; Michael Walker 69t.

Megan Streb and Nigel Bowley led 347 as the closing song. Al Williams offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nigel Bowley; Vice Chairman—Megan Streb; Secretary—Neil Horlock

B.M. SMITH AND PHILIP DENNEY MEMORIAL **Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia** **Saturday, August 19, 2023**

The annual B.M. Smith Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Isaac Green and Karis Askin leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Matt Hinton. Isaac Green and Karis Askin led 60.

In a business meeting, the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Co-chairmen—Isaac Green and Karis Askin; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson; Arranging—Nathan Rees. A motion was made and carried to rename the singing the B.M. Smith and Philip Denney Memorial. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Nathan Rees 49b; Nicholas Thompson 318 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Bert Collins 340; Kathy Williams 37b; Bill DuPre 378b; Karen Rollins 153; Sheri Taylor 84 (for Gene Duke); Winfred Kerr 36b; Glenda Collins 454; Wyatt Denney 38b; Robert Chambless 72b; Cecil Roberts 312b; Denney Rogers 345t; Laura Frey 163b; Lily Hammond 178; Oscar McGuire 573.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Isaac Green and Karis Askin leading 317.

Leaders: Karis Askin, Wyatt Denney, Bill Denney, Gayle Denney, Lee Denney, Alex Denney, Kelly Horsley, Keith Horsley, John Denney, Mary Simpkins, John Thomas Denney, and Ben Horsley 143; Emmaleigh Calhoun 122; Daniel Williams 448t; Barbara Brooks 410t; Dick Plunkett and George Senneus 186; Kacey Cook 106; Matt Hinton 102; Jeannette DePoy 475 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Nicholas Thompson 120 (in memory of Philip Denney); Garrett Morton 129; Sherrie Lovvorn 373; Johnathon Kelso 511; Erica Hinton 111b; John Plunkett 569t; Jessica Kelso 229; Margie Smith and Oscar McGuire 30b (in memory of B.M. Smith); David Smead 168. Keith Horsley asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Isaac Green and Karis Askin leading 213t.

Leaders: Esther Morgan-Ellis 285t; Tom George 476; Cheyenne Ivey and Karen Rollins 389; Amber Davis 382; Elene Stovall 172; Prisca Rice 142; Reba Windom 183; Sarah George 112; Lisa Bennett 222; Deborah Morton 77t; Garrett Morton and James George 77b; Emmaleigh Calhoun 39t; Lily Hammond 436; Oscar McGuire 485; Reba Windom 418 (in memory of Norma Green); Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Esther Morgan-Ellis 179; Cheyenne Ivey 166; Karis Askin and Nicholas

Thompson 61 (in memory of Philip Denney); Tom George and Sarah George 216; Prisca Rice 76b; Gayle Denney and Karis Askin 384 (in memory of Philip Denney). Announcements were made.

Karis Askin and Isaac Green led 69t as the closing song. Garrett Morton dismissed the class with prayer.

Co-chairmen—Isaac Green and Karis Askin; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

MOUNT RAINIER SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Enumclaw Senior Center, Enumclaw, Washington

Saturday, August 19, 2023

The 14th annual Mount Rainier Singing, held on Saturday before the third Sunday in August, was called to order by Karen Willard leading “A Song of the PNW.”

Nancy Price offered the opening prayer. The following officers were announced:

Chairman—Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Erik Schwab; Treasurer—Bob Schinske;

Arranging Committee—Karen Willard.

Leaders: Erik Schwab 559; Nancy Price 125; Karen Willard 87; Kevin Barrans 448; Lucinda Saue 463; Scott Kennedy 587; David Wright 293t; Jane Cannon 567; Thom Fahrbach 450 (in memory of Eva Striebeck); Peter Schinske 573; Nell Whitman 288; Kathy Vlach 572; Greg Saue 38t; William Price 444t (in memory of Betty May Price).

RECESS

Scott Kennedy brought the class to order leading 31t. Leaders: Laura McMurray 497; Bob Schinske 464 (for Betsy Jeronen); Pat Coghlan 273; Kate Fine 283; Claire Hogan 380t; Eric Holt 411; Ian Suchon 140; Doug Hill 39; Kathy Vlach 339; Jane Cannon 574; David Wright 315; Erik Schwab 357; Bob Schinske 46 (in memory of Johnny Lee); Karen Willard 148 (for Jinx McGuire); Kevin Barrans 378b; Thom Fahrbach 482; Peter Schinske 519; Greg Saue 515; William Price 324; Nancy Price 217; Laura McMurray 115; Pat Coghlan 380b.

LUNCH

Erik Schwab brought the class to order leading 82. Leaders: Bob Schinske 590; Claire Hogan 210; Kevin Barrans 197; Peter Schinske 328; Sara Ng 333; Thom Fahrbach and Cornelia Stanton 507b; David Wright 133; Doug Hill 522; Ian Suchon 229; Jane Cannon 478; Eric Holt 553; Laura McMurray 101b; Claire Hogan 183; Erik Schwab 581 (in memory of Dominique Simpson); Bob Schinske 505; Kathy Vlach 54t; Kate Fine 384; Greg Saue 563; Nell Whitman 168; Lucinda Saue 65.

RECESS

Nell Whitman brought the class to order leading 122. Leaders: Thom Fahrbach 176b; Scott Kennedy 518; Sara Ng 430; Ian Suchon 159; Jane Cannon 98; Kevin Barrans 373; Nancy Price 96; Doug Hill 189; Kathy Vlach 323t; Bob Schinske 527; Laura McMurray 138b; Claire Hogan 436b; Erik Schwab 392; Peter Schinske 449; David Wright 520.

Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach led 147 as the closing song. Nancy Price offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Erik Schwab

**BERLIN SHENANDOAH HARMONY
AND SACRED HARP SINGING
Ev. Brüdergemeine Berlin-Neukölln, Germany
and Evangelischmethodistische Christus-Kirche
Berlin-Friedrichshain, Germany
August 19-20, 2023**

Saturday, August 19

The 7th annual Berlin Singing weekend was held on Saturday in the Ev. Brüdergemeine Berlin-Neukölln, Germany. Song selections were from the *Shenandoah Harmony* (ShH).

Graham Bell called the class to order by leading 204 (ShH). Molly McCracken spoke the opening prayer. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 80 (ShH); Hannah Kennedy 335b (ShH); Mara McPartland 133 (ShH); Petra Ertl 310 (ShH); Molly McCracken 246b (ShH); Tobias Saalman 140b (ShH); Eloise Clark 338 (ShH); Peter Kocher 296 (ShH); Melanie Tönnies 153 (ShH); Edward Ricemeyer 7t (ShH); Lizzy Van Blerkom 424t (ShH); Kobi Bordoley 403b (ShH).

RECESS

Christopher Schuller called the class back together by leading 112 (ShH). Leaders: Jessica Slighter 442 (ShH); Elana Boehm 254 (ShH); Jeremy Donaldson 202 (ShH); Christoher Schuller 57 (ShH); Joel Igli 457 (ShH); John Bealle 145 (ShH); Caro Stamm-Reusch 208 (ShH); Meittam Govnes 206 (ShH); Calum Parker 260t (ShH); Sara Hellström 95 (ShH); Molly McCracken 322 (ShH); Peter Kocher 37 (ShH); Mara McPartland 180 (ShH); Tobias Saalman 106 (ShH); Lizzy Van Blerkom 161 (ShH); Edward Ricemeyer 105 (ShH); Eloise Clark 260t (ShH); Hannah Kennedy 300 (ShH); Melanie Tönnies 259 (ShH); Kobi Bordoley 162 (ShH); Jessica Slighter 200 (ShH); Christoher Schuller 287 (ShH); Petra Ertl 429b (ShH); Ruby Bilger 226 (ShH).

RECESS

Chloë Spreadborough gave the memorial lesson, which was dedicated to the memory of Eva Striebeck and her impact on the Hamburg singing and Chloë's own introduction to singing. Chloë read the names on the list of sick and housebound which included Joy Spreadborough, Rike Fischer, and Manfred Stamm and the memorial list which included Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer, Lydia Lewallen, Eva Striebeck, Pam Larson, and David Lofthouse. Chloë closed by leading 129. Leaders: Chris Affolter 416 (ShH); Elana Boehm 12b (ShH); Calum Parker 125b (ShH); Joel Igli 222 (ShH).

LUNCH

Meittam Govreen called the class back together by leading 326t (ShH). Leaders: Peter Kocher 245 (ShH); Tobias Saalman 198 (ShH); Jessica Slighter 290 (ShH); John Bealle 413 (ShH); Mara McPartland 242 (ShH); Eloise Clark 367 (ShH); Jeremy Donaldson 414t (ShH); Calum Parker 120t (ShH); Kobi Bordoley 64 (ShH); Caro Stamm-Reusch 110 (ShH); Joel Igli 7b (ShH); Gabriel Kyne 244 (ShH); Chris Affolter 428 (ShH); Lizzy Van Blerkom 407 (ShH).

RECESS

Edward Ricemeyer called the class back together by leading 397 (ShH). Leaders: Hannah Kennedy 230 (ShH); Christoher Schuller 364t (ShH); Sara Hellström 363 (ShH); Kobi Bordoley 264t (ShH); Melanie Tönnies 227 (ShH); Calum Parker 326b (ShH); John Bealle Beale 13t (ShH); Jeremy Donaldson 177 (ShH); Kate Halls 113 (ShH); Gabriel Kyne 1b (ShH); Lizzy Van Blerkom 155b (ShH); Mara McPartland 170 (ShH); Joel Igli 76t (ShH); Tobias Saalman 88 (ShH); Petra Ertl 381b (ShH). Committee reports were read. Meittam Govreen reported that all expenses were met. Molly McCracken gave the secretary's report that there were fifty-five singers total,

and thirty-six led seventy-five songs. Thanks were given to all the singers who joined us from Scotland, England, Norway, France, Australia, and the United States as well as from two other German federal states. Graham Bell led 265 (ShH) as the closing song. Calum Parker offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, August 20

The 7th annual Berlin Singing weekend continued on Sunday in the Evangelischmethodistische Christus-Kirche Berlin-Friedrichshain, Germany. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*.

Eloise Clark called the class to order by speaking the opening prayer. Graham Bell led 146. Leaders: Jessica Slighter 31t; Calum Parker 37t; Melanie Tönnies 276; Edward Ricemeyer 29t; Chris Affolter 40; John Bealle 376; Joel Igli 269; Jeremy Donaldson 504; Graham Bell 448t; Petra Ertl 344; Molly McCracken 65; Mira McPartland 47b; Lizzy Van Blerkom 180; Lilith Wozniak 277; Hannah Kennedy 377.

RECESS

Chloë Spreadborough called the class back together by leading 325. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 313t; Peter Kocher 312t; Elana Boehm 49t; Chloë Spreadborough 300; Eloise Clark 485; John Bealle 94; Meittam Govreen 457; Kobi Bordoley 268; Calum Parker 318; Jessica Slighter 456; Melanie Tönnies 245; Chris Affolter 353.

RECESS

Gabriel Kyne called the class back together by leading 101t. Leaders: Owen Gardner 125; Edward Ricemeyer 189; Graham Bell 70t; Lilith Wozniak 159; Hannah Kennedy 163t; Sara Hellström 33t; Petra Ertl 216; Molly McCracken 335; Mara McPartland 532; Eloise Clark 480; Peter Kocher 49b; Chloë Spreadborough 123b; John Bealle 217; Gabriel Kyne 228; Kobi Bordoley 179; Caro Stamm-Reusch 500; Melanie Tönnies 214; Jessica Slighter 302.

RECESS

Meittam Govreen called the class back together by leading 332. Leaders: Chris Affolter 270; Jeremy Donaldson 547; Calum Parker 542; Paula Franziska Opp 86; Owen Gardner 134.

Announcements were made and committee reports were read. Molly McCracken gave the Secretary's report that there were fifty-five singers in total, and fifty-five songs were led by thirty-three leaders. Thanks were given to all singers. The closing prayer was offered by Edward Ricemeyer. Graham Bell led 267 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Graham Bell; Secretary—Molly McCracken

BELTON AND EMMA BEASLEY AND PHILLIP LEE III MEMORIAL SINGING Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama Sunday, August 20, 2023

The 56th annual session of the Belton and Emma Beasley and Phillip Lee III Memorial singing was held on the third Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Ricky Beasley leading 335 (in memory of John Beasley). The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Ricky Beasley; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard; Arranging—Lisa Geist. Marlin Beasley offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ricky Beasley 49b; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley), 336; Dorothea Maynard 313t, 318 (in memory of Myrtle Ann Beasley); Betty Baccus 499 (in memory of Myrtle Ann Beasley and Margaret Keeton's mother); Earl Ballinger 441, 411; Cora Jones 445, 312b; Mike Hankins 410t, 282; Henry McGuire 72b, 426t; Becky Briggs 285t (in memory of Frances Lee), 235.

RECESS

Ricky Beasley led 348b to bring the class together. Leaders: Beth Wallace 212, 546; Margaret Keeton 543, 422; Chris Ballinger 339, 512; Louise Yeager 100, 56t; Sarah Beasley 340, 406; Jackie Sanderson 513, 206; Doug Cantrell 354b. Earl Ballinger asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ricky Beasley leading 77t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 528, 551; Amber Davis 373 (for Paula Springfield), 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Lisa Geist 182, 492; Lisa Close 87, 63; Seth Holloway 388 (in memory of Freddie and Chris Briggs), 274t, 236; Bunk Beasley 81t, 45t; Henry McGuire 157; Dorothea Maynard 383. Announcements were made. The Beasley family led 213t. Ricky Beasley led 62 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ricky Beasley; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard

CLEBURNE COUNTY CONVENTION

Edwardsville Baptist Church, Edwardsville, Alabama

Sunday, August 20, 2023

The 134th session of the Cleburne County Convention was held on the third Sunday in August at Edwardsville Baptist Church, Edwardsville, Alabama. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 49t. Judy Chambless offered the morning prayer. Cecil Roberts welcomed the singers and visitors to the singing and led 49b.

Leaders: Winfred Kerr 47b, 89; Glenda Collins 32t, 81t; Robert Chambless 303, 225t; Bert Collins 542, 97; Barbara Brooks 72t, 119; Jack Nelson 399b, 266; Sheri Taylor 27, 79.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 59. Leaders: Laura Frey 159, 358; Judy Chambless 146, 472 (in honor of Karen Rollins's family); Samuel Williams 125, 76b; Daniel Williams 503, 544.

In a business meeting the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless. The class discussed the welcoming spirit of the members of Edwardsville Baptist Church and thanked them for the many years they have offered the church to Sacred Harp singers. The class thanked the ladies of the church who brought food and did the clean-up for many years, but voted to do this from now on since our singers are so few in number. Cecil closed the business meeting with prayer.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 37b, 75; Winfred Kerr 65, 282; Glenda Collins 99, 101t; Robert Chambless 68b, 480; Bert Collins 335, 35; Barbara Brooks 34b, 229; Jack Nelson 408, 30b; Sheri Taylor and Riley Webb 401, 133.

LUNCH

Judy Chambless and Glenda Collins brought the class back to order leading 454. Leaders: Laura Frey 163b, 178; Samuel Williams 354t; Daniel Williams 101b, 400; Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, and Riley Webb 46; Winfred Kerr and Bert Collins 516; Samuel Williams and Daniel Williams 499; Glenda Collins and Barbara Brooks 339; Jack Nelson and Cecil Roberts 180.

Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless gave the memorial lesson remembering the following deceased: Philip Denney, Ann Simpson and Hubert Nall; and the following sick and shut-ins: Ray Nelson, William Futral, Virginia Futral, Beverly Thompson, Barry Rollins, and Gene Duke. They led 549. Daniel Williams closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

After announcements, Cecil Roberts and Glenda Collins led 138b as the closing song.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless

MOUNT PISGAH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Evergreen Road, Sylvester, Georgia

Sunday, August 20, 2023

The Sacred Harp Singing held annually at Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church on the 3rd Sunday in August was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Trent Peachey leading 59. Bob Meeks offered the opening prayer. Trent Peachey led 37t.

Leaders: John Robinson 49b, 48t; Oscar McGuire 34b, 37b; Kay Robinson 127, 282; Herschel Thach 30t, 45t; Bonnie Rewis 313t, 569b; Bob Meeks 73b, 72b; Kasey Robinson 145b, 231; Tim Meeks 47b, 457; Annie Peachey 117; Trent Peachey 338, 66.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Trent Peachey leading 317. Leaders: John Robinson 49b, 48b; Oscar McGuire 129, 229, 361; Kay Robinson 46, 68b; Herschel Thach 452; Bonnie Rewis 515, 127; Bob Meeks 323b, 491; Kasey Robinson 87, 354b; Patti Beasley 318, 274t, 490, 542; Lamar Robinson 358, 34t, 290; Tim Meeks 77t, 383.

An offering for the South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention was collected and upcoming singings were announced.

Trent Peachey closed the session leading 347. Tim Meeks offered the closing prayer. Chairman and Secretary—Tim Meeks

WILLARD BIRTHDAY SINGING

(COOPER BOOK AND WILLARD HYMNARY)

Enumclaw Senior Center, Enumclaw, Washington

Sunday, August 20, 2023

The Willard Birthday Singing, held on the third Sunday in August, was called to order by Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach leading “Opening Song”. Doug Hill offered the opening prayer. The following officers were announced: Chairman—Karen Willard; Secretary—Erik Schwab; Treasurer—Bob Schinske; Arranging Committee—Kathy Vlach. The B.F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Revision and the Willard Hymnary were used.

Leaders: David Wright “Abide With Me”; Kate Fine 49t; Peter Schinske “Tallis’ Canon”; Lucinda Saue 239; Erik Schwab 68t; Nell Whitman “Ebenezer”; Doug Hill 138t; Laura McMurray and Karen Willard “Sweet Hour of Prayer” (for Dudley Willard); Greg Saue “Fairest Lord Jesus”; Nancy Price 222; Bob Schinske 41; Deb Cook “Revive Us Again”; William Price 77t.

RECESS

Claire Hogan brought the class to order leading 583. Leaders: Peter Abrahamsen 395t; Sara Ng “Count Your Blessings”; David Wright “Homeward Bound”; Karen Willard “Brighten the Corner Where You Are” (for Cindy Willard Danner and the plumber, George Barber); Erik Schwab and Sidra Schkerke “At the Cross”; Nancy Price 571; Bob Schinske “Seeking the Lost”; Kate Fine 584; Doug Hill 464; Nell Whitman 505; Greg Saue 511t; Laura McMurray 75; Peter Schinske 408; Lucinda Saue 276; Peter Abrahamsen 47b; Karen Willard 216 (in memory of Melanie Hauff); Kathy Vlach 508; William Price 283; Karen Willard, Peter Schinske, and Greg Saue “Happy Birthday”; Claire Hogan 380t; Deb Koch 422t; Greg Saue 99; Sara Ng 451; Bob Schinske “When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder”.

LUNCH

Kathy Vlach brought the class to order leading 31b. Leaders: Doug Hill 54t; Nancy Price 340; David Wright 504; Kate Fine 346; Leland Ross “Leoni”;; Laura McMurray 535t; Peter Schinske “Sine Nomine”; Bob Schinske 30t; Claire Hogan 393; Erik Schwab “Ellacombe”; Lucinda Saue 503; Doug Hill 133; Sara Ng 422b; Greg Saue 391; Nell Whitman “Consolation”; William Price 268t; Deb Koch “Nearer, Still Nearer”; Erik Schwab “Where We’ll Never Grow Old”.

RECESS

Peter Abrahamsen brought the class to order leading 45t. Leaders: Cornelia Stanton 87; Sarah Chaffee “Jewels”; Kate Fine 486; Nell Whitman 324; David Wright 150; Laura McMurray 210; Peter Schinske 207b; William Price and Kathy Vlach 293b; Nancy Price 384; Deb Koch 348t; Claire Hogan 392; Lucinda Larsen Saue 500; Sara Ng 282.

Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach led “Closing Song” as the closing song. Doug Hill offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Karen Willard; Secretary—Erik Schwab

CENTRAL ONTARIO SINGING **Friends Meeting House, Toronto, Ontario, Canada** **August 25-26, 2023**

Friday, August 25

An informal *Shenandoah Harmony* Singing took place from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Friends’ Meeting House in Toronto.

Saturday, August 26

The 16th annual Central Ontario All-Day Sacred Harp Singing took place at Friends’ Meeting House in Toronto on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. The Saturday session was brought to order by Anne Evers leading 33b.

Katherine Belyea offered the opening prayer. Anne Evers led 82t. Welcome, Housekeeping, and Community guidelines were read by Anne Evers. Anne called on Pleasance Crawford, who led 350. The Arranging Committee made announcements, and then called first singers.

Leaders: Nicole Collins 63; Jan May 228; Chris Taylor 300; Emily Ehrensperger 129; Tom Evers 29t; Marilyn Job 53; Alissa Bender 159; Chuck Crawford 423; Heather Schramm 532; Naomi Duguid 504; Frank Griggs 91; Max Kelly 209; Jennifer Davies 34b; Indigo Micciche 268; Brian Harris 296; Cecelia Kramer 71; George Sigut 38b; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Edouard Beaudry 436; Em Ekelund 101b.

RECESS

Brian Harris brought the class back to order leading 399b. Leaders: Marian Mitchell 189; Patrick Friesen 354t; Philou 421; Kerry Cullinan 551; Anabel Grand Chabot 114; Elisha Denborg 546; Hugh Thomas 477; Joe Kwiatkowski 494; Heather Schramm and Jennifer Davies 176t; Nicole Collins 182; Jan May 474; Naomi Duguid gave directions regarding dinner on the grounds, and then led 142; Frank Griggs 131t; Emily Ehrensperger 319; Max Kelly 318; Marilyn Job 424. Katherine Belyea said the blessing before lunch, and then the class sang Old Hundred using alternate text.

RECESS

Frank Griggs brought the class back to order leading 131b. Leaders: Anne Evers 391; Bard Swallow 42; Michele Briard 185; Pleasance Crawford 202; Annabel Grand Chabot 148; Jennifer Davies 282; Chris Taylor 455; Tom Evers 385t; Cecelia Kramer 534; Kerry Cullinan 562; Alissa Bender 312b; Indigo Micciche 146; Philou 278t; George Sigut 547; Jerusha Wheeler 163t; Edouard Beaudry 444; Patrick Friesen 426t; Marian Michell 86; Hugh Thomas 327. Anne Evers called on Naomi Duguid who reminded about social and food from dinner on the ground. Heather Schramm made announcement concerning location of and directions to social after the singing.

RECESS

Jan May called the class back together leading 540. Leaders: Max Kelly 528; Elisha Denburg 378b.

Marilyn Job spoke, and then led 100 in honor of the following sick and homebound: Lloy Cooke, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Bryant, Uschi Nolte, Bobbie Goodell, Roger Misiewicz, Margaret Willoughby, Wendy Job, Joan Crist, Wendell Crist, Will Fitzgerald, Andy, and Michael.

Frank Griggs spoke and then led 48t, to remember the following deceased from the previous year (2022-2023): Eva Striebeck (Germany), Melanie Hauff (Illinois), Lydia Lewallen (North Carolina), Lila Anne Mitchell (New York), Helen Huebner (Alberta), Ted Mercer (Illinois), Holden (Ontario), Jane (Ontario), Louise (Quebec), Quenda Story (Michigan), David Erskine (Ontario), Joan Jardine Sheldon (Maine) and Roger Williams (Michigan).

Leaders: Michele Briand 442; Em Ekelund 34t; Brian Harris 376; Heather Schramm 472; Pleasance Crawford 389; Bard Swallow by 155; Naomi Duguid 503; Frank Griggs 216; Patrick Friesen 70t; Indigo Micciche 542; Edouard Beaudry 269.

The Chair asked for reports. Chris Taylor reported, as secretary, that sixty-seven songs were sung by thirty-four unique leaders on the day, with fifty-two registered singers representing three provinces of Canada, and four US states. Jennifer Davies and Heather Schramm, as Treasurers, reported that all financial obligations were successfully met. Following this report, announcements were made.

Anne Evers led 347 as the closing song. Katherine Belyea offered the closing prayer. Following this, the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Anne Evers; Treasurers—Jennifer Davies and Heather Schramm; Secretary—Chris Taylor

CORK SINGING **Unitarian Church, Cork, Ireland** **Saturday, August 26, 2023**

The Cork All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. The class was called to order in the Unitarian church, Cork, Ireland, by Michael Walker leading 63. Katie Ahern offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Katie Ahern 47t; Amanda Parkes 73t; Ger Wolfe 33b; Ailish McMahon 39t; Sinéad Hanrahan 77b; Kevin Kennedy 32b; Rosalind Woods 535; Joanna Bennett 45t (for her dad); Dermot Peel 278t (for Conor, Robert, and Gary); June Murphy 31t (for her grandad); Ted Brown 303; Brenda Bowley 48t (for Maureen Carty); Aine Uí Cheallaigh 84; Eimear Maguire 171; Nigel Bowley 29b; Helen Brown 29t; Aldo Ceresa 122 (for Seth Dickens); Sarah West 187; Marjorie Brown 72b (for Alice Eaddy); Niamh Madigan 348b (for families of Clonmel accident victims); Susanne Rolli 46; Chris Affolter 436; Claire O'Flynn 101t; Kate Kirwan 292; Desmond O'Flynn 155; Aislinn Ahern 340.

RECESS

Sinéad Hanrahan called the class to order leading 276. Leaders: Dermot Peel 168; Colleen Jones 497; Joanna Bennett 522 (for Eva Striebeck); Sarah West 165 (in memory of Lydia Lewellan); James Roche 489; Nigel Bowley 274b; Marjorie Brown 566.

Michael Walker dedicated the singing to the memory of Eva Striebeck. Michael Walker and Marjorie Brown 139. Marjorie Brown offered a prayer in Eva's memory.

Leaders: Amanda Parkes 481 (for Pippa Cammack); Katie Kirwan 564; Ted Brown 225t; Katie Ahern 172; Aine Uí Cheallaigh 101b; Niamh Madigan 486; Chris Affolter 500; Helen Brown 475 (in memory of Cheryl Foreman of Texas and for Hannah Land as she recovers from surgery); Susanne Rolli 477; Rosalind Woods 442; June Murphy 547; Aldo Ceresa 506 (in memory of Eva Striebeck); Eimear

Maguire 430; Brenda Bowley 277; Aislinn Ahern 369; Ailish McMahon 127; Claire O'Flynn 556. Ger Wolfe offered the blessing before breaking for lunch.

LUNCH

Michael Walker called the afternoon session to order leading 445. Leaders: Amanda Parkes 192; Kate Kirwan 367; Joanna Bennett 272; Aislinn Ahern 383; Ted Brown 176b; Eimear Maguire 480; Katie Ahern 513; Sarah West 466; Nigel Bowley 133; Niamh Madigan and Dermot Peel 250; Aldo Ceresa 456; Sinéad Hanrahan 269; Chris Affolter 189; Rosalind Woods 538.

RECESS

The class was restored to order by June Murphy leading 81t. Leaders: Laurie Skelton 216; Helen Brown and Aldo Ceresa 532; Ailish McMahon 495; Ger Wolfe 159; Colleen Jones 550; Lucie O'Flynn 504; Susanne Rolli 300; Eleanor Jones McCauley 348t; Brenda Bowley 110.

RECESS

Laurie Skelton brought the class back to order leading 335. Leaders: Aislinn Ahern 263; James Roche 49b; Dermot Peel 299; Colleen Jones 210; Marjorie Brown 344; Desmond O'Flynn 40; Ger Wolfe 365; Joanna Bennett 76b; Nigel Bowley 271t (for Edmund Richardson); Kate Kirwan 204; Chris Affolter 228; Sarah West 354t; Helen Brown 565; Brenda Bowley 138b; Claire O'Flynn 361; Susanne Rolli 65.

Michael Walker led 472 as the closing song. Marjorie Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Michael Walker; Secretary—Amanda Parkes

FLOYD SINGING

Springhouse Community School, Pilot, Virginia

Saturday, August 26, 2023

The 6th annual Floyd All-Day singing was held Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August at Springhouse Community School, Pilot Virginia. Chris Wolf called the class to order leading 81t. Thomas Mann offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Corinne Serfass 410b; John delRe 68t; Miriam Delirium 271t; Marko Wessnigk 47t; Andrea Argott and Miriam Delirium 39t; Kaleb Delk 340; Evelyn Saylor 114; Cherilyn Neilson 67; Abby Beavin 157; Leslie Booher 133.

RECESS

Kelly Macklin brought the class to order leading 18b (ShH). Leaders: Leyland delRe 47 (ShH); Chris Wolf 305 (ShH); Bridget Jamison 403 (ShH); Molly Hickman 200 (ShH); Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 333 (ShH); David Wilson 65t (ShH); John delRe 178 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 154 (ShH); Dan Jaasma 242 (ShH); Eli Snyder 205 (ShH); Corinne Serfass 222 (ShH).

RECESS

Abby Beavin brought the class to order leading 30b. Leaders: Miriam Delirium 86; Jenny Finn and Chris Wolf 230; Michael Archer 455; Marco Wessnigk 203.

Roxanne Greenberg offered the memorial lesson with heartfelt reflections. She read the following names of the sick and shut-ins: Nancy Macklin, Sue Osborne, Ludger Dunnebache, Bruce Saylor, Ronnie Wood, and Carolyn. Roxanne read the following list of names of those deceased in the last year: Lydia Lewallen, Eva Striebeck, Bruce Holzman, BJ Sarkissian, Marian Couch, Cheryl Foreman, Tim Aldritch, Marna Neuffer, Sue Graham Mingus, Bob Gregory, Bud Smith, Blythe Smith, Graham DeZarn, Francis Saylor, Samson Stabler, Ruby Crews, and Jon Werberg. Roxanne and Chris Wolf led 98 (ShH) to honor the sick and shut-ins and recently deceased. Kaleb Delk brought the class back together leading 41 (ShH). Leaders: Ian Stabler and Chris Wolf 313b; Evelyn Saylor 226 (ShH); Cherilyn Neilson 78 (ShH); Abby Beavin 69 (ShH); Leslie Booher 140 (ShH); Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 560 (ShH). Thomas Mann offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Dan Jaasma leading 155. Afternoon song selections were leaders choice. Leaders: Molly Hickman 48t; Leyland delRe 35 (ShH); Hannah Mann 503; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 475; Abby Beavin 178; Bridget Jamison 312b; David Wilson 276; Chris Wolf 117 (ShH); John delRe 363 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 294 (ShH); Dan Jaasma 277; Eli Snyder 87 (ShH); Corinne Serfass 214; Miriam Delirium 260t (ShH); Michael Archer 306.

RECESS

Bridget Jamison brought the class to order by leading 355. Leaders: Kaleb Delk 276 (ShH); Marco Wessnigk and Evelyn Saylor 133 (ShH); Abby Beavin 329; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 426b; Cherilyn Neilson 372; Jenny Finn and Carolyn Reilly 34b; Hannah Mann 480; Leslie Booher 319; Leyland delRe and Eli Snyder 96 (ShH); Molly Hickman and Bridget Jamison 111b; John delRe and Kelly Macklin 168 (ShH); David Wilson and Eli Snyder 148; Chris Wolf 266 (ShH); Miriam Delirium 236t (ShH).

Following announcements, Chris Wolf led 12 (ShH) as the closing song. Thomas Mann offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Chris Wolf; Secretary—Eli Snyder

PALO ALTO SINGING

Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California Saturday, August 26, 2023

The 11th annual Palo Alto All-Day Singing was held at Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. The class met both in person and online, via Zoom and Jamulus, with all four sections mic'd individually. The class was called to order by Anne Caswell leading 34b. Anne Caswell offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairperson—Anne Caswell; Secretary—Lindy Groening; Chaplain—Anne Caswell; Treasurer—Paul Kostka; Arranging—Leigh Cooper; Online Technology—Paul Kostka. The business session was suspended. Leaders: Anne Caswell 31t; Leigh Cooper 39t, 39b; Paul Kostka 38t, 38b; Lindy Groening 282, 353; David Graff 299, 300; Dami Osoba 375, 178; Mark Godfrey 83t, 74t; Maggie Zhou 42, 160b; Dave Barber 84, 112; Hugh McGuire 286, 201; Jenny Solheim 542, 428; Anne Caswell 27. Announcements were made.

RECESS

Mark Godfrey brought the class together leading 81t. Leaders: Joel Chan 68b, 274t; Carolyn Deacy 485, 348t; Ellie Janda 47b; Midge Harder 448t, 198; Sam Thomas 345t, 344; Pat Coghlan 501 (in memory of Ted Mercer), 214; Mark Godfrey 270 (by online request from Arnold Zwicky); Kellie Hobbs 504; Nina Berry 288; Anne Caswell 113. Anne Caswell offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Jenny Solheim leading 421. Leaders: Lindy Groening 234; Carolyn Deacy 521 (in memory of Eva Striebeck); Carolyn Deacy and Maggie Zhou 285t (for Sumie Arnold's father); Maggie Zhou 419; Sam Thomas 522; Dave Barber 426t, 460; Mark Godfrey 295, 340; Hugh McGuire 134, 333; Midge Harder 40; Kellie Hobbs 89; Peter Ross 99; Nina Berry 445; Leigh Cooper 532; David Graff 33b, 48t; Anne Caswell 497. Announcements were made.

RECESS

Hugh McGuire brought the class together leading 425. Leaders: Paul Kostka 276 (by online request from Arnold Zwicky), 334; Jenny Solheim 192, 472; Pat Coghlan 351, 492; Lorraine Kostka 117; Joel Chan 390; Peter Ross 146; Dami Osoba 442, 271t; Leigh Cooper 474 (by online request from Ron); Jeannette Ralston, and Nina Berry

186; Pat Coghlan, Midge Harder, Bonnie McHeffey, and Sam Thomas 475; Emma Kostka, Lorraine Kostka, and Paul Kostka 503; Dave Barber, Lindy Groening, Ellie Janda, Hugh McGuire, and Maggie Zhou 498.

The business meeting was reopened. The Treasurer reported that expenses had been met and the Secretary reported that seventy-six songs had been sung by twenty-six singers attending in person or online. The chairperson resolved to meet again next year. The business meeting was closed and announcements were made.

Anne Caswell led 347 as the closing song, and offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Anne Caswell; Secretary—Lindy Groening

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CONVENTION

Pine Grove Church, Collinsville, Alabama

August 26-27, 2023

Saturday, August 26

The 118th session of the Lookout Mountain Sacred Harp Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in August. The class was called to order by Scot Oliver leading 82t. Dennis George offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 176t, 58 (in memory of Boyd Scott); Judy Caudle 322 (in memory of Mary Ruth Stiefel), 303; Daniel Lee 52t, 565; Jerry Turlington 288, 159; Phil Summerlin 97, 131b; Gail Doss 66, 448t; Samuel Williams 440, 131t; Anna Grace Sipe 32t, 30b.

RECESS

Scot Oliver led 176b to bring the class together. Leaders: Glenda Collins 99, 124; Cheyenne Ivey 432, 172; Earl Ballinger 177, 80b; Loyd Ivey 89, 426b; David Carlton 332 (in memory of Bud Oliver), 496; Meredith Ivey 44, 421; Abigail Cannon 472, 384.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 343. A business meeting was held and the following officers were retained to serve: Chairman—Scot Oliver; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey;

Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging—Cindy Tanner.

Leaders: Mike Hankins 168, 282; Winfred Kerr 225t, 59; Sarah George 428, 138b; Everett Ivey 153, 426t; Beth Branscome 222, 299. Phil Summerlin asked a blessing at the tables before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rodney Ivey leading 270. Leaders: Bert Collins 542, 340; Reba Windom 208 (in memory of Aunt Woodie); Mary Hodgkins 47t, 277; Bill DuPre 378b, 39t; Larry Ballinger 552; Ainslie Allen 546, 217; David Ivey 220; Susan Lee 300, 349; Daniel Williams 162, 517; Ann Jett 269, 327; Paula Oliver 500, 216; Judy Mincey 171 (in memory of Eva Striebeck), 547; Nathan Rees 181; Lloyd Bricken 47b; Prisca Rice 203, 29t; Lilly Underwood 348b; Lilly Underwood and Loyd Ivey 283; Tom George 27, 464; Maddie Mullaney 234, 374; Elene Stovall 228 (in memory of Joan Aldridge); Richard Ivey, with friends, Van and Nikki 108t; Cassie Allen 218 (in memory of Eugene Forbes); Kelsey Ivey 276; Alanna Blanks and Emma 405; Eric Blanks 480; Cindy Tanner 155 (in memory of Jerry Kitchens).

Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 323t as the closing song. Delone Cobbs dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, August 27

The Sunday session of the Lookout Mountain Sacred Harp Convention began with Scot Oliver leading 145t. Marlin Beasley offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 56t (in memory of Barrett Ashley); Judy Caudle 123b (in memory of S.T. Reed); Joyce Morton 64; Isaac Green 493; Linda Thomas 73t; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Linda Sides 421; Donna Wootten

81t; Gaea Singer 324; Blake Sisemore 42 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Jackie Tanner 129; Jamey Wootten 48t; Garrett Morton 47t; Adrian Eldridge 58 (in memory of Boyd Scott); Shane Wootten 186 (in memory of Barrett Ashley); Lori Rogers 276; Jerry Turlington and Reba Windom 196.

RECESS

Scot Oliver led 36b to bring the class together. Leaders: Judy Mincey 464; Glerys Bieberitz and Gabriela Beiberitz 217; Eric Blanks and Emma 388; Maddie Mullaney 407; Sarah George 432; Shane Brown 383; Prisca Rice 136; Gail Doss 147b; Abigail Cannon 455; Daniel Lee 474.

RECESS

The class was brought to order by Paula Oliver leading 101t. Shane Wootten made a special presentation to Paula Oliver and Scot Oliver: a check in the amount of \$1000.00 was presented to the Lookout Mountain Convention, to be used for the preservation and perpetuation of Sacred Harp singing in the area. The donation was made possible through the efforts of Alabama Representative Ginny Shaver, and was much appreciated.

Leaders: Paula Oliver 540; Loyd Ivey 318 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Elene Stovall 270 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Ainslie Allen 498; David Ivey 77t (in memory of Jerry Enright); Roma Rice 338; Lilly Underwood 67; Samuel Williams 502; Cheyenne Ivey 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Alanna Blanks 551; Cassie Allen 193; Reba Windom 411; Tom George 567; Susan Lee 107; Mark Carroll 99; Cindy Tanner 76b. Shane Brown asked a blessing at the tables before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Lilly Underwood led 30t to bring the class together. Leaders: Shane Brown 228; Maddie Mullaney 430; Garrett Morton 216 (for Betty Shepherd).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Cassie Allen spoke of support and comfort. She read aloud the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Nate Green, Wanda Capps, Margaret Keeton, Clarke Williams, Ozella Blackmon, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Frances Jones, Sarah Beasley, Don Bowen, Betty Shepherd, Caroline Wootten, Teresa Bethune, Louise Ivey, and Richard Mauldin. She led 225t.

Prisca Rice spoke of the privilege and joy brought to us who sing for those who carried this tradition before us. She read aloud the following list of names of the deceased: Chita Blakeley, Ann Simpson, Jerry Kitchens, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Juanita Beasley, Boyd Scott, Joe Jones, Lamar Hackworth, Greta Stiefel, and Doug Ivey—Alabama; Mary Wright—Virginia; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Philip Denney—Georgia; Melanie Hauff and Ted Mercer—Illinois; Becky Browne—Missouri; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Lara Nguyen, Fred Park, Lydia Lewallen, and Brad Farmer—North Carolina; Karen Walker—New Mexico; Pete Mathewson—Colorado; Wendy Morton—Tennessee. She led 134 in memory of the deceased. Tom George closed the memorial service with prayer. Leaders: Abigail Cannon 100; Gaea Singer 106; Adrian Eldridge 406; Judy Mincey 497; Tom George and Sarah George 475; Charles Stiefel 47b; Susan Lee and Daniel Lee 278t; Donna Wootten and Shane Wootten 314 (in memory of Milton Oliver); Cassie Allen, Ainslie Allen, and Jackie Tanner 477; Cheyenne Ivey and Rodney Ivey 418; Linda Thomas and Elene Stovall 30b; Loyd Ivey and Lilly Underwood 454; David Ivey and Jamey Wootten 448b; Judy Caudle and Reba Windom 144; Jerry Turlington 68b; Lori Rogers 472; Linda Sides and Roma Rice 229; Isaac Green and Samuel Williams 562; Joyce Morton and Charles Stiefel 63; Marlin Beasley 108t; Mark Carroll 445; Alanna Blanks, Eric Blanks, Emma Blanks, and Arleigh Beard 405; Cassie Allen, Cindy Tanner, and Ainslie Allen 182; Scot Oliver, Pattie Oliver, Pauline Oliver, Paula Oliver, Alanna Blanks, Emma Blanks, Arleigh Beard, and Eric Blanks 192. Announcements were made.

Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 62 as the closing song. Jackie Tanner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Scot Oliver; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Judy Caudle

MISSISSIPPI STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Antioch Primitive Baptist Church, Forest, Mississippi

August 26-27, 2023

Saturday, August 26

President Mark Davis welcomed everyone to the 92nd annual session of the Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention, held on the fourth weekend in August. Mark Davis led 37b to bring the class to order. Arlon Gardner offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Mark Davis 203; Darlene Reynolds 490, 454; Arlon Gardner 565, 542.

Mark Davis appointed the following members to the Business and Credentials

Committee: Henry McGuire, Charlie McGuire, and Will Gatewood. Leaders: Amy Armstrong Wells 34b, 112; Ken Tate 548 (CH), 168b (CH); Jeff Jones 50b (CH), 51 (CH); Sonya Kirkham 64 (CB), 335 (CB); Dennis Cranford 178, 277; Ann Steel 179, 99.

RECESS

Arlon Gardner brought the class back together by leading 270. Leaders: Anders Wells 89, 76b; Gary Ryan 385t, 271t; Charlie McGuire 181, 398; Wilma Mitchell 39t, 117; Samantha Gardner and Sophia Gardner 142 (CH); Luke Addison 148, 503; Amy Armstrong Wells and Helen Wells 128; Regina Derstine 120, 215; Danny Creel 54 (CH), 121t (CH); Jane Armstrong 30t, 279; Will Gatewood 163t, 478 (WB); Warren Steel 189 (CH), 203 (CH).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Mark Davis leading 155. Leaders: John Pyles 100, 101b; Kim Funderburk 47b, 119; Lisa Geist 272, 528; Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212 (CB), 425 (CB), 515 (CB); Joseph McClatchy 261t (CH), 410t (CH); Amber Davis 142; Nicholas Thompson 411, 131 (CH); Allison Pyles 258 (CH), 505 (CB); Mark Davis 507b (CB) (for Esther Mann); Henry McGuire 155 (CH), 43 (CH).

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected to serve: President—Mark Davis; Vice President—Henry McGuire; Secretary/Treasurer—Darlene Reynolds; Chaplain—Arlon Gardner.

Mark Davis led 240. Leaders: Ken Tate 432b (CH); Jeff James 138 (CH); Danny Creel 166 (CH); Nicholas Thompson and Amber Davis 380; Mark Davis 117 (CH) (for Alfred Bailey).

Mark Davis and Henry McGuire led The Drone as the closing song. Arlon Gardner offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, August 27

Mark Davis welcomed everyone to the Sunday session of the Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention. He led 81t. Arlon Gardner offered the opening prayer.

Mark Davis appointed Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn to serve as the Memorial Committee and Lisa Geist and Nicholas Thompson to serve as the Resolutions Committee.

Leaders: Mark Davis 183; Henry McGuire 196 (WB), 511 (WB); Darlene Reynolds 569b, 282; Arlon Gardner 278t, 448t; Sonya Kirkham 124, 40; Nicholas Thompson 110 (CH), 364 (CH); Amy Armstrong Wells 48t, 546; David Jackson 63, 235.

RECESS

Mark Davis brought the class back to order by leading 88b. Leaders: Jane Armstrong 296 (CH), 226t (CH); Lisa Geist 38t (CB), 472; Anders Wells 71, 110; Regina Derstine 272 (CB), 98 (CB).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn led 54t (CB) in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Liz Van Horn, Ozella Blackmon, Betty Shepherd, Richard Mauldin, Alice McGuire, John Lee Van Horn, Bruce Ray, Peggy Ray, Erselle Jackson, Estes Jackson, Judith Gatewood, Lucy Heidorn, and Leon Ballinger.

Lisa Geist and Nicholas Thompson led 76b (CH) in memory of the following deceased: Elder J.L. Hopper, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Boyd Scott, Doug Ivey, Juanita Beasley, Chita Blakeley, Jerry Kitchens—Alabama; Becky Browne—Missouri; Sue Bunch—Florida; Josh Martin, Charlotte Powell, Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Janice Hollingsworth—Mississippi; George Burnette, Philip Denney—Georgia; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Melanie Hauff—Illinois. David Jackson closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

LUNCH

The Resolutions Committee thanked everyone for coming, especially visitors and thanked everyone that helped prepare the food for both days. They remarked on the wonderful fellowship with one another, and agreed to meet back here at the same place on the fourth weekend in August, 2024.

Leaders: Mark Davis 29t; Will McGuire 111t, 300; Will Gatewood 528 (WB), 546t (WB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 422t (WB), 422b (WB); Nicholas Thompson 159 (for Esther Mann), 147t; Arlon Gardner 216t (CH).

The Business and Credentials Committee gave the financial report, listing the following expenses: \$103.76 spent for chicken for lunch, Antioch Primitive Baptist Church \$400; Minutes publication \$30; WCPC Houston MS Radio station \$100, and Camp Fasola \$250. The business meeting was closed.

Henry McGuire and Mark Davis led The Drone as the closing song. Arlon Gardner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Mark Davis; Vice President—Henry McGuire; Secretary—Darlene Reynolds

MARIAN BUSH MEMORIAL SINGING

Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California

Sunday, August 27, 2023

The 5th annual Marian Bush Memorial Singing was held outdoors at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California, on the fourth Sunday in August. The class met both in person and online via Zoom.

The class was called to order by Anne Caswell leading 52t. Terry Moore offered the opening prayer. The following officers served: Chairperson—Anne Caswell; Secretary—Sue Lindner; Treasurer—Paul Kostka; Online Technology—Paul Kostka. Leaders: Peter Ross 38t; David Elsenbroich 30b; Lorraine Kostka 34b; Sue Lindner 535; Jeannette Ralston 31t; Jenny Solheim 36b; Terry Moore 107; Anne Caswell 287 (for Arnold Zwicky); David Elsenbroich 268 (for Sheryl Pockrose); Paul Kostka 300; Midge Harder 556; Anne Caswell 531; Pat Coghlan 91; Peter Ross 66; David Elsenbroich 43; James Langdell 63; Lorraine Kostka 274; Sue Lindner 65; Winona Hubbard 56b; Jeannette Ralston 430; Jenny Solheim 142; Terry Moore 121; Paul Kostka 297 (for Arnold Zwicky); Paul Kostka 528; Midge Harder 319; Anne Caswell 569b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Peter Ross, who spoke about the life of Marian Bush, a longtime Sacred Harp singer in Palo Alto. Marian passed away in 2016 at the age of 99. Peter Ross led 82t in memory of Marian Bush. Anne Caswell conducted a memorial lesson and led 163b in honor of the sick, homebound, and deceased.

Leaders: Sue Lindner 217; Jenny Solheim 254 (for Winona Hubbard); Midge Harder 95 (for Jeannette Ralston); Terry Moore 315; Jenny Solheim 120 (for Arnold

Zwicky); Paul Kostka 273; Jenny Solheim 171; Anne Caswell 127; Midge Harder 39t; Midge Harder 155 (for Peter Ross); Sue Lindner 209; Jeannette Ralston 335; Jenny Solheim 128.

A business meeting was held. The Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The Secretary reported that at least eighteen singers attended either in person or online via Zoom, and forty-two songs were led by fifteen leaders. The class collectively offered thanks to all who made the singing possible, and resolved to convene again next year. Announcements were made.

Anne Caswell led 347 as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Anne Caswell; Secretary—Sue Lindner

GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING **Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia** **Saturday, September 2, 2023**

The 14th session of the debut of *The Georgian Harmony* singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in September. All song selections are from *The Georgian Harmony*. John Plunkett called the class together leading 64 and 167. The opening prayer was offered by John Hollingsworth.

Leaders: Bert Collins 3, 204; Shawn Taylor 11; Glenda Collins 10, 99; Chris Robinson 12; Bill DuPre 63, 81; Bill Hollingsworth 14, 15; Martha Harrell 54, 95; Rosemond Watson 15, 109; Oscar McGuire 9.

RECESS

The class was called together by John Plunkett leading 30. Leaders: Bert Collins 108; Shawn Taylor 29; Glenda Collins 86; Chris Robinson 47; Bill DuPre 179; Bill Hollingsworth 13; Martha Harrell 107; Rosemond Watson 22; Sandra Wilkinson 118. Elder Chris Robinson asked the blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

John Plunkett began the afternoon session by leading 160. Leaders: Shawn Taylor 92; Glenda Collins 105; Mary Brownlee and John Brownlee 16, 94; Chris Robinson 97; John Plunkett 236 (at the request of John Hollingsworth); Bill DuPre 82; Bill Hollingsworth 208, 136; Sandra Wilkinson 33, 34; Oscar McGuire 26.

Announcements were made. The class sang 'Amazing Grace' for Asa and Karter McGuire Sherrett, who were present.

Rosemond Watson and Lily Brownlee led 255 as the traditional closing song. Bill DuPre offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Glenda Collins

MAIDENCREEK SINGING **Maidencreek Friends Meeting House, Leesport, Pennsylvania** **Saturday, September 2, 2023**

The 26th annual Maidencreek All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before Labor Day at the Maidencreek Friends Meeting House. Hayden Arp called the class to order by leading 32t. Lyn Koehonline offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Rachel Hall; Vice Chairman—Hollie Long; Secretary—Chelsea Feltman; Treasurer—Rachael Geary.

Leaders: Rachel Hall 313t; Sophie Sokolov 111t; Hollie Long 283; Lyn Koehonline 73b; Korey Guerrieri 66; Ben Fink 228; Mike Galganski and Hayden Arp 49t; Rachael Geary 37b; John Luttenberger and Alex Forsyth 159; Chelsea Feltman 276; Katie Browne 282; Jonathan Kadar-Kallen 355; Katherine Reier 186; Pete Sandeen 47b; Miriam Delirium 201.

RECESS

Ted Stokes called the class back to order by leading 331. Matthew Kaufmann led the German lesson with some brief remarks on the cultural and linguistic history of the Pennsylvania Dutch in Southeastern Pennsylvania and led “Halleeluya, Losst Uns Singen” from Dutchified German Spirituals to the tune of 145b.

Leaders: Kass Urban-Mead 299; Madeleine Smith 127; Julian Bender 474; Ellyn Ross 107; Joyce Forry 373; Greg Holt 113; Thomas Ward 230; Rachael Geary 76t; Hal Kunkel 380; Elsa Phemayotin 376; Jason Steidl Jack 432; Lindsey Falbo 154; Sam Kleinman 377; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 426b.

RECESS

Doug Kurtze called the class back to order by leading 288. Leaders: Emily Ross 198; G.C. Waldrup 505; Nina Burris 362.

Ben Fink conducted the memorial lesson, reading the names of the following sick and shut-ins: Massi Agosti, Sohie Sabat, Lance Fulton, Tom Waggener, Pat Waggener, Liam Lehrer, David Carlton, Jamie Ceschen, Dave Bennett, Dan Phemayotin, Jim Koones, Cindy Tanner, Bruce Saylor, Corrone Bryant, and Chris Cotter.

Ben led 417, remarking upon how the song's harmonic changes mirror the sudden and disruptive nature of grief. He invited the class to consider how the lyrics and tempo changes reflect the difficulty of “going back to normal” in the wake of grief. He led the song in memory of the following deceased: Karin Wilson, Norman Wilson, Marjorie Breder, Mary and Frank—Pennsylvania; Doug Ivey, Chita Blakeley, Claudene Townsend, Jerry Kitchens, Boyd Scott, Hubert Nall, Elder J.L. Hopper, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Michael Greene, Aaron Reimer, Benjamin Reimer, Cordelia Reimer—Massachusetts; William R. Wylie, Joan Sheldon—Maine; Melaine Hauff—Illinois; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Nancy Paris, Alison Rieke—Kentucky; Cheryl Foreman, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Eden Grace; Pete Mathewson—Colorado; August Golden—Minnesota; Esther Reaves—Maryland; Graham DeZarn—Virginia. Ellie Knickman followed with a prayer.

Leaders: Erika Wilson 285t (for Erik Schwab); Jeff Shenk 142; Elizabeth Patton 156; Scott Robinson 267; Guy Bankes 534; Gary Ryan 378b; Tom Stokes 319. Sophie Sokolov offered the blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Hayden Arp called the class back to order by leading 88t. Leaders: Keillor Mose 61; Rachel Speer 200; Sarah George 208; Kelsey Ivey 419; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 548; Evelyn Saylor 480; Travis Peck 162; Shane Brown 383; Rosie Sokolov 414; Myles Louis Dakan 345b; Marco Wessingk 77t; Becky Wright 272; Dean Jens 445; Rachel Farber 214; Nancy Mandel 324; Richard Ivey 567; Emma Rose Brown 444; Tom George 396.

RECESS

Tim Leonard called the class back to order by leading 29t. Leaders: Jon Giles 408; Erin Fulton 497; Jacob Hamidi 551; Jasmine Mendoza 546; Kevin Griffin Moreno 99; Blake Sisemore 411; Mary Helen Dupree 232; Chris Holley 348b; Nicholas Thompson 220; Alanna Goodman 300; Sean Bonsall 163b; Patti Davis and Ben Fink 254; Micah John Walter 400; Sue Peters 68b; Quinn Ross 535; Susan Loucks 147t; Kobi Bordoley 33b; Bridget Jamison 111b; Sara Lott 436. There were one hundred twenty attendees from thirteen states and two countries, and eighty leaders led eighty-four songs.

After announcements, Rachel Hall led 565 as the closing song. Blake Sisemore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rachel Hall; Vice Chairman—Hollie Long; Treasurer—Rachael Geary; Secretary—Chelsea Feltman

MULBERRY RIVER CONVENTION
Union Baptist Church, Warrior, Alabama
Saturday, September 2, 2023

The Mulberry River Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Danny Creel. The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve:

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Ann Jett. Lisa Geist was appointed to serve as the arranging officer.

Danny Creel led 30t, 32t, and 213t. Jeff James offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Danny Creel 215; Ken Tate 155, 129, 418; Beth Branscome 84, 178, 565; Lloyd Bricken 72b, 56t, 47b; Jeff James 154, 145t, 31t.

RECESS

The class was brought together by Danny Creel leading 76b. Leaders: Ken Tate 442, 385t; Jeff James 100, 124; Mark Taylor 63, 535; Lloyd Bricken 283, 300; Larry Ballinger 119; Beth Branscome 208, 171; Earl Ballinger 329, 278b; Ann Jett 88t; Amber Davis 48t; Cassie Allen 345b; Lisa Geist 564, 328. Announcements were made.

Danny Creel led 385b as the closing song. Ken Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Ann Jett

NEW PROVIDENCE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING
Ringgold, Louisiana
Saturday, September 2, 2023

The 17th annual Sacred Harp singing convened at New Providence Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the first Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Rober Vaughn leading 59 (CB). The opening prayer was offered by Bruce Ray.

Leaders: Robert Vaughn 40 (CB); Sonya Kirkham 268t (CB), 100 (CB); Peggy Ray 64 (CB), 54t (CB); Kristie Powell 514 (CB), 210 (CB); Glen Turner 449 (CB), 505 (CB); Cory Winters 571 (CB), 567 (CB); Will Gatewood 410 (CB), 575 (CB); Stina Soderling 504t (CB), 155 (CB).

RECESS

Robert Vaughn called the class back to order by leading 397 (CB). Leaders: Allison Langston 38b (CB), 171 (CB); Tristan Gordon 438t (CB), 438b (CB); Gaylon Powell 38t (CB), 543 (CB); Chris Nicholson 422b (CB), 422t (CB); Sonya Kirkham 269 (CB), 99 (CB); Peggy Ray 78 (CB), 293 (CB); Kristie Powell 273 (CB), 392 (CB). Glen Turner offered prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Robert Vaughn leading 128. Leaders: Glen Turner 314, 330b; Cory Winters 129, 441; Will Gatewood 452, 425; Stina Soderling 460, 229; Allison Langston 209, 306; Tristan Gordon 439, 163b; Chris Nicholson 212, 348b; Gaylon Powell 538, 328; Sonya Kirkham 329, 276. Announcements were made.

Leaders: Robert Vaughn 142; Peggy Ray 143, 63; Kristie Powell 430, 505; Glen Turner 47b; Cory Winters 472; Will Gatewood 72b; Stina Soderling 67; Allison Langston 274t; Tristan Gordon 417; Chris Nicholson, Martha Turner, and Mary Dales 49t; Gaylon Powell 426b.

Robert Vaughn led 62 as the closing song. Mike Kirkham offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Robert Vaughn; Secretary—Sonya Kirkham

FOX VALLEY FOLK FESTIVAL SINGING

Island Park, Geneva, Illinois

Sunday, September 3, 2023

The Fox Valley Folk Festival Singing was held on the Sunday before Labor Day at Island Park in Geneva, Illinois, as part of the 47th annual Fox Valley Folk Music and Storytelling Festival.

Jim Helke called the class to order at 11:00 a.m. and explained some rudiments of Shape Note Singing. We turned to page 18 in the Sacred Harp, Denson edition and sang a few scales. Eileen Ferguson requested that anyone who wanted to lead please state their first and last name, and the page number of the song.

Leaders: Jim Helke 565; Kathleen Taylor 79; Eileen Ferguson 34b; Dave Barford 274t; Kerry Cullinan 70b; Jim Helke 37b; Lisa Grayson 278b; Kathleen Taylor 277; Andrew Salyer 288; Molly Wedby 65; Sue Kelso 268; Dan Boyle 147t; Anita Shaperd 148; Eileen Ferguson 36b. Announcements were made of local singings. We closed the Singing at 12:00 p.m.

Chairpersons—Jim Helke and Lisa Grayson; Secretary—Eileen Ferguson

LABOR DAY SINGING

Shoal Creek Church, Cleburne County, Alabama

Monday, September 4, 2023

The 103rd annual session of the Labor Day singing was held on the first Monday in September at Shoal Creek Church in the Talladega National Forest, Cleburne County, Alabama. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 60. Robert Chambless offered the morning prayer. Cecil Roberts welcomed the singers and visitors to the singing and led 33b.

Leaders: Judy Chambless 82t, 29t; Glenda Collins 76b, 77t; David Brodeur 77b, 75; Bert Collins 35, 97; Shawn Taylor 326, 327; Samuel Williams 354t; Winfred Kerr 282, 225t; Bill DuPre 378b, 129; Karen Rollins 34b, 294; Robert Chambless 163b, 303.

In a short business meeting the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Judy Chambless; Secretary—Judy Chambless.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 48t. Leaders: Abigail Cannon 472, 47t; Daniel Williams 399t, 38b; Oscar McGuire 171, 155; Judy Mincey 34t, 497; Curtis Spivey 358; Barbara Brooks 410t, 119; Robert Chambless and his sister, Doris 72b, 84; Karen Rollins 87, 120 (in memory of Philip Denney); Cecil Roberts 399b, 229; Shawn Taylor 512, 122; Judy Chambless 454 (in honor of Jack Nelson); Daniel Williams 201, 74t; Bill DuPre 31t, 547.

LUNCH

David Brodeur brought the class back to order leading 76t. Leaders: Abigail Cannon 268, 430; Judy Mincey 434, 182; Samuel Williams 67, 30t; Oscar McGuire 503 (in memory of B.J. Harris), 515; Bert Collins 542, 339; David Brodeur 475 (in memory of B.M. Smith), 228; Glenda Collins 124, 101t; Barbara Brooks 72t, 235; Winfred Kerr 516, 517.

After announcements, Cecil Roberts led 138b as the closing song. Daniel Williams offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Judy Chambless; Secretary—Judy Chambless

CAPE MEARES SINGING
Cape Meares Community Center, Cape Meares, Oregon
Saturday, September 9, 2023

The Cape Meares All-Day Singing was held on the first Saturday after Labor Day. Betsy Jeronen called the class to order by leading 448b, and welcomed the class. Brad Knoke offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held, and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Betsy Jeronen; Treasurer—Gin McCollum; Secretary—Jane Cannon; Arranging Committee—Emma Swartz; Chaplain—Brad Knoke; Resolutions Committee—Dave Barber and Chris Noren. Leaders: Jane Cannon 31t; Stephen Tarr 503; Ruth Linehan 501; John Berendzen 73b; Dorothy Mitchell 225t; Sarah Berry and Jesse Flint 178; Erik Schwab 59; Laura McMurray 39b; Thom Fahrbach 280; Peter Abrahamson 278t; Nancy Novotny 142; Dana Steege-Jackson 89; Bob Schinske 68b; Jennifer Jones 564; Carrie Walker 146; Betsy Jeronen and Carolyn Deacy 171 (in memory of Eva Striebeck); Steve Cackley 560.

RECESS

Emma Swartz called the class back to order with 131b. Leaders: Kim Lusk 179; Claire Hogan 95; Rosie Sokolov 411; Sam Kleinman 434; Peter Schinske 306; Reed Schilbach 318; Chris Noren 455; Kate Fine 532 (for Cornelia Stanton, Linda Berkemeier, and Nell Whitman); David Schmitt 485; Maggie Zhou 445; Anne Huckins 186; David Wright 273; Sadhbh O'Flynn 272; Kevin Barrans 423; Linda Selph 527.

RECESS

Brad Knoke called the class back to order leading 204. Leaders: Dorothy Robinson 367; Dami Osoba 380; Dave Barber 333; Tamara Wallace and Chris Noren 84; Pat Coghlan 528; Kristofer Ilex 74b; Mark Godfrey 32b; Lindy Groening 302; Julius Pasay 498; Evelyn Lamb 207; Erik Schwab 497; Ruth Linehan 371. Brad Knoke offered a prayer for dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Jennifer Jones and Ian Desiderio called the class back to order with 72b. Leaders: Carolyn Deacy 456; Jane Cannon 315; Stephanie Fida 69b; Maggie Zhou 506; Sadhbh O'Flynn 419; Sam Kleinman 298; Dave Barber 362; Peter Schinske 344; Claire Hogan 215; David Schmitt 148; Mark Godfrey 436; Rosie Sokolov 499; Julius Pasay 283; Linda Selph 430; Thom Fahrbach 355; Emma Swartz 383; Evelyn Lamb 217; David Wright 187; Kate Coxon and Sam Coxon 422; Dami Osoba 214; Lindy Groening 201; Kristofer Ilex 387.

RECESS

Chris Noren called the class back to order leading 49b. Leaders: Bob Schinske 573; Dorothy Miller 34b; Carrie Walker 340; Keven Barrans 34t; Pat Coghlan 91; Nancy Novotny 536; John Berendzen 396; Stephanie Fida and Steve Cackley 167; Stephen Tarr 277; Kim Lusk 384.

A business session was held for the purpose of hearing committee reports. Secretary Jane Cannon reported that fifty-five registered with forty-nine leaders from seven states and Canada, and eighty-one songs sung. Treasurer Gin McCollum reported that expenses were covered with donations. Resolutions Committee, Dave Barber and Chris Noren, thanked Betsy Jeronen, the officers, keyers, cooks, and helpers for jobs well done, and resolved to meet back at Cape Meares, Oregon, to sing from the Sacred Harp on the first Saturday after Labor Day in 2024. Betsy Jeronen led 36b and Brad Knoke dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Betsy Jeronen; Secretary—Jane Cannon

GREENVILLE-PIONEER DAY SINGING
The Church of Greenville, Simpsonville, South Carolina
Saturday, September 9, 2023

The Greenville-Pioneer Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Robert Kelley leading 82t. Jonathan Wood offered the opening prayer.
Leaders: Robert Kelley 72t; Leon Carnell 107, 163b; Dave Farmer 65, 567; Frances Carnell 314, 352; Jonathan Wood 56t, 159; Jeremiah Ledbetter 30b, 31t; Mary Baumeister 81t, 84; Sharon Strong 52t, 344; Tom Ivey 53, 475; Emma Parrish 148, 288; Barbara Brooks 119, 229.

RECESS

Robert Kelley called the class back to order leading 411. Leaders: Chris Carnell and Caleb Carnell 45t, 430; Andy Morse 385b, 183; Sarah Carnell 547, 178; John Plunkett 47t, 57; Chris Wilhelm 168, 480; Meriam Carnell 114, 117; Gloria Carnell 47b, 282. John Plunkett offered thanks before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back together by Robert Kelley leading 123b. Leaders: Leon Carnell 192, 56b; Dave Farmer 383; Frances Carnell 298, 150; Jonathan Wood 155, 50b; Jeremiah Ledbetter 318, 277; Mary Baumeister 420; Sharon Strong 524, 466; Tom Ivey 254; Emma Parrish 49b; Barbara Brooks 378b, 303; Eric Carnell 319, 379; Jacob Lindler 95, 551.

RECESS

Robert Kelley called the class back to order leading 97. Leaders: Chris Carnell 326, 34t; Andy Morse 284, 410t; Sarah Carnell 236, 75; John Plunkett 130, 297; Chris Wilhelm 286; Alekz Cushman 186; Bethany Carnell and Eric Carnell 171; Meriam Carnell 198; Gloria Carnell 40.

Following announcements, Robert Kelley led 45b as the closing song. Leon Carnell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Robert Kelley; Vice Chairman—Leon Carnell; Secretary—Dave Farmer

NALL AND FLOYD MEMORIAL SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church, Molino, Florida

Saturday, September 9, 2023

The annual Nall and Floyd Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Gary Padgett leading 49t. Jay Larson offered the opening prayer, welcomed the class, and then led 40. Chris Nicholson led the introductory lesson using 293b and 264t. Leaders: Evie Eddins 42; Lars Larson 380t; Ezra Eddins 30b; Asher Smith 127; Farrell Stearns 571; David Wever 264b; Mary Huffman 28b; Elam Eddins 184b; George Presnell 87; Jay Larson 404; Eli Eddins 283; Becky Briggs 274t; Kate Larson and Vanessa Martin 47t; Phil Smith 392.

RECESS

Gary Padgett led 192 to bring the class together. Leaders: Eric Eddins 89; Dana Eddins 95b (for Nancy Hogan and in memory of Cheryl Foreman); Elliot Eddins 121; Uzziah Smith 427; DeAna Autry 288; Joshua McCoy 61; Olivia Larson 282; Gerald Manning 447t; Everett Smith 44; Katherine Wever 122; Sam Cooper 146.

Gary Padgett read the following list of names of the deceased: Hubert Nall, Juanita Beasley, and Lloyd Jones. Eddy Franzone read the family history as recorded by Hubert Nall. Gary Padgett led 572 in memory of the Nall and Floyd families, and the memorial service was closed.

Leaders: Edith Eddins 297; Charlotte Naylor 155; Karen Larson 95t; Ewan Eddins 497; Anne Royappa 133; Jonathan Wever 159. Gary Padgett led 369, and Joshua McCoy asked a blessing on the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Gary Padgett leading 96. Leaders: Emily Eddins 287 (in memory of Hubert Nall); Ryan Bowman 28t; Ethan Eddins 546; Owen Smith 573; Kevin Eddins 520; Chris Nicholson 212; David Wever 163t; Mary Huffman 444t; Elam Eddins 385t; Jonathan Wever 486; Dana Eddins 504 (in memory of Joe Nall); Gerald Manning 558; Edith Eddins 126; Ryan Bowman and Ewell Bowman 300; Ewan Eddins 298; Charlotte Naylor 290; Ethan Eddins 438b; Chris Nicholson 38t (by request); Olivia Larson and Mabel Larson 505; Kevin Eddins 543; Farrell Stearns 518; Gary Padgett 449 (by request). Announcements were made. Gary Padgett led 217 (in memory of Joe Nall) as the closing song. Gerald Manning offered the closing prayer.
Chairman—Gary Padgett; Secretary—Evie Eddins

SACRED HARP SWEDEN

The Newman Institute For Catholic Studies, Uppsala, Sweden Saturday, September 9, 2023

Sacred Harp Sweden invited singers to the 5th annual Uppsala All-Day Singing at the Newman Institute in Uppsala, Sweden. The chair, Hanna Flyckt, called the singing to order by leading 47t. Margaret Hunt offered an opening invocation. Leaders: Derek Buckland 63; Saara Pakarainen 32t; Werner Ullah 33b; Oskar Kvasnes 39b; Paul Landskroener 107; Toni Knez 103; Matthew Lawson 162; Mariella Minutella 410t; Margaret Hunt 65; Hanna Flyckt 155; Derek Buckland 278t (a dedication to departed German singer, Eva Striebeck); Saara Pakarainen 126; Werner Ullah 49t; Oskar Kvasnes 101t; Paul Landskroener 300 (dedicated to Paul's departed mother, Dorothy and Eva Striebeck); Toni Knez 277; Matthew Lawson 39t; Mariella Minutella 447; Margaret Hunt 133; Hanna Flyckt 147t.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Derek Buckland leading 101b. Leaders: Saara Pakarainen 68t; Werner Ullah 535; Matthew Lawson 163b; Oskar Kvasnes 384; Paul Landskroener 473; Mariella Minutella 178; Toni Knez 57; Margaret Hunt 159; Hanna Flyckt 286; Derek Buckland 341 (a dedication to Juanita Beasley); Saara Pakarainen 572; Werner Ullah 49b; Matthew Lawson 56b; Oskar Kvasnes 105; Paul Landskroener 55; Peter Gates and Hanna Flyckt 209. Peter Gates led the blessing before dinner.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Mariella Minutella leading 38t. Leaders: Toni Knez 118; Margaret Hunt 68b; Derek Buckland 61; Saara Pakarainen 297; Werner Ullah 457; Oskar Kvasnes 35; Paul Landskroener 168; Hanna Flyckt 111b; Matthew Lawson 455; Mariella Minutella 268; Toni Knez 146; Derek Buckland 161; Saara Pakarainen 411; Margaret Hunt 34b; Werner Ullah 313b; Oskar Kvasnes 147b.

RECESS

Paul Landskroener called the class together leading 84. Leaders: Hanna Flyckt 171; Matthew Lawson 112; Mariella Minutella 269; Toni Knez 445; Derek Buckland 163t; Saara Pakarainen 442; Lennart Nyström 335; Margaret Hunt 102; Werner Ullah 503; Oskar Kvasnes 228; Hanna Flyckt 48t; Matthew Lawson 312b; Mariella Minutella 524; Toni Knez 213t; Derek Buckland 122 (dedicated to Uschi Nolte); Saara Pakarainen 501; Margaret Hunt 40; Werner Ullah 47b.

The Treasurer reported that expenses had been met and the Secretary informed the class that fifteen singers from five countries (Germany, Norway, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States) sang seventy-five songs. Hanna Flyckt opened the floor to guests from Germany, Norway, and the UK who extended invitations to attend their regular singings and the Hamburg group's ten-year anniversary All-Day Singing (October 21, 2023). Werner Ullah informed the class that the UK Sacred Harp website now publishes a comprehensive calendar over local singings for all European groups at <https://sacredharp.uk/local-singings/region/europe/>. After a few announcements of her own, Hanna extended heartfelt thanks to all visiting singers and the officers who served. She then led 62 as the closing song. Peter Gates offered a concluding prayer, allowing a grateful assembly to return to the world outside a little tired, but much lighter in heart and spirit.

Chairman—Hanna Flyckt; Co-Chairman—Margaret Hunt; Treasurer—John Lennart Nyström; Secretary—Peter Gates

THE UNITED SACRED HARP MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama

September 9-10, 2023

Saturday, September 9

The 118th session of the United Sacred Harp Musical Association met on the second Sunday and Saturday before in September. The class was called to order by Marty Wootten leading 82t. Shane Brown offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Marty Wootten 31t; Jamey Wootten 37b; Pam Nunn 155; Anna Hinton 203; Shane Brown 114; Jerry Turlington 335; Garrett Morton 129; Winfred Kerr 36b; Susan Lee 107; James Shipp 159; Cheyenne Ivey and Reba Windom 30b; Daniel Williams 442; Eddie Mash 556; Karen Rollins 171; Jeanette Graves and Joyce Morton 358; Daniel Lee 474.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Marty Wootten leading 56t. A business session was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jamey Wootten; Vice Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Secretary—Pam Nunn; Chaplain—Shane Brown; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner and Anna Hinton; Memorial Committee—Marty Wootten and Judy Caudle; Finance Committee—Shane Wootten and Scott Ivey; Resolutions Committee—Nathan Rees and Prisca Rice; Locating Committee—Garrett Morton, Reba Windom, and Jared Wootten.

Leaders: Cindy Tanner 436; Alex Forsyth 336; Judy Caudle 434 (in memory of J.L. and Glenda Hopper); Phil Summerlin 35; Erica Hinton 460; Jeremy Shipp 232; Scott Ivey 284 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Brenda Armstrong and David Killingsworth 277; Lori Rodgers 162; Judy Chambless 472 (for Karleen Williams, Beverly Thompson, and Barry Rollins); Lucey Rose Karlsberg 196; Linda Sides 500; Elizabeth Shipp 117.

RECESS

Jamey Wootten led 76b to bring the class to order. Leaders: Rodney Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 384 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Nicholas Thompson 76t (in memory of J.L. Hopper); Nathan Rees 134; Bill DuPre 378b; Benjamin Chesser 126; Prisca Rice 115; Robert Chambless 540; Andrew Whaley and Jackie Tanner 89; Reba Windom 216 (for Betty Shepherd and Dot Crow).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Jamey Wootten leading 101t. Leaders: Eli Hinton 157; David Killingsworth 225t; Mandy Askins 71; Rachel Geary 319; Samuel Williams 476; Linda Thomas 131b; Matt Hinton 138t; Donna Wootten 274t; Jesse P. Karlsberg 272; Jared Wootten 456; Joy Dunn 122; Joyce Morton and Garrett

Morton 46; Shane Wootten 542; Virginia Watts 111t; Ann Jett 327; Jeremy Shipp 111b; Andrew Whaley 112; Elizabeth Shipp 86; Benjamin Chesser 268; James Shipp 63; Mandy Askins 127; Eddie Mash 503; David Killingsworth and Brenda Armstrong 282; Bill DuPre 512; Lori Rodgers 379; Jerry Turlington 209; Jamey Wootten 398 (by request).

Jamey Wootten led 62 as the closing song. Shane Brown dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, September 10

The Sunday session of the United Sacred Harp Musical Association meeting began with Jamey Wootten leading 48t. Jared Wootten offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Jared Wootten 32t; Blake Sisemore 34t; Pam Nunn 224; Bill DuPre 49b; Linton Ballinger 460; Marty Wootten 546; Samuel Williams 163t; Abigail Cannon 318; Ezra Eddins 34b; Joyce Morton 36b; Aaron Wootten 39t; Elam Eddins 89; Alex Forsyth 182; Jackie Tanner 73t; Bill Denney 457; Hayden Wootten 448t.

RECESS

Blake Sisemore led 101t to bring the class together. Leaders: Shane Brown 228; Cassie Allen 234; Eric Eddins 29b; Jerry Turlington 59; Deborah Taube 107; Emily Eddins 92; Daniel Williams 328; Tim Daly 284; Eli Eddins 565; Moriah Miller 503; Mark Jones 49t; Susan Lee 349; Luke Strickland 29t; Nathan Rees 193.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Jamey Wootten leading 166. Leaders: Matt Hinton 139; Meredith Ivey 153; Ethan Eddins 401; Garrett Morton 480 (in memory of Wendy Morton); Judy Caudle 91; Ann Jett 88t; Edith Eddins 135; Cheyenne Ivey 222; Jeanette Graves 45t; Reba Windom 172. Kevin Eddins asked a blessing at the tables before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Blake Sisemore leading 343. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 192; Rachel Geary 426t; Rodney Ivey 220; Ainslie Allen 498.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Marty Wootten spoke, remembering those who organized this convention, and kept it for the next generation of singers.

Judy Caudle read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Ozella Blackmon, Alice McGuire, David Carlton, Richard Mauldin, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Margaret Keeton, Nate Green, Dan Brittain, Loyd Ivey, Louise Ivey, Teresa Bethune, Wanda Capps, Judy Henry, Caroline Wootten, and Betty Shepherd. Judy then read the following list of names of the deceased: Elder J.L. Hopper, Norma Green, Boyd Scott, Doug Ivey, Marlon Wootten, Hubert Nall, Chita Blakeley, Jerry Kitchens, Juanita Beasley, Edna Calvert Graves, Joe Jones, and Claudene Townson—Alabama; Lydia Lewallen and David Wilson—North Carolina; Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell, and Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Philip Denney and Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Becky Browne—Missouri; Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Wendy Morton—Tennessee; Pete Mathewson—Colorado; Eva Striebeck—Germany; victims of September 11, 2001, attack and their family members left behind. Judy read a devotional from the writings of Charles H. Spurgeon, stating that blessed are those who sleep in Jesus. Marty and Judy led 99 and 354b. Aaron Wootten closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Evie Eddins 299; Prisca Rice 38b; Lucey Rose Karlsberg 186; Daniel Lee 497; Joy Dunn 496; Ewan Eddins 180; Emily Stutzman 532; Jesse P. Karlsberg 411; Scott Ivey 376; Dana Eddins 28b; Loyd Bricken 108t; Linda Sides 148; Shelby Castillo and Reba Windom 436; Virginia Watts 104; Kevin Eddins 149; Jared Wootten 283; Shane Wootten 348b; Betty Shepherd 216, 159; Cindy Tanner and Sharon DuPriest 269, 327.

The business session begun on Saturday was continued to hear reports from the various committees. Pam Nunn gave the secretary's report and the financial report.

Nathan Rees and Prisca Rice presented the Resolution's Report, thanking God and all who helped make the convention run smoothly and successfully. They resolved to meet again on the second weekend in September, 2024. Reba Windom made the Locating Committee report, recommending the convention be held at Zion Hill Primitive Baptist Church, near Douglas, Alabama. The class accepted the recommendation, and all reports. The business session was closed. Announcements were made.

Jamey Wootten and Blake Sisemore led 146 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jamey Wootten; Vice Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Secretary—Pam Nunn

ILLINOIS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Texas Christian Church, Clinton, Illinois** **Saturday, September 16, 2023**

The 36th annual Illinois State Sacred Harp Convention met on Saturday before the third Sunday in September. Ryan Hill called the class to order leading 59.

Pastor Scott Marsh offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Jessica Bellaire 30b, 276; Alice Bean 31t, 148; Dave Ressler 40, 39t; Ginny Landgraf 7 (MH), 180 (MH); Lori Graber 174 (MH), 13 (MH); Eric Morgan 171, 186; Prisca Rice 142, 143; Paul Figura 34b; Shirley Figura 229, 37b; Jonathon Smith 187, 131b; Randy Neufeld 29t, 99.

RECESS

Ryan Hill brought the class back together leading 338. Terry Hogue read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins, and led the class in 532: Gary Gronau, Karen Isbell, Janet Fraembs. The class received a phone update from Janet Fraembs.

Jonathon Smith shared a memory of his first memorial lesson presented by Richard DeLong in Atlanta. He read the following list of names of the deceased: Becky Browne—Missouri; Melanie Hauff and Jane Atterberry—Illinois; Marlon Wootten, Claudene Townson, Norma Green, Boyd Scott, Elder J L Hopper, Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Jerry Kitchens and Doug Ivey—Alabama; Virginia Dyer, Cathy White, and Philip Denney—Georgia; Lydia Lewallen and David Wilson—North Carolina; Sue Bunch—Florida; Cheryl Foreman, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell—Texas. Mark Graber said a few words and led 282. Terry Hogue closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 48b, 81t; Aaron Uphoff 63, 569b; Jessica Bellaire 499, 442; Alice Bean 147b, 49t; Dave Ressler 179, 178; Eric Morgan 340, 49b; Paul Figura 127 (MH); Prisca Rice 2 (MH), 13 (MH); Jonathon Smith 1 (MH), 12 (MH); Randy Neufeld 151 (MH), 503. Ryan Hill and Randy Neufeld dismissed for lunch with 164 (MH).

LUNCH

Randy Neufeld began the afternoon session by leading 36b. Leaders: Dave Ressler 38b; Jessica Bellaire 426t; Jonathon Smith 371; Prisca Rice 115; Shirley Figura 213t; Ginny Landgraf 455; Lori Graber 10 (MH), 46 (MH); Aaron Uphoff 117; Alice Bean 231; Paul Figura 169; Eric Morgan 70b; Randy Neufeld 501; Shirley Figura 348b; Jessica Bellaire 565; Lori Graber 556; Alice Bean 236; Dave Ressler 277; Jonathon Smith 440.

RECESS

The finance committee reported on meeting expenses, and Ryan Hill led 551. Leaders: Prisca Rice 203 (in memory of Becky Browne); MaryE Yoemans 189; Randy Neufeld and Ginny Landgraf 504; Aaron Uphoff and Allison Uphoff 72b; Paul Figura 73t (in memory of Bud Oliver); Eric Morgan 300; Dave Ressler 147 (MH); Prisca Rice and Jessica Bellaire 128; Ginny Landgraf 148 (MH); Jonathon Smith and MaryE Yoemans 138 (MH). Ryan Hill thanked the class, the various committees, and led 112 for Janet Fraembs. Following announcements, the class sang 347 while taking the parting hand. Pastor Marsh dismissed the class with prayer. Chairman—Ryan Hill; Secretary—Prisca Rice

NEW YORK CITY SINGING
Brooklyn, New York
Saturday, September 16, 2023

The New York City All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in September at the Brooklyn Friends Meetinghouse. Liora O'Donnell Goldensher called the class to order by leading 34b. Jason Steidl Jack offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Emma Rose Brown 37t; Jasmine Mendoza 47t; Sam Kleinman 129; Elsa Phemayotin 335; Becca Rohrer 77t; Hayley Earnest 30b; Buck Wanner 384; Quinn Ross 270; Molly Dektar 33b; Gary Ryan 378b; Jon Giles 329; Jason Steidl Jack 105; Charles Biada 539; Sue Peters 77b; Hannah Polaski 299; Ian Davis 448b; Nancy Mandel 266.

The following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Emma Rose Brown; Vice Chairman—Jasmine Mendoza; Treasurer—Sara Lott; Arranging Committee—Sam Kleinman and Elsa Phemayotin; Secretary—Becca Rohrer.

RECESS

Kobi Bordoley led 81t to call the class back together. Leaders: Sunny Lawrence 472; Ross Parker 287; Gideon Dresdner 111b; Eric Xu 99; Isaac Bligh 31t; Guy Bankes 344; Sara Lott 399b; Gwen Gethner 214; Sarah Parker and Ross Parker 182; Paul Clazing and Rochelle Semple 268; Clay Zeller-Townson 337; Michaela Natal 466; Tim Leonard 183; Rachel Hall and Keillor Mose 355.

RECESS

Matthew Kaufmann led 131b to call the class back together. Leaders: Joel Rosen 315; Hollie Long and Wendi Martin 208; Anna Melton 282.

Hayden Arp conducted the memorial lesson and read the names of those noted to be sick or housebound: Dan Phemayotin, Bruce Saylor, Ruth Ann Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Lance Fulton, Tom Waggener, Pat Waggener, and Ella Gilliland.

Hayden Arp read the following list of names of the deceased: Anthony Erfe and Audrey McLain—Ohio; Charlotte Ehrman, John Deyter, and Ann Zeller—New York; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Luke Lyman and Ashley Boothby—Colorado; Philip Denney and George Burnette—Georgia; Karen Brooks—Kansas; David Fetcho—California; William R. Wylie—Maine; Irena Katz—Massachusetts; Ted Mercer—Illinois; Nancy Parris—Kentucky; George Benefield—Arizona. Hayden Arp then led 138b in honor of the sick, housebound, and deceased. Jason Steidl Jack offered a prayer.

Leaders: Patrick DeDauw 499; Marie Brandis 328; Sophie Sokolov 498; Angela Ruggiero-Corliss 56b; Taylor Ward 69t; Ginny Huszagh 228; Erin Fulton 447; John Davis 168; Chelsea Feltman 474; Thomas Ward 404; Miriam Delirium 176b; Madeleine Smith 290. Jason Steidl Jack led a prayer before lunch.

LUNCH

Micah John Walter led 213t to call the class back together. Leaders: Alice Beattie 189; Em Ekelund 506; Tim Eriksen 507; Maggie Zhou 349; Evelyn Saylor 495; David Smead 201; Deidra Montgomery 196; Nicole Collins 542; Becky Wright 377;

Lisa Bennett and Nicole Collins 110; Rachel Rudi 460; Suzanne McFate and C.J. McFate 72b; Corinne Ducey 345b; Rachel Farber 392; Keillor Mose 295; Mike Chaffin 480; Lindsay Kruse 432; Gwen Gethner and Charles Biada 440; Maia McCormick 178; Sarah Parker and Ross Parker 547; Carol Huang 500; Robert Krug 117; Hayden Arp 434; Kevin Beirne 475; Micah John Walter and Emma Hasselbach 376; Lisa Bennett and David Smead 521; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher and Patrick DeDauw 512. Announcements were made.

Emma Rose Brown led 146 as the closing song. Jason Steidl Jack offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Emma Rose Brown; Vice Chairman—Jasmine Mendoza; Secretary—Becca Rohrer

UNITED KINGDOM SACRED HARP CONVENTION

**Hove Park School, Brighton and Hove, East Sussex, United Kingdom
September 16-17, 2023**

Saturday, September 16

The 26th session of the United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention was held at Hove Park School in Brighton and Hove, United Kingdom, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in September. Catherine Roberts and Seth Dickens called the class to order leading 171. The opening prayer was offered by Rob Mahoney.

Leaders: Sarah Hill and Nell Percival 56t; Samantha Cole 88b; Kate Kirwan 32t; Rob Mahoney 49b; Helen Brown 313t; Joe Vickers 60; Ian Lamb 68b; Nick Hall 101t; Ron Hollman 53; Rachel Jordan and Natalie Edelman 47t; Steve Biggs 45t; Eleanor Callaghan 500; Iain Paxton 344; Jill Thompson 504; Greg Carson 276; Emily Spademan 314; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 84.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Vicki Elliott leading 101b. Leaders: Michael Stone 113; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 404; Emma Rock 480; Toby Goss 503; Jacqui Knowles 340; Gerben Vos 562; Jo-anne Carlyle and James Roche 99; Emily Verrier 270; David Garman 477; Brenda Bowley 111b; Rowan Simms 411; Caro Stamm-Reusch 377; Beatrix Baker 159; Joe Jones 322; Marjorie Brown 77t; Katie Ahern 513; Ron Hollman 547; David Brodeur 532; Aislinn Ahern 481; William Cleary 193; Linda Booth and Claire O'Flynn 330b; Chris Affolter 426t; Dermot Peel 299; Teresa Maguire 444. Brenda Bowley gave thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Joe Vickers leading 207. Leaders: Duane Nasis 220; Desmond O'Flynn 127; Eloise Clark 475; Derek Buckland 278t; Constance Des Marais 272; Edwin Macadam 528; Melanie Tönnies 383; Andy Ditzler 384; Claire Welford 328; Paul Landskroener 486 (for Charlotte Ehrman); Jan Geerts 269; Petra Ertl 274b; Chris Noren 436; Tom Booth 123t; Joyce Smith 386; John Bealle 218; Hannah Land 456; Elisabeth Schallwig 215; Barry Parsons 228; Camilla Marie Widholm 298; Ian West 455; Sheila Girling Macadam 506; Tom Sprackland 573; Nigel Bowley 110; Sarah West 212.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ted Brown leading 496. Leaders: Mick Verrier 106; Lilith Wozniak 320; James Roche 231; Susanne Rolli 34t; Inga Buckland 423; Steve Brett 179; Eimear Maguire 430; Steve Fletcher 189; Paul Zaba 245; Jacoba Bruneel 278b; Jessica Beer 348b; Margaret Hughes 72b; Eimear O'Donovan 535; Al Williams 77b; Joshua Lant 69b; Cath Saunt 217; Richard Mayers 524; Sam Carter 565. Seth Dickens and Catherine Roberts led 472 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Derek Buckland.

Sunday, September 17

The Sunday session of the United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Catherine Roberts and Seth Dickens leading 82t. The opening prayer was offered by Ted Brown. Leaders: Sarah West 378b; Iain Paxon 441; Emily Verrier 200; Margaret Bradshaw 300; Joe Vickers 29t; Emma Rock and Anna Eggers 564; Joyce Smith 379; Steve Biggs 178; Constance Des Marais 187; Ian West 270; Helen Brown 392; Vicki Elliott 536; John Bealle 434; Eleanor Callaghan 323b; Desmond O'Flynn 277; Jill Thompson 454; Ron Hollman 209; Robin Bisson 70b; Teresa Maguire 440.
RECESS

The class was called back to order by Al Williams leading 65. Leaders: Greg Carson 448b; Emily Spademan 63; Ian Lamb 523; Eimear Maguire 448t; Claire Welford 362; Inga Buckland 372 (for Eva Striebeck); Joan Gordon 47b; Chris Noren 507; Camilla Marie Widholm 240; Ted Brown 549.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Rob Mahoney, Jean Mahoney, and Caro Stamm-Reusch. Rob Mahoney spoke of the importance of being there to listen to and support those in need. Caro Stamm-Reusch read the following list of names of the sick and housebound: Betty Stratford, Alison James, Pete Butler, Jennifer Jones, Elizabeth Roche, Jay Wu, Stephanie Ramamurthy, Ram Ramamurthy, Lizzie Lamb, Louise Wilson, Andy Brodrick Ward, John Bennett, Lily, Dave Elliott, Di Elliott, Jan Saunt, Julie Heptinstall, John Van Duzer, Greg Levin, Uschi Nollte, Emily Georghiou, and Katia Triggiani.

Jean Mahoney spoke of the special kind of support we find in our Sacred Harp community and the importance of being alongside each other. Caro Stamm-Reusch read the list of names of the following deceased: Mike Cooper, Cris Winter, Vicki Williamson, Helen Dent, Ernest Preston, Michael Keane, Alicia Hancock, Helen Bensihem, David Akhurst, Chris Judge, Charlotte James, Jerry Barty, Nigel Eagle, Richard Sponge, Dave Thorpe, Doreen Carlyle, Norman Franklin, Claire Purhouse, John Heptinstall, Brigid Hurn, Keith Pigott—England, UK; David Adler—Scotland, UK; Teresa Cavallar, Anna Zamboni—Italy; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Cheryl Foreman—Texas, USA; Cathy White, George Burnette—Georgia, USA; Hubert Nall, Juanita Beasley, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten—Alabama, USA; Ted Mercer, Melanie Hauff—Illinois, USA; Dorothy Landskroener—Ohio, USA; Charlotte Ehrman—New York, USA; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Teddy Hoener—Oregon, USA; Sumeet Kumar—New Delhi, India. Rob and Jean Mahoney led 481 and Rob Mahoney offered a prayer to close the lesson.

Leaders: Andy Ditzler 176t; Sam Carter 464; Anne Altringham 546; Elisabeth Schallwig 542; Barry Parsons 445. Jill Thompson gave thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ian West leading 105. Leaders: Mick Verrier 538; Richard Mayers 263; Margaret Hughes and Martin Hamilton 72t; Calum Parker 61; Tom and Linda Booth 196; Kate Kirwan 387; Steve Fletcher 148; Rachel Jordan 474; Joshua Lant 432; Jessica Beer 216; David Brodeur 304; Katie Ahern 335; Paul Zaba 114; Eimear O'Donovan 512; Steve Brett 282; Cath Saunt 91; Jacoba Bruneel 460; Al Williams 136; Caro Stamm-Reusch 349; Joe Jones 71; Chris Affolter 380; Aislinn Ahern 296; Paul Landskroener 268; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 112; Edwin Macadam 236; Hannah Land 318.

RECESS

The final session was called to order by Nick Hall leading 287. Leaders: Jan Geerts 351; Sheila Girling Macadam 183; Dermot Peel 143; Petra Ertl 267; Lilith Wozniak 56b; Arthur Swindells 373; Beatrix Baker 457; Gerben Vos 147t; Eloise Clark 485; Derek Buckland 74t; Marjorie Brown 290; Melanie Tönnies 505; William Cleary 76b; Margaret Bradshaw 266; Tom Sprackland 191; Claire O'Flynn 361; Toby Goss 515.

Announcements were made. Sarah Hill gave the Secretary's report stating that one hundred and fifty-two people had registered over the weekend with one hundred leaders and a total of one hundred and seventy-two songs sung. Eight countries were represented and five US States. Ron Hollman gave the Treasurer's report stating that all expenses had been met. Seth Dickens and Catherine Roberts made closing remarks and thanked all who had made the weekend possible.

Catherine Roberts, Seth Dickens and Kate Kirwan led 347 as the closing song. David Brodeur offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairpersons—Seth Dickens and Catherine Roberts; Vice Chairpersons—Kate Kirwan and Samantha Cole; Treasurer—Ron Hollman; Secretary—Sarah Hill

**CORNELIUS BENJAMIN KEETON
AND TRAVIS KEETON MEMORIAL SINGING
Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery), Walker County, Alabama
Sunday, September 17, 2023**

The Cornelius Benjamin Keeton and Travis Keeton Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on the third Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 63. Mike Hankins offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 40; David Jackson 101t, 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Louise Yeager 56t, 276; Roma Rice 323b, 225t; Mike Hankins 59, 282; Lloyd Bricken 283, 47b; Nancy Phillips 277, 388; Betty Baccus 373 (in memory of Travis Keeton), 430; Laurie Kirkland 178, 472.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton led 122 to bring the class together. Leaders: Glenn Keeton and Lena Keeton 475, 49b; Jacqui Sanderson 47t, 513; Chris Ballinger 426t (in memory of Travis Keeton), 177 (for Earl Ballinger); Margaret Keeton 182, 187; Beth Hawkins 294; Larry Ballinger 97, 389 (for Earl Ballinger); Bunk Beasley 72b, 81t; Lisa Close 77t, 87.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 159. Leaders: Doug Cantrell 339, 235; Marlin Beasley 480, 448t; Lisa Geist 327, 269; David Jackson 75; Roma Rice 229; Lloyd Bricken 385b; Nancy Phillips 196; Laurie Kirkland 128; Chris Ballinger 347; Bunk Beasley 45t; Lisa Close 460; Doug Cantrell 354b; Marlin Beasley 33b; Glenn Keeton 490. Announcements were made. This singing will no longer be held.

Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. He offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Lisa Geist

**SMYRNA SACRED HARP SINGING
Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church, Goodwater, Alabama
Sunday, September 17, 2023**

The annual Sacred Harp Singing at Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church was held on the third Sunday in September. Jack Nelson brought the class together leading 45t, 480, and 318. Shane Brown gave the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected: Chairman—Jack Nelson; Co-Chairman—Robby Anderson; Secretary—Wendy Anderson.

Leaders: Stanley Smith 90, 121; Cecil Roberts 30t, 30b; Shane Brown 114, 128; Winfred Kerr 165, 282; Tom George 97, 439; Daniel Williams 448t, 47b; Samuel Williams 181, 498; Nathan Rees 44, 348b; Robert Chambless 523, 34b.

RECESS

Jack Nelson, Sydney Burleson, and Denise Burleson called the class together leading 186. Leaders: Karen Rollins 354t, 213b; Sarah George 77t, 100; Glenda Collins 63, 76b; Bert Collins 35, 542.

Jack Nelson and Karen Rollins conducted the memorial lesson. The sick and shut-ins were Ruby Ham, Wendel Wood, Ralph Redmond, Merline Redmon, Mona Nelson, and Waylan Blakley. The deceased remembered were Ann Simpson, Philip Denney, Katleen Halsey, Hubert Nall, Patricia Anderson, Nell Estes, Curtis Darling, Roy Nelson, and Chita Blakley. Karen Rollins led 285t. Elder Ken Milner offered prayer. Leaders: Judy Chambless 531, 475; Sydney Burleson and Denise Burleson 300, 196; Sharon Whitehead 480, 569b. Elder Ken Milner asked the blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

Jack Nelson called the class together leading 399b. Leaders: Charlotte Bishop 176t, 551; Roy Nelson 31t, 31b; Ken Milner 75; 32t; Wendy Anderson 340, 341, 490; Sydney Burleson 566, 358; Jack Nelson 229 (CB). Elder Ken Milner dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Co-Chairman—Robby Anderson; Secretary—Wendy Anderson

THE ORIGINAL B.F. WHITE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION (J.L. WHITE REVISION) Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia Sunday, September 17, 2023

The Original B.F. White Sacred Harp Singing Convention (J.L. White Revision) was held on the third Sunday in September. The class was called to order by John Plunkett, who welcomed each one present and led 59. The opening prayer was offered by Oscar McGuire. The chairman then led 284t. Leaders: Russell Hanson 72b, 61; Sandra Wilkinson 444t, 442t; Oscar McGuire 293b, 37b; Helen Bryson 490b, 498t; Shawn Taylor 314, 97; Carol Hanson 36b, 313.

RECESS

John Plunkett brought the class together and led 39b and 449t. Leaders: Russell Hanson 354, 222; Sandra Wilkinson 418, 487t; Oscar McGuire 171, 155; Helen Bryson 217, 549b; Shawn Taylor 91b, 517; Carol Hanson 544t, 101t; Judy Mincey 54t, 55t. Prayer for lunch was offered by John Plunkett.

LUNCH

John Plunkett called the class together and led 114t and 543t. Leaders: Russell Hanson 299, 300; Abigail Cannon 82t, 47t; Sandra Wilkinson 91t, 484t; Oscar McGuire 276; Helen Bryson 176t, 215.

The memorial lesson was led by Sandra Wilkinson, who gave a brief talk concerning love, remembrances, compassion, and duty to and for others. Russell Hanson led 485b for the following list of sick and shut-ins: Don Bowen, John Hollingsworth, Elsie Hollingsworth, Bill Hollingsworth, Susan Ford, Martha Howell, Mary Brownlee, and Rosemund Watson. Judy Mincey led 122 for the following deceased: Norma Green—Alabama. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer by Oscar McGuire.

The singing continued with the following leaders: Shawn Taylor 547t, 227; Carol Hanson 45t; Leslie Hanson 492, 274t; Esther Morgan-Ellis 478t, 234; John Plunkett 491b; Russell Hanson 491t; Sandra Wilkinson 490t; Oscar McGuire 37t; Helen Bryson 317b; Shawn Taylor 49b; Abigail Cannon 48b, 100; Carol Hanson 488b; Judy Mincey 422t; Leslie Hanson 137; Esther Morgan-Ellis 48t, 277.

Following announcements, John Plunkett led 389t. The closing prayer was offered by Russell Hanson.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Russell Hanson; Secretary—Sandra Wilkinson

EVA STRIEBECK MEMORIAL SINGING
Ökumenisches Forum HafenCity, Hamburg, Germany
Saturday, September 23, 2023

The Eva Striebeck Memorial Singing was held at the Ökumenisches Forum HafenCity, Shanghaiallee 12, Hamburg on 23 September 2023 to sing Eva home during the week of her funeral.

The class was called to order by Nele Gilch and Inga Buckland leading 171. Nele Gilch gave the opening address as Chair and as Eva's closest friend for over thirty years. Eva discovered Sacred Harp over twelve years ago, and it became a big part of her life giving her great joy. Nele also described Eva's life outside of Sacred Harp, as a musician and singer, in her working life, and in other interests. Derek Buckland offered the opening prayer.

As a main feature of the day, singers shared before songs their recollections of Eva's life. Singers remembered her fine alto voice, distinctive and memorable, full of passion, her travels to support new groups forming and help them grow, her support and encouragement for them as individuals, her help with personal problems, her kindness. For Eva the Sacred Harp community was not just people she could have a good sing with, but real individuals she cared for as part of a family. She was fun to be with and she made you feel special. She believed that Sacred Harp was for all who wanted to sing, and she encouraged singers of all abilities to share her joy in singing and to develop and grow as singers. Eva never pushed herself into the limelight. But she was an unmistakable presence at singings, and singers remembered the way she caught people's eyes as she sang and as she led, and made them feel part of something wonderful.

Leaders: Elisabeth Schwallig 354b; Paul Kolenbrander 159; Jasmina Graf 271t; Maria Neumann-Fraune 38t; Nathan Bowler 224; Anne Eringa 229; Marcos Sullivan 548; Nina Riegler 101b; Duane Nasis 30t; Derek Buckland 32b; Gerben Vos 531; Ludger Dünnebacke 210; Aislinn Ahern 176t; Elisabeth Schwallig 274t; Inga Buckland 521; Paul Kolenbrander 278t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Maria Neumann-Fraune leading 457. Leaders: Nathan Bowler 178; Jasmina Graf 542; Tobias Tenhaef 268; Anne Eringa 547; Marcos Sullivan 142; Nina Riegler 99; Derek Buckland 56b; Duane Nasis 430; Ludger Dünnebacke 300.

Derek Buckland gave the memorial lesson, remembering Eva as a person and her contributions to Sacred Harp singing, and closed the lesson by offering a prayer and leading 122.

Leaders: Aislinn Ahern 480; Gerben Vos 562; Elisabeth Schwallig 37b; Paul Kolenbrander 47b; Inga Buckland 411. Gerben Vos offered the prayer before the lunchtime meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Anne Eringa leading 77t. Leaders: Jasmina Graf 444; Janna Itter 273; Nathan Bowler 181; Maria Neumann-Fraune 112; Tobias Tenhaef 29b; Marcos Sullivan 317; Nina Riegler 29t; Duane Nasis 383; Aislinn Ahern 454; Ludger Dünnebacke 448t; Derek Buckland 341; Elisabeth Schwallig 270; Gerben Vos 344; Paul Kolenbrander 203; Inga Buckland 515; Anne Eringa 377; Jasmina Graf 332; Nathan Bowler 504; Julia Sievert 472; Maria Neumann-Fraune 566.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Nina Riegler leading 114. Leaders: Ulla Schlobohm 77b; Tobias Tenhaef 74b; Kristina Trieba 277; Duane Nasis 172; Sonja Funke 290; Marcos Sullivan 410t; Aislinn Ahern 569b; Ludger Dünnebacke 42; Derek Buckland 70b; Elisabeth Schwallig 282; Paul Kolenbrander 481; Gerben Vos

111b; Inga Buckland 361; Anne Eringa 503; Jasmina Graf 500; Nathan Bowler 287; Maria Neumann-Fraune 146; Nina Riegler 217; Duane Nasis 216.

Nele Gilch thanked those who had worked to help organize the day. Seventy-five songs had been sung by twenty-seven singers with twenty-one leaders. All administrative costs had been met, and a donation would be made to the Ökumenisches Forum. Announcements were made.

Nele Gilch and Inga Buckland led 506 as the closing song. Derek Buckland offered the closing prayer and played a multi-track recording of 267 Parting Friends (First) which Eva had made when she was still a new singer. The class was then dismissed. Chairman—Nele Gilch; Vice Chairman—Inga Buckland; Treasurer—Julia Sievert; Secretary—Derek Buckland

TONY BARRAND AND LARRY GORDON MEMORIAL SINGING **Guilford Community Park Pavilion, Guilford, Vermont** **Saturday, September 23, 2023**

A memorial singing for Tony Barrand and Larry Gordon was held at the Guilford Community Park Pavilion in Guilford, Vermont. Song selections were from the Sacred Harp, 1991 edition and from both red and black editions of the *Northern Harmony* (NH), which Tony and Larry both edited.

Peter Amidon called the class to order leading 47t and 209. Leaders: Matthew Wojcik 31t; Marlborough (NH); Colleen Hayes 131t, 480; George Sigut 448t; All is Well (NH); Jenny Wright 183; Harvest Hymn (NH); Nathan Bean 146; Amelia (NH); Mary Alice Amidon Pleasant Valley (NH), 47b; Barbara Swetman The Apple Tree (NH), Ten Thousand Charms (NH); Rick Johnston 49t; Millbrook (NH).

RECESS

Leaders: Laura Timmerman 318; Closing Year (NH); Margaret Graver 34b; Lincoln Street (NH); Fay Baird 186, 147t; Jeremy Galvagni 74b, 299; Tammy Heinsohn 155, 178; Carole Crompton Montgomery (NH); Larry Bingham 50t, 193; Peter Irvine 569b; Bridgewater (NH).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Carole Crompton read the names on list of the sick and shut-ins: Cindy Bean, Dan Hertzler, Kim Warner, Ruth Creamer and those on the deceased list: Pete Sutherland, Althea McBean, Jane Southworth—Vermont; Jeanne Rees—Massachusetts; Janet Linner Townshend—New Jersey. Peter Amidon then spoke in remembrance of Larry Gordon and Tony Barrand, closing the lesson leading 288.

Leaders: Nathan Bean 163b; Matthew Wojcik Life's Purpose (NH). Mary Alice Amidon led 347, and gave the grace before lunch.

LUNCH

Leaders: Peter Amidon 168; Jeremy Galvagni 29t; Barbara Swetman Rainbow (NH); Colleen Hayes Pennsylvania (NH); Stefan Amidon 474; Margaret Graver 400; George Sigut Evening Hymn (NH); Jenny Wright 504; Katherine Breunig and Peter Amidon 267; Tammy Heinsohn Poland (NH); Matthew Wojcik Do Not Go Gentle (NH); Larry Bingham 122; Laura Timmerman 448b; Cindy Tolman Renewal (NH); Peter Amidon 48t. Announcements were made. Leaders: Rick Johnston 177; Fay Baird 361; Carole Crompton and Mary Alice Amidon 208; Rosie Wojcik 95; Stefan Amidon 290; Peter Amidon 77t, 62. Mary Alice Amidon offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairpersons—Peter Amidon, Mary Alice Amidon, Stefan Amidon, and Carole Crompton; Arranging—Matthew Wojcik; Secretary—Rosie Wojcik

ALABAMA STATE CHRISTIAN HARMONY CONVENTION

Union Baptist Church, Jefferson County, Alabama

September 23-24, 2023

Saturday, September 23

The Alabama State *Christian Harmony* Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in September. The class was called to order by Ken Tate leading 67b. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer. Ken Tate welcomed the class, and then led 109.

Leaders: Danny Creel 493b, 546b, 322; Cindy Tanner 91, 342; Matthew Siefert 95, 170; Wanda Capps 264, 117; Cindy Hall 171b, 180; Michael Spencer 409b, 193b, 163b; Eric Jones 188, 248.

RECESS

Ken Tate led 176 to bring the class together. Leaders: Dawson Dockery 214, 165; Debra Fieaster 204t, 93; Beth Branscome 346, 470, 412b; Regina Derstine 280, 86b; Cassie Allen 281t, 292, 81b; Ann Jett 110, 255, 238 (in memory of Harrison Creel).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 354. Leaders: Cindy Tanner 168, 167b; Wanda Capps 131, 149; Cindy Hall 293, 355; Mike Spencer 465t, 455b; Dawson Dockery 128b, 234; Beth Branscome 294, 35t; Stefani Priskos 277b, 105t, 276; Regina Derstine 283, 146; Cassie Allen 54, 205; Ann Jett 59b, 338; Henry Guthery 133; Danny Creel 186. Announcements were made.

Ken Tate led 76b as the closing song. Danny Creel dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, September 24

The Sunday session of the Alabama State *Christian Harmony* Convention began with Danny Creel leading 419. He welcomed the class, and then offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Ken Tate 410b; Danny Creel 1, 10, 14; Caitlyn Bailey 259b, 493b, 362; Mike Spencer 401b, 416t, 310t; Jeff James 310b, 417t, 268; SuNell Ellis 64, 133, 322.

RECESS

Ken Tate led 107. Leaders: Henry McGuire 510t, 449, 493t; Cindy Tanner 258, 85, 228; Cassie Allen 210b, 510b, 548; Yancey Jett 123, 281b, 287; Virginia Bonhan 109, 86.

LUNCH

The Sunday afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 43 and 307. Leaders: Ann Jett 51, 149, 170; the class sang 54 (for Barrett Patton by phone); Caitlyn Bailey 432; Mike Spencer 13; Jeff James 230b, 172; SuNell Ellis 214; Henry McGuire 288; Cindy Tanner 235; Cassie Allen 16, 176 (for Yancey Jett); Ann Jett 326; Caitlyn Bailey 297t; the class sang 332, 308, 318, 93. Announcements were made. The 2024 session of the Alabama State *Christian Harmony* Convention will be held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in September at a location to be determined later. Danny Creel led 89 as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ken Tate; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

MINNESOTA STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Olivet Congregational Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota

and The Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota

September 23-24, 2023

Saturday, September 23

The 33rd annual Minnesota State Sacred Harp Singing Convention, held at Olivet Congregational Church in Saint Paul, on the fourth weekend in September. The class was brought to order by Doug Donley and Cathy Lutz leading 276. Chaplain Samuel Sommers offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Paul Wyatt 569t; Claudia Egelhoff 466; Stacey Berkheimer 89; Ben Copenhaver 81b; Joel Menk 77t; Karen Swenson 32t; Alison Eiesland 457; Jim Goetz 277; Angie Payne 31t; C.J. McFate 159; John Wiens 34t; Christine Stevens 532; Devin Scherck 348b; Kat Kohorst 378b.

RECESS

Ben Copenhaver recalled the class by leading 335. Leaders: Matt Wells 500; Chris Geissler 444; Ann Heider 528; Gordon Olsen, Midge Olsen, Tyler Herndon, Mikaela Herndon, and Mina Payne 547; Suzanne McFate 458; Sophia Schinske 112; Michael Moore 99; Eleanor Haase 352; Steve Warner 34b; Jeanette Nelson 504; Ivy Hauser 546; Shana Wenger and Haley Walsh 228; Hans Guttman 37b; David Schmitt 565; Steve Luttinen 426t.

RECESS

Joel Menk recalled the class by leading 108b. Paul Wyatt gave a finance committee report and led 399b. Leaders: Tamara Shewmaker 548; Martha Henderson 374; Samuel Sommers 280; Katharine Manning 507; Carol Buche 178; Stephanie Fida 214; Midge Olsen 362; Steven Levine 373.

The convention voted unanimously that a rising chairperson for the 2024 convention will be elected at the upcoming October 8 business meeting. Sam Sommers offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Shana Wenger leading 274b. Leaders: Leslie Williamson White and Kelli Smith 535; Jim Crawford 260; Lisa Grayson 340; Julia Zaffarano and Dario Zaffarano 421; Karen Clark 534; Carol Crawford 333; Marisha Chamberlain and Shana Wenger 47b; Michael Shewmaker 171; Alec Jenkins-White 383; Devin Scherck 33b; Sophia Schinske 564; Claudia Egelhoff 464; Ivy Hauser 168; Cathy Lutz 441; David Schmitt 274t; Stacey Berkheimer 202; Steve Warner 86; Karen Swenson 269.

RECESS

Tamara Shewmaker recalled the class by leading 47t. Leaders: Christine Stevens 318; Carol Buche 503; John Wiens 496; Katharine Manning 506; Sam Sommers 386; Alec Jenkins-White 448t; Chris Geissler 474; Michael Moore 299; Julia Zaffarano 475; Kat Kohorst 320; Steve Luttinen 32b; Lisa Grayson 419; Suzanne McFate 142; Karen Clark 234; Carol Crawford 165, and Eleanor Haase 272.

After announcements, Cathy Lutz and Doug Donley led 347 as the closing song.

Sunday, September 24

The Sunday session of the 2023 Minnesota State Sacred Harp Singing Convention met in the outdoor picnic pavilion at The Landing in Shakopee, Minnesota. Val Stoehr and Dick Patterson brought the class to order by leading 70t. Chaplain Samuel Sommers led the class in prayer.

Leaders: Denise Kania 34b; Cathy Jordan 40; Barb Patterson 155; Elise DelMas 89; Ben Copenhaver 223; Karen Swenson 287; Angie Payne 421; Midge Olsen 218; Nathan Berry 111t; Hannah Lutz 112; Suzanne McFate 30t; Martha Henderson 396; Gordon Olsen 313b; Shana Wenger 455; Jim Pfau 475; Steve Warner 171.

RECESS

Ben Copenhaver recalled the class leading 133. Leaders: Noelle Copeland 411; John Wiens 500; Luke Sivertson 565; Carol Buche 143; Steven Schmidgall 369; Stephanie Fida 60; Leslie Williamson White 53; Karen Clark 501; Julia Zaffarano 48b; Dick Patterson 70b; Devin Scherck 82t; Lisa Grayson 377; Cathy Lutz 368; Katharine Manning 170; Tamara Shewmaker 438.

RECESS

Nathan Berry brought the class back together by leading 81t. Leaders: Stacey Berkheimer 417; Ivy Hauser 160b; Jim Goetz 52t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Kat Kohorst, who read the sick and shut-ins and deceased lists and led 547 for all those on the lists. The sick and shut-ins listed were Kim Bahmer-Rada, Jeff Bell, Donna Gunderson-Rogers, Stephen Parker, Samuel Butler, Joanna Fabke, Mary Owen, Gary Gronau, Kelsey Taylor, and Enid Thomas.

The deceased listed were Willa Mae Cott-Meissel, Walter Graff, Rose Gregoire, Robert Stevens, and Leonard Tuma—Minnesota; Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer, Robert Sussman, and Jonathan Hurst—Illinois; Graham DeZarn, Alice Eddy, and Mary Wright—Virginia; Pearl Guier, Jason Sanders, and Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Cheryl Foreman and Joshua Martin—Texas; Becky Browne—Missouri; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Pete Mathewson—Colorado; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Beatrice Rech—New York; and Linda Wells—Vermont. Samuel Sommers closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Barb Patterson 383; David Schmitt 442; Carol Crawford 34t; Hans Guttman 66; Anne Heider 192. Samuel Sommers offered prayer before dinner.

LUNCH

John Wiens reconvened the class by leading 111t. Leaders: Jim Crawford 313t; Eleanor Haase 454; Chris Geissler 84; Paul Wyatt 195; Claudia Egelhoff 485; Alec Jenkins-White 542; Mike Mullin and Shana Wenger 210; Christine Stevens 216; Matt Wells 456; Samuel Sommers 426b; Steven Levine 497; Denise Kania 384; Steve Luttinen 198; Jeanette Nelson 348b; Michael Shewmaker 472; Michael Moore 183; Cathy Jordan 300; Joel Setterholm 106; Nathan Berry 229; Stephanie Fida 222.

RECESS

Alec Jenkins-White led 312b to reconvene the class. Leaders: Amanda Jokerst 172; Dick Patterson 492; Hanna Peterson and Stacey Berkheimer 536; Pippa Gowdy Jaehnig 268, the Coloradoans (Julia Zaffarano, David Schmitt, Amanda Jokerst, Stephanie Fida, and Luke Sivertson) 301 (in memory of Luke's grandfather Leonard), Hannah Lutz 504, the Copenhaver family (Ben, Stephanie, and Eli) 95; Jim Pfau and Denise Kania 217; Anne Heider 236; Katharine Manning 429; Karen Clark 174; Samuel Sommers 54; Steve Warner 46; Carol Crawford 539; Devin Scherck 101t; Chris Geissler 31t.

After thanking everyone who worked to make the convention happen, and inviting announcements of upcoming singings, Val Stoehr and Dick Patterson led 146 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Samuel Sommers.

Chairpersons—Kit Canright and Val Stoehr (assisted by Doug Donley, Cathy Lutz, and Dick Patterson) Recording Secretary—Karen Swenson

POPULAR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING **Popular Springs Baptist Church, Carroll County, Georgia** **Sunday, September 24, 2023**

The 6th annual Sacred Harp singing was held on the fourth Sunday in September at Popular Springs Baptist Church north of Bowdon, Carroll County, Georgia. Daniel Williams brought the class to order leading 36b. Cecil Roberts offered the morning prayer. Daniel Williams welcomed the singers and visitors before leading 457.

Leaders: Samuel Williams 332; Barbara Brooks 406; Kacey Cook and Gayle Denney 178; Winfred Kerr 516; Isaac Green 483; Abigail Cannon 42; Robert Chambless 68b; Lisa Bennett 53; Wyatt Denney 63; Jenna Frey 408; Chris Nicholson 34b; Jack Nelson 228; Esther Morgan-Ellis 34t (in honor of her friend, Amanda); Jose Martinez and Abigail Cannon 77t; Cheyenne Ivey 176b; Tom George 395; Glenda Collins 335; Bill DuPre 229.

RECESS

Samuel Williams brought the class back to order leading 30t. Daniel Williams called a short business meeting and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Daniel

Williams; Vice Chairman—Samuel Williams; Secretary—Judy Chambless. Cecil Roberts asked the class to vote on combining the Cleburne County Convention singing with the Shoal Creek singing and have it at Shoal Creek Baptist Church on Labor Day. The class voted to make the change.

Leaders: David Smead 94; Karen Rollins 168; Rodney Ivey 371; Sarah George 187; Bert Collins 35; Sheri Taylor 428; Oscar McGuire 185.

Daniel Williams and Chris Nicholson gave the memorial lesson remembering the following sick and shut-ins and leading 56t: Loyd Ivey, Louise Ivey, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Judy Henry, William Futral, Virginia Futral, Mona Nelson, Beverly Rollins Thompson, Barry Rollins, and Evie Eddins. The following list of names of the deceased was read aloud: Pearl Guier, Marlon Wootten, Virginia Dyer, Philip Denney, Boyd Scott, Chita Blakeley, Cheryl Foreman, Jerry Kitchens, Norma Green, Ray Nelson, Eva Striebeck, George Burnette, Ann Simpson, Lydia Lewallen, Hubert Nall, and Clay Kiebow. They led leading 285t. Oscar McGuire offered the closing prayer for the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Nathan Rees 448b (in memory of Pearl Guier); Shawn Taylor 411; Garrett Morton 192; Cecil Roberts 477.

LUNCH

Daniel Williams brought the class back to order leading 278b. Leaders: Jim Neal 496; Judy Chambless 475 (in honor of Margie Smith); Lisa Bennett and David Smead 134; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 454; Jose Martinez, Abigail Cannon, and Esther Morgan-Ellis 89; Karen Rollins and Rodney Ivey 365; Bill DuPre, Oscar McGuire, and Jim Neal 442; Nathan Rees and Cheyenne Ivey 222; Tom George, Sarah George, and James George 345b; Kacey Cook and Gayle Denney 143; Daniel Williams, Jack Nelson, and Samuel Williams 500; Chris Nicholson and Shawn Taylor 547; Isaac Green and Garrett Morton 399b; Winfred Kerr, Robert Chambless, and Judy Chambless 358; Glenda Collins 45t.

After announcements, Daniel Williams and Samuel Williams led 69b as the closing song. Landon Robinson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Daniel Williams; Vice Chairman—Samuel Williams; Secretary—Judy Chambless

WINSTON COUNTY CONVENTION

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama Sunday, September 24, 2023

The Winston County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on the fourth Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Mike Hankins leading 49t. The morning prayer was offered by Butch White.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Chairman—Mike Hankins; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging—Lisa Geist.

Leaders: Mike Hankins 34b; Betty Baccus 192 (for Ozella Blackmon), 276 (for Margaret Keeton); David Godsey 77t, 126; Roma Rice 323b, 343; Tom Booth 176b, 176t; Nancy Phillips 63, 215; Louise Yeager 480, 100; Paul Godsey 101t, 457; Linda Booth 454, 455; Zena Tucker 418, 47t.

RECESS

Mike Hankins called the class back to order by leading 59. Leaders: Hazel Heinze 496, 438; Theresa Westmoreland 434, 299; Butch White 547, 313b; Loretta Whitman 546, 569b; Faye Donaldson 40, 225t; Marlin Beasley 111b (in memory of Levi Godsey), 61.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Butch White leading 52t. Leaders: Amber Davis 422, 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Larry Ballinger 119, 67; Bunk Beasley 45t, 354b;

Margaret Keeton 371; Ricky Beasley 49b, 75; Sara Berry and Betty Baccus 339, 388; Lisa Geist 394, 283 (for Earl Ballinger); Betty Baccus and Jeti Spires 59; David Godsey, Paul Godsey, and Zena Tucker 313t; Hazel Heinze 515; Marlin Beasley 512; Ricky Beasley 335.

In a business session, it was proposed to the class that the singing that is held on the third Sunday in March at the Log House be moved back to Shady Grove. The class voted on the proposition, and it passed with no opposition. The Godsey Sisters and Sandra Spradlin Memorial will be held at Shady Grove on the third Sunday in March, 2024. The business meeting was closed.

Mike Hankins led 267 as the closing song. He offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Mike Hankins; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Roma Rice

MUNICH SACRED HARP SINGING
St. Martin Spirituelles Zentrum, Munich, Germany
Saturday, September 30, 2023

The 6th all-day singing in Munich, Germany was held on the Saturday before the first Sunday in October at St. Martin Spirituelles Zentrum in Munich, Germany. The class was called to order by Elisabeth Schallwig leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Maria Neumann-Fraune.

Leaders: Edward Ricemeyer 99; Caro Stamm-Reusch 171; Ursula Diderich 39t; Barnaby Walters 168; Dominik Fraune 209, 74b; Sebastian Slameczka 71; Edward Ricemeyer 106, 107; Roman Zimmerman 86; Maria Neumann-Fraune 28t; Julia Sievert 300; Hanka Faerber 148, 142; Manu Engel 481; Juniper Hill 503, 472.

Elisabeth Schallwig gave a memorial lesson in remembrance of Eva Striebeck leading 267.

RECESS

Judith Benkö called the class to order leading 504. Leaders: Barnaby Walters 269; Caro Stamm-Reusch 313b, 133 (for Eva Striebeck); Juniper Hill 84 (for Eva Striebeck), 146; Ursula Diderich 523, 143; Sabina Henzelmann 282; Roman Zimmerman 68t; Naomi Kaye Honova 215 (for Eva Striebeck), 183; Dominik Fraune 506, 191; Sebastian Slameczka 236. Julia Sievert offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Dominik Fraune called the class to order leading 457. Leaders: Cooper Thompson 268; Juniper Hill 245; Saara Pakarinen 35, 411; Manu Engel 173; Hanka Faerber 181; Maria Neumann-Fraune 528; Sabina Henzelmann 47b; Elisabeth Schallwig 36b, 444; Judith Benkö 254; Barnaby Walters 131t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 337.

RECESS

Caro Stamm-Reusch called the class to order leading 176t. Leaders: Ursula Diderich 344 (for Victor Diderich); Sebastian May 442; Juniper Hill 547, 277; Naomi Kaye Honova 287 (for Błażej Matusiak), 361; Dominik Fraune 377; Cooper Thompson 159; Sebastian Slameczka 53; Edward Ricemeyer 70b (for Eva Striebeck); Roman Zimmerman 535; Maria Neumann-Fraune 37b; Munich singers 46 (for Erdmute Sabel), 178 (for Peter Kocher and Walburga Ruhl); Manu Engel 32b; Hanka Faerber 383.

Elisabeth Schallwig thanked all who helped to make the singing a success. Edward Ricemeyer gave the Secretary's report stating that twenty-six singers representing five German states as well as Austria and Norway sang sixty-five songs led by eighteen leaders. Sabina Henzelmann gave the Treasurer's report, stating that all expenses were met. Announcements were made.

The Munich singers led 347 as the closing song. Maria Neumann-Fraune offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Elisabeth Schallwig; Secretary—Edward Ricemeyer

SOUTH GEORGIA SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia

September 30, 2023

The 104th session of the South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in October at the Civic Center in Roberta, Georgia. President Oscar McGuire called the class together leading 59. Elder Chris Robinson gave the opening prayer.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 34b; Bill DuPre 31t, 501; Helen Bryson 312t, 522; Jesse P. Karlsberg 466, 486; Lisa Bennett 136, 54; John Plunkett 74b, 53; Bert Collins 35, 300; Faye Hollis 340, 99; Jim Neal 374, 406; Glenda Collins 63, 101t.

RECESS

Bill DuPre called the class back to order leading 472. Leaders: David Smead 489, 369; Martha Harrell 542, 178; Chris Robinson 187, 137; Shawn Taylor 507; Rosemund Watson 503, 94.

The class entered into a business session in which the following officers were elected to serve: President—Bill DuPre; Vice President—John Plunkett; Secretary-Treasurers—Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock; Chaplain—Elder Chris Robinson. Helen Bryson presented the treasurer's report for 2022-23, which the class approved. The class reviewed and confirmed the list of singings for 2023. The business session was closed. Elder Chris Robinson offered the blessing over the noon meal.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire began the afternoon session leading 37b. Leaders: Abigail Cannon 384, 284 (for Lilly Hammond); Mary Brownlee and Lilly Hooks 348b; Mary Brownlee, John Brownlee, and Lilly Hooks 47b; Lilly Hooks 354b; Wayne Watson 480.

Oscar McGuire led the memorial lesson leading 77t for the following deceased and sick and shut-ins. The deceased remembered were Philip Denney and Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Hubert Nall, Pearl Guier, Ann Simpson, and Chita Blakely—Alabama. The sick and shut-ins recognized were Phillip Ford, Susan Ford, Bethanie Hagues, Bill Hollingsworth, Elsie Hollingsworth, John Hollingsworth, and Jesse Roberts. John Plunkett concluded the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Lisa Bennett 399t, 399b; John Plunkett 398; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 566; Faye Hollis 299; Jim Neal 112; David Smead 182; Rosemund Watson 149; Chris Robinson 324; Shawn Taylor 176b; Jesse P. Karlsberg 310; Abigail Cannon 268; Bill DuPre 142; Oscar McGuire 45t.

After announcements, Rosemund Watson and Lilly Hooks led 347 as the closing song. Bill DuPre offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Bill DuPre; Vice President—John Plunkett; Secretary-Treasurers—Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock

NEW ENGLAND SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Barrington and South Kingstown, Rhode Island

September 30 - October 1, 2023

Saturday, September 30

The 45th session of the New England Sacred Harp Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in October. The Saturday session met at The Bay Spring Community Center, Barrington, Rhode Island. The class was called to order by Mike Richards leading 36b. Dana Wilde offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Charles Biada 42; Ron Trial 46; John Hughes 501; Joseph Dunn 178; Gwen Gethner 40; James Baumgartner 171; Lizzy Dunn 335; Owen Stoddard 31t; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 100; Rachel Farber 101t; Christina Foley 35; Kerry Cullinan 569t; Sally Langendorf 73b; Bill Holt 82t; Linda Shea 371; Tarik Wareh 117; Michaela Natal 278b; Joan Frankel 284; Will Harron 230.

RECESS

Pippa Stoddard led 81t to bring the class together. Leaders: Margaret Hughes 110; Gabriel Zuckerberg 106; Wendy Sibbison 220; Marie Brandis 157; Richard Schmeidler 474; Jesse C. Polhemus 72b; David Durstewitz 122; Magdalena Zapedowska 163b; Robin Luckwaldt 86; Becky Wright 123t; Jacob Hamidi 183; Sophie Soloway 425; David Brodeur 444; Christine Andrews 445; Martin Hamilton 29t.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Marie Brandis leading 34b. Leaders: Laura Hodges 436; Phillippe Doyle-Gosselin 542; Jim Bean and Nathan Bean 148; Mary Skidmore 270; Nic Tuff 48b; Anabel G. Chabot 61; Ann Kazlauskas 218; Deidra Montgomery 470; Philou 53; Anayis Wright 189; Jeremy Galvagni 163t; Judy Contompasis 145b; Emily Ross 504; Tim Eriksen 192. The dinner blessing was given by Philippe Doyle-Gosselin.

LUNCH

John Hughes brought the class back to order by leading 352. Leaders: Holly Laws 430; Indigo Micciche 268; Andy Ditzler 349; Em Ekelund 384; Tim Gregg 540; Cheri Haire 422; Pippa Stoddard 438; Elsa Phemayotin 383; Baxton A 229; Kit Walsh 447; Pattie Wareh 228; David Brodeur 362; Nathan Bean 146; Linda Shea 448b; Liz Cantrell 31b; Richard Schmeidler 495; Christine Andrews 30t; Christina Foley and Tom Foley 318; Will Harron 330t; Ron Trial and Anayis Wright 497; Wendy Sibbison 475; Magdalena Zapedowska 200; Nic Tuff 276; Judy Contompasis 344; Tim Eriksen 385t; Jeremy Galvagni 440; Gabriel Zuckerberg 455; Carson Evans and Charles Biada 162. Announcements were made.

Mike Richards led 56t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Liz Cantrell.

Sunday, October 1

The Sunday session of the New England Sacred Harp Convention met at The South Kingstown Land Trust Barn, South Kingstown, Rhode Island. The class was called to order by Mike Richards leading 283. The morning prayer was offered by Liz Cantrell.

Leaders: Kelly House 73t; Pippa Stoddard 313t; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 37b; Tarik Wareh 345b; Bill Holt 48t; Margaret Hughes and Martin Hamilton 35; Joan Frankel 148; William Schuller 39t; Holly Laws 276; Jacob Hamidi 112; Laura Hodges 500; Joseph Dunn 448t; Martin Hamilton 270; Kate Bergren 378t; Philou 209; Marie Brandis 134; Elsa Phemayotin 335.

RECESS

Becky Wright led 74b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Owen Stoddard 547; Anabel G. Chabot 114; Tim Gregg 185; Esther Wade 532; Liz Cantrell 107; Andy Ditzler 536; Lizzy Dunn 384; Yael Tarshish 440; Robin Luckwaldt and Indigo Micciche 131b; Jesse C. Polhemus 105; Mary Skidmore 187; Gwen Gethner 517; David Durstewitz 122; Kit Walsh 165; Em Ekelund 269.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Elsa Phemayotin leading 312b. Leaders: John Hughes 280; Rachel Farber 398; Davenport Wallace and Ben Sachs-Hamilton 410t; Myles Louis Dakan 222; David Brodeur 140; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 138b; Margaret Youngberg 485.

Laura Hodges led 229 for the following sick and homebound: Uschi Nolte, Dan Hertzler, Tom Padwa, Amy Frankel, Inez Benichasa, Jay Wu, Molly Ellis, Yuka Oiwa, Joan Nagy, Cindy Bean, Gratien Chabot, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Bryant, Joanne Fuller, Halina Zapadowska, and Dan Pheamayotin.

Kelly House directed the memorial lesson, leading 31t in memory of the following deceased: Ned Roberts—Florida; Chris Martin—Oregon; Charlotte Ehrman, Tom Bonafede, Dan Milner—New York; Sheldon Adelson—Michigan and Florida; Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer—Illinois; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Bill Dunn—Rhode Island; John Holt, Rob Taylor—Maine; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Pearl Guier, Claudene Townsend, Cora Beasley Jones, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten—Alabama; George Burnette—Georgia; Mary Lila Gregg, Tony Barrand, Larry Gordon—Vermont. Tarik Wareh closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Ann Kazlauskas 201; Kerry Cullinan 486; Michaela Natal 473; Carol Crompton 228. The dinner blessing was given by Yael Tarshish.

LUNCH

Pattie Wareh brought the class back to order by leading 72b. Leaders: Charles Biada 382; Emily Ross 215; Jesse C. Polhemus 214; Deidra Montgomery 320; Andy Ditzler 573; Tim Gregg 426b; Kate Bergren 99; Martin Hamilton and Margaret Hughes 372; Indigo Micciche and QC singers 472; David Brodeur 556; Tarik Wareh 319; Owen Stoddard 454; Becky Wright 411; Joseph Dunn and Lizzie Dunn 34b; Nathan Bean 163b; Jacob Hamidi 225b.

RECESS

Owen Stoddard led 59 to bring the class back together. Leaders: William Schuller 57; Marie Brandis 172; James Baumgartner 77t; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 302; Gwen Gethner 47b; Pippa Stoddard 213t; Philou 323b; Em Ekelund and Esther Wade 274t; Mary Skidmore 92; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 227.

A business meeting was held in order to hear reports from various committees. Jesse C. Polhemus reported for the Finance Committee that expenses were met. Mike Richards thanked Chairperson Molly Ellis for all her hard work, though she could not be present, and the officers and committee members for their service, as well as those who brought the delicious food. Christopher Kain gave the Secretary's report stating that sixty-five leaders representing thirteen states and Canadian provinces led eighty-one songs on the first day and fifty-four leaders representing ten states and Canadian provinces led seventy-five songs on the last. The meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

Mike Richards led 62 as the closing song. Yael Tarshish offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Molly Ellis; Vice Chairperson—Mike Richards; Secretary—Christopher Kain

ALEXANDER, HULLETT, LOWE, BROTHERS, HYATT, PUTMAN, AND WOOTTEN MEMORIAL

Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, Oneonta, Alabama

Sunday, October 1, 2023

The 55th session of the Alexander, Hullett, Lowe, Brothers, Hyatt, Putman, and Wootten Memorial singing was held at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Oneonta, Alabama, on the first Sunday in October. Terry Hullett called the class to order by leading 82t. Doyle Alexander offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 448b; Rebekah Gilmore 101t, 276; Doyle Alexander 87, 36b; Karen Rollins 153, 155; Winfred Kerr 165, 282; Robert Chambless 317, 72b; Marlin Beasley 318, 145b; Joseph Gilmore 442, 455; Jim Solheim 299, 270; Judy Caudle 439, 430 (in memory of Chita Blakeley); David Jackson 39b, 47t.

RECESS

Philip Gilmore brought the class back together by leading 47b (in memory of Chita Blakeley) and 448t. Leaders: Shane Brown 148, 183; Prisca Rice 38b, 569b; Cheyenne Ivey 106; Samuel Williams 163t; Lisa Geist 273, 528 (for Earl Ballinger); Reba Windom 176b (in memory of Hubert Nall), 216; David Ivey 123t; Elene Stovall 365 (in memory of Charlotte Ehrman).

LUNCH

Terry Hullett brought the class back together by leading 196. Leaders: Grace Gilmore 542; Grace Gilmore and Rebekah Gilmore 278b; Donna Wootten and Rodney Ivey 418 (for Nate Green), 312b; Cassie Allen 120, 205; Larry Ballinger 428; Ainslie Allen 546; Travis McCay 117; Paula Henderson 48t; Rodney Ivey and Anna Lowe 146; Shane Wootten and Rodney Ivey 426t (for Loyd Ivey), 170, 500 (CB), 571 (CB); Marlin Beasley 137 (in memory of Virgil Phillips and Rhoda Norris); Philip Gilmore 145b (in memory of Roie Alexander, Jewel Wootten, and Vera Lowe), 45t (for Estes Jackson and Ercelle Jackson); Rebekah Gilmore, John Gilmore, Grace Gilmore, and Mary Jewel Gilmore 68b (in memory of Roie Alexander); Linda Thomas and Shane Wootten 39t (in memory of Fred Battles); Elene Stovall 192. Terry Hullett led 62 as the closing song. Philip Gilmore dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Nate Green; Secretary—Rebekah Gilmore

MANCHESTER SACRED HARP **Withington Methodist Church, Manchester** **Greater Manchester, United Kingdom** **Saturday, October 7, 2023**

The 3rd session of the Manchester Sacred Harp Group met at Withington Methodist Church, Manchester, on the first Saturday in October. The class was called to order by Mika Upton leading 72b. John Sprackland offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Sprackland 49b; Matthew Parkinson 517; Vicki Elliott 313t; Chal Zon 155; Helen Brown 492; Joshua Lant 204; Tom Sprackland 330b; Hannah Land 107; Erin Johnson-Williams 340; Werner Ullah 33b; Martel Reynolds 313b; Jacoba Brunel 212; Chris Coombs 314; Steve Brett 101t; Joshua Lant 106.

RECESS

John Sprackland led 448b to bring the class together. Leaders: Claire Welford 315; Joyce Smith 300; Richard Mayers 449; Karen Turner 318; Ed Johnson-Williams 499; Claire Hogan 430; Alaistair Hogan and Matthew Parkinson 117; Derek Buckland 278t; Sam Carter 349. Grace was said before lunch by Sophie Phipson.

LUNCH

Claire Welford began the afternoon session by leading 42. Leaders: Jacoba Bruneel 528; Richard Mayers 111t; Claire Hogan 165; Steve Brett 283; Hannah Land 507; Sophie Lockhart 102; Derek Buckland 369; Helen Brown 542; Joshua Lant 384; Joyce Smith 373; Chal Zon 45t; Vicki Elliott 142; Sam Carter 460; Lucy Atkinson and Helen Brown 86; Werner Ullah 77t. John Sprackland gave a memorial affirmation and led 114.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Leilai Immel-Pershing leading 290. Leaders: Ed Johnson-Williams 539; Tom Sprackland 473; Jo-anne Carlyle 29t; Chris Coombs 103; Claire Hogan 201; Claire Welford 320; Martel Reynolds 48b; Hannah Land 475; Matthew Parkinson 225t; Erin Johnson-Williams 406; Richard Mayers 28t; Joyce Smith 323t; Derek Buckland 341; Jacoba Bruneel 321; Werner Ullah 503; Sam

Carter 171; Helen Brown 411; Vicki Elliott 37b; Chal Zon 146; John Sprackland 178; Sophie Lockhart 89.

Mika Upton offered thanks to all singers and those who helped set up the singing. Mika then led 39t as the closing song. Mika made announcements to the congregation. Chal Zon offered numbers or songs sung, and singers registered, then the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Mika Upton; Secretary—Chal Zon

NEBRASKA SINGING
Lions Park, Blair, Nebraska
Saturday, October 7, 2023

The 23rd session of the Nebraska All-Day Singing met at 10:00 a.m. at Lions Park in Blair, Nebraska, on Saturday before the second Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Steve Schmidgall leading 36b. Frances Hall offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Steve Schmidgall 59; Shana Wenger 344, 163t; Jenny Solheim 40, 276; Eleanor Haase 155, 270; John Ramsey 143, 240; Sue Pearson 66, 142; James Solheim 299, 192; Kathy Wood 415, 64; Steve Schmidgall 24b, 120; Shana Wenger 30b, 183; Jenny Solheim 148, 112; Eleanor Haase 203, 272; John Ramsey 348b, 385b; Sue Pearson 503, 384; James Solheim “Revontulet” (by Shana Wenger), “Moonlight” (by Jenny Solheim); Jenni Wallace 373, 200; Steve Schmidgall 156, 496; Shana Wenger 216, 81t; Jenny Solheim 421, 532; Jenny Solheim 117 (requested by Delta Eske); Shana Wenger 186; Justin Solheim and Frances Hall 277; Justin Solheim and Carol Gilbert 288; Shana Wenger 523; Eleanor Haase 522, 472; John Ramsey 224, 442. Frances Hall asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Sue Pearson leading 497 and 273. Leaders: James Solheim “Joyce” and “Now Take Your Golden Lyres” (by James Solheim); Kathy Wood 87; Jenni Wallace 163b; Steve Schmidgall 47t, 473; Shana Wenger 378b, 400; Jenny Solheim 474, 441; Eleanor Haase 454, 352; John Ramsey 153, 451; Sue Pearson 350, 104.

Frances Hall gave the memorial lesson in memory of Lydia Lewallen from North Carolina and Jody, Ellie, and Bob from Nebraska. She spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins, including Donna Gunderson-Rogers, Jeff Bell, Lois Lee Ramsey, Barb Hall, and Miriam Seaver.

Leaders: Eleanor Haase 274t; James Solheim “Infinity” (by Jenny Solheim); Kathy Wood 448b; Jenni Wallace 228; Steve Schmidgall 136; Shana Wenger 549. The class rose to share 414 as the closing song. Frances Hall offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—James Solheim; Secretary—Justin Solheim

SADSBURY COOPER BOOK SINGING
Sadsbury Friends Meetinghouse, Gap, Pennsylvania
Saturday, October 7, 2023

The 14th session of the Sadsbury *Cooper Book* Singing was held at the Sadsbury Friends Meetinghouse in Gap, Pennsylvania, on the first Saturday in October. Connie Webster began the day leading 30t. Lamar Matthew offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Barb Hohenstein 42; Laura Densmore 54t; Lamar Matthew 473; Guy Bankes 505; Patti Davis 155; Doron Henkin 98; Madeleine Smith 571; Ben Fink 38t; Fayge Horesh 128; Tim Leonard 30b; Elizabeth Patton 362b; Chelsea Feltman 186; Anna Melton 340; Ted Stokes 416t; Rachel Hall 133; Bridget Jamison 380t; Erin Fulton 538; Erika Wilson 45b.

RECESS

Ben Fink called the class back together leading 55. Leaders: Connie Webster 411; Laura Densmore 482; Katie Browne 463; Barb Hohenstein 137; Peter Sandeen 89; Doron Henkin 192; Patti Davis 393; Ben Fink 478; Elizabeth Patton 225t; Lamar Matthew 504; Anna Melton 68t; Tim Leonard 569; Madeleine Smith 99; Ted Stokes 438; Bridget Jamison 514; Guy Bankes 391; Erin Fulton 539; Hal Kunkel 464; Fayge Horesh 500. Lamar Matthew offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Kimberly Haas led 40 to call the class to order. Leaders: Chelsea Feltman 129; Erika Wilson 229; Dann Pell 268b; Rachel Hall 522; Doron Henkin 486; Erin Fulton 378b; Tim Leonard 557; Barb Hohenstein 563; Hal Kunkel 559; Connie Webster 31t; Guy Bankes 494; Lamar Matthew 485; Laura Densmore 507b; Patti Davis 511t; Peter Sandeen and Rachel Hall 492; Madeleine Smith 290; Elizabeth Patton 267b.

RECESS

Barb Hohenstein called the class together leading 442t. Leaders: Ted Stokes 524; Ben Fink 465; Bridget Jamison 210; Anna Melton 324; Hal Kunkel 39; Katie Browne 427; Fayge Horesh 148; Dann Pell 434; Erin Fulton 95t; Peter Sandeen and Laura Densmore 336t; Madeleine Smith 573; Guy Bankes 442b; Rachel Hall 76b; Doron Henkin 586; Chelsea Feltman 587; Lamar Matthew 474; Elizabeth Patton 275b. Connie Webster and the other officers led 527 as the closing song. Lamar Matthew gave the closing prayer.

Chairperson—Connie Webster; Secretary—Barb Hohenstein

SANTA CRUZ SACRED HARP SINGING AND CAMP-OUT

Pie Ranch, Pescadero, California

Saturday, October 7, 2023

The class was called to order by Fox Pettinotti leading 31t. The Chaplain, Anne Caswell offered the opening prayer. Nina Berry led 288, and welcomed everyone. The business meeting was called to order and officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairperson—Nina Berry; Secretary—Donna Thomas; Chaplain—Anne Caswell; Treasurer—Ruth McGurk; Registration—Kelly Archer, Jonathan Scher; Arranging—Janet Herman; Kitchen—Lila Steiner. The business meeting was adjourned.

Leaders: Dave Barber 64; Ellen Fluke 73t; Leigh Cooper 72b; Conall Barber 411; Jonas Powell 39t; Paul Kostka 38t; Janet Herman 40; Mark Godfrey 317; Tadhg Barber 500; Eric Gu 30b; Hugh McGuire 34t; Pat Coghlan 272; Jonathan Kaufman Scher 47b; Anne Caswell 127.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Dave Barber leading 34b. Leaders: Fox Pettinotti 504; Ellen Lueck 74b; Leigh Cooper 440; Jonas Powell 228; Paul Kostka 528; Mark Godfrey 200; Eric Gu 344; Dave Barber 192; Ruth McGurk 532; Conall Barber 159; Nina Berry 274t; Hugh McGuire 409; Wren Hyde 400; Jonathan Kaufman Scher 148; Anne Caswell 547; Pat Coghlan 492; Tadhg Barber 203; Ruth McGurk and Kelly Archer 271t. Anne Caswell offered the blessing for the dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Fox Pettinotti leading 45t. Leaders: Leigh Cooper 217; Hugh McGuire 216; Ellen Lueck 222; Jonas Powell 162; Paul Kostka 163b; Joel Chan 270; Mark Godfrey 384; Dave Barber 112; Pat Coghlan 299; Janet Herman 430; Wren Hyde 283; Nina Berry 186; Eric Gu 472; Jonathan Kaufman Scher 63; Conall Barber 385t; Anne Caswell 390; Fox Pettinotti 31b; Peter Ross 99; Tadhg Barber 114.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ellen Leuck leading 68b. Leaders: Wren Hyde 302; Leigh Cooper 434; Hugh Coghlan 196; Jonas Powell 29t; Paul Kostka 377; Joel Chan 86; David Barreda 272; Mark Godfrey 348b; Dave Barber 460; Eric Gu 442; Jonathan Kaufman Scher 182; Ellen Lueck 81t; Anne Caswell 77t; Peter Ross 84; Conall Barber 454. Announcements were made.

Treasurer Ruth McGurk reported that expenses were met. Secretary Donna Thomas reported that twenty-three leaders, all from the state of California, led fifty-one songs. Nina Berry thanked all for coming and gave recognition to the officers and committee members that served today. She hopes we will meet again at Pie Ranch. Hugh McGuire led 62 as the closing song. Anne Caswell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Nina Berry; Secretary—Donna Thomas

TAYLOR SINGING
Lafayette County, Mississippi
Saturday, October 7, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Taylor United Methodist Church (formerly held at Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church) was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Warren Steel leading 39b and 36b. Will Gatewood led the morning prayer. Leaders: Warren Steel 74b; Mark Tew 59, 30t, 313t; Will Gatewood 34b, 311, 297; Anne Steel 129, 65, 318; Drew McGuire 131b, 274t, 213t; Garrett Herndon 35, 28t, 30b; Andy Davis 47b, 198, 400.

RECESS

Warren Steel reassembled the class leading 203. Leaders: Curtis Gregory 299, 323b, 341; Jan Murray 285t; Chuck Howell 569b, 63, 373; Tyce Wilkerson 45t, 46, 147t; Warren Steel 280.

LUNCH

Warren Steel called the class together leading 217 and Hurricane Creek. Leaders: Drew McGuire 138t, 142; Mark Tew 268, 108t; Will Gatewood 143, 72b; Anne Steel 348b, 179; Molly Peck 278b, 312t, 312b; Andy Davis 434, 436; Curtis Gregory 40, 104; Jan Murray 457; Susan Wood 282, 155; Chuck Howell 127, 232.

Warren Steel led 235 as the closing song. Chuck Howell dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Warren Steel; Secretary—Anne Steel

THE NORUMBEGA HARMONY SINGING
Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
Saturday, October 7, 2023

The annual *Norumbega Harmony* singing and Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Sylvia Martin leading 34b. She welcomed the class, and gave an introduction.

Leaders: Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 47t; Jim Harper 178; Susan Jaster 486; Bill Holt 36b; Glen Wright 218; Nancy Reid 150; Susan Mampre 373; Anne Kazlauskas 186; Bob Parr 47b; George Sigut 188 (NbH); Liz Patton 511; Joan Frankel 204 (NbH); Chris Hodges 216 (NbH); Michal Truelsen 212 (NbH); Sylvia Martin 214 (NbH); Dan Harper 122; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 246 (NbH); Dennis O'Brien 224 (NbH); Lyra O'Brien 411; Jim Harper 166 (NbH); Susan Jaster 17 (NbH); Bill Holt 112 (NbH); Ron Trial 14 (NbH); Glen Wright 122 (NbH); Nancy Reid 168.

RECESS

Leaders: Susan Mampre 190 (NbH); Bob Parr 244 (NbH); Anne Kazlauskas 202 (NbH); George Sigut 208 (NbH); Jim Harper 50t; Michal Truelsen 8 (NbH); Chris Hodges 6 (NbH); Dan Harper 83 (NbH); Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 258 (NbH); Dennis O'Brien 163 (NbH); Michael Truelsen 236 (NbH); Susan Jaster 158 (NbH);

Bill Holt 44 (NbH); Glen Wright 'Paxton'; Nancy Reid 184 (NbH); Susan Mampre 98 (NbH).

RECESS

Leaders: Bob Parr 270; Anne Kazlauskas 142 (NbH); George Sigut 448t; Jim Harper 189; Michal Truelsen 200; Joan Frankel 71; Chris Hodges 30b; George Howe 36b; Dan Harper 29t; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 69 (NbH); Dennis O'Brien 212; Ron Trial 108 (NbH); Susan Jaster 135 (NbH); Bill Holt 3 (NbH); Glen Wright 238 (NbH); Nancy Reid 250 (NbH); Susan Mampre 28 (NbH); Bob Parr 136 (NbH); Anne Kazlauskas 203; George Sigut 444; Jim Harper 547. Announcements were made.

Sylvia Martin led 485 as the closing song. The class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Sylvia Martin; Secretary—Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner

ALBRIGHT, CATES, BROWN, AND SHEPPARD MEMORIAL Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, South of Bremen, Georgia Sunday, October 8, 2023

The annual Albright, Cates, Brown, and Sheppard Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, south of Bremen, Georgia, on the second Sunday in October. This singing is usually held at the Muscadine Methodist Church in Muscadine, Alabama, however, several Methodist churches were dissolved in Cleburne County recently. Muscadine Methodist Church was one of the churches affected. Rene Greene welcomed everyone to the singing. Rene reminded the class that due to this being a memorial singing there would not be a memorial lesson. She then led 63. Bert Collins offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Pam Nunn; Secretary—Donna Bell. Reba Windom was asked to arrange. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Pam Nunn 186, 155 (in memory of Evelyn Harris); Glenda Collins 99, 124; Winfred Kerr 146 (in memory of Hugh McGraw), 516; Shawn Taylor 191, 189; Bill DuPre 31t, 229; Karen Rollins 120 (in memory of Philip Denney), 119; Bert Collins 35, 300; Sheri Taylor 39t, 163t; Jose Martinez 159, 117; Phillip Langley 283 (in honor of Judy Henry), 171; Abigail Cannon 270, 204; Cecil Roberts 285t, 410t.

RECESS

Rene Greene brought the class back to order leading 84. Leaders: Rene Greene and Pam Nunn 269; Jack Nelson 318 (in memory of his siblings Betty Culver, Ray Nelson, and Mike Nelson, also, Jeff Sheppard), 524; Lisa Bennett 392, 304; Oscar McGuire 163b, 515; Bridge Hill Kennedy 37b, 168; Shane Wootten 460 (in memory of Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard), 65. Shane spoke of the great impact of mentorship under Jeff and Shelbie. Once on a trip up north when Shane had keyed a song too high, Jeff told him to scan the page for notes before starting to key it. Shane Wootten stressed the need for mentors like Jeff and Shelbie in Sacred Harp singing. Nathan Rees led 380 and 217 (in memory of Jeanette Dewberry). Jack Nelson offered the blessing of the noon meal in the church.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with Rene Greene leading 440. Leaders: David Smead 502, 532; Shane Brown 317, 49b; Lloyd Bricken 235, 97; Jose Martinez 45t; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 454 (in memory of Virginia Dyer); Bill DuPre 122; Lisa Bennett 77b (in honor of Don Bowen and in memory of Charlene Wallace); Karen Rollins and Oscar McGuire 327; Bridge Hill Kennedy 276 (in memory of Shelbie Sheppard, who was a source of constant encouragement during Bridge's early singing years); Jack Nelson 566 (in honor of Virginia Futral, William Futral, and Myrline Redmon); Abigail Cannon 47t; Lloyd Bricken 277; Nathan Rees

322 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); Shawn Taylor 442; Shane Wootten 313t; Shane Brown 383; Winfred Kerr 394.

Singers in attendance related to the Albright, Cates, Brown, and Sheppard families were Oscar McGuire, Rene Sheppard Greene, Pam Sheppard Nunn, and Donna Garner Bell. Oscar, Rene, and Pam led 556. Rene thanked everyone for coming. Following announcements, Rene and Pam led 146. Jack Nelson offered the closing prayer and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Pam Nunn; Secretary—Donna Bell

ANDREWS CHAPEL SINGING

Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia

Saturday, October 14, 2023

The annual singing at Andrews Chapel was held at the Roberta Civic Center on Saturday before the third Sunday in October while Andrews Chapel is still undergoing repairs. The class was called together by Bert Collins leading 97 and 542. Bill Dupre offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bill Dupre 229; Glenda Collins 32t, 63; Esther Morgan-Ellis 37b, 37t; Oscar McGuire 34b, 171; Lily Hooks 354b; Wayne Watson 68b, 490; Mary Brownlee and John Brownlee 147b, 47b.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Michael Spencer leading 354t and 420. Leaders: Bill Dupre 49b, 122; Martha Harrell 77t, 61; Sandra Wilkinson 335, 515; Rosemund Watson 503, 94; Faye Hollis 283, 99. Wayne Watson asked the blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

The singing resumed after lunch with Esther Morgan-Ellis leading 270 and 285t. Leaders: Bert Collins 35; Glenda Collins 491; Oscar McGuire 441; Trent Peachey 548, 570; Mary Brownlee and John Brownlee 34t; Wayne Watson 480; Michael Spencer 289; Bill Dupre 31t; Martha Harrell 45t; Sandra Wilkinson 277; Trent Peachey 268, 318; Faye Hollis 470. Announcements were made, and a request was made for Esther Morgan-Ellis to lead 149.

Rose Watson and Lily Hooks led 347 as the traditional closing song. Wayne Watson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Bill Dupre; Vice Chairman—Bert Collins; Secretary—Glenda Collins

PARIS SACRED HARP SINGING

American Church in Paris, Paris, France

Saturday, October 14, 2023

The 5th session of the Paris All-Day Sacred Harp Singing met at the American Church in Paris, Thurber Room, on Saturday before the third Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Arnaud Coupry leading 49b. Mary Jane Wilkie offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Bealle 101b; Kristel Cosker 49t; Alexia Yver 535; Eloise Clark 300; John Price and John Bealle 313b; Mary Jane Wilkie 30t; Florent Decherf 32t; John Davis 324; Quentin Vincent 276; Frédéric Eymard 107; Perrine De Sancy and Mary Jane Wilkie 40; Gwendal Geleoc 330t; Sheila Girling Macadam 315; Steven Levine 164; Mary Andrews 168; Derek Buckland 95; Rachel Jordan 155.

RECESS

Lauren Ciancio led 147t to bring the class together. Leaders: Margaret Bradshaw 105; Inga Buckland 117; Steph Malpass 272; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 354t; Karen Turner 228; Edwin Macadam 288; Nick Hall 448t; Mike Morrisroe 349; Chris Affolter 460; Eloise Clark 34b; Arnaud Coupry 86; Alexia Yver 504; Kristel Cosker 277; John Bealle 192; Frédéric Eymard 399b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Quentin Vincent leading 274t. Leaders: Sheila Girling Macadam 217; John Davis 319; Rachel Jordan 99; Margaret Bradshaw 344; John Price and Mike Morrisroe 547; Mary Jane Wilkie 181; Nick Hall 455. Inga Buckland and Derek Buckland gave the memorial lesson for the deceased and the sick and shut-ins. The following list of names of the deceased was read: Joël Rivet and Geoffroy Giraud—France; Breda Morrisroe—Ireland; David Akhurst, Keith Pigott, John Heptinstall, Mike Cooper, and Dave Thorpe—United Kingdom; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Juanita Beasley—Alabama, USA; Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina, USA; Melanie Hauff—Illinois, USA; Dorothy Gandskroenaf—Ohio, USA David Eye—New York, USA. The following list of names of the sick and homebound was read: Julie Heptinstall, Seth Dickens, Uschi Nolte, Baji, Nicolas Canlorbe. Inga Buckland led 267 for the memorial lesson. Leaders: Karen Turner 285t; Gwendal Geleoc 65. Gwendal Geleoc gave the noon blessing.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Florent Decherf leading 186. Leaders: Edwin Macadam 183; Tara Walsh 268; Steven Levine 350; Mary Andrews 456; Steph Malpass 436; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 198; Mike Morrisroe 447; John Davis 314; Sheila Girling Macadam 480; Chris Affolter 564; Eloise Clark 178; Quentin Vincent 348t; Margaret Bradshaw 212; John Bealle 365.

RECESS

Frédéric Eymard led 29t to bring the class together. Leaders: Derek Buckland 165; Mary Jane Wilkie 121; Karen Turner 426b; Kristel Cosker 111b; Nick Hall 454; John Price 47b; Inga Buckland 499; Gwendal Geleoc 56b; Lauren Ciancio 28t; Mary Andrews 445; Tara Walsh 457; Florent Decherf 203; Steven Levine 473; Steph Malpass 472; Rachel Jordan 474; Edwin Macadam 569b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Chris Affolter leading 299. Leaders: Margaret Bradshaw 266; Mike Morrisroe 83t; Nicholas Hemming 28b; John Davis 441; Sheila Girling Macadam 114; Eloise Clark 479; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 84; Quentin Vincent 452. Announcements were made. Arnaud Coupry led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by John Price. Chairman—Arnaud Coupry; Vice Chairman—John Bealle; Secretary—Kristel Cosker

TENNESSEE STATE SACRED HARP SINGING **Arlington United Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee** **Saturday, October 14, 2023**

The Tennessee State Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Arlington United Methodist Church in Nashville, Tennessee, on Saturday before the third Sunday in October. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Barrett Patton leading 34t. Ron Harper offered the morning prayer.

The class organized by appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Barrett Patton; Vice Chairman—Alex Forsyth; Arranging Committee—Alex Forsyth; Secretary—Rachael Geary.

Leaders: Barrett Patton 61; Alex Forsyth 60, 303; Rachael Geary 37b, 82t; David Carlton 86, 421; Ron Harper 173, 52t; Emily Stutzman 35; Emily Stutzman and Sarah George 451; Gail Doss 107, 454; Tom Booth 441, 475; Tim Morton 310, 318; Blake Sisemore 208, 411; Linda Booth 269, 273.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Alex Forsyth and Barrett Patton leading 89. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 432, 182; Tim Reynolds 492, 278t; Donna Wootten 56t, 74b; Margaret Ivey 178; Margaret Ivey and Emily Stutzman 268; Bill Denney 457, 47b; Sarah George 204, 143; Karen Rollins 45t, 327; Garrett Morton 112, 142; Tom George 55, 572; Sophie Sokolov 170, 399b; Bob Hume 84, 209; Mark Fung 155, 163b; Ginny Landgraf 547, 383; Shane Wootten 333, 99; Barrett Patton 217; Alex Forsyth 573. Blake Sisemore led prayer before the lunch break.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Barrett Patton leading 75. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 336; Tom Morton 496, 313b; Emily Stutzman 504; David Carlton 198; Gail Doss 203; Tom Booth 480; Tim Morton and Cheyenne Ivey 384; Linda Booth 361; Donna Wootten 123t; Tim Reynolds 551; Margaret Ivey and Emily Stutzman 503; Garrett Morton 176b; Bill Denney and Karen Rollins 40, 153; Ron Harper and Alex Harper 440; Sophie Sokolov 445; Sarah George 373; Ginny Landgraf 378b; Tom George 460; Bob Hume 472; Cheyenne Ivey and Garrett Morton 30b; Mark Fung 455; Shane Wootten 110; Alex Forsyth 76t; Barrett Patton 348b.

Following announcements, Alex Forsyth and Barrett Patton led 146 as the closing song. Barrett Patton led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Barrett Patton; Vice Chairman—Alex Forsyth; Secretary—Rachael Geary

NEW YORK STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Unity Hall, Barneveld, New York

October 14-15, 2023

Saturday, October 14

The 33rd New York State Sacred Harp Convention was held on the third weekend in October. The class was called to order by Dennis Leipold leading 49t. The opening prayer was offered by Lynn Wilson.

Leaders: Mary Skidmore 131b; Tarik Wareh 85; Laura Densmore 313t; Ernest Blake 84; Lynn Wilson 171; Barbara Swetman 475; Jan May 49b; Ginny Huszagh 209; George Sigut 547; Jean Seiler 142; Chuck Crawford 107; Joanne Fuller 564; Bob Wheeler 68b; Pleasance Crawford 196; Laurel Dempsey 178.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ginny Huszagh leading 155. Leaders: Laura Densmore 542; Dennis Leipold 192; Ernest Blake 48t; Barbara Swetman 287; Mary Skidmore 532; Tarik Wareh 111t; Jan May 228; Pleasance Crawford 227; George Sigut 38t; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 86; Chuck Crawford 114; Laurel Dempsey 159; Ginny Huszagh 191; Bob Wheeler 40; Joanne Fuller 352; Jean Seiler 313b.

RECESS

The class was brought together by Jan May leading 66. Leaders: Dennis Leipold 300; Lynn Wilson and Jean Seiler 217; Tarik Wareh 131t; Ginny Huszagh 269; Bob Wheeler 452; Joy Pople and Jean Seiler 236; Ernest Blake 82t; Laurel Dempsey 312b; George Sigut 448t; Claudia Smigelski 503. The grace before the noontime meal was offered by Tarik Wareh.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Rebeka Radna-Crasta leading 106. Leaders: Barbara Swetman 277; Jean Seiler 299; Chuck Crawford 288; Mary Skidmore 203; Jan May 489; Dev Crasta 39t; Joanne Fuller 39b; Pleasance Crawford 272; Laura Densmore 500; Dennis Leipold 73t; Kathy Collett 344; Tarik Wareh 282; Lynn Wilson 515; Ginny Huszagh and Seth Rutledge 200; Joy Pople and Barbara Swetman 569b; Traci Misko 182.

RECESS

Bob Wheeler brought the class together leading 147b. Leaders: Ernest Blake 183; Claudia Smigelski 146; George Sigut 72b; Laurel Dempsey 268; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 122; Bob Wheeler 47b; Dev Crasta 376; Barbara Swetman 312t; Jean Seiler 315; Kathy Collett 472; Chuck Crawford 473; Jan May 474; Traci Misko 59; Joanne Fuller 121; Dennis Leipold 480; Pleasance Crawford 266; Tarik Wareh 187; Mary Skidmore 440; Lynn Wilson 523; Ginny Huszagh 56b; Dennis Leipold 347. A prayer was offered by Laurel Dempsey to close the Saturday singing.

Sunday, October 15

The Sunday session of the New York State Convention was called to order by Dennis Leipold leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Lynn Wilson. Leaders: Tarik Wareh 330t; Mary Skidmore 32t; Laura Densmore 228; Ginny Huszagh 63; Jean Seiler 148; Laurel Dempsey 146; Barbara Swetman 115; Chuck Crawford 114; Claudia Smigelski 503; Lynn Wilson 68b; Jan May 538; Pleasance Crawford 283.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Laura Densmore leading 101b. Joanne Fuller led 129.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Dennis Leipold spoke and led 65 for the following sick and shut-ins: Judy Pardee, Margaret Bornick, Laura Ayotte, Daniel Hertzler, Cindy Bean, Jim Bean, Pat Callahan, Lael Birch, Bill Sniegowski, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Anne Bryant, Bobbie Goodell, Dan Purdy, and Clara Fagan.

Mary Skidmore spoke and led 285t in memory of the following: Lucy Heyerman, Rebecca Ferris, Charlotte Ehrman, and Ronnie Decker—New York; Zoe Clay—North Carolina; Joan Sheldon and Robert Taylor—Maine; Charlotte Powell and Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, and Claudene Townson—Alabama; Ted Mercer and Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Mary Wright—Virginia; Eva Striebeck—Germany. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Barbara Swetman.

Leaders: Ernest Blake 106; JoRean Sicks 178; Seth Rutledge 481; Tarik Wareh 231; Benjamin Fenton 360; Traci Misko 142; Ginny Huszagh 189; Chuck Crawford 145t; Jean Seiler 168; Pleasance Crawford 504; Joanne Fuller 460; Laurel Dempsey 171; Dennis Leipold 105; Barbara Swetman 29t; Laura Densmore 522; Claudia Smigelski 452; Mary Skidmore 198; Benjamin Fenton 99. Tarik Wareh gave a blessing for the midday meal.

LUNCH

Dennis Leipold led 273 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Tarik Wareh 91; Seth Rutledge 95; Ernest Blake 84; Traci Misko 288; Adam Breaux 312b; Ginny Huszagh 195; Chuck Crawford 473; Jan May 276; Jean Seiler 318; Claudia Smigelski 569t; Pleasance Crawford 384; Jason Law 66; Joanne Fuller 426t; Benjamin Fenton 300; Kathy Collett 448t; Barbara Swetman 254; Mary Skidmore 186; Seth Rutledge 294; Dennis Leipold 133; Adam Breaux 47b; Ernest Blake 49b; Tarik Wareh 220.

RECESS

Dennis Leipold called the class to order leading 147t. Leaders: Pleasance Crawford 157; Kathy Collett 47t; Jan May 351; Charles Collett 474; Jason Law 122; Chuck Crawford 72b. Announcements were made.

The treasurer stated that expenses were met. The secretary reported that one hundred forty-nine songs were led by twenty-eight leaders. Singers came from two Canadian provinces and four U.S. states. The 34th annual New York State Sacred Harp Convention will be held in the Ithaca, New York area on the third Sunday and Saturday before in October, 2024.

Dennis Leipold led 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Ernest Blake.

Chairperson—Dennis Leipold; Secretary—Mary Skidmore

REID MEMORIAL
County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama
Sunday, October 15, 2023

The 104th session of the Reid Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the third Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Danny Creel leading 30t. He welcomed the class, and then offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Danny Creel 145t; Ken Tate 47t, 114; Ainslie Allen 430; Judy Caudle 111t. Cindy Tanner read the following note from David Heidorn: Good Morning, Singers! On behalf of my mother, Lucy Heidorn, we would like to welcome you to County Line Church on this third Sunday in October. The Reid Memorial Singing is very dear to my mother. At 87 years of age, she is now unable to get out and travel. We will be with you in harmonious spirit as you lift these lessons up in praise. All our best, David and Lucy Heidorn.

Leaders: Cindy Tanner 155 (for Lucy Heidorn); Cindy Tanner and Ainslie Allen 460 (for Lucy and David); Betty Baccus 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Nicholas Thompson 436 (for Lucy Heidorn); Linda Booth 222; Marlin Beasley 318; Buell Cobb 321 (in memory of Jerry Kitchens); Louise Yeager 480; David Jackson 499; Roma Rice 64; Isaac Green 422 (in memory of Tressie Adkins); Loretta Whitman 283; Beth Wallace 442.

RECESS

Danny Creel led 56b to bring the class together. Leaders: Alex Forsyth 419; Amber Davis 382 (in memory of Judy Hall); Bob Hume 276; Mandy Rose 42; Yancey Jett 440; Linda Thomas 111b; Ginny Landgraf 505; Jeff James 178; Janet Litton 424; Barrett Patton 396; Rachel Geary 277; Chris Ballinger 512; Reba Windom and Paisley Goss 542.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Danny Creel leading 530. Leaders: Sarah George 456; Larry Ballinger 551; Brenda Chafin 336 (for Lucy Heidorn); Rodney Ivey and Karen Rollins 365, 411; Ann Jett and Barrett Patton 327; Shelby Castillo and Reba Windom 224; Sophie Sokolov 400; Lisa Geist 492, 182; Cassie Allen 431 (in memory of Annie Reid Creel), 34t (in memory of Mamie Reid Creel), 546 (in memory of Mattie Reid Creel). Ken Tate asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel and Sharon DuPriest leading 269. Leaders: Jackie Tanner 172; Tom George 564; Elene Stovall 142; SuNell Ellis 340, 475 (in memory of Flarce Creel); SuNell Ellis and Ken Tate 532 (in memory of Edith Tate); Wanda Capps, Shelley Calvert, and Emma Calvert 200, 203, 405; Tom Booth 285b; Brett King and Ken Tate 162; Sharon DuPriest 189; Amelia Jett, Angela Hunt, and Alexis Hicks 63; Bob Hume 159; Ginny Landgraf 196; Rachel Geary 112; Mandy Rose 457; Sophie Sokolov 560; Barrett Patton 498 (in memory of Harrison Creel); Karen Rollins 120 (in memory of Philip Denney and Gravis Ballinger); Tom George 270; Alex Forsyth 76b; Sarah George and James George 208; Nicholas Thompson and Lisa Geist 304 (for Lucy Heidorn and in memory of Marie Aldridge); Judy Caudle 348b; Isaac Green and Earl Ballinger 439; Ainslie Allen 192; Shelby Castillo and Rodney Ivey 30b; Beth Wallace and Janet Litton 338; David Jackson 45t; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Cassie Allen 500; Tom Booth and Linda Booth 489; Tom George 569b (by request); Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Danny Creel, and Cindy Tanner 342; Cindy Tanner and Jackie Tanner 477. Announcements were made.

Danny Creel led 383 as the closing song. Ken Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Lucy Heidorn; Secretary Pro Tempore—Ainslie Allen

HAMBURG SINGING
Ökumenisches Forum HafenCity, Hamburg, Germany
Saturday, October 21, 2023

The Hamburg All-Day Singing was held at the Ökumenisches Forum HafenCity, Hamburg, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Hamburg Sacred Harp Group. The class was called to order by Tobias Saalman leading 164. Tobias gave the opening introduction, and recalled the formation of Hamburg Sacred Harp in 2013. The venue for today's singing, the Ökumenisches Forum, brought back memories as the first Germany Convention was held here in 2014. Tobias thanked all concerned for their work in building a flourishing Sacred Harp group in Hamburg. Joy Spreadborough then offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Chloë Spreadborough 49t; Nathan Bowler 503; Joy Spreadborough 354b; Inga Buckland 171; Marcos Sullivan 34b; Fynn Titford-Mock 150; John O'Flynn 189; Johannes Kunst 142; Derek Buckland 225t; Anne Eringa 196; Emma Rock 306; Anna Eggers 217; Bertolt Hering 287; Eleni Melis 300; Maria Neuman-Fraune 128.
RECESS

The class was called back to order by Chloë Spreadborough leading 148. Leaders: Werner Ullah 457; Paul Kolenbrander 28t; Molly McCracken 276; Nina Riegler 432; Jasmina Graf 332; Constantin Dorsch 101b; Tobias Saalman 173.

A memorial lesson then followed in three sections. Inga Buckland gave a lesson for the sick and housebound, and a lesson for those deceased, and then led 267.

There was then a special memorial lesson for Eva Striebeck, who had died at the end of August. The Hamburg group had agreed to dedicate this morning session especially to Eva, who had supported the group over the last ten years until her illness made her unable to travel there. Derek Buckland gave the memorial lesson recalling Eva's life and contributions to Sacred Harp singing, gave a summary of the warm tributes and reminiscences about Eva received from so many people across the world, and closed the lesson by offering prayer, and leading 278t.

Leaders: Nathan Bowler 410t; Joy Spreadborough 154; Marcos Sullivan 480; Fynn Titford-Mock 83t; John O'Flynn 37b; Johannes Kunst 155; Anne Eringa 377.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Bertolt Hering leading 228. Leaders: Nathan Bowler 186; Eleni Melis 71; Maria Neuman-Fraune 528; Janna Itter 197; Werner Ullah 29t; Paul Kolenbrander 430; Molly McCracken 504; Nina Riegler 531; Jasmina Graf 181; Marcos Sullivan 288; Constantin Dorsch 86; Inga Buckland 274t; Johannes Kunst 272; Fynn Titford-Mock 212; John O'Flynn 56b; Joy Spreadborough 452; Derek Buckland 68t; Anne Eringa 180; Bertolt Hering 163b; Tobias Saalman 236.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Chloë Spreadborough leading 32b. Leaders: Janna Itter 455; Ulrike Tietjen 343 (for Rike Fischer); Molly McCracken 146; Magdalena Osthaus 95; Werner Ullah 448b; Paul Kolenbrander 440; Eleni Melis 567; Maria Neuman-Fraune 147b; Inga Buckland 445; John O'Flynn 475; Nina Riegler 532; Joy Spreadborough 299; Jasmina Graf 444; Johannes Kunst 168; Anne Eringa 191; Constantin Dorsch 542; Fynn Titford-Mock 361; Derek Buckland 48b; Nathan Bowler 535.

Tobias Saalman thanked those who had worked to help organise the day. The Secretary reported that seventy-five songs had been sung (including the closing song) by forty-one singers with twenty-five leaders. The Treasurer reported that all administrative costs had been met, and a donation would be made to the Ökumenisches Forum. Announcements were made.

Tobias Saalman led 335 as the closing song. Derek Buckland offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Tobias Saalman; Vice Chairperson—Chloë Spreadborough;
Treasurer—Marcos Sullivan; Secretary—Derek Buckland

LONDON SACRED HARP

Highgate United Reformed Church, Pond Square, London

Saturday, October 21, 2023

The 15th London Sacred Harp Annual all day singing met at Highgate United Reformed Church, Pond Square, London, on the third Saturday in October. The class was called to order by Stacy Hackner leading 128. Jacoba Bruneel offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Constance Des Marias 68b; James Roche 49b; Rowan Simms 49t; Paul Zaba 48b; Joe Jones 108b; Amy Cutts 39t; Robin Bisson 350; Werner Ullah 29t; Jo-Anne Carlyle 287; Susanne Rolli 474; Greg Carson 276; Duane Nasis 32t; Liz Roche 45t; Fiona Byrne 290; Natalie Edelman 86; Jacqui Knowles 277; Johannes Sauer 335.
RECESS

Brenda Bowley led 89 to bring the class together. Leaders: Jan Lawrence 178; Joyce Smith 283; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 282; Machna Novak 59; Johanna Vogelsanger 70b; William Cleary 99; Scarlett Lassoff 117; David Garman 477; Morgan Kist and Steve Brett 81t; Arthur Swindells 191.

The memorial lesson was conducted by James Roche. James read the following list of names of the sick and housebound: Ted Brown, Katia Triggiani, Emily Georghiou, Neil Horlock, Megan Streb, Fiona Marshall, Stephanie and Ram Ramamurthy, Rike Fischer, Uschi Nolte, Julie Heptinstall, Rosa Price, Margaret Bradshaw, and Jan Saunt. James led 556.

Susanne Rolli led a prayer, and James Roche read the following list of names of the deceased: Robin Greenwood, Richard Drane, Ernest Preston, Helen Dent, Emily Webster, David Thorpe, Mike Cooper, Charlotte James, Gerry Bartty, Eddie Mowfield, Nigel Eagle, Michael Keane, Drusilla Bush, John Heptinstall, Keith Pigott, Brigid Hurn, Fr. Dominic McKenna Borehamwood, Mary Norton, Doreen Carlyle, John Rogers, Wendy Carey Wood, Sian Jones—United Kingdom; Teresa Cavallar and Anna Zamboni—Italy; David Adler—Scotland; Eva Striebeck and Irtraut Fesseu-Henjes—Germany; Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Lydia Lewallen, Melanie Hauff, and Dorothy Landskroener—United State of America; Sean Roche, Betty Walsh, and Ian Fiasco—Ireland; Ken Wakeman and Marie Power—Canada; John Meadows—Tasmania.

Leaders: Hannah Land 475; Chris Coombs 103; Andrea Phillips and Paul Zaba 448t; Emma Rock 564; Wolfie Wright 38b; Sam Turner 119; Rob Mahoney 335; Tom Grieg 566; Jacoba Bruneel 101t. Amy Cutts asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Emily Spademan leading 445. Leaders: Nigel Bowley 101b; Anne Altringham 542; Derek Buckland 278t; Colleen Jones 532; Steve Brett 216; Michael Walker 306 (for Marjorie Brown and family); Nadia Bolz-Weber 300; Gabriel Kine 383; Rachel Jordan 189; Katie Ahern 318; Claire Welford 208; Matthew Parkinson 234; Nina Riegler 531; Joshua Lant 434; Inga Buckland 550; Edwin Macadam 528; Erin Johnson-Williams 329; Nick Hall 455; Sheila Girling-Macadam 384; Robin Bisson 546; Seth Dickens 269; Tom Sprackland 377; Cath Saunt 228; Sam Carter 328; Toby Goss 479; Hyke Sakaras 551; Martel Reynolds 142.

RECESS

The last session began with William Cleary leading 319. Leaders: Thys Millan 47b; Ed Johnson-Williams 201; Lottie Summer 146; Holly Copeland 497; Maria Paz Carson 32b; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 121; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 76b; Brenda

Bowley 400; Emily Spademan 314; Nadia Bolz-Weber 155; Hyke Sakaras and Johannes Sauer 163b; Anne Altringham 440; Chris Coombs 217; Brenda and Nigel Bowley 72b; Singers from Germany 472; Singers from Ireland 212; Joshua Lant 30b; Singers from Yorkshire 30t; Singers from East Anglia 31t; Singers from Bristol 480; Ed Johnson-Williams and Erin Johnson-Williams 495; Singers from Sussex 368; Singers from Oxford 504. Announcements were made.

Emma Rock led the closing prayer. Stacy Hackner led 65 as the closing song, and class was dismissed.

Secretary—Amy-Liisa Cutts

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS SHILOH SINGING, FALL SESSION
West Fork Library Hall, West Fork, Arkansas
Saturday, October 21, 2023

The fall session of the Northwest Arkansas Shiloh singing was held in the West Fork Library Hall in West Fork, Arkansas. The class was called to order by Cory Winters leading 31t. Bill Caldwell offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cory Winters 34b; Allison Langston 171, 38b; McKenna Mullis 89, 163t; Syd Caldwell 155, 300; Bill Caldwell 99, 49b (for Darryl Criss); Beth Janes 63, 47b; Andrew Albers 313b (for Dan Brittain), 312t.

RECESS

Cory Winters called the class back to order leading 571 (CB) and 463 (CB) (for Mona Vice). Leaders: Allison Langston 274t, 448b; McKenna Mullis 278t, 547; Syd Caldwell 569b, 475; Bill Caldwell 142, 217; Cory Winters 112 (for Holly Childs).

RECESS

Cory Winters called the class back to order leading 312b (for BR and Katy Black). Syd Caldwell led 271b and 340 for the following sick and shut-ins: Dan Brittain, Mary Ellen Wilkerson, Ed Thacker, Margeret Thacker, Margie Smith, Darrell Parker, Ernestine Parker, Barry Rollins, and Caroline Wootten.

A memorial lesson was given by Andrew Albers. The class sang 209 in memory of the following deceased: Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Sam Watson—Arkansas; Becky Browne—Missouri; Cheryl Foreman and Charlotte Powell—Texas; Pearl Guier, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Geraldine Sharpton, Claudene Townson—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia.

Leaders: Beth Janes 162; Beth Janes and Kate Paschal 288; Cory Winters 164 (MH).

LUNCH

Cory Winters brought the afternoon session to order leading 100 and 86 (for Melanie Albers). Leaders: Allison Langston, Maia Rush, and Wesley Rush 146; Allison Langston and Wesley Rush 306; Andrew Albers 267b (CB), 292b (CB); McKenna Mullis 38t (CB), 505 (CB); Alexis Walker 335, 282; Syd Caldwell 336b (CB), 434; Bill Caldwell 62 (MH), 138 (MH).

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Cory Winters and Sandra Winters leading 45t. Leaders: Beth Janes 117, 106; Andrew Albers 107, 80t; Ray Towne 268.

Announcements were made.

RECESS

Cory Winters called the class back to order leading 105 (for Norma Dickerson) and 269. Leaders: Allison Langston 236; McKenna Mullis 448t; Alexis Walker 349; Syd Caldwell 542; Bill Caldwell 212; Beth Janes 137; Andrew Albers 559 (CB); Cory Winters 344 (for Bonnie Wood).

Cory Winters led 113 (MH) (for Katy Black) as the closing song. Syd Caldwell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cory Winters; Vice Chairman—Allison Langston

PUTNAM, LIGHT, AND KING MEMORIAL

Mt. Oak Methodist Church, Arab, Alabama

Saturday, October 21, 2023

The annual Putnam, Light, and King Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October. The class was called to order by David Light leading 30t. Tom Booth offered the opening prayer. David Light welcomed the class, and then led 274t.

Leaders: Judy Caudle 76t, 82t; Nicholas Thompson 85, 101t; Jaidyn Stump 146; Craig Holmes 68b, 323b; Tom Booth 299 (in memory of Geraldine Sharpton), 475; Robert Walker 480; Zena Tucker 108t, 77t; Linda Booth 137, 148; Butch White 313b, 287; Nancy Phillips 112, 63.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 126 to bring the class together. Leaders: Chris Ballinger 44, 270; Amber Davis 208, 391; Lisa Geist 472, 528; Jesse Latimer 95, 481; Earl Ballinger 177; Richard Ivey 103, 207; Janet Litton 84; Robert Walker 171. Craig Holmes asked a blessing at the tables.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Light leading 200. Leaders: Meredith Ivey 196, 37b; Everett Ivey 421; Nicholas Thompson 340 (in memory of Coy Putnam, Marcus Light, and Hershel King); Jaidyn Stump 76b; Craig Holmes 479; Zena Tucker 73t; Lisa Geist 273; Robert Walker 143; Richard Ivey 301; Judy Caudle 344 (by request); Nancy Phillips 182; Larry Ballinger 98, 97, 93; Nicholas Thompson 504 (by request), 454 (by request); Nicholas Thompson and Earl Ballinger 139; Nicholas Thompson 532 (by request). Announcements were made.

David Light led 436 as the closing song. Robert Walker dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Judy Caudle

RUST MEMORIAL SINGING

Fairview United Methodist Church, Bloomington, Indiana

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Singers gathered for the annual Rust Memorial Singing. The class was called to order by Shannon Tibbs leading 47t, followed by the opening prayer. Leaders: Aaron Jones 276; Adrian Eldridge 277; Beth Garfinkle 344; Ray Rechenberg 203; Thomas Koehnline 285t; Sarah Gershon 270; Samantha Foster 55; Thomas Smith 228; Tim Gregg 3b (ShH); Carolyn Craig 195; Enoch Hollanbeck 312b; Shannon Tibbs 40; Alice Bean 235; Karen Arnett 504; Carol Ann Munro 392; Tim Morton 434.

RECESS

The class was called together by Adrian Eldridge leading 111b. Leaders: Curtis Cook 313b; Rich Overturf 373; Lori Graber 314; Ray Rechenberg 99; Tim Gregg 124 (ShH); Aaron Jones 245; Adrian Eldridge 499; Thomas Smith 89t (ShH); Beth Garfinkle 140b (ShH); Alice Bean 496; Carolyn Craig 287; Karen Arnett 198; Samantha Foster 178; Thomas Koehnline 338.

RECESS

Leaders: Sarah Gershon 63; Carol Ann Munro 475; Shannon Tibbs 47t; Kevin Jones 452; Tim Morton 260t (ShH); Lori Graber 37b; Shannon Tibbs 163b; Enoch Hollanbeck 280 (ShH); Rich Overturf 100; Sarah Gershon 27 (ShH).

LUNCH

Thomas Smith called the class together by leading 155. Leaders: Ray Rechenberg 148; Curtis Cook 426b; Adrian Eldridge 260b (ShH); Aaron Jones 192; Alice Bean 334; Thomas Smith 116; Karen Arnett 264b (ShH); Beth Garfinkle 266 (ShH); Carol

Ann Munro 242 (ShH); Tim Morton 156 (ShH). Aaron Jones gave the treasurer report and led *When Jesus Wept* (ShH).

Shannon Tibbs led the memorial lesson and read the words from the song *Poland* and the deceased and sick and shut-ins lists.

RECESS

Leaders: Shannon Tibbs 65; Lori Graber 168; Rich Overturf 209; Kevin Jones 282; Samantha Foster 93; Carolyn Craig 68b; Thomas Koehline 457; Sarah Gershon 106; Enoch Hollanbeck 138 (ShH).

Following announcements, Shannon Tibbs led 62 as the class took the parting hand. Chairperson—Shannon Tibbs; Secretaries—Carolyn Craig and Shannon Tibbs

SEED AND FEED SACRED HARP SINGING **Holy Trinity Parish Episcopal Church, Decatur, Georgia** **Saturday, October 21, 2023**

The 45th annual session of the Seed and Feed Singing met at Holy Trinity Parish Episcopal Church. Amy Wells brought the class to order by leading 82t. Malinda Snow offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Amy Wells 155; Laura Akerman 85, 280; Jerusha Wheeler 217, 107; Jim Neal 374, 406; Lisa Bennett 430, 444; Bill DuPre 195, 378b; Karen Morris 145t, 299; David Smead 345b, 171.

RECESS

Amy Wells and Donna DeConna led 72b to bring the class together. Leaders: Judy Mincey and David Kam 383 (in memory of Bob Hart), 501. A business session was held with the following officers elected: Chairperson—Abigail Cannon; Vice Chairperson—Malinda Snow; Secretaries—Jerusha Wheeler and Laura Akerman.

Leaders: Anders Wells 99, 76b; Kelly Morris 503 (in memory of Lloyd Redding), 159; Lauren Bock 126, 440; Mandy Rose 504, 497; Abigail Cannon 274t, 42; Oscar McGuire 573, 485; Justin Bowen 422, 384; Malinda Snow 128, 129 (in memory of George W. Burnette, III); Lucey Karlsberg and Corrine Wells 196. Jim Neal offered the blessing over the dinner.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Abigail Cannon and Amy Wells leading 30t.

Leaders: Rosemarie Yntema 183, 36b; Jesse P. Karlsberg 325, 316; Nathan Rees 353, 464; Nina Burris 106, 480; John Yntema 268.

Judy Mincey conducted the memorial lesson, remembering those whom we missed due to death or circumstances. Names of the deceased were George W. Burnette III, Philip Denney, and Virginia Dyer—Georgia; Melanie Hauff—Illinois. The sick and shut-ins named were Don Bowen and Lela Crowder. Judy then led 549 for all.

Leaders: John Plunkett 473, 361; John Whittimore 40 (in memory of his grandfather), 47b; Oscar McGuire 229; Lisa Bennett 158; Justin Bowen 192; Nina Burris 228; Nathan Rees 371.

RECESS

Abigail Cannon and Malinda Snow led 32t to begin the session. Leaders: Dowman Wilson and Amy Wells 59; Kelly Morris and John Whittimore 147t; David Smead 236; Judy Mincey and Laura Akerman 254; Jim Neal and Bill DuPre 142; Henry Slack 535; Jesse P. Karlsberg, Lauren Bock, and Lucey Karlsberg 146; Rosemarie Yntema 200; John Plunkett 297; Henry Slack 181.

A business meeting was held. All donations offered, except for the cost of the minutes, were donated to Holy Trinity Parish Episcopal Church.

Abigail Cannon and Malinda Snow led 267 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Bill DuPre.

Chairperson—Abigail Cannon; Vice Chairperson—Malinda Snow; Secretaries—Laura Akerman and Jerusha Wheeler

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST
SACRED HARP CONVENTION, OREGON
Laurelhurst Club, Portland, Oregon
October 21-22, 2023**

Saturday, October 21

The Oregon session of the Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Laurelhurst Club, Portland, Oregon, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in October (a one-time departure from the usual date formula for this convention—the third Sunday and Saturday before). Jennifer Jones called the class to order leading 448b. Cornelia Stanton offered the morning prayer.

A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: Chairperson—Jennifer Jones; Treasurer—Ruth Linehan; Secretary—Nancy Novotny.

Leaders: Kate Fine 68b; Nancy Novotny 479; Tamara Wallace and Emma Swartz 31t; Jamie Dawson 30t; Dorothy Mitchell 287; Dan Thoma 500; Carrie Walker 472; Anne Huckins 47t; Laura McMurray 423; Stephen Tarr 230; Betsy Jeronen 560; Steve Cackley 279; Greg Saue 99; Vicki Morgan 474; Chris Noren 377; Dami Osoba 210; Kathy Manning 349.

RECESS

Sam Thomas led 84 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Rosie Sokolov 61; Jacob Kiakahi 220; Emma Swartz 101t; Pat Coghlan 492; Ellen Ray 172; David Wright 556; Kate Coxon 430; Andy Ditzler 522; Mark Godfrey 564; Allison Steel 162; John Wiens 512; Stephanie Fida 548; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 402; Sadhbh O'Flynn 565; Al Williams 88b; Miles Schofield 128; Carolyn Deacy 208; David Brodeur 202; Kevin Barrans 344.

RECESS

Bradley Knoke led 145t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Dorothy Robinson 180; Julius Pasay 95; Susan Helf 143; Mischa Skeeter 324; Peter Schinske 196; Lucinda Larsen Saue 178; Gary Plouff 567; Linda Selph 426b; Gregory Mulkern and Steven Jackson 106; Ben Brown 268; AnnaLeigh Kiakahi 187; Bridge Hill Kennedy 37b; Nadia Bolz-Weber 300; Kerry Cullinan 451; Evelyn Lamb 528; Ruth Linehan 383; Wren Hyde 399b. Cornelia Stanton offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Esther Wade led 144 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Julia Zaffarano 215; Bob Schinske 316 (for Jessica Beer and Robin Willis); Karen Willard 421 (for Buzz Danner); Thom Fahrbach 411; Erik Schwab 214; Sam Thomas 203; Leah Coffin 193; David Schmitt 163b; Kathy Manning 320; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Maeve Wade-Gosselin 29t; David Brodeur 558; Ellen Ray 348b; Mark Godfrey 392; Julius Pasay 398; Allison Steel 345b; Al Williams 49b; Evelyn Lamb 426t; Andy Ditzler 103; Esther Wade 297; Bridge Hill Kennedy 110; Sadhbh O'Flynn 372; John Wiens 29b; Stephanie Fida 368; Rosie Sokolov 97.

RECESS

Jacob Breedlove led 445 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Kristofer Ilex 432; Kevin Barrans 39b; Carrie Walker 67; Ruth Linehan 72b; Nadia Bolz-Weber 155; David Wright 486; Wren Hyde 204; Peter Schinske 217; Jacob Kiakahi 390; Julia Zaffarano 442; Anne Huckins 102; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Dami Osoba 428; Jonathan Dunn and Al Williams 452. After Jennifer Jones gave closing remarks for the day, Cornelia Stanton offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, October 22

The Sunday session of the Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Jennifer Jones leading 448b. Dorothy Mitchell offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Ruth Linehan 144; Dan Thoma 56b; Dorothy Robinson 86; Thom Fahrbach 56t; Tamara Wallace 47b; Stephen Tarr 47t; Nancy Novotny 396; Dorothy

Mitchell 354t; Steve Cackley 41; Jamie Dawson 209; Chris Noren 454; Emma Swartz 82t; Kate Fine 350; Mischa Skeeter 278t; Laura McMurray 46.

RECESS

Stephanie Fida, Mark Godfrey, and Julius Pasay led 32t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Marie Brandis 212; David Schmitt 440; Jenna Tompkins 342; AnnaLeigh Kiakahi 460; Pat Coghlan and Andy Ditzler 263; Karen Willard 117; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Maevé Wade-Gosselin 76b; Peter Schinske 297; John Wiens 288; Allison Steel 58; Nadia Bolz-Weber 277; Linda Selph and Cornelia Stanton 480; Kate Coxon 283; Sam Thomas 280; Doug Hill 390.

RECESS

Carrie Walker led 338 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Erik Schwab 476; Kristofer Ilex 34t; Bradley Knoke 482; Ellen Ray 317; Bridge Hill Kennedy 391; David Brodeur 474.

Emma Swartz spoke for the sick and housebound. She reflected on her experience listening to the sick and housebound list at singings, describing how she gradually came to know and love more people on the list as time went on. Then, in her eighth year of singing, her mother, Jennifer Jones, was on the list. She expressed gratitude for how the singing community showed up for her and her family during her mother's illness and how the Sacred Harp singing community takes care of each other. Emma then led 72b for the following sick and housebound: Kelsey Taylor, Ted Brown, Uschi Nolte, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Bryant, Buzz Danner, Emily Ross, Linda Berkemeier, Mark Miller, Bud Murphy, Lenny Zilz, Alison Xu, Mark Wiens, Seth Dickens, Lucinda Saue, David Zaworski, and Thomas Glover.

Betsy Jeronen offered the memorial lesson. She noted that, although we so often sing about death, it is still a blow when someone dies. She expressed how the absence of those we've lost makes our lives feel diminished. She described, in particular, the painful loss of singers Steve Helwig and, more recently, Eva Striebeck, as well as the loss of a decades-long neighbor and close friend. She concluded by noting that the memorial lesson helps us to process such losses. Betsy then led 32b in memory of the following: Linda Elegant, Vida Lee Edera, Bruce Rowland, Lenor Fisher, Rhoda Love, Glen Love, Cynthia Ann Waters, Betsy Price, Laura Miller, and Carol Basch—Oregon; Mary Wright and Graham DeZarn—Virginia; Lydia Lewallen and Fred Park—North Carolina; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Peter Sutherland, Larry Gordon, and Elka Schumann—Vermont; David Thorpe—United Kingdom; Pete Mathewson—Colorado; Michael Baker-Feitz—Washington; Mike Green—Massachusetts; Karin Wilson and Norma Wilson—Pennsylvania; Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Phil Johnson—New York; Jackie Bryant—Maryland; Cheryl Foreman and Charlotte Powell—Texas.

Leaders: Carolyn Deacy 201; Bob Schinske 542; Al Williams 448t. Dorothy Mitchell offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

John Berendzen led 309 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Sadhbh O'Flynn 527; Kerry Cullinan 513; Kathy Manning 477; David Wright 475; Julia Zaffarano 442; Evelyn Lamb 456; Kevin Barrans 314; Allison Steel 216; Marie Brandis 328; Mark Godfrey 196; Stephanie Fida 133; Julius Pasay 419; Rosie Sokolov 426t; Andy Ditzler 181; Dami Osoba 218; Jacob Kiakahi 269; Wren Hyde 97; Ruth Linehan 148; Nadia Bolz-Weber and Stephanie Fida 198; AnnaLeigh Kiakahi 434.

RECESS

Nancy Novotny led 105 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Kristofer Ilex 387; Greg Saue 503; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 176b; Jenna Tompkins 354b; Esther Wade 394; Sam Thomas 400; Leah Coffin 296; Bridge Hill Kennedy 546; David Schmitt 270; Linda Selph 547; David Brodeur 505; Carrie Walker 384; John Wiens 145t; Erik Schwab 51; Anne Huckins 107.

A business meeting was reopened. A gift was presented to Allison Steel to thank her for her singing school presentation on Friday evening. The Resolutions Committee (Esther Wade and Philippe Doyle-Gosselin) offered thanks to all who contributed to a successful convention and resolved to meet again next year. The Secretary announced one hundred twenty-three registered singers from fifteen U.S. states, Canada, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, and France, as well as seventy-two leaders and one hundred seventy-eight songs sung. The business meeting was closed. Announcements of upcoming singings were made.

Jennifer Jones led 36b as the closing song. Dorothy Mitchell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Jennifer Jones; Secretary—Nancy Novotny

SOUTHWEST TEXAS SACRED HARP CONVENTION

FALL SESSION

Jarrell, Texas

October 28-29, 2023

Saturday, October 28

The Fall Session of the Southwest Texas Convention met Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, at the Jerrell Memorial Community Center located in Jarrell, Texas. The tune book for the weekend was the 2012 Revision of The B.F. White Sacred Harp (*Cooper Book*). Chairman Silas Huckaby called the class to order leading 331t (CB). David Berryhill offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 60 (CB); Jeb Owen 434 (CB); Kristie Powell 210 (CB); Gaylon Powell 91 (CB); Tom Owen 466 (CB); Scott Curran 464 (CB); Daniel Allcock 133 (CB); Amy Peveto 393 (CB); Bill Bailey 406 (CB); Michele Curran 224 (CB); Abby Huckaby and Elisabeth Conley 142 (CB); Crystal Meadows 36b (CB); Vivian Rogan 32t (CB); Robert Vaughn 528b (CB); Rick Foreman 268t (CB); Hoss Curran 388 (CB); Joan Smith 100 (CB); Seth Howard 553b (CB); Weston Bowles 155 (CB); David Berryhill 339 (CB); Garrett Powell 543 (CB); Beverly Coates 485 (CB); Al Rogers 575 (CB); Ellee Curran 274t (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Jeb Owen 129 (CB); Kevin Powell 300 (CB); Scott McCown 558 (CB); Asa Conley and Hoss Curran 39 (CB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 212 (CB); Liz Owen 383 (CB); Mark Rowell 400 (CB); Abi Curran 75 (CB); Catherine Rogan 319 (CB); Addison Bowles 572 (CB); Philip Conley 122 (CB); Linda Booker 573 (CB); Greg Bowles 378t (CB); Olivia Powell 47t (CB); Sarah Huckaby 326 (CB); Ellen Ray 140 (CB); Tammy Powell 95b (CB); Gary Rogan 168 (CB); Amanda Bowles 47b (CB); Chloe Conley and Elisabeth Conley 282 (CB); Joan Smith 225t (CB); David Berryhill 77t (CB); Al Rogers 563 (CB). Tom Owen asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 108b (CB); Scott McCown 99 (CB); Robert Vaughn 95t (CB); Philip Conley 30b (CB); Liz Owen 470 (CB); David Berryhill and Catherine Rogan 67 (CB); Chris Nicholson and Charity Vaughn 422t (CB); Chloe and Elisabeth Conley 45t (CB); Abby Huckaby 222 (CB); Scott Curran 269 (CB); Weston Bowles 146 (CB); Asa Conley and Hoss Curran 461 (CB); Crystal Meadows 567 (CB); Amanda Bowles 299 (CB); Rick Foreman 183 (CB); Bill Bailey 121 (CB); Addison Bowles 500 (CB); Amy Peveto 515 (CB); Garrett Powell 58 (CB); Daniel Allcock 331b (CB); Tom Owen 401 (CB); Beverly Coates 32b (CB).

RECESS

Silas Huckaby 389b (CB) called the class to order. He appointed Rick Foreman and Gary Rogan to serve on the Memorial Committee. Leaders: Kevin Powell 138t (CB); Timothy Gaskall 196 (CB); Linda Booker 293b (CB); Greg Bowles 148 (CB); Sarah

Huckaby 48b (CB); Ellen Ray 287 (CB); Tammy Powell 478 (CB); Gary Rogan 411 (CB); Kristie Powell 514 (CB); Gaylon Powell 165 (CB); Crystal Meadows 171 (CB) (in memory of Josh Martin); Philip Conley, Elisabeth Conley, Chloe Conley, and Asa Conley 559 (CB); Addison Bowles and Amanda Bowles 159 (CB); Amy Peveto and Bill Bailey 332 (CB). Silas Huckaby led 68t (CB) as the closing song. Elder Philip Conley led the closing prayer.

Sunday, October 29

The Sunday session of the convention began with Silas Huckaby leading 81 (CB). Riley Owen led the opening prayer. Leaders: Silas Huckaby 155 (CB); Kristie Powell 268b (CB); Gaylon Powell 497 (CB); Gary Rogan 203 (CB); Rick Foreman 50t (CB); Linda Booker 264b (CB); Michele Curran 356 (CB); Sarah Huckaby 31t (CB); Riley Owen 285t (CB); Bruce Coates and Beverly Coates 442t (CB); Tammy Powell 217 (CB); Abi Curran 146 (CB); Greg Bowles 49t (CB); Lauren Owen 138t (CB); Vivian Rogan 463 (CB); Stuart Ivey 168 (CB); Ellee Curran 196 (CB); Garrett Powell 343 (CB); Jackson Owen 422b (CB); Crystal Meadows 505 (CB); Bill Bailey 558 (CB).
RECESS

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 290 (CB); Amy Peveto 107 (CB); David Ivey 373 (CB); Weston Bowles 82 (CB); Diane Ross 464 (CB); Emily Brown 404 (CB); Sonny Huckaby 395b (CB); Scott Curran 200 (CB).

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Rick Foreman made a few comments and read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Leon Ballinger, Becca Short, Kathryn Howard, Stephen Miranda, Mike Hinton, Vickie Cook and Nate Green. He led 68b (CB) in their honor.

Gary Rogan made comments and read the following list of names of those who have passed away since we met last year: Charlotte Powell, Curtis Jones, Howard Aiken, Cheryl Foreman, Josh Martin, Eddie Brackin—Texas; Hubert Nall, Norma Green—Alabama; Eva Striebeck—Germany. He led 430 (CB) in their memory. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Elder Sonny Huckaby.

Leaders: Karen Ivey 192 (CB); Don Ross 466 (CB); Addison Bowles 32t (CB); Hoss Curran 319 (CB); Amanda Bowles 293b (CB); Kevin Powell 543 (CB); Daniel Allcock 70b (CB); Tom Owen 336b (CB); Gary Rogan 48t (CB); Rick Foreman 591 (CB). Scott Curran asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Silas Huckaby 101t (CB); Michele Curran 520 (CB); Sarah Huckaby 410 (CB); Riley Owen 47b (CB); Bruce Coates and Beverly Coates 511b (CB); Abi Curran 571 (CB); Lauren Owen 514 (CB); Greg Bowles 68t (CB); Olivia Powell 277 (CB); Linda Booker 199 (CB); Vivian Rogan 559 (CB); Stuart Ivey and Vivian Ivey 45t (CB); Ellee Curran 421 (CB); Garrett Powell 201 (CB); Jackson Owen 235 (CB); Crystal Meadows 29t (CB); Bill Bailey 416b (CB); David Ivey 541 (CB); Weston Bowles 159 (CB); Ellen Ray 392 (CB); Diane Ross 132 (CB); Emily Brown 86 (CB); Amy Peveto 546 (CB); Scott Curran 98 (CB); Karen Ivey and Gaylon Powell 478 (CB); Don Ross 503 (CB); Addison Bowles and Abby Huckaby 137 (CB); Kevin Powell and Hoss Curran 58 (CB); Daniel Allcock and Tom Owen 492 (CB); Amanda Bowles and Kristie Powell 508 (CB). Silas Huckaby, Kristie Powell, and Gaylon Powell led 380t (CB) as the closing song. Don Ross offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Silas Huckaby; Vice Chairman—Jeb Owen; Secretaries—Gaylon Powell and Kristie Powell

UNION MUSICAL SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION
Sweetwater Chapel, Lawrenceville, Georgia
October 28-29, 2023

Saturday, October 28

The 153rd session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Sweetwater Chapel, Lawrenceville, Georgia, on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in October. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Faye Holbrook leading 49t. Bill DuPre offered the morning prayer. Malinda Snow directed the introductory lesson. She spoke about the different meters of poetry that appear in songs in *The Sacred Harp*, and how earlier hymnals only consisted of words—poems or psalms which were numbered and had an indication of the poetry's meter. Different communities who used these hymn books had tunes passed down through their communities that could be used with any hymn of a corresponding meter. Different communities often used different tunes for the same poetry. She explained how song books such as the Sacred Harp, by printing music along with the words, might have caused certain sets of words and music to seem more married than they were before. She showed how even now the meter of a tune (noted next to the tune's name) can give singers a clue as to other tunes that could be used with the same poetry. Malinda Snow led 56t and 268.

Leaders: David Smead 52t, 456; Helen Bryson 102 (for Ms Nan), 522; John Plunkett 105, 104; Faye Holbrook 542, 455; Lisa Bennett 436, 404.

RECESS

David Smead called the class to order leading 30t. Leaders: Cathy Bonk 35, 53; Bridge Hill Kennedy 32b, 328. A business session was held with the following offers and committee members elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Lauren Bock; Secretary/Treasurer—Lisa Bennett; Chaplain—Faye Holbrook; Arranging Committee—John Plunkett; Memorial Committee—Jeannette DePoy; Finance Committee—Helen Bryson and Lisa Bennett; Locating Committee—Faye Holbrook; Resolutions Committee—Bridge Hill Kennedy and Lisa Bennett.

Leaders: David Smead 458; Amy Armstrong Wells and Helen Wells 475, 128; Bill DuPre 31t, 480; Debora Grosse, Allison Bay, and Asang 159, 189; Doug Allison 277, 278t; Lauren Bock 317, 426b; Malinda Snow 77b, 76b; Jeannette DePoy 34b (in memory of Cathy White), 89.

LUNCH

Lauren Bock called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg 289, 138t; Tony Hammock 464, 465; Anders Wells 145t, 112; Abigail Forester 47b, 457; Faye Holbrook 380, 318; Lucey Rose Karlsberg and Corinne Wells 196, 186; Shawn Kirchner and friends Amy Vogt and Sean Vogt 454, 218; Helen Bryson 313b, 568; Bridge Hill Kennedy 70b, 110; Amy Armstrong Wells 384; Doug Allison 335; Malinda Snow 178.

RECESS

Leaders: David Smead 166, 424; Bill DuPre 122; Lisa Bennett 60, 33t; Jesse P. Karlsberg 234; Debora Grosse 66; Tony Hammock 275b; Shawn Kirchner 91; Lauren Bock 351. After announcements, David Smead led 323t as the closing song. Debora Grosse offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, October 29

David Smead called the class to order leading 46. Faye Holbrook offered the morning prayer. Leaders: David Smead 467; Lauren Bock 39b, 422; Lisa Bennett 283, 464; Faye Holbrook 290, 67; Jeannette DePoy 171, 148; Bridge Hill Kennedy 37b, 100; John Plunkett 391, 492; Matt Hinton 399b, 401; Abigail Cannon 30t, 472; Judy Mincey 291, 180; Debora Grosse 173, 48t.

RECESS

Lauren Bock and Lucey Rose Karlsberg called the class to order leading 146. Leaders: Tony Hammock 400, 513; Cathy Bonk 84, 282; Erica Hinton 108t, 527; Robert Kelley 70b, 429; Bill DuPre 229, 195; Helen Bryson 227, 172; Jesse P. Karlsberg 285b, 185.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Jeannette DePoy. She quoted Psalm 46:10 “Be still, and know that I am God”, and spoke about the sanctity of the hollow square. The list of the sick and shut-ins included Carol Hanson, Sandra Wilkinson, Bill Hollingsworth, Lela Crowder, and Don Bowen. Helen Bryson led 312t for the sick and shut-ins.

The following list of names of the deceased was read aloud: George Burnette, Philip Denney, Sarah Dodson, Virginia Dyer, and Cathy White—Georgia; Clyde Avery, Hubert Nall, Pearl Guier, Jack Paulk—Alabama; Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer—Illinois; Becky Browne—Missouri. Bridge Hill Kennedy led 138b in memory of the deceased. John Plunkett closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

LUNCH

David Smead called the class to order leading 111t. Leaders: Malinda Snow 192, 155; Lauren Bock 432; Lisa Bennett 154; Faye Holbrook 392; Jeannette DePoy 460; Abigail Cannon 340; Bridge Hill Kennedy 73t; Debora Grosse 454; Robert Kelley 306; Bill DuPre 512; Judy Mincey 528; Cathy Bonk 117; Tony Hammock 314; Erica Hinton 129; Matt Hinton 47t; Helen Bryson 213t; Jose Martinez 90; John Plunkett 236 (for Bill Hollingsworth and the Hollingsworth family); Judy Mincey 320; Bridge Hill Kennedy and Mindy Simmons 448b; Jose Martinez and Abigail Cannon 179; Robert Kelley 28t.

The class went into a business session for the purpose of hearing reports. Bridge Hill Kennedy and Lisa Bennett of the Resolutions Committee reported the following: We, the singers and members of the 153rd session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention thank God for the many blessings he has given to us. We are filled with gratitude for Sacred Harp, for the joy of singing and for the opportunity for fellowship with friends from near and far. We give thanks for all those singers who have gone before us and those who have kept this tradition alive and growing. We thank all the singers who participated and joined us in the fellowship, especially those who introduced new friends to Sacred Harp this weekend. We are grateful to all whose work made for a wonderful weekend of singing. We are thankful to the caretakers of Sweetwater Chapel for hosting us. We resolve to meet on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in September, 2024, for the 154th session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention at the Alpharetta City Hall building. The Finance Committee reported that expenses were met. The reports were approved, and the business session was closed. After announcements, David Smead and Lauren Bock led 56t as the closing song. Faye Holbrook offered the closing prayer. Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Lauren Bock; Secretary/Treasurer—Lisa Bennett

JOHN AND LORAIN BAYER MEMORIAL SINGING **Bear Creek Meeting House, New Lebanon, Ohio** **Sunday, October 29, 2023**

The 5th annual John and Loraine Bayer Memorial Singing was held at Bear Creek Old German Baptist Brethren Meeting House. Songs were sung from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, as well as a book of John Bayer's compositions, *The Dayton Harmonist*, noted as DH. Jim Herr called the class to order leading 39b, welcomed all in attendance, and thanked the hosting congregation. The morning prayer was offered by Ray Rechenberg.

Leaders: David Casenhiser 421; Karen Arnett 276; Clara Herr 105; Bertha Buttner 29 (DH); Prisca Rice 48t; Reuben Beery 38b; Shannon Tibbs and Rob Tibbs 117;

Thomas Kincaid 285t; Debbie Hall 66; Dirk Yount 275t; Alice Bean 551; Adrian Eldridge 550; Debbie Barford 222; Lemuel Duncan 148; David Barford 56b.

RECESS

Jim Herr called the class to order leading 176t. Leaders: Tim Morton 9 (DH); Hans Bayer 15 (DH); Ray Rechenberg 277.

Ray Rechenberg led the class in a memorial lesson remembering the sick and shut-ins which were Brenda Watters, John Brazitis, Allan Lutes, Antero Alli, Beegie Rechenberg, Steve Duff, Sue Duff, Mike Bennett, Hadley Bean, Jubal Bayer, Violet Bayer, and Loraine Bayer. Adrian Eldridge followed with a memorial lesson for the deceased, remembering Darrell Swarens in particular, Becky Brown—Missouri; Eva Striebeck—Germany; Peter Wilson—New York; Dave Brown—Washington; Len Chandler—California; Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Jaime Gans, Prudy Duff, and Connie Crabtree—Ohio. They led 111b, and Adrian closed the lesson in prayer. Leaders: Jim Herr and Levi Duncan 47b; Jim Herr 546; Keith Yutzzy 178; Liz Hayes 209; Tim Morton 8 (DH); Deborah Barford 547; Dirk Yount (DH); Ray Rechenberg 68b; David Casenhiser 99; Alice Bean and Hans Bayer 31b; Alice Bean 31t; Lemuel Duncan 65. Jim Herr dismissed the class for lunch leading 164 (MH). Roger Crabtree offered the blessing.

LUNCH

Jim Herr called the class back to order leading 27. Leaders: Prisca Rice 32t; Clara Herr 503; Keith Yutzzy 268; Debbie Hall 497; Hans Bayer 27 (DH); Karen Arnett 149; Thomas Kincaid 338; Reuben Beery 480; Shannon Tibbs and Rob Tibbs 47t; Jim Herr 182; Levi Duncan 457; Bertha Buttner 72b; David Barford 542; Ben Fink 26b (DH); Debbie Hall 34b.

RECESS

Jim Herr and Prisca Rice called the class back together leading 76b. Leaders: Paul Dickerson 58; Prisca Rice 203; Ben Fink 228; Ben Fink and Alice Bean 496; Adrian Eldridge and Barb Lund 384; David Casenhiser 155; Sheila Patterson and Sally Beery 324 (in memory of John and Loraine Bayer); Ray Rechenberg 448t; Deborah Barford 269; Tim Morton 5 (DH); Liz Hayes 198; Dave Barford 350; Bertha Buttner 168. Following announcements, Jim Herr thanked all who attended and helped, the hosting congregation, the kitchen crew; especially Mrs. Marie Huffman. The class sang 347 while taking the parting hand. Dirk Yount offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jim Herr; Arranging Committee—Dirk Yount and David Casenhiser; Secretary—Prisca Rice

DALLAS SACRED HARP SINGING **Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas** **Saturday, November 4, 2023**

The annual Dallas Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church on the first Saturday in November. The class was welcomed and called to order by Rick Foreman leading 492 and 32b. Scott Buie offered the opening prayer. The class voted to offer today's singing in memory of Cheryl Foreman, longtime beloved member of this Convention and former president.

Leaders: Ivy Hauser 52t; Diane Ross 543; Michael McBride 178; Stina Soderling 35; Jerry Ryan 274t; Garrett Powell 176b; Larkin Ross 40; Brody Ross 146; Tristan Gordan 29t; Donna McKay 28t; Owen Ross and Larkin Ross 299; Ryan Ross 273; Barbara Smith 504; Donald Ross 225t; Elizabeth Kirkland 183; Sarah Hood 86; Esther Craven 388; Ainsley Ross and Ryan Ross 454.

RECESS

Rick Foreman brought the class back to order leading 313b. Leaders: Silas Huckaby 430; Allison Langston 457; Kristie Powell 500; Beverly Coates 499; Cory Winters 189; Chris Nicholson 212.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Reverend Owen Ross. He led 31t for the following sick and shut-ins: Leon Ballinger, Becca Short, Nate Green, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Dan Brittain, and Syd Caldwell.

Owen then quoted his grandfather, Curtis Owen, about why he liked Sacred Harp singing: because of the people who sing it, because of the songs they sing, and because of the way they sing them. Owen talked about each of these in reverse order, ending by talking about the singers on the deceased list and their contribution to this historic sacred tradition. He then led 62 in memory of the following: Cheryl Foreman, Charlotte Powell, Curtis Jones, Josh Martin, Eva Striebeck, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, and Gaston White. Owen Ross closed the memorial service with a prayer.

Leaders: Abby Huckaby 442; Tammy Powell 472; Tom Owen 480; Robert Vaughn 74b; Sarah Huckaby 568; Gaylon Powell 564. Tom Owen asked the blessing on the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

Ivy Hauser brought the class back to order leading 277. Leaders: Allison Langston 306; Cory Winters 318; Leland Ross 309; Silas Huckaby 168; Brody Ross 406; Brooke Robb and Kristie Powell 73t; Ainsley Ross 445; Chris Nicholson 348b; Abby Huckaby 142; Garrett Powell 30b; Robert Vaughn 72b; Gaylon Powell 532; Triston Gordon 426t; Ryan Ross 294; Tom Owen 338; Donna McKay 503; Sarah Huckaby 475; Donald Ross 546; Tammy Powell 344.

RECESS

Abby Huckaby brought the class back to order leading 39t. Leaders: Stina Soderling 76b; Beverly Coates 228; Michael McBride 107; Barbara Smith 49t; Kristie Powell 110; Jerry Ryan 145t; Diane Ross 350; Brooke Robb 61; Owen Ross 198; Avon Miller 411; Allison Langston 179; Cory Winters 106. The convention officers closed the convention leading 549. Scott Buie led the closing prayer.

Chairman—Rick Foreman; Vice Chairman—Ivy Hauser; Secretary and Arranging—Diane Ross

DENNEY MEMORIAL

Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia

Saturday, November 4, 2023

The annual Denney Memorial was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. Wyatt Denney and Weston Denney called the class to order leading 82t. Jack Nelson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Wyatt Denney and Weston Denney 40; Laura Frey 163b (in memory of Philip Denney), 358; Karis Askin 49t, 313b; Denney Rogers 143, 345t; Bill Denney 268, 47b; Kacy Cook 87 (in memory of PawPaw Felton Denney), 145b; Karen Rollins and Paige Harrod 153 (in memory of Grandmaw), 405 (in memory of Grandpaw); Bill Denney, Gail Denney, Denney Rogers, Karen Rollins, Paige Harrod, Julie Denney, Kacy Cook, Karis Askin, Lee Denney, Wyatt Denney, Weston Denney 77t (in memory of The Denney Family), 340 (in memory of MamaJo Josephine Denney); Sarah George and James George 67, 100; Oscar McGuire 276, 441; Riley McKibben 354t, 354b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Wyatt Denney leading 73t. A business meeting was opened and the class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Chairman—Wyatt Denney; Co-Chairman—Karis Askin; Arranging Officer—Judith Chambless; Secretary—Laura Frey. The business session

was closed. Leaders: Jack Nelson 228; Judy Mincey 434; Gail King 86; Robert Chambless 452.

The Sacred Harp Publishing Company member and representative, Karen Rollins, presented a plaque of appreciation in honor of Philip Denney for his outstanding service, dedication, and loyal support to the Sacred Harp Museum and community. Accepting the plaque was Gail Denney and Family. The presentation was followed by the memorial lesson.

Karen Rollins noted the importance of remembrance for our loved ones. The following list of names of the deceased was read: Philip Denney, Virginia Dyer, Hubert Nall, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten, Doug Ivey, Jerry Kitchens, Cora Jones, Melanie Hauff, Cheryl Foreman, Ann Simpson, Lydia Lewallen, Karen Walker, Lara Nguyen, Zoe Clay, Pearl Guier, Nancy Paris, and Boyd Scott. The following list of names of the sick and shut-ins was read: Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Virginia Futral, William Futral, Henry Guthery, Bea Aaron, Jim Aaron, Louise Ivey, Henry Johnson, Beverly R. Thompson, Liam Lehrer, Tom Waggener, Karleen Williams, and Lela Crowder. She led 119. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Bill DuPre.

Leaders: Bill DuPre 122; Jonathon Smith 179; Cheyenne Ivey 335; Emily Stutzman 369; Glenda Collins 81t; Sharon DuPriest 155; Clarke Williams 296. Jack Nelson offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Wyatt Denney brought the afternoon class back to order by leading 29t. Leaders: Tom George 297; Rodney Ivey 270; Lee Denney 84; Daniel Williams 101b; Winfred Kerr 77b; Sheri Taylor 142; Reba Windom 411; Erin Fulton 56t; Lisa Webb 224; Matt Hinton 65 (in memory of Everett Denney); Pam Nunn 528 (in memory of Virginia Dyer); Dick Plunkett 306; Maddy Mullaney 498; Reba Windom, Pam Nunn, and Sharon DuPriest 269; Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, Lisa Webb, and Riley McKibben 524 (in memory of Mom Mamaw Mary Hackney); Bill Denney and Emily Stutzman 457; Jonathon Smith and Nathan Rees 371; Judy Mincey, Gail King, and Erin Fulton 473; Rodney Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 129; Karen Rollins and Matt Hinton 120 (in memory of Philip Denney); Jack Nelson and Daniel Williams 300; Bill DuPre and Oscar McGuire 485. Announcements were made.

Wyatt Denney and Karis Askin thanked everyone for their attendance and led 294 (in memory of MamaJo) as the closing song. Rodney Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Wyatt Denney; Co-Chairman—Karis Askin; Secretary—Laura Frey

HYDE PARK SINGING

Quaker House, Chicago, Illinois

Saturday, November 4, 2023

The Hyde Park All-Day Singing was held at Quaker House, Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. Jerry Gripshover called the class to order leading 34b. Jim Swanson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Steve Warner 171; Jim Swanson 139 (MH); Matthew Siefert 27 (MH); Dave Barford 497; Mary Rogel 39 (MH); Eileen Ferguson 180 (MH); Anne Heider 131 (MH); Deborah Barford 47t. A business meeting was held to elect the following officers: Chairperson—Jerry Gripshover; Vice Chairperson—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Rochelle Lodder.

RECESS

Jim Swanson called the class to order leading 106. Leaders: Jennifer Conlon 49t; Rochelle Lodder 177 (MH); Randy Neufeld 29t; Ginny Landgraf 103 (MH); Terry Cunningham 192; Jo Dell Albi 8 (MH); Brady Santoro 117; Jerry Gripshover 46; Jim Helke 31 (MH); Mark Bowman 146; Steve Warner 81t; Gibson Morris 148; Jim

Swanson 148 (MH); Matthew Siefert 48 (MH); Dave Barford 385b; Eric Morphis and Ginny Landgraf 547; Mary Rogel 13 (MH); Eileen Ferguson 127 (MH); Anne Heider 138 (MH); Deborah Barford 112; Rochelle Lodder 268.

RECESS

Randy Neufeld called the class to order leading 344. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 536; Terry Cunningham 107; Jo Dell Albi 122 (MH); Brady Santoro 196; Jerry Gripshover 163b; Jim Helke 35 (MH); Mark Bowman 485; Destiny Woods 283; Steve Warner 47b; Gibson Morris 481. Jim Swanson led 164 (MH) to serve as grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Jim Swanson brought the class back to order leading 274t. Leaders: Matthew Siefert 548; Dave Barford 26 (MH); Mary Rogel 464.

Mary Rogel spoke on behalf of the following sick and shut-ins: Gary Gronau, Judy Hauff, Ted Johnson, Marcia Johnson, Susan Geil, and Janet Fraembs. She also spoke on behalf of the following deceased: Juanita Beasley—Alabama; Becky Browne—Missouri; Matthew Koester—Minnesota; Carol Ruth Kimmel, Melanie Hauff, and Ted Mercer—Illinois. She led 74b for both the sick and shut-in and the deceased. Leaders: Eileen Ferguson 501; Anne Heider 189; Deborah Barford 86; Rochelle Lodder 167 (MH); Randy Neufeld and Anne Heider 532; Ginny Landgraf 77 (MH); Jo Dell Albi 135 (MH); Terry Cunningham 114; Brady Santoro 245; Jerry Gripshover 186; Jim Helke 113 (MH).

RECESS

Matthew Siefert called the class to order leading 105. Leaders: Mark Bowman 178; Destiny Woods 165; Marianne Kordas and Ginny Landgraf 128; Steve Warner 84; Gibson Morris 172 (MH); Jim Swanson 353; Matthew Siefert 550; Dave Barford 348t; Mark Dawson 236; Mary Rogel 556; Eileen Ferguson 472.

RECESS

Jennifer Conlon brought the class to order leading 49b. Leaders: Deborah Barford 260; Anne Heider 269; Randy Neufeld 99; Ginny Landgraf 214; Jo Dell Albi 109 (MH); Terry Cunningham 45 (MH). Jerry Gripshover led 347 as the closing song, and Jim Swanson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairperson—Jerry Gripshover; Vice Chairperson—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Rochelle Lodder

VELTON CHAFIN MEMORIAL AND OZELLA BLACKMON BIRTHDAY SINGING

**Liberty Primitive Baptist Church
McCormick, Jefferson County, Alabama
Saturday, November 4, 2023**

The annual Velton Chafin Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. This year, Ozella Blackmon's Birthday celebration was added. The class was called to order by Brenda Chafin leading 76b.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Lisa Geist; Arranging—Beth Branscome.

Leaders: Brenda Chafin 76t; Tom Booth 96 (CB), 511t (CB); Butch White 547, 245, 313b; Nancy Phillips 282, 388; Danny Creel 133 (CB), 404 (CB); Jeff James 145t, 146; Louise Yeager 100, 143; Lisa Geist 54t (CB), 559 (CB); Betty Baccus 464 (CB), 436.

RECESS

Danny Creel led 355 (CB) to bring the class together. Leaders: Beth Branscome 565, 99; Ken Tate 107, 48t; Roma Rice 145b, 166; Linda Booth 77t, 523; Earl Ballinger 392, 341; Beth Wallace 389, 217, 200; Larry Ballinger 97, 133.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 522 (CB). Leaders: Ozella Blackmon 192; Beth Branscome 148; Tom Booth 354t; Butch White 287; Nancy Phillips 274b; Ken Tate 271t; Brenda Chafin 216; Earl Ballinger 222; Jeff James 558 (CB); Linda Booth 218; Larry Ballinger 291; Beth Wallace 110; Cassie Allen 419; Danny Creel 215, 299; Margaret Keeton 276.

Brenda Chafin and Danny Creel led 111t as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Lisa Geist

HOLLY SPRINGS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

South of Bremen, Georgia

Sunday, November 5, 2023

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Holly Springs Baptist Church, south of Bremen, Georgia, on the first Sunday in November. Phillip Langley called the class to order leading 59. Cecil Roberts offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Shane Brown 29t; Judy Chambless 37b; Winfred Kerr 516; Cecil Roberts 30t; Robert Chambless 303; Glenda Collins 290; Sheri Taylor 500; Abigail Cannon and Lucas Costner 33b; Lee Denney 84; Sarah George 474; Bill DuPre 378b; Jack Nelson 518; Helen Bryson 172; Bert Collins 542; Erin Fulton 404.

RECESS

Phillip Langley brought the class back to order leading 166 (in honor of Lela Crowder). Leaders: Matt Hinton 503; Karen Rollins 34b; John Plunkett 32b (in memory of his parents and nephew and in honor of his brother and sister-in-law); Jesse Karlsberg 421; Laura Frey 162; Maddy Mullaney 401; Judy Mincey 173; Eli Hinton 274t; Oscar McGuire 229; Pam Nunn 556; Tom George 73b; Sharon DuPriest 212; Gail Doss 448t; Reba Windom 436; Erica Hinton 155; Emily Stutzman 335; Michael Spencer 289; Elene Stovall 558; Clarke Williams 460; Nathan Rees 570; Linda Thomas 123t; Jonathon Smith 464 (in memory of Ted Mercer).

LUNCH

Phillip Langley brought the class back to order leading 148. Leaders: Charles Woods 318; Riley Webb 87; Lisa Webb 222. Singers were invited to sing a song in memory of Rebecca Over and tell fond memories of her life. Leaders: John Plunkett, Karen Rollins, Tom George, Nathan Rees, Jesse Karlsberg 476; Charles Woods 283; Winfred Kerr 530; Karen Rollins 549; Elene Stovall 218; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 225t; Erin Fulton 348b; Cecil Roberts 285t; Oscar McGuire 517; Sadhbh O'Flynn 153. Announcements were made.

Phillip Langley led 62 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Phillip Langley; Vice Chairman—Shane Brown; Secretary—Judy Chambless

Singers and friends gathered at the gravesite of Rebecca Over at Mt. Zion, Georgia, for interment. After a few people spoke, John Plunkett led 381 and 353.

ALL WISCONSIN SHAPE NOTE SINGING

Milwaukee Friends (Quaker) Meetinghouse, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Saturday, November 11, 2023

The All Wisconsin Shape Note Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Scott Stieg leading 49t, following a brief singing school by Carol Crawford. Carol Crawford offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Steven Schmidgall 565; Anne Missavage 171; Carl Houtman 148; Christine Stevens 100; Peter Bradley 228; Jim Helke 86; Eleanor Haase 216; Steve Warner

34b; Ginny Landgraf 481; Stacey Berkheimer 417; Anne Heider 178; Eileen Ferguson 501; Paul Wyatt 569b; Nancy Parsons 142; Jeanette Nelson 472; Jesse Krikorian 179; Shana Wenger 344; Hans Guttmann 37b.

RECESS

Jim Helke brought the class back together by leading 39t. Leaders: Jim Crawford 47t; Judy Hauff 547; Hannah Lutz 300; Joyce Tang Boyland 120; Scott Stieg 168; Paul Wyatt 542; Carol Crawford 213b; John Boyland 163b; Anne Heider 528; Eleanor Haase 352; Ginny Landgraf 68t; Sarah McRoberts and Shana Wenger 189; Carol Crawford 337; Stacey Berkheimer 73b; Steve Warner 81t; Anne Missavage 66; Jesse Krikorian 333; Peter Bradley 169; Eileen Ferguson 479. Peter Irvine said a blessing for lunch.

LUNCH

Ginny Landgraf called the afternoon session to order by leading 370. Leaders: Shana Wenger 455; John Schley 569t; Lisa Grayson 448t; John Boyland 504; Steven Schmidgall 369; Hans Guttmann 480; Christine Stevens 532; Carl Houtman 209; Jim Crawford 260.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Steven Schmidgall and Shana Wenger. Steven and Shana led 285t in honor and love, for the following sick, shut-ins, and deceased. The names of the sick and shut-ins are as follows: Pastor Sam Butler, Jeff Bell, Donna Gunderson-Rogers, Gary Gronau, Catherine Stebbins, Maria Stebbins, and Mary Sutherland. The names of the deceased are as follows: Juanita Beasley—Alabama; Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Margie Nielsen—Michigan; Becky Browne—Missouri; Lydia Lewallan—North Carolina; Dick Dunagan, Evelyn Kane, Marjorie Mathews, David Reber, and Robert Stevens—Wisconsin. Peter Irvine closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Jeanette Nelson 503; Joyce Tang Boyland 180; Jim Helke 348t; Scott Stieg 49b; Nancy Parsons 112.

RECESS

Christine and John Stevens recalled the class by leading 275t. Leaders: Carol Crawford 270 (in honor of the veterans); David Lewellen 59; Judy Hauff 146; John Schley 47b; Hannah Lutz 217; Lisa Grayson 411; Shana Wenger 376; Ben Bedroske 299; Ginny Landgraf 456; Anne Heider 163t; Eleanor Haase 384; Jesse Krikorian 162.

RECESS

Hannah Lutz called the class together for the final session leading 266. Leaders: Stacey Berkheimer 441; Peter Bradley 444; Steve Warner 84; Anne Missavage 268; Paul Wyatt 464; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Jeanette Nelson 348b.

Following thanks and announcements, the class sang 347, and those who wished took the parting hand. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Carol Crawford. Chairman—Scott Stieg; Secretary—Hannah Lutz

BERKSHIRE FOOTHILLS SINGING

First United Methodist Church, Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Saturday, November 11, 2023

The Berkshire Foothills All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November at the First United Methodist Church in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Micah John Walter and Mark Bedard called the class to order leading 176t. Tarik Wareh offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ben Sachs-Hamilton 171; Magdalena Zapędowska 274t; Linda Shea 475; Kate Bergren 299; Pattie Wareh 99; Ron Trial 474; Linnea McChesney 105; Crispin Youngberg 399t; Rebecca Hawkins 131b; Mary Skidmore 131t; William Schuller 39t; Sue Peters 49t; Anna Bowen 448b; Sage Chase-Dempsey 31t; Jeremy Galvagni 86; George Sigut 107; Davenport Herrick-Wallace 384.

RECESS

Owen Stoddard called the class back together leading 65. Leaders: MB Gowins 460; Will Harron 230; Wendy Sibbison 220; Kit Walsh 89 (Treasurer); Tarik Wareh 438; Rachel Farber 439; Corey Walters 472; Michaela Natal 193; Kerry Cullinan 562; Joanne Fuller 542; Elsa Phemayotin 335; Joseph Dunn 268; Colleen Hayes 445; Erin Fulton 74t.

RECESS

Molly Ellis called the class back together leading 144. Leaders: John Holbrook 354t; Christine Andrews 285t; Rachel Field 567; Robert Stoddard 332; Larry Bingham 250.

Leah Velleman conducted the memorial lesson, acknowledging the following sick and shut-ins: Cindy Bean, Jim Bean, Inez Benichasa, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Anne Bryant, Pat Callahan, Joanne Cooke, Andrew Daube, Sr., Barbara Faille, Amy Frankel, Bobbie Goodell, Della Hardy, Dan Hertzler, Carla Hodges, the Khraishi family, Liam Lehrer, Błażej Matusiak, Tim Reynolds, the Saqallah family, Gabby Siraco, Cate Skidmore, Janet Spongberg, Pat Waggoner, Tom Waggoner, Jenny Wright, and Halina Zapędowska. She then led 270 in memory of the following deceased: Norma Green, Claudene Townson, Gaston White—Alabama; Robin Harron—Colorado; Philip Denney—Georgia; Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer—Illinois; Nancy Paris—Kentucky; Rev. John Holt, Joan Sheldon, Robert Taylor—Maine; Sally Alexander—Maryland; Rev. Jim Heflin, Martha Pfeifer, Aaron Reimer, Benjamin Reimer, Cordelia Reimer—Massachusetts; Joyce Chu Howe—New Jersey; Ronnie Decker, Charlotte Ehrman, Roy Finamore, Daniel Stewart—New York; Zoe Clay, Lydia Lewallen—North Carolina; Cheryl Foreman, Charlotte Powell—Texas; Larry Gordon, Pete Sutherland—Vermont; Mary Wright—Virginia; Rebecca Over—England; Jacques Plompen—Belgium; Eva Striebeck—Germany; the Saqallah family—Palestine. Tarik Wareh closed the lesson with a prayer.

Leaders: Jean Seiler 312b; Myles Louis Dakan 406; Nic Tuff 48b; Pippa Stoddard 215; Laura Hodges 172; Joan Nagy 504; Joan Frankel 284. Tarik Wareh offered a prayer for the meal.

LUNCH

Becky Wright called the class back together leading 72b. Leaders: Allison Steel 216; Jennie Brown 411; Mike Richards 234; Hayden Arp 140; Gwen Gethner 511; Emma Rose Brown 336; Tim Eriksen 442; Keillor Mose 465; Marie Brandis 328; Matthew Leger-Small 367; Maura Burns 181; Elizabeth Stoddard 57; Bill Holt 419; Charles Biada 397; Kit Walsh 447; Jasmine Mendoza 383; Holly Laws 348b; Margaret Youngberg 40; Micah John Walter 39b.

RECESS

Crispin Youngberg called the class back together leading 47b. Leaders: Mark Bedard and Will Harron 277; Matthew Kaufman 125; Owen Stoddard 430; Alec Collins 547; Madeleine Smith 207; Don Herold 282; Becky Wright 500; Joseph Dunn 112; Hayden Arp, Matthew Kaufman, Madeleine Smith, and Spencer Cambor 340; Anna Bowen 318; Magdalena Zapędowska 189; Matthew Leger-Small, Wendy Sibbison, Jeremy Galvagni, and Christine Andrews 30t; Joel Rosen 178.

The Secretary reported that one hundred twelve singers from eight states had registered, from among whom seventy-three leaders led eighty-two songs. Micah John Walter offered thanks to all who helped make the day possible, and asked for announcements of upcoming singings.

Micah John Walter, Mark Bedard, Ben Sachs-Hamilton, and Kit Walsh led 62 as the closing song. Pattie Wareh offered the closing prayer.

Chairperson—Micah John Walter; Vice Chairperson—Mark Bedard; Secretary—Ben Sachs-Hamilton

HARMONY SINGING

Harmony Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama Saturday, November 11, 2023

The first Sacred Harp singing at Harmony Primitive Baptist Church was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 81t. Elder Daniel Hopper offered the opening prayer. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Daniel Hopper; Secretary—Judy Caudle. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 80b; Daniel Hopper 334, 310 (in memory of Glenda Hopper); Judy Caudle 276, 82t; Jaidyn Stump 429; Carol Newman 68b, 358; Lisa Geist 228, 472; Judy Mincey 410t, 34t.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 374 (in memory of Marvin Hopper) to bring the class together. Leaders: Amber Davis 391, 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Larry Ballinger 56t, 32t; Earl Ballinger 317, 208; Jaidyn Stump 282, 268; Nicholas Thompson 387, 220; Judy Mincey 540, 70t; Daniel Hopper 223, 139. Elder Daniel Hopper asked a blessing at the tables.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson leading 137. Leaders: Lisa Geist 110, 272; Amber Davis 172, 182; Carol Newman 373, 274t; Judy Caudle 129, 340; Earl Ballinger 285b, 284; Larry Ballinger 93; Daniel Hopper 143 (for Donna), 245 (for Butch White); Nicholas Thompson 186 (for Donna), 101t (in memory of J. L Hopper).

Nicholas Thompson led 521 as the closing song. Elder Daniel Hopper dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Daniel Hopper; Secretary—Judy Caudle

HELWIG-COGLHAN MEMORIAL SACRED HARP SINGING

Episcopal Church of The Good Shepherd, Berkeley, California Saturday, November 11, 2023

The 6th session of the Helwig-Coghlan Memorial Sacred Harp singing met at Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Berkeley, California, on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Pat Coghlan leading 492. Maggie Zhou offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed: Chairperson—Pat Coghlan; Vice Chairperson—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Linda Selph; Treasurer—Mark Godfrey; Chaplain—Maggie Zhou; Arranging—Heather Purdy; Resolutions Committee—Dami Osoba and Sam Kleinman. The business meeting was closed.

Leaders: Maggie Zhou 31t; Dami Osoba 39t; Heather Purdy 38b; Dave Barber 64; Carolyn Deacy 480; J.T. Harechmak 57; Susan Fetcho 61; Wren Hyde 131t; Mark Godfrey 39b; Janis Mercer 324; Linda Selph 76b; Alexander Cotton 350; Lindy Groening 158 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Ellen Lueck 111b; Leah Coffin 487; Hannah Blair 51; Jonas Powell 384; Sam Kleinman 89; Evelyn Lamb 97.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by J.T. Harechmak leading 49b. Leaders: Mark Godfrey Pat's Ford (in honor of Pat Coghlan); Karen Willard 228 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Bob Schinske 68b; Hugh McGuire 317; Peter Schinske 171; David Wright 479 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Thom Fahrback 311 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Jeremy Knight 112; Jenny Solheim 442; Leah Coffin 65; Linda Selph 498; Dave Barber 361; Lindy Groening 441. Maggie Zhou offered the prayer for the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Heather Purdy leading 457. Leaders: Sam Kleinman 564; David Wright 213t; Karen Willard 543 (in memory of Shelbie Sheppard); Bob Schinske 430 (for Kate Coxon and her son Sam); Evelyn Lamb 110 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Thom Fahrbach 208; Peter Schinske 532; Wren Hyde 522; Lydia La Roux 30b; Maggie Zhou 225b; Alexander Cotton 40; Janis Mercer 77t; Dami Osoba 372; Hannah Blair 209; Jeremy Knight 436; Jenny Solheim 216; Jonas Powell 217; Carolyn Deacy 302; Hugh McGuire 338.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Dave Barber leading 473. Leaders: Leah Coffin 344 (in memory of Sally Coghlan); Ellen Lueck 306; Joel Chan 100; Peter Ross 122; Linda Selph 215; Susan Fetcho 56b (in memory of David Fetcho and Sandy Lejeune); Mark Godfrey 358 (for Leigh Cooper and Cecil Godfrey); Lindy Groening 505 (in memory of Norman Wilson and Karin Wilson); J.T. Harechmak 341; Wren Hyde 101t; Thom Fahrbach 462; Evelyn Lamb 548; Hannah Blair 332; Bob Schinske 295; Karen Willard 440; Maggie Zhou 106; Alexander Cotton 313b; Janis Mercer 148; David Wright 142; Sam Kleinman 269; Peter Schinske 313t.

The business meeting was reopened to hear committee reports. The Secretary reported thirty-nine singers from five states sang seventy-seven songs led by thirty-one leaders. The Treasurer reported expenses had been met and moved to submit the collections to Bay Area Sacred Harp which was approved by the class. The Resolutions Committee offered thanks to all who made the singing possible and submitted a resolution, which was adopted, to meet again next year. The meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

Lindy Groening and Linda Selph led 347 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Maggie Zhou offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairperson—Pat Coghlan; Vice Chairperson—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Linda Selph

IMMANUEL SINGING

Immanuel Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee

Saturday, November 11, 2023

The 37th annual Immanuel Sacred Harp Singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Tim Reynolds leading 59. Larry Brown offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Tim Reynolds 84; David Carlton 171, 421; Gail Doss 107, 35; Tim Morton 365, 112; John Wendt 148, 106; Tom Morton 209, 503; Carol Wendt 569b, 82t; John Hoerr 306, 162; Larry Brown 99, 454.

RECESS

Tim Gregg brought the class back together leading 87 and 64. Leaders: Lewis Frost 515, 178; Rick Fretter 85, 448t; Bill Denney 147t, 143; Margaret Ivey 49b, 163b; Tim Morton 189, 227; Gail Doss 147b, 543; John Wendt 96, 294.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds brought the class back together leading 135 and 128. Leaders: David Carlton 134, 496; Tim Gregg 565, 371.

LUNCH

Tim Reynolds called the class to order after lunch leading 270 and 268. Leaders: Larry Brown 236, 63; Emily Stutzman 124, 179; John Hoerr 186, 448b; Carol Wendt 100, 103; Tom Morton 277, 313b; Lewis Frost 493, 34b; Margaret Ivey 183, 163t; Bill Denney 73t, 117; Rick Fretter 388, 86; Steven Pham 68b, 164; Margaret Ivey and Emily Stutzman 504. Announcements were made.

Tim Reynolds led 159 as the closing song. John Wendt closed the singing with prayer.
Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—David Carlton; Secretary—Larry Brown

STAPLEFORD SINGING

Stapleford Baptist Church, Stapleford, Nottingham, United Kingdom Saturday, November 11, 2023

The Stapleford All-Day Singing was held at Stapleford Baptist Church, Stapleford, Nottingham, United Kingdom. The class was called to order by Helen Brown leading 171. Jonathan Stanyon gave the opening prayer.

Leaders: Michael Walker 31t; Hannah Land 31b; Joe Vickers 92; Sarah West 76t; Werner Ullah 47t; Richard Mayers 531; Jo-anne Carlyle 68b; Chris Brown 81t; Matthew Parkinson 104; Joyce Smith 56t.

At eleven o'clock, a two-minute silence was observed for Armistice Day, and was led by Helen Brown.

Leaders: Ian West 35; Helen Barber 122; Steve Brett 163t; Claire Welford 501; Edwin Macadam 504; Phil Tyler 538; Derek Buckland 147t.

RECESS

Sarah West reconvened the class leading 323t. Leaders: Sheila Girling Macadam 278b; Joe Vickers 511; Eimear O'Donovan 73t; Tom Sprackland 309; Helen Brown 327; Chris Brown 315.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Michael Walker, who first spoke for the following sick and housebound: Chris Coombs, Blazej Matusiak, Vicki Elliott, Dave Elliott, Di Elliott, Brian Harris, Joyce Tyler, Cath Tyler, and Uschi Nolte. Michael Walker then spoke in memory of the following deceased: David Thorpe, Richard Drane, Anna Zamboni, David Adler, Ernest Preston, Helen Dent, Emily Webster, Gaston White, Geraldine Sharpton, Cheryl Foreman, Cathy White, Lydia Lewallen, Eva Striebeck, Doreen Carlyle, Maurice Wright, Hubert Nall, Michael Wheeler, Juanita Beasley, Melanie Hauff, Dorothy Landskroener, Patricia Russell, David Childerhouse, Michael Keane, John Heptinstall, Brigid Hurn, Keith Pigott, and David Akhurst. Michael Walker closed the memorial lesson with prayer, and then led 131b for all those named.

Leaders: Hannah Land 448t; Werner Ullah 29t; Jo-anne Carlyle 547; Matthew Parkinson 83t; Joyce Smith 330t; Richard Mayers 245; Helen Barber 306; Ian West 439. Grace for the midday meal was offered by David Steggles.

LUNCH

The class was reconvened by Eimear O'Donovan leading 39t. Leaders: Phil Tyler 269; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Steve Brett 558; Tom Sprackland 429; Claire Welford 528; Edwin Macadam 550; Michael Walker 456; Derek Buckland 123b; Helen Brown 532; Matthew Parkinson 302; Joyce Smith 512; Joe Vickers 234; Helen Barber 195; Chris Brown 392; Hannah Land 182; Ian West 480; Werner Ullah 457.

RECESS

The class was reconvened by Hannah Land leading 133. Leaders: Richard Mayers 290; Eimear O'Donovan 299; Tom Sprackland 134; Sarah West and Bob Edge 47b; Phil Tyler 474; Claire Welford 365; Edwin Macadam 534; Derek Buckland 267; Steve Brett 185; Sheila Girling Macadam for Chris Coombs 103; Michael Walker 475; Joyce Smith 322; Matthew Parkinson 569b; Ian West 447. Helen Brown led 347 as the closing song, and Joe Vickers dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Helen Brown; Vice Chairman—Ted Brown; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders

**BOILING SPRINGS CONVENTION
AND CALHOUN COUNTY CONVENTION
Oak Hill Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama
Sunday, November 12, 2023**

The 109th session of the Calhoun County Convention and the 157th session of the Boiling Springs Convention was held at Oak Hill Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama, on the second Sunday in November. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 59. Judy Chambless offered the opening prayer. Cecil Roberts welcomed the singers and visitors, and led 30b. Leaders: Bert Collins 35, 300, 542; Judy Chambless 47t (in memory of Evenly Harris), 503 (in memory of B.J. Harris), 34t; Winfred Kerr 47b, 282, 544; Glenda Collins 76b, 77t, 45t; Robert Chambless 452, 84, 225t; Jack Nelson 540, 500, 32t.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 303. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 491, 33b; Bert Collins 82t, 97, 235; Judy Chambless 454, 472, 475; Winfred Kerr 77b, 65, 516; Glenda Collins 100, 101t, 345t (in honor of several members of her family and in memory of her daughter); Robert Chambless 180; Jack Nelson 399b, 96, 569b (in honor of Virginia Futral and Myrline Redmond).

LUNCH

At a short business meeting, the singers voted to close the singing for the day, and permanently closed this singing in future. After announcements, Cecil Roberts, Bert Collins, and Judy Chambless led 46 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Bert Collins; Secretary—Judy Chambless

**GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING
Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia
Saturday, November 18, 2023**

The November session of the *Georgian Harmony* singing was held at the Roberta Civic Center. Bill Hollingsworth called the class together leading page 109. Wayne Watson offered the opening prayer. Bill Hollingsworth led page 14.

Leaders: Shawn Taylor 15; John Plunkett 33, 175; Bill DuPre 94, 95; Rosemund Watson 25, 13; Phillip Ford 8, 186; Laura Frey 29b, 176.

RECESS

Bill Hollingsworth called the class back together leading page 179. Leaders: Chris Robinson 178; Jose Martinez 22; Martha Harrell 107, 54; Sheri Taylor 152, 105; Abigail Cannon 146, 198; Oscar McGuire 9. Elder Chris Robinson asked the blessing for the food.

LUNCH

Bill Hollingsworth called the class back together leading page 252. Leaders Shawn Taylor 108, 200; John Plunkett 230; Sheri Taylor 174; Laura Frey 211; Bill Dupre 140; Chris Robinson 141; Phillip Ford 59; Bill Hollingsworth 196 (requested by John Hollingsworth); Abigail Cannon 153, 155; Oscar McGuire 26, 86. Announcements were made.

Rosemund Watson led 255 as the closing song. Bill DuPre dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Shawn Taylor

WEST YORKSHIRE SACRED HARP SINGING DAY

Holy Trinity Church Parish Centre, Rothwell, Leeds, United Kingdom
Saturday, November 18, 2023

The 18th annual West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day took place on Saturday before the third Sunday in November, after a three-year hiatus. This was the first time this singing was held in its new home in Rothwell following the closure of Haworth Methodist Church. Richard Mayers called the class to order by leading 105. Matt Mason offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Josh Lant 48t; Tom Sprackland 31b; Joy Spreadborough 31t; John Sprackland 114; Jacoba Brunel 421; Chris Brown 155; Calum Parker 70b; Werner Ullah 73b; Eimear O'Donovan 171; Erin Johnson-Williams 131b; Chal Zon 344; Margaret Bradshaw 212; Susannah Gill 234; Matt Mason 122; Leilai Immer-Parkinson 77t; Joan Gordon 178; Anne Altringham 556; Derek Buckland 56t.

RECESS

John Sprackland called the class back to order leading 313t. Leaders: Eimear O'Donovan 50t; Helen Brown 30b; Matthew Parkinson 57; Jan Geerts 354t; Richard Mayers 455; Joy Spreadborough 148; Ed Johnson-Williams 303; Jacoba Brunel 383; Chris Brown 475.

Derek Buckland gave a lesson for the following sick and housebound: Uschi Nolte, Phil Tyler, and Daniel Oldham. He read the following list of names of the deceased: Eva Streibeck—Germany; Anna Zamboni—Italy; David Adler—Scotland; Emily Webster, Derek Paton-Williams, Jill Paton-Williams, Phoebe Winch, David Thorpe, Richard Drane, Ernest Preston, Helen Dent, Dew Alam, Alice Grenville, and Maurice Wright—United Kingdom; Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Gaston White, Melanie Hauff, Walter Graff, Lydia Lewallen, Dorothy Landskroener, and Cheryl Foreman—United States. He led 330b.

Leaders: Werner Ullah 278t; Tom Sprackland 160b; Joan Gordon 523; Matt Mason 99; Rob Bentall 481. John Copperwheat said grace ahead of lunch.

LUNCH

Leaders: Tom Sprackland 282; Anne Altringham 290; Susannah Gill 480; Margaret Bradshaw 300; Erin Johnson-Williams 192; Calum Parker 198; Leilai Immer-Parkinson 360; Jan Geerts 546; Helen Brown 430; Eimear O'Donovan 522; Chal Zon 245; Jacoba Brunel 112; Derek Buckland 147b; Joan Gordon 350; Matt Mason 299; Rob Bentall 324; Joy Spreadborough 306; Werner Ullah 29t; John Sprackland 38b; Joshua Lant 183.

RECESS

Leaders: Jacoba Bruneel 65; Richard Mayers 494; Ed Johnson-Williams 309; Jan Geerts 213b; Susannah Gill 442; Matthew Parkinson 462; Eimear O'Donovan and Sophie Phipson 347; Margaret Bradshaw 440; Tom Sprackland 345b; Calum Parker 228; John Sprackland 146; Lawrence Dinh and Joshua Lant 56b; Anne Altringham 189; Chal Zon 236; Werner Ullah 457; Joy Spreadborough 154; Joan Gordon 47t; Derek Buckland 161.

Announcements were made. Although on the day the count of singers was not announced, the Secretaries can now report that thirty-four singers sang seventy-three songs, led by twenty-five leaders, with singers coming from England, Scotland, and Germany. The Treasurer's report was that all expenses had been met with thanks to singers for their giving. Thanks were deservedly given to the dedicated team who had pulled together to make this singing happen.

Richard Mayers led 147t as the final song. Arja Copperwheat said the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard Mayers; Secretaries—Hilary Blake and Matt Mason

WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL
King Schoolhouse, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church
Natural Bridge, Alabama
Sunday, November 19, 2023

The 51st session of the annual Sacred Harp singing in memory of Ganus Wakefield, Wilford Wakefield, Clifford Wakefield, Gene Wakefield, Cecil Wakefield, and Wendell Wakefield was held on the third Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 32t. Butch White offered the morning prayer. Glenn led 59.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Debbie Hall; Arranging—Betty Baccus.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 159; Debbie Hall 143; Butch White 547, 535; Ken Tate 335, 147b; Mike Hankins 34b, 63; Marlin Beasley 336, 61; Beth Wallace 212, 177; Wayne Horton 388, 317; Louise Yeager 480, 276; Jeanette Tidwell 89, 436.

RECESS

Butch White led 147t to bring the class together. Leaders: Seth Poston 129, 358; Nancy Phillips 196, 274t; Laurie Kirkland 87, 277; Earl Ballinger 122, 123t; Ricky Beasley 569b, 39t; Roma Rice 72b (in memory of Carol Fannin), 323b; Debbie Hall, Kathy Buchanan, Lisa Ingle, Mike Hicks, Junior Poston, Lynn Donaldson, Joseph Ingle, and Seth Poston (grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Simond and Catherine Wakefield) 333, 408 (in memory of family members).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 282. Pastor Tyler Bunt spoke, expressing his thanks for the song service. Steve Miles asked a blessing on the afternoon session. Leaders: Steve Miles 234, 235, 240; Seth Holloway 432, 236, 294; Amanda Albright, Daniel Miles, and Makayla Camp 36b, 163b; Seth Poston 111t; Sarah Beasley 340, 318; Larry Wakefield 339, 37b; Tyler Bunt and Kelsie Bunt 45t; Butch White 287; Glenn Keeton 507. Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton, Butch White, and Laurie Kirkland led 267 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Debbie Hall

NEW ENGLAND COOPER BOOK SINGING
The New Church, Portland, Maine
Saturday, November 25, 2023

The 3rd annual New England All-Day *Cooper Book* Singing was held in Portland, Maine. The class was called to order by Ethan McNerney leading 571. The opening prayer was offered by Robert Stoddard. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 68b; George Howe 31t; Pippa Stoddard 30t; Ron Trial 572; Joanne Fuller 567; George Sigut 38t; Ethan McNerney 535t; Eric Hildebrant 40; Bill Holt 500; Chris Holley 199; Joan Frankel 393; Elizabeth Stoddard 138t; Patricia McNerney 416t; Erin Fulton 551; Owen Stoddard 141; Mary Skidmore 210.

RECESS

The class was called together by Elizabeth Stoddard leading 82. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 45b; George Howe 171; Pippa Stoddard 39; Joanne Fuller 98; Ron Trial 573; George Sigut 268b; Ethan McNerney 594; Eric Hildebrant 505; Bill Holt 336t; Chris Holley 463; Joan Frankel 137; Elizabeth Stoddard 576; Patricia McNerney 522; Erin Fulton 266b; Owen Stoddard 200; Mary Skidmore 242. Chris Holley offered a prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called together by Robert Stoddard leading 95b. Chris Holley and Rachel Taylor led 335 as a memorial lesson for Rob Taylor (Maine, 2022). Elizabeth Stoddard led 520 for sick and shut-ins Kate Skidmore and P. Dan Brittain. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 591; Pippa Stoddard 140; Ron Trial 96; George Howe 142; Joanne Fuller 411; George Sigut 150; Ethan McNerney 133; Bill Holt 494; Chris Holley 176t; Joan Frankel 377b; Elizabeth Stoddard 392; Patricia McNerney and Ethan McNerney 156; Erin Fulton 535b; Owen Stoddard 32t; Mary Skidmore 464.

RECESS

The class was called together by Patricia McNerney leading 106. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 552; Pippa Stoddard 482; Ron Trial 501; Joanne Fuller 54t; Eric Hildebrant 168; George Sigut 341; Ethan McNerney 50t; Chris Holley 587; Joan Frankel 506; Jesse Vear 380t. Twenty-two singers registered from three states, and sixty-four songs were led by seventeen leaders.

Chris Holley led 527 as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer.

Postscript: memorial song in memory of P. Dan Brittain, 347 (Sacred Harp, 1991 edition).

Chairman—Ethan McNerney; Secretary—Patricia McNerney

THANKSGIVING SACRED HARP SINGING

Jordans Village Hall, Jordans, Buckinghamshire, United Kingdom Saturday, November 25, 2023

The 13th Thanksgiving Singing Day was held in the Village Hall of Jordans, the Quaker Village, and burial place of William Penn. The class was called to order by Chairman Sheila Girling Macadam leading 34b. Mary Welch offered the opening prayer.

Officers and committee members who served for the day are as follows: Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Vice Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Treasurer—Werner Ullah; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Nick Hall; Pitchers—Rachel Jordan, Steve Brett, and Toby Goss; Arranging Committee—Bridget McVennon-Morgan, Al Williams and Constance Des Marais; Chaplains—Mary Welch, Kerry Cullinan, Victoria Timberlake and Derek Buckland.

Leaders: Edwin Macadam 150; Toby Goss 147t; Rowan Simms 212; Machna Nowak 59; Teresa Maguire 72b; Rachel Jordan 171; Jo-anne Carlyle 29t; Nick Hall 517; Victoria Timberlake 102; Steve Brett 421; Chris Coombs 314; Steve Welch 569t; Al Williams 35; William Cleary 106; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 348b; Derek Buckland 267; John Bealle 385t; Kerry Cullinan (for Donna Carlson), 378b; Inga Buckland 60; Werner Ullah 49b.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Toby Goss leading 497. Leaders: Constance Des Marais 348t; Johannes Sauer 385b; David Garman 141; Rowan Simms 67; Rachel Jordan 278t; Steve Welch 147b; Jo-anne Carlyle 547; Steve Brett 192; Teresa Maguire 485; Machna Nowak 168.

Kerry Cullinan conducted a combined memorial and sick and housebound lesson on our interconnectivity with each other in the Universe, and the thought that those not present today through ill health were still close to us. Loved ones who have passed are also still with us, just a little further away, but connected to us with song.

Everyone is a song. He led 70t for all on the minds of those present. For the following sick and housebound: Julie Heptinstall, Ann Landsbury, P. Dan Brittain, Susan C., Susanne Rolli, Mandy Rose, Uschi Nolte, Elspeth Hannen, and Anna Eggers.

The following were entered on the memorial list: John Heptinstall, Brigid Hurn, Keith Pigott, David Akhurst, Mike Cooper, Doreen Carlyle, Emily Webster, Anne

Maguire, Maxwell Gordon, Nigel Eagle, Michael Keane, Richard Drane, Ernest Preston, and Helen Dent—United Kingdom; Anna Zamboni—Italy; David Adler—Scotland; Eva Striebeck and Irmtraut Fessen-Henjes—Germany; Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Walter Graff, Melanie Hauff, Ted Mercer, Lydia Lewallen, Dorothy Landskroener, Larry Gordon, and Pete Sutherland—United States. Kerry closed the memorial with a short silence for reflection.

Leaders: Al Williams 163b; Inga Buckland 68t; Nick Hall 534; John Bealle 442; Joyce Smith 276; Chris Coombs 217; Teresa Maguire 445; Werner Ullah 410t. Victoria Timberlake offered thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session commenced with Nick Hall leading 350. Leaders: David Garman 477; Johannes Sauer 151; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 456; Sheila Girling Macadam 461 (for Robin Bisson and family); Johanna Vogelsanger 70b; William Cleary 206; Derek Buckland 145b; Constance Des Marais and David Garman 436 (for David's birthday that day); Edwin Macadam 444; Inga Buckland 227; Machna Nowak 510; Morgan Kist 324; Kerry Cullinan 472 (for Dan Brittain); John Bealle 220; Rachel Jordan 475; Steve Brett 186; Toby Goss 273; Joyce Smith 358 (in memory of Lydia Lewallen); Chris Coombs 128.

RECESS

The final session commenced with Edwin Macadam leading 288. Leaders: Rowan Simms 225b; Johanna Vogelsanger 277; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 568; Al Williams 365; Sheila Girling Macadam 208; David Garman 133; Derek Buckland 566; Morgan Kist 148; Johannes Sauer 572; Jo-anne Carlyle 287; William Cleary 428; Constance Des Marais 341; Werner Ullah 503 (for Dan Brittain); Morgan Kist and Johanna Vogelsanger 49t; all American singers present 122; all singers who had helped in the kitchen 504.

Thanks were extended to all those who had helped in any way to make the day's singing a success. The 2023 Jordans singing should have been chaired by Robin Bisson, but as he had welcomed his second child only three weeks earlier, Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam had been happy to extend their tenure as Chairman and Vice Chairman for a further year. Robin had assured them of his willingness to assume his new role at Jordans in 2024.

Announcements were made and invitations extended to other Sacred Harp singing events around the country and abroad. The Secretary reported thirty-three singers had registered from the UK, France, Germany, and USA. Twenty-eight leaders had led eighty songs. After expenses had been met, the surplus from the day's donations would again be passed to the Quakers for their use. Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam led 347, and Derek Buckland offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Vice Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Nick Hall

ALABAMA SACRED HARP MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

Partridge Crossing Baptist Church, Warrior, Alabama

November 25-26, 2023

Saturday, November 25

The 122nd meeting of the Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in November. The class was called to order by Mary Amelia Taylor leading 70t. The opening prayer was offered by Jeff James. Mary Amelia Taylor welcomed the class and visitors.

Leaders: Mary Amelia Taylor 36b; Cassie Allen 40; Jeff James 117; Ainslie Allen 546; Robert Chambless 317; Ken Tate 335; David Ivey 353 (for Dan Brittain); Karen

Rollins 354t; Jeremiah Ledbetter 123t; Hazel Heinze 145t; Judy Mincey 540; Bill DuPre 49b; Karen Ivey 472; Jeannette DePoy 89; Bill Denney 128.

RECESS

Mary Amelia Taylor led 155 to bring the class together. Leaders: John Plunkett 476; Cindy Tanner and Jim Carnes 436; Berrett Patton 340 (in memory of Edna Graves); Susan Lee 349; Tim Taylor 228; Winfred Kerr 516; Lisa Bennett 328; Reba Windom 196; Tom George 321; Matt Hinton 318; Judy Caudle 177 (for Earl Ballinger).

A business session was held at this time. The following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cassie Allen; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Ainslie Allen; Chaplain—Jeff James; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner and Jackie Tanner; Memorial Committee—Tom Booth and Dennis George; Resolutions Committee—Sarah George and Linda Booth; Finance Committee—Rodney Ivey and Pam Nunn; Locating Committee—David Ivey and Tom George. The business session was closed after all committee members were announced.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Cassie Allen leading 106. Leaders: Thom Fahrback 316; Racheal Geary 162; Butch White 547; Linda Booth 198; Emily Stutzman 339; Anna Hinton 383; Gail Doss 107; Marlin Beasley 336; Leanne Carter 86; Eli Hinton 455; Rodney Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 432; David Smead 434; Jane Cannon 306; Nicholas Thompson 411; Jim Carnes 440; Calum Woods 399b; Pam Nunn 183; Nancy Phillips 276 (for Margaret Keeton). Danny Creel asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Cassie Allen leading 343. Leaders: David Carlton 481; Judy Chambless 222; Daniel Lee 302; Sarah George 428; Dylan Feezell 438; Wanda Capps 200; Bridge Hill Kennedy 454; Alex Forsyth 480; Brenda Chafin 338; Danny Creel 485; Jackie Tanner 314; Cheyenne Ivey 172; Erica Hinton 534; Lauren Bock 464; Dennis George 344; Tom Booth 475; Jesse P. Karlsberg 511; Ann Jett 269; Larry Brasher 513; Nathan Rees 447. Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen and Butch White led 46 as the closing song. Jeff James dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, November 26

The Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association met again at Partridge Crossing Baptist Church for another day of singing and fellowship. The class was called to order by Cassie Allen leading 30t. The opening prayer was offered by Jeff James. Leaders: Cassie Allen 138t; Butch White 287; Ainslie Allen 498; Jeff James 124; Cindy Tanner 208; Larry Brasher 385b; Charlie McGuire 460; Karen Rollins 227; Roma Rice 50b; Gail Doss 66; Louise Yeager 276 (for Margaret Keeton); Rodney Ivey and Karen Rollins 472 (in memory of Dan Brittain); Daniel Lee 489; Elene Stovall 440; Larry Ballinger 477 (for Earl Ballinger and Johnnie Ballinger).

RECESS

Butch White led 313b to bring the class together. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 378b; Buell Cobb 103; Lisa Bennett 458 (in memory of Dan Brittain); Robert Chambless 560 (for Oscar McGuire); Judy Mincey 186; Stefani Priscos 187; Jeremiah Ledbetter 426b; Henry McGuire 532; Lisa Geist 527 (for Johnnie Ballinger); Winfred Kerr 146; Anna Hinton 203.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Cassie Allen leading 345b. Leaders: Alex Forsyth 228; Meredith Ivey 153; Erica Hinton 391; Everett Ivey 143.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Tom Booth and Dennis George. Dennis read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins aloud: Earl Ballinger, Johnnie Ballinger, Linda Patton, Barry Rollins, Margaret Keeton, Ozella Blackmon, Betty

Shepherd, Beverly Rollins Thompson, Richard Mauldin, Loyd Ivey, Louise Ivey, Joyce Walton, Linda Thomas, Julia Poston, Faye Donaldson, Mrs. Janice Caldwell, Nate Green, Rosie Lindsay, Henry Guthery, Darrell Parker, Ernestine Parker, John Hollingsworth, Elsie Hollingsworth, Bill Hollingsworth, and Don Bowen. Tom Booth spoke of remembering friends in song, but also of sending cards, making phone calls, and showing love and appreciation for others. They led 70t.

Tom Booth spoke, and read the following list of names of the deceased: Juanita Beasley, Hubert Nall, Marlon Wootten, Norma Green, Geraldine Sharpton, Carol Fannin, Boyd Scott, Doug Ivey, Jeanette Dewberry, Chita Blakeley, Pearl Guier, Jerry Kitchens, Leslie Gilmore, Joe Jones, Claudene Townson, Gaston White, Ellen Brasher Harris, and Elvin White—Alabama; Matt Plunkett, Philip Denney, George Burnette, and Cathy White—Georgia; Cora Beasley Jones—Tennessee; Esther Mann—Mississippi; Melanie Hauff—Illinois; Becky Browne—Missouri; Lydia Lewallen, Zoe Clay, and David Wilson—North Carolina; Dan Brittain—Arkansas; Charlotte Ehrman—New York; Cheryl Foreman—Texas; Mary Wright—Virginia; Eva Striebeck—Germany. Dennis George spoke, referring to John's writing about Lazarus, sleeping, and resting in Christ. Tom and Dennis led 285t in memory of the deceased. Sarah George closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Sarah George 512; Sharon DuPriest and Rodney Ivey 299; Nathan Rees and Cassie Allen 444; Reba Windom 384 (in memory of Coy Ivey); Carl Walls 100 (in memory of Walls family members); David Smead 412; Judy Chambless 282. Jeff James asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Cassie Allen leading 89. Leaders: Dennis George 543; Bridge Hill Kennedy 192; Thom Fahrbach 315 (in memory of Dan Brittain); Racheal Geary 335; Richard Ivey 202; Ken Tate 530 (in memory of Edith Tate); Pam Nunn 224; Jane Cannon 456; Tom George 422; Matt Hinton 556; Nicholas Thompson 528; Calum Woods 291; Tom Booth 49t; Judy Caudle 216; Wanda Capps 222; Karen Ivey 182; Danny Creel 170; Linda Booth 273; Cheyenne Ivey and Reba Windom 30b; Ann Jett 327; Dylan Feezell 331.

A business meeting was held in order to hear committee reports. Pam Nunn gave the financial report, stating that due to generous contributions, expenses were met.

The Resolutions Committee, Linda Booth and Sarah George, submitted the following report: We resolve to thank the Lord for allowing us to come together in song and fellowship. We would like to thank Partridge Crossing Baptist Church for the use of its facilities. We thank the officers of the convention for their work and dedication. We thank all those who provided food, and special thanks to Shelley Calvert for her work in the kitchen. We give thanks for the life and music of Dan Brittain, and all those who have contributed words and music to the Sacred Harp. We resolve to hold all those who could not attend in prayer. We resolve to meet again next year on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in November for the 123rd session of the Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association, at a location to be announced at a later date.

Ainslie Allen gave the Secretary's report, stating that singers came from seven states (Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina, Oregon, and North Carolina) and two countries (US and UK). On Saturday, sixty-four leaders led sixty-nine songs and on Sunday, fifty-eight leaders led sixty-four songs. The business meeting was closed. Announcements were made.

Cassie Allen and Butch White led 323t as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Jeff James offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cassie Allen; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Ainslie Allen

PHILADELPHIA SHENANDOAH HARMONY SINGING
St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Saturday, December 2, 2023

The first Philadelphia All-Day Singing from the *Shenandoah Harmony* was held at St. Mary's Episcopal Church at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia on the first Saturday in December. All song selections were from the *Shenandoah Harmony*. The class was called to order by Ben Fink leading 5t. The opening prayer was offered by Scott Robinson. Leaders: Katie Browne 12b; Scott Robinson 263; Greg Holt 18b; Frances Steppe 260t; Chelsea Feltman 132; Julian Bender 408t; Ellie Knickman 287; Doron Henkin 414b; Patti Davis 162; Tim Leonard 1b; Grace Spencer 414t; Kobi Bardoley 64; Sophie Sokolov 309; Nancy Mandel 300t; Doug Kurtze 346b; Emily Ross 24b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ted Stokes leading 264t. Leaders: Kass Urban-Mead 171; Lucas Husted 424b; Korey Guerrieri 380; Jacob Hamidi 227; Marie Brandis 125; Ginny Landgraff 423; Jason Jack 124; Tim Morton 58; Dirk Yount 243; Abigail Beavin 450; John delRe 322; Thomas Ward 282; Erin Fulton 133; Tim Gregg 387; Jasmine Mendoza 114.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Doron Henkin leading 15. Leaders: Pete Sandeen 79; Wyn Batson 165; Erika Wilson 29; Peter Pate 442; Guy Bankes 262; Vale Cofer-Shabica 140b; Kelly Macklin 358; Ben Cocchiaro 186; Becky Wright 197; Greg Holt 100; Amira Hartland and Theo Hartland 120t; Ted Stokes 232; Anna Melton 48; Miriam Delirium 180; Rachel Hall 254; Alanna Goodman 242.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Emily Ross leading 41. Leaders: Chelsea Feltman 264b; Kobi Bardoley 110; Dirk Yount 101; Marie Brandis 310; Tim Gregg 408b; Nancy Mandel 364b; Tim Morton 78; Abigail Beavin 4t; Ginny Landgraff 417; Jason Jack 112; John delRe 70t; Emily Ross 457; Erin Fulton 221; Sophie Sokolov 278; Thomas Ward 418t; Tim Leonard 111; Katie Browne 9b; Grace Spencer 268; Ben Fink 245.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Korey Guerrieri leading 288t. Leaders: Lucas Husted 17; Scott Robinson 170; Kelly Macklin 294; Jacob Hamidi 428; Jasmine Mendoza 113; Becky Wright 248b; Andie Kennedy 265; Guy Bankes 76t; Doe Lowinger and Abigail Beavin 13t; Peter Pate 288b; Ellie Knickman 431; Wyn Batson 53; Anna Melton 147; Doug Kurtze 269; Julian Bender 121; Rachel Hall 104t. Announcements were made. Ben Fink thanked all those present at the singing who contributed to compiling, or composing music for, the *Shenandoah Harmony*. Julian Bender reported that there were eighty-three registered attendees from ten states and the District of Columbia, and eighty-seven songs were led by fifty-one leaders. Ben Fink led 146 as the closing song. Scott Robinson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ben Fink; Vice Chairman—Katie Browne; Treasurer—Greg Holt; Chaplain—Scott Robinson; Secretary—Julian Bender

FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)
Union Hill Singing Hall, Miller Crossroads, Florida
December 2-3, 2023
Saturday, December 2

The 56th session of the Florida State Convention was called to order by Chairman Kevin Eddins leading 52t. Kevin welcomed the class, and read Psalm 110. He then

led 131t. David Wever asked the Lord's blessing on the day. Eric Eddins led the introductory lesson using 38b, 65, and 36b.

Leaders: David Wever 155; Evie Eddins 60; Tim Jones 553; Geoffrey Brooks 133; Emily Eddins 416t; Wynette Smith 475; Gary Padgett 434; Dana Eddins 191; Samuel Williams 479; Ellen Fournier 162; Tommie Spurlock 386.

RECESS

Kevin Eddins brought the class to order leading 140. Leaders: Barbara Jones 277; Marja Millard 282; Mary Amelia Taylor 567; Oscar McGuire 276; Rodney Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 464; Luke Strickland 148; Daniel Williams 292b; Edith Eddins 535t; Alex Forsyth 522; McKenzie Flynn 559; Calum Woods 286t; Stanley Smith 98; Ezra Eddins 54t; Isaac Green 450; Eli Eddins 395b; Cassie Allen 86 (in memory of John Etheridge); Wayne Jones 204; Mary Huffman 444t; Rachael Geary 30b; Beverly Dayton 47t; Tim Taylor 99; Frank Strickland 100; Ewan Eddins 206; Cheyenne Ivey 511b; Ethan Eddins 76b. The class sang 369, and Samuel Williams gave thanks for the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with the class singing 96. Kevin Eddins led 121.

Leaders: Katherine Wever 140; Elliot Eddins 269; Bill Dupre 129; Lilah Kate Flynn 146; Prisca Rice 411; Stefani Priskos 380b; Dorothea Maynard 383; Elam Eddins 582; Farrel Stearns 571; Chris Nicholson 212; Jane Cannon 478; Marja Millard and Beverly Dayton 210; Mary Huffman 543; Bill Dupre 120; Katherine Wever 304; Ellen Fournier 49b; Calum Woods 422t; Prisca Rice, Tyler Thompson, and Isaac Green 414; Dorothea Maynard 203; Kevin Eddins 50t (by request); Rodney Ivey 196 (by request); Kevin Eddins 73t. Upcoming singings were announced. Kevin Eddins led 394, and Ewan Eddins closed the day with prayer.

Sunday, December 3

The Sunday session of the Florida State Convention began with Chairman Kevin Eddins leading 31b. He then read from Hebrews 9, led 30t, and asked the Lord's blessing on the day of singing. David Wever led the introductory lesson using 112, 178, and 132. Leaders: Evie Eddins 144; Stanley Smith 491; Luke Strickland 108b; Ewan Eddins 291; Wynette Smith 358; Katherine Wever 122; Oscar McGuire 293b; Ethan Eddins 163t; McKenzie Flynn 406; Isaac Green 506; Prisca Rice and Tyler Thompson 277.

RECESS

Leaders: Eric Eddins 89; Tommie Spurlock 574; Stefani Priskos 514; Mary Whitehurst 489; Daniel Williams 140; Elliot Eddins 121; Chris Nicholson 175; Alex Forsyth 271b; Jane Cannon 482; Calum Woods 399; Eli Eddins 381t; Cheyenne Ivey 380t; Russ Scholz 283.

RECESS

Kevin Eddins led 29b to bring the class together. Leaders: Edith Eddins 36b; Morgan Bunch 186. The memorial lesson was conducted by Luke Strickland and Eli Eddins. Luke Strickland read from 1 Corinthians 15 and commented on the hope God has given in the resurrection of the dead. He then read the following list of names of the deceased: Hubert Nall, Gaston White, Norma Green, Marlon Wootten—Alabama; Philip Denney—Georgia; Cheryl Foreman, Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell—Texas.

Eli Eddins then read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Nate Green, Paul White, Dave Ressler, and Janice Caldwell. Eli led 74b. Kevin Eddins closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Singing continued with leaders: Lilah Kate Flynn 348t; Samuel Williams 451; Cassie Allen 242; Ezra Eddins 507b. Kevin Eddins led 369, and Daniel Williams gave thanks for the meal.

LUNCH

Kevin Eddins brought the afternoon session to order leading 96. Leaders: Emily Eddins 421; Elam Eddins 492; Rachael Geary 274t; Rodney Ivey and Cassie Allen 552; Wayne Jones 504; Jamey Wootten 138t; Dana Eddins 520; Oscar McGuire 444t; Alex Forsyth and Rodney Ivey 465; Stefani Priskos 38t; Daniel Williams 524; Chris Nicholson 264t; Cheyenne Ivey 505; Calum Woods 515; Samuel Williams 272; Jamey Wootten 98; Rachael Geary 142; Cassie Allen and Rodney Ivey 392; Morgan Bunch 591; Jane Cannon 393; Mary Whitehurst and Stanley Smith 414; Tommie Spurlock 183 (by request); Tommie Spurlock and Stanley Smith 76b (for Vickie Aplin); Stanley Smith 268b (by request).

Tommie Spurlock gave the financial report, stating that all expenses were covered. Tommie Spurlock then announced the officers for 2024: Chairman—David Wever; Vice Chairman—Wayne Jones. Upcoming singings were announced.

Kevin Eddins, David Wever, and Wayne Jones led 308 as the closing song. Elam Eddins offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kevin Eddins; Vice Chairman—David Wever; Secretary—Evie Eddins

JOE BEASLEY MEMORIAL SINGING

Concord Church, Winfield, Alabama

Sunday, December 3, 2023

The 26th session of the Joe Beasley Memorial Singing was held on the first Sunday in December. The class was called to order by Rick Beasley leading 31b. He offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Rick Beasley; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary/Arranging—Lisa Geist.

Leaders: Rick Beasley 31t; Marlin Beasley 61 (in memory of Juanita Beasley); Janet Litton 159, 155; Butch White 86, 178; Louise Yeager 276, 100; Derek Buckland 267, 569t; Betty Baccus 319 (in memory of Ann Beasley), 391 (in memory of Sandra); Earl Ballinger 97, 124; David Ivey 330t, 330b; Roma Rice 33b, 44; Drew McGuire 29b, 432.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Rick Beasley leading 68b. Lisa Geist, representing the Sacred Harp Publishing Company, presented a plaque of appreciation for support and dedication to the Sacred Harp tradition to the family of Cora Beasley Jones.

Leaders: Becky Briggs 384, 282; Henry McGuire 90, 81b; Larry Ballinger 431, 448b; Sarah Beasley 318, 340; Amber Davis 224, 142; Margaret Keeton 130, 144; Doug Cantrell 354b, 235.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rick Beasley leading 101t. Leaders: Lisa Geist 228, 472 (in memory of Dan Brittain); Marlin Beasley 299; Janet Litton 176t; Butch White 313b; Louise Yeager 569b; Derek Buckland 278t (in memory of Eva Striebeck); Earl Ballinger 283; Roma Rice 66; Drew McGuire 148; Becky Briggs 81t (for her brother, Bunk); Seth Holloway 388 (in memory of Freddie Briggs and Chris Briggs), 146, 236; Henry McGuire 94; Sarah Beasley 406; Amber Davis 442 (for Dorothea Maynard). Announcements were made.

Rick Beasley, Becky Briggs, Sarah Beasley, and Marlin Beasley led 274t as the closing song. Marlin Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Rick Beasley; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Lisa Geist

ELDRIDGE SCHOOLHOUSE SINGING
Leipsic Community Center, Orleans, Indiana
Saturday, December 9, 2023

The 17th annual Eldridge Schoolhouse Singing was called to order by Adrian Eldridge leading 32t. Jim Herr offering a blessing. Selections were generally from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*.

Leaders: Erin Fulton 148; Tim Morton 273; Jim Herr 310 (SoH); Beth Garfinkel 149; Geo Colvard and Sarah Lynne Gershon 455; Sarah Lynne Gershon 106; Tim Gregg 68b; Clara Herr 105; Jubal Bayer 228; Enoch Hollandbeck 323b; Sarah Ward 155; Ray Rechenberg 40; Thomas L. Koehnline 532; Shannon Tibbs 107; Rob Tibbs and Shannon Tibbs 74b; Keith Seidel 102; Andrew Shaffer 284.

RECESS

Adrian Eldridge called the class back to order by leading 285t. Leaders: Adrian Eldridge 547 (in memory of P. Dan Brittain); Sarah Ward and Rob Tibbs 186; Jubal Bayer 168; Tim Gregg 81b; Thomas Koehnline 178; Shannon Tibbs 535; Jim Herr 546; Tim Morton 464; Erin Fulton 490; Enoch Hollandbeck 272; Keith Seidel 112; Beth Garfinkel 551; Andrew Shaffer 63; Clara Herr 313b; Sarah Lynne Gershon 306; Tim Gregg 522; Adrian Eldridge 354b (by request of Steve Boyles); Erin Fulton 145t; Jubal Bayer 485; Beth Garfinkel 344; Rob Tibbs and Shannon Tibbs 114; Sarah Ward 504; Tim Morton 187; Clara Herr 348b; Jim Herr 556; Sarah Lynne Gershon 349; Keith Seidel 270; Enoch Hollandbeck 271t; Shannon Tibbs 42; Andrew Shaffer 276. Adrian Eldridge asked a blessing on the meal and a particular favor towards our friend, Ed Walton, who had become ill and needed to leave the singing unexpectedly. The class adjourned to dinner.

LUNCH

Erin Fulton called the class back to order by leading 16 (SoH) (in honor of Bill Hayes and Katherine Eldridge). Leaders: Erin Fulton 71; Thomas Koehnline 86 (in memory of his late uncle, Peter Frank); Sarah Ward 142; Adrian Eldridge and Sarah Ward 440; Jubal Bayer 442; Tim Gregg 515 (in honor of Brenda Waters); Geo Colvard and Sarah Lynne Gershon 419; Sarah Lynne Gershon 245; Keith Seidel 214; Clara Herr 501; Erin Fulton and Adrian Eldridge 418; Beth Garfinkel 189; Jim Herr 131t; Tim Morton and Jim Herr 182; Andrew Shaffer 122; Shannon Tibbs 47t; Rob Tibbs 117 (his first unassisted lead, much hailed by his mother and the class at large); Geo Colvard and Sarah Lynne Gershon 181; Timothy Morton 384; Tim Gregg 426b; Thomas Koehnline 338; Jubal Bayer 44; Sarah Lynne Gershon 48b; Keith Siedel 458; Enoch Hollandbeck and Shannon Tibbs 126; Beth Garfinkel 58; Jim Herr 49b; Shannon Tibbs 277; Clara Herr 65. Announcements were solicited.

The secretary reported a class comprised of singers from Indiana, Kentucky, Massachusetts, and Ohio, of whom eighteen leaders led a total of eighty selections. Beth Garfinkel closed the singing by leading 146, and Adrian Eldridge offered a final prayer.

Chairman—Adrian Eldridge; Secretaries—Erin Fulton and Tim Gregg

MT. ZION GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH
Mercer County, Kentucky
Sunday, December 10, 2023

Aaron Lewis opened the twenty-first annual session of this singing with prayer promptly at 3:00 p.m., following which Jim Thobaben invited Ron Pen to explain the shapes and gamut for the benefit of our visitors. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Southern Harmony*. Leaders: Ron Pen 73b; Raphael Finkel 86; Tim Gregg 68b; Amy Pemberton 159; Don Waggener 39t (SoH); Donna Kwon 82t; Joy R. Dunn 361; Ray Turner 551; Jonathan Powers and Esther Peters 312b; Ron Pen 128 (by request of Jim Thobaben); Ron Pen 455; Erin Fulton 292

(SoH) (in honor of Tom Waggener); Randy Webber “Morton” (his own composition, named for attendee Tim Morton, who assisted leading); Tim Morton and Ted Steinbock 45t. Announcements of upcoming singings were solicited.

RECESS

Leaders: Robbie Couston 31t; Tim Gregg 16 (SoH) (by request of Marcie Thobaben); Shelby Fiske and Ron Pen 117; Tom Morton 313b (in memory of P. Dan Brittain); Greta Turner 148; Marcie Thobaben and Tim Morton 47b; Jonathan Powers, Aimee Dirig, and Noah Dirig 81t; Joy R. Dunn and Don Waggener 58; Ray Turner 92t (SoH); Greta Turner 200 (in memory of Larry Olszewski); Erin Fulton 35b (SoH); Ron Pen 322 (SoH). Andi Wallace offered a prayer over the meal. Jim Thobaben led 267 as the class of fifty-eight singers took the parting hand and were dismissed to a soup supper prepared by the church members, as well as to enjoy a display of nineteenth and twentieth-century shape-note books shared by Louisville visitor Ted Steinbock.

Chairman—Jim Thobaben; Secretary—Erin Fulton

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Pearl Arnett Guier
b. November 6, 1925
d. September 18, 2023
Greenwood Serenity
Memorial Gardens
Montgomery, Alabama

Charlotte A. Powell
b. December 4, 1942
d. December 28, 2022
Watson Cemetery
Burnet County, Texas

Mary Ann Howle Simpson
b. April 7, 1954
d. December 24, 2022
Pine Grove Baptist Church
Cemetery
Cleburne County, Alabama

2023 DEATHS

Names submitted from Memorial Lessons in 2023 minutes.

Listed by Date

12-24-22	Ann Simpson	Alabama
12-28-22	Charlotte A Powell	Texas
01-23-23	Lydia L Lewallen	North Carolina
02-15-23	Hubert C Nall	Alabama
02-17-23	Philip Denney	Georgia
02-18-23	Mary Wright	Virginia
02-24-23	Boyd Scott	Alabama
03-10-23	George Burnette, III	Georgia
03-10-23	Marlon Wootten	Alabama
03-12-23	Cheryl Foreman	Texas
03-30-23	Claudene Wootten Townson	Alabama
04-02-23	Norma Green	Alabama
06-09-23	Cathy White	Georgia
06-10-23	Leslie Gilmore	Alabama
07-10-23	Melanie Hauff	Illinois
07-16-23	Becky Browne	Missouri
07-28-23	Pete Mathewson	Colorado
07-29-23	Joseph M Jones	Alabama
08-03-23	Jerry Kitchens	Alabama
08-14-23	Nancy King Paris	Kentucky
08-18-23	Eva Striebeck	Germany
08-25-23	Chita Conn Blakeley	Alabama
09-10-23	Charlotte Ehrman	New York
09-18-23	Jeanette Mattox Dewberry	Alabama
09-18-23	Pearl A. Guier	Alabama
09-26-23	Cora Beasley Sweatt Jones	Tennessee
10-14-23	Geraldine Sharpton	Alabama
11-02-23	Paul Gaston White	Alabama
11-11-23	Elvin Thomas White	Alabama
11-15-23	Carol Fannin	Alabama
11-25-23	P. Dan Brittain	Arkansas

Listed by Location (* — see above list for date)

<i>Alabama</i>	Alice Hammond	* Boyd Scott
Clyde Avery	Ellen Brasher Harris	* Geraldine Sharpton
* Chita Conn Blakeley	Jeff Holmes	* Ann Simpson
Hazel Brothers	Doug Ivey	Greta Stiefel
Glenn Conn	* Joseph M Jones	Sandra Thames
Wayne Culver	Loretta Jones	Milton Thrash
* Jeanette Mattox Dewberry	* Jerry Kitchens	David Tidmore
Wanda Edwards	Donnie E Long	* Claudene Wootten
Wilburn Ellison	Evelyn Moody	Townson
Nellie Avery Estees	* Hubert C Nall	Rick West
* Carol Fannin	Barbara Owen	* Elvin Thomas White
* Leslie Gilmore	Jack Paulk	* Paul Gaston White
Marvin Green	Cheryl Ann Reed	* Marlon Wootten
* Norma Green	Wayne Reed	Beulah Ann York
* Pearl A. Guier	Gary Robbins	
Lamar Hackworth	Jason Sanders	

Alaska

Sydney Lindeke

Arizona

George Benefield

Arkansas

* P. Dan Brittain

Sam Watson

California

Len Chandler

Judi Clark

Steve Damonte

David Green

James Harder

Jack Leslie

Colorado

Ashley Boothby

Robin Harron

Luke Lyman

* Pete Mathewson

Connecticut

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District of Columbia

Robert 'Hoff' Hoffman

Florida

Sheldon Adelson

Ernest Cockcroft

Ned Roberts

Stella Wyens

Georgia

* George Burnette, III

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Opal Rogers Cannon

* Philip Denney

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Will Hardin

Key Langley

Tee Meigs

Wayne Nichols

Tillie Parmer

Matt Plunkett

JoAnn Rogers

Darrell Teal

Dottie Teal

* Cathy White

Sandra White

Illinois

* Melanie Hauff

Jonathan Hurst

Walter Joshongeva

Carol Ruth Kimmel

Matt Osterholt

Nathan Shelly

Robert Sussman

Indiana

John Boelenyi

Jaime Gans

Andy Richardson

Douglas Solberg

Kansas

Karen Brooks

Nadine Lee

Kentucky

* Nancy King Paris

Alison Rieke

Mary Troxtell

Maine

John Holt

Joan Jardine Sheldon

Rob Taylor

William R Wylie

Maryland

Sally Alexander

Jackie Bryant

Esther Reaves

Massachusetts

Michael Greene

Jim Hefflin

Irene Katz

Frances Klugman

Martha Pfeifer

Jeanne Reese

Aaron Reimer

Benjamin Reimer

Cordelia Reimer

Michigan

Rosetta Lind

Margie Neilson

Quenda Story

Roger Williams

Minnesota

Laurens Blankers

Willa Mae Cott-Meissel

August Golden

Walter Graff

Rosetta Gregoire

Robert Stevens

Leonard Tuma

Mississippi

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Esther Mann

Nancy Slaughter

Missouri

* Becky Browne

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Joyce Chu Howe

Leila Roberson

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John Dexter

John Deyter

Paul Dunn

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David Eye

Rebecca Ferris

Roy Finamore

Lucy Heyerman

Helen Janora

Phil Johnson

Dan Milner

Lila Anne Mitchell

Daniel Nicholich

Réidín O'Flynn

Beatrice Rech

Richard Rosenbloom

Daniel Stewart

Jon Werberg

Peter Wilson

Ann Zeller

North Carolina

Tim Aldrich

Larry Baumgardner

Tommy Bratton

Zoe Clay

Brad Farmer

* Lydia L Lewallen

Harry Mamlin

Lara Nguyen

Fred Park

Ruth Partain

David Wilson

Ohio

Connie Crabtree
 Prudy Duff
 Anthony Erfe
 Jerry Harpst
 Dorothy Landskroener
 Audrey McLain
 Kenneth Russell
 Laura Weber

Oklahoma

Paul Melton

Oregon

Carol Basch
 Dean Coppage
 Vida Lee Edera
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Tennessee

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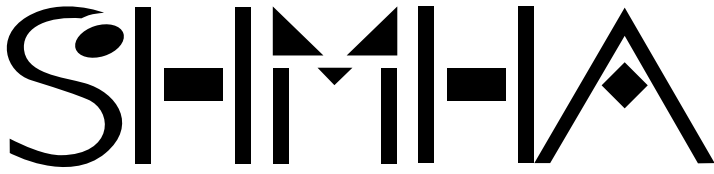
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