



Sacred Harp Sings

2018 & 2019

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Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association

The Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization whose purpose is the perpetuation and preservation of Sacred Harp singing and its traditions. SHMHA's interests include singing schools, singings/conventions, traditional singing practices, and the history and traditions of Sacred Harp. SHMHA publishes the *Directory and Minutes of Sacred Harp Singings*, sponsors Camp Fasola, hosts the <http://fasola.org> web site, and facilitates other projects to promote Sacred Harp singing. SHMHA's annual meeting takes place on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in November.

The Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association is delegated the responsibility for the publication, printing, and distribution of the *Directory and Minutes of Sacred Harp Singings* by the Alabama State Sacred Harp Convention. This publication has an annual circulation of more than 3,000 to singers across the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Europe and Australia.

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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 46.
- **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 4.
- **Payment** Each singing must pay a fee to appear in the minutes and receive 10 copies of the minutes book per singing day. Minutes sent without payment will not appear in the book.
- **Fees** \$45 per singing day to have books mailed within the USA
-or- \$30 per singing day if you will pick up the books in person
-or- \$15 per singing day if you prefer not to receive books.
- **Check Payable to:** **Sacred Harp Minutes**
Mail to: Judy Caudle
1821 Gum Pond Rd., Eva, AL 35621

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, names & addresses, birthdays, 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.

2019 CALENDAR

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SACRED HARP SINGINGS

2019 DIRECTORY

ANNUAL SINGINGS

✦ This symbol indicates that directions to the singing are found on page 44. Fifth Sunday singings are included here by their dates, and, in addition, are listed in a separate section starting on page 28, with explanations of the formulas for determining their dates. Regular local singings are listed in a separate section starting on page 29.

January

First Sunday and Saturday before

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

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

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

Tue., 1st—Dominic Ciavonne Ziegler Memorial Singing—Old Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California—Info: Lindy Groening

Sun., 6th—Shady Grove Annual Singing—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Winston County, Alabama—The first Sunday of each year ✦

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 12th—The Chicago Winter Singing Workshops—Berry United Methodist Church, 4754 N Leavitt, Chicago, Illinois—12:40 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.—

Info: chicagosingings.org

Sat., 12th—Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley Memorial Singing—Pleasant Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—6:00 p.m.—Saturday night before the second Sunday in January ✦

Sun., 13th—Uncle Jack Kerr and Henry Kerr Memorial—Camp Ground Methodist Church, 24581 County Road 49, Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m. CT—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., 13th—Anniversary Singing—Kilbourn Park Fieldhouse, 3501 N Kilbourn Ave, Chicago, Illinois 60641—9:30 a.m.—Info: Terry Cunningham

Sun., 13th—Helms-Bayne Memorial—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Tommie Spurlock or Stanley Smith

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 19th—Auburn Sacred Harp Singing—First Presbyterian Church of Auburn, 148 E. Thach, Baird Hall, Auburn, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Robert Chambless

Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th—All-California Sacred Harp Convention—Convention rotates: San Diego (2019); Los Angeles (2020); San Francisco (2021)—9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—Info: Laura Boyd Russell (Los Angeles), Lindy Groening (San Francisco) and Mairye Bates (San Diego)

Sun., 20th—Creel Memorial Christian Harmony Singing—Old County Line Church, near Corner, (Jefferson County), Alabama—9:30 a.m. +

Sun., 20th—Faircloth Memorial—Union Hill Singing Hall, Hwy 177, 9 miles from Hwy 79, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—*Cooper Book*—Info: Aubrey Barfield

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 26th—William J. Reynolds Sacred Harp Singing—Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Cowden Hall—Fort Worth, (Tarrant County), Texas—Dutch Treat—Last Saturday in January—Info: Timothy Studstill

Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th—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: Bill Hogan

Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th—Keystone Convention—10:00 a.m.—Info: Nancy Tkacs, ntkacs@gmail.com

Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th—Australian Convention—Gerringong—Info: sacredharpastralia.com

February

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 2nd—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 \$5.00 donation—Info: Bill Hogan / Joey Brackner

Sun., 3rd—Burnham and Brown Memorial—Wesley Foundation, Jacksonville (Calhoun County), Alabama—9:00 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: Pearl Guier

Sun., 3rd—Central Music Convention—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Wayne Jones

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 9th—Minnesota State Midwinter Singing—Location to be announced—9:30 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: Matt Wells or fasolamatt@yahoo.com

Sat., 9th—Baylor University Singing—Truett Seminary Great Hall, Baylor U, Waco, Texas—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: David Music

Sat., 9th—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., 9th—Sanders Memorial—Liberty Church (McCormick), Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Danny Creel +

Sat., 9th—Emory University—Cannon Chapel, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Info: John Plunkett or atlantasacredharp.org

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

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 16th—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: www.chicagosingsings.org

Sat., 16th—Alabama Collegiate Singing—Location to be announced, Tuscaloosa, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Scott Ivey or Stephen Smith

Sat., 16th—Panhandle Pioneer Museum—Blountstown, Florida—*Cooper Book*—Info: Russ Scholz

Sat., 16th & Sun., 17th—Pacific Northwest Convention—Ballard Homestead, Seattle, Washington—9:30 a.m.—Singing school and singing on Saturday, and all day singing on Sunday—Info: Kate Coxon or chair@pacificnwsacredharpsingers.org

Sun., 17th—State University of West Georgia Singing—Food Service Building (Z-6), 1061 Maple St, Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—

Info: Nathan Rees, Philip Denney

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 23rd—J.L. White Sacred Harp/Eclectic Harmony I and II—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—3965 Glenwood Road—Info: John Plunkett or Laura Akerman +

Sat., 23rd—South Yorkshire Sacred Harp Singing Day—Wood Lane Countryside Centre, Wood Lane, Stannington, Sheffield, United Kingdom—10:30 a.m.—

Info: David D. Elliott

Sat., 23rd—Troy All-Day Singing—Pioneer Museum, Troy, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—North of Troy on west side of Hwy 231—Info: Ken S. Sundberg

Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th—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: Mike Hinton, Janie Short

Sun., 24th—University of Georgia—Visitor Center, Botanical Gardens, Athens, Clarke County, Ga.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/The Social Harp*—Turn right at intersection of Highway 129 and 441 (Milledge Avenue Extension)—Go 1 mile to Botanical Garden sign—Turn right—Info: John Garst

March

First Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 1st - Sun., 3rd—Ireland Sacred Harp Convention—Cork, Ireland—Friday evening singing school, Sat, Sun: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—

Info: www.corksacredharp.com/convention

Sat., 2nd—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church—Thomaston (Upson County), Georgia—From the courthouse square in Thomaston, go west on Georgia Alternate Highway 74. Go 0.7 miles and turn right on Hannahs Mill Road, then immediately turn left on Emmaus Church Road. At stop sign, turn left. Church is on the right.—Saturday before the first Sunday in March

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*

Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd—Ohio State Convention—Convention usually alternates between Dayton (2019), Cincinnati (2020), Columbus (2021). Location to be announced.—Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—Sunday 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—

—Convention usually alternates between Dayton, Cincinnati, Columbus—First Sunday and Saturday before in March—Info: <http://ohiosacredharp.ej345.com> or John Bealle

Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd—Elder Gerald Hand Memorial and Tucson Singing—rotates between Las Cruces, New Mexico (2019) and Tucson, Arizona (2020)—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Paige Winslett

Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd—North Carolina Sacred Harp Convention—Saturday-Pullen Memorial Baptist Chapel, 1801 Hillsborough St., Raleigh, NC 27605. Sunday-Old Murphey School, 3717 Murphey School Rd, Durham, NC 27705—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Shenandoah Harmony*—Info: Lynda Hambourger or ncshapenote.org

Sun., 3rd—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers Memorial—Ephesus School Auditorium, Ephesus (Heard County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—On Georgia Hwy. 100—Info: Karen Rollins

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 9th—Smith Memorial Singing—New Harmony Community Center, Smith County, Texas—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book* and *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Northwest of Tyler on Farmers Market Rd. 724 in the New Harmony community—Between State Hwy. 64 and 110—Info: Gaylon Powell

Sat., 9th—Olympia All-Day Singing—Olympia, Washington—Info: Marla Beth Elliott

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: Wayne Jones, Tim Jones

Sat., 9th—Union Primitive Baptist Church Singing—Union Primitive Baptist Church, Temple, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—From I-20, take exit 24 to Hwy 101 North. Continue to three way stop and turn left. Go approximately 7.3 miles. Take Union Church Rd on left immediately past Union Elementary School (school address is 206 GA-101, Temple, GA 30179). Road dead ends into parking lot.—Info: Samuel Williams, samuelppectrum@gmail.com

Sat., 9th—Sussex Shape Note Singing—Staplefield Village Hall, Crawley, West Sussex, UK—Info: Tony Singleton/Jill Thompson

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

Sat., 9th & Sun., 10th—Missouri State Convention—St. John's United Church of Christ—9:30 a.m.—Pinckney, Missouri—11.5 miles west of Marthasville, on Hwy. 94—Info: Karen Isbell or Becky Browne or Paul Figura

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—Oxford Singing—Powerhouse Community Arts Center, University Ave. at South 14th Street, Oxford, Lafayette County, Mississippi—9:45 a.m.—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—6:00 p.m. +

Sun., 17th—Godsey Sisters and Sandra Spradlin Memorial (Leona Horton, Maude Adams, Delia Watts, and Mina Adams)—The Log House, 277 Cagle Road, Double Springs, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Hwy 278W to Double Springs, Alabama. Turn right onto Hwy 33 and go to caution light. Turn right and go past the school. Turn right onto Cagle Road.—Info: Margaret Keeton

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 23rd—Higher Ground Singing—United Campus Ministries, 321 N 7th Street, Terre Haute, Indiana—10:00 a.m.—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: Mark Clague

Sat., 23rd—Pittsburgh Regional All-Day Singing—Crossroads Presbyterian Church, 2310 Haymaker Road, Monroeville, Pennsylvania 15146—Info: Gerald Hoffman or Penny Anderson

Sat., 23rd—Vermont All-Day Singing—Old Labor Hall, 36 Granite Street, Barre, Vermont—Info: vtshapenotsingers.com or Dan Coppock

Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th—Georgia State Convention—Lyndon House Arts Center, 211 Hoyt Street, Athens, Georgia 30601—9:30 a.m.—Info: Michael Spencer

Sun., 24th—Tom Woodham-Ezzie Hertzog Memorial—Union Hill Singing Hall, Hwy 177, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—*Cooper Book*—Info: Russ Scholz

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 30th—Georgian Harmony Singing—Roberta Civic Center, South Matthews St., Roberta, Georgia—Info: John Plunkett

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 +

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: Tom Owen

Sun., 31st—Ivey Memorial—Liberty Church, Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—First fifth Sunday of year—Info: David Ivey or Rodney Ivey +

Sun., 31st—Old Chicora (Hillsborough County) Singing—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Road, Lithia, Florida 33547—10:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—Info: Skylar Strickland or Janice Clenney +

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: Wayne Jones

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: Tim Reynolds

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: Gaylon Powell

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—East Sussex, United Kingdom—Info: Guy Hayes or Sarah Hill

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

Sat., 6th & Sun., 7th—Potomac River Convention—The Great Falls Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, Virginia 22066—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Shenandoah Harmony*—First weekend in April.—Info: Matt Roberts, saotomesan@yahoo.com

Sun., 7th—Hugh Bill McGuire Memorial—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, Calhoun County, Mississippi—Hwy. 9—one mile north of Bruce—Church is on the right

Sun., 7th—Edwardsville Baptist Church—Edwardsville (Cleburne County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Six miles east of Heflin—Just off U.S. Hwy. 78

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. CT—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: Aubrey Barfield, taubrey1@cox.net

Sat., 13th—Paris Singing—Centre 72, 72 rue Victor Hugo, 92270 Colombes, France—Info: leopoldine.guillaume@gmail.com

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. +

Sun., 14th—Palm Sunday Singing—Cumnor Village Hall, Leys Road, Oxford, United Kingdom—10:30 a.m.—Palm Sunday—Info: Mandy Townsend

Third Sunday and Saturday before

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

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: risacredharp.org

Sat., 20th—Sharon Jordan Leach Memorial Singing—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Marshall County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—2237 Guntersville Road, Arab, Alabama—2 miles east of Arab—off Ala. Hwy 69, follow signs

Sat., 20th—Jackson, Tennessee Singing—Casey Jones Village, 56 Casey Jones Lane, Jackson, Tennessee—10:00 a.m.—Just south of I-40 at Exit 80A—Info: Michael Penney

Sun., 21st—Easter Sunday

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 W. Philadelphia St, York, Pennsylvania—Info: Lamar Matthew or Erin Kelly

Sat., 27th—Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church Singing—Frisco City, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: Tim Taylor

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—Rock Spring Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, 1824 Piedmont Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30324—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—GPS--33.804629, -84.368311—Info: 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 & 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: Robert Vaughn or Gaylon Powell

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: Ian West

Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th—Bob Meek Memorial/Harrods Creek Shape Note Convention—Harrods Creek Baptist Church, Brownsboro, Kentucky—9:30

a.m.-3:30 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition, Southern Harmony, and Cooper Book*—Take I-71 North—Go to exit 14—Turn left—Go 1.5 miles past Christian Church on right—Church will be on left—From Louisville—Held on the weekend before the first Saturday in May (because of Derby weekend).—Info: Michele Cull
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. CT with Lunch 12:00 noon CT—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
Sun., 28th—Alabama State Cooper Book Convention—Traveler’s Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—Semi-Annual Session—Info: Victoria Aplin

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 Ivey
Sat., 4th—Northwest Arkansas Convention—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—Augusta Sacred Harp Singing—Augusta Old Line Primitive Baptist Church, Martinez, Georgia—Info: Diane Goldman
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: Thom Farhbach, 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: Tommie Spurlock or Stanley Smith
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 +
Tue., 7th—Coffee Springs Singing—Senior Citizens Building, Coffee Springs, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—First Tuesday in May each year

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 11th—Memphis Singing—Grace Chapel Primitive Baptist Church, 838 Berclair Road, Memphis, Tennessee—Info: Matt Bell
Sat., 11th—Furman University Sacred Harp/Christian Harmony Singing—Herring Pavilion, Furman Campus, Greenville, South Carolina
Sat., 11th—Boston Singing—St. Paul’s Episcopal, 15 St. Paul St., Brookline, Massachusetts—10:00 a.m.—Info: www.bostonsacredharp.org
Sat., 11th—Mid-Michigan Singing—Faith Lutheran Church, Okemos, Michigan—Info: Bob Borcharding/Anne Missavage
Sat., 11th—Bristol Singing—Frenchay Quaker Meeting House, Beckspool Road, Bristol, UK—10:30 a.m.—Info: bristolsacredharp.org
Sat., 11th—J.W. Bassett Memorial and Stockholders Meeting—Traveler’s Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Tommie Spurlock or Wayne Jones

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 18th—Los Angeles Regional Singing—Angels Gate Cultural Center, Building H, San Pedro, California—Info: homepage.smc.edu/russell_richard/fasola/

Sat., 18th—Mentone Rhododendron Festival Singing—St. Joseph's Church, Mentone, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Susan Cherones

Sat., 18th—Kenneth Fannin Memorial and 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

Sat., 18th—Goodshaw Sacred Harp Singing—Goodshaw Baptist Church, Chapel Street, Goodshaw, Rossendale, Lancashire, UK—10:30 a.m.—Info: Chris Brown/Judy Whiting

Sat., 18th—Piney Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Headland, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Hwy 173, 2 miles north of Headland—Info: Kathy Folsom

Sat., 18th—Washington Singing—Washington United Methodist Church, Washington, Arkansas—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *Cooper Book*—Info: P. Dan Brittain, Gaylon Powell

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

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—Mount Pisgah Singing Society—31040 US Hwy 431, Five Points, Chambers County, Alabama 36855—9:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—14 miles north of Lafayette and 7 miles south of Roanoke on U.S. Hwy. 431 at Stroud

Sat., 25th—The Piccolo Spoleto Singing—Charleston, South Carolina—10:00 a.m.—Gage Hall, 4 Archdale Street—Info: Michael Walker

Sat., 25th—Gum Pond Singing—Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, 2086 Gum Pond Rd., Eva, (Morgan County), Alabama—9:45 a.m.—Singing moved from Sunday—Info: Judy Caudle +

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

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, Location to be announced—10:30 a.m.—Info: Dominik Fraune, dominikfraune@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: Tim Reynolds

Sun., 26th—Rocky Mount Homecoming/Hillabee Sacred Harp Convention—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Daviston, Tallapoosa County, Alabama +

Sun., 26th—Beda Church Singing—*Cooper Book*—20 miles southwest of Andalusia, Alabama, on Hwy 137 north of Wing, Alabama—Info: Ken Kelley

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: John Plunkett

June

First Sunday and Saturday before

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: Chip Westbrook

Sat., 1st—Newcastle upon Tyne Singing—St. Bartholomew's Church Hall, Station Road, Benton, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom—10:00 a.m.—Singing held on Saturday following the last Monday in May—Info: Phil and Cath Tyler

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: John delRe or Kelly Macklin

Sat., 1st & Sun., 2nd—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—Uranienborgveien 2 (Yellow house behind the castle), Oslo, Norway—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: Camilla Marie Widholm or Oskar Kvasnes

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, Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: David Ivey +

Sun., 2nd—Homecoming Singing—Shady Hill Church, Andalusia, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Edd Bass

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 8th—Albany NY All-Day Singing—Old Songs Center, 37 S. Main St., Voorheesville, NY 12186—10:00 a.m.—Info: Tarik Wareh, albanysharps.org

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

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

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, Bridgett Kennedy, or Joan Aldridge +

Sun., 9th - Thu., 13th—Camp Fasola, Adult Session—Camp McDowell, Double Springs, Alabama—Registration on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Camp Ends Thursday at 8:30 a.m. Community Singing (all are invited) on Wed., June 12th, 7:00 p.m.—Info: David Ivey <http://fasola.org/camp>

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Thu., 13th - Sat., 15th—National Sacred Harp Singing Convention—Birmingham Square Dance Association, Friendship Hall, Fultondale, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: 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—Exeter All Day Singing—Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, Exeter Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania—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 third Sunday in June—Info: Ted Stokes

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—Leeds All-Day Singing—South Parade Baptist Church, Kirkstall Lane, Headingley, Leeds, UK—Info: Arja and John Copperwheat

Sat., 15th—Clermont-Ferrand Singing—Location to be announced, Paris, France—Friday night Singing School; Saturday Singing; Sunday informal singing lunch—Info: Frederic Eymard, frederic.eynard@gmail.com

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: Robert Vaughn

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: Ken Kelley

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 22nd—Salem United Methodist Church Singing—Near Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—On Alabama Highway 9 between Cedar Bluff,

Alabama and the Georgia state line—7 miles from Cedar Bluff and 1 mile from the Georgia line—Info: Henry Johnson

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

Sat., 22nd—Oxford Sacred Harp Singing—Women's Institute Hall, Botley, Oxford, England—10:00 a.m.—Info: Edwin/Sheila Macadam

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—Alabama Bicentennial Sacred Harp Singing—Venue TBA, Birmingham, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—1991 Edition—Info: David Ivey

Sun., 30th—Old Chicora, (Hillsborough County)—Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church, 17385 Bethlehem Rd, Lithia, Florida 33547—*Cooper Book*—Fifth Sundays—Info: Skylar Strickland or Janice Clenney +

July

First Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 1st—Independence Day Singing—Camp Lee, Lakeview Lodge, Anniston, Alabama—9:00 a.m. CT—from I20, exit 188, turn north to Choccolocco Road turn right, go 2.2 mi. Sign for camp on the left—Lunch is Dutch Treat \$8.00 each

Mon., 1st - Fri., 5th—Camp Fasola (Youth Session)—Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama—Community Singing (all are invited) on Thurs., July 4th, 7:00 p.m.—Camp ends Friday July 5th at 9:00 a.m.—Info: David Ivey / <http://fasola.org/> camp

Thu., 4th—Independence Day

Thu., 4th, Fri., 5th & Sat., 6th—Mountain View Shape Note Gathering—Thursday evening-The Ozark Folk Center State Park Auditorium (Introduction). Friday-Ozark Folk Center White Oak Theater Stage (Singing and Teaching Seminar). Saturday-Old Mountain View High School, Mountain View, Arkansas (Singing from The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition, Missouri Harmony, and Christian Harmony).—Held on Thursday evening, Friday, and Saturday following July 4—Info: Dan Brittain, Gaylon Powell

Sat., 6th—Pioneer Valley Singing—First Congregational Church Chapel, Sunderland, Massachusetts—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Info: www.wmsmc.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.—Info: Rachel Jordan

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

Second Sunday and Saturday before

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—Edinburgh—singing will rotate between Edinburgh and Glasgow—Info: shapenotesscotland@gmail.com

Sat., 13th & Sun., 14th—Cullman County Singing Convention—Cullman County Courthouse, Cullman, Alabama—9:30 a.m.

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* +

Sun., 14th—Rutherford Memorial—Union Hill Singing Hall, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—*Cooper Book*—Info: Russ Scholz

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—Info: Joey Brackner

Fri., 19th & Sat., 20th—Quebec Convention—Friday, St. Georges Anglican Church, Lennoxville, Quebec. Saturday, Ways Mills Community Hall, Barnston-Quest, Quebec.—Friday evening 7-9 p.m. and Saturday 10:00 a.m.—Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in July—Info: Chuck Neville

Sat., 20th—Walker County Convention—Boldo United Methodist Church, 55 Gray Street, Boldo, Alabama 35504—Info: Glenn Keeton

Sat., 20th—Spivey Hall Singing—Spivey Hall, Clayton College and State University, Morrow, Georgia

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 & Sun., 21st—Rocky Mountain Convention—Colorado Session, Highland Recreation Center, 2880 Oseola St., Denver, Colorado 80212.—9:00 a.m.—Saturday, *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, Sunday, *Cooper Book*—Third Sunday and Saturday before in July—Info: Corrie Van Duzer

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: bristolsacredharp.org

Sun., 21st—Kalamazoo Singing—Oshtemo Grange Hall, 3234 North 3rd Street, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49006—9:30 a.m. EDT—Located at the northeast corner of 3rd Street and H Avenue, northwest of Kalamazoo—Info: Bill/Martha Beverly

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.

Sun., 21st—The Singing At Muscadine—Muscadine Methodist Church, Corner of County Road 267 and County Road 49, Muscadine, Alabama 36269—9:30 a.m.—
Info: Cecil Roberts +

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 26th, Sat., 27th & 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: maineshapenotesinging.org

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

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: Sarah Kehrberg

Sun., 28th—Mt. Zion Memorial—Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Mt. Zion (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—8.5 miles west of Carrollton on Hwy. 16—Behind school

August

First Sunday and Saturday before

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

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

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: John Plunkett

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: Billy Kelley

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 10th—Calhoun County Convention—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, Highway 9, one mile north of Bruce, Mississippi—9:30 a.m.—church is on the right.

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: chicagosingings.org

Sat., 10th—Winchester Singing—Winchester, United Kingdom—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: 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: Robert Vaughn

Third Sunday and Saturday before

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

Sat., 17th—B.M. Smith Memorial Singing—Rome-Midway Primitive Baptist Church, 5585 Martha Berry Hwy, NE, Armuchee, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Eight miles north of Rome on US 27—Info: Hayden Arp

Sat., 17th—Central New Jersey Singing (formerly Princeton All-Day Singing)—Reformed Church of Highland Park, 19 S. 2nd Ave., Highland Park, New Jersey—Info: Leon Pulsinelle

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

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

Sun., 18th—Cleburne County Convention—Edwardsville Baptist Church, Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Cecil Roberts

Sun., 18th—Emma Beasley, Belton Beasley, and Phillip Lee, III Memorial—Concord Primitive Baptist 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: Dan Harper

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

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: Pleasance Crawford, Jan May or Frank Griggs. Also 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: Ted Stokes

Sat., 31st—Covington County Convention—Pleasant Home Baptist Church, County Road 14 (Eagle Road), Andalusia, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Singing held at various locations—Info: Wayne Jones

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

Sun., 1st—Clear Creek West Convention/Mulberry River Convention—County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Convention held in even years at Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson Schoolhouse), Fayette County, Alabama +, and in odd years at County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama +—Info: Danny Creel or Elene Stovall +

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

Sun., 1st—Haynes Creek Church—Rockdale County, Georgia—10 miles north of Conyers on state Hwy. 20—Turn left on Rosebud Road, approximately 3 miles, church is on left.

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Mon., 2nd—Labor Day

Mon., 2nd—Labor Day—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 or Virginia Dyer

Sat., 7th—Cooper Book Singing—Little Flock Church, 3218 Molino Road, Molino, Florida—1.5 miles West of US Hwy. 29—Info: Hubert Nall

Sat., 7th—Greenville-Pioneer Day Sacred Harp Singing—The Church of Greenville, 212 E. Standing Springs Rd., Simpsonville, SC 29680—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—1991 Edition—Saturday before the Second Sunday in September—Info: Leon Carnell

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

Sat., 7th—Rivanna River Sacred Harp Singing—Friends Meeting House, 1104 Forest St., Charlottesville, Virginia—10:00 a.m.—Info: john@virginia.edu

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—United Sacred Harp Musical Association (United Sacred Harp Singing Convention)—Performing Arts Studio, Emory University, 1804 North Decatur Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30322—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—

Info: Nathan Rees/Lela Crowder/Phillip Langley/Jesse P. Karlsberg/Angela Myers

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—Sacred Harp Workshop and Singing—Uppsala, Sweden—Info: Zack Lindahl

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 14th—New York City All Day Singing—Location TBA—9:30 a.m.—Info: Aldo Ceresa

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

Sat., 14th—Illinois State Convention—Texas Christian Church between Clinton and Decatur, Illinois—Saturday before the third Sunday in September—Info: Mark Graber or Terry Hogg

Sat., 14th—Middle Creek Convention—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Tommie Spurlock or Stanley Smith

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, Bristol, UK—Info: www.ukshc.org

Sun., 15th—Cornelius Benjamin Keeton and Travis Keeton Memorial Singing—Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery), 141 Keeton Lane, Nauvoo, Walker County, Alabama—10:00 a.m. +

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: John Plunkett or Sandra Wilkinson +

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

Sat., 21st—Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church—2086 Gum Pond Rd., Eva, Morgan County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—Info: Judy Caudle +

Sat., 21st—West Florida Convention—Union Hill Singing Hall—*Cooper Book*—Hwy 177, 9 miles from Hwy 79, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—Info: Aubrey Barfield, taubrey1@cox.net

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—Union Baptist Church, 3351 Warrior Jasper Road, Warrior, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—I-65 to exit 282—Church is 7.6 miles west on Warrior-Jasper Road (approximately 5 miles east of Hwy 78—Info: Emily Creel

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

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

Sun., 22nd—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church Singing—This singing will not be held in 2019, but will return to the fourth Sunday in September in 2020. See fifth Sunday in September.

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 28th—Mountain Heritage Day Singing—Administration Building, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee (Jackson County), North Carolina—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Christian Harmony*—Always the last Saturday in September—Info: Michael Nichols, mrmichol@frontier.com

Sat., 28th—Young People's Singing—Cathedral Church of St. Mark, 231 E 100 S, Salt Lake City, Utah—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Evelyn Lamb

Sat., 28th & Sun., 29th—Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—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.—First Fifth Sunday and Saturday before after Labor Day—Info: Helen Bryson, Nathan Rees

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

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: Skylar Strickland, skyamir89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@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—Vancouver All-Day Singing—Grandview Calvary Baptist Church, Vancouver, British Columbia—Info: Kevin Beirne

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

Sun., 6th—South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention—Liberty Hill Community House, Lamar County, Georgia—Info: Oscar McGuire

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—Sydney All-Day Singing—Location to be Announced, Sydney, Australia—Info: sacredharpaustralia.com

Sat., 12th—Tallahassee Singing—Tallahassee Museum of History and Natural Science, Tallahassee, Florida—9:30 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: Alice/Tor Bejnar

Sat., 12th—Savannah All Day Singing—Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church, 50 Diamond Causeway, Savannah, Georgia—Saturday before the second Sunday—Info: Gene Pinion

Sat., 12th—Columbia Singing—Dripping Springs Christian Church, 2701 Dripping Springs Rd., Columbia, Missouri—Info: Wendy Hofmann or Lou/Penny Kujawinski

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: Gerald Hoffman

Sat., 12th—Duluth Singing—St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1710 E Superior Street, Duluth, Minnesota—10:00 a.m.—Info: Bonnie Ambrosi

Sun., 13th—Albright, Cates, Brown, and Sheppard Memorial—Muscadine Methodist Church, Muscadine (Cleburne County), Alabama—10:00 a.m. CT—Take

U.S. Hwy. 78 to Muscadine—Turn south on County Road 49—Go 1 mile—Church on right. +

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 19th—Tri-State Convention—Location to be Announced: (Florida 2019), (Alabama 2020), (Georgia 2021)—9:00 a.m.—*Cooper Book*—Info: Aubrey Barfield, Morgan Bunch, Mary Whitehurst, Russ Scholz

Sat., 19th—Tennessee State Sacred Harp Singing—Nashville, Tennessee—9:30 a.m.—Info: Ron Harper or Justin Bowen

Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th—New York State Convention—Ithaca, New York—Third Sunday and Saturday before in October—Info: Thom Metzger

Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th—Pacific Northwest Convention, Oregon—Location to be announced—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: Linda Berkemeier, Thom Fahrback

Sun., 20th—Andrew's Chapel—Upson County, Georgia—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.

Sun., 20th—Reid Memorial Singing—County Line Church, Jefferson County, Alabama +

Sun., 20th—Rhodes Memorial—Darien Church, Luverne, Alabama—*Cooper Book*

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—Northlake Church of Christ, 1625 Cooledge Rd, Tucker, Georgia 30084—10:00 a.m.—Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Info: Jim Neal, Kelly Morris, Laura Akerman

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—Bloomington All-Day Singing—Fairview Methodist Church, 600 West 6th St, Bloomington, Indiana—10:00 a.m.—Info: John Hoerr or William Shetter

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—Spring Hill Convention—Union Hill Singing Hall, Millers Crossroads, Bonifay, Florida—*Cooper Book*—Info: Aubrey Barfield

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*—Info: Michael Walker

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

November

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 2nd—Little Hope Primitive Baptist Church—Near Huntington, Angelina County, Texas—*Cooper Book*—4 miles on Farm to Market Road 1669 out of Huntington—Info: Burl Russell

Sat., 2nd—Velton Chafin Birthday Singing—Liberty Church (McCormick), Sumiton, Jefferson County, Alabama—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book*—Info: Velton 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—Info: Philip Denney

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: www.chicagosings.org

Sat., 2nd—Sadsbury Cooper Book Singing—Old Sadsbury Friends Meeting House, Christiana, Pennsylvania—Info: Laura Densmore

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

Sun., 3rd—New Hope at Mt. Ebron Church Singing—New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Near Double Springs, Winston County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—3 miles west of Double Springs on Hwy. 25—Double Springs to Lynn—Info: Richard Mauldin

Sun., 3rd—Southeast Convention—Pleasant Grove (Carroll Church), Ozark, Alabama—*Cooper Book*—Info: Tommie Spurlock or Stanley Smith

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 9th—Sally 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: Patrick Coghlan

Sat., 9th—Johnny Lee and Kelly Day Memorial Cooper Book Singing—2403 W 300 N, Camden, Indiana 46917—The building is located at the top of the hill on the north side of the road.—Saturday before the second Sunday in November—Info: Brad Bahler

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

Sat., 9th—Dallas County Singing—Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church, 9027 Midway Rd, Dallas, Texas 75209—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: Donald Ross

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

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: Sally Langendorf or Joanne Fuller

Sun., 10th—Calhoun County Convention and Boiling Springs Convention at Oak Hill Baptist Church—County Line Road, near Lindy Ln, Oxford, Calhoun County, Alabama GPS: 33.585483, -85.815972—9:30 a.m.—Get on Hwy. 21 South in

Oxford—Go under I-20—Take left at light onto Friendship Road—Cross 3 bridges to traffic light—Turn right onto Cheaha Drive—Go 5/6 blocks—Turn left onto County Line Road—Church on right—Info: Cecil Roberts

Sun., 10th—The Cooper Book Convention—Traveler's Rest Church, Samson, Alabama—Info: Wayne Jones

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 16th—Tri-County Sacred Harp Singing—Wetumpka Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 100 W Bridge St, Wetumpka, Alabama 36092—9:30 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book*—Info: Bill Hogan

Sat., 16th—West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day—West Lane Methodist Chapel, Haworth, United Kingdom—Info: Chris Brown/Judy Whiting

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

Sat., 16th—Northeast Kansas Singing—The White Schoolhouse, 1510 North 3rd Street, Lawrence, Kansas—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Missouri Harmony*—Info: info@kawshapenote.org

Sat., 16th—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen, Carroll County, Georgia—7:00 p.m.—Saturday night before the third Sunday in November—Info: Cecil Roberts +

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: Sheila/Edwin Macadam

Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th—Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Convention—Jefferson State Community College, 2601 Carson Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35215—9:00 a.m. Saturday and 9:30 a.m. Sunday—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Eugene Fitzgerald Student Center (Jefferson Campus)—Info: David Ivey

Sat., 23rd—Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA) Annual Meeting—Jefferson State Community College, Eugene Fitzgerald Student Center (Jefferson Campus), 2601 Carson Road, Birmingham, Alabama—2:00 p.m.—Meeting follows Saturday singing session—Info: David Ivey, David@DavidIvey.com or 256-258-8660

Wed., 27th—Cornucopia All-Night Singing—Princeton, New Jersey—Info: Jeff Gauthier

Thu., 28th—Thanksgiving Day

December

First Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 30th—Sacred Harp Singing—Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, 4930 West Bellfort Avenue, Houston, Texas—10:00 a.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book*—Info: Linda Siemers or www.texasfasola.org

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: Daniel Hunter

Sat., 30th & Sun., 1st—Florida State Sacred Harp Convention—Holiday Inn, 2001 Cove Boulevard, Panama City, Florida—*Cooper Book*—For reservations call 850.769.0000

Sat., 30th & Sun., 1st—Georgia State Christian Harmony Convention—Number 3 Railroad Street Community Center, Arnoldsville, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—*Christian Harmony*—Info: Mike Spencer or John Plunkett

Second Sunday and Saturday before

Sat., 7th & Sun., 8th—Joseph Jackson Beasley Memorial—Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield (Marion County), Alabama—Info: John Beasley +

Third Sunday and Saturday before

Sun., 15th—(No listings)

Fourth Sunday and Saturday before

Sun., 22nd—(No listings)

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

Fifth Sunday and Saturday before

Fri., 27th, 5:30 p.m.—Barrett’s Singing—Patton Home, Henagar, Alabama—
Info: Barrett Patton

Sat., 28th—(No listings)

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: Skylar Strickland, skyami89@gmail.com or Janice Clenney, jerilclenney@gmail.com +

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

Tue., 31st, 6:00 p.m.—New Year’s Eve Singing—Hollingsworth Home, Ila, Georgia—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Christian Harmony*—Info: John Hollingsworth

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

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—Salt Lake City, Utah Location to be announced—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 +

Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention—Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church, north of Bowdon, Georgia—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before, after Labor Day—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*—Info: John Plunkett, Helen Bryson
Southwest Texas Convention, Fall Session—Jarrell, Texas—Last fifth Sunday before Thanksgiving—*Cooper Book*

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, Heritage Room—19th Street and 11th Avenue South, near Five Points—Info: Elene Stovall / Hubert Nall

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

Ft. Payne: Last Tuesday night of each month, March through October—6:30 p.m.—Senior Center (Council on Aging building)—600 Tyler Avenue, South—From I-59, take exit #218 (Hwy. 35)—Take Hwy. 35 to U.S. Hwy. 11 (Gault Avenue)—Turn east on 8th Street, South (at O'Reilly's Auto Parts). Proceed to Tyler Avenue and turn left. The building is 2 blocks on the left.

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 4, April 1, August 5, and November 4—7:00 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

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.

Jasper: Saturday night before the third Sunday in March—Boldo Memorial Singing—*1991 Edition:* —Stephenson and Wall Memorial—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Five miles east of Jasper—Hwy. 69.

Montgomery: Third Tuesday (except July, November and December)—5:30-7:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition and Cooper Revision and Christian Harmony:* —Capitol Heights United Methodist Church, 2000 Winona Ave., Montgomery 366107—Info: Bill Hogan

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: Second Friday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—345 L Street, Davis, CA 95616—Info: Matthew Lawson, mmlawson@ucdavis.edu

Healdsburg: First Sundays—1:00-3:00—Old Felta Schoolhouse, 1034 Felta Rd.—Info: Mary Anne Ciavonne, ciavonne@sonic.net

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 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—Info: Laura Boyd Russell

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

Monterey: Third Sunday—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Info: Michael Armstrong or Jack and Kathy Herbig

Sacramento: Fourth Wednesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—2376 Zinfandel Dr., Rancho Cordova, 95670—Info: Pat Coghlan, coghlanstuff@sbcglobal.net

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

San Francisco: First Thursdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Ingleside Library, 1298 Ocean Ave (after hours entrance on right)—Info: Leigh Cooper

San Francisco Bay (Peninsula/South Bay): Second and Fourth Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Unitarian Universalist Church, 505 E. Charleston Rd. Palo Alto—Info: Terry Moore

San Francisco Bay Area-University of California/Berkeley: Every Monday—7:30-9:30 p.m.—location near UC Berkeley Campus—Info: Lindy Groening

Santa Barbara: First Saturday of each month—7:30-10:00 p.m.—808 California Street—Call in advance to confirm—Info: Tom/Victoria Ostwald

Santa Cruz: Second and fourth Thursday—7:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Edward Rice

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 Fridays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—First Congregational Church, 1128 Pine St.—Info: stephanie.fida@gmail.com or sacredharpcolorado.org

Colorado Springs: Second Sunday—1:30-3:30 p.m.—Shove Chapel, Colorado College Campus, 1010 N. Nevada Ave.—Info: marymargaretalvarado@yahoo.com

Denver: All Mondays except first—6:30-9:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition, Norumbega, Cooper, and Christmas Harp in season*: —Alternates between St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 2015 Glenarm Place and First Baptist Church, 1373 Grant Street—Info: Sharon Kermiet

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

Downtown: Third Tuesday—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Capitol Hill Presbyterian Church, 201 4th St. SE—Info: Brenda Dunlap / DC Shape note facebook page
Capitol Hill: Third Tuesdays—7:00-9:30 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, Tophier 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: Pat Morse or Fay Baird
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:* —Governor Perry Home, 6 E Wright Street—Date and location subject to change—Info: Ryan Bowman
Tallahassee: Monday after fourth Sunday—7:00 p.m.—*Multiple Books:* —Tallahassee Friends Meetinghouse, 2001 S. Magnolia Dr—Info: Morgan Bunch
Tallahassee: Friday before third Sunday—7:00 p.m.—Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, 2015 Fleischmann Rd—Info: Alice Bejnar

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—7:30 - 9:30 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: David Brodeur
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
Bremen: Third Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church
Decatur: Second Tuesday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Tisdale Hall, Holy Trinity Parish Episcopal Church, 515 East Ponce de Leon Ave, Decatur, GA 30030. Three blocks east of the Decatur MARTA station—Info: Lisa Bennett

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—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall, Ferguson Avenue Baptist Church, 10050 Ferguson Ave—Info: Dawn Stanford, dawnipawni@gmail.com

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.chicagosingings.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.chicagosingings.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

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.—Boone Motor Building 91 Madison Ave, Whitesburg (across the street from Appalshop)—Info: Paul Dean Adams / boxcar1936@gmail.com

Whitesburg: Third Tuesdays—6:00-8:00 p.m.—Boone Motor Building 91 Madison Ave, Whitesburg (across the street from Appalshop)—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 NewOrleansShapeNoteSingsings 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

Downeast: First Saturday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—CCLC, 10 Commissary Point Rd, Trescott—Info: Kris Paprocki, kwppaprocki@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 watervillesings@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: Second Sunday—4:00-7:00 p.m.—St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 15 St. Paul Street, Brookline—Info: Christina Wallin 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 Coffeehouse—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 Borcherdig
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—529
Pinehurst Blvd.—Info: Bill and 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: Fourth Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—*1991 Edition*: —Christ
Episcopal Church, 101 N. Fountain St.—Info: stlfasola.org/cape.htm

Columbia: Second and Fourth Tuesdays—7:30 p.m.—Trinity Presbyterian Church—Rollins Rd.—Info: Wendy Hofmann or Penny/Lou Kujawinski
Hannibal: Second Saturday (except March, May, and September)—2:30-5:00 p.m.—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

Lincoln: Third Sundays of each month—2:00 p.m.—CGS Music Store, 1244 High Street, (13th and High), basement—Info: (402) 328-0677
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

Berlin: Third Saturdays—6:00-9:00 p.m.—WREN Makers' Space, 117 Main Street—Please call or email ahead as the location occasionally changes—Info: Carly Goss
Hanover: Second Thursdays—7:00-9:30 p.m.—Hanover Friends Meetinghouse—Info: Dan Hertzler
Nelson: Second Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Olivia Rodham Memorial Library, Lower Level—Info: Monadnock Folklore Society (603)762-0235
Nelson: First and third Thursdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Olivia Rodham Memorial Library, Lower Level—Info: monadnock.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.org

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/albanyshredharp.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

Buffalo: Third Sunday—4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—At the home of Vince Kuntz—Elmwood West Ferry, neighborhood of Buffalo—Info: Vince Kuntz

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: Third Sunday—2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—First Baptist Church—309 N. Cayuga St.—Info: Ginny Huszagh

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 (Carroll Gardens, Brooklyn): Second Sundays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—St. Paul’s Episcopal Church—199 Carroll Street (near the corner of Clinton Street; singing is upstairs in parish house—Info: Nancy Mandel, nbmandel@hotmail.com

New York City (Upper East Side, Manhattan): Third Sundays—1:30-4:30 p.m.—(September-May)—Church of The Epiphany, 1393 York Ave (corner of E. 74th St; entrance on 74th St; chapel is to the right of the main sanctuary)—Info: Aldo Ceresa, nycsacredharp@gmail.com

New York City (Greenwich Village, Manhattan): Wednesdays weekly—7:00-9:30 p.m.—St. John’s Lutheran Church, 81 Christopher St (between Bleecker & W. 4th Streets, near 7th Ave. S)—Info: Aldo Ceresa, nycsacredharp@gmail.com

New York City (East Village, Manhattan): First Sundays—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Jimmy’s No. 43, 43 E 7th St (between 2nd & 3rd Aves)—Info: Aldo Ceresa, nycsacredharp@gmail.com

New York City (Gramercy, Manhattan): Saturdays before Fourth Sundays—2:00-5:00 p.m.—*Christian Harmony and gospel:* —Menno House, 314 E 19th St (between 1st & 2nd Aves)—Info: Mary Ellen Schrock, meschrock47@gmail.com

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

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 Hambourger

Swannanoa: Third Sundays, September through May—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall—Info: Sarah and Kevin Kehrberg

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: First Sunday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—St. Anne's Episcopal Church, 2690 Fairlawn Drive—Info: Tom Dillon

Ohio

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

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

Edinboro: Fourth Sunday of each month—2:00-5:00 p.m.—5170 Crane Road (just north of town, off 99), Edinboro—Info: Gerry Hoffinan

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

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—7:00-9:00 p.m.—First Christian Church—704 Edwards Rd. 29615—Info: Leon and Frances Carnell

Tennessee

Chattanooga: Third Thursday—7:00 p.m.—Location TBA—Info: Judy Mincey

Collegedale: Second Saturdays—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Collegedale SDA Church, Seminar Room (second floor)—Info: Deborah Taube, dtaube@hotmail.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.—Room 124, Belmont United Methodist Church—2007 Acklen Ave, Nashville, Tennessee—Info: Sandie Scott

Texas

- Austin (Travis Co.):** Every Wednesday evening—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall—Hyde Park Christian Church—610 E. 45th St.—Info: Gaylon Powell
- Buda:** Third Friday evening—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Southern Hills Church of Christ, 3740 FM 967, 4 miles west of Buda, Texas—Info: Lindsey Wiggins or Gaylon Powell
- Dallas:** Third Saturday—2:00-4:30 p.m.—(1991 Edition/Cooper Revision): —Dallas Friends Meeting House, 5828 Worth St, Dallas, Texas—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:** First Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—*The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition/Cooper Book:* —Spring Woods Baptist Church, 10131 Emnora Lane, 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: Jerry/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: Kerry Cullinan
- 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 Community Music Center, 6 Main St.—Info: Deb Moody, moody.debby@gmail.com
- 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

Langley: Third Sunday—5:00-7:15 p.m., potluck to follow—Langley Hill Friends Meeting, 6410 Georgetown Pike, McLean, Virginia—Info: John delRe and Kelly Macklin, jdelre@visuallink.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

Washington

Olympia: Second and third Sundays: 5:00-7:00 p.m. and Friday before fourth Sunday: 7:00-9:00 p.m.—Info: Marla Beth Elliott

Seattle: Second and Fourth Sundays—6:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m.—Info: Clarissa Fetrow or Bob Schinske

Seattle: Third Fridays—Supper at 6:00 p.m.; Singing 7:00-9:00 p.m.—Info: Kathy Vlach

Tacoma: First Sundays—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Info: Karen Willard

Tri-Cities: Second and fourth Thursdays—6:30-8:30 p.m.—

Info: Tricities@pacificnwsacredharpsingers.org

Vashon Island: Meets most months on Saturday before the third Sunday—

Info: VashonIslandContact@pacificnwsacredharpsingers.org

Whidbey Island: First Sundays (most months)—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Langley Methodist Fellowship Hall, Anthes Street—Info: Bruce Rowland

Wisconsin

Madison: usually first and third Sundays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Location varies—Info: James Page

Blackwood: Usually Third Sunday—1:00-2:00 p.m.—Blackwood Uniting Church, Martin Street

Melbourne: First Sunday—4:00-6:00 p.m.—Brunswick Uniting Church, Sydney Road (opposite the Town Hall)—Info: Natalie Sims/Shawn Whelan, sacred_harp@yahoo.com.au

Sydney: Second Sundays—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Dickson Street Space in Newtown—Info: Eimear Cradock

Wyoming

Laramie: Tuesdays—1:30-2:30 p.m.—Info: Chris Anderson, chrisas1@gmail.com

Australia

Canberra: Wednesdays Feb-Oct (not first two weeks in March and June or last two weeks in August)—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Ainslie Church of Christ 82-88 Limestone Ave, Ainslie, ACT 2602—Info: Dianne Porter, porter.32@bigpond.com

Sydney: Second Sunday—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Dickson Street Space, Newtown—
Info: sacredharpastralia.com

Sydney: Fourth Sunday—3:00-6:00 p.m.—Erskineville Town Hall—
Info: sacredharpastralia.com

Canada

Guelph, Ontario: Third Friday each month—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Priory Park Baptist Church, 8 Torch Lane, (off Janefield Ave) Location may change, call or email to confirm—Info: Sue Woodward, bill.sue.woodward@sympatico.ca

Ottawa, Ontario: Third Tuesdays, September-May—8:00 p.m.—23 Warren Ave—
Info: Catherine Burns or ottawashapenote in Google Groups

Toronto, Ontario: Third Wednesdays—7:30-9:30 p.m.—Bloor Street United Church, 300 Bloor St. W. (at Huron)—Info: Pleasance Crawford / www.torontoshapenote.org

Cowichan Valley, Vancouver Island, BC: First Saturday—10:00 a.m.-noon—1991 Edition:—location varies—Info: Rosalind Adams (250)929-6113 / vanislesacredharp@gmail.com

Vancouver, BC: Every Thursday—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Grandview Calvary Baptist Church—Info: <https://vancouver.sacredharp.wordpress.com/>

Victoria, Vancouver Island, BC: Third Saturdays—10:00 a.m.-noon—1991 Edition:—St. Philip Anglican Church, 2928 Eastdowne Rd., V8R 5R8—Info: Rosalind Adams (250)929-6113 / vanislesacredharp@gmail.com

Montreal, Quebec: Tuesdays—7:30-9:30 p.m.—National Theatre School, 5030 rue Saint-Denis, Room 247—Info: Dara Weiss or Facebook

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](https://www.facebook.com/sacredharpmunich) 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 sacredharpuppsala.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: Last Monday—7:00 p.m.—Sacred Trinity Church, Chapel Street, Salford—Info: Hannah Land
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—2 miles north of Henagar on Liberty Road—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

Muscadine Methodist Church—(Cleburne County), Alabama—Corner of County Road 267 and County Road 49, Muscadine, Alabama—Take US Hwy 78 to Muscadine, turn south on County Road 49, go 1 mile. Church on the right

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

2018 MINUTES

ST. JOHN'S HISTORIC CHURCH SINGING St. John's Historic Church, Rutherfordton, North Carolina December 9-10, 2017

Saturday, December 9

Singers gathered on a snowy weekend for the 22nd annual December singing at St. John's Historic Church. Jane Cannon welcomed the class, and led 61t (CH). Dorothy Lane offered prayer. Leaders: Chris Wilhelm 497t (CH); Michael Spencer 163b (CH); Robert Kelley 512 (CH); Leslie Booher 43 (CH); Roger Keene 313 (CH); Michael Walker 492b (CH); Shannon Primm 103 (CH); Ben Fink 214 (CH); Dave Farmer 346 (CH); Brenda Dunlap 121b (CH); Mike Richards 121t (CH); Cindy Tanner 93 (CH); John Plunkett 527 (CH); Cassie Allen 167b (CH); Hayden Arp 316 (CH); Jane Cannon 419t (CH) (for Jonathon Smith).

RECESS

The class reassembled as Jane Cannon led 493b (CH). Leaders: Eli Snyder 198 (CH); Shannon Primm 197 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 491 (CH) (for Jonathan Wood); Roger Keene 245 (CH); Michael Spencer 397b (CH); Leslie Booher 255 (CH); Ainslie Allen 117 (CH); Brenda Dunlap 215 (CH); Dave Farmer 347 (CH); Robert Kelley 477 (CH); Michael Walker 114 (CH); Cindy Tanner 168b (CH); Ben Fink 299 (CH); Cassie Allen 307 (CH); Hayden Arp 110 (CH); John Plunkett 36t (CH); Mike Richards 172 (CH). John Plunkett returned thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Jane Cannon 345 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 62b (CH); Robert Kelley 18 (CH); Roger Keene 67b (CH); Brenda Dunlap 546b (CH); Shannon Primm 123 (CH); Ben Fink 203 (CH); Cindy Tanner 64 (CH); Michael Walker 97 (CH); Hayden Arp 6 (CH); Leslie Booher 136 (CH); Mike Richards 318 (CH); Cassie Allen 54 (CH); Dave Farmer 391 (CH); Marty Hubert 312 (CH); John Plunkett 534 (CH); Eli Snyder 509b (CH); Jane Cannon 275 (CH).

RECESS

Singing resumed with Michael Walker leading 455b (CH). Leaders: Michael Spencer 402t (CH); Chris Wilhelm 396t (CH); Roger Keene 210t (CH); Ben Fink 176 (CH); Robert Kelley 443 (CH); Cindy Tanner 322 (CH); Shannon Primm 154 (CH); Hayden Arp 4 (CH); Brenda Dunlap and June Hobbs 156 (CH); Mike Richards 362 (CH); Cassie Allen 182 (CH); Michael Walker 38 (CH); John Plunkett 304 (CH); Leslie Booher 544 (CH); Dave Farmer 226b (CH); Eli Snyder 548 (CH). By consensus, the class sang 137 (CH). Following announcements Jane Cannon led 231 (CH). Shannon Primm offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, December 10

The class was welcomed by Jane Cannon, who led 47t. Ben Shirley offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Chris Wilhelm 73t; Eli Snyder 30b; Ben Shirley 56t; Hayden Arp 58; Robert Kelley 38t; Mike Richards 26; Leslie Booher 274b; Cindy Tanner 139; Brenda Dunlap 27; Shannon Primm 131t; Dave Farmer 127; Cassie Allen 176b; Ainslie Allen 186; Michael Walker 144; Tom Dillon 452; Michael Spencer 191; David Wilson 276; Eli Snyder 475; Cindy Tanner 155; Jane Cannon 306.

RECESS

Leaders: Jane Cannon 65; Ben Shirley 448b; Hayden Arp 331; Robert Kelley 280;

Mike Richards 297; Leslie Booher 178; Cassie Allen 220 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Brenda Dunlap 527; Shannon Primm 81b; Dave Farmer 455; Ainslie Allen 196; Michael Walker 187; Tom Dillon 84; Michael Spencer 420; Maddy Mullany 302; David Wilson 163b; Jane Cannon 328; Eli Snyder 215; Cindy Tanner 368; Hayden Arp 138t; Cassie Allen 512. Leslie Booher gave thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Jane Cannon 461; Ben Shirley 118; Robert Kelley 225b; Mike Richards 298; Leslie Booher 319; Brenda Dunlap 441; Shannon Primm 440; Dave Farmer 225t; Ainslie Allen 29t; Michael Walker 506; Tom Dillon 40; Michael Spencer 393; David Wilson 34b; Maddy Mullany 145t; Judy Mincey 216 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Jane Cannon 500; Eli Snyder 542; Cindy Tanner 498; Ben Shirley 115; Hayden Arp 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Robert Kelley 572; Cassie Allen 485; Mike Richards 200.

RECESS

Leaders: Leslie Booher 448t; Brenda Dunlap 511; Shannon Primm 142; Dave Farmer 532; Ainslie Allen 132; Michael Walker 207; Tom Dillon 569b (in memory of Sarah Ruona); Michael Spencer 370; David Wilson 313b; Maddy Mullany 335; Judy Mincey 236 (for the Hollingsworth family).

After announcements, Jane Cannon led 382 as the closing song. Ben Shirley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jane Cannon; Secretary—Chris Wilhelm

ELDRIDGE SCHOOLHOUSE SINGING

Lynd Schoolhouse, Orleans, Indiana

Saturday, December 16, 2017

The annual Eldridge Schoolhouse Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in December. Adrian Eldridge called the class to order by leading 32t, and then he offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Virginia Eldridge 82t, 300; James Eldridge 426t, 126; Katherine Eldridge 291, 298; Bill Hayes 556, 338; Alvaro Witt Duarté 89, 186; Darrell Swarens 217 (in memory of Demus Aldridge), 36b (in memory of Robert Aldridge); Laura Morton 163b, 178; John Huffman 48t, 492; Joel Deckard and Katherine Deckard 40, 535.

RECESS

Adrian Eldridge brought the class back together by leading 107. Leaders: Curtis Cook 86, 223; Tim Morton 306, 227; Beth Garfinkel 504, 146; Tom Morton 313b, 209; Erin Fulton 77t, 58; John Hoerr 212, 189; Ivy Jackson and Tim Morton 445, 448t.

RECESS

James Eldridge brought the class back together by leading 37b. Leaders: Patrick Weatherington 49b, 503; Tim Gregg 30t, 99; Doug Trent 480, 31t; Janice Harrell 85, 369; Adrian Eldridge 461, 312t; Alvaro Witt Duarté 312b, 276; John Huffman 546, 198; Tom Morton 496, 155. Gary Huffman asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Adrian Eldridge brought the class back to order leading 349. Leaders: John Hoerr 440; Annie Kidwell and Katherine Eldridge 128; Joan Aldridge 150; Virginia Eldridge 542; Bill Hayes 268; Curtis Cook 547; Joel Deckard and Katherine Deckard 162; Beth Garfinkel 200; Tim Morton 204; Erin Fulton 102; Katherine Eldridge and Bill Hayes 16 (SoH); Adam Daugherty and Rebecca Daugherty 65; Ivy Jackson and Tim Morton 288; Tim Gregg 92; Doug Trent and Brenda Waters 515; Janice Harrell 149; Alvaro Witt Duarté 350; John Huffman 344; Tom Morton 457; Laura Morton 49t.

RECESS

Adrian Eldridge brought the class back together by leading 303. Leaders: James Eldridge 373; Delaney Bowers 335; Virginia Eldridge 39b; Erin Fulton 528; Bill Hayes 354b; Curtis Cook 333; Tom Morton 145b; Annie Kidwell and Katherine Eldridge 176b; Joel Deckard and Katherine Deckard 61; Darrell Swarens 269 (in memory of Daphene Causey).

Announcements were made. Adrian Eldridge led 347 as the closing song. He offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Adrian Eldridge; Vice Chairman—James Eldridge; Secretaries—Erin Fulton and Katherine Eldridge

BARRETT PATTON'S CHRISTMAS SINGING

Henagar, Alabama

December 26, 2017

The 11th annual Barrett's Christmas Singing was held the day after Christmas. Barrett Patton called the class to order by leading 90. He offered the opening prayer, and then led 440.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 222; Cheyenne Ivey 176b; Nicholas Thompson 186 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Jamey Wootten 42; Isaac Green 242 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Sierra Saylor and Gus Carter 332; Ed Thacker 108t; David Brodeur 426b; Kathy Williams 306; Ricky Harcrow 330t; Keillor Mose 340; Loyd Ivey 420; Teresa Saylor 209; Andy Ditzler 140 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Nate Green and Norma Green 179; Justin Bowen 273; Lilly Underwood 348b; Jerry Creason 49b; Scott Ivey and Loyd Ivey 204; Susan Cheronos 349; David Saylor 203; Tom Booth 309; Daniel Lee 411; Hayden Wootten 31t; Cindy Tanner 220; Marty Wootten 99 (for Marlon Wootten); Barrett Patton and Nicholas Thompson 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Keillor Mose 304; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 506; Rodney Ivey 318 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Barrett Patton and Ed Thacker 528, "Barrett"; Barrett Patton "Sweet Beulah Land".

Barrett Patton offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Barrett Patton; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

CHRISTMAS HARP SINGING

The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington

Saturday, December 30, 2017

The 4th annual Christmas Harp All-Day Singing was held at The Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington. The class was called to order by Marla Elliott leading 46. Karen Willard offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Kate Fortin 63 (ACH); Karen Willard 9 (ACH); Miranda Elliott Rader 90 (ACH); Colette LaViollette 3 (ACH); Ben MacSpadden 339; Ana Tighe 82 (ACH); Bob Schinske 4 (ACH); Matthew MacLellan 116 (ACH); Jean Squires 106; Lu Zeng 85 (ACH); Cornelia Stanton 113 (ACH); Kate Coxon 39 (ACH); Bill Huot and Marla Elliott 48 (ACH); Nancy Novotny 24 (ACH); Kathy Vlach and Ashley Thomas 60 (ACH); Darlene Simpson Brown 125 (ACH); Eric Schwab 8 (ACH); Linda Berkemeier 46 (ACH).

The following officers were appointed in the business session: Chairman—Marla Elliott; Treasurer—Miranda Elliott Rader; Chaplain—Karen Willard; Secretaries—Jenna Lavaud and Joli Sandoz.

RECESS

Kate Fine called the class to order leading 346. Leaders: David Wright 91; Kari Lundgren 38 (ACH); Kevin Barrans 43 (ACH); Anne Huckins 74 (ACH); Susan Helf

10 (ACH); Steve Cackley 130 (ACH); Jennifer Jones 81 (ACH); Jack Lofton 122 (ACH); Karen Willard 129 (ACH); Matthew MacLellan 302; Kate Coxon 102; Miranda Elliott Rader 88 (ACH); Nancy Novotny 144; Bob Schinske 100 (ACH); Collette LaViolette 324.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Darlene Simpson Brown leading 30t. Leaders: Ana Tighe 56 (ACH); David Wright 126 (ACH); Lu Zeng 73 (ACH); Kate Fine 104 (ACH); Andy Lai and Marla Elliott 269; Erik Schwab 32 (ACH); Cornelia Stanton 118 (ACH); Anne Huckins 28 (ACH); Steve Cackley 52 (ACH); Kari Lundgren 98 (ACH); Linda Berkemeier 38t; Kevin Barrans 102 (ACH). Karen Willard asked a blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

Jack Lofton led 89 (ACH) to bring the class to order. Leaders: Jennifer Jones 61 (ACH); David Wright 333; Kathy Vlach 31 (ACH); Susan Helf 62 (ACH); Erik Schwab 19 (ACH); Matthew MacLellan 96 (ACH); Kari Lundgren 92 (ACH); Cornelia Stanton 65 (ACH); Miranda Elliott Rader 36 (ACH); Darlene Simpson Brown 50 (ACH); Kate Coxon 2 (ACH); Kevin Barrans 114 (ACH); Lu Zeng 54 (ACH); Ana Tighe 196; Bob Schinske 99 (ACH); Karen Willard 64 (ACH); Steve Cackley 37 (ACH); Linda Berkemeier 103 (ACH); Nancy Novotny 105 (ACH); Kate Fine 120 (ACH); Anne Huckins 59; Marla Elliott 162; Ben MacSpadden 410t.

RECESS

Matthew MacLellan led 138b to call the class back together. Leaders: Susan Helf 84 (ACH); Jack Lofton 70 (ACH); Jennifer Jones 475; Rodman Campbell 39t; Andy Lai 38b; Kari Lundgren 41 (ACH); Kathy Vlach 25 (ACH); Miranda Elliott Rader 1 (ACH); David Wright 138t; Darlene Simpson Brown 400; Kevin Barrans 337. After announcements, Marla Elliott led 267 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Karen Willard dismissed the class with a closing prayer.

Chairman—Marla Elliott; Secretaries—Jenna Lavaud and Joli Sandoz

WOOTTEN FAMILY NEW YEAR'S EVE SINGING

Antioch Baptist Church, Ider, Alabama

December 31, 2017 - January 1, 2018

The 56th session of the Wootten Family New Year's Eve Singing held at Antioch Baptist Church, Ider, Alabama, was called to order by Terry Wootten leading 56b and 32t. John Huffman offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Terry Wootten 74b; Cole Wootten and Jared Wootten 47t, 56t; Jerry Creason 503; Daniel Lee 179; Nate Green and Norma Green 166; Isaac Green 483; Susan Cheronos 349; David Saylor 203; Mary Huffman 37b; Eddie Mash 500; Ed Thacker 498; Hayden Wootten 155; Claudine Townson, Dani Townson, Danette Townson, Phil Townson, and Jacob Smith 540 (CB), 448t; Sierra Saylor 419.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Terry Wootten leading 436. Leaders: Amber Saylor and Spencer Hegwood 302; Jimmy Haynes and Dewayne Wootten 480; Theresa Saylor 107; David Carlton 272; Elyssa Lloyd 33b; Sarah Wootten 460; Amber Davis 422; Sarah Trumbore 502; Tonia Edmondson and Tom George 318, 560; Isaac Lloyd 223; Louis Hughes 53; Nicholas Thompson and Reba Windom 216; Amy Daniel and Rodney Ivey 283, 186 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Chris Boggs, Michelle Boggs, and Isaac Boggs 354b; Elijah Boggs 511b (CB). Mark Brown asked a blessing before the meal.

SUPPER

Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Hayden Wootten led 59 to bring the class back

together. Leaders: Jeffrey Wootten 97 (for Marlon Wootten); John Huffman 344; Keillor Mose 340; Shelby Castillo 430; Cheyenne Ivey and Shane Wootten 376 (for Marlon Wootten and Doug Conn); Gideon Lloyd and Dan Simon 63; Stephen Huffman 163t; Samuel Williams 536; Chris Ryan 572; C.J. O'Dell and Teresa O'Dell 505 (CB); Daniel Bearden 195; Reba Windom and Marty Wootten 546, 542; Hayden Arp 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Jamey Wootten 120; Chris Holley 72b; Kevin Dyess 65.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Jared Wootten leading 101t. Leaders; Gary Glover 547; Dennis George 81b; Cole Wootten and Dewayne Wootten 445; Terry Wootten and Linda Thomas 472, 572 (CB); Terry Wootten and Dewayne Wootten "Pass Me Not"; Marty Wootten 526 (WB); Chris Boggs, Michelle Boggs, and Terry Wootten "I Have a Father".

Chris Boggs offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Terry Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

CINCINNATI NEW YEAR'S DAY SINGING **Harriet Beecher Stowe House, Cincinnati, Ohio** **Monday, January 1, 2018**

The 27th annual Cincinnati New Year's Day Singing was held at the historic home of Harriet Beecher Stowe in Cincinnati. Josh Walton called the class to order by leading 34b. Ed Walton offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Karen Arnett 40; John Bealle 75; Eloise Clark 186; Linda Coppock 276; Debbie Hall 273; Ed Walton 524; Jim Coppock 31t; Rich Overturf 63; Michael Domino 172; Ray Rechenberg 277; Steve Angell 49b; Randy Weber "Bayer"; Erin Fulton 102; Tom Morton 209; Kay Huener 454; Tim Gregg 228; Aaron Rutz 178.

RECESS

The class was reconvened by John Bealle leading 108. Leaders: Karen Arnett 504; Molly Gregory 339; Beth Huener 344; Tim Morton 358; Jim Coppock 313b; Debbie Hall 192; Ray Rechenberg 480; Randy Webber 481; Erin Fulton 77t; Eloise Clark 532; Steve Angell 148; Josh Walton 254; Beth Huener 547; Tim Morton 162; Michael Domino 390; Kay Huener 350; Tim Gregg 105. Ray Rechenberg asked a blessing on the midday meal.

LUNCH

Josh Walton brought the class back together by leading 87. Leaders: Ed Walton 86; Rich Overturf 36t; Karen Arnett 300; Debbie Hall 408b (ShH); Erin Fulton 174 (ShH); Eloise Clark 47t; Tom Morton 496; Linda Coppock 377; Ray Rechenberg 203; Randy Webber "Nun Komm Der Heiden Heiland"; Tim Gregg 448b; Tim Morton 260t (ShH); Kay Huener 497; Jim Coppock 155 (ShH); Steve Angell 387 (ShH); Tom Morton 150; Rich Overturf 133; Beth Huener 200; Michael Domino 408; Linda Coppock 542; Josh Walton 452.

RECESS

Karen Arnett brought the class back together by leading 269. Leaders: Linda Coppock 140 (ShH); Sally Lackman 268; Tim Morton 242 (ShH); Claire Outten 383; Kay Huener 155; Beth Huener 71; Erin Fulton 332 (ShH); Randy Webber 5 (ShH); Tim Gregg 99. Following announcements Josh Walton led 347 as the closing song. Ed Walton offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Josh Walton; Secretary—Karen Arnett

DOMINIC CIAVONNE ZIEGLER MEMORIAL SINGING

Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California

Monday, January 1, 2018

The 6th annual Dominic Ciavonne Ziegler Memorial Singing was held at the Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California, on New Year's Day. The class was called to order by Mary Ann Ciavonne and Jack Ziegler leading 39t. Linda Selph offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lindy Groening 32t; Carolyn Deacy 472 (for Concetta Branson); David Fetcho 154; Leah Coffin 73b; Dave Barber 48t; Linda Selph 58; Leigh Cooper 144; Wren Hyde 445; Greg Freed 38t; Susan Fetcho 61; Rebecca Edwards 29t (for Inder Khalsa and Kammala Rose Kaur); Terry Barber 101t; Mark Godfrey 276; Terry Moore 33b; Ginny Landgraf 447; Dan Harper 300; Joanie Mitchell 162; Chris Noren 49b; Brian Harris 70b.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Erika Wilson leading 114. Leaders: Alex Cotton 217; Erica Martinez 334; Paul Kostka 198; Merilark Padgett 99; Pat Coghlan 391; Gail Aagard 45t; Patrick Ziegler 168; Leon Godfrey 228; Mary O'Brien 65; Carol Ciavonne 50t; Mary Ann Ciavonne 313t (for Hildy May); David Fetcho 446; Wren Hyde 145b; Jack Ziegler 496 (in memory of Caroline Bonnet); Carolyn Deacy 505; Dan Harper 504; Joanie Mitchell 268; Mark Godfrey 500. Linda Selph offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Lindy Groening leading 133. Leaders: Leah Coffin 397; Rebecca Edwards 430; Chris Noren 507; Leigh Cooper 63; Alex Cotton 40; Dave Barber 362; Ginny Landgraf 547; Susan Fetcho 335; Terry Barber 411; Linda Selph 475; Brian Harris 546; Erica Martinez 383; Terry Moore 193; Erika Wilson 328; Paul Kostka 273; Patrick Ziegler 384; Gail Aagard 117.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Erica Martinez leading 56b. Leaders: Merilark Padgett 550; Leigh Cooper, Cecil Godfrey, and Leon Godfrey 35; Brian Harris 542; Pat Coghlan 351; Ginny Landgraf 423; Chris Noren 377; Leon Godfrey 548; Greg Freed 532; Mary O'Brien 271t; Lindy Groening 187 (in memory of Linda Domholt). Mary Ann Ciavonne and Jack Ziegler led 46 as the closing song. Linda Selph offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairpersons—Mary Ann Ciavonne and Jack Ziegler; Vice Chairperson—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Erika Wilson

NEW YEAR'S DAY SINGING

Holy Trinity Church, Mapperley, Derbyshire, United Kingdom

Monday, January 1, 2018

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

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Helen Brown; Vice Chairman—Ted Brown; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders; Arranging Committee—Vicki Elliott.

Leaders: Helen Brown and Karen Turner 155 (CB) (for Cath Ingham and her family following the loss of her son, Toby); Ted Brown 33b; Vicki Elliott 48t; Sam Carter 34b; Michael Walker 242 (CB); Hannah Land 38t (CB); Chris Brown 229; Eimear O'Donovan 30t; Joe Vickers 35 (CB); Richard Mayers 66; Judy Whiting 212; Rosalind Oldham 84; Calum Woods 54t (CB); Julie Russell 344; Sam Carter 512; Karen Turner 474; Michael Walker 98 (CB); Hannah Land 152; Ted Brown 397

(CB) (for Cath Ingham); Eimear O'Donovan 448b; Richard Mayers 102; Calum Woods 81t; Vicki Elliott 217. Grace for the mid-day meal was offered by Rosalind Oldham.

LUNCH

Chris Brown called the class back together by leading 106. Rosalind Oldham led 143. The memorial lesson was conducted by Joe Vickers. The following sick and housebound were named: Diana Elliott, David Elliott, Timothy Guy, Curtis Owen, Melanie Hauff, Joe McPartland, Rev Michael Pain, Sister Pippa, Cath Tyler, and Trish Stadward. The following deceased were remembered and honored: Daphene Causey, Jean MacDonald, Donald MacDonald, Toby Boyes, Hugh McGraw, Barry Cummings, Gordon Hoyland, Norman Johnson, Winifred Elliott, Gravis Ballinger, Edith Owen, Kameron Prescott, Louie Charles Brown, and Daniel Evans. Joe Vickers led 95b (CB) for all the above named, and closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Judy Whiting 268b (CB); Sam Carter 283; Helen Brown 338; Richard Mayers 280; Hannah Land 445; Calum Woods 499 (CB); Karen Turner 300; Michael Walker 208; Eimear O'Donovan 434; Ted Brown 442t (CB); Vicki Elliott 430; Joe Vickers 542; Julie Russell 178; Chris Brown 514 (CB); Hannah Land 575 (CB); Michael Walker 573; Rosalind Oldham 505 (CB); Sam Carter 115 (CB); Eimear O'Donovan 137 (CB); Richard Mayers 472.

RECESS

Vicki Elliott called the class back together by leading 171. Leaders: Karen Turner 228; Ted Brown 511t (CB); Rosalind Oldham 488 (CB); Joe Vickers 207; Judy Whiting 150; Helen Brown 186; Michael Walker 461; Rosalind Woods 571 (CB); Eimear O'Donovan 541; Calum Woods 152 (CB); Hannah Land 486 (CB); Chris Brown 306.

Helen Brown led 347 as the closing song. Michael Walker dismissed the class with prayer.

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

REHOBOTH HOUSE SINGING (SHENANDOAH HARMONY AND CHRISTIAN HARMONY)

Rehoboth House, West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Monday, January 1, 2018

The second annual Rehoboth House All-Day Singing was held on New Year's Day. Rachel Hall called the class to order by leading 59t (CH). Leaders: Katy Hunter 292 (CH); Leah Velleman 354 (CH); Jordan Reed 172 (CH); Bethany Towne 277 (CH); Thomas Ward 302 (CH); Leah Wilde 82t (CH); Elizabeth Patton 193 (CH); Hollie Long 175 (CH); Micah Walter 346 (CH); Ruth Wampler 162 (CH); Joel Bassett 214 (CH); Brenda Dunlap 364 (CH); Ina Shea 365 (CH); Kirsten Jensen 228 (CH); Chris Cotter 114 (CH).

RECESS

Katy Hunter called the class to order by leading 190 (CH). Leaders: Joel Bassett 189 (CH); Leon Pulsinelle 185 (CH); Mary Capron 105b (CH); Nancy Tkacs 31b (CH); Brenda Dunlap 326 (CH); Chris Cotter 10 (CH); Thomas Ward 510b (CH); Leah Velleman 184 (CH); Greg Law 103 (CH); Jordan Reed 17 (CH); Leah Wilde 480 (CH); Elizabeth Patton 522 (CH); Hollie Long 486t (CH); Micah Walter 136 (CH); Ruth Wampler 532 (CH); Katy Hunter 18 (CH). Kirsten Jensen offered the noon blessing.

LUNCH

Leon Pulsinelle called the class to order by leading 56 (ShH). Leaders: Micah Walter 5t (ShH); Daniel Hunter 250 (ShH); Ina Shea 200 (ShH); Leon Pulsinelle 367 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 417 (ShH); Nancy Tkacs 4b (ShH); Leah Velleman 114 (ShH); Jordan Reed 156 (ShH); Greg Law 94 (ShH); Thomas Ward 129t (ShH); Chris Cotter 128 (ShH); Elizabeth Patton 13b (ShH); Anna Melton 25 (ShH); Bethany Towne 201 (ShH); Rachel Hall 324 (ShH); Ruth Wampler 242 (ShH).
RECESS

Miriam Delirium called the class to order by leading 363 (ShH). Leaders: Leon Pulsinelle 260t (ShH); Rachel Hall 10 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 278 (ShH); Ina Shea 381 (ShH); Thomas Ward 232 (ShH); Chris Cotter 178 (ShH); Jordan Reed 179 (ShH); Jimmy Griffin 180 (ShH); Greg Law 51 (ShH); Leah Velleman 270 (ShH); Miriam Delirium 204 (ShH); Anna Melton 170 (ShH); Leah Wilde 217 (ShH); Daniel Hunter 46 (ShH); Thomas Ward 374t (ShH).
Rachel Hall led 1b (ShH) as the closing song and the class was dismissed. There were twenty-four leaders from four states and the District of Columbia, and thirty-two *Christian Harmony* songs and thirty-four *Shenandoah Harmony* songs were sung.
Chairman—Rachel Hall; Secretary—Bethany Towne

SHADY GROVE ANNUAL SINGING

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama Sunday, January 7, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church was held on the first Sunday in January. Glenn Keeton called the class to order by leading 56t. The morning prayer was offered by Tom Booth. Glenn Keeton led 46.

The class was organized by electing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Don Keeton; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging Committee—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Don Keeton 489, 278t; Lauren Allen 146, 480; Theresa Westmoreland 65, 183; David Jackson 408, 503; Shelby Castillo 228, 208; Linda Booth 198, 137; Warren Steel 53, 442; Ken Tate 123t, 147t; Earl Ballinger 139, 122; Mike Hankins 168 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger), 477.

RECESS

There was discussion held about moving the singing to the first Saturday in January. A motion was made, the class voted, and the motion was passed.

Leaders: Don Keeton 354t; Nancy Phillips 79, 500; Buell Cobb 101t, 90; Wanda Capps 36b (for Lucy Heidorn), 155; Nicholas Thompson 181, 189; Ann Jett 77t, 47b; Anne Steel 47t, 271t; Christy Allen 48t, 175 (in memory of her great grandmother); Lisa Geist 528, 472; Tom Booth 229, 39b.

LUNCH

Nicholas Thompson called the class to order by leading 222. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 86, 475 (for Lena Keeton); Marlin Beasley 406, 270; Betty Baccus 134, 135; Loretta Whitman 81t (for Nellie Alexander), 124; Larry Ballinger 151, 274b; Henry Guthery 499, 511; Sara Berry 204; Lisa Geist 304; Lisa Geist and Nicholas Thompson 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Warren Steel and Anne Steel 38t (for Betty Baccus).
Nicholas Thompson led 62 as the closing song. Buell Cobb offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Don Keeton; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Roma Rice

**LILLIAN CALVERT AND IRENE WOODLEY
MEMORIAL SINGING**

**Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo, Alabama
Saturday night, January 13, 2018**

The 64th session of the Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley Memorial Singing was called to order by Yancey Jett leading 37b. The opening prayer was offered by Danny Creel.

A business session was held and the following officers were retained: Chairman—Yancey Jett; Secretary—Wanda Capps; Arranging—Ann Jett. The class voted to sing in memory of Darrell Swarens. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Yancey Jett 172; Wanda Capps 203, 200; Earl Ballinger 208; Linda Sides 108b; Nicholas Thompson 336; Mary Huffman 391; Ken Tate 29t; Emily Brown 362; Amelia Jett and Emma Calvert 132; Delone Cobbs 73t; Jim Aaron 47b; Brenda Chafin 74b; Henry Guthery 240; Bea Aaron 441; Beth Ann Clay 546; Stephen Huffman 299; Fay Narramore and Kim Dailey 335; Julianna Jett 142; Danny Creel 155; Larry Ballinger 217.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Yancey Jett leading 440. Leaders: Chris Ballinger 84; Justin Bowen 507; Ainslie Allen 186; Loretta Whitman 399b; Hayden Arp 140; Cindy Tanner 198; Margaret Gowan 358; Ann Jett 269; Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Danny Creel, and Cindy Tanner 111b, 475; Henry Guthery 271t (for Velton Chafin).

Announcements were made. Yancey Jett led 46 as the closing song. Kenneth Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Yancey Jett; Secretary—Wanda Capps

**CHICAGO ANNIVERSARY SINGING
Kilbourn Park Fieldhouse, Chicago, Illinois
Sunday, January 14, 2018**

The Chicago Anniversary Singing was held at Kilbourn Park Fieldhouse, Chicago, Illinois, on the second Sunday in January. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by John Bealle leading 108t. This singing uses the Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition.

Leaders: Erica Detemmerman 59; Mary Rogel 523; Jim Helke 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Jim Swanson 216; Susan Geil 474.

A business session was held to elect the following officers: Chairman—Jim Bealle;

Vice Chairpersons—Anne Heider and Steve Warner; Secretary—Erica Detemmerman; Arranging Committee—Eloise Clark and Eileen Ferguson;

Finance—Randy Neufeld; Chaplain—Melanie Jansen; Resolutions—John Bealle.

Leaders: Eileen Ferguson 84; Steve Warner 171; Anne Heider 468; Kenan Serenbetz 332; Ann Miczulski 361; Paul Landskroener 32t; Wendy Wahn 475; Doug Stapleton 217; Lori Graber 39b; Judy Hauff 224; Eloise Clark 73b; Randy Neufeld 102; Jim Pfau 228; Ryan Wheeler 229; Marian Mitchell 42.

RECESS

Anne Heider brought the class back together leading 36b. Leaders: John Seaton 47t; Lisa Grayson 360; Linda Heemskerck 324; Megan Kara Dunning 31t; Corinne Ducey 30t; Ted Mercer 210; Martha Beverly 198 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Matthew Seifert 29t; Bill Waddington 430; Cecilia Kramer and Judy Hauff 163t (in memory of Ann Sleeva); Marcia Johnson 440; Dave Barford 538; Denise Kania 272; Aldo Ceresa 402; Michael Mosley 372; Anna Pfau 532.

RECESS

John Seaton brought the class back together leading 40. Ginny Landgraf 458; Ted

Johnson “Hark From the Tombs”; Mark Dawson 299; Beverly Enright 501. The memorial lesson was conducted by Marcia Johnson and Lisa Grayson. They led 340 in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, Carol Ruth Kimmel, Tim Wurpts, Christine Stevens, Paul Wilson, Ben Crawford, Debbie Barford, Mike Spillane, and Karen Rollins.

Marcia Johnson led 47b in memory of the following deceased: Darrell Swarens, Berkley Moore, Donna Cheifer, Julie Veal, Collette Miller, Edna Vickers, Les Sontag, Gravis Ballinger, Hugh McGraw, Charles Wells, Eloise Wootten, Edith Owen, Caleb Allred, Johnnie Chafin, Johnny Lee, Dolores Lee, Sandie Inbody, Ms. Lewis, Carl Veber, Peter Veber, Eileen O’Sullivan, Jamie Hackey, Rabbi Jeluda Borher, Daphne Causey, Jane Goforth, Zara Spence Ellison, Lenore Wolebarsht, Susanna Lloyd, Noah Delgado, Lila Neufeld, Michael Bush, Darrell Fasching, Nancy Graham, and Judy Hoster. Melanie Jansen asked a blessing at the end of the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Mary Rogel 178 (in honor of Carol Ruth Kimmel); Mollie Whedbee 48t; Jim Helke 445 (in honor of Melanie Hauff). Susan Geil offered a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Steve Warner brought the class back together leading 34b. Leaders: Rochelle Lodder 49t; Dan Nickel 268; Molly Hildman 106; Ted Mercer 340; Paul Landskroener 99; Judy Hauff 218; Martha Beverly 383; Wendy Wahn 269; Jacob Lee 384; Doug Stapleton 485; Marian Mitchell 454; Jim Pfau 411; Randy Neufeld 496; Lisa Grayson 528; Corinne Ducey 111t; Lori Graber 497; Ann Miczulski 270; Linda Heemskerck 481; Ryan Wheeler 448t; Daniel Braithwaite 311; Jim Swanson 197.

RECESS

Jim Swanson brought the class back together leading 111b. Leaders: Dave Barford 196; Cecilia Kramer 569b; Aldo Ceresa 522; Ted Johnson 368; Mark Dawson 236; Anna Pfau 456; Beverly Enright 543; Matthew Seifert 318; Denise Kania 500; Ginny Landgraf 419; Mollie Whedbee 183; Michael Mosley 227; Susan Geil 369; Erica Detemmerman 480; Eileen Ferguson 112. Ted Mercer, Marcia Johnson, Judy Hauff, Kris Richardson, Ted Johnson, and Wendy Wahn led 457 as the Founder’s Lesson. John Bealle thanked each of the organizers and all of the singers in attendance. Announcements were made. Randy Neufeld, speaking on the behalf of the Finance committee, reported that expenses had been met. The Secretary reported that eighty-one songs were led by forty-seven leaders from six states.

John Bealle, Anne Heider and Steve Warner led 347 as the closing song, while those who wished took the parting hand. Jim Pfau offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—John Bealle; Vice Chairpersons—Anne Heider and Steve Warner; Secretary—Erica Detemmerman

AUBURN SACRED HARP SINGING **First Presbyterian Church, Auburn, Alabama** **Saturday, January 20, 2018**

The annual Auburn Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in January at Auburn First Presbyterian Church. The class was called to order by Elizabeth Gentry leading 30t. Rev. Kathy Reed offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Michael Panhorst 159; Lisa Bennett 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Karen Rollins 540; Judy Chambless 34b; Winfred Kerr 36b; Isaac Green 483; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 282; Ken Sundberg 214; Ann Riley 542; Philip Denney 142; John Plunkett 325; David Brodeur 418; Eugene Forbes 155; Robert Chambless, Rev. Kathy Reed and daughter 45t; Samuel Sommers 123t; Brenda Dunlap 76b; Jack Nelson 461; Gary Padgett 377; Chris Parris 52t; Pam Nunn 189; Bill Hogan 53; Jim

Aaron 47b; Michael Spencer 370.

RECESS

Elizabeth Gentry brought the class back to order leading 335. A business meeting was held to elect the following officers: Chairman—Elizabeth Gentry; Vice Chairman—Michael Panhorst; Arranging/Secretary—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Kelsey Ivey 317; Chris Ballinger 344; Taylor Kennedy 146; Sarah Jenkins 314; Tammy Heinsohn 86; Justin Bowen 298; Karen Clark 387 (in memory of Floy Wilder); Hubert Nall 129; Oscar McGuire 485; Bea Aaron 475; Eugene Forbes 340; Richard Ivey 150; Andy Ditzler 33b; Nicholas Thompson 304; Mike Hankins 168; Reba Windom 318 (in memory of Eloise Wootten).

Karen Rollins and Lisa Bennett conducted the memorial lesson. Karen talked about how important it is to send cards to the sick and shut-ins, and how much she appreciated all the cards and gifts she received while sick. She led 70t for the following sick and shut-ins: Concetta Branson, Virginia Futral, Charlene Wallace, Chris Holley, Ottis Sides, and Jewel Wootten.

Lisa talked about how much the singing family means to each singer, and how we miss the ones who have died. She led 381 in memory of the following deceased: Darrell Swarens, Hugh McGraw, Daphene Causey, Eloise Wootten, Linda Domholt, Berkeley Moore, Amy Denison, Margaret Ray, Ann Sleeva, Julie Veal, Gravis Ballinger, Martha Moody, Floy Wilder, Edith Owen, Jean Baird, and Mary Shivers. Philip Denney closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 217; Sarah Beasley 354b; Lisa Geist 269.

LUNCH

Elizabeth Gentry brought the class back to order leading 56t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 551; David Smead 380; Mark Carroll 285t; Alice Sundberg 161; Gary Davis and Karen Flagg 480; Samuel Sommers 534; Brenda Dunlap 448t; Michael Spencer 191; Gary Padgett 442; Nicholas Thompson and Reba Windom 216; Ken Sundberg 569b; Kelsey Ivey and Richard Ivey 187; Chris Ballinger, Lisa Geist, and Larry Ballinger 528; Bill Hogan 182; Justin Bowen 530; Cheyenne Ivey 172; Sarah Jenkins 99; Pam Nunn 200; Isaac Green 522; Jack Nelson, Ken Miller, and Taylor Kennedy 560; Ann Riley 454; John Plunkett 54; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 518; Karen Clark 234; Chris Parris 300; Winfred Kerr 516; Tammy Heinsohn 504; Hubert Nall 186; Oscar McGuire, Sarah Beasley, and Bea Aaron 175; Mike Hankins, David Smead, and Mark Carroll 411; Gary Davis and Karen Flagg 565. After announcements, Elizabeth Gentry and Michael Panhorst led 62 as the closing song. Robert Chambless offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Elizabeth Gentry; Vice Chairman—Michael Panhorst; Secretary—Judy Chambless

ALL-CALIFORNIA SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Harrison Recreation Center, Lincoln Park, Alameda, California

January 20-21, 2018

Saturday, January 20

The 30th annual All-California Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Harrison Recreation Center, Alameda, California, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in January. The class was called to order by Esteban Veliz leading 66. Jim Friedrich offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Co-Chairpersons—Carolyn Deacy and Erika Wilson; Vice Chairperson—Mairye Bates; Secretaries—Dan Harper, Sue Lindner, and Jeannette Ralston; Treasurer—Leigh Cooper; Arranging Committee—Lindy Groening, Mark

Godfrey, and Chris Thorman; Chaplain—Jim Friedrich; Resolutions Committee—Wren Hyde and Ted Mercer.

Leaders: Carolyn Deacy and Erika Wilson 171; Mairye Bates 424; Rebecca Edwards 530; Marc Lambert 495; Wren Hyde 145b; Annalise Perone Veliz 72b; Inder Khalsa 29t; Jeff Begley 201; Lena Strayhorn 210; Gordon Rees 121; Irene Gilb 146; Laura Boyd Russell 298; Shelby Sampson 38t; Peter Stenshoel 33b; Betty Marvin 202; Bob Brylawski 236.

RECESS

Brad Knoke brought the class together leading 204. Leaders: Edward Rice 410b; Midge Harder 269; Pat Coghlan 299; Rick Russell 391; Arnold Zwicky 344; Linnea Sablonsky 532; Thompson Yeh 455; Jerry Schreiber 362; Concetta Branson and Clarissa Fetrow 472; Chris Thorman 189; Karen Mathews 191; Joel Chan 34t; Maggie Taylor 313b; Carla Smith 110; David Fetcho 441; Greg Freemon 285t; Rodman Campbell 39t; Nadia Abdelaziz 547; Leigh Cooper, Cecil Godfrey, and Leon Godfrey 32t.

RECESS

Eva Striebeck brought the class together leading 133. Leaders: Kate Coxon 215; Corrie Van Duzer 436; Marie Brandis and Steven Short 212; Laura McMurray 230; Hugh McGuire 319; Jessica Beer 445; Laurie Burk 178; Paul Lindholm and Trey Van Treeck 447; Kate Fine 309; Ana Tighe 411; Sean Francis Conway 491; Dorothy Robinson 383; Claire Singleton 40; Bob Schinske 460; Catherine Van Duzer 47t; Kate Fortin 512; Ellen Ray 170; Adam Berey 392; Nell Whitman 300; Linda Booth 196. Jim Friedrich offered prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Greg Freed and Heather Purdy brought the class together leading 162. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 422; Ted Mercer 430; Eva Striebeck 222; Karen Ivey 492; Chris Cotter 213t; Charley Basham 523; Judy Caudle 500; Mary Rose O'Leary 203; J.T. Harechmak 384; Sadhbh O'Flynn 454; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 377; Leon Godfrey 37b; David Ivey 528; Gordon Rees and Nathan Rees 371; Stephanie Fida 198; Kevin Barrans 348b; Jonathon Smith 428; Julius Pasay 209; Darlene Dalton 147t; David Wright 28b; Lynn Basham 479; Stephen O'Leary 297. Judy Caudle and David Ivey of the Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association made a special presentation to Carolyn Deacy and Chris Thorman, in appreciation for more than two decades of service in preparing the annual Minutes Books for publication.

RECESS

J.T. Harechmak and Ellen Ray brought the class together leading 312b. Leaders: Erik Schwab 341; Betsy Jeronen 548; Judy Van Duzer 184; Thom Fahrback 311 (for Steve Helwig); Linda Selph 480 (in memory of Janelle Davis); Andrew Snyder 245; Cornelia Stanton 192; Alison Fisher 183; Thomas Bauman, Luke Miller, and Thomas Miller 503; Hannah Blair 504; Jeremy Donaldson 173; Terry Barber 107; Lucy O'Leary 77t; Jim Friedrich 117; Mark Godfrey 142; Fred Wilkey 99; Mary O'Brien 378b; Susan Fetcho 282; Colin Kinlund 268; Peter Ross 163b; Dan Harper 56b.

For the closing song, Ted Mercer, Carolyn Deacy, Midge Harder, Sue Lindner, Mary Rose O'Leary, Stephen O'Leary, Jeannette Ralston, Jerry Schreiber, and Rena Sonshine led 448t in honor of the first All-California Sacred Harp Convention. These singers had all attended the first All-California Sacred Harp Convention. Jim Friedrich offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, January 21

Carolyn Deacy and Erika Wilson brought the Sunday session of the All-California Sacred Harp Convention to order by leading 59. Jim Friedrich offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Dan Harper 34b; Susan Fetcho 212; Betty Marvin 486; Irene Gilb

148; Fred Wilkey 114; Leah Coffin 101b; Karen Mathews 28t; Mark Godfrey 176t; Midge Harder 76b; Linnea Sablonsky 81t; Linda Selph 475; Mary O'Brien 271t; David Fetcho 302; Shelley Phillips 126; Wren Hyde 385b; Peter Stenshoel 73t; Rebecca Edwards 534; Maggie Taylor 569b; Tom Ayres 260.

RECESS

Brad Knoke and Jen Rymut brought the class together leading 89. Leaders: Ray Kutz and Bob Jost 84; Pat Coghlan 91; Shelby Sampson 171; Laura McMurray 138b; Leigh Cooper and Leon Godfrey 35; James Welsch 276; Carla Smith 331; Janet Herman 318; Mary Rose O'Leary 510; Judy Van Duzer 312b; Nell Whitman 373; Esteban Veliz 86; Kate Fortin 384; Susan Willis-Powers 300; Nancy Novotny 349; Jeff Begley 562; Laura Boyd Russell 551; Catherine Van Duzer 280; Jerry Schreiber 550; Hugh McGuire 234; Jim Friedrich 481; Karen Stingle 183.

RECESS

Stephanie Fida and Kate Fortin brought the class together leading 39b. Leaders: Rick Russell 200; Claire Singleton 82t; Rodman Campbell 151; Greg Freemon 376. Mary Rose O'Leary and Linda Selph conducted the memorial lesson. Mary Rose O'Leary led 330b in honor of the sick and homebound. Linda Selph led 70t in honor of the following deceased: Owen Delay, Linda Domholt, Harvey Guthrie, Anne Neville, Paul A. O'Leary, Mark Redar, Luis Veliz, Lynn Anna Wilson—California; Caleb Allred, Gravis Ballinger, Daphene Causey, Martha Moody, Edna Earl (Brown) Rogers, Eloise Ivey Wootten, Gene Wootten—Alabama; Signe Brantvold—Arizona; Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Ann Sleeva, Berkeley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Wes Theophan Sheldahl—Kentucky; Don Fahrback—Michigan; Robert Jenson—New Jersey; Yi Chiang Chu, Ken Ecks, Norma Ecks—New York; Gerhart Schwab, Charles Wells—Ohio; Lotte Streisinger—Oregon; Elizabeth Perry—Pennsylvania; Patricia Haider—South Dakota; Julie Vea—Wisconsin. Linda Selph offered a prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Sean Francis Conway 426t; Ted Mercer 181; Kate Fine 111b; David Wright 315; Clarissa Fetrow and Karen Ivey 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Stephen O'Leary 113. Jim Friedrich offered the prayer for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Marie Brandis and Jen Rymut brought the class together leading 354b. Leaders: Kate Coxon 208; James Baumgartner 272; Jonathon Smith 296; Paul Lindholm 419; Carrie Van Duzer 513; Judy Caudle 542; Stephanie Fida 220; Julius Pasay 129; Erik Schwab 572; Brian Harris 328; Adam Berey 333; David Ivey 482; Nathan Rees 182; Darlene Dalton 448t; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 440; Chris Cotter 506; Sadhbh O'Flynn 292; Kevin Barrans 434; Eva Striebeck 375; Bob Schinske 546.

RECESS

Leigh Cooper and David Fetcho brought the class together leading 30b. Chris Thorman thanked Carolyn Deacy for her efforts in connecting California singers to the living tradition of Sacred Harp; at the invitation of Co-Chairperson Erika Wilson, David Fetcho then led "Deacy," a song he composed in honor of Carolyn Deacy. Leaders: Lindy Groening 216; Thom Fahrback 225t; Marie Brandis 112; Annalise Perone Veliz 31t; Ana Tighe 564; Inder Khalsa 131t; Barbara Saxton 192; Cornelia Stanton 87; Anne Caswell 38t; Laurie Burk 47t; Alison Fisher 335; Nadia Abdelaziz, Gwendolyn Aelson, Ayla Aelson, and Jeremy Donaldson 188; Lucy O'Leary 442; Lizzie Sanders 38b.

In a business meeting, the Treasurer reported that expenses had been met. The Secretary reported that on Saturday at least 159 singers sang 104 songs led by 112 leaders; on Sunday at least 144 singers sang 94 songs led by 95 leaders; singers came from 14 U.S. states and two foreign countries. The Resolutions Committee thanked the many people who made the convention a success. The Co-Chairpersons

announced that the All-California Sacred Harp Convention will meet in the San Diego area on the third Sunday and Saturday before in January, 2019. The officers led 62 as the closing song, and the singers took the parting hand. Jim Friedrich offered the closing prayer. Co-Chairpersons—Carolyn Deacy and Erika Wilson; Vice Chairperson—Mairyce Bates; Secretaries—Dan Harper, Sue Lindner, and Jeannette Ralston

CREEL MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING
County Line Church, Jefferson County, Corner, Alabama
Sunday, January 21, 2018

The Creel Memorial *Christian Harmony* Singing was called to order by Yancey Jett leading 31t. The opening prayer was offered by Danny Creel.

Leaders: Yancey Jett 93; Emily Brown 43, 64; Eugene Forbes 134, 253; Katlin Bailey 111b, 268; David Daniels 184; Mary Amelia Taylor 107, 214; Chris Parris 149, 255; Ben Fink 516, 145b; Shannon Primm 81t (in memory of Darrell Swarens), 63t.

RECESS

Yancey Jett led 281b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Cindy Tanner 322; Cindy Tanner and Cecil Calvert 85; Jesse Karlsberg 74, 155; John Plunkett 62t, 302; Michael Walker 354 (for Cassie Allen), 492b; Bill Hogan 54 (for Cassie Allen), 133; Nicholas Thompson 10, 1; Henry Johnson 80, 281t; Fay Hughes 546b, 464.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Cindy Tanner leading 82b. Leaders: Samuel Sommers 170, 230b; Lauren Bock and Jesse Karlsberg 182; Lauren Bock 131; Tim Taylor 189, 264; SuNell Ellis 250t, 60.

LUNCH

Emily Brown led 172 (by request) to begin the afternoon session. Leaders: Brenda Chafin 372; Hayden Arp 6, 110; Karen Clark 282, 168b; Ken Tate 493b, 490; Linda Sides 109; Danny Creel 308, 186; Brenda Dunlap 61t, 493t; Michael Spencer 448t, 397b; Jeff James 165, 293 (in memory of Dr. Robert Dupree); Jane Spencer 455b, 365; Ann Jett 19, 180; Wanda Capps and Betty Baccus 117; Bill Hogan and Madison Cormick 432t; Ken Tate and Ben Fink 176 (by request); Samuel Sommers and Ann Jett 59b (by request); Chris Parris 68; Michael Walker 238 (by request, in memory of Harrison Creel); Yancey Jett 287.

Announcements were made. Yancey Jett and Emily Brown led 338b as the closing song. Ken Tate dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Yancey Jett; Vice Chairman—Cassie Allen; Secretary—Emily Brown

FEAST AND FASOLA
Home of Mark and Lori Graber, Delavan, Illinois
Saturday, January 27, 2018

The annual Feast and FaSoLa Singing held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in January was called to order by Lori Graber leading 142 (MH), after which Mark Graber offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Presley Barker 2 (MH); John Huffman 49b; Don Bardsley 91; Shirley Figura 39t; Ted Mercer 144 (MH); Paul Figura 38t; Terry Hogg 523; Peggy Brayfield 139 (MH); Barbara Chopin 180 (MH); Lori Graber 8 (MH); Janet Fraembs 421; John Seaton 48t; Martha Tyner 59; Jonathon Smith 57; Mark Graber 551; Presley Barker 505.

RECESS

John Huffman called the class back to order leading 63. Don Bardsley led 178 for Peggy Peryam, who was unable to attend. Leaders: Shirley Figura 28b; Ted Mercer

353; Paul Figura 179; Mark Graber 66; Terry Hogg 135 (MH) (for Joan Aldridge); Peggy Brayfield 172 (MH); Barbara Chopin 496; Joan Aldridge 276; Lori Graber 203; Jonathon Smith 228; John Seaton 105 (MH); Martha Tyner 479; Janet Fraembs 335; Presley Barker 131 (MH); John Huffman 163b; Don Bardsley 168; Shirley Figura 122 (MH); Ted Mercer 419 (in memory of Julie Veal); Paul Figura 127 (MH); Mark Graber 86 (in memory of pain); Peggy Brayfield 151 (MH) (in memory of Darrell Swarens). Presley Barker led the class in singing 164 (MH) for table grace.
LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Lori Graber leading 148. Leaders: Terry Hogg 142 (MH) (in memory of Berkley Moore); Barbara Chopin 313b; Joan Aldridge 217 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Jonathon Smith 202; John Seaton 62 (MH); Janet Fraembs 440; Presley Barker 47t; John Huffman 147t; Don Bardsley 145t (in memory of Berkley Moore); Shirley Figura 299; Mark Graber 503; Paul Figura 51 (MH); Terry Hogg 145 (MH); Ted Mercer 147 (MH) (in memory of Steve Helwig); Peggy Brayfield “Hosanna” (handout); Barbara Chopin 159 (MH); Joan Aldridge 166; Lori Graber 174.

RECESS

Lori Graber called the class back together leading 135. Leaders: Jonathon Smith 78 (MH); John Seaton 122; Presley Barker 138 (MH); John Huffman 350; Don Bardsley 198; Mark Graber 515; Paul Figura 337; Terry Hogg 549; Ted Mercer 209 (in memory of Ann Sleeva); Peggy Brayfield 114; Lori Graber 150.

Lori Graber thanked all who came, and the class thanked the Grabers for their excellent hospitality for yet another year. The class then sang 347 as the closing song. Mark Graber offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Lori Graber; Secretary—Janet Fraembs

WILLIAM J. REYNOLDS SACRED HARP SINGING **Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas** **Saturday, January 27, 2018**

The 34th annual Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Memorial Building at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, on the last Saturday in January. This is the twenty-seventh year that the 1991 Revision of the Sacred Harp has been used. Robert Vaughan called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. by leading 460. Scott Aniol offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tim Reynolds 59; Gaylon Powell 171; Robert Vaughn 142; Bruce Coates 34b; Sarah Huckaby 277; William Price 448t; Beverly Coates 373; Chelsey Miller and Luann Thomas 63; Jerry Ryan 145t; Nancy Price 38b; Jesse Latimer 481; Matt Sikes 72b; Tim Reynolds 313b; Lisa Mutt 163b; Dan Brittain 209; Kristie Powell 430; Mike Hinton 475; Gaylon Powell 434; Bruce Coates 503; Sarah Huckaby 299.
RECESS

Leaders: Scott Aniol 268; William Price 31t; Naomi Barrett and Caroline Jansen 138b; Barbara Smith 122; Donna Hopson and Cindy Chae 81t; Beverly Coates 225t; Melody Hurd 344; Chelsea Miller 284; Scott Stice and Christopher Rosales 569b; Joshiah Horton 128; Russell Farnell and son 45t; Susannah Scheller and Keiran Jackson 310; Cody Wilhelm 159; Myunghee Lee and Jisoo Kim 491; Tim Bausum 314; Innocent Lunga 144; Timothy Emery 35; Kaitlyn Gest and Susannah Scheller 300; Daniel Yoon 447; Jun Hyuk Ahn 234; Tim Reynolds “Swarens”.

LUNCH

Leaders: Scott Aniol 148; Jerry Ryan 318; John Gray 558; Nancy Price 168; Stephen Dalton 276; Jesse Latimer 157; Matt Sikes 275b; Lisa Mutt 47t; Nathan Krell 274t; Dan Brittain 351; ShanSan Tao 274b; Kristie Powell 500; Robert Miller 323b; Mike Hinton 495; Yuri Matsuura 72t; Gaylon Powell 131b; Nhue Ngoe Le 45b; Muranna

Bickton 128; Lawei Zheng 159; Robert Vaughn “Highland Traveler”; Annie Dong 63; Bruce Coates 515; Mark Sanchez 568; Sarah Huckaby 163t; Travis Pierson 129; William Price 58; Barbara Smith 29t; Beverly Coates 499; Chelsea Miller 49b; Jerry Ryan 408; John Gray 27; Tim Reynolds 208; Scott Aniol 66.

Scott Aniol offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Scott Aniol; Vice Chairman—Matthew Sikes; Secretaries—Catherine New and John Gray

AUSTRALIAN SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Brunswick Uniting Church Hall, Melbourne, Australia
January 27-28, 2018

Saturday, January 27

The 3rd Sacred Harp Singing Convention in Australia was held in Melbourne on the weekend closest to Australia Day (January 26). Elaena Gardner led 146, and welcomed everyone. Shawn Whelan taught an introductory singing school, focusing on intervals and on leading in different forms of meter.

A business session was held, and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Natalie Sims; Secretary—Lauren Reader; Chaplain—Rev. Ian Ferguson; Treasurer—Naomi Duryea assisted by Daniel Whelan; Arranging—Melanie Albrecht; Food Coordination—Sherrill McKinnon and Christine Durbridge.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Ian Ferguson.

Leaders: Natalie Sims 31t; Lauren Reader 63; Jean Rosenberg 162; Tricia Entwistle 210; Ruby Foster 270; Melanie Albrecht 535; David Rosenberg 99; Margo Lanagan 114; Daniel Whelan 430; Rachel Jordan 171; Natalie Sims 384; Geoff Grainger, Jill Griffiths, and Isabella Moore 68b; Meg Quinlisk 515; Peter Rayner 452; Thomas MacDonald 424.

RECESS

Shawn Whelan led 297 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Nick Hall 183; Myfanwy Godfrey 277; Elaena Gardner 142; Lauren Reader 84; Jean Rosenberg 454; Tricia Entwistle 148; Ruby Foster 206; Shawn Whelan 532; Melanie Albrecht 86; David Rosenberg 34b; Margo Lanagan 42; Daniel Whelan 276; Rachel Jordan 546; Natalie Sims 567; Geoff Grainger, Jill Griffiths, and Isabella Moore 156; Meg Quinlisk 228; Peter Rayner 67.

Rev. Ian Ferguson offered prayer before the meal.

LUNCH

Nick Hall led 106 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Thomas MacDonald 250; Myfanwy Godfrey 38b; Pip Ross and Nick Hall 268; Lauren Reader 472; Sue Bird and Rachel Jordan 178; Nick Hall 455; Elaena Gardner 506; Jean Rosenberg 269; Tricia Entwistle 474; Ruby Foster 236; Shawn Whelan 274t; Melanie Albrecht and Simone Riches 45t; David Rosenberg and Tim Thelander 457; Margo Lanagan and Daniel Whelan 320.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Christine Durbridge. The following deceased were remembered and honored: Jody, Joe Gardner, Muriel Moulton, Klara Golab, Hugh McGraw, Darrell Swarens, Jack Lanagan, Joan Foster, Betty Teal, Guinness Price, Kevin, Kathleen Evelyn Rowell, Steve Helwig, Val Milne, Nicola Best, Wendy Doye, and Soraya Ray. Natalie Sims and Christine Durbridge led 300.

The following sick and shut-ins were named: Dilini Jayakody, Linda, Debby Sharpe, Pat Costello, Andy Spence, Chris Brown, Paula Mogenssen, Les Reader, and Lisa Haynes. Shawn Whelan and Christine Durbridge led 34t.

Leaders: Daniel Whelan 542; Rachel Jordan 500; Geoff Grainger 523; Natalie Sims

and Simone Riches 32b; Meg Quinlisk 290.

RECESS

Peter Rayner led 72b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Thomas MacDonald 198; Myfanwy Godfrey 117; Lauren Reader 288; Nick Hall 538; Elaena Gardner 192; Jean Rosenberg 35; Tricia Entwistle 38t; Ruby Foster 478; Shawn Whelan 335; Melanie Albrecht 76b; David Rosenberg 448b; Margo Lanagan 133; Daniel Whelan 110; Rachel Jordan 189; Geoff Grainger 339; Natalie Sims 182; Meg Quinlisk 550; Peter Rayner 122; Thomas MacDonald 85.

The Chair thanked those who had worked hard to make the first day of the Convention a great success. Announcements were made. Natalie Sims led 340 as the closing song. Shawn Whelan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, January 28

The Sunday session of the Australian Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Natalie Sims leading 77b. Natalie Sims offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Daniel Whelan 77t; Shawn Whelan 48t; Nick Hall 66; Jean Rosenberg 59; Morag Logan 72b; Thomas MacDonald 200; Natalie Sims 344; David Rosenberg 36b; Lauren Reader 421; Peter Rayner 496; Margo Lanagan 497; Myfanwy Godfrey 203; Ruby Foster 222; Geoff Grainger 503; Jean Rosenberg 254; Rachel Jordan 564.

RECESS

Geoff Grainger led 178 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Philippa Stevens and Meg Quinlisk 282; Shawn Whelan 198; Nick Hall 105; Margo Lanagan 196; Meg Quinlisk 504; Conor O'Hanlon 163b; Morag Logan 159; Thomas MacDonald 193; Natalie Sims 474; David Rosenberg 565; Lauren Reader 481; Peter Rayner 312b; Myfanwy Godfrey 40; Ruby Foster 168; Geoff Grainger and Thomas MacDonald 242; Madeleine Griffeth 448t; Jean Rosenberg 299; Rachel Jordan 475.

RECESS

Meg Quinlisk led 294 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Diane Heywood and Melanie Albrecht 47b; Shawn Whelan "Tune My Heart" (composed by Shawn Whelan, 2016); Nick Hall 287; Margo Lanagan 311; Meg Quinlisk 510; Nick Hall, Geoff Grainger, Rachel Jordan, and Diane Heywood 49b; Jean Rosenberg, David Rosenberg, and Alda Balthrop-Lewis 479; Ruby Foster, Meg Quinlisk, Thomas MacDonald, Elaena Gardner, Christine Golab, Philippa Stevens, Suzanne Dixon, Cath Ivin, Margo Lanagan, and Rob Wills 49t; Natalie Sims "Brunswick" (composed by Angharad Davis, 2014); Melanie Albrecht 547; Morag Logan 551; Thomas MacDonald and Ruby Foster 388.

In a brief business session, the Chair thanked all those who attended the Convention and contributed to its success, particularly those who had travelled from overseas and interstate to attend. Thanks were expressed to the office bearers, and to all those who had helped coordinate food and refreshments.

The Secretary reported that sixty singers attended the Convention. Thirty-four leaders from six Australian states and territories and four countries led one hundred twenty-seven songs.

On behalf of the Treasurer, Shawn Whelan reported that donations made during the Convention were sufficient to cover its costs as well as to provide for a donation to be made to the Brunswick Uniting Church for the use of the hall. It was noted further consideration would be given to additional fund-raising that may be used to increase publicity for the Convention and to support travelers to attend.

Announcements were made, and it was resolved to gather again next year in Sydney on the weekend closest to Australia Day (25-27 January, 2019) to reconvene the Australian Sacred Harp Convention.

Meg Quinlisk, Thomas MacDonald, Ruby Foster, Elaena Gardner, Margo Lanagan, and Philippa Stevens led 62. Rev. Ian Ferguson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Natalie Sims; Secretary—Lauren Reader

KEYSTONE SACRED HARP CONVENTION
First United Methodist Church of Germantown and
Pennsylvania School For The Deaf, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
January 27-28, 2018

Saturday, January 27

The 20th annual Keystone Sacred Harp Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January. Ruth Wampler called the class to order by leading 77b. Hollie Long offered the opening prayer. The following officers were elected: Chairman—Nancy Tkacs, Vice Chairman—Sasha Hsuczyc; Treasurer—Krista Guerrieri; Secretaries—Dann Pell and Thomas Ward.

Leaders: Nancy Tkacs 350; Sasha Hsuczyc 60; Dann Pell 460; Hollie Long 489; Doron Henkin 144; Molly Sayvetz 99; Jeff Shenk 122; Kathy Carluzzo 76b; Scott Robinson 66; Linnea Clark 448t; Julian Bender 474; Thomas Ward 125; Anna Melton 108b; Miriam Delirium and Claire Hogan 378b; Sonia Chin 208.

RECESS

Ted Stokes called the class back to order by leading 229. Leaders: Shani Aviram 505; Jessica Keyes 371; Ben Cocchiaro 436; Molly Sauder 569b; Corinne Ducey 422; Tophér Lawton 163t; Jasmine Mendoza 84; Roland Hutchinson 112; Mary Skidmore 110; Gillie Campbell 347; Pattie Wareh 192; Krista Guerrieri 102; Mary Helen Dupree 157; Keillor Mose 340; Sharon Strong 213b; Dean Jens 212; Laura Densmore 542.

RECESS

Leon Pulsinelle called the class back to order by leading 162. Leaders: Claire Simon 547; Ron Trial 198; Gina Balestracci 137; Tim Gregg 92; Judy Contompasis 388; Carol Medlicott 276; Kerry Cullinan 29t; Julia Seidenstein 344; John delRe 280; Miranda Elliot Rader 86; Graham Dezarn 372; Nora Miller 217; Jan May 532; Emma Swartz and Lillian Bell 454; Greg Creech 74b; Gerry Hoffman 564; Stacey Berkheimer 297; Ray Rechenberg 203; Kevin Beirne 411. Anna Mays offered the blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Tom Stokes and Alex Forsyth called the class back to order by leading 111t. Leaders: Emily Ekelund 383; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 142; Kelly Macklin 96; Amber Davis 380; Justin Bowen 550; Fallon Cook 176t; Isaac Green 170; Barrett Patton 292; Beth Anne Clay 377; Hayden Arp 434; Shelby Castillo 546; Sarah Trumbore 475; Nicholas Thompson 216; Eva Striebeck 426b; Chris Holley and Kathe Pilibosian 376; Anna Grace Sipe 47t; Evelyn Lamb 43; Ivy Hauser 500; Annie-Lou Chester 401; Cheyenne Ivey 182; Joanne Fuller 439; Robert Stoddard and Elizabeth Stoddard 522; Jamie Ross 504; Barbara Swetman 196; Laura Hodges 300.

RECESS

Rachel Speer and Dean Jens called the class back to order by leading 274t. Leaders: Douglas Fower 472; Al McCready 269; Mike Richards 218; David Brodeur 368; Anna Mays 548; Andy Ditzler 466; Lydia Lewallen 342; Rachel Taylor 480; Jesse Flynn 319; Sara Lott 430; Faiz Wareh 48b; Tom George 317; Jesse Vear 470; Angharad Davis and Nathalie Levine 335; John Hughes 481; Wendy Sibbison 477; Tarik Wareh 375; Emily Hale Sills 390; Crispin Youngberg 492; Brian Harris 419; Cora Wareh 58; Mel Novner 71; Lilly Israel 312b; Charlotte Ehrman 486; Rebecca

Hawkins 230; Nathan Aldrich 394; Carol Huang and Sam Kleinman 73t.
Nancy Tkacs and Sasha Hsuczyk led 30b as the closing song. Joel Bassett offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, January 28

The Sunday session of the Keystone Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf. Nancy Tkacs called the class to order by leading 171. Alex Forsyth offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Leon Pulsinelle 32t; Elizabeth Patton 285b; Chloe Mohr 344; Ryan Nash and Brian Harris 288; Joyce Forry, Leah Sides, and Faith Sides 282; Susan Bingham 168; Guy Bankes 287; Ina Shea 38t; Lamar Matthew and Harry Scott 315; Barbara Swetman 383; Gerry Hoffman 458; Rachel Speer 528; Joanne Fuller 406; Keillor Mose and Ethan Hosta 129; Mary Skidmore 538; Pattie Wareh and Cora Wareh 501.
RECESS

Bethany Towne called the class back to order by leading 128. Leaders: Doron Henkin and Barbara Hohenstein 506; Sue Peters 82b; Maria Cramer 271t; Judy Kaplan 31t; Gwen Gethner 26; Charles Biada 545; Ted Stokes and Krista Guerrieri 56b; Tom Ivey 189; Alanna Goodman 148; Carol Huang 30t; Terry Ryan 193; Emma Rose Brown 309; Robin Banerji 242; Alice Beattie 187; Myles Louis Dakan 213t.
RECESS

Daniel Hunter and Katy Hunter called the class back to order by leading 153. Leaders: Chris Cotter 498; Kevin Beirne and Gedney Barclay 228; Robert Stoddard 89; Sam Kleinman 82t; Nancy Mandel 313t; Brenda Dunlap 69t; Gerald Clark 271b. Barrett Patton and Gina Balestracci conducted the memorial lesson. Barrett Patton spoke and read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Larry Wootten, Claudene Townsend, Irene Brown, Merv Horst, Ester Wildey, Renee Hernandez, Concetta Branson, Rosemary Vequist, Evelyn Silvia, Lynne deBenedette, Chris Brown, Jim Wallis, Scott Harriman, Gillian Inksetter, Betsy Jeronen, Mike Spencer, Jacob Gravat, Chloe Rombach, Joyce Homan, Michael Kaye, Joan Trout, Ben Pirie, Robert Chambless, Judy Chambless, Margie Smith, Charlene Wallace, Jewel Wootten, Olive Wilson, Josslynn Riot, Margaret Bornick, Ronald Bornick, Nate Green, Norma Green, Pam Nunn, Coy Ivey, Boyd Scott, Claire McGuire, Michael Appert, Don Bowen, Marilyn Murata, Judy Clum, and Mary Ellen Schrock. He led 70t in their honor.

Gina Balestracci spoke and read the following list of names of the deceased: Rhoda Weiner, Skip Trout, Winter Acorn, Michael Sensor, Will Abbot, and Virginia Crawford—Pennsylvania; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Albert Davis—Louisiana; Herb Eriksson, Barbara Bell, Jean Coppola, and Brendan Rush—New York; Rhoda Ann Wildey and Florence Haas—New Jersey; Wayne Jens and Evalyn Tornabane—Iowa; Christa Leigh Steele-Knudslie—Massachusetts; Pat Doerfler, Ann Sleeva, Berkley Moore, and Les Sontag—Illinois; Hugh McGraw, Robyn Green, Delores Lee, and Edna Vickers—Georgia; Robert Lacey and Nancy Graham—Maryland; Edward Swetman, Charles Wells, and Collette Miller—Minnesota; Jane Goforth, Edith Owen, Amy Denison, and Maurice Trial—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Eloise Wootten, Daphne Causey, Martha Moody, Johnie Chafin, Floy Wilder, Susie Denson, Caleb Allred, Gravis Ballinger, and Edna Rogers—Alabama; Howard Verman—Vermont; Michael Goldenberg—Ohio; Laura Bodenheimer and Ruth Ekelund—North Carolina; John Dixon—London, UK; Laurie Maggiano—Virginia. She led 47b in their memory, and closed the memorial lesson with a prayer. Chris Holley offered an additional prayer of gratitude.

Leaders: Mel Novner and Emily Hale Sills 432; Molly Dektar 410b; Stefani Priskos 42; Mike Richards and Laura Hodges 507; Wendy Sibbison and Lillian Bell 36b; Jesse Beller 141; Elizabeth Stoddard 283. Nicholas Thompson offered the blessing

before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Alex Forsyth and Barrett Patton called the class back to order by leading 224. Leaders: Tarik Wareh and Evelyn Lamb 396; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Em Ekelund 32b; Eva Striebeck and Nele Gilich 74t; Lydia Lewallen and Isaac Green 483; Cheyenne Ivey 430; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 442; Sarah Trumbore and Tom George 183; Shelby Castillo 318; Nicholas Thompson 304; Stacey Berkheimer 440; Ray Rechenberg 277; Amber Davis 391; Jan May 540; Fallon Cook 556; Justin Bowen and Beth Anne Clay 215; Anna Grace Sipe 77t; Ivy Hauser and Rebecca Hawkins 567; Jim Glaser 322.

RECESS

Charles Biada and Gwen Gethner called the class back to order by leading 100. Leaders: Angharad Davis 204; Emma Swartz 278t; Hayden Arp 384; Clare Hogan and Annie-Lou Chester 414; Crispin Youngberg 88b; Jesse Vear and Jesse Flynn 530; Carol Medicott, Greg Creech, and Anna Creech 178; Lilly Israel and Nathan Aldrich 299; Jamie Ross 38b; Anna Mays, Kerry Cullinan, Judy Contompasis, and Nicandra Galper 180; Faiz Wareh 411; Sasha Hsuczyk and Wayne Taylor 272; Rachel Hall, Joel Basset, Ruth Wampler, and Jesse Krikorian 212.

Resolutions were offered by Charles Biada and Shani Aviram. Following announcements, the convention officers led 62 as the closing song. Justin Bowen offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Nancy Tkacs; Vice Chairman—Sasha Hsuczyk; Secretaries—Dann Pell and Thomas Ward

**W.L. GREEN MEMORIAL / BALDWIN COUNTY
SACRED HARP CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)
Galilee Primitive Baptist Church, Stapleton, Alabama
January 27-28, 2018
Saturday, January 27**

The W. L. “Bill” Green Memorial and Baldwin County Sacred Harp Convention was held at Galilee Primitive Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January. The class was called to order by Bill Hogan leading 74b. He gave a warm welcome to all in attendance, and continued by leading 36b. The opening prayer was offered by Stephen Huffman.

Leaders: J.A. Mosley and Alice Mosley 572; Nicole Bowman 187; Evie Eddins 60; Nancy Hogan 505; Ken Kelley 442t; Aubrey Barfield 372; Wynette Smith 49b; Gary Padgett 250; Eli Eddins 123b; Tim Taylor 54t; Mary Amelia Taylor 391; Ewan Eddins 313; Ben Fink 580; Ezra Eddins 176t; Jamira Jackson 361; Edith Eddins 356.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Kevin Eddins leading 507t. Leaders: Mike Jones 418; Ethan Eddins 175; Crystal Menas 282; Katlin Bailey 205; Karen Rollins 387; Ken Sundberg 489; Regina Derstine 567; Stephen Huffman 504t; Emily Eddins 214; Chris Noren 486 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Tim Royappa and Stanley Smith 210; Ryan Bowman 588; Nancy Van Den Akker 449; Eric Eddins 63; Fay Hughes 148; Ateven Snderson 122.

RECESS

Erica Martinez brought the class back together by leading 40. Leaders: Tommie Spurlock 464; Wanda Gregg 573; Morgan Bunch 559; Chip Westbrook 513t; Chris Nicholson 392; Sue Bunch 203; Anne Royappa 133; Perry Keidel 107; Alfred Jones 553; Becky Briggs 522. The class sang 369, and Gary Padgett asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Bill Hogan leading 441. Leaders: Elam Eddins 164; Mary Huffman 507b; Sarah Blevins 106; Stanley Smith 58 (for George Mosley and in memory of Bobby Willis); Alice Sundberg 275t; Gerald Manning 341 (in memory of Bobby Willis); Dana Eddins 162; Elaine Trussell and Chris Nicholson 96; Ken Kelley 404; Jamira Jackson 65; Crystal Menas, J.A. Mosley, and Alice Mosley 571; Karen Rollins and Stanley Smith 365; Ken Sundberg 497; Mary Huffman 38t; Anne Royappa 38b; Ben Fink 465 (in honor of Coy Ivey); Stephen Huffman 575; Nancy Van Den Akker 108b; Tim Royappa 77t; Erica Martinez 98; Fay Hughes 336t; Wanda Gregg 463; Evie Eddins, Emily Eddins, Eli Eddins, Ezra Eddins, Elam Eddins, Ewan Eddins, Edith Eddins, Eric Eddins, Ethan Eddins, and Elliot Eddins 304 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Tommie Spurlock 120 (for Jewell Rowland's son).

Announcements were made. The Memorial Committee members appointed were Kevin Eddins and Emily Eddins. Bill Hogan, Nicole Bowman, Ethan Eddins, and Evie Eddins led 95b as the closing song. Bill Hogan closed the session with prayer.

Sunday, January 28

The Sunday morning session was called to order by Bill Hogan leading 422b. Bill thanked everyone for coming, and the church for welcoming the convention. Bill talked about listening before we speak, then led 520. The opening prayer was offered by Tim Taylor.

Leaders: J.A. Mosley and Alice Mosley 484; Nicole Bowman 199; Evie Eddins 499; Nancy Hogan 309; Gary Padgett 193; Wynette Smith 128; Eli Eddins 48t; Tim Taylor 200; Regina Derstine 552; Jim Goetz 269; Ewan Eddins 192; Katlin Bailey 516; Eric Eddins 99.

RECESS

Nicole Bowman brought the class back together by leading 274t. Leaders: Chris Noren 430; Ethan Eddins 40; Alfred Jones 264b; Morgan Bunch 55; Tommie Spurlock 183; Sue Bunch 138t; Wayne Jones 336t.

The memorial committee was recognized to present the memorial lesson. Kevin Eddins spoke on the uniqueness of Sacred Harp music as having music that was consistent with the meaning of its words that express a fearlessness of death. Kevin read 1 Thessalonians 4:9-18, noting its message that comfort is in Christ. To the world, it sounds too good to be true, that Christ rose from the dead and will return, and in this we find comfort. Kevin then read the following list of names of the deceased: Hugh W. McGraw, Johnny Lee, Dolores Lee—Georgia; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Johnnie Chafin, Daphene Causey, J.D. Jones, and Winston Jones—Alabama; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Bob Bonnell—Florida; Charles Wells and Frances Gurtz—Minnesota; Edith Owen and Jane Goforth—Texas; Buena Mae Purvis, and Elder Bobby Willis. Kevin led 30b, remembering first hearing it led by Bill Aplin. Emily Eddins read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Velton Chafin, Robert Chambless, Ann Blake, Coy Ivey, Judy Chambless, Wilburn Ellison, and Curtis Owen. Emily led 61 in honor of these people. Chris Nicholson closed the memorial session with prayer.

Leaders: Ryan Bowman 242 (for Syd Caldwell); Ezra Eddins 48b; Tim Jones 120; Shannan McKenzie 240; Nancy Van Den Akker 563; Fay Hughes 511t; Mary Amelia Taylor 380t; Wanda Gregg 408; Kevin Eddins and Dana Eddins 315; Ben Fink 393; Becky Briggs 73t; Edith Eddins 196; Chris Nicholson 264t; Aubrey Barfield 357; Ateven Anderson and Matt Reyna 211; Elam Eddins 383. The class sang 369, and Ben Fink asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order for the afternoon session by Bill Hogan leading

453t. Leaders: Jamira Jackson 218; Dana Eddins 508; Perry Keidel 159; Emily Eddins 28b; Stanley Smith 464; Jim Goetz 225t; Fay Hughes 207t; Chris Nicholson 95t; Ben Fink 527; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 518; Wanda Gregg 186; Nancy Van Den Akker 207b; Ateven Snderson and Matt Reyna 419; Chris Noren 328; Shannan McKenzie 154b; Jim Goetz 132. Nancy Hogan reported that expenses had been met, and there had been ninety-seven leaders, who led one hundred twenty-seven songs. Nancy led 49t.

Announcements were made. Bill Hogan, Nancy Hogan, Nicole Bowman, J.A. Mosley, Alice Mosley, Evie Eddins, and Edith Eddins led 324. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Aubrey Barfield.

Chairman—Bill Hogan; Vice Chairmen—J.A. Mosley and Nicole Bowman; Secretaries and Arranging Committee—Nancy Hogan and Evie Eddins

DUBLIN SINGING

Franciscan Friary, Merchant's Quay, Dublin, Ireland

Saturday, February 3, 2018

The Dublin All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in February at the Franciscan Friary, Merchant's Quay, Dublin, Ireland. The class was called to order by Dermot Peel leading 171. Welcome and introductory remarks were given by Dermot Peel. A singing school overview for new members was taught by Mike Morrisroe.

Leaders: Mike Morrisroe 37b; Niamh Madigan 32t; John O'Flynn 29t; Ailish McMahon 39t; Amanda Parkes 83t; Clara Grimes 31t; Claire Lacombe 47t; Steph Malpass 133; Joanna Bennett 376; Desmond O' Flynn 335; Sarah Shiel 47b; Jan Geerts 128; Chris Swift 77t; Werner Ullah 49t; Lily Power 42; Katie Ahern 113; Kevin Kennedy 115; Derek Buckland 160b.

RECESS

Dermot Peel called the class back to order leading 122. Leaders: Eimear Cradock 345b; Sinead Hanrahan 150; Niamh Madigan 155; Rosalind Woods 127; Ailish McMahon 89; Joanna Bennett 542; Mike Morrisroe 76b; Claire Lacombe 361; Lily Power 30b; John O'Flynn 318; Jan Geerts 475; Kevin Kennedy 124; Chris Swift 99; Werner Ullah 49b; Katie Ahern 474; Desmond O' Flynn 282; Derek Buckland 70b; Clara Grimes 504; Amanda Parkes 168; Steph Malpass 546; Eimear Cradock 65; Rosalind Woods 274t; Ailish McMahon 56b; Sinead Hanrahan 66.

LUNCH

Mike Morrisroe called the class back to order leading 101t. Leaders: Ruth Clinton 276; Katie Ahern 500; Jan Geerts 480; Werner Ullah 501; Derek Buckland 230; Daragh McCarthy 448b; Dermot Peel 277; Niamh Madigan 153; Sinead Hanrahan 492; Annie Flynn 29b; Renata Pekowska 567; Mike Morrisroe 315; Eimear Cradock 452; Kevin Kennedy 451; Hugh McKenna 178.

RECESS

Steph Malpass called the class back to order leading 272. Leaders: Tara Walsh 159; Dermot Peel 278t; Joanna Bennett 538; Amanda Parkes 454; Rosalind Woods 319; Jan Geerts 340; Werner Ullah 410t; Derek Buckland 95; Katie Ahern 270; Sinead Hanrahan 208; Eimear Cradock 269; Kevin Kennedy 330b; Ruth Clinton 217; Renata Pekowska 351; Mike Morrisroe 48t; John O'Flynn 472; Annie Flynn 163b; Chris Swift 430; Ailish McMahon 383; Sarah Shiel 268; Steph Malpass 203; Niamh Madigan 535.

Dermot Peel made closing announcements, and thanked all those involved in organizing the day. Dermot Peel led 344 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dermot Peel; Secretary—Niamh Madigan

ROTUNDA SINGING

Department of Archives and History, Montgomery, Alabama

Saturday, February 3, 2018

The 21st 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 Christian Harmony*; and *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*.

The class sang 87. Bill Hogan welcomed the class and visitors. He introduced Joey Brackner, of the Alabama State Arts Council, and Scott Kirkland, who offered words of welcome and encouraged the singers to enjoy the exhibit of photographs by Johnathon Kelso. Bill Hogan led 36b. Arlon Gardner offered the opening prayer. The first session of singing was from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Ann Riley 142; Robert Chambless 77b; David Ivey 460; Chris Parris 532; Ann Jett 269; Judy Caudle 134; Arlon Gardner 285t; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 30b; Gary Padgett 189; Jack Nelson 461.

The second session of singing was from *The Christian Harmony*. Leaders: Danny Creel 54 (CH); Tim Taylor 332 (CH); Nancy Hogan 468b (CH); Mary Amelia Taylor 493b (CH); Chris Nicholson 490 (CH); Katlin Bailey 119 (CH); David Daniel 184 (CH); Ann Jett 149 (CH); Gary Padgett 138 (CH).

RECESS

The third session of singing was from the *B.F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Edition*. The class was called to order by Bill Hogan leading 497 (CB). Leaders: Ken Sundberg 556 (CB); Stephen Huffman 563 (CB); Alice Sundberg 108b (CB); Mary Huffman 442t (CB); Gavin Blakeley 196 (CB); Karen Clark 55 (CB); Johnathon Kelso 331t (CB); Sarah Blevins 47b (CB); John Plunkett 528t (CB); Stanley Smith 373 (CB); Jim Carnes 38t (CB); Cathy Maddox 358 (CB); Ryan Bowman 516 (CB); Nancy Hogan 392 (CB); Mary Amelia Taylor 567 (CB) (in memory of Bill Aplin).

The fourth session of singing was from the *Colored Sacred Harp*. Leaders: Ken Sundberg 45 (CSH); David Ivey 3 (CSH); Johnathon Kelso 24 (CSH); John Plunkett 91 (CSH); Stanley Smith 87 (CSH); Herbert Buchanan "Lord, Give Me Just A Little More Time"; Jim Carnes 4 (CSH); Karen Clark 59 (CSH); Mary Amelia Taylor 95 (CSH). The class sang 369 (CB). Chris Parris offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back together by Johnathon Kelso and David Ivey leading 56b. The first afternoon session included selections from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Linda Booth 198; Steve Grauberger 171; Nell Whitman 300; Sarah Beasley 340; Nicole Bowman 240; Joey Brackner 209; Chita Blakeley 430; Tom Booth 441.

The second session of the afternoon included selections from *The Christian Harmony*. Leaders: John Plunkett 546b (CH); Jim Carnes 336t (CH); Ryan Bowman 346 (CH); Karen Clark 253 (CH); Nell Whitman 91 (CH); Judy Caudle 264 (CH); Steve Grauberger 133 (CH); Bill Hogan 510 (CH) (requested by Tim Cook).

The third afternoon session was sung from the *B.F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Edition*. Leaders: Chris Parris 559 (CB); Ann Riley 464 (CB); Stephen Huffman 504t (CB); Mary Huffman 30t (CB); Alice Sundberg 584 (CB); Gavin Blakeley 60 (CB); Danny Creel 355 (CB); Arlon Gardner 96 (CB); Jack Nelson 264t (CB); Tim Taylor 277 (CB); Bridgett Hill Kennedy 450 (CB); Sarah Blevins 106 (CB); Tom Booth 511b (CB); Sarah Beasley 572 (CB); Chita Blakeley 211 (CB); Katlin Bailey 552 (CB); Joey Brackner 76b (CB).

Following announcements, Katlin Bailey, Judy Chambless, and Bill Hogan led 29t (CB) as the closing song. Bill Hogan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Bill Hogan; Vice Chairman—Joey Brackner and Jim Carnes; Secretary—Katlin Bailey

BURNHAM AND BROWN MEMORIAL SINGING
Wesley Foundation Student Center, Jacksonville, Alabama
Sunday, February 4, 2018

The 50th session of the annual Sacred Harp singing in memory of Uncle Bob Burnham, Leman Brown, and Ruth Brown was held on the first Sunday in February. The class was called to order by Pearl Guier leading 59. Henry Johnson offered the opening prayer. Pearl Guier welcomed the class and visitors.
Leaders: Tom George 213t; Judy Caudle 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Nicholas Thompson 171; Dennis George 40; Paula Oliver 276; Lisa Bennett 77b (for Don Bowen and Charlene Wallace); Daniel Lee 28t; Henry Johnson 82b; Judy Chambless 82t; Jeannette DePoy 83t; Andy Ditzler 83b; Nathan Rees 298; Philip Denney 313t; Loyd Ivey 283; Kathy Williams 432; Samuel Sommers 476; David Smead 463 (for Velton Chafin); Scott Ivey 224; Karen Rollins and Denney Rogers 222 (in memory of Vivian Rogers); Susan Cheronos 564 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Winfred Kerr 225t (for Rebecca Over); David Brodeur 153.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Tom George leading 123t. Rodney Ivey led 421 (in memory of Bud Oliver).

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Kathy Williams; Vice Chairman—Tom George; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging—Nicholas Thompson. The class endorsed the appointments.

Leaders: Rene Greene 528; Buell Cobb 177; Lilly Underwood and Loyd Ivey 426t; Linda Booth 84; Amber Davis 560; Richard Ivey 498; Isaac Green 541; Scott DePoy 65; Sherrell Cleino 335; Nate Green and Norma Green 460; Jesse P. Karlsberg 422; Reba Windom 411.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 200 to bring the class together. Leaders: Micah Roberts 26 (for Jesse Roberts); Lauren Bock 430; Judy Mincey 220; Robert Chambless 70t; David Ivey 217 (for Linda and Elwin Thomas); David Jackson 31t; Oscar McGuire 77t (for Asa McGuire); Cheyenne Ivey 76b; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 448t; Margie Smith and Rodney Ivey 475; Kelsey Ivey 309; Nell Whitman 228; Matt Hinton and Lottie Hinton 32t; Samuel Williams 163t; Alanna Blanks and Arleigh Beard 405.
Henry Johnson asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Kathy Williams leading 172. Leaders: Shane Brown 66; Tom Booth 480; Kenneith Calvert 350; Sharon DuPriest and Reba Windom 546; Robert Chambless and Judy Chambless 527; Lisa Bennett and David Smead 548; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 327; Linda Booth and Tom Booth 481; Mary Huffman and Stephen Huffman 272, 442; Samuel Sommers and Scott Ivey 197; Samuel Williams 196; Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle 500; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock 181; Richard Ivey, Kelsey Ivey, and Everett Ivey 371; Amber Davis and Isaac Green 170; Nell Whitman and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 99; David Ivey, Loyd Ivey, Lilly Underwood, Lucey Rose Karlsberg, and Cheyenne Ivey 454; Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy 179; Susan Cheronos and Daniel Lee 300.

Announcements were made. Kathy Williams and Tom George led 56t as the closing song. Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Kathy Williams; Vice Chairman—Tom George; Secretary—Judy Caudle

STEVE HELWIG MEMORIAL SINGING, HEALDSBURG

Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California

Sunday, February 4, 2018

The Steve Helwig Memorial Singing was held at the Felta Schoolhouse, Healdsburg, California, on the first Sunday in February. The class was called to order by Mary Ann Ciavonne and Lindy Groening leading 39t. Linda Selph offered the opening prayer. Pat Coghlan shared memories of traveling with Steve, and led 351. Leaders: Leah Coffin 108b; David Fetcho 131t; Linda Selph 172; Jack Ziegler 569b; Cornelia Stanton 143; Gillian Inksetter 543; Thom Fahrbach 528; Stephanie Fida 122; Clarissa Fetrow 550; Rebecca Edwards 245; Jerry Schreiber 260; Kate Coxon 564 (for Bob Schinske); Betsy Jeronen 499. Linda Selph offered the blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Thom Fahrbach led 312b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Erika Wilson 146; Inder Khalsa 440; Marie Brandis 352; Susan Fetcho 208; Dave Barber 456; Mary O'Brien 67; Carla Smith 83t; Shelby Sampson 183; Carolyn Deacy 91; Terry Barber 411; David Fetcho 240; Wren Hyde 111b; Leigh Cooper 512; Jack Ziegler 294; Leah Coffin 397; Rebecca Edwards 430; Linda Selph 384; Mary Ann Ciavonne 196. Lindy Groening led "Our Knees Have Often Bent" (a composition by Steve Helwig). Betsy Jeronen shared memories of her friendship with Steve.

RECESS

Gillian Inksetter and Stephanie Fida led 511t (CB) to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Kate Coxon 195 (CB); Cornelia Stanton 229 (CB); Leigh Cooper and Leon Godfrey 228; Clarissa Fetrow 110 (CB); Jerry Schreiber 478 (CB); Betsy Jeronen 392; Inder Khalsa 485; Marie Brandis 137 (CB); Lindy Groening 505 (CB); Erika Wilson 98 (CB) (for Erik Schwab); Terry Barber 501; Carla Smith 522 (CB); Dave Barber 36b; Susan Fetcho 463 (CB); Wren Hyde 392 (CB); Stephanie Fida 54t (CB); Gillian Inksetter 465 (CB); Pat Coghlan and Kate Coxon 444.

Thom Fahrbach shared his memories of Steve, and expressed the grief felt at his loss, then led 489 (for Steve Cackley). Lindy Groening and Erika Wilson led 62 as the closing song, and the class took the parting hand. Linda Selph dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairperson—Pat Coghlan, Vice Chairperson—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Leah Coffin

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY SACRED HARP SINGING

George W. Truett Theological Seminary, Waco, Texas

Saturday, February 10, 2018

The 16th annual Baylor Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Great Hall of the George W. Truett Theological Seminary on the Baylor University campus in Waco, Texas. Donald Ross gave a few introductory remarks about Sacred Harp, and taught a singing school prior to the start of singing. Donald Ross then called the class together leading 59. Russell Farnell offered the opening prayer. The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Dr. David Music; Secretary—Cheryl Foreman. Leaders: Cheryl Foreman 492; Rick Foreman 63; Kristie Powell 65; Reed Coates and Abel Coates 82t; Kate Agnew 277; Jerry Ryan 274t; Tammy Powell 142; Dr. Gayle Avant 503; Beverly Coates 171; Patrick Friesen 57; Gaylon Powell 385b; Russell

Farnell 178; Dr. Randall Bradley and students 85; Ellen Ray 426t; Bruce Coates and students 34b; Robert Vaughn 569b; Russell Farnell 146.

RECESS

Donald Ross brought the class back to order leading 76b. Leaders: Dr. Randall Bradley and Troy McDonald 87; Cheryl Foreman 344; Matt Arnold 81t; Rick Foreman 448t; Eric Amouzou and Stephanie Barrick 354b; Kristie Powell 203; Zane Freemyer 72b; Reed Coates and Abel Coates 448b; Kendall Walling 135; Kate Agnew 110; Brennon McFarlane 312b; Jerry Ryan 490; Tammy Powell 163b; Dr. Gayle Avant 56t; Beverly Coates and Reed Coates 153; Patrick Friesen 227; Gaylon Powell 223. Matthew Davis led grace prior to the meal.

LUNCH

Dr. David Music brought the class back to order leading 99. Leaders: Bruce Coates 66; Ellen Ray 30b; Jesse Latimer 455; Robert Vaughn 162; Donald Ross 69t (in memory of Billy Mack Patteson); Kristie Powell 430; Kate Agnew 168; Beverly Coates 354t; Patrick Friesen 326; Gaylon Powell 272; Jesse Latimer 551; Bruce Coates 147t; Ellen Ray 106; Robert Vaughn 567; Cheryl Foreman 472; Rick Foreman 107; Donald Ross 350; Kristie Powell 86; Kate Agnew 384; Jerry Ryan 345t; Tammy Powell 565; Beverly Coates 318; Patrick Friesen 323t; Gaylon Powell 36t; Jesse Latimer 319.

Announcements were made, and the class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairman—Dr. David Music; Secretary—Cheryl Foreman

CAPE COD SINGING

Friends Meeting House, West Falmouth, Massachusetts

Saturday, February 10, 2018

The annual Cape Cod All-Day Singing was held at the Friends Meeting House, West Falmouth, Massachusetts, on Saturday before the second Sunday in February. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Bill Holt leading 52t. Liz Cantrell offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Chuck Micciche 99; Liz Patton 569b; Jennie Brown 47t; Christina Wallin 101t; John Hughes 171; Chris Kain 565; Laura Hodges 131b; Rachel Stevens 318; Danny Wood 123b; MB Gowins 187; Sally Langendorf 176b; Leah Velleman 110; Vale Cofer-Shabica 58; Jesse Beller 128; Elizabeth Stoddard 67; Effie Cummings 344; Keillor Mose 39b; Nathan Aldrich 388; Kerry Cullinan 26; Emily Hancock 460.

RECESS

MB Gowins called the class back together by leading 30t. Leaders: Tarik Wareh 289; Philippa Stoddard 85; Chris Geissler 332; Joanne Fuller 500; Brian Harris 37b; Duncan Vinson 276; Charles Biada 337; Mike Richards 120; Sue Peters 178; Ian Quinn 369; Christine Andrews 330t; George Pomfret 486; Robert Stoddard 446; Gwen Gethner 360; Erik Dardan Ymeraga 482; Angharad Davis 426t; Liz Cantrell 422; Cora Wareh 481.

RECESS

Jennie Brown called the class back to order by leading 82t. Leaders: DJ Hatfield 475; Pattie Wareh 477; Leon Pulsinelle 542; Linda Shea 429; Effie Cummings 86; Joan Frankel and Bill Holt 414; John Hughes 546; Emily Hancock 299; James Baumgartner 377; Nathan Aldrich 426b; Christina Wallin 228; Faiz Wareh 354t; Jesse Beller 345b; Rachel Stevens 268; Ruby Francis and Devereaux Fuller 504. Brian Harris offered a prayer before lunch.

LUNCH

Vale Cofer-Shabica called the class back together by leading 42. Leaders: Brian Harris 428; Chris Geissler 300; Philippa Stoddard 548; Keillor Mose 302; Leah Velleman 196; Charles Biada 349; Liz Cantrell 182; Elizabeth Stoddard 399b; James

Baumgartner 298; Gwen Gethner 215; Sally Langendorf 386; Mel Novner 564; Linda Shea 306; Laura Hodges 291; Ian Quinn 234; Duncan Vinson 358; MB Gowins 436; Pattie Wareh 36b; Kerry Cullinan 123t; Mike Richards 129.

RECESS

Gwen Gethner led 121 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Christine Andrews 387; Leon Pulsinelle 418; Joanne Fuller 384; Erik Dardan Ymeraga 498; Angharad Davis 434; Will Harron 63; Robert Stoddard 562; Ryan Nash 71; Ruby Francis and Devereaux Fuller 142; DJ Hatfield 208; Tarik Wareh 287; Liz Patton 373; George Pomfret 269; Sue Peters 45t; Marshall and Philippa Stoddard 179; Chris Kain 330b; Mel Novner 59; Danny Wood 72b; Joan Frankel and Bill Holt 143.

The Secretary reported that seventy-one singers with fifty leaders from seven states sang ninety-six songs. The Treasurer reported expenses were met. The class sang 62 as the closing song. Chuck Micciche offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Bill Holt; Co-chairman—Chuck Micciche; Secretary—Liz Patton

EMORY SACRED HARP SINGING

Cannon Chapel, Emory University, Atlanta Georgia

Saturday, February 10, 2018

The 13th annual Emory Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Andy Ditzler leading 569b. Malinda Snow offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Andy Ditzler 31t; David Smead 406, 374; Laura Akerman 464, 404; Jesse P. Karlsberg 448b, 275b; Malinda Snow 36b, 96; Jim Neal 95, 473; Eric Tweedy 188, 301; Nina Burris 362, 198; Lela Crowder 162, 39t; Steve Daniel 178, 282.

Jesse P. Karlsberg spoke honoring the work of retired Director of the Pitts Theology Library, Pat Graham, establishing and supporting the Emory singing and building archival collections relating to shape note singing. He introduced the new Director, Richard Manly “Bo” Adams, and invited the class to view items on display from the library’s Raymond Hamrick Papers.

RECESS

The class returned with Andy Ditzler leading 274b, followed by Philip Denney 385b, 410t; David Brodeur 369, 158. A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Amy Armstrong Wells; Secretary—Laura Akerman. Leaders: Lauren Bock 120, 291; Emmaleigh Calhoun 117, 159; Amy Armstrong Wells and Corinne Wells 454, 112; Kevin Kleinfelter 155, 49b; Daniel Williams 507, 360; Jerusha Wheeler 148, 556; Anders Wells 99, 110.

LUNCH

David Smead brought the class back together by leading 565. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 460, 522; Sarah Trumbore 176b, 297; Jeannette DePoy 89, 142; Robert Kelley 500, 308; Tom George 113, 436; Chris Noren 163t, 236; Andy Ditzler, Jeremy Laird, Teresa Branch Lindsey, and Neta Branch Young 319, 318; Scott DePoy and Jeffrey Zwartjes 128 (in honor of Rick Schoenberger); Jonathon Smith 65, 165; Sandra Wilkinson 441, 111t; Samuel Williams 260, 378b; Andy Morse 377, 472; Nathan Rees 187, 202; Chris Noren 203; Jared Ball, Sarah Ball, and John Plunkett 405; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 67; Robert Kelley 540.

David Smead led 45b as the closing song. Jim Neal offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Amy Armstrong Wells; Secretary—Laura Akerman

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY SINGING
University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
Saturday, February 10, 2018

The 26th annual Lincoln's Birthday singing was held at Ida Noyes Hall, University of Chicago, on the second Saturday in February, in conjunction with the University of Chicago Folk Festival. The class was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Jim Swanson leading 37b. This singing uses *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*.

The following officers were elected: Chairman—Jim Swanson; Secretary—Erica Detemmerman.

Leaders: Ted Mercer 49b; Susan Geil 565; Eileen Ferguson 36b; John Seaton 47t; Sharon Spanogle 159; Terry Cunningham 59; Rochelle Lodder 171; Erica Detemmerman 65.

A singing school was taught by Ginny Landgraf. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 163b; Jim Helke 162; Sally Youngquist 113; Derek Watson 39t; Doug Stapleton 276; Kenan Serenbatz 89; Mark Dawson 496; Ginny Landgraf 497.

RECESS

Jim Swanson brought the class back together leading 107. Leaders: Matthew Seifert 101t; Ted Mercer 201; Kenan Serenbatz 313b; Susan Geil 474; Eileen Ferguson 178; Anita Shaperd 102; Terry Cunningham 217; John Seaton 135; Sharon Spanogle 106; Rochelle Lodder 155; Erica Detemmerman 45t; Alek Watson 30b; Daniel Braithwaite 86; Jim Helke 198.

Chairman—Jim Swanson; Secretary—Erica Detemmerman

MINNESOTA MIDWINTER COOPER BOOK SINGING
Olivet Congregational Church, Saint Paul, Minnesota
Saturday, February 10, 2018

Jim Pfau and Joel Setterholm led 36b to bring the class to order. Jane Wells offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Anna Pfau 573; Matt Wells 49b; Stacey Berkheimer 101t; Jim Goetz 133; Cathy Jordan 98; Myles Alexander 122 (for his friend, Wendy); Claudia Egelhoff 590; Erik McDonald 38t; Martha Henderson 360; Joel Menk 357; AnnaLeigh Smith 428; Steve Florman 164; Midge Olsen 478; Stephen Parker 32t; Kit Canright 48t; Paul Landskroener 150.

RECESS

Steve Luttinen brought the class back together by leading 336t. Leaders: J.R. Hardman 464; Alec Jenkins-White 485; Jeff Bell 326; Cathy Lutz 138t; Francis Gurtz 128; Tollie Lee 283; Denise Kania 559; Paul Wyatt 520; Michael Moore 442b; Kevin Bullock 594; Elise delMas 430; Dan Edwards 68t; Ben Fink 516; Steven T. Schmidgall 449.

RECESS

Steven Levine recalled the class leading 571. Leaders: Dick Patterson 54t; Janell Draper 341; John Wiens 514; Barbara Hohenstein 292b; Jacob Kiakahi 450; Carol Crawford 411; Kevin Shaw 475; Carol Buche and David Lee 587; Gwen Johnson 159; Gordon Olsen 47b. Steven T. Schmidgall offered prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Matt Wells called the afternoon session to order by leading 268t. Leaders: Tamara Harris 591; David Wright 512 (in memory of Charles Wells); Erin Kelly 314; David Lee 273; Debora Grosse and Anne Grosse 505; Erin Fulton 156; Christine Stevens 544; Doron Henkin 511t; Angie Payne 96; Brenda Dunlap 344; Cecelia Kramer 463; Karen Edwards 381t; Laura Densmore 482; Kathy Lee 171; Guy Bankes 364; Jenny Willard 199; Doug Donley 424.

RECESS

Steven T. Schmidgall brought the class together for the final session leading 391. Leaders: Eleanor Haase 575; Jim Crawford 518; J.R. Hardman 55; Steven Levine 486; Erin Kelly 30t; Steve Luttinen 163b; David Wright 137; Anna Pfau 140; David Lee 176t; Megan Holm 76b; John Wiens 45b; Laura Densmore, Guy Bankes, Doron Henkin, and Barbara Hohenstein 504t; Matt Wells 269. After announcements, Jim Pfau and Joel Setterholm led 500 as the closing song. David Lee offered the closing prayer.

Chairmen—Jim Pfau and Joel Setterholm; Secretary—Stacey Berkheimer

SANDERS MEMORIAL SINGING

Liberty Primitive Baptist Church (McCormick), Sumiton, Alabama Saturday, February 10, 2018

The annual Sanders Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in February. The class was called to order by Danny Creel leading 30t. Richard Mauldin offered the opening prayer. Danny Creel led 34t.

Leaders: Lisa Geist 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger) 142; Jim Aaron 47b, 231; Mary Huffman 107, 272; Earl Ballinger 217, 204; Loretta Whitman 72b, 75; Brenda Chafin 61, 460; Hubert Nall 64, 347; Emily Brown 463, 163b; Judy Caudle 138t, 138b (in memory of Arthur Gilmore and for Jimmie Gilmore); Linda Booth 504 (for Judy Hauff) 275b.

RECESS

Henry Guthery led 137 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 140, 573; Beth Branscome 47t, 228; Marlin Beasley 434 (for Velton Chafin) 336 (in memory of Cecil Sanders); Wanda Capps 144, 546; Tom Booth 480, 39b; Bea Aaron 205, 568; Eugene Forbes 340, 203; Richard Mauldin 43, 392; Stephen Huffman 200, 556; Ann Jett 495, 496; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 37b, 82t; Larry Ballinger 151, 227; Juanita Beasley 46, 63; Linda Sides 31t (for Rick Cunningham) 530 (for Ottis Sides). Richard Mauldin asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Henry Guthery leading 269. A business session was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Henry Guthery; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging—Linda Sides.

Leaders: Amber Davis 402, 391; Danny Creel 384; Danny Creel and Emily Brown 498; Lisa Geist 472; Judy Caudle 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Hubert Nall 475; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 371; Jim Aaron 68b; Ann Jett 440; Beth Branscome 456; Eugene Forbes 155; Earl Ballinger 439; Richard Mauldin 133; Bea Aaron 441; Mary Huffman 327; Larry Ballinger 98; Loretta Whitman 406; Nicholas Thompson 109; Tom Booth 34b; Amber Davis 389, 380 (in memory of Cecil Sanders); Stephen Huffman 446; Linda Booth 31b; Emily Brown 67; Linda Sides 500, 215.

Announcements were made.

Henry Guthery led 88t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Danny Creel, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Henry Guthery; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Margaret Keeton

H.R. AVERY MEMORIAL SINGING

Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Daviston, Alabama Sunday, February 11, 2018

The class was called to order by Jack Nelson leading 58, 34t, 35, and 225t. Elder Ben

Keeble offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Winfred Kerr 282; Robert Chambless 354t; Judy Chambless 37b, 389; Jack Nelson 400; Lynda Fagan 31t, 32t; Oscar McGuire 34b, 129; Cecil Roberts 426t, 399b; Charlotte Bishop 335, 143 (in memory of Mary Cu Shivers).

RECESS

Jack Nelson brought the class back together leading 290. Leaders: Ben Keeble 47b, 39b; Jordan McGuire 480, 145b; Sharon Whitehead 569b, 274t.

A memorial lesson was held. Charlotte Bishop and Jordan McGuire led 229 (CB) in memory of Mary Cu Shivers, Odean Keel, Floy Wilder and Daphene Causey. Jack Nelson led 566 for the following sick and unable to attend: Virginia Futral, William Futral, Robbie Anderson, Randy Green, Frances Treadwell, Nell Estes, and Mattie Perry.

Leaders: Julie Wood, Maggie Wood, and Jack Nelson 45t; Deedie Matthews 72b.

LUNCH

Jack Nelson brought the class back to order by leading 560. Leaders: Douglas Hubbard 159, 49b; Judy Chambless 300; Robert Chambless 501; Winfred Kerr 59; Oscar McGuire 515; Cecil Roberts 138b; Lynda Fagan 445; Charlotte Bishop and Michaela Taylor 354b; Ben Keeble 490; Jordan McGuire 36b; Douglas Hubbard and Jack Nelson 288; Deedie Matthews 503; Jack Nelson 112; Sharon Whitehead 294. Following announcements, Jack Nelson led 46 as the closing song. Elder Ben Keeble offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Vice Chairman—Charlotte Bishop; Secretary—Sharon Whitehead

ALABAMA COLLEGIATE SINGING

University Church of Christ, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Saturday, February 17, 2018

The 20th annual session of the Alabama Collegiate Sacred Harp Singing was held at the University Church of Christ on Saturday before the third Sunday in February. Scott Ivey welcomed the class, and led 60. Scott Ivey and Bill Stewart led 569b. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Stephen Smith 126; Andy Ditzler 103; David Jackson 49b; Mary Huffman 163t; Arlon Gardner 454; Brittany Thompson 112; Will Menas 318; Zilpha Cornett 89; Judy Chambless 209 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); David Brodeur 148; Jack Pate 282; Warren Steel 214.

RECESS

Leaders: Stephen Smith 324; Amber Davis 291; Robert Chambless 369 (for those killed in Parkland, FL); Beth Branscome 208; Shane Brown 339; Fynn Titford-Mock 213t; Alex Makris and Dana Grant 312b; Earl Ballinger 203; Judy Caudle 432; Stephen Huffman 111b; Lisa Geist 222.

RECESS

Leaders: Stephen Smith and Bill Stewart 480; Nate Green and Norma Green 314, 354t; Reba Windom 145t; Isaac Green and Reba Windom 421; Cheyenne Ivey 166; Sarah Beasley 340; Elene Stovall 430 (in memory of Steve Helwig and Darrell Swarens); Shelby Castillo 172; Arlon Gardner 278t; David Jackson 503; Brittany Thompson 426t; Jack Pate 39b; Beth Branscome 546; Will Menas 178; Mary Huffman 186 (in memory of Eloise Wootten). Arlon Gardner offered the thanksgiving prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Scott Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 276 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Warren Steel 400; Andy Ditzler 279; Stephen Huffman 528; Zilpha Cornett 48b; Fynn Titford-Mock 270; Judy Chambless 472; Lisa Geist 120; Lisa Geist, Earl Ballinger,

and Larry Ballinger 273 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Shane Brown 66; Judy Caudle 183 (in memory of Steve Helwig); David Brodeur 121 (in memory of Earlis McGraw); Larry Ballinger 133; Earl Ballinger 162; Isaac Green 419; Nate Green and Norma Green 101t; Amber Davis and David Heidorn 155 (for Lucy Marie Heidorn); Amber Davis 300 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Elene Stovall, Reba Windom, and Shelby Castillo 196; Warren Steel 63; Robert Chambless 225t; Cheyenne Ivey 176b. A business session was held, and the following officers were appointed or reappointed: Co-Chairman—Scott Ivey; Co-Chairman—Bill Stewart; Secretary—Stephen Smith.

Announcements were made. Scott Ivey and Bill Stewart led 45b as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Scott Ivey; Secretary—Stephen Smith

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONVENTION, WASHINGTON
Ballard Homestead, Seattle, Washington
February 17-18, 2018
Saturday, February 17

The Washington Session of the 27th annual Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by Kate Coxon leading 59. Reed Schilbach offered the opening prayer.

The Convention held a business meeting and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Adam Berey; Rising Chairman—Wing Mui; Treasurer—Katie Mahoney; Secretary—Shannon McGuire; Arranging Committee—Bob Schinske, Kathy Vlach, Clarissa Fetrow, Laura McMurray, Kate Coxon, and Matthew MacLellan; Chaplains—Reed Schilbach and Cornelia Stanton; Memorial Committee—Karen Willard and Anne Huckins. The business session was closed. Leaders: Adam Berey 77b; Wing Mui 49t; Laura McMurray 73t; Lu Zeng 29t; David Wright 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Susan Helf 324; Shannon McGuire 163t; Clarissa Fetrow 485; Anne Huckins 34b; Jim Van Horn 457; Martha Sherwood 47b; Lucinda Larsen Saue 344; Leon Godfrey 228; David Fetrow 39t; Kate Fine 282; Peter Schinske 212; Rebekah Gilmore 312b; Scott Kennedy 490.

RECESS

Jen Rymut and Ana Tighe called the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 208; Bruce Rowland 426b; Reed Schilbach and Idy Kiser 61; Karen Stingle 551; Jeff Begley 68t; Kathy Vlach 273; Erik Schwab 40; Nell Whitman 383; Sophia Schinske 377; Betsy Jeronen 499 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Gabriel Kyne 48t; Sarah Wang 274t; Ana Tighe 522; Jim Friedrich 86; Rodman Campbell 318; Jennifer Jones 527.

RECESS

Peter Schinske called the class to order leading 52t. Leaders: Luke Sivertson 565; Wren Hyde 113; Ruth Linehan 564; Pat Coghlan 209; Corrie Van Duzer 191; Jake Hachey 500; Marie Brandis 352; Katie Mahoney 426t; Aubrey Hemminger 547; Destiny Woods, Olga Josiah, Katherine Josiah, and Elizabeth Josiah 142; Katharine Hough 183; Dan Harper 345b; Mark Godfrey 83t; Karen Willard 132; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Greg Saue 163b; Lindy Groening 474; Thom Fahrbach 422. Reed Schilbach offered thanks for the meal.

LUNCH

Adam Berey called the class to order leading 30t. Leaders: Rebecca Edwards 480; Amanda Jakerst 531; Jack Lofton 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Sathbh O'Flynn 436; Stephanie Fida 311 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Steven T. Schmidgall 68b; Idy Kiser 472; Erika Wilson 77t; Hugh McGuire 140; Linda Selph 215; Eva Striebeck

269; Campbell Longworth 218; Evelyn Lamb 368; Leigh Cooper 111b; David Hough 285t; Judy Van Duzer 442; Mryka Hall-Beyer 277; Julius Pasay 67; Kate Coxon 548; Michael Rasmussen 353.

RECESS

Erika Wilson called the class to order leading 114. Leaders: Bob Schinske 539; Kevin Barrans 275b; Elizabeth Riggs and Jack Lofton 479; Steve Cackley 121; Jen Rymut 573; Leland Ross 310; Jean Murphy 268 (in memory of 17 dead in Florida); Sean MacPherson 213b; Cornelia Stanton 473; Aubrey Hemminger 84; Luke Sivertson and Amanda Jokerst 178; David Wright 498; Steven T. Schmidgall 156; Campbell Longworth 198. Adam Berey led 225t as the closing song, and a blessing was offered by Reed Schilbach.

Sunday, February 18

The Sunday session of the Pacific Northwest Convention was called to order by Adam Berey leading 467. The opening prayer was offered by Cornelia Stanton. Leaders: Greg Saue 171; Darlene Simpson-Brown 283; Atticus Kelem, Adam Smith, and Marcus Volk 332; Katharine Hough 378b; Jim Friedrich 142; Reed Schilbach 288; David Hough 53; Simon Ford, Beth Gladbach, Lizzie Merrick, and Rachel Williamson 267; Kim Lusk and Kevin Barrans 89; Doug Hill 390; Jenna Lavaud 278t; Danielle Rylander, Camille Tiegen, and Le Tran 46; Wing Mui 344; Jean Squires 410t; Ben MacSpadden 274t; Lu Zeng 455; Virginia Arthur, Ally Garr, Fred Kraai, and Janice Pryor 448b.

RECESS

Matthew MacLellan called the class to order leading 30b. Leaders: Peter Schinske 177; Destiny Woods 280; Rodman Campbell 197; Emily Greenhalgh and Ian Suchon 107; Kate Fortin 71; Sophia Schinske 371; Erik Schwab 486; Marla Elliott 269; Pat Coghlan 492; David Wright 454 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Julie Johnson and Virginia Arthur 270; Sean MacPherson 493; Jean Murphy 380; Luke Sivertson 313b; Marilyn Murata 351 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Steve Cackley 167; Carolyn Gilkey 474; Jennifer Jones 328; Bob Schinske 172; Susan Helf 122 (in memory of Hugh McGraw).

RECESS

The class was called to order by Bradley Knoke leading 32t. The memorial lesson was conducted by Karen Willard and Anne Huckins. Anne Huckins led 503 in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Rodney Willard, Barbara Willard, Jinx McGuire, Elaine Zidek, John Carson, Martie Hoadley, Eleanor Haase, Will Fitzgerald, Karen Rollins, Jerry Rollins, Michael Foster, Jean Helf, Anita Engiles, Melanie Hauff, Chris Brown, Gayle Smith, Velton Chafin, Darien Kincaid, Shisue Sugimoto, Kevin Hobacher, Amy Wilson and baby girl, Chuck Grant, Bruce Stoker, Robert Sullivan, Karen Mathews, and Roni Robbins.

Karen Willard led 124 and 32b in honor of the following deceased: Steve Helwig—Oregon; Hugh McGraw and Ash Rickli—Georgia; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Mark Reder, Linda Domholt, Jim Kyne, Harvey Guthrie, and Nita Mokricki—California; Daphene Causey, Mary Bullock Johnson, and Eloise Wootten—Alabama; Elinor Welt, Faulder Colby, and Doug Tipton—Washington; Glen Gordon, Doreen Stewart-Cook, and Adeline Udall Romoser—Oregon; Gerhart Schwab—Ohio; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Edith Owen, Amy Denison, and Jane Goforth—Texas; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Michael Radomski—Florida; T.J. Funderburk—Mississippi; Sile O'Flynn—Ireland and New York; Mark Powers—New Mexico; John Pere—New Jersey; Don Fahrback—Michigan; Robert "Bob" McTammany—North Carolina. The memorial service was closed with prayer offered by Cornelia Stanton.

Leaders: Thom Fahrback 444 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Ana Tighe 302; Lyle

Lindsay 178. The blessing for dinner was offered by Cornelia Stanton.

LUNCH

Jennifer Jones called the class to order leading 72b. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 411; Laura McMurray 204; Matthew MacLellan 558; Cornelia Stanton 192; Campbell Longworth 388; Solomon Ossa 272; Corrie Van Duzer 365; Joel Chan 312b; Kathy Vlach 415; Stephanie Fida 91; Hugh McGuire 240; Sadhbh O'Flynn 505; Amanda Jokerst 456; Katie Mahoney 195; Jack Lofton 542 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Evelyn Lamb 214; Jen Rymut 200; Judy Van Duzer and Corrie Van Duzer 126; Jake Hachey 430.

RECESS

David Wright called the class to order leading 354b. Leaders: Kate Coxon 517; Kate Fine and Lindy Groening 556; Dan Harper, Connie Erbenich, and Norm Erbenich 159; Shannon McGuire 208 (for Jinx McGuire); Marie Brandis 196; Leigh Cooper, Cecil Godfrey, and Mark Godfrey 384; Wren Hyde 117; Michael Rasmussen 81; Linda Selph and Rebecca Edwards 336; Lucinda Larsen Saue 168; Mryka Hall-Beyer 56b; Steven T. Schmidgall 496; Betsy Jeronen 534; Gabriel Kyne 419; Julius Pasay 95; Sarah Wang 143; Jeff Begley 374; Yosef Trachtenberg 29; Melissa Rasmussen 25; Karen Stingle 475; Scott Kennedy 569b; Erika Wilson 382; Kevin Barrans 229; Clarissa Fetrow and Karen Willard 431.

A business meeting was held to hear committee reports. The Treasurer reported that expenses were met through the generosity of attendees and the Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singers Inc., and made a motion to remit the convention's purse to PNWSHS Inc., which was carried.

Katharine Hough and Luke Sivertson presented a resolution, which was adopted, thanking the officers, committees and volunteers, and setting the 2019 session on the third Sunday in February and Saturday before. The Arranging Committee announced that two hundred eight singers attended over both days, representing three countries, nine states, and three Canadian provinces, singing one hundred eighty-four tunes. Adam Berey and Wing Mui led 62, as those who wished took the parting hand. Bob Schinske offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Adam Berey; Rising Chairperson—Wing Mui; Secretary—Shannon McGuire

UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA

Carrollton, Georgia

Sunday, February 18, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at the University of West Georgia, Food Services Building (Z-6), on the third Sunday in February was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Nathan Rees, who welcomed everyone. Nathan Rees led 448b (in memory of B.M. Smith). Philip Denney offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Nathan Rees 374; Philip Denney 535, 448t; Philip Langley 48t, 89; David Brodeur 274b, 229; Winfred Kerr 516 (in memory of Hugh McGraw) 36b; Jan House 142, 143 (in honor of Myron's and Jan's 30th wedding anniversary); Judy Chambless 517 (in memory of Hugh McGraw) 549; Ray Rechenberg 277, 203; Myron House 227, 113; Lisa Webb 47b, 222; Karen Rollins 446, 445; Nathan Rees and seven university students 128.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Philip Langley, who led 37b. A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Nathan Rees; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—David Brodeur.

Leaders: David Smead 378b, 426t; Donna Duke 276, 300; Oscar McGuire 336, 441; John Plunkett 524; Henry Johnson 88t, 289; Fynn Titford-Mock 73t, 150; Richard

DeLong 129, 74t; Laura Frye 178, 358.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Nicholas Thompson. He noted that in the short time he has been singing, he has begun to notice that people he knows and cares about are being added to the memorial lists (of note, Hugh McGraw attended this singing last year, and the class even sang Happy Birthday for him—Sec’y). Nicholas read the lists names of the sick and shut-ins and the deceased. He led 213t. Philip Denney offered a prayer of dedication for the memorial lesson. Leaders: Andy Ditzler 98, 465; Lisa Bennett 404, 406. Henry Johnson offered grace before the meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Philip Denney leading 120. Leaders: Judy Mincey 464; Glenda Collins and Barbara Brooks 35; Lisa Bennett and Sue Tarshis 299; Cheri Taylor 224; Nicholas Thompson 217; Fynn Titford-Mock 280; Cecil Roberts 285t; Jenna Frye 408; Robert Chambless 49t; Ray Rechenberg 29t; Malinda Snow 468; Gene Duke 282; Daniel Williams 545, 556; Judy Mincey 213b; Henry Johnson 82b; Myron House and Jan House 155; Jenna Frye, Cheri Taylor, Laura Frye, and Lisa Webb 159; Andy Ditzler 268; Nicholas Thompson 269.

Announcements were made.

Nathan Rees, Philip Denney, and David Brodeur led 77b as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nathan Rees; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—David Brodeur

J.L. WHITE, ECLECTIC HARMONY AND GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia Saturday, February 24, 2018

The 18th annual J.L. White, *Eclectic Harmony*, and *Georgian Harmony* singing was held at Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in February. John Plunkett welcomed the class, and announced that due to a lack of books, we would not be singing this year from the *Eclectic Harmony*. John Plunkett led 34b (WB) as the opening song. Hayden Arp offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 543t (WB) (for John Hollingsworth); Sandra Wilkinson 490t (WB), 316 (WB); Malinda Snow 138b (WB), 96 (WB); Judy Mincey 508b (WB), 481t (WB); David Smead 54t (WB), 466 (WB); Joan Durdin 86 (WB), 87 (WB); Russ Hanson 488b (WB), 512 (WB); Tristan Gordon 160b (WB), 138t (WB); John Kelso and Harlan Kelso 475 (WB), 476 (WB) (in memory of Olivia Stokes); Jessica Kelso 105t (WB), 104 (WB).

RECESS

Sandra Wilkinson reconvened the class leading 300 (WB). Leaders: Hayden Arp 515 (WB), 152 (WB); Lisa Bennett 150 (WB), 544 (WB) (for Don Bowen); Clark Williams 401 (WB), 145t (WB); J.R. Hardman 389t (WB), 516 (WB); Henry Johnson 81t (WB), 433b (WB); Stina Soderling 547 (WB), 155 (WB); Carol Hanson 313 (WB), 49b (WB); Maddy Mullany 285t (WB), 276 (WB); Jerusha Wheeler 431 (WB), 435 (WB); Laura Akerman 545t (WB), 131 (GH). Debora Grosse asked the blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

John Plunkett reconvened the class leading 118 (GH). Leaders: Debora Grosse 490b (WB), 478 (WB); Andy Morse 480b (WB), 487t (WB); Sandra Wilkinson 491t (WB); Malinda Snow 511 (WB); Stina Soderling 12 (GH); Jerusha Wheeler 299 (WB); Hayden Arp 486t (WB); Maddy Mullany 306b (WB); Laura Akerman 540 (WB); David Smead 550b (WB); Tristan Gordon 87 (GH); J.R. Hardman 114 (GH); Henry Johnson 440 (WB); Russ Hanson 222 (WB); Lisa Bennett 198 (GH); Judy Mincey 4 (GH); Debora Grosse 234 (GH); Andy Morse 55t (WB); Tristan Gordon 318 (WB); Hayden Arp 77t (WB); Stina Soderling 317t (WB); Henry Johnson 213b (WB). After announcements, John Plunkett led 20 (WB), supplement as the closing song. Henry Johnson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Russ Hanson; Secretary—Malinda Snow

SOUTH YORKSHIRE SACRED HARP SINGING
Wood Lane Countryside Centre, Stannington
South Yorkshire, United Kingdom
Saturday, February 24, 2018

The annual South Yorkshire All-Day Sacred Harp singing was called to order by Vicki Elliott leading 101t. Ted Brown offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed: Chairman—David D. Elliott; Secretaries—Eimear O'Donovan and Josh Lant; Arranging Committee—Sarah West and Steve Brett.

Leaders: Sarah West 29t; Eimear O'Donovan 100; Richard Mayers 38b; Margaret Gillanders 36b; Martel Reynolds 162; Calum Woods 36t; Hannah Land 37b; Benny Ross 166; Joy Spreadborough 30t; Joe Vickers 138t; Lin James 63; Steve Brett 89; Jacoba Bruneel 171; Helen Brown 131b; Derek Buckland 70t; Ted Brown 30b; Sarah West 479 (for Ian West); Penny Macbeth 122; Vicki Elliott 475; Martel Reynolds 142; Richard Mayers 183; Margaret Gillanders 546; Benny Ross 278b.

RECESS

Eimear O'Donovan called the class to order leading 39b. As there were some new singers present, the chair offered a welcome to all beginners, and invited Helen Brown to teach a brief singing school. Helen spoke on the shape note system, the modes of time, and led the class to sing together on the tenor line of 49t. Leaders: Calum Woods 126; Josh Lant 564; Derek Buckland 47t; Joy Spreadborough 277; Joe Vickers 43.

Hannah Land conducted the memorial lesson and read the list of names of the following recently deceased: Hugh McGraw, Edith Owen, Gravis Ballinger, Daphene Causey, Kameron Prescott, Tobey Boyes, Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, Rollo Woods, Amy Denison, Dennis Horton, Sharon Smith, Daniel Evans, Jean McDonald, and Donald McDonald. She also spoke for the following sick and housebound: Curtis Owen, Diane Ross, Melanie Hauff, Rev. Michael Pain, Chris Brown, David Elliott, Idy Kiser, Louise Holland, Sister Pippa, Sue Smith, Janet Hutsby, and Stuart Russell. Hannah Land led 330b, and closed the memorial lesson with a prayer.

Leaders: Steve Brett 400; Lin James 452; Jacoba Bruneel 102; Ted Brown 566; Penny Macbeth 39t; Martel Reynolds 48b. Margaret Gillanders offered the blessing for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Sarah West leading 270. Leaders: Richard Mayers 173; Vicki Elliott 522; Helen Brown 500 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Calum Woods 224; Julie Russell 49b; Hannah Land 543; Eimear

O'Donovan 411; Joe Vickers 433; Lin James 182; Ted Brown 119; Joy Spreadborough 354b; Jacoba Bruneel 440; Steve Brett 292; Penny Macbeth 107; Josh Lant 196; Benny Ross and Steven Ebbinghaus 128; Margaret Gillanders 391; Derek Buckland 206; Joe Vickers 207; Helen Brown 447 (for Chris Brown and Judy Whiting); Martel Reynolds and Tom Sprackland 268; Richard Mayers 504.

RECESS

Vicki Elliott called the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Hannah Land and Mike Upton 148; Colin Higgins 296; Joy Spreadborough 154; Calum Woods 185; Lin James 303; Steve Brett 97; Jacoba Bruneel 335; Ted Brown 569b; Penny Macbeth 77t; Josh Lant 428; Margaret Gillanders 466; Derek Buckland 312b; Eimear O'Donovan 208 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Benny Ross and John Sprackland 556. Vicki Elliott and David D. Elliott led 347 as the closing song. Calum Woods offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David D. Elliott; Secretaries—Eimear O'Donovan and Josh Lant

TEXAS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Coker United Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas** **February 24–25, 2018**

Saturday, February 24

The 26th annual Texas State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Coker United Methodist Church in San Antonio, Texas. Sarah Huckaby called the class to order leading 56t. Tom Owen offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Sarah Huckaby 318; Don Ross 183; Tammy Powell 565; Mike Hinton 480; Jesse Latimer 200; Sonny Huckaby 348b; Carter Cook 171; Lori Rogers 139; Lauren Owen and Abby Huckaby 75; Janie Short 228; Matt Bell 140; Robert Vaughn 229; Vickie Cook 474; Diane Ross 168; Larry Ballinger 217; Jackson Owen 186; Amy Peveto 47b; Andy Ditzler 440; Riley Owen 176b; Hoss Curran 388; Gary Rogan 299.

RECESS

Don Ross called the class back together leading 30t. Leaders: Greg Bowles 163b; Karen Willard 449; Ellee Curran 146; Anna Strickland 129; Addison Bowles 159; Kate Agnew 436; David Stowe 39t; Silas Huckaby 475; Patrick Friesen 177; Fynn Titford-Mock 141; Bruce Coates 503; Kristie Powell 547; Buddy Ballinger 354b; Tom Owen 327; Amanda Bowles 86; Michele Curran 269; David Brodeur 161; Leon Ballinger 300; Ellen Ray 29t; Earl Ballinger 439; Scott Curran 472; Claire Steinman 535; Beverly Coates 320 (in memory of Edith Owen); Gaylon Powell 240; Lisa Matt 282; Linda Booker 490; Chris Nicholson 47t. The following committees were appointed: Memorial Committee—Don Ross, Lisa Matt, and Kristie Powell; Nominating Committee—Gaylon Powell and Mike Hinton. Sonny Huckaby offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Sarah Huckaby called the class back to order leading 76b. Leaders: Tammy Powell 542; Matt Bell 271t; Robert Vaughn 481; Amanda Bowles 178; Becca Short 312b; Jesse Latimer 236; Lauren Owen and Abby Huckaby 142; Earl Ballinger 155; Sonny Huckaby 332; Jackson Owen 53; Karen Willard and Ken Hallock 132; Riley Owen 45t; David Brodeur, Andy Ditzler, and Fynn Titford-Mock 206; Lori Rodgers 162; Silas Huckaby 500; Buddy Ballinger 343; Anna Strickland 331.

RECESS

Don Ross called the class to order leading 345b. Leaders: Greg Bowles 84; Kate Agnew 110; Patrick Friesen 70t; Sharon Kermit 26; David Stowe 365; Michele Curran 504; Larry Ballinger 224; Ellen Ray 430; Leon Ballinger 120; Beverly Coates and Bruce Coates 150; Scott Curran 532; Lisa Matt 61; Tom Owen 338; Gaylon

Powell and Kristie Powell 448t; Chris Nicholson 473; Linda Booker 569b; Gary Rogan 276; Amy Peveto 38t; Janie Short 384; Carter Cook 383; Vickie Cook 479; Mike Hinton 527. Sarah Huckaby led 347 as the closing song. Chris Nicholson offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, February 25

The Sunday session of the Texas State Convention was called to order by Sarah Huckaby leading 34b. Gary Rogan offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Sarah Huckaby 432; Don Ross 368; Tammy Powell 454; Tom Owen 74t; Amy Peveto 472; Andy Ditzler 270; Kristie Powell 296; Fynn Titford-Mock 396; Anna Strickland 398; Mike Hinton 434; Sharon Kermit 278t; David Brodeur 461; Diane Ross 480; Abby Huckaby 99; Bill Bailey 72b; David Stowe 268; Beverly Coates 328; Earl Ballinger 80b; Ellee Curran 145b; Kate Agnew 277; Buddy Ballinger 385b; Karen Willard 483; Hoss Curran 388.

RECESS

Don Ross led 345t to bring the class together. Leaders: Silas Huckaby 222; Larry Ballinger 528; Michelle Curran 95; Leon Ballinger 313b; Ken Hallock 315; Kit Alderson 148; Gaylon Powell 455; Janie Short 456; Gary Rogan 319; Patrick Friesen 482; Lisa Matt 315; Linda Booker 452; Carter Cook 107; Ellen Ray 275b; Chris Nicholson 182; Bruce Coates 566.

A memorial lesson was held. Kristie Powell read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Chris Brown, Andy Worthington, Melanie Hauff, Louise Holland, Don Bowen, Idy Kiser, Will Fitzgerald, Velton Chafin, Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell, Lee Huckaby, and Doug Webb. Lisa Matt led 390. Don Ross read the following list of names of the deceased: Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Eloise Wootten, Johnnie Chafin, Susie Denson, Daphne Causey, Gravis Ballinger, and Art Gilmore—Alabama; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Berkley Moore—Illinois; Edith Owen, Amy Denison, Jane Goforth, Peter Nichols, Ron Ryan, Julia Welch, Cliff Jensen, and Loree Schoefner—Texas. Lisa Matt led 285t. Don Ross offered the closing prayer for the memorial service.

Leaders: Tom Owen 33b; Gaylon Powell 149; Karen Willard 137; Fynn Titford-Mock 92; Buddy Ballinger 340; Bill Bailey 121; Andy Ditzler 314; Silas Huckaby 189; David Brodeur 227; David Stowe 306; Sharon Kermit 235; Mike Hinton and the BBQ Cooks 373. Tom Owen offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Sarah Huckaby began the afternoon session by leading 82t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 98; Anna Strickland 334; Nancy Agnew 288; Earl Ballinger 179; Patrick Friesen 151; Amy Peveto 129; Kristie Powell 209; Mike Hinton 534; Beverly Coates 208; Kate Agnew 384; Michelle Curran 430; Leon Ballinger 195; Gary Rogan 203; Diane Ross 234; Lisa Matt 312b; Linda Booker 494; Carter Cook 63; Ellen Ray 548; Chris Nicholson 108b; Bruce Coates 32t; Jesse Latimer 29b; Lori Rodgers 120; Vickie Cook 335; Becca Short 87; Sara Deturk 178; Janie Short 442; Kit Alderman 133; Leon Ballinger, Buddy Ballinger, Earl Ballinger, and Larry Ballinger 280; Fynn Titford-Mock 459.

A business meeting was held. The following officers were elected to serve for next year: Chairman—Don Ross; Vice Chairman—Michelle Curran; Secretary—Tammy Powell; Co-Treasurer—Rick Foreman and Cheryl Foreman; Assistant Treasurer—Sonny Erwin. Announcements were made.

Sarah Huckaby, Don Ross, and Tammy Powell led 62 as the closing song. Don Ross offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sarah Huckaby; Vice Chairman—Don Ross; Secretary—Tammy Powell

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SINGING
State Botanical Garden of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
Sunday, February 25, 2018

The annual session of the University of Georgia Singing was held on the fourth Sunday in February. This is the only annual singing that uses *The Social Harp*, first published in 1855. Michael Spencer brought the class to order by leading 191 (ScH). John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 108 (ScH); Lisa Bennett 195 (ScH); Robert Kelley 102 (ScH); Judy Mincey 103 (ScH); John Hollingsworth 86 (ScH); Jerusha Wheeler 228 (ScH); Oscar McGuire 34 (ScH); John Plunkett 134 (ScH); Shannon Primm 135 (ScH); Lauren Bock 137 (ScH); Eli Snyder 209 (ScH); Stina Soderling 53 (ScH); Chris Wilhelm 82 (ScH); Jesse P. Karlsberg 170 (ScH); Maddy Mullany 60 (ScH); Tristan Gordon 140 (ScH); Dave Farmer 218t (ScH); Clarke Williams 24t (ScH); Karen Redwine 115 (ScH); David Smead 239 (ScH); Michael Spencer 200 (ScH); Bill Hollingsworth 63 (ScH); Robert Kelley 213 (ScH); Lisa Bennett 87 (ScH).

RECESS

The class was called back to order by John Plunkett leading 184 (ScH). A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Michael Spencer; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Lisa Bennett.

Leaders: Judy Mincey 202 (ScH); Jerusha Wheeler 201 (ScH); Oscar McGuire 88 (ScH); Shannon Primm 222 (ScH); Lauren Bock 182 (ScH); Eli Snyder 52b (ScH); Stina Soderling 218b (ScH); Chris Wilhelm 141 (ScH); Jesse P. Karlsberg 49 (ScH); Maddy Mullany 98 (ScH); Tristan Gordon 68 (ScH); Dave Farmer 83 (ScH) (for Raymond Farmer); Clarke Williams 42 (ScH); Karen Redwine 58 (ScH); David Smead 250 (ScH); Justin Bowen 159 (ScH).

LUNCH

During the afternoon session, the class sang selections from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Michael Spencer 370; Lisa Bennett 204; Julian Damashek 39b; Christy Sinksen 448t; Kevin Kelly 39t; Bill Hollingsworth 236; Robert Kelley 99; Judy Mincey 365 (at John Hollingsworth's request); Jerusha Wheeler 369; Oscar McGuire 163b; John Plunkett 475; Shannon Primm 163t; Tristan Gordon 353; Chris Wilhelm 504; Lauren Bock 542; Stina Soderling 558; Maddy Mullany 345b; Dave Farmer 209; Eli Snyder 270; Clarke Williams 86; David Smead 422 (for his cousin, Mark); Liz Weaver 503; Justin Bowen 187; Kevin Kelly 198; Christy Sinksen 107; Julian Damashek 470.

RECESS

Leaders: Michael Spencer 354t; Lauren Bock, Sara Donaldson, and Kathy Pool 45t; Chris Wilhelm 186 (for Elsie Hollingsworth); Stina Soderling 162; Robert Kelley 77b; Tristan Gordon 56b; Bill Hollingsworth 180; Maddy Mullany 472; Clarke Williams 145t; Judy Mincey 464; Oscar McGuire 276; Jerusha Wheeler 142; Shannon Primm 500; Justin Bowen 396; Dave Farmer 455; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 88t. Following announcements, Michael Spencer led 521 as the closing song. Shannon Primm offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Michael Spencer; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Lisa Bennett

SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN MUSIC SINGING
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Kansas City, Missouri
Thursday, March 1, 2018

The 24th annual Conference of the Society for American Music Sacred Harp Singing, held this year in Kansas City, Missouri, was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by

Jesse P. Karlsberg leading 48t. Deane Root offered the opening prayer. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*.

Leaders: Kevin Kehrberg 455 (dedicating the evening to Ron Pen, who founded the singing); Erin Fulton 70b; Rhonda Machlan 475; Mark Clague and Dan Brittain 472; Joe Douglas 82t; Sondra Howe 128; Doug Shadle 347; Dan Brittain 43; Stephen Shearon 155; Sharla Hulsey 198; Leah Weinberg and Mark Clague 159; Doris Dyen 79 (in memory of Dovie Jackson); Austin Stewart 30t; Deane Root 28b (in memory of Japheth Jackson); Annett Richter 146.

RECESS

Jesse P. Karlsberg called the class back to order by leading 129. Leaders: Dayle Dryer 362; Charles Freeman 145t; Gregory Camp 47b; Tracey Laird 208; Doris Dyen 45t; Deane Root 149 (in memory of Bob Reynolds); Erin Fulton 312t; Dorothy Glick Maglione and Rhonda Machlan 547; Mark Clague 183; Joe Douglas 277; Sondra Howe 287; Doug Shadle 163b; Dan Brittain 163t; Stephen Shearon 213t; Sharla Hulsey 72b; Leah Weinberg 186; Annett Richter 101t; Austin Stewart 414; Jesse P. Karlsberg 481. Jesse P. Karlsberg, Kevin Kehrberg, and Erin Fulton led 62, and the class took the parting hand. Kevin Kehrberg offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

The Society for American Music Singing occurs in conjunction with the Society's annual conference, the date and location of which vary each year. The 2019 singing will convene in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Chairman—Jesse P. Karlsberg; Vice Chairman—Kevin Kehrberg; Secretary—Erin Fulton

DISPERSED HARMONIES FROM THE EIGHTH IRELAND SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Various Locations

March 1-4, 2018

Although Ireland's airports were closed by snow, many travelling singers were still determined to sing, and sing they did, and though they may not have been in Cork in person, they were certainly part of the convention in spirit.

Thursday, March 1

Keeping Despair at Bay Singing, Bristol Matthew Parkinson called the class to order by leading 187. Leaders: Steve Brett 171; Matthew Parkinson 179 (for Amanda Parkes); Sarah West 441; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 542; Matthew Parkinson 550; Steve Brett 212; Rachel Wemyss 61; Kate Kirwan 97; Kate Coxon 204; Matthew Parkinson 225b; Steve Brett 378t; Matthew Parkinson 382; Steve Brett "Ruth 1.16" (by Rachel Wells Hall), "Calum's Palindrome" (by Calum Woods), "Glenelg" (own composition); Matthew Parkinson 418; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 434; Matthew Parkinson 434; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 468; Matthew Parkinson 470, 486, 495; Steve Brett 289; Kate Coxon 348b; Kate Kirwan 472 (for Sinéad Hanrahan).

Friday, March 2

Extra Amsterdam Singing, Tjitske de Schipper's home, Amsterdam, The Netherlands This extra singing was organized because several travelling singers were not able to go to Cork due to the weather and were stranded in Amsterdam. Many thanks to Tjitske for making her home available at such short notice.

Tjitske de Schipper called the class to order by leading 86. Leaders: Bob van Toor 178; Anne Eringa 142; David Brodeur 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Andy Ditzler 517 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Johannes Kunst 535; Gerben Vos 155; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 129; Janine Kooij 457; Eva Striebeck 83t; Thom Fahrback 276; Tjitske de Schipper 52b; Bob van Toor 455; Anne Eringa 28t.

RECESS

David Brodeur called the class back to order by leading 273 (in memory of Louise Holland). Leaders: Ciske Boekelo 209; Hessel Castricum 245 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Andy Ditzler: "Ireland" (own composition); Taylor Ward 124; Johannes Kunst 148; Gerben Vos 99; Ineke Spoelstra 159; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 82t; Janine Kooij 282; Eva Striebeck 211; Anne Eringa 328; Jessica Stazzone 354b; Thom Fahrbach 354t; Tjitske de Schipper 122.

RECESS

Bob van Toor called the class back to order by leading 442. Leaders: David Brodeur 454; Ciske Boekelo 183; Andy Ditzler 546; Hessel Castricum 236; Taylor Ward 179; Gerben Vos 47t (for Amzi Chapin's 250th birthday); Janine Kooij 300; Ineke Spoelstra 37b. Bridgett Hill Kennedy told her story about when she was first called to lead a song, and how much leading early and often has helped her. Leaders: Eva Striebeck 501; Anne Eringa 191; Jessica Stazzone 38t; Thom Fahrbach 216; Tjitske de Schipper 107; Bob van Toor 47b; David Brodeur 545 (for all those who are on pilgrimage this weekend).

Organizer and Secretary—Gerben Vos

Saturday, March 3

Cork Solidarity Afternoon Sacred Harp Singing, St. Mary the Virgin Church Hall, Elsworthy Road, Primrose Hill, London, United Kingdom An afternoon singing in solidarity with the organizers of the Ireland Convention in Cork, was called by the London Sacred Harp singers, and held at St. Mary the Virgin Church, Primrose Hill, London. Teresa Maguire welcomed all the singers, particularly those who had found themselves unable to get to Ireland, due to the atrocious weather conditions, and led 47t. Leaders: Thomas Greig 138b; Jacoba Bruneel 101t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 63; Machna Nowak 122; Joe Jones 314; Thomas Sprackland and Nick Hall 569b; Jamie McNish 87; Hyke Sakaras 452; Rachel Jordan 121; Marjorie Brown 38t; Jan Lawrence 410t; Teresa Maguire 82t; Sheila Girling Macadam 454; Edwin Macadam 444; Johannes Sauer 455; Nick Hall 474; George Simms 34t; Iain Paxon 448b; Greg Carson 523; Amy Cutts 34b; Rachel Jordan 503 (called by Nicholas Markwell).

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Duane Nasis leading 32t. Leaders: Thomas Greig 35; Jacoba Bruneel 442; Caro Stamm-Reusch 349; Machna Nowak 300; Amy Cutts 513; Joe Jones 280; Thomas Sprackland and Jacoba Bruneel 277; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 89; Duane Nasis 411; Sam Carter 456; Hyke Sakaras 163b; Rachel Jordan 522 (for Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur); Thomas Greig 414 (called by Nicholas Markwell); Marjorie Brown 228; Jan Lawrence 146; Teresa Maguire 512; Sheila Girling Macadam 372 (for Emma Rock); George Simms 263; Nick Hall 573; Iain Paxon 441; Edwin Macadam 236; Johannes Sauer 504.

RECESS

The final session was called to order by Teresa Maguire leading 77t. Leaders: Machna Nowak 70b; Amy Cutts 29b; Thomas Sprackland and Machna Nowak 268; Caro Stamm-Reusch 308; Jacoba Bruneel 108b; Joe Jones 55; Brenda Harvey 159; Hyke Sakaras 49b; Sam Carter 499; Duane Nasis 131b; Rachel Jordan 564; Nigel Bowley 510 (called by Nicholas Markwell); Marjorie Brown 344; Sheila Girling Macadam 128; Edwin Macadam 217; Johannes Sauer 276; Nigel Bowley 466; George Simms 198; Nick Hall 155; Iain Paxon 56b.

Thanks were given to Rev Prebendary Marjorie Brown for the use of St. Mary's Church Hall, and to Rachel Jordan, who pitched for all three sessions. The Secretary reported 28 singers from the UK and Germany had registered, there had been 25 leaders, and 67 songs had been sung. Brief announcements were made. Teresa

Maguire led 48t, and Marjorie Brown offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Teresa Maguire; Secretary—Sheila Girling Macadam

Saturday, March 3

Bristol Airport Singing, Bristol Airport, Gate 8 Steve Brett called the class to order by leading 101t. Leaders: Alec Williams 29t; Steve Brett 79; Kate Coxon 230; Steve Brett: “Ireland” (by Andy Ditzler), “Pembroke” (own composition); Kate Kirwan 222; Kate Coxon 316; Steve Brett 213t; Kate Coxon 176t.

Saturday, March 3

First Saint Aubin Singing, Saint Aubin, France Gwendal Geleoc brought the class to order by leading 42. Leaders: Alexia Yver 268; Frédéric Eymard 29t; Florent Decherf 171; Raphael Boden 107; Hugues Albanel 159; Arnaud 38b; Albertine Guillaume 547; Perrine De Sancy 303; Bénédicte Guillaume 277; Léopoldine Guillaume 155; Daniela Codita Muhr 146; Connie Desmarais 84.

RECESS

The class was called to order, singing 65. Leaders: Alexia Yver 178; Frédéric Eymard 77t; Gwendal Geleoc 106; Raphael Boden 49t; Florent Decherf 122; Hugues Albanel 114; Arnaud 163t; Albertine Guillaume 296; Perrine De Sancy 47b; Nathalie Adenot 535 (by telephone); Connie Desmarais 270; Léopoldine Guillaume 33b; Bénédicte Guillaume 523; Alexia Yver 457; Gwendal Geleoc 102; Frédéric Eymard 399b; Florent Decherf 430; Raphael Boden 126; Hugues Albanel 445; Arnaud 455; Nathalie Adenot 28t (by telephone); Connie Desmarais 448b; Léopoldine Guillaume 236.

RECESS

On the beach, the class sang 86, 344, and 504.

The class was called to order, singing 313b. Leaders: Bénédicte Guillaume 143; Connie Desmarais 142; Alexia Yver 276; Gwendal Geleoc 345b; Florent Decherf 192; Raphael Boden 272; Hugues Albanel 460; Arnaud 472; Albertine Guillaume 209; Perrine De Sancy 40; Léopoldine Guillaume 147t; Bénédicte Guillaume 481; Daniela Codita Muhr 444; Connie Desmarais 87; Alexia Yver 282; Léopoldine Guillaume 323t. The class sang 45t (for Franc), and dismissed.

Sunday, March 4

Gwendal Geleoc brought the class to order by leading 421. Leaders: Florent Decherf 176b; Frédéric Eymard 452; Raphael Boden 456; Hugues Albanel 117; Arnaud 155; Albertine Guillaume 215; Bénédicte Guillaume 304; Perrine De Sancy 39t; Léopoldine Guillaume 287; Connie Desmarais 150; Daniela Codita Muhr 146; Gwendal Geleoc 425; Florent Decherf 318; Alexia Yver 448t; Frédéric Eymard 206; Raphael Boden 479; Hugues Albanel 30t; Arnaud 112; Albertine Guillaume 504, 272; Bénédicte Guillaume 528; Perrine De Sancy 50b; Léopoldine Guillaume 354t; Connie Desmarais 384; Daniela Codita Muhr 385b; Frédéric Eymard 383; Alexia Yver 171; Florent Decherf 203; Gwendal Geleoc 274t; Hugues Albanel 102; Arnaud 84; Raphael Boden 80t; Albertine Guillaume 183; Bénédicte Guillaume 480; Perrine De Sancy 86; Léopoldine Guillaume 128. The class closed the session by singing 268.

RECESS

Gwendal Geleoc brought the class back to order by leading 65. Leaders: Florent Decherf 99; Alexia Yver 122; Bénédicte Guillaume 121; Frédéric Eymard 141; Léopoldine Guillaume 501. The class sang 500, 87, 53, and 52b to close the session.

Sunday, March 4

Edinburgh Division of Team Scotland Extraordinary non-Cork Singing, Anne’s Flat, Edinburgh Anne Altringham called the class to order by leading 49b. Leaders: Shereen Benjamin 191; Margaret Bradshaw 38b; Calum Parker 49t; Jan Geerts 39t;

Alison Cole 163b; Joan Gordon 178; Jenny Bell 117.

RECESS

Following a tea break and singing along to live stream from Cork, Anne Altringham called the class back to order leading 203. Leaders: Shereen Benjamin 496; Margaret Bradshaw 87; Calum Parker 569b; Jan Geerts 313t; Alison Cole 146; Joan Gordon 84; Anne Altringham 86.

RECESS

Following a tea break and singing along to live stream from Cork, Shereen Benjamin called the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Margaret Bradshaw 312b; Calum Parker 122; Jan Geerts 270; Alison Cole 268; Jan Geerts 46; Anne Altringham 282; Jan Geerts and Calum Parker 285t; Calum Parker 47t.

ELMORE CENTER SINGING

Elmore Center United Methodist Church, Gordo, Alabama Saturday, March 3, 2018

The 174th session of the Elmore Center Sacred Harp Singing was held at Elmore Center United Methodist Church near Gordo, Alabama, on Saturday before the first Sunday in March. Jack Pate called the class to order by leading 503. Pastor Joey Karr offered the morning prayer. Jack Pate welcomed everyone.

The class organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Chairman—Jack Pate; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging—Wayne Baines.

Leaders: Jack Pate 569b; David Jackson 496, 40; Richard Mauldin 36b, 34b; Amber Davis 206, 300 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Chris Ballinger 400, 477; Lisa Geist 527 (for Johnnie Ballinger) 228; Mike Hankins 168, 276; Betty Baccus 312t, 285t; Glenn Keeton 278t (in memory of Toney Smith), 349 (in memory of Clarence McCool); Earl Ballinger 141, 135; Seth Poston 108b, 129, 145b (for Julia Poston), 166.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton led 270 to call the class to order. Leaders: Loretta Whitman 87, 77t; Marlece Ray 426b, 454; Larry Ballinger 551, 528, 182 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Wayne Baines 340, 341; Amber Davis 192; Seth Poston 358; Richard Mauldin 446; Chris Ballinger 344; David Jackson 122; Mike Hankins 282; Earl Ballinger 403. Pastor Joey Karr asked the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Jack Pate thanking everyone for attending, and the church for continuing to sponsor the singing. He led 39b. Leaders: Lisa Geist 273; Betty Baccus 46; Glenn Keeton, Danny Smith, and Sandra Smith 45t; Marlece Ray 269, 186; Loretta Whitman 99; Larry Ballinger 47b, 436; Louise Yeager 480, 143; Wayne Baines 318; Jack Pate 152, 571 (CB), 37b; Lisa Geist 472, 294.

Glenn Keeton and Jack Pate led 267 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jack Pate; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Margaret Keeton

EMMAUS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Thomaston, Georgia Saturday, March 3, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, which is held on Saturday before the first Sunday in March, was called to order by Oscar McGuire leading 34b. Elder Norman Randall offered the morning prayer. Oscar McGuire led 59.

The following officers were elected to serve for the day: Chairman—Wayne Watson; Secretary—David Smead.

Leaders: Wayne Watson 480; John Plunkett 345t, 295; Rosemund Watson 503, 34t; Winfred Kerr 36b, 516; Mary Brownlee 556, 47b; Chris Robinson 103, 102; Martha Harrell 178, 542; Justin Bowen 58, 100; James Brownlee, Jason Brownlee, and Mary Brownlee 354b, 268.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 88t. Leaders: John Brownlee 448t; Daniel Williams 177, 74t; Faye Hollis 276, 299; Samuel Williams 101b, 378b; Philip Ford 49t, 49b; Eli Hinton and Lottie Hinton 148, 159; Ricky Harcrow 74b, 29t.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 33b. Leaders: Wayne Watson 225t; Terry Wootten 176t, 472; Lauren Bock and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 273 (in memory of Louise Holland) 298; Bentley McGuire, Asa McGuire, and Oscar McGuire 56b, 77t; Erica Hinton 108t, 492; David Smead 571, 461; Anna Hinton 455, 383; Jamey Wootten 111b, 138t; Matt Hinton 37b (in memory of Louise Holland) 112; Mel Kersey 569b, 515; David Grant 166, 421; Beth Hagues 65; Lisa Bennett 127 (by request) 323b (in memory of Louise Holland) 45t (by request); Justin Bowen 518 (by request).

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 347 as the closing song. Wayne Watson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Wayne Watson; Secretary—David Smead

IRELAND SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Quaker Meeting House, Cork, Ireland

March 3-4, 2018

Saturday, March 3

Despite Ireland's heaviest snowfall since 1982 requiring a last minute change of venue and unfortunately preventing a substantial number of visiting singers from flying in to Ireland, those who had safely arrived were determined to win the day, though we were few in number. The 8th session of the Ireland Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Kevin Kennedy leading 90. Chris Lyons offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Katie Ahern 38t; Sinéad Hanrahan 31b; Amanda Parkes 100; Michael Walker 273 (in memory of Louise Holland); Colleen Jones 272; Jude O'Neill 335; Helen Peake 43; Kayne Coy 34b; Elisabeth Schallwig 539; Chris Lyons 270; Andal Sundaramurthy 500; William Cleary 123b; Becky Wright 145t; Bryan Seale 138t; Ted Mercer 353; Steph Malpass 436; Jonathon Smith 165; Lloy Cook 178; Mike Spencer 420; Christopher Kain 565; Rosalind Woods 121; Drew Smith 183; Camilla Marie Widholm 110; José Camacho 319; Mike Morrisroe 214 (for Vicki Elliot); Sam Kleinman 176b. Camilla Marie Widholm asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dara Desmond called the afternoon session to order leading 332. Leaders: Michael Walker 528; Al McCready 227; Sinéad Hanrahan 202; Drew Smith 385b; Katie Ahern 91; Chris Affolter 434; Becky Wright 522; Richard Mayers 77t; Lisa O'Grady 278b; Ted Mercer 217; Nancy Novotny 442; William Cleary 225b; Camilla Marie Widholm 550; Piers Blewett 101t; Cäcilia Mann 344; Jonathon Smith 419; Colleen Jones 556; José Camacho 312b; Steph Malpass 546; Mike Spencer 166.

RECESS

Mike Morrisroe called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Drew Smith 328; Andal Sundaramurthy 309; Christopher Kain 496; Sam Kleinman 302; Oskar

Kvasnes 63; Nancy Novotny 492; Al McCready and Andal Sundaramurthy 452; Becky Wright 326; John O'Flynn 306; Dara Desmond 192; Chris Lyons 228; Ted Mercer 275; Chris Affolter 112; Mike Spencer 191; Cäcilia Mann 573; Richard Mayers 173; José Camacho 274; Elisabeth Schallwig 547.

RECESS

Lisa O'Grady called the class to order leading 474. Leaders: Bryan Seale 532; Kevin Kennedy 394; Jonathon Smith 220; Nancy Novotny 299; Kayne Coy 504; Sam Kleinman 475; Camilla Marie Widholm 280; John O'Flynn 99; Amanda Parkes 177; Piers Blewett 551; Jude O'Neill 300; Lloy Cook 268; William Cleary and José Camacho 198; Oskar Kvasnes 40; Rosalind Woods 159; Chris Affolter 38b; Andal Sundaramurthy 512; Richard Mayers 39; Cäcilia Mann 143. Kevin Kennedy led 46 as the closing song. William Cleary dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, March 4

As circumstances necessitated a later than usual start, Sunday's session was preceded by dinner on the grounds. Kevin Kennedy opened proceedings by leading 318, following which Derek Buckland said grace before the meal.

LUNCH

The Sunday session of the 8th Ireland Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Kevin Kennedy leading 113. Leaders: Katie Ahern and Mary Ryder 29; Kate Kirwan 283; Ed Johnson-Williams 328; Kate Coxon 430; Marie Brandis 352; Alec Williams 350; Mary Jane Wilkie 332; Ross Harbison 383; Brenda Dunlap 370; Steven Levine 474; Nancy Novotny 373; Fynn Titford-Mock 150; Erin Johnson-Williams 276; Christopher Kain 282; Ted Mercer 468; Steve Brett 527; Sam Kleinman 396; Ann Riley 186; Joanne Fuller 192; Aaron Kahn 455.

RECESS

Amanda Parkes called the class to order leading 411. Leaders: Piers Blewett 34b; Colleen Jones 499.

Chris Lyons read the following names of the sick and housebound: David Sillito, Liliana Sillito, Carol Aitken, Isobel Gamble, Roy McGregor, Shauna Gladish, Breda Morrisroe, Brian Morrisroe, Don Bowen, Jean Ayotte, Iris Gomes, Dan De Foor, Melanie Hauff, Sophie Sawicka-Sykes, and Idy Kiser.

He then read the following list of names of the deceased: Victor Griffin—Limavady, Northern Ireland; Allan William James and Sana Ghani—Canada; Dr. Moss Flynn—Cork, Ireland; Heinz Schinnagel—Ansbach/Rothenburg, Germany; PJ O'Grady—London/Urlingford, Ireland; Tobey Boyes—Market Weighton, UK; David Gassi—Traralgon, Victoria, Australia; Philip Hearne—Waterford, Ireland; Stuart Barry—Cork, Ireland; Julie Veal—Wisconsin, USA; Hugh McGraw and Louise Holland—Georgia, USA; Sile O'Flynn and Herb Eriksson—New York, USA; Christa Steele—Massachusetts, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Marion Hill—Washington, USA; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA.

Leaders: Michael Walker 69; Jonathon Smith 498; Dara Desmond 155 (for Cath Ingham and Tobey Boyes); Mike Spencer 382; José Camacho 53; Becky Wright 97; Al McCready and Desmond O'Flynn 269; Inga Huebner 98; Drew Smith 384; Oskar Kvasnes 36b; Marie Brandis 212; Derek Buckland 142; Ailish McMahon 148; Ingrid Rædergård 68b; Lloy Cook and Lisa O'Grady 347; Alec Williams, Kate Coxon, Kate Kirwan, and Steve Brett 495 (for Matthew Parkinson, Leilai Immel-Parkinson, Meg Winter, and Sarah West); Sasha Hsuczyc 419.

RECESS

Bryan Seale called the class to order leading 522. Leaders: Lisa O'Grady 564; Ed Johnson-Williams 201; Mary Jane Wilkie 32b; Camilla Marie Widholm 172; Fynn Titford-Mock 92; Elisabeth Schallwig 425; Chris Lyons 189; William Cleary 236; Joanne Fuller 460; Steven Levine 49b; Sasha Hsuczyc 371; Sinéad Hanrahan 176;

Aaron Kahn 107; Kate Coxon 573.

RECESS

Ross Harbison called the class to order leading 30b. Leaders: Brenda Dunlap and Ted Mercer 501; Steph Malpass and Mike Morrisroe 315; Richard Mayers 102; Erin Johnson-Williams 340; Claire Lacombe and Mike Morrisroe 361; Ann Riley 440; Derek Buckland 160b; Chris Affolter 168; Mary Jane Wilkie 121; Marie Brandis 549; John O'Flynn 36t; Inga Huebner 63; Kayne Coy 542; Rosalind Woods 319; Katie Ahern 348t.

Kevin Kennedy gave the closing announcements, in which he thanked the organizers of the convention, and gave special thanks to those who traveled through the inclement weather to make the singing. Katie Ahern gave the Secretary's report and stated that 161 songs had been sung in total (88 on Saturday and 73 on Sunday) by 77 registered singers. Seven countries were represented: Ireland, Canada, England, Germany, Lithuania, Norway, and the United States of America. Twelve US states were represented: Alabama, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Washington, and District of Columbia. Dara Desmond gave the Treasurer's report. She was thankful for the generosity of those present. Kevin Kennedy led 146 as the closing song. Kate Kirwan offered the final prayer.

Chairman—Kevin Kennedy; Vice Chairman—Katie Ahern; Secretary—Ross Harbison

NORTH CAROLINA SACRED HARP SINGING **Pullen Memorial Baptist Chapel, Raleigh, North Carolina** **March 3-4, 2018**

Saturday, March 3

The first day of 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. Kyle Johnston called the class to order leading 49t.

The following officers were elected: Chairpersons—Elaine Denny and Dave Mark; Treasurer—Rick Motylinski; Secretary—Derek Lane.

Leaders: Elaine Denny 171; Derek Lane 122; Marlen Ruegg 496; Rick Motylinski 569b; Lisa Brown 48t; John Feddersen 456; Deborah Brogden 178; David Wilson 276; Lydia Lewallen 373; Les Updike 515; Kathy Kaiser 131t; Skeet Surrency 472; Lynda Hambourger 328; Cleve Callison 236; Ben Shirley 148; Erin Newton 573.

RECESS

Lisa Brown called the class back to order leading 455. Leaders: Pamela Minor 66; Chris Wolf 89; Suzanne Newton 299; B.J. Warshaw and Rick Motylinski 99; Matt Drumheller 383; Nora Miller 33b; Patrick Friesen 204; Matt Winter 210; Michelle Newton Dohse 128; Rick Motylinski 277; Kelly Macklin 174; Brandon Goins and Lydia Lewallen 282; John delRe 263; David Wilson 163b; Kyle Johnston 480; Derek Lane 31t; Kathy Kaiser 270.

LUNCH

Patrick Friesen called the class back to order leading 179. Leaders: Matt Drumheller 448t; Chris Wolf 229; Ben Shirley 113; Miriam Delirium 29b; Ron Craig 117; Henry Vroman and Lydia Lewallen 419; John Feddersen 528; Michelle Newton Dohse 47b; Patrick Friesen 318; Cleve Callison 198; Diana Campurano and Elyse Smith 378b; Matt Winter 38b; Suzanne Newton 163t; Nora Miller 500; Tim Weigand and Lydia Lewallen 170; Nancy Newell 155.

RECESS

Joan Robertson called the class back to order leading 344. Leaders: Jamie Latimer

and Tim Smith 268; Rachel Mann 457.

Deborah Brogden conducted the lesson to remember the following sick and shut-ins: Fritz Dohze, Ana Jo Rising, Dave Banford, Debbie Lewallen, and Caren Conrad. Deborah Brogden led 125.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Deborah Brogden to remember the following deceased: Janelle Davis and Les Sontag—Illinois; John Bayer, Jr.—Ohio; Ben Smith—Florida; Bob McBride, Premis Page, and Blackwell Brogden—North Carolina; Stephanie Wolf—Maryland; Lucille Gunnels, Edna Vickers, Ed Smith, Lois Speaker, B. M. Smith, and Earlis McGraw—Georgia; Chris Chaklux—Virginia. Lynda Hambourger led 547.

Leaders: Erin Newton 36t; Olivia Prevost and Chris Wolf 82t; John delRe 83t; Kelsea and Kelly Macklin 330b; Pamela Minor 30t; Les Updike 313b; Janice Lautier and Lisa Brown 159; Marlen Ruegg and Elaine Denny 196; Kelly Macklin 485; Skeet Surrency 183; Kyle Johnston 61.

RECESS

Nora Miller called the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Elaine Denny 212; Rachel Mann 312b; Brandon Goins and Derek Lane 45t; Miriam Delirium 271t; Patrick Friesen and Lydia Lewallen 390; Chris Wolf 47t; John delRe and Kelly Macklin 354t; Jamie Latimer 254; Nora Miller 176t.

Sunday, March 4

The Sunday singing was held at the Murphey School in Durham. Sharon Strong led a prayer. Elaine Denny called the class to order leading 1b (ShH). Leaders: John Feddersen 149 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 18t (ShH); John delRe 18b (ShH); Kyle Johnston 41 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 8 (ShH); Derek Lane 1t (ShH); Leslie Booher 140b (ShH); Les Updike 124 (ShH); Marlen Ruegg 80 (ShH); Skeet Surrency 216 (ShH); David Stowe 57 (ShH); Chris Wolf 420t (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 358 (ShH); Chris Wilhelm 60t (ShH).

RECESS

Chris Wolf called the class back to order leading 43t (ShH). Leaders: Patrick Friesen 348t (ShH); Ben Fink 37 (ShH); Lisa Brown 263 (ShH); Erin Newton 286 (ShH); Rick Motylinski 5t (ShH); Kathy Kaiser 242 (ShH); Les Updike 296 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 416 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 90 (ShH); Marlen Ruegg 46 (ShH); John delRe 9b (ShH); Derek Lane 264b (ShH); David Stowe 384 (ShH); Skeet Surrency 253 (ShH); Chris Wilhelm 183 (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 254 (ShH); Leslie Booher 200 (ShH); John Feddersen 201 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 3b (ShH); Nora Miller 420b (ShH); Elaine Denny 311 (ShH).

LUNCH

John delRe called the class back to order leading 100 (ShH). Leaders: Ben Fink 260b (ShH); Xaris Martinez 403 (ShH); Nora Miller 87 (ShH); Erin Newton 268 (ShH); Miriam Delirium and Lydia Lewallen 204 (ShH); Patrick Friesen 24b (ShH); Leslie Booher 313 (ShH); Marlen Ruegg 108 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 350 (ShH); Derek Lane 167 (ShH); Chris Wilhelm 193 (ShH); Skeet Surrency 180 (ShH); Les Updike 157 (ShH); John Feddersen 68 (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 243 (ShH); Elaine Denny 218b (ShH); Kyle Johnston 113 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 247 (ShH); Chris Wolf 266 (ShH).

RECESS

Nora Miller called the class back to order leading 17 (ShH). Leaders: Kathy Kaiser 12b (ShH); Xaris Martinez 260t (ShH); Jamie Latimer 173 (ShH); Miriam Delirium and Kelly Macklin 381 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 380 (ShH); Les Updike 81 (ShH); Erin Newton 186 (ShH); Chris Wolf 236t (ShH); Patrick Friesen 218t (ShH); Elaine Denny 297 (ShH); Ben Fink 431 (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 245 (ShH); John delRe 137 (ShH); Skeet Surrency 326b (ShH); John Feddersen 368 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 270 (ShH); Derek Lane 429 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 54 (ShH); Elaine Denny and David Gardner 234 (ShH).

Chairpersons—Elaine Denny and Dave Mark; Secretary—Derek Lane

OHIO STATE CONVENTION

Jeffrey Mansion, Bexley, Ohio

March 3-4, 2018

Saturday, March 3

The 26th annual (and 25th Anniversary) Ohio State Convention was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Karen Arnett leading 68b. Nigel Ewan offered a morning psalm. A business session was held, and the 2018 slate of officers were elected by unanimous vote. Chairman—Lia Mansfield; Vice Chairman—Ray Rechenberg; Treasurer—Michael Darby; Secretaries—Laura Ann Russell, Liz Hayes, and Michael Domino; Arranging Committee—Laura Ann Russell, Beth Todd, John Bealle, and Ray Rechenberg. Incoming Chairman Lia Mansfield asked Linda Coppock to form a Memorial Committee, and appointed Ally Talbot to lead the Resolutions Committee. She then asked the other committees to form, and the business session was closed. Leaders: Lia Mansfield 178; Ray Rechenberg 40; Michael Darby 31t; Laura Ann Russell 272 (requested by Idy Kiser); Ally Talbot 66; Nigel Ewan 344; Sheila Patterson 472 (for the singers of Cork whose concurrent convention was being disrupted by storms); Sunny Jo Chapin 345t; Linda Coppock 540; Sylvia Thomas 556; Jim Mace 473; Rich Overturf and Kathleen Flanagan 100; Nancy Hunter 313b; Tom Kochan 569b; Carol Medlicott 297; Bonnie Spitzkeit 551; Josh Walton 29t; Beth Huener 454; Taylor Hand and Ray Rechenberg 47b; Corey Sees 121; Lori Graber 53; Marian L. Mitchell 368.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg called the class back to order by leading 319. Leaders: Debbie Hall 497; Keillor Mose 32t; Jim Herr 546; Hollie Long 448t; Beth Todd 373; Michael Darby 369; Barb Patterson 474; Len VanderJagt 228; Kay Huener 276; Christopher Yoder 99; Clara Herr 535; Bob Borcharding 148; Cecelia Kramer 444; Brad Oglesby 192; Gerry Hoffman 547; Michael Hieber 37b; Joel-Henry Mansfield 410t. Nigel Ewan offered a prayer before the midday meal.

LUNCH

Lia Mansfield called the class back to order by leading 335. Leaders: Eloise Clark 416; David Casenhiser 146; Anne Missavage 236; Jan May 362; Claire Outten 189; Ruth Wampler 383; Mary Skidmore 270; Jim Patterson 278t; Molly Sauder 455; Michael Domino 408; Eric Rutherford 481; Dick Patterson 274t; Karen Arnett 532; Jeff Shenk 208; Tim Morton 330b; John Bealle 442; Tim Gregg 105; Grace Patterson 38t; Kylie Mace 350; Jason Yoder 159; Kathleen Flanagan 39t.

RECESS

Beth Todd called the class together by leading 34b. Leaders: Rich Overturf 480; Jim Mace 277; Carol Medlicott 440; Donna Bing 452; Claire Outten 112; Lori Graber 150; Marian L. Mitchell 327; Bonnie Spitzkeit 63; Tom Kochan 503; Gerry Hoffman 421; Cecelia Kramer 71; Jan May 300; Dick Patterson 47t; Keillor Mose 147t; Barb Patterson 271t; Corey Sees 285t; Len VanderJagt 38b.

Lia Mansfield thanked the class for a great day of singing, mentioned details about the evening social at the home of Sylvia Thomas, and asked for announcements. She led 347 as the closing song. Nigel Ewan offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed until 9:30 a.m. the next day.

Sunday, March 4

Lia Mansfield welcomed singers to the second day of singing and lead 171. Nigel Ewan offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Jim Patterson 178; Ed Walton and Josh Walton 268; Rachel Latham and Ruth Wampler 207; Deborah Koch and Corey Sees 81t; Sarah Rutherford and Michael Darby 457; Grace Patterson 47t; Taylor Hand and Mary Skidmore 436; Nancy Hunter 312b; Jason Yoder 72b; Sheila Patterson 324 (in memory of John and Loraine Bayer); Ally Talbot 86; Nigel Ewan 365; Karen Arnett 474; Liz Hayes and Laura Russell 277; Mary Jean McCarthy and Mary Skidmore 326; Tim Gregg 52b.
RECESS

The class was called back to order by Laura Ann Russell leading 32t. Leaders: Michael Domino 390; Ray Rechenberg 49b; Linda Coppock 245; Tim Morton 215; Len VanderJagt 507; Corey Sees 30b; Michael Darby 133; Laura Ann Russell 142; Gillian Inksetter 534; Bob Borcharding 168; Beth Todd 501; Hans Bayer 504; Clara Herr 564; Gerry Hoffman 173; Debbie Hall 348t; Eloise Clark 417; Marian L. Mitchell 549.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Ruth Wampler spoke of the importance of reaching out to those who were shut-in, and how a simple card or phone call could mean so much. She urged the class to sign the cards on the registration table for those on the list today and to remember them in the coming weeks. She read the following list of names: Idy Kiser, Sue Duff, Steve Duff, Katie White, Joy Huener, Bob Fisher, Begee Rechenberg, Will Fitzgerald, and Mary Stutzman. She led 430. Linda Coppock spoke about how she stumbled upon two busloads of Alabama singers teaching the fledgling Chicago group about Sacred Harp. Over two decades later, she is grateful for those who made that trip and in so doing, planted the Sacred Harp tradition in Illinois, and through those singers, into Ohio. She read the following list of names of the deceased: Louise Holland, Hugh McGraw, and Jean Hollingsworth (Clara Herr's mother)—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Berkeley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Oscar Merritt—North Carolina; San Slothour—Pennsylvania; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Gerald Hughes, George S. Kaplonski, Leroy Heeg, and John "Rusty" Neff—Ohio. Linda Coppock led 570 in their memory.

Leaders: Mary Skidmore 128; Hollie Long 348b; Jeff Shenk 129; Christopher Yoder and Alicia Yoder 163b; Joel-Henry Mansfield 218. Nigel Ewan asked a blessing on the meal.

LUNCH

Lia Mansfield led 276 to begin the afternoon session. Leaders: Anne Missavage 203; Jan May 351; Eric Conrad 378b; Claudia Baldwin 448b; Jubal Bayer 370; Anne Gilliland 127; Keillor Mose 186; Ezekiel Paulowski 49t; Dick Patterson 163t; Michelle Chapin 159; Cecelia Kramer 174; Molly V. Sauder 209; John Bealle 434; Ruth Wampler 279; Jamie Yeats 547; Josh Walton 117; Sunny Jo Chapin 224; Barb Patterson 107; Nicole Muffitt and Lia Mansfield 479; Jim Herr 490.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg called the class together by leading 40. Leaders: Sylvia Thomas 377; Mary Skidmore 67; Eric Conrad and Anne Gilliland 288; Gillian Inksetter 572; Keillor Mose 318; Gerry Hoffman 328; Bob Borcharding and Anne Missavage 176t; Marian L. Mitchell 485; Dick Patterson and Barb Patterson 399t; Cecelia Kramer 216; Jan May 217; Laura Ann Russell and Michael Darby 198 (in memory of Darrell

Swarens); Corey Sees 77t; Tim Morton 227; Beth Todd 179.

The Arranging Committee called for all those singers present at the first Ohio State Convention in 1993 to take the hollow square. Those founding singers (John Bealle, Eloise Clark, Linda Coppock, Jim Coppock, Michael Darby, Sylvia Thomas, and Debbie Hall) joyfully led 344.

Lia Mansfield asked for committee reports. The Arranging Committee reported that eighty-two songs were led on Saturday and eighty-one on Sunday. There were one hundred fifteen singers registered with another forty non-registered participants, visitors, and children present through the weekend. Twelve states (Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Kentucky, Kansas, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Texas, New York, West Virginia, and North Carolina) and one province of Canada (Ontario) were represented. Approximately seventy viewers watched the convention via live stream over the two days.

The Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The children were thanked for their contribution of ribbon book marks that brought in eager donations of \$2 per bookmark.

The Resolutions Committee thanked all of you who made this singing so wonderful, particularly: the food committee (Joel-Henry Mansfield, Nancy Hunter, and all who helped them). Thank you to everyone who cooked, prepared, and contributed the delicious spread. It's hard to find anything that tops the singing part of this weekend, but the food gave it a run for its money; Lia Mansfield and Ray Rechenberg for their hard work as chairman and vice chairman; all our pitchers for their contributions; all secretaries and members of the arranging committee, especially Laura Russell, Beth Todd, John Bealle, and Ray Rechenberg; Ruth Wampler and Linda Coppock for the memorial lesson; Chaplain, Nigel Ewan for all his work on postcards, cards, signs, and for maintaining our webpage; Michelle Chapin and her team for providing childcare; Bexley Parks and Recreation and the staff of the Jeffrey Mansion for preparing our space, particularly Randy, our contact person; Sylvia Thomas for securing the Jeffrey Mansion, and for hosting the social along with her spouse Fred Moore; all who contributed to the social, especially Brad Oglesby for his famous Sacred Harp Jeopardy; the Columbus Sacred Harp singers, and our wonderful neighbors from Dayton and Cincinnati, who took on too many tasks to name. And last, but certainly not least, all of you who've made this year's convention a success. Thank you for bringing your voices, generosity, energy, and fellowship. Finally, we resolve to meet again in a year in Dayton to celebrate the 27th Ohio Sacred Harp Convention.

Announcements were made. Lia Mansfield led 62, and those who wished took the parting hand. Nigel Ewan offered the closing prayer. Lia Mansfield dismissed the class and charged it to reconvene next year in Dayton.

Chairman—Lia Mansfield; Vice Chairman—Ray Rechenberg; Secretary—Laura Ann Russell

TUCSON SINGING
Sonora Cohousing, Tucson, Arizona
March 3-4, 2018
Saturday, March 3

The 12th session of the Tucson Singing and the 7th session of the Elder Gerald Hand Memorial Singing was called to order by J.P. Thom-Gronachan leading 49b. Craig Averill offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Erika Roush 49t, 39t; Janet Morgan 76b, 77t; Anita Landess 39b, 102; Patrick Williams 183, 335; Jeanette Ralston 373, 383; Eric Morgan 300, 186; Leslie Alperin 163b, 271t; J.P. Thom-

Gronachan 324, 535; Donna Sewell 171, 32t; Craig Averill 276, 312b; Midge Harder 36t, 532; David Hand 128, 358; Janet Plattner 159.

RECESS

J.P. Thom-Gronachan brought the class back to order leading 282. Leaders: Abbie Sorg 72b, 68b; Judy Van Duzer 486, 173; Patty Doss 200, 216; Larry Hand 63, 81t; Mimi Faraj and Erika Roush 131t, 73b; David McPherson 569b, 430; Richard Poss 99, 117; Tony Park 66, 34b; Michael McKernan 277, 228; Erika Roush 160b, 551; Janet Morgan 35, 314; Anita Landess 111t, 373; Patrick Williams 178, 227; Jeanette Ralston 485, 213b; Eric Morgan 107. Kathy Garrett offered thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

J.P. Thom-Gronachan brought the class back to order leading 56b. Leaders: Midge Harder 180, 362; Michael McKernan 47b, 40; Jean Merritt and Leslie Alperin 280, 474; Craig Averill 55, 457; Paige Winslett 455, 313b; Tony Park 299; Leslie Alperin 268, 155; Eric Morgan 236 (for Donna Sewell); Donna Sewell 146; David McPherson 448t, 452; Janet Plattner 452, 503.

RECESS

J.P. Thom-Gronachan brought the class back to order leading 181. Leaders: Larry Hand 75, 31t; Patty Doss 528, 142; Judy Van Duzer 442, 29t; Abbie Sorg 143, 217; David Hand 127, 235; Mimi Faraj and Erika Roush 106; Richard Poss 86; Erika Roush 147t, 542. J.P. Thom-Gronachan led 333 as the closing song, and Kathy Garrett offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, March 4

The Sunday session of the Tucson Singing was called to order by J.P. Thom-Gronachan leading 42. The morning prayer was offered by Craig Averill. Leaders: Erika Roush 85, 84; Janet Morgan 49b, 89; Craig Averill 47b, 452; Leslie Alperin 40, 48t; Jeanette Ralston 74b, 91; David McPherson 549, 379 (in memory of Elder Gerald Hand); Kathy Garrett 503, 228; Eric Morgan 198, 376; Midge Harder 297, 515; Chris Nicholson 47t, 72b; Paige Winslett 472, 209; Donna Sewell 460, 73b; Jean Merritt and Leslie Alperin 38b, 344.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by David Hand leading 75. Leaders: Richard Poss 547, 277; Abbie Sorg 504, 481; Larry Hand 566, 282; Anita Landess 57, 58; Janet Plattner 119, 347; Michael McKernan 189, 77t; J.P. Thom-Gronachan 147b, 192. A memorial lesson was conducted by Kathy Garrett. The names of the following sick and housebound were read: Doug Webb, Gary Gronau, Ed Stevens, Josie Herschel, Jeannette Ralston, Claire Selleck, and Curtis Owen. The following who have died since last year's Elder Hand Convention were remembered: Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Louise Holland and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Jane Goforth and Edith Owen—Texas. Kathy Garrett led 163b, followed by a prayer closing the memorial lesson.

LUNCH

David Hand brought the class back to order by leading 63. Leaders: J.P. Thom-Gronachan 105, 66; Janet Morgan and Paige Winslett 34b (as birthday wishes for loved ones); Janet Morgan 68b; Ellie Soler 277, 362; Erika Roush and Fernando Siaba 191, 203; Chris Nicholson 473, 108b; Midge Harder 556, 270; Craig Averill 319, 235; Abbie Sorg 323b, 284; Eric Morgan 70b, 274t; Kathy Garrett 334, 296; Donna Sewell 31t, 448b.

Announcements were made and reports were given. Eric Morgan led 236. Kathy Garrett offered a closing prayer. Kathy Garrett led 62, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—J.P. Thom-Gronachan; Vice Chairman—Anita Landess; Secretary—Paige Winslett

ROGERS MEMORIAL SINGING
Ephesus School, Roopville, Georgia
Sunday, March 4, 2018

The annual Rogers Memorial Singing was held on the first Sunday in March. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Denney Rogers leading 101t. The morning prayer was offered by Henry Johnson. Rodney Ivey led 89 and Judy Chambless led 97. A short business session was then held. Officers elected were as follows:

Chairman—Denney Rogers, Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey, Secretary—Karen Rollins; Arranger—Judy Chambless. Mayor Denney Rogers welcomed everyone to Ephesus.

Leaders: Elene Stovall 36b; Amber Davis 224; Henry Johnson 144; Jared Wootten 106; Loyd Ivey 213t; Lela Crowder 138t; April Watkins and Taylor Watkins 445; Lisa Bennet 444; Winfred Kerr 549; Lilly Underwood 457; Cheyenne Ivey 371; Nathan Rees 134; Margie Smith and Reba Windom 318 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Marty Wootten 76b; Buell Cobb 207.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey brought the class back to order leading 389. Leaders: David Smead 534; Richard Mauldin 146; Shelby Castillo 498; Samuel Williams 196; the children of Laurie Silva 117; Gene Duke and Donna Duke 111b; Shane Wootten 448b; Isaac Green 541; Oscar McGuire 229; Judy Caudle 140 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 340 (in memory of Louise Holland); Sheri Taylor 209; John Plunkett 96; Karen Clark 446; Bobby Watkins 480; Judy Mincey 135; Anna Hinton 203; Richard DeLong 399b; Eli Hinton 148; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 143; Nicholas Thompson 200 (for Barrett Patton).

RECESS

The grandchildren of Lonnie Rogers (Barry Rollins, Laura Robinson, Randa Harris, Beverly Thompson, and Susan Rice) called the class back to order leading 345t. Cecil Roberts led 477. Amy Wootten and Coy Ivey led 384.

Karen Rollins conducted the memorial lesson. She talked about fellowship as one of the major blessings of Sacred Harp. She and her siblings (Karleen Williams, Paige Harrod, and Denney Rogers) led 45t for the following sick and shut-ins: Chris Holley, Virginia Futral, Idy Kiser, Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Sherry Lovvorn, Jason Rowell, and Anne Chalker.

The following deceased singers and friends were also memorialized: Louise Holland, Hugh McGraw, Randy Yates, Janice Yarbrough, Robert Rogers, Joyce Runels, Edna Keel, Mike Taylor, and Jerry Rollins—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Edith Owen—Texas; Daphene Causey, Reid Rogers, Gravis Ballinger, Eloise Wootten, Johnie Chafin, and Floy Wilder—Alabama. Philip Denney closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Matt Hinton 70b; Reba Windom 436; Robert Chambless 225t.

Announcements were made. Denney Rogers, Rodney Ivey, and Karen Rollins led 46 as the closing song. Karen Rollins offered the closing prayer and blessing for the meal. The singing was dismissed after lunch so that singers could travel to Bowdon to sing at the funeral of Louise Holland.

Chairman—Denney Rogers; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Karen Rollins

OLYMPIA SINGING
The Woman's Club of Olympia, Olympia, Washington
Saturday, March 10, 2018

The 9th annual Olympia All-Day Singing was called to order by Marla Elliott, who

welcomed everyone and led 46. The opening prayer was offered by Bob Schinske. The following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Marla Elliott; Secretaries—Ian Suchon and Wisnu Weinstock; Treasurer—Camille Tiegen; Resolutions—Julie Johnson.

Leaders: Marla Elliott 113; Ian Suchon 153, 401; Kate Fortin 31t, 36b; Solomon Ossa 313b, 481; Fred Kraai 138b; Jean Squires 348t; Bob Schinske 47t (for Adam Berey), 68b (for Kate Coxon); Wisnu Weinstock and Adam Smith 287; Beth Gladbach and Mik Brummond 178; Lizzie Merrick and Julie Johnson 270.

RECESS

Wren Hyde brought class to order by leading 145b. Leaders: Markus Volk 334; Chris Lane 354b; Melissa Rasmussen 107; Eric Duvall-Winscher 25; Rachel Williamson 63; Janice Pryor 448b; Aurora 457; Simon Ford 38t; Molly Staley and Marla Elliott 49t; Chase Arevalo 130; Destiny Woods 94 (for Grandma), 85 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Yosef Trachtenberg 105, 503; Melissa Stephenson 179, 229; Ben Brown 318; Anne Huckins 288, 373; Julius Pasay 312b, 111b.

RECESS

Destiny Woods brought class to order by leading 445. Leaders: Kathy Vlach 189, 228; Linda Berkemeier 400, 35; Le Tran and Ian Suchon 268; Camille Tiegen 319; Susan Helf 284, 188; Danielle Rylander 126; Scott Kennedy 455, 454; Laura McMurray 349, 426t. Bob Schinske offered the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

Marla Elliott brought class back to order by leading 49b. Leaders: Carolyn Helmeczi 300, 32b; Rodman Campbell 148, 203; Dorothy Robinson 447, 123b; Pat Coghlan 218, 91; Sadhbh O'Flynn 208, 95; Kevin Barrans 119, 235; Ana Tighe 436, 442; Clarissa Fetrow 444, 26; Thom Fahrback 37b, 37t; Wren Hyde 124; Jack Lofton 550, 411; Marie Brandis 172, 352; Bob Schinske 204, 435.

RECESS

Leland Ross brought class back to order by leading 338. Leaders: Cornelia Stanton and Beth Gladbach 547, 368; Eric Schwab 398 (for David Wright), 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Kate Fine 480; Scott Kennedy 162; Virginia Arthur and Atticus Kelem 410t, 117; Sadhbh O'Flynn 129; Melissa Stephenson 497, 378b; Wren Hyde 106; Dorothy Robinson 371.

Announcements were made. The Resolutions Committee thanked all who had contributed and resolved to meet again in March, 2019. Marla Elliott led 267 as the closing song. Bob Schinske offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Marla Elliott; Secretaries—Ian Suchon and Wisnu Weinstock

SMITH MEMORIAL SACRED HARP SINGING (COOPER BOOK/THE SACRED HARP, 1991 REVISION)

**New Harmony Community Center, New Harmony, Texas
Saturday, March 10, 2018**

The 39th session of the Smith Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Kristie Powell leading 406 (CB). Robert Vaughn offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Kristie Powell 68t (CB); Mike Hinton 68b, 63; Tammy Powell 163b, 217; Gaylon Powell 208, 298; Peggy Ray 568, 47t; Donald Ross 81b, 54; Olivia Powell 56t, 282; Kit Alderman 148, 410t; Diane Ross 480, 40; Robert Vaughn 357 (CB), 482 (CB); Myrl Jones 491 (CB), 300 (CB), 142 (CB). Robert Vaughn and Kevin Powell were appointed as the memorial committee.

RECESS

Mike Hinton called the class back together by leading 87. Leaders: Kevin Powell 36t, 535; Tina Walston 573 (CB), 572 (CB); Monica Hill 500 (CB), 61 (CB); Robert

Walston 501 (CB), 45t (CB).

The memorial lesson was conducted. Robert Vaughn led 73t (CB) for the following sick and shut-ins: Curtis Owen, Azalee Barnett, Margaret Roundsaval, Sue Utz, Curtis Jones, Landis Powell, and Charlotte Powell.

Kevin Powell led 503 in memory of the following deceased: Steve Helwig—Oregon; Daphene Causey—Alabama; Berkley Moore—Illinois; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Louise Holland and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Frank Price, Amy Denison, Peter Nichols, Julia Welch, Jane Goforth, Marian Grant, and Edith Owen—Texas. Donald Ross closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

A business meeting was held. Ken Smith opened a discussion about the continuation of the singing. The members are aging, and there is lack of support. Some of the family wanted to keep the singing going. No decision about discontinuation was made at this time. The following officers were nominated to serve next year: Chairman—Mike Hinton; Vice Chairman—Tina Walston; Secretary—Tammy Powell; Treasurer—Barbara Smith; Assistant Treasurer—Sue Utz; Chaplain—David Jones. David Jones offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

Kristie Powell called the class to order by leading 268t (CB). Leaders: Sonya Kirkham 330t (CB), 54t (CB); Kate Agnew 393 (CB), 110 (CB); Amanda Lee 32t (CB), 270 (CB); Judy Hughes 580 (CB), 476 (CB); Tammy Powell 497 (CB); Kristie Powell and David Tidmore 159 (CB); Gaylon Powell 457; Peggy Ray 517 (CB); Donald Ross 514 (CB); Olivia Powell 36b (CB); Kit Alderman 484 (CB); Diane Ross 358; Robert Vaughn 521 (CB).

RECESS

Kevin Powell called the class together by leading 543 (CB). Leaders: Tina Walston 199 (CB); Robert Walston and Shirley Smith 388 (CB); Sonya Kirkham 475 (CB); Kate Agnew 168; Judy Hughes 128 (CB); Amanda Lee 66; Mike Hinton 567 (CB); Kit Alderson 117.

Announcements were made. Kristie Powell led 323t as the closing song. Robert Vaughn offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Kristie Powell; Vice Chairman—Mike Hinton; Secretary—Tammy Powell

SUSSEX SHAPE NOTE SINGING

Staplefield Village Hall, near Crawley, Sussex, United Kingdom Saturday, March 10, 2018

The 20th annual Sussex Shape Note singing was held in Staplefield Village Hall, using the Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition and Alternative Harmony (AH), a booklet of other shape note tunes. The class was called to order by the co-chairs Tony Singleton and Jill Thompson leading 276. Leaders: Steve Welch 147b; Rebecca Over 275t; Derek Buckland 33b; Nancy Novotny 350; Seth Dickens 47t; Sheila Girling Macadam 70b; Edwin Macadam 416; Ian Lamb 50b; Teresa Maguire 72b; Machna Nowak 300; Rob Mahoney 107; Rachel Jordan 517; Steve Biggs 49b; Catherine Roberts 65; Nick Hall 293; Amy Cutts 348t; Guy Hayes 101t; Cath Saunt 99; Ron Hollman 81t; Sarah Hill 204; Caroline Edwards 163b; Tony Singleton 198; Jill Thompson 142; Steve Welch 489; Rebecca Over 558; Derek Buckland 29t; Nancy Novotny 460; Seth Dickens 114.

RECESS

Sheila Girling Macadam and Diane Heywood called the class to order leading 146. Leaders: Edwin Macadam 332; Ian Lamb 70t; Neil Horlock 324; Catherine Roberts 28b; Machna Nowak 122; Nick Hall 439; Teresa Maguire 89; Steve Biggs 155; Amy Cutts 551; Rob Mahoney 455; Cath Saunt 272; Ron Hollman 391; Rachel Jordan

112; Guy Hayes 163t; Caroline Edwards 86; Neil Horlock 38b; Sarah Hill 447; Tony Singleton 457; Rebecca Over 485; Derek Buckland 565; Nancy Novotny 505.

LUNCH

Seth Dickens called the class to order leading 452. Leaders: Nick Hall 377; Guy Hayes 511; Edwin Macadam 355; Rachel Jordan 319; Sarah Hill 365; Sheila Girling Macadam 215; Cath Saunt 203; Teresa Maguire 444.

Rob Mahoney gave a combined memorial and sick and housebound lesson and Jill Thompson led 178 with Jean Mahoney reading the names. The following deceased were included: Hugh McGraw, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Daphne Causey, Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, Heather Mancel, Joan Smith, Peter Barker, Rollo Woods, Mark Girling, Jennifer Bennett, Frank Pigott, Stefania Nowak, Bert Harwood, Hilary Edwards, Joan Liley, Barbara Taylor, Helen Green, Ray Strachan, Kathleen Evelyn Rowell, and Anthony David Rice.

The sick and housebound included: Ottis Sides, Idy Kiser, Denice Mansi, Rob Burbea, Dave Cooper, Keith Mendes, Galina Mendes, Andy Spence, Kirsty Biss, John McCloud, and Lotte Lack. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Catherine Roberts 472; Steve Welch “New England” (AH); Ian Lamb 195; Machna Nowak 445; Ron Hollman 328; Rob Mahoney 454; Amy Cutts 39t; Tony Singleton “Walpole” (AH); Steve Biggs “Life’s Purpose” (AH); Neil Horlock 267; Caroline Edwards 228.

RECESS

Derek Buckland called the class to order leading 354b. Leaders: Jill Thompson “Ten Thousand Charms” (AH); Steve Welch “Firm Hope” (AH); Nancy Novotny 129; Teresa Maguire 83t; Seth Dickens 496; Machna Nowak 145b; Ron Hollman 396; Catherine Roberts 31t; Neil Horlock 299; Cath Saunt 217; Rob Mahoney “Evening Hymn” (AH); Amy Cutts 160b; Ian Lamb 523; Caroline Edwards 47b; Guy Hayes 37b; Rebecca Over 201; Edwin Macadam 501; Sheila Girling Macadam 542; Rachel Jordan 475.

The secretary reported that 38 had attended and 92 songs had been sung. Thanks were extended and announcements made. The 21st Sussex Shape Note singing will be held on Saturday, 9th March, 2019. Jill Thompson and Tony Singleton led 347 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Co-chairmen—Jill Thompson and Tony Singleton; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Jean Mahoney

UNION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Union Primitive Baptist Church, Temple, Georgia

Saturday, March 10, 2018

The first Sacred Harp singing held at Union Primitive Baptist Church began at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday before the second Sunday in March. Daniel Williams called the class to order leading 48t. Cecil Roberts offered the opening prayer. The following officers were elected: Chairman—Daniel Williams; Vice Chairman—Samuel Williams; Secretary—Andy Ditzler. David Brodeur was appointed to arrange. Leaders: Daniel Williams and Samuel Williams 312b; Andy Ditzler 33t; David Brodeur 154; Philip Denney 61; Winfred Kerr 500; Cecil Roberts 58; Esther Williams 159; Tony Hammock 77t; Tim Williams 350; Robert Chambless 84; Fallon Cook 63; Fred Eady 209; Emmadean Williams 335; John Plunkett 471; Helen Bryson 313b; Judy Chambless 531; Virginia Dyer 112, 120.

RECESS

Daniel Williams called the class back to order leading 360. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 515; Samuel Williams 411; Karen Rollins 345t (in memory of Louise Holland); Isaac Green 493; Nathan Rees 56t; Daniel Edwards 47b; Anna Hinton 455; Glenda

Collins and Bert Collins 454; Shane Brown 487; Erica Hinton 39t; Henry Johnson 70b; Matt Hinton 70t; Amber Davis 422; Joyce Heath 64; Richard DeLong 123b; Andy Ditzler 324; David Brodeur 162; Philip Denney 129. Larry Andrews offered the blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

Richard DeLong called the class back to order leading 74t. Leaders: Fred Eady 236; Oscar McGuire 485; Nathan Rees 276 (for Kathy Williams); Leanne Carter 68b; Tony Hammock 131t; Amber Davis 142; Helen Bryson 522; Eli Hinton 148; Chance Cook 192; Shane Brown 62; Henry Johnson 206; Judy Chambless 222; Larry Andrews, Joyce Heath, and Richard DeLong 101t; Isaac Green and Fallon Cook 426b; Robert Chambless 333 (LD); Cecil Roberts 163b; Karen Rollins 168.

It was resolved to meet again next year at this location. After announcements, Daniel Williams, Samuel Williams, and Andy Ditzler led 426t as the closing song. Philip Denney offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Daniel Williams; Vice Chairman—Samuel Williams; Secretary—Andy Ditzler

MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION **St. John United Church of Christ, Pinckney, Missouri** **March 10-11, 2018**

Saturday, March 10

The 33rd annual session of the Missouri State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. at St. John United Church of Christ by Tommy Schultz. Gary Huffman offered the opening prayer. The convention officers previously elected or appointed are as follows: Chairman—Tommy Schultz; Secretary—Dave Ressler; Arranging Committee—Presley Barker and Daniel Gray; Finance Officer—Roberta Strauss; Memorial Committee—Alvaro Witt Duarte and Justin Bowen. Song selections were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Missouri Harmony, 2005 Edition*.

Leaders: Jim Herr 13 (MH); John Huffman 34b; Syd Caldwell 273; Martha Beverly 171; Rochelle Lodder 135 (MH); Karen Willard 27; Barbara Uhlemann 299; John Seaton 47t; Eddie Mash 547; Patty Sontag 86; Dick Patterson 481; Karen Swenson 89 (MH); Bill Beverly 191; Peggy Brayfield 77 (MH); Paul Landskroener 9 (MH); Lou Kujawinski 95; Jairus Schultz 504; Lori Graber 174 (MH).

RECESS

John Uhlemann led 564 to bring the class together. Leaders: Barbara Chopin 178; Paul Figura “Pinckney Township”; Dan Dohman and Katy Dohman “Thy Strength”; Anna Pfau 430; David Casenheiser 87; Clara Herr 180 (MH); Wendy Hofmann 313b; Dan Brittain 138 (MH); Ginny Landgraf 148 (MH); Barb Patterson 10 (MH); Julie Thompson 63.

RECESS

Dave Ressler led 142 to bring the class together. Leaders: Dan Gray 124 (MH); Michele Cull 182; Judy Hauff 434; Andrew Albers 131t; Gail Doss 125 (MH); James Page 139 (MH); David Ivey 410t; Anne Missavage 362; Nate Green and Norma Green 418; Reba Windom 192; Donnie Simmet 421; Presley Barker 327. The class sang 164 (MH) as the blessing for the noon meal, and Presley Barker offered a prayer.

LUNCH

Marcus Whitman led 38b to bring the class together. Leaders: Hollie Powell 159 (MH); Cecelia Kramer 169; Jeff Burlison and Cindy Burlison 551; Annaliza Cull 155; Cory Winter 112; Anna Dohman 66; Tommy Schultz 177 (MH); Tim Gregg 92;

Katie Dohman 556; Tullaia Powell 300; Stuart Ivey 507; Judy Mincey 75 (MH); Bob Borcharding 127 (MH); Carla Bermudez 153 (MH); Jenny Whitman 535; Ryan Hill 338.

RECESS

Daniel Gray led 276 to bring the class together. Leaders: JoDell Albi 324; David Lloyd 34 (MH); Maggie McAlevy 47b; Tim Van Engeln 503; Marian Mitchell 288; Bill Caldwell 240; Alvaro Witt Duarte 315; Karen Ivey and Richard Ivey 532; Jan Ketelle 113 (MH); Nicholas Thompson 392; Penny Kujawinski 147 (MH); Ted Mercer 70b; Chris Nicholson 157 (MH); Lisa Bulawsky 534; Nancy Price 107; Marcus Whitman 448t; Karen Isbell and Coy Ivey 384; Roberta Strauss 269; John Uhlemann 212; Anne Drexler 454; Shirley Figura 464. Announcements were made. Mort Whitman closed the day with a prayer.

Sunday, March 11

The Sunday session of the Missouri State Sacred Harp Singing Convention began with Dan Brittain offering a prayer. Leaders: Tommy Schultz 168; Aubrey Hemminger 503; Amanda Jokerst 30t; Becky Browne 200; Bill Beverly 546; Anna Pfau 501; John Uhlemann 362; Syd Caldwell 500; Martha Beverly 522; Richard Ivey 371; Abigail Schultz 294; Jonathon Smith 505; Clara Herr 209; Dan Brittain 109 (MH); Luke Sivertson 19 (MH); Gail Doss 108 (MH); Stuart Ivey 306; Karen Willard 142; John Seaton 62 (MH); JoDell Albi 195.

RECESS

Becky Browne led 76b to bring the class together. Leaders: Barbara Uhlemann 13 (MH); Bill Caldwell 472; Peggy Brayfield 183; David Ivey 428; Cory Winters 318; Judy Mincey 146 (MH); Tullaia Powell and Annaliza Cull 547; Nate Green and Norma Green 350; Alexis Walker 335; Ginny Landgraf 103 (MH); Bill Rintz 268; Karen Ivey 422; Paul Landskroener 322; Wendy Hofmann 312b; David Casenheiser 313b; Theophilus Schultz 496.

RECESS

Presley Barker led 228 to bring the class together. Leaders: Rochelle Lodder 167 (MH); Eddie Mash 480; Barb Patterson 91.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Justin Bowen read the names from the list of the sick and shut-ins as follows: Robert Fisher, Andy Worthington, Don Bowen, Linda Jones, Charlie Johnson, Don Reynolds, Idy Kiser, Chris Brown, Curtis Owen, Johanna Fabke, Ed Thacker, Margaret Thacker, Charlene Wallace, Myrl Jones, Paul Wilson, Sue Duff, Gary Gronau, Louis Hughes, Janice Hughes, Gail Cowert, Melanie Hauff, Nancy Wyatt, Christine Stevens, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, Gail Bader, Doris Steinmetz, Verlon Stiefel, Mary Ruth Stiefel, Michael Appert, and Richard Mauldin. Justin led 75.

Alvaro Witt Duarte read the names of the deceased as follows: Gravis Ballinger, Hugh McGraw, Charles Wells, Eloise Wootten, Edith Owen, Caleb Allred, Johnnie Chafin, Jane Goforth, Julie Vea, Daphne Causey, Ann Sleeva, Darrell Swarens, Berkley Moore, Amy Dennison, Art Gilmore, Peter Nichols, Louise Holland, Steve Helwig, Donna Schleifer, John Meeks, Dash Walt, Linda Edmondson, Samuel Slothour, Jean Hollingsworth, Carol Belt, Don Fahrback, Harry Munro, Dan Summerlin, Aline Summerlin, Floy Wilder, and Lilly Hopper. Alvaro led 330b, and closed the lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Marcus Whitman 229; Michele Cull 208; Jedidiah Schultz 138 (MH); Stephanie Fida 78 (MH); Anne Drexler 99. The class sang 164 (MH) as the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Roberta Strauss led 145t to bring the class together. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 216; Justin Bowen 382; Jim Herr 475; Jan Ketelle 368; Karen Isbell 175 (MH); Tim

Gregg 52b; Judy Hauff 411; Dick Patterson 302; Dave Ressler 218; Marian Mitchell 189; Lou Kujawinski and Penny Kujawinski 282; Bob Borcharding 210; Lori Graber 56 (MH); Chris Nicholson 212; Anne Missavage 137; Jubal Schultz 147b; Ted Mercer 419; Nancy Price 203; Paul Figura and Shirley Figura 388; Cecelia Kramer 157; Lisa Bulawsky 365; JoDell Albi 195; Alvaro Witt Duarte 186; Hollie Powell 144 (MH); Presley Barker 38t. Due to worsening weather conditions, the convention decided to cancel the second session after lunch.

The arranging committee reported that 84 songs were led on Saturday and 74 on Sunday. There were 17 states and one province represented among the leaders. Announcements were made. Tommy Schultz led 62 and Jim Herr offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Tommy Schultz; Secretary—Dave Ressler

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Holyoke, Massachusetts
March 10-11, 2018
Saturday, March 10

The 20th annual Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Gerald Clark and Stina Soderling leading 59. Jana Yeaton offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Rebecca Hawkins 171; Nathan Aldrich 187; Linda Shea 318; Ivy Hauser 39t; Chris Carlton 378b; Wendy Sibbison 99; Andrew Forsthoefel 504; Sheila Kelley 448b; Nick Maione 472; Brian Harris 271b; Miriam Delirium 271t; Laura Borrelli 153; Seth Wenger 49b; Emma Swartz 101t; Christopher Kain 565; Dan Coppock 100.

RECESS

The second session was called to order by Jeremy Galvagni leading 46. Leaders: Laura Timmerman 564; Maggie Shar 112; Charles Biada and Miriam Cohen 272; DJ Hatfield 383; Andal Sundaramurthy 270; Christina Wallin 97; Kerry Cullinan 236; Angharad Davis 96; Sunny Doyle 453; Christine Andrews 82t; Matthew Léger-Small 183; Jonathan Skeet Surrency 313b; Alison Forster 148; Jesse Vear 556; Pattie Wareh 299; Jesse C. Polhemus 197; Gabrielle Manion 126; Dean Jens 203; La Ree Delahunt and Vicki Hayes 40; Anne Kazlauskas 447; Nic Tuff 448t.

RECESS

The third session was called to order by Chris Frantz-Dale leading 89. Leaders: Becky Wright 30t; Elsa Phemayotin 70b; Mike Richards 421; Jennie Brown 349; Harold Booth 254; Ben Bath 189; Elizabeth Stoddard 422; Dann Pell 385t; Sarah Trumbore 215; Dara Weiss 32t; Chris Holley 348b; Christobal Martinez 81t; Kshama Ananthapura 400; Allison Steele 58; Tim Eriksen 36b. Glenda R. Phillips Lee-Yuk offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Molly Merrett leading 30b. Leaders: Peter Irvine 460; Dan Hertzler 160b; Lydia Lewallen 296; Joshua Barnett 191; Laura Hodges 227; Lisa Bennett 379; Dennis George 319; Cheri Haire 176t; Guy Bankes 481; Rachel Hall and Glenda Phillips Lee-Yuk 45t; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 198; Kyle Johnston 154; Lela Crowder 353; Anna Mays 454; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 27; Molly Ellis 512; Phillip Langley 142; Doron Henkin 377; Anya Skibbie 340; Faiz Wareh 83b; Terry Ryan 532; Gwen Gethner 328; L.H. Spencer 250; Philippa Stoddard 424.

RECESS

The last session of the day was called to order by Margaret Youngberg leading 72b. Leaders: John Holbrook 38t; Rachel Speer 208; Laura Clawson 186; Tom George

470; Peter Trumbore 480; Jean Seiler 217; David Smead 505; Robert Stoddard 492; Em Ekelund 542; Chris Geissler 430; Annie-Lou Chester 479; George Sigut 341; Krista Guerrieri 102; Jonathan Spencer 74b; Ian McGullam 113; Claire Hogan 324; Eric Sandberg 302; Sam Kleinman 123t; Tarik Wareh 90; Myles Louis Dakin 426b; Matthew Wojcik 192. Gerald Clark and Lisa Byers Clark led 339 as the closing song. Jana Yeaton offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, March 11

The Sunday session of the Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Gerald Clark and Stina Soderling leading 155. Emma deLisle offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Christine Andrews 31t; Mike Nord 60; Lily Bell 187; Crispin Youngberg 378t; Bob Mills 228; Sally Langendorf 345b; Tristan Gordon 129; MB Gowins 283; Hannah C. 315; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 432; Mary Skidmore 171; Molly Merrett 558; Liz Patton 70b; Ryan Nash 71; Leland Kusmer 42; Ron Woodland 273; Joan Frankel 414.

RECESS

The second session was called to order by Oona Coy leading 70b. Leaders: Vale Cofer-Shabica 131b; Ben Sacks-Hamilton 327; Cat Walsh 417; Sara Sandberg 77t; Liz Cantrell 186; Sara Lott 172; Ian Ludders 211; Lydia Lewallen 170; Christine Andrews 406; Barbara Swetman 64; Judy Contompasis 63; Phillip Langley 546; Mike Boudo 274t; Jenny Wright 38b; Leah Velleman 426b; Sunny Doyle 385b; Liam Keohane 95; Cora Wareh 452.

RECESS

The third session was called to order by Mary Andrews leading 29t. Leaders: Kitty Kagey 163b; Isabelle Gervais Chapman and Theresa Cooper-Gordon 318; Krista Guerrieri 434; Dennis George 224; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 548; Lisa Bennett 567; Annie-Lou Chester 410t; Doron Henkin 399b; Kyle Johnston 105; Guy Bankes 304; Lela Crowder 230.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Kshama Ananthapura and Matthew Léger-Small. Kshama read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins before leading 270 in their honor: Concetta Branson, Verlon Stiefel, Sarah Bankert, Linda Brazeau, Mark Dowling, Keith Brown, Rose Zaney, David McCumber, Walt Colteryan, Captain Michael Appert, Jean Ayotte, Don Bowen, Rosemary Vequist, Evelyn Silvia, Michael Kaye, Lynne deBenedette, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, Ursula Hirschi, Baron Collins-Hill, Idy Kiser, Terry Gesulga, Chris Brown, Merv Horst, Nancy Castle, Pat Lezon, Ellia Schumann, Henrietta Soard, Freddie, Shania, Josiah, and Chloe Rombach.

Matthew read the following list of names of the deceased before leading 445 in their honor: Hugh McGraw and Louise Holland—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Henri Sparrow, Erica Zissman, Kirsten Tarnowski, Iris Gomes, Arlene Dextraze, Russ MacLeod, and Linda Leslie—Massachusetts; Edward Swetman, Collette Miller, and Charles Wells—Minnesota; Herbert Eriksson, Barbara Bell, and Corinne Goodman—New York; Wayne Jens—Iowa; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Daphne Causey, Arthur Gilmore, and Susie Denson—Alabama; Edith Owen and Jane Goforth—Texas; Jeremiah Crompton, Tracey Dennis, and Heidi Ballantine—Vermont; Kathryn Appleton—Virginia; Winter Acorn—Pennsylvania; Jim Keefer, Skip Pendleton, and Jo Pendleton—Maine; Michael Sensor—Pennsylvania and Florida; Chris Warrenburg—Ohio; Cynthia Mesa—Mexico; John Byrne Cooke—Wyoming; Rhoda Ann Wilde—New Jersey; David More—Colorado; Michael Siemon—California; Tom Hansen, Jane Yaple, and Bob Morrison—Canada; Ruth Hooke—Massachusetts and New Hampshire; and Marnie Lee. Tim Eriksen offered a prayer. Eliza Cavanaugh led 277 as the last song of the session. Emma deLisle offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Nathan Aldrich leading 30b. Leaders: Lilly Israel 128; Robert Stoddard 39b; Sasha Hsuczky 411; Glenda Phillips Lee-Yuk and Jennie Brown 58; Kelly House 198; Tom George 384; Matthew Wojcik and Maurice Lee 176b; Peter Trumbore 76b; Dara Weiss 276; Alex Forsyth 398; Erik Dardan Ymeraga 444; Jean Seiler 106; David Smead 550; Laura Clampitt 500; Ian Quinn 488; Rachel Speer 300; Myles Louis Dakan 408; Claire Hogan and Em Ekelund 159; Sarah Trumbore 177; Sam Kleinman 442; Angharad Davis 419; Emma Swartz 208; Joanne Fuller 460; Dann Pell 381; Chris Holley 480.

RECESS

The last session of the day was called to order by Ben Wetherbee and Tim Eriksen leading 89. Leaders: Micah John Walter 274b; Elizabeth Stoddard 487; Becca Mandel 504; Rachel Hall 45b; Corey Walters 505; Ruby Francis and Devereux Fuller 196; Dave DiLorenzo 162; Margaret Youngberg and Crispin Youngberg 212; Dean Jens and Donald Roberts 47b; Patrick Friesen 426t; Cassie Lang 475; Jesse Vear and Cheri Haire 34t; Laura Hodges and Mike Richards 73t; Jonathan Skeet Surrency 146; Chris Frantz-Dale 288; Anna Mays 441; Miriam Delirium 29b; Peter Irvine and Tim Eriksen 112; Dan Hertzler and Laura Timmerman 503; Philippa Stoddard 539. A short business meeting was held. Emma deLisle offered the closing prayer. Gerald Clark, Stina Soderling, and Rebecca Hawkins led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Gerald Clark; Vice Chairman—Stina Soderling; Secretary—Rebecca Hawkins

OXFORD SINGING

Powerhouse Community Arts Center, Oxford, Mississippi Sunday, March 11, 2018

The 38th annual Oxford Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Powerhouse Community Arts Center on the second Sunday in March. The class was called to order by Warren Steel leading 48t. Mark Davis offered the morning prayer, and then led 421.

The class entered into a business session. The following officers were elected to serve: Chairman—Warren Steel; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Wanda Capps; Arranging Committee—Linda Sides.

Leaders: Wanda Capps 546; Darlene Reynolds 480; David Jackson 445; Leslie Booher 155; Ginnie Ely 228; Arlon Gardner 481; Anne Steel 47b; Earl Ballinger 97; Bentley Rose 282; Mark Tew 46; Loretta Whitman 399b; Glenn Keeton and Lena Keeton 475, 504; Shelby Castillo 67; Kayla Burns 47t.

RECESS

Ken Tate called the class to order leading 123t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 540; Jan Murray 457; Regina Derstine 385b; Andy Davis 434; Danny Creel 456; Drew McGuire 329; Lisa Geist 394; Kay Farmer, Ann Simpson, Fran Arnold, Mary Jo Myhr, and Cindy Reed 45t; Chuck Howell 339; Jamira Jackson, April Ayton, Kingston Ayton, and Wesley Ayton 128, 361; Amber Davis 396; Henry McGuire 362; Scott Polston 137; Linda Sides 215, 225t.

RECESS

Mark Davis brought the class to order leading 88b. Leaders: Ginnie Ely 454; Larry Ballinger 217. A memorial lesson was held. Regina Derstine led 209 for the sick and homebound. Anne Steel led 285t in memory of the following deceased: Gravis Ballinger, Johnnie Chafin, Ola Meadows, Arthur Gilmore, Daphene Causey and Libby Hankins—Alabama; Hugh McGraw and Louise Holland—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; T.J. Funderburk, Yaeko Takada, and Anne Percy—Mississippi.

Linda Sides closed the memorial service with prayer. Other leaders: Danny Creel 530; Shelby Castillo 564.

LUNCH

Warren Steel called the afternoon session to order leading 213t. Leaders: Amber Davis 300; Andy Davis 196; Wanda Capps 203; Darlene Reynolds 490; Jack Barbera 268; David Jackson 235; Anne Steel 318; Jan Murray 31b; Ken Tate 532; Leslie Booher 448t; Earl Ballinger 208; Loretta Whitman, Margaret Keeton, and Louise Yeager 569b; Arlon Gardner 278t; Drew McGuire and Henry McGuire 550; Mark Tew 299; Chuck Howell and John Howell 112; Jack Barbera 162; Scott Polston 148; Lisa Geist 528; Glenn Keeton 236; Mark Davis and Leanne Hubbard 280; Kay Farmer, Ann Simpson, Fran Arnold, Mary Jo Myhr, and Cindy Reed 63; Curtis Gregory 119.

Following announcements, Warren Steel led 288 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Earl Ballinger.

Chairman—Warren Steel; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Wanda Capps

HOBOKEN SCHOOL SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Hoboken Elementary School, Hoboken, Georgia

Saturday, March 17, 2018

The 23rd annual session of the Hoboken All-Day Singing was called to order by Riley Lee leading 171. Riley offered opening remarks by welcoming those visiting, and then led the class in singing the minor and major scales. Elder Clarke Lee offered opening prayer.

Leaders: David Lee 68b; Clarke Lee 205; Kathy Lee 48t; Julie Lee 507b; Tollie Lee 84; Alfred Jones 553; Eli Hinton 148; Fay Baird 508; Gene Pinion 540; Joel Menk 539; Rob Dillon 559; Chris Noren 486; Jerusha Wheeler 28b; Les Singleton 63.

RECESS

Riley Lee brought the class back together leading 106. Leaders: Stephen Jones 52b; Jacob Kiakahi 336t; Jeffrey Forbes 99.

The Sacred Harp Publishing Company, represented by Karen Rollins and Mike Hinton, presented a plaque to honor Johnny Lee expressing appreciation for his support and dedicated service to the cause of Sacred Harp singing. The family of Johnny Lee led 500.

Leaders: Judy Mincey 156; John Gentry 268b; Anna Hinton 142; James Williamson 505; Sharon DuPriest 137; Karen Clark 514; Tommie Spurlock 376.

RECESS

Riley Lee and Trevor East brought the class back together leading 47t. Leaders: Karen Willard 594; Amy Lee 484; Shane O'Neal, Mary Elizabeth O'Neal, and family 287.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Riley Lee offered comments regarding the reasons why we sing. Riley led 434 in memory of the deceased and in honor of the sick and shut-ins. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Elder Terry Herrin.

Leaders: Terry Herrin 319; Steve Luttinen 438b; Stephanie Carter 511t; Stanley Smith 524; Jason Deal 72; Johnathon Kelso 65; AnnaLeigh Smith 326; Vik Slen 449. The blessing was offered by Johnathon Kelso.

LUNCH

Riley Lee brought the class back together leading 54t. Leaders: Matt Hinton 38t; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 120; Syble Adams 47b; Denise Kania 140; Reba Windom 478; Jim Pfau 552; Cathy Lutz 411; Bill Waddington 381t; David Brodeur 48b; Kate Kirwan 380b; Karen Rollins 507t; Andy Ditzler 457; Sarah West 572; Kendra Sanctuary and Arlene Holloway 393; Mike Hinton 567; Jessica Altman 40;

Dan Edwards 535t; Steve Brett 138t; Jose Camacho 189.

RECESS

David Lee brought the class back together leading 274t. Leaders: Sharon Kermiet 344; Kevin Barrans 400; Tony Batten and Lynn Batten 587; Delda Lee 95b; Laura Densmore 370; Michael Palmer 268t; Steven Taylor 306; Phillip Reeves 463; Gavin Baxley 159; Trevor East 300; Karen Martin 67.

Following announcements, Riley Lee led 31b as the closing song. Tony Batten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Riley Lee; Secretary—Trevor East

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE SINGING IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM WALKER

Second Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina Saturday, March 17, 2018

The 24th session of the South Carolina State Singing in Memory of William Walker was held at the Second Presbyterian Church, Spartanburg, South Carolina, on Saturday before the third Sunday in March.

Robert Kelley gave a brief introduction to shape notes, both seven shape and four shape systems. Frances Carnell led 72b. Leon Carnell offered the opening prayer. The first morning session was from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Frances Carnell 47t; Dave Farmer 128; Mary Baumeister 139; Diane Eskenasy 155; Leslie Booher 274b; Phil Perrin 127; Bill Burns 125; Bobbi Albert 35; John Plunkett 31b; Eli Snyder 32b; Chris Wilhelm 213t; Robert Kelley 143 (in memory of Agnes Roberts); Bob Ludwig 65; Mike Spencer 278t; Charity Rouse 63; Leon Carnell 47b; Mike Nichols 59.

RECESS

The second morning session was from *The Christian Harmony, 2010 Edition*.

Leaders: Frances Carnell 252 (CH); Dave Farmer 86b (CH); Mary Baumeister 348 (CH); Diane Eskenasy 51 (CH); Leslie Booher 544 (CH); Phil Perrin 88 (CH); Bill Burns 306 (CH); Bobbi Albert 396t (CH); John Plunkett 386 (CH); Eli Snyder 317 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 466 (CH); Rob Kelley 144b (CH); Mike Spencer 465t (CH); Charity Rouse 338t (CH); Leon Carnell 460t (CH); Mike Nichols 157 (CH).

LUNCH

The first afternoon session was from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Frances Carnell 70b; Dave Farmer and Tyler Scruggs 168; Mary Baumeister 157; Diane Eskenasy 181; Leslie Booher 473; Phil Perrin 354b; Bill Burns 186; Bobbi Albert 408; John Plunkett 38t; Eli Snyder 203; Chris Wilhelm 163t; Rob Kelley 103; Jonathan Wood 410b; Bob Ludwig 53; Mike Spencer 207; Charity Rouse 46; Leon Carnell 198; Mike Nichols 324; Frances Carnell and Bruce Heimbarger 276.

In a business meeting we agreed to keep the same officers for 2018 as follows:

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Treasurer—Bobbi Albert; Secretary—Mary Baumeister.

RECESS

The second afternoon session was from *The Christian Harmony, 2010 Edition*.

Leaders: Frances Carnell 232t (CH); Dave Farmer 208b (CH); Mary Baumeister 521 (CH); Diane Eskenasy and Avery Blatt 117 (CH); Leslie Booher 164t (CH); Phil Perrin 143 (CH); Bobbi Albert 541 (CH); John Plunkett 515 (CH); Eli Snyder 231 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 318 (CH); Rob Kelley 449 (CH); Jonathan Wood 103 (CH); Bob Ludwig 346 (CH); Mike Nichols 165 (CH); John Plunkett led 236 (SH). Announcements were made.

Frances Carnell led 267 (SH) as the closing song, and John Plunkett dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

GODSEY SISTERS AND SANDRA SPRADLIN MEMORIAL SINGING

**Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama
Sunday, March 18, 2018**

The Godsey Sisters and Sandra Spradlin Memorial Singing in honor of Leona Horton, Maude Adams, Delia Watts, Mina Adams, and Sandra Spradlin was held at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in March. The class was called to order by Don Keeton leading 145t. He offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Don Keeton; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging Committee—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Don Keeton 480; Richard Mauldin 168, 43 (in memory of John and Josie Hyde); Loretta Whitman 129, 343; Roma Rice 318, 371; Louise Yeager 569b, 143; Julie Poston 108t, 89; Betty Baccus 417 (in memory of Steve Adams), 499 (in memory of Gladys Bonds); David Jackson 75, 122; Linda Sides 225t; Linda Sides and Isaac Green 170; Betty Shepherd 299, 216; Michael Heiber 37b, 178.

RECESS

Don Keeton led 489 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Seth Poston 275b, 108b; Mike Hankins 72b, 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Linda Booth 96, 441; Nicholas Thompson 336, 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Tom Booth 78, 278t; Henry Guthery 507 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Chris Ballinger 146, 477 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Larry Ballinger 113, 217; Shelby Castillo 208, 498; Isaac Green 490, 419; Lauren Allen 172, 460.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Richard Mauldin leading 446. Leaders: Henry McGuire 450, 60; Lisa Geist 391 (in memory of Sandra Spradlin), 273 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Amber Davis 345t, 454 (for Willodean Barton); Christy Allen 283, 171; Earl Ballinger 80b, 432; Hazel Heinze 99, 347; Susan Allred 384; Will McGuire 111b, 181; Sam Wright 385t; Henry Guthery 327; Lisa Geist 182; Laura Allen 323b; Amber David 110 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Shelby Castillo and Betty Shepherd 542; Nicholas Thompson and Lisa Geist 304; Seth Poston 358; Michael Heiber 148; Henry McGuire 442; Nicholas Thompson, Isaac Green, Shelby Castillo, and Lauren Allen 192; Sam Wright 236.

Richard Mauldin led 62 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Don Keeton; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Roma Rice

HIGHER GROUND SINGING/DARRELL SWARENS MEMORIAL Terre Haute, Indiana Saturday, March 24, 2018

The 23rd annual Higher Ground Singing was also a memorial to Darrell Swarens from Terre Haute, who traveled the world to sing and was dearly loved by all.

Leaders were invited to share their memories of Darrell. The class was called to order by Lori Graber leading 350. Mark Graber offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Virginia Eldridge 29t; Don Bardsley 147t; William Shetter 547; Shirley Figura 36b; Tim Gregg 99; Shannon Tibbs 42; Ray Rechenberg 71; Adrian Eldridge

499; Carol Ann Munro 392; John Hoerr 189; Eloise Clark 416; James Eldridge 498; Michael Mosely 454; Curtis Cook 333; Katherine Eldridge 507; Paul Figura 415; Tom Morton 335; Beth Garfinkle 146.

RECESS

Lori Graber called the class back together by leading 76b. Leaders: Peggy Brayfield 373; Aaron Jones and Ginny Landgraf 89 (MH); Presley Barker 131 (MH); Tim Morton 138 (MH); Jim Helke 198; Bob Cull 163 (MH); Ginny Landgraf 266; Joan Aldridge 228; Zachary Davis 56b; Janet Fraembs 532; Carol Ann Munro 159.

The memorial lesson was dedicated to Darrell Swarens and the following people shared memories about his welcoming, adventurous spirit and his devotion to Sacred Harp singing here, in the South, and around the world. Adrian Eldridge and Virginia Eldridge spoke about how he had adopted their family, becoming a grandfather to their kids and bringing them culture by taking them all to museums. Marlen Rust spoke of his involvement with the Higher Ground singing in Terre Haute and his faithful attendance at Bloomington, Indiana, singings. Janet Fraembs spoke of his hospitality to all and how he had entertained angels, and was singing with them now. Barb Lund spoke of her introduction to Darrell and how welcoming he was to her. Michele Cull shared stories about how he became part of their family. Joan Aldridge said her first introduction to him was when he noted that he had attended four singings and she was at every one; so she must be quite a singer. They became best friends and were always in touch with one another so if one didn't show up at a singing the other became concerned and called.

Virginia Eldridge then spoke for the following sick and shut-ins and led 351: Gary Gronau, Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, Karen Hohnacki, Doris Steinmetz, Idy Kiser, and Beegee Rechenberg. She then spoke for the following deceased and led 298: Darrell Swarens and John Harder (husband of a dear friend)—Indiana; Berkley Moore, Ann Sleeva, and John Meeks—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Donna Schleifer and Daphene Causey—Alabama; Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Julie Veal—Wisconsin. Adrian Eldridge closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Lori Graber led Table Grace, 164 (MH), followed by prayer by Aaron Jones.

LUNCH

Presley Barker called the class back to order leading 276. Leaders: Michael Moseley 157; William Shetter "The Mercy Seat"; Shirley Figura 299; Michele Cull 236; Annaliza Cull 268; Curtis Cook 27 (MH); Virginia Eldridge 481; Ray Rechenberg 448t; Don Bardsley 142 (MH); Shannon Tibbs 277; James Eldridge 567; Beth Garfinkle 188; Tim Gregg 122; Katherine Eldridge 384; Tom Morton 209; John Hoerr 208; Joan Aldridge 217; Adrian Eldridge, John Wiens, and Tim Gregg 505; Annaliza Cull 504.

RECESS

Lori Graber brought the class back together by leading 111b. Leaders: Presley Barker 474; Michele Cull 300; John Wiens 77t; Jim Helke 86; Peggy Brayfield 294; Tim Morton 424; Eloise Clark 44; Aaron Jones 338; Zachary Davis 413; Ginny Landgraf 160 (MH); Bob Cull 569b; Mark Graber 503; James Eldridge and Adrian Eldridge 145 (MH); John Wiens 406; Virginia Eldridge 549; Katherine Eldridge 361; the Cull family (Michele, Bob, Annaliza, and Brenda Waters) 515.

Following announcements, Lori Graber led 347. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Mark Graber.

Chairmen—Lori Graber and Virginia Eldridge; Secretary—Janet Fraembs

IOWA SINGING

St. John's Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa Saturday, March 24, 2018

The 17th annual Iowa All-Day Singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Eric Saylor leading 59. Michael Moore offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Barb Patterson 72b; Michael Moore 40; Carolyn Thompson and Emily Thompson 128; Laura Krossner 105; Jenny Solheim 377; Rachael Demaree 479; Paul Landskroener 448t; James Solheim 299; Dick Patterson 313b; Carolyn Thompson 500.

RECESS

Eric Saylor called the class together leading 146. Leaders: Paul Landskroener 472; Jenny Solheim 352; Dick Patterson 66; Michael Moore 215; Barb Patterson 34b; Carolyn Thompson 442; Cecil Cook 47t; Laura Krossner 163b; Rachael Demaree 178; James Solheim 270.

RECESS

Eric Saylor called the class together leading 86. Michael Moore directed the memorial lesson. Dick Patterson led 272 for the following sick and shut-ins: Paul Wilson, Christine Stevens, Jonathon Martin, Ben Crawford, and Sharla Hulsey. Barb Patterson led 37t to remember the following deceased: Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Lois Johnson and Kathryn Moore—Iowa; Jon Pearson—Nebraska; and Lawrence Howard—Pennsylvania. Eric Saylor led 369, followed by a blessing from Michael Moore before the meal break.

LUNCH

Eric Saylor called the class back to order leading 551. Leaders: Cecil Cook 282; Paul Landskroener 76b; Carolyn Thompson 278t; James Solheim “Kyrkjebakken”; Alex Tillinghast 159; Barb Patterson 480; Laura Krossner 535; Jenny Solheim “Pine”; Beth Ann Edwards 236; Michael Moore 218; Emily Thompson 392; Dick Patterson 315; Eric Saylor 117.

RECESS

Eric Saylor led 155 to call the class back together followed by 441. Leaders: Laura Krossner 268, 361; Barb Patterson 29t, 88t; James Solheim “Dragon”; Beth Ann Edwards 84; Dick Patterson 230, 179; Donnie Simmet 532, 68t; Cecil Cook 30b, 401; Jenny Solheim 168, 187; Michael Moore 349, 228; Alex Tillinghast 47t, 457; Paul Landskroener 540, 569t.

RECESS

Eric Saylor called the class to order by leading 74b. Announcements were made. Eric Saylor led 347 as the closing song. Michael Moore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed at 3:30 p.m.

Chairman—Eric Saylor; Secretary—Kaitlyn Aberson

PITTSBURGH REGIONAL SACRED HARP SINGING Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, Monroeville, Pennsylvania Saturday, March 24, 2018

The 9th annual Pittsburgh Regional All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was held at Cross Roads Presbyterian Church, Monroeville, Pennsylvania. Gerry Hoffman called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Katie White.

Leaders: Katie White 171, 547; Penny Anderson 277, 276; Guy Bankes 442, 65; Jerusha Wheeler 28b, 107; Len Vanderjagt 38t, 569b; Susan Loucks 384, 52t; Brian Howe 39t, 183; Leon Pulsinelle 66, 33b; Will Reilly 235, 587 (CB).

RECESS

Katie White called the class together by leading 63. Leaders: Mitchell Stecker 148, 146; Pat Reilly and Will Reilly 503; Dave Witter 323b, 122; Nick Stocks 410t, 455; Susan Turnquist 81t, 163b; Joel Kennedy 47t, 531; Guy Bankes 486; Ben Grubb 114, 178; Lindsey Scherloun 112, 282; Lois Hurt 551, 532. Grace was offered before the noon meal by Katie White.

LUNCH

Leon Pulsinelle called the class back to order by leading 40. Leaders: Penny Anderson 182; Gerry Hoffman 42; Katie White 454; Guy Bankes 549; Jerusha Wheeler 212; Len Vanderjagt 38b; Susan Loucks 448t; Brian How 334; Leon Pulsinelle 330b; Will Reilly "Precious Memories" (arranged by W. Reilly); Mitchell Stecker 203; Dave Witter 191; Nick Stocks 159; Susan Turnquist 31t; Joel Kennedy 127; Ben Grubb 335; Lindsey Scherloun 318; Lois Hurt 200; Claire Steiner 472.

RECESS

Gerry Hoffman called the class together leading 48b. Leaders: Penny Anderson 299; Gerry Hoffman and Marita Straffin 54 (NbH); Katie White 117; Guy Bankes 327; Jerusha Wheeler 110; Brian How 86; Leon Pulsinelle 337; Will Reilly 68b; Mitchell Stecker 35; Dave Witter 515; Nick Stocks 344; Susan Turnquist 236; Joel Kennedy 84; Ben Grubb 312b; Lindsey Scherloun 47b; Lois Hurt 209; Claire Steiner 300; Susan Loucks 228.

In a business meeting, Gerry Hoffman announced that expenses had been met. Announcements were made. Penny Anderson reported that 76 songs had been sung. Katie White offered the closing prayer, and Gerry Hoffman led 347 as the closing song.

Chairman—Gerry Hoffman; Secretary—Penny Anderson

VERMONT SACRED HARP SINGING **Socialist Labor Party Hall, Barre, Vermont** **Saturday, March 24, 2018**

The 38th annual Vermont All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Dan Coppock leading 31t. The opening prayer was offered by Sarah Wolfe.

Leaders: Anya Skibbie 59; Judy Contompasis 47t; Chris Bracken 171; Ian Smiley 72b; Anna Mays 144; Peggy Kadima-Mazela 146; Dan Hertzler 111b; Carole Dempsey 101t; Sue Dwelle 122; Sinead O'Mahoney 299; Jonathan Spencer 431; Margaret Graver 76b; Mark Williams 269; Laura Barber 147t; Larry Gordon 455; Debby Moody 229; Jenny Wright 315; Chelsea Smiley 148.

RECESS

Judy Contompasis brought the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Jonas Powell 410t; Rachel Rudi 283; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 143; Paul Gauthier 39t; Rachel Taylor 209; Dan Coppock 68b; Justin Squizzero 214; Sara Sandberg 313t; Mel Novner 276; Nic Tuff 33b; Em Ekelund 505; Eric Sandberg 480; Margaret Youngberg 151; Ian Ludders 110; MB Gowins 371; Kerry Cullinan 507; Mary Skidmore 442.

RECESS

Ian Smiley called the class back to order leading 159. Leaders: Philippe Doyle Gosselin 203; Joanne Fuller 500; Crispin Youngberg 556; Andal Sundaramurthy 524; Ron Trial 168.

Dan Hertzler led 460 for the following sick and shut-ins: Rick Walsh, Mark Dowling, Faiz Wareh, David McUmber, Pauline Burgdorf, Jane Able, Linda Crockham, Keith Brown, Pat Maisson, Nancy Hassel, Wanda Poulin, John Block, Rebecca Shepherd, and Tom Wells.

Dan Hertzler also conducted the memorial lesson, and led 285t in memory of the following deceased: Gravis Ballinger, Susie Denson, Floy Wilder, Daphene Causey,

and Eloise Wootten—Alabama; Emma De Boncoeur—California; Delorese Lee and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Nicholas Cameron—Ontario; Richard Graver—Kentucky; Iris Gomes—Massachusetts; Ruth Houme—Massachusetts and Vermont; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Herbert Eriksson—New York; Bill Houger—Ohio; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Jane Goforth and Edith Owen—Texas; Hedi Ballantyne, Chet Cole, Jeremiah Crompton, Peter Diamondstone, Paul Hood, and Tom Lever—Vermont.

Leaders: Mike Richards 134; Heather Harrison 178; Claire Hogan 445; Jennie Brown 475. Sarah Wolfe offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dan Coppock called the class back to order leading 180. Leaders: MB Gowins 436; Jean Seiler 273; Bill Holt 218; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 198; William Schuller 163t; Mary Skidmore 250; Elizabeth Stoddard 546; Mel Novner 196; Carole Dempsey 270; Chris Holley 448t; Em Ekelund 106; Debby Moody 189; Rachel Taylor 266; Will Harron 63; Philippe Doyle Gosselin 227; Becca Mandel 504; Jamie Ross 313b; Justin Squizzero 447; Claire Hogan 79; Ian Ludders 564; Ruth Dorfler 65; Joan Powell 142; L.H. Spencer 260.

RECESS

Anya Skibbie and Chris Bracken called the class back to order leading 228. Leaders: Crispin Youngberg 513; Joanne Fuller 73t; Ron Trial 474; Sue Dwelle 503; Mike Richards 377; Nic Tuff 95; Margaret Graver 400; Jenny Wright 245; Larry Gordon 528; Jennie Brown 187; Anna Mays and Peggy Kadima-Mazela 384; Jean Seiler 217; Paul Gauthier and the Norwich crew 362; Becca Mandel and Mel Novner 421; Bill Holt 430; Jonathan Spencer and L.H. Spencer 102; Chelsea Smiley 42; Jamie Ross 535; Elizabeth Stoddard and Chris Holley 165; Ruth Dorfler 38b; Rachel Rudi 425. In a business meeting, the Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The Secretary reported that there were one-hundred twelve singers from seven states and one Canadian province, and that fifty-four leaders led ninety-five songs. It was announced that the 2019 Vermont All-Day Singing will be held on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in March at the Irasburg Town Hall in Irasburg, Vermont. It was noted this is a departure from the usual schedule.

Dan Coppock led 62 as the closing song. Sarah Wolfe offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dan Coppock; Secretary—Chris Bracken

GEORGIA STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia** **March 24-25, 2018**

Saturday, March 24

The 57th session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in March at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church in Carrollton, Georgia. Phillip Langley called the class together leading 59. Henry Johnson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Lela Crowder 460; Andy Ditzler 394; Anna Hinton 203; Jeannette DePoy 32t; Isaac Green 488; Philip Denney 142; Karen Rollins 153; Helen Bryson 456; David Brodeur 157; Karis Askin 120; Jack Nelson 318; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 339; Mary Brownlee 556; Erica Hinton 112; Dan Edwards 56b; Daniel Lee 28t; Robert Chambless 569t; Charles Woods 65.

RECESS

Andy Ditzler and Ryan Konopka brought the class back to order leading 312b.

Leaders: Michael Thompson 222; Eric Tweedy 344; Janice Paulk 337; Richard Green

and David Matheny 198. A business session was held with the following officers and committee members elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Erica Hinton; Vice Chairman—Michael Spencer; Chaplain—Riley Lee; Secretary—Lela Crowder; Arranging Committee—David Brodeur, Isaac Green, and Anna Hinton; Memorial Committee—Bridgett Hill Kennedy and David Ivey; Finance Committee—Oscar McGuire, Philip Denney, and Samuel Williams; Locating Committee—Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg, Justin Bowen, and Mike Spencer; Resolutions Committee—Kate Kirwan and Brenda Dunlap.

Leaders: Judy Chambless 182; Tony Hammock 383; Virginia Dyer 454; Samuel Williams 286; Matt Hinton, Caroline Kolts, Pat Kolts, Zella Kolts, and Foster Kolts 192; Nathan Rees 273; Lisa Bennett 223; Susan Cheronos 349; Judy Mincey 64.

RECESS

Michael Spencer called the class back together by leading 166. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 163b; Leigh Cooper 228; Laura Hodges 430; John Kelso 433; Richard DeLong 123b; Fred Wilkey 99; Keillor Mose 205; Nate Green and Norma Green 345t; Lauren Bock 111t; Stanley Smith 482; Lydia Lewallen 560; Justin Bowen 439; Fred Eady and Cody Cox 358; Richard Ivey 202.

LUNCH

Isaac Green and Erica Hinton called the class back to order leading 213t. Leaders: Elene Stovall 411; Cindy Tanner 269; David Ivey 156; Laura Clawson 542; Steve Brett 397; José Camacho 183; Brenda Dunlap 476; Riley Lee 289; Reba Windom 208; Kate Kirwan 328; Henry Johnson 164; Rodney Ivey and Amy Wootten 283 (for Don Bowen and Loyd Ivey); Miriam Delirium and Steve Luttinen 445; Sarah West 436; Emily Stutzman 275b; John Plunkett 145t; Chris Wolf 89; Eva Grace Horsley 72b; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 371; Joyce Heath 46; Winfred Kerr 146; Karen Edwards and Greta Edwards 282; David Smead 69b; Daniel Williams 517; Shane Brown 260; Kelly Morris 147t; Kelsey Ivey 505; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 396. Announcements were made. Erica Hinton and Mike Spencer led 83t. Riley Lee closed the singing with prayer.

Sunday, March 25

The Sunday session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Erica Hinton leading 47t. Riley Lee offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Isaac Green 499 (in memory of Hollis Gentry); Mike Spencer 393; Anna Hinton 112; David Brodeur 144; Lela Crowder 82t; Daniel Lee 106; Eli Hinton 148; Jim Neal 95; Dan Edwards 73t; Judy Mincey 311; Faye Hollis 373; Matt Hinton and Karen Rollins 365; Phillip Langley 272; Wyatt Denney 504; Cecil Roberts 48t; Lisa Bennett 118 (for Miriam Delirium); Samuel Williams 149.

RECESS

Judy Mincey brought the class back to order leading 36b. Leaders: Danny Creel 405; Judy Chambless 185; Susan Cheronos 564; Sadie Bagley 47b; Scott DePoy 179; Brenda Dunlap 125; Daniel Williams 360; David Ivey 572; Nathan Rees 228; Philip Denney 448b (in honor of Pearl Guier); Richard DeLong 214; Jan House 117; John Plunkett 467; Karis Askin 168; Jeannette DePoy 475 (for Scott DePoy); Robert Chambless 452.

RECESS

Winfred Kerr brought the class back together leading 318. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 172; Emily Stutzman 217; Oscar McGuire 485.

David Ivey and Bridgett Hill Kennedy conducted the memorial lesson. David Ivey spoke about the importance of reaching out to those who are sick and shut-in. He read Psalm 107:6 and reminded everyone that the poor in body and poor in spirit need to hear from fellow singers. He read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Velton Chafin, Loyd Ivey, Jack Paulk, Otis Sides, Margaret Thacker, Ed

Thacker, Don Bowen, Lucy Garner, Lansing Kimmey, Roni Roberts, Susan Roberts, Idy Kiser, Paul Wilson, Gary Gronau, Lynn deBenedette, Ulrike Brauneis, Martha Brett, Reginald Brett, and Chris Brown. David Ivey led 32b in their honor.

Bridgett Hill Kennedy spoke about Matthew 18:30 and how everyone must have a childlike sense of wonder to enter the kingdom of heaven. She used examples from psychology to explain how children experience wonder with the world around them as they grow. She said that children have an unlimited capacity for wonder, yet as we grow, we impose limitations on ourselves, others, and God. She spoke about how God has no limits and how when we experience loss, God understands ultimate loss. Bridgett read the following list of names of the deceased: Daphene Causey, Johnnie Chafin, Hollis Gentry, Lily Hopper, Verlon Stiefel, Floy Wilder, and Eloise Wootten—Alabama; Twyla Arnett—Arkansas; Linda Domholdt—California; Florence Akin, Daniel Evans, Louise Holland, Hugh McGraw, Agnes Roberts, and Mike Taylor—Georgia; Berkley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Charles Wells and Willy Schlotec—Minnesota; Charles Bennett—Missouri; Rhoda Ann Wildey—New Jersey; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Elaine Fields and Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin. Bridgett led 434. Riley Lee closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Sheri Taylor 354b; Leigh Cooper 273; Andy Ditzler 87; Mark Puckett 454. LUNCH

Erica Hinton and Anna Hinton brought the class back to order leading 37b. Leaders: J.R. Hardman 297; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 392; Kathy Williams 209; Kate Kirwan, Steve Brett, and Sarah West 75; Reba Windom 216; Keillor Mose 302; Lydia Lewallen 333; Fred Wilkey 107; Richard Ivey 212; Judy Caudle 403; David Smead 55; Sarah West 197; Kelsey Ivey 196; Henry Johnson 231; Steve Brett 129; Chris Wolf 191; Riley Lee 316; Laura Hodges 204; Kate Kirwan 362; Fred Eady 236; Steve Luttinen 426b; Elene Stovall 500; Myron House 113; Coy Ivey 384; Amber Davis 224; Rosemary Yntema 183; Rodney Ivey, Amy Wootten, and Reba Windom 30b. The convention went into a business session to hear reports from the various committees. The Locating Committee reported that the convention will meet at Beth-Salem Presbyterian Church in Lexington, Georgia, (near Athens, Georgia) next year on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in March, 2019. Donna Bell presented the finance report. Kate Kirwan and Brenda Dunlap presented the resolutions. All reports were read and approved. The business session was closed. Announcements were made. Erica Hinton and Mike Spencer led 62 as the closing song. Riley Lee offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Erica Hinton; Vice Chairman—Mike Spencer; Secretary—Lela Crowder; Assistant Secretary—Donna Bell

BRAZOS RIVER SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, Texas

Saturday, March 31, 2018

The 27th annual Brazos River Singing was held in the Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, Texas, on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. This year's singing was dedicated to the memory of Amy Denison, who passed away in December, 2017. Gaylon Powell called the class to order leading 138b. Garrett Powell offered the opening prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected: Chairman—Gaylon Powell; Vice Chairman—Silas Huckaby; Secretary—Sarah Huckaby. The chairman then appointed Tom Owen and Kevin Powell to serve on the memorial committee. Leaders: Gaylon Powell 500; Silas Huckaby 285t, 155; Sarah Huckaby 270, 36b; Mike Hinton 115, 464; Bruce Coates 38t, 39; Janie Short 465, 430; Beverly Coates

198, 515; Olivia Powell 501, 128; Kristie Powell 210, 268b; Abby Huckaby 99; Tom Owen 473, 365; Kevin Powell 300, 268t.

RECESS

Silas Huckaby called the singers back together leading 63. Leaders: Linda Booker 96, 107; Tammy Powell 572, 478; Silas Huckaby 450, 32t; Sarah Huckaby 163t, 132; Mike Hinton 162, 567; Janie Short 404, 511t.

Kevin Powell read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Azalea Barnett, Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell, and Bill Derrick. He made some comments, and then led 553.

Tom Owen read the following list of names of the deceased: Amy Denison, Steve Helwig, Jane Goforth, Edith Owen, Hugh McGraw, Daphene Causey, Darrell Swarens, Berkley Moore, Verlon Stiefel, and Peter Nichols. He made some comments, and then led 386. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Mike Hinton.

Leaders: Bruce Coates 30b, 31b; Beverly Coates 44, 511b. Roy Culbertson asked the blessing for the meal.

LUNCH

Gaylon Powell called the class back to order leading 411 and 408. Leaders: Olivia Powell 232, 235; Kristie Powell 343, 47b; Tom Owen 336b, 558; Kevin Powell 486, 77t; Linda Booker 199, 293b; Tammy Powell 138t, 95b; Silas Huckaby 278b; Sarah Huckaby 383; Mike Hinton 544; Janie Short 460; Chris Nicholson 401, 559, 514; Bruce Coates 133; Beverly Coates 269; Gaylon Powell 502; Kristie Powell 563; Tom Owen 410; Kevin Powell 543; Linda Booker 229; Olivia Powell 571; Tammy Powell 217; Chris Nicholson 47t.

Gaylon Powell, Silas Huckaby, and Sarah Huckaby led 146 as the closing song. The singing closed with prayer offered by Bruce Coates.

Chairman—Gaylon Powell; Vice Chairman—Silas Huckaby; Secretary—Sarah Huckaby

HARPETH VALLEY / PRIESTLEY MILLER MEMORIAL SINGING

**Radnor Primitive Baptist Church, Nashville, Tennessee
Saturday, March 31, 2018**

The 57th annual Harpeth Valley-Priestley Miller Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Tim Reynolds leading 59. Randy Box offered the morning prayer. Tim Reynolds led 148.

Leaders: David Carlton 48t, 171; Caleb Dillehay 56t, 77t; Marilyn Burchett 335, 49t; Randy Box 155, 405; Carol Wendt 154, 163b; Lewis Frost 178, 503.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds brought the class back together leading 49b and “Swarens” (by Linda Sides). Leaders: Jason Whipp 441, 455; Gail Doss 430, 485; Febrienne Box 146; Fred Wilkey 27, 99; Larry Brown 495, 350.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds brought class back together leading 163t. Leaders: George Cooksey 159, 569b; Sandie Scott 472; Rick Fretter 147t, 313b; Febrienne Box 358; Carol Wendt 97; Fred Wilkey 107, 114; Gail Doss 63, 505.

LUNCH

Tim Reynolds called the class to order leading 84. Leaders: Caleb Dillehay 399b; Tammy Heinsohn 86, 504; Randy Box 91; Jason Whipp 47b; Carol Wendt and Candy Burger 30t; Tim Reynolds 573; George Cooksey 106; Sandie Scott 176t; Lewis Frost and Libba Miller 565; Stacey Cooksey 45t; Rick Fretter 209; Marilyn

Burchett 334; Larry Brown 496; Tammy Heinsohn 479; David Carlton 236.
After announcements, Tim Reynolds led 276 as the closing song. Tammy Heinsohn offered the closing prayer.
Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—Randy Box; Secretary—Sandie Scott

BETHEL SINGING
Bruce, Mississippi
Sunday, April 1, 2018

The 69th annual Sacred Harp singing at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church was held on Easter Sunday in memory of Hugh Bill McGuire. Henry McGuire called the class to order leading 547t (WB). Robert Earl Alexander offered the morning prayer.
Leaders: Henry McGuire 484t (WB); Drew McGuire 37b, 318; Lisa Geist 477, 528; Ken Tate 498, 535; Robert Earl Alexander 134, 124; Earl Ballinger 141, 36b; Will McGuire 110, 181; John Plunkett 443b (WB), 449t (WB); Amber Davis 395, 44; Danny Creel 354b, 63; Andy Davis 222, 269.

RECESS

Mark Davis called the class together leading 104. Leaders: Anne Steel 421, 209; Mike Hankins 84, 168; Ann Jett 172, 47b; Arlon Gardner 65, 67; Shelby Castillo 81t, 432; Mark Tew 46, 108t; Ricky Beasley 285t, 73t; Mark Davis 310, 408; Larry Ballinger 120, 112; Warren Steel 150 (WB), 484b (WB); Henry McGuire 492 (WB).

LUNCH

Drew McGuire called the afternoon session together leading 138t. Leaders: Henry McGuire 196, 40; Lisa Geist 273; Ken Tate 359b (WB); Robert Earl Alexander 35; Earl Ballinger 99; John Beasley 480, 335; Will McGuire 119; John Plunkett 460; Sarah Tidwell 42, 146; Amber Davis 192; Danny Creel 526 (WB); Andy Davis 434; Carol Selman 218; Anne Steel 200; Mike Hankins 527; Arlon Gardner 454; Shelby Castillo 456; Mark Tew 203; John Jones and Ricky Beasley 45t; Mark Davis 78, 236; Warren Steel 419; Henry McGuire, Drew McGuire, Will McGuire, and Charlie McGuire 486t (WB).

Following announcements, Henry McGuire and Drew McGuire led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Danny Creel.

Chairman—Henry McGuire; Vice Chairman—Drew McGuire; Secretary—Warren Steel

EDWARDSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama
Sunday, April 1, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Edwardsville Baptist Church, Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama, was held on the first Sunday in April. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 32t. He then welcomed everyone to the Easter Sunday singing, and Robert Chambless offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 37b; Henry Johnson 138b, 52b; Donna Bell 480 (in memory of her daddy, George Garner) 120; Judy Chambless 410t; Winfred Kerr 59, 89; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 81t, 340; Sherrell Cleino 127, 335; Dalton Lewis 77t, 354b; Taylor Watkins 345b, 445; Jack Nelson 345t, 408 (for Judy Chambless); Isaac Green 279, 242; Virginia Dyer 365, 546.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Henry Johnson leading 206. Leaders: David Smead 451, 415; April Watkins 53, 235; Jerusha Wheeler 299, 551; Robert Chambless 369, 72b; Rene Greene 300, 183; David Brodeur 164, 230; Nathan Rees 104, 44; Bobby Watkins 406; Bobby Watkins and April Watkins 155.

RECESS

Judy Chambless brought the class back to order by leading 39t. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 532 (in memory of Janelle Davis), 228 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Daniel Williams 354t, 160b; Oscar McGuire 276, 515; Samuel Williams 322, 536; Andy Ditzler 491, 477; Richard DeLong 57, 465; Esther Williams 123b, 101b; Henry Johnson 289.

A business session was held with the following officers retained or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Henry Johnson; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Fallon Cook 274t, 146; Rene Greene 556 (in memory of her daddy, Jeff Sheppard); Jerusha Wheeler 147b; Lisa Bennett 318; Taylor Watkins 282. Rev. Chris Johnson, pastor of the church, offered the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class resumed singing with Cecil Roberts leading 512. Cecil asked the class to stand and observe a moment of silence in memory of William Stanly Edwards. Stanly was chairman of this singing for many years and a staunch supporter of its continuation. Leaders: Andy Ditzler 397; Cain Cook and Fallon Cook 186; Chance Cook 192; Richard DeLong 418; April Watkins 82t; Glenda Collins and Barbara Brooks 339 (in memory of Louise Holland); Robert Chambless 384; Bobby Watkins 460; David Smead 156; Winfred Kerr 324; Jack Nelson 479; David Brodeur 438; Sherrell Cleino 452 (in memory of her uncle, Billy Joe Harris); Daniel Williams 34t; Oscar McGuire 34b; Samuel Williams 163t; Isaac Green and Fallon Cook 434; Esther Williams 399t; Fallon Cook 47b.

Announcements were made. Cecil Roberts, Henry Johnson, Donna Bell, and Judy Chambless led 163b as the closing song. Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Henry Johnson; Secretary—Donna Bell

ELDER HOMER BENEFIELD, KATHERINE BENEFIELD AND MILDRED JOHNSON MEMORIAL

Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, south of Tallapoosa, Georgia

Friday, April 6, 2018

The 26th session of the Elder Homer Benefield, Katherine Benefield, and Mildred Johnson Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on Friday night before the second Sunday in April at Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, just south of Tallapoosa on Shiloh Church Road. Cecil Roberts called the class to order by leading 146. Karen Rollins offered the opening prayer. Cecil Roberts welcomed everyone to the singing, and then led 35.

Leaders: Donna Bell 341 (in memory of Darrell Swarens and Louise Holland) 28b; Kathy Williams 37b (in memory of her mother, Louise Holland) 47t; Winfred Kerr 47b, 59; Karen Rollins 36b, 46.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Kathy Williams. Mildred Patterson expressed her appreciation to the singers for coming to sing.

Leaders: Daniel Williams 337, 108b; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 100, 339; Andy Ditzler 490, 124; Ruth Daniel 378t, 335; Sherrell Cleino 452, 127; David Brodeur 482, 491; Samuel Williams 201, 314. Brother Tommy Patterson offered the blessing of the evening meal.

SUPPER

Andy Ditzler brought the class back to order by leading 80b. Leaders: Kathy

Williams 448b; Michele Cull 549; Esther Williams 63; Annaliza Cull 49b, 448t; Cecil Roberts 89; Emmadene Williams and Samuel Williams 58; Sherrell Cleino 45t; Joyce Lambert 145b, 56t (in memory of her daddy, Elder Homer Benefield); Sarah Roberts 108t, 354b; Andy Ditzler 294 (by request for Mildred Patterson); Michele Cull 270; David Brodeur 130.

Announcements were made. Cecil Roberts, Andy Ditzler, Donna Bell, and Kathy Williams led 62 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Secretary—Donna Bell

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND SACRED HARP SINGING

Bainbridge Island Grange Hall, Bainbridge Island, Washington

Saturday, April 7, 2018

The second annual Bainbridge Island All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in April. Kevin Barrans led 87 as the first song. Jim Friedrich offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers and committee members: Chairman—Kevin Barrans; Chaplain—Jim Friedrich; Arranging Committee—Bob Schinske and Marie Brandis; Kitchen—Laura McMurray; Beverages—Rodman Campbell; Treasurer—Kate Fortin; Secretary—Kate Coxon. The business meeting was suspended.

Leaders: Kathy Vlach 171; Erik Schwab 531; Kim Lusk 89; Kate Fortin 77t; Rodman Campbell 495; Jim Friedrich 142; Kate Coxon 371; Clarissa Fetrow 383; David Wright 223; Nancy Novotny 187; Ana Tighe 49b; Julius Pasay 101t; Anne Huckins 472; Thom Fahrbach 138t; Laura McMurray 101b; Tom McTighe 339; Wren Hyde 270.

RECESS

Lyle Lindsey called the class to order leading 384. Leaders: Bob Schinske 145t; Evelyn Lamb 498; Lindy Groening 411; Lyle Lindsey 473; Sadhbh O'Flynn 511; Kevin Barrans 317; Pat Coghlan 203; Emma Rose Brown 377; Marie Brandis 546; Sean MacPherson 55; Betsy Jeronen 573; Jennifer Jones 302; Dave Barrans 162; Steve Cackley 502; Jim Friedrich, Karen Haig, and Bill Raymond 163t; Ana Tighe 430; Laura McMurray 512; Clarissa Fetrow 86.

RECESS

Sean MacPherson called the class to order leading 81t. Leaders: Thom Fahrbach 224; Nancy Novotny 172; Kate Fortin 319; Steve Cackley 105; Kathy Vlach 84; Lyle Lindsey 38t; Wren Hyde 460; Rodman Campbell 159; Anne Huckins 208; Jennifer Jones 475; Tom McTighe 368; Dave Barrans 282; Betsy Jeronen 494; David Wright 245. Jim Friedrich offered the noon blessing, and Kevin Barrans dismissed the class for dinner.

LUNCH

Kim Lusk called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Bob Schinske 340; Evelyn Lamb 287; Emma Rose Brown 138b; Julius Pasay 70b; Lindy Groening 536; Sean MacPherson 83b; Pat Coghlan 214; Kevin Barrans 204; Sadhbh O'Flynn 69b; Erik Schwab 534; Kate Coxon 286; Ana Tighe 168; Dave Barrans 63; Betsy Jeronen 436; Tom McTighe 480; Nancy Novotny 336; Thom Fahrbach 240; Kate Fortin 294; Jim Friedrich 410t; David Wright 36b.

RECESS

Thom Fahrbach called the class to order leading 133. Leaders: Anne Huckins 504; Susan Fortin and Cassandra Carlson 347; Steve Cackley 505; Jennifer Jones 300; Bob Schinske 410b; Emma Rose Brown 426t; Erik Schwab 540; Julius Pasay 153; Kate Coxon 30b; Laura McMurray 230; Doug Hill 102; Sadhbh O'Flynn 440; Rodman

Campbell 542; Lindy Groening 564; Kevin Barrans 419; Wren Hyde 370; Evelyn Lamb 378b.

Kevin Barrans reopened the business meeting, and asked for committee reports. The Secretary shared that there had been forty-three registered singers, thirty-two of whom were leaders, singing a total of ninety-two songs. Singers present were from six US states (Alaska, California, New York, Oregon, Utah, and Washington) and one Canadian province (British Columbia). As the resolutions committee, Emma Rose Brown and Kathy Vlach thanked the officers and volunteers and they submitted their resolutions for the approval of the class. The class approved all resolutions, and agreed to meet again in the following year. Announcements were made.

Kevin Barrans led 62 as the class took the parting hand. Jim Friedrich offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kevin Barrans; Secretary—Kate Coxon

BRIGHTON SACRED HARP SINGING DAY

Exeter Street Hall, Brighton, East Sussex, United Kingdom

Saturday, April 7, 2018

The 3rd Brighton Sacred Harp All-Day Singing was called to order by Catherine Roberts leading 276. Una Nicholson offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Seth Dickens 84; Ross Adamson 229; Jill Thompson 99; Guy Hayes 101t; Ron Hollman 328; Eleanor Callaghan 296; Sarah Hill 33b; Ian Lamb 70t; Rachel Jordan 351; Vicky Tremain and Anna Roberts 146; Iain Paxon 47t; Mavis Clay and Jill Thompson 178; Steve Biggs 49b; Una Nicholson 441; Derek Buckland 122.

RECESS

Nick Hall called the class to order leading 515. Leaders: Brenda Harvey 34b; Werner Ullah 531; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 35; Toby Goss 472; Nigel Bowley 66; Ali McKenzie Wilcox 448b.

Seth Dickens spoke for the sick and housebound. He led 159 for Kirsty Biss, Keith Mendes, Andy Spence, Paula Mogensen, Jan Green, Chris Brown, Adrian Hilton, Katherine Atkinson, Maureen Walker, Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, Dave Richardson, Jeannette DePoy, Reginald Brett, Meg Winter, Mike Jones, Peter Zander, Dave Cooper, Ann Parker, Carole Baldie, Rob Mahoney, and Jean Mahoney.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Iain Paxon. He led 452 in memory of the following deceased: Kerryn Neilson—Johannesburg, South Africa; Rita Bick—Sussex; Pauline Harrington—Ireland; Kathleen Evelyn Rowell—Lewes; Honey—Brighton; Mark Girling—Spain; Jennifer Bennett—Ontario, Canada; Frank Pigott—London; Rollo Woods—Swanage; PJ O’Grady—London and Ireland; Audrey Callaghan—Rochdale; Geoffrey Rendle—London; Hugh McGraw—Georgia, USA; Wawema Entrerín Miles—Georgia, USA; Jackie Saunders—Eynsham; Daphne Causey—Alabama, USA; Daniel Evans—Colorado, USA; Francesco Nazzini—London and Naples; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; Kamila Zahno—London; Louise Holland—Georgia, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Darrell Swares—Indiana, USA; Hollis Gentry—Alabama, USA; Nick Pollard—Surbiton; and Jean and Donald McDonald—Derby.

Leaders: Andrew Clark 68b; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 117; Rebecca Over 500; Rachel Wemyss 145t; Joss Tait 324; George Simms 474; Mick Verrier and Penny Verrier 34b (for birthday); Alec Williams 274t; Emily Verrier and Sue Bird 340. Eleanor Callaghan and Vicky Tremain gave thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Emily Verrier and Mick Verrier leading 183. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 216; Oskar Kvashes 297; Helen Brown 475; Eimear O’Donovan 192; Edwin Macadam and David Black 528; Lisa O’Grady 212; Vicki

Elliott 215; Piers Blewett and Thomas Sprackland 270; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Steve Brett 205; Ted Brown and Nigel Jackson 81t; Emily Verrier 135; Andrew Clark 496; Alec Williams 86; Nick Hall and Ben Whittaker 455; Ron Hollman 67; Toby Goss 143; Ali McKenzie Wilcox and Jill Thompson 504; Rebecca Over 457; Dereck Buckland 131b; Rachel Wemyss 309.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Eleanor Callaghan leading 335. Leaders: Helen Brown 187; Brenda Harvey 49t; Eimear O'Donovan and Tom Sprackland 31t; Edwin Macadam 198; Rachel Jordan 546; Caro Stamm-Reusch 556; Catherine Roberts 480; Sheila Girling Macadam 157; Vicki Elliott 569b; Lisa O'Grady and Piers Blewett 551; Nigel Bowley 175; Ted Brown 59; Joss Tait 105; Werner Ullah and Helen Brown 538; Steve Brett 460; Una Nicholson 300; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 497; George Simms 263.

Catherine Roberts led 65 as the closing song. Jill Thompson offered the closing prayer. Announcements were made by Catherine Roberts, who thanked all who made the third Brighton All-Day Singing possible. Rose Hales reported that there were seventy-five registered attendees from five countries, and seventy-six songs were sung. The class was then dismissed.

Chairman—Catherine Roberts; Secretary—Rose Hales

DETROIT SINGING

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, Detroit, Michigan

Saturday, April 7, 2018

The annual Detroit singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in April. Jamie Yeats called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 39t. Sister Veronica Dunbar offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Anne Missavage 171, 40; Ray Rechenberg 148, 277; Martha Beverly 216, 217; Giles Simmer 178, 63; Catherine Brown 84, 168; Samuel Sommers 180, 433; Margaret Hahn 87, 30b; Cecelia Kramer 191, 71; Marian Mitchell 72b, 42; Will Fitzgerald 318, 313t; Idy Kiser 313b, 38b.

RECESS

Giles Simmer called the class back to order leading 282. Leaders: Charlotte Wolfe 47t, 128; Brian How 547, 183; Gerry Hoffman 272, 142; Beth Todd 501, 475; Jan May 276, 540; Jamie Yeats 169, 503; Anne Missavage 106, 107; Ray Rechenberg 203, 365; Martha Beverly 430, 436.

RECESS

Idy Kiser called the class back to order leading 37b. Leaders: Giles Simmer 496, 186; Catherine Brown 66, 143; Samuel Sommers 301, 528; Megan Jennings 189, 82t; Margaret Hahn 52t, 515. Sister Veronica Dunbar said grace for lunch.

LUNCH

Jamie Yeats called the class back to order leading 38t. Leaders: Cecelia Kramer 198, 485; Liz Smith Yeats 236, 25; Marian Mitchell 299, 228; Will Fitzgerald 215, 141; Donald Crawford 165, 155; Charlotte Wolfe 99, 31t; Bill Fuzekas 65, 209.

Giles Simmer led 339 in memory of the following: Mark Williams—Michigan; Louise Holland, Ella Herstine Bussey, Florice Akin, and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; W. Patrick Wylie—South Carolina; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Eloise Wootten, Caleb Allred, Johnnie Chafin, Daphene Causey, J.A. Mosley, and Art Gilmore—Alabama; Peter Nichols, Edith Owen, Jane Goforth, and Amy Dennison—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Carol Sanders—Pennsylvania.

Jamie Yeats led 73b for sick and shut-ins, Melanie Hauff and Glenda Walton.

RECESS

Jan May called the class to order leading 34b. Leaders: Brian How 48b, 146; Carolyn

Ramsay 84, 457; Gerry Hoffman 440, 448t; Beth Todd 234, 284; Jan May 351, 362.

RECESS

Marian Mitchell called the class back to order leading 335. Leaders: Anne Missavage 192, 383; Ray Rechenberg 144, 564; Martha Beverly 348t, 368; Giles Simmer 393, 162; Catherine Brown 350, 535. Sister Veronica Dunbar offered the closing prayer.

Jamie Yeats led 347, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jamie Yeats; Secretary—Liz Smith Yeats

STATE LINE CHURCH

Near Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama

Saturday, April 7, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at State Line Church in Cleburne County.

Alabama, on Saturday before the second Sunday in April was called to order by Rodney Ivey leading 32t. Matt Hinton offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Vice Chairman—Hayden Arp; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging—Judy Chambless; Memorial—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 35; Hayden Arp 145b; Judy Caudle 131b; Helen Bryson 428; Winfred Kerr 516; Margie Smith 31b; Jack Nelson 313t; Philip Denney 120; Robert Chambless 163b; Anna Hinton 203; Pam Nunn 318 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Don Bowen 39b (for Margaret Thacker); Rene Greene 454; Ed Thacker 269 (in memory of B.M. Smith, Jeff Sheppard, and Shelbie Sheppard); Annaliza Cull 268; Samuel Williams 267; Lisa Bennett 464 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); David Brodeur 474; Fred Eady and his aunt, Martha 178.

RECESS

The class was called together by Rodney Ivey leading 108b. Leaders: Matt Hinton 110; Andy Ditzler 530; Emily Stutzman 477; Judy Mincey 429; Keillor Mose 171 (for Tom and Edwina Unrath); Sarah Trumbore 451; Reba Windom 418; Cindy Tanner 220; Tom George 419; Vivian Rogan 282; Bruce Coates 503; Kathy Williams 466; Gary Rogan 300; David Ivey 439 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); Beverly Coates 150; Henry Johnson 489.

RECESS

Hayden Arp led 345t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 304 (for Lisa Geist); Jerusha Wheeler 306; David Smead 308; Michele Cull 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Johnathon Kelso 309 (in memory of Danny Arms).

The memorial was conducted by Helen Bryson. Helen spoke of voices and tears. She encouraged young singers to learn from elder singers, as they have wisdom to share.

She continued by saying that it is okay to shed tears today and any day. Shedding tears can often provide a degree of comfort. She read the following lists of names.

The sick and shut-ins included Margaret Thacker, Glenda Hopper, Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Ottis Sides, Paul Wilson, Clarissa Fetrow, William Futral, Virginia Futral, Margaret Keeton, Velton Chafin, Billy Allen, Idy Kiser, Tom Unrath, Edwina Unrath, and Quinn Mose. The deceased included Eloise Wootten, Daphene Causey, Lily Hopper, Verlon Stiefel, Louise Holland, Hugh McGraw, Ella Herstine Bussey, Darrell Swarens, Wally Jeffries, Steve Helwig, Edith Owen, Amy Denison, and Berkley Moore. Helen led 273, and Matt Hinton offered prayer to close the memorial service.

Leaders: Nathan Rees 227 (in memory of Floy Wilder); Shelby Castillo 197; Shane Brown 48t; Cecil Roberts 49b. Tom George asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rodney Ivey leading 73t (in memory of Bud Oliver). Leaders: Sherrell Cleino 335; Don Bowen and David Ivey 517; Fallon Cook

168; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 270; Beverly Coates and Bruce Coates 176b (for Curtis Owen); Vivian Rogan and Gary Rogan 285t; Henry Johnson, Ed Thacker, and Samuel Williams 30t; Kathy Williams, Nicholas Thompson, and Judy Caudle 434 (in memory of Daphne Causey and Louise Holland); Reba Windom, Hayden Arp, and Shelby Castillo 542; David Smead, Lisa Bennett, and Jerusha Wheeler 91; David Brodeur, Andy Ditzler, and Keillor Mose 380; Nathan Rees and Johnathon Kelso 447; Pam Nunn and Fallon Cook 137; Sherrell Cleino, Robert Chambless, and Margie Smith 225t; Anna Hinton and Matt Hinton 142; Annaliza Cull and Michele Cull 384; Emily Stutzman and Shane Brown 472.

Pam Nunn gave the financial report for State Line Church. Announcements were made.

Rodney Ivey and Henry Johnson led 521 as the closing song, and Henry Johnson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Vice Chairman—Hayden Arp; Secretary—Judy Caudle

POTOMAC RIVER SINGING CONVENTION

Great Falls Grange, Great Falls, Virginia

April 7-8, 2018

Saturday, April 7

The 29th annual Potomac River Shape Note Singing Convention was called to order by Brenda Dunlap leading 171. John Plunkett offered the morning prayer.

The class went into a business meeting and the following officers were elected or appointed: Chairman—Matt Roberts; Vice Chairman—Corinne Ducey; Secretaries—Mary Helen Dupree, Katie Keller, Topher Lawton, and Sharon Strong; Treasurer—Kathy Manning; Arranging Committee—Kelly Macklin, Graham DeZarn, Ben Hartland, Jim Glaser, and John Daniel delRe.

All song selections on Saturday were from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Matt Roberts 74b; Corinne Ducey 47t; Kathy Manning 193; Kelly Macklin 77b; Evan Duncan 47b; Molly Hickman 163t; Tom Ivey 447; Mary DeNys 285t; Jim Glaser 358; Sharon Strong 184; John delRe 230; Julia Seidenstein 335; Topher Lawton 192; Leyland delRe 69t; Tim Slattery 344; Mary Ann Daly 312b; Ben Hartland 48b; Susan Green 415; John Davis 38t; Graham DeZarn 399t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Adrienne Robertson leading 551. Leaders: Thomas Smith 200; Liz Meitzler 179; Alexa Silverman 274t; Nora Miller 379; Richard Green 29t; Alan Cohen 528; Joel Miller 288; Kathy Carluzzo 410b; Les Updike 515; Mary Helen Dupree 287; Emily Altman 284; Miriam Delirium 448t; Lucas Husted 227; Rachel Speer 411; Guy Bankes 534; Adrienne Robertson 455; Joni Seidenstein 506; Katie Kellert 146; Adrian Mariano 500; Dean Jens 421. Brenda Dunlap offered the noon blessing.

LUNCH

Topher Lawton called the class to order leading 122. Leaders: John Daniel delRe 160b; Rachel Hall 118; Hillary Miller 72b; Joshua Barnett 324; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Lydia Lewallen 302; Jesse Polhemus 189; Megan Holm 217; Cherylyn Neilson 319; Dann Pell 67; Jim Strube 236; Anders Fahey 186; John Plunkett 348t; Chris Wolf 168; Kyle Johnston 162; Ina Shea 331; Robin Bisson 102; Owen Kelley 106; Susan Green 272; Rachel Speer 495; Joel Miller 300; Kathy Carluzzo 277; Ben Hartland 71; Merry Bruns and Rachel Speer 229; Guy Bankes 543.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Alexa Silverman leading 34b. Leaders: Les Updike and Leyland delRe 373; Dean Jens 349; Corinne Ducey 224; Emily Altman

328; Lucas Husted 445; Dann Pell 285b; Nora Miller 527; Chris Wolf and Megan Holm 129; Miriam Delirium 440; Kelly Macklin 542; Kathy Manning 304; Cherilyn Neilson and Martha Burns 410t; Sharon Strong 512; Lydia Lewallen and Rachel Hall 390; Julia Seidenstein 101b; Brenda Dunlap, Kelly Macklin, and Xanthi Carras 100; Katie Kellert 547; Molly Hickman 56b; Robin Bisson 497; Yosef Trachtenberg 178; Joshua Barnett 276; John Plunkett 45b; Mary Helen Dupree 314. Matt Roberts led 69t as the closing song. Brenda Dunlap offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, April 8

The Sunday session of the Potomac River Convention was called to order by Matt Roberts leading 147 (ShH). Brenda Dunlap offered the morning prayer. All song selections on Sunday were from *The Shenandoah Harmony*. Leaders: Corinne Ducey 1b (ShH); Tom Ivey 78 (ShH); Mary Ann Daly 60t (ShH); Dean Jens 236t (ShH); Kathy Manning 266 (ShH); John delRe 452 (ShH); Mary DeNys 260b (ShH); Topher Lawton 65t (ShH); Sharon Strong 191 (ShH); Ben Hartland 432t (ShH); Kelly Macklin 167 (ShH); Graham DeZarn 198 (ShH); Alexa Silverman 242 (ShH); Steven Sabol 251 (ShH); Becky Wright 248b (ShH); Tim Slattery 87 (ShH); Erin Kelly 170 (ShH); Jim Glaser 260t (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 384 (ShH); Richard Green 140b (ShH); Julia Seidenstein 264t (ShH).

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Joshua Barnett leading 16 (ShH). Leaders: Susan Green 338 (ShH); Adrian Mariano 402 (ShH); Megan Holm 306 (ShH); Daniel Hunter 307 (ShH); Krista Guerrieri 48 (ShH); Jonathan Een Newton 108 (ShH); Cherilyn Neilson 176 (ShH); John Plunkett 142 (ShH); Bethany Towne 36 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 69 (ShH).

The memorial lesson was conducted by Leyland delRe and Ben Hartland. Leyland delRe led 22t (ShH) for the following sick and shut-ins: Mary Bess Whidden, Louise Lane, Michael Kaye, Alana Hunnicutt, Laura S, Deborah Kilmer, Sue Mingus, Ester Wildey, Jennifer Kilmer, Jason Kilmer, and Merv Horst.

Ben Hartland led 43t (ShH) to remember the following deceased: Winter Acorn, Nancy Graham, Hugh McGraw, Roberta Sanchez, Robert Murphy, Wayne Jens, Sonya Rae Manning, R.F. Lane, Jr., Rob Lane, Zahara Hecksher, Helen Vano, Rev. Gerry Creedon, Pat Troy, Steve Helwig, Deanna Watanabe, Charles Bennett, Twyla Arnett, Elaine Fields, Darrell Swarens, Rhoda Ann Wildey, Edith Owen, Toby Strout, Charles Wells, Christa Leigh Steele-Kundslie, and the Parkland students and other victims of gun violence.

Leaders: Ina Shea 3b (ShH); Jesse Polhemus 130 (ShH); Rachel Hall 256 (ShH); Lucas Husted 235 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 268 (ShH); Robin Bisson 12b (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 171 (ShH). Zoe Plaugher offered a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Thomas Ivey leading 31 (ShH). Leaders: Josh Barnett 241t (ShH); Abigail Beavin 333 (ShH); Nora Miller 149 (ShH); Chris Wolf 70t (ShH); Dann Pell 246t (ShH); Yosef Trachtenberg 46 (ShH); Rachel Speer 186 (ShH); Les Updike 124 (ShH); Miriam Delirium 243 (ShH); Joel Miller 363 (ShH); Jim Strube 431 (ShH); Leyland delRe 298b (ShH); Joni Seidenstein 285 (ShH); David Giusti 129t (ShH); Ulrike Brauneis 192 (ShH); Liz Meitzler 181 (ShH); Becky Wright 193 (ShH); Peter Pate 434t (ShH); Robin Bisson 43b (ShH); Dean Jens 398 (ShH); Ina Shea 197 (ShH); Jesse Polhemus 14 (ShH); Rachel Hall 39 (ShH); Lucas Husted 184 (ShH); Bethany Towne 276t (ShH).

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Corinne Ducey leading 373 (ShH). Leaders: Graham DeZarn and Cherylyn Neilson 15 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 416 (ShH); Christa Guerrieri 264b (ShH); John Plunkett 221 (ShH); Yosef Trachtenberg 310 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 218t (ShH); Daniel Hunter 66 (ShH); Megan Holm 397 (ShH); Chris Wolf 113 (ShH); Dann Pell 404t (ShH); Erin Kelly 2 (ShH); Joel Miller 114 (ShH); Abigail Beavin 9b (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree and Eleanor Hancock 120t (ShH); Adrian Mariano and Thomas Ivey 254 (ShH); Liz Meitzler 305 (ShH); Martha Burns 288t (ShH); David Giusti and Julia Seidenstein 320 (ShH); Kelly Macklin and John delRe 24b (ShH). Matt Roberts led 309 (ShH) as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Matt Roberts; Vice Chairman—Corinne Ducey; Secretaries—Mary Helen Dupree, Katie Keller, Tophier Lawton, and Sharon Strong

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Ider, Alabama

Sunday, April 8, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Antioch Baptist Church on the second Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten leading 82t. Chris Boggs joined Terry and Cole in the square and they led 47t. Chris Boggs offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Terry Wootten, Cole Wootten, and Chris Boggs 31t; Aaron Little 560; Jim Carnes 123t; Eschol Hughes 138b; Daniel Lee 48t; David Saylor and Myra Dalton 203; Susan Cheronos 349; Gary Rogan 155; Phil Summerlin 283; Buell Cobb 88b; Beverly Coates 153; Theresa Saylor and Sierra Saylor 504; Cheyenne Ivey 222; Linton Ballinger 421; Dennis George and Tom George 204; Mel Kersey 565; Vivian Rogan 215; Jerry Creason, Ann Sibole, and friend, Joy 178; Don Bowen 465 (CB); Judy Mincey 288; Tom Owen 49b; Bruce Coates 515; Richard Ivey 399b.

RECESS

Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten led 45t to bring the class together. Leaders: Rodney Ivey and Amy Wootten 39b; Shawn Carroll and Brenda Carroll 28b; Claudene Wootten Townson, Phil Townson, Danette Townson, David Townson, Sherri Townson, Heath Townson, Tiffany Townson, Chase Townson, Logan Townson, Hunter Townson, Raven Farrow, Cole Farrow, Dani Smith, Jacob Smith, Kambelle Townson, Allie Townson, Kash Townson, and Sophie Townson 68b, 448t; Karen Rollins 446; Ben Fink 128; David Killingsworth 441; Sarah Wootten 460; Eddie Mash 56b; Elijah Boggs 511b (CB); Shane Wootten, Marlon Wootten, Anna Wootten, Brenda Carroll, Shawn Carroll, Caroline Bullock, Rebecca Norsworthy, Jerry Wootten, Kathy Wootten, Jeremy Wootten, Sadie Wootten, Teddy Wootten, Jack Wootten, Betty Wootten, and Mackenzie Carroll 376; Robin Smith, Pat Moore, Wilma Corbin, Janette Mosteller, Melissa Everhart, Tyler Mosteller, and Daniel Mosteller 36b (in memory of Aunt G), 270, 571 (CB); Dwayne Wootten 572 (CB); Mark Carroll 30b; Syble Adams, Pam Wilkerson, Ronda Arnold, and David Lee 47b, 378b.

Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten led 480 in memory of Mary Jo Whisenant and the deceased.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten leading 108t. Leaders: Marty Wootten and Reba Windom 546; David Ivey 234 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Venita Wootten, Susan Pilcher, and Stacy Pilcher 196 (in memory of Phillip Wootten); BethAnne Clay 328; Colby Brown and Aaron Wootten 348b; Isaac Lloyd and Gideon Lloyd 365; Jenny Mann and Brett Mann 559 (CB); Judy Chambless and Robert Chambless 389 (for Charlene Wallace); Shane Brown 276;

Judy Caudle 236 (by request); Kaylee Mann, Karolina Mann, and Karlie Mann 354b; Scott Ivey and Richard Ivey 73t; Keillor Mose 340 (for Tom and Edwina Unrath); Chris Boggs, Michelle Boggs, and Clayton Boggs 277; Ezra Lloyd 168; Loyd Ivey, Judy Caudle, and Lorrie Wootten 426t; Macy Bell and Hayden Wootten 274t, 155; Ed Thacker 532; Jeffrey Wootten 40; Nate Green and Norma Green 314; Phillip Ford 535; Michele Cull 549; Annaliza Cull 569b; Jamey Wootten and Jared Wootten 120; Terry Wootten, Amy Wootten, Virginia Dell Glass, Roger Wootten, Tony Schrader, Jerry Wootten, and Jeremy Wootten 176t (in memory of Freeman Wootten and Gerald Wootten); Sheila Wootten and Chelsea Higdon “It Is Well”; Terry Wootten, Dewayne Wootten, Marty Wootten, Hayden Wootten, Jamey Wootten, Jared Wootten, and Patricia Wootten “Pass Me Not” (in memory of Myrtle Wootten and Levon Wootten); Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten 56t. The organizers for the 2019 Decoration Day singing on the second Sunday in April will be Shane Wootten and Jared Wootten. The class sang 62 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Jeffrey Wootten offered the closing prayer. Co-chairmen—Terry Wootten and Cole Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

COUNTY LINE CHURCH
Near Corner, Jefferson County, Alabama
Sunday, April 8, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Old County Line Church, near Corner, Alabama, on the second Sunday in April was called to order by Cassie Allen leading 129. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer. Cassie welcomed everyone, and led 47t.

Leaders: Yancey Jett 312b, 64; Eugene Forbes 434, 203; Richard Mauldin 168; Betty Baccus 436, 317; David Jackson 480, 225t; Carolyn Thompson 392, 102; Emily Stutzman 81t, 217; Mark Davis 312t, 94; Henry Guthery 108t, 101t; Warren Steel 411, 278b.

RECESS

Cindy Tanner called the class back to order by leading 123t. Leaders: Andy Ditzler 214, 378b; Henry Johnson 338; Nancy Phillips 282, 117; Hubert Nall 313t; Amber Davis 216, 142; Henry McGuire 234, 84; Lisa Geist 228, 273; David Brodeur 26, 368; Nicholas Thompson 340, 542; Linda Sides 215, 500; Larry Ballinger 224.

RECESS

Yancey Jett led 440 to bring the class together. Leaders: Bob Watkins 283, 460; Emma Calvert, Shelley Calvert, and Wanda Capps 388, 76b; April Watkins and Taylor Watkins 312b, 445; Ainslie Allen 186, 196; Chris Ballinger 339, 512 (in memory of Harrison Creel); Beth Branscome 474, 477; Ken Tate 547, 475 (in memory of Flarce Creel); Cassie Allen 333.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Yancey Jett and Ann Jett leading 172. Leaders: Bridgett Hill Kennedy 530; Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Nathan Rees 272, 546; Shelby Castillo 498, 456; Danny Creel 485; Hayden Arp 336, 269; Earl Ballinger 432; Emily Brown and Reese Brown 77t, 455; Lucy Heidorn 206, 192; Lucy Heidorn and Cindy Tanner 155; Elene Stovall 200, 316 (in memory of Toney Smith); David Heidorn 159, 146; Julianna Jett and Ann Jett 327, 47b; Wanda Capps 299, 298; Jackie Tanner 36b, 270; Cindy Tanner 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); April Watkins 55; Ken Tate 30t; Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Danny Creel, and Cindy Tanner 342; Hayden Arp and Cassie Allen 352.

Cassie Allen led 46 as the closing song. Henry Guthery offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

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

FUTRAL, NELSON, AND HENRY MEMORIAL SINGING

Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church, Goodwater, Alabama

Saturday, April 14, 2018

The annual Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. The class decided to keep the following officers: Chairman—Jack Nelson; Vice Chairman—William Futral; Secretary—Virginia Futral. Jack Nelson led 300. Elder Louis Culver offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Hubert Nall 48t, 49b; Buell Cobb 100, 72b; Philip Denney 73t, 61; Winfred Kerr 36b, 225t; Robert Chambless 303, 77b; Judy Chambless 568, 185; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 35, 81t; Myrlene Redmond 108t, 569b.

RECESS

Jack Nelson brought the class back together leading 399b. The memorial lesson was conducted by Jack Nelson, who led 86 in honor of the sick and shut-in and in memory of the deceased. The sick and shut-in was Ralph Redmond. The deceased were Margaret Ray, Floy Wilder, Hazel Redmond, Houston Jones, Hugh McGraw, Daphene Causey, Louise Holland, and Mary Shivers. Elder Ken Milner closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Ken Milner 155, 77t; Robby Anderson, Wendy Anderson, and Will Anderson 369, 98; Shane Brown 29b, 83t; Michael Thompson 82t, 87; Roy Nelson 31b, 32t. Elder D.M. Hornsby asked a blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

Jack Nelson brought the class back together by leading 228. Leaders: Hubert Nall 452; Buell Cobb 135; Winfred Kerr 294; Robert Chambless 145b (for Virginia Futral); Judy Chambless 37b; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 339; Myrlene Redmond 37t; Ken Milner 39t, 45t; Wendy Anderson 147t; Shane Brown 62; Michael Thompson 204; Roy Nelson 44, 39t; Jack Nelson and William Holley 340; Jack Nelson 25, 358 (by request), and “What A Day”. Elder Ken Milner closed the session with prayer.

Note: This is the last time this singing will be held. We will still have our September singing.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Vice Chairman—William Futral; Secretary—Virginia Futral

MIDDLE GEORGIA SACRED HARP SINGING

Union Primitive Baptist Church, Johnstonville, Georgia

Saturday, April 14, 2018

The 15th annual Middle Georgia Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. Oscar McGuire welcomed all to today's singing, and led 59. David Grant offered the morning prayer. Oscar McGuire led 34b.

A business session was held. The class voted for the following to serve as officers. Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: Helen Bryson 131b, 287; Robert Kelley 288, 111b; David Grant 345t, 569b; Agnes Todd and Oscar McGuire 122; Wayne Watson 225t; Jesse Karlsberg 310, 83b; Phillip Ford 178, 63; Katie White 549, 547.

RECESS

Lisa Bennett called the class to order leading 52t. Leaders: Rose Watson 503 (in

memory of Lloyd Landrum), 39t; Martha Harrell 74b, 75; Marilyn Tucker-Marek 171, 80t; Lisa Bennett 213b, 213t; David Smead 88t, 90; Mary Brownlee 151, 497.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 30t. Leaders: Helen Bryson 348t; Robert Kelley 133, 102; Mary Brownlee 501, 47b; David Grant 400, 409; Jesse Karlsberg 486 (in memory of Raymond Hamrick); Oscar McGuire 229; Phillip Ford 49b; Katie White 38t, 504; Rosemund Watson 149; Martha Harrell 77t; Lisa Bennett 329; David Smead 368; Lisa Bennett 475 (for Margie Smith and in memory of B.M. Smith); Oscar McGuire 112 (by request).

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 347 as closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Wayne Watson.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—Helen Bryson

PARIS SACRED HARP SINGING

Centre 72, Bois-Colombe, France

Saturday, April 14, 2018

The 3rd annual Paris All-Day Sacred Harp singing was called to order by Léopoldine Guillaume leading 37t. Arnaud Couptry offered the morning prayer. The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Léopoldine Guillaume; Vice Chairman—Alexia Yver; Secretary—Florent Decherf.

Leaders: Gwendal Geleoc 42; Alexia Yver 49b; Arnaud Couptry 38b; Inga Huebner 73b; Derek Buckland 114; Perrine de Sancy 40; Ana Tighe 312b; Ian West 47t; Mary-Jane Wilkie 228; John O'Flynn 77t; John Davis 501; Elisabeth Schallwig 29t; Gideon Dresdner 171; Constance Des Marais 275b; Jan Geerts 373; Erik Schwab 477; Tina Cramer 63; Frédéric Eymard, Florine Vieilly-Eymard, Tierno Eymard, and Jérôme Eymard 61.

RECESS

Florent Decherf and Alexandre Pomier called the class to order leading 388. Leaders: Lauren Ciancio 48t; Werner Ullah 31t; Raphaël Boden 159; Inga Huebner 410t; Léopoldine Guillaume 101t; Ana Tighe 99; Gwendal Geleoc 53; Ian West 142; Alexia Yver 133; Arnaud Couptry 268; Derek Buckland 162; Lauren Ciancio and Mary-Jane Wilkie 122; Elisabeth Schallwig 428; John O'Flynn 318; Constance Des Marais 65; Gideon Dresdner 329; Jan Geerts 229; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 113; Tina Cramer 448b; Erik Schwab 124; John Price and Léopoldine Guillaume 313b.

Gwendal Geleoc offered the blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

John Davis called the class to order leading 277. Leaders: Natalie Adenot and Florent Decherf 282; Terry Barber 376; Pierre Laurent 148; Werner Ullah 457; Perrine de Sancy 535; Alexandre Pomier 319; Inga Huebner 359; Raphaël Boden 126; John Price and Léopoldine Guillaume 86; Bénédicte Guillaume 191; Ana Tighe 383; Arnaud Couptry 112; Gwendal Geleoc 324; Ian West 500; Alexia Yver 236; Derek Buckland 275t; Lauren Ciancio 84.

RECESS

Constance Des Marais called the class to order leading 274t. Leaders: Elisabeth Schallwig 448t; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 36b; Gideon Dresdner 73t; Mary-Jane Wilkie 332; Tim Eriksen 47b; John O'Flynn 306; Erik Schwab 426b; Tina Cramer 201; Jan Geerts 354t; Florent Decherf 102; Terry Barber 28t; Ana Tighe 460; John Davis 146; Ian West 480; Gwendal Geleoc 345b; Inga Huebner 361; Frédéric Eymard and Nicholas Hemming 49t.

After announcements, Léopoldine Guillaume led 276 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Mary-Jane Wilkie, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Léopoldine Guillaume; Vice Chairman—Alexia Yver; Secretary—Florent Decherf

RHODE ISLAND SINGING
Providence, Rhode Island
Saturday, April 14, 2018

The 15th annual Rhode Island All-Day Singing was held in the Providence Friends Meeting House on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. The class was called to order by James Baumgartner leading 59. Liz Cantrell offered the opening prayer. Leaders: John Hughes 171; Vale Cofer-Shabica 129; Molly Ellis 421; Laura Hodges 36b; Liz Cantrell 182 (for Lynne deBenedette); Tom Padwa 56b; Danny Wood 121; Christopher Kain 227; Laura Borrelli 196; Brian Harris 440; Will Fesperman 217; Sally Langendorf 401; Lilly Israel 81t; Mike Richards 411; Sam Hathaway 183; Bill Holt 497; DJ Hatfield 212; Liz Patton 151; Maura Burns 107; Nic Tuff 547.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Tristan Gordon leading 89. Leaders: Yael Tarshish 191; Eric Beecher 67; Rebecca Maxfield 448t; Emily Hancock 410t; Margaret Youngberg 485; Charles Biada 381; Jennie Brown 460; Pattie Wareh 228; Jeremy Galvagni 99; Christina Martone and Chris Noren 65 (for Jessica Ingram); Joshua Barnett 327; Patrick Friesen 313t; Jonas Powell 39t; Elizabeth Stoddard 124; Jesse Beller 131b; Christina Wallin 326; Jana Yeaton 480; Bob Parr 446; Cat Walsh 436; Ernest Chamberlain 457; Jessie Year 349; Tara Mulder 215; Kerry Cullinan 54. Liz Cantrell offered a prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back together by Jennie Brown leading 145t. Leaders: Philippa Stoddard 418; Alison Steel 162; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 296; Deidra Montgomery 200; Ian Quinn 456; Sam Kleinman 434; Rachel Hall 400; Tristan Gordon 236; Linda Shea 179; Tarik Wareh 385b; Angharad Davis 376; John Plunkett 88t; MB Gowins 532; Gwen Gethner 216; Nathan Aldrich 340; Kelly House 455; Chris Holley and Kathe Pilibosian 328; Alice Beattie 271t; Crispin Youngberg 500; Gerald Clark 55; Scott Harriman 429; Claire Hogan 332.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Laura Borrelli leading 77t. Leaders: Vicki Hayes and Neshama Sonnenschein 47t; Sophie Soloway 335; Em Eklund 447; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 138t; Leon Pulsinelle 76b; Rachel Stevens 94; Chris Noren 268; Bob Elliot 106; Dana Borrelli-Murray 384; Joan Frankel 414 (for DJ Simmons); Robert Stoddard 389; John Klaess 453; Wendy Sibbison 316.

The Treasurer, Patrick Friesen, reported that expenses were met. The Arranging Committee said that eighty-two songs were led by seventy-eight leaders from nine states and one Canadian province. James Baumgartner and Jesse Polhemus led 62 as the closing hymn. Liz Cantrell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-chairmen—James Baumgartner and Jesse Polhemus; Secretary—John Hughes

SHARON JORDAN LEACH MEMORIAL SINGING
Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Arab, Alabama
Saturday, April 14, 2018

The annual Sharon Jordan Leach Memorial Sacred Harp Singing held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Arab, Alabama, was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by

Matt Jordan leading 565. Delone Cobbs offered the opening prayer. Matt Jordan led 63 and 49t.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Matt Jordan; Vice Chairman—David Light; Secretary—Riley-Grace Jordan.

Leaders: David Light 30t, 112; Judy Caudle 317, 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Riley-Grace Jordan 171, 68b; Christopher Mann 127, 128; Loretta Whitman 399b, 343; Jacklyn Protz 288, 77t; Robert Walker 350, 480; Joshua Hooven 178, 481.

RECESS

Matt Jordan led 99 to bring the class together. Leaders: Holly Roberson 569b, 47b; Will Roberson 30b, 49b; Linda Booth 137, 168; Delone Cobbs 354t, 457; Lena Keeton 146, 475; David Ivey 36b, 313t; Tom Booth 123t, 523; Christopher Mann 358, 530; Riley-Grace Jordan 455. Joshua Hooven asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Light leading 436. Leaders: Jacklyn Protz 354b; Linda Booth 192; Joshua Hooven 448t; Riley-Grace Jordan 31t; Delone Cobbs 31b; Christopher Mann 38b; David Ivey 27; Judy Caudle 100; Tom Booth 34t; Loretta Whitman 176b; Judy Caudle 454 (by request); Jacklyn Protz 40; Linda Booth 312b; Matt Jordan 84; Joshua Hooven 268 (in memory of Sharon Jordan Leach); David Ivey 269.

Matt Jordan and David Light led 62 as the closing song. Elder Matt Jordan dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Matt Jordan; Vice Chairman—David Light; Secretary—Riley-Grace Jordan

ENON SINGING

Chickasaw County, Mississippi

Sunday, April 15, 2018

The 102nd annual singing at Enon Primitive Baptist Church was called to order after dinner by Brian Harrison leading 119, 137, and 139. Leaders: Warren Steel 47t, 36b, 65; Colvin Mann 147t, 159; Todd Derstine 128, 58, 57; Regina Derstine 39t, 61, 47b; Anne Steel 354b, 129, 146; Kail Funderburk 569b, 282; Ester Mann 480, 40, 438; Linda Funderburk 330t, 373, 288; Judy Harrison 358, 335, 400; Henry McGuire 268, 155, 236; twelve members of the extended Allen family led 494 (WB), 519 (WB); Robert Earl Alexander 85, 388.

Although there was no specific memorial lesson, many of the songs were led in memory of deceased singers including W.M. Allen, George Easley, Elder Charles Porter, and especially T.J. Funderburk, who passed away this year. Following announcements, Brian Harrison led 63 as the closing song, and Robert Earl Alexander dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Brian Harrison; Vice Chairman—Ester Mann; Secretary—Judy Harrison

NEW HAVEN SINGING

Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut

Sunday, April 15, 2018

The 8th New Haven All-Day Singing was held in Connecticut Hall on the campus of Yale University. John Klaess called the class to order leading 38t. Seth Wenger offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Vicki Hayes 45t; Charles Biada 171; Ian Quinn 150; Joshua Barnett 276;

Rachel Field 82t; Seth Wenger 448b; Gwen Gethner 166; LaRee Delahunt 34b; James Baumgartner 35; Sam Kleinman 89; Christine Andrews 68b; Jason Steidl 112; Rachel Adelstein 268; Philippa Stoddard 134; Alanna Goodman 168; Tarik Wareh 277; Crispin Youngberg 327; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 290.

RECESS

Brian Harris called the class to order leading 203. Leaders: Gerald Clark 388; Jasmine Mendoza 270; Stefani Priskos 106; Chris Geissler 56b; Tristan Gordon 189; Eli Roberts 455; Alice Beattie 324.

Rachel Field led 81t, and spoke for the following sick and shut-ins: Mack Moulin, Susan Cheronos, Peter Standaart, John Hollingsworth, Keagan Lemon, Keith Brown, Katherine Glatter, Jamie Dye, Merv Horst, Michael Kaye, Joann Trimarco, Rosemary Vequist, Lynne deBenedette, and Beth Sachs.

Pattie Wareh led 72b, and spoke for the following deceased: Daphene Causey, Susie Denson, and Arthur Gilmore—Alabama; Louise Holland and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Wayne Jens—Iowa; Gary Ryan, Sr.—Mississippi; Irene Brown—New Jersey; Robert Barrett and Alan Friend—New York; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Winter Acorn and Michael Sensor—Pennsylvania; Jane Goforth and Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin. Rachel Field closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Angharad Davis 303; Mike Richards 57; Cora Wareh 32t; MB Gowins 475; Solon Gordon 234; Margaret Youngberg 195; Christopher Kain 227; Becky Wright 374; Elizabeth Stoddard 180. Seth Wenger asked a blessing, and the class was dismissed for lunch.

LUNCH

Jonas Powell called the class to order leading 105. Leaders: Nancy Mandel 548; Liz Cantrell 396; Deidra Montgomery 197; John Plunkett 50t; Rachel Speer 481; Robert Stoddard 328; Ivy Hauser 309; Jon Giles 511; Rachel Hall 286; Allison Blake Steel 269; Douglas Fower 299; Jennie Brown 558; Molly Ellis 76b; Kerry Cullinan 513; Holly Laws 318; Nic Tuff 385t; Pattie Wareh 472; Scott Harriman 337; Michael Nord 222; Dean Jens 344; Jesse Vear 379; Rebecca Hawkins 335; Jesse Beller 42.

RECESS

Al McCready called the class to order leading 153. Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 522; Sue Peters 39b; Chris Bracken 187; Molly Merrett 172; Gary Ryan 567; Sara Lott 312b; Jesse C. Polhemus 564; Laura Clampitt 454; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 428; Elsa Phemayotin 70b; Stina Soderling 31t; Ernest Chamberlain 142; Jana Yeaton 128; Brian Harris 383; Patrick Friesen 329; Molly Dektar 569b; Cat Walsh 512; Laura Hodges 546.

Reports were presented (in excess of one hundred registered singers in number). Announcements were made. John Klaess, Vicki Hayes, and Charles Biada led 62, and the class took the parting hand. Seth Wenger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Klaess; Vice Chairman—Vicki Hayes; Secretary—Charles Biada

OLD HARMONY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Abernathy, Cleburne County, Alabama

Sunday, April 15, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Old Harmony Primitive Baptist Church near Abernathy, Cleburne County, Alabama, was held on the third Sunday in April. Robert Chambless welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming out in the rainy weather. He announced the tragic death of Houston Jones. Mr. Jones was responsible for the upkeep of Shoal Creek Church. He died from an apparent heart attack. Robert led 56t.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Sherrell Cleino; Vice Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless; Memorial Lesson—Cecil Roberts. Leaders: Robert Chambless 452; Sherrell Cleino 335, 448b; Winfred Kerr 59, 82t; Donna Bell 317 (in memory of Stanly Edwards and Billy Joe Harris), 89 (in memory of Evelyn Harris); Karen Rollins 34b, 35; Virginia Dyer 235 (in memory of Hugh McGraw and Ernis Hutcheson), 63; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 100, 101t; Esther Williams 230, 75; Ruth Daniel 47t (in memory of Evelyn Harris, Nellie Mae White, and Clellan), 378t; Cecil Roberts 303, 312b; Samuel Williams 569t, 332.

RECESS

Winfred Kerr brought the class back to order leading 314. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 171, 155; Bert Collins 340 (for Lawrence Edwards); Judy Chambless 146, 282; Sherrell Cleino and Tina Letts 127, 98; Winfred Kerr 516, 569b; Donna Bell 217, 133 (in honor of Charlene Wallace); Robert Chambless 225t, 72b (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 45t (for her daughter, Michelle Kennedy), 294.

Cecil Roberts conducted the memorial lesson. Cecil noted that in the Bible there are several passages that refer to places where those or them that slept. Cecil then referred to scripture in Thessalonians before reading the names of the sick and shut-ins and those of the deceased. The sick and shut-ins honored were Lucy Garner, Jerry Rollins, Joyce Bell, Ruth Garner, Michelle Kennedy, and Louvella “Cooter” Prichard. The deceased remembered were Agnes Laminack Roberts, Darrell Swarens, Louise Holland, Daphene Causey, Hugh McGraw, Houston Jones, and Floy Wilder. Virginia Dyer led 37b. Judy Chambless closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Esther Williams 201; Samuel Williams 123t. Robert Chambless offered the blessing of the noon meal in the church due to the inclement weather.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with Winfred Kerr leading 144. Leaders: Esther Williams 175; Samuel Williams 73t; Oscar McGuire 229, 57; Fallon Cook 32t, 208; Cecil Roberts 403, 399b; Fallon Cook 68b, 176t; Virginia Dyer 454; Bert Collins 339; Glenda Collins 338; Robert Chambless 154; Winfred Kerr 337; Esther Williams 99; Sherrell Cleino 139; Samuel Williams 138b; Donna Bell 344; Fallon Cook 358; Cecil Roberts 95; Oscar McGuire 515; Ruth Daniel 332; Glenda Collins 334.

Announcements were made. Sherrell Cleino thanked everyone for coming before leading 46 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sherrell Cleino; Vice Chairman—Winfred Kerr; Secretary—Donna Bell

PINE GROVE SINGING

Pine Grove Church, Near Collinsville, Alabama

Sunday, April 15, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Pine Grove Church, near Collinsville, Alabama, was held on the third Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Scot Oliver leading 82t. Donnie Reed offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, Henry Johnson made a motion, seconded by David Brodeur, that today's singing be dedicated to the memory of Darrell Swarens. The motion was approved, and the business session closed.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 42; Judy Caudle 36b; Donnie Reed 59; Boyd Scott 358, 58; Ed Thacker 213t; Nate Green and Norma Green 341; Gail Doss 208; Hayden Arp 204 (for Barrett Patton); Delone Cobbs 354t; Judy Mincey 111t; Larry Ballinger 528;

Andy Ditzler 185; Henry Johnson 122; Linda Sides 285t.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 345b to bring the class together. Leaders: Daniel Lee 28t; Yancey Jett and Ann Jett 440; Reba Windom 318 (in memory of Eloise Wootten and B.M. Smith); Joyce Whittington 99; Nathan Rees 200; April Watkins 53; Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Nicholas Thompson 530; Paula Oliver 217; David Brodeur 507; Michele Cull 441; Marty Wootten 472.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Rodney Ivey leading 73t. Leaders: Taylor Watkins 445; Alanna Blanks, Arleigh Beard, Sheryl Beard, and Bryant Beard 405; Jared Wootten 460.

In a memorial lesson, the Eldridge family remembered Darrell Swarens. Adrian spoke of the friendship they shared with Darrell. He said Darrell was a mentor to the kids, and a grandfather figure in their lives. Virginia talked of having Darrell in their home often, and that he will be missed. They led 83t and 335. Eddie Mash, Michele Cull, and Brenda Waters spoke of travelling across the country to singings with Darrell. They led 354b. Others remembered during the memorial lesson were Doug Conn, Wally Jeffries, Berkley Moore, Verlon Stiefel, Eloise Wootten, Sue Wills, and Tracey Keith.

Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 182; Lisa Bennett 402 (for Don Bowen); Isaac Green 302; Betty Shepherd and Judy Caudle 216; Gavin Blakeley 189; David Ivey 186. James Eldridge asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with James Eldridge leading 147b. Leaders: David Smead 267; Jamey Wootten 475; Jackie Tanner 314; Danny Creel 269 (for Leon Ballinger); Chris Ballinger 498; Katherine Eldridge 77t (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Susan Cheronas 349; Shane Wootten and Reba Windom 411; Ann Jett 546; Eddie Mash 196; Lisa Geist 492; Bob Watkins and Adrian Eldridge 72b; Elene Stovall 442 (for Lynne deBenedette); Virginia Eldridge 547; Richard Ivey and Everett Ivey 542; Shelby Castillo 283; Adrian Eldridge and David Ivey 463; Kelsey Ivey 421; James Eldridge 50b; Eric Blanks and Emma Blanks 496; Tom George 70b; Dennis George 506; Cindy Tanner and Adrian Eldridge 198, 111b; Coy Ivey 384, 465 (CB).

Announcements were made. Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 146 as the closing song. Donnie Reed dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairmen—Scot Oliver and Wayne Reed; Secretary—Judy Caudle

AMSTERDAM SINGING

Westerwijk, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Saturday, April 21, 2018

The first Amsterdam All-Day Singing was called to order by Gerben Vos leading 59. In the opening remarks, he mentioned that this was not the first all-day singing in the Netherlands: one had been held in Utrecht on August 30, 2015. Jaap Wiering offered inspirational words and an invitation to prayer.

Leaders: Bob van Toor 535; Tjitske de Schipper 86; Anne Eringa 107; Dominik Fraune 52t; Mik Kruijswijk 313b; Joanna Bennett 230; Marieken van Nieuwpoort 268; Geoff Grainger 143; Johannes Kunst 481; Harald Grundner 201; Boyan Pohl 176t; Jaap Wiering 181; Michael Walker 297; Frans Ris 99; Derek Buckland 37b; Michael Ryan 163b; Elisabeth Schallwig 312b.

RECESS

Saara Pakarinen called the class back to order leading 73t. Leaders: Ursula Diderich 523; Tina Cramer 29t; Laura Laman 162; Stefan Swat 171; Cäcilia Mann 183; Ulrike

Tietjen 321; Paul Kolenbrander 455; Jaap Wiering 31t; Inga Huebner 178; Jasmina Graf 332; Ciske Boekelo 209; Tom MacDonald 547; Victor Diderich 300; Hessel Castricum 269; Paul Clazing 49t; Werner Ullah 33b.

RECESS

Ingrid Rædergård called the class back to order leading 159. Leaders: Gerben Vos 155; Bob van Toor 47b; Dominik Fraune 350; Mik Kruijswijk 569b; Joanna Bennett 189; Marieken van Nieuwpoort 282; Geoff Grainger 68b; Tjitske de Schipper 122; Harald Grundner 333; Michael Walker 212; Frans Ris 236; Derek Buckland 28b; Michael Ryan 274t; Elisabeth Schallwig 372; Saara Pakarinen 36t. Gerben Vos asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Ursula Diderich called the class back to order leading 84. Leaders: Anne Eringa 142; Tina Cramer 442; Adriaan Knibbe 277; Laura Laman 117; Stefan Swat 567; Cäcilia Mann 496; Ulrike Tietjen 224; Paul Kolenbrander 192; Inga Huebner 97; Jasmina Graf 320; Ciske Boekelo 276; Tom MacDonald 242; Victor Diderich 34b; Hessel Castricum 245; Paul Clazing 134; Werner Ullah 538; Ingrid Rædergård 284; Dominik Fraune 203.

RECESS

Joanna Bennett called the class back to order leading 436. Leaders: Harald Grundner 312t; Michael Walker 290; Geoff Grainger 156; Derek Buckland 378b; Elisabeth Schallwig 131t; Saara Pakarinen 48t; Tina Cramer 564; Tom MacDonald 550; Gerben Vos 28t (joint lesson with the Atlanta Singing where David Brodeur led the same song at the same time); Ursula Diderich 504; Stefan Swat 428; Cäcilia Mann 287.

The secretary reported that fifty-seven singers had registered from seven countries (the Netherlands, Germany, Norway, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, and the United States), and thirty-four leaders had led eighty-four songs. The Treasurer, Jaap Wiering, reported that all expenses had been met. Gerben Vos led 62 as the closing song. Anne Eringa offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Gerben Vos; Secretary—Anne Eringa

ATLANTA SACRED HARP SINGING **Rock Spring Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia** **Saturday, April 21, 2018**

The inaugural session of the Atlanta Sacred Harp Singing held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Andy Ditzler leading 47t. Jim Neal offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were elected: Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Vice Chairman—Jeannette DePoy; Secretary—David Smead.

Leaders: Andy Ditzler 82t; Jeannette DePoy 39t; David Smead 85; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 83t; Malinda Snow 38t; Lisa Bennett 80t; Jim Neal 84; David Brodeur 28t (joint lesson with the first Amsterdam All-Day Singing where Gerben Vos led the same song at the same time); Anders Wells 89; Debora Grosse 81t; Matt Hinton 234; Bobby Watkins 480; Helen Bryson and Patty Merrifield 287; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 282; Tony Hammock 111b.

RECESS

David Smead brought the class together by leading 101t. Leaders: Lela Crowder 277; Lauren Bock 276; Isaac Green 411; Amy Wells 222; Phillip Langley 172; Charles Woods 77b (for Charlene Wallace); Amber Davis 391; April Watkins 455; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Judy Chambless 527; Kelly Morris 49b; Corinne Wells and Amy Wells 354b; Eli Hinton 148; Johnathon Kelso and Harlan Kelso 398; Virginia Dyer 511; Samuel Williams 512; Robert Chambless 66; Cecil Roberts 76b; Scott DePoy and

Evan Lee 159.

RECESS

Jeannette DePoy led 155 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Nathan Rees 313t; Elene Stovall 216; Robert Kelley 534; Jonathan Wood 32b; Atevan Snderson 417; Joan Durdin 448b; Taylor Watkins 388; Eric Tweedy 200; Rosemarie Yntema 209; Jerrod Ball 335; Jane Armstrong 77t; Sandra Wilkinson 405. Matt Hinton asked the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Andy Ditzler and Joe Cronley brought the class back to order leading 378t. Leaders: Martha Ann Stegar 198; Laura Akerman 163t; Anna Hinton 112; Judy Mincey 392; Ellen Culpepper and Rebecca Burns 432; Justin Bowen 316; Erica Hinton and Lottie Hinton 228; Kathy Williams 180; Jesse Roberts 372; José R. Camacho 149; Sam Culpepper 65; Nathan Rees and José R. Camacho 183; Elene Stovall and Jeannette DePoy 430; Robert Kelley 109; Jane Armstrong 34b; Jonathan Wood 108b; Sandra Wilkinson 278b; Eric Tweedy 442; Samuel Williams 397; Atevan Snderson 313b; Justin Bowen 204; Kathy Williams 220. Andy Ditzler thanked Rock Spring Presbyterian Church and Morningside Presbyterian Church for supporting the singing, and thanked the officers, committees, and those who helped with keying. After announcements, Andy Ditzler and Jeannette DePoy led 521. Jim Neal dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Andy Ditzler; Vice Chairman—Jeannette DePoy; Secretary—David Smead

BRINGING SACRED HARP TO THE MIDLANDS SINGING

The Charleville Centre and St. Catherine's Church

County Offaly, Ireland

Saturday, April 21, 2018

The singing was held at the Charleville Centre, Tullamore, County Offaly, Ireland, and St. Catherine's Church, Hop Hill, Tullamore, County Offaly, Ireland. The class was called to order by Dermot Peel leading 146. Welcome and introductory remarks were given by Dermot Peel.

Leaders: Amanda Parkes 72b; Lisa O'Grady 42; Niamh Madigan 99; Sinead Hanrahan 212; Enid Crowe 45t; Colleen Jones 171; Ailish McMahon 376; Ciara Cady 277; Aoife O'Grady 400; Helen Peake 78; Dara Desmond 204; Dermot Murray 77t; Ewa Lichnerowicz 385b; Rosalind Woods 319; Katie Ahern 318; Claire Lacombe 268; Laurie Skelton 196; Kevin Kennedy 418; John O'Flynn 472; Mike Morrisroe 488; Stephanie Malpass 528; Sarah Shiel 47b.

RECESS

Singers moved to St. Catherine's Church. Dermot Peel called the class back to order leading 49b. Leaders: Amanda Parkes 38b; Niamh Madigan 501; Lisa O'Grady 28b; Kevin Kennedy 28t; John O'Flynn 176b; Ewa Lichnerowicz 278t; Mike Morrisroe 34t; Sinead Hanrahan 313b.

RECESS

Singers returned to the Charleville Centre. Sinead Hanrahan called the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Ailish McMahon 133; Ciara Cady, Aoife O'Grady, and Lisa O'Grady 39t; Helen Peake 43; Katie Ahearn 475; Isolda 274t; Ewa Lichnerowicz 86; Claire Lacombe 361; Rosalind Woods 275t; Dermot Murray 209; Dara Desmond 189; Kevin Kennedy 572; Mike Morrisroe 182; Dermot Peel 143; Stephanie Malpass 546; Lisa O'Grady 278b; Amanda Parkes 495; Sarah Shiel 344; Niamh Madigan 353.

Dermot Peel made closing announcements, and thanked everyone for attending. Dermot Peel led 335 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Dermot Peel; Secretary—Niamh Madigan

GOLDEN GATE SINGING

Alameda, California

Saturday, April 21, 2018

The 14th annual Golden Gate Singing (in memory of Linda Domholt) was held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Alameda, California, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April. Rebecca Edwards called the class together leading 171. Susan Fetcho offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Dave Barber; Vice Chairman—Leah Coffin; Secretary—Edward Rice; Treasurer—Leigh Cooper; Arranging—Carolyn Deacy, Wren Hyde, and Hannah Blair; Chaplain—Susan Fetcho. A motion was passed to name this year's singing in memory of Linda Domholt, a singer from Alameda who passed away last year.

Leaders: Dave Barber 34b; Leah Coffin 46; David Fetcho 374; Betty Marvin 492; Pat Coghlan 501; Wren Hyde 568; Susan Fetcho 418; Jeremy Knight 112; Linda Selph 47b; Lena Strayhorn 49t; Mark Godfrey 39b; Jeanette Ralston 65; Erika Wilson 73b; Yuka Oiwa 160b; Greg Freed 38t; Leigh Cooper 166; Inder Khalsa 300; Mary O'Brien 82t.

RECESS

Thom Fahrbach brought the class together leading 105. Leaders: Hannah Blair 504; David Graff 163t; Midge Harder 168; Hugh McGuire 426b; Clarissa Fetrow 455; Janet Herman 496; Thom Fahrbach 399b; Esteban Veliz 448t; Aisha Morgan 339; Bob Schinske 216; Joel Chan 235; Linda Berkemeier 122; Mark Miller 421; Gretchen Wegner 106; Kevin Barrans 400; Jeff Begley 348t.

RECESS

Mark Miller brought the class together leading 176t. Leaders: Kate Fortin 430; Kate Coxon 296; Edward Rice 272; Leigh Cooper 32t; Hans Guttman 37b; Shelby Sampson 84; Lindy Groening 422; Sally Langendorf and Katy Brown 401; Betsy Jeronen 293; Karen Stingle 318; Greg Freemon 224; Annalise Veliz 99; Betty Marvin 371; Erika Wilson 498; Dave Barber 500; Linda Selph 172; Leah Coffin 453; Susan Fetcho 126; Greg Freed 475; Ellen Lueck 546; Inder Khalsa 282. Susan Fetcho offered a prayer before dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Lindy Groening and Heather Purdy brought the class together leading 79. Leaders: Esteban Veliz 196; Clarissa Fetrow 234; Thom Fahrbach 263; Kate Coxon 227; Mark Miller 266; Midge Harder 556; Hugh McGuire 327; Kevin Barrans 225b; Mark Godfrey 228; Kate Fortin 434; Bob Schinske 197; Hans Guttman 448b; Linda Berkemeier 143; Joel Chan 34t; Janet Herman 378b; Jeff Begley 201; Yuka Oiwa 457; Sally Langendorf 229; Leigh Cooper 35; Lucy O'Leary 436.

RECESS

Rebecca Edwards called the class to order leading 47t. Leaders: Alexander Cotton 150; Betsy Jeronen 564; Peter Ross 344; Edward Rice 440; Ellen Lueck 111t; Annalise Veliz 159; Pat Coghlan 187; Katy Brown 460; Hannah Blair 472; Karen Stingle 107; Cameron Holly 36b; Gail Aagaard 503; David Fetcho 372; Jeremy Knight 313b; Rebecca Edwards and Mark Miller 444; Wren Hyde 53; Lena Strayhorn 163t; Lindy Groening 208.

In a business meeting, the Treasurer reported that expenses had been met and exceeded. The Secretary reported that fifty-two leaders led ninety-eight songs, with seventy-eight in attendance from California, Oregon, Washington, Minnesota, and

Massachusetts. The resolutions committee, Bob Schinske and Yuka Oiwa, thanked those who made the singing possible and resolved to meet again next year. The business meeting was closed.

The officers led 62 as the closing song, and singers took the parting hand. Susan Fetcho offered a closing prayer.

Chairman—Dave Barber; Vice Chairman—Leah Coffin; Secretary—Edward Rice

NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL SINGING
Ithaca Friends Meeting House, Ithaca, New York
Saturday, April 21, 2018

The New York Regional All-Day singing, hosted by the Ithaca Sacred Harp Singers, was called to order by Ginny Huszagh leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Dennis Leipold.

Leaders: Melody Johnson 475; Kass Urban-Mead 155; Chris Haller 267; Dennis Leipold 85; Thom Metzger 492; Bob Wheeler 40; Jean Seiler 72b; Joanne Fuller 384; Scott Luscombe 542; Mary Skidmore 39t; Rachel Fox Von Swearingen 294; Eileen Metzger 26; Jan May 99; Barbara Swetman 38t; Sue Hengelsberg 306; Melody Johnson 479; Bob Wheeler 209; Thom Metzger 216; Joanne Fuller 73t; Gracie Schell 107; Ginny Huszagh 299; Kass Urban-Mead 270; Dennis Leipold 300; Eileen Metzger 269; Scott Luscombe 548; Chris Haller 313b; Jean Seiler 273; Jan May 276; Rachel Fox von Swearingen 178; Mary Skidmore 76b; Barbara Swetman 312b; Sue Hengelsberg 277.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Mary Skidmore leading 29t. Leaders: Jean Seiler 87; Thom Metzger 399t; Denise Morris 473; Gracie Schell 159; Alec Targett 151; Bob Wheeler 569b; Melody Johnson 504; Joanne Fuller 505; Barbara Swetman 236; Kass Urban-Mead 472; Dennis Leipold 455; Ginny Huszagh 228; Scott Luscombe 180; Eileen Metzger 500; Jan May 351; Chris Haller 480; Rachel Fox von Swearingen 47b; Sue Hengelsberg 84; Denise Morris 66; Jean Seiler 142; Alec Targett 344; Thom Metzger 274t; Bob Wheeler 68b; Gracie Schell 268. Bob Wheeler offered a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Kass Urban-Mead called the class back to order leading 59. Leaders: Joanne Fuller 196; Ginny Huszagh 497; Dennis Leipold 117; Mary Skidmore 424; Scott Luscombe 506; Melody Johnson 315; Jan May 515; Barbara Swetman 457; Eileen Metzger 522; Chris Haller 288; Sue Hengelsberg 175; Rachel Fox von Swearingen 334; Alec Targett 162; Jean Seiler 168; Denise Morris 496; Thom Metzger 89; Bob Wheeler 350; Gracie Schell 122.

RECESS

Barbara Swetman reconvened the class leading 148. Announcements were made. Leaders: Jan May 474; Ginny Huszagh 63; Alec Targett 354t; Kass Urban-Mead 86; Joanne Fuller 460; Eileen Metzger 383; Chris Haller 184; Dennis Leipold 208; Sue Hengelsberg 203; Mary Skidmore 278t; Melody Johnson 171; Scott Luscombe 376. Ginny Huszagh led 62 as the closing song. Eileen Metzger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ginny Huszagh; Secretary—Laurel Dempsey

OLIVER KINDIG-STOKES MEMORIAL SINGING
York Friends Meeting House, York, Pennsylvania
Saturday, April 21, 2018

The 3rd Oliver Kindig-Stokes Memorial Singing and 11th annual York All-Day

Singing was called to order by Corinne Ducey leading 303. Ruth Wampler offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Sasha Hsuczyk 83t; Matt Roberts 68b; Ted Stokes 33t; Theresa Rodriguez 31b; Dann Pell 61; Katie Hunter 440; Tom Tucker 100; Hollie Long 480; Leon Pulsinelle 569t; Kathy Carluzzo 106; Jeff Shenk 283; Clare Chapin 195; Doron Henkin 457; Shani Aviram 288; Dale McCarthy 47b; Sandy Cryder 34b; Jonathan Een Newton 89; Brenda Dunlap 466.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Corinne Ducey leading 354b. Leaders: Dean Jens 207; Alex Forsyth 187; Nancy Mandel 474; Bethany Towne 168; John Plunkett 499; Kathy Manning 498; Tim Gregg 373; Elizabeth Patton 97; Jesse Flynn 426b; Joel Bassett 416; Joyce Forry 495; Jim Glaser 348b; Miriam Delirium 348t; Harry Scott 543; Chris Holley 268; Krista Guerrieri 444.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Sasha Hsuczyk leading 145t. Leaders: Rachel Speer 267; Lamar Matthew 35; Fay Hughes 282; Matt Roberts 183; Ruth Wampler 394; Dan Hunter 158; Jesse Vear 402; Rachel Hall 387; Leon Pulsinelle 330b; Kathy Carluzzo 299; Jeff Shenk 129; Sandy Cryder 504; Elizabeth Pilar 475; Clare Chapin 484; Tom Tucker 191; Shani Aviram 481; Theresa Rodriguez 445; Dale McCarthy 497. Ruth Wampler offered the noon blessing.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Corinne Ducey and Sasha Hsuczyk leading 388. Leaders: Dean Jens 29t; Dan Miksiewicz 197; Nancy Mandel 329; Doron Henkin 434; Kathy Manning 436; Ben Cocchiario 182; John Plunkett 175; Jesse Vear 447; Tim Gregg 90; Brenda Dunlap 383; Jesse Flynn 37b; Sasha Hsuczyk 227; Chris Holley 384; Laura Hopkins 320; Jonathan Een Newton 274t; Joel Bassett 353; Bethany Towne 506; Thomas Ward 399b; Elizabeth Patton 68t; Dann Pell 298; Corinne Ducey 47t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ted Stokes leading 135. Leaders: Lamar Matthew 154; Ruth Wampler 279; Eli Roberts 142; Fay Hughes 148; Harry Scott 528; Katie Hunter 454; Ben Cocchiario 123t; Elizabeth Pilar 144; Jim Glaser 512; Krista Guerrieri 472; Ted Stokes 432; Rachel Hall 442; Dan Miksiewicz 40; Dan Hunter 453; Alex Forsyth 225t; Rachel Speer and Miriam Delirium 176t. Corinne Ducey led 62 as the closing song. Ruth Wampler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Corinne Ducey; Vice Chairman—Sasha Hsuczyk; Secretary—Matt Roberts

SHILOH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING (COOPER EDITION) Frisco City, Alabama Saturday, April 21, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, Frisco City, Alabama, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April was called to order by Tim Taylor leading 30t and 36b. Bill Hogan offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Bill Hogan 155, 91; John Kelley 63, 82; Stephen Huffinan 286b, 575; Wayne Jones 500, 504t; Alice Sundberg 210; Gary Padgett 501, 486; Barbara Jones 140, 558; Ryan Bowman 142, 299; Ken Sundberg 341, 560.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Tim Taylor leading 216. Leaders: Evie Eddins 66, 406; Alfred Jones 553, 49b; Nicole Bowman 273, 464; Mary Huffinan 54t,

283; Stanley Smith 280, 417; Darlu Nall 38b, 277; Tommie Spurlock 87, 99; Brenda Kyser 391, 572; Mary Amelia Taylor 373 (in memory of J.A. Mosley), 567; Gary Padgett 300; Fredia Tatum and Mary Amelia Taylor 45t.

Stanley Smith conducted the memorial lesson, remembering Frisco City area singers including Ed Nall, Thurman Nall, Beuna Mae Purvis, and Christine Gandy. Nicole Bowman led 127. Stanley Smith led 443 (in memory of Thurman Nall) and 408 (in memory of Beuna Mae Purvis). The class sang 369, and Gary Padgett offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Tim Taylor leading 176t. Leaders: Bill Hogan 455t, 455b; John Kelley 100; Stephen Huffman 573; Willonease Trauner and Stanley Smith 587; Wayne Jones 225t; Jason Smith, Mary Amelia Taylor, and Nina Peacock 563; Alice Sundberg 348t; Ryan Bowman 239; Barbara Jones 171; Ken Sundberg 562; Evie Eddins 39; Alfred Jones 574; Mary Huffman 507b; Elizabeth Duffy 451; Darlu Nall 47b; Tommie Spurlock 112; Ryan Bowman 410; Stanley Smith and Ryan Bowman "Our Singing Band"; Tim Taylor 27; Nichole Bowman 571.

Announcements were made. Tim Taylor, Nicole Bowman, and Mary Amelia Taylor led 95b as the closing song. Stanley Smith offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tim Taylor; Secretary—Nicole Bowman

RUSK COUNTY CONVENTION Pine Grove Church, Henderson, Texas April 21-22, 2018

Saturday, April 21

The 10th annual Rusk County Singing met Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April at Old Pine Grove Church near Henderson, Texas. The tune book for Saturday was the 2010 Revision of the *Christian Harmony*. With the absence of the Chairman, Vice Chairman John Berendzen called the class to order leading 26b (CH). Gaylon Powell offered the opening prayer.

A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—John Berendzen; Vice Chairman—Cheryl Foreman; Secretary—Gaylon Powell.

Leaders: John Berendzen 472t (CH); Cheryl Foreman 264 (CH), 75 (CH); Gaylon Powell 332 (CH), 155 (CH); Robert Vaughn 74 (CH), 146t (CH); Chris Nicholson 67b (CH), 67t (CH); Janie Short 81t (CH), 255 (CH); Robert Stoddard 258 (CH), 206 (CH).

RECESS

John Berendzen called the class back leading 261t (CH). Leaders: Henry McGuire 322 (CH), 168t (CH); Kristie Powell 138 (CH), 548 (CH); Eva Striebeck 507t (CH), 70b (CH) (for Chris Brown); Ron Trial 50 (CH), 172 (CH); Sonny Erwin 189 (CH), 76b (CH); Ellen Ray 103 (CH), 105t (CH); Elizabeth Stoddard 442 (CH), 399t (CH). Sonny Erwin asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

John Berendzen called the class back to order leading 142 (CH). He then appointed Lisa Matt and Kristie Powell as the memorial committee. Leaders: Rick Foreman 283 (CH), 509b (CH); Nancy Price 143 (CH), 184 (CH); Kerry Cullinan 336t (CH), 356 (CH); Tammy Powell 19 (CH), 64 (CH); Lisa Matt 16 (CH), 432b (CH); Mike Hinton 539 (CH); Eva Striebeck 544 (CH); Robert Stoddard 180 (CH); Ron Trial 459t (CH).

RECESS

Cheryl Foreman called the class back to order leading 498 (CH). Leaders: Elizabeth

Stoddard 133 (CH); Kerry Cullinan 362 (CH); Henry McGuire 82b (CH); John Berendzen 418b (CH); Janie Short 158 (CH); Mike Hinton 31t (CH); Nancy Price 228 (CH); Tammy Powell 421b (CH); Cheryl Foreman 49 (CH); Lisa Matt 117 (CH); Kristie Powell 256t (CH); Ellen Ray 203 (CH); Sonny Erwin 214 (CH); Chris Nicholson 490 (CH); Gaylon Powell 493b (CH); Robert Vaughn 221b (CH). John Berendzen led 549t (CH) as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Robert Stoddard.

Sunday, April 22

The Sunday session of the convention was held in conjunction with the Pine Grove Cemetery Homecoming. The tune book for Sunday was the B. F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Revision. John Berendzen called the class to order leading 39 (CB). Rick Foreman offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Berendzen 105t (CB); Cheryl Foreman 106 (CB), 101b (CB); Gaylon Powell 510 (CB), 482 (CB); Robert Vaughn 357 (CB), 383 (CB); David Rousseau 127 (CB), 283 (CB); Janie Short 505 (CB), 99 (CB); Will McGuire 201 (CB), 268b (CB); Kim Vaughn 558 (CB), 528b (CB); Carole Watts 50t (CB), 559 (CB); Mike Hinton 567 (CB), 400 (CB); Elizabeth Stoddard 591 (CB), 150 (CB); Nancy Price 361 (CB), 573 (CB).

RECESS

John Berendzen called the class back together leading 451 (CB). Leaders: Kristie Powell 273 (CB), 514 (CB); Don Ross 373 (CB), 390 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 344 (CB), 199 (CB); Eva Striebeck 38t (CB), 572 (CB); Lisa Matt 282 (CB), 59 (CB); Robert Stoddard 176b (CB), 133 (CB); Henry McGuire 522 (CB), 518 (CB).

Kristie Powell made a few remarks, and read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Landis Powell, Charlotte Powell, Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Azalea Barnett, Max Berendzen, Chris Brown, Lynne deBenedette, Cath Tyler, and Mary Stanley. Lisa Matt led 444t (CB) in their honor.

Kristie Powell made remarks concerning those that passed away in the past year, and read the following list of names: Sacred Harp singers and supporters—Edith Owen, Jane Goforth, Hugh McGraw, Mary Frank Dunn, T.J. Funderburk, Frank Price, Amy Denison, Louise Holland, Susie Denson, Gene Wootten, Steve Helwig, Daphene Causey, Floy Wilder, Eloise Wootten, Maurice Trial, Darrell Swarens, Berkley Moore, Rila Mae Cullinan, and Peter Nichols; Burial in Pine Grove Cemetery—Mary Gossett. Lisa Matt led 587 (CB) in their memory. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Elder Robert Vaughn. The noon prayer was offered at the dinner tables.

LUNCH

Sonny Erwin called the singers back together by leading 464 (CB) and 569 (CB). Leaders: Ellen Ray and Nancy Burgett 546 (CB), 392 (CB); Ron Trial 461 (CB), 91 (CB); Diane Ross 112 (CB), 450 (CB); Tammy Powell 137 (CB), 142 (CB); Chris Nicholson 96 (CB), 264t (CB); Natalie Fletcher 463 (CB), 401 (CB); Kerry Cullinan 393 (CB); Eva Striebeck 449 (CB); Robert Stoddard 478 (CB); Henry McGuire 486 (CB); Nancy Price 120 (CB); Elizabeth Stoddard 172 (CB); Ron Trial 107 (CB); Mike Hinton 270 (CB); Janie Short 384 (CB); Chris Nicholson 47t (CB); Kristie Powell 140 (CB); Ellen Ray 98 (CB); Lisa Matt 54t (CB); Tammy Powell 222 (CB); Don Ross 123b (CB).

After announcements were made, John Berendzen led 62 (CB) as the closing song. Elizabeth Stoddard offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—John Berendzen; Vice Chairman—Cheryl Foreman; Secretary—Gaylon Powell

FRIENDSHIP PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Haleyville, Alabama

Sunday, April 22, 2018

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 101t.

Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve:

Chairman—Ken Tate; Vice Chairman—Parnell Berry; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging Director—Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: Ken Tate 56b; Amber Davis 499 (in memory of Gladys Bonds), 276; Henry Guthery 203, 215; Richard Mauldin 340, 43 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Theresa Westmoreland 299, 470; Yancey Jett 317, 89; Isaac Green 242, 436; Ann Jett 88t, 141; Glenn Keeton 349, 278b.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 145t to bring the class together. Leaders: Lisa Geist 182 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger), 546 (in memory of Tom and Lola Robinson); Danny Creel 131b, 106; David Jackson 147t, 49b; Larry Ballinger 76t (in memory of Lola Robinson), 137; Loretta Whitman 129, 277; Chris Ballinger 477, 344; Nicholas Thompson 216, 318; Earl Ballinger 439, 432; Lena Keeton and Glenn Keeton 498, 475; Parnell Berry 306, 283; Ken Tate 503, 313b; Lisa Geist and Nicholas Thompson 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger). Earl Ballinger asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ken Tate leading 271t. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 86; Amber Davis 294, 78 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger and for Lois Livingston); Henry Guthery 140; Lisa Geist 472; Theresa Westmoreland 200; Richard Mauldin 551; Isaac Green 302; Danny Creel 512; Larry Ballinger 528; Nicholas Thompson 282, 304; Yancey Jett 440, 172; Chris Ballinger 270; Ann Jett 269; Earl Ballinger 177; David Jackson 36b, 37b; Loretta Whitman 388 (for Bonnie Baldwin); Lena Keeton and Richard Mauldin 146; David Jackson 168; Louise Yeager 569b, 45t (for Bonnie Baldwin).

Announcements were made. Ken Tate led 542 as the closing song. Danny Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ken Tate; Vice Chairman—Parnell Berry; Secretary—Margaret Keeton

OLD FELTA SCHOOLHOUSE SINGING

Healdsburg, California

Sunday, April 22, 2018

The Old Felta Schoolhouse Singing was held in Healdsburg, California, on the fourth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Mary Ann Ciavonne leading 39t.

Leaders: Erika Wilson 171; Leah Coffin 56b; Mark Godfrey 101t; Linda Selph 217; Wren Hyde 61; Dave Barber 460; Pat Coghlan 218; Susan Fetcho 464; Jack Ziegler 34t; Leigh Cooper 222; Bob Schinske 411; David Fetcho 498; Shelby Sampson 528; Thom Fahrbach 123t; Mary O'Brien 385b; Kate Coxon 103; Mischa Skeeter 372.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Lindy Groening leading 114. Leaders: Carolyn Deacy 91; Kate Fortin 344; Kevin Barrans 121; Betsy Jeronen 548; Patrick Ziegler 168; Linda Berkemeier 106; Aisha Morgan 135; Mark Godfrey 365; Leah Coffin 280; Susan Fetcho 102; Pat Coghlan 182; Wren Hyde 110; Linda Selph 377; Thom Fahrbach 269; Lindy Groening 566; Kate Coxon 225t; Dave Barber 383; Leigh

Cooper 316; David Fetcho 149.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Erika Wilson leading 32t. Leaders: Bob Schinske 500; Linda Berkemeier 282; Kevin Barrans 331; Betsy Jeronen 560; Mary O'Brien 445; Carolyn Deacy 456; Patrick Ziegler 142; Aisha Morgan 30t; Shelby Sampson 474; Kate Fortin 454; Linda Berkemeier 56t; Thom Fahrback 304; Kate Coxon 475; Bob Schinske 480; Betsy Jeronen 440; Kevin Barrans 506; Lindy Groening 196. Mary Ann Ciavonne and Jack Ziegler led 46 as the closing song. The class was dismissed.

Co-Chairpersons—Mary Ann Ciavonne and Jack Ziegler; Secretary—Erika Wilson

GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING **Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia** **Saturday, April 28, 2018**

The annual *Georgian Harmony* Singing was held on Saturday before the first fifth Sunday in 2018 at the Roberta Civic Center in Roberta, Georgia. All song selections were from *The Georgian Harmony* song book. Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 4 and 72. John Plunkett offered the morning prayer. Leaders: John Plunkett 185, 78; Lisa Bennett 252, 198; Mary Brownlee 95, 94; Martha Harrell 54, 107; Rosemund Watson 25, 109.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 31. Leaders: Mike Spencer 43, 208; Bill Hollingsworth 209, 179; Chris Robinson 14, 15; Harry Eskew 16, 8; Oscar McGuire 9, 26; David Smead 58, 111; Helen Bryson 6, 59; Shannon Primm 204, 136 (for Jane Amos); Sandra Wilkinson 203, 1.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 47. A business session was held with the class voting to keep the same officers as follows: Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: David Smead 46; Helen Bryson 42; Shannon Primm 160; John Plunkett 178; Lisa Bennett 254; Mary Brownlee 33; Martha Harrell and Oscar McGuire 152; Sandra Wilkinson 154; Rosemund Watson and Sandra Wilkinson 34; Jerusha Wheeler 36; Mike Spencer 233; Bill Hollingsworth 200; Chris Robinson 201; Harry Eskew 246.

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 255 as the closing song. Elder Chris Robinson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Vice Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Helen Bryson

BOB MEEK MEMORIAL AND HARRODS CREEK **SHAPE NOTE SINGING CONVENTION** **Harrods Creek Baptist Church, Brownsboro, Kentucky** **April 28-29, 2018**

Saturday, April 28

The 22nd annual Shape Note Singing Convention at Harrods Creek Baptist Church was called to order by James Eldridge, who offered the opening prayer. Stephanie Fida and Brenda Waters were appointed to serve as secretaries.

Leaders: James Eldridge 59; Tim Morton 270; Jim Herr 312t (SoH); Virginia Eldridge 412; Caleb Dillehay 48t; Stephanie Fida 39t; Bob Cull 547; Ben Fink 59 (SoH); Bill Hayes 551; Tom Morton 209; Katherine Eldridge 306; John Hoerr 102; Greg Creech 328 (CB); Steve Duff 138t (CB); Clara Herr 273 (CB); Adrian Eldridge

189; Curtis Cook 569 (CB); Tim Gregg 90; Sue Duff 331 (SoH); Katie Huffman and John Huffman 82t; Randy Weber 564.

RECESS

Leaders: James Eldridge 176b; Doug Trent and Brenda Waters 68b; Eddie Mash 116b (SoH); Patrick Weatherington 47t; Erin Fulton 265 (SoH); Nate Zweig 35b (SoH); Donnie Simmet 16 (SoH); Jeff Begley 330t; David Carlton 256 (SoH); Tom Fahrbach 464 (CB); Liz Metzler 49 (SoH); Ed Walton and Steve Duff 505 (CB); Laura Morton 49b; Katie Huffman and John Huffman 518.

RECESS

James Eldridge brought the class back together. Leaders: Ray Rechenberg 148; Mary Brinkman 313b; David Casenhiser 146; Tom Kochan 96 (CB); Ivy Jackson and Tim Morton 448t. A blessing was asked by Adrian Eldridge.

LUNCH

James Eldridge called class back to order by leading 30b. Leaders: Ben Fink 245; John Hoerr 192; Michele Cull 36b; Jim Herr 556; Carol Wendt 97; Greg Creech 74b; Annaliza Cull 155; Sue Duff 276; Caleb Dillehay 540; Curtis Cook 333; John Wendt 46; Eddie Mash 497 (CB); Patrick Weatherington 563 (CB); Clara Herr 300; Erin Fulton 38b; Nate Zweig 37t; Jeff Begley 156 (CB); David Carlton 411 (CB); Katie Huffman and John Huffman 171; Tom Fahrbach 76 (SoH); Ed Walton 236.

RECESS

Leaders: Stephanie Fida 448 (CB); Randy Webber (own composition); Delainey Bowers 504; Tom Morton 496; John Huffman 507t (CB); James Eldridge 522 (CB); Liz Meitzler 559 (CB); Laura Morton 503; Ray Rechenberg 133 (CB); Virginia Eldridge 154 (SoH); Steve Duff 454; Tom Kochan 573 (CB).

Announcements were made. James Eldridge led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, April 29

The Sunday session of the Bob Meek Memorial/Harrods Creek Shape Note Convention was called to order by James Eldridge leading 32t.

Leaders: Laura Morton 178; Katherine Eldridge 179; Greg Creech 39t (SoH); Ray Rechenberg 40; Bob Cull 535; Adrian Eldridge 108b; Tim Gregg 99; Ben Fink 580 (CB); Eddie Mash 450 (CB); Tim Morton 465 (CB); Clara Herr 515; Doug Trent 59; Erin Fulton 310 (SoH); Tom Morton 313b; Sheila Patterson 36b; Donnie Simmet 38b; Zachary Davis 480; Caleb Dillehay 17 (SoH); Jim Patterson 278b.

RECESS

James Eldridge called the class back together by leading 34t. Leaders: Virginia Eldridge 330b; Mike Grimes 574 (CB); Jim Herr 222; Karen Arnett 300; Grace Patterson 47t; Jeff Begley 61 (SoH); Tom Fahrbach 357 (CB); Katherine Eldridge 506; Ivy Jackson and Tim Morton 445.

RECESS

The class went to church service and sang two songs for the congregation. Upon return to Harrods Creek, the class was called back together by Stephanie Fida leading 512 (CB). Leaders: Annaliza Cull 268 (in memory of Bob Meek and Darrell Swarens); Greg Creech 484 (CB); Tim Gregg 64; Ben Fink 53.

RECESS

The memorial lesson was held. The list of names of the sick and shut-ins was read, and the class sang 448b for them. The list of names of the deceased was read, and the class sang 285t in their memory. Eddie Mash and Stephanie Fida led 507 for Darrell Swarens. Leaders: Clara Herr 29t; Erin Fulton 78 (CB); Donnie Simmer 532; Caleb Dillehay 572; Kelly Toon 481. Greg Creech offered prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by James Eldridge leading 76b. Leaders: Mike

Grimes 569b; Bill Hayes 163b; Karen Arnett 474; Seamus Allman 47b; Grace Patterson 344; Jeff Begley 150 (CB); Roger Crabtree 392 (CB); Virginia Eldridge 142; Tim Morton 89t (SoH); Jim Herr 182; Joann Grimes and Mike Grimes 236; Tom Fahrback 98 (CB); Sheila Patterson 571 (CB); Laura Morton 294; Bob Cull, Ben Weber, and Rachel Weber 49b; Adrian Eldridge, Virginia Eldridge, Katherine Eldridge, James Eldridge, and Stephanie Fida 208; Jim Patterson 274t; Doug Trent 146; Ray Rechenberg 436; Michele Cull and guests 496; Joel Deckard, Katherine Deckard, and baby 25; Tom Morton 335; Esther Crookshank 299 (SoH); Ray Horton 322 (SoH). Announcements were made.

James Eldridge led 347 as the closing song, and the class took the parting hand. Chairman—James Eldridge; Secretaries—Stephanie Fida and Brenda Waters

EAST MIDLANDS SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Village Hall, Kegworth, Leicestershire, United Kingdom
April 28-29, 2018

Saturday, April 28

The class was called to order by Ian West leading 77b. Hannah Land offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Ian West; Vice Chairman—Helen Brown; Secretaries—Margaret Gillanders and Rosalind Oldham; Arranging Committee—Vicki Elliott, Joe Vickers, and Emily Verrier.

Leaders: Helen Brown 32t; Margaret Gillanders 72b; Hannah Land 76b; Vicki Elliott 65; Ted Brown 33b; Rosalind Oldham 313t; Joe Vickers 39b; Sarah West 378t; Judy Whiting 268b (CB); Michael Walker 45b (CB); Margaret Bradshaw 101t; Steve Brett 504t (CB); Rebecca Over 380t (CB); Emily Verrier 480; Geoff Grainger 49t; Catherine Roberts 503; Derek Buckland 421; Karen Turner 217; Ian West 140 (CB); Judy Whiting 171; Michael Walker 30t (CB); Emily Verrier 201; Chris Brown 47t; Helen Brown 234.

RECESS

Joe Vickers reconvened the class leading 324 (CB). Leaders: Richard Mayers 183; Hannah Land 410 (CB); Scott Lewin 199 (CB); Catherine Roberts 448t; Steve Brett 202; Vicki Elliott 212; Ted Brown 81 (CB); Chris Brown 447; Rosalind Oldham 505 (CB); Geoff Grainger 163b; Sarah West 492; Margaret Bradshaw 168; Rebecca Over 558; Derek Buckland 270; Margaret Gillanders 336t (CB); Richard Mayers 313b; Karen Turner 472; Scott Lewin 452; Michael Walker 465 (CB); Judy Whiting 441; Catherine Roberts 440; Helen Brown 486 (CB); Derek Buckland 332; Rosalind Oldham 282 (CB); Joe Vickers 98 (CB); Rebecca Over 587 (CB); Vicki Elliott 327. Grace for the midday meal was offered by David Steggle.

LUNCH

Emily Verrier reconvened the class leading 167. Leaders: Geoff Grainger 89 (CB); Karen Turner 462; Scott Lewin 230; Margaret Gillanders 546; Ted Brown 113 (CB); Sarah West 453t (CB); Chris Brown 514 (CB); Connie Baldini 86; Richard Mayers 362; Hannah Land 56t; Ian West 156 (CB); Margaret Bradshaw 344; Steve Brett 567 (CB); Rebecca Over 195 (CB); Michael Walker 499 (CB); Helen Brown 500; Catherine Roberts 114; Derek Buckland 27; Rosalind Oldham 66; Vicki Elliott 380b (CB); Judy Whiting 150; Karen Turner 474; Scott Lewin 563 (CB).

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw reconvened the class leading 445. Leaders: Joe Vickers 131t; Emily Verrier 436; Richard Mayers 236; Sarah West 191; Geoff Grainger 339; Steve Brett 375; Hannah Land 454; Chris Brown 392; Catherine Roberts 131b; Scott Lewin 274t; Judy Whiting 187; Michael Walker 153 (for Dave Richardson);

Margaret Gillanders 466; Ted Brown 148 (CB); Rebecca Over 210 (CB); Helen Brown 105.

Helen Brown and Ian West led 323t as the closing song. Kuba Choinski dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, April 29

The Sunday session was called to order by Ian West leading 84. Margaret Bradshaw offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Helen Brown 36b; Margaret Gillanders 50b; Hannah Land 85; Joe Vickers 73t; Sarah West 111b; Nick Hall 501 (CB); Steve Brett 41 (CB); Sheila Girling Macadam 51; Seth Dickens 505 (CB); Toby Goss 155; Rachel Jordan 353; Edwin Macadam 137 (CB); Margaret Bradshaw 448b; Kuba Choinski 501; Judy Whiting 590 (CB); Rosalind Oldham 573 (CB); Michael Walker 54t (CB); Chris Brown 133 (CB); Catherine Roberts 28b; Geoff Grainger 143; Karen Turner 171; Ted Brown 119 (CB); Rebecca Over 344 (CB).

RECESS

Joe Vickers reconvened the class leading 208 (CB). Leaders: Vicki Elliott 163b (CB); Derek Buckland 378b; Hannah Land 352; Edwin Macadam 588 (CB); Seth Dickens 365; Margaret Bradshaw 300; Sheila Girling Macadam 286; Kuba Choinski 40; Rosalind Oldham 146; Nick Hall 455; Helen Brown 534; Chris Brown 336b (CB); Steve Brett 316 (CB); Karen Turner 426b; Toby Goss 547; Rachel Jordan 540; Judy Whiting 354t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Sarah West and Joe Vickers. Sarah spoke for the sick and housebound and led 330b for the following: Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, David Elliott, Reginald Brett, Darele Angwin, Trish Stadward, Curtis Owen, Rev Michael Pain, Rosie and Andy, Derek Gillott, Stuart Russell, Sister Pippa, Roy Hollowell, Andy Spence, Paula Mogensen, and Idy Kiser.

Joe Vickers spoke about how an imprint of our lives is left on this earth, and how we have a duty to recall that imprint in remembering and honoring those who have left us. He led 565 in memory of the following: Daphene Causey, Hugh McGraw, Daniel Evans, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, Jean MacDonald, Donald MacDonald, Gábor Mészáros, Rita Bick, Ian M. Fraser, Florice Akin, Edith Owen, Gravis Ballinger, Kameron Prescott, Toby Boyes, Rollo Woods, Janet Winstanley, Dennis Horton, Louis Negri, Mark Girling, Jennifer Bennett, Frank Pigott, Jackie Saunders, David Cooke, and Joy Comelio. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Hannah Land.

Leaders: Vicki Elliott 414; Ian West 415; Rebecca Over 283; Ted Brown 523; Margaret Gillanders 564; Geoff Grainger 68b; Catherine Roberts 30b; Michael Walker 373. Grace for the midday meal was offered by Karen Turner.

LUNCH

The class was reconvened by Derek Buckland singing 70b. Leaders: Hannah Land 463 (CB); Ian West 515 (CB); Margaret Bradshaw 107; Toby Goss 452; Helen Brown 411; Kuba Choinski 589 (CB); Karen Turner 462; Seth Dickens 587 (CB); Rebecca Over 39 (CB); Steve Brett 488; Sheila Girling Macadam 140 (CB); Michael Walker 475; Rachel Jordan 182; Edwin Macadam 181; Margaret Gillanders 500 (CB); Nick Hall 183; Sarah West 172; Ted Brown 511t (CB); Geoff Grainger and Bob Powell 535; Vicki Elliott 528; Catherine Roberts 203; Toby Goss 178.

RECESS

The class was reconvened by Hannah Land leading 38t (CB). Leaders: Rebecca Over 516 (CB); Derek Buckland 285t; Sheila Girling Macadam 295 (CB); Ian West 135; Kuba Choinski 112; Steve Brett 189 (CB); Catherine Roberts 65; Joe Vickers 371; Rachel Jordan 297; Edwin Macadam 466; Sarah West 490; Michael Walker 138t (CB); Margaret Gillanders 556; Nick Hall 492; Karen Turner 410t; Seth Dickens 114; Margaret Bradshaw 266. Ian West and Helen Brown led 95b (CB) as the closing song. Ted Brown dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Ian West; Vice Chairman—Helen Brown; Secretaries—Margaret Gillanders and Rosalind Oldham

MIDWEST SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Pulaski Park Fieldhouse and Irish American Heritage Center**

Chicago, Illinois

April 28-29, 2018

Saturday, April 28

Susan Geil and Randy Neufeld opened the Saturday session of the 33rd annual meeting of the Midwest Convention at Pulaski Park Fieldhouse by leading 171.

Melanie Hansen offered the invocation.

Leaders: Rochelle Lodder 397 (ShH); Cathryn Bearov 179 (for her daughter, Cate); Debra Barford 102; Jim Helke 173 (ShH); Mary Rogel 324 (ShH); John Seaton 47t; Carol Ann Munro 474; Doug Stapleton 440; Michael Mosley 48 (ShH); Nick Pasqual 451; Steve Warner 84; Sasha Maslanka 157.

A business meeting was convened to elect the following officers: Chairman—Cathryn Bearov; Vice Chairmen—Eileen Ferguson and Dave Barford; Secretary—Rochelle Lodder.

RECESS

John Wiens called the class to order leading 133. Leaders: Eileen Ferguson and Dave Barford 140t (ShH); Dave Ressler 140b (ShH); Ginny Landgraf 390 (ShH); Kay Huener 192; Ann Miczulski 282; Matthew Siefert 216; Lori Graber 107; Presley Barker and Barbara Chopin 326b (ShH); Linda Heemskerk 324; Catherine Brown 66; Eleanor Haase 352; Paul Wyatt 260b (ShH); Marian Mitchell 195; Paul Landskroener 232; Cecelia Kramer 254 (ShH); Claudia Egelhoff 241 (ShH); Beverley Rose Enright 146. Cathryn Bearov announced appointed officers and committees.

RECESS

Carolyn Deacy and Kathy Williams called the class to order leading 132 (ShH). Leaders: Jan May 125 (ShH); Christine Stevens 532; Steve Luttinen 420t (ShH); Beth Huener 200; Larry Nothwehr 218; Jim Lawrie 148; Ben Hartland 21 (ShH); Carol Buche 105 (ShH); Cheri Neilson 364 (ShH); Joel Menk 298; Dan Huger 38b; Laura Mae Noble 270. Carol Ann Munro offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Cathryn Bearov called the class to order leading 114. Leaders: Lisa Grayson 242 (ShH); John delRe 169 (ShH); Judy Mincey 382 (ShH); Nora Miller 223 (ShH); Jacob Kiakahi 112 (ShH); Kathy Williams 178; Kelly Macklin 350 (ShH); Ted Johnson 89; AnnaLeigh Smith 226 (ShH); Joshua Barnett 227 (ShH); Hanna Brolander 142; Leyland delRe 145 (ShH); Judy Hauff 392 (ShH); Graham DeZarn 452 (ShH); Ted Mercer 151; Topher Lawton 202 (ShH).

RECESS

Rochelle Lodder called the class to order leading 36b. Leaders: Jim Swanson 258 (ShH); Jim Crawford 546; Mark Dawson 496; Carolyn Deacy 430; Jerry Gripshover 39b; Erica Detemmerman 39t; Michael Mosley 56b; John Wiens 400; Carol

Crawford 480; Cheri Neilson 501.

Cathryn Bearov led 347 as the closing song. Carol Ann Munro dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, April 29

Cathryn Bearov opened the Sunday session at the Irish American Heritage Center by leading 276. Carol Ann Munro offered the invocation.

Leaders: Steve Warner 171; Ginny Landgraf 384 (ShH); Dave Barford 101 (ShH); Rochelle Lodder 417 (ShH); Eileen Ferguson 183 (ShH); Carol Ann Munro 464; Kenan Serenbetz 82t; Lori Graber 28t; Beth Huener 454; Michael Mosley 408t (ShH); Beverley Rose Enright 547.

RECESS

AnnaLeigh Smith called the class to order leading 147 (ShH). Leaders: Dave Ressler 282 (ShH); Luke Patterson and Daniel Braithwaite 31t; Joel Menk 110 (ShH); Carolyn Deacy 472; Ben Hartland 171 (ShH); Ted Johnson 300; Cheri Neilson 102 (ShH); Christina Marie and Lauren Virnoche 504; Carol Buche 178; Cecelia Kramer 264b (ShH); Presley Barker and Barbara Chopin 418 (ShH); Catherine Brown 313b; Christine Stevens 310 (ShH); Jan Ketelle 296 (ShH); Claudia Egelhoff 403b (ShH); Daniel Braithwaite and Luke Patterson 365.

RECESS

Gillian Inksetter called the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Mary Rogel 534; Topher Lawton 200 (ShH); Paul Wyatt 416 (ShH); Kathy Williams 344; Graham DeZarn 83t (ShH).

Lisa Grayson spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins and reminded us to get in touch with those on the list. She led 216, chosen with Melanie Hauff in mind, for the following sick and shut-ins: Carol Ruth Kimmel, Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, Dawn Tracy, Sarah Frost, Gary Gronau, Becky Browne, Idy Kiser, Don Bowen, Joy Huener, Joe Todd, Donna Gunderson-Rogers, Paul Wilson, Jeff Bell, Johanna Fabke, Gail Barkus, and Ralph Lazzara.

Lyda Jackson spoke in memory of Ann Sleeva: Ann Jeanette Sleeva, a dearly loved sister, aunt, and friend of many, died unexpectedly on December 5, 2017, in Evanston, Illinois, from complications caused by ovarian cancer. We remember Ann as a driving force in the Chicago Sacred Harp Community. She was actively involved in the Hyde Park Singers as well as the Chicago Northside Singers. She made many trips to various singings and joined Sacred Harp Singers in Poland during a 2015 trip. She particularly loved the tunes of William Billings and led "Jordan" (page 66) most frequently. She moved to dedicate the October singing on Chicago's Northside to a special collection of Billings' songs which she assembled and duplicated for this yearly event. She also spearheaded an annual all-day *Cooper Book* Singing in August, which will now bear her name as an ongoing memorial. Ann's life of deep faith surrounded her with numerous church family members from various traditions and cultures. She will be remembered by her large circle of friends and acquaintances for her gentle and sweet disposition, her ready and friendly smile, and her kindness toward all who were touched by her life.

Lisa Grayson spoke in memory of Julie Vea of Madison, Wisconsin.

Terry Hogg spoke in memory of Berkley Moore: Berkley was a graduate of Harvard Divinity School and was ordained a Unitarian minister serving churches in Vermont, Minnesota, and Illinois. He was well regarded by fellow clergy as one who could listen with care and intelligence. He was a trained engineer and worked for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. In later years, Berkley and I often drove to the Missouri Convention. He loved traveling to singings near and far. Though he was not one for idle chat, he was in his glory when there were people at a convention with whom he could talk Sacred Harp. Coming from both a religious and scientific

background, Berkley was a rigorous scholar. He had a natural curiosity, a prodigious memory and an appreciation for detail and complexity. He literally made himself into an authority on American hymnody. Paul Figura tells me how helpful his scholarship was when their group republished the *Missouri Harmony*. Judy Mincey said, “Berkley was our rock when we were working on *The Eclectic Harmony*.”

Now I know, there may have been consternation in the ranks when Berkley led. I can just hear a new singer saying, “Is that guy leading or is he dancing?” However, there was no confusion about what we were seeing when Berkley led. It was the expression of unrestrained joy. Thanks for all you’ve done for Sacred Harp and our community Berkley—We’ll miss you. Amen!

Carol Ann Munro spoke in memory of Darrell Swarens: Darrell Swarens had a heart that was nearly as big as his rather amazing wardrobe of unique and colorful ties. The minute you met him, you were his friend, or more accurately, a part of his huge extended family. Darrell loved Sacred Harp music, but even more, he loved Sacred Harp singers. He travelled the country—literally wore a path down the road between Terre Haute and Sand Mountain—to sing but really to meet and be with singers. If you were new to a singing, someone he hadn’t run into at a singing somewhere else, it wouldn’t be long before he would draw you in, introducing you to others, finding out your life story, making you feel like you belonged and always had. I really got to know Darrell at Camp Fasola in Anniston. He was like a huge kid himself, soaking up all he could learn and hovering over the real kids like a grandfather, encouraging them and inviting the insecure ones into the square to lead with him, making each and every one of them feel special. For about the first year I knew him, I thought he was actually related to the Eldridge family, biologically; but he had simply adopted them, become their extra grandfather and their computer tutor. Living in Terre Haute, Darrell didn’t have a local singing available to him, but he drove to Bloomington, or Louisville—the distance or the time didn’t matter. Even though the Higher Ground singing had been going on several years before he started singing, Darrell quickly took it over and it became his singing. It’ll be a long time before I’m able to be at a singing without looking for his pure white hair, huge smile and wild tie. I’ll miss his standard greeting: “Well, hi Miss Carol. How’s by you? So good to see you.” And I’ll really miss his big bear hug. But I know without a doubt that my friend Darrell is where he always wanted to be, making sure that everybody else up there with him is feeling right at home.

Lisa Grayson read the list of names of those who are deceased, and the memorial committee led 145t, which was Berkley Moore’s favorite song to lead: Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Berkley Moore, Ann Sleeva, John Meeks, Judy Koster, Eleanor Pechota, Megan Howarth, Russ Gremel, and Joann Razowsky—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Loren Anderson, Christopher Thompson, and Charles Wells—Minnesota; Gene McCreary, Carl Weber, and Linda Domholt—California; Donna Schleifer—North Carolina; Louise Holland and Hugh McGraw—Georgia; Daphne Causey—Alabama; Dennis Wyatt and Grace Riley—Florida; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Katie Jenks—Washington; Sandy Inbody—New York; Peter Weber and Regina Weber—Arizona; Mary Lewis and Janice Collins—Michigan; Noah Delgado—Texas. Carol Ann Munro led the class in prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Ted Johnson and Randy Neufeld 485; AnnaLeigh Smith 453 (ShH); Deborah Barford 215 (in memory of Hugh McGraw). Carol Ann Munro offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Nora Miller brought the class back to order leading 413. Leaders: Bill Waddington 362; Leyland delRe 235 (ShH); Dick Patterson 334 (ShH); John delRe 422 (ShH); Gillian Inksetter 532; John Wiens 124; Karen Isbell 431 (ShH); Paul Landskroener

349; Jonathon Smith 340 (ShH); Nora Miller 322 (ShH); Barb Patterson 186 (ShH); Joshua Barnett 351 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 167 (ShH); Judy Mincey 158b (ShH) (in fond memory of Lee Rogers); Jan May 266 (ShH); Dan Huger 569b; Michael Mosley 556; Steve Luttinen 381b (ShH).

RECESS

Dan Nickel called the class to order leading 34t. Leaders: Judy Hauff 245 (ShH); Larry Nothwehr 55; Peter Bradley 444; Marcia Johnson and Edward Thomas 76b; Eleanor Haase 384; Carol Crawford and Jim Crawford 569t; Jacob Kiakahi 292 (ShH); Hanna Brolander 218t (ShH); Lisa Grayson 278b; Kay Huener 269; Marian Mitchell 236; Ted Mercer 297 (ShH); Jerry Gripshover 180 (ShH); John Seaton 140b (ShH); Lindsay Kruse 260b (ShH); Susan Geil 565; Matthew Siefert 342; Jim Swanson 252 (ShH).

Reports were presented. Paul Wyatt thanked God; the officers and Chicago singers; the hosts for each singing day; Kris Richardson for hosting the social; everyone who brought food; and the kitchen crew and announced our resolve to reconvene in 2019. Cathryn Bearov led 62 as the closing song. Carol Ann Munro dismissed the class with prayer

Chairman—Cathryn Bearov; Vice Chairmen—Eileen Ferguson and Dave Barford; Secretary—Rochelle Lodder

SOUTHWEST TEXAS SACRED HARP CONVENTION SPRING SESSION McMahan, Texas April 28-29, 2018 Saturday, April 28

The spring session of the Southwest Texas Sacred Harp Convention was held at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church in McMahan, Texas, on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in April. Scott Curran called the class to order by leading 422b. After prayer by Donald Ross, he led 98. Kristie Powell led 300, followed by Bruce and Beverly Coates leading 331t.

Leaders: Gaylon Powell 272; Diane Ross 53; Jeb Owen 146 (in memory of Edith Owen); Clydene Pekrul 328; Zach Rogan 288; Ellee Curran 367; Scott McCown 122; Abby Huckaby and Cheryl Foreman 99; Donn Howard 393; Addison Bowles 145b; Mike Moseley 434; Hoss Curran 60; Mike Hinton 567; Ainsley Ross 514; Chris Nicholson 558; Lauren Owen 572; Matt Bell 365; Jackson Owen 408; Chelsea Miller 58.

RECESS

Scott Curran began the session by leading 101t. Leaders: Tim McClain 450; Silas Huckaby 383; Jesse Latimer 39; Cornelia Stanton 573; Bill Bailey 121; Stacy Berkheimer 30t; Riley Owen 442t; Inez Luttgen 84; Robert Vaughn 212; Marilyn Solomon 470; Ben Copenhaver 471; Sonya Lee and Laura Densmore 527 (in memory of Johnnie Lee); Chris Noren 55; Troxel Ballou 135; Mary Skidmore 268b; Ryan Ross 276; Marilyn Murata 392; Rick Foreman 336t; Joanne Fuller 440b; Ron Bernucho 463; Stefani Priskos 384; Kyle Hearn 68t.

The following business was undertaken: Sonny Huckaby was elected vice chairman and Bruce and Beverly Coates were re-elected secretaries/arranging committee. Gary Rogan moved, and the motion was seconded, that this year's spring session of the Southwest Texas Convention be designated the Edith Owen Memorial Singing. Edith Owen served the singing as a mentor to many altos and was a mainstay of this convention for almost 70 years. She died August 19, 2017, at the age of 97. The motion carried. The business meeting adjourned. Elder Sonny Huckaby offered the

blessing for the meal.

LUNCH

Kristie Powell led 111t. Leaders: Ellen Ray 145t; Cheryl Foreman 210; Robert Stoddard 482; Jennifer Obeidin 196; Ian Quinn 165; Elizabeth Stoddard 166; William Price 505; Angharad Davis 96; Brenda Dunlap 100; Joshua McClain 563; Donald Ross 591; Nancy Price 268t; Ron Trial 461; Lori Rodgers 47t; David Brodeur 38t; Vicki Hayes 478; Kerry Cullinan 152; Eva Striebeck 559; Sonny Erwin 199.

RECESS

Kristie Powell led 332 to bring the class together. Leaders: Liz Owen 186; Leslie Alperin 239; Andy Ditzler 218; Syble Adams, Tom Owen, Jeb Owen, and Sonny Huckaby 47b; Robbie Hooper and Tiffany Hooper 571; Leon Ballinger 120; Lisa Matt 406; Gary Rogan 511b; Linda Booker 511t; Tammy Powell 553; Catherine Rogan 217; Sarah Huckaby 355; Amanda Bowles 293b; Vivian Rogan, Liz Owen, Michele Curran, Catherine Rogan, Jennifer Obeidin, and Zach Rogan 32t; Michele Curran 183; Greg Bowles 155; Edith Osborne, Chris Noren, and Karen Noren 449. Kristie Powell led 222 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Sonny Huckaby.

Sunday, April 29

The Sunday session of the Southwest Texas Convention, Spring Session began with Kristie Powell leading 68b. After prayer by Donald Ross, she led 140. Sonny Huckaby led 507b, followed by Bruce Coates and Beverly Coates leading 171. Leaders: Riley Owen 142; Leland Ross and Owen Ross 277; Vivian Rogan 508; Syble Adams, Ellee Curran, Lauren Owen, Addison Bowles, and Abby Huckaby 367; Leslie Alperin 91; Lauren Owen 388; Donald Ross 211; Abby Huckaby and Cheryl Foreman 159; Addison Bowles 573; Tom Owen 341; Hoss Curran 32t; Ainsley Ross 515; Sylvia Friske and Beverly Coates 276; Jackson Owen 216; Diane Ross 132; Silas Huckaby 464; Stacy Berkheimer 168; Carter Cook 427.

RECESS

Kristie Powell led 54t to open the next session. Leaders: Janie Short 193; Ben Copenhaver 581; Ines Lüttgen 540; Chris Noren 486; Marilyn Solomon 174. Elder Sonny Huckaby introduced the memorial lesson, followed by Gaylon Powell leading 45t for the following sick and homebound: Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Azilee Barnett, Doug Webb, Chris Brown, Jean Ayotte, Lynne deBenedette, Andy Worthington, Edward Stevens, Charlotte Powell, Shisue Sugimoto, Keven Hobacher, Amy Wilson and baby girl, Idy Kiser, Charlene Cargile, and Don Donell. Mike Hinton read the following names of the deceased: Eloise Wootten, Daphene Causey, Johnnie Chafin—Alabama; Nita Molcricki, Donna Andrews, Theodore Knox, and Jim Van Winkle—California; Hugh McGraw and Louise Holland—Georgia; Berkley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Mark Powers—New Mexico; Herbert Ericksson—New York; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Jane Goforth, Edith Owen, Peter Nichols, Glenn Blundell, Amy Dennison, Julia Welch, Frank Price, and Preston Cargile—Texas; Isaac Engell—Washington; Julie Veal—Wisconsin. Mike then read the obituary of Edith Owen for whom this year's session is named and made comments regarding others on the list. The members of the Owen family, including Edith's three children, four of her seven grandchildren, and ten of her seventeen great-grandchildren led 410 in her memory and in memory of the others on the list of deceased. The memorial lesson closed with prayer by Rev. Owen Ross.

Leaders: Robert Stoddard 45b; Sonya Lee 31t; Ian Quinn 587; Mary Skidmore 133; Ryan Ross 198; Joanne Fuller 411; William Price 58; Stefani Priskos 278t; David Brodeur 240; Elizabeth Stoddard 576; Kerry Cullinan 310. The prayer for the meal

was offered by Rev. Owen Ross.

LUNCH

Leaders: Kevin Powell 398t; Cornelia Stanton 96; Andy Ditzler 348b; Jennifer Obeidin 215; Ron Trial 571; Brenda Dunlap 357; Robbie Hooper and Tiffany Hooper 229; Nancy Price 400; Marilyn Murata 200; Chris Nicholson 264t; Angharad Davis 59; Sonny Erwin 569; Vicki Hayes 111t; Mike Hinton 544; Eva Striebeck 138t; Laura Densmore 370; Alberta Hudlow and John Hudlow 30b; Syble Adams 541; Cheryl Foreman 465; Owen Ross 442t; Leon Ballinger 297; Matt Bell 225t; Olivia Powell 450; Ellen Ray 319; Lisa Matt 282; Gaylon Powell 543; Linda Booker 447t; Tammy Powell 137.

After announcements, Kristie Powell led 95b as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Jeb Owen.

Chairman—Kristie Powell; Vice Chairman—Sonny Huckaby; Secretaries/Arranging Committee—Bruce and Beverly Coates

IVEY MEMORIAL

Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama

Sunday, April 29, 2018

The annual Ivey Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on the first fifth Sunday at Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama. Kelsey Ivey called the class to order by leading 82t. Phil Summerlin offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten and Betty Shepherd 101t (in memory of Leonard Lacy); Jackie Tanner 47t; Rodney Ivey 482 (in memory of Eulas Ivey); Linda Booth 31t; Nate Green and Norma Green 566; Loyd Ivey 454 (in memory of his father); Larry Ballinger, Earl Ballinger, Linton Ballinger, and Lomax Ballinger 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Boyd Scott 358; Jerusha Wheeler 352; Daniel Lee 354t; Samuel Williams 530; David Light 200 (in memory of Aunt Eurilla Woods); Karen Rollins and Philip Denney 345t; Jamey Wootten and Jared Wootten 492; Susan Chernes 349; Nathan Rees 138t; Ed Thacker 291; Lauren Bock 292 (in memory of Oliver Kindig-Stokes); Mark Carroll 282.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by David Ivey leading 39b in memory of Eloise Wootten and Marie Ivey. Leaders: Wayne Wootten 36b; Shirley Figura 299; Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Jeannette DePoy 300; Henry Johnson 409; Judy Caudle 336; Terry Wootten 289; Louis Hughes 378b; Lisa Bennett 505; Pam Nunn 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Phil Summerlin 415; Loretta Smith and Amy Smith 145b; David Smead 341 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Richard DeLong 224; Isaac Green 488; Paul Figura 168.

RECESS

Gresham Davis and Cheyenne Ivey led 37b to bring the class together. Scott Ivey and Hayden Wootten led 348b in memory of Hobert Ivey.

The Sacred Harp Publishing Company members, Karen Rollins and Richard Ivey, presented a plaque of appreciation in honor of Eloise Wootten for service and dedication to the Liberty Church community and the Sacred Harp community. Accepting the plaque was Marlon Wootten, Shane Wootten, Wayne Wootten, Cynthia Wootten, and Anna Wootten. They led 318 in memory of Eloise.

Leaders: Anna Hinton and Sierra Saylor 209; Tony Ivey 157; Isaac Lloyd and Gideon Lloyd 50t; Amy Wootten 276; Winfred Kerr 517 (for Rebecca Over); Ezra Lloyd and Malachi Lloyd 410t; Judy Chambless 29t; Buell Cobb 111b; Daniel Williams 101b; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 447; John Plunkett 343; Robert Chambless 494; Sasha Hsuczuk 345b. Louis Hughes asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Richard Ivey leading 42. Leaders: Aaron Wootten 401; Allison Whitener, Grace Whitener, and Karen Ivey 350; Cecil Roberts 403; Reba Windom 434 (in memory of Daphne Causey); Rick Hoffman 228; Elene Stovall, Allison Davis, and Gresham Davis 436; Dennis George 542; Peter Trumbore 480; Hayden Arp 342; Alex Forsyth 396; Shelby Castillo 283; Matt Hinton 430; Jesse P. Karlsberg 428; Macie Bell 274t; Coy Ivey 384; Nicholas Thompson 208; Marty Wootten and Chelsea Higdon 472; Justin Bowen 314 (for Barrett Patton); Betty Shepherd 216; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 500; Lily Underwood, Loyd Ivey, and Marion Biddle 424; Cindy Tanner and Louis Hughes 512; Elyssa Lloyd, Havilah Lloyd, and Jael Lloyd 139; Tom Booth 309; Alex Makris 222; Aaron Little 313t; Lorrie Wootten, Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, Jamey Wootten, Sylvia Wootten, Sandy Ivey, Scott Ivey, Tony Ivey, Brianna Wells, and Jayden Hunt 445; Cindy Tanner and Sharon DuPriest 269; Anna Wootten and Wayne Wootten 572 (CB).

Announcements were made. Kelsey Ivey and Shane Wootten led 518 (CB) as the closing song. Ed Thacker dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Kelsey Ivey; Vice Chairman—Shane Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

HUNTSVILLE SACRED HARP SINGING **Burritt on the Mountain, Huntsville, Alabama** **Saturday, May 5, 2018**

The annual Huntsville Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May in the Old Country Church at Burritt on the Mountain, Huntsville, Alabama. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by David Ballinger leading 31b. Ron Harper offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—David Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Mark Carroll; Secretaries—Amanda Hardiman and Teresa Hope; Arranging Committee—Lomax Ballinger and Linton Ballinger.

Leaders: Teresa Hope 129; Lomax Ballinger 480; Frances Jones 45t; Jimmy Ballinger 84; Mark Carroll 138b; Amanda Hardiman and Addie Hardiman 108t; Richard Ivey 203; Jeanette Maddox Dewberry 189; Buddy Ballinger 343; Pam Wilkerson 85; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 48t; Linton Ballinger 421; Bea Aaron 456; Daniel Bearden 173; Nate Green and Norma Green 164; Phil Summerlin 270; Vella Dailey 59; Daniel Lee 411; Sarah Trumbore 475; Ron Harper 445; Gail Doss 501.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 111t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Christopher Mann 106; Jeannette DePoy 460; Delone Cobbs 551; John Wendt and Carol Wendt 569b; Earl Ballinger 36b; Joyce Walton 455; Tom George 410b; Lilly Underwood and Loyd Ivey 454; Nicholas Thompson 276 (for Glenda Hopper); Beth Anne Clay 192.

RECESS

Samuel Sommers led 96 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Tom Booth 425; Lisa Geist 528; Jim Aaron 47b; Kelsey Ivey 377; Ed Thacker 86; Barbara Chopin 474; Stephen Huffman 155; Judy Mincey 550; Larry Ballinger 394; Linda Thomas 131b; Sam Wright 121; Cheyenne Ivey 546; Michael Thompson 153; Susan Cheronos 349; Eddie Mash 162; Mary Huffman 407; David Ivey 371. Gary Huffman offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Ballinger leading 340. Leaders: Shane Wootten 49b; Henry Johnson 81t; Presley Barker 505; Scott DePoy 457; Karen Freund 442; Matt Hinton 430; David Carlton 492; Nathan Rees 380; Reba Windom

542; David Brodeur 402; Gideon Lloyd and Isaac Lloyd 157; David Jackson 499 (in memory of Floyd Frederick); Dan McSavage 172; Isaac Green 483; Alex Forsyth 322; Andy Ditzler 298; Karen Ivey, Allison Whitener, and Grace Whitener 146, 182; Ezra Lloyd and Malachi Lloyd 472; Justin Bowen 362; Gary Leopold 159; Amber Davis 224; Gary Huffinan 198; Samuel Sommers 24b; Presley Barker 464; Lisa Geist 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger).

Following announcements, David Ballinger led 46 as the closing song. Buddy Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Mark Carroll; Secretaries—Amanda Hardiman and Teresa Hope

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS SHILOH SINGING, SPRING SESSION

St. John's Episcopal Church, Harrison, Arkansas

Saturday, May 5, 2018

The Northwest Arkansas Shiloh Singing, Spring Session, was called to order by P. Dan Brittain with a welcome to all. He led 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Katy Black.

Leaders: Andrew Albers 378b; Katy Black 384; Syd Caldwell 203, 172; Cory Winters 479, 178; Louis Garner 573 (CB), 463 (CB); Andrew Albers 39t; Nancy Price 38b, 89; Bill Caldwell 135 (MH), 89 (MH); Margaux Burleson 177 (MH), 113 (MH); Dan Brittain 13 (MH), 75 (MH); Andrew Albers 80 (MH), 127 (MH).

RECESS

Syd Caldwell brought the class back into session leading 76b. Leaders: Cory Winters 47b, 217; Sharla Hulsey 40, 35; Katy Black 100, 146; Bill Caldwell and Bill King 86, 480; Bonnie Woods and Syd Caldwell 277; Louis Garner 373; Nancy Price 498, 448t; Dan Brittain 209, 121; Margaux Burleson 448b, 95; Darryl Criss 294; Alexis Walker 335. Dan Brittain led 164 (MH) as our table grace.

LUNCH

Dan Brittain led 142 (MH) to bring the class back together. Leaders: Darrell Criss 117, 49b; Sharla Hulsey 487, 84; Linda Campbell and Syd Caldwell 222.

Andrew Albers began the memorial service by reading the following list of names of those who have passed away: Eloise Wootten, Caleb Allred, Floy Wilder, Johnny Chafin and Daphene Causey—Alabama; Hugh McGraw, Louise Holland, and Florice Akin—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Griffin Simmons—Missouri; Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Veal—Wisconsin. Syd Caldwell spoke, and led 348b in their memory.

Andrew Albers read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Lance Phillips, Jewell Wootten, Andy Worthington, Melanie Hauff, Gail Cowart, Velton Chafin, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Margaret Thacker, Don Bowen, Idy Kiser, Charlene Wallace, Ottis Sides, Doug Webb, Barry Robertson, and Jenni Wallace. Sid Caldwell led 500 to encourage them. Sharla Hulsey lifted them up in prayer for the closing of the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Nancy Price 72b; Bonnie Woods 344; Andrew Albers 267b (WB), 314; Cory Winters 318, 112.

RECESS

Syd Caldwell brought the class back together leading 116. Leaders: Bill Caldwell 62 (MH), 138 (MH); Syd Caldwell and Anita Buswell 496; Katy Black 36b, 142; Andrew Albers 551; Syd Caldwell 472, 462; Nancy Price 313b; Syd Caldwell 481; Bill Caldwell 353. Upcoming singings were announced

Dan Brittain led 521 as the closing song. Sharla Hulsey offered the closing prayer.

In resolution, the Northwest Arkansas Shiloh Singers extend their deep appreciation and sincere thanks to B.R. Black for his many years of service producing, creatively editing and generating the newsletters and emails so necessary to maintain communication among our singing community.

Chairman—P. Dan Brittain; Vice Chairman—Andrew Albers; Secretary—Alexis Walker

PORTLAND SACRED HARP SINGING

The Little Church, Portland Oregon

Saturday, May 5, 2018

The 12th annual Portland Sacred Harp All-Day Singing was called to order by Jennifer Jones leading 448b. Betsy Jeronen offered the morning prayer.

A business meeting was held to elect the following officers: Chairman—Jennifer Jones; Treasurer—Linda Berkemeier; Secretary—Betsy Jeronen;

Leaders: Dorothy Robinson 500; Nell Whitman 378t; Betsy Jeronen 87; Ruth Linehan 312b; Bradley Knoke 73t; Lyle Lindsey 84; Yosef Tractenberg 148; Kate Fine 171; Nancy Novotny 40; Ana Tighe 548; Tom McTighe 421; Steve Tarr 213t; Lucinda Larsen Saue 178; Laura Mc Murray 32b; Thom Fahrback 197; Sonja Launspach and Lindy Groening 504; Martha Sherwood 53; Scott Kennedy 546.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Rodman Campbell leading 475. Leaders: Carolyn Gilkey 142; Ben Brown 209; Jeri Segal 411; Ethan Hardy 270; Steve Cackley 124; Clarissa Fetrow 419; Greg Saue 547; Dan Thoma 196; Wren Hyde 77t; Julius Passay 76b; Arcana Ferschke 82t; Jen Rymut 560; Sophia Schinske 573; Jeff Begley 397; Karen Stingle 114; Pat Coghlan 351; Sadhbh O'Flynn 189; Karen Willard 436; Kate Fortin 198 (for Campbell Longworth).

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Jake Hachey leading 328. Leaders: Erika Wilson 422; Jack Lofton 456. A remembrance of Steve Helwig's contributions to the Sacred Harp tradition was presented by Bob Schinske, who then led 536. Leaders: Evelyn Lamb 83t; David Wright 527; Stephanie Fida 26; Dave Barber 125; Linda Selph and Cornelia Stanton 480. The noon blessing was offered by Betsy Jeronen.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Peter Schinske leading 217. Leaders: Sam Kleinman 362; Gillian Inksetter 550; Jim Pfau 498; Cindy Tanner 269; Denis Kania 384; John Wiens 294; Cassie Allen 434; Ellen Ray 314; Chris Noren 236; Anna Pfau 430; Carol Huang 440; Ruth Wampler 279; Chris Cotter 103; Katie Mahoney 234; Alice Beattie 228; Erik Schwab 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Lindy Groening and Concetta Branson 448t; Tamara Harris 28b; Mike Richards 298; Michael Shewmaker 68b; Kari Lundgren 347; Ashley McLockhill and Jennifer Jones 282.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Bob Schinske leading 32t. Leaders: Ann Riley 186; Linda Berkemeier 159; Maggie Zhou and Sam Kleinman 129; Kate Coxon 568; Kelly Clare Riggle and Sean Francis Conway 426t; Marie Brandis and Kelly Clare Riggle 352; Rebecca Edwards 39t; Kevin Barrans 416; Doug Hill 410t (in memory of Darien Kincaid); Jim Pfau 445; Ellen Ray 378b; Arcana Ferschke 42; Denise Kania 564; Jen Dolan 95; Mary MacDonald Lewis 47b.

The business meeting was reopened. The Chairman thanked all the local singers for their efforts in making a successful singing. The Arranging Committee announced that eighty-eight songs were sung, led by eighty-two leaders. The Treasurer said that the day's expenses were met. Jennifer Jones led 36b as the closing song. Betsy Jeronen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Jennifer Jones; Secretary—Betsy Jeronen

THE AGNES ROBERTS MEMORIAL SACRED HARP SINGING (FORMERLY AUGUSTA SACRED HARP SINGING)

**Augusta Old Line Primitive Baptist Church, Martinez, Georgia
Saturday, May 5, 2018**

The 9th annual Augusta Sacred Harp Singing was held at Augusta Old Line Primitive Baptist Church, Martinez, Georgia, on Saturday before the first Sunday in May. Gene Pinion began the meeting with a singing school at 9:15 a.m. After the presentation, Richard Noegel called the class to order at 10:00 a.m., and welcomed everyone. After a moment of silence, Richard Noegel offered prayer, and the class sang 178. Leaders: Chandler Thigpen 59; Gene Pinion "Agnes Song" (written in memory of Agnes Roberts); Richard Noegel 163b; Joyce Heath 164; John Gentry 84; Robert Kelley 64; Rob Dylan 313b; Stephen Jones 123b; John Plunkett 544.

RECESS

Gene Pinion brought the class back to order by leading 133. Chandler Thigpen led 294. The class entered into a business session at 11:00 a.m., and approved a resolution to rename the singing to The Agnes Roberts Memorial Sacred Harp Singing. Also adopted was a resolution to express gratitude to Old Line Primitive Baptist Church for its support and hospitality over the last nine years. Singing resumed at 11:15 a.m.

Leaders: Joyce Heath 127; John Gentry 32t; Robert Kelley 186; Rob Dylan 47t; Stephen Jones 52b; John Plunkett 33b; Richard Noegel 122; Gene Pinion 79; Brock Daniels 40; Chandler Thigpen 162; Joyce Heath 123t; John Gentry 274t; Robert Kelley 29b; Rob Dylan 475; Stephen Jones 29t; John Plunkett 378t; Gene Pinion 276.

LUNCH

Richard Noegel called the class back to order at 1:10 p.m. Leaders: Gene Pinion 551; Chandler Thigpen 358; Joyce Heath 212; John Gentry 102; Robert Kelley 89; Rob Dylan 159; Stephen Jones 268; John Plunkett 47b; Gene Pinion 38b; Richard Noegel 231; Chandler Thigpen 242; Joyce Heath 143; John Gentry 282; Robert Kelley 72b; Rob Dylan 171; Stephen Jones 146; John Plunkett 26; Gene Pinion 97; Chandler Thigpen 354t; Richard Noegel 38t; Joyce Heath 36b; John Gentry 503; Robert Kelley 313t; Rob Dylan 45t; Stephen Jones 254; John Gentry 312b; Robert Kelley 147t; Gene Pinion 148; Joyce Heath 228.

Announcements were made. Richard Noegel thanked all who attended and helped with this year's singing, and led 63 as the closing song. John Gentry offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard Noegel; Vice Chairman—Chandler Thigpen; Secretary—Diane Goldman and Chandler Thigpen

MT. ZION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH HOMECOMING Ashland, Alabama

Sunday, May 6, 2018

The annual Homecoming Sacred Harp Singing was held at Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church on the first Sunday in May. Eugene Forbes called the class to order

leading 32t and 75. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Ken Milner. The class elected the following officers: Chairman—Jacob Acton; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

Leaders: Jacob Acton 100, 168; Richard Mauldin 146, 43; Shellia Harris 490 (in memory of her mom, Edna Ruth Phillips), 358; Judy Chambless 454, 222; Karen Rollins 225t, 227; Cecil Roberts 512, 403.

RECESS

Jacob Acton led 282 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Wallace cousins (Jenny Acton, Lori Hinesley, Shirley Berry, Pam Anderson, and Shellia Harris) 172; Jenny Acton 229 (CB); Taylor Kennedy 344, 457; Robert Chambless 354b, 163b; Pam Anderson 143, 480; Jack Nelson 283, 228; Myrline Redmon 274t, 569b.

A memorial lesson was held. Richard Mauldin led 551 in memory of the following deceased and in honor of the following sick and shut-ins. The deceased were Hugh McGraw, Ruth Garner, Daphne Causey, Floy Wilder, Louise Holland, Margaret Ray, Steve Helwig, and Eloise Wootten. The sick and shut-ins were Don Bowen, Mary Frances Forbes, Deanna Martin, Jarred Rollins, Jimmy Harris, Jimmy Bass, Betty Bass, and Charlene Wallace. Elder Ken Milner closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Samuel Williams 171, 95; Eugene Forbes 299, 155.

LUNCH

Jacob Acton began the afternoon session by leading 269. Leaders: Shirley Berry 189 (in memory of her mom, Betty Forbes), 373; Winfred Kerr 36b, 516; Lisa Bennett 207, 410b; Oscar McGuire 515, 229; David Smead 129, 141; Mary Huffman 556, 147t; Lori Hinesley 148, 137; Wendy Anderson 145b, 341 (for her dad); Stephen Huffman 142, 535; Jenny Acton 236 (in memory of Edna Ruth Phillips); Roy Nelson 31b, 39b; Ken Milner and Jenny Acton 39t, 58.

Announcements were made. Jacob Acton led 268 as the closing song. Jack Nelson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jacob Acton; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Jenny Acton

PORTLAND CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING

The Little Church, Portland Oregon

Sunday, May 6, 2018

The 6th annual *Christian Harmony All-Day Singing* was called to order by Nancy Novotny and Chris Cotter leading 261t. Dan Thoma offered the morning prayer.

A business meeting was held to elect the following officers: Chairman—Nancy Novotny; Treasurer—Linda Berkemeier; Secretary—Betsy Jeronen.

Leaders: Betsy Jeronen 120; Yosef Tractenberg 117; Chris Noren 417b; Ben Copenhaver and Stephanie Copenhaver 76b; Lu Zeng 263; Steve Cackley 111b (for John Hayes); Kate Fine 322; Rodman Campbell 260t; Cassie Allen 332; Dan Thoma 171; Linda Berkemeier 281b; Greg Saue 35b; Laura McMurray 46t; Jim Pfau 9; Cindy Tanner 180; Eric Holt 16.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Bradley Knoke leading 49. Leaders: Tom McTighe 276; Tamara Harris 126; Chris Cotter 307; Ellen Ray 255; Sam Kleinman 362; Ana Tighe 54; Jeff Begley 365; Karen Willard 190; Jen Rymut and Kelly Clare Riggle 10; Erik Schwab 480; Evelyn Lamb 548; Kate Mahoney, Tamara Harris, Ben Copenhaver, Ellen Ray, and Evelyn Lamb 131; Scott Kennedy 228 (for Glenda Hopper); Lindy Groening 320.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Sadhbh O'Flynn leading 354. Leaders: Peter Schinske 168b; Ruth Wampler 162; Thom Fahrback 316; Anna Pfau 172; Sean

Francis Conway 203; Nancy Novotny 299; Steve Tarr 72t; Sophia Schinske and Logan Thomas 138; John Berendzen 155; Wren Hyde 208b; Clarissa Fetrow 52; Bradley Knoke 133. The noon blessing was offered by Dan Thoma.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by John Wiens and Julius Passay leading 142. Leaders: Rebecca Edwards 36t; Mike Richards 223; Denise Kania 189; Mark Miller 184; Linda Selph 546b; John Wiens 91; Kate Coxon 19; Dave Barber 209; Carol Huang 149; Kevin Barrans 97; Alice Beattie 336t; Bob Schinske 64; Gillian Inksetter 492t; Sadhbh O'Flynn 13; Stephanie Fida 493b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Jen Rymut and Eric Holt leading 318. Leaders: Jake Hachey 143; Cassie Allen 176; Jim Pfau 372; Ellen Ray 356; Chris Noren 170; Ruth Wampler 333; Ben Copenhaver 473; Cindy Tanner 51; Sean Francis Conway and Natasha Kozaily 44b; Denise Kania 250t; Sam Kleinman 326; Evelyn Lamb, Sophia Schinske, Stephanie Fida, Logan Thomas, and Sonja Launspach 544; Chris Cotter 386; Anna Pfau 355; Mike Richards 61b; Tamara Harris 63b; Dave Barber 400t; Gillian Inksetter and Thom Fahrback 447; Cassie Allen 80.

The business meeting was reopened. The Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The Arranging Committee reported sixty leaders and eighty-two songs sung. Nancy Novotny led 67t as the closing song. Dan Thomas offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nancy Novotny; Secretary—Betsy Jeronen

SHADY GROVE SINGING

Keeton Cemetery, Walker County, Alabama

Sunday, May 6, 2018

The 46th annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Shady Grove Church (Keeton Cemetery), near Nauvoo, Alabama, on the first Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 74b. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer. Glenn Keeton welcomed everyone.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary and Arranging Officer—Lena Keeton.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 46; Marlin Beasley 39t, 278t; Linton Ballinger 64, 144; David Jackson 39b, 49b; Becky Briggs 400, 512; Mark Davis 345b, 91; Lisa Geist 228, 472; Tom Booth 480, 441; Roma Rice 348b, 354b; Yancey Jett 440, 172; Mike Hankins 168, 527.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton led 270 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Betty Baccus 436, 417; Sarah Beasley 340, 129; Henry McGuire 399t, 511; Larry Ballinger 291, 151; Nicholas Thompson 310 (for Glenda Hopper) 192; Seth Holloway 143, 318; Earl Ballinger 187, 80b; Loretta Whitman 406, 399b; Dwight Ingle 294, 445. David Jackson asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 77t. Leaders: Glenn Keeton and Fallon Christian 45t; Chris Ballinger 145t, 350; Henry Guthery 548, 549; Margaret Keeton and Travis Keeton, Jr. 373, 179, 177; Julia Poston 421, 290; Amber Davis 422, 391; Lena Keeton, Glenn Keeton, Gwen Cornelius, Olivia DeFoe, Linda Christian, Steve Christian, Kristi McLemore, and Jonathan McLemore 380, 475; Henry McGuire 38b; Mark Davis 214; David Jackson 225t; Joey Clingan and Gwen Cornelius 35, 109; Linton Ballinger 212; Justin Keeton, Ali Keeton, and Solomon Keeton 454, 455; Nicholas Thompson 216, 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger).

Announcements were made. Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Mark Davis, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Lena Keeton

BRISTOL SINGING

Frenchay Quaker Meeting House, Bristol, United Kingdom

Saturday, May 12, 2018

The 5th Bristol All-Day Singing was called to order at Frenchay Quaker Meeting House by Samantha Cole leading 492. Thom Fahrbach offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Leilai Immel-Parkinson 48t; Alec Williams 49b; Steve Brett 73t; Emma Hooper 335; Samuel Turner 49t; Rachel Wemyss 59; Christian Liberati 146 (dedicated to Geoff King and Jane Bennett on their wedding anniversary); Matthew Parkinson 81t; Kate Kirwan 90; Charlie Williams 154; Brenda Harvey 159; Werner Ullah 503; Simon Read and Toby Goss 338; Thomas Sprackland 89; Steve Fletcher 212; Dave Townsend 148; Nigel Bowley 274b; Teresa Maguire 179; Toby Goss 155; Robin Bisson 142; Jacoba Bruneel 215; Edwin Macadam 315; Machna Nowak 122; Derek Buckland 29b.

RECESS

Barry Parsons called the class back to order leading 121. Leaders: Joe Jones 314; Sheila Girling Macadam 286; Francis Gaskin 390; Amy Cutts 70b; Rebecca Over 392; George Simms 280; Vicki Elliott 272; Ian West 500; Mandy Townsend 163t; Nick Hall 454; Sam Carter 292; Seth Dickens 481; Ted Brown 391; Rachel Jordan 564.

The sick and housebound lesson was led by Caro Stamm-Reusch, who spoke of the positive power of thoughts and prayers directed towards those in need. Caro then led 32b in honor of the following people: Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, Melanie Tonnies, Derek Malin, Chris Brown, Sister Pippa, Colin Smail, Bob Patten, Andy Spence, Keith Mendes, and Paula Mogensen.

Sinead Hanrahan conducted the memorial lesson in which she spoke of the recently deceased Professor Stephen Hawking's teachings on the everlasting nature of energy and linked this to the lasting affect people have on those they interact with and encouraged the class to reflect on those who have influenced our lives. Sinead led 176t in memory of the following: Daphne Causey and Glenda Hopper—Alabama, USA; Louise Holland, Hugh McGraw, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Florice Akin, and Audrey Ruth Garner—Georgia, USA; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Ulli Windmeier—Munich, Germany; Reginald Brett—Sunningdale; Kerryn Neilson—Johannesburg RSA; Lyndsey Cockwell—Berlin/London; Jackie Saunders—Eynsham; Michael Seifert, Kamila Zahno, and Frank Pigott—London; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; Francesco Nazzini—London and Naples; Rollo Woods—Swanage; Mark Girling—Spain; Jennifer Bennett—Canada; and Jean Williams—Hitchin. The memorial service was closed with prayer offered by Matthew Parkinson.

Leaders: Helen Brown 134; Jan Geerts 297; Calum Woods 139; Karen Turner 189; Inga Huebner 359. The blessing before the mid-day meal was offered by Michael Walker.

LUNCH

Kate Kirwan called the class back to order leading 97. Leaders: Sarah West 333; Charles Biada 336; Sinead Hanrahan 214; Michael Walker 322; Thom Fahrbach 225b; Gwen Gethner 436; Aldo Ceresa 522; Aaron Kahn 95; Caro Stamm-Reusch 375; Duane Nasis 172; Lucy Day and Aldo Ceresa 290; Edwin Macadam 528; Helen Brown 532; Meg Winter 424; Joe Jones 273; Steve Fletcher 216; Jacoba Bruneel 302; Dave Townsend 378b; Rebecca Over 348t.

RECESS

Steve Brett and Vicki Elliott called the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Calum Woods 186; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Charles Biada and Gwen Gethner 77t; Jan Geerts 415; Rachel Jordan and Nick Hall 441; Thom Fahrbach 428; Inga Huebner 96; Aldo Ceresa 430; Ted Brown 72b; Aaron Kahn 84; Mandy Townsend 480; Michael Walker 460; Ian West 447; Seth Dickens 505; Nigel Bowley and Brenda Harvey 29t; Sam Carter 506; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 76b. Samantha Cole made the closing announcements, thanking all those involved in the organization and running of the day, and thanking those who had travelled to sing. Alec Williams reported that eighty-six songs had been sung by seventy-nine registered singers, with fifty-seven leaders representing five countries (UK, Germany, Ireland, Lithuania, and USA). Meg Winter gave treasurer's report stating that all expenses had been met. Sam Cole led 62 as the closing song. Calum Woods offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Samantha Cole; Vice Chairman—Leilai Immel-Parkinson; Secretary—Alec Williams

FURMAN UNIVERSITY SINGING Elizabeth Stone Harper Music Hall, Furman University Greenville, South Carolina Saturday, May 12, 2018

The first morning session of the 21st Furman University Singing included selections from *The Christian Harmony*, 2010 Edition. Frances Carnell called the class to order leading 398t (CH). Leon Carnell offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Mary Baumeister 398b (CH); Dave Farmer 127 (CH); Elizabeth Eger 256t (CH); Diane Eskenasy 490 (CH); Leon Carnell 257 (CH); Leslie Booher 180 (CH); Jacob Lindler 217 (CH); Phil Perrin 117 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 546t (CH); Steve Walker 167t (CH); Frances Carnell 171 (CH); Mary Baumeister 131 (CH).

RECESS

The second morning session included selections from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Leaders: Frances Carnell 282; Dave Farmer 168; Barbara Brooks 32b; Elizabeth Eger 321; Diane Eskenasy 180 (in memory of Tom Aldrich); Leon Carnell 178; Leslie Booher 38b; Jacob Lindler 299; Phil Perrin 354b; Chris Wilhelm 566; Steve Walker 565; Eric Carnell 32t; Frances Carnell 36b; Mary Baumeister 133; Dave Farmer 324; Barbara Brooks 339; Elizabeth Eger 63. Table grace was offered by Eric Carnell.

LUNCH

The first afternoon session included selections from *The Christian Harmony*, 2010 Edition. Leaders: Frances Carnell 323 (CH); Diane Eskenasy 51 (CH); Leon Carnell 346 (CH); Leslie Booher 43 (CH); Jacob Lindler 339 (CH); Phil Perrin 143 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 491 (CH); Steve Walker 66b (CH); Frances Carnell 232t (CH); Mary Baumeister 189 (CH); Dave Farmer 67b (CH); Elizabeth Eger 107 (CH); Jacob Lindler 228 (CH); Phil Perrin 184 (CH).

RECESS

The second afternoon session included selections from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Frances Carnell brought the class back leading 106. In a business meeting the following officers were retained for 2019: Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister.

Leaders: Diane Eskenasy 155; Leon Carnell 268; Leslie Booher 448t; Chris Wilhelm 298; Eric Carnell, Joy Carnell, and Marygrace Carnell 40; Frances Carnell and Marygrace Carnell 106; Mary Baumeister 506; Dave Farmer 186; Elizabeth Eger 303; Rob Kelley 122, 235; Leslie Booher 319; Jacob Lindler 455. Frances Carnell led 267 as the closing song. Leon Carnell offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dave Farmer; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

MEMPHIS SINGING

Grace Chapel Primitive Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee

Saturday, May 12, 2018

The 7th annual Memphis Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Matt Bell leading 33b and 33t. Kevan Barley offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Logan Green 105, 99; Harris Beauchamp 84, 276; Robert Green 480, 222; Joe Thompson 66, 142; Roy Beauchamp 148, 70b; Seth Guess 143, 178; Dalton Green 163b, 122 (in memory of Helen Beauchamp).

RECESS

Logan Green brought the class together by leading 39b. Leaders: Bobby Neyman 479, 117; Kevan Barley 145t, 335; Chris Nicholson 34b, 212; Warren Steel 179, 442; Erin Fulton 312t, 172; Anne Steel 328, 551; Lori Rodgers 430, 503; Rachel Green 106, 277; Nathan Guess 61, 376. Elder Zack Guess asked the blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

Matt Bell began the afternoon session by leading 141. Leaders: Ashton Rodgers 139, 162; John Simmons 146, 100; Melissa Beauchamp 315, 454; Ada Guess 354b; Ellen Rardin 457, 224; Louis Garner 159, 63; Caroline Green 58, 86; Katie Atkinson 312b, 40; Vicki Neyman 282, 268; Chris Nicholson 235; Erin Fulton 67; Lori Rodgers 472; Warren Steel 64; Dalton Green 504; John Simmons 547; Matt Bell 294.

Following announcements, 62 was sung as the closing song, and the chairman thanked everyone present for attending. Robert Green offered the closing prayer. Chairman and Secretary—Matt Bell

MID-MICHIGAN SINGING

Faith Lutheran Church, Okemos, Michigan

Saturday, May 12, 2018

The 10th annual Mid-Michigan All-Day Singing was called to order by Cecelia Kramer leading 171. The opening prayer was offered by Wendy Wahn.

Leaders: Marian Mitchell 66; Bob Borcharding 430; Wendy Wahn 163b; Anne Missavage 40; Will Fitzgerald 401; Len VanderJagt 452; Martha Beverly 276; Jamie Yeats 107; Jan May 228; Idy Kiser 448t; Mark Clague 149; Catherine Brown 84; Ted Mercer 95; Bess Fitzgerald 59; Bill Beverly 191; Margaret Hahn 148; Ginny Landgraf 538; Sandy Wong 178.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Marian Mitchell leading 142. Leaders: Barb VanderJagt 155; John Seaton 147t; Ann Miczulski 384; Eric Sandberg 472; Molly McBride and Micah Ling 159; Charlotte Wolfe 128; Cecelia Kramer 63; Bob Borcharding 426b; Will Fitzgerald 417; Wendy Wahn 108b; Marian Mitchell 534; Len VanderJagt 106; Martha Beverly 269; Jan May 344; Jamie Yeats 503; Mark Clague 464; Bess Fitzgerald 207; Ted Mercer 419 (in memory of Julie Vea).

RECESS

The class was called to order by Margaret Hahn leading 82t. Leaders: Anne

Missavage 99; Catherine Brown 287; Molly McBride 42; Nate Zweig 475; Bob Borcharding 235; Sandy Wong 268; Ginny Landgraf 198. Wendy Wahn asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Len VanderJagt leading 496. Leaders: Barb VanderJagt 168; Ann Miczulski 154; Eric Sandberg 299; Charlotte Wolfe 196; John Seaton 47t; Marian Mitchell 288; Wendy Wahn 304; Will Fitzgerald 447; Len VanderJagt 350; Bob Borcharding 215; Martha Beverly 522; Cecelia Kramer 163t; Anne Missavage 362; Jamie Yeats 39b; Jan May 474; Mark Clague 242; Ted Mercer 308; Catherine Brown 272; Bess Fitzgerald 186; Margaret Hahn 30b.

RECESS

John Seaton led 105 to bring the class together. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 70b; Barb VanderJagt 209; Ann Miczulski 556; Eric Sandberg 77t; Charlotte Wolfe 146; Nate Zweig 456; Mark Clague 455; Ted Mercer 345b; Ginny Landgraf 397; John Seaton 284; Eric Sandberg 500.

Announcements were made. Cecelia Kramer led 347 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Wendy Wahn.

Chairman—Cecelia Kramer; Secretary—Anne Missavage

GARDEN STATE SINGING CONVENTION

Montclair Friends Meetinghouse, Upper Montclair, New Jersey

May 18-19, 2018

Friday, May 18

The 26th annual Garden State Convention, a two book singing, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Gina Balestracci, who led 336t (CB), and offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Roland Hutchinson 49b; Sue Peters 32t; Susan Bingham 45t; John Hansen and Gina Balestracci 178; John Hughes 501; Myles Dakan 271t; Stefani Priscos 270; Claire Simon 31t; Nancy Mandel 54t (CB); Barbara Swetman 140 (CB); Laura Densmore 210 (CB); Jean Seiler 217; Sarah Leitao 123b.

RECESS

Roland Hutchinson called the class to order by leading 48t. Leaders: Nancy Mandel 511b (CB); Roland Hutchinson 505 (CB); Sue Peters 341; Myles Dakan 578 (CB); John Hughes 315; Myles Dakan 29t; Jean Seiler 142; Stefani Priscos 472; Claire Simon 473; Sarah Leitao 61; Gina Balestracci 38t; Barbara Swetman 451 (CB); Laura Densmore 504t (CB); Susan Bingham 107; Nancy Mandel 39 (CB); Myles Dakan 28t; Roland Hutchinson 587 (CB); Barbara Swetman 367 (CB); Susan Bingham 454; Sue Peters 339; Gina Balestracci 485 (CB); Claire Simon 347; John Hughes 393. Gina Balestracci offered the closing prayer, and led 574 (CB). The class was dismissed.

Saturday, May 19

Gina Balestracci called the class to order leading 313b, and offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Claire Simon 143; Roland Hutchinson 515; Susan Bingham 38t; Stefani Priscos 37b; Dann Pell 36b; Rachel Speer 56t; Laura Densmore 313t; Terry Ryan 148; Jean Seiler 168; Lamar Matthew 31t; Barbara Swetman 452; Harry Scott 171; Sue Peters 77b; Sarah Leitao 77t; Leon Pulsinelle 426b; Rachel Hall 204; Elsa Phemayotin 29b; Ina Shea 29t; Miriam Delirium 28t; Dean Jens 125; Guy Bankes 311; Joyce Smith 547; Colman Durkee 319.

RECESS

Barbara Swetman called the class back to order leading 48t. Leaders: Claire Simon 122; Lisa Bennett 374; John Hughes 371; David Smead 439; Roland Hutchinson 535; Barbara Hohenstein 415; Gina Balestracci 430; Dann Pell 428; Sue Peters 271t;

Sarah Leitao 411; Elsa Phemayotin 419; Laura Densmore 542; Terry Ryan 200. Gina Balestracci conducted the memorial lesson, reading the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Melanie Hauff, Tommie Spurllock, Carol Stevens, Mary Ellen Schrock, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, Kathryn Davis, Giani Colafico, Don Bowen, Marlene Levine, Concetta Branson, Rosemary Viquist, Evelyn Silvia, Ester Wildey, Joan Trout, Michael Kaye, and Joann Trimarco. She led 472.

Gina then read the following list of names of the deceased: Johnny Lee, Dolores Lee, Hugh McGraw, and Louise Holland—Georgia; Eloise Wootten—Alabama; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Barbara Bell—New York; Wayne Jens—Iowa; June Durkee—Maine; Thomas Fedorick—New Jersey; Winter Acorn—Pennsylvania; Marjorie Forbush Scott—Maryland. She led 387 in memory of those named. Gina offered a prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Jean Seiler 318; Leon Pulsinelle 498; Dean Jens 341; Miriam Delirium 235; Susan Bingham 159; Joyce Smith 401; Coleman Durkee 85; Lamar Matthew 157. Gina Balestracci led 180 as a grace before dismissing the class for dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Terry Ryan called the class back to order by leading 106. Leaders: Miriam Delirium 107; Guy Bankes 120; Stefani Priscos 548; Ina Shea 438; Harry Scott 192; Rachel Hall 340; Jeff Gauthier 236; Elsa Phemayotin 58; Rachel Speer 441; Linda Bennett 269; Eric Xu 477; Barbara Hohenstein 302; Dann Pell 209; Joyce Smith 312b; John Hughes 112; Evan Druce 228.

RECESS

Singing resumed with Gina Balestracci leading 155. Leaders: Sarah Leitao 378t; Dean Jens 486; David Smead 351; Barbara Swetman 475; Jean Seiler 299; Lamar Matthew 154; Susan Bingham 63; Leon Pulsinelle and Guy Bankes 391; Sue Peters 32t; Terry Ryan 344; Laura Densmore 349; Roland Hutchinson 524; Gina Balestracci 506; Joyce Smith 504; Eric Xu 502; Barbara Hohenstein 183; Jeff Gauthier 384; Lisa Bennett 348t; John Hughes 377; Evan Druce 117; David Smead 521.

Announcements were made. Gina Balestracci invited the other officers to join her in leading 62, after which Lamar Matthew offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Gina Balestracci; Vice Chairman—Susan Bingham; Secretary—Claire Simon

KENNETH FANNIN MEMORIAL AND PROVIDENCE SINGING Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church at Providence, Vinemont, Alabama Saturday, May 19, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Mt. Olive Primitive Baptist Church at Providence held in memory of Kenneth Fannin on Saturday before the third Sunday in May was called to order by Butch White leading 86. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging Delegate—Cheyenne Ivey.

Leaders: Christopher Mann 31t, 569b; Judy Caudle 111t, 111b; Cheyenne Ivey 101t, 378b; Delone Cobbs 49t, 354t; Danny Creel 354b, 56b; Glenn Keeton 163b, 178; Sonja Sipe 47b (for Judy Cobbs) 77t; Amber Davis 203, 224; Henry Guthery 405, 460; J.L. Hopper 374, 450; Nancy Thompson 30t, 312b.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Christopher Mann leading 47t. Leaders: Tom Booth 225t, 480; Hazel Heinze 145t, 515; Jeannie Guthery 68b, 63; Cindy Mann 274t, 159; Bea Aaron 441, 568; Carol Fannin 108t, 503; Nicholas Mann 268, 358; Laura Hale 384, 340; Loretta Whitman 275b, 277. Butch White asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Christopher Mann leading 39b. Leaders: Roma Rice 49b, 299; Butch White 535, 547; Henry Guthery and Jim Aaron 231; Geraldine Sharpton 229, 421; Judy Caudle 436 (in memory of Kenneth Fannin); Glenn Keeton 420; Cindy Mann 127; Carol Fannin 145b; J.L. Hopper 234; Bea Aaron 175; Delone Cobbs 67, 44; Amber Davis 276 (for Margaret Keeton); Nicholas Thompson 192, 336; Hazel Heinze 147t; Sonja Sipe 312t; Cheyenne Ivey 182, 56t; J.L. Hopper 513. Announcements were made. Christopher Mann led 146 as the closing song. Butch White dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Butch White; Secretary—Judy Caudle

KENTUCKY STATE SACRED HARP SINGING **Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Versailles, Kentucky** **Saturday, May 19, 2018**

The 37th annual Kentucky State Sacred Harp Singing, hosted by the Appalachian Association of Sacred Harp Singers (AASHS), was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Zach Davis, who made a few announcements about the singing, schedule, and facilities. *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, and *Southern Harmony* were used throughout the day. Jim Thobaben offered the morning prayer, after which Zach led 58 to open the singing.

Leaders: Zach Davis 87 (for Jim Thobaben); Zach Davis 31t (for David Beshear); Ally Talbot 86; Erin Fulton 327 (SoH); Mary Brinkman 178; Mike Grimes 40 (for Jo Ann Grimes); Donna Kwon 47t; Diane Arnson-Svarlien and Zach Davis 163b; Joy Dunn 63; Randy Webber 277 (for Brenda Stone); Randy Webber 411 (for Amy Pemberton); Tim Gregg 99; Rafi Finkel 66; Randy Webber 504; Tom Morton 313b; Mike Grimes 268; Zach Davis 448t (for Bradley Stone).

RECESS

Zach Davis brought the class back together by leading 452. Leaders: Ally Talbot 480; Zach Davis 53 (for David Beshear); Annaliza Cull 49t; Michele Cull 441; Zach Davis 479 (for Howard Carlberg); Jo Ann Grimes and Mike Grimes 236; Erin Fulton 348t; Donna Kwon and Randy Webber 335; Diane Arnson-Svarlien and Zach Davis 457; Joy Dunn 209; Randy Webber 556 (for Brenda Stone); Amy Pemberton and Zach Davis 82t; Tim Gregg 29t; Rafi Finkel 159b (SoH); Randy Webber 28b; Tom Morton 496; Mike Grimes 146; Brad Stone 569b; Justin Bowen 187.

RECESS

Zach Davis brought the class back together by leading 95. Leaders: Ally Talbot 532; Justin Bowen 103; Ben Fink 505; Zach Davis 62 (for David Beshear).

Erin Fulton conducted the memorial lesson. She shared some personal comments, remembering that Michele Cull had spoken of Joe Fothergill several years ago, and other names she'd heard memorialized over the years at other singings. These past memorials, and the numerous singings Erin has attended over the years, have had strong personal meaning for her. Erin then read the names on the memorial list. Zach Davis made remarks about Charles Thobaben, father of Jim Thobaben, who had had to leave the singing early. Charles was a Kentuckian, and had died in a car accident. From his own knowledge of Charles, Zach commented on how kind Charles was, and how many people will miss him. Jim had asked Zach to lead 128 in

memory of Charles.

Michele Cull made remarks about Darrell Swarens, an Indianan and well-known Sacred Harp singer, who died in 2018. Darrell had driven many miles to attend many singings, and had encouraged Michele and other singers to do the same. He felt that attending lots of singings was a good way to get to know new people and new songs. Michele led 208 in memory of Darrell.

Randy Webber's mother, Dorothy Webber, from Augusta, Georgia, had died in December of 2017. Randy shared that his mother had been sarcastic, but that he got his work ethic from his dad. Randy led "Benton", a song he had just written the music for.

Rafi Finkel and Diane Arnson-Svarlien memorialized Cathy Scaife, a Kentuckian, who died in April of 2018. Diane said that Cathy was a great person, that she would really miss her, and that she had died about a month ago. Rafi echoed Diane's comments, and led 47b in memory of Cathy. Zach Davis, who also knew Cathy and her three grown sons, remarked that they were now without their parents, since Cathy's husband was previously deceased.

Ally Talbot memorialized Judith McDowell, a shape note singer from Columbus, Ohio, who died in 2018. Judith sang with the Columbus group, provided leadership for that group and loved a challenge. Ally led 72b in memory of Judith.

Bob French led 312b in memory of Tony Whalen, who passed away in 2017. Tony had been Bob's foster son. Erin had written Ray Rechenberg's name on the sick and shut-in list, not because he was ill, but because of the arduous journey he was on, attending singings out of the United States. That concluded the memorial lesson. Randy Webber asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Randy Webber called the afternoon class together by leading 565. Leaders: Pearl Marshall 350; Annaliza Cull 547; Michele Cull 300; Susan Liddle and Zach Davis 159; Mary Brinkman 147b; Erin Fulton 172; Donna Kwon and Zach Davis 497; Joy Dunn 45t; Michele Cull 59 (for Brenda Stone); Amy Pemberton 117; Rafi Finkel "Lansdowne" (his own transcription of a Sephardic melody); Randy Webber 76 (SoH); Tom Morton 503; Randy Webber 107 (for Howard Carlberg); Ally Talbot 148 (for Brenda Stone); Zach Davis 408; Ally Talbot 327; Ben Fink 50 (SoH); Tim Gregg 228; Bob French 454; Pearl Marshall 551; Annaliza Cull 155; Michele Cull 36b; Mary Brinkman 147t; Erin Fulton 134 (SoH); Donna Kwon 344.

RECESS

Randy Webber reconvened the class by leading 303. Leaders: Joy Dunn 133; Amy Pemberton and Zach Davis 65; Rafi Finkel 269; Tom Morton 68b; Randy Webber 322 (SoH); Tim Gregg 373 (for Brad Stone); Zach Davis 242; Ally Talbot 365; Charles Coulston 276.

Announcements were made, after which Randy Webber gave the benediction. The class sang 267 as the closing song. All who wanted shared the parting hand, and the class was dismissed at 3:06 p.m.

Chairman and Treasurer—Charles H. Coulston; Secretary—Mary Brinkman

ST. JOSEPH'S ON THE MOUNTAIN EPISCOPAL CHURCH **Mentone, Alabama** **Saturday, May 19, 2018**

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at St. Joseph's on the Mountain Episcopal Church, Mentone, Alabama, on Saturday before the third Sunday in May was called to order by Susan Cheronas leading 59. Ed Thacker offered the opening prayer. Susan Cheronas that the singing would be dedicated to the memory of Hollis Gentry. Leaders: Elizabeth Gentry 63, 64; Cindy Tanner 129, 139 (for Wanda

Capps); Robert Chambless 49b, 75; Daniel Lee 354t, 48t; Henry Johnson 418, 55; Loretta Smith, Amy Smith, and David Smith 452, 68b; Emily Stutzman 146, 81t; Ed Thacker 433, 400.

RECESS

Susan Cheronas led 56b to bring the class back together. Leaders: David Brodeur 175, 176b (in memory of B.M. Smith); Susan Field 457, 87; Karen Rollins 335, 336; Nate Green and Norma Green 334, 317; Winfred Kerr 318, 516; Hayden Arp 79, 388; Bryan Field 198, 88b; Judy Chambless 319, 410t; Sandy Ivey 31t, 56t; Mary Ruth Stiefel 128, 340; Margaret Thacker 480, 39b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Elizabeth Gentry leading 345t. Leaders: Elizabeth Gentry and Charlotte Gentry 452; Elizabeth Gentry and Scott Azbell 45t; Susan Cheronas 460; Winfred Kerr 36b; Emily Stutzman 217; Ed Thacker 421; Daniel Lee 28t; Robert Chambless 72b; Nate Green and Norma Green 135; Susan Field 485; Henry Johnson 34t; David Brodeur 167; Bryan Field 456; Hayden Arp 436; Judy Chambless 209; Margaret Thacker 303; Mary Ruth Stiefel 290; Cindy Tanner 155. Susan Cheronas led 45b as the closing song. Daniel Lee dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Susan Cheronas; Vice Chairman—Elizabeth Gentry; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

STEVE HELWIG MEMORIAL SINGING

The See House, St-Peter's-By-The-Sea Episcopal Church

Sitka, Alaska

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Since 2006, Steve Helwig was a vital influence in helping the remote Alaska Sacred Harp communities come together for conventions. He advised on singing school teachers, sponsored anchor singers from the Pacific Northwest and beyond to ensure a strong class, and took on many responsibilities during convention to teach those of us, not prone to frequent travel to other singings, how a convention was run. He taught singing schools in Sitka, Anchorage, and Ketchikan. He was trusting enough to be talked into co-facilitating the Alaska Sacred Harp Cruise in May, 2016, and was a huge part of its success. Alaskan singers felt it important to come together and honor our friend and mentor.

The class was called to order by Kari Lundgren leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Sylvia Friske. Leaders: Kari Lundgren 99, 146; Sara Beaber-Fujioka and Alexandra Fujioka 347, 31t; Joe Linden 122, 63; Sylvia Friske 107, 105; Brian Hullfish 82t, 277.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Linda Janachek and Sara Beaber-Fujioka leading 178. Leaders: Maria D'Agostino 84; Pat Coghlan 492; Kari Lundgren 276, 162; Sara Beaber-Fujioka 236; Joe Linden 282, 457; Sylvia Friske and Maria D'Agostino 47b; Sylvia Friske and Kari Lundgren 344; Brian Hullfish 268, 388; Linda Janachek and Joe Linden 86; Maria D'Agostino 159. A prayer blessing the food was offered by Sylvia Friske.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Pat Coghlan leading 351. Leaders: Kari Lundgren 479, 155; Sara Beaber-Fujioka 474, 157; Joe Linden 128; Sylvia Friske 135; Maria D'Agostino 209. Pat Coghlan led 36b as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Sylvia Friske.

Chairman—Kari Lundgren

WASHINGTON SINGING

Washington United Methodist Church, Washington, Arkansas Saturday, May 19, 2018

The 3rd annual Old Washington Sacred Harp Singing met at Washington Methodist Church in Washington, Arkansas. Dan Brittain led 31b (CB). Andrew Albers offered the opening prayer. It was agreed that the following officers would serve:

Chairman—Dan Brittain; Secretary—Gaylon Powell; Chaplain—Rev. Keenan Williams.

Leaders: Dan Brittain 32t (CB); Gaylon Powell 45t (CB), 85 (CB); Andrew Albers 101b (CB), 102 (CB); Robbie Hooper 63 (CB), 60 (CB); Sonya Kirkham 54t (CB), 40 (CB); Kristie Powell 133 (CB), 514 (CB); Tiffany Hooper 96 (CB), 571 (CB); Keenan Williams 81 (CB), 59b (CB).

RECESS

Dan Brittain called the singers back together by leading 121 and 135. Leaders: Gaylon Powell 223, 137 (CB); Andrew Albers 500 (CB), 41 (CB); Robbie Hooper 288 (CB), 518 (CB); Sonya Kirkham 99 (CB), 330t (CB); Kristie Powell 138t (CB), 210 (CB). Prayer was offered by Rev. Keenan Williams before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dan Brittain called the singers back to order leading 148. Leaders: Tiffany Hooper 178, 505 (CB); Keenan Williams 463 (CB), 587 (CB); Dan Brittain 572, 217; Gaylon Powell 480, 271t; Andrew Albers 268b (CB), 448t; Robbie Hooper 235, 146; Sonya Kirkham 207 (CB), 450 (CB); Kristie Powell 140 (CB), 392 (CB); Tiffany Hooper 567 (CB), 47b; Keenan Williams 268t (CB), 449 (CB); Sue Ellen Hall 95b (CB), 405 (CB); Gaylon Powell and Kristie Powell 464 (CB); Andrew Albers and Sonya Kirkham 336t (CB); Robbie Hooper and Tiffany Hooper 335 (CB); Keenan Williams and Sue Ellen Hall 242 (CB).

After announcements, Dan Brittain led 69t as the closing song. Rev. Keenan Williams offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Dan Brittain; Secretary—Gaylon Powell

CANE CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Heflin, Cleburne County, Alabama

Sunday, May 20, 2018

The annual Decoration Day Sacred Harp singing was held at Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church, near Heflin, Cleburne County, Alabama, on the third Sunday in May. David Brodeur called the class to order promptly at 9:30 a.m. leading 146. Cecil Roberts offered the morning prayer. David Brodeur welcomed everyone, and then led 425.

Leaders: Glenda Collins 322, 101t; Donna Bell 68b (in memory of her aunt, Audrey Ruth Garner), 323 (in memory of Louise Holland); Judy Chambless 340 (in memory of her daddy, Samuel McCullars), 82t.

A business session was held with the following officers retained: Chairman—David Brodeur; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 58, 48t; Robert Chambless 70t (for Coy Ivey and Doug Webb), 225t (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Pam Nunn 155 (in memory of Evelyn Harris); Esther Williams 481; Bert Collins 63, 97; Winfred Kerr 59, 500; Sherrell Cleino 127, 335.

RECESS

David Brodeur brought the class back to order leading 141. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 276, 336 (in memory of J.T. Pruitt); Kathy Williams 186, 273 (in memory of her

mother, Louise Holland and her grandparents, Jim and Dessie Fields); Richard DeLong 272, 123b; Samuel Williams 474, 547; Amber Davis 402, 391; Jack Nelson 475 (in memory of B.M. Smith), 187; Virginia Dyer 454, 436; John Plunkett 33b, 88b; Isaac Green 279; Isaac Green and Fallon Cook 269; Chance Cook 192; Fallon Cook 358 (by request), 294.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Cecil Roberts. He spoke about saints at rest along with a passage of scripture from Thessalonians in the Bible. The sick and shut-ins honored were Michelle Kennedy, Lucy Garner, Danny Hutcheson, Coy Ivey, Doug Webb, Eric Scott, John Hollingsworth, and Harvey Sanders. The deceased remembered were Audrey Ruth Garner, Hugh McGraw, Darrell Swarens, Louise Holland, Daphene Causey, Floy Wilder, Judy Owens, Agnes Laminack Roberts, Glenda Hopper, Julia Laverack, Houston Jones, and Anna Napper. Cecil Roberts led 403. Jack Nelson offered prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Charlie Norton gave a report on the church and cemetery funds. He thanked everyone for coming to clean the cemetery. Charlie welcomed Dennis Bragg to the Cemetery Committee. Charlie Norton reported the collections and asked that someone stay and verify the amount. The money collected is used for the upkeep of the church and cemetery. The church only has two members. Charlie thanked the singers and told them how much he appreciated them coming to sing from long distances in the name of God. Cecil Roberts offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with David Brodeur leading 274t. Leaders: Daniel Williams 318, 376; Ruth Daniel 378t, 47t (in memory of her sister, Evelyn Harris); Winfred Kerr 314; Kathy Williams 37b; Robert Chambless 317 (for Houston Jones's grandfather); Esther Williams 61; David Brodeur 134; Cecil Roberts 56t (in memory of Elder Homer Benefield and Stanly Edwards); Sherrell Cleino 457 (in memory of her uncle, Billy Joe Harris); Oscar McGuire 485; Isaac Green 483; Samuel Williams 572; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 300, 282; Donna Bell 292 (in memory of Elder Lewis Norton); Jack Nelson 224; John Plunkett 345b; Fallon Cook 176t; Daniel Williams 133.

Announcements were made. David Brodeur led 549 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Brodeur; Vice Chairman—Glenda Collins; Secretary—Donna Bell

GUM POND SINGING

Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama Saturday, May 26, 2018

The Sacred Harp singing held at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in May was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 32t. Earl Ballinger offered the opening prayer. Nicholas welcomed the class, and led 276 (in memory of Glenda Hopper).

Leaders: David Light 30t; Linda Booth 282 (for Nancy Phillips); Delone Cobbs 31b; Bea Aaron 438; Daniel Williams 455; Nancy Thompson 332; Lilly Underwood 348b; Tom George 31t; Craig Holmes 34b; Loyd Ivey 97; Ann Jett 319; David Jackson 39b; Allison Whitener 399b; Henry Guthery 225t; Sarah Trumbore 122; Richard Ivey 550; Blake Sisemore 411; Tom Booth 123t; John Plunkett 399t; Ed Thacker 235; David Ivey 197; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 230 (for Judy Caudle); Hazel Heinze 38b.

RECESS

Tom George led 345b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Danny Creel 182; Jennifer Lee 500; Earl Ballinger 530; Kelsey Ivey 89; Shelby Castillo 208; Geraldine

Sharpton 542; Jeannie Guthery 68b; Daniel Bearden 466; Carol Newman 358; Stuart Ivey 472; Dan Hopper 413; Larry Ballinger 215; Carol Fannin 145b; Samuel Williams 269; Brandon Thompson 335; Jim Aaron 47b; Susan Allred 385b; J.L. Hopper 513.

Nicholas Thompson conducted the memorial lesson. He spoke and led 313b for the following sick and shut-ins: Ozella Blackmon, Ottis Sides, Willodean Barton, Velton Chafin, Charlene Wallace, Idy Kiser, Roni Robbins, Margaret Thacker, and Judy Caudle.

Nicholas spoke and led 459 in memory of the following deceased: Glenda Hopper, Lily Hopper, Judy Cobbs, Eloise Wootten, Daphene Causey, Floy Wilder, Caleb Allred, and Eurilla Woods—Alabama; Hugh McGraw and Louise Holland—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Linda Domholt—California; Steve Helwig—Oregon. He closed the memorial service with prayer.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson leading 129. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 532; John Plunkett 83b; David Jackson 36b; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 432; Jennifer Lee and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 142; Loyd Ivey 426t; Daniel Williams 216; Danny Creel 224; Larry Ballinger 528; Ann Jett 327; David Light 436; Ed Thacker 539; Shelby Castillo 172; Earl Ballinger 177; Daniel Bearden 534; Richard Ivey and Kelsey Ivey 405; Bea Aaron 456; Hazel Heinze 480; Brodie Lee and Jennifer Lee 196; Lilly Underwood and Loyd Ivey 318; Susan Allred 378b; Henry Guthery 431; Geraldine Sharpton 299; Samuel Williams 126; Carol Fannin 139; Tom Booth 523; Delone Cobbs 347; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 82t; Nicholas Thompson and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 304 (for Judy Caudle).

Announcements were made. Nicholas Thompson led 62 as the closing song. Elder J.L. Hopper dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Bridgett Hill Kennedy

MOUNT PISGAH SINGING SOCIETY (COOPER BOOK)

Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church, Chambers County, Alabama Saturday, May 26, 2018

The annual all-day session of the Mount Pisgah Singing Society (organized in 1903) met at Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in May, and was called to order by Karen Clark at 9:00 a.m. After welcoming everyone, Karen Clark led 70t. Kevin Eddins offered the morning prayer. Karen Clark led 31t.

The officers of the singing are as follows: President—Karen Clark; 1st Vice President—David Lee; 2nd Vice President—Ezra Eddins; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Committee—Don Clark and Laura Densmore.

Leaders: David Lee 52t (in memory of all the singers from the 1990s that have passed away, and for the new singers learning to sing these hymns); Ezra Eddins 31b; Donna Bell 572; Don Clark 99; Luke Strickland 571; Jack Nelson 514; Winfred Kerr 36b; Emily Eddins 290; Frank Strickland 120; Eli Eddins 504t; Nancy Hogan 520; Oscar McGuire 276; Edith Eddins 488; Richard Mauldin 124t; Helen Bryson 172 (for Christine Keebler); Kevin Eddins 438b; Kathe Pilibosian 133; Eric Eddins 464; Louis Hughes 138t; Anna Hinton 203; Ewan Eddins 300; Chita Blakeley 567; Laura Densmore 482.

RECESS

David Lee called the second session of singing to order leading 76b. Leaders: Robert Chambless and Richard Mauldin 358 (in memory of all persons serving in the military); Isabell Green 505; Ethan Eddins 29t; Gavin Blakeley 142; Dana Eddins and Elliott Eddins 497 (for Aubrey Barfield); Judy Chambless 222; Elam Eddins 304;

Erica Hinton 126; Bill Hogan 455t; Kathy Lee 171; Marion Patrick 580; Buell Cobb 50t; Eric Eddins 38t; Tollie Lee 306; Tommie Spurlock 574; Darlene Dalton 587 (in memory of all nurses tending near-death soldiers in battlefield sites during times of war); Paul Wyatt 503; Judy Mincey 494 (in memory of Lee Rogers); Guy Bankes 391; Karen Clark 369. Elder Jonathan Blakeley offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

David Lee, Karen Clark, Syble Adams, Carol Buche, Myra Dalton, and Tollie Lee called the afternoon session to order leading 96. Leaders: Judy Chambless 319; Johnathan Blakeley 285t (for his papa, Doug Conn); Carol Buche 269 (in memory of Ann Sleeva, Janelle Davis, and Julie Veal); Charlotte Bishop 229; Stanley Smith 453t; Matt Hinton 131b; Syble Adams 541; Chris Holley 199; Guy Bankes 552; Ethan Eddins 388; Kathe Pilibosian 411; Paul Wyatt 511t; Edith Eddins 356; Robert Chambless 563; Eric Eddins 162; Tommie Spurlock and Eric Eddins 112; Oscar McGuire 137; Judy Mincey 331t (in memory of Stanly Edwards); Chris Holley 123b; Ewan Eddins 192; Carol Buche and Karen Clark 380b (for Clarke Lee); Elam Eddins 384; Laura Densmore, Chris Holley, Kathe Pilibosian, Syble Adams, Myra Dalton, Guy Bankes, and Darlene Dalton 527 (for Larry Wootten).

Following announcements, the officers led 95b as the closing song, while those who wished took the parting hand. Tollie Lee offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Karen Clark; 1st Vice President—David Lee; 2nd Vice President—Ezra Eddins; Secretary—Donna Bell

PICCOLO SPOLETO SACRED HARP SINGING

John Wesley United Methodist Church, Charleston, South Carolina Saturday, May 26, 2018

The 9th annual Piccolo Spoleto Sacred Harp singing began at 9:30 a.m. with an introductory lesson taught by Stephen Jones leading scales and 49t for practice. He called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. Leaders: Gene Pinion 108t; David Wilson 34b; Cleve Callison 276; Darlene Moak 86; Rob Dillon 569b; Stephen Jones 123b; Robert Kelley 48b; Darlene Moak 122; Gene Pinion 66; Suzanne Coffman 81t; David Wilson 63; Joyce Heath 30b; Chandler Thigpen 162; Gene Pinion 287; David Wilson 163b; Cleve Callison 282.

RECESS

Rob Dillon brought the class back to order leading 99. Leaders: Darlene Moak 278t; Cleve Callison 479; Stephen Jones 45t; Robert Kelley 40; Darlene Moak 38b; Suzanne Coffman 481 (for John); Joyce Heath 455; Chandler Thigpen 242; Gene Pinion 250; David Wilson 236; Rob Dillon 89; Darlene Moak 209; Cleve Callison 254; Stephen Jones 457; Robert Kelley 268; Suzanne Coffman 312b.

LUNCH

Darlene Moak brought the class back to order leading 178. Leaders: Robert Kelley 323b; Carol Jules 551; Joyce Heath 204; Chandler Thigpen 439; Gene Pinion 353; David Wilson 313b; Rob Dillon 475; Darlene Moak 300; Cleve Callison 198; Stephen Jones 52b; Robert Kelley 127; Suzanne Coffman 159; Joyce Heath 212; Chandler Thigpen 318; Gene Pinion 319; David Wilson 31t; Rob Dillon 29b.

RECESS

Announcements were made. Leaders: Darlene Moak 320; Cleve Callison 117; Stephen Jones 47b; Suzanne Coffman 47t; Joyce Heath 64; Chandler Thigpen 72b; Gene Pinion 29t; David Wilson 496; Rob Dillon 192; Darlene Moak 371; Stephen Jones 146; Robert Kelley 147b; Suzanne Coffman 51; Joyce Heath 147t; Chandler Thigpen 354b; Gene Pinion 69t; David Wilson 503; Rob Dillon 73t; Darlene Moak

191.

Stephen Jones thanked our hosts, John Wesley United Methodist Church, and Suzanne Coffman, who served as institutional liaison. Our Piccolo Spoleto intern, Austin, ably manned the registration table, and Suzanne Jones arranged most efficiently. We owe special gratitude to all the stalwarts who worked in the kitchen, and especially to Delyne Lilly, who coordinated the effort. Stephen led 347 as the final song, closed with prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Stephen Jones; Vice Chairman—Suzanne Coffman; Secretary—Rob Dillon

GERMANY SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Erzbischöfliche Ursulinenschule, Cologne, Germany**

May 26-27, 2018

Saturday, May 26

The 5th annual Germany Sacred Harp Convention was held in the Erzbischöfliche Ursulinenschule in Cologne, Germany. Dominik Fraune called the class to order by leading 171, and then welcomed everyone. The opening prayer was offered by Zack Lindahl.

Leaders: Stefan Swat 34b; Yotin Tiewtrakul 49t; Tobias Kanngießer 277; Cäcilia Mann 371; Daniel Wippermann 49b; Victor Maria Diderich 84; Hanka Faerber 178; Tina Cramer 70b; Ulla Schlobohm 312b; Sonja Spörhase 77t; Rosemarie Saalman 147t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 299; Rüdiger Forster 117; Corinna Frische 302; Peter Kocher 300; Jasmina Graf 332; David Marnuse 86; Marcos Sullivan 377.

RECESS

Eva Striebeck called the class back to order by leading 37b. Leaders: Nathan Bowler 365; Naomi Kaye Honova 373; Geoff Grainger 503; Ellen Kennedy 123t; Georges Boboé 125; Theresa Hofmann 328; Marielle Minutella 524; Gerben Vos 148; Elisabeth Schallwig 564; Ciske Boekelo 209; Tobias Saalman 164; Marco Wessnigk 326; Paul Kolenbrander 448t; Franka Sprzagala 85; Derek Buckland 122; Laura Eisen 296.

RECESS

Joanna Bennett called the class back to order by leading 159. Leaders: Katie Ahern 474; Juniper Hill 254; Edwin Macadam 183; Kerry Cullinan 210; Emma Rock 500; Saara Pakarinen 568; Zack Lindahl and Peter Kocher 344; Ray Rechenberg 480; Anne Eringa 455; Taylor Watkins 445; Thomas MacDonald 193; Florent Decherf 422; Sheila Girling Macadam 142; Morag Logan 535; Laurie Burk 547; Ulrike Tietjen 521. A blessing for lunch was given by Peter Kocher.

LUNCH

Andreas Manz called the class back to order by leading 144. Leaders: Calum Woods 260; Kevin Beirne 430; Sinéad Hanrahan 538; Jesse Karlsberg 272; Ted Mercer 202; Andy Ditzler 269; Bobby Watkins 460; Jonathon Smith 522; Carol Huang 436; David Brodeur 434; Nathan Rees 182; Lauren Bock 546; Aldo Ceresa 411; Fynn Titford-Mock 382; Paul Luther Wilson 390; April Watkins 53; Peter Rayner 236; Christopher Schuller 444.

RECESS

Theresa Hofmann called the class back to order by leading 39t. Leaders: Magdalena Osthau 349; Ines Heines 274t; Boyan Pohl 155; Nina Riegler 150; Ursula Diderich and Victor Maria Diderich 523; Claudia Jansen 501; Silke Kunow-Koch 68t; Katrin Malack 288; Eva Striebeck 506; Ciske Boekelo 282; Calum Woods 69b; Anne Eringa 29t; David Marnuse 168; Kerry Cullinan 163b; Laura Eisen 65. Dominik Fraune led 335 as the closing song. Peter Kocher dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, May 27

The Sunday session of the Germany Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Dominik Fraune leading 48t. The opening prayer was offered by Christopher Schuller.

Leaders: Stefan Swat 74b; Cäcilia Mann 399b; Tina Cramer 31t; Daniel Wippermann 38b; Leif Simer 83t; Maria Neumann-Fraune 457; Eckehard Neugebauer 565; Anna Eggers and Caro Stamm-Reusch 86; Ulrike Tietjen 386; Boyan Pohl 56t; Ulla Schlobohm and Jasmina Graf 107; Victor Maria Diderich 198; Marco Wessnigk 370; Christopher Schuller 322; Inga Huebner 359; Tobias Kanngießner 567; Theresa Hofmann 66; Nathan Bowler 271t.

RECESS

Joanna Bennett called the class back to order by leading 72b. Leaders: Amelie Krüger 111b; Juniper Hill 528; Paul Kolenbrander 201; Georges Boboé 551; Ray Rechenberg 454; Elisabeth Schallwig 278t; Zack Lindahl 487; Saara Pakarinen 315; Sinéad Hanrahan 283; Tobias Saalman 287; Nina Riegler 393; Naomi Kaye Honova 270; Peter Rayner 63; April Watkins 87; Paul Luther Wilson 410t; Magdalena Osthaus 388; Morag Logan 112.

RECESS

Eva Striebeck called the class back to order by leading 133. Leaders: Jasmina Graf 320; Taylor Watkins 317; Corinna Frische 132.

Zack Lindahl spoke on behalf of the sick and housebound, and led 414 for the following: Franz Josef Fraune, Vicki Whisman, Galeha Walton, Melanie Tönnies, Chris Brown, Ron Trial, Concetta Branson, Melanie Hauff, Fremy Yacynthus, Reinhild Bopp-Grüter, Clara Graf, Idy Kiser, Lena, Palmira, Myrtle Wilson, Jewel Wootten, Pauline Oliver, and Andy Spence.

Sheila Girling Macadam conducted the memorial lesson, and read the following names: Melity Wandrey, The Bayer Family, Kerryn Neilson, Ruth Lejeune-Jung, Wassim Suliman, Marion Hill, Ronald Kaye, Mark Girling, Jennifer Bennett, Frank Pigott, Rollo Woods, Steve Helwig, Daphene Causey, Darrell Swarens, Hollis Gentry, Glenda Hopper, William Tannenbaum, Ann Sleeva, Yango Pohl, Mark Davis, Margarete Fellner, Hugh McGraw, Edgar Kanngießner, Günther Pfeiffer, Henner Reichmann, Irina, Horst Frantz, and Eloise Wootten. She then led 59. Leaders: Geoff Grainger 156; Yotin Tiewtrakul 217; Kevin Beirne 512; Jesse Karlsberg 208; David Brodeur 177; Jonathon Smith 505. Christopher Schuller offered grace before lunch.

LUNCH

Anne Eringa called the class back to order by leading 28t. Leaders: Fynn Titford-Mock 204; Aldo Ceresa 475; Lauren Bock 189; Nathan Rees 380; Sheila Girling Macadam 550; Kerry Cullinan 334; Katie Ahern 426b; Edwin Macadam 280; Florent Decherf 203; Carol Huang 542; Andy Ditzler 485; Caro Stamm-Reusch 216; Ted Mercer 504; Marielle Minutella 447; Bobby Watkins 340; Thomas MacDonald 242; Laura Eisen 440; Emma Rock 383.

RECESS

Harald Grundner called the class back to order by leading 335. Leaders: Derek Buckland 127; Sonja Spörhase 290; Laurie Burk 47b; Ines Heines 106; Cheri Neilson 372; Gerben Vos 191; Peter Kocher 128; Ciske Boekelo 276; Rüdiger Forster 181; Marcos Sullivan 408; Silke Kunow-Koch 122; singers from Bremen and Hamburg 224; singers from Berlin, Munich, and the rest of Bavaria 37b; singers from UK and Norway 515; singers from the Netherlands, France, and Luxemburg 183; singers from Ireland and Sweden 472; singers from the United States 313t; singers from Australia 146; singers from Cologne 143.

Dominik Fraune made closing announcements, during which he thanked all those involved in organizing the weekend and gave special thanks to the many singers, who had travelled for the singing. Cäcilia Mann gave the Secretary's report and stated that 180 songs had been sung in total (including the closing song) by 116 registered singers. Ten countries were represented: Norway, Australia, the Netherlands, Sweden, Ireland, Luxemburg, the United Kingdom, France, Germany and the United States of America (which were represented by seven states: California, Georgia, Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, New York and Vermont). Tobias Saalmann gave the Treasurer's report, during which he stated that all expenses had been met, and thanked everyone for their generosity.

Chairman—Dominik Fraune; Vice Chairman—Stefan Swat; Secretaries—Andreas Manz and Cäcilia Mann

JOHN NEWTON MERRITT MEMORIAL SINGING **Old Courthouse Museum, Vicksburg, Mississippi** **May 26-27, 2018**

Saturday, May 26

The 7th annual John Newton Merritt Memorial Singing was called to order by Henry McGuire leading 47t. Elder Robert Vaughn offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Henry McGuire 505 (CB); Mark Davis 31b, 76b; Darlene Reynolds 484 (CB), 411 (CB); Robert Vaughn 31t, 339; Lisa Geist 546, 228; Will McGuire 181, 180; Sonja Kirkham 268t (CB), 330t (CB).

RECESS

Leaders: Hugh McGuire 487t (WB), 196 (WB); Jamira Jackson 455, 57; Andy Davis 198; Amber Davis 436, 500; Regina Derstine 36t, 390; Wilma Mitchell 39t, 204t (CH); Susan Dickey 392, 159; Carole Watts 298 (CH), 189 (CH); Todd Derstine 128, 84; Carol Selman 86. Chris Nicholson offered prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Henry McGuire 140 (CB); Natalie Davis 155, 273; Chris Nicholson 32t, 34b; Robert Vaughn 210 (CB), 211 (CB); Lisa Geist 182, 472; Mark Davis 450, 316; Will McGuire 214 (CH), 314 (CH); Sonja Kirkham 480, 63; Hugh McGuire 163t (CH), 354 (CH); Jamira Jackson 109 (CH), 369 (CH); Andy Davis 208, 212; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 327, 410t; Susan Dickey 507t (CH), 470 (CH); Carole Watts 572 (CB), 573 (CB); Chris Nicholson 490 (CH); Henry McGuire 76b (CH), 505 (CB).

Mark Davis, Hugh McGuire, and Henry McGuire led "The Drone" as the closing song. Elder Robert Vaughn dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, May 27

The class was brought to order by Henry McGuire leading 33b and 91. Mark Davis offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Mark Davis 179, 416, 137; Nicholas Thompson 200, 318, 93 (CH); Amber Davis 507, 306, 381; Will McGuire 129, 483, 142 (CH); Sonja Kirkham 128t (CH), 255 (CH), 355 (CH); Lisa Geist 527, 528, 215.

RECESS

Leaders: Hugh McGuire 256t (CH), 82t (CH), 145t; Jamira Jackson 571 (CB), 383 (CB), 282 (CB); Natalie Davis 192, 340, 460; Regina Derstine 86 (CB), 264 (CH), 64 (CH); Lisa Davis 99, 276, 434.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Lisa Geist and Amber Davis. Amber and Lisa led 199 (CB) in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Ron Davis, Curtis Owen, Alice McGuire, Charlene Wallace, Roni Robbins, Esther Mann, Nancy van den Akker, and Ozella Blackmon.

Lisa and Amber led 559 (CB) in memory of the following deceased: Daphne Causey, Glenda Hopper, Marion Grant, Elder Lowell McLain, Eloise Wootten, Floy Wilder, Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, Lily Hopper, Edith Owen, and Caleb Allred. Mark Davis closed the memorial lesson with prayer. Nicholas Thompson offered the prayer to bless the food.

LUNCH

Leaders: Henry McGuire 492 (WB); Chris Nicholson 30b (CB), 264t (CB), 264b (CB); Carol Selman 277, 46; Bentley Rose and Nicholas Thompson 569b; Darlene Reynolds 486t (WB), 145t, 454; Nicholas Thompson 328, 216; Amber Davis 234; Lisa Geist 542; Will McGuire, Henry McGuire, and Charlie McGuire 236; Hugh McGuire 499t (WB); Chris Nicholson 546t (WB); Jamira Jackson 85; Lisa Davis 189.

Mark Davis, Henry McGuire, and Hugh McGuire led “The Drone” as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Nicholas Thompson.

Chairman—Henry McGuire; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Darlene Reynolds

THE BIG SINGING

Old Marshall County Courthouse, Benton, Kentucky

May 26-27, 2018

Saturday, May 26

The 2nd Saturday session of The Big Singing using *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*, was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Gene Gilliland, who led 59 and 354b. Leaders: Erin Fulton 229, 312b; Don Waggener 45t, 410t; Randy Webber 479, 339; Ralph Paris 127, 68b; Tom Waggener 49b, 290; Ray Turner 276, 223; Gene Gilliland 145t, 49t; Erin Fulton 29t, 24b; Don Waggener 117, 569b; Randy Webber “Benton”, 63; Ralph Paris 64, 66; Tom Waggener 61, 47b; Ray Turner 300, 551; Gene Gilliland 301, 155. Gene Gilliland dismissed the class with prayer.

LUNCH

Gene Gilliland brought the class back to order. Leaders: David Carlton 547, 496; Erin Fulton 133, 334; Don Waggener 128, 341; Randy Webber “Gibbs”, 163b; Ralph Paris 89, 135; Tom Waggener 268, 196; Ray Turner 299, 532; David Carlton 242, 198; Gene Gilliland 235; Erin Fulton 111b, 278t; Don Waggener 159; Don Waggener and Randy Webber 81t; Ralph Paris 85; Greta Combs 84; Tom Waggener 209; Ray Turner 122; David Carlton 421; Erin Fulton 162; Don Waggener 58. Ralph Paris led 62 as the closing song, and dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, May 27

The Sunday session of the 135th annual Big Singing using *The Southern Harmony*, compiled by William Walker, was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Gene Gilliland, who gave opening remarks, an introduction to *Southern Harmony* singing, and led 103 (SoH) and 181t (SoH). He offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Don Waggener 322 (SoH); Don Waggener and Randy Webber 182 (SoH); Raphael Finkel 159b (SoH), 50 (SoH); James Thobaben 16 (SoH); Erin Fulton 332 (SoH), 311t (SoH); Ralph Paris 166 (SoH), 256 (SoH); Randy Webber 133 (SoH), 132 (SoH); David Killingsworth 46 (SoH), 302 (SoH); Kerry Lovett 89b (SoH), 11 (SoH); Tom Waggener 38 (SoH), 296 (SoH); Tim Reynolds 325 (SoH), 288 (SoH); Ray Turner 259 (SoH), 48b (SoH); Matt Meacham 83 (SoH), 312t (SoH); Gene Gilliland 20 (SoH), 144 (SoH); Don Waggener 123 (SoH); Raphael Finkel 299 (SoH), 213 (SoH). Ralph Paris dismissed the class with prayer.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order at 1:15 p.m. by Gene Gilliland. Tim

Reynolds offered prayer. Leaders: James Thobaben 51 (SoH); Erin Fulton 56 (SoH), 49 (SoH).

Ralph Paris conducted the memorial lesson for Joe Cox, Osage Caine, C.W. Thobaben, Lida Hill, Frank Nichols, and Dorothy Webber. He led 27b (SoH) and 71 (SoH).

Leaders: Randy Webber 39b (SoH), 64 (SoH); David Killingsworth 19t (SoH), 107 (SoH); Kerry Lovett 8t (SoH), 10b (SoH); Tom Waggener 116 (SoH), 189 (SoH); Tim Reynolds 42 (SoH), 52 (SoH); Ray Turner 92t (SoH), 322 (SoH); Matt Meacham 39t (SoH), 256 (SoH); Gene Gilliland 275 (SoH), 305 (SoH); Don Waggener 252 (SoH), 258 (SoH); Raphael Finkel 31t (SoH), 80 (SoH), 159 (SoH); Marcie Thobaben and James Thobaben 213 (SoH); Erin Fulton 156 (SoH), 308 (SoH); Ralph Paris 68 (SoH), 77 (SoH); Randy Webber 267 (SoH), 296 (SoH); David Killingsworth 165 (SoH), 277 (SoH), 276b (SoH); Kerry Lovett 123 (SoH); Tim Reynolds 46 (SoH); Gene Gilliland 103 (SoH).

Gene Gilliland led 334 (SoH) as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Gene Gilliland; Vice Chairman—Ralph Paris; Secretaries—Vickie See (Saturday), Tim Reynolds (Sunday), and Dusty Kornbacher (both days)

**ROCKY MOUNT
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH HOMECOMING
AND THE HILLABEE SACRED HARP CONVENTION
Daviston, Alabama
Sunday, May 27, 2018**

The Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church Homecoming and The Hillabee Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Charlotte Bishop leading 36b. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Ben Keeble.

Leaders: Charlotte Bishop 143 (for Sheila Shivers and Mary Cu Shivers); Jack Nelson 32t, 393 (CB) (Jack spoke about his uncles serving in World War II); Kathe Pilibosian 34t, 277; Laura Densmore 50t, 313t (Laura spoke of her father-in-law being a POW in a Japanese Prison Camp during World War II, and her mother-in-law, who served in the Navy); Winfred Kerr 560 (for the Avery Family), 500; Carol Buche 488 (CB), 171.

RECESS

Charlotte Bishop called the class to order leading 335. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 229, 515; Lynda Fagan 31t (CB), 587 (CB); Ben Keeble 490, 39b; Chris Holley 152, 159 (dedicated to Travis Fuller and Larry Wootten); Guy Banks 472, 481.

LUNCH

Charlotte Bishop called the class to order. The memorial lesson was held at this time. Charlotte Bishop led 145b. Jack Nelson led 336 for the following sick and shut-ins: Virginia Futral, William Futral, Larry Wootten, Paula Fagan, Cheryl Elsey, and Mark Brown.

Don Clark led 463 in memory of the following deceased: Mary Cu Shivers, Odean Moran Keel, Glenda Hopper, Floy Wilder, Daphene Causey, Christine Keeble—Alabama; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Hugh McGraw—Georgia, and Ludora Morris. Jack Nelson closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Jordan McGuire 480, 571 (CB); Douglas Hubbard and Lynda Fagan 72b, 288; Wendy Anderson 300 (CB), 95 (CB); Carol Buche 484 (CB); Laura Densmore 315 (CB); Guy Banks 556; Jack Nelson 399b; Charlotte Bishop 47b, 569b (for Virginia Futral), 560 (by special request).

Charlotte Bishop led 56t as the closing song. Don Clark offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charlotte Bishop; Secretary—Sharon Whitehead

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND SINGING
St. John's Historic Church, Rutherfordton, North Carolina
Sunday, May 27, 2018

On Saturday before the fourth Sunday in May, an all-day *Christian Harmony* singing was held at the church, preceded by a singing school taught by Michael Walker.

On Sunday the class reassembled to sing Sacred Harp with Michael Walker leading 63. Shannon Primm offered prayer.

Leaders: Michael Walker 138b; Ian Quinn 92, 89; Jane Cannon 65, 49b; Hayden Arp 213t, 75; Shannon Primm 157, 83t; Eli Snyder 39t, 61; Maddy Mullany 345b, 319; Patty Judson 171, 195; Leslie Booher 156, 128; Chris Wilhelm 500; Dave Farmer 455, 81t; Michael Spencer 289, 370; Mary Baumeister 545, 540 (in memory of Wanda Mount).

RECESS

Leaders: Michael Walker 418, 169; Ian Quinn 174; Jane Cannon 133; Hayden Arp 149; Shannon Primm 454 (in memory of Ruth Stegges); Eli Snyder 436; Maddy Mullany 86; Patty Judson 102. Leslie Booher returned thanks for the noon meal. We had lunch on our own because building repairs prevented joining together in a shared meal at the church.

LUNCH

Leaders: Michael Walker 144; Leslie Booher 178; Jane Cannon 349; Chris Wilhelm 298; Dave Farmer 162; Michael Spencer 521; Phil Perrin 127; Mary Baumeister 333; Michael Walker 456; Ian Quinn 225b; Hayden Arp 386; Shannon Primm 564; Eli Snyder 384; Maddy Mullany 344; Leslie Booher 163b; Jane Cannon 315; Patty Judson 209; Dave Farmer 267; Phil Perrin 354b; Michael Spencer 308; Mary Baumeister 433.

RECESS

Leaders: Michael Walker 354t, 475; Ian Quinn 41; Chris Wilhelm 548; Hayden Arp 340; Shannon Primm 284; Eli Snyder 134; Maddy Mullany 36b; Leslie Booher 473; Jane Cannon 478; Patty Judson 472; Dave Farmer 365; Phil Perrin 59; Michael Spencer 420; Mary Baumeister 506. In closing remarks Michael Walker thanked all for participating and commended those who had contributed in additional ways to the singing. The class had sung a total of 70 lessons. Following announcements Michael Walker led 62, and Shannon Primm closed the singing with prayer.

Chairman—Michael Walker; Secretaries—Patty Judson and Chris Wilhelm

JACK SMITH MEMORIAL SINGING
Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia
Monday, May 28, 2018

The 18th annual Jack Smith Memorial Singing was held on Monday, Memorial Day, at Oakhurst Baptist Church in Decatur, Georgia. John Plunkett led 59. Eric Tweedy offered the opening prayer.

John welcomed the class and spoke briefly about Jack Smith, a devoted Sacred Harp singer and publicist, and a member of Oakhurst Baptist Church. John recalled that Jack enthusiastically invited people to singings and engaged Hugh McGraw to come to Oakhurst to conduct a singing school. Through his efforts, Jack brought many Atlanta and Decatur area singers into the Sacred Harp community, including John himself and our vice-chairman, Joan Durdin. Throughout the day, other singers

added their own stories and recollections about him. The singing takes place on Memorial Day, and John reminded the class that May 29 is the also anniversary of Hugh McGraw's death. Thus the day and the singing became a time of remembrance for everyone present, with people adding their own particular stories as we sang. Leaders: John Plunkett 225t (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Joan Durdin 155, 479; Malinda Snow 32t, 73b; Tony Hammock 30b, 267; Nina Burris 288, 335; Chris Tweedy 100, 156; Anne Grosse 178, 503; Daniel Williams 502, 183; Helen Bryson 299, 365; Kathe Pilibosian 422.

RECESS

Joan Durdin reconvened the class leading 448b. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 242, 410t; Kevin Kleinfelter 117; Jerusha Wheeler 318, 319; Susan Posey 148, 362; Guy Bankes 351, 352; David Smead 346, 271b; Samuel Williams 315, 26; Susan Kleinfelter 192, 142; Eric Tweedy 52b, 182; Amy Wells 272, 56b. Judy Mincey asked the blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

John Plunkett reconvened the class leading 145t. Leaders: Judy Mincey 144, 534; Chris Holley 33t (remembering veterans), 348b; Debra Grosse 358, 128 (in honor of George Burnette and remembering his enslaved ancestors who were singers); Anders Wells 110, 99; Laura Akerman 28b, 436; Laura Densmore 522, 311; Susan Firestone 504, 143; Carol Buche 157, 547 (remembering Cheryl Elsey); Fran Adams 159, 455; Corinne Wells 354b; Helen Bryson 313b; Anne Grosse 49b.

RECESS

Joan Durdin led 29t to reconvene the class. Leaders: Samuel Williams 440; Tony Hammock 196; David Smead 197; Amy Wells 112; Malinda Snow 107; Chris Tweedy 101t; Susan Firestone 475; Eric Tweedy 300; Carol Buche 58; Daniel Williams 74t; Nina Burris 84; Anders Wells 76b; Guy Bankes 77t; Lisa Bennett 137; Chris Holley 500 (in memory of Lt. Col. Travis Fuller, killed at Falujah); Kathe Pilibosian 75; Laura Densmore 349; Judy Mincey 40.

After announcements, John Plunkett and Joan Durdin led 56t. Amy Wells dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Joan Durdin; Secretary—Malinda Snow

CLERMONT-FERRAND SACRED HARP SINGING

Salle Fontgèze, Clermont-Ferrand, France

Saturday, June 2, 2018

The 1st Clermont-Ferrand All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Frédéric Eymard leading 47t. Marie-Laure Prot offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mary Jane Wilkie 114; Léna Demengeon and Mary Jane Wilkie 146; Florent Decherf 48t; Marie-Laure Prot and Frédéric Eymard 535; Alexia Yver 178; David Brodeur 36t; Léopoldine Guillaume 33b; Werner Ullah 49t; Nathalie Adenot 282; Constance Des Marais 105.

RECESS

Andy Ditzler called the class to order leading 111t. Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur taught a singing school.

RECESS

Werner Ullah called the class to order leading 313b. Leaders: Florine Vieilly-Eymard 101t; Ciske Boekelo 300; Frédéric Eymard, Jérôme Eymard, and Tierno Eymard 40; Blandine Gaydon 274t; Andy Ditzler 77b; Léna Demengeon and Frédéric Eymard 113; Geoff Grainger 523; Nicolas Hemming 277; Perrine De Sancy 49b; Pierre Laurent 148; Daniela Muhr and Constance Desmarais 94; Hugues Albanel 567; Gwendal Geleoc 65; Mary Jane Wilkie 228; Léopoldine Guillaume 171; Constance Desmarais 569b; Florent Decherf 430. Gwendal Geleoc offered the

blessing before the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

Léopoldine Guillaume called the class to order leading 87. Leaders: Nathalie Adenot 480; David Brodeur 303; Alexia Yver 191; Werner Ullah 278t; Ciske Boekelo 107; Florine Vieilly-Eymard 276; Andy Ditzler 192; Geoff Grainger 156; Léna Demengeon 156; Perrine De Sancy 86; Gwendal Geleoc 324; Pierre Laurent 111b; Mary Jane Wilkie 504; Léopoldine Guillaume 448b; Florent Decherf 186; Constance Des Marais 217; Marie-Laure Prot 452; Hugues Albanel 159; Daniela Muhr and Constance Desmarais 384; Nathalie Adenot 207.

RECESS

Pierre Laurent called the class to order leading 417. Leaders: Alexia Yver 448t; David Brodeur 288; Werner Ullah 503; Blandine Gaydon and David Brodeur 457; Ciske Boekelo 209; Nicolas Hemming and Frédéric Eymard 47b; Geoff Grainger 143; Hugues Albanel 472; Andy Ditzler 176t.

A business meeting was held to hear reports from the various committees. Léna Demengeon gave the Finance Committee report, declaring that all expenses had been met. Florine Vieilly-Eymard gave the Secretary's Report, announcing that sixty songs had been led by leaders. Singers registered from six countries. The business meeting was concluded.

Frédéric Eymard led 62 as the closing song. Mary-Jane Wilkie offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Frédéric Eymard; Secretary—Florine Vieilly-Eymard

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE SACRED HARP SINGING

St. Bartholomew's Church Hall, Benton

Newcastle Upon Tyne, United Kingdom

Saturday, June 2, 2018

The 14th annual Newcastle singing was called to order by Claire Welford, who welcomed the class and led 31t. Joel Wallenberg offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairperson—Claire Welford; Secretary—Colin Monson; Treasurer—Phil Tyler; Arranging Committee—Mark Wardlaw and Helen Barber.

Leaders: Mark Wardlaw 467; Joel Wallenberg 144; Carmen Gordon 29t; Nigel Anderson 49t; Phil Tyler 32t; Colin Monson 26; Ed Johnson-Williams 33b; Ruth Holman 63; Josephine Ellis 344; Shereen Benjamin 36t; Josh Darby 65; Helen Barber 128; Margaret Bradshaw 114; Martel Reynolds 42; Jan Geerts 278t; Joan Gordon 178; Richard Mayers 32b; Sula O'Duffy 87; Jeremy James Donaldson 168; Karen Turner 171.

RECESS

Erin Johnson-Williams called the class back together by leading 47t. Leaders: Tim McElwaine 300; Edwin Macadam 150; Emily Verrier 270; Nadia Abdelaziz 179; Sandy Semeonoff 288; Alex Fradera 268; Sheila Girling Macadam 51; Carmen Gordon 210; Nigel Anderson 192; Martel Reynolds 142; Colin Monson 148.

Joel Wallenberg spoke for the sick and housebound, and led 35 for Pat Macbeth, Morag Parnell, Joy Wallenberg, Ellis Wallenberg, Andy Spence, Darele Angwin, and Cath Tyler.

Karen Turner conducted the memorial lesson, leading 549 in memory of the following deceased: Craig Puranen Wilson—Newcastle; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Louis Negri—Connecticut, USA; Mark Girling—Spain; Jennifer Bennett—Ontario, Canada; Frank Pigott—London; Rollo Woods—Swanage; Janet Bones, Rosemary Anne Sisson, Eric Keefauver, and Michael Reddy.

Leaders: Josh Darby 318; Helen Barber 442; Claire Welford 384; Margaret Bradshaw 107; Shereen Benjamin 203; Ed Johnson-Williams 396; Sula O'Duffy 117; Joan Gordon 47b; Ruth Holman 143; Phil Tyler 532; Karen Turner 112; Tim McElwaine 34b; Joel Wallenberg 149; Mark Wardlaw 295. Joel Wallenberg gave thanks for the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

Jan Geerts called the class to order leading 565. Leaders: Alex Fradera 122; Joan Nagy 504; Richard Mayers 236; Edwin Macadam 481; Emily Verrier 548; Nadia Abdelaziz 39t; Sandy Semeonoff 99; Jeremy James Donaldson 110; Sheila Girling Macadam 480; Erin Johnson-Williams 495; Carmen Gordon 183; Nigel Anderson 473; Martel Reynolds 455; Colin Monson 296; Josh Darby 209; Helen Barber 250; Margaret Bradshaw 101t; Shereen Benjamin 277; Ed Johnson-Williams 496.

RECESS

Sula O'Duffy called the class together by leading 274t. Leaders: Phil Tyler 430; Joan Gordon 38b; Ruth Holman 299; Cath Tyler 531; Karen Turner 556; Tim McElwaine 312b; Joel Wallenberg 131t; Jan Geerts 373; Alex Fradera 89; Joan Nagy 36b; Richard Mayers 569b; Edwin Macadam 472; Emily Verrier 189; Nadia Abdelaziz 69t. Claire Welford extended thanks to all those who had helped during the day, and announcements were made. Claire led 347 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Joel Wallenberg.

Chairman—Claire Welford; Secretary—Colin Monson

NORTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY SACRED HARP SINGING

Charles Washington Hall, Charles Town, West Virginia

Saturday, June 2, 2018

The 24th all-day Northern Shenandoah Valley singing was called to order by Leyland delRe leading 47t. Graham DeZarn offered the opening prayer. A business session was held, electing the following officers: Chairman—Ben Hartland; Vice Chairman—Graham DeZarn; Secretaries—Matt Roberts and Sharon Strong; Treasurer—Jim Glaser.

Leaders: Ben Hartland 42; Matt Roberts 278t; Jim Strube 316; Sharon Strong 184; Jim Glaser 438; Nora Miller 67; Mary Ann Daly 189; Corinne Ducey 60; Joel Miller 512; Tom Ivey 436; Susan Green 540; Thomas Mann 503; Brenda Dunlap 39t; Marty DeNys 497; Jonathan Een Newton 56b; Richard Green 198; Miranda Elliot-Rader 183; Guy Bankes 182; Pat Temple 373; Zach Bullock 73t; Rachel Speer 84.

RECESS

John delRe called the class together leading 77t. Leaders: Mary DeNys 477; Lucas Husted 454; Chris Wolf 82t; Dean Jens 106; Rachel Hall 39b; Mary Wright 135; Ina Shea 137; Eli Snyder 340; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Bev Yaeger 192; Myles Louis Dakan 214; Joni Seidenstein 144; Claire Steiner 339; Xaris Martinez 370; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 254; Len Vanderjagt 569b; Stefani Priskos 372; Dick Patterson 448t; Kyle Johnston 451; Alice Beattie 129; Emmie Strassberg 128. The blessing before lunch was asked by Graham DeZarn.

LUNCH

Graham DeZarn led 82t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Ateven Snderson 455; Dorothy Robinson 506; Tristan Gordon 456; Katy Hunter 475; Ted Mercer 431; Miriam Delirium 378b; Karl Dise 320; Hal Kunkel 550; Stina Soderling 68b; Claudia Egelhoff 421; Skeet Surrency 186; AnnaLeigh Smith 507; Michael Spencer 393; Sam Kleinman 422; Barb Patterson 474; Abigail Beavin 29t; Erica Martinez 407; Jacob Kiakahi 319; Tim Gregg 350; Yosef Trachtenberg 410t; Lydia Lewallen 123t;

Barbara Swetman 341; Erin Fulton 172.

RECESS

Tristan Gordon led 35. Leaders: Topher Lawton 112; Chloe Somers 133; Kathy Manning 556; Chris Cotter 314; Hannah Mann and Chris Wolf 480; Dann Pell 173; Dan Hunter 214; Jessica Keyes 227; John delRe 466; Anders Fahey 312b; Julia Seidenstein 82b; Kelly Macklin 368; Bridget Camden 70b; Thomas Ward 201; Leon Pulsinelle 400; Adrian Mariano 110.

Announcements were made. Ben Hartland led 56t as the closing song. Graham DeZarn offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ben Hartland; Vice Chairman—Graham DeZarn; Secretaries—Matt Roberts and Sharon Strong

SHAKER MEETINGHOUSE AND FRANCIS BLISS MEMORIAL SINGING Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village, New Gloucester, Maine Saturday, June 2, 2018

The 11th annual Shaker Meetinghouse and Francis Bliss Memorial Singing was held in the Shaker Meetinghouse at Sabbathday Lake Shaker Village in New Gloucester, Maine. At 1:00 p.m., Barb Ames welcomed everyone, and brought the class to order leading 49t. Chris Holley offered the opening prayer. Barb Ames and Meg Haskell led the class in singing the Shaker songs “Mother Has Come with Her Beautiful Song” and “I Never Did Believe”. The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairperson—Barb Ames; Treasurers—Sara Sandberg and Eric Sandberg; Arranging Committee/Secretary—Elizabeth Stoddard and Rachel Taylor; Chaplain—Chris Holley.

Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 36b, 39t; Chris Holley 39b, 77t; Sara Sandberg 42, 144; Ethan Mc Nerney 148, 56b; Scott Harriman 227, 112; Jesse Vear 285t, 548; Peter Golden 86, 87; Eric Hildebrant 85, 236; Philippa Stoddard 30t, 57; Jonathan Spencer 330t, 245; Carly Goss 228, 274t; Ron Trial 46, 455; Sara Sandberg and Eric Sandberg 68b; Bill Holt 376, 377; Robert Stoddard 129; Robert Stoddard, Richard Sullivan, and Louise Sullivan 89.

RECESS

Peter Golden called the class to order leading 101t. Leaders: Ines Luttgen 402, 565; Chris McKnight 142, 282; Pamela Minor 312b, 472; Eric Sandberg 547, 500; Traci Naylor and Leslie Battistoni 276, 178; Leonard Spencer 254, 218; Rachel Taylor 145b, 344; Jesse Flynn 34t, 454; Sumner Roberts 173, 172; Kathe Pilibosian 77b; Emma Swartz 177, 30b; Elizabeth Stoddard and Bill Holt 523 (by request); Carly Goss 123t; Pamela Minor 66; Ethan Mc Nerney 106; Ines Luttgen 373; Jonathan Spencer 567; Chris Holley 107; Traci Naylor 196; Chris McKnight 183.

Sara Sandberg and Eric Sandberg, Treasurers, reported that expenses had been met. Elizabeth Stoddard, Secretary, reported that twenty-seven leaders sang sixty-six Sacred Harp songs, and three Shaker songs. Barb Ames thanked all for traveling to the singing; the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Community for their hospitality; the officers and others for helping; and the cooks for providing the evening meal. Barb led the Shaker song “We Will All Go Home with You” and 347 as the class took the parting hand. Chris Holley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed to the dining room in the Dwelling House, where all joined hands with Brother Arnold for a silent grace before the evening meal.

DINNER

Following the evening meal, some of those attending the afternoon singing reconvened in the Rotunda of the 1893 Maine State Building on the grounds of the

Poland Spring Resort.

Leaders: Philippa Stoddard 16 (ShH); Rob Taylor 87 (ShH); Eric Sandberg 265 (ShH); Ethan McNerney 326b (ShH); Rachel Taylor 326t (ShH); Rob Taylor 307 (ShH); Elizabeth Stoddard 287 (ShH); Corlan 286 (ShH); Jesse Flynn 243 (ShH); Sara Sandberg 264b (ShH); Elizabeth Stoddard 305 (ShH), 132 (ShH); Philippa Stoddard 133 (ShH); Jonathan Spencer 381b (ShH), 217 (ShH); Ethan McNerney 248t (ShH), Corlan 338 (ShH); Rachel Taylor 339 (ShH); Jonathan Spencer 403 (ShH); Elizabeth Stoddard 172 (ShH); Scott Harriman 22 (ShH); Chris Holley 18b (ShH); Philippa Stoddard 183 (ShH), 180 (ShH); Jesse Vear 153 (ShH); Jonathan Spencer 129b (ShH); Jesse Vear (152 (ShH); Philippa Stoddard 309 (ShH).
Chairman—Barb Ames; Secretary—Elizabeth Stoddard

HOLLY SPRINGS MEMORIAL SINGING

Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia

June 2-3, 2018

Saturday, June 2

The annual Sacred Harp memorial singing was held at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, near Bremen, Georgia, on the first Sunday and Saturday before in June. Richard DeLong called the class to order leading 32t. Richard then welcomed everyone, and Philip Denney offered the opening prayer. Richard DeLong led 101t. Leaders: Glenda Collins and Barbara Brooks 100; Michael Thompson 89; Jeannette DePoy 36b; Blake Sisemore 436; Robert Kelley 176b; Judy Chambless 318; Daniel Lee 354t; Wanda Capps 546; Lori Graber 317; Philip Denney 142; Karen Rollins 119 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Winfred Kerr 500 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Matt Hinton 228; Rebecca Over 558; Bruce Coates 535; Robert Chambless 75; Henry Johnson 489 (in memory of Felton Denney); Travis Peet 448t; Abby Huckaby and Sarah Huckaby 99; Silas Huckaby 328.

RECESS

Lela Crowder led 37b to bring the class to order. Leaders: David Smead 425; Virginia Dyer 340; Mark Graber 503; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 316; Margie Smith and Holly Smith 225t (in memory of B.M. Smith); John Plunkett 330t; Debora Grosse 189; Pam Nunn 216; Oscar McGuire 573; Kathy Williams 434 (in memory of her mother, Louise Holland); Eric Tweedy 368; Sandra Wilkinson 277; Joyce Peet 551; Buell Cobb 32b; Anna Hinton 455; Jesse Roberts 486; Don Bowen and Richard DeLong 77b (in honor of Charlene Wallace).

Richard DeLong asked Sacred Harp Publishing Company Board Members Danny Creel, Karen Rollins, and Kathy Williams to come forward. Danny Creel stated, "The Publishing Company started to present citations forty-nine years ago to honor and recognize loyal supporters and dedicated singers for outstanding work and untiring support to the cause of Sacred Harp music. The same six criteria hold true today. Those criteria are as follows: only deceased stockholders are eligible to receive a citation; the deceased stockholder must have been active in the formation of the Sacred Harp Publishing Company since 1935 and/or be a stockholder in said company; to be eligible to receive a citation, the deceased person must have been a teacher, writer, or an outstanding supporter and leader of Sacred Harp music; all citations presented must have been approved by a two-thirds majority of the Board of Directors; the citation must be presented to the person or persons approved by the Board of Directors; and the citation must be presented at the honoree's memorial or home singing by an officer or member of the Board of Directors of said company. Danny Creel added that a lot of people fit some of this criteria, but this one is right at the top!

Karen Rollins then spoke, and said that Hugh was the Executive Secretary of the Board when this citation was started because he was Executive Secretary from 1958 to 2002. Many of you are probably here today singing because of Hugh McGraw. He was a good singer, especially when he was a young man. He was a vigorous leader and it was a pleasure to watch him in the square. He was a good caretaker. When he became Executive Secretary the records of the company were not in very good order. Hugh kept very good records. We have him to thank for a lot of what we do today. He was a good promoter. He went on a lot of Sacred Harp trips, taking trips to the Holy Land, to England, and all over the U.S. He wrote some of the best songs in our book and was an ambassador for Sacred Harp wherever he went, and of course, he led the revision of the book that we use now. Karen further stated that what I'll remember most about him is what a good supporter he was of small singings. In the last years I know he didn't always feel like going, but you could see him sitting in the bass; he would key when you needed him to. He encouraged a lot of young singers. He gave his stock certificates to young singers and I remember that he loved his family. He was very proud of them. Karen then asked Hugh's family to come to the square. Kathy Williams read the citation, and presented it to Paula McGraw Hannah, Hugh's youngest daughter. Kathy mentioned that Hugh had received many honors. He was recognized locally by the Haralson County Board of Commissioners and received a National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellowship in 1982. Kathy said that what I'll remember most was his generosity. Many years ago I asked if I could take my daughter on a trip to the New England Convention. Everything was already planned. Hugh said, "Sure, you can go!" Kathy then added, "I will definitely remember the drive on the New Jersey Turnpike!"

The class resumed singing with Charles Woods leading 283. Leaders: Ann Jett 88t; Micah Roberts 33b; Karen Morris 430; Dan Edwards 34t; Helen Brown 532; Lauren Bock and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 527. John Plunkett offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

The afternoon session of singing began with Michael Walker leading 418. Leaders: Erica Hinton 314; Fallon Cook 168; Beverly Coates 229; Eli Hinton 148; Diane Avery 186; Louis Hughes 348b; Faye Hollis 78; Richard Mauldin 446; Judy Mincey 502; Ryan Konopka, Alex Rupp-Coppi, and Michael Walker 63; Greta Edwards 77t; Joel Bassett 298; Susan Cheronos 349; Ted Brown 187; Danny Creel 485; Glenda Collins and Barbara Brooks 339; Tommy McGraw 268 (in memory of his daddy, Earlis McGraw, and his mother, Teenie Moody); John Kelso 185; Nathan Rees 103; Fred Eady 183; Jonathon Smith 348t; Phillip Langley 564; Silas Huckaby 344; Beverly Coates 432; Rebecca Over 531 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Helen Brown 517; Abby Huckaby and Sarah Huckaby 354b; Bruce Coates 566; Ted Brown 74t; Sheri Taylor, and Christian Webb 294.

Richard DeLong led 318, and recognized Ms. Lurie Boyd (age 100). Ms. Boyd said she attended a singing school that Tom Denson taught many years ago.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Lifetime Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Vice Chairman—Richard DeLong; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Michael Thompson.

The class agreed to convene at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. Announcements were made. Richard DeLong led 46 as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, June 3

The Sunday session of the Holly Springs Sacred Harp Memorial singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Richard DeLong. He welcomed everyone, then led 34b. Tim Williams offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Charlene Wallace 155; Richard DeLong 31t; Michael Thompson 59; Donna Bell 172 (in memory of her daddy, George Garner, and her uncle, C.W. Garner); Rebecca Over 470 (in memory of Lloyd Redding); Oscar McGuire 276; Karen Rollins 389 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Robert Chambless 225t; Jeannette DePoy 171; Winfred Kerr 560; Lela Crowder 30t; Fred Eady 178; Scott DePoy 277; Esther Williams 148; Joel Baggett 70b; Virginia Dyer 137 (in memory of Florice Akin and Edward Cagle); Nathan Rees 374; Malinda Snow 96; Emmadene Williams 74t (for Daniel Williams).

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Nathan Rees leading 313t. Leaders: Isaac Green 395; Amber Davis 88t; Michael Walker 380; Robert Kelley 215; Fallon Cook 146 (for Betty Mobley); Chrissy Glen 569b; Phillip Langley 460; Shane Brown 373; Judy Chambless 549; Cecil Roberts 75; Sheri Taylor, Christian Webb, Laura Frey, and Riley McKibben 119; Debra Langley and Phillip Langley 299; Michael Walker 369 (in memory of Hugh McGraw); Lori Goode 358, 294; Laura Frey 163b; Donna Bell 481; Oscar McGuire 441; Fred Eady 236; Winfred Kerr 36b. Shane Brown offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

The final session of singing began with Michael Thompson leading 76b. Leaders: Amber Davis 192; Nathan Rees 126; Rebecca Over 353 (in memory of Earlis McGraw, Hugh McGraw, and other deceased McGraw family members); Robert Kelley 42; Joel Baggett 181; Malinda Snow 191; Chrissy Glen 27; Lela Crowder 157; Fallon Cook 196; Esther Williams 270; Phillip Langley 385b; Sheri Taylor 77t; Isaac Green 302; Debra Langley 209; Judy Chambless 37b; Shane Brown 260; Karen Rollins 136; Cecil Roberts 403; Robert Chambless 84; Emmadene Williams 523; Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy 274t; Cecil Roberts 312b.

Announcements were made. Richard DeLong led 62 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Vice Chairman—Richard DeLong; Secretary—Donna Bell

OSLO SINGING

Old Bishop's Palace, Ladegården, Oslo, Norway

June 2-3, 2018

Saturday, June 2

The 4th annual Oslo Sacred Harp All-Day Singing was called to order at Old Bishop's Palace, Ladegården, Uranienborgveien 2, Oslo, by Camilla Marie Widholm, who welcomed everyone, and led 171. Marielle Minutella then offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Marielle Minutella 59; Chris Affolter 39t; Ingrid Raedergård 154; Oskar Kvasnes 101t; Zach Lindahl 77t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 63; Derek Buckland 410t; Cornelia van den Doel 312b; Christopher Schuller 385t; Hanna Flyckt 155; Peter Kocher 142; Inga Huebner 346; Maria Neumann-Fraune 114; Colleen Jones 112; Anne Eringa 57; Emma Rock 505; Ewa Lichnerowicz 385b; Dominik Fraune 147b; Aldo Ceresa 186.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Marielle Minutella leading 178. Leaders: Theresa Hofmann 50t; Cäcilia Mann 66; Evelyn Lamb 108b; Walburga Ruhl 100; Camilla Marie Widholm 528; Saara Pakarinen 299; Dominik Fraune 40; Caro Stamm-Reusch 512; Emma Rock 551; Derek Buckland 73b; Anne Eringa 270; Cornelia van den Doel 335; Peter Kocher 106; Colleen Jones 475; Aldo Ceresa 550; Ingrid Raedergård 274t; Inga Huebner 348t; Christopher Schuller 215.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ewa Lichnerowicz leading 70b. Leaders: Zach Lindahl 428; Cäcilia Mann 188; Hanna Flyckt 28b; Theresa Hofman 203; Maria Neumann-Fraune 146; Walburga Ruhl 267; Evelyn Lamb 214; Derek Buckland 275t; Emma Rock 500; Anne Eringa 189; Dominik Fraune 217; Caro Stamm-Reusch 328; Cornelia van den Doel 89; Peter Kocher 45t; Inga Huebner 97. Peter Kocher offered a blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Saara Pakarinen leading 129. Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 455; Colleen Jones 444; Christopher Schuller 127; Evelyn Lamb 58; Caro Stamm-Reusch 312t; Zach Lindahl 187; Anne Eringa 168; Dave Farmer 288; Emma Rock 198; Ewa Lichnerowicz 42; Dominik Fraune 269; Theresa Hofman 183; Camilla Marie Widholm 172; Peter Kocher 182; Inga Huebner 56b; Cäcilia Mann 192; Derek Buckland 175; Walburga Ruhl 440; Cornelia van den Doel 452.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ingrid Raedergård leading 82t. Leaders: Maria Neumann-Fraune 457; Dave Farmer 365; Evelyn Lamb 353; Chris Affolter 434; Anne Eringa 191; Marielle Minutella 524; Colleen Jones 213b; Emma Rock 235; Cornelia van den Doel 30t; Zach Lindahl, Hanna Flyckt, Margaret Hunt, and John Lennart Nyström 388; Caro Stamm-Reusch, Christopher Schuller, and Emma Rock 276; Dave Farmer, Aldo Ceresa, and Evelyn Lamb 532; Peter Kocher and Walburga Ruhl 347; Colleen Jones, Ewa Lichnerowicz, and Isolda Heavey 84; Theresa Hofman, Maria Neumann-Fraune, Dominik Fraune, Inga Huebner, and Cäcilia Mann 567; Aldo Ceresa 201.

Secretary Oskar Kvasnes reported that ninety-four songs had been sung by thirty-eight registered singers, with twenty-six leaders. Seven countries were represented (Sweden, Ireland, England, USA, Germany, the Netherlands, and Norway). Ingrid Raedergård gave the Treasurer's report and reported that the expenses were met. Following announcements, Camilla Marie Widholm thanked all visitors for traveling and those involved in the organizing. Aldo Ceresa was thanked for the singing school taught on Friday. Camilla Marie Widholm led 62 as the closing song. Zach Lindahl offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, June 3

The class was called to order by Camilla Marie Widholm leading 49t. Leaders: Oskar Kvasnes 48t; Aldo Ceresa 56t; Caro Stamm-Reuch 171; Ewa Lichnerowicz 163b; Marielle Minutella 294; Cornelia van den Doel 117; Ingrid Rædergård 133; Saara Pakarinen 345t; Christopher Schuller 113; Dominik Fraune 277; Zack Lindahl 31t; Chris Affolter 320; Derek Buckland 29b; Camilla Marie Widholm 546; Cäcilia Mann 454; Maria Neumann-Fraune 566; Walburga Kocher 31b; Margaret Hunt 486; Peter Kocher 71; Evelyn Lamb 50b; Theresa Hofmann 163t; Colleen Jones 344.

RECESS

Oskar Kvasnes led 354t to bring the class together. Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 142; Ingrid Rædergård 32t; Ewa Lichnerowicz 30b; Marielle Minutella 388; Cornelia van den Doel 551; Caro Stamm-Reuch 564; Honorata Pawlicka-Zurakowska 82t; Christopher Schuller 326; Dominik Fraune 212; Zack Lindahl 33b; Chris Affolter 300; Derek Buckland 332; Camilla Marie Widholm 426t; Emma Rock 430; Maria Neumann-Fraune 102; Walburga Kocher 452; Cäcilia Mann 99; Saara Pakarinen 460; Margaret Hunt 82b; Evelyn Lamb 362; Colleen Jones 284.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Saara Pakarinen leading 29t. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reuch 308; Ewa Lichnerowicz 159; Marielle Minutella 497; Cornelia van den Doel 89; Ingrid Rædergård 378b; Honorata Pawlicka-Zurakowska 122; Aldo

Ceresa 160b; Chris Affolter 425; Derek Buckland 128; Walburga Kocher and Peter Kocher 231; Margaret Hunt 127; Evelyn Lamb 228; Colleen Jones 472; Christopher Schuller 84; Emma Rock 378b.

Camilla Marie Widholm led 146 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Camilla Marie Widholm; Secretary Saturday—Oskar Kvasnes; Secretary Sunday—Saara Pakarinen

HILL ROANE MEMORIAL

Sherman Baptist Church, Calhoun County, Mississippi

Sunday, June 3, 2018

The 69th annual Hill Roane Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held at Sherman Baptist Church. The class was called to order by Mark Davis leading 338. He then offered the morning prayer, and led 29b and 70b. Leaders: John Van Horn 209, 182, 201; Arlon Gardner 183, 225t, 224; David Jackson 68b, 569b, 39b; Warren Steel 141, 142, 320, 89; Andy Davis 222, 297, 198.

RECESS

Regina Derstine reassembled the class leading 230, 121, 177 and 50t. Leaders: Mark Davis 50b, 154b (WB), 527 (WB), 406; John Van Horn 155, 137, 136, 163t, 300.

LUNCH

Mark Davis called the afternoon session together leading 284, 289, 497 and 464. Leaders: Arlon Gardner 448t, 454, 49b; David Jackson 82t, 122; Judy Harrison 358, 108t; Warren Steel 82b, 453, 418; Andy Davis 236, 58, 73t, 475, 472; Regina Derstine 315, 434, 436, 430; Warren Steel 157; Arlon Gardner 102.

Following announcements, Mark Davis led “The Drone” as the closing song, and Arlon Gardner dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Warren Steel

LIBERTY DECORATION DAY SINGING

Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama

Sunday, June 3, 2018

The annual Liberty Decoration Day Sacred Harp singing was held on the first Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Kelsey Ivey leading 32t. Barrett Patton offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 129; Cheyenne Ivey 138t; Scott Ivey 47t; Loyd Ivey 89; Rex Wilks 176b; Hayden Wootten and Cole Wootten 42; Nate Green and Norma Green 34t (in memory of Eulis Ivey); Susan Cheronos 564 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Ed Thacker and Don Bowen 39b (in memory of Marie Ivey); Linda Sides 225t; Chris Ryan 492; Margaret Thacker 489 (for Edward); Daniel Lee 28t; Geraldine Sharpton 347; Jared Wootten 475; Wanda Capps 203 (for Velton Chafin and Brenda Chafin); Travis Peek 277; Bruce Coates 36b; Lisa Bennett 169; Garrett Morton and Earnest Lacy 421; Gail Doss 567; Paul Figura 146; Tom George 545; Ann Jett 37b; Chris Ballinger 84; Shelby Castillo 422; Matt Hinton 418; Shirley Figura 299; David Killingsworth 401.

The class moved to the cemetery and sang in memory of the deceased. Leaders: Kelsey Ivey 45t; Shane Wootten 500 (CB); David Ivey 572 (CB); Loyd Ivey 511b (CB); Shane Wootten 571 (CB).

RECESS

Richard Ivey led 56t to bring the class back together. Leaders: David Smead 440; Deb Morton, Reba Windom, Scott Ivey, Garrett Morton, Shelby Castillo, Betty Shepherd, and Josh Collier 512, 216; Margaret Keeton and Nicholas Thompson 340; Anna Hinton 383; Ted Brown 546; Anna Wootten 87; Rodney Ivey and Amy

Wootten 436; Sarah Jenkins and Joel Jenkins 208; Grace Whitener, Allison Whitener, and Everett Ivey 399b; Silas Huckaby 500; Ezra Lloyd and Malachi Lloyd 108b; Beverly Coates and Abby Huckaby 99; Sylvia Ivey, Jaden Hunt, and Scott Ivey 392 (CB); Lori Graber 180; Jackie Tanner and Cindy Tanner 182; Barrett Patton 336 (in memory of his grandparents); Lisa Geist 377; Caden Wilks and Rex Wilks 29t; Jack Stiefel and John Stiefel 348b; Marlon Wootten and Wayne Wootten 31t; Gideon Lloyd 30b; Tony Ivey 147b; Joyce Whittington 171.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Ivey leading 101t. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 556; Jamey Wootten 441; Beverly Coates 95; Phil Summerlin 565; Jonathon Smith 181; Sarah Trumbore 430; Earl Ballinger 439; Sarah Huckaby 163t; Isaac Lloyd 228; Karen Freund 77t (for Lynne deBenedette and in memory of Jerry Enright); Eddie Mash 235; Alex Forsyth 411; Shane Wootten 484 (CB) (in honor of the veterans present); Dennis George 527; Larry Ballinger and Linton Ballinger 314; Karen Ivey, Grace Whitener, Richard Ivey, and Everett Ivey 200; Justin Bowen 275b; Helen Brown 522; Marty Wootten, Shane Wootten, and Wayne Wootten 318 (in memory of Eloise Wootten); Jesse P. Karlsberg 434; Judy Caudle 88t; Henry Johnson 213b; Lauren Bock 212; Reba Windom 542; Syble Adams 47b; Loyd Ivey, Marian Biddle, and Doug Ivey 501 (CB); David Ivey 518 (CB) (by request); Scott Ivey 57 (by request).

Kelsey Ivey, Marlon Wootten, and Loyd Ivey led 62 as the closing song. Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kelsey Ivey; Vice Chairman—Shane Wootten; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

NORTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY SHENANDOAH HARMONY SINGING

Charles Washington Hall, Charles Town, West Virginia

Sunday, June 3, 2018

The 6th annual all-day Northern Shenandoah Valley *Shenandoah Harmony* singing was brought to order by Ben Hartland leading 397. David Giusti offered the opening prayer. The following officers were asked to serve: Secretaries—Joni Seidenstein and Adrian Mariano; Treasurer—Tom Ivey. All song selections are from the *Shenandoah Harmony*.

Leaders: Kelly Macklin 167; Adrian Mariano 423; Tom Ivey 417; Leyland delRe 192; Anders Fahey 113; Jonathan Een Newton 179; Brenda Dunlap 95; Julia Seidenstein 45b; Corinne Ducey 187; Mary Ann Daly 155; Sharon Strong 154; Eli Snyder 98; Graham DeZarn 416; Lucas Husted 114; Katy Hunter 186; Bridget Camden 171; Robin Banerji 411; Miriam Delirium 236t; Tim Gregg 316b; Ina Shea 348b; Dean Jens 269; Abby Beavin 100.

RECESS

Myles Louis Dakan called the class together leading 10. Leaders: Joni Seidenstein 358; John delRe 178; Rachel Hall 401; Dick Patterson 453; Tophar Lawton 9b; Joel Miller 457; Jessica Keyes 22b; Mike Spencer 147; David Giusti 139; Miranda Elliot-Rader 80.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Chris Wolf leading 143 for the following sick and homebound: Kacy Pate, Les Updike, Nancy Anderson, Paul Wilson, Ester Wildey, Roxanne Greenberg, Ray Rechenberg, and Hunter Jones.

Chris then led 218 for the following deceased: Darrell Swares—Indiana; Keith MacAdam—Kentucky; Wayne Jens—Iowa; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Dr. Randolph Green-Georgia; Rev Charles Bennett—Missouri; Winter Acorn—Pennsylvania;

Steve Helwig—Oregon; Nick Stanton—Massachusetts; Dona Dise—New York; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Nancy Graham—Maryland; Kit Halsted—Texas.

Leaders: Nora Miller 424; Thomas Ward 418; Ateven Snderson 392; Bev Yaeger 260t. A blessing for lunch was asked by David Giusti.

LUNCH

Rachel Hall led 251 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Dan Hunter 340b; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 254; Rachel Speer 105; Claudia Egelhoff 173; Erin Fulton 169; AnnaLeigh Smith 285; Ted Mercer 266; Karl Dise 124; Lydia Lewallen 247; Tristan Gordon 67; Jake Kiakahi 292; Dorothy Robinson 310; Barb Patterson 75; Skeet Surrency 180; Stefani Priskos 162; Dann Pell 270; Hal Kunkel 378b; Kyle Johnston 197; Alice Beattie 140b; Jerusha Wheeler 205; Chris Cotter 16; Stina Sutherland 243; Kerry Cullinan 296.

RECESS

Kyle Johnston led 3b. Leaders: Barbara Swetman 196; Yosef Trachtenberg 201; Chloe Somers 60b; Sam Kleinman 41; Emmie Strassburg 245; Erica Martinez 53; Kathy Manning 3t, Barb Patterson 404t; Anna Leigh Smith 420t; Chris Wolf 309; Martha Burns 65t; Claudia Egelhoff 364; Erin Fulton 241t; Brenda Dunlap 385b; Stina Sutherland 363b; Ina Shea 443b; Alice Beattie 403; Myles Louis Dakan 246b; Kelly Macklin and Dan Hunter 138; Abby Beavin 77.

Announcements were made. Resolutions were made by John delRe. Ben Hartland led 129t as the closing song. David Giusti offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ben Hartland; Vice Chairman—Graham DeZarn; Secretaries—Joni Seidenstein and Adrian Mariano

ALBANY NEW YORK SINGING

Old Songs Community Arts Center, Voorheesville, New York Saturday, June 9, 2018

The Albany New York All-Day Singing was called to order by Joanne Fuller leading 52t. The opening prayer was offered by Lynn Wilson. Leaders: Pattie Wareh 101t; Jean Seiler 47t; Tarik Wareh 421; George Sigut 288; Pat Geritz 503; Nina Zanetti 40; Mary Skidmore 99; Rachel Reed 32t; Sally Langendorf 511; Dennis Leipold 189; Hollie Long 30b; Barbara Swetman 175; Ryan Nash 71; Jan May 276; Nic Tuff 214; David Rosenberg 34b.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Crispin Youngberg leading 89. Leaders: Sarah Stefanski 446; Ruth Wampler 279; Linda Delfs and Chris Bracken 497; Angharad Davis 486; Jonathan Spencer 328; Cora Wareh 335; Jean Seiler 72b; Calum Steel 105; Charles Biada 278b; Karl Dise 216; Ivy Hauser 297; Rachel Fox Von Swearingen 178; Tracy Verma 77t; Chris Bracken 441; Jesse Beller 445; Gary Ryan 567.

RECESS

Allison Steel led 82t to call the class to order. Leaders: Alison Forster 142; Calvin Jens 53; Dev Crasta 148; Leon Pulsinelle 370; L.H. Spencer 547; Dean Jens 29t; Crispin Youngberg 538; Becky Wright 539; Gwen Gethner 133; Allison Steel 507; Rachel Speer 135; Ian Quinn 280; Hollie Long 159; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 107; Mary Skidmore and Mary Jean McCarthy 198; Dennis Leipold 182; Dev Crasta 39t; Pattie Wareh and Elissa Redman 299; David Rosenberg 362; Rachel Fox Von Swearingen 294. Grace for the noon meal was offered by Lynn Wilson.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Angharad Davis leading 406. Leaders: Ivy Hauser 377; Gerald Clark 55; Becky Wright 272; Ruth Wampler 391; Rachel Speer

91; Nic Tuff 95; Charles Biada 166; Sally Langendorf 530; Barbara Swetman 35; Leon Pulsinelle 293; Ian Quinn 436; Christina Vanderbosch 383; Allison Steel 277; Karl Dise 245; Sarah Stefanski 146; Jean Seiler 472; Jan May 528.

RECESS

Ian Quinn called the class to order by leading 111b. Leaders: Gwen Gethner 564; Jean Rosenberg 254; Crispin Youngberg 47b; Katerina Livermore 59; Gerald Clark 58; Ryan Nash 128; Jonathan Spencer 24t; Dean Jens 201; Gerry Ryan 29b; L.H. Spencer 260; Chris Bracken 114; Angharad Davis 192; Alison Forster 203; Jesse Beller 369; Joanne Fuller 542; Nina Zanetti 417; George Sigut 56b.

The Resolutions Committee gave thanks and resolved to gather again in June, 2019. The Treasurer reported that expenses had been met. The Secretary reported that sixty-eight singers registered from seven states and Canada, and that ninety-one songs were led by forty-eight leaders. Announcements of upcoming singings were made.

Joanne Fuller, Pattie Wareh, Tarik Wareh, and Jean Seiler led 62 as the closing song. Lynn Wilson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Joanne Fuller; Vice Chairman—Pattie Wareh; Secretary—Jean Seiler

RAYMOND HAMRICK MEMORIAL SINGING (THE GEORGIAN HARMONY)

Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia

Saturday, June 9, 2018

The 4th Raymond Hamrick Memorial Singing (*The Georgian Harmony*) was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in June at the Roberta Civic Center. Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 1. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 50; Oscar McGuire 9; Helen Bryson 6; Steven Taylor 29; Phillip Ford 49; Chris Robinson 8; Winfred Kerr 65; Jesse Roberts 242; Micah Roberts 4; Rebecca Over 252; Rosemund Watson 25; Martha Harrell 54; Jerusha Wheeler 194.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 48. Leaders: Mary Brownlee 95; Nancy Novotny 236; David Smead 198; Lisa Bennett 254; Steven Taylor 98; Bill Hollingsworth 136; Steven Taylor 15; Phillip Ford 92; Helen Bryson 42; Chris Robinson 14; Winfred Kerr 109; Lisa Bennett 222 (leading for John Hollingsworth); Jesse Roberts 51; Micah Roberts 138.

LUNCH

Oscar McGuire called the class to order leading 26. Leaders: Rebecca Over 2; Martha Harrell 107; Jerusha Wheeler 96; Nancy Novotny 226; Mary Brownlee 13; Lisa Bennett 153; John Plunkett 134; David Smead 249; Steven Taylor 57; Phillip Ford 186; Chris Robinson 187; Bill Hollingsworth 130; Winfred Kerr 105; Lisa Bennett 122 (for John Hollingsworth); Jesse Roberts 33; Micah Roberts 131; Rebecca Over 70; Jerusha Wheeler 90; Nancy Novotny 108; John Plunkett 16; David Smead 208; Bill Hollingsworth 22.

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 255 as the closing song. Elder Chris Robinson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Helen Bryson

HOPEWELL HOMECOMING
Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, Oneonta, Alabama
June 9-10, 2018

Saturday, June 9

The 72nd annual Hopewell Homecoming Sacred Harp singing was held at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Oneonta, Alabama, on the second Sunday and Saturday before in June. Terry Hullett called the class to order by leading 59. Henry Johnson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 166; Nate Green and Norma Green 549, 317; Bobby Watkins 33b; Rebekah Gilmore 101t, 32t; Daniel Bearden 295, 93; Jack Nelson 560, 461; Robbie Hooper 303; Lori Graber 122, 278t; Judy Caudle 448b (in memory of Herby Bailey), 460; Gillian Inksetter 531, 368; Jamie Yeats 39t, 169; Idy Kiser 312b, 313b.

RECESS

Terry Hullett brought the class back together by leading 81t. Leaders: Danny Creel 145t; Danny Creel and Sharon DuPriest 269; April Watkins 53, 354b; Dwight Phillips 290 (in memory of Ruby Phillips), 137 (in memory of Virgil Phillips); Wayne Jones 30b, 496; David Carlton 385b, 198; Cindy Tanner 155, 436; Doyle Alexander 36b, 68b; Taylor Watkins 445; Helen Brown 475; Helen Brown and Sharon DuPriest 212.

RECESS

Philip Gilmore brought the class back together by leading 411. Leaders: Philip Gilmore 47b; Larry Ballinger 391, 291; J.L. Hopper 402, 403; Donna Johnson, Kelly Evers, and Charlotte Cobb 358, 282; Margaret Gillanders 225t, 314; Tommie Spurlock 146; Ted Brown 179, 119; Grace Gilmore 208, 542; Richard Mauldin 446, 43 (in memory of Josie Hyde); Kerry Cullinan 565, 66; Stanley Smith 318 (in memory of Leona Smith), 418 (in memory of Nettie Green).

LUNCH

Bobby Watkins brought the class back together by leading 56t. Leaders: Mary Huffman 183, 48b; Hubert Nall 176b, 566; Barbara Jones 276; Ed Thacker 528, 530; Henry Johnson 288; Reba Windom 546; Waylon Blakeley 283 (in memory of Doug Conn); Waylon Blakeley and Judy Caudle 306 (in memory of Glenda Hopper); Roberta Strauss 536, 203; Tiffany Hooper 107, 551; Dennis George 550; Lisa Geist 273, 272; Margaret Thacker 503; Chris Green 170; Shane Brown 267; Mary Ruth Stiefel 234; Chita Blakeley 498; Molly Bagley 344; Anne Drexler and Roberta Strauss 277; Ken Green and Nate Green 322, 418; Stephen Huffman 131b.

Terry Hullett led 31t as the closing song. Elder J.L. Hopper dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, June 10

The Sunday session of the Hopewell Homecoming Sacred Harp singing was called to order by Terry Hullett leading 59. The morning prayer was offered by Doyle Alexander.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 36b; Nate Green 49t, 123t; Bobby Watkins 37b, 49b; Doyle Alexander 143, 146; Philip Gilmore 30t, 77t; Robbie Hooper 76b, 480; Rebekah Gilmore 144, 67; Marty Wootten 31t; Philip Denney 129, 120; Grace Gilmore 47b, 542; Tiffany Hooper 38b, 68b; April Watkins 322, 79; Jamey Wootten 32t.

RECESS

Bobby Watkins brought the class back together by leading 101t. Leaders: Buell Cobb 317, 105; Taylor Watkins 274t, 388; Susan Cheronos 300 (in memory of Dr. Bill O'Byrne), 349; Donna Johnson, Charlotte Cobb, and Kelly Evers 119, 571 (CB); Karen Rollins 371, 373.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Philip Gilmore and Paula Gilmore. They led

48t for the following deceased: Audrey Reeves, Lester Reeves, Doug Conn, Everett Dailey, Joan Lowe, Glenda Hopper, Gene Wootten, Eloise Wootten, Marion Phillips, Johnnie Chafin, Floy Wilder, Daphene Causey, Caleb Allred, Ralph Tidwell, Gravis Ballinger, Arthur Gilmore, Bonnie Bailey, J.C. Brothers, Verlon Stiefel, Sherry Tanner, and Joycie Wootten—Alabama; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Linda Domholt—California; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Edith Owen—Texas; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Louise Holland, Florice Akin, and Ruth Ayers—Georgia.

Philip and Paula then led 45t for the following sick and shut-ins: Marie Hyatt, Hazel Brothers, Jimmie Gilmore, Jimmy Wadsworth, and Virginia Lowe. Linda Thomas, Teresa Ratliff, and Jordan Sullivan then sang “It Is Well” in memory of Lester Reeves, Audrey Reeves, Everett Dailey, and Doug Conn. Elder Philip Gilmore closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

LUNCH

Terry Hullett brought the class back together by leading 99. Leaders: Chita Blakeley 142, 434 (in memory of Doug Conn); Marlin Beasley 318, 61 (for Juanita Beasley); Shane Brown 100; Alex Makris 84, 312b; Linda Thomas, Jordan Sullivan, and Marty Wootten 472; Linda Thomas 345b; Deborah Rich 168, 200; Ken Green and Nate Green 358, 314; Daniel Lee 489, 28t; Waylon Blakeley 172 (for Johnny Blakeley and Marie Hyatt), 76t (in memory of Enis Wall); Terry Hullett 82t; Jordan Sullivan “Sweet Beulah Land.”

Terry Hullett, Nate Green, and Philip Gilmore led 159 as the closing song. Marty Wootten dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Nate Green; Secretaries—Paula Gilmore and Rebekah Gilmore

ALDRIDGE MEMORIAL

Johnson Schoolhouse, Fayette County, Alabama

Sunday, June 10, 2018

The annual Aldridge Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held at Johnson Schoolhouse on the second Sunday in June. Elene Stovall welcomed everyone, and then led 36b. Earl Ballinger offered the opening prayer. Elene Stovall led 172.

Joan Aldridge dedicated the day to the memory of Darrell Swarens, and led 217. Leaders: Allison Davis 373; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 276; Kerry Cullinan 180, 565; Lori Graber 107, 142; Nicholas Thompson 137, 200; Jamie Yeats 86, 47t; Chris Ballinger 215, 300; Linda Booth 198, 489; Adrian Eldridge 444, 94; Ted Brown 406, 339.

RECESS

Elene Stovall led 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens) to bring the class back together. Leaders: Dennis George 213b, 455; Katherine Eldridge 504, 71 (in memory of Josie Hyde and Darrell Swarens); Earl Ballinger 439, 432; Margaret Gillanders 456, 480; Isaac Green 419 (for Ozella Blackmon), 170 (for Linda Sides); Sharon DuPriest and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 300, 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Tom Booth 39b, 78; Larry Ballinger 157, 216.

RECESS

Bridgett Hill Kennedy brought the class back together leading 82t. Leaders: Gillian Inksetter 573, 111t; Barbara Lund 384, 99; Virginia Eldridge 380, 224; Idy Kiser 448b, 472; Dan Brittain 57, 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Helen Brown 542, 411.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Elene Stovall leading 440. Leaders: Betty Baccus 396, 166; Tim Gregg 96, 83t; Paula Picton 101t, 294; Chuck Howell 569b, 32t;

Molly Bagley 148; David Jackson 503, 40; Lisa Geist 182, 492; Blake Sisemore 269, 550; Amber Davis 389, 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Shelby Castillo 436, 196; Yosef Trachtenberg 105, 178; Jonathon Smith 332, 296; Stephen Huffman 446, 354t; Mary Huffman 556, 496; Idy Kiser and Gillian Inksetter 171; Helen Brown and Ted Brown 546; Margaret Gillanders 318; Katherine Eldridge, Virginia Eldridge, Adrian Eldridge, and Barbara Lund 371; Jamie Yeats 39t; Lori Graber 76b; Kerry Cullinan 123t; Molly Bagley 56b; Yosef Trachtenberg 410t; Tim Gregg 64; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 500. Closing remarks were made by Joan Aldridge and Elene Stovall. Announcements were made.

Elene Stovall led 316 (in memory of Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, D.M. Aldridge, and Robert Aldridge). Stephen Huffman offered closing prayer.

Co-Chairmen—Elene Stovall and Joan Aldridge; Secretary—Allison Davis

JUNE SINGING

Alpharetta Municipal Building, Alpharetta, Georgia

Sunday, June 10, 2018

The 150th 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. John Plunkett offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Faye Holbrook 67; Mike Castleberry 480, 515; Helen Bryson 70t, 542; John Plunkett 74b (remembering Lloyd Garrison), 343 (remembering Violet Thomason); Malinda Snow 28b, 481; Zack Silva 49b; Janice Paulk 448b, 136; David Smead 39b, 108t; Celeste Silva 277; Samuel Williams 260, 271b; Winfred Kerr 335, 517.

RECESS

Faye Holbrook called the class to order leading 455. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 47b, 270; Caleb Silva 53; Rebecca Over 105, 541; Cathy Bonk 565; Judy Mincey 266, 271t; Tony Hammock 30b, 465; Nancy Novotny 345b, 375; Jerusha Wheeler 369, 195; Richard DeLong 224, 472.

Helen Bryson conducted the memorial lesson. She spoke of how the memorial lesson is an important part of the Sacred Harp tradition and the legacy left to us from past singers. She led 482 for the deceased and sick and shut-ins. Those deceased remembered are Ola Deason Meadows—Alabama; Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Audrey Ruth Garner, Melba Castleberry, and G.C. Redding—Georgia. Those sick and shut-ins remember are Jack Paulk, Charlene Wallace, and Colin Neel. John Plunkett closed the lesson with prayer.

A business session was conducted. The class voted to keep the same officers as follows: Chairman—Faye Holbrook; Vice Chairman—Mike Castleberry; Secretary—Helen Bryson.

LUNCH

Faye Holbrook called the class to order leading 380. Leaders: Daniel Williams 502, 74t; Lena Silva 76t, 196; Oscar McGuire 163b, 548; Milly Silva 282, 45t; Debora Grosse 494, 189; Lori Silva and Lisa Bennett 114, 115; Mike Castleberry 512; Cathy Bonk 63; Samuel Williams 334; Nancy Novotny 511; Helen Bryson 176t; Winfred Kerr 36b; Malinda Snow 556; Janice Paulk 384.

RECESS

Faye Holbrook called the class to order leading 376. Leaders: Rebecca Over 434; Tony Hammock 112; Judy Mincey 36t; Zack Silva 175; David Smead 390; Jerusha Wheeler 59; Richard DeLong 39t; Celeste Silva 47t; Daniel Williams 416; Caleb Silva 65; Debora Grosse 312b; Lena Silva 65.

Announcements were made. Faye Holbrook and Mike Castleberry led 62 as closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Mike Castleberry.

Chairman—Faye Holbrook; Vice Chairman—Mike Castleberry; Secretary—Helen Bryson

CAMP FASOLA, ADULT EMPHASIS **Camp McDowell, Double Springs, Alabama** **June 10-14, 2018**

Arrival, Registration, and Orientation Campers arrived at 4:00 p.m. and received their room assignments, schedules, and t-shirts. Campers had free time until dinner at 6:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. staff and campers met with David Ivey in Phifer Hall for an orientation meeting, followed by a class singing.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Led by Gribbon Lodge campers. The class was called to order by Helen Brown leading 52t. The opening prayer was offered by Ted Brown. Leaders: Lela Crowder 32t; Molly Bagley, Melissa Bagley, and Evelyn Bagley 49t; Ted Brown 101t; Gillian Inksetter 448t; Jesse P. Karlsberg 375; Priscilla Rice 38b; Bill Hayes 209; Dan Comstock and Ann Mashchak 551; David Smead 95; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Justin Bowen 228; Jamie Yeats 154; Katie Kellert 49b; Jonathon Smith 131b; Stephen Ray Miller 277; Susan Cheronas and Deborah Taube 84; Margaret Gillanders 39t; Kerry Cullinan 26; Lucas Jordan 117; Nancy Novotny 150; Daniel Lee 489; Beverly Dayton 515; Tom Booth 523; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 212; Pat Morse 300; Nathan Rees 374; Robbie Hooper 565; Ann Blake 324; Yosef Trachtenberg 503. The class remained together for a devotional service, and then was dismissed.

Monday, June 11

At 7:00 a.m. each day, campers could participate in activities that included hiking, aquasize, and singing on the porch. Breakfast followed at 8:00 a.m.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teachers—Lauren Bock and Jonathon Smith. Lauren and Jonathon introduced themselves, and welcomed the class. Each camper gave their name and a brief summary of how they became interested in Sacred Harp. Lauren talked about pitch, rhythm, tone, and tempo. She asked the class to stand, and then they practiced some voice exercises, making some pleasing sounds and some not so pleasing sounds, illustrating the difference between noise and music. Jonathon reviewed the information found on each song page in the book, and led 45t. He talked of the four harmonies used in Sacred Harp singing, and illustrated the hollow square, and where each part of the class is seated. The class practiced singing the major scale, and some intervals, and was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Nathan Rees. Nathan welcomed the class, and led 31b. Nathan began a discussion with campers about why they sing Sacred Harp. Some reasons suggested were that Sacred Harp singing is less restrictive as far as rules, and the special sound of the harmonies and singing open chords. Nathan referred to the Rudiments as the source of his instruction, as well as lessons learned from singing schools he has attended. The class sang the major scale several times, and then moved on to singing intervals. The class sang the notes on 47t, 82t, and 146. Nathan encouraged campers, when leading, to sing the lead part. He demonstrated the basics of leading and accenting, and dismissed the class.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Advanced 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Warren Steel. Warren and campers discussed the scale and its progression over the years to the present day four shape system. Notable milestones of the origin of four shapes were reviewed. The word gamut was removed from the Rudiments and the syllables “ut and re” were no longer used. Leaders: Nancy Novotny 129; Warren Steel 240, 68b; Susan Cheronas

349; Warren Steel 80b. The class practiced intervals in their melodic form, singing concords and discords. The class sang a five part song (Green Fields) from a handout, and was dismissed.

Elective: Learning Songs / Basics 10:45 a.m. Teacher—David Ivey. David welcomed the class, and began a discussion with campers about their interests. David addressed the shapes of the notes and their names. He passed out a sheet with this information for campers to put in their song book. He then talked about sight reading, stating that the key to sight reading is mastering the scales, which takes a lot of practice. The class sang the scales. David led 49t, 49b, 27, 388, 40, and 31t. Campers were instructed to concentrate on saying the correct note and singing the correct tone. David called attention to the structure of the music: line of music to sing for the different parts; repeats (both mandatory and optional); rests and triplets. He suggested that campers choose an area of interest to concentrate on during practice singings, and when one felt comfortable with that aspect, then move on to another. Prisca Rice led 47b. David led 64, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Team Tunesmith I / Sacred Harp Composition 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and led 101t. He described how practicing composition deepens the connection to the music. He quoted George Seiler, who said that people came to Sacred Harp for the music, stayed for the food, and came back for the people, but first is the music. Aldo reviewed styles and methods of composition by various authors. The class was divided into three teams of three people on each team. They were given a copy of a song with only the tenor part, and the teams were to write harmony parts, creating songs that would be sung at a compositum on Wednesday. The class was dismissed.

Elective: More Rudiments / Questions and Answers 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Dan Brittain. Dan opened the floor for questions. He addressed time signatures, pointing out the beats in each. Dan talked about chord structure in the Sacred Harp, and named authors who have influenced his writing. Dan led 434. There were questions about accidentals in the Sacred Harp, and Dan said that most traditional singers ignored them. He made comments about the raised sixth, and how the use of it varies within the singing community. Dan led 209. There was further discussion about the importance of the Rudiments, and the focus on accent, rhythm, and pitch. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Conduct of Singings and Conventions 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Jesse P. Karlsberg. Jesse welcomed the class, and introduced the other members of the panel, Judy Caudle and David Ivey. Jesse referred to the Rudiments, Chapter XI, Organization and Conduct of Singings and Conventions on page 25. The panel discussed committees, keeping minutes, terminology of singings, and basics of the memorial lesson. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: The Music and Legacy of Hugh McGraw 2:10 p.m. Teacher—Jesse P. Karlsberg. Jesse welcomed the class, and Shannon Primm led 500. Jesse stated that Hugh McGraw had as great an impact on Sacred Harp and its community as any other person. He was born in Georgia in 1931, and lived there for the rest of his life. He attended singings as a child but was not very impressed. He attended the Chatahoochee Convention in 1952, and was struck by the sound. Hugh was elected Executive Secretary of the Sacred Harp Publishing Company in 1958, and served on the committee for the 1960 revision of the book, which included four of the songs he had written (three remain in the current edition). Nathan Rees led 527. Hugh served as chairman of the committees for the 1966 and 1971 revisions. He enlisted professionals to update the attributions of songs in the 1971 edition. The 1991 revision was the second complete revision of the book (the other being the 1911 edition), and again, Hugh chaired the committee that consisted of esteemed

members of the singing community. David Ivey shared memories of singing with Hugh and working with him on the 1991 revision. Pam Nunn led 548. The 1991 edition reflected the new geography of Sacred Harp including songs written by singers in the Midwest and the Northeast. Hugh recognized the growing interest in Sacred Harp, and dreamed of and worked to bring people into the Sacred Harp fold. He commissioned recordings, and presented at countless folk festivals, academic conferences, and other places to showcase Sacred Harp singing. Buell Cobb and P. Dan Brittain shared their reminiscences of singing with Hugh on the road. Hugh helped found many conventions around the country, and in 1980 founded the National Sacred Harp Convention. Warren Steel shared his memories of early days of singing in Michigan. He related that Hugh said that four things were needed at a Sacred Harp singing: sitting in a hollow square; alternating leaders; singing the shapes; and prayer. Hugh was honored as a fellow of the National Endowment of the Arts, and has been awarded many recognitions throughout the years. Helen Brown led 549, and the class was dismissed.

Lesson: Leading Workshop / Beginners 3:40 p.m. Teachers—Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Judy Caudle. Bridgett welcomed the class, and led 37b. Judy read the Rudiments, page 16, section 12, about leading. She continued by directing campers attention to page 15, and the class practiced the exercises found there for each mode of time. Leaders: Marcia Willsie 49t; Cameron Holly 32t; Natalie Ciccarillo 30t; Deborah Taube 31t; Karen White 45t; Prisca Rice 146; Jonathan Kihyet 64.

Elective: Time and Tempo 3:40 p.m. Teacher—Warren Steel. Warren welcomed the class and distributed a hand-out highlighting common, triple, and compound moods of time. He explained the common moods according to the Rudiments of B.F. White. Warren showed the hand position for leading each common mood, comparing it to a pendulum swing. He briefly touched on accent, noting that accents are brought forth not by singing accented notes louder, but by singing non-accented notes softer. He led 268, and the class practiced accent. Warren distributed a hand-out that addressed poetic meter in the Sacred Harp. He led 39b as an example of common meter (iambic). He directed the class to look at 330b as an example of short meter. Warren led 335, and then the class looked at 384 and 151. David Smead led 151, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Readings and Reflections / An Hour with Buell Cobb 4:50 p.m. Teacher—Buell Cobb. Buell welcomed the class. He read excerpts from his book “Like Cords Around My Heart”. He spoke of Ruth Denson Edwards, who was a daughter of Uncle Tom Denson. Her training and experience as a school teacher came across in her interactions with others. Buell read family recollections of Miss Ruth, and added a few of his own. He talked of Elder Roy Avery, who was a Primitive Baptist elder and a traveling salesman. He said that Elder Avery lived to the age of 93, and was a charming man with a sly sense of humor. Buell read passages about the Jackson family and the wiregrass singers, especially Jewel Jackson. He demonstrated her kick and karate chop when she led. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Keying Music 4:50 p.m. Teacher—David Ivey. David welcomed the class, and referred to the Rudiments (page 17, section 4) which says that Sacred Harp music should be pitched so that all singers can reach their parts comfortably. David gave campers tips on how to establish the tonic sound, and how to build a chord. Class members practiced keying songs, with encouragement and instruction from David. The class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. The Monday night singing was held in Phifer Hall, and the class was brought to order by Lisa Bennett and David Smead leading 81t. Dan Comstock offered the evening prayer. Leaders: Tiffany Hooper and Robbie Hooper 35; Jonathon Smith 129; Shannon Primm and Delynne Lilly 47t; Marcia Willsie 277;

Warren Steel 32b; Sasha Hsuczyk 542; Eileen Ferguson 84; Lela Crowder and Natalie Ciccariello 146; Jamie Yeats 501; Karen Mathews 457; Lauren Bock and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 464; Mary Rose O'Leary 108b; Dan Brittain 458; Jeannette DePoy 201; Aldo Ceresa 297; Deborah Taube 34b; Pam Nunn and Justin Bowen 196; Helen Brown 430; Linda Booth 224; Susan Cheronos and James Champagne 460; Stephen Ray Miller 178; Tim Gregg 90; Judy Caudle 540; Margaret Gillanders 492; Molly Bagley 344; Gillian Inksetter 456; Ted Brown 113; Nancy Novotny 550; Yosef Trachtenberg 40; Katie Kellert 282; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 309; Bill Hayes 354b; Pat Morse 147t; Ann Blake 472; Nathan Rees 353. Dan Comstock conducted the devotional, and the class was dismissed. An ice cream social followed.

Tuesday, June 12

Lesson: Rudiments II / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teachers—Lauren Bock and Jonathon Smith. Lauren and Jonathon welcomed the class, and addressed any questions that campers had after experiencing the first day of camp. Lauren directed the practice of the major scale. Jonathon talked about melodies, rhythmic, and dynamics. The class practiced beating time, and sang 48t. Lauren and Jonathon demonstrated tips on how to follow a leader and how to indicate choices when leading a song. The class practiced the minor scale, and then was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Nathan Rees. Nathan welcomed the class, and campers practiced the major scale and intervals. He said that about 25% of the songs in the Sacred Harp book are in a minor key. He introduced the minor scale, and campers practiced singing along with him. He led 278b, a minor tune, and also an example of common time. He continued talking about time, tempo, and accent. The class practiced triple time by singing 348b, and compound time by singing 75. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II / Advanced 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and introduced a fascinating journey through the seven modes of time with some interesting stops along the way. He directed the class to the Rudiments (page 14; Chapter II, Rhythmic). The modes of time were discussed by the class, and songs were led as examples. The first mode of common time (2/2) was demonstrated by Gillian Inksetter leading 344 and Lisa Bennett leading 149. Next was the third mode of common time (2/4) and Judy Caudle led 80b; David Smead led 80t, and Sasha Hsuczyk led 145t. The second mode of common time (4/4), by far the most common mode of common time in the Sacred Harp, always involves a secondary accent in the measure. Accent was discussed, and Aldo encouraged campers to over emphasize the accent. Aldo Ceresa led 56t and Susan Cheronos led 209. The first mode of triple time was discussed. Nancy Novotny led 29b and Daniel Lee led 31t. Justin Bowen led 54, an example of 3/4 time. Aldo again referred to the Rudiments, and the class discussed syncopation. Warren Steel led 97. Aldo also talked about word fit. He led 335; Mary Rose O'Leary led 38b, and Helen Brown led 384. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Thoughts on Sacred Harp Etiquette 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Buell Cobb. Buell welcomed the class, and began by stating that standards of decorum change with the times. He noted changes in manner of dress, number of leaders and songs during a singing day, and environmental consciousness in many areas. He talked of the Southern Musical Convention (1845) actually expelling members for violations of etiquette. He reminded the class that early on, conventions adopted a position to exclude divisive elements, and concentrate on the things that bind singers together. Other topics mentioned were the memorial lesson, leading, and front bench etiquette. Buell read an excerpt from a newsletter article titled *Dear Miss Grace Notes* that touched on convention etiquette based on practical consideration and common courtesy. Buell said that arranging the leaders for a day of singing at its best is a kind

of theatre, noting a few suggestions for successful arranging. He encouraged the class to take these notes as suggestions, not absolutes, and then dismissed the class.

Elective: Learning Songs / Basics 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Helen Brown. Helen welcomed the class, and distributed a hand-out with an outline of the class topics. She led the class in singing the scales. She led 569t, a major tune, and 39t, a minor tune. Next, campers practiced keeping time while Hayley Aaron led 87, and Helen led 155. Helen demonstrated beating triple time by leading 503. Leaders: Bill Hayes 312b; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 65; Helen Brown 378t; Helen Brown and Prisca Rice 448t; Helen led 274t. She encouraged campers to ask for help, if needed, and to practice, practice, practice. The class was dismissed.

Elective: My Sacred Harp Journey 1:00 p.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class, and distributed a hand-out he had prepared for the lesson. Camper sang songs with Dan leading “Garden State”, “Maquoketa”, “Hauff”, “Pohick”, “Chmielno”, “Cowling”, “McGraw”, and “Dean Street”. Leaders: Dan Brittain 313b; Warren Steel 472; Jeannette DePoy 353; Dan Brittain 481. Songs were interspersed with comments by Dan on song origins and inspirations as he shared where and when compositions came to be. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: A Window Into Paine (Denson) 2:10 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and distributed a hand-out he had prepared for this lesson. The following is an excerpt from that hand-out: Heir to a rich singing legacy, chief architect of the 1936 Denson revision, and song leader of the highest order; few have equaled Paine Denson’s outsized contributions to the Sacred Harp tradition. Brilliant, blustering, and behemoth-like, both in personality and physical stature—and with a big, brash, booming voice to match—Paine was in many ways the Mr. Sacred Harp of his era, much as Hugh McGraw would be to later generations of singers. Whatever his accomplishments as a singer, leader, impresario, and editorial visionary, Paine’s most enduring legacy may be the music he contributed to *The Sacred Harp* songbook itself. Along with his father, Thomas J. Denson and uncle, Seaborn M. Denson, Paine ranks among the top Sacred Harp composers not only of the twentieth century, but of all time. That Paine was also a successful trial lawyer, civic and church leader, and would-be politician means that Paine left behind a unusually well recorded legacy with many details—both personal and professional—that have only recently come to light. Today, we will celebrate the life and music of this remarkable man in story and song.

Leaders: Jeannette DePoy and Helen Brown 392; Gillian Inksetter 447; Stephen Ray Miller 294; Nathan Rees 292; David Smead 330t; David Ivey 502; Judy Caudle 518; Pam Nunn 524; Dan Brittain 553; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 532. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Not the Last Word “Makers of the Sacred Harp” Updated 3:40 p.m. Teacher—Warren Steel. Dr. Warren Steel presented an update on his important book on the history behind the Sacred Harp song book, covering what has been learned since 2010. Leaders: Sasha Hsuczyk 489; David Smead 445; Justin Bowen 429; Nathan Rees 277; Lisa Bennett 57; Warren Steel 312t.

Lesson: Leading Workshop 3:40 p.m. Teacher—Helen Brown. Helen welcomed the class, and led 33b. She referred to the Rudiments, page 16, section 12, about leading. She demonstrated the basics of beating time in common, triple, and compound time. Helen invited campers to practice leading songs and ask questions. Leaders: Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Haley Aaron 45b; Jamie Yeats 504; Margaret Gillanders 64; Deborah Taube 31t; Aldo Ceresa 300; Lucy O’Leary 189; Nancy Novotny 222. Helen suggested that if one plans to repeat on the words, also repeat on the notes. Aldo assisted Helen by demonstrating dos and don’ts of leading, e.g. things that upset the flow of a singing. Helen discussed tempo as outlined in the

Rudiments, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Accent 4:50 p.m. Teacher—Nathan Rees. Nathan welcomed the class, and talked about the importance of accent to the sound of shape note music. He said that the class would focus on the mechanics of accent. He read from the Rudiments, page 16, section 14. Nathan said accent is important because it keeps the group singing together, and brings greater emphasis to the words. Accenting also makes singing easier, and helps singers preserve their voices. The class sang the exercises on pages 15 and 16 of the Rudiments, and Nathan explained the accented notes. Nathan led 303 and 347. The class practiced accenting in compound time and time changes. Nathan led 360, 227, and 378t. The class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. The Tuesday night singing was held at Phifer Hall. The following officers were elected by St. Mary's Lodge to serve: Co-chairmen—Nancy Novotny and Prisca Rice; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders; Arranging Committee—Sasha Hsuczky, Hayley Aaron, and Karen Mathews. The class was called to order by Nancy Novotny and Prisca Rice leading 155. Shannon Primm offered the evening prayer. Leaders: Idy Kiser 122; Lucas Jordan 361; Jamie Yeats 314; David Ivey 317; Lisa Bennett 436; Tiffany Hooper 59; Lela Crowder and Betty Banks 63; Beverly Dayton 567; Daniel Lee 28t; Robbie Hooper 312b; Justin Bowen 536; Dan Comstock, Marie Comstock, and Ann Mashchak 373; Jesse P. Karlsberg 377; Tim Gregg 92; David Smead 76b; Ted Brown 287; Lucy O'Leary 340; Warren Steel 360; Mary Rose O'Leary 475; Kerry Cullinan 501; Margaret Gillanders 203; Shannon Primm 42; Deborah Taube 31t; Helen Brown 432; Cameron Holly and Lucy O'Leary 565; Stephen Ray Miller 376; Katie Kellert 547; Dan Brittain 387; Jonathon Smith 48t; Judy Caudle 323t. Margaret Gillanders offered the closing prayer. Pam Nunn conducted the devotional. She spoke of Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard, and their vision for Camp FaSoLa. Pam and Helen Brown led 556 (in memory of Jeff and Shelbie). The class was dismissed.

Wednesday, June 13

Lesson: Rudiments III / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teachers—Lauren Bock and Jonathon Smith. Lauren and Jonathon welcomed the class, and began class by singing the minor scale and intervals. Lauren led 274t, and then 49b, illustrating the difference in sound of minor music and major music. Jonathon led 146, and reviewed rests, slurs, ties, and repeats. Jonathon led 378t, and the class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Nathan Rees. Nathan welcomed the class, and campers practiced scales and intervals in both major and minor. Nathan referred to page 359 as a song with challenging intervals. He led 359. He discussed with campers some preparations for leading which included the following: confirmation of page number; repeats present and whether they are optional or required; number of verses; time of day for particular song selection (example—an anthem); and awareness of undocumented time changes (examples—pages 183, 455, and 291). Nathan led 45b as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Advanced 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class, and led 48t. The class sang 50t. There was vigorous discussion about songs where the raised sixth is used and/or accidentals appear. Page number of songs used during this discussion are 209, 300, 268, 260, 86, and 180. Dan moved on to talk about accent. Aldo played a recording of Paine Denson singing the tenor line of 346 as an example of well-done accent. Warren Steel led 360, and the class focused on accent. Beverly Dayton led 32t. Other songs used were 34t, 163t, 43, and 481. The class was dismissed.

Elective: History of Shape Note Singing in Mississippi 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Warren Steel. Warren welcomed the class, and led 89. He offered a preliminary

history of the shape-note traditions of the state, showing the diversity of local customs, and recognizing that it is difficult to separate the Sacred Harp, *Christian Harmony*, and gospel traditions. Sacred Harp singing in Mississippi, especially in Calhoun, Chickasaw, Webster and adjoining counties, has long been identified by a unique practice not found elsewhere: the use of seven syllables (doremi) to name the four shaped notes. The Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was founded in 1929 at Houston. Despite its name, it included *Christian Harmony* singers from the beginning, and allowed songs from both books. Warren mentioned the radio program, *The Sacred Harp Hour*. The class was dismissed.

Recreation: Alabama Neighbors 10:45 a.m. The Camp McDowell staff presented a program featuring various species of wildlife. First, was a yellow spotted salamander, native to Alabama. The salamander belonged to a professor who donated it to Camp McDowell. Next, was a Eastern box turtle, and then corn snakes and gray rat snakes. Last, was a black vulture that flew into the classroom. The vulture was raised as a pet, and given to the center.

Lesson: The Memorial Lesson 2:10 p.m. Teachers—Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy. Scott and Jeannette talked about memorial lessons appearing in minutes from singings for a least a hundred years. They gave examples of texts to use in a memorial lesson (words of songs, poems, Bible verses, devotional texts, or one's own words). Ted Brown shared his experience with the memorial lesson when he was attending a convention in the U.S., and his mother died while he was away. The memorial committee presented the Camp FaSoLa memorial lesson. Nancy Novotny spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins. Yosef Trachtenberg read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Linda Sides, Otis Sides, John Hollingsworth, Macy Kay Kraus, Geraldine Sheppard Rice, Don Bowen, Concetta Branson, Aubrey Barfield, Roni Robbins, David Elliott, Chris Brown, Stephen O'Leary, and Roy Davis. Karen Mathews led 330b. Priscilla Rice spoke in memory of the deceased. Yosef Trachtenberg read the following list of names of the deceased: Eloise Wootten, Daphene Causey, Caleb Allred, Glenda Hopper, Johnnie Chafin, and Floy Wilder—Alabama; Louise Holland, Daniel Evans, and Ruth Ayers—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Linda Domholt—California; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Edith Owen—Texas; T.J. Funderburk—Arkansas. Kerry Cullinan led 378t. Natalie Ciccariello offered prayer to close the memorial service.

Elective: Leading Workshop 3:40 p.m. Teachers—Judy Caudle and Bridgett Hill Kennedy. Bridgett brought the class to order by leading 101t. She emphasized that leading is about communication. She recommended learning a wide selection of songs to lead so one can pick something that fits the mood of the class, and will have a song to lead if first choices are called by someone else. Campers were encouraged to lead a song of their choice. Tim Gregg led 43, focusing on the time change. Lucas Jordan led 149, focusing on the fermatas. Helen Brown recommended emulating, but not imitating experienced leaders. Katie Kellert led 455, focusing on the time change. Yosef Trachtenberg led 47b, focusing on not chopping while accenting strongly. Bridgett said not to let the elbow go back. Judy suggested beating time with the palm held vertically. Delynn Lilly led 347; Pat Morse led 125; Marilyn King led 105 (her first time, Yay!!), Haley Aaron led 59; Deborah Taube led 268, and Tim Gregg led 96. A discussion ensued about how the leaders can communicate with the class, and then the class was dismissed.

Elective: Team Tunsmith II—Composium 4:30 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and talked about writing music, and the styles of different composers. Nine participants in the team tunsmith exercise presented nine tunes with four parts. The participants were David Smead, Yosef Trachtenberg, Pat Morse,

Dan Comstock, Molly Bagley, Lucas Jordan, Robbie Hooper, Gillian Inksetter, and Eileen Ferguson. Composers and other campers sang each exercise, and then had discussion. The class was dismissed.

Elective: May I Never Read In Vain 4:30 p.m. Teacher—Lela Crowder. Lela welcomed the class, and led 52t. She instructed the class to pay attention to the poetry of the song. She discussed items that make up a good speech or presentation. The class sang 391, and Lela pointed out that the poetry is the basis of a lesson. There was discussion of sets of patterns in the Sacred Harp. It's the literary language that connects us. The class examined the poetry in 448t (a good example of alliteration) and 113 (an example of a conflict metaphor), both examples important in singing. Most Sacred Harp songs could be placed in a journey (121), battle (129), race (564), or rhetorical question (349, 47b). The class was dismissed.

Community Singing 7:00 p.m. The following officers were elected to serve by Advent Lodge: Chairman—Justin Bowen; Arranging Committee—Tim Gregg and Jamie Yeats; Secretary—William Hayes. Leaders: Justin Bowen 171; Jesse P. Karlsberg, Lauren Bock, Tom Bock, Shelley Bock, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 45t; Susan Cheronos 300; Gillian Inksetter and Haley Aaron 52t; Sasha Hsuczkyk 400; Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy 277; Nancy Novotny 74b; Randy Webber 150; Lucas Jordan 63; Ann Mashchak, Dan Comstock, and Marie Comstock 148; Warren Steel 53; Molly Bagley 56t; Richard Mauldin 288; Pam Nunn 186; Yosef Trachtenberg 40; Natalie Ciccariello and Lela Crowder 166; Eileen Ferguson 504; Nicholas Thompson 304; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 383; Ann Blake 121; Kerry Cullinan 38b; Cameron Holly and Lucy O'Leary 36b; Nathan Rees 138t; Pat Morse 125; Mark S. Davis 378b; Tiffany Hooper and Robbie Hooper 58; Lisa Bennett 297; Daniel Lee 489; Eugene Forbes and Idy Kiser 384; Mary Rose O'Leary 274t; Shannon Primm 142; Judy Caudle 208; David Smead 418; Katie Kellert 339; Aldo Ceresa 182; Jonathon Smith 402; Dan Brittian 220; Deborah Taube 34b; David Ivey 455; William Hayes 163b; Tim Gregg 228; Jamie Yeats 169; Stephen Ray Miller 66; Hazel Heinze 347; Karen White, Marie Comstock, and Lauren Bock 480. Justin Bowen led 69b as the closing song. Announcements were made. The closing prayer was offered by Jamie Yeats, and the class was dismissed.

Thursday, June 14

Following breakfast at 7:00 a.m., campers departed, some headed for the National Convention in Birmingham, and some for other parts of the world. "Jesus, grant us all a blessing; Send it down, Lord, from above. May we all go home a' praising and rejoicing in Thy love. Farewell brethren, farewell sisters, till we all shall meet again." SHMHA President and Camp Director—David Ivey

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The 39th session of the National Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Mark Davis leading 96. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts. Glenn Keeton led 475. Gaston White led 155. Buell Cobb led 52t. The class and visitors were welcomed by Jim Lowery, mayor of Fultondale.

Leaders: Jesse Roberts 200; Kathy Williams 212; Helen Brown 492; Hubert Nall 186; Randy Webber 387; Dorothea Maynard 442; Susan Cheronos 349; Ted Brown 391; Marlin Beasley 318; Rebecca Over 464; Richard Mauldin 446; Judy Chambless 222 (in memory of Dr. Julietta Haynes); Henry Guthery 196; Ann Riley 542; Jack

Nelson 480; Winfred Kerr 516; Mary Huffman 344.

RECESS

Susan Cheronas led 300 to bring the class together. Leaders: Robert Chambless 143; Bea Aaron 456; Delone Cobbs 569b; Sara Beasley 340. The convention entered into a business session. The following officers were elected: Chairmen—Mark Davis, Glenn Keeton, and Buell Cobb; Chaplain—Jesse Roberts; Secretaries—Cheryl Foreman and Kathy Williams. The following committees were appointed to serve: Finance Committee—Randy Webber, Ted Brown, and Yosef Trachtenberg; Memorial Committee—Mike Hinton and Ginnie Ely; Arranging Committee—Helen Brown and Susan Cheronas; Resolutions Committee—Marlin Beasley and Dorothea Maynard.

Leaders: Deborah Taube 268; Kerry Cullinan 26; Mary Wright 35; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Daniel Lee 489; Pat Morse 203; John Plunkett 487.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Helen Brown leading 87. Leaders: Cora Sweatt 49b; Tim Gregg 92; Molly Bagley 32t; Pat Temple 373; Morgan Bunch 500; Robbie Hooper 86; Cameron Holly 565; Lucy O'Leary 217; Philip Denney 313b; Katie Kellert 339; Tiffany Hooper 58; Ben Shirley 115; Cricket Campbell 335; Ginnie Ely 454.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 270. Leaders: Shannon Primm 326; Mike Hinton 534; Nicholas Thompson 216; Karen Rollins 227; Eugene Forbes 218; Earl Ballinger 273; Margaret Gillanders 564; Mary Whitehurst 225t; Blake Sisemore 532; Dan Brittain 375; Lela Crowder 224; Aldo Ceresa 506; David Smead 206; Larry Ballinger 207; Mary Rose O'Leary 276; Hayden Arp 384; Warren Steel 223; Nancy Novotny 272; Jesse P. Karlsberg 396; Ted Mercer 353; Jonathon Smith 132; Lisa Bennett 193; Sue Bunch 497; Phillip Langley 430; Nathan Rees 477; Becky Briggs 426t; Jose Camacho 228.

Mark Davis and Glenn Keeton led 323t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

Friday, June 15

Mark Davis called the class to order by leading 61. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 215; Gaston White 99; Buell Cobb 138t; Kathy Williams 151; Helen Brown 313t; Randy Webber 504; Dorothea Maynard 383; Ted Brown 73t; Marlin Beasley 63; Mike Hinton 527; Hubert Nall 535; Mary Whitehurst 319; Cora Sweatt 45t; Winfred Kerr 77b; Bea Aaron 568; Christopher Mann 566; Judy Chambless 472; Ann Riley 186; Jack Nelson 560; Sarah Beasley 129; Delone Cobbs 347.

RECESS

Jack Nelson led 399b to bring the class back together. Leaders: Charles Woods 197; Beverly Dayton and Ann Blake 34t; Kerry Cullinan and Linda Booth 507; Robert Chambless 354t; Sonya Sipe and Anna Grace Sipe 32t; Steve Daniel 171; Stephen Miller 89; David Carlton 538; Jesse Roberts 304; Margaret Gillanders 187; Henry Johnson 230; Sue Bunch 547.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Helen Brown leading 111b. Leaders: Becky Briggs 82t; Micah Roberts 29b; Cameron Holly 34b; Molly Bagley 107; Jonathon Smith 140; Pat Temple 232; Tom Booth 123t; Eileen Ferguson 112; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Morgan Bunch 448t; Linda Thomas 176b; Nathaniel Brown 178; Mary Wright 312t; Dan Brittain 465. Elder Jesse Roberts asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 155. Leaders:

Ben Shirley 285t; Nathan Rees 306; Darlene Dalton 309; Stanley Smith 500; Mary Rose O'Leary 411; Matt Hinton 422; Sharon DuPriest 208; Alvaro Witt Duarte 542; Rebecca Over 558; Jim Carnes 436; Reba Windom 192; Aldo Ceresa 434; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 361; Jesse P. Karlsberg 522; Lucy O'Leary 77t; Warren Steel 296; Katie Kellert 282; Cricket Campbell 388; Ginnie Ely 196; Mark Davis 236; Mary Rose O'Leary, Cameron Holly, and Lucy O'Leary 421; Jack Nelson and Mark Davis 340; Lena Keeton and Glenn Keeton 475.

Mark Davis and Glenn Keeton led 570 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

Saturday, June 16

The Saturday session of the National Sacred Harp Convention began with Mark Davis leading 90. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 64; Buell Cobb 378t; Kathy Williams 37b; Jesse Roberts 301; Helen Brown 71; Randy Webber 482; Mary Whitehurst 515; Dorothea Maynard 528; Mike Hinton 400; Ted Brown 338; Ginnie Ely 228; Gaston White 66; Marlin Beasley 137; Hubert Nall 168; Sarah Beasley 145t; Jordan Lucas 282; Sue Bunch 102; Margaret Gillanders 546; Bea Aaron 175; Stephen Miller 371.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Nathan Rees leading 56t. Leaders: Micah Roberts 29t; Carol Richard 47b; Tiffany Hooper 159; David Carlton 368; Cricket Campbell 122; Eileen Ferguson 344; John Shoulders and Mary Shoulders 38b; Warren Steel 442; Pat Temple 33t; Helen Brown 365; Chris Parris 52t; Yosef Trachtenberg 503.

RECESS

Warren Steel led 418. Leaders: Becky Briggs 177; Morgan Bunch 540; Robbie Hooper 235; Mary Wright 312b.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Ginnie Ely spoke for the sick and homebound, and then led 340. Mike Hinton spoke for the deceased, and led 456 in memory of the following deceased: Johnnie Chafin, Glenda Hopper, Daphene Causey, Eloise Wootten, Susie Denson, Caleb Allred, Arthur Gilmore, Hilda Morrison, and Jane Mullins—Alabama; T.J. Funderburk—Arkansas; Drusilla Ann Bailey and Linda Domholt—California; Louise Holland, Ruth Ayers, Florice Akin, Dorothy Webber, Wawena Entrekin Miles, and Audrey Ruth Garner—Georgia; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Kirby Sweatt, Sr., Dan Summerlin, and Aline Summerlin—Tennessee; Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Peter Golding—United Kingdom. The memorial service was closed with prayer offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

Leaders: Nathan Rees 462; Nathaniel Brown 35; Ted Brown and Margaret Gillanders 77t.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 457. Leaders: Cora Sweatt 81t; Judy Mincey 234; Darlene Reynolds 145t; Phil Summerlin 131b; Beth Branscome 208; Ben Shirley 191; Glen Pontbriand and Lucas Jordan 59; Buell Cobb, Cooper Mangham, Teddy Mangham, and Isabell Mangham 128; Eileen Ferguson 84; Yosef Trachtenberg 410t; Stephen Miller 270; Sue Bunch 163b; David Carlton 440; Nathaniel Brown 479; Pat Temple 473; Robbie Hooper and Tiffany Hooper 345b; Warren Steel 157; Cricket Campbell 65; Mary Wright 495; Morgan Bunch 324; Amanda Fee 30t; Dorothea Maynard 146; Micah Roberts 441.

The convention went into a business session to hear committee reports. Buell Cobb reported that expenses for the convention had been met. The Resolutions Committee submitted the following report: We thank the officers of the 39th annual National Convention for their efforts, as well as everyone who brought food, served drinks, set up tables, and cleaned. We especially thank all who traveled near and far

to sing songs of praise. We thank the BSDA Friendship Hall and the city of Fultondale; without all of you, this convention would not be possible. Respectfully submitted, Marlin Beasley and Dorothea Maynard. The Secretary reported that 115 leaders led 221 songs during the convention. There were 222 registrants from nineteen states and the United Kingdom. The breakdown of states is as follows: AL 32; GA 30; FL 12; TN 10; VA 5; MS 4; CA 4; UK 4; IL 3; KY 3; TX 2; MO 2; OK 2; OR 2; MD 2; CO 1; VT 1; NY 1; AR 1; SC 1. The business session was closed. Announcements were made.

The officers led 62 as the closing song, and all who wished took the parting hand. The class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairmen—Mark Davis, Buell Cobb, and Glenn Keeton; Secretaries—Cheryl Foreman and Kathy Williams

EXETER SINGING

Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, Douglassville, Pennsylvania Saturday, June 16, 2018

The 18th annual Exeter All-Day Singing was held at the Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, Douglassville, Pennsylvania, on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. Theresa Rodriguez called the class to order by leading 31b.

A business meeting was held, and Dann Pell was elected chairman. Lamar Matthew offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Dann Pell 46; Kathy Carluzzo 319; Guy Bankes 77b; Ruth Wampler 489; Harry Scott 63; Elizabeth Patton 345t; Tom Tucker 510; Dale McCarthy 40; Leon Pulsinelle 50t; Barbara Hohenstein 148; Nancy Tkacs 99; Lamar Matthew 35; Katy Hunter 75; Jeff Shenk 288; Sasha Hsuczyk 436; Doron Henkin 439; Hollie Long 32t; Thomas Ward 399b; Lorah Hopkins 503 (in honor of her father, Lloyd).

RECESS

Alex Forsyth called the class to order by leading 111t. Leaders: Fay Hughes 268; Eli Roberts 182; Miriam Delirium 183; Scott Robinson 49b; Ina Shea 203; Greg Law 282; Ted Stokes and Annie Hasz 65; Peggy Bright 333; Daniel Hunter 62; Bethany Towne 177; Tom Stokes 530; Rachel Hall 498; Jonathan Een Newton 275b; Doron Henkin 315.

RECESS

Joel Bassett called the class to order by leading 56t. Leaders: Matt Roberts 39t; Ryan Nash 128; Judy Kaplan 229; Stephani Priskos 314; Jason Steidl 434; Maggie Luthin and Rachel Hall 59; Alex Forsyth 95; Gwen Gethner 116; Mel Novner 396; Brenda Dunlap 76b; Hal Kunkel 528; Sam Kleinman 522; Kathy Manning 384; Nicholas Thompson 336; Corinne Ducey and David Shulman 453; Charles Biada 308; Dan Miksiewicz 440; Rachel Speer 545; Tarik Wareh 89; Cheyenne Ivey 208; Hayden Arp 445. Thomas Ward offered the lunchtime prayer. During the noon recess, Lorah Hopkins led some singers to visit the 700-year-old Sacred Oak of Oley Valley.

LUNCH

Ted Stokes called the class to order by leading 127. Leaders: Dean Jens 276; Carol Huang 475; Mike Richards 192; Shelby Castillo 228; Laura Hodges 222; Calvin Jens 53; Rachel Stevens 330b; Nancy Mandel 329; Nicholas Thompson and Shelby Castillo 216; Gwen Gethner 564; Mel Novner 500; Cheyenne Ivey 172; Tarik Wareh 506; Kathy Manning 260; Jason Steidl 280; Corinne Ducey 511 (in honor of Gerald Clark); Joel Bassett 447; Bethany Towne 383; Jonathan Een Newton 105; Sam Kleinman 488; Ina Shea 413; Charles Biada 411.

RECESS

Tom Stokes called the class to order by leading 106. Leaders: Sasha Hsuczyk 196; Hayden Arp 386; Brenda Dunlap 214; Laura Hodges and Mike Richards 309; Rachel

Hall 132; Jasmine Mendoza 287; Nancy Mandel 70b; Dean Jens and Rachel Speer 69t; Kira Chase 312b; Rachel Stevens 94; Ryan Nash and Ruth Wampler 410t; Matt Roberts 112; Stephani Priskos 56b; Shelby Castillo 340; Katy Hunter and Daniel Hunter 57; Carol Huang 378b. Reports were given by the Secretary and Treasurer, and announcements were made.

Dann Pell, Doron Henkin, and Kathy Carluzzo led 323t as the closing song. Lamar Matthew offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dann Pell; Treasurer—Doron Henkin; Secretary—Kathy Carluzzo

MOORE, GRAVES, AND CALVERT MEMORIAL

Addington Chapel, Cullman County, Alabama

Saturday, June 16, 2018

The 109th session of the Moore, Graves, and Calvert Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Addington Chapel on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. Danny Creel led 131b to bring the class to order, and then offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized in a business meeting, and elected or appointed the following officers to serve: Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Yancey Jett; Secretary—Ann Jett. The business session was closed. Danny Creel called leaders until Cindy Tanner arrived, and then appointed her to make arrangements.

Leaders: Danny Creel 278b; Yancey Jett 312b, 89; Mary Huffman 74b, 272; Mike Hankins 34b, 30b; Winfred Kerr 36b, 314; Tom Booth 39b, 176b; Rebecca Over 306, 392; Butch White 344, 535; Earl Ballinger 530, 439; Rachel Pirkey 317, 300.

RECESS

Danny Creel brought the class back together by leading 224. Leaders: Kerry Cullinan 310, 480; Nancy Thompson 438, 282; Carol Fannin 309; Linda Booth 489, 218; Stephen Huffman 220, 189; Amber Davis 276, 391; Larry Ballinger 119, 121.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Yancey Jett leading 440. Leaders: Ann Jett 498, 512 (in memory of Harrison Creel); Lisa Geist 269, 120 (for her uncle, Leon Ballinger); Aldo Ceresa 186, 441; Linda Sides 215, 500; Wanda Capps 546; Cameron Holly 565, 569b; Jackie Tanner 101t, 56t; Lucy O'Leary 497, 340 (for Edna Graves); Henry Guthery 187, 527; Susan Allred 436, 430; Mary Rose O'Leary 383, 56b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 405. Leaders: Cassie Allen 166, 100; Ainslie Allen 29t; Cindy Tanner 368, 212; Butch White 86; Rebecca Over 378b; Earl Ballinger 80b; Kerry Cullinan 501, 68b; Mary Huffman 34t; Winfred Kerr 59; Mary Rose O'Leary 142; Mike Hankins 72b; Lucy O'Leary 73t; Stephen Huffman 111b; Tom Booth 523; Larry Ballinger 496; Cameron Holly 306; Rachel Pirkey 309; Aldo Ceresa 411; Linda Sides 170; Carol Fannin 225t; Lisa Geist 528; Henry Guthery 304; Yancey Jett 172; Cindy Tanner 155 (for Lucy Heidorn); Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Danny Creel, and Cindy Tanner 475 (in memory of Flarce Creel).

Announcements were made. Danny Creel led 323t as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Yancey Jett; Secretary—Ann Jett

MT. ADAMS SINGING

Trout Lake Community Hall, Trout Lake, Washington

Saturday, June 16, 2018

The 5th annual Mt. Adams All-Day Singing was called to order by Melissa Stephenson leading 448b. Bonnie Stimler offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Karen Willard 28t; Dorothy Robinson 503; Bonnie Stimler and Karen Willard 45t; Nancy Novotny 42; Cornelia Stanton 171; Ken Hallock 52t; Linda Berkemeier 106; Kate Fine 87; Ryan Young 472; Sadhbh O'Flynn 276; John Berendzen 141; Pat Coghlan 91; Nell Whitman 474; Dan Thoma 203; Rodman Campbell 488; Julius Pasay 101t; Thom Fahrbach 27.

RECESS

Sadhbh O'Flynn called the class back to order by leading 73t. Leaders: Karen Willard 128; Pat Coghlan 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Thom Fahrbach 522; Nell Whitman 297; Ryan Young and Julie Beicken 162; Linda Berkemeier 143; Lyle Lindsey 384; Melissa Stephenson 144; Kate Fine 318; Cornelia Stanton 480; Julius Pasay 335; John Berendzen 334; Nancy Novotny 99; Dan Thoma 452; Dorothy Robinson 180.

RECESS

Ken Hallock called the class back to order by leading 65. Leaders: Rodman Campbell 567; Linda Berkemeier 566; Pat Coghlan 218; Julius Pasay 187; Lyle Lindsey 47b; Ryan Young 436; Thom Fahrbach 275t; Nell Whitman 288; Melissa Stephenson 354t; Dan Thoma 198. Bonnie Stimler offered a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Linda Berkemeier leading 145b. Leaders: Rodman Campbell 214; Nancy Novotny 228; Cornelia Stanton 546; Kate Fine 532; John Berendzen 314; Dorothy Robinson 423; Julius Pasay 406; Karen Willard 145t; Thom Fahrbach 428; Nell Whitman 466; Ryan Young 82t; Sadhbh O'Flynn 315; Lyle Lindsey 269; Dan Thoma 457; Melissa Stephenson 501; Ken Hallock 373; Pat Coghlan 444; Linda Berkemeier 399b; Nancy Novotny 375; Rodman Campbell 491; Cornelia Stanton 454; Kate Fine 455; Bonnie Stimler and Karen Willard 506.

RECESS

Nancy Novotny called the class back to order by leading 105. Leaders: Julius Pasay 495; Melissa Stephenson 138t; Ryan Young 448t; John Berendzen 83t; Sadhbh O'Flynn 56b; Dorothy Robinson 547; Lyle Lindsey 178; Rodman Campbell 197; Thom Fahrbach 201; Cornelia Stanton 490; Dan Thoma 330t.

Announcements were made. Treasurer Bonnie Stimler reported that expenses had been met. The Chairman thanked all who made the singing a success.

Melissa Stephenson led 36b as the closing song. Bonnie Stimler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Melissa Stephenson; Vice Chairman—Dorothy Robinson; Secretary—Nancy Novotny

CLIFFORD WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL SINGING

King Schoolhouse, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church

Natural Bridge, Alabama

Sunday, June 17, 2018

The 110th session of the Clifford Wakefield Memorial Singing was held on the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Betty Baccus leading 56t. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Betty Baccus; Vice Chairman—Larry Wakefield; Secretary—Debbie Hall; Arranging Person—Faye Donaldson.

Leaders: Larry Wakefield 317, 421; Warren Steel 138b, 470; Chris Ballinger 410t, 270; Mike Hankins 31b, 32t; Roma Rice 109, 106; Linda Booth 33b, 189; Earl Ballinger 139, 141; Lisa Geist 182, 215; Larry Ballinger 113, 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Debbie Hall 432, 426t; Seth Holloway 457, 388.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Betty Baccus leading 168. Leaders: Sarah Beasley 61, 73t; Margaret Keeton 142, 422; Betty Horton and Betty Baccus 72b, 143; Logan Donaldson 30t, 108t; Kathy Buchanan and Debbie Hall 358, 408; Junior Poston and Tammy Wakefield 288, 145t. The children of Simeon and Catherine Wakefield (Wayne Wakefield, Larry Wakefield, Julia Poston, Faye Donaldson, and Betty Baccus) led 333 in memory of family members and 339 in memory of Hazel Wakefield.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Betty Baccus leading 273. Leaders: Warren Steel 274t, 440; Bernice Wakefield 45t, 294; Mike Hankins 46, 84; Lisa Geist 472; Seth Holloway 235, 477; Linda Booth 565, 220; Earl Ballinger 208; Debbie Hall 65; Sarah Beasley 354b, 63; Katrina Cook and Betty Baccus 387, 100; Warren Steel 284. Betty Baccus led 323t as the closing song. Greg Cook offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Betty Baccus; Vice Chairman—Larry Wakefield; Secretary—Debbie Hall

HOPEWELL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Roopville, Georgia
Sunday, June 17, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Roopville, Georgia, was held on the third Sunday in June. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Karen Rollins leading 32t. Rebecca Over offered the morning prayer. Karen Rollins welcomed visitors and singers to the 151st annual singing at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church. Philip Denney led 39t.

At the business meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman—Karen Rollins; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Judy Chambless 29t; Winfred Kerr 89; Robert Chambless 358 (in honor of all fathers); Karis Askin 99; Lisa Bennett 390; Wyatt Denney 77t; Lela Crowder 391; Denney Rogers 354t; Phillip Langley 317; Jerusha Wheeler 111b; Nathan Rees 348b (in memory of Lonnie Rogers); David Brodeur 231; Scott DePoy 448t; Rebecca Over 506; Bentley McGuire and Asa McGuire 56b; Taylor Watkins 445; David Smead 513; Anna Hinton 455; April Watkins 277.

RECESS

Philip Denney, Gayle Denney, and family brought the class back to order leading 340. Leaders: Eli Hinton 148; Matt Hinton and Karen Rollins 365; David Fetcho 217; Helen Brown 436; Margaret Gillanders 29t; Andy Ditzler 331; Jonathon Smith 428; Susan Fetcho 267; Jane Cannon 478; Mary Rose O'Leary 276 (in honor of Bridgett Kennedy); Ted Brown 97; Aldo Ceresa 399b; Kacey Cook, Wyatt Denney, and Mandy McCormick 143; Bobby Watkins 313b; Oscar McGuire 229; John Plunkett 285b; Malinda Snow 468; Jeannette DePoy 55 (in memory of her father and father-in-law); Shannon Primm 106; Eva Grace Horsley 47b; Laura Frey 178; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 35; Cecil Roberts 426t.

LUNCH

Aldo Ceresa brought the class back to order leading 82t. Leaders: Erica Hinton 389 (in memory of Lonnie Rogers); Cameron Holly 565; Lucy O'Leary 474.

Mr. Lonnie Rogers's children conducted the memorial lesson remembering the following deceased: Daphene Causey, Darrell Swarens, Louise Holland, Ruth Ayers, Eloise Wootten, Edith Owen, Johnnie Chafin, Floy Wilder, Mike Taylor, Robert Rogers, Reid Rogers, Smitty Wyatt, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Audrey Ruth Garner, Daniel Evans, Peter Golding, Ralph Johnson, Drusilla Ann Bailey, and Steve Helwig.

The following sick and shut-ins were honored: Lynn Denney, Kathy Williams, David Elliott, Chris Brown, Donald Rogers, Merv Horst, Michael Kaye, Stephen O'Leary, Ottis Sides, Linda Sides, Sara Rogers Cutler, Merle Denney, Jason Rowell, Virginia Futral, Margaret Thacker, and Velton Chafin. The class sang 68b, and Philip Denney closed the service with prayer.

Leaders: Mr. Lonnie Rogers's grandchildren 59; Samuel Williams 58; Daniel Williams 434; Bentley McGuire 505; Jonathon Smith 326; Jane Cannon 335; Ted Brown 176b; Margaret Gillanders 142; Rebecca Over 283 (in honor of Charlene Wallace); Helen Brown 500; Susan Fetcho 564; Cameron Holly 34b; Lucy O'Leary 442; David Fetcho 173; Mary Rose O'Leary 213t; Aldo Ceresa 418.

After announcements, Karen Rollins and Philip Denney led 46 as the closing song. Paige Harrod offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Karen Rollins; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Arranging Officer/Secretary—Judy Chambless

MACEDONIA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Section, Alabama

Sunday, June 17, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in June was called to order by Tom George leading 34b. Henry Johnson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tom George 105; Dennis George 82t, 30t; Isaac Green 541, 483; Daniel Lee 28t, 489; Blake Sisemore 425, 445; Shane Wootten 77t, 313t; Susan Cheronos 460, 349; Mary Ruth Stiefel 408, 274t; Jarod George 277, 270; Mary Wright 108b, 328; Jamey Wootten 99; Boyd Scott 58, 127.

RECESS

Leaders: Pat Temple 59, 162; Rodney Ivey 89, 290; Henry Johnson 205, 467; Joyce Morton 68b; Marty Wootten 138t; Emily Stutzman 420, 421; Sarah Trumbore 171, 32t; Syble Adams 145b; Terry Wootten 441, 112; Shane Brown 36t, 373; Richard Ivey 134, 96; Judy Caudle 402, 403.

LUNCH

Leaders: Scott Ivey 288, 439 (for Bill Stewart); Reba Windom 318; Alvaro Witt Duarte 48t, 472; Betty Shepherd 101t, 216; Joan Aldridge 228; Charles Stiefel 378b; Loyd Ivey and Lilly Underwood 276, 27, 426t; Nate Green and Norma Green 482, 141; Claudene Townsend 39b; Emily Stutzman 217; Amber Davis 192, 454; Shane Brown 267; Alvaro Witt Duarte 442; Shane Wootten 518 (CB), 465 (CB), 511b (CB), 587 (CB) (all by request).

Tom George led 56t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairman—Tom George; Vice Chairman and Secretary—Dennis George

MIDSUMMER SINGING

Beech Street, Greenfield, Massachusetts

Friday, June 22, 2018

The annual mid-summer singing was held on Friday before the fourth Sunday in June. Sally Langendorf led 123t. Leaders: Rachel Stevens 6b (ShH); Margaret Youngberg 197 (ShH); Tristan Gordon 104t (ShH); Crispin Youngberg 169 (ShH); Ivy Hauser 140b (ShH); Rachel Stevens 119t (ShH); Becky Wright 290 (ShH); Sally Langendorf 178 (HoA); Jeremy Galvagni 67 (HoA); Wendy Sibbison 58 (HoA); Nathan Aldrich 368 (HoA); Kit Walsh 177t (HoA); Sheila Kelley 375 (HoA); Sally Langendorf 117 (HoA); Rachel Stevens 571 (CB); Nicholas Tuff 133 (CB).

Resolutions and prayers were offered by Laura Timmerman.

RECESS

Wendy Sibbison called the class back to order leading 33b. Leaders: Ivy Hauser 479 (CB); Crispin Youngberg 392 (CB); Wendy Sibbison 393 (CB); Stina Soderling 35 (CB); Nathan Aldrich 411 (CB); Becky Wright 357 (CB); Janet Sponberg 73t; Crispin Youngberg 114 (ShH); Rachel Stevens 260 (ShH); Stina Soderling 53 (ShH); Lilly Israel 515 (CB); Tristan Gordon 230 (HoA); Lilly Israel 317 (HoA); Wendy Sibbison 210 (HoA); Ivy Hauser 199 (HoA).

Wendy Sibbison led 264b (ShH) as the closing song.

Chairman—Wendy Sibbison; Vice Chairman—Tristan Gordon; Secretary—Stina Soderling

KERMIT ADAMS AND STEVE ADAMS MEMORIAL SINGING

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama

Saturday, June 23, 2018

The Kermit Adams and Steve Adams Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 32t. The morning prayer was offered by Wayne Baines.

The class was organized and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Jerry Kitchens; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 111b; Butch White 86, 344; Loretta Whitman 87, 343; Betty Baccus 373, 81t, 349 (in memory of Roxie Godsey); Hazel Heinze 480, 38b; Faye Donaldson 430, 168; Theresa Westmoreland 299, 434; Nancy Phillips 388, 312b; Wendell Reinhart 457, 445.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson brought the class to order by leading 145t. Leaders: Fay Hughes 282, 148; Rebecca Over 378t (in memory of Steve Adams), 530 (for Ozella Blackmon and Ottis Sides); Linda Booth 361, 489; Linda Sides 328 (in memory of Peggy), 215; Shirley Figura 348b, 39t; Paul Figura 145b.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Theresa Westmoreland. She led “By Virgin Birth” (written by Kenneth Fannin) for the following sick and shut-ins: Ozella Blackmon, Velton Chafin, and Ottis Sides.

Theresa spoke and led 45t in memory of the following deceased: Bobby Young, Julie Vea, Ann Sleeve, Louise Holland, Eloise Wootten, Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, and Lily Hopper. She led 196 in memory of Caleb Allred. The memorial service was closed.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson and Margaret Keeton leading 76b. Leaders: Tom Booth 225t, 176b; Mike Hankins 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger), 34b; Wayne Baines 146, 63; Carol Fannin 97; Mary Holcomb 297, 313t; Susan Allred 112, 436; Aubrey Fannin 64, 178; Greg Allred 72b, 68b; Roma Rice 405 (in memory of Kenneth Fannin); Christie Allen 67, 129; Lauren Allen 220, 323b; Rebecca Over 375; Paul Figura and Shirley Figura 523; Fay Hughes 117; Nicholas Thompson 192, 159 (in memory of E.E. Adams).

Nicholas Thompson led 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Butch White, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Jerry Kitchens; Secretary—Roma Rice

OLD SONGS BOOK SINGING

Altamont, New York
Saturday, June 23, 2018

The Sacred Harp book singing at Old Songs Festival allows new singers to experience the style of a traditional book singing, in an abbreviated format. A brief introduction to the music and tradition was offered, and new singers were welcomed. Eric Bean opened by leading 34b.

Leaders: Ginny Huszagh 276; Gerry Hoffman 48b; Jim Ulrich 277; Candis Bailey 68b; Doug Kurtze 89; Laura Densmore 549; Nina Zaneth 155; Jean Seiler 142; Steven Sombor 273; Brian How 183; Elissa Redman 192; Melody Johnson 315; Rachel Fox von Swearingen 178; Daegen Fox von Swearingen 334; Robin Banerji and Maria Cramer 481; Bethany Conegus 200; Eric Bean 148; Ginny Huszagh 56b; Gerry Hoffman 300; Jim Ulrich 40; Candis Bailey 99; Laura Densmore 347.

New singers were directed to resources about Sacred Harp and how to locate local singers.

Chairman—Eric Bean; Secretary—Ginny Huszagh

OXFORD SINGING

Botley Women's Institute Hall, Oxford, United Kingdom

Saturday, June 23, 2018

The 20th Oxford All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. Sheila Girling Macadam called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 34b.

Mary Welch offered the opening prayer. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Treasurer—Edwin Macadam; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Brenda Harvey; Arranging Committee—Nick Hall and Nigel Bowley; Pitchers—Rachel Jordan, Toby Goss, and Michael Walker; Chaplains—Michael Walker, Julie Fox, Alec Williams, and Steve Marini. Leaders: Brenda Harvey 47t; Toby Goss 28t; Edwin Macadam 31t; Nigel Bowley 39t; Werner Ullah 29b; Jac Gehring 178; Steve Welch 569t; Dave Townsend 142; George Simms 155; Chris Brown 28b; Joss Tait 312b; Alec Williams 101t; Derek Buckland 108b; Francis Gaskin 58; Machna Nowak 569b; Rachel Jordan 492; Teresa Maguire 348t; Catherine Roberts 37b; Steve Marini 299; Nick Hall 470; Michael Walker 528; Steve Fletcher 191.

RECESS

Nigel Bowley brought the class back to order leading 66. Leaders: Jac Gehring 146; Alec Williams 448t; Brenda Harvey 159; Michael Walker 169; Chris Brown 121; Toby Goss 479; Steve Welch 566; Nick Hall 447; Rachel Jordan 280; Dilwyn Scott 40; Margaret Gillanders 212; Sheila Girling Macadam 286; Machna Nowak 547; Edwin Macadam 236; Teresa Maguire 284; Catherine Roberts 531; Werner Ullah 448b; George Simms 452.

RECESS

Steve Fletcher brought the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Francis Gaskin 160t; Antonina Spittal 84; Margaret Gillanders 384; Derek Buckland 125; Dave Townsend 112; Steve Marini 455; Joss Tait 331; Brenda Harvey 49t; Sheila Girling Macadam 324.

Michael Walker conducted the memorial lesson, reflecting on the need to grieve: grief is part of the healing process following bereavement. Michael led 83t as we remembered the following deceased: Edith Owen, Daphene Causey, Kameron Prescott, Darrell Swarens, Steve Helwig, and Louise Holland—USA; Stephania Nowak—Poland; Mark Girling—Spain; Jennifer Bennett—Canada; Frank Pigott, Peter Sterry, Toby Boyes, Rollo Woods, Janet Winstanley, Peter Golding, Andy

Spence, Jean Williams, Francesco Nazzini, Charlie Hicks, Ivan Bainbridge, Kamila Zahno, Michael Seifert, and Michael Spittal—United Kingdom.

Julie Fox spoke of how the sick and housebound list in her childhood village's church contributed to the compassion and to the strength of the local community. Whilst Sheila Girling Macadam led 288, we held in our thoughts the following people: Paul Seward, Curtis Owen, Revd Michael Pain, Joy Spreadborough, Don Walker, Charlotte Walker, Evelyn Munson, Jeannie Blagg, David Elliott, Rob Burbea, Paula Mogensen, Gladys Davies, Brian Marchant, Sylvia Marlow, and Chris Marlow. The memorial was closed.

The class resumed singing with Chris Brown leading 392. Leaders: Steve Fletcher 189; Dave Townsend 551; George Simms 300; Toby Goss 196; Margaret Gillanders 460; Nick Hall 441. Alec Williams offered thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session commenced with George Simms leading 33b. Leaders: Dilwyn Scott 268; Michael Walker 567; Steve Marini 532; Rachel Jordan 522; Francis Gaskin 201; Machna Nowak 48b; Edwin Macadam 332; Nigel Bowley 113; Teresa Maguire 500; Catherine Roberts 480; Werner Ullah 133; Derek Buckland 399b; Alec Williams 270; Jac Gehring 163b; Steve Welch 147b; Julie Fox 85; Brenda Harvey 162; Chris Brown 546. We sang 34b for Alec Williams, whose birthday it was today and presented him with his own cake. Sheila Girling Macadam led 53 to mark the 20th Oxford All-Day singing, after which a celebratory cake was consumed.

RECESS

The final session commenced with Nick Hall leading 454. Leaders: Steve Marini 250; Catherine Roberts 171; Steve Fletcher 217; Margaret Gillanders 564; Sue Bird 535; Michael Walker 354t; Francis Gaskin 326.

The Secretaries reported that thirty-five singers had registered from the UK, Ireland, and USA, and that ninety-one songs had been led by twenty-eight leaders. The Treasurer reported all the day's expenses had been met. Announcements of forthcoming singings 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 21st Oxford All-Day Singing should be held at the Botley Women's Institute Hall on Saturday, June 22, 2019.

Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam led 347 as the closing song. Steve Marini offered the closing prayer, after which the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Brenda Harvey

RHODE ISLAND CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING **Saylesville Friends Meeting House, Lincoln, Rhode Island** **Saturday, June 23, 2018**

For the second year local singers welcomed guests to the Rhode Island *Christian Harmony* All-Day Singing, held in Lincoln, Rhode Island. All song selections were from *The Christian Harmony*, 2010 Revision. Laura Hodges called the class to order leading 67t. Liz Cantrell offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Vale Cofer-Shabica 70b; Lynne deBenedette 159t; Liz Cantrell 21; Mike Richards 402b; Liz Patton 135; Charles Biada 332; Molly Ellis 184; Philippa Stoddard 281b; Ivy Hauser 36t; Bill Holt 128t; Alice Beattie 422t; MB Gowins 326; Chuck Micciche 117; Tristan Gordon 121t; Ron Trial 109; Carol Huang 493b.

RECESS

Vale Cofer-Shabica called the class back to order leading 142. Leaders: Jennie Brown 54; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 16; John Giles 416t; Vicki Hayes 13; Ian Quinn 417b; Becky Wright 450b; Chris Noren 172; Katy Hunter 131; Cat Walsh 143; Stefani Priskos 167t; Stina Soderling 419t; Angharad Davis 432b; Chris Cotter 100; Jane

Cannon 455b; Nancy Mandel 265; Shannon Primm 44b.

RECESS

Liz Cantrell called the class back together by leading 185. Leaders: Molly Ellis 64; Kerry Cullinan 189; Gwen Gethner 166; Jesse Beller 145b; Bill Holt 276; Jason Woofenden 91; Alice Beattie 1; Patrick Friesen 164b; Mike Richards 355; Liz Patton 130b; Tara Mulder 510b; Ivy Hauser 138; Lynne deBenedette 52; Charles Biada 192; Ron Trial 356; Laura Hodges 447. Liz Cantrell offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Philippa Stoddard called the class back to order leading 114. Leaders: Chris Noren 372; Stefani Priskos 85; Becky Wright 74; John Giles 168b; Cat Walsh 511; MB Gowins 362; Tristan Gordon 124; Katy Hunter 154; Carol Huang 176; Jane Cannon 316; Stina Soderling 509b; Ian Quinn 203; Gwen Gethner 170; Shannon Primm 15; Chris Cotter 308; Jesse Beller 549b; Angharad Davis 252.

RECESS

Tristan Gordon called the class back to order by leading 207b. Leaders: Kerry Cullinan 365; Patrick Friesen 123; Nancy Mandel 546b; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 548; Ivy Hauser and Becky Wright 197; Tara Mulder 438; Vicki Hayes 146b; Stina Soderling 8; Katy Hunter and Chris Cotter 307; Shannon Primm 354; Chuck Micciche and Liz Cantrell 171; John Giles and Carol Huang 180; Jane Cannon 133; Alice Beattie and Stefani Priskos 61t; Chris Noren 274; Gwen Gethner and Charles Biada 364; Jennie Brown 336t.

Laura Hodges thanked those present for coming to the singing, and the officers and volunteers for their efforts. Treasurer Mike Richards reported that all expenses had been met. The Secretary reported that a total of forty-eight people were in attendance, and thirty-nine leaders led eighty-seven songs. Announcements were made.

Laura Hodges and Vale Cofer-Shabica led 11 as the closing song. Liz Cantrell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Laura Hodges; Vice Chairman—Vale Cofer-Shabica; Secretary—Lynne deBenedette

SALEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Farill Community, Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama

Saturday, June 23, 2018

The 17th annual session of the Sacred Harp singing at Salem United Methodist Church in Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama, was called to order by Henry Johnson leading “There is a Fountain”. Henry extended a warm welcome to everyone in attendance. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Henry Johnson 60; Amber Davis 142; Mary Ruth Stiefel 234; Cecil Roberts 399b; Jerusha Wheeler 171; David Hufstetler 277; Cindy Tanner 498; Karis Askin 186; Lilly Underwood 276; Stephen Huffman 200; Rodney Ivey 439; Winfred Kerr 542; Alex Forsyth 113; Loyd Ivey 306; Judy Caudle 272; Margaret Thacker 34b; Isaac Green 426b; Kathy Williams 500; J.L. Hopper 534; Justin Bowen 511; Jonathon Smith 505.

RECESS

Henry Johnson called the class back to order leading 375. Leaders: Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 454; Ed Thacker and Don Bowen 112; Andy Ditzler 187; Mary Huffman 499; Philip Denney 39t; Nate Green and Norma Green 467; Shelby Castillo 349; Jesse Roberts 225b; Sarah Trumbore 512; David Brodeur 169; Reba Windom 208; Janice Paulk 136; Nathan Rees 220; Daniel Williams 455; Rachel Carlisle 384; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 546; Fallon Cook 176t; Micah

Roberts 326. Elder Jesse Roberts asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Henry Johnson called the class back to order leading 73b. Leaders: Susan Cheronas 460; Matt Hinton 189; Shane Wootten 475; Daniel Lee 411; Blake Sisemore and Mamie Sisemore 362; Anna Hinton 203; Danny Creel 383; Ellen Ray 106; Robert Chambless 145b; Eli Hinton 159; Scott Ivey and Danny Creel 456; Dennis George 232; Daniel Bearden 165; John Plunkett 471; Judy Chambless 318; Erica Hinton 391; Tom George 338; Richard DeLong 214; Hayden Arp 434; Lisa Bennett 315; David Smead 98; Judy Mincey 562; Linda Thomas 217.

Henry Johnson led 235 as the closing song. Ed Thacker offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Henry Johnson; Vice Chairman and Arranging Officer—Jeffrey Richardson

DELONG-ROBERTS MEMORIAL SINGING **Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Alpharetta, Georgia** **Sunday, June 24, 2018**

The annual DeLong-Roberts Memorial Singing was called to order by Jessica Altman leading 47t and 101t. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Helen Bryson 101b, 542; John Plunkett 467, 73b; Rachel Carlisle 145t, 137; Kevin Kleinfelter 117; Malinda Snow 465, 494; Jesse Roberts 475, 547; Samuel Williams 498, 399b; Faye Holbrook 455, 290; Dan Bailey 66, 569b (in honor of his mother).

RECESS

Richard DeLong brought the class to order leading 74t and 270. Leaders: Dianne O'Shields 496, 497 (in memory of her father, Reuben Ball); Oscar McGuire 441, 336. A business session was held. After much discussion, the following officers were elected to serve: Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Jessica Altman; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson; Arranging Officer—John Plunkett. Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church has graciously agreed to host this singing in 2019. Leaders: Timothy Altman 63, 45t; Eric Tweedy 52t, 200; David Smead 230, 164; Tabitha Altman 354b; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 99, 340; Ashley Thompson 171, 481.

LUNCH

Richard DeLong called the class back to order leading 36t. Leaders: Daniel Williams 404, 442; Don Bowen 549, 39b; Lisa Bennett 475, 318; Virgel (Cricket) Campbell 146 (in memory of her father, Matthew Long), 144.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Ashley Thompson, who shared memories of those singers who have gone on before and left us with the Sacred Harp legacy. She led 501 in memory of the following deceased: Daphene Causey—Alabama; Louise Holland, Melba Castleberry, and Elder Edward Cagle—Georgia. Rebecca Carlisle led 503 for the following sick and shut-ins: Leon Carnell and Matt DeLong. Elder Jesse Roberts shared memories of the Roberts family and led 480. Richard DeLong shared memories of the DeLong family and spoke of being thankful for friends. Richard led 541. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

Leaders: Vaudie Sherer 278b, 119; Judy Mincey 444, 505; Kathy Williams 472, 186; Micah Roberts 326, 376; Jerusha Wheeler 107, 157; Tony Hammock 112, 89; Sandra Wilkinson 421, 143 (in memory of Ms. Venie Faith); Brady DeLong 61, 32t; Janice Paulk 337, 384; Cecil Roberts 30t, 285t.

Announcements were made. Richard DeLong and Jessica Altman led 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.
Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Jessica Altman; Secretary/
Treasurer—Helen Bryson

MT. LEBANON BAPTIST CHURCH
Fayette County, Alabama
Sunday, June 24, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in June was called to order by Larry Ballinger leading 31b. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

After welcoming comments, the class organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Secretary—Teresa Hope; Arranging Committee—Buddy Ballinger and David Ballinger.

Leaders: David Ballinger 123t; Earl Ballinger 120; Teresa Hope 384; Linton Ballinger, Sherry Stover, and Allie Ballinger 354b; Jimmy Ballinger 565; Linda Sides 182; Leslie Brady and Patrick Brady 63 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Andy Ditzler 150; Beverly Nelson, Graham Jenkins, and Miles Jenkins 137; Albert Humber 405; Shirley Figura 299; Nicholas Holmes 34t; Sharon DuPriest 155; David Jackson 225t; Betty Baccus and Matthew Cook 318, 274t; Nicholas Thompson 217; Loretta Whitman 277; Mike Hankins 168; Darlene Reynolds 282; Jarrod Litton and Joy Litton 108t; Blake Sisemore 530; Judy Caudle 422; Charles Humber 480.

Danny Creel presented a plaque to the family of Gravis Ballinger, on behalf of the Sacred Harp Publishing Company, for his untiring support of and dedicated service to the cause of Sacred Harp singing.

RECESS

Chris Ballinger, Katie Ballinger, and Lauren Ballinger led 145t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Lomax Ballinger 144; Elene Stovall 200; Phillip Ballinger 232; Leon Ballinger and Judy Thomas 313b; Will Thompson 68b; Buddy Ballinger, Jill Porter, Ella Porter, Eady Porter, Sam West, and Aiden West 45t (in memory of Lavaughn Ballinger and Gravis Ballinger); Cassie Allen and Ken Tate 475, 273; Glenn Keeton, Lena Keeton, Matthew Keeton, and Isabella Keeton 235, 163b; David Brodeur 170; Henry Guthery 276 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Ann Jett 498; Paul Figura 70b; Lilly Underwood 426t.

RECESS

Lisa Geist led 528 to bring the class back together. Leaders: David Ivey 212 (in memory of D.T. White); Reba Windom and Shelby Castillo 411, 196; David White 371; Nate Green and Norma Green 438; Jack Pate 569b; Chuck Howell 112; Cindy Tanner 436 (in memory of Marie Aldridge and for Lucy Heidorn); Arlon Gardner 481; Tony Ivey 385b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Larry Ballinger leading 56t. Leaders: Scott Ivey 164; Scott Ivey and Tony Ivey 270; Amber Davis 380 (for Paula Springfield); Amber Davis and Nicholas Thompson 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Danny Creel 428, 111b; Chris Nicholson 34b, 477; Loyd Ivey 283; Loyd Ivey and Leon Ballinger 424; Alex Forsyth 186, 187; Warren Steel 195, 224; Rodney Ivey and Ryan Knight 129, 39b; Henry McGuire 121, 532; Donald Jones 178, 159; Wayne Baines 340, 339; Edwin Ballinger 300, 36b; Estes Jackson, Erselle Jackson, and David Jackson 42, 75; Chris Nicholson and Leon Ballinger 47t; Paul Figura and Shirley Figura 30b; Lisa Geist 304.

Announcements were made. Larry Ballinger led 323t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Danny Creel, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Secretary—Teresa Hope

NEW HOPE CHURCH SINGING
Cullman County, Alabama
Sunday, June 24, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at New Hope Church on the fourth Sunday in June was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Anna Grace Sipe leading 31t. Butch White offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Christopher Mann 101t, 569b; Anna Grace Sipe 47t, 77t; Londa Pate 45t, 312b; Theresa Westmoreland 313b, 313t; Sonja Sipe 68b, 63; Nancy Thompson 345t, 345b; Delone Cobbs 44, 354t; Butch White 32b, 74b; Jim Pate 72b, 49t; Cindy Mann 145b, 147t.

In a business session the following officers were elected: Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Anna Grace Sipe; Secretary—Londa Pate; Arranging Committee—Theresa Westmoreland.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Christopher Mann leading 48t. Leaders: Buell Cobb 27, 42; Rebecca Over 395, 331; Hazel Heinze 145t, 523; Geraldine Sharpton 229, 496; Winfred Kerr 59, 225t; Nancy Lee 335, 358; Amber Mann 128. Ruben Williams gave a report on the status of the cemetery and recent survey and thanked all the singers for coming. An offering was taken for the cost of the minute books. Christopher Mann led 73t. Butch White returned thanks before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Anna Grace Sipe leading 30t. Leaders: Joyce White 37b, 146; Kenneth Calvert 81t, 339; Tom Booth 99, 113; Carol Fannin 139, 30b; Mary Holcombe 147b, 515; Aubrey Fannin 64, 122; Christopher Mann 274t; Rebecca Over 159, 274b; Buell Cobb 107; Jim Pate 503; Winfred Kerr 516; Sonja Sipe 489; Butch White 547; Rebecca Over and Delone Cobbs 480; Christopher Mann 268; Mann family 106; Fannin family 390; Nancy Lee 388; Hazel Heinze 43; Geraldine Sharpton and Londa Pate 318; Anna Grace Sipe 178; Theresa Westmoreland 276; Christopher Mann 47b.

Announcements were made. Christopher asked that 2019 start time be published as 10:00 a.m. since singers do not arrive at the earlier 9:30 a.m. time. Christopher Mann led 282 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Christopher Mann; Vice Chairman—Anna Grace Sipe; Secretary—Londa Pate

BERLIN SHENANDOAH HARMONY SINGING
Chapel of The Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtnis-Kirche, Berlin, Germany
Saturday, June 30, 2018

The 2nd annual Berlin *Shenandoah Harmony* All-Day Singing was held in the chapel of the Kaiser-Wilhelm-Gedächtnis-Kirche in Berlin, Germany. Song selections were from the *Shenandoah Harmony* (ShH). Marco Wessnigk called the class together leading 319 (ShH). Christopher Schuller offered the opening prayer. Marco Wessnigk welcomed the class and spoke about the choice to sing out of the *Shenandoah Harmony* for this singing and about book diversity.

Leaders: David Marnuse 218b (ShH); Christopher Schuller 260t (ShH); Cherylyn Neilson 33 (ShH); Melanie Tönnies 124 (ShH); Ellen Kennedy 181 (ShH); Johannes

Sauer 47 (ShH); Emily Collins 112 (ShH); Anna Eggers 70t (ShH); Emma Rock 404t (ShH); Laura Eisen 335 (ShH); Graham DeZarn 266 (ShH); Katrin Malack 241t (ShH); Patrick DeDauw 363 (ShH); Evelyn Saylor 411 (ShH); Saara Pakarinen 23 (ShH); Michael Walker 22b (ShH).

RECESS

Jessica Slighter called the class together by leading 243 (ShH). Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 80 (ShH); Sarah West 305 (ShH); Jesse C. Polhemus 11 (ShH); Abby Beavin 137 (ShH); Francis Gaskin 326t (ShH); Eva Striebeck 264b (ShH); Megan Holm 385 (ShH); Steven T. Schmidgall 251 (ShH); Ellen Kennedy 229 (ShH); Nadia Abdelaziz 213 (ShH); Ted Mercer 427 (ShH); Colleen Hayes 76t (ShH); Krista Guerrieri 380 (ShH); Chris Wolf 158t (ShH); Christopher Schuller 334 (ShH); Melanie Tönnies 287 (ShH); David Marnuse 326b (ShH).

RECESS

The class was called together by Cherilyn Neilson leading 300b (ShH). Leaders: Silke Kunow-Koch 5t (ShH); Rachel Glassberg 34 (ShH); Johannes Sauer 247 (ShH); Emily Collins 12b (ShH); Saara Pakarinen 19 (ShH); Anna Eggers 278 (ShH); Francis Gaskin 270 (ShH); Patrick DeDauw 105 (ShH); Marco Wessnigk 399 (ShH); Jessica Slighter 290 (ShH); Emma Rock 422 (ShH); Laura Eisen 200 (ShH); Sarah West 53 (ShH); Katrin Malack 118 (ShH); Abby Beavin 366 (ShH); Graham DeZarn 52 (ShH); Ellen Kennedy 364b (ShH); Evelyn Saylor 206 (ShH). A blessing was asked by Patrick DeDauw before the meal.

LUNCH

Michael Walker called the class together by leading 297 (ShH). Leaders: Anne Hege 310 (ShH); Jesse C. Polhemus 332 (ShH); Caro Stamm-Reusch 68 (ShH); Steven T. Schmidgall 338 (ShH); Eva Striebeck 258 (ShH); Megan Holm 416 (ShH); Chris Wolf 417 (ShH); Ted Mercer 428 (ShH); Colleen Hayes 154 (ShH); Krista Guerrieri 48 (ShH); Nadia Abdelaziz 65t (ShH); Saara Pakarinen 43t (ShH); Cherilyn Neilson 86 (ShH); Jessica Slighter 114 (ShH); Christopher Schuller 208 (ShH); Sarah West 438t (ShH); Johannes Sauer 209 (ShH); Francis Gaskin 442 (ShH); Abby Beavin 452 (ShH); Patrick DeDauw 218t (ShH); David Marnuse 254 (ShH).

RECESS

The class was called together by Evelyn Saylor and Marco Wessnigk leading 176 (ShH). Leaders: Rachel Glassberg 130 (ShH); Jesse C. Polhemus 220 (ShH); Colleen Hayes 169 (ShH); Graham DeZarn 93 (ShH); Ted Mercer 431 (ShH); Krista Guerrieri 113 (ShH); Chris Wolf 178 (ShH); Megan Holm 414t (ShH); Nadia Abdelaziz 271 (ShH); Emma Rock 35 (ShH); Michael Walker 378b (ShH); Eva Striebeck 140b (ShH); Steven T. Schmidgall 242 (ShH); Caro Stamm-Reusch 110 (ShH); Laura Eisen 6t (ShH); Jessica Slighter 133 (ShH); Cherilyn Neilson 44 (ShH). Marco Wessnigk thanked local singers for organizing, and thanked those that traveled for the singing. The Secretary reported thirty-five leaders had led ninety-five songs. Announcements were made. Marco Wessnigk led 309 (ShH) as the closing song. Christopher Schuller offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Marco Wessnigk; Secretary—Evelyn Saylor

LEWES SACRED HARP SINGING DAY

**South Malling Parish Church, Lewes, Sussex, United Kingdom
Saturday, June 30, 2018**

The annual Lewes Sacred Harp Singing Day was called to order by Rachel Jordan leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Mike Cooper. Leaders: Nick Hall 73b; Iain Paxon 441; Ian Lamb 70t; Eleanor Callaghan 339; Ron Hollman 392; Edwin Macadam 63; Kate Kirwan 42; Robin Bisson 47t; Steve Welch 569t; Sheila Girling Macadam 191; George Simms 376; Steve Brett 317; Machna Nowak 313b;

Werner Ullah 49t; Joss Tait 29t; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 84; Teresa Maguire 83t; Vicky Tremain 472; Tom Gerber 122; Guy Hayes 421.

RECESS

Nick Hall brought the class back to order leading 489. Leaders: Jill Thompson 344; Joyce Smith 547; Steve Brett 483; Rachel Jordan 173; Robin Bisson 171; Eleanor Callaghan 39t; Steve Welch 566; Joss Tait 535; Iain Paxon 147b; Edwin Macadam 280; Vicky Tremain 146; George Simms 299; Kate Kirwan 125; Iain Paxon 56b; Machna Nowak 504; Ron Hollman 536; Werner Ullah 448b; Guy Hayes 36b; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 143; Mavis Clay and Vicky Tremain 178.

RECESS

Sheila Girling Macadam brought the class back to order leading 350. Leaders: Tom Gerber 334; Teresa Maguire 134; Jill Thompson 99; Joyce Smith 401; Nick Hall 455; Daniel Ardern 86.

Iain Paxon spoke for the sick and housebound, leading 331 in honor of the following: Paula Mogensen, Stella Hardy, Carole Baldie, Lil Hollman, Evelyn Munson, Jeannie Blagg, Dave Cooper, Hubrina Görlich, Roger Derwent, Alan Moore, Justine Stairmand, and Helen Bushell.

The memorial lesson was given by Mary Welch. Werner Ullah read the following list of names of the deceased: Andy Spence, Millicent Brown, Francesco Nazzini, Ivan Bainbridge, Michael Seifert, Kamila Zahno, Reginald Brett, Charlie Hicks, Adrian Barritt, Mark Girling, Jennifer Bennett, Frank Pigott, Rollo Woods, Stuart Reed, Lucy Foster, Geoffrey Rendle, Sarah Bunting, Jeff Stote, Geoff Rioh, André Rioh, and William David Clee. Steve Welch led 452. Mary Welch closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Edwin Macadam 288; Rachel Jordan 564; George Simms 340; Eleanor Callaghan 330b; Steve Welch 50b; Ian Lamb 287; Robin Bisson 276; Jill Thompson 481. Milly Murphy offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Guy Hayes called the class back to order leading 206. Leaders: Teresa Maguire 500; Jocelyn Derwent and Rachel Jordan 497; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 155; Ron Hollman 368; Ross Adamson 38b; Werner Ullah 457; Iain Paxon 89; Joss Tait 513; Sarah Hill 189; Steve Brett 498; Machna Novak 37t; Kate Kirwan 165; Joyce Smith 33b; Sheila Girling Macadam 216; Milly Murphy and Nick Hall 198; Guy Hayes 365; Nick Hall 217.

RECESS

The final session commenced with Rachel Jordan leading 114. Leaders: Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 335; Sarah Hill 34t; Kate Kirwan 386; Steve Welch 77b; Steve Brett 30b; Sheila Macadam and Edwin Macadam 236; Iain Paxon and Eleanor Callaghan 209; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard and Pete Eiseman-Renyard 117; Ross Adamson 503; Brighton singers 101t; London singers 111b; Lewes singers 454. Announcements were made. Rachel Jordan thanked all who had helped in any way to make this singing possible, and then led 347 as the closing song. Edwin Macadam offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rachel Jordan; Secretaries—Mary Welch and Nick Hall

PIONEER VALLEY SINGING

First Congregational Church, Sunderland, Massachusetts

Saturday, June 30, 2018

The 18th annual Pioneer Valley All-Day singing was brought to order by Ivy Hauser leading 81t. The opening prayer was offered by Ivy Hauser.

Leaders: Cat Walsh 187; Nic Tuff 33b; Crispin Youngberg 34t; Matthew Leger-

Small 111b; Sally Langendorf 176b; Lily Bell 31t; Nathan Aldrich 432; Ron Woodland 479; Becca Hawkins 335; Wendy Sibbison 475; Micah Walter 112; Corey Walters 192; Margaret Youngberg 372; Sheldon Finlay 383; Stina Soderling 157; Molly Sweetser 332; Becky Wright 51; Aisha Morgan 339.

RECESS

Jeremy Galvagni called the class back to order by leading 74b. Leaders: George Sigut 448b; Jana Yeaton 277; Liz Patton 428; Alex Spencer 547; Christine Andrews 299; Lilly Israel 59; Constance Des Marais 504; Mike Richards 536; Cheri Haire 481; Jonathan Spencer 324; Yael Tarshish 384; Jennie Brown 460; Dan Hertzler 108t; Anya Skibbie 454; Molly Merritt 558.

RECESS

Michael Nord called the class back to order by leading 421. Leaders: MB Gowins 121; Kitty Kagey 101t; Dan Cappoch 212; Vicky Hayes 546; Will Harron 63; Jesse Beller 300; Mary Skidmore 346; Laura Hodges 208.

Andrew Forsthoefel read the following list of names of sick and shut-ins and led 32b in their honor: Katherine Glatter, Chloe Romach, Julie Vernon, Leland Kusmer, Bob Frankel, William Halchuk, Keith Brown, Debbie Tewksbury, Katherine Tennes, Peter Walts, Christine Rorj, Baby Rowan, Pauline Burgdorf, Judie Conrad, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, and Sharon Lehr.

Gerald Clark read the following list of names of the deceased and then led 30b in their memory: Mary Ellen Schrock—New York and Florida; Stacy Phillips—Connecticut; Janet Shea and Erica Zissmann—Massachusetts; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Jean Flening—New York; Jahseh Dwayne Ricardo—Florida; Dudley Brown—District of Columbia; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Jim Hudgens—South Carolina; and John Byrne Cooke—Wyoming.

Leaders: Tarik Wareh 52b; Laura Timmerman 129; Barbara Swetman 448t; Linda Shea 229; Liz Cantrell 352; Joan Frankel 143; Peter Irvine 480.

LUNCH

Tim Eriksen called the class back to order by leading 37b. Leaders: Matthew Wojcik 306; Pattie Wareh 228; Anna Mays 227; Jean Seiler 273; Philippa Stoddard 220; Wing Mui 344; Angharad Davis 304; Rebecca Edwards 474; Kay Kinderman and Christine Andrews 183; Kerry Cullinan 501; Allison Steele 542; Anya Skibbie 573; Mike Richards 528; Liz Patton 234.

RECESS

Leaders: Dan Hertzler 545; Jennie Brown 411; Jeremy Galvagni 216; Margaret Youngberg 29t; Becky Wright 26; Cheri Haire 87; Yael Tarshish 440; Rebecca Edwards 303; Wing Mui 442; Hannah Graham and Matthew Leger-Small 55; MB Gowins 548; Jesse Beller 345t; Will Harron 390; Mike Nord 176t; Vicki Hayes 137; Dan Cappoch 477; Joan Frankel 284; Liz Cantrell 56t.

Committee reports were given and announcements were made. Cat Walsh, Nic Tuff, Lilly Israel, and Ivy Hauser led 62 as the closing song. Ivy Hauser offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ivy Hauser; Vice Chairman—Cat Walsh; Secretary—Nic Tuff

HENAGAR-UNION CONVENTION **Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama** **June 30 - July 1, 2018**

Saturday, June 30

The Henagar-Union Sacred Harp Convention was held at Liberty Baptist Church, Henagar, Alabama, on the first Sunday and Saturday before in July. The class was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Kelsey Ivey leading 81t. The opening prayer was

offered by Barrett Patton.

Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 182; John Shoulders and Mary Shoulders 288; Tim Gregg 64; Karen Rollins 540; Samuel Sommers 492; Amber Davis 224; Henry Johnson 52b; Judy Caudle 276 (in memory of her mother); Dennis George 148; Susan Cheronos 564; Ed Thacker and Don Bowen 28b; Bea Aaron 456; Nicholas Thompson 171; Nate Green and Norma Green 426b; Blake Sisemore and Mamie Sisemore 30b; Elene Stovall 99 (in memory of Bud Oliver); Winfred Kerr 500; Gary Huffman and Jamie Dohman 47b; Daniel Lee 489; Louis Hughes 314; Beth Branscome 228; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 95; Jim Aaron 68b.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 111t to bring the class together. Special guest, Representative Nathaniel Ledbetter spoke of the tradition of singing in the Henagar area, and presented a donation check to Loyd Ivey. Rodney Ivey, Loyd Ivey, and Nathaniel Ledbetter led 45t.

Leaders: Jackie Tanner 298; David Killingsworth 186; April Watkins 53; Mary Ruth Stiefel 322; Eli Hinton 146; Gail Doss 137; Barrett Patton 214; Judy Mincey 375; Kathy Williams 273; Anna Hinton 142; Andy Ditzler and Wesley Jackson 448t; Holly Long 480; Justin Bowen 391; Erica Hinton 464; Anna Grace Sipe and Delone Cobbs 551; Daniel Bearden 193; Mary Huffman 123t; Gillian Inksetter 283; Ricky Harcrow 112; Lomax Ballinger, Buddy Ballinger, and Jimmy Ballinger 84.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Richard Ivey and Everett Ivey leading 317.

Leaders: Cindy Tanner 358 (by request); Alex Forsyth and Amy Wootten 454; J.L. Hopper 534; Joanna Bennett 189; Keillor Mose 200; Rebecca Over 197 (for Charles Woods); David Brodeur 292; Aldo Ceresa 275b; Peter Trumbore 76b; Brian Harris 440; Sasha Hsuczuk 161; Bill Beverly 547; Jesse P. Karlsberg 422; Mark Godfrey 204; Anna Dohman and Jamie Dohman 29t; Bobby Watkins and Betty Shepherd 216; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 120; Lindsay Kruse 124; Ben Fink and Sam Brainin 89; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 178; Molly Sauder 569b; Jonathon Smith 458; Leigh Cooper 277. John Huffman asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Scott Ivey leading 119. Leaders: Jose Camacho-Cerna 527; Greta Edwards 77t; Matt Hinton 430; Charlotte Ehrman 486; Arlon Gardner 481; Idy Kiser 217; Stephen Huffman 131b; Buell Cobb 409; Lisa Bennett 315; Martha Beverly 504; Ryan Konopka 63; Dan Edwards 448b; Nathan Rees 181; Ann Jett 269; Hubert Nall 475; John Plunkett 271b; Richard Mauldin 43; Jerusha Wheeler 328; David Smead 210; Lauren Bock 286; Samuel Williams 260; Steven Taylor 56b; Shelby Castillo and Reba Windom 396; Rodney Ivey and Sharon DuPriest 299; Sam Brainin and Jayden Hunt 87; Ryan Nash 128; Isaac Green and Cindy Tanner 187; David Ivey and Karen Ivey 192.

Dennis George announced the results of the ballot election of officers as follows: Chairman—Shane Wootten; Vice Chairman—Kelsey Ivey; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey.

Kelsey Ivey led 323t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer.

Sunday, July 1

The Sunday session of the Henagar-Union Convention began with Shane Wootten leading 32t. Ed Thacker offered the opening prayer. Shane Wootten and Loyd Ivey led 47t in memory of Eloise Wootten.

Leaders: Kelsey Ivey and Everett Ivey 85; Isaac Green 493; Don Bowen and Ed Thacker 532; Nate Green and Norma Green 400; Sierra Saylor and Gus Carter 67; Taylor Watkins 445; Arlon Gardner 285t; David Gooch 112; Lela Crowder 322; Dan Brittain 399b; Anna Hinton 383; David Saylor 203; James Eldridge 354t; Samuel

Williams 485; Pam Wilkerson 63; Gillian Parris 159.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 345t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Daniel Lee 101b; Rebecca Over 392; Hayden Arp 140; Stuart Ivey and Vivian Ivey 107; Tim Gregg 30t; Beth Anne Clay 500; Winfred Kerr 318; Tommy Schultz 284; David Carlton 538; Blake Sisemore and Alex Forsyth 507; Sandra Wilkinson and Russ Hanson 300; Keillor Mose 302; Samuel Sommers 184; Ann Jett, Amelia Jett, Ainslie Allen, and Cindy Tanner 186; David Light 436; Louis Hughes 512; Theresa Saylor 440; Chris Parris 206.

RECESS

Richard Ivey and Everett Ivey led 176b to bring the class to order. Leaders: Gillian Inksetter 541; Gail Doss and Judy Mincey 543.

The memorial lesson was conducted by David Ivey and Jonathon Smith. David Ivey recognized Eloise Wootten for her years of faithful service to Liberty Baptist Church and Sacred Harp singing. He led 171 in her memory. He read the following list of names of the deceased: Eloise Wootten, Caleb Allred, Johnnie Chafin, Daphene Causey, Arthur Gilmore, J.A. Mosley, Glenda Hopper, Hollis Gentry, and Verlon Stiefel—Alabama; Audrey Ruth Garner, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Florice Akin, and Agnes Roberts—Georgia; Edith Owen, Jane Goforth, Amy Dennison, and Peter Nichols—Texas; Julia Vea—Wisconsin; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Yango Polel—Germany; Barbara Willard—Arizona; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Evelyn Tornabane—Iowa; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; Linda Domholt—California. David led 61 in their memory.

Jonathon Smith spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins. He read the following list of names: Charles Woods, Ottis Sides, Linda Sides, Johanna Fabke, Charlene Wallace, Jack Stiefel, Lance Phillips, Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Paul Adams, Jerry Little, Donnie Reed, Wayne Reed, Mark Brown, Raymon Cruz, Aubrey Barfield, Mike Jones, and Jerry Kitchens. Jonathon led 32b in their honor. Tony Ivey spoke and read the second verse of 543, and then offered the closing prayer.

Leaders: Henry Guthery 548; Joanna Bennett 444; Joyce Walton 65; Sierra Saylor and Tullaia Powell 142; Alex Makris and Renae Makris 418; Shane Brown 36t; Katherine Eldridge and Virginia Eldridge 306; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 198. Shane Brown asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rodney Ivey leading 401. Leaders: Emily Stutzman 217; Aldo Ceresa 456; Eli Hinton 99; Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle 150; Barrett Patton and Jonathon Smith 234; Karen Edwards, Dan Edwards, and Greta Edwards 282; Bobby Watkins, April Watkins, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 340; Kathy Williams 222; Chris Ballinger, Larry Ballinger, Linton Ballinger, and Earl Ballinger 215; Lauren Bock and Jesse P. Karlsberg 419; Ben Fink 240; Mark Godfrey and Leigh Cooper 377; Sasha Hsuczyk 36b; Jose Camacho-Cerna and Sam Brainin 280; Marty Wootten, Terry Wootten, Lorie Wootten, Jamey Wootten Hayden Wootten, and Jared Wootten 472; Martha Beverly and Bill Beverly 546; Shane Wootten, Jackie Tanner, and Anna Wootten 73t; Matt Hinton and Erica Hinton 460; Tom George, Sarah Trumbore, and Dennis George 313t; Reba Windom, Shelby Castillo, and Elene Stovall 542; Scott Ivey, Tony Ivey, Sandy Ivey, and Sylvia Ivey 309; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 101t; Loyd Ivey, Marion Biddle, Teresa Bethune, Lindsay Watkins, Louise Ivey, Lilly Underwood, Callie Watkins, and Kate Watkins 501 (CB).

RECESS

Shane Wootten and Cindy Tanner led 70b. Leaders: Paula Oliver and Scot Oliver

540; John Huffman and Kate Huffman 528; Anna Hinton and AnnaLiza Cull 155; Mary Ruth Stiefel and Charlotte Ehrman 438; Isaac Lloyd, Gideon Lloyd, Malachi Lloyd, and Ezra Lloyd 38b; Nathan Rees and Eddie Mash 100; Brian Harris 411; Anna Dohman, Don Dohman, and Kate Huffman 503; Peter Trumbore and Sarah Trumbore 350; Steven Taylor 37b; Henry Johnson 138t; Cheyenne Ivey, Rodney Ivey, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 432; Pam Nunn and Sharon DuPriest 196; Susan Cherones 349; Coy Ivey 384; Amber Davis 380; Syble Adams, Shane Wootten, Richard Ivey, Pam Wilkerson, and Mark Carroll 496; Shane Wootten 518 (CB). Shane Wootten, Coy Ivey, Norma Green, Loyd Ivey, and Marlon Wootten led 146 as the closing song. David Gooch offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Shane Wootten; Vice Chairman—Kelsey Ivey; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

BERLIN SACRED HARP SINGING
Parish Hall of The Evangelische Kirchengemeinde Rixdorf
Berlin, Germany
Sunday, July 1, 2018

The 2nd annual Berlin Singing weekend continued with songs from *The Sacred Harp* on Sunday. Marco Wessnigk called the class together by leading 145t. Leaders: Chris Wolf 32t; David Marnuse 106; Steven T. Schmidgall 136; Francis Gaskin 60; Michael Walker 369; Johannes Sauer 196; Ellen Kennedy 313t; Emma Rock 111b; Cherilyn Neilson 505; Abby Beavin 338; Mary Helen Dupree 85; Krista Guerrieri 344; Saara Pakarinen 64; Colleen Hayes 112; Megan Holm 89; Evelyn Saylor 300; Sarah West 372; Emily Collins 472; Bianca Geburek 421; Hyke Sakaras 452; Lauren Ciancio 49t; Silke Kunow-Koch 68t.

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Christopher Schuller called the class together by leading 155. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 528; Jessica Slighter 214; Jesse C. Polhemus 318; Melanie Tönnies 388; Graham DeZarn 132; Patrick DeDauw 44; Nadia Abdelaziz 168; Katrin Malack 210; Johannes Sauer 285t; Christopher Schuller 442; Steven T. Schmidgall 473; Ted Mercer 273; David Marnuse 448t; Brian Gallagher 47b; Francis Gaskin 398; Michael Walker 193; Chris Wolf 542; Marco Wessnigk 367; Krista Guerrieri 444; Mary Helen Dupree 150; Emma Rock 216; Colleen Hayes 481; Laura Eisen 87; Magdalen Gallagher 84; Ellen Kennedy 328; Cherilyn Neilson 67; Anne Hege 315.

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The class was called together by Patrick DeDauw leading 425. Leaders: Evelyn Saylor 38b; Megan Holm 31t; Silke Kunow-Koch 33b; Sarah West 430; Bianca Geburek and Alma Geburek 146; Lauren Ciancio 501; Hyke Sakaras 163b; Jesse C. Polhemus 387; Caro Stamm-Reusch 65; Patrick DeDauw 512; Katrin Malack 288; Jessica Slighter 410b; Johannes Sauer 159; Christopher Schuller 29b; Chris Wolf 228; Marco Wessnigk 30b; Brian Gallagher 186; Graham DeZarn 134; Steven T. Schmidgall 156; Francis Gaskin 138t; David Marnuse 117; Ted Mercer 183. Announcements were made. Marco Wessnigk led 45b as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Marco Wessnigk; Secretary—Evelyn Saylor

INDEPENDENCE DAY SINGING
Camp Lee, Lakeview Lodge, Anniston, Alabama
Monday, July 2, 2018

The annual Independence Day Singing, formerly held at Muscadine Church,

Cleburne County, Alabama, was held at Lakeview Lodge, Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama. The class was called to order by Rene Greene and Samuel Sommers leading 34b. Samuel Sommers offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Samuel Sommers 176t; Judy Caudle 85; Pam Nunn 186; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 99; Winfred Kerr 36b; Ann Riley 384; Sherrell Cleino 335; Joanna Bennett 495; Henry Johnson 55; Lela Crowder 110; Jim Neal 389; Steve Cornett 480; Laurel Dempsey 503; Andy Ditzler 361; Mary Ruth Stiefel 319; Amber Davis 276; Jairus Schultz 497.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Samuel Sommers leading 358. Leaders: Paula Oliver 155; David Brodeur 326; Anna Bowen and Guy Bankes 328; Zilpha Cornett 84; Isaac Lloyd 410t; Lynn Wilson 68b; Nicholas Thompson 411; Sadie Bagley and Bonnie Bagley 47b; Jedidiah Schultz 89; Lina Silva 59; Charlotte Ehrman 490 (in memory of Mary Ellen Schrock); Aldo Ceresa 436; Rebecca Over 475 (in memory of Steve Helwig and Darrell Swarens); Ryan Nash 71; Brian Harris 327; Hayden Arp 269; Dan Brittain 272; Gideon Lloyd 274t; Will Fitzgerald, Bess Fitzgerald, and Therese Gulker 447; Gillian Inksetter 271t; Jack Nelson 344. Jack Nelson asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Rene Greene leading 137. In a business session the following officers were elected to serve: Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Samuel Sommers; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging Officer—Pam Nunn.

Leaders: Blake Sisemore 556 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); David Ivey 346; Theophilus Schultz 313b; Josef Silva 56t; Shelby Bagley and Sadie Bagley 168; Beth Anne Clay and Mary Francie Clay 270; Laura Ann Russell 564; Molly Bagley 300; Anna Hinton 455; Emily Stutzman 275b; Tommy Schultz 70b; Alex Forsyth 385t; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 440; Barrett Patton 434; Tom George 83b; Michael Darby 487; Matt Hinton 472; Esther Williams 75; Sasha Hsuczyk 138t; AnnaLiza Cull 448t; Eli Hinton and Trammell Thompson 63; Daniel Bearden 193; Rene Greene, Pam Nunn, and David Ivey 172.

Rene Greene and Samuel Sommers led 142 as the closing song. Samuel Sommers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Samuel Sommers; Secretary—Judy Caudle

CAMP FASOLA, YOUTH EMPHASIS

Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama

July 2-6, 2018

Monday, July 2

Arrival, Registration, and Orientation Registration for Camp Fasola, 2018; Youth Emphasis, began at 4:00 p.m. Campers were issued t-shirts, procedures lists, maps, and identification badges. Campers had free time for recreation, followed by counselor orientation sessions, and then followed by supper at 6:00 p.m. Every one attending camp met with David Ivey in Lakeview Lodge at 7:00 p.m. for general orientation and instructions.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Led by Youth Counselors. Beth Anne Clay and Tom George called the class to order by leading 82t. Drew Smith offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Jim Neal 81t; Judy Caudle 76t; Jeannette DePoy 89; Alex Forsyth 60; Lela Crowder, Anna Bowen, Tullaia Powell, Sierra Saylor, Hadassah Silva, and Jerusha Vanderbosch 274t; Barrett Patton and Nicholas Thompson 200; Blake

Sisemore and Hayden Arp 336; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 37b; Sasha Hsuczyk, Shelby Bagley, and Mary Francis Clay 159; Jamira Jackson, Lainey Martin, and Molly Bagley 448b; Dan Brittain 230; Laurie Dempsey 30b; Justin Bowen, Ethan Cornett, Gideon Lloyd, Dean Padgett, and Jairus Schultz 270; Stanley Smith 224; Brian Harris 442; Gillian Inksetter, Ainslie Allen, Sadie Bagley, Trinity Cook, and CJ McElroy 196; Esther Williams 276; Pam Nunn 216; Tom George, Jared Pope, Colt Richardson, Jedediah Schultz, and Caleb Joseph Silva 77t; Emily Stutzman 64; James Eldridge, Lucas Cornett, Eli Hinton, Trammell Thompson, and Taylor Watkins 148; Ryan Nash 299; Drew Smith, Jacob Acton, Cody Bagley, and Isaac Lloyd 282; Nathan Rees 36b; Beth Anne Clay, Tabitha Cook, Lina Silva, and Jade Thompson 63; Samuel Sommers 207; Katherine Eldridge, Bekah Lauren Clay, Taylor Cook, Annaliza Cull, and Anna Hinton 178. Beth Anne Clay and Tom George led 56t as the closing song. Drew Smith offered the closing prayer. James Eldridge presented the evening devotional. He led 39b. Drew Smith dismissed the class with prayer.

Tuesday, July 3

Lesson: Rudiments I / Youth I 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren introduced herself, and welcomed the class. She took some time to become acquainted with campers, especially the newcomers. Lauren talked about sound, noise, and music. She and the class practiced different pitches, different volumes, different rhythms, and different tempos, referring periodically to the Rudiments, pages 13 and 14. After a short break, Lauren asked seven campers to arrange themselves in height order, each holding a paper shape note. Then she asked them to arrange themselves in a major scale order, timing them. The class practiced singing the scale. Lauren talked about rhythm and keeping time, and then, practiced the scale again. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Youth II 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Stuart Ivey. Stuart welcomed the class, and briefly talked about his education in music, and his background in Sacred Harp music. He referred to the Rudiments, page 13, and explained the difference between sounds of music and sounds of noise. He talked about pitch, time, accent, and volume. He reviewed the parts: where they sit in the square, and what line of music they sing. Stuart referred to the Rudiments, pages 14 and 15, reviewing measures, bars, and length of notes. The class sang the major scale, and practiced some intervals. The class sang 59, and Ryan Nash led 272. Stuart quizzed the class on the different aspects of the songs. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Adults 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Stanley Smith. David Ivey introduced Stanley Smith to campers. Stanley shared a bit of his story, and how he came to Sacred Harp singing. The class discussed basic elements of music, including volume, parts, and pitch. Examples of volume variation included 177 (where volume variation is noted in the music) and 143 (where the volume variation is not written, but traditional). Stanley talked about plain tunes in the Sacred Harp, and led 48t and 48b. The class sang the scales, both major and minor. Stanley led 436, and dismissed the class with prayer.

Elective: Team Tunsmith I / Sacred Harp Composition 10:30 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and offered some tips for getting started, part-writing, and basic elements of harmony. The class divided into three teams: Team 1 (Caleb Joseph Silva, Drew Smith, and Jerusha Vanderbosch); Team 2 (Isaac Lloyd, Jack Nelson, and Gideon Lloyd); Team 3 (Daniel Bearden, Ryan Nash, and Hadassah Silva). The teams will engage in a round robin style writing exercise, with results to be sung at the composium session later in the week. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Minor Music 10:45 a.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class, and led 159. Dan explained the features of minor songs in the Sacred Harp. He said the changes to the sixth note are traditional and regional to areas where Sacred

Harp is common. In areas where *Christian Harmony* or gospel music is common, the sixth note is not typically raised. Dan led 313b, 183, 360, and 160t. There was a question and answer period. Dan drew attention to the Scottish Snap, and led 346. Dan then focused on accent, stating that accent is important to singing Sacred Harp. Dan led the class in singing 111b, 214, 216, 197, 378b, and 385b, practicing good accent. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Learning Songs / Youth 1:00 p.m. Teachers—Tom George and Bridgett Hill Kennedy. Leaders and selections: Ethan Cornett, Jade Thompson, and Jamira Jackson 168; Jairus Schultz 504; Gabby Jenkins 354b; Sadie Bagley 448t; April Watkins, Trinity Cook, and Tabitha Cook 53; Anna Hinton 442; Taylor Cook 159. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rees (e)'s Pieces 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Jesse P. Karlsberg. Jesse welcomed the class, and Sierra Saylor and Tullaia Powell led 278b. Jesse talked about the Rees brothers, Henry Smith Rees and John Palmer Rees, and said that they were major contributors to Sacred Harp music. He said they helped cement the use of gapped scales in Sacred Harp composition. Jesse distributed a packet of information, and the class sang “Dumas” by J.P. Rees, from the packet. Jesse led 385b. Jesse continued by stating that many compositions by the Rees brothers included three part harmonies. By 1870, the Rees brothers were established within the Sacred Harp community. The Rees brothers used revival songs and choruses during the Second Great Awakening. In a sense, the Rees brothers created the modern fusing tunes. The class sang 423 (an inventive fugue) and 419 (an intensive fugue). By the end of the twentieth century, J.P. Rees was the most prominent composer of the Rees brothers. He contributed compositions spanning sixty-one years. The class sang 69b, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: My Sacred Harp Journey 2:10 p.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class, and talked about his experience with Sacred Harp, and his journey that began as an adult in 1966. Dan said his career is a series of coincidences, and if he hadn't gotten into the Army band, he probably wouldn't have started singing. He said he began writing almost as soon as he began singing, and that his first composition of quality was “Cobb”. After retiring from the Army band, he took a job at a church in New York. He composed “Garden State” for the New Jersey convention. Dan led “Garden State”. He then moved to Arkansas. He was asked to help start a singing in Iowa, and composed “Maquoketa”. Dan led “Hauff”, “Cowling”, “Dean Street”, and “Chmielno”. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Scales and Intervals 3:30 p.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Samuel welcomed the class, and led 76t. He described music as a succession of pleasing tones. The class practiced singing the major scale and intervals. Samuel led 218. The class practiced singing the minor scale and intervals. Samuel led 165. Samuel and the class sang 96, 431, 210, 454, 302, 315, and the Star Spangled Banner. The class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Led by Youth Girls. Tullaia Powell and Sierra Saylor called the class to order by leading 354b. Anna Bowen offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Scott Ivey 396; Aldo Ceresa and Daniel Bearden 91; Jediah Schultz, Theophilus Schultz, and Jairus Schultz 270; Corrine Wells, Amy Wells, and Anders Wells 354b; Morgan McElroy, CJ McElroy, Layla Slaughter, and Paula Oliver 45t; Jamira Jackson and Jade Thompson 455; Sadie Bagley and Cody Bagley 32t; Idy Kiser, Karen Ivey, and Vivian Ivey 217; Therese Gulker and Bess Fitzgerald 37b; Caleb Joseph Silva and Jim Neal 58; Annaliza Cull, Shelby Bagley, and Lainey Martin 142; Katherine Eldridge, April Watkins, and Taylor Watkins 445; Sasha Hsuczuk and Barrett Patton 505; Nathan Rees, Ryan Nash, and Justin Bowen 272; Gideon Lloyd and Colt Richardson 34b; Stanley Smith and Samuel Sommers 121; Dan Brittain 86;

Eli Hinton and Trammell Thompson 148; Guy Bankes and Jack Nelson 549; Jonathon Smith, Lauren Bock, Lucey Rose Karlsberg, and Jesse P. Karlsberg 428; Gabby Jenkins, Sarah Jenkins, and Leah Jenkins 49t; Tom George and Isaac Lloyd 460; Drew Smith, Jacob Acton, and Jared Pope 108b; Hadassah Silva and Lina Silva 87; Tabitha Cook, Taylor Cook, and Trinity Cook 159; Michael Darby and Laura Ann Russell 67; Nicholas Thompson, Pam Nunn, Judy Caudle, and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 528; Molly Bagley and Lela Crowder 277; Gillian Inksetter and Brian Harris 182; Lynn Wilson and Thomas Schultz 49b; Emily Stutzman, Esther Williams, and Becca Hawkins 335. Tullaia Powell and Sierra Saylor led 267 as the closing song. Jerusha Vanderbosch presented the devotional, and led 108b. Lina Silva offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Wednesday, July 4

Lesson: Rudiments II / Youth I 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class, and taught the modes of time. The class focused on the information found on the song page, including the mode of time, repeats, rests, slurs, ties, and flags. The class practiced singing the minor scale. Songs used during the class were 274t, 65, 159, 45t, and 155. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Learning Songs with Sam 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Samuel welcomed the class, and explained the fundamentals of starting a song, with special attention paid to a rest at the beginning. Next he covered in detail the modes of time and tempo. He explained the relationship between accent in the notes and the poetry. The class sang a number of songs, and then was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II / Youth II 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Stuart Ivey. Beth Anne Clay welcomed the class, and led the singing of the major and minor scale. She led 274t. Stuart Ivey referred to the Rudiments, page 19, sections 16-20. He reviewed notations (triplets and slurs in 272), accent (188), fermata (198), choice notes (348b), dynamics (277), and grace notes (143). Samuel Sommers talked about accent, and used boxes of different weights (primary accent being the heaviest with two bottles of water, and no accent being the lightest with nothing inside) to illustrate his point. He covered the seven modes of time. Samuel encouraged campers to accent with the voice, not the hand. Stuart discussed fusing tunes and tunes with time changes. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II / Adults 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Stanley Smith. Stanley welcomed the class, and led 143. He offered prayer. Stanley discussed grace notes and triplets. The class turned to page 327, and discussed the difficulty of articulating the names of the notes due to the speed at which this song is often sung. Stanley led 327, and then 273. He reviewed the elements of the song on page 165, (time, repeats, and key), and then turned to page 342, a song with the same words, but different in nature by virtue of a major key. There was discussion about keying in major and minor, and then discussion of keying in general. The class sang 101t, 64, 74b, and 104. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: A Window into Paine (Denson) 2:10 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and led 392. He gave an introduction to the life and early singing career of Paine Denson. He outlined the contributions Paine Denson made during his lifetime to the Sacred Harp singing community and the Sacred Harp Publishing Company. Leaders: Justin Bowen 447; Daniel Bearden 294; Alex Forsyth 396; Sasha Hsuczyk 292; Brian Harris 330t; Tom George 330b; Samuel Sommers 502. Aldo played selections from the 1942 recording of an interview by Alan Lomax with Paine Denson. Leaders: Judy Caudle 518; Barrett Patton 553; Blake Sisemore 532. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Leading Practice / Youth 4:00 p.m. Teachers—Sasha Hsuczyk and Justin Bowen. Leaders and selections: Justin Bowen and Sasha Hsuczyk 392; April Watkins

and Taylor Cook 155; Sadie Bagley 542; Jamira Jackson and Jade Thompson 361; Caleb Joseph Silva 59; Trammell Thompson 472; Cody Bagley and Ethan Cornett 63; Anna Bowen 70b; Eli Hinton 299; Ainslie Allen, April Watkins, and Taylor Watkins 196.

Lesson: Leading Workshop / Adults 4:00 p.m. Teachers—Judy Caudle and Bridgett Hill Kennedy. Judy Caudle welcomed the class, and led 155. The time was spent with campers leading songs of their choice, with positive feedback from the teachers. Leaders: Ryan Nash 110; Jacob Acton 186; Barrett Patton 303; Jim Neal 30b; Laura Ann Russell 198; Katherine Eldridge 195; Emily Stutzman 336; Jack Nelson 524; Anders Wells 567; Blake Sisemore 534; Guy Banks 543. Bridgett led 98, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Conduct of Singings and Conventions 5:00 p.m. Teacher—Jesse P. Karlsberg. Jesse welcomed Stanley Smith to join him for the discussion. Stanley related that he had been involved in organizing and maintaining several singings in southeast Alabama. He offered tidbits of information that he felt made *Cooper Book* singings distinctive. Jesse read excerpts from the Rudiments, page 25, chapter XI. He said this section of Rudiments was added to the 1991 Edition. The following discussion with campers revealed many similarities to singings and conventions held a hundred years ago, but also pointed to many differences. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Poetic Meter in Sacred Harp 5:00 p.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Samuel welcomed the class, and led 146. He sang the notes, then used words from *Amazing Grace*, *Gilligan's Island*, and *The House of the Rising Sun*. He explained that the music has various modes of time divided into measures, while the poetry has various meters divided into poetic feet. Poetry, like music, has accent which may be defined as rhythmical arrangement of syllables or words in verse, poetical measure, depending on number, quantity, and accent of syllables. Samuel reviewed examples of poetry, and the class members names the poetic feet in each example. Isaac Lloyd led 210, and the class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. Led by Youth Boys. Jacob Acton and Dean Padgett called the class to order by leading 186. Cody Bagley offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock 345b; Eli Hinton, Cody Bagley, and Ethan Cornett 63; Guy Banks and Anna Bowen 70b; Tom George, Ryan Nash, and Cheyenne Ivey 398; Sam Culpepper, Ellen Culpepper, and Byrne Culpepper 112; Mary Francis Clay and Tullaia Powell 142; Shelby Castillo 203; Anders Wells, Amy Wells, and Corrine Wells 110; Barrett Patton and Alex Forsyth 242 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Theresa Saylor, David Saylor, and Sierra Saylor 209; Trinity Cook, Taylor Cook, and Tabitha Cook 155; Jairus Schultz and Samuel Williams 481; Leah Jenkins, Gabby Jenkins, and Sarah Jenkins 45t; Jim Neal, Byrne Culpepper, Nicholas Thompson, and Jared Pope 137; Layla Slaughter, Morgan McElroy, CJ McElroy, and Paula Oliver 354b; April Watkins and Ainslie Allen 132; Jamira Jackson and Jade Thompson 361; Colt Richardson and Gideon Lloyd 81t; Bess Fitzgerald and Therese Gulker 37b; Beth Anne Clay and Bekah Lauren Clay 346; Daniel Bearden and Isaac Lloyd 358; Anna Hinton and Sasha Hsuczyk 383; Annaliza Cull and Sadie Bagley 542; Lina Silva and Caleb Joseph Silva 65; Becca Hawkins and Aldo Ceresa 128; Laurie Dempsey and Lynn Wilson 268; Shelby Bagley and Jacob Acton 168; Jack Nelson and Brian Harris 546; Emily Stutzman and Drew Smith 336. Jacob Acton and Dean Padgett led 323t as the closing song. Eli Hinton presented the devotional, and led 65. Cody Bagley dismissed the class with prayer.

Thursday, July 5

Lesson: Rudiments III / Youth I 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class, and led 48t. She then talked about the symbols or characters found on the page, and how that effects the way the song is sang. She referred to the

song on page 531, pointing out that the double ending uses different notes. Lauren reviewed notes, rests, modes of time, and repeats. She explained flats and sharps. The class sang 63, and took a short break. When the lesson resumes, the class finds felt symbols on the chair seats. The class uses these felt symbols to form a musical staff, and felt notes to form a tune. The class sings the tune. Leaders: Cody Bagley and Ethan Cornett 349; Sadie Bagley 110; Lina Silva 268; Taylor Watkins 196; Taylor Cook, Trinity Cook, April Watkins, and Taylor Watkins 155; Ethan Cornett 192. The class is dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Youth II 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Stuart Ivey. Stuart welcomed the class, and reviewed repeat marks, also discussing the characters D.C. and D.S. He told the class that leading songs would be the focus for this class. He gave the following tips to help new leaders: know the song and its page number; use verbal and non-verbal communication; use a preparatory gesture; make decisions about verses and repeats before stepping into the square; and recommended singing tenor when leading. Sasha Hsuczyk demonstrated leading fundamentals, and the class practiced leading 272 and 481. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Adults 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Stanley Smith. Stanley welcomed the class, and led 166. The class talked about and sang unpublished compositions by Stanley. Stanley led “Spurlock” a fusing tune written in honor of his dear friend, Tommie Spurlock. He led “Pennsylvania”, a tune dedicated to the singers of Pennsylvania; “Hogan”, a plain tune named for Bill and Nancy Hogan; “Indiana”, music and words dedicated to singers in Indiana; “Colorado”, a tune Stanley said borrows heavily from “Idumea”, but in different meter; “New England”; and “Our Singing Band”, a tune written for use in memorial lessons for the sick and shut-ins. Samuel Sommers dismissed the class with prayer.

Elective: Thoughts on Sacred Harp Etiquette 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Buell Cobb. Buell welcomed the class, and stated that he has observed Sacred Harp practices for more than fifty years. He related some of these observations as suggestions to new singers, in an effort to help them be successful for themselves and the singing as a whole. He addressed the changes over time in the standards of dress, decorum, leading, front bench, and arranging. Buell led 425, adding an extra verse of words, and noting that the class is compliant and follows the leader, because the class wants the leader to be successful. The class was dismissed.

Elective: Dinner on the Ground 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Pam Nunn. Pam shared recipes that are tasteful and easy to prepare and transport. She also shared fun stories about Jeff and Shelbie as campers prepared punch bowl cakes for everyone to enjoy at suppertime.

Lesson: Learning Songs and Youth Memorial Lesson / Youth 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Jeannette DePoy. Jeannette welcomed the class, and was joined by Gillian Inksetter and Jonathon Smith. Jonathon and Gillian reviewed the information found on each song page (page number, key, mode of time, rests, repeats, and weird). Jeannette asked campers to choose some songs that they thought would be good to use in a memorial lesson. Leaders: Ethan Cornett 302; Taylor Cook 55; April Watkins and Sadie Bagley 209; Anna Bowen 560; Sarah Jenkins and Jacob Acton 340; Corrine Wells and Jamira Jackson 472. The teachers and class discussed reasons to learn new songs. Leaders: Cody Bagley 32; Jared Pope 30; Theophilus Schultz, CJ McElroy, April Watkins, Taylor Cook, Trammell Thompson, Caleb Joseph Silva, and Trinity Cook 40. The class was dismissed.

Lesson: The Memorial Lesson 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Karen Rollins. Campers gathered in Lakeview Lodge to hear Karen Rollins talk about the memorial lesson. She began by saying that the memorial lesson is an old tradition at Sacred Harp singings. There is usually a list for names of the deceased and sick and shut-ins. The

officers of the singing or convention will usually ask someone to conduct the memorial lesson, and it can be anyone. Karen encouraged campers to accept, if asked to serve. She said that there are two times during a day that are customary for the memorial lesson: the hour just before lunch and the hour following lunch. The memorial lesson recognizes those who have gone before, brings to light the humanity of the singings, and causes the realization that future singers must step up and carry on. She mentioned just a few ways of conducting the lesson, and then turned the class over to the memorial committee.

Emily Stutzman spoke in memory of the deceased, and read the following list of names: Daphene Causey, Floy Wilder, Eloise Wootten, Caleb Allred, Glenda Hopper, Arthur Gilmore, Johnnie Chafin, Susie Denson, Lily Hopper, and Hollis Gentry—Alabama; Louise Holland, Daniel Evans, and Florice Akin—Georgia; Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Judith McDowell and Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Barbara Willard—Arizona. Emily led 549 in memory of the deceased.

Ryan Nash spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins, and read the following list of names: Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Jerry Kitchens, Ottis Sides, Linda Sides, Mike Hinton, Eugene Forbes, and Mike Jones. He led 128, and Jim Neal closed the memorial service with prayer. The class was dismissed.

Elective: The Music and Legacy of Hugh McGraw 2:10 p.m. Teacher—Jesse P. Karlsberg. Jesse welcomed the class, and Bridgett Hill Kennedy led 500. Jesse stated that Hugh McGraw was as important a figure in the Sacred Harp tradition as anyone that came before. His contributions were unparalleled in the latter part of the twentieth century. He served as Executive Secretary of the Sacred Harp Publishing Company from 1958—2002, and Executive Secretary Emeritus from 2002—2017. Blake Sisemore led 527. McGraw was involved in revising several editions of the Sacred Harp tune book from 1960—1985. He was supervisor of the complete revision that was published on 1991. David Ivey served with Hugh on that committee, and spoke of the process and the success of the current revision. Barret Patton led 548. McGraw traveled extensively with other singers as ambassadors for Sacred Harp singing. This group appeared in many conferences, folk festivals, and church associations. Buell Cobb, as one among these singers, spoke of Hugh's strong personality, bold leadership, and confidence. Karen Rollins led 225t, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: May I Never Read in Vain 4:30 p.m. Teacher—Lela Crowder. Lela welcomed the class, and spoke of how rhetoric demonstrates the wonderful words. She pointed out six important things every reader should know: a writer creates the text; a writer has a purpose (persuade, inform, or entertain); a writer recognizes an audience; a writer's tone equates with some emotion; a writer uses form (in the Sacred Harp that is hymn, ode, or anthem); a writer conveys as message. Lela said that metaphor is hugely important. The class explored some metaphors used in the text of the songs in the Sacred Harp. For example, barren wilderness (the world is a confusing place) vs. Canaan/Heaven (beautiful imagery). Another example, scorching sand vs. water. Symbolism is also important in the words of the Sacred Harp tunes, the cross being a very big one: everyone has something to bear, but there's a crown. Campers shared some favorite words, and then the class was dismissed.

Elective: Team Tunemsmith II / Composium 4:30 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresia. Aldo welcomed campers and team members. Team members were Isaac Lloyd, Drew Smith, Jerusha Vanderbosch, Becca Hawkins, Gideon Lloyd, Jack Nelson, and Ryan Nash. Campers sang each composition, and discussion followed, noting difficult intervals, but also noting well done parts. The class was dismissed.

Community Singing 7:00 p.m. Led by Young Adults. Emily Stutzman and Ryan Nash called the class to order. David Ivey recognized Jesse P. Karlsberg, and presented a certificate of appreciation to Jesse for his many contributions to Camp FaSoLa, and the Sacred Harp singing community. Emily Stutzman led 59, and James Eldridge offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Justin Bowen, Barrett Patton, and James Eldridge 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Esther Williams and Becca Hawkins 224; Sierra Saylor and Tullia Powell 504; Susan Cheronos and Daniel Lee 489; April Watkins and Sadie Bagley 148; Colt Richardson, Gideon Lloyd, and Isaac Lloyd 45t; Judy Caudle and Samuel Sommers 139; Jared Pope, Trinity Cook, Tabitha Cook, and Taylor Cook 358; Jeannette DePoy and Pam Nunn 303 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); Beth Anne Clay, Mary Francis Clay, and Bekah Lauren Clay 65; Molly Bagley and Virginia Eldridge 111t; Karen Ivey, David Ivey, Allison Whitener, and Grace Whitener 288; Taylor Watkins and Ainslie Allen 196; Aldo Ceresia and Nicholas Thompson 304; Nathan Rees and Drew Smith 172; Blake Sisemore and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 411; Jesse P. Karlsberg, Lauren Bock, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 522; Jade Thompson and Jamira Jackson 117; Jacob Acton and Shelby Bagley 324; Laurie Dempsey and Lynn Wilson 523; Brian Harris and Daniel Bearden 536; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 367; Amy Wells, Anders Wells and Corrine Wells 112; Gabby Jenkins, Leah Jenkins, Sarah Jenkins, and Susan Harcrow 274t; Rodney Ivey, Loyd Ivey, and Stuart Ivey 144; Guy Bankes and Anna Bowen 120; Theophilus Schultz and Caleb Joseph Silva 60.

RECESS

Ryan Nash and Emily Stutzman brought the class back together by leading 128. Leaders: Sasha Hsuczyk, Alex Forsyth, and Tom George 422; Michele Cull, Annaliza Cull, and Anna Hinton 142; Lina Silva and Celeste Silva 277; Gillian Inksetter, Tabitha Cook, Taylor Cook, and Trinity Cook 441; Jack Nelson and Daniel Williams 74t; Ethan Cornett, Thomas Schultz, and Jedediah Schultz 31t; Eli Hinton and Trammell Thompson 77t; Jonathon Smith and Hayden Arp 384; Idy Kiser and Jerusha Wheeler 36b; Katherine Eldridge and Hadassah Silva 273; Laura Ann Russell and Michael Darby 198; Eva Grace Horsley and Philip Denney 99; Jim Neal and Winfred Kerr 432; Matt Hinton, Erica Hinton, and Lottie Hinton 276; Theresa Saylor and David Saylor 203; Lela Crowder and Cheyenne Ivey 168. David Ivey thanked everyone for coming, and thanked the Camp FaSoLa teachers and staff. Emily Stutzman and Ryan Nash thanked David Ivey, and all who make Camp FaSoLa possible. Announcements were made. Emily and Ryan led 521 as the closing song. Barrett Patton dismissed the class with prayer.

Friday, July 6

After breakfast, everyone met in The Ark with Camp Director David Ivey for closing remarks and farewells. The group sang 62, and took the parting hand. Samuel Sommers offered the closing prayer, and camp was dismissed. SHMHA President and Camp Director—David Ivey

FLAT SHOALS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Flat Shoals Primitive Baptist Church, Stockbridge, Georgia

Saturday, July 7, 2018

The 12th annual session of the Flat Shoals Primitive Baptist Church Singing was called to order by Jessica Altman leading 34b. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Jesse Karlsberg 417; Ashley Thompson 145t; Brian Harris 329, 328; April Watkins 155, 75; David Smead 458, 125; Lela Crowder 353, 32t; Andy Ditzler 278b, 455; Micah Roberts 97, 338; Helen Bryson 411 (for Alan Lambert), 176t; Joseph Silva and Zachary Silva 61, 63; David Brodeur 290, 184; Taylor Watkins 196, 445;

Leigh Cooper 460, 560.

RECESS

Helen Bryson brought the class together leading 270. Leaders: Jerusha Wheeler 362, 107; Bobby Watkins 340, 89; Mark Godfrey 39b, 276; Malinda Snow 569t, 532.

A business session was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jessica Altman; Vice Chairman—Jesse Karlsberg; Secretary—Ashley Thompson.

Leaders: Eric Tweedy 112, 442; Tony Hammock 267, 430; Lina Silva 65, 76t; Lisa Bennett 200, 127; Oscar McGuire 229, 485; Sadie Bagley 203, 542; Cathy Bonk 53. The lunch blessing was offered by Leon Carnell.

LUNCH

Ashley Thompson brought the class back together by leading 183. Leaders: Jesse Roberts 48b, 242; Shelby Bagley 168, 142; Celeste Silva and Lina Silva 277, 99; Leanne Carter 481, 45t; Dan Edwards 36b, 282; Molly Bagley and Cody Bagley 448t, 344; Erica Hinton 141, 179; Frances Carnell 80t, 298; Eli Hinton 299, 186; Alex Forsyth 345b, 272.

RECESS

Micah Roberts brought the class back together by leading 480. Leaders: Daniel Williams 160t, 434; Anna Hinton 500, 383; Jonathon Smith 44, 360; Virgel (Cricket) Campbell 146, 421; Hadassah Silva 346; Nathan Rees 350, 528; Hayden Arp 342, 336; Greta Edwards 77t; Sandra Wilkinson 40, 378t.

Following announcements, Jessica Altman and Jesse Karlsberg led 62 as the closing song. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Jessica Altman; Vice Chairman—Jesse Karlsberg; Secretary—Ashley Thompson

SHAPE NOTE GATHERING

Old Mountain View High School, Mountain View, Arkansas Saturday, July 7, 2018

The all-day singing segment of the 15th annual Shape Note Gathering was held at the Old Mountain View High School in Mountain View, Arkansas. The books that were used were *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The Missouri Harmony* for the first and third hour, and *The Christian Harmony, 2010 Edition*, for the second and fourth hour.

Dan Brittain called the class to order leading 31b. The morning prayer was offered by Andrew Albers. Leaders: Gaylon Powell 440; Charley Sandage 186; Andrew Albers 406; Cory Winters 13 (MH); Mark Davis 77t; Linda Funderburk 143; Lisa Davis 99; David Johnson 268; Dan Brittain 34 (MH); Gaylon Powell 78 (MH); Charley Sandage 136; Andrew Albers 479; Cory Winters 481; Mark Davis 480; Linda Funderburk 39t; Lisa Davis 178; David Johnson 159; Dan Brittain 171.

RECESS

Gaylon Powell brought the class back together leading 206 (CH). Leaders: Charley Sandage 22t (CH); Andrew Albers 133 (CH); Cory Winters 135 (CH); Mark Davis 101 (CH); Linda Funderburk 109 (CH); Lisa Davis 140 (CH); David Johnson 78b (CH); Dan Brittain 146b (CH); Gaylon Powell 146t (CH); Charley Sandage 147 (CH); Andrew Albers 82b (CH); Cory Winters 56b (CH); Mark Davis 41t (CH); Linda Funderburk 87 (CH); Lisa Davis 93 (CH); David Johnson 165 (CH); Kristie Powell 258 (CH).

LUNCH

Dan Brittain brought the class back together leading 62 (MH). Leaders: Gaylon Powell 318; Mark Davis 141; Linda Funderburk 108b; Kristie Powell 168; David Johnson 85; Cory Winters 149; Charley Sandage 217; Bonnie Wood 344; Ann

Grigsby 155; Dan Brittain 77 (MH); Gaylon Powell 157 (MH); Mark Davis 215; Linda Funderburk 330t; Kristie Powell 271t; David Johnson 47b.

RECESS

Cory Winters brought the class back together leading 52 (CH). Leaders: Bonnie Wood 76b (CH); Charley Sandage 218t (CH); Ann Grigsby 67b (CH); Dan Brittain 393b (CH); Gaylon Powell 432b (CH); Mark Davis 281t (CH); Linda Funderburk 58b (CH); Kristie Powell 138 (CH); Cory Winters 77 (CH); Bonnie Wood 335 (CH); Charley Sandage 486t (CH); Ann Grigsby 137 (CH); Dan Brittain 299 (CH); Gaylon Powell 203 (CH); Mark Davis 64 (CH); Linda Funderburk 225b (CH). Announcements were made. Dan Brittain led 222b (CH) as the closing song. Charley Sandage dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Dan Brittain; Secretary—Gaylon Powell

WALLOWA COUNTY SINGING **Hurricane Creek Grange, Joseph, Oregon** **Saturday, July 7, 2018**

The 2nd session of the Wallowa County Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Jen Rymut leading 138b. Yosef Trachtenberg offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: John Berendzen 284; Kate Fine 171; Bob Schinske 50b; Jennifer Jones 29t; Dave Barber 460; Wren Hyde 426b; Chris Nicholson 34b; Kate Coxon 230; Steve Cackley 88b; Ana Tighe 272; Jen Rymut 75; Julius Pasay 187; Lindy Groening 60; Thom Fahrbach 391; Karen Willard 28b; Rodman Campbell 302.

RECESS

Leaders: Laura McMurray 201; Linda Berkemeier 159; Tom McTighe 150; Kevin Barrans 499; Pat Coghlan 528; Sadhbh O'Flynn 454; Nancy Novotny 216; Peter Schinske 110; Bradley Knoke 515; Lyle Lindsey 228; Stephanie Fida 231; Betsy Jeronen 534; Cornelia Stanton 344; Yosef Trachtenberg 117.

RECESS

Leaders: Steve Cackley 553; Kate Fine 532; Thom Fahrbach 565; Rodman Campbell 488; Linda Berkemeier 385b; Bradley Knoke 220; Lyle Lindsey 178; Jennifer Jones 475; John Berendzen 141; Cornelia Stanton 99; Laura McMurray 32b; Tom McTighe 200; Peter Schinske 218. The noon blessing was offered by Yosef Trachtenberg.

LUNCH

Leaders: Marie Brandis 352; Jen Rymut 527; Ana Tighe 362; Bob Schinske 134; Lindy Groening 224; Chris Nicholson 313b; Stephanie Fida 196; Kevin Barrans 383; Kate Coxon 349; Dave Barber 324; Sadhbh O'Flynn 536; Nancy Novotny 474; Karen Willard 517; Julius Pasay 384; Wren Hyde 495; Betsy Jeronen 436; Pat Coghlan 142.

RECESS

Leaders: Rodman Campbell 214; Jennifer Jones 328; Peter Schinske 481; Tom McTighe 140; Yosef Trachtenberg 40; Ana Tighe 560; John Berendzen 482; Sadhbh O'Flynn 558; Thom Fahrbach 399t; Kevin Barrans 32t; Kate Coxon 176b; Dave Barber 333; Chris Nicholson 235; Lindy Groening 42; Bob Schinske 276; Stephanie Fida 491; Betsy Jeronen 330b; Wren Hyde 455; Nancy Novotny 97.

Announcements were made. Forty-two singers registered, from six states. Jen Rymut led 354b as the closing song. Yosef Trachtenberg offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jen Rymut; Secretary—Thom Fahrbach

CULLMAN COUNTY CONVENTION
Cullman County Courthouse, Cullman, Alabama
July 7-8, 2018
Saturday, July 7

The 126th annual Cullman County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Cullman County Courthouse on the second Sunday and Saturday before in July. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Henry Guthery leading 59. Christopher Mann offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 49t; Tom Booth 480; Wanda Capps 142; Carolyn Thompson 542; Hazel Heinze 347; Laura Ann Russell 290; Sarah Beasley 129; Michael Darby 291; Charlotte Ehrman 486; Delone Cobbs 63; Buell Cobb 125; Amber Davis 422; Charles McCravy 143; Rebecca Over 397; Anna Grace Sipe 38b; Earl Ballinger 97; Cindy Mann 159; Sonya Sipe 36b; Daniel Bearden 346; Stephen Huffman 371; Mary Ruth Stiefel 100; Danny Creel 170.

RECESS

Henry Guthery called the class back together by leading 182. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 224; Butch White 535; David Carlton 228. A business session was held and it was decided all existing officers would remain in their current capacity. The officers are as follows: Chairman—Henry Guthery, Sr.; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Chaplains—Jim Aaron and Butch White; Finance Committee—Bea Aaron; Arranging Committee—Carolyn Thompson; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson. Leaders: Jada Seymour and Charles McCravy 87; Brenda Chafin 276; Buell Cobb 127 (in memory of Roscoe Knight); Ron Cotton and “Smiley” Randy Robbins 47b, 448t; Christopher Mann 282; Becky Briggs 335; Craig Holmes 178; Nancy Phillips 333.

RECESS

Richard Mauldin brought the class back together leading 72b and 446. Leaders: Marlin Beasley and Juanita Beasley 460, 461; Richard Jesse 159; Jeannie Guthery 68b; Mary Huffman 327; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 31t, 31b (by request). Christopher Mann asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Henry Guthery led 240 to begin the afternoon session. Leaders: Joyce Morton 313t; Glenn Keeton 349; Tom Booth 441; Wanda Capps and Brenda Chafin 203, 271t; Carolyn Thompson 455; Hazel Heinze 496; Laura Ann Russell 318; Sarah Beasley 354b; Michael Darby 123t; Charlotte Ehrman 157; Delone Cobbs 354t; Amber Davis 192; Charles McCravy 428; Rebecca Over 39t; Anna Grace Sipe, Delone Cobbs, Christopher Mann, and Sonya Sipe 32t; Daniel Bearden 483; Stephen Huffman 500; Mary Ruth Stiefel 373; Danny Creel and Linda Booth 269; Larry Ballinger 158; Butch White 278t; David Carlton 278b; Christopher Mann 358; Brenda Chafin 426t; Craig Holmes 323b; Nancy Phillips 117; Jeannie Guthery 452. Following announcements, Christopher Mann offered the closing prayer. Henry Guthery and Richard Mauldin led 499 (in memory of Minnie Pittman Crofton and at the request of Donna Pittman).

Sunday, July 8

The Sunday session of the Cullman County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Henry Guthery leading 32t. Richard Mauldin offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Henry Guthery 112; Richard Mauldin 43; Nicholas Thompson 138t; Carolyn Thompson 53; Lisa Geist 269; Karen Clark 70t; Charlotte Ehrman 479, 340; Ann Jett 512, 498; Aldo Ceresa 475, 472; Theresa Westmoreland 200; Nancy Phillips 277, 312b; Chris Ballinger 44, 344; Linda Sides 106, 215.

RECESS

Larry Ballinger brought the class back to order by leading 276 and 528. Leaders: Harden Arp 166, 331; Hazel Heinze 99, 147t; Susan Cheronos 566, 349; Don Clark 41; Rebecca Over and Dick Nail 155, 436 (for Lucy Heidorn); Linda Booth 196, 489 (in memory of Caleb Allred); Katlin Bailey 480, 167; David Jackson 37b, 39b; Amber Davis 395, 391; Marlin Beasley 406, 336; Loretta Whitman 335, 288; Daniel Lee 410t, 28t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Nicholas Thompson reading the list of names of the sick and shut-ins. He led 81t. Carolyn Thompson read the list of names of the deceased and led 481. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Butch White.

Leaders: Joyce Morton 47t; Beth Ann Clay 378t, 121; Buell Cobb 128, 82b. Butch White offered thanks for our meal.

LUNCH

Henry Guthery brought the class back together by leading 548. Leaders: Tom Booth 143, 523; Sarah Beasley, Marlin Beasley, and Becky Briggs 146, 318 (in memory of Emma Keeton Beasley); Alex Forsyth 285b, 365; Elene Stovall 411, 430; Blake Sisemore 208, 550; Butch White 86, 547; Shelby Castillo 67, 228; Chuck Howell 127, 373; Dick Nail 421, 314; Craig Holmes 66, 369; Sister Magdalena, Sister Elizabeth, and Freddie Briggs 388, 45t; Jeannie Guthery 452, 63; Seth Holloway 236, 274t; Christopher Mann 114, 68b; Carolyn Thompson and Nicholas Thompson 507 (in memory of Josie Hyde and Darrell Swarens); Sonya Sipe and Anna Grace Sipe 49b, 40; Jennifer Cogle, Brandon Cogle, and Matthew Cogle 39t, 159; Henry Guthery, Paul Cox, Linda Cox, and Stone Cox 72b. After announcements were made, Henry Guthery and Richard Mauldin led 120 as the closing song. Butch White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Henry Guthery, Sr.; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Nicholas Thompson

QUEBEC SACRED HARP CONVENTION

**St. George's Anglican Church, Sherbrooke
and Ways Mills Community Center, Quebec, Canada**

July 13-14, 2018

Friday, July 13

The 24th annual Quebec Sacred Harp Convention met at St. George's Anglican Church on Friday evening. Skeet Surrency brought the class to order leading 63. Guiseppe Gagliano offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Isabelle Gervais Chapman 448b; Ruth Doerfler 448t; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 183; Susan Jaster 212; Bob Parr 276; Janet Snyder 29t; George Sigut 38t; David Rosenberg 344; Derek Buckland 89; Philippe Doyle Gosselin 95; Inga Huebner 531; Em Ekelund 102; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 198; Ruth Doerfler 71; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 189; Susan Jaster 486; Bob Parr 480; Janet Ross Snyder 551; George Sigut 481.

RECESS

Troad Richmond called the class back to order by leading 31b. Leaders: Philippe Doyle Gosselin 187; Derek Buckland 56b; David Rosenberg 362; Inga Huebner 361; Em Ekelund 29b; Skeet Surrency 335; Kerry Cullinan 475; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 474; Ruth Doerfler 65; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 455; Susan Jaster 94; Bob Parr 430; Janet Ross Snyder 86; George Sigut 479; Philippe Doyle Gosselin 128; Derek Buckland 74b; David Rosenberg 40; Inga Huebner 97; Em Ekelund 542; Skeet Surrency 217; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 159. Chuck Neville offered the closing prayer.

Saturday, July 14

On Saturday morning at the Ways Mills Community Center, Troad Richmond brought the class to order leading 312b. Guiseppe Gagliano offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 39t; Ines Luttgen 313t; Scott Luscombe 277; Jesse Vear 129; Ruth Doerfler 107; Dan Coppock 74b; Jean Rosenberg 454; Kit Walsh 495; George Sigut 122; Meredith Browne 448b; Kerry Cullinan 332; Janet Ross Snyder 504; David Rosenberg 503; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 472; Nathan Aldrich 271b; Susan Jaster 174; Robert Stoddard 283.

RECESS

Isabelle Gervais Chapman called the class back to order leading 282. Leaders: Judy Contompasis 99; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 193; Troad Richmond 168; Rebecca Hawkins 171; Bob Parr 38b; Ivy Hauser 228; Skeet Surrency 384; Inga Huebner 348t; Esther Wade 142; Michael Nord 272; Rachel Stevens 124; Miriam Delirium 440; Derek Buckland 32t; Leah Velleman 270; Lilly Israel 497; Philippe Doyle Gosselin 81t; Annie Lou Chester 410t; Em Ekelund 165; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 284. Ruth Doerfler conducted the memorial lesson with a reading from Rebbe Kalonymus Kalman Shapira. She led 313b for the following sick and housebound: John Bloch, Charles Fortier, and Ester Wildey. Then she read the following names of the deceased: Skip Pendleton and Jo Pendleton—Maine; Tom Wells, Rosa Gendreau, and Betty Thompson—Vermont; Florence Gerard—Quebec; Jean Fleming—New York. Ruth led 421 in their memory. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer. Leaders: Dan Coppock 386; Virginia Neville 163b; Meredith Browne 344; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 569b; Kerry Cullinan 268; Susan Jaster 157; Sue Dwelle 48t. Don Peabody offered a prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Philippe Doyle Gosselin leading 58. Leaders: George Dymont 215; Ivy Hauser 522; Michael Nord 203; Jesse Vear 434; Ines Luttgen 222; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 126; Inga Huebner 72b; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 569t; Leah Velleman 306; Nathan Aldrich 456; Miriam Delirium 455; Scott Luscombe 302; Lilly Israel 117; Skeet Surrency 480; Lari Jalbert 210; Jean Rosenberg 254; Em Ekelund 505; Kit Walsh 397.

RECESS

Chuck Neville, Cathy Brochet, and Virginia Neville called the class back to order leading 49b. Leaders: Bob Parr 391; Judy Contompasis 73t; George Sigut 341; Rebecca Hawkins 269; Robert Stoddard 542; Derek Buckland 125; Rachel Stevens 300; David Rosenberg 49t; Esther Wade 512; Philippe Doyle Gosselin 208; Virginia Neville 209; Susan Jaster 485; Ruth Doerfler 84; Annie Lou Chester 479; Lari Jalbert 163t; Sue Dwelle 34b; Kerry Cullinan 516; Elizabeth Stoddard 534; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 290; Janet Ross Snyder 547; Meredith Browne 318; John Henderson 146; Miriam Delirium 448t; Inga Huebner and Derek Buckland 278t.

In a business meeting, it was reported that expenses had been met. Announcements were made, including the all-day singing in Montreal the following day.

Troad Richmond, Elizabeth Stoddard, Ines Luttgen, and Cathy Brochet led 62 as the closing song. Chuck Neville offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairperson—Troad Richmond; Secretaries—George Dymont and Ines Luttgen

GWEHELOG SINGING

Gwehelog Methodist Church, near Usk, Wales, United Kingdom

Saturday, July 14, 2018

The annual Gwehelog Sacred Harp singing was called to order by Alec Williams leading 32t. Amy Kutz offered the morning prayer. The following officers were

appointed: Chairman—Alec Williams; Secretary—Bridget McVennon-Morgan; Arranging Committee—Liam Kirby and Rachel Wemyss.

Leaders: Sarah West 48t; Bridget McVennon-Morgan 68b; Kate Kirwan 77b; Liam Kirby 57; Christian Liberati 31t; Steve Brett 278b; Amelia Osborn 278t; Rachel Wemyss 47t; Richard Mayers 569b; Joss Tait 72b; Nadia Abdelaziz 179; Amy Kutz 547; Teresa Maguire 83t; Vicki Elliott 475; Jacoba Bruneel 399b; George Simms 324; Ian West 300.

RECESS

Meg Winters called the class to order leading 101t. Leaders: Brenda Harvey 162; Maureen Uney 86; Corey Walters 472; Niamh Madigan 276; Carol Huang 302; Samuel Turner 294; Kevin Beirne 220; Werner Ullah 33b; Steph Malpass 272; Barrington Brook 122; Nigel Bowley 73b.

Kate Kirwan conducted the sick and housebound lesson leading 34t for the following: Curtis Owen, Rev. Michael Pain, Melanie Hauff, Philip Ralls, Mike Hinton, Charlie Miller, Laura Densmore, Chris Densmore, Bernard Morrisroe, and Brenda Morrisroe.

Cath Saunt conducted the memorial lesson and read the following list of names of the deceased: Edith Owen—Texas, USA; Daphene Causey and Glenda Hopper—Alabama, USA; Darrell Swares—Indiana, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Rollo Woods—Swanage; Louise Holland—Georgia, USA; Janet Winstanley—Bolton; Barbara Willard—Arizona, USA; Reginald Brett—Sunningdale; Norman Johnson—Blaydon; Francesco Nazzini—London and Naples, Italy; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; Kamila Zahno and Michael Seifert—London; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York, USA; and Maggie Birley—Inzievar. Cath Saunt led 348b in their memory.

Leaders: Chris Brown 447; Mike Morrisroe 456; Karen Turner 187; Rachel Wemyss 225t; Alec Williams 128; Liam Kirby 491; Amelia Osborn 546; Steve Brett 464. Jacoba Bruneel offered the blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Christian Liberati leading 277. Leaders: Sarah West 173; Joss Tait 275t; Vicki Elliott 434 (for Eimear O'Donovan); Kevin Beirne 411; Mike Morrisroe 488; Corey Walters 335; Steph Malpass 436; Niamh Madigan 353; Carol Huang 377; Karen Turner 189; Cath Saunt 99; Ian West 430; Teresa Maguire 440; Chris Brown 234; Werner Ullah 29t; Amy Kutz 236; Barrington Brown 159; Nigel Bowley 503; Steve Brett 123t; Richard Mayers 455; Jacoba Bruneel 203; George Simms 217; Samuel Turner 59.

RECESS

Bridget McVennon-Morgan called the class to order leading 328. Leaders: Kate Kirwan 350; Mike Morrisroe 507; Brenda Harvey 34b; Vicki Elliott 88b; Kevin Beirne 385t; Cath Saunt 384; Karen Turner 340; Ian West 501; Niamh Madigan 235; Corey Walters 505; Richard Mayers 515; Carol Huang 89; Joss Tait 331; Werner Ullah 49b; Chris Brown 28t; Nigel Bowley 175.

Alec Williams led 69t as the closing song. Karen Turner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Alec Williams; Secretary—Bridget McVennon-Morgan

MICHIANA SINGING

Fairview Grange, Goshen, Indiana

Saturday, July 14, 2018

The 31st annual Michiana Singing was called to order by Matthew Lind leading 34b. John David Thacker offered the morning prayer.

The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Matthew Lind; Treasurer—

James Nelson Gingerich; Arranging Officer—Will Fitzgerald; Secretary—Samuel Sommers; Chaplain: John David Thacker.

Leaders: John David Thacker 122; James Nelson Gingerich 481; Samuel Sommers 411; John Seaton 147t; Karen Bahler 472; Peter Trumbore 350; Beth Todd 52t; Brian How 107; Cecelia Kramer 148; Jan May 228; Jan Katelle 430; David Barford 224; Rochelle Lodder 344; Bill Beverly 191; Christine Guth 145t; Holly Austin and Ananias Austin 68b; Ginny Landgraf 269; Lori Graber 170.

RECESS

James Nelson Gingerich called the class to order leading 159. Leaders: Steve Warner 171; Shannon Tibbs 86; Calum Woods 72b; Karen Swenson 84; David Wright 556; Barb VanderJagt 40; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Brad Bahler 192; Linda Selph 480; Tom George 289; Claudia Dean 370; Ann Miczulski 282; Jim Helke 368; Erin Fulton 213t; Nathan Zweig 456; Marian Mitchell 216; Rob Bahler 201; Catherine Brown 66.

Samuel Sommers and Tom George conducted the memorial lesson. Tom George read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Tina Mingo, Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, Dorothy Hall, Paul Nelson, David Shipe, and Johanna Fabke. Tom led 340 for them.

Samuel Sommers read the following list of names of the deceased: Caleb Allred, Daphene Causey, Johnnie Chafin, Susie Denson, Art Gilmore, Glenda Hopper, J.A. Mosley, Vernon Stiefel, Floy Wilder, and Eloise Wootten—Alabama; Barbara Willard—Arizona; Mel Marshall—Connecticut; Florice Akin and Louise Holland—Georgia; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Elizabeth Rechenberg and Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Charles Wells—Minnesota; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Donna Schleifer—North Carolina; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Dawn Ruth Nelson and Carol Sanders—Pennsylvania; Amy Dennison, Peter Nichols, and Edith Owen—Texas; Ray Gingerich—Virginia; and Julie Vea—Wisconsin. Sam led 123t in their memory, and closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Judy Hauff 542; Brooks Chupp 101t; Suzanne Flandreau and Karin Thompson 85.

LUNCH

Will Fitzgerald called the class to order leading 312t. Leaders: Anne Heider 198; Henry Schuman 426b; Sarah Trumbore 112; Martha Beverly 348t; Gerry Hoffman 399b; Len VanderJagt 448t; Debbie Barford 528; Anne Missavage 362; Matthew Lind 145b; David Wright 270; Gerald Shultz 401; Karen Swenson 299; Sarah Trumbore and Tom George 208; Calum Woods 322; Linda Selph and Will Fitzgerald 135; Beth Todd 436; Barb VanderJagt and Len VanderJagt 209; Judy Hauff and Sasha Maslanka 157; Erin Fulton 564; Claudia Dean 130; Brian How and Gerry Hoffman 547; Shannon Tibbs 277; Jan May 276; Jan Katelle 212; Suzanne Flandreau 400; Lori Graber 142; Eileen Ferguson 503; Brad Bahler, Karen Bahler, and Rob Bahler 168; Catherine Brown 535; Cecelia Kramer, Marian Mitchell, Bob Borchering, and Anne Missavage 71; Nathan Zweig 544; Rochelle Lodder 313b; Kate Lind 56b; Ginny Landgraf and John Seaton 47b; David Barford, Debbie Barford, and Jim Helke 260; Peter Trumbore and Sarah Trumbore 312b; Anne Heider and Steve Warner 532.

Announcements were made. Matthew Lind led 62 as the closing song. John David Thatcher dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Matthew Lind; Secretary—Samuel Sommers

SCHULLER BROTHERS BIRTHDAY SINGING

Bochow, Brandenburg, Germany

Saturday, July 14, 2018

A singing was held to celebrate the thirtieth birthday of William, James, and Michael Schuller at the Seminarhof Mollandur in Bochow, Brandenburg, Germany. Caro Stamm-Reusch called the singing to order leading 42.

Leaders: Marco Wessnigk 30b; William Schuller 332; Christopher Schuller 40; Michael Schuller 312b; Mary Helen Dupree 52t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 49b; Marco Wessnigk “Weil heute dein Geburtstag ist” (the traditional East German birthday song, in four-part shape note arrangement); James Schuller 58; William Schuller 114; Christopher Schuller 227; Michael Schuller 89; Mary Helen Dupree 80t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 182; Marco Wessnigk 300.

The class then moved to the church in Bochow and held a demonstration singing for the attendees at the village summer festival. Leaders: Caro Stamm-Reusch 1b (ShH); Marco Wessnigk 41 (ShH); Christopher Schuller 7b (ShH); Caro Stamm-Reusch 12b (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 18b (ShH); Christopher Schuller 374t (ShH). Caro Stamm-Reusch and Christopher Schuller explained the origins and current practice of shape note music. The secretary recorded fourteen singers from four countries.

James Schuller led 45t as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—James Schuller; Secretary—Christopher Schuller

SPIVEY HALL SINGING

Morrow, Georgia

Saturday, July 14, 2018

The 16th annual Sacred Harp singing at Spivey Hall was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. Malinda Snow called the class to order leading 49t. Malinda Snow offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lisa Bennett 59; David Smead 145b; Andy Ditzler 125, 201; David Brodeur 275t, 278t; Robert Kelley 163b, 229; Bert Collins 340, 63; Glenda Collins 81t, 454 (in memory of Reba Norton); Jerusha Wheeler 457, 312b; Eric Tweedy 182, 183; Isobel Robinson-Ortiz and Jerusha Wheeler 112, 274t; Jesse Roberts 456, 71; Oscar McGuire 276, 155 (for Charlene Wallace); Fred Eady 535, 178.

RECESS

The class was called together by David Smead leading 33b. Andy Ditzler led 135 and 230. The class entered into a business session and elected the following officers:

Chairman—Malinda Snow; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—David Smead.

Leaders: David Brodeur 278b, 308; Robert Kelley 95, 74b; Lisa Bennett 197, 196; David Smead 321, 320; Bert Collins 97, 124; Glenda Collins and James McLellan 127 (for Carlie Clary), 99; Eric Tweedy 39t, 479.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Malinda Snow leading 318. Leaders: Jesse Roberts 107, 319; Oscar McGuire 515, 171; Fred Eady 163t, 268; Jerusha Wheeler 271t, 270; Isobel Robinson-Ortiz and Lisa Bennett 282, 277; David Brodeur 445; Lisa Bennett 398; David Smead 118; Eric Tweedy 174; Bert Collins 399b; Glenda Collins 322; Jesse Roberts 143; Oscar McGuire 149; Jerusha Wheeler 148; Fred Eady 172; Andy Ditzler 100; Malinda Snow 549 (in memory of Hugh McGraw, Carlene Griffin, Lee Rogers, and Raymond Hamrick); Ken Ashley and Malinda Snow 35.

Announcements were made. Malinda Snow and Lisa Bennett led 323t as the closing song. Eric Tweedy dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Malinda Snow; Vice Chairman—Lisa Bennett; Secretary—David Smead

VICTORIAN SINGING
Melbourne, Australia
Saturday, July 14, 2018

The 6th annual Victorian All-Day Singing was held at the Bluestone Hall of Brunswick Uniting Church, Brunswick, Victoria, Australia.

Natalie Sims taught an introductory singing school on the distinctive aspects of Sacred Harp singing and practice. The aspects covered included: i) the use of shape notes, ii) the role of the keyer and the notes they commonly sing before each song, iii) how and why notes are sung before the words, iv) the role of the song leader and the opportunity for all singers to lead, and v) the square seating arrangement signifying the communal nature of Sacred Harp practice and its purpose in singing to each other and to God. Natalie Sims led 77b.

The outgoing Chairman, Natalie Sims, welcomed everyone. A business session was held, and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Melanie Albrecht; Secretary—Lauren Reader; Chaplain—Lauren Reader; Memorial Lesson—Jim Kilpatrick; Treasurer—Christine Durbridge, assisted by Daniel Whelan; Arranging Committee—Ruth McNamara. The opening prayer was offered by Lauren Reader.

Leaders: Melanie Albrecht 155; Shawn Whelan 31t; Daniel Whelan 496; Lauren Reader 36b; Morag Logan 324; Peter Rayner and Morag Logan 183; Myfanwy Godfrey 107; Don Warren 141; Ruth McNamara 49t; Meg Quinlisk 312t; Natalie Sims 143.

RECESS

Melanie Albrecht led 312b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Shawn Whelan 276; Daniel Whelan 277; Lauren Reader 66; Morag Logan 112; Peter Rayner 236; Don Warren 48b; Alda Balthrop-Lewis 503; Ruth McNamara 47t; Meg Quinlisk 68b; Tricia Entwistle and Meg Quinlisk 198; Natalie Sims 564; Melanie Albrecht 282; Shawn Whelan 472; Daniel Whelan 481; Lauren Reader 122; Morag Logan 217; Peter Rayner 201; Don Warren 428. Lauren Reader offered grace before the meal.

LUNCH

Ruth McNamara led 34b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Meg Quinlisk 291; Myfanwy Godfrey 117; Alda Balthrop-Lewis 457; Bill Thomson and Lauren Reader 49b; Duncan Smith 268; Natalie Sims 142; Melanie Albrecht 535; Shawn Whelan 269; Daniel Whelan 430; Lauren Reader 287; Morag Logan 551; Peter Rayner 452; Ruth McNamara 77t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Jim Kilpatrick. The following deceased were remembered and honored: Bernie Rayner, Joe Gardner, Isabel Ross, Val Milne, and David Gay. Jim Kilpatrick led 163b. The following sick and shut-ins were named: Helen Rowe, Robyn Gardner, Elaena Gardner, Ellen Dodd, Stephen Blundell, and Maggie Murphy. Jim Kilpatrick led 178.

Leaders: Natalie Sims 547; Meg Quinlisk 455; Myfanwy Godfrey 86.

RECESS

Melanie Albrecht led 63 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Shawn Whelan 168; Alda Balthrop-Lewis 162; Lauren Reader 67; Morag Logan 344; Peter Rayner 388; Ruth McNamara and Bernice Dodd 274t; Jill Griffiths 45t; Meg Quinlisk 474; Myfanwy Godfrey 203; Daniel Whelan 320; Caitlin Jay, Erin Jay, Olivia Jay, and Geordie McClelland 209; Alda Balthrop-Lewis 146; Lauren Reader 448b; Bernice Dodd and Ruth McNamara 284; Meg Quinlisk, Caitlin Jay, and Tricia Entwistle 200.

The Chairman thanked those who worked hard to make the All-Day Singing happen, including officers, committee members, our singing school teacher, and all those who brought food. The Secretary reported that at least twenty-four singers had sung sixty-five songs led by twenty leaders. The Treasurer reported that donations had been received, and would be directed towards the use of the hall. A resolution on the date for the Victorian All-Day Singing, 2019, was deferred. Announcements were made, and thanks were given, especially to the visiting singers. Melanie Albrecht led 62 as the closing song. Lauren Reader offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Melanie Albrecht; Secretary—Lauren Reader

WALKER COUNTY CONVENTION
Boldo United Methodist Church, Boldo, Alabama
Saturday, July 14, 2018

The 104th session of the Walker County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 39t. Tom Booth offered the morning prayer. Glenn Keeton led 163b, and then the class organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Honorary Vice Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Secretary—Lisa Geist; Arranging officer—Nicholas Thompson; Chaplain—Tom Booth; Memorial Committee—Rebecca Over. Brenda Chafin led 31b and 426b.

Leaders: Lisa Geist 273, 120 (both in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Nicholas Thompson 269, 436; Tom Booth 36b, 441; Rebecca Over 399t, 564; Mike Hankins 34b, 168; Henry Guthery 488, 465; Nancy Phillips 274b, 93.

RECESS

Brenda Chafin led 76b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 76t, 77b; Richard Mauldin 77t, 43; Darlene Reynolds and Bentley Rose 282, 454; Linda Booth 496, 489 (in memory of Caleb Allred); Earl Ballinger 283, 439; Blake Sisemore 186, 411; Hayden Arp 181, 177.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Glenn Keeton leading 270. Leaders: Justin Bowen 112, 215 (both in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Stanley Smith 498 (for Willodean Barton), 530.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Rebecca Over leading 340 for the following list of sick and shut-ins: Margaret Keeton, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, Bea Aaron, Ozella Blackmon, Anne Mauldin Chalker, Christie Allen, Earnestine Parker, Darrell Parker, Charlene Wallace, Willodean Barton, Aubrey Barfield, Mike Jones, and Geraldine Sharpton.

Rebecca Over spoke and led 285t in memory of the following list of deceased: Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Florice Akin, and Audrey Ruth Garner—Georgia; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, Johnnie Chafin, Eloise Wootten, and Lilly Hopper—Alabama; Linda Domholt—California. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer.

Leaders: Emily Stutzman 328; Beth Branscome 442, 299; Daniel Bearden 55, 161. Tom Booth returned thanks before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 86. Leaders: Stephen Huffinan 447, 446; Betty Baccus 72b, 45t; Tommy Spurlock 430, 84; Lena Keeton 480, 475; Emily Stutzman 276 (for Margaret Keeton), 178; Justin Bowen 527; Hayden Arp 216; Blake Sisemore 192; Tommy Spurlock 546; Darlene Reynolds 145t; Rebecca Over 176b; Daniel Bearden 188; Beth Branscome 460; Stephen Huffinan 556; Daniel Bearden 505. After announcements, Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. Tom Booth dismissed the class with prayer.
Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Brenda Chafin; Secretary—Lisa Geist

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONVENTION, COLORADO SESSION

Highland Recreation Center, Denver, Colorado

July 14-15, 2018

Saturday, July 14

The 28th annual Rocky Mountain Convention, Colorado Session, was held on the third Sunday and Saturday before in July at the Highland Recreation Center in Denver, Colorado. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve:
Chairman—Corrie Van Duzer; Treasurer—Erik Mason; Secretary—Lizzy Van Blerkom.

Corrie Van Duzer brought the class to order leading 34b. The opening prayer was offered by Jim Brown. Leaders: Bonnie Dolan 313b; Davis Schmitt 467; Judy Van Duzer 28t; Erik Mason 56t; Anita Landess 312t; Ryan Lewis 122; Cathy Van Blerkom 42; Hill Grimmett 269; Jan McCulloh 500; Stephanie Fida 28b; Penny Thome 289; Lizzy Van Blerkom 39t; Paul Lindholm 47t; Catie Van Duzer 81t; Leslie Alperin 344; Tiffany Hooper 270; Virginia Eldridge 383; Julia Zaffarano 547.

RECESS

Ryan Lewis called the class back to order leading 31b. Leaders: Linda Berkemeier 145b; Adrian Eldridge 512; Sharon Kermiet 278t; Ben Fink 133; Karen Mathews 102; Rodman Campbell 488; Anna Pfau 217; Mike Rasmussen 377; Kim Lewis 146; Wren Hyde 228; Chris Nicholson 477; Monica Rasmussen 277; Marie Brandis 142; Jake Hachey 328; Katherine Eldridge 534; Robbie Hooper 378t; Tim Gregg 92; Kirk Boyer and Amandeep Boyer 448b; Lida Bringe 107; Evelyn Lamb 74b; Mary Ann Sausotte 203; Pat Coghlan 351.

RECESS

David Schmitt called the class back to order leading 565. Leaders: Alfred Sausotte 232; Brian Welch 479; Erik Mason 63; Linda Berkemeier 200; Jan McCulloh 300; Ben Fink 254; Bonnie Dolan 440; Virginia Eldridge 73t; Amandeep Boyer 522; Tiffany Hooper 551; Anita Landess 379; Adrian Eldridge 564. Jim Brown offered the prayer before lunch.

LUNCH

Sharon Kermiet called the class back to order leading 40. Leaders: Karen Mathews 114; Ryan Lewis 442; Betsy Jeronen 422; Rodman Campbell 302; Julia Zaffarano 448t; Leslie Alperin 320; Lizzy Van Blerkom 504; Anna Pfau 218; Judy Van Duzer 445; Mike Rasmussen 454; Cathy Van Blerkom 567; Tim Gregg 373; Hill Grimmett 556; Jake Hachey 348t; Chris Nicholson 473; Rob Dunn 64; Wren Hyde 101t; Evelyn Lamb 367; Corrie Van Duzer 349; Robbie Hooper 312b; Katherine Eldridge 362; Marie Brandis 352.

RECESS

Ben Fink called the class back to order leading 208. Leaders: Monica Rasmussen 35; David Schmitt 475; Kim Lewis 481; Lida Bringe 455; Pat Coghlan 214; Penny Thome 147t; Sharon Kermiet 144; Catie Van Duzer 280; Paul Lindholm and Stephanie Fida 419; Adrian Eldridge 180; Linda Berkemeier 385b; Virginia Eldridge

549; Tiffany Hooper 36b; Rodman Campbell 197.

The Chairman made final remarks, and led 276 as the closing song. Jim Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, July 15

The Sunday session of the Rocky Mountain Convention, Colorado Session, was held at the Highland Recreational Center and song selections were from the B.F. White Sacred Harp, Cooper Revision. Corrie Van Duzer brought the class to order leading 36b (CB). The opening prayer was offered by Catie Van Duzer.

Leaders: Stephanie Fida 38t (CB); Bonnie Dolan 356 (CB); Sharon Kermiet 553 (CB); Jan McCulloh 152 (CB); Cathy Van Blerkom 148 (CB); Anita Landess 133 (CB); Catie Van Duzer 571 (CB); Lizzy Van Blerkom 184b (CB); Judy Van Duzer 110 (CB); Mary Ann Sausstotte 137 (CB); Mike Rasmussen 239 (CB); Julia Zaffarano 30t (CB); Tim Gregg 559 (CB); Tiffany Hooper 587 (CB); Rodman Campbell 392 (CB).

RECESS

Sharon Kermiet called the class back to order leading 507b (CB). Leaders: David Schmitt 393 (CB); Jake Hachey 168 (CB); Katie Haywood 146 (CB); Adrian Eldridge 552 (CB); Evelyn Lamb 482 (CB); Chris Nicholson 293b (CB); Erik Mason 54t (CB); Virginia Eldridge 77b (CB); Linda Berkemeier 475 (CB); Joel Igli 511t (CB); Anna Pfau 55 (CB); Marie Brandis 500 (CB); Betsy Jeronen 581 (CB).

RECESS

Bonnie Dolan called the class back to order leading 380t (CB). Leaders: Ben Fink 486 (CB); Katherine Eldridge 485 (CB).

The memorial lesson was conducted by Stephanie Fida and David Schmitt, who led 95b (CB) for the following sick and shut-ins: Dan Fahrback, Mia Alvarado, Norma Ruptier, Mike Hinton, Ed Stevens, Curtis Owen, and Dillon Nielsen.

The memorial list was read and 56 (CB) was led in memory of the following deceased: Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Barbara Willard—Arizona; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Edith Owen, Amy Denison, and Jenne McVicker—Texas; Linda Domholt—California; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois, Julie Veal—Wisconsin.

Leaders: Adrian Eldridge 520 (CB); Carol Selleck 367 (CB); Tim Gregg 391 (CB); Rodman Campbell 273 (CB); Wren Hyde 268t (CB); Jan McCulloh 47b (CB); Chris Nicholson 264t (CB); Tiffany Hooper 58 (CB). Catie Van Duzer offered the prayer before lunch.

LUNCH

Corrie Van Duzer called the class back to order leading 505 (CB). Leaders: Virginia Eldridge 574 (CB); Erik Mason 140 (CB); Mike Rasmussen 155 (CB); Bonnie Dolan 156 (CB); Betsy Jeronen 46 (CB); Anita Landess 515 (CB); Evelyn Lamb 514 (CB); Judy Van Duzer 580 (CB); Marie Brandis 572 (CB); Sharon Kermiet 457 (CB); Katherine Eldridge 411 (CB); Paul Lindholm 555 (CB); Linda Berkemeier 472 (CB); David Schmitt 518 (CB) (with dedication to Pete and Susie Mathewson); Anna Pfau 98 (CB); Ryan Lewis 49t (CB).

RECESS

Rodman Campbell called the class back to order leading 422t (CB). Leaders: Lizzy Van Blerkom 38b (CB); Julia Zaffarano 492 (CB); Joel Igli 235 (CB); Catie Van Duzer 336t (CB); Ben Fink 504t (CB); Corrie Van Duzer 575 (CB); Cathy Van Blerkom 77t (CB); Wren Hyde 76b (CB); Carol Selleck 96 (CB).

A business meeting was held to hear committee reports. The Resolutions Committee thanked the officers and all those involved in making the singing possible. The Chairman made final remarks, and led 327 (CB) as the closing song. Catie Van Duzer offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Corrie Van Duzer; Treasurer—Erik Mason; Secretary—Lizzy Van Blerkom

CHAFIN, HARBINSON, AND HOLLIS MEMORIAL
New Prospect Church, Cullman County, Alabama
Sunday, July 15, 2018

The 146th 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 30t and 32t. The opening prayer was offered by Ken Tate. Danny Creel led 102 and 187.

In a business session, the class decided to keep the same officers as follows:

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Ann Jett. Nicholas Thompson was appointed to arrange.

Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 130, 419 (for Ozella Blackmon); Richard Mauldin 446, 378t; Glenn Keeton 504, 507; Rebecca Over 217 (for Ozella Blackmon), 422; Betty Baccus 436 (for Ozella Blackmon), 454 (for Willodean Barton); Earl Ballinger 80b, 78; Ken Tate 271t (for Velton Chafin), 271b; Yancey Jett 497, 440.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Danny Creel leading 283. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 207, 162; Ann Jett 141, 136; Chris Ballinger 477, 178; Stanley Smith 330t, 399b; Buell Cobb 138t, 312t; Tom Booth 34b, 49t; Lisa Geist 31t, 269; Tommie Spurlock 273, 430; Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon), 212; Dick Nail 142, 383; Larry Chafin 63, 45t; Danny Creel 388 (by request); Nicholas Thompson 189; Earl Ballinger 389; Rebecca Over 418; Betty Baccus 166; Ken Tate 147t; Glenn Keeton 278t.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 512. Leaders: Amber Davis 204; Chris Ballinger 339; Brenda Chafin 168; Larry Ballinger 551; Richard Mauldin 411; Ann Jett 327; Tom Booth 565; Stanley Smith 117, 225t; Yancey Jett and Ann Jett 172; Lisa Geist and Nicholas Thompson 304; Larry Ballinger 151; Tommie Spurlock 268; Rebecca Over 369; Stanley Smith 457.

Announcements were made. The class sang 571 (CB) (by request). Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Ann Jett

KALAMAZOO SINGING
Wesley Foundation, Kalamazoo, Michigan
Sunday, July 15, 2018

Martha Beverly welcomed the class, and led 283 to begin the 20th annual Kalamazoo Singing. Samuel Sommers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Martha Beverly 163b (for Lindy Groening); Catherine Brown 479; Ann Miczulski 171; John Seaton 48t; Erin Fulton 172; Tom George 385t; Linda Heemskerk 58; Brian How 183; Carolyn Deacy 472; Bill Beverly 546; Susannah Engdahl and Martha Beverly 39t; Jan Ketelle 549 (in memory of Hugh McGraw).

RECESS

Henry Schuman called the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Sasha Maslanka and Kian Maslanka 146; Gerald Shoultz 122; Beth Todd 284; Jim Helke 507 (in memory

of Darrell Swarens); Sarah Trumbore 474; Steve Warner 86; Pat Forsberg-Smith 198; David Wright 441; Marian Mitchell 501; Peter Trumbore 84; Barb VanderJagt 99; Bob Borcharding 155; Shannon Tibbs 178; Claudia Dean 179.

RECESS

Samuel Sommers called the class to order leading 133. Leaders: John David Thacker 163t; Rochelle Lodder 313t; Karen Swenson 250; Jamie Yeats 503; Anne Heider 236; Matthew Lind 36t; Sarah Trumbore and Tom George 440; Jan May 532; Linda Selph 83t; Len VanderJagt 569b; Lori Graber 314; Gerry Hoffman 383; Eileen Ferguson 112; Cecelia Kramer 176b.

LUNCH

Will Fitzgerald, Therese Gulker, and Mike Gulker called the class to order leading 105. Leaders: Therese Gulker, Mike Gulker, and Will Fitzgerald 37b; Cathryn Bearow 564; Anne Missavage 544; Samuel Sommers 180; Ginny Landgraf 351; Brandon Buxton 390; Judy Hauff 536; Will Fitzgerald 447; Kate Lind 335; Nathan Zweig 161; Henry Schuman 318; Jan May 540; Carolyn Deacy 91; Henry Schuman 145t; Erin Fulton 229; David Wright 31t; Linda Selph 384; Brian How and Gerry Hoffman 142; Claudia Dean 227; Jan Ketelle 542; Karen Swenson 228.

Announcements were made.

Martha Beverly led 209 as the closing song. Will Fitzgerald dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Martha Beverly; Secretary—Henry Schuman

MONTREAL SINGING **Montreal, Quebec, Canada** **Sunday, July 15, 2018**

The annual Montreal all-day singing was held at the Centre Culturel Georges Vanier, Montreal, Quebec, on the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Em Ekelund leading 131b. The opening prayer was offered by Hugh Thomas. Sunny Doyle welcomed the class, and acknowledged our gathering on unceded Kanien'kehá:ka (Mohawk) territory.

Leaders: Sunny Doyle 108b; Hugh Thomas 72b; Isabelle Gervais-Chapman 455; Michelle Briand 122; Kit Walsh 187; Annie-Lou Chester 401; Inga Huebner 73b; Lars Jalbert 28b; Anna Mays 298; Dan Coppock 388; Masti Denise Mayrand 82t; David Rosenberger 565; Bob Parr 224.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following to serve: Co-chairpersons—Sunny Doyle and Em Ekelund; Arranging Committee—Claire Hogan and Isabelle Gervais-Chapman; Secretaries—Toino Dumas, Hugh Thomas, and Annie-Lou Chester.

RECESS

Leaders: Sunny Doyle 324; Meredith Brown 99; Esther Wade 365; George Sigut 448t; Lilly Israel 105; Kerry Cullinan 171; Rebecca T. Hawkins 294; Phillippe Doyle-Gosselin 417; Derek Buckland 32b; Lean Velleman 432; Chris Frantz-Dale 48t; Susan Jaster 540; Claire Hogan 125; Robert Stoddard 436.

RECESS

Leaders: Toino Dumas 312b; Lee Lai 390; Rachel Stevens 384; Jesse Vear 279; Miriam Delirium 506; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 368; Michael Nord 336; Nathan Aldrich 419; Jeremy Galvagni 216; Elizabeth Stoddard 197; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 402; Ivy Hauser 196; Anna Mays 422; Skeet Surrency 548; Gillian Inksetter 456.

LUNCH

Leaders: Phillippe Doyle-Gosselin 500; Claire Hogan 270; Ivy Hauser 214; Dan Coppock 100; Bob Parr 304; Erik-Dardan Ymeraga 220; Dereck Buckland 102; Jesse

Vear 328; Rebecca T. Hawkins 236; Kit Walsh 215; Leah Velleman 302; Susan Jaster 504; Kerry Cullinan 513; Rachel Stevens 330t; Jeremy Galvagni 29t; Michael Nord 542; Nathan Aldrich 394; Elizabeth Stoddard 33t; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 510; Inga Huebner 94; George Sigut 86; Robert Stoddard 447.

RECESS

Leaders: Jesse Vear and Miriam Delirium 378b; Em Ekelund 440; Gillian Inksetter 377; Sigrid Patterson 313b; Skeet Surrency 159; Hugh Thomas 474; Alex Felicitas and Claire Hogan 69t; Masti Denise Mayrand 133; Anna Mays 354t; Sunny Doyle 278b; Geoffrey Little 49t; Annie-Lou Chester 268; Toino Dumas 106; Esther Wade 70b; Lars Jalbert 547; Isabelle Gervais-Chapman 318.

Announcements were made. Sunny Doyle led 37b as the closing song. Hugh Thomas delivered a closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-chairpersons—Sunny Doyle and Em Ekelund; Secretaries—Toino Dumas, Hugh Thomas, and Annie-Lou Chester

THE SINGING AT MUSCADINE **Muscadine Methodist Church, Muscadine, Alabama** **Sunday, July 15, 2018**

The Singing at Muscadine was called to order by Cecil Roberts leading 56t. Jim Neal offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 58; David Brodeur 322, 309; Andy Ditzler 141, 393; Fallon Dyer 37b, 146; Jim Neal 81t, 270; Gary Davis 426t, 565; Amy Wells 36b, 112.

A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Secretary—Andy Ditzler. The class voted to call this new singing “The Singing at Muscadine,” to be held on the third Sunday in July at 9:30 a.m. CDT.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 485, 441; Isaac Green 271t (in memory of Earlis McGraw), 567; Winfred Kerr 59; Tony Hammock 267, 89; Jeannette DePoy 410t, 129; Bert Collins 340, 399b; Virginia Dyer and Melissa Rollins 480, 460; Glenda Collins 100, 101t; Samuel Williams 53.

RECESS

David Brodeur and Jacob Rollins led 317 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Betty Shepherd 56t, 299; Shane Brown 111b, 49b; Anders Wells 99, 76b; Corinne Wells 472; Andy Ditzler 207; Jim Neal 496; David Brodeur 321; Oscar McGuire 163b; Richard DeLong 166, 155 (for Charlene Wallace); Isaac Green 395; Fallon Dyer 176t; Tony Hammock 283; Amy Wells 272; Glenda Collins 282; Winfred Kerr 225t; Samuel Williams 348b; Betty Shepherd 216; Jeannette DePoy 201 (for Scott DePoy). Amy Wells asked a blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts called the class to order by leading 168. Leaders: Daniel Williams 399t, 512; Gary Davis 338; Anders Wells 70b. It was announced that homemade ice cream and fresh peaches were now ready, and the class took a break to enjoy refreshments.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts called the class to order by leading 312b. Leaders: Chance Cook 192; Fallon Dyer and Shane Brown 396; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 405; Amy Wells and Anders Wells 546; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 294; Isaac Green and Betty Shepherd 440; Fallon Dyer and Tony Hammock 269; Oscar McGuire and Cecil Roberts 229; Samuel Williams and Daniel Williams 530; Gary Davis and Winfred Kerr 318; Jim Neal and Shane Brown 373; Virginia Dyer and Glenda Collins 454; Fallon Dyer 186. Announcements were made. Cecil Roberts, David Brodeur, Andy Ditzler, and Shane Brown led 138b as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Secretary—Andy Ditzler

CAPITOL CITY SHAPE NOTE SINGING

Loeb Reception Center, 301 Columbus Street, Montgomery, Alabama Thursday, July 19, 2018

The 32nd annual Capitol City Shape Note Singing was held on the third Thursday in July beginning at 9:30 a.m. Bill Hogan brought the class to order by leading 154b (CB). Joey Brackner welcomed the singers on behalf of the Alabama Center for Traditional Culture. Michael Panhorst welcomed everyone for the Landmarks Foundation of Montgomery, and invited everyone to tour Old Alabama Town during the day. Bill led 36b (CB). Gary Padgett offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Jack Nelson 514 (CB); Mary Huffman 31t (CB); Kevin Eddins 201 (CB); Winfred Kerr 146 (CB); Eli Eddins 47t (CB); Ann Riley 464 (CB); Cory Winters 182 (CB); Ethan Eddins 174 (CB); Rebecca Over 229 (CB); Michael Panhorst 159 (CB); Gary Padgett 349 (CH); Nancy Hogan 60 (CH); Jack Nelson 264 (CH); Rebecca Over 54 (CH); Karen Clark 189 (CH); Ken Sundberg 255 (CH); Eddie Pierce 250t (CH); Alice Sundberg 77 (CH).

RECESS

Bill Hogan led 318 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Ewan Eddins 300; Wendy Anderson 145b; Cory Winters 222; Dana Eddins 503; Winfred Kerr 500; Eric Eddins 178; Mary Huffman 528; Edith Eddins 163t; Deborah Boykin 81t; Judy Chambless 475; Calum Woods 150; Jonathon Smith 383; Robert Chambless 225t; Gary Padgett 550; Wayne Jones 480.

Colored Sacred Harp Leaders: Bill Hogan 4 (CoSH); Karen Clark 12 (CoSH); Eric Eddins 39 (CoSH); Steve Grauberger 24 (CoSH); Rebecca Over 74b (CoSH); Ken Sundberg 22b (CoSH); Ewan Eddins 22t (CoSH); Stanley Smith 87 (CoSH) and “Give Me Just A Little More Time”. Bill led The Lord’s Prayer to bless the meal.

LUNCH

Leaders: Cory Winters 273; Pearl Guier 32t; Nathan Rees 317; Elam Eddins 297; Rebecca Over 372; Jonathan Blakely 213t; Ann Riley 186; Eddie Pierce 282; Calum Woods 283; Emily Eddins 474; Evie Eddins 426t; Jonathan Blakely 287 (CH); Nathan Rees 258 (CH); Joey Brackner 85 (CH); Jonathon Smith 190 (CH); Mary Huffman 286 (CH); Bill Hogan 245 (CH); Judy Chambless 117 (CH); Ezra Eddins 277 (CB); Tommy Spurlock and Nancy Hogan 183 (CB); Barbara Jones 276 (CB); Edith Eddins 356 (CB); Wayne Jones 58 (CB); Mary Weaver 85 (CB); Eric Eddins 47b (CB); Bill Hogan and Nancy Hogan “Hogan” (composed by Stanley Smith); Nathan Rees 140 (CB); Christopher Warren 72 (CB); Eddins family 438b (CB) (for their 6th anniversary of singing); Karen Clark 520 (CB); Jonathon Smith 497 (CB); Gary Padgett 189 (CB); Nancy Hogan 84 (CB); Ewan Eddins 192 (CB); Steve Grauberger 128 (CB); Karen Clark 573 (CB); Jonathan Blakely 67 (CB); Calum Woods 138t (CB); Cory Winters 112 (CB) (for Margaret Spurlock); Joey Brackner 209; Rebecca Over 29b (CoSH).

After announcements, Evie Eddins, Nancy Hogan, and Bill Hogan led 455t (CB) and 455b (CB) as the closing song. Bill Hogan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bill Hogan; Vice Chairman—Stanley Smith; Secretary—Nancy Hogan

COTACO CONVENTION

Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama

Saturday, July 21, 2018

The 130th session of the Cotaco Convention was held at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 82t. The opening prayer was offered by Henry Johnson. Nicholas welcomed the class.

Leaders: Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle 324 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Judy Caudle 325; Winfred Kerr 542; Nancy Thompson 112; Tom Booth 113; Margaret Thacker 34b; Richard Mauldin 446; Amber Davis 224; Daniel Bearden 451; Rebecca Over 440; Loyd Ivey 460; Ed Thacker 556 (in memory of Jeff Sheppard); Lisa Geist 528; Blake Sisemore 530; Buell Cobb 326; Nancy Phillips 388; Hubert Nall 489; Henry Johnson 123t; Earl Ballinger 389; Butch White 535; Lilly Underwood 348b.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 200 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Samuel Williams 348t; Hazel Heinze 438; Chris Ballinger 512; J.L. Hopper 513; Carol Newman 220; Cory Winters 344; Justin Bowen 402; Linda Booth 196; Curtis Cook 178; Larry Ballinger 448b; Betty Baccus 396; Richard Mauldin 551; Richard Ivey 522; Brittany Thompson 77t; Daniel Williams 353; Cindy Tanner 187; Chris Ballinger 565; Cory Winters 532; Rebecca Over 193; Samuel Williams 456; Lilly Underwood 47t. Elder J.L. Hopper asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle leading 276 (in memory of Glenda Hopper). Leaders: Henry Johnson 206; Amber Davis 391; Blake Sisemore and Mamie Sisemore 192; Curtis Cook 333; Hazel Heinze 145t; Nancy Phillips 146; Earl Ballinger 182; Richard Ivey 212; Ed Thacker 297; Daniel Williams 74t; Loyd Ivey 213t; Linda Booth 222; Justin Bowen 218; Hubert Nall 119; Margaret Thacker 39b; Butch White 278t; J.L. Hopper 149; Lisa Geist 228; Nicholas Thompson 68b (for Carol Newman); Cindy Tanner 368.

Announcements were made. Nicholas Thompson led 62 as the closing song. Tom Booth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Judy Caudle

MAINE SINGING

Old Town House, Union, Maine

Saturday, July 21, 2018

The 16th session of the Maine All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in July. Jesse Vear called the class to order leading 30t. Joanne Fuller offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Peter Golden 501; Elizabeth Stoddard 39t; Kerry Cullinan 49t; Scott Harriman 84; Annie Nixon 146; Jesse Flynn 111b; Pleasance Crawford 468; Ethan McNerney 159; Bobbie Goodell 344; David Bliss 66; Sue Peters 271t; Bruce Voyles 163b; Sumner Roberts 216; Margaret Hughes 106; George Sigut 107; Emily Hancock 87; Kris Paprocki 329; Sara Sandberg 354t; Celia Devine 429; Aldo Ceresa 556.

RECESS

Eric Sandberg called the class back together by leading 82t. Leaders: Em Ekelund 472; Scott Luscombe 548; Liz Cantrell 500; Annie Nixon 56b; Bill Holt 376; Lloy Cook 276; Patrick Friesen 482; Joan Frankel 143; Ryan Nash 272; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 328; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 89; Miriam Delirium 278t; John Hughes 330b.

Chris Holley led 34t for the following sick and shut-ins: Cherry Hodges Casey, Rick Johnson, Bob Frankel, Dorothy Connor, Curtis Owen, Mike Hinton, Floyd Nicholson, Benjamin Landrus, Regina Gilbert, Don Bowen, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Anne Bryant, and Ester Wildey.

Laura Hodges conducted the memorial lesson, and led 448b in memory of the following deceased: Daphne Causey—Alabama; Stacy Phillips—Connecticut; Darrell Swares—Indiana; Keith MacAdam—Kentucky; Alice McRae—Maine; Robert Hancock—Maryland; Mary Ellen Schrock, Jean Fleming, Herb Erikssen, and Harry Roy—New York; Elizabeth Rechenberg and Judith McDowell—Ohio; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Marilyn Damaskos—Pennsylvania; Edith Owen—Texas; Tom Wells—Vermont; June Drummond—Virginia; Lyle Meeks—Manitoba.

Kerry Cullinan closed the memorial service with a prayer.

Leaders: Mary Skidmore 564; Keillor Mose 189; Gwen Gethner 228; Derek Buckland 275t; Erin Fulton 57; Will Reilly 235; Molly Ellis 200. Liz Cantrell asked a blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

Chuck Crawford and Pleasance Crawford called the class back together by leading 40. Leaders: Jennie Brown 430; Joanne Fuller 192; Chris Noren 155; Inga Huebner 120; Lynne deBenedette 30b; Leonard Spencer 547; Laura Hodges 392; Sunny Doyle 59; Chris Nicholson 34b; Laura Clampitt 35; Pat Callahan 532; Jonathan Spencer 431; MB Gowins 475; Elsa Phemayotin 419; Charles Biada 530; Isabelle Gervais Chapman 378t; Pippa Stoddard 534; Eric Sandberg 421; Emma Schwartz 72b; Anne Kazlauskas 447; George Pomfret 196.

RECESS

Kerry Cullinan and Donna Carlson called the class back together by leading 162. Leaders: Rachel Taylor 148; Henry Schuman 300; Abbie Talbot 327; Debbie Bliss 313b; Margaret Hughes 287; Chris Nicholson 212; Inge Huebner 297; Chris Holley 396; Erin Fulton 313t; Sue Peters 82b; Chris Holley, Kate Pilobosian, Elizabeth Stoddard and Peter Golden 524 (for Corrone Bryant); George Sigut 38t; Lloy Cook 452; Derek Buckland 230; Liz Cantrell 569t; John Hughes 486; Ryan Nash 71; Mary Skidmore 77t; Elsa Phemayotin 375; Scott Luscombe 506; Pat Callahan 99.

A business meeting convened and chose Eric Sandberg as chairman of the 2019 Maine All-Day Singing. There were ninety-four registered singers from thirteen states, two Canadian provinces, and two other countries. Jesse Vear and the other officers led 62 as the closing song. Joanne Fuller dismissed the class with prayer. Chairman—Jesse Vear; Secretary—Peter Golden

SWANNANOA GATHERING SHAPE NOTE SINGING

Warren Wilson College, Asheville, North Carolina

Saturday, July 21, 2018

The class gathered in Morris Pavilion at Warren Wilson College for the 12th annual singing following Old Time Music and Dance weeks of the Swannanoa Gathering. Sarah Kehrberg welcomed everyone and led 73b. Ron Pen offered opening prayer. Leaders: Ron Pen 146; Chris Wilhelm 376; Jonathan Wood 65; Kevin Kehrberg 112; Mary Baumeister and Tristan Parker 375; Michael Spencer 354t; Leslie Booher 319; Libby Barker 48b; Matt Drumheller 448t; Andy Morse 31t; Diane Eskenasy 155 (for

Polly McGilvra); Eli Snyder 171; Patty Judson 354b; Madeline Wadley 178; Esther Morgan-Ellis 38b; Andy Morse and guest 40 (dedicated to Jack Smith); Tatiana Hargraves 58; Jane Cannon 328.

RECESS

Sarah Kehrberg brought the class back to order by leading 184 (CH). Leaders: Jonathan Wood 199 (CH); Marty Sullivan 312 (CH); Chris Wilhelm 402b (CH); Michael Spencer 397b (CH); Kevin Kehrberg 248 (CH); Leslie Booher 180 (CH) (in memory of Mary Ellen Schrock); Mary Baumeister and Tristan Parker 117 (CH); Ron Pen 87 (CH); Eli Snyder 279 (CH); Libby Barker 303 (CH); Diane Eskenasy 51 (CH); Patty Judson 493b (CH); Tatiana Hargraves 86b (CH); Jane Cannon 455b (CH). Ron Pen returned thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class reassembled with Sarah Kehrberg leading 13t (SoH). Ron Penn led 322 (SoH), and thanked all who had helped with dinner on the grounds, and the college for the use of Morris Pavilion. Leaders: Chris Wilhelm 173b (SoH); Matt Drumheller 276b (SoH); Kevin Kehrberg 56 (SoH); Michael Spencer 308 (SoH); Leslie Booher 276t (SoH); Andy Morse 72t (SoH); Eli Snyder 105 (SoH); Jonathan Wood 292 (SoH); Mary Baumeister 91 (SoH); Jane Cannon 76 (SoH). In a brief business meeting Sarah Kehrberg was re-elected as chairman and Ron Pen as vice chairman. Eli Snyder was elected secretary.

RECESS

Leaders: Jane Cannon 56b; Tatiana Hargraves 455; Esther Morgan-Ellis 74t; Matt Drumheller 70b; Madeline Wadley 203; Jonathan Wood 34b; Libby Barker 350; Andy Morse 189 (CH); Leslie Booher 543 (CH); Eli Snyder 155 (CH); Kevin Kehrberg 168b (CH); Ron Pen 165 (CH); Mary Baumeister 41 (SoH); Sarah Kehrberg 49 (SoH); Michael Spencer 254 (SoH).

Following announcements, Sarah Kehrberg offered closing prayer. The officers led 267.

Chairman—Sarah Kehrberg; Vice Chairman—Ron Pen; Secretary—Eli Snyder

D. H. MANSFIELD AMERICAN VOCALIST SINGING

Old Town House, Union, Maine

Sunday, July 22, 2018

Aldo Ceresa called the class to order leading 63. Leaders: Rachel Taylor 119t; Scott Harriman 21; Pat Callahan 38; John Hughes 117t; Chris Holley 148; Henry Schumann 28; Elizabeth Stoddard 112; Mary Skidmore 44; Pleasance Crawford 47t; Jonathan Spencer 159; Ben Bath 26t; David Deacon 78b; Sue Peters 116; Keillor Mose 124t; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 42; Aldo Ceresa 45b.

LUNCH

Erin Fulton called the class back to order by leading 70t. Leaders: Eric Sandberg 123b; Ally Talbot 32; Chris Noren 75b; Margaret Hughes 33t; Derek Buckland 1; Em Ekelund 118b; Leonard Spencer 121t; Chris Nicholson 46; Anne Kaslauskas 23; Kris Paprocki 132t; George Sigut 116b; Joan Frankel 68; Ryan Nash 97b; Scott Luscombe 20; Jesse Vear 144; Peter Golden 119b; Erin Fulton 49.

RECESS

Aldo Ceresa and Keillor Mose called the class back together by leading 115b. Leaders: Chris Holley and Chris Nicholson 70b; John Hughes 7t; Ben Bath 3; Jonathan Spencer 57t; Mary Skidmore 122; David Deacon 71; Erin Fulton 67; Aldo Ceresa 81b; George Sigut 7b; Joan Frankel 64; Scott Luscombe 86; Margaret Hughes 65; Chris Holley 134t; Pat Callahan 8; Ryan Nash 124b; Kris Paprocki and Ally Talbot 152; Anne Kaslauskas 9; Leonard Spencer 12; Jesse Vear 16; Peter Golden 39t; Pleasance Crawford 138b; Rachel Taylor 11b; Scott Harriman 168. Aldo Ceresa led 101t as the closing song. Joanne Fuller offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Aldo Ceresa; Secretary—Rachel Taylor

MT. ZION MEMORIAL SINGING

Mt. Zion, Georgia

Sunday, July 22, 2018

The 126th session of the Mt. Zion Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Mt. Zion Methodist Church on the fourth Sunday in July. Richard DeLong called the class together by leading 32t. Pastor Donald Richards offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Richard DeLong 72b; Gary Davis 565; David Smead 274b, 544; Judy Chambless 37b, 82t; Judy Henry 77b, 283; Bert Collins 340, 542; Winfred Kerr 36b, 225t; Donna Duke 448b, 217; Lisa Bennett 516, 570; Butch White 503, 344; Elene Stovall 172, 298; Nicholas Thompson 216, 426b; Charles Woods 420, 178.

RECESS

Gary Davis brought the class back together leading 59. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 475; Helen Bryson 428; Kathy Williams 517; Esther Williams 277; Andy Ditzler 148; Blake Sisemore 436; Rebecca Over 146; Robert Chambless and Donald Richards 480; Faye Hollis 373 (for Alan Lambert); Karen Rollins 220; Jack Nelson 564; Malinda Snow 460 (in memory of Louise Holland); Nathan Rees 313t; Jeannette DePoy 187.

Rebecca Over conducted the memorial lesson. She said that in the early years of this convention, it was customary at all singings to speak and sing only for the deceased, with the sad consequence that people would lead music for many years, and then seem to disappear. When they passed away, often years later and after a period of illness, no one knew and no one put their names on the list of deceased. Now at singings we read the names of the sick to let them and carers know that they are in our thoughts and prayers, and remind us to send a card, make a phone call, send an email, or visit. Some will return to sing with us, others sadly may not, but they will not be forgotten. Rebecca Over led 330b in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Geraldine Sharpton, Alan Lambert, Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Ottis Sides, Don Bowen, Willodean Barton, and Mike Jones.

Rebecca spoke about the singers who passed away in the previous year, and talked about how each of them is special to someone here today. Notably, Wawena Entrekin Miles was a singer special to the Mt. Zion singing community, and a friend to Rebecca. Wawena led music here in 1943 when she was just 14, and in 1947 she was the first secretary of this convention to record page numbers in the minutes. Rebecca Over led 288 in memory of Wawena Entrekin Miles, and 122 for the deceased who included Daphene Causey, Martha Moody, Glenda Hopper, Eloise Wootten, Gravis Ballinger—Alabama; Wawena Entrekin Miles, Florice Akin, Louise Holland, Audrey Ruth Garner, Ruth Ayers, Ronald Corley, Daniel Evans, Mike Taylor, Nadine Mashburn—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; and Steve Helwig—Oregon. Butch White closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

A motion was made to go into a business session. The following officers were elected: Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Gary Davis; Secretary—David Smead. Richard DeLong led 100 (for Ronald Corley).

LUNCH

Richard DeLong brought the class back to order leading 399b. Leaders: Glenda Collins 290; David Brodeur 310; Samuel Williams 57; Wesley Haley 34b; Isaac Green 395; Gene Duke 111t; Karen Flagg 47b; Daniel Williams 203; Jonathon Smith 92; Laura Frey 358; Calum Woods 106; Sheri Taylor and Riley Webb 126 (in memory of Mike Taylor and Nadine Mashburn); Rebecca Over 386; Christian Webb 46; Jenna Frey 408; Calum Woods 387; Amber Davis 142; Butch White 547; Nicholas Thompson 192; Jonathon Smith 76t; Blake Sisemore 69t; Sheri Taylor, Donna Duke, Gene Duke, Laura Frey, Jenna Frey, Christian Webb, and Riley Webb 123t; Calum Woods and Rebecca Over 527; David Brodeur, Andy Ditzler, David Smead, and Lisa Bennett 213b; Samuel Williams, Daniel Williams, and Esther Williams 123b; Kathy Williams, Malinda Snow, Karen Rollins, and Faye Hollis 45t; Oscar McGuire and Jack Nelson 560; Winfred Kerr, Bert Collins, and Glenda Collins 339; Isaac Green and Calum Woods 548.

Announcements were made. Richard DeLong, Gary Davis, and David Smead led 75 as the closing song. Donald Richards offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Gary Davis; Secretary—David Smead

BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION AND TWIN CITIES SHAPE NOTE COMMUNITY SINGING FROM INDIAN MELODIES All Nations Indian Church, White Earth Nation Minneapolis, Minnesota Saturday, July 28, 2018

The Brothertown Indian Nation and Twin Cities Shape Note Community All-Day Singing from Indian Melodies was called to order by Seth Wenger leading 448b. All songs with the notation “IM” were sung from A Selection of Plain Tunes, Set Pieces, and Anthems from Indian Melodies by Thomas Commuck. The first number denotes the Selections page number and the second number denotes the page in the original 1845 Indian Melodies. A short singing school was taught by Alec Jenkins-White, who led 45t and 39/79 (IM). Skip Blanc and Jessica Ryan led a smudging and collective prayer.

RECESS

Steven T. Schmidgall called the class back to order by leading 24/81 (IM). Leaders: Kit Canright 31b/48b (IM); Dick Patterson 17/86 (IM); Megan Holm 18/26t (IM); Francis Gurtz 36/27 (IM); Katera Frost Historical Lesson: “Parent Tribes”; Jacob Kiakahi (handout, his arrangement of Commuck’s “Osceola”); Cathy Lutz and Nicole Lemmerhirt 22/70 (IM); Jessica Ryan Historical Lesson: “The Formation of Brothertown”; Stacey Berkheimer and Skip Blanc 11/90 (IM); Joel Menk, Julia Hobart, and Emilie Bouvier 8t/50b (IM); Tivey and Rob Ryan (for baby Louise) 23/40 (IM); Paul Wyatt 33t/9t (IM); Cathy Jordan 8b/49t (IM); Liesl Spitz introduced and read a letter of request to the Denson, Cooper, and *Christian Harmony* tunebook committees that “Lone Pilgrim” be properly attributed to Thomas Commuck; AnnaLeigh Smith 30/104 (IM).

RECESS

John Wiens called the class back together by leading 12/7 (IM). Leaders: Erik McDonald 38/69 (IM); Kit Canright (handout) “Sioux” (IM); Liesl Spitz and Chela Arias-Ryan 25/51t (IM); James Page 61 (ShH); Alec Jenkins-White 9/12 (IM); Jessica Ryan Historical Lesson: “The Move to Wisconsin and Minnesota”; Steve Luttinen, Cruz Lemmerhirt, Rhett Lemmerhirt, Reese Lemmerhirt, Amelia Ryan, and Forrest Ryan 28/63 (IM); Nathan Berry, Josh Danderand, and Chantelle Anderson 32/50t

(IM); Mara McPartland 7/48t (IM); Barb Patterson 40/105 (IM); Kat Kohorst 33b/65b (IM). Liesl Spitz led a collective grace before dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

Claudia Egelhoff began the afternoon session by leading 274t. Leaders: AnnaLeigh Smith 44/113 (IM); Cathy Lutz 276; Christine Stevens 277; Cathy Jordan 481; Joel Setterholm 159; Nathan Berry, Jacob Kiakahi, Joel Menk, and AnnaLeigh Smith 26/88 (IM); Alec Jenkins-White 86; Joel Menk 374; Steve Luttinen 375; Stacey Berkheimer and Carol Buche 45t; Kat Kohorst 16/31 (IM); Francis Gurtz 186.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Eleanor Haase leading 148. Leaders: Kevin Bullock 10/83 (IM); Christine Stevens 187; John Wiens 376. The Brothertown Indian Nation brought gifts for a giveaway and shared an honor song that was sung by all present. Drummers: Skip Blanc, Rob Ryan, Bill Lemmerhirt, Cruz Lemmerhirt, Rhett Lemmerhirt, Forrest Ryan, Seth Wenger, and Jacob Kiakahi. Together, all present sang 15/32 (IM), accompanied by the drum.

Co-chairmen—Jessica Ryan, Liesl Spitz, and Jacob Kiakahi; Secretaries—Shana Wenger and Tivey

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SINGING

Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama Saturday, July 28, 2018

The 38th annual Young People's Sacred Harp Singing Association met at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Morgan County, Alabama, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 204. Sarah Trumbore offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Beth Anne Clay 472; Justin Bowen 205; Hayden Arp 321; Butch White 503; Brittany Thompson, Nancy Thompson, and Claire Mason 186; Anna Grace Sipe 32t; Daniel Bearden 78; Sasha Hsuczyk 313t; Mary Francis Clay and Bekah Lauren Clay 274t; Shelby Castillo 37b; David Light 436; Jacob Acton 457; Judy Caudle 121; Delone Cobbs 354t; Sarah Trumbore and Kim Trumbore 138t; Amber Davis 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Lucas Jordan 59; Susan Cheronos 56b.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 76b to bring the class back together. A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected and committee members were appointed to serve: Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Beth Ann Clay; Secretary—Shelby Castillo; Arranging Committee—Hayden Arp and Justin Bowen; Chaplain—Sarah Trumbore; Resolutions Committee—Keillor Mose and Emily Stutzman; Finance Committee—Isaac Green and Jacob Acton; Locating Committee—Alex Forsyth, Becky Wright, Calum Woods, and Laura Hodges. Leaders: Jesse Roberts 163t; Daniel Lee 179; Kathy Williams 505; Isaac Lloyd 326; David Carlton 272; Nathan Rees 371; Daniel Williams 74t; Kelsey Ivey 296; Jerusha Wheeler 362; David Brodeur 338; Phillip Langley 564; Judy Mincey 187; Mark Davis 214; Ezra Lloyd 542; Jonathon Smith 428; Jeannette DePoy 67; Henry McGuire 496; Micah Roberts 93.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Justin Bowen leading 145t. Leaders: Carol Newman 373; Tom George 349; Andy Ditzler 573; Jennifer Lee 411; Lauren Bock 442; David Smead 399t; Elizabeth Gentry 319; Richard Ivey 445; Dennis George 367; Lisa Bennett 133; Logan Green 99; Emily Stutzman and Brandon Mayberry 270; Isaac Green 419 (for Ozella Blackmon); Susan Allred 183; Nancy Phillips 282. Sarah Trumbore asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson leading 217. Leaders: Chris Nicholson 34b; Jesse P. Karlsberg 302; Cheyenne Ivey 166; Ryan Nash 83b; Rebecca Over 268; Robert Green 178; Reba Windom 434; Laura Hodges 189; Kevin Griffin Moreno and Maria Goodson 269; Becky Wright 536; Vale Cofer-Shabica 131b; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 377; Keillor Mose 225b; Pam Nunn 507; Mike Richards 389; Barrett Patton 475 (in memory of B.M. Smith and Willodean Barton); Rachel Green 148; Ellen Ray 455.

RECESS

Beth Anne Clay led 101t to bring the class back together. Leaders: J.L. Hopper 534; Elene Stovall 440; Eva Striebeck 30b; Lydia Lewellyn 55; Calum Woods 426t; Emma Rose Brown 56t; Evelyn Lamb 456; Blake Sisemore 532; Alex Forsyth 546; Molly Silva, Lina Silva, and Celeste Silva 480; Dalton Green 504; Linda Berkemeier 143; Peter Trumbore 112; Aldo Ceresa 215; Pattie Wareh 227; Dylan Fezzell 314; Mary Francis Clay and Jennifer Cogle 159; Tarik Wareh 45b.

A business meeting was held in order to hear reports from the various committees. The Secretary reported that ninety-five leaders representing twelve states and three countries led ninety-three songs. The Finance Committee reported that expenses had been met. The Resolutions Committee thanked God for His many blessings, and everyone who helped make the day a success. The Locating Committee reported that two requests for hosting next year's singing were received, and that the Young People's Singing will be hosted by singers in Utah in September, 2019. The business meeting was closed.

Nicholas Thompson and Beth Anne Clay led 521 as the closing song. Sarah Trumbore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—Beth Anne Clay; Secretary—Shelby Castillo

JOHN AND LORAIN BAYER MEMORIAL SINGING **Old German Baptist Brethren Meeting House, New Lebanon, Ohio** **Sunday, July 29, 2018**

The 2nd annual John and Loraine Bayer Memorial Singing was held at the Old German Baptist Brethren Meeting House, New Lebanon, Ohio, on the fifth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Ray Rechenberg leading 77b. The morning prayer was offered by Greg Creech. 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.

Leaders: David Casenhiser 146; Rich Overturf 100; Kathleen Flanagan 63; Jim Patterson 178; Tim Morton 217; Sheila Patterson 324; Jason Mohler 40; Cecelia Kramer 71; Sarah Gershon and Eloise Clark 383; Josiah O.E. Robinson and Jubal Bayer 245; Laura Ann Russell 428; Vic Whisman 84; Marian Mitchell 21b (DH); Bill Shetter 470; Annaliza Cull 547; Donnie Simmet 515; Eloise Clark 173.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg and Roger Crabtree brought the class back to order by leading 312b. Leaders: Grace Patterson 344; Shannon Tibbs 148; John Seaton 47t; John Bealle 436; Erin Fulton 27 (DH); Jubal Bayer 26b (DH); Jan May 5 (DH); Ted Mercer 192; Greg Creech 74b; Martha Beverly 21t (DH); Gerry Hoffman 14 (DH); Clara Herr 564; Susan Zurcher 535; Joshua Geiser and Jubal Bayer 117; Regina Frick 47b; Shawn Fenton 432.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg brought the class back to order by leading 49b. At this time, Ray Rechenberg and Tim Morton conducted the memorial lesson, and led 81t and 285t. After the memorial lesson, Greg Creech offered the prayer before the lunch break.

LUNCH

Ray Rechenberg called the class back to order by leading 454. Leaders: Tim Gregg 2 (DH); Presley Barker 505; Jo Dell Albi 13 (DH); Karen Isbell 440; Jim Herr 556; Hans Bayer and Esther Taylor 15 (DH); Michael Domino 390; Brian How 183; Michele Cull 236; Debbie Hall 362; Barbara Chopin 496; Michael Darby 330t; Karen Arnett 543.

RECESS

Ray Rechenberg brought the class back to order by leading 434. Leaders: Donna Bing and Eloise Clark 452; Paul Dickerson 159; Erin Fulton 7b (DH); Jan May 11 (DH); Ted Mercer 411; Martha Beverly 269; Gerry Hoffman 500; Cecelia Kramer 328; Donnie Simmet 101b; John Seaton 448t; Tim Morton 455; Marian Mitchell 448b; Jo Dell Albi and Ted Mercer 501; Shannon Tibbs 102.

Committee reports were given. There were sixty-eight songs led and fifty-one leaders from nine states (OH, KY, MI, IN, IA, IL, ME, PA, MO) and 1 Canadian province, Ontario. Announcements were made. The closing song was 347. The closing prayer was offered by Greg Creech.

Chairman—Ray Rechenberg; Secretaries—Sheila Patterson and Grace Patterson

LACY MEMORIAL

Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama Sunday, July 29, 2018

The annual Lacy Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the first fifth Sunday following the fourth of July at Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama. The class was called to order by Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd leading 59. Ed Thacker offered the opening prayer. Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd led 101t.

Leaders: Elene Stovall 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Henry Johnson 539; Mary Ruth Stiefel 127; Robert Chambless 163b; Cecil Roberts 399b; Linda Berkemeier 61; Delone Cobbs 566; Winfred Kerr 500; Jim Neal 432; Karen Rollins 327; Peter Trumbore 84; Rebecca Over 392; Will Fitzgerald 159; Pattie Wareh 171; Andrew Whaley 317; Becky Wright 406; Tarik Wareh 351; Lydia Lewallen 39b; Chris Cassaboro 324; Jeannette DePoy 142; Chris Nicholson 477; Eva Striebeck 386.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey led 73t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Michael Thompson 89; Daniel Lee 411; Ellen Ray 29t; Kevin Griffin Moreno 278t; Emma Rose Brown 422; Ryan Nash 299; Lisa Bennett and Nicholas Thompson 304; Vale Cofer-Shabica 129; Evelyn Lamb 464; Calum Woods 35; Jennifer Lee 383; Henry McGuire 522; Buell Cobb 69b; Larry Ballinger, Chris Ballinger, Earl Ballinger, and Lisa Geist 528; David Smead 360; Eddie Mash 172; Mark Davis 202; Isaac Lloyd and Ezra Lloyd 352; Renae Makris, Alex Makris, Norma Green, and Nate Green 418.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Reba Windom, Shelby Castillo, and Tom George leading 170. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 182; Samuel Williams 498; Hadassah Silva, Celeste Silva, and Amelia Silva 65; Hubert Nall 313t; Glenn Keeton 475 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Judy Chambless 222 (in memory of Dr. Julietta Haynes); Reba Windom, Betty Shepherd, Deborah Morton, Josh Collier, Garrett Morton, Regina Castillo, Shelby Castillo, Casey Castillo, Kathy James, Sharon King, Jared King, Chaton King, Daniel Morton, Kirk Shepherd, Chris Shepherd, Angie Collier, and Lacy Collier 45t; Josh Collier, Garrett Morton, Deb Morton, Reba Windom, and Betty Shepherd 102; Dennis George 279; Amber Davis 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Richard DeLong 395 (in memory of Lloyd Redding); Tom Booth 480; Daniel Williams 353; John Plunkett 88t; Joseph Silva 67; Loyd Ivey and Lilly

Underwood 348b.

LUNCH

Shelby Castillo and Reba Windom led 76b to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Scott Ivey and Buell Cobb 425; Beth Ann Clay 455; Mike Richards 316; Betty Shepherd and Judy Caudle 216; Samuel Sommers 548; Kathy Williams 208; Jonathon Smith 423; Laura Hodges 325; Sharon DuPriest and Isaac Green 242; Barrett Patton and Reba Windom 196; Anna Hinton 203; Aldo Ceresa 396; Sarah Trumbore and Tom George 120; Keillor Mose 200; Sasha Huczycyk 215; David Brodeur 272; Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Elene Stovall 228 (for Joan Aldridge); Eli Hinton 282; Lauren Bock 426b; Andy Ditzler 419; Erica Hinton 309; Nathan Rees 440; Justin Bowen 380; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Richard Ivey 328; Alex Forsyth, Hayden Arp, and Blake Sisemore 460; Matt Hinton 448t; Kelsey Ivey and Everett Ivey 267; Cindy Tanner and Andrew Whaley 155; Susan Cheronos 349; Tony Ivey, Sandy Ivey, and Jayden Hunt 87; Pam Nunn 556; Phil Summerlin 56t; Jackie Tanner and Richard Ivey 298; Rodney Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 384 (for Coy Ivey); Ed Thacker 532; Rodney Ivey and Reba Windom 30b.

Reba Windom and Shelby Castillo led 542 as the closing song. Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-chairmen—Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd; Secretary—Cheyenne Ivey

MT. PISGAH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sylvester, Georgia

Sunday, July 29, 2018

The 99th annual second fifth Sunday Sacred Harp Singing was held at Mt. Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church. The class was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Trent Peachey leading 59. Tim Meeks offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Trent Peachey 317; John Robinson 452, 47b; Bonnie Rewis 32t, 39b; David Grant 421, 565; Oscar McGuire 34b, 31b; Myrtice Meeks 129; Bob Meeks 73b, 72b; Steven Taylor 37t, 36b; Georgia Ann Corbin 144, 100; Bob Corbin 323b, 235; Joe Brooks 100, 358; Kay Robinson 341, 45t; Tim Meeks 145b, 542; Trent Peachey 318, 384.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Trent Peachey leading 335. Leaders: John Robinson 354b, 46; David Grant 154, 409; Oscar McGuire 34b, 229; Bob Meeks 138b, 515; Steven Taylor 39t, 40; Georgia Ann Corbin 473, 373; Lamar Robinson 34t, 490, 290; Kaylynn Rewis 282; Tim Meeks 383, 457, 390.

Announcements were made. Mt. Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church agreed to host the singing on the second fifth Sunday in 2019. The chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and participation. He led 347 as the closing song. David Grant offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Trent Peachey; Secretary—Tim Meeks

EUGENE SINGING

Central Lutheran Church, Eugene, Oregon

Saturday, August 4, 2018

The 21st annual Eugene Singing was held in the fellowship hall of Central Lutheran Church on the first Saturday in August. Karen Stingle called the class to order at 9:30 a.m., and led 171. Anne Huckins offered the invocation.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairperson—Martha Sherwood; Secretary/Treasurer—Carolyn Gilkey; Arranging Committee—Carolyn Gilkey, Dave Tobin, Rachel Foster, and Suzanne Denker; Chaplain—Anne Huckins;

Memorial Committee—Dave Tobin and Paula Rogers; Planning Committee—Vicki Morgan and Karen Stingle.

Leaders: Rachel Foster 335; Dave Tobin 122; David Landazuri 85; Nancy Novotny 107; Melissa Stephenson 501; Nina Hoffman 106; Thom Fahrbach 150; Yosef Trachtenberg 30b; Hannah Field 348t; John Berendzen 349; Jack Lofton 101t; Ben Brown 472; Anne Huckins 66; Cornelia Stanton 465; Kate Fine 108t; Martha Sherwood 86; Clarissa Fetrow and Pat Coughlan 218; Sara Michener 49t.

RECESS

Susan Helf brought the class back to order by leading 61. Leaders: Reed Schilbach 62; Jane Grant 373; Linda Berkemeier 421; Scott Kennedy 180; Marci Cutler 240 (NH); Karen Stingle 318; Carolyn Gilkey 475; Nina Hoffman 178; Melissa Stephenson 378b; Thom Fahrbach 430; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; David Tobin 410t; Nancy Novotny 41.

Paula Rogers and David Tobin conducted the memorial lesson, and led 474 in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Jean Murphy, Nina Stone, Anita Engiles, Cindy B, Clare Paris, Jeremy Sherwood, Jeannette Bates-Keizer, Dan Fahrbach, and Jeremy Pickett.

Dave Tobin then led 163b in memory of the following deceased: Peggy Stahlberg, Kate Wilhelm, Dave Bischoff, Steve Helwig, Kathleen Zuelsdorf, Kathy Bain—Oregon; Barbara Ruth Willard—Arizona. Anne Huckins offered a prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: David Landazuri 39t; Hannah Fields 159; John Berendzen 506; Anne Huckins 228; Martha Sherwood 203; Cornelia Stanton 344; Kate Fine 309; Ben Brown 268. Anne Huckins asked a blessing on the food.

LUNCH

Martha Sherwood brought the afternoon session to order leading 34b. Leaders: Scott Kennedy 454; Jack Lofton 269; Sara Michener and Kate Fine 49b; Pat Coughlan 492; Clarissa Fetrow 196 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Audrey Karabinus 312t; Susan Helf 383; Reed Schilbach 312b; Jane Grant 510; Linda Berkemeier 566; Suzanne Denker 184; Rachel Foster 47t; David Tobin 208; Karen Stingle 496; Carolyn Gilkey 503; Marci Cutler 100; Nancy Novotny 131b; Thom Fahrbach 195; Yosef Trachtenberg 236.

RECESS

Thom Fahrbach brought the class back together leading 77t. Leaders: Ben Brown 551; Clarissa Fetrow 29b; David Landazuri 479; Susan Helf 270; John Berendzen 314; Martha Sherwood 53; Melissa Stephenson and Bonnie Stimler 117; Anne Huckins 564; Cornelia Stanton 540; Kate Fine 489; Nina Hoffman 81b; Audrey Karabinus 369; Forrest Quay 130.

Reports from committees were given. Carolyn Gilkey announced that forty-four were registered for the singing and seventy-nine songs were sung. Nancy Novotny thanked everyone who made the singing a success. Anne Huckins offered the closing prayer. Martha Sherwood led 155 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Martha Sherwood; Secretary—Carolyn Flatley-Gilkey

CHATTAHOOCHEE CONVENTION

Wilson's Chapel, Carrollton, Georgia

August 4-5, 2018

Saturday, August 4

The 166th session of the Chattahoochee Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in August at Wilson's Chapel, Cross Plains, Georgia. The class was called to order by Sheri Taylor, who welcomed everyone, and led 56b. G.C.

Waldrop offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Laura Frey 178; Lisa Webb 222; Donna Duke 40; Robert Kelley 166; Lisa Bennett 84; Karen Rollins 227; Robert Chambless 72b; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Winfred Kerr 77b; Henry Johnson 375; Judy Chambless 418; Samuel Williams 315; David Smead 88b; Tony Hammock 314; Reba Windom 155; Glenda Collins 138t; Eric Tweedy 479; David Brodeur 348b; Rebecca Over 558; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 143; April Watkins 82t; Sheri Taylor 142.

RECESS

Jenna Frey called the class to order by leading 408. Leaders: Faye Hollis 340; Jack Nelson 266; Isaac Green 381; Joseph Silva 68t; Taylor Watkins 445; Jacob Acton 277; Amber Davis 224; Alex Forsyth 197; Nicholas Thompson 189; Eva Striebeck 492; Bobby Watkins 512; G.C. Waldrep 506; Bert Collins 335; Ivy Hauser 440.

RECESS

A business session was held, and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairmen—Laura Frey and Lisa Webb; Secretary—Donna Duke; Chaplain—G.C. Waldrep; Arranging Committee—Robert Kelley and Jenna Frey; Finance Committee—Lori Goode and Mary Elizabeth Goode; Resolutions Committee—Lisa Bennett and Oscar McGuire; Memorial Committee—Rebecca Over and Karen Rollins.

Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 56t; Justin Bowen 344; Hayden Arp 405; Silva family 114; Carolyn Deacy 368; Kelly Morris 147t; Shawn Fenton 474; John Plunkett 50b; Tim Gregg 90; Kathy Williams 540; Andy Ditzler 325; Sarah Ward 86; Richard DeLong 472; Ryan Nash 128; Lori Goode 358.

LUNCH

Christian Webb brought the class to order leading 294. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 556; Marilyn Bradley 45t; Matt Hinton 485; Darolene Moak 278t; Joyce Heath 186; Erica Hinton 228; Aldo Ceresa 527; Rebecca Over 187 (for Charlene Wallace); Eli Hinton 299; Shawn Fenton 501; Amber Davis 192; Anna Hinton 383; Joseph Silva 68b; Isaac Green 488; Ivy Hauser 477; Sarah Ward 148; Kelly Morris 159; Tim Gregg 350; Silva family 296; Ryan Nash 83t; Kathy Williams 455; Eva Striebeck 30t; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 374.

RECESS

Leaders: Jenna Frey 47b; Hayden Arp 176b; Fred Eady 236; Gene Duke 569b; Justin Bowen 345t; Bobby Watkins 460; Nicholas Thompson 411; G.C. Waldrep 505; Taylor Watkins 388; Alex Forsyth 220; Jacob Acton 168; Jerusha Wheeler 384; Lisa Bennett, David Smead, and G.C. Waldrep 212; Samuel Williams 102; April Watkins 454; Jack Nelson 182; Winfred Kerr 500; Faye Hollis 276; Tony Hammock 196; Richard DeLong 399b; Darolene Moak 34b; Jonathon Smith 80b. Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, Lisa Webb, Riley Webb, and Jenna Frey led 323t as the closing song. G.C. Waldrep dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, August 5

The Sunday session of the Chattahoochee Convention was brought to order by Sheri Taylor leading 27. G.C. Waldrep offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Laura Frey 46, 117; Jenna Frey 408; Lisa Webb 275b, 168; Donna Duke 47b, 155; Robert Kelley 391, 217; Samuel Williams 216, 89; Jim Neal 84, 270; Judy Chambless 29t, 209; Gary Davis 565, 426t; Ellen Culpepper 426b, 72b; Dave Farmer 452, 267; Robert Chambless 503, 225t; G.C. Waldrep 81t, 269; Shawn Fenton 65, 428.

RECESS

Leaders: Christian Webb 294; Karen Rollins and Matt Hinton 365; Winfred Kerr 318, 516; Rebecca Over 466, 283; Helen Bryson 522, 313b; John Hollingsworth 220, 82t; Chrissy Clemons 63, 39t; Michael Spencer 420, 370; Cecil Roberts 31t, 48t; Darolene Moak 107, 376.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Rebecca Over and Karen Rollins. Rebecca read the following for the sick and shut-ins: At this time in our singing, we pause to think about those who are sick and unable to be with us today, and about those who are caring for them. The other day I was driving to Bremen from Cleburne County listening to my favorite country music radio station, when a Brad Paisley song came on. I had heard it a lot during my 2017 visits, but listening to it this time I was deeply moved. It's called "Last Time for Everything". The chorus begins: Last call, last chance/Last song, last dance/Sometimes you just don't know when that's gonna be and it ends, as do all the verses, "There's a last time for everything". Of course, it reminded me that I am coming to the end of this trip, that I am doing so many things I love for what could be the last time. I thought about a friend, Willodean Barton of Alabama, who died less than two weeks ago. When we talked at a singing not so many years ago neither of us knew that it would be our last time. Then I remembered how earlier in this trip I was fortunate enough to be one of a group of singers who went to sing for Velton Chafin, who has been sick and shut-in at his home in Jasper, Alabama, for some time. We went after a singing and we were a Father's Day present from his daughter, Brenda. When we arrived, Velton was very tired and seemed to be very unwell. Then as we sang songs that we knew he enjoyed he perked up, smiled, sang, talked with us and requested a lot of songs. It was a joy to see that. It may be the last time I see him, but what a wonderful time we all had that day. Many of the people on our list today will hopefully be back singing with us, or at singings in other states and countries, very soon. But others may not. Back in England I am way too good at postponing things. So I know it's all too easy to put off making that phone call to a friend who is sick, to think 'well, I can send that card next week' or 'I'll go visit next time I'm driving that way'. But if we put things off too long we might miss that last chance, that last time to let those sick singing friends know that we are thinking of them and that we miss them, that last time to bring them some comfort and joy. So as we hear the names on the list today let us remember to do what we can while we can: sooner rather than later. Those we hold in our hearts today are Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, Don Bowen, Allen Lambert, Charlene Wallace, and Zanda Sveta. Rebecca led 471 for the sick and shut-ins.

Karen Rollins read the following list of names of the deceased: Willodean Barton, Jonnie Chafin, Daphne Causey, and Mike Jones—Alabama; Florice Akin, Herstein Bussey, Louise Holland, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Agnes Roberts, and Mike Taylor—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon. Karen led 146 in memory of the deceased. G.C. Waldrep closed the memorial session with prayer.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Sheri Taylor leading 169. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 515, 163b; John Plunkett 108t; Anders Wells and Corinne Wells 354b, 99; Erica Hinton 105; Billy Hollingsworth 173, 91; Silva family 480; Laura Ackerman 499; Mark Plunkett and Oscar McGuire 384 (for Allen Lambert); Dorothea Maynard 442; Amy Wells 272; Kathy Williams 300; Philip Denney 101t; Justin Silva 69t; Jonathon Smith 110; Lisa Bennett 186; Lori Goode 45t; Fred Eady 240; David Smead 459; Anna Hinton 142; Matt Hinton 172, 399b; Gene Duke 421; Eli Hinton 299; Dick Plunkett 159; Shawn Fenton 70b; Rebecca Over 74t; Dorothea Maynard 383; Chrissy Clemons 162.

The convention was motioned into a business session. Lori Goode gave the finance report. We thank everyone for being led to give generously Saturday and Sunday. May the Lord richly bless every one. Lisa Bennett and Oscar McGuire, Resolutions Committee, gave the following resolution: We thank the Lord of Heaven and Earth who hath preserved us to return and sing at this 166th session of the Chattahoochee Sacred Harp Singing Convention. We give thanks for the opportunity to raise our

voices together, and for our singing ancestors who preserved this tradition for us. We thank those who keyed, the arranging committee, and the singers who travelled from near and far to make this convention a success. We thank all of the cooks and providers of the wonderful meals we have shared. We thank all the committee members and those who work quietly in the background, and who made this convention run so smoothly. We especially thank the Wilson family for graciously hosting us and all they do in preparation for this convention. We hereby resolve to return for the 167th session of the Chattahoochee Singing Convention the first Sunday and Saturday before in August, 2019. Motion was made and carried that the reports be accepted as read, and added to the convention's minutes. Announcements were made. Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, Lisa Webb, and Jenna Frey led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by G.C. Waldrep. Chairman—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairmen—Laura Frey and Lisa Webb; Secretary—Donna Duke

FAYETTE COUNTY CONVENTION
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Fayette, Alabama
Sunday, August 5, 2018

The 119th session of the Fayette County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church near Fayette, Alabama, on the first Sunday in August. Chris Ballinger called the class to order by leading 56t. Richard Mauldin offered the opening prayer.

Following welcoming comments, the class organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Lisa Geist; Secretary—Teresa Hope; Arranging Committee—Amber Davis.

Leaders: Chris Ballinger 48t; Lisa Geist 527; Teresa Hope 384; Amber Davis 142; Daniel Lee 278t; Lena Keeton and Glenn Keeton 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Dave White 405; Carolyn Deacy 430; Andy Ditzler 315; Wanda Capps 36b; Nicholas Holmes 37b; Eva Striebeck 350; Richard Mauldin 446; Linda Booth 297; Yancey Jett 440; Aldo Ceresa 349; Lomax Ballinger 144; Marty Wootten 176b; Judy Caudle 106; Eddie Mash 87; Hubert Nall 40; Julie Poston 100.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Buddy Ballinger leading 343. Leaders: Lilly Underwood 290; Buell Cobb 467; David Brodeur 324; Isaac Green 395; Linton Ballinger 460; Tim Gregg 99; Betty Baccus and Faye Donaldson 284; Scott Ivey 336; Mike Hankins 168; Henry Guthery 543; Marlin Beasley and Juanita Beasley 61; Jack Pate 39b; Earl Ballinger 141; Loyd Ivey 337; Susan Cheronos 300; Glenn Keeton 86; Tom Booth 474; David Ballinger 340.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Jimmy Ballinger leading 84. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 285t; Ann Jett 546; Albert Humber 565; Henry McGuire 360; David Ivey 442; Amelia O'Dell and Beth Wallace 63; Danny Creel 269; Ryan Nash 71; Larry Ballinger 120 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Shane Wootten 212 (in memory of D.T. White); Janet Litton 282; Richard Ivey 215; Beth Anne Clay 222; Reba Windom 411; Alex Forsyth 383; Buddy Ballinger and Ella Porter 45t.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Chris Ballinger leading 270. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 389; Nicholas Thompson 532; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 377; Jimmy Ballinger 108t; Shelby Castillo 436; Hayden Arp 434; Beth Wallace 216; Wayne Baines 59; Eva Striebeck 396; Ryan Nash 171; Carolyn Deacy 542; Tim Gregg 91; Aldo Ceresa 309; Henry McGuire 30b; Andy Ditzler 304; Eddie Mash and Scott Ivey 448t; David Brodeur 200; Alex Forsyth 422; Susan Cheronos 564; Daniel Lee 101b; Lilly

Underwood and Loyd Ivey 318; Reba Windom and Shelby Castillo 208; David Ivey and Richard Ivey 506; Marty Wootten and Shane Wootten 475; Isaac Green 419 (for Ozella Blackmon); Cheyenne Ivey 111b; Hayden Arp 530 (for Linda Sides); Lisa Geist 528.

After announcements, Chris Ballinger led 46 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Chris Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Lisa Geist; Secretary—Teresa Hope

CALHOUN COUNTY MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

Bethel Primitive Baptist Church

Saturday, August 11, 2018

The 141st annual session of the Calhoun County Sacred Harp Musical Association convened at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, Bruce, Mississippi. President Henry McGuire called the class to order leading 547t (WB). Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Henry McGuire 505 (WB); Nathan Stewart 171, 179; Warren Steel 272, 410b; John Lee Van Horn 273, 189; Earl Ballinger 177, 389; Darlene Reynolds 486t (WB) (in memory of Hugh Bill McGuire); Darlene Reynolds and Henry McGuire 511 (WB); Dan Brittain 148, 209; Mark Davis 205, 208; Matt Bell 468, 538; Chris Ballinger 512, 178.

RECESS

Leaders: Mike Hankins 384, 527; Larry Ballinger 182 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger), 217; Shelby Castillo 30b, 318; Robert Earl Alexander and Warren Steel 361, 124; Lisa Geist 120, 492; Julie Heeren 32t, 417; David Killingsworth 268, 347; Will McGuire 181, 275t; John Lee Van Horn 47b, 212 (in memory of Mark Stewart); Henry McGuire 492 (WB) (for the McGuire family women), 434 (WB); Nathan Stewart 341 (for Fred Hawkins), 419; Warren Steel 254. Robert Earl Alexander asked a blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

President Henry McGuire restored order and led 478t (WB), 487t (WB). Leaders: Lisa Geist 269; Chris Ballinger 276; Shelby Castillo and Henry McGuire 472 (in memory of Hugh Bill McGuire); Shelby Castillo 196; Earl Ballinger 530; Andy Davis 436, 198; Dan Brittain 218; Dan Brittain and Ken Elliott 63; Larry Ballinger 540; Cayla Burns and Henry McGuire 40 (for Alice McGuire); Mark Davis 365; Matt Bell 284t (WB), 34b (WB); David Killingsworth 540 (WB); Julie Heeren 45t, 317b (WB); Mike Hankins 34b (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Darlene Reynolds 145t, 282; Henry McGuire 328.

In a business session, Drew McGuire was elected as President. Following announcements, Mark Davis led 236 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer.

President—Henry McGuire; Secretary—Nathan Stewart

CHICAGO COOPER BOOK SINGING

Wilson Abbey, Chicago, Illinois

Saturday, August 11, 2018

The 3rd Chicago *Cooper Book* Singing, now the Ann Sleeva Memorial Singing, was held at Wilson Abbey, Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday before the second Sunday in August. Ginny Landgraf called the class to order at 10:30 a.m. leading 59. Lyda Jackson offered the morning prayer, and Ginny Landgraf welcomed singers.

Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 383; Samuel Sommers 575, 55; Rochelle Lodder 225t, 31t; Jerry Gripshover 239; Jerry Gripshover and Mary Rogel 361; Lyda Jackson 146, 463;

Paul Foster 63, 66; Jim Helke 571, 486; Matthew Siefert 127, 140; Will Fitzgerald 89, 411.

RECESS

Mary Rogel called the class to order leading 314 (in memory of Ann Sleeva). Lyda Jackson dedicated the Chicago *Cooper Book* Singing to Ann Sleeva, and introduced her family members who were in attendance.

Leaders: Susan Geil 122, 137; Mary Rogel 500; Randy Neufeld 174, 175; Ginny Landgraf 587, 163t; Sally Youngquist and Ginny Landgraf 333; Sally Youngquist 489; Orwin Youngquist and Will Fitzgerald 254. Samuel Sommers offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Samuel Sommers called the class to order leading 432 and 450. Leaders: Lyda Jackson 276, 277; Jerry Gripshover 340, 507b; Rochelle Lodder and Jim Helke 485, 41; Paul Foster 210, 211; Daniel Braithwaite 31b; Jacob Lee 449, 39; Matthew Siefert 451, 541; Daniel Braithwaite 67; Justin Weaver and Daniel Braithwaite 45t; Susan Geil 52t; Mary Rogel 483, 502; Will Fitzgerald 38t, 98; Samuel Sommers 105t; Lisa Grayson 422t, 418; Paul Foster 45b; Will Fitzgerald 96; Samuel Sommers 520; Ginny Landgraf 505; Lyda Jackson 264t; Jerry Gripshover 28b; Rochelle Lodder 30t; Jim Helke 380t; Matthew Siefert 303; Daniel Braithwaite 516.

Announcements were made. Jim Helke offered resolutions.

The class sang 95b as the closing song, and Will Fitzgerald dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Mary Rogel

EAST KENTUCKY SINGING **Calvary Campus, Letcher, Kentucky** **Saturday, August 11, 2018**

The 2nd annual East Kentucky All-Day Singing at Calvary Campus was held on the second Saturday in August. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Brandon Fleming; Vice Chairmen—Paul Adams and Ben Fink; Arranging Committee—AuCo Lai and Laura Densmore; Secretary/Treasurer—Stephanie Devine; Chaplain—Joseph Crouse.

Paul Adams called the class to order leading a lined-out version of “Amazing Grace”. The morning prayer was offered by Joseph Crouse.

Leaders: Brandon Fleming 457; Ben Fink 48t; Stephanie Devine 133; AuCo Lai 82t; Gwen Johnson 159; Paul Adams 143; Tom Morton 209; JR Hardman 501; Tim Morton 300; Chris Wilhelm 187; Tim Gregg 96; Kathy Call 503; Ray Turner 125; Patti Wareh 171; Eddie Mash 151; Katherine Eldridge 139; Ateven Snderson 94.

RECESS

Gwen Johnson and Ben Fink called the class back to order leading “Bright Morning Star”. Leaders: Erin Fulton 124; Paul Wyatt 128; Michele Cull 76b; Tarik Wareh 352; Jane Wells 99; Samuel Williams 434; Virginia Eldridge 98; Bryant Kumlin 32t; Barbara Hohenstein 524; Charles Coulston 299; Mary Brinkman 313b; Adrian Eldridge 313t; Annaliza Cull 547; Vickie See and Billy See 480; Leslie Booher 178.

RECESS

The officers of the singing called the class back to order leading “I’ll Fly Away”.

Leaders: Evan Druce 113; Stephanie Devine 486; Connie Webster 312b; David Carlton 183; Christine Stevens 456; Doron Henkin 426b; Brenda Waters and Katherine Eldridge 515; Alec Jenkins-White 328; Donna Kwon 163b; Daniel Williams 74t; Laura Densmore 349.

LUNCH

The officers of the singing called the class back to order leading “Where the Soul

Never Dies". Leaders: Tim Caudill and Ben Fink 107; Adam Rosenberg and Laura Densmore 276; Greta Combs 148; Christine Stevens 455; Evan Druce 105; Katherine Eldridge 367; Ateven Snderson 274b; Patti Wareh 228; Paul Wyatt 189; Erin Fulton 436; Tarik Wareh 214; Jane Wells 71; Samuel Williams 163t; Barbara Hohenstein 212; Bryant Kumlin 142; Connie Webster 86; Doron Henkin 192; Virginia Eldridge 39b.

RECESS

The officers of the singing called the class back to order leading "Marching to Zion". Leaders: Alec Jenkins-White 274t; JR Hardman 567; Daniel Williams 34t; Laura Densmore 522; Adrian Eldridge 543; Eddie Mash 428; Leslie Booher 213b; David Carlton 442; Brenda Waters 49b; Chris Wilhelm 308; Vickie See and Billy See 33b; Donna Kwon 47t; Tim Morton 227; Annaliza Cull 168; Tim Gregg 64; Mary Brinkman 40; Tom Morton 294; Michele Cull 373; Charles Coulston 344; Kathy Call 47b.

Brandon Fleming, Paul Adams, and Ben Fink led 527 (CB) as the closing song.

Joseph Crouse offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Brandon Fleming; Vice Chairmen—Paul Adams and Ben Fink;

Secretary—Stephanie Devine

WINCHESTER SINGING

St. Paul's Church Hall, Winchester, United Kingdom

Saturday, August 11, 2018

The first Winchester Sacred Harp singing was held at St. Paul's Church Hall on Saturday before the second Sunday in August. Nigel Bowley called the class to order leading 33b. The Rev. Marjorie Brown offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Brenda Harvey 47t; Kathryn Whelan 52t; Edwin Macadam 84; Caroline Edwards 107; Sheila Girling-Macadam 28b; Jenny Pett 49t; Toby Goss 156; Jac Gehring 146; George Simms 73t; Rebecca Over 294 (for Mildred Patterson); Ron Hollman 360; Victoria Timberlake 82t; Steve Welch 569t; Catherine Roberts 271t; Joss Tait 81t; Alec Williams 282; Teresa Maguire 348t; Sam Carter 573; Jan Lawrence 31b; Nick Hall 527; Amy Kutts 117; Steve Brett 61; Maggie Eisman-Renyard 35; Andrew Clark 276; Marjorie Brown 474; Helen Brown 475.

RECESS

Werner Ullah called the class back to order by leading 73b. Leaders: Brenda Harvey 29t; Peter Eisman-Renyard 49b; Jacoba Bruneel 328; Robin Bisson 228; Rachel Jordan 392; Ted Brown 176b; Seth Dickens 193; Matthew Parkinson 296; Nigel Bowley 274b.

The memorial lesson was conducted by the Rev. Andrew Clark. Andrew led 134 for the following sick and shut-ins: Karen Matthews, Adrian Hilton, Lesley Jacob, Paula Mogenson, Sandy Waller, Charlene Wallace, Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, Ian Lamb, Evelyn Munson, Jeannie Blagg, Michael Walker, Justine Stairmand, and Keith Pigott.

Andrew then led 278t in memory of the following deceased; Daphene Causey, Willodean Barton, Mike Jones—Alabama, USA; Louise Holland, Ruth Ayers, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Florice Akin, and Daniel Evans—Georgia, USA; Andy Spence—Hove; Francesco Nazzini, Michael Seifert, Kamila Zahno, Geoffrey Rendle, Frank Pigott—London; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Reginald Brett—Sunningdale; Mark Girling—Spain; Jennifer Bennet—Ontario; Rollo Woods—Swanage; Jeff Stote—Wales; Hilary Edwards—Newbury, John Hayto—Leicester.

Leaders: Sheila Girling-Macadam 68b; Amy Kutts 133; Maggie Eisman-Renyard 335; Caroline Edwards 178; Victoria Timberlake 277; Jenny Pett 148; Ron Holman

340; Peter Eisman-Renyard 56b; Catherine Roberts 176t; Alec Williams 153; George Sims 130; Werner Ullah 501; Toby Goss 189; Joss Tait 275t; Jan Lawrence 314.

LUNCH

Steve Brett called the class back to order by leading 283. Leaders: Teresa Maguire 500; Sam Carter 215; Marjorie Brown 142; Seth Dickens 315; Rebecca Over 196; Steve Welch 566; Rachel Jordan 522; Robin Bisson 102; Werner Ullah 99; Helen Brown 542; Matthew Parkinson 560; Jacoba Bruneel 272; Edwin Macadam 532; Catherine Roberts 312b; Ted Brown 510; Nate Gehring and Nick Hall 455; Sheila Girling-Macadam 377; Alec Williams 106; Amy Kutts 236; Toby Goss 181; Brenda Harvey 159; Nigel Bowley 466; Caroline Edwards 163b; Joss Tait 331.

RECESS

George Simms called the class back to order leading 217. Leaders; Victoria Timberlake 503; Ron Holman 442; Robin Bisson 540; Rebecca Over 65; Steve Welch 147b; Andrew Clark 535; Jacoba Bruneel 101b; Rachel Jordan 546; Steve Brett 205; Seth Dickens 365; Edwin Macadam 523; Ted Brown 303; Nick Hall 454; London singers 77t; Helen Brown 373; Immel-Parkinson family 45b.

Announcements were made. Nigel Bowley and Brenda Harvey led 62 as the closing song. Helen Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nigel Bowley; Vice Chairman—Brenda Harvey; Secretary—Nick Hall

EAST TEXAS SACRED HARP CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)

Henderson Civic Center, Henderson, Texas

August 11-12, 2018

Saturday, August 11

The 163rd session of The East Texas Sacred Harp Convention met at the Henderson Civic Center in Henderson, Texas, on the second Sunday and Saturday before in August. The class was called to order by Sam Craig leading 47t. Robert Vaughn offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: David Rousseau 146; Robert Vaughn 336t; John Morris 186; Joan Smith 100; Craig Averill 49t; Findley Ross 282; Stanley Smith 268b; Alfred Jones 507b; Leon Ballinger 297; Ainsley Ross 514; Gaylon Powell 524; Abby Huckaby 159; Lauren Owen 96; Kristi Powell 67; Chris Nicholson 293b; Jackson Owen 408; Hoss Curran 388; Will Sims 277; Beverly Coates 581; Janie Short 573; Ellee Curran 367; Mike Hinton 567; Vickie Cook 142; Linda Booker 107; Silas Huckaby 522; Tom Owen 113. Pat Brack and Thomas Ward represented the city of Henderson, and Mayor Brack gave the singers a warm welcome from the city before recess.

RECESS

Sam Craig led 87 to bring class back to order. Leaders: Gary Rogan 86; Bruce Coates 575; Cory Winters 36b; Jerry Ryan 274t; Donald Ross 591; Bob McLemore 559; Vivian Rogan 331t; Reed Coates 442t; Diane Ross 132; Tammy Powell 189; Ryan Ross 98; Priscilla Wiggins 485; Nancy Price 203; Jeb Owen 112; William Price 133; Kris Wiggins 222; Sarah Huckaby 380t; Ray Quigley 82; Fred Todt 200; Scott Curran 192; Owen Ross 224. Jeb Owen asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Sam Craig led 103 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Michele Curran 416t; Alfred Jones 264b; Linda Booker 38t; Jerry Ryan 47b; Ann Grisby 155; Bob McLemore 78; Reed Coates 68b; Jeb Owen and Rami Purdum 230; Ray Quigley 438b; Fred Todt 217; Owen Ross 216; Craig Averill 276; Beverly Coates and Anna Purdum 464; Findley Ross 72; Stanley Smith and Lilah Flynn 520; Leon Ballinger 120.

RECESS

Sam Craig led 430 to bring class back to order. Leaders: Gaylon Powell and Everett Daugherty 65; Ainsley Ross 145t; Chris Nicholson and Stanley Smith 422t; Abby Huckaby 99; Lauren Owen 39; Kristi Powell 54t; Jackson Owen 53; Mike Hinton 400; Janie Short 571; Silas Huckaby 434; Will Sims 463; Vickie Cook 38b; Cory Winters 196; Stanley Smith 210; Gary Rogan 95b; Tammy Powell 553; Bruce Coates 35; Donald Ross 402; Vivian Rogan 32t; Diane Ross 300.

Sam Craig led 395b as the closing song. Owen Ross offered the closing prayer.

Saturday night, August 11

Approximately twenty-five singers enjoyed a meal of homemade TexMex food at the Civic Center. After the meal they enjoyed singing a new composition "Yule" (written by Cory Winters), and "Highland Traveler" (written by Robert Vaughn in memory of Darrell Swarens), and several songs from the 1991 edition of the Sacred Harp book. The evening was enjoyed by all in attendance.

Sunday, August 12

The Sunday session of the East Texas Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Sam Craig leading 49t. The opening prayer was offered by Donald Ross. Leaders: Tammy Powell 179; John Morris 98; Ryan Ross and Findley Ross 319; Ron Trial 461; Michele Curran 140; William Price 148; Ryan Bowmen 48t; Nancy Price 273; Henry McGuire 269; Nicole Bowmen 300; Scott Curran 218; Robert Vaughn 416t; David Rousseau 127; Joan Smith 341; Will McGuire 286t; Jim Lazenby 40; Jackson Owen 186; Mike Hinton 544; Ainsley Ross 96; Leon Ballinger 110; Lauren Owen 47b.

RECESS

Sam Craig and Allison Miller led 75 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Tom Owen 299; Hoss Curran 60; Stanley Smith 584; Ellee Curran 146; Abby Huckaby 45t; Priscilla Wiggins 31t; Craig Averill 63; Silas Huckaby 198; Cory Winters 58; Vickie Cook and Everett 335; Kris Wiggins 235; Carter Cook 168; Vivian Rogan 215; Will Sims 50b; Sarah Huckaby 428; Chris Nicholson 264t; Diane Ross 183. The memorial lesson was conducted by Mike Hinton, John Morris, and Stanley Smith. The following list of names of the sick and shut-ins were read by John Morris: Tommie Spurlock, Margaret Spurlock, Andy Worthington, Aubrey Barfield, Jeanette Barfield, Norma Mincy, Ron Bernucho, Adelaide Vaughn, Dale Redmon Jr., Curtis Owen, Doug Webb, Myrl Jones, Azalea Barnett, C.B. Anderson, Annabelle Anderson, and Charlotte Powell. They led 36b in their honor.

Stanley Smith read the following list of names of the deceased: Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, and Mike Jones—Alabama; Barbara Ruth Willard—Arizona; Berkley Moore—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Claire Powel—Oklahoma; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Edith Owen, Frank Price, Nancy Marion "Mamie" Grant, Amy Denison, Mae Griffith, Mary Franklin, Deason Dunn, Peter Nichols, Geneva Harrell Buckner, Frances Ross Joplin, Rev. Bill Patterson, Julia Welch, Mel Rosenbaum, and Jack Hurosky—Texas. Mike, John, and Stanley led 410 in their memory. The memorial service was closed with prayer offered by Robert Vaughn.

Leaders: Gary Rogan 558; Janie Short 505; Gaylon Powell 239; Bruce Coates 133; Kristi Powell 383; Donald Ross 590; Beverly Coates 460. The lunch prayer was led by Robert Vaughn.

LUNCH

Sam Craig led 313 to bring class back to order. Leaders: Tammy Powell 137; Ron Trial 571; Gary Rogan 129; Michele Curran 331b; Nancy Price 125; Lilah Flynn, Ellee Curran, and Stanley Smith 348t; Jim Lazenby 361; Joan Smith 100; Craig Averill 49b; Danny Dunn 500; Will Sims 71; McKenzie Flynn 559; Vivian Rogan 343; Priscilla Wiggins 159; Henry McGuire 463; William Price 268t; Janie Short

465; Beverly Coates 176t; Cory Winters 182; Kristi Powell 64; Chris Nicholson 212; Diane Ross 392; Gaylon Powell 532; Stanley Smith 378t; Kris Wiggins 414; Bruce Coates 315; Scott Curran 32b; Donald Ross 36t; David Rousseau 447t; John Morris 155; Robert Vaughn 427; Ron Trial 594; Craig Averill 81; Ellee Curran 572; Joan Smith 574.

Sam Craig led 225t as the closing song. Bruce Coates dismissed the class with prayer. There were 197 people from nine U.S. states and two other countries who attended this year. There were sixty-one leaders that led 174 songs. Tammy Powell served as the arranging committee on Sunday. Tommy Simpson donated his grandfather's 1907 *Cooper Edition* Sacred Harp to the Convention.

Chairman—Sam Craig

B.M. SMITH MEMORIAL SINGING
Midway Primitive Baptist Church, Armuchee, Georgia
Saturday, August 18, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Midway Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the third Sunday in August was called to order by Isaac Green leading 60. The morning prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts. Isaac Green led 493.

Leaders: Helen Bryson 492, 348t; Jesse Roberts 447, 497; Winfred Kerr 59, 225t; Karen Rollins 298, 297; Ed Thacker and Margaret Thacker 39b, 75; Andy Ditzler 467, 72b; Janice Paulk 136, 337; Henry Johnson 88t, 418; John Plunkett 28b, 77b; Nate Green and Norma Green 313t, 473; Eric Tweedy 301, 200.

RECESS

Isaac Green led 123t to bring the class back together. Leaders: David Brodeur 116, 185; Jeannette DePoy 460 (in memory of Thomas Sanders); Justin Bowen 441, 496; Amber Davis 212, 391; Elizabeth Gentry and Scott Azbell 45t, 76b; Tom George 379, 472; David Smead 556, 499 (in memory of B.M. Smith); Reba Windom and Margie Smith 318, 475 (both in memory of B.M. Smith); Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 101t, 303; Cheyenne Ivey 430, 208; Nicholas Thompson 276 (in memory of Glenda Hopper), 192; Sarah Trumbore 456, 145b. Shane Brown asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Cindy Tanner leading 275b and 220. Leaders: Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 274t, 282; Wyatt Denney 448b, 39t; Judy Chambless 549 (in memory of Hugh McGraw and B.M. Smith); Erica Hinton 534, 69t; Scott DePoy 179; Larry Ballinger 68b; Pam Nunn 454; Lisa Bennett 404, 222; Eddie Mash 284, 513; Jerusha Wheeler 67, 155 (for Charlene Wallace); Robert Chambless 176b; Lisa Geist 273; Matt Hinton 228, 224; Ainslie Allen 196; Shane Brown 267; Jesse P. Karlsberg 126, 216 (for Gertrude and Preston Calwell); Ann Jett 269; Don Bowen 283, 517 (in memory of Hugh McGraw and for Judy Mincey's mother); Eli Hinton 186; Samuel Williams 183; Lauren Bock 428; JR Hardman and Matt Gilbert 500, 432; Judy Mincey 270, 50b.

Announcements were made. Isaac Green led 414 as the closing song. Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Hayden Arp; Vice Chairman—Isaac Green; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

MOUNT RAINIER SINGING (COOPER BOOK)
Buckley Hall, Buckley, Washington
Saturday, August 18, 2018

The 10th annual Mount Rainier Singing held on Saturday before the third Sunday in

August was called to order by Kathy Vlach and Karen Willard leading “A Song of the PNW” (by David Wright from #422). Rodman Campbell offered the opening prayer. The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers: Co-Chairs—Kathy Vlach and Karen Willard; Secretary—Anne Huckins; Treasurer—David Wright; Arranging Committee—Bob Schinske and Peter Schinske. Leaders: Anne Huckins 371; Peter Schinske 48t; Laura McMurray 138b; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Destiny Woods 587; Rodman Campbell 69; Nell Whitman 65; Katie Mahoney 98; Greg Saue 573; Marla Elliott 239; Marie Brandis 511t; Erik Schwab 296; Marilyn Murata 392; Kate Fine 393; David Wright 178.

RECESS

Kathy Vlach called the class to order leading 508. Leaders: Bob Schinske 357; Cornelia Stanton 449; Erika Wilson 336t; Mother Felicitas 132; Steve Cackley 520; Karen Willard 522; Clarissa Fetrow 304; Steve Shearon 155; Kathy Vlach 581; Marla Elliott, Lisa Brodoff, and Micha Brodoff 571; Nell Whitman 36t.

RECESS

Karen Willard called the class to order leading 145t. Leaders: Bob Schinske 501; Katie Mahoney 524; Destiny Woods 594; Greg Saue 38t; Yosef Trachtenberg 127; Laura McMurray 204; Kate Fine 541; David Wright 559; Cornelia Stanton 500; Rodman Campbell 480; Erika Wilson 505 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Steve Cackley 497. Rodman Campbell asked a blessing on the noon meal.

LUNCH

Karen Willard began the afternoon session by leading 290. Leaders: Peter Schinske 210; Marie Brandis 280; Kate Coxon 416b; Steve Shearon 159; Marilyn Murata 229; Karen Willard 514; Erik Schwab 590; Darlene Simpson-Brown 206; Mother Felicitas 441; Wing Mui 42; Clarissa Fetrow 110; Kathy Vlach 391; Anne Huckins 269; Greg Saue 515; Laura McMurray 339.

RECESS

Kathy Vlach brought the class back to order leading 222. Leaders: Kate Coxon 380t; Wing Mui 300; Erika Wilson 416t; Steve Shearon 57; Cornelia Stanton 96; Steve Cackley 55; Melissa Stephenson and Bonnie Stimler 427; Marilyn Murata 200; Yosef Trachtenberg 463; Darlene Simpson-Brown 195; David Wright 364; Marie Brandis and Shoya Iitsuka 282; Bob Schinske 328; Marla Elliott 518; Rodman Campbell 273; Kate Fine 373; Mother Felicitas 106; Erik Schwab 146; Destiny Woods 220. There were forty-one singers present from four states, Israel, and Japan.

Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach led 147 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Rodman Campbell.

Co-Chairs—Kathy Vlach and Karen Willard; Secretary—Anne Huckins

RAMAH SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Ramah Primitive Baptist Church, Lenox, Alabama

Saturday, August 18, 2018

The Ramah annual singing was held at Ramah Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the third Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Ryan Bowman leading 129 and 40. Stephen Huffman offered the opening prayer. Mary Huffman led 63, 155, and 47t as the introductory lesson.

Leaders: Tim Taylor 507b, 277; Alice Sundberg 108b, 107; Alfred Jones 49b, 73t; Nicole Bowman 451, 203; Ken Sundberg 358, 456; Geoffrey Brooks 492, 268t; Marion Patrick 424, 580.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ryan Bowman leading 559. Leaders: Stephen Huffman 54t, 336t; Nancy Hogan 171, 145b; Tommie Spurlock 594, 112; Brenda Kyser 348t, 573; Gary Padgett, William Worley, and Bill Hogan 505, 532, 239;

Stanley Smith 127, 31t; Hubert Nall 168, 572. The class sang 369, and Gary Padgett offered the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ryan Bowman leading 96 and 36b. Leaders: Barbara Jones 140, 146; Bill Hogan 196; Bill Hogan and William Worley 235; Wayne Jones 504t, 464; Tommie Spurlock 574; Gary Padgett 218; Marion Patrick 488, 571, 486. Announcements were made. Ryan Bowman led 95b as the closing song. Tim Taylor offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ryan Bowman; Secretary—Nicole Bowman

SCOTLAND SINGING

Kelvinside Hillhead Parish Church, Glasgow, Scotland

Saturday, August 18, 2018

The Scotland All-Day Singing was held at Kelvinside Hillhead Parish Church in Glasgow, Scotland. Maureen Uney called the class to order leading 31b. Sandy Semeonoff offered words of welcome and reflection on the importance of Sacred Harp music and community in our lives, and then led 33b.

Leaders: Anne Altringham 146; Joan Gordon 47b; Tom Gordon 493; Ruth Holman 350; Calum Parker 68b; Karen Turner 135; Alison Cole and Harry Campbell 39t; Ewan Paterson 105; Sula O'Duffy 300; Claire Welford 270; Cath Ingham 155; Martin Roger and Jan Geerts 277; Viv O'Duffy 452; Harry Campbell 59; Benny Ross 421; Jan Geerts 332; Carmen Gordon 29t.

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw brought the class back to order leading 148. Leaders: Anne Eringa 171; Phil Tyler 89; Erin Johnson-Williams 287; Charles Woods 283; Calum Parker 106; Maureen Uney 209; Ed Johnson-Williams 564; Ewan Paterson 63; Anne Altringham 178; Claire Welford 440; Sandy Semeonoff 341; Joan Gordon 86; Karen Turner 460; Alison Cole and Benny Ross 448b; Carmen Gordon 142; Jan Geerts 422; Tom Gordon 122; Sula O'Duffy 87; Benny Ross 378b; Ruth Holman 472; Cath Ingham 282; Karen Turner 143; Harry Campbell 38b; Viv O'Duffy 335; Martin Rodger and Jan Geerts 49b. Ewan Paterson offered the Selkirk Grace to introduce the lunch break.

LUNCH

Tom Gordon brought the class back to order leading 99. Leaders: Anne Altringham and Claire Welford 383; Charles Woods 45t; Erin Johnson-Williams 556; Anne Eringa 344; Harry Campbell 31t; Ewan Paterson 133; Cath Ingham 82t; Phil Tyler 269; Benny Ross 299; Ed Johnson-Williams 201; Carmen Gordon 455; Calum Parker 569b; Sula O'Duffy 274t; Jan Geerts 236; Sandy Semeonoff 70t; Karen Turner 112; Viv O'Duffy 147t; Ruth Holman 84.

RECESS

Margaret Bradshaw brought the class back to order leading 114. Leaders: Benny Ross 441; Claire Welford 362; Ewan Paterson 117; Anne Eringa 183; Erin Johnson-Williams 75; Carmen Gordon 503; Joan Gordon 49t.

Sula O'Duffy conducted the memorial lesson and the sick and housebound lesson. She read the following list of names of the sick and housebound: Cath Tyler, Rose Ollerhead, Patsy, Cliff Uney, Neil MacGregor, Kes Grant, Elspeth Murray, and Chris.

She read the following list of names of the deceased: Ben Thompson—Scotland; Janet Bones, Toby Boyes, Kit Yip, Steve Harrison, and Betty Grenfell—England. She led 159 for all.

Leaders: Tom Gordon 127; Ed Johnson-Williams 111b; Phil Tyler 456; Ruth Holman 284; Cath Ingham 339; Calum Parker 47t; Viv O'Duffy 445; Harry

Campbell 48t; Margaret Bradshaw 266; Sandy Semeonoff 235.

Sandy Semeonoff offered closing thoughts. Sandy Semeonoff and Maureen Uney led 347, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Maureen Uney; Secretary—Cath Ingham

BELTON AND EMMA BEASLEY AND PHILLIP LEE III MEMORIAL SINGING

Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama

Sunday, August 19, 2018

The 51st annual Belton and Emma Beasley and Phillip Lee III Memorial Singing was called to order by Marlin Beasley leading 31b. The opening prayer was offered by Earl Ballinger.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Ricky Beasley; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard; Arranging Officer—Lisa Geist.

Leaders: Marlin Beasley 336; Dorothea Maynard 442, 383; Earl Ballinger 430, 439; Butch White 86, 480; Don Keeton 319, 335; Cora Sweatt 111b, 49t; Richard Mauldin 146; Linda Booth 565, 220; Mike Hankins 384, 527; Henry McGuire 147b, 101b; Betty Baccus 189, 192; Chris Ballinger 39b, 178.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Marlin Beasley leading 87. Leaders: Ricky Beasley 39b, 348b; Amber Davis 422, 78 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger); Tom Booth 475, 441; Sarah Beasley 340, 145b; Lena Keeton 498, 317; Larry Ballinger 313t, 312b; Loretta Whitman 77t, 77b; Glenn Keeton 349, 564; Alvin “Bunk” Beasley 72b, 81t. Richard Mauldin asked the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Ricky Beasley leading 75. Leaders: Lisa Geist 546, 528; Roma Rice 97, 338; Henry McGuire 438; Earl Ballinger 123t; Corissa Sweatt 59; Hailey Beasley and Corissa Sweatt 345b; Richard Mauldin 446; Chris Ballinger 477; Butch White 535; Tom Booth 140; Amber Davis 380; Mike Hankins 168; Dorothea Maynard 196; Seth Holloway 388 (for Freddie Briggs), 236; Linda Booth 198; Glenn Keeton 507; Larry Ballinger 101t; Juanita Beasley 61, 63; Corissa Sweatt, Jonathon Sweatt, and Cora Sweatt 344 (in memory of Gary Smith), 159. Announcements were made.

Marlin Beasley and Ricky Beasley led 40. The closing prayer was offered by Earl Ballinger.

Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Ricky Beasley; Secretary—Dorothea Maynard

CEDAR CREEK SINGING

Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church, Sylvester, Georgia

Sunday, August 19, 2018

The annual Cedar Creek Sacred Harp Singing was held at Mount Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in August. The class was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Lamar Robinson leading 68t. Trent Peachey offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lamar Robinson 75; Trent Peachey 37t, 317; Oscar McGuire 34b, 37b; Kendra Peachey 282, 146; John Robinson 48t, 49t; Myrtice Meeks 129, 491; Bob Meeks 73b, 72b; Tim Meeks 196, 542; Lamar Robinson 138b.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Lamar Robinson leading 218 and 100.

Leaders: Trent Peachey 318, 548; Oscar McGuire 503, 515; John Robinson 452, 45t;

Myrtice Meeks 490, 480; Kay Robinson 341, 235; Kaylen Rewis 354b; Tim Meeks 290, 383.

Announcements were made. Mt. Pisgah Primitive Baptist Church agreed to host the singing on the third Sunday in August, 2019. The chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and participation. He led 34t as the closing song. Trent Peachey offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Lamar Robinson; Secretary—Tim Meeks

CLEBURNE COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION **Edwardsville Baptist Church, Edwardsville, Alabama** **Sunday, August 19, 2018**

The 129th session of the Cleburne County Singing Convention was held at Edwardsville Baptist Church, Cleburne County, Alabama, on the third Sunday in August. Cecil Roberts welcomed the singers and visitors before leading 30t. He conducted the introductory lesson from a 1936 edition of *The Sacred Harp*, donated in 1942 by Med and Al Huester in memory of J.W. (Uncle Will) Laminack. This book was given with explicit instructions that this is the only time the book can be used. Ed Thacker offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Rene Greene 176b, 110; Donna Bell 36b, 84; Judy Chambless 319, 318; Margaret Thacker 108t, 480; Bert Collins 340, 274t; Christian Webb 45t, 401; Andy Ditzler 399t, 155 (for Ruth Daniel), 82b; Alex Forsyth 301.

RECESS

Judy Chambless brought the class back to order leading 350. Judy offered prayer specifically for Ms. Ruth Daniel and her daughter, Sherrell Cleino. Ms. Ruth stumbled and fell over a rug this morning coming into the church and had to be taken to the hospital. It was later confirmed that her hip was broken in the fall.

Leaders: Alex Forsyth 289; Nicholas Thompson 436, 100; Ed Thacker 213t, 48t; David Smead 317 (in memory of M.F. McWhorter), 310, 73t; Karen Rollins 389, 387; Tony Hammock 314, 105; Isaac Green 483, 422; Lisa Bennett 34t (for Ruth Daniel and Tom Clark), 64; Robert Chambless 452, 145b; Henry Johnson 398, 425; Jack Nelson 321, 95; Winfred Kerr 542 (for Rebecca Over), 549.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Glenda Collins leading 81t and 99. Leaders: David Brodeur 330t, 332; Fallon Dyer 146, 37b; Sheri Taylor 133, 156.

Karen Rollins conducted the memorial lesson. She mentioned the rainy day and how sad it was that Ms. Ruth had fallen earlier. Karen talked about how we sing and why we sing stating “the Bible commands us to sing, it helps our mind, body, and helps our emotions”. The sick and shut-ins honored were Ruth Daniel, Ozella Blackmon, Allen Lambert, Charlene Wallace, Eugene Forbes, Lucy Garner, Jeff McCray, and Velton Chafin. Karen mentioned that during the memorial lesson, we acknowledge our deceased singers on a list for a year following their death. Karen stated, “We remember them; today especially Stanly Edwards, Hugh McGraw, Hester Edwards, Winfred’s daddy (Henry Kerr), Rene’s daddy (Jeff Sheppard), and my daddy (Lonnie Rogers)”. She encouraged us to continue to remember deceased singers at times other than just during the memorial lesson. The deceased remembered on the list today were Daphene Causey, Darrell Swarens, Louise Holland, Agnes Roberts, Audrey Ruth Garner, Glenda Hopper, Lily Hopper, and Julia Laverack. Karen Rollins led 119. Henry Johnson offered prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Ann Simpson 47t, 445; Barbara Brooks 457. Rev. Chris Jackson, pastor of Edwardsville Baptist Church, offered the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

Rene Greene brought the afternoon session to order leading 294. Leaders: Andy

Ditzler 511; Alex Forsyth 442; Henry Johnson 439; Glenda Collins 339; David Brodeur 335; Lisa Bennett 378t (for Ruth Daniel); Fallon Dyer 40; Tony Hammock 283; Daniel Williams 60; Ed Thacker 408; Samuel Williams 416; Nicholas Thompson 138b; David Smead 127 (for Ruth Daniel); Sheri Taylor 126; Jack Nelson 117; Robert Chambless 163b; Christian Webb 46, 47t; Bert Collins 124; Ann Simpson 388; Daniel Williams 423; Samuel Williams 534; Alex Forsyth 426t.

A business session was held to elect or appoint officers to serve for the coming year. The following officers were retained: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Rene Greene; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless. Edwardsville Baptist Church graciously agreed to host the 130th session of the Cleburne County Singing Convention on the third Sunday in August, 2019. The business session was closed.

Following announcements, Cecil Roberts, Judy Chambless, and Donna Bell led 47b as the closing song. Nicholas Thompson offered the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Rene Greene; Secretary—Donna Bell

WILLARD BIRTHDAY SINGING (COOPER BOOK)

Buckley Hall, Buckley, Washington

Sunday, August 19, 2018

The 9th annual Willard Birthday Singing held on the third Sunday in August, using the *Cooper Book* and a Hymnary of Willard family favorites, was called to order by Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach leading “Exhortation.” Rodman Campbell offered the opening prayer. The class was organized with the following officers: Co-Chairs—Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Anne Huckins; Treasurer—Ken Hallock; Arranging Committee—Nell Whitman and Galen Flint.

Leaders: Erik Schwab “Abide with Me”; Bob Schinske 46; Erika Wilson “Sweet Hour of Prayer” (in memory of Barbara Willard); Kathy Vlach “Tallis Canon”; Rodman Campbell 129; Karen Willard “Seeking the Lost”; Destiny Woods “Consolation”; Bonnie Stimler and Melissa Stephenson “Fairest Lord Jesus”; Peter Schinske “Ebenezer”; Anne Huckins 572; Kate Fine “When the Roll is Called Up Yonder”; Darlene Simpson-Brown 519; Greg Saue 229; Cornelia Stanton 573; Yosef Trachtenberg 40; Clarissa Fetrow 230.

RECESS

Karen Willard called the class back together by leading 31b. Leaders: Steve Shearon “Where We’ll Never Grow Old”; Marilyn Murata 484; Linda Berkemeier “Leoni”; Laura McMurray 411; Karen Willard for the August birthday singers; Mother Felicitas 47b; Bruce Rowland 68b; Nell Whitman and Galen Flint 107; Clarissa Fetrow 418; Yosef Trachtenberg 587; Darlene Simpson-Brown 356; Linda Berkemeier 455b; Laura McMurray 440b; Destiny Woods 96; Anne Huckins 183; Rodman Campbell 133; Greg Saue 507b; Peter Schinske 559; Kate Fine “At the Cross”; Cornelia Stanton “Count Your Blessings”. Rodman Campbell offered a blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Kathy Vlach brought the class back to order leading 30t. Leaders: Erika Wilson 464; Ken Hallock 45b; Bob Schinske “Homeward Bound”; Erik Schwab 276; Karen Willard “The Golden Morning”; Kathy Vlach “Sine Nomine”; Melissa Stephenson 408; Mother Felicitas 378t; Steve Shearon 64; Rodman Campbell 482; Marilyn Murata 576; Nell Whitman 324; Bruce Rowland 571; Peter Schinske 367; Linda Berkemeier 453b; Kate Fine 397; Karen Willard 91; Cornelia Stanton 500; Mother Felicitas 81; Kathy Vlach “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”; Yosef Trachtenberg 84; Erika Wilson “Ellacombe”; Bob Schinske 33; Anne Huckins 278b; Darlene

Simpson-Brown 285t; Steve Shearon 213; Greg Saue 563; Destiny Woods “Nearer Still Nearer”; Erik Schwab 72.

Following announcements, Karen Willard led “God Be With You” as the closing song, and Rodman Campbell closed the singing with prayer.

Co-Chairs—Karen Willard and Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Anne Huckins

CENTRAL ONTARIO SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Friends Meeting House, Toronto, Ontario

August 24-26, 2018

Friday, August 24

Alabama singer Bridgett Hill Kennedy taught a singing school: Why We Sing: The Physical and Psychological Benefits of Social Singing. The class sang 212, 98, 496, 330b, 276, and 176t. Frank Griggs led 475 as the closing song.

Saturday, August 25

The Saturday session of the first Central Ontario Sacred Harp Convention (formerly the Central Ontario All-Day Sacred Harp Singing) took place at Friends Meeting House in Toronto, and was brought to order by Jan May leading 171. Hollie Long offered the opening prayer.

The following officers were appointed to serve: Chairman—Jan May; Secretaries and Arranging Committee—Nicole Collins and Gillian Inksetter; Treasurer—Frances Miller and Andrew Louis.

Leaders: Jan May 40; Frances Miller 155; Gillian Inksetter 39t; Hollie Long 159; Naomi Duguid 472; Andrew Louis 547; Anne Evers 573; Idy Kiser 217; Pleasance Crawford 202; Carl Bear 146; Jamie Yeats 503; Lloy Cook 178; Em Ekelund 122; Marian Mitchell 327; Hanna Caruso 114; Chris Taylor 277.

RECESS

Robert Stoddard brought the class back to order by leading 106. Leaders: Laurie Dempsey 268; Jen Davies 282; Tom Evers 448t; Cecelia Kramer 180; Diane Holmlund and Chance Kellner 274t; Anne Missavage 280; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Kim Kendrick 34b; Nicole Collins 313b; Frank Griggs 500; Brian How 86; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 340; Mary Skidmore 442; Gerry Hoffman 42; Laura Ann Russell 428; Michael Darby 67; Joanne Fuller 196.

RECESS

Chris Taylor brought the class back to order by leading 32t. Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 546; Barbara Swetman 125; Jean Seiler 299; Frances Miller and Andrew Louis 515; Evelyn Lamb 215; Robert Stoddard 89; Marilyn Job and Brian How 294; David Brodeur 289; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 411; Andy Ditzler 300. Hollie Long offered a blessing before dinner.

LUNCH

Gillian Inksetter brought the class back to order by leading 29t. Leaders: Joanne Fuller 542; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 189; Hollie Long 480; Mary Skidmore 270; Kerry Cullinan 70b; Laura Ann Russell 423; David Brodeur 341; Elizabeth Stoddard 545; Jamie Yeats 39b; Jean Seiler 273; Evelyn Lamb 564; Barbara Swetman 481; Andy Ditzler 430; Cecelia Kramer 444; Gerry Hoffman 455; John O’Flynn 77t.

RECESS

Frank Griggs called the class to order by leading 74b. Leaders: Brian How 183; Robert Stoddard 460; Anne Missavage 362; Katherine Belyea and Evelyn Lamb 457; Em Ekelund 376; Idy Kiser and Gillian Inksetter 532; Esther Wade 142; Michael Darby 123t; Marian Mitchell 528; Kim Kendrick 369.

Following announcements, Jan May led 347. Hollie Long offered the closing prayer.

Saturday, August 26

The Sunday session of the first Central Ontario Sacred Harp convention took place at the Detweiler Meetinghouse, Roseville, Ontario, and was brought to order at 9:30 a.m. by Jan May leading 34b. Robert Stoddard offered the opening prayer. Chris Taylor offered a territorial land acknowledgement.

Leaders: Nicole Collins 63; Frances Miller 344; Naomi Duguid 503; Lloy Cook 452; Chuck Crawford and Bridgett Hill Kennedy 546; Anne Evers, Laura Roth and Caroline McLeod 117; Giles Simmer 39t; Stephen Rogers 448t; Idy Kiser 448b; Katherine Belyea 569b; Larry Devine and Frank Griggs 71; Hollie Long 489; Jamie Yeats 313b; Tom Evers 229; Max Kelly 528.

RECESS

David Brodeur led 345t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Carl Bear 148; Em Ekelund 224; Dylan Aiello 268; Alan Rempel 230; Pleasance Crawford 293; Nicoletta Rogers 384; Chris Taylor 47b; Cecilia Kramer 328; Heather Schramm 472; Jen Davies 282; Andrew Louis 504; Marian Mitchell 48b; Brian How 334; Frank Griggs 287; Kerry Cullinan 310; Mary Skidmore 218; Gerry Hoffman 275t.

RECESS

Jean Seiler called the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Anne Missavage 66; Brad Young 217; Frances Miller and Andrew Louis 207; Barbara Swetman 484. Lloy Cook and David Brodeur conducted the memorial lesson. Lloy Cook spoke, and led 70t in honor of the following sick and homebound: Karen Rollins, Judy Clum, David Shipe, Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Don MacLeod, Ruth Daniel, Ruth Ann Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Dorothy Connor, Jeremy Bravelle, Ed Marshall, Laurie Ayotte, Jean Ayotte, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, and Mary Jean McCarthy.

David Brodeur spoke, and led 285t to remember the following deceased: Ted Howard, Terri McLean, Paricia Taylor, Nicholas Cameron—Ontario; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Jane Goforth, Mel Rosenbaum, and Amy Denison—Texas; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona; Louise Holland—Georgia; Daphne Causey, Glenda Hopper, Arthur Gilmore, Johnie Chafin, and Susie Denson—Alabama; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Carol Sanders—Pennsylvania; Susan Carr—Leeds, UK; Judith McDowell—Ohio; Mary Ellen Schrock, Michael Kaye, Harry Roy, Herb Erikssen, and Jean Fleming—New York; Tina Fast—Manitoba; Steve Huisken—Minnesota. Hollie Long offered a prayer.

Laura Ann Russell led 198. Gillian Inksetter led the class in singing the Lutheran Table Grace before dinner.

LUNCH

Tom Evers called the class back to order by leading 40. Leaders: Jean Seiler 72b; Michael Darby 133; Robert Stoddard 292; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 436; Joanne Fuller 564; Andy Ditzler 170; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 383; David Brodeur 375; Evelyn Lamb 372; Elizabeth Stoddard 422; Henry Schumann 532; Kerry Cullinan 507; Jan May 99; Frank Griggs 505; Cecilia Kramer 174.

RECESS

Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Max Kelly called the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: Gillian Inksetter “Geneva” (HS 96); Nicole Collins and Hollie Long 171; Mary Skidmore 567; Gerry Hoffman and Brian How 547; Idy Kiser and Giles Simmer 178; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Em Ekelund 83t; Pleasance Crawford and Chuck Crawford 556; Tom Evers and Anne Evers 38t; Chris Taylor and Jen Davies 300; Michael Darby and Laura Ann Russell 290; Steve Rogers and Nicoletta Rogers 350; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 234; Elizabeth Stoddard and Robert Stoddard 522; Jean Seiler 191; Joanne Fuller 400; Anne Missavage 430; Evelyn Lamb 368;

Barbara Swetman 146.

RECESS

Andy Ditzler called the class back to order by leading 275b. Leaders: Bridgett Hill Kennedy 348b; Katherine Belyea 59; Naomi Duguid and Lloy Cook 276; Marian Mitchell 454; Francis Miller and Heather Schramm 228; Alan Rempel 121; Erin Roberts and Andy Ditzler 278t; Brad Young 455; Dylan Aiello and Andrew Louis 86; Jamie Yeats 312b; Carl Bear and Max Kelly 155.

Following announcements, Jan May thanked all who helped make the singing a success. The Secretary reported that over the two days, eighty-nine registered singers from three provinces, ten states, and Ireland sang 147 songs led by fifty-six leaders. Jan May led 347 as the closing song. Hollie Long offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jan May; Secretaries—Nicole Collins and Gillian Inksetter

CORK SINGING

St. Fin Barre's Cathedral Hall, Cork, Ireland

Saturday, August 25, 2018

The 8th annual Cork All-Day Singing was called to order at St. Fin Barre's Cathedral Hall, Dean Street, Cork, Ireland, by Katie Ahern leading 77b. Colleen Jones offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ross Harbison 30t; Colleen Jones 47t; Piers Blewett 40; Declan Barron 66; Rosalind Woods 324; Sinéad Hanrahan 230; Michael Walker 297; Helen Peake 68b; Dermot Peel 143; Lisa O'Grady 436 (for Piers Blewett); Mike Morrisroe 187; Laurie Skelton 35; Kevin Kennedy 34t; Brenda Harvey 159; Joanna Bennett 349; Sarah Shiel 178; Nick Hall 515; Ann Chesterton and Sophie Sawicka-Sykes 65; Edwin Macadam 272.

RECESS

Kate Kirwan called the class to order leading 275b. Leaders: Sarah West 131t; George Simms 212; Steph Malpass 300; Derek Buckland 275t; Ailish McMahan 42; Sophie Sawicka-Sykes 141; Nigel Bowley 382; Cath Saunt 327; Sheila Girling Macadam 286; Rachel Jordan 351; Niamh Madigan 353; Iain Paxon 441; Amanda Parkes 340; Catherine Roberts 131b; Helen Peake 217; Brenda Harvey 162; Dermot Peel 440; Colleen Jones 446; Nick Hall 367; Sarah Shiel 183; Michael Walker 383; Katie Ahern 232; Edwin Macadam 444; Declan Barron 34b. Colleen Jones said grace.

LUNCH

Lisa O'Grady called the afternoon session to order by leading 89. Leaders: Derek Buckland 161; Laurie Skelton 196; Rosalind Woods and Sophie Gregory-Smith 269; Iain Paxon 535; Joanna Bennett 73t; Vicki Elliott 528; Kate Kirwan 483; Nigel Bowley 517; Sheila Girling Macadam 500; Mike Morrisroe 234; Piers Blewett 477; Cath Saunt 299; Ross Harbison 91; Rachel Jordan 368; Sarah West 112; Sophie Sawicka-Sykes 442; Catherine Roberts 203; George Simms 189; Steph Malpass 430; Bert McCann and Ross Harbison 45t.

RECESS

Cath Saunt led 29t to bring the class together. Leaders: Kevin Kennedy 551; Ailish McMahan 77t; Amanda Parkes 522; Ewa Lichnerowicz 68t; Vicki Elliott 224; Sinéad Hanrahan 377; Desmond O'Flynn and Joanna Bennett 277; Ann Chesterton and Catherine Roberts 37b; Niamh Madigan 270; Dara Desmond 280; Lisa O'Grady, Ciara Cady, and Aoife O'Grady 48t (in memory of PJ O'Grady); Edwin Macadam 492; Brenda Harvey 39t; Joanna Bennett and Katie Ahern 475; Nick Hall 455; Sarah West 445; George Simms 569t; Rachel Jordan 546; Derek Buckland 128; Sheila Girling Macadam 288; Nigel Bowley 47b; Sophie Sawicka-Sykes 425; Iain Paxon and

Eleanor Callaghan 209; Rosalind Woods 499 (in memory of Susan Carr). Katie Ahern made closing announcements, during which she thanked all those involved in organizing the day, and gave special thanks to the singers who had travelled for the singing. Niamh O'Sullivan gave the Secretary's report and stated that ninety-three songs had been sung by sixty-seven registered singers and forty-four leaders. Four countries were represented (Ireland, England, Germany and the USA.). Amanda Parkes gave the Treasurer's report, stating that all expenses had been met. Colleen Jones offered the closing prayer. Katie Ahern led 472 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Katie Ahern; Vice Chairman—Ross Harbison; Secretary—Niamh O'Sullivan

FINSTERWALDE SINGING SCHOOL
Die Arche, Evangelische Kirchengemeinde Finsterwalde
Brandenburg, Germany
Saturday, August 25, 2018

On the occasion of the Finsterwalde Singers Festival, a singing school and half-day singing took place at The Ark on the grounds of the Protestant church congregation in Finsterwalde. Marco Wessnigk called the class to order leading 37b. He introduced the history and origins of shape note singing, then discussed early psalmody and lining out. Graham DeZarn led 49t. The historical overview continued with discussion of New England singing schools and fusing tunes. Caro Stamm-Reusch led 107. It was explained that several Sacred Harp tunes have their origins in secular and popular ballads. Christopher Schuller led 159. After recounting the way in which these tunes were pushed aside in favor of a more conventional style of harmony under Lowell Mason, Marco Wessnigk led 147b. He explained that today, shape note singing is a living tradition, and led 56b. Evelyn Saylor led the "Finsterwalde Sangerlied", the city hymn of Finsterwalde, in an arrangement by her and Marco Wessnigk. Cheri Neilson conducted a singing school, explaining the basic mechanics of shape-note singing and leading 45t and 39t.

RECESS

The class then moved to a regular singing session. Leaders: Marco Wessnigk 30b; Ellen Kennedy 42; Emma Rock 29t; Cheri Neilson 207; Ulrike Tietjen 36t; Harald Grundner 201; David Marnuse 87; Marco Wessnigk 101b; Graham DeZarn 76b; Caro Stamm-Reusch 276; Hans Gnendinger 497; Franziska Opp 106; Laura Eisen 65; Melanie Tonnies 457; Christopher Schuller 73t; Evelyn Saylor 114.

RECESS

Caro Stamm-Reusch called the class back to order leading 335. Leaders: Bianca Geburek 210; Ellen Kennedy 123t; Emma Rock 216; Ulrike Tietjen 282; Cheri Neilson 203; Harald Grundner 70b; Marco Wessnigk 189; David Marnuse 163b; Laura Eisen 480; Hans Gnendinger 162; Graham DeZarn 67 (in honor of the delRe family and their new grandson, Theo); Franziska Opp 38b; Caro Stamm-Reusch 397; Christopher Schuller 506 (in honor of the Evangelische Kirchengemeinde Finsterwalde); Evelyn Saylor 505; Bianca Geburek 47b. Marco Wessnigk led 347 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Marco Wessnigk; Secretary—Christopher Schuller

FLOYD COUNTY SINGING
Savitz's Barn, Floyd, Virginia
Saturday, August 25, 2018

The 2nd Floyd County All-Day Singing was held at Savitz's Barn, Floyd, Virginia.

The class was called to order by Chris Wolf leading 32t. Dan Jaasma offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John delRe 77 (ShH); Skeet Surrency 260t (ShH); Matt Drumheller 448t; Dan Pell 77b; Matt Bell 297 (ShH); Kaleb Delk (ShH); Barb Patterson (ShH); Claudia Egelhoff 260b (ShH); Ateven Snderson 175 (ShH); Xaris Martinez 216; Eleanor Haase 542.

RECESS

Lydia Lewallen called the class back together leading 36b. Leaders: Jim Glaser 229; Dick Patterson 78 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 114 (ShH); Ben Fink 107; John Alexander 317; Matt Roberts 147 (ShH); Megan Holm 373 (ShH); Logan Green 111t; Matt Winter 168; Leslie Booher 163b; Tom Dillon 569b; Kyle Johnston 141; Eli Snyder 125.

RECESS

Claudia Egelhoff called the class back together leading 146. Leaders: Kathy Kaiser 142; Bev Yaeger 424b (ShH); Miriam Delirium 403 (ShH); Matt Drumheller and Steve Drumheller 178; Skeet Surrency 159; Dan Pell 264t (ShH).

The memorial lesson was conducted by Thomas Mann. He led 266 (ShH) with Hannah Mann and Chris Wolf for the sick, shut-in and suffering. They led 22b (ShH) in memory of those deceased within the last year. Chris Wolf closed the memorial lesson asking that all the songs of the day serve as prayers for the people named.

Leaders: Dan Jaasma 277; Matt Bell 468; John delRe 70t (ShH); Kaleb Delk 140b (ShH). Dan Jaasma asked a blessing before the meal.

LUNCH

Eli Snyder called the class back together leading 305 (ShH). Leaders: Barb Patterson 340b (ShH); Claudia Egelhoff 364b (ShH); Xaris Martinez 187 (ShH); Ateven Snderson 370 (ShH); Eleanor Haase 352; Jim Glaser 127 (ShH); Dick Patterson 366 (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 383; Ben Fink 260; Diane Ober and John Alexander 438t (ShH); Megan Holm 270 (ShH); Logan Green 227; Matt Winter 362; John Alexander 5t (ShH); Matt Roberts 105 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 528; Eli Snyder 218t (ShH); Kathy Kaiser 102; Tom Dillon 446.

RECESS

Jim Glaser called the class back together leading 1b (ShH). Leaders: Bev Yaeger 310 (ShH); Chris Wolf 420t (ShH); Miriam Delirium 171 (ShH); Megan Holm, Ben Fink, and Lucy Slusher 99; Logan Green, Caroline Green, Matt Bell, and Xaris Martinez 306; Lydia Lewallen, Barb Patterson, and Claudia Egelhoff 221 (ShH); Matt Winter, Matt Drumheller, and Michael Archer 455; Diane Ober and John Alexander 413 (ShH); Dan Pell 381; Dick Patterson 12b (ShH); Eleanor Haase 125 (ShH); Miriam Delirium 264b (ShH); Leslie Booher 13t (ShH); Kathy Kaiser 131t; Eli Snyder 309 (ShH); Bev Yaeger 192; Floyd county singers 432t (ShH).

Announcements were made. Chris Wolf led 404t (ShH), and Dan Jaasma offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Chris Wolf; Vice Chairman—Roxanne Greenberg; Secretaries—Amie Slate, Xaris Martinez, and Eli Snyder

MORTON SINGING

Tiller Arts Center, Morton, Washington

Saturday, August 25, 2018

The 4th annual Morton All-Day Singing was held at the Tiller Arts Center, Morton, Washington, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. Alexandra Maymi and Susan Fortin called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. and led 87. Vicki Westerberg offered the morning prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman—Kate Fortin; Chaplain—Vicki Westerberg; Treasurer—Marty Fortin; Secretaries—Alexandra Maymi and Yosef Trachtenberg; Arranging Person—Clarissa Fetrow. Leaders: Vicki Westerberg 50b; Alexandra Maymi 127; Yosef Trachtenberg 503; Kevin Barrans 40; Sadhbh O'Flynn 33b; David Wright 484; Kate Fine 400; Molly Staley 63; Peter Schinske 350; Laura McMurray 101b; Cornelia Stanton 171; Thom Fahrback 402; Marla Elliott 53; Rodman Campbell 284.

RECESS

Tom McTighe brought the class back together by leading 278t. Leaders: Bob Schinske 329; Shoya Iitsuka and Sadhbh O'Flynn 472; Miranda Elliott-Rader 436; John Berendzen 141; Linda Berkemeier 124; Marty Fortin and Kate Fortin 68b; Betsy Jeronen 560; Anne Huckins 274t (for Marilyn Murata); Julius Pasay 111b; Erik Schwab 378t; Marie Brandis 172; Nancy Novotny 196; Fred Kraai 448b.

RECESS

Peter Schinske brought the class back together by leading 162. Leaders: Linda Berkemeier 70t; Yosef Trachtenberg 567; Clarissa Fetrow 564; Cornelia Stanton 150; Erik Schwab 386; Alexandra Maymi 280; Marla Elliot and Miranda Elliot-Rader 547; Julius Pasay 129; Kevin Barrans 111t; Kate Fine 154; Laura McMurray 32b; Bob Schinske 428; Anne Huckins 475; Thom Fahrback 234; Nancy Novotny 500; Ben Cocchiario 212; Kate Fortin 39t. Vicki Westerberg offered a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Rodman Campbell brought the class back together by leading 95. Leaders: Fred Kraai 138b; Melissa Stephenson 361; Jean Squires and Miranda Elliott-Rader 300; Kate Coxon 430; Tom McTighe 442; David Wright 392; Marie Brandis 352; Sadhbh O'Flynn 573; John Berendzen 88t; Betsy Jeronen 534; Ben Cocchiario 182; Clarissa Fetrow 220; Kate Coxon 568; Peter Schinske 492; Nancy Novotny 511; Alexandra Maymi 515; Bob Schinske 68t; Erik Schwab 453; Marla Elliott 236; Thom Fahrback 125; Kate Fine 49b (for Rodney Willard and the Willard family); Anne Huckins 344; Julius Pasay 187; Cornelia Stanton 454.

RECESS

Yosef Trachtenberg brought the class back together by leading 47t. Leaders: Ben Cocchiario and Clarissa Fetrow 327; Kevin Barrans 354t; Laura McMurray 512; Sadhbh O'Flynn 142; David Wright 460; Marie Brandis 112; Betsy Jeronen 494; Shoya Iitsuka 282; John Berendzen 406; Kate Coxon 318; Linda Berkemeier 56t (in memory of Steve Helwig); Rodman Campbell 302; Tom McTighe 365.

Kate Fortin resumed the business meeting; took a survey on behalf of the Tiller Arts Center and took reports. The Resolutions Committee thanked the officers, keyers, cooks, and travelers and resolved to meet next year on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. Kate Fortin closed the business meeting. Announcements were made.

Kate Fortin led 347 as the closing song. Vicki Westerberg offered the closing blessing, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kate Fortin; Secretaries—Alexandra Maymi and Yosef Trachtenberg

PALO ALTO SINGING

Unitarian Universalist Church, Palo Alto, California

Saturday, August 25, 2018

The 7th annual Palo Alto All-Day Singing was held at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Terry Moore leading 59. Phil Jensen offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jeannette Ralston; Vice Chairman—Mark Godfrey; Secretary—Sue Lindner; Arranging Officer—Dan Harper; Treasurer—Gerardo Flores; Chaplain—Phil Jensen. The business meeting was concluded, and Jeannette Ralston led 154.

Leaders: Dan Harper 29t; Paul Kostka 34b; Gerardo Flores 40; Sue Lindner 65; Mark Godfrey 36b; Aisha Morgan 87; Phil Jensen 313b; Bob Brylawski 122; Leigh Cooper and Leon Godfrey 107; Lena Strayhorn 203; Greg Freed 371; Dave Barber 105; Bob Jost 535; Joel Chan 108b; Leah Coffin 133; Marsha Genensky 86.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Edward Rice leading 82b. Leaders: Thomson Yeh 48b; Ellen Lueck 30t; Pat Coghlan 492; Carolyn Schuk 479; Janet Herman 171; Gerardo Flores 45t; Arieta Santinelli 369; Jeff Begley 121; Rebecca Edwards 534; Cathy Sillavo 455; Gary Breitbard 37b; Paul Robinson 497; Maggie Zhou 76b; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 432.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Leigh Cooper leading 32t. Leaders: Edward Rice 528; Steven Short 117; Linda Selph 112; Inder Khalsa 430; Rob Katz 155; Dan Harper 236; Sue Lindner 217; Mark Godfrey 411; Phil Jensen 192; Marsha Genensky and Kelly Savage 178; Janet Herman 500 (in honor of Betty Herman); Greg Freed 452; Linda Selph 68b; Joel Chan 132; Paul Robinson 250; Paul Kostka 198. Phil Jensen offered the prayer for the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Dave Barber leading 337. Leaders: Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 187; Jeff Begley 399b; Gary Breitbard 142; Leigh Cooper 542; Terry Moore 218; Edward Rice 299; Rebecca Edwards 440; Dave Barber 383; Arnold Zwicky 344; Thomson Yeh 159; Inder Khalsa 131t; Pat Coghlan 214 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Cathy Sillavo and Rob Katz 532; Rob Katz 268; Peter Ross 163b (in memory of Marian Bush); Lena Strayhorn 56b (in honor of her grandmother); Bob Brylawski 81t; Jeannette Ralston 224; Mischa Skeeter 372; Leah Coffin 397; Arnold Zwicky 99; Carolyn Schuk 126; Anne Caswell 77t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Leah Coffin leading 31t. Leaders: Paul Kostka, Paul Robinson, and Dan Harper 504; Inder Khalsa and Rebecca Edwards 165; Gary Breitbard and Arnold Zwicky 181; Peter Ross and Bob Brylawski 254; Mark Godfrey and Joel Chan 319; Leigh Cooper and Lena Strayhorn 228; Mischa Skeeter and Jeff Begley 195; Dave Barber and Greg Freed 384; Phil Jensen and Terry Moore 193; Edward Rice and Thomson Yeh 501; Jeannette Ralston and Janet Herman 485; Marsha Genensky and Sue Lindner 475.

A business meeting was held. The Treasurer reported that expenses were met. The Secretary and Arranging Officer reported that at least forty-eight singers attended (from California, Massachusetts, and New York), and eighty-seven songs were led by forty-one leaders. The Resolutions Committee (Peter Ross and Jeff Begley) offered thanks to all who made the singing possible, and resolved to convene again next year. Announcements were made.

Jeannette Ralston and Mark Godfrey led 347 as the closing song. Phil Jensen offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jeannette Ralston; Vice Chairman—Mark Godfrey; Secretary—Sue Lindner

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CONVENTION

Pine Grove Church, Collinsville, Alabama

August 25-26, 2018

Saturday, August 25

The 115th annual session of the Lookout Mountain Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Pine Grove Church on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in August. The class was called to order by Paula Oliver leading 32t. David Hufstetler offered the opening prayer. Scot Oliver led 82t, and Wayne Reed extended a warm welcome to the class.

Leaders: Rodney Ivey 42; Judy Caudle 421; Jim Aaron 47b; Henry Johnson 231; Ben Shirley 115; David Ivey 171; David Hufstetler 68b; Mary Wright 328; Ron Harper 203; Jerusha Wheeler 208; Mike Likos 159; Janice Paulk 154; Loyd Ivey 426b; Nate Green and Norma Green 283; Samuel Williams 456; Lomax Ballinger and Linton Ballinger 314.

RECESS

Scot Oliver led 145b to bring the class back to order. A business session was held and the following officers and committee members were retained to serve: Chairman—Scot Oliver; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner, Shane Wootten, and David Ivey; Memorial Committee—Linda Thomas and Adrian Eldridge; Finance Committee—Rodney Ivey and Eric Blanks.

Leaders: Buell Cobb 308; J.L. Hopper 534; Winfred Kerr 483; Daniel Lee 474; Pat Temple 373; Jonathon Smith 430; Daniel Williams 36t; Isaac Green 395; Susan Cherones 349; Alex Makris 157; Adrian Eldridge 131t; Paula Oliver 500; Bea Aaron 475; Lisa Bennett 540.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Cindy Tanner leading 155. Leaders: Nathan Rees 205; Beth Branscome 344; Michael Thompson 73t; Reba Windom 192; Jane Cannon 151; Scott DePoy 67; Katherine Eldridge 431; Louis Hughes 448t; Blake Sisemore 290; Shane Wootten 425; Linda Thomas 36b; Jeannette DePoy 375; Elene Stovall 142; Richard Mauldin 446; Brenda Dunlap 34t. Henry Johnson asked a blessing before the noon meal at the table.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Rodney Ivey leading 345b. Leaders: Ed Thacker 269; David Smead 333; Layla Slaughter 354b; Ryan Nash 340; Alex Forsyth 56t; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 111b, 411; Hubert Nall 313t; Joyce Whittington and Mary Ruth Stiefel 40, 75; Hayden Arp 103; Calum Woods 460; Phil Summerlin 97; Alanna Blanks, Arleigh Beard, and Sheryl Beard 405; Larry Brasher and Louise Brasher 513; Daniel Bearden 109; Richard Ivey 76b; Chris Ryan and Hannah Underwood 186, 213t; Cheyenne Ivey 176b; Judy Caudle 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Cindy Tanner and Rodney Ivey 270.

Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 45b as the closing song. Shane Wootten dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, August 26

The Sunday session of the Lookout Mountain Convention began with Rodney Ivey and Scot Oliver leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Loyd Ivey. Scot Oliver welcomed the class, and Scot and Rodney Ivey led 403.

Leaders: Judy Caudle 389; Daniel Lee 101b; David Hufstetler 277; Ed Thacker 291; Nate Green and Norma Green 569t; Winfred Kerr 548; Katherine Eldridge 367; Delone Cobbs 503; Boyd Scott 358; Gail Doss 163b; Mary Wright 477; Eli Hinton 186; Mary Ruth Stiefel and Joyce Whittington 36b; Isaac Green and Scott Ivey 400;

Alex Makris and Renae Makris 335; Adrian Eldridge 279; Ben Shirley 175.

RECESS

Rodney Ivey and Alex Forsyth led 145t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 222; Ryan Nash and Beth Anne Clay 196, 457; Jonathon Smith 419; Susan Cherones 56b; Pat Temple 33t; Denney Rogers and Karen Rollins 153, 345t; Loretta Whitman 129; Anna Hinton 383; Earl Ballinger 283; Henry Johnson 82b; Jeannette DePoy 385b; Mark Carroll 30b; Paula Oliver 564; Charles Stiefel 47b.

RECESS

Blake Sisemore led 101t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Scott Ivey and Alex Makris 84; Brenda Dunlap 58.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Linda Thomas spoke and read the following list of names of the deceased: Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Arthur Gilmore, Glenda Hopper, Verlon Stiefel, Sue Wills, Daphene Causey, Mike Jones, Willodean Barton, Wade Higginbotham, Doug Conn, Gene Wootten, and Everett Dailey—Alabama; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Louise Holland, Daniel Evans, and Thomas Sanders—Georgia; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Richard Dunlap—Colorado; Aline Summerlin—Tennessee; Ellie Revill, Tina Mingo, and Mel Marshall—Connecticut. Linda and Adrian led 475 in their memory.

Adrian Eldridge spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins. Linda read the following list of names: Tim Gregg, Don Bowen, Mary Guthery, Ruth Daniel, Velton Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Jewel Wootten, Norma Mincey, Charlene Wallace, Chris Holley, Margaret Thacker, and Eugene Forbes. They led 418 in honor of the sick and shut-ins. Adrian closed the memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 348b (in memory of Verlon Stiefel); Shane Wootten, Leah Angle, and Jasper Angle 59; Matt Hinton 73t; Calum Woods 113; Nathan Rees 89; Larry Ballinger 157; Erica Hinton and Lottie Hinton 187; Jane Cannon and Calum Woods 181.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Paula Oliver leading 42. Leaders: Jackie Tanner 172; Loyd Ivey 426t (in memory of Bud Oliver); Betty Shepherd and David Ivey 216; Alex Forsyth 445; Linda Thomas 546 (in memory of Doug Conn); Richard Ivey 217; Elene Stovall 189; Beth Wallace 442; Reba Windom 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); David Light 436; Alanna Blanks, Eric Blanks, Arleigh Beard, and Bryant Beard 551; Blake Sisemore 567; John Stiefel 76b; David Ivey and Earl Ballinger 345b (in memory of S.T. Reed); Calum Woods 138t; Brenda Dunlap 197; Ben Shirley 300; Pat Temple 473; Adrian Eldridge 285t; Mary Wright 312b; Jane Cannon 382; Katherine Eldridge 351; Alex Makris 119; David Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 384 (for Coy Ivey); Rodney Ivey 77t (in memory of Jerry Enright).

Announcements were made. Scot Oliver and Rodney Ivey led 146 as the closing song. Blake Sisemore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Scot Oliver; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Judy Caudle

MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION

Antioch Primitive Baptist Church, Forest, Mississippi

August 25-26, 2018

Saturday, August 25

The 88th session of the Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by Mark Davis leading 100. Arlon Gardner offered the opening prayer. Mark Davis welcomed everyone to the convention, and thanked Alfred Bailey and Antioch Primitive Baptist Church for hosting the convention.

Leaders: Mark Davis 35; Darlene Reynolds 484 (CB), 454; Arlon Gardner 278t, 481; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 495, 181, 57, 85; Dennis Cranford 229, 129; Henry McGuire 503 (WB), 509 (CH); Susan Dickey 470 (CH), 507 (CH); Stephen Huffman 155, 500; Jamira Jackson 455, 168. Mark Davis appointed Hugh McGuire and Henry McGuire to the Business and Credentials Committee.

RECESS

Warren Steel called the class back to order leading 392 and 264 (WB). Leaders: Scott Sexton and Katelyn Kyser 159, 299; Lisa Geist 472, 528; John Hollingsworth 236; Robert Vaughn 45t, 68b; Wilma Mitchell 39t, 480; Mary Huffman 442, 86; Nicholas Thompson 317, 200; Amber Davis 192, 391. Robert Vaughn offered the prayer to bless the food.

LUNCH

Mark Davis brought the class back together by leading 212. Leaders: Hugh McGuire 455b (CH), 256t (CH); Nancy Van Den Akker and Daron Douglas 84, 208; Howe Pearson, Paris Achenbach, and Ben Fox 505, 288; Henry McGuire and Hugh McGuire 505 (CB), 85t (CB) (for Esther Mann); Mark Davis 201 (CH) (for Bobby Caldwell), 117 (CH) (for the people of Antioch Primitive Baptist Church); Chris Nicholson 293b (CB), 95t (CB); Warren Steel 358; Nanette Olivier 227, 300; Christine Murphy 468, 163b.

A business meeting was held for the election of officers as follows: President—Mark Davis; Vice President—John Van Horn; Secretary—Darlene Reynolds; Chaplain—Arlon Gardner. Mark Davis led 198.

RECESS

Leaders: Stephen Huffman 172 (CH); Robert Vaughn 516 (CB); Amber Davis 189 (CH); Nicholas Thompson 203 (CH); Lisa Geist 559 (CB); Jamira Jackson and Nicholas Thompson 196; Chris Nicholson 64 (CH); Hugh McGuire 82t (CH). Announcements were made.

Mark Davis, Hugh McGuire, and Henry McGuire led the Drone as the closing song. Arlon Gardner offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, August 26

The Sunday Session of the Mississippi State Convention was called to order by Mark Davis leading 313t. He welcomed everyone to the convention. Arlon Gardner opened the service with prayer. Mark Davis appointed Nicholas Thompson and Jane Armstrong to the Memorial Committee.

Leaders: Mark Davis 361; Darlene Reynolds, Hugh McGuire, and Henry McGuire 511 (WB) (in memory of Hugh Bill McGuire); Darlene Reynolds 142 (CH); Arlon Gardner 313b, 324; Lisa Geist 269, 137 (CB); Jane Armstrong 105, 318; Nicholas Thompson 110 (CH), 439; Will McGuire 181, 374 (WB); Bentley Rose 282; Bentley Rose and Nicholas Thompson 188 (CH); Gordon Bigelow 191, 38b; Chris Nicholson 264t (CB), 264b (CH).

RECESS

Mark Davis brought the class back together by leading 121. Leaders: Jamira Jackson 344, 518 (CB); Charles Hughes 384, 345b; Peth Gardner and Arlon Gardner 500, 30t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Nicholas Thompson and Jane Armstrong. Nicholas read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Velton Chafin, Ruth Daniels, John Van Horn, Alice McGuire, Roy Davis, Curtis Owen, and Ozella Blackmon. They led 37b.

They led 544 in memory of the following deceased: Glenda Hopper, Daphne Causey, Lily Hopper, Johnnie Chafin, and Willodean Barton—Alabama; T.J. Funderburk—Arkansas; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Edith Owen—Texas. Arlon Gardner closed the memorial lesson

with prayer.

Leaders: Amber Davis 142, 234; Hugh McGuire 82t, 319. Mark Davis offered the prayer to bless the food.

LUNCH

Leaders: Mark Davis 28b; Henry McGuire 196 (WB), 543t (WB); Wilma Mitchell and Esther Mann 204t (CH), 569b; Regina Derstine and Todd Derstine 98 (CB), 138t (CB), 58; Ari Eisenberg 112, 120; Hugh McGuire 40, 147t, 320; Amber Davis 396; Chris Nicholson 347; Nicholas Thompson 168; Lisa Geist 304.

The Business and Credentials Committee gave the financial report. The collections and disbursements were itemized and approved. The business meeting was closed. Nicholas Thompson and Charlie McGuire led 216. Announcements were made. Mark Davis, Hugh McGuire, and Henry McGuire led the Drone. The closing prayer was offered by Arlon Gardner.

President—Mark Davis; Vice President—John Van Horn; Secretary—Darlene Reynolds

MARIAN BUSH MEMORIAL SINGING **Unitarian Universalist Church, Palo Alto, California** **Sunday, August 26, 2018**

The first Marian Bush Memorial Singing was held at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto, Palo Alto, California, on the fourth Sunday in August. The class was called to order by Paul Kostka leading 34b.

Leaders: Mark Godfrey 37b; Pat Coghlan 70t (in memory of Rodney Willard and U.S. Senator John McCain); Anne Caswell 38t; Dan Harper 29t; Ruby Miller 210; Lena Strayhorn 506; Leigh Cooper 39t; Barbara Chopin 178; Arnold Zwicky 63; Ananda Triulzi 47b; Jeannette Ralston 31t; Paul Kostka 47t; Mark Godfrey 436.

A business meeting was held, and the class resolved to name the half-day singing in memory of Marian Bush.

Leaders: Pat Coghlan 391; Anne Caswell 71; Dan Harper 155; Gerardo Flores 268; Lena Strayhorn 472; Barbara Chopin 474; Arnold Zwicky 497; Ananda Triulzi 87; Jeannette Ralston 312b; Anne Caswell 457; Leigh Cooper 456; Pat Coghlan 510; Mark Godfrey 84; Terry Moore 193.

RECESS

Gerardo Flores called the class back to order leading 142. Leaders: Lena Strayhorn 122; Leigh Cooper 182; Barbara Chopin 313b; Arnold Zwicky 410t; Jeannette Ralston 290; Anne Caswell 540; Mark Godfrey 112; Pat Coghlan 91; Dan Harper 113; Terry Moore 287; Lena Strayhorn 106; Leigh Cooper 283; Barbara Chopin 496; Arnold Zwicky 40; Terry Moore 68b; Jeannette Ralston 145b; Mark Godfrey 145t; Pat Coghlan 350; Dan Harper 479; Gerardo Flores 300; Lena Strayhorn 27; Leigh Cooper 543; Barbara Chopin 86.

Jeannette Ralston 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. Jeannette Ralston led 347 as the closing song. Dan Harper offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jeannette Ralston; Vice Chairman—Terry Moore; Secretary—Leigh Cooper

MAIDENCREEK SINGING **Leesport, Pennsylvania** **Saturday, September 1, 2018**

The 23rd annual Maiden Creek All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before Labor

Day at the Maiden Creek Friends Meeting House. Sasha Hsuczyk called the class to order by leading 60. Ruth Wampler offered the morning prayer. A business meeting was conducted and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Tom Tucker; Treasurer—Greg Law; Secretary—Ruth Wampler. Tom Tucker welcomed everyone and made opening remarks.

Leaders: Joel Bassett 75; Hollie Long 46; Krista Guerrieri 29t; Rachel Hall 482; Doron Henkin 439; Nancy Tkacs 191; Joyce Forry 354b; Guy Bankes 481; Dann Pell 33t; Harry Scott 168; Kathy Carluzzo 270; Theresa Rodriguez 290; Elizabeth Patton 229; Anna Melton 35; Laura Densmore 282 (for Steve Hoyt); Ruth Wampler 394 (in memory of Oliver Kindig-Stokes).

RECESS

Leon Pulsinella called the class back to order by leading 324. Leaders: Jeff Shenk 288; Lorah Hopkins 320; Tom Stokes 340; Katy Hunter 546; Lamar Matthew 156 (for Lynne Hoyt); Katie White 547; Claire Simon 472; Jess Hayden 117; Gina Balestracci 344; Scott Robinson 378t; Greg Law 312b; Dennis Leipold 300; Gary Ryan 29b; Roland Hutchinson 245.

RECESS

Dan Hunter led 389 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Fred Steinruck 551; Susan Bingham 311; Jasmine Mendoza 319; Ateven Snderson 455.

Alex Forsyth led 138b in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Steve Hoyt, Lynne Hoyt, Judy Clum, David Shipe, Chris Densmore, Darryl Horst, Corrone Bryant, and Ruthanne Bryant.

Ina Shea shared memories and gave a tribute to Michael Kaye.

Lamar Matthew conducted the memorial lesson, and led 111b in memory of the following deceased: Mabel Banks, Carol Sanders, David Armour, Clifford Steinruck, Tony Farris, Sam Slothour, and Aspen Wampler—Pennsylvania; Daphne Causey, Glenda Hopper, and Lily Hopper—Alabama; Barbara Willard—Arizona; Donna Andrews, Theodore Knox, Jim VanWinkle, Barbara Greenspan, and Lou Curtis—California; Stacey Phillips—Connecticut; Louise Holland and Cherry Hodges Casey—Georgia; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Marjorie Forbush Scott—Maryland; Gary Ryan, Sr.—Mississippi; Stanley Subhan—New Jersey; Mark Powers—New Mexico; Michael Kaye and Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Edith Owen—Texas; Julie Veá—Wisconsin; Susan Carr—United Kingdom.

Leaders: Kevin Griffin Moreno 189; Ben Fink 457; Sara Lott 272; Jonathan Een Newton 106; Ryan Nash 128; Stefani Priskos 384; Corinne Ducey 532; Alice Beattie 454. Don Jantzi asked the blessing over the food before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Kevin Griffin Moreno leading 30b. Leaders: Jesse C. Polhemus 564; Gerry Hoffman 315; G.C. Waldrep 269; Jon Giles 511; Charles Biada 302; Sam Kleinman 522; Sarah Trumbore 428; David Wright 432; Hayden Arp 434; Calum Woods 283; Shelby Castillo 392; Justin Bowen 187; Blake Sisemore 411; Marilyn Murata 274t; Laura Hodges 375; Travis Peek 277; Nicholas Thompson 304; Mike Richards 216; Tom George 475; Gerald Clark 55.

RECESS

Rachel Hall and Ted Stokes called the class to order by leading 314. Ted Stokes led the German lesson with remarks about “Gable”. Roland Hutchinson reviewed the pronunciation prior to the class singing the song.

Leaders: Leon Pulsinella 284; Miriam Delirium 285t; Carol Huang 196; Robin Banerji 201; Gwen Gethner 74t; Maria Cramer 448b; Nancy Mandel 539; Jason Steidl 28t; Linnea Clark 146; Max Grafe 504; Charles Krugger 276; Peter Pate 163b; Brian How 334; Merv Horst 34t; Mary Ann Daly 181; Barbara Swetman 129; Justin

Bowen, Shelby Castillo, Alex Forsyth, Nicholas Thompson, Tom George, Sarah Trumbore, Blake Sisemore, Hayden Arp, and Travis Peek 445; Marilyn Murata and David Wright 76b; Calum Woods 48t.

Resolutions were given by Harry Scott, followed by announcements. The Secretary reported that eighty-two leaders from fourteen states and the United Kingdom led ninety-one songs and one hundred-seven people were registered. Tom Tucker, Ruth Wampler, and Greg Law led 62 as the closing song. Don Jantzi offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Tucker; Secretary—Ruth Wampler

THE GEORGIAN HARMONY SINGING

Roberta Civic Center, Roberta, Georgia

Saturday, September 1, 2018

The 8th annual session of *The Georgian Harmony Singing* was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in September at the Roberta Civic Center. Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 56. Jesse Roberts offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bill Hollingsworth 4; Jesse Roberts 12, 126; Michael Spencer 43, 208; Oscar McGuire 9, 49; Helen Bryson 8, 42; Martha Harrell 54, 228; Rosemund Watson 25, 198; Bill Hollingsworth 72, 81.

RECESS

Oscar McGuire brought the class to order leading 107. Leaders: Jesse Roberts 13; Michael Spencer 233; Helen Bryson 108; Oscar McGuire 19, 144; Martha Harrell 109, 95; Rosemund Watson 22, 33.

LUNCH

Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 179 and 200. Leaders: Jesse Roberts 105, 82; Michael Spencer 87, 14; Oscar McGuire 26; Helen Bryson 50; Martha Harrell 15, 252; Bill Hollingsworth 99; Jesse Roberts 3; Michael Spencer 138; Oscar McGuire and Martha Harrell 152; Oscar McGuire 153.

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 255 as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Bill Hollingsworth; Secretary—Helen Bryson

CLEAR CREEK WEST CONVENTION

AND MULBERRY RIVER CONVENTION

Johnson Schoolhouse, Fayette County, Alabama

Sunday, September 2, 2018

The 131st session of the Clear Creek West Convention and the 114th session of the Mulberry River Convention met at Johnson Schoolhouse, Fayette County, Alabama, on the first Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Danny Creel leading 47t. Hubert Nall offered the opening prayer. Danny Creel led 283.

A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected to serve:

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Allison Davis.

Leaders: Danny Creel 215; Hubert Nall 421, 155, 448b; Richard Mauldin 168, 63, 133; Chris Ballinger 146, 147t, 344; Gresham Davis 96, 36b, 37b; Larry Ballinger 56t, 57; Earl Ballinger 204, 439, 179.

RECESS

Danny Creel led 176b to bring the class together. Leaders: Betty Baccus 285t, 312t; Julie Poston 89, 290, 166; Loretta Whitman 81t, 343, 399b; Ernestine Parker 460, 171; Louise Yeager 569b; Linda Sides 225t, 530 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Ann Jett 546, 172; Allison Davis 436; Wanda Capps 298, 299, 144; Margaret Keeton 222, 422, 568; Elene Stovall 432, 426b, 446.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 389. Leaders: Margaret Keeton 107; Wanda Capps 142; Allison Davis 441; Linda Sides 319; Earl Ballinger 167; Julie Poston 275b; Betty Baccus 129; Loretta Whitman 101t; Louise Yeager 480; Gresham Davis 128; Larry Ballinger 113; Chris Ballinger 512; Richard Mauldin 551; Hubert Nall 287; Elene Stovall 39b (in honor of Don Bowen). Announcements were made.

Danny Creel led 39t as the closing song. Richard Mauldin offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Allison Davis

FOX VALLEY FOLK FESTIVAL SINGING

Island Park, Geneva, Illinois

Sunday, September 2, 2018

The Fox Valley Folk Festival Singing was held on Sunday before Labor Day at Island Park in Geneva, Illinois, as part of the 42nd annual Fox Valley Folk Festival.

The morning session was scheduled for 11:00 a.m. but started late with only four singers and no secretary. More singers gradually joined, but we stopped at 11:45 a.m. to let the next scheduled group have the singing space.

LUNCH

For the afternoon session, Jim Helke called the class to order at 12:45 p.m., and led 45t. Leaders: Matthew Siefert 63; Bob Borcharding 155; Anne Missavage 28b; Eileen Ferguson 36b; Debbie Barford 178; Sue Kessel 268; Dave Barford 37b; Kris Richardson 195; Jim Helke 86; Hugh Miller 38b; Kenan Serenbetz 33b; Ted Mercer 299; Matthew Siefert 29t; Pamela Iten 393; Bob Borcharding 569b; Debbie Barford 547; Larry Hale 479; Debbie Kanfer 72b; Brittany Siefert 354b; Eileen Ferguson 344. Hugh Miller led 209 to close the singing at 2:00 p.m.

Chairman—Jim Helke; Secretaries—Bob Borcharding and Eileen Ferguson

HAYNES CREEK SINGING

Haynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Loganville, Georgia

Sunday, September 2, 2018

The annual singing held at Haynes Creek Primitive Baptist Church was called to order by John Plunkett leading 52t. Wayne Watson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 435; Helen Bryson 72t, 77b; Martha Harrell 34b, 77t; Wayne Watson 225t; Kelsey Ivey and Everett Ivey 317, 153; Jesse Karlsberg 417, 310; Russ Hanson 82t, 112; Susan Pierson 143, 354b; Robert Kelley 291, 151.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 101t. Leaders: Lauren Bock 569t, 466; Oscar McGuire 171, 441; Rosemund Watson 94, 147t; Richard Ivey 313t, 311; Carol Hanson 155, 49b; Michael Spencer 289, 370; Tom Hanson 515, 299; Mary Brownlee 535, 287.

LUNCH

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 345b. Leaders: Sandra Wilkinson 473, 489; Malinda Snow 540, 556; Helen Bryson 178; Martha Harrell 47b; Kelsey Ivey and Everett Ivey 142; Jesse Karlsberg 486; Debora Grosse 344; Tom Hanson 36b; Michael Spencer 521; Carol Hanson 68b; Robert Kelley 481; Lauren Bock 425; Russ Hanson 122; Oscar McGuire 149; Mary Brownlee 183; Richard Ivey 182; Sandra Wilkinson 177; Malinda Snow 496; Debora Grosse 266, 270; John Plunkett 119, 45t (by request).

Announcements were made. Rosemund Watson led 347 as the closing song. Richard Ivey offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Helen Bryson

SHILOH-LITTLE VINE SINGING

Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, Tallapoosa, Georgia

Sunday, September 2, 2018

On the first Sunday in September, the annual Shiloh-Little Vine Sacred Harp singing was held at Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church south of Tallapoosa, Haralson County, Georgia. Cecil Roberts called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. by leading 60. Daniel Williams offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 82t; Nathan Rees 274t, 70t; Donna Bell 426b, 82b; Judy Chambless 530, 66; Glenda Collins 100, 101t; Joyce Lambert 82t (in memory of her mother, Katherine Benefield), 56t (in memory of her daddy, Elder Homer Benefield); Samuel Williams 475, 68t; Bert Collins 340, 63; Esther Williams 175, 230; Robby Rivers and Richard DeLong 480, 373.

RECESS

Nathan Rees brought the class back to order leading 57. Leaders: Winfred Kerr 89, 40; Gary Davis 426t, 565; Robert Chambless 225t, 75; Daniel Williams 472, 216; Jack Nelson 157, 147b; Richard DeLong 57, 214; Marilyn Bradley 34t, 58.

Judy Chambless conducted the memorial lesson. She shared some of her personal experiences with those named on the sick and shut-ins list, remarking that each have a positive outlook on life despite their circumstances. The sick and shut-ins honored were Ruth Daniel, Karen Rollins, and Virginia Dyer. Julia Laverack was remembered on the deceased list. Judy Chambless led 389 for both the sick and shut-ins and the deceased. Robert Chambless closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Nathan Rees; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless.

Leaders: Richard DeLong 294 (in honor of Mildred Patterson, who recently celebrated her 90th birthday), 358. Jack Nelson offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts called the class back to order leading 163b. Leaders: Esther Williams 159; Nathan Rees 52b; Samuel Williams 142; Glenda Collins 45t; Marilyn Bradley 81t; Winfred Kerr 28t; Richard DeLong 67; Jack Nelson 187; Robby Rivers and Richard DeLong 212; Daniel Williams 145t; Donna Bell 289; Bert Collins 35; Judy Chambless 82b.

Announcements were made. Cecil Roberts, Nathan Rees, Donna Bell, and Judy Chambless led 62 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Nathan Rees; Secretary—Donna Bell

LABOR DAY SINGING

Shoal Creek Church, Cleburne County, Alabama

Monday, September 3, 2018

The 98th session of the annual Labor Day Singing was held at Shoal Creek Church in Talladega National Forest, Cleburne County, Alabama. The class was called to order by Cecil Roberts leading 30t. Judy Chambless offered the opening prayer.

A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Cecil

Roberts; Vice Chairman—Virginia Dyer; Secretary—Glenda Collins.
Leaders: Cecil Roberts 35; Virginia Dyer 28b, 340; Glenda Collins and Virginia Dyer 454, 282; Bert Collins 335, 542; Judy Chambless 318, 222; Kathryn Elkins 63, 455; Celeste Silva and Molly Silva 209, 117; Caleb Joseph Silva 70b; Isaac Green 329, 422; Canaan Elkins 480, 59; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 112, 274t; Cornelia van den Doel 277, 65; John Plunkett 330b (for Ray and Brenda Rechenberg in memory of their daughter, Elizabeth), 160b.

RECESS

Virginia Dyer called the class to order by leading 314. Leaders: Daniel Williams 522, 328; David Brodeur 179, 287; Wyatt Denney 178, 284; Fallon Dyer 383, 146; Amber Davis 208, 436 (for Ozella Blackmon); Jed Silva and Lori Silva 76t, 133; Karis Askin 276, 547; Samuel Williams 543, 278t; Glenn Pontbriand 155, 162; Tom Booth 39b, 441; Chance Cook 192; David Smead 58, 299; Winfred Kerr 36b, 549.

Ruth McCarty and Sonja Randle from the Shoal Creek Baptist Church Preservation Society addressed the class. They welcomed the class, and thanked the class for donations toward preservation of the church. The class adjourned for lunch, and Tom Booth asked a blessing.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts called the class back to order by leading 76b. Leaders: Jack Nelson 560, 461; Robert Chambless 523, 225t; Lisa Bennett 168, 142; Linda Booth 198 (in memory of Darrell Swarens), 31t; Richard DeLong 123b, 176b; Jerusha Wheeler 348t; Jerusha Wheeler and Lori Silva 191; Andy Ditzler 457 (for Thomas Greig and in memory of Susan Carr), 308; Johnathon Kelso 302, 423; Ann Simpson 47t, 445; Shane Brown 373, 30b; Cornelia van den Doel, Fallon Dyer, and Glenn Pontbriand 370, 269; Amber Davis and Isaac Green 499; Glenn Pontbriand and Lucas Jordan 45t; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Fallon Dyer and Isaac Green 186. Announcements were made.

Cecil Roberts, Judy Chambless, Bert Collins, and Glenda Collins led 46 as the closing song. Daniel Williams offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.
Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—Virginia Dyer; Secretary—Glenda Collins

CAPE MEARES SACRED HARP SINGING

Cape Meares Community Center, Cape Meares, Oregon Saturday, September 8, 2018

The 9th annual Cape Meares All-Day Singing was called to order on Saturday following Labor Day by Betsy Jeronen leading 448b. Karen Willard offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held, and the following officers were elected to serve: Chairman—Betsy Jeronen; Secretary—Cornelia Stanton; Treasurer—Linda Berkemeier. The chairman shared with the class that the singing would be dedicated as a memorial to Steve Helwig.

Leaders: Thom Fahrback 77b; Linda Berkemeier 73b; Cornelia Stanton 565; Jennifer Jones 101t; Hannah Field 59; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Laura McMurray 73t; Peter Schinske 538; Lyle Lindsey 34b; Mark Miller 179; Karen Willard 49b; Gary Plouff 153; Julius Pasay 57; Kathy Vlach 171; Steve Cackley 145t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Nancy Novotny leading 128. Leaders: Kate Coxon 29t; Pat Coughlan 444; Jerilee Henderson and Gillian Inksetter 84; Stephanie Fida 69b; Matthew MacLellan 336; Steve Tarr 277; Jane Cannon 31t; Kate Fine 228; David Schmitt 212; Ana Tighe 411; Gillian Inksetter 430; Bob Schinske 447; Dorothy Robinson 500; Kevin Barrans 185; Marie Brandis 328; Sadhbh O'Flynn

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RECESS

The class was called back to order by Bradley Knoke leading 32t. Leaders: Yosef Trachtenberg 198; Cornelia Stanton 480; Mark Miller 266; Hannah Field 348t; Steve Cackley 543; Chris Martinez 60; Jennifer Jones 208; Julius Pasay 214; Ana Tighe 181; Bob Schinske 317; Steve Tarr 318; Nancy Novotny 377; Kate Fine 532; Marie Brandis 352. Karen Willard offered the prayer before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The first afternoon session was brought to order by Bradley Knoke leading 89. Leaders: Thom Fahrback 312t; Kate Coxon 309; Matthew MacLellan 434; Sadhbh O'Flynn 548; David Schmitt 474; Gillian Inksetter 327; Chris Martinez 434; Stephanie Fida 419; Pat Coughlan 550; Kevin Barrans 106; Jane Cannon 121; Karen Willard 546; Peter Schinske 273; Laura McMurray 204; Gary Plouff 300; Dorothy Robinson 349; Kathy Vlach 545; Betsy Jeronen 564; Linda Berkemeier 490; Mark Miller 368; Ana Tighe 269; Bob Schinske 571; Marie Brandis 172; Steve Tarr 200.

RECESS

Nancy Novotny called the class to order leading 497. Leaders: Jennifer Jones 422; Kevin Barrans 426t; Kate Coxon 88t; Matthew MacLellan 331; David Schmitt 414; Gillian Inksetter 527; Chris Martinez 406; Jane Cannon 478; Peter Schinske 523; Laura McMurray 123b; Julius Pasay 378b; Yosef Trachtenberg 503; Karen Willard 485; Sadhbh O'Flynn 67; Hannah Field 159; Thom Fahrback 225t.

Betsy Jeronen led 36b as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Karen Willard.

Chairman—Betsy Jeronen; Treasurer—Linda Berkemeier; Secretary—Cornelia Stanton

GREENVILLE-PIONEER DAY SINGING **The Church of Greenville, Simpsonville, South Carolina** **Saturday, September 8, 2018**

The Greenville-Pioneer Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Robert Kelley leading 30t. John Plunkett offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Robert Kelley 88b; Leon Carnell 47b, 86; Dave Farmer 28t, 35; Jeremiah Ledbetter 166, 495; Frances Carnell 448t, 192; John Plunkett 354t, 83b; Barbara Brooks 457, 303; Phil Perrin 354b, 58; Bob Ludwig 36b, 299; Eli Snyder 36t, 133.

RECESS

Robert Kelley called the class back to order leading 285b. Leaders: David Libbey 107, 374; Chris Wilhelm 474, 144; Deborah Evans 75, 480; Chris Carnell 95, 196; Mary Baumeister 385t, 433; Michael Spencer 420, 191; Adam Eastland 361; Rob Dillon 49b, 72b; Stephen Jones 338; Jesse Roberts 187, 297. Jesse Roberts offered thanks before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called back into session by Robert Kelley leading 176t. Leaders: Charity Carnell 171; Justus Wells 57; Eric Carnell 163t, 47t; Sarah Carnell 178, 122; Heather Crosby 198, 454; Esther Carnell 61, 455; Leon Carnell 268; Dave Farmer 209; Jeremiah Ledbetter 384; Frances Carnell 383; John Plunkett 83t; Barbara Brooks 274b; Phil Perrin 127; Bob Ludwig 217; Eli Snyder 121; David Libbey 547.

RECESS

Robert Kelley called the class back to order leading 211. The class entered into a business session, during which the current slate of officers was reelected. The class also adopted Greenville-Pioneer Day Sacred Harp Singing as the new name of the event, following a recent venue change.

Leaders: Chris Wilhelm 68t; Deborah Evans 45t; Chris Carnell 68b; Michael

Spencer 521; Adam Eastland 143; Rob Dillon 162; Stephen Jones 29t; Jesse Roberts and Esther Carnell 478; Charity Carnell 518; Justus Wells and Sean Carlton 336; Eric Carnell 277; Heather Crosby 479; Esther Carnell 546. Following announcements, Robert Kelley led 323t as the closing song. Jesse Roberts dismissed the class with prayer.
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 8, 2018

The 15th annual Nall and Floyd Memorial Singing was held at Little Flock Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Ryan Bowman leading 461 and 36b. John Kelley offered the opening prayer.

Ken Kelley led 108t, 112, and 215 as the introductory lesson. Leaders: Nicole Bowman 268t; Tim Royappa 131t; Alice Sundberg 504t; Richard Mauldin 43; John Kelley 63; Gary Padgett 193; Bill Hogan 588; Ken Sundberg 408; Jamie Kelley 146.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ryan Bowman leading 100. Leaders: Will Kelley 348t; Hubert Nall 563; Ernest Cockcroft 401; Shannan McKenzie 240; Tommie Spurlock 264b; Russ Scholz 87; Lloyd Jones 571; Aubrey Barfield 202; Wayne Jones 553; Loretta Jones 384; Stanley Smith 539.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Ryan Bowman leading 559. Leaders: Tim Jones 447b; Marion Patrick 358; Andrew Royappa 159; Gerald Manning 323b; Scott Nall and Hubert Nall 45t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Ryan Bowman and Stanley Smith. Ryan Bowman read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Wynette Smith, Freddie Briggs, Becky Briggs, Charlotte Naylor, Brian Naylor, Paul Royappa, Danny McCoy, Linda McCoy, Milton Thrash, Faye Jones, James Gardner, Anne Chaulker, Bob Miller, and Lexine Miller. He then read the following list of names of the deceased: Mike Jones, Arlie Nall, Agnes Nall, Joe Nall, J.A. Mosley, and Dewdrop Boshell. Stanley Smith led 573, followed by prayer to close the memorial lesson. The class sang 369, and Aubrey Barfield offered the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ryan Bowman leading 144. Leaders: Morgan Bunch 30t; Anne Royappa and Stanley Smith 210; Brenda Kyser 143; Chip Westbrook 513t; Sue Bunch 269; Nancy Hogan 95b; Elizabeth Royappa 492; Hubert Nall 84; Josh McCoy 282; Richard Mauldin 168; Bill Hogan and Nancy Hogan 36b; Gerald Manning 283; Tommie Spurlock 574; Morgan Bunch and Sue Bunch 101t; Ryan Bowman 196; Ken Kelley 572; Aubrey Barfield and Shannan McKenzie 594, 183. Announcements were made.

Ryan Bowman and Nicole Bowman led 127 as the closing song. Gerald Manning offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ryan Bowman; Secretary—Nicole Bowman

RIVANNA RIVER SINGING

White Hall Meeting House, Crozet, Virginia

Saturday, September 8, 2018

The 16th annual Rivanna River All-Day Singing was called to order by Beverly Yaeger leading 34b. Two books were used, *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition* and *The*

Shenandoah Harmony (ShH). Elections were held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Adrienne Robertson; Vice Chairman—Chris Wolf; Treasurer—Judy Cahill; Secretary—Beverly Yaeger. The opening prayer was offered by Adrienne Robertson.

Leaders: Adrienne Robertson 59; Chris Wolf 171; Judy Cahill 87; Mary Helen Dupree 117; Matt Ference 455; Pat Temple 33t; Les Updike 515; Ateven Snderson 472; Kathy Kaiser 277; Jim Strube 354t; Brenda Dunlap 89; Bev Yaeger 48t; John delRe 101b; Kelly Macklin 82b; Ben Hartland 42; Chris Wolf 130 (ShH); Hillary Miller and Adrienne Robertson 334; Judy Cahill 421; Mary Helen Dupree 215; Matt Ference 112.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Matt Ference leading 207. Leaders: Pat Temple 232; Les Updike 124 (ShH); Ateven Snderson 127 (ShH); Chip Tucker 86; Judy Cahill 282; Kathy Kaiser 75 (ShH); Jim Strube 214 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 7b (ShH); Bev Yaeger 45 (ShH); Ben Hartland 21 (ShH); John delRe 17 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 308 (ShH); Chris Wolf 381 (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 293b (ShH); Richard Green 12b (ShH); John Alexander 4t (ShH); Frances Schutz 504; Pat Temple 72b; Les Updike 296 (ShH); Ateven Snderson 313t; Kathy Kaiser 163t; Jim Strube 148; Brenda Dunlap 74b; Bev Yaeger 431 (ShH); Ben Hartland 171 (ShH); John delRe 65t (ShH); Kelly Macklin 167 (ShH). There was an announcement from the Treasurer thanking attendees for their generosity and calling for a little more. A blessing was offered before lunch by Adrienne Robertson.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Diane Ober leading 264b (ShH). Leaders: Brenda Dunlap 77 (ShH); Matt Ference 260t (ShH); Adrienne Robertson 198; Richard Green 260b (ShH); Mary Helen Dupree 310 (ShH).

The memorial lesson was conducted by John Alexander. The class sang 317 for the following sick and shut-ins: Karen Rollins, John Barrett Watson, Martin Kaiser, Matt Roberts, and Lisa Null.

The class sang 33b in memory of the following deceased: Brooks Broadwater, Lucy Lamp, and Hattie Crebbs—Virginia; Julie Ve—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Bill Matles—New Jersey; Laura Schmania—North Carolina; Randolph Green—Georgia; and Charles Bennett—Missouri.

Leaders: Kelly Macklin 334; Ateven Snderson 79; Kathy Kaiser 29t; Jim Strube 254 (ShH); Bev Yaeger 29b; Ben Hartland 178 (ShH); Pat Temple 146 (ShH); John delRe 40 (ShH).

RECESS

The class was called back together by John Alexander and Diane Ober leading 241 (ShH). Leaders: Kathy Kaiser, Ed Norman, and Dave Gardner 47b; Adrienne Robertson and Mark Mumford 242 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap, Richard Green, Jim Strube, Mary Helen Dupree, and Martha Burns 446t (ShH); Adrienne Robertson and Chris Wolf 122 (by request); Chris Wolf, Thomas Mann, and Hannah Mann 266 (ShH); Ateven Snderson 324; Jim Strube 268; Bev Yaeger 142; Richard Green 183 (ShH); Pat Temple and Les Updike 373; Ben Hartland 414t (ShH); Hannah Mann and Chris Wolf 140b (ShH); John Alexander and Hayden Ardrey 22b (ShH); Kelly Macklin 80 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 246b (ShH); John delRe 70t (ShH).

Resolutions were offered by Adrienne Robertson, thanking the kitchen volunteers (Barbarie Hill and Judy Cahill), pitching volunteers and officers. Announcements were made.

Adrienne Robertson led 157 (ShH) as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by John Alexander.
Chairman—Adrienne Robertson; Vice Chairman—Chris Wolf; Secretary—Bev Yaeger

UPPSALA SINGING
Fjellstedtska Skolan, Uppsala, Sweden
Saturday, September 8, 2018

Zack Lindahl called the 2nd annual Uppsala All-Day Singing to order by leading 59. Hillevi Lasén offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Hampus Meijer 49t; Stina Söderling 30t; Hanna Flyckt 89; Sara Pakarinen 131b; Chris Affolter 112; Tristan Gordon-Windham 38b; Margaret Hunt 159; Derek Buckland 445; Oskar Kvasnes 46; Gerben Vos 111b; Helen Brown 32t; Werner Ullah 448b; Lloy Cook 452; Ted Brown 287; Kerry Cullinan 467.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Zack Lindahl leading 45t. Leaders: Gerben Vos 28t; Lloy Cook 504; Kerry Cullinan 569b; Ted Brown 105; Hillevi Lasén 335; Werner Ullah 49b; Helen Brown 171; Oskar Kvasnes 52t; Derek Buckland 354t; Tristan Gordon 214; Sara Pakarinen 163t; Margaret Hunt 146; Stina Söderling 318; Chris Affolter 113. Ted Brown asked a blessing before dinner. A special thanks is due to Månika and Joakim Lindahl for organizing the kitchen.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Hampus Meijer leading 282. Leaders: Helen Brown 155; Gerben Vos 183; Lloy Cook 266; Franziska Opp 481; Oskar Kvasnes 228; Kerry Cullinan 96; Zack Lindahl 428; Hillevi Lasén 102; Derek Buckland 457; Stina Söderling 269; Ted Brown 496; Tristan Gordon 345b; Sara Pakarinen 302; Werner Ullah 29t; Helen Brown 436.

RECESS

The class was called together by Hanna Flyckt leading 82t. Leaders: Tristan Gordon 236; Oskar Kvasnes 63; Mårten Mattsson 277; Sara Pakarinen 299; Ted Brown 101t; Chris Affolter 475; Lloy Cook 276; Gerben Vos 344; Franziska Opp 122; Stina Söderling 40; Derek Buckland 30b; Kerry Cullinan 466.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Zack Lindahl leading 101b. Leaders: Lloy Cook 178; Ted Brown 100; singers from Norway and Finland 501; Gerben Vos 300; Helen Brown 212; Kerry Cullinan 334; Franziska Opp 106; Derek Buckland 70b. Zack Lindahl extended gracious thanks to all visiting singers and the officers who served. He led 62 as the closing song. The chaplain offered a concluding prayer, leaving both participants and guests with a heartfelt spirit of Christian charity and unity.

Chairman—Zack Lindahl; Secretary—Peter Gates

THE UNITED SACRED HARP MUSICAL ASSOCIATION
Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia
September 8-9, 2018
Saturday, September 8

The 115th session of The United Sacred Harp Musical Association met at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, on the second Sunday and Saturday before in September. Nathan Rees called the class to order. He welcomed those in attendance, and led 31t. Henry Johnson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Angela Myers 30t; Eddie Mash 33t; Cindy Tanner 275b; Richard Ivey 90;

Bridgett Hill Kennedy 33b; David Ivey 57; Jim Aaron 47b; Tom Booth 47t; Jeannette DePoy 34b; Winfred Kerr 36b; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Judy Chambless 472 (in honor of Karen Rollins); Mary Huffman 75; Warren Steel 453; Daniel Williams 328; Janice Paulk 317; Nate Green and Norma Green 63; David Jackson 39b; Stephen Huffman 131b; Eli Hinton 299; Bea Aaron 456.

RECESS

Eddie Mash called the class back to order leading 378t. Leaders: Henry Johnson 230; Glenda Collins 35; Fred Eady and Cliff Clayton 192.

A business session was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Nathan Rees; Vice Chairmen—Phillip Langley and Lela Crowder; Secretary—Angela Myers; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner, Eddie Mash, and Anna Hinton; Finance Committee—Oscar McGuire, Eli Hinton, and Shelby Bagley; Memorial Committee—Nicholas Thompson and Kathy Williams; Resolutions Committee—Rebecca Over, Rachel Speer, and Paul Landskroener; Chaplain—Philip Denney; Location Committee—David Ivey and Jeannette DePoy.

Leaders: Blake Sisemore 371; Shelby Bagley 142; Robert Chambless 32t; Carolyn Thompson 240; Jenna Frey 408; Louis Hughes 403; Alex Forsyth 234; Rebecca Over 353 (in memory of Hugh McGraw and Earlis McGraw); Phillip Langley 430; Jack Nelson 504 (in honor of Eugene Forbes); Bert Collins 340.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Philip Denney leading 384. Leaders: Justin Bowen 405; Shane Brown 285t; Lottie Hinton 77t; Johnathon Kelso 545 (in honor of Bo Shemjean); Dan Edwards 148; Sandra Wilkinson 445; David Brodeur 385t; Lisa Bennett 122 (in honor of Steve Everhart and his mother); Lela Crowder 121; Jesse Karlsberg, Lauren Bock, Andrea Owens, and Justin Owens 48t; Tim Gregg 426b.

LUNCH

Angela Myers and Garrett Harper called the class to order leading 112. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 310; Sadie Bagley 542; Oscar McGuire and Rachel Speer 573; Anna Hinton 203; Dean Jens 308; Jonathon Smith 505; Kelsey Ivey 76b; Barbara Swetman 198; Reba Windom and Pam Nunn 269; David Smead 220; Cornelia van den Doel 128; Judy Caudle 106; Amber Davis 224; Paul Landskroener 348t; Kathy Manning 383; Lauren Bock and Jesse Karlsberg 396; Rachel Speer 296; Tammy Heinsohn 178; Sheri Taylor 306; Molly Bagley 111b; Andy Ditzler 470 (in memory of Lloyd Redding); Kathy Williams 276; Elene Stovall 273 (in memory of Louise Holland); Billy See and Vickie See 480; Matt Hinton 195; Joyce Heath 40; Samuel Williams 286; Erica Hinton 157.

Nathan Rees led 521 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Shane Brown.

Sunday, September 9

Nathan Rees welcomed the class and gave some historical information about the United Convention being established in 1905 by Joe James, and this year was the first time the United had been held at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church. Nathan led 313t as the opening song. Phillip Denney offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lela Crowder 421; Phillip Langley 546; Eddie Mash and Angela Myers 101t; Philip Denney 100; Anna Hinton 383; Cindy Tanner 498; Paul Landskroener 349; Rebecca Over 506; Nicholas Thompson 530 (in honor of Ottis and Linda Sides); Rachel Speer 56t; Kathy Williams 151; David Ivey 185; Jeannette DePoy 213t; Oscar McGuire 485; Shelby Bagley 168; Jim Neal 406; Daniel Lee 474; Hubert Nall 129; Wyatt Denney 82t; Robert Kelley 393; Winfred Kerr 422.

RECESS

Phillip Langley and Lela Crowder called the class back to order leading 436.

Leaders: Tom Ivey 182; Jonathon Smith 423; Cornelia van den Doel 551; Cheyenne Ivey 318; Richard Mauldin 446; Jamey Wootten 445; Helen Bryson 568; Sadie Bagley 110; Celeste Silva and Caleb Joseph Silva 277; Kelsey Ivey, Everett Ivey, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 214; Samuel Williams and Eddie Mash 365; Beth Anne Clay 377; Eli Snyder 411.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Cindy Tanner and Jesse Karlsberg leading 155. Leaders: Isaac Green 395; Bill Hollingsworth 236; Laura Frey 358; John Hollingsworth 186; Matt Hinton 138; Paula Oliver 540.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Kathy Williams and Nicholas Thompson. Kathy began by saying the memorial lesson makes her think of people we miss who are unable to sing. Kathy remembered a time when she was not able to attend singings. She talked about reading the cards that were sent to her during that time, over and over like a novel. Kathy read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Ottis Sides, Linda Sides, Eugene Forbes, Don Bowen, Velton Chafin, Brenda Chafin, Allen Lambert, Ann Jett, Virginia Douglas, Kelsey Taylor, Frank DeBolt, Cindy Mann, Paul Wilson, Norma Mincey, Karen Rollins, and Anne Chalker. Kathy led 33b in their honor.

Nicholas talked about those who are no longer with us may not fill our benches, but forever fill our hearts. Nicholas spoke about the memorial lesson being a time we remember those we loved and cared for, remembering a song they liked or a dish they prepared. He said remembering those tidbits keep them in our hearts. Nicholas read the following list of names of the deceased: Daphne Causey, Glenda Hopper, Lily Hopper—Alabama; Linda Domholt—California; Florice Akin, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Ruth Ayers, Audrey Ruth Garner, Daniel Evans, Thomas Sanders, Agnes Roberts—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Wayne Jens—Iowa; Michele Kaye and Sonya Rae Manning—New York; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Susan Carr—United Kingdom. Nicholas led 374 in their memory. Philip Denney offered prayer to conclude the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Terry Wootten 131b; Lina Silva 117; Buell Cobb 50; Hayden Arp 384; Faye Hollis 340; Rodney Ivey 316; Jenna Frey 163b; Elene Stovall 500.

LUNCH

Nathan Rees led 343 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Marty Wootten 123; Tim Gregg 373; John Plunkett and Myra Tucker 145; Pam Nunn and David Ivey 528; Sharon Strong 524; Shane Wootten 317 (dedicated to Karen Rollins); David Jackson 426; Susan Cheronos 564; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 300; Jack Nelson 518; Barbara Swetman 475; Dean Jens 375; Andy Ditzler 434; Reba Windom 216; Daniel Williams 285; Judy Caudle 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Richard Ivey 460; Kathy Manning 181; Lauren Bock 126; Lisa Bennett 538; David Brodeur and Rebecca Over 386; Molly Bagley 481; Jesse Karlsberg 567; Fallon Dyer 47b; Amber Davis 380; Lottie Hinton 32; Cain Cook and Fallon Dyer 401; Henry Johnson 322; Jesse Roberts 53; Billy See and Vickie See 35; David Smead 54; Tammy Heinsohn 547; Molly Silva and Zachary Silva 282; Sheri Taylor 227; Lori Silva and Hadassah Silva 131t (in memory of the 9/11 victims and victims of war); Lisa Webb and Christian Webb 124.

A business session was held to hear committee reports. The Secretary reported that all expenses were paid. The Arranging Committee reported one hundred and seventy-three leaders for both days. The Resolutions Committee resolved to thank all of the officers and committees for their dedication and service, those who prepared plentiful and delicious food, the use of the church, the preparations behind the scenes, and resolved to meet again for the one hundredth and sixteenth session in

2019. The Location Committee reported that no requests for next year were submitted, and that a location will be announced at a later date. All reports were accepted, and the business session was closed. The officers led 62 as the closing song. Shane Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Nathan Rees; Vice Chairmen—Lela Crowder and Phillip Langley; Secretary—Angela Myers

ILLINOIS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Texas Christian Church, Clinton, Illinois** **Saturday, September 15, 2018**

The 34th annual Illinois Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Ryan Hill leading 59. Welcome and opening prayer were offered by Texas Christian Church pastor, Scott Marsh. The following officers and committee members were previously elected or appointed: Chairman—Ryan Hill; Secretary—Martha Tyner; Treasurer—Mark Graber; Chaplain—John Huffman; Arranging Committee—Janet Fraembs and Martha Tyner; Food Committee—Lori Graber and Terry Hogg; Registration—Jayne Bardsley.

Leaders: Terry Hogg 535; Lori Graber 150; Jonathon Smith 57; Barrett Patton 482; Ginny Landgraf 5 (MH); Lamar Schlabach 48t; Jan Ketelle 430; Dan Kreider 51; Penny Kujawinski 228; Mary Rogel 534; Jerry Gripshover 177 (MH); Rochelle Lodder 131 (MH); Stuart Ivey 276; Eileen Ferguson 180 (MH); James Page 139 (MH); Judy Hauff 84 (MH); Jim Helke 13 (MH); Roberta Strauss 441; Ted Mercer 332.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ryan Hill leading 84 (MH). The memorial lesson was conducted by Presley Barker and James Page. Presley Barker reminded us to keep in mind not only those missing from our class today, but also those in attendance who suffer from personal stresses and need our support. He read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Peggy Brayfield, Karen Hojnacki, Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, Everett Rhine, Johanna Fabke, and Karen Rollins. James Page read the following list of names of the deceased: Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Carol Belt and Donna Schleifer—North Carolina. The class sang “Berkley”. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by John Huffman.

Leaders: Don Bardsley 354t; Barbara Chopin 163b; Lou Kujawinski 212; Peggy Peryam 178; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 528; Paul Figura 121 (for people facing hurricane Florence); Dave Ressler 216; Shirley Figura 124 (MH); Presley Barker 191; Joan Aldridge 475; Diana Farrar and Peggy Peryam 268; Prisca Rice 122; Ginny Landgraf 53 (MH); Barrett Patton 336; Jan Ketelle 89 (MH); Dan Kreider 433; Mary Rogel 121 (MH); Lamar Schlabach 68b; Dave Ressler 29t; Penny Kujawinski 542; Ted Mercer 80 (MH); Eileen Ferguson 36b. Ryan Hill led 164 (MH), followed by spoken grace offered by John Huffman.

LUNCH

The class was called to order for the afternoon by John Huffman and Katie Huffman leading 350. Leaders: James Page 45 (MH); Stuart Ivey 391; Judy Hauff 127 (MH); Jim Helke 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Lou Kujawinski 328; Terry Hogg 135 (MH); Lori Graber 315; Jerry Gripshover 496; Roberta Strauss and Barrett Patton 209; Jonathon Smith 200; Rochelle Lodder 169 (MH); Paul Figura “Hearne”; Joan Aldridge 198; Barbara Chopin 86; Presley Barker 362.

RECESS

Ryan Hill called class together for the final session of the day by leading 338.

Leaders: Don Bardsley 291; Prisca Rice 40; Janet Fraembs 56b (in memory of Berkley Moore); Peggy Peryam 87; Shirley Figura 155; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 49b; Stuart Ivey 30b; Lou Kujawinski 85; Penny Kujawinski 147 (MH); Jan Ketelle 175 (MH); James Page 334; Judy Hauff 411; Ginny Landgraf 98 (MH); Rochelle Lodder 167 (MH); Mary Rogel 556; Ted Mercer 170 (MH); Roberta Strauss 436; Dave Ressler 300.

The Chairman thanked all who contributed to the success of the day, in particular the Texas Christian Church and Pastor Marsh. The Treasurer reported that all expenses had been met. The Arranging Committee reported seventy-eight songs led by thirty-two leaders. Following announcements, the class sang 347 while taking the parting hand. John Huffman offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Ryan Hill; Secretary—Martha Tyner

LEE ROGERS MEMORIAL SINGING (CHRISTIAN HARMONY)

Home of John and Elsie Hollingsworth, Ila, Georgia

Saturday, September 15, 2018

The 10th annual Lee Rogers Memorial Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in September. All song selections were from the *Christian Harmony*, 2010 Edition. John Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 21. Bill Hollingsworth offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mary Baumeister 9; Christy Sinksen 548; Kitty Reusch 248; Robert Kelley 455b; Helen Bryson 67t; Mildred Chandler 131; John Plunkett 23t; Ben Chandler 142; Jill Chandler 51; Chris Wilhelm 318; Dave Farmer 294; Bill Hollingsworth 300; Mary Baumeister 386; Christy Sinksen 293.

RECESS

Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 31t. Leaders: Kitty Reusch 221t; Robert Kelley 105t; Helen Bryson 137; John Plunkett 48; Ben Chandler 189; Chris Wilhelm 492t; Dave Farmer 346; Bill Hollingsworth 94; John Hollingsworth 364; Mike Spencer 163b, 397t; Mary Baumeister 277; Christy Sinksen 136; Kitty Reusch 350; Robert Kelley 402t; Helen Bryson 347; Mildred Chandler 109.

LUNCH

Bill Hollingsworth called the class to order leading 45t. Leaders: John Plunkett 466; Ben Chandler 188; Chris Wilhelm 133; Dave Farmer 32t; Bill Hollingsworth 516; Michael Spencer 416t; Jacob Lindler 208t; Robert Kelley 374 (for Shannon Primm); Mary Baumeister 439; Christy Sinksen 492b; Kitty Reusch 507t; Robert Kelley 24t; Helen Bryson 67b; Mildred Chandler 89; John Plunkett 525; Ben Chandler 369; Chris Wilhelm 203; Dave Farmer 135; Bill Hollingsworth 424; Michael Spencer 448t; Jacob Lindler 470; Jill Chandler 76b; Mary Baumeister 76t; Christy Sinksen 55b; Kitty Reusch 86t; Robert Kelley 250t; Helen Bryson 303; Mildred Chandler 214. Announcements were made.

Bill Hollingsworth led 23b as the closing song, and offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Judy Mincey; Vice Chairman—Michael Spencer; Secretary—Helen Bryson

NEW YORK CITY SINGING

First Presbyterian Church, 124 Henry Street, Brooklyn, New York

Saturday, September 15, 2018

The New York City All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in September. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Sam Kleinman, who welcomed singers and made opening remarks. Leaders: Jason Steidl 52t; Sam Kleinman 47t; Liora O'Donnell Goldensher 36b; Gwen Gethner 569t; Colman

Durkee 30b; Jaime Piedra 70t; Carol Huang 313t; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 181; Merv Horst 121; Myles Louis Dakan 99; Douglas Fower 148; Lucas Husted 287; Patrick Paglen 196; Elsa Phemayotin 375; Aaron Rucks 344; Leon Pulsinelle 215; Solon Gordon 205; Becky Wright 108t; Max Grafe 504; Patrick DeDauw 512.

RECESS

Aldo Ceresa called the class together by leading 105. Leaders: Kevin Griffin Moreno 192; Charlotte Ehrman 486; Ben Fink 228; Katie Fitzgerald 111b; John Klaess 411; Mary Jane Wilkie 348t; Margaret Youngberg 310; Linnea Clark 457; Emma Rose Brown 456; Calum Woods 126; Ross Parker 503; Brenda Dunlap 475; MB Gowins 187; Sarah Stefanski 446; Justin Bowen 440; Thomas Ward 477; Terry Ryan 218; Sasha Hsuczyk 208; Guy Bankes 209; Buck Wanner 216.

RECESS

Sara Lott called the class together by leading 399b. Leaders: Crispin Youngberg 548; Rachel Hall 426b; Claire Simon 547; Ian Quinn 283; Kathy Carluzzo 335. Brenda Dunlap and Myles Louis Dakan gave a memorial lesson, and led 34t and 499 respectively.

Leaders: Stefani Priskos 81t; Al McCready 269; Jennie Brown 458; Doron Henkin 336; Leah Velleman 331; Charles Biada 191. A blessing was given before the meal.

LUNCH

Ryan Nash called the class back together by leading 82t. Leaders: Laura Hodges 217; Liz Patton 543; Mike Richards 200; Jasmine Mendoza 106; Liz Cantrell 419; Chris Geissler 332; Kevin Griffin Moreno 240; Cecilia 159; Brenda Dunlap 29t; Michaela Natal 454; Inga Knets 272; Justin Bowen 123t; Yael Tarshish 384; Calum Woods 234; Lissa Harris 445; Ben Fink 198; Claire Simon 472; Eric Xu 277; Vicki Hayes, Suzanna McFate, and Shayley Martin 65; Gary Ryan 271t; Leon Pulsinelle 55; Jon Giles 546.

RECESS

Elsa Phemayotin called the class together by leading 89. Leaders: Doron Henkin 345b; Kira Chase 312b; Guy Bankes 352; Jennie Brown 439; Kathy Carluzzo 112; Charles Biada, Ian Quinn, John Klaess, Michaela Natal, Chris Geissler, Suzanna McFate, Vicki Hayes, and Shayley Martin 300; Nathan Shane 48b; Crispin Youngberg 170; Suzan Greenberg 455; Al McCready 227; Margaret Youngberg 362; Becky Wright 352; Thomas Ward, Linnea Clark, Sasha Hsuczyk, Rachel Hall, Guy Bankes, Doron Henkin, Kathy Carluzzo, and Suzan Greenberg 160b; Liz Patton 550; MB Gowins 527; Laura Hodges, Ross Parker, Mike Richards, Liz Cantrell, and Yael Tarshish 30b. Sam Kleinman, Liora O'Donnell Goldensher, Jaime Piedra, and Colman Durkee led 62. Concluding remarks were made, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Sam Kleinman; Vice Chairman—Liora O'Donnell Goldensher; Secretaries—Jaime Piedra and Colman Durkee

SANTA CRUZ SINGING

St. John the Baptist Church, Aptos, California Saturday, September 15, 2018

The 5th annual Santa Cruz All-Day Singing was held at St. John the Baptist Church in Santa Cruz, California. Shelley Phillips called the class together leading 59.

Edward Rice offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Edward Rice; Arranging—Janet Herman; Secretary—Ruth McGurk; Treasurer—Erika Wilson.

Leaders: Edward Rice 99; Janet Herman 276; Mary O'Brien 69t; Dave Barber 569b; Greg Freed 72b; Lindy Groening 403; Mark Godfrey 101t; Pat Coghlan 492; Linda Selph 475; Leigh Cooper 334; Erika Wilson 225t; Yuka Oiwa 48t; Wren Hyde 108b;

Aisha Morgan 82t; Rebecca Edwards 172; Shelley Phillips 491; Edward Rice 131t.

RECESS

Song selections in this session were from the *Shenandoah Harmony* (ShH). Mark Godfrey brought the class together leading 13t (ShH). Leaders: Linda Selph 41 (ShH); Dave Barber 188 (ShH); Janet Herman 203 (ShH); Lindy Groening 86 (ShH); Mark Godfrey 361 (ShH); Erika Wilson 418t (ShH); Mary O'Brien 373b (ShH); Rebecca Edwards 406 (ShH); Wren Hyde 169 (ShH); Shelley Phillips 113 (ShH); Leigh Cooper 142 (ShH); Edward Rice 427 (ShH); Yuka Oiwa 278 (ShH); Ruth McGurk 403b (ShH); Jeanette Ralston 146 (ShH); Linda Selph 170 (ShH); Dave Barber 429b (ShH); Lindy Groening 171 (ShH). Edward Rice led the prayer for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dave Barber brought the class together leading 31t. Leaders: Greg Freed 112; Alex Cotton 168; Seth Mitter 503; Pat Coghlan 142; Mark Godfrey 189; Aisha Morgan 339; Erika Wilson 411; Yuka Oiwa 245; Rebecca Edwards 442; Leigh Cooper 532; Shelley Phillips 455; Wren Hyde 203; Edward Rice 448t; Jeanette Ralston 175; Janet Herman 551; Mary O'Brien 445; Linda Selph 456; Dave Barber 556; Lindy Groening 383; Alex Cotton 228.

RECESS

Yuka Oiwa brought the class together leading 34b. Leaders: Peter Ross 155; Iona Singleton 159; Greg Freed 227; Seth Mitter 344; Pat Coghlan 528 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Mark Godfrey 121; Aisha Morgan 277; Erika Wilson 527; Yuka Oiwa 100; Rebecca Edwards 153; Leigh Cooper 34t; Shelley Phillips 454; Wren Hyde 42; Edward Rice 234; Jeanette Ralston 312t; Mark Forry 315; Janet Herman 341; Linda Selph 480; Dave Barber 460; Lindy Groening 47b.

In a business meeting, the Treasurer reported that expenses had been met, and the Secretary reported that thirty-six singers sang eighty songs. The chairman thanked all who made the singing possible.

Edward Rice and Shelley Phillips led 157 (ShH) as the closing song. Edward Rice offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Edward Rice; Secretary—Ruth McGurk

UNITED KINGDOM SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Hove Park School, Brighton and Hove, United Kingdom

September 15-16, 2018

Saturday, September 15

The 23rd session of the United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Catherine Roberts leading 276. Rob Mahoney offered the opening prayer. The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Catherine Roberts; Vice Chairman—Steve Brett; Secretary—Rose Hales; Arranging Committee—Guy Hayes, Helen Brown, and Joe Vickers; Treasurer—Ron Hollman.

Leaders: Steve Brett 82t; Guy Hayes 448b; Sarah Hill 42; Helen Brown 313t; Ron Hollman 360; Joe Vickers 166; Ted Brown 523; Ian Lamb 287; Rachel Jordan 492; Steve Welch 569t; Steve Biggs 49b; Vicky Tremain 454; Seth Dickens 474; Brenda Harvey 29t; Iain Paxon 330b; Ross Adamson 86; Ewa Lichnerowicz 68t.

RECESS

Helen Brown called the class to order leading 145t. Leaders: Derek Buckland 230; Grace Scrimgeour 547; Daniel Ardern 178; Piers Blewett 477; Teresa Maguire 444; Gerben Vos 217; George Simms 171; Taylor Watkins 445; Bill Beverly 546; Mick Verrier 300; Shelby Sampson 228; Tom Greig 312b; Evelyn Saylor 410b; Ailish McMahon 500; Alec Williams 84; Ann Riley 142; Sarah West 208; April Watkins

155; Ed Johnson-Williams 539; Sue Peters 313b; Mali Dray 40; David Brodeur 387; Sophie Sawicka-Sykes 475; David Carlton 538; Lisa Bennett 234; Kate Fine 560. Hannah Land gave thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

Ted Brown called the class back to order by leading 111b. Leaders: Ian West 430; Laurie Burk 277; Martha Beverly 504; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 187; Idy Kiser 472; Morag Logan 66; Scott DePoy 201; Camilla Marie Widholm 550; Karen Ivey 112; David Smead 353; Cecilia Mann 567; William Cleary 355; Lauren Bock 273; Dan Brittain 375; Matthew Parkinson 434; Elene Stovall 411; Michael Walker 169; Vicki Elliott 436; Jeannette DePoy 328; Samuel Sommers 437; Gail Doss 535.

RECESS

Joe Vickers led 114 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Erin Johnson-Williams 186; Nigel Bowley 431; Greg Carson and Marcia Paz 29b; Joyce Smith 33b; Susanne Rolli and Helen Brown 122; Andy Ditzler 380; Kathy Williams 222; Francis Gaskin 495; Caro Stamm-Reusch 505; Joe Jones 489; Richard L. Schmeidler 268; Robin Bisson 299; Tom McTighe 150; Carolyn Deacy 315; Bobby Watkins 340; Nancy Novotny 214; Kerry Cullinan 123t; Vella Dailey 452; Eva Striebeck 30b; Betsy Jeronen 422; Daniel Wippermann 569b; Ron Hollman 481; Jill Thompson 344; Nick Hall 455. Catherine Roberts led 441 as the closing song. Ed Johnson-Williams offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, September 16

The Sunday session of the United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Catherine Roberts leading 131b. Betsy Jeronen offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Steve Brett 297; Eleanor Callaghan 159; Jan Lawrence 510; Ben Whittaker (assisted by Dan Brittain) 313b; Hanka Faerber 102; Tom Gerber and Mia Gerber 448b; Mahna Nowak 569b; Thomas Sprackland 32t; Rachel Wemyss 30t; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 117; Jacoba Bruneel 81t; Chris Brown 392; Morag Logan 324; Marco Wessnigk 36t; Ron Hollman 391; Steve Fletcher 496; Richard Mayers 311. RECESS

Joe Vickers called the class back together by leading 70b. Leaders: Edwin Macadam 183; Mella Tünnies 47b; children's lesson 146; Josh Lant 383; Amanda Parkes 302; Johannes Sauer 108b; Emily Verrier 167; Toby Goss 127; Inga Huebner 124; Hannah Land 388; Jan Geerts 197; Eimear O'Donovan 34t.

Erin Johnson-Williams spoke for the sick and housebound, and read the following list of names: Ann Jett, Silke Kunow-Koch, Karen Rollins, David Elliott, Bob Pattern, Charlie Miller, Philip Ralls, Curtis Owen, Chris Densmore, John Williams, Ursula Trude, Janice De Menditte, Brian Morrisroe, Richard Krawiec, Hilary Plum, Adrian Hilton, Keith Pigott, Don Bowen, Norma Mincey, Breda Morrisroe, Paula Mogensen, Nicky Roland, Judi Hodgkin, Regina Contrino, Phil, Rob Burbea, and Kalari Tonga. Erin led 348b.

Steve Brett conducted the memorial lesson, and read the following list of names of the deceased: Gareth Elliot-Williams—Cardiff; Henryk Lichnerowicz and Maria Wojtuszkiewicz—Poland; Gillian Shearer—Norfolk; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Daphene Causey, Arthur Gilmore, J.A. Moseley, Glenda Hopper, Verlon Stiefel, Mike Jones, and Willodean Barton—Alabama, USA; Louise Holland, Daniel Evans, Thomas Sanders, Ruth Ayers, and Florice Akin—Georgia, USA; Freddie Briggs—Florida, USA; Susan Carr—Leeds; Reginald Brett—Sunningdale; Janet Winstanley—UK; Steve Harrison—UK; Rev Michael Pain; Julie Vea—Wisconsin, USA; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois, USA; Amy Dennison and Peter Nichols—Texas, USA; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio, USA; Paul; Anita; Rev. Doug Thrift—South Carolina, USA; James B Walker; Peter Golding—Derby; Toby

Boyes—Market Drayton; Kit Yip; Elspeth Murray and Ben Thompson—Paisley; Jennifer Bennett—Ontario, Canada; Rollo Woods—Swanage; Andy Spence—Hove; Frank Pigott, Geoffrey Rendle, Kamila Zahno, Michael Seifert, and David Henshaw—London; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; Mary Billington and Steve Lawson—New York, USA; Julian McAllister—Spain; Eoin Sweeney—Ireland; Clint Andrews—Nottingham; David Gasi—Australia; John Hayto—Leicester; Jörn Otten and Heinz Schinnagal—Germany. Steve led 400. Erin offered a prayer to close the memorial service.

Leaders: Sheila Macadam 286; Kate Kirwan 57; Fred Langridge 457; Samuel Turner 139; Ross Harbison 406. Ian Lamb gave thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Helen Brown leading 87. Leaders: Ella Cumber 558; Karen Turner 198; Mike Morrisroe 304; Judy Whiting 105; Lisa O'Grady 528; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 67; Richard Schmeidler 254; Bobby Watkins, April Watkins, and Taylor Watkins 277; Martha Beverly and Bill Beverly 269; Nancy Novotny 138t; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 149; Eva Striebeck 460; Karen Ivey and David Ivey 37b; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 326; Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy 274t; Betsy Jeronen 440; Caro Stamm-Reusch 308; Dan Brittain 458; Cecilia Mann 192; David Smead and Lisa Bennett 522; Sue Peters 97; Kerry Cullinan 236; Lauren Bock 200.

RECESS

Guy Hayes brought the class back to order by leading 179. Leaders: Kate Fine 309; Mali Dray 47t; Gerben Vos 332; Helen Brown and Joe Vickers 282; Camilla Marie Widholm 536; Samuel Sommers 502; Ann Riley 318; Tom McTighe 368; Laurie Burk 276; Idy Kiser 34b (dedicated to Karen Rollins); David Carlton 272; Gail Doss 154; Evelyn Saylor and Marco Wessnigk 77t; Daniel Wippermann 29b; Elene Stovall 216.

Announcements were made. Catherine Roberts, thanked all who made the 23rd United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention possible. Rose Hales reported that there were 214 registered attendees from 15 countries, and 172 songs were sung. Catherine Roberts led 62 as the closing song. Eimear O'Donovan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Catherine Roberts; Vice Chairman—Steve Brett; Secretary—Rose Hales

CORNELIUS BENJAMIN KEETON AND TRAVIS KEETON MEMORIAL SINGING

**Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery), Walker County, Alabama
Sunday, September 16, 2018**

The annual Keeton Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the third Sunday in September. Glenn Keeton called the class to order. He welcomed everyone, and led 61. Richard Mauldin offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 117; Mike Hankins 34b, 168; Amber Davis 388, 454; Buell Cobb 26, 125; Linda Booth 139, 361; Larry Ballinger 50b, 56t; Betty Baccus 97, 373; Richard Mauldin 133, 119; Hubert Nall 129, 155; Earl Ballinger 154, 142.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton led 270 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Margaret Keeton 455, 213b; Cheyenne Ivey 222, 208; Nicholas Thompson 73t, 411; Julia Poston 35, 421; Nancy Phillips 274t, 274b; David Jackson 480, 30b; Lisa Geist 273, 120; Roma Rice 93, 92; Ricky Beasley 285t, 77t; John Beasley 348b, 81t; Henry Guthery 568, 448b (in memory of a friend); Glenn Keeton 290 (in memory of A.C. McGough, 109 (CH) (in memory of Olen Keeton and for Maxine Keeton).

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 101t. Leaders: Loretta Whitman 30t, 36b; Joey Clingan and Gwen Cornelius 125, 309, 490; Glenn Keeton, Gwen Cornelius, and Lena Keeton 283 (in memory of Cornelius Benjamin (Bernie) Keeton, 475 (in memory of Travis Keeton and dedicated to visitors, Mike and Nita Kuhns); Cheyenne Ivey 182; Buell Cobb 69t; Hubert Nall 287; David Jackson 108t; Nancy Phillips 438; Nicholas Thompson 442; Linda Booth 269; John Beasley 67; Ricky Beasley 569b; Mike Hankins 410t; Richard Mauldin 446; Amber Davis 192; Henry Guthery 431; Loretta Whitman 343; Glenn Keeton 159 (for Bernice Wakefield); Joey Clingan, Cheyenne Ivey, Lisa Geist, Nicholas Thompson, and Amber Davis 89 (in memory of Willodean Barton and Freddie Briggs). Announcements were made.

Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. Hubert Nall offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Lena Keeton

SMYRNA SACRED HARP SINGING

Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church, Goodwater, Alabama

Sunday, September 16, 2018

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 32t (for Eugene Forbes) and 203. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jack Nelson; Co-Chairman—William Futral; Secretary—Virginia Futral. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Ken Milner.

Leaders: Bert Collins 340, 335; Glenda Collins 290, 99; Stanley Smith 120, 101t; Bill Hogan 324, 155; Rebecca Over 129, 49t; Kaitlyn Cornett, Sidney Burleson, and Michele Burleson 47b, 358; Denice Burleson 300, 196; Winfred Kerr 77b, 225t (for Charlene Wallace); Roy Nelson 569b, 341.

RECESS

Jack Nelson led 491. Leaders: Judy Chambless 426t, 121 (for Karen Rollins); Robert Chambless 303, 145b; Ken Milner 146, 77t; Wendy Anderson 35, 36b; Cecil Roberts 403, 477; Jordan McGuire 143, 111t; Stephen Huffman 556, 299; Mary Huffman 391, 47t. Elder Louis Culver asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Jack Nelson brought the class back together leading 278b and the National Anthem. Leaders: Jack Nelson 59, 25 (JB) (by request); Bert Collins 274t; Glenda Collins 454; Stanley Smith 490; Bill Hogan 456; Rebecca Over 283; Kaitlyn Cornett 457; Winfred Kerr 318; Roy Nelson 31b; Denice Burleson 193; Judy Chambless 222; Robert Chambless 333 (LD), 334 (LD); Ken Milner 31t; Wendy Anderson 98; Stephen Huffman 63; Mary Huffman 34t. After announcements, Elder Ken Milner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Co-Chairman—William Futral; Secretary—Virginia Futral

THE ORIGINAL B.F. WHITE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION (J.L. WHITE REVISION)

Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia

Sunday, September 16, 2018

The class was called to order by John Plunkett, who led 34t. Henry Johnson offered the opening prayer. John Plunkett then led 91b. Vice Chairman Russ Hanson led 101t and 49b. Secretary/Treasurer Sandra Wilkinson led 484t and 382b. Leaders: Alex Forsyth 30t, 152; Oscar McGuire 37b, 59; Malinda Snow 37t, 138b; Mary Brownlee 47b, 395b; Linda Thompson 119, 40; Henry Johnson 81t, 122; Helen

Bryson 81b, 490b (for Alan Lambert and in memory of Raymond Hamrick).

RECESS

The class was reassembled by Russ Hanson leading 32t. Leaders: Jerusha Wheeler 211, 87; Tom Hanson 100, 299; Carol Hanson 313, 491b; John Plunkett 154t, 292t; Russ Hanson 470, 222; Sandra Wilkinson 388, 517 (by request); Alex Forsyth 286b, 491t; Oscar McGuire 171, 293b; Malinda Snow 471, 516. John Plunkett asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

John Plunkett brought the class to order leading 449b. Leaders: Mary Brownlee 418, 183; Linda Thompson 335, 334; Henry Johnson 480t, 503; Helen Bryson 549b, 224. The memorial lesson was conducted by Sandra Wilkinson. She recalled events and some of the devoted people of this singing who are now deceased, but through their efforts, dedicated support, and refusal to give up, kept this singing going for many years. We want to remember and thank these dear ones for their commitment. And we, the singers of this particular music now, and our wonderful supporters, are still singing these songs here today. We also recognized the following sick and shut-ins: Alan Lambert and Karen Rollins, and Elder Rufus C. Brantley of Georgia, deceased. Tom Hanson led 540 in remembrance and recognition. The memorial was closed with prayer offered by Elder Jesse M. Roberts.

Leaders: Leslie Hanson 526, 512; Jerusha Wheeler 401, 298; Tom Hanson 36b, 146; Carol Hanson 461, 501b.

A business session was held to elect officers for the coming year. It was unanimously approved to retain the same officers. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Russ Hanson 317b; Jesse Roberts 35, 215; Nathan Rees 320, 344; Alex Forsyth 153; Henry Johnson 164; John Plunkett 544t (for Don Bowen and Judy Mincey). Following announcements, John Plunkett led 389t as the closing song. Malinda Snow dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Russ Hanson; Secretary—Sandra Wilkinson

CAMP FASOLA EUROPE, 2018 **Wichrowe Wzgorze, Chmielno, Kaszuby, Poland** **September 17-21, 2018** **Monday, September 17**

Arrival, Check-in, and Orientation Campers arrived at Wichrowe Wzgorze to check in, receive their t-shirts, room assignments, and schedules. After supper in the Dining Hall, staff and campers met in Oaza Zdrowia for an orientation meeting with Camp Director David Ivey. This session of Camp FaSoLa Europe was dedicated to the memory of Steve Helwig.

Class Singing 7:30 p.m. The class was called to order by Carolyn Deacy, Eva Striebeck, and Betsy Jeronen leading 171. Kate Fine offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Justyna Orlikowska 59; Jan Geerts 535; Kerry Cullinan 70t; Victoria Elliott 76b; Kari Lundgren 344; Rachel Wemyss 39t; Katie Ahern 29t; Blandine Gaydon and Judy Whiting 47b; Gerben Vos 40; Marielle Minutella 84; Helen Brown 217; Margaret Gillanders 276; Constantin Dorsch 26; Isolda Heavey 42; Karen Ivey and Idy Kiser 475; Laurie Burk 481; Teresa Maguire 39b; Camilla Marie Widholm 65; Colleen Jones 436; Joshua Lant 548; George Simms 499; Dan Brittain 423; Richard Mayers 268; Gail Doss 148; Vella Dailey 75; Elisabeth Schallwig 564; Chris Brown 498; Malgorzata Perycz 428; David Carlton 64; Helen Peake and Aldo Ceresa 43; Eimear O'Donovan 124; Aldo Ceresa 112. Carolyn Deacy, Eva Striebeck, and Betsy Jeronen led 521 as the closing song. Harald Grundner gave the devotional, and Kate

Fine dismissed the class with prayer.

Tuesday, September 18

Lesson: Rudiments I / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class, and asked campers to tell a little about themselves. She introduced the four shapes represented in the major scale. She reviewed basic information on page 13 of the Rudiments. The class sang the major scale, and then sang the major scale plus intervals. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. The class was brought to order by Samuel Sommers leading 76t, and then he offered prayer. The class sang the major scale several times and with intervals. Sam talked about the modes of time: common, triple, and compound. He said every bar (measure) has a beginning, a middle, and an end. He demonstrated beating time, beginning with the hand up and ending with the hand up. The class practiced keeping time using the exercises on pages 15-16 of the Rudiments. Campers led songs and there was discussion about the selections. Leaders: Inga Huebner 344; Amanda Parkes 269; Gerben Vos 268; Tom McTighe 50b; Teresa Maguire 30b; Helen Brown 370; Caro Stamm-Reusch 374; Samuel Sommers 301. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments I / Advanced 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and led 132. The topics of discussion were time, tune, accent, and miscellaneous. The class practiced singing the scales with intervals. Aldo taught concords and discords, and the class practiced singing various chords. The Rudiments on page 22 were reviewed. The following songs were used during the class: 32b, 214, 87, 276, 86, 268, and 385t. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Learning Songs 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Helen Brown. Helen welcomed the class, and led campers in singing scales and intervals. She and campers discussed several points that were to be the focus during the class (key, time, tempo, start, and end). Helen asked members of the class to lead songs in different modes of time, and then there was discussion between leaders. Leaders and selections: Inga Huebner 49t; Rosalind Oldham 63; Sue Peters 39t; Ted Brown 105; Helen Peake 143; Scott DePoy 65; Helen Brown 155; Kerry Cullinan 378t; Helen Brown 503, 138b; Camilla Marie Widholm 448t; Helen Brown and Marielle Minutella 48t; Scott DePoy 274t. Helen encouraged campers to listen to recordings, and to practice singing scales and intervals. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Team Tunesmith I / Sacred Harp Composition 101 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class and led 101t. He commented on the beauty and simplicity of the melody which uses only four notes. He introduced the theory of writing tunes in the Sacred Harp style as outlined in the handout. The class was divided into seven groups of three for the tunesmith challenge.

Elective: Songs of P. Dan Brittain 1:00 p.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. During this class time, campers sang the songs of P. Dan Brittain. Dan talked about each of the songs used during the class, and also about his involvement in the publishing of the *Missouri Harmony* songbook. The class sang the following songs: "Iowa", "Maquoketa", "Cowling", "Hauff", "Kittery", "Dean Street", "Garden State", and "Steel". Class was dismissed.

Lesson: Time and Tempo 3:30 p.m. Teacher—David Ivey. David welcomed the class, and presented the focus of time, tempo, and accent. He referred to the Rudiments, page 16, section 15. David encouraged campers to think about proper accent within a chosen tempo, the time of day for particular songs, and the general tempo of the entire day. David led 269, 39b, 462, and 448t. Class was dismissed.

Elective: To Die No More—Death and Dying in *The Sacred Harp* 4:45 p.m. Teachers—Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy. The class discussed emotions/experiences associated with death, listing quite a few, then relating them to Sacred

Harp songs. The teachers discussed ten themes in our songs about death. Participants were encouraged to relate experiences that they had had and lead songs of their choice that related to each theme. Themes and songs sung are as follows: 1. Describe the place after death with no trouble or sorrow—Dan Brittain led 65, verse 3.

2. What life is like after death—Helen Brown led 392.

3. Theme of heavenly rest—Scott DePoy led 48t.

4. Life here is hard—Richard Mayers led 457, v. 1 and 2.

5. Longing to leave here and go to heaven—Karen Ivey and Elene Stovall led 384.

6. Fear of dying—Teresa McGuire led 111b.

7. The dead tell us not to cry—Ted Brown led 339.

8. The dying say goodbye to us—Caro Stamm-Reusch led 410t, v. 1 and 2.

9. Cautionary songs—what may happen to us after death—David Carlton led 332.

10. Hope to meet again—Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy led 146.

Elective: Keying Music 4:45 p.m. Teachers—David Ivey and Lauren Bock. David began by saying that on one level, keying music can be simple: on another level, it can be an art that takes a long time to master. David referred to the sentences in the Rudiments about keying music (page 17; Chapter III, section 4). He said that in order to key for a class, one must have mastered the scale. Lauren said that it is possible to key with good pitch memory and knowing the music, but is much preferred to develop confidence in one's ability by practice. People learn to key in order to be of service to the singing community. There was discussion with the teachers and campers about keying music, and then campers were given the opportunity to key and lead a song. Leaders: David Ivey 37b; Lauren Bock 29t; Rachel Wemyss 32t; George Simms 31t; Constantin Dorsch 28t; Ulrike Tietjen 312t; Ailish McMahon 39t; Laurie Burk 47t; Gail Doss 47t; Elisabeth Schallwig 37b. Class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:00 p.m. The class was called to order, and Kate Fine and Betsy Jeronen spoke in remembrance of Steve Helwig. Phillippe Doyle Gosselin and Ruth Dennis led 144. The opening prayer was offered. Leaders: Werner Ullah 49t; Maureen Uney and David Brodeur 268; Judy Whiting 212; Mary Jane Wells and Lauren Bock 178; Eva Striebeck 377; Vella Dailey, Amy Pope, and Jared Pope 164; Andy Ditzler 545; Martha Kaczowska and Gosia Perycz 274t; Ted Brown 56t; Jerry Brady and assistant 45t; Steve Brett 119; Liz Tarleton and Colleen Jones 198; Jakub Choinski 108b; Diane Heywood and Joyce Smith 146; Caro Stamm-Reusch 373; Samuel Sommers 54; Harald Grundner 459; Scott DePoy 277; Amanda Parkes 317; Tom McTighe 134; Oskar Kvasnes 297; Martha Beverly 430; Jared Pope 168; Kate Fine 228 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Derek Buckland 52b; Elene Stovall 436; Paul Kolenbrander 480; Carolyn Deacy 547; Johannes Sauer 385b; Jasmina Graf 332; Camilla Marie Widholm and Judy Whiting 441. Following the devotional, the class was dismissed.

Wednesday, September 19

Lesson: Rudiments II / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class. She talked about the varying duration of notes and rests in the modes of time. There was a question from a camper about beating time. Lauren described the up and down motion as moving along with an arm extended from the window of a car, and lifting the arm up to avoid a fencepost or mailbox (when beating time, the hand and arm move up and over each measure bar). The class practiced singing and beating time using the examples on pages 15-16 of the Rudiments. The class turned to page 274t and discussed the markings and information found on the page, then sang the song. Then the class turned to page 48t and again discussed the information found there, and also, the differences in information. Helen Brown led

48t. The class practiced hand placement when observing a fermata. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments II / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Sam welcomed the class, and led 24b. He offered prayer. Sam selected songs with features such as changes in the modes of time; unusual repeats; bird's eyes; and ties, slurs, and joined flags. The class sang song to practice these points. Leaders: Camilla Marie Widholm 227; Steve Brett 531; Johannes Sauer 165; Ingrid Raedgard 445; Constantin Dorsch 69b; Samuel Sommers 438, 193; Colleen Jones 550; Amanda Parkes 419; Justyna Orlikowska 163t; Samuel Sommers 207. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Singing Together 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class, and posed the question of what makes a good singing. Campers gave answers and ideas including communication, support, appreciation, paying attention, and accent. Kate Fine led 131b, and Caro Stamm-Reusch led 84. Lauren taught that singing loud can be distracting, and actually harm the ability to sing together. She encouraged singing in full, natural voice, pronounce the shapes, listen to those around and match rather than blend. Discussion moved to good leading as a means of singing together, and Lauren and Aldo shared memories of Shelbie Sheppard's leading boot camp from years past. Lauren encouraged campers to be considerate of one another, be aware, and be generous and helpful. Eva Striebeck led 501, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Poetic Meter in Sacred Harp 10:45 a.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Sam welcomed the class, led 146, and then offered prayer. Sam spoke briefly about the meter of the song on page 146, and demonstrated by singing different words to the tune. The class turned to page 21 of the Rudiments. Sam reviewed the information found there, and then there was discussion about the difference in poetic meter and musical accent. The class sang page 85, noting poetic stresses. Other songs used as examples were 151, 40, 455, and 216. Inga Huebner led 323b and Steve Brett led 422. Sam reviewed the musical forms on page 23 of the Rudiments. He led 512, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: Sight Singing 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Andy Ditzler. Andy welcomed the class, and stated the focus of the class was to help campers increase their confidence and enjoyment of singing by improving sight reading skills. Andy explained that a step is one move to the next note, up or down the scale. He spoke of intervals as the distance between two notes, and that a leap is moving more than one note up or down the scale. The class turned to page 22 of the Rudiments and sang the triad exercise. Andy led the song "Invitation", written by E.J. King. Andy taught that melodic patterns can help in sight singing. Andy and the class analyzed the tenor line of several songs, noting triads and steps, looking at patterns that are repeated, and common endings. Some of these songs were sung, and some were not (112, 296, 522, 380, 293, 119, and 342). Andy led "The Goodly Land", written by J.L. White, and the class was dismissed.

Elective: The Music of L.P. Breedlove 1:00 p.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan shared his knowledge of L.P. Breedlove, a Sacred Harp singing master and composer. Leaders and selections: Theresa Maguire 285t; Steve Brett 407; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 354b; Martha Beverly 75; Dan Brittain "Meditation"; Johannes Sauer "Prosperity"; Caro Stamm-Reusch 342; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin and Caro Stamm-Reusch 326; Dan Brittain "Redemption". The class sang 123b, first from the 1991 edition, and then from J.L. White's 1909, 5th edition. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: A Window Into Paine (Denson) 2:15 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo taught campers about the life and music of Paine Denson through stories, photos, letters, and newspaper articles. The class also listened to an audio recording of an interview with Paine Denson. Leaders: Josh Lant 392; Chris Brown 447; Kate Fine

294; Justyna Orlikowska 396; Amanda Parkes 292; Caro Stamm-Reusch 330t; Johannes Sauer 330b; Martha Beverly 502; Helen Brown 524; Gosia Perycz 518; Andy Ditzler 553; Aldo Ceresa 532. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: Leading Workshop 3:30 p.m. Teacher—Helen Brown. Helen led 34b, and welcomed the class. She said the aim of the workshop is to give leaders confidence while in the square. Helen referred to page 16, and section 12 of the Rudiments, which suggests marking time with modest downward and upward strokes, as opposed to winding, grabbing, and snatching methods. Scottie, the bad leader, showed up in leading class, and demonstrated several bad habits to avoid, including holding a bird eye's too long and failing to indicate a repeat in good time. He led 48t and 171. Leaders and selections: Sue Peters 551; Hyke Sakaras 163b; Gerben Vos 111b; Derek Buckland 56b; Inga Huebner 120; Johannes Sauer 293.

Lesson: Accent 3:30 p.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Sam led 147b, and offered prayer. He welcomed the class, and began a demonstration of accent using carryout containers with various weights inside, beginning with two glass bottles and decreasing to no weight. The containers look the same from the outside, but the weight inside makes them different. Accent is a stress or emphasis on one part, sentence, strain, or measure more than another. It's about backing off the notes with no accent rather than shouting the notes with accent. Sam led 147b again, with heavy accent. He stated that practice will help the sense of accent. Sam reviewed the primary and secondary accents in each mode of time, and the class sang various songs for practice. Leaders: Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 515; Justyna Orlikowska 506; Sam Sommers 87, 170; Richard Schmeidler 49b; Joyce Heath 33b; Sam Sommers 205; Amanda Parkes 204; Steve Brett 41; Sam Sommers 384, 206. There was discussion between each selection led, and accent improved throughout the class time. Class was dismissed.

Elective: What I Learned From My Sacred Harp Elders 4:45 p.m. Teacher—Kathy Williams. Kathy welcomed the class, and led 108t. She said it was the first song she ever led. She talked about spending time with her grandparents, and attending a two-week singing school in 1958. Kathy related that she fell in love with the music and the people. She led 504. Kathy talked about decorum and etiquette that she learned from her elders. She led 77b. She pointed out that Camp is a fun place to get to know fellow singers. She led 186, and related a story about her Aunt and Uncle. She spent time with them and traveled to singings with them. She told of her acquaintance with Lonnie and Vivian Rogers, and led 343. Kathy led 517, and encouraged campers to write down stories about singing during their lifetime. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Discussion of Future of Camp FaSoLa Europe 6:45 p.m. David Ivey began the meeting by thanking the singers for all they did to market Camp Europe and made it such a success. Richard Schmeidler asked that SHMHA offer Camp Europe every year. He suggested asking those who came this year if they would come again in a year. You could ask them to send their fees as a commitment to coming. Camilla Marie Widholm commented that she would love it if it was every year, but said it was a lot of work, so she understood why it was offered once every two years. Gail Doss said in 2016, the Alaskan cruise was held and she had to decide between the cruise and the 2016 Camp Europe. She wondered if that cruise might be part of the reason the attendance was so low in 2016. George Simms asked if there could be a condensed weekend of camp on the off years. There was a comment that then it would not be connected to the UK Convention and the Polish Convention which is part of the reason people want to come. Dan Brittain suggested in off year, they could do a one-day singing school in Warsaw. This has been done in the past. People agreed that scheduling the camp for this particular week is good. One attraction for

US participants is nine days of singing. There was discussion of what would attract US singers, hard core singers, and new singers. Harald Grundner suggested waiting and seeing what happens in 2020, if it remains a full group or not. Someone asked if other locations had been considered. They have, but none is as inexpensive as this camp. Gosia Perycz's help has been essential to our success. Kari Lundgren suggested in the off year, you could offer a short "boot-camp", an intensive 3 day workshop, in another part of the country or in another country, that the boot-camp in Alaska had been a big success. Werner said there are not as many traveling singers in Europe. He suggested having a Friday evening singing school before the Polish Convention. People agreed that they like coming to this beautiful place for camp. Eimear O'Donovan asked what the full capacity is. Gosia was not sure, as you can put different numbers of campers in some rooms, but thought it would be one-hundred. Someone suggested if you paid in full in advance, you might get a discount rate, sort of a very early bird special. One person asked why some classes were lessons and some were electives. David explained that classes that were related to the Rudiments were lessons, while those having to do with history were typically electives. There were suggestions that Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Buell Cobb come back to camp to teach. There was a suggestion that the website should make it more clear there is a tour available for US singers and that there is a bus available for both Gdansk to camp and from camp to Warsaw. It was suggested that we have a Travel Chair. We are dependent on Gosia and Kuba for arranging our travel help, but we will try to do it better in 2020.

Class Singing 7:00 p.m. The class was called to order. Kari Lundgren and Elene Stovall led 528 in memory of Steve Helwig. Colleen Jones and Liz Tarleton led 142, and welcomed the class. Jagoda Perycz offered the opening prayer. Leaders: David Brodeur 389; Rosalind Oldham 127; David Ivey 83t; Mary Jane Wilkie 121; Jeannette DePoy and Karen Ivey 318 (for Karen Rollins); Susan Peters 271t; Mali Dray 46; Kathy Williams 208; Hyke Sakaras 163b; Phillipe Doyle-Gosselin 27; Ann Riley 155; Lloy Cook 452; Lauren Bock 542; Ailish McMahon 42; Joyce Smith 313b; Ingrid Johanne Raedergard 201; Maureen Uney and David Brodeur 209; Jagoda Perycz 49t; Ulla Schlobohm and Lauren Bock 278t; Richard Schmeidler 474; Ulrike Tietjen 385t; Bill Beverly 547; Inga Huebner 359; Dan Brittain 333; Claire Welford 372; Blandine Gaydon and Judy Whiting 40; Gerben Vos 99; Joshua Lant 196; Helen Peake 91. Colleen Jones and Liz Tarleton led 475 as the closing song. Richard Schmeidler presented the devotional reading from Psalms 37. Hyke Sakaras dismissed the class with prayer.

Thursday, September 20

Lesson: Rudiments III / Beginner 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Lauren Bock. Lauren welcomed the class, and reviewed the lessons from the last two days. She talked about slurs and ties, first and second endings, and choice notes. The class turned to page 65, and identified the features of the song (fugue or not, time signature, when to start singing, optional or mandatory repeats). Lauren led 65. She talked about dotted notes, and what's the deal with 213b? She used a 2016 camp t-shirt for a quick review, and the class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Basics 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. The class was brought to order by Sam leading 100. He offered prayer, and welcomed everyone. Sam explained that the focus of the class was learning songs using the STARS method. STARS is an acronym for start, time, accent, repeats, special and is used for identifying the features of a song: start with rest or note; time signature; placement of accent; mandatory or optional repeats; and special features, such as double endings, bird's eyes, or unwritten dynamics. He further explained that a fermata (bird's eye) stops time, and the leader should pause rather than beating

through the measure. Steve Brett led 291, which in some areas is sung with an unwritten time change in the second brace. Watch the leader! The class discussed the song on page 285b using the STARS method. Teresa Maguire led 285b. The class discussed the song on page 118, noting the accent. Inga Huebner led 118. There was discussion about etiquette at singings, and Sam stressed the importance of encouraging each other. The class turned to page 408, and talked about the unwritten repeat used most often. Sam led 408, thanked the class for their participation, and class was dismissed.

Lesson: Rudiments III / Advanced 9:00 a.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, commented on the beautiful day, and began by introducing the minor scale. The class sang the minor scale, then intervals, and then chords. Aldo referred to the Rudiments, pages 18-19, and discussion followed. The class sang portions of songs on pages 332, 56b, 74t, and 360. Emphasis was noted on open chords, rhythmic, and accent. Rosalind Oldham led 342. Caro Stamm-Reusch keyed the song. The class noted that accent was difficult. Caro Stamm-Reusch keyed 170, and led the song. The class discussed rhythm and accent. Johannes Sauer keyed and led 333, followed by discussion. Kate Fine led 429, an unfamiliar tune to most campers, and discussion focused on tempo and accent. The class sang 213b, 408, and 414. Aldo thanked the class, and class was dismissed.

Elective: The Tune Chmielno... In Many Tongues 10:45 a.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class. He wrote the song “Chmielno” after the first Camp Europe held in 2012. Leaders: Dan Brittain Original English version; Jan Geerts Dutch translation; Elisabeth Schallwig French translation; Caro Stamm-Reusch German translation; Camilla Marie Widholm Norwegian translation; Kuba Choinski Polish translation; Katie Ahern Irish translation; Lauren Bock Hebrew translation. Dan thanked the translators and campers. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Front Bench 10:45 a.m. Teachers—Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur. David welcomed the class, and quoted from Luke (the parable of the lowest seat). He said sitting on the front bench is a form of service. Front bench guidelines and etiquette are not explicitly mentioned in the Rudiments, but there are some hints; such as follow the leader precisely. Andy talked about the special role of the front bench, and gave some examples: help keep the class together; singing stronger, which audibly keeps the class together; maintain tempo, pitch, and accent; sound the beginning note; broadly assist and encourage. He said that one should have some degree of experience before moving to the front bench. David talked about some of the things a person would be expected to do, such as sounding the chord, clarification of verses, and being engaged in the action. Phone calls or texts and audible conversation is distracting. Andy invited campers to fill the front bench. He led 59, and performed some common things that happen at a singing. He beat time out of sync, he didn't communicate with the front bench, and he changed tempo. He then led 546, and turned to the wrong part at the fugue. Andy led 480, 269, 138t, and 153. David led 472. The teachers and campers discussed communication techniques, how to recognize a tempo when hand and mouth do not match, and ways to support a weak leader. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Minor Music 1:00 p.m. Teacher—P. Dan Brittain. Dan welcomed the class, and reviewed the information about minor music found on pages 18-19 of the Rudiments. There was discussion about minor songs in the Sacred Harp, and pages 159, 32b, 28t, 71, and 180 were explored. Dan led 32b, 163t, 168, 214, 296, and 313b. Dan gave campers a note on leading, saying that a leader shouldn't let the chord die away completely before beginning time keeping when a tune begins with a rest. Dan talked about the practicality of many of the customs Sacred Harp singers observe. He talked about two song lessons at smaller singings.

Elective: The Wesley Brothers 1:00 p.m. Teacher—Chris Brown. Chris welcomed the class, and began by stressing the importance of words. He noted that the song “Stafford” is rarely sung because of the words. He also noted that the poetry of Amazing Grace practically disappeared in Europe until “New Britain” was written. When the Wesleys were at Oxford, religion was at a low ebb. They, Whitfield, and others sought to revive it. Charles Wesley compiled a collection of hymns for the use of the people called Methodists. Johannes Sauer led 350. The Wesleys sailed to Oglethorpe’s Savannah with a group of Morovians. They soon returned to London, and translated hymns from German and Swedish. Rosalind Oldham led 84. Charles wrote over 5,000 hymns, advocated learning well, and singing lustily. Jeannette DePoy led 270. Samuel Sommers led 81b, and Ted Brown led 40. Charles Wesley’s words contrasted to Watts. Wesley aimed more for poetry, and a more literate audience. He liked complex metaphors, such as those depicting the struggle of faith. Leaders: Derek Buckland 95; Aldo Ceresa 502; Hyke Sakaras 103; Judy Whiting 328; Helen Brown 48b. The second Great Awakening began with Presbyterians, but was soon taken over by Methodists. Camp meetings, designed to draw people to the mourner’s bench, used easily remembered, repetitive choruses. Inga Huebner led 124; Kari Lundgren led 274b, and Richard Mayers led 77t. Class was dismissed.

Lesson: The Memorial Lesson 2:15 p.m. Teachers—Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy. Jeannette led 274t to begin the lesson. She and Scott related several traditional practices of conducting a memorial lesson including time of day, topics, and tunes. She said the memorial lesson is spiritual food, and related her experience of being on the sick and shut-in list. So many friends reached out with calls and cards, and it really mattered. Ted Brown related his story of his mother’s death while he was visiting the US, and how the Sacred Harp community embraced him. David Carlton, Steve Brett, and Chris Brown told their stories of physical injuries, and how hearing from the singing community kept their spirits high and helped them heal. The class was turned over to the memorial committee. Rosalind Oldham spoke about the potter, who creates something beautiful of clay. She read the following list of names of the sick and shut-in: Karen Rollins, David Elliott, Curtis Owen, Philip Ralls, Charlie Miller, Laura Densmore, Chris Densmore, Bob Patten, James John, Marie Raedergard, Melanie Hauff, Lynn Basham, Roy McGregor, Ann Jett, Regina Contrino, and Cath Tyler. She led 146, and offered prayer. Richard Mayers presented his reflections about death and dying. He related his experience of hearing about the death of singers from other singers, and that many times the stories are more personal, giving strangers an insight into a person’s life. Inga Huebner read the following list of names of the deceased: Kamilza Zahno, Ivan Bainbridge, Michael Ridge, Michael Seifert, John Mars, Charlie Hicks, Peter Golding, Rollo Woods, Janet Winstanley, Steve Harrison, Susan Carr, Rev. Michael Pain, and Reginald Brett—United Kingdom; Gisela Sakaras, Jana Rosenstein, and Jurn Otten—Germany; David Gasi—Australia; Vlad and Allan William Jones—Canada; Victor Griffin—Northern Ireland; P.J. O’Grady—Ireland; Franck Marynowier—France; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, Arthur Gilmore, J.A. Moseley, Verlon Stiefel, Mike Jones, and Willodean Barton—Alabama, USA; Daniel Evans, Thomas Sanders, Louise Holland, and Florice Akin—Georgia, USA; Freddie Briggs—Florida, USA; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio, USA; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York, USA; Peter Nichols and Amy Denison—Texas, USA; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona, USA; Bill Davis—Alaska, USA; Julie Vea—Wisconsin, USA; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois, USA; and James B. Walker. Inga led 330b in memory of the deceased. Lloy Cook closed the memorial service with prayer, and class was dismissed.

Lesson: And Then I’ll Be At Rest 3:30 p.m. Teacher—Samuel Sommers. Sam led

334. He stated that rests are periods of silence. He referred to page 15 of the Rudiments, and reviewed the values of rests and their positions on the staff. There was discussion about foot stomping during rest periods, and Sam related a camp story about Jeff Sheppard and Steve Helwig. The class practiced leading and singing songs with rests. Leaders: Judy Whiting 28b; Derek Buckland 335; Caro Stamm-Reusch 280; Sue Peters 457; Inga Huebner 98; Samuel Sommers 412; Amanda Parkes 446; Anne Webster 29t; Aldo Ceresa 254. Samuel Sommers led 24b, and class was dismissed.

Lesson: Leading Workshop 3:30 p.m. Teacher—Helen Brown. Helen led 56t to bring the class to order. She told the class that the goal of leading workshop was to help campers get the best experience from their singing. She asked campers to lead a selection. There was discussion and constructive advice between songs. Leaders: Camila Marie Widholm 240; Diane Heywood 452; Ingrid Raedergard 99; Betsy Jeronen 391; Mary Jane Wells 455; Josh Lant 293; Richard Schmeidler 504; Jeannette DePoy 196; George Simms 340. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Team Tunesmith II / Composium 4:45 p.m. Teacher—Aldo Ceresa. Aldo welcomed the class, and welcomed feedback from the participants in the tune writing exercise, as well as feedback from campers present to help sing. There were seven groups of composers, and as the compositions were performed, discussion was held afterwards. Steve Brett led “There Is No Rest” (his own composition), and then led “Warsaw” (a composition by Aldo Ceresa). Aldo thanked the class, and complimented well done efforts. Class was dismissed.

Elective: Organization and Conduct of Singings and Conventions 4:45 p.m. Moderator—David Ivey. David welcomed the class, and introduced the panel: Elene Stovall, Jeannette DePoy, Kathy Williams, Judy Whiting, and Helen Brown. David referred to the Rudiments, page 25, and mentioned some essentials, such sitting in a hollow square, singing the notes, and prayers for opening, closing, and meal time. There was discussion with panel members about practical and efficient ways of holding all-day singings and conventions. Topics included venue, date, publicity, food, how to raise funds, and allowing ample time for planning. There was discussion about points of etiquette: for example, don’t move song books and share the front row. The panel agreed that a singing or convention doesn’t just happen. Lots of little things must be considered by the organizers of a successful singing. Class was dismissed.

Class Singing 7:00 p.m. The class was called to order, and Gosia Perycz spoke in memory of Steve Helwig. She led 86. Laurie Burk, Steve Brett, and Inga Huebner led 90. Ted Brown offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Joyce Smith, David Carlton, and Elisabeth Schallwig 48t; Kerry Cullinan 467; Idy Kiser and Kate Fine 74b; Mali Dray and Helen Brown 189; Jasmina Graf and Constantin Dorsch 224; Betsy Jeronen and Carolyn Deacy 422; Rachel Wemyss and Lloy Cook 503; Milda Lauzikaite and Kathy Williams 178; Lauren Bock and Ruth Dennis 36b; Ann Riley 142; Helen Peake and Tom McTighe 269; Kari Lundgren and Dan Brittain 353; Blandine Gaydon and Judy Whiting 410t; Camilla Marie Widholm and Richard Mayers 328; Teresa Maguire and Diane Heywood 31t; Margaret Gillanders and Rosalind Oldham 480; Caro Stamm-Reusch and Phillippe Doyle-Gosselin 512; Martha Beverly, Johannes Sauer, Hyke Sakaras, and Bill Beverly 106; Elene Stovall and Samuel Sommers 316; Joshua Lant, Eimear O’Donovan, and Victoria Elliott 113; Chris Brown and Judy Whiting 540; Vella Dailey, Jared Pope, and Amy Pope 63; Ted Brown and Helen Brown 546; Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy 67; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 395; David Ivey and Karen Ivey 182; Maureen Uney and Jan Geerts 203; Mary Jane Wilkie, Aldo Ceresa, and Susan Peters 528; Paul Kolenbrander and Gerben Vos 344; Betsy Jeronen and Kathy Williams 560; Derek

Buckland 275t; Bristol singers 378t; Poland singers 411; Norway singers 354t; Ireland singers 472; London singers 100; Canada singers 276; Germany singers 506; Camp teachers 313t. Laurie Burk presented gifts to each of the teachers, expressed appreciation to each one, and the class applauded. Laurie Burk, Steve Brett, and Inga Huebner led 347 as the closing song. Ted Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Friday, September 21

Campers awoke early, had breakfast, and loaded the bus. They departed for Warsaw at 9:00 a.m.

SHMHA President and Camp Director—David Ivey

CHMIELNO TO WARSZAWA BUS SINGING

Poland

Friday, September 21, 2018

The campers leave Camp FaSoLa Europe, and board the bus at 9:45 a.m. for the 4th biennial Chmielno to Warszawa bus trip and singing. There were sixty-eight singers present. The top deck of the coach is where the singing will happen. Our captain, Justyna Orlikowska, announces the itinerary. A few minutes after departure, Jan Geerts proposes to open a business meeting, and Steve Brett seconds. The following officers were elected: Chairman—Claire Welford; Secretary—Philippe Doyle Gosselin; Resolutions—Lauren Bock; Chaplain—Teresa Maguire; Treasurers—Karen Ivey and David Ivey. No arranging committee was appointed; the singers were called to lead a song in order of seats, from the front to the back. The business meeting was closed.

The 4th biennial Camp Fasola Europe Bus Convention was called to order by Claire Welford, welcoming the singers aboard the bus and kindly reminding everyone to stay seated while leading, for safety. She led 37b. Teresa Maguire offers the opening prayer.

Leaders: Judy Whiting 171; Chris Brown 146; Teresa Maguire 102; Laurie Burk 551; Marta Kaczorowska 274t; Lissi Schallwig 539; Jan Geerts 31b; Helen Peake 317; Rachel Wemyss 35; Mali Dray 288; Jared Pope 59; Joyce Smith 312b; George Simms 67; Martha Beverly 368; Josh Lant 564; Steve Brett 394; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 227; Aldo Ceresa 177; Inga Huebner 56b.

RECESS

Derek Buckland called the class back to order leading 277. Leaders : Camilla Maria Widholm 212; Amanda Parkes 348b; Eva Striebeck 350; Caro Stamm-Reusch 445; Tom McTighe 131b; Eimear O'Donovan 176t; Lauren Bock 155; Sue Peters 515; Ailish McMahon 111b; Lloy Cook 38t; Jeannette DePoy 89; Richard Schmeidler 334; Rosalind Oldham 66; Vicki Elliott 217; Claire Welford 270; Kate Fine 369; Samuel Sommers 213t.

LUNCH

At 2:12 p.m., all singers are back on the bus. The Chairman calls for an hour break; Tom McTighe seconds; all agree. Johannes Sauer calls the class back to order, after nap time, leading 321. Leaders : Hyke Sakaras 401; Katie Ahern 338; Andy Ditzler 229; Betsy Jeronen 225t; Kerry Cullinan 71; Judy Whiting 82t; Chris Brown 28b; Teresa Maguire 77t; Jared Pope 159; Marta Kaczorowska 87; Lissi Schallwig 497; Jan Geerts 32b; Joyce Smith 457; George Simms 569b; Martha Beverly 208; Josh Lant 318; Steve Brett 232; Oskar Kvasnes 388; Aldo Ceresa 399t; Derek Buckland 68t; Ingrid Raedergard 128; Camilla Maria Widholm 426t.

The class went into business meeting. The Secretary gave a report stating that sixty-one songs were led by forty-three leaders from seven countries. The Treasurers dutifully collected donations for the venue, and expenses were met. The Resolutions

Committee submitted the following statement : We, the singers of the fourth biennial Chmielno—Skepe—Warszawa singing resolve to thank God for once again granting us traveling mercies, and the gift of song and friendship as we journey from Camp Fasola to the Poland Convention. Furthermore, we extend our heartfelt appreciation to Justyna Orlikowska for organizing, translating, and starting her announcements with familiar shape-note riffs. We further resolve to thank Teresa Maguire for her prayers, Philippe Doyle-Gosselin for taking minutes, Jan Geerts and Claire Welford for generally presiding, the key heisters for their keying, and Steve Brett for acting as tempo ambassador. Thank you to the class of travellers who fought the forces of physics and frustration to keep the singing going. Lastly, we'd like to thank the bus driver for listening to us and making that multi-point turn as we left camp. We resolve to meet on a bus again on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 2020 for the fifth Chmielno—Warszawa singing. After thanking singers for partaking in the 4th Biennial Bus Convention from Chmielno to Warszawa, Claire Welford lead 347 to close the singing. Teresa Maguire offered a closing prayer, and the class was dismissed as we entered Warsaw at 5:15 p.m.

Chairman—Claire Welford; Secretary—Philippe Doyle-Gosselin

GUM POND PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING

Eva, Morgan County, Alabama

Saturday, September 22, 2018

The Sacred Harp singing held at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 87. Loyd Ivey offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Nicholas Thompson 65 (in memory of Lily Hopper); Judy Caudle 388 (in memory of Freddie Briggs), 336 (for the Beasley family); Linda Booth 186, 273; Christopher Mann and Amber Mann 569b, 68b; Carolyn Thompson 535, 172; Nancy Thompson 138t, 207; Lomax Ballinger 268, 168; Hazel Heinze 99, 147t; Bea Aaron and Sam Guthery 568, 456; Susan Cheronos 349, 300; Craig Holmes 111t, 66.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 120 to bring the class back together. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 217, 411; Larry Ballinger 403, 472; Alex Forsyth 470, 374; Ben Shirley 33b, 155; Keillor Mose 460, 32t; Tom Booth 309, 441; Loyd Ivey 318, 340; Rebecca Over 121, 406; Oscar McGuire 485, 229; Nancy Phillips 277, 282. Elder J.L. Hopper asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Nicholas Thompson and Judy Caudle leading 208. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 206, 203; Jim Aaron 47b, 231; Lisa Geist 304, 269; Daniel Lee 67; Cheyenne Ivey 512, 56t; J.L. Hopper 532, 534; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 82t, 276 (in memory of Glenda Hopper); Theresa Westmoreland 220, 75; Mike Hankins 34b, 527; Winfred Kerr 521, 373; Henry Guthery and Sam Guthery 45t, 72b; Geraldine Sharpton 542, 421; Delone Cobbs 74b, 354t; Daniel Hopper 140, 196; Susan Allred 76b, 182; Loretta Whitman 358, 77b. Announcements were made. Nicholas Thompson led 323t as the closing song. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Judy Caudle

ALABAMA STATE CHRISTIAN HARMONY CONVENTION
Union Missionary Baptist Church, Jefferson County, Alabama
September 22-23, 2018

Saturday, September 22

The annual meeting of the Alabama State *Christian Harmony* Convention convened at Union Missionary Baptist Church, Jefferson County, Alabama, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in September. Danny Creel led 31t, offered the morning prayer, and then led 1.

The class was organized by electing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary and Arranging—Cindy Tanner. Leaders: Danny Creel 82b; Billy Thompson 179, 178, 287; Daniel Bearden 107, 245, 226t; Linda Sides 338b (for Ann Jett), 109 (for Ottis Sides), 117; Sam Wright 447, 361, 372.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Danny Creel leading 258. Leaders: Yancey Jett 93, 281b, 354; Henry Johnson 248, 261b, 470; Wanda Capps 85, 186, 264; Hayden Arp 266, 64, 166.

RECESS

Leaders: Ken Tate 339, 534, 498; David Daniels 130b, 143, 187; SuNell Ellis 326, 60, 14.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ken Tate leading 67b. Leaders: Joan Aldridge 168b, 19; Mike Spencer 464, 397b, 465t; Cassie Allen 63b, 548, 167b; Cindy Tanner 322, 180, 170 (for Ann Jett); Henry Johnson 303, 281; Daniel Bearden 471b; Mike Spencer 493, 401b; Hayden Arp 203. The class sang 206 and 142 (requested by listeners).

Danny Creel led 23b as the closing song. David Daniel offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, September 23

The Sunday session of the Alabama State *Christian Harmony* Convention was called to order by Danny Creel leading 123. Bill Hogan offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Danny Creel 307, 54, 316; Bill Hogan 495, 133, 50; Jeff James 457t, 215, 250t; John Plunkett 163t, 404t, 466; Nancy Hogan 493b, 204t, 49; Eddie Pierce 341, 82b, 171.

RECESS

Danny Creel led 255 to bring the class together. Leaders: Cindy Tanner 168b, 51, 342; Henry Johnson 67t, 256t, 467b; Emma Hayden Calvert 91, 131, 142; Mike Spencer 163b, 410b, 310t; Ainslie Allen 117, 136.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 63t. Leaders: Ken Tate 462, 121t, 432b; Hayden Arp 276, 296, 69; Yancey Jett 352, 230b, 110; Joan Aldridge 60, 355; Cassie Allen 492b, 208, 332; Sam Wright 188, 169b; Carolyn Thompson 172, 67, 474.

Danny Creel led 308 and 455. He dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Ken Tate; Secretary—Cindy Tanner

MINNESOTA STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Olivet Congregational Church, St. Paul, Minnesota and

The Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota

September 22-23, 2018

Saturday, September 22

The 29th annual session of the Minnesota State Sacred Harp Singing Convention

met at the

Olivet Congregational Church, St. Paul, Minnesota. The class was called to order by Anna Pfau and Matt Wells leading 31t. Bryant Kumlin offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Erik McDonald 77b; Joel Menk 82t; Jim Pfau 40; Michael Shewmaker 171; Alec Jenkins-White 84; Francis Gurtz 436; Cathy Lutz 383; Cathy Jordan 534; Bryant Kumlin 481; Anna Leigh Smith 102; Natalie Jablonski 542; Gordon Olson 547; Leslie Williamson-White 210; John Seaton 47t; Lisa Grayson 192; Mara McPartland 444; Hans Guttman 480; Kevin Bullock 500.

RECESS

Steven Levine recalled the class leading 29t. Leaders: Midge Olsen 198; Pat Coghlan 214; Tamara Harris 30t; Tim Gregg 426b; Bob Schinske 429; Janell Draper 187; Michael Moore 218; John Wiens 124; Bill Waddington 503 (for Don Bowen); Miriam Delirium and Leon Pulsinelle 29b; Paul Landskroener 216; Karen Clark 234; Ben Copenhaver 140; Beverley Rose Enright 28b; Christine Stevens 532; Daniel Braithwaite 531.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected for 2019: Co-chairmen—Paul Landskroener and Midge Olsen for next September; Co-chairmen—Ben Copenhaver and Bryant Kumlin for the all-day *Cooper Book* Singing in February.

RECESS

Paul Wyatt led 313t to recall the class. Leaders: Kim Bahmer 313b; Martha Henderson 396; Erik Schwab 464; James Page 351; Yosef Trachtenberg 148; Eleanor Haase 272; Leon Pulsinelle 298; Kat Kohorst 320; Eileen Ferguson 36b. Kevin Bullock offered grace before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Dick Patterson brought the class back together by leading 274t. Leaders: Steve Luttnen 440; Gillian Inksetter 456; Nathan Berry 65; Thom Fahrback 314; Cecelia Kramer 380; Mike Hinton 475; Barbara Swetman 474; Lydia Lewallen 391; Corinne Serfass 296; Jacob Kiakahi 179; Marie Brandis 352; Stacey Berkheimer 327; Denise Kania 442; Anna Pfau 411; Clarissa Fetrow 80t; Carol Buche 178; Megan Holm 388; Carol Crawford 501; Kit Canright 129; Paul Wyatt 528; Claudia Egelhoff 147t; Jeanette Nelson 479.

RECESS

Jim Pfau recalled the class by leading 445. Leaders: Jim Goetz 312b; Kenan Serenbetz and Maren Day 376; Joel Menk 204; Matt Wells 473 (for Steven Schmidgall); Erik Schwab 568; Dick Patterson 61; Thom Fahrback 225t; Mike Hinton 527; Steven Levine 350; Gillian Inksetter 212; Joel Setterholm 146; Corinne Serfass 535; Karen Clark and Carol Buche 70t; Lydia Lewallen 390; Barbara Swetman 472; Bob Schinske 546. Anna Pfau and Matt Wells led 208 as the closing song. Liesl Spitz offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, September 23

The Sunday session of the Minnesota State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at The Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota. Anna Pfau and Matt Wells brought the class to order by leading 36b. Corinne Serfass offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Christine Stevens 47b; Megan Holm 101t; Jeanette Nelson 183; Paul Wyatt 157; Claudia Egelhoff and Clarissa Fetrow 174; Jacob Kiakahi 485; Stacey Berkheimer 59; Eleanor Haase 505; Cecelia Kramer 71; Bob Schinske 63; Martha Henderson 64; Barbara Swetman 254; Nathan Berry 39b; Yosef Trachtenberg 236; Erik McDonald 77t; Elise DelMas 70b; Gillian Inksetter 316.

RECESS

Alec Jenkins-White recalled the class by leading 312b. Leaders: Hans Guttman 112; Emerald O'Brien 551; Leon Pulsinelle 477; Pat Coghlan 550; Kevin Bullock 177; Beverley Rose Enright 344; Corinne Serfass 74b; Karen Clark 466; Eleanor Glewwe

547; Kit Canright 497; Cathy Lutz 378b; Michael Moore 299; Daniel Braithwaite 311; Hanna Brolander 38b; Jim Crawford 313t.

RECESS

Dick Patterson led 133 to bring the class together. Leaders: Gordon Olsen 86; Denise Kania 430; Erik Schwab 498; Eileen Ferguson 504.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Marie Brandis and Paul Wyatt. Paul led 340 for the following sick and shut-ins: Ted Mercer, Mary Munce, Roberta Mather, Jeff Bell, Don Bowen, Norma Mincey, Len VanderJagt, Polly Oettel Gai, Enid Thomas, Ester Wildey, Melanie Hauff, Paul Wilson, Dan Fahrbach, Jack Kagay, Stephen Hoyt, Michael Appert, Sharon Gregoire, Ryan Veldt, Ben Crawford, Elaine Zidek, and Ed Anderson.

Marie Brandis led 45t for the following deceased: Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona; Julie Vea and Bernadette Crawford—Wisconsin; Charly Wayne Wyatt, Floy Wilder, Mike Jones, and Daphene Causey—Alabama; Michael Kaye—New York; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Gary Thomas, Loren Anderson, Karen Madsen, Colette Miller, and Jason Ritenour—Minnesota; Dixie Keck—Missouri; Brian Keating—Washington; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Gene McCreary—California; Dennis Powers—Iowa. Marie then closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Paul Landskroener 330b; Joel Menk 414; Jenny Willard 349. Dick Patterson offered grace, and the class was dismissed for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Steven Levine brought the class back together by leading 39t. Leaders: Janell Draper 87; Cathy Jordan 84; AnnaLeigh Smith 556; Tim Gregg 91; Lisa Grayson 269; Thom Fahrbach 536; Lydia Lewallen 373; Noelle Copeland 507; John Wiens 34t; Marie Brandis 172; James Page 169; Anna Pfau 196; Mike Hinton 434; Ben Copenhaver 468; Clarissa Fetrow 110; Miriam Delirium 30b; Jim Pfau 538; Carol Crawford 207; Bryant Kumlin 58; Natalie Jablonski 312t.

RECESS

Cathy Lutz led 106 to recall the class. Leaders: John Seaton 37b; Matt Wells and David Cutler 348t; Steve Luttinen 426t; Val Eng 528; Jim Goetz 99; Jan Ketelle 441; Midge Olsen 454; Alec Jenkins-White 350; Kat Kohorst 191; Doug Donley and Becca Donley 198; Carol Buche 503; Steven Levine 496; Dick Patterson 415; Marie Brandis 168; Tim Gregg 92.

Anna Pfau and Matt Wells led 347 as the closing song. Bryant Kumlin offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairpersons—Anna Pfau and Matt Wells; Secretary—Stacey Berkheimer

POLAND SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

**University of Warsaw, Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies,
Warsaw, Poland**

September 22-23, 2018

Saturday, September 22

The 7th annual Poland Sacred Harp Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in September on the main campus of the University of Warsaw at the Faculty of Geography and Regional Studies. The class was called to order by Kuba Choiński leading 59. Jacek Borkowicz offered the opening prayer. Kuba Choiński welcomed the guests.

Leaders: Gosia Perycz 32t; Jacek Borkowicz 49b; Alma Molędys 445; Marta Kaczorowska and Gosia Perycz 457; Caro Stamm-Reusch 187; Jan Geerts 378b; Werner Ullah 73b; Joanna Bennett 434; Steve Brett 89; Ingrid Rædergård 35; Ailish

McMahon 148; Sue Peters 338; George Simms 512; Mary Jane Wells 159; Ted Brown 77b; Amanda Parkes 283.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Kari Lundgren leading 448b. Leaders: Piotr Zarzycki and Jasmina Graf 142; Mali Dray 48b; Josh Lant 77t; Kerry Cullinan 26; Claire Welford 501; Jeannette DePoy 392; Kamil Watkowski and Andy Ditzler 296; Rachel Wemyss 129; Marta Wnukiewicz and friends 95; Johannes Sauer 151; Eva Striebeck 362; Aldo Ceresa 534; Eimear O'Donovan 411; David Brodeur 543; Betsy Jeronen 564; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 432; Nick Hall 511; Lloy Cook 504; Geoff Grainger 313b; Camilla Marie Widholm 280.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Justyna Orlikowska leading 56t. Leaders: Judy Whiting 492; Constantin Dorsch 542; Peter Rayner 236; Rachel Jordan 466; Jared Pope 300; Stina Söderling 451; Rosalind Oldham 84; Martha Beverly 197; Edwin Macadam 444; Ulrike Tietjen 396; Chris Brown 447; Tom McTighe 517; Christopher Schuller 372; Marielle Minutella 497; Elene Stovall 430; Tristan Gordon 460; Helen Brown 500; Carolyn Deacy 112; Dan Brittain 417; Ann Riley 192; Teresa Maguire 506; Vella Dailey 34b. The blessing for the midday meal was offered by Alma Mołędys.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Kama Dembińska leading 67. Leaders: Katie Ahern 189; Andy Ditzler 181; Lauren Bock 419; Karen Ivey 532; Morag Logan 72b; Kathy Williams 365; Kate Fine 361; Vicki Elliott 327; David Ivey 428; Samuel Sommers 426b; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Kari Lundgren 36b; Amy Pope 277; Richard Schmeidler 120; Scott DePoy 65; Idy Kiser 217; Laurie Burk 312b; Jasmina Graf 216; Bill Beverly 547; David Carlton 421; Lissi Schallwig 106; Derek Buckland 125; Justyna Orlikowska 328.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Gosia Perycz leading 330t. Leaders: Joyce Smith 31t; Błażej Matusiak 276; Oskar Kvasnes 66; Kuba Choiński 40; Eva Striebeck 42; Betsy Jeronen 499; Rosalind Oldham 503 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Mali Dray 163b; Ann Riley 186; Peter Rayner 324; Jan Geerts 38b; Camilla Marie Widholm 550; Johannes Sauer 196; Stina Söderling 531; Ingrid Rædergård 128; Morag Logan 344.

Kuba Choiński led 47t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Helen Brown, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, September 23

The Sunday session of the 7th Poland Sacred Harp Convention began with Kuba Choiński leading 101t. The opening prayer was offered by Eimear O'Donovan. Leaders: Marta Kaczorowska 87; Jacek Borkowicz 163b; Kama Dembińska 71 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Alma Mołędys, Basia Mołędys, and Justyna Mołędys 274t; Izabela Jachnicka and Justyna Orlikowska 457; Dominika Jędrzejczak and Marta Wnukiewicz 49t; Christopher Schuller 278t; Hyke Sakaras 117; Błażej Matusiak 171; Kuba Choiński 501; Piotr Zarzycki and Jasmina Graf 107; Kerry Cullinan 467; Oskar Kvasnes 515; Lloy Cook 503; Josh Lant 183; Laurie Burk 146; Ulrike Tietjen 113; Derek Buckland 160b; Vicki Elliott 565; David Carlton 198; Katie Ahern 318.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Gosia Perycz leading 82t. Leaders: Inga Huebner 98; Mali Dray 201; Constantin Dorsch 26; Ailish McMahon 111b; Nick Hall 231; Gail Doss 191; George Simms 492; Lissi Schallwig 324; Idy Kiser 479; Jan

Geerts 455; Jasmina Graf 442; Claire Welford 556; Richard Schmeidler 474.

Jeannette DePoy and Samuel Sommers conducted the memorial lesson. Samuel Sommers spoke for the sick and shut-ins and led 45t for the following: Silke Kunow-Koch, Erika Nebel, Phil, Bob Patten, Sister Rippa, David Elliott, Philip Ralls, Ruth Daniel, Eugene Forbes, Ann Jett, Karen Rollins, Melanie Hauff, Dorothy Hall, Chris Densmore, Laura Densmore, Charlie Miller, Regina Contrino, and Curtis Owen.

Jeannette DePoy spoke and led 68b in memory of the following deceased: Jennifer Bennett—Canada, Jürn Otten and Andrej Sauer—Germany; Maciej Kaziński—Poland; Wassim Suleiman—United Arab Emirates; Peter Golding, Andy Spence, Susan Carr, John Marsh, Frank Pigott, Michael Ridge, Michael Seifert, Kamila Zahno, Ivan Bainbridge, Reginald Brett, Steve Harrison, Rev. Michael Pain, and Janet Winstanley—United Kingdom; David Gasi—Australia; Willodean Barton, Daphene Causey, Art Gilmore, Glenda Hopper, Mike Jones, J.A. Moseley, and Verlon Stiefel—Alabama, USA; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona, USA; Freddie Briggs—Florida, USA; Florice Akin, Daniel Evans, Louise Holland, and Thomas Sanders—Georgia, USA; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois, USA; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Michael Kaye and Mary Ellen Schrock—New York, USA; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Eugene Horst—Pennsylvania, USA; Amy Denison and Peter Nichols—Texas, USA; Julie Vea—Wisconsin, USA.

Leaders: Rachel Jordan 330b; Bill Beverly 523; Joyce Smith 535; Andy Ditzler 218; Sue Peters 341; Kathy Williams 273; Scott DePoy 179 (for his cousins Benton, Kate and Cyndi); Sheila Girling Macadam 299 (for Bob Patten); Dan Brittain 429; Rachel Wemyss 544; Werner Ullah and David Carlton 538. Grace for the midday meal was offered by Jan Geerts.

LUNCH

Stina Söderling called the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: Tristan Gordon 176b; Martha Beverly 348t; Joanna Bennett 358; Helen Brown 475; Tom McTighe 374; Amanda Parkes 483; Aldo Ceresa 309; Caro Stamm-Reusch 397; Edwin Macadam 306; Elene Stovall 396; Steve Brett 507 (for Kate Kirwan); Lauren Bock 145t; Chris Brown 464; Eimear O'Donovan 222 (for Sadhbh O'Flynn); Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 272; David Brodeur 200; Judy Whiting 208; David Ivey and Karen Ivey 384; Eva Striebeck 465; Peter Rayner 452; Jacek Borkowicz 456; Vella Dailey, Amy Pope, and Jared Pope 549; Inga Huebner 94; Johannes Sauer 567.

RECESS

Steve Brett called the class back to order leading 278b. Leaders: Joanna Mankiewicz and Justyna Orlikowska 148; Ingrid Rædergård 480; Morag Logan 63; Ted Brown 43; Kuba Choiński 401; Camilla Marie Widholm 240; Ann Riley 440; Anna Godlewska and Gosia Perycz 163t; Betsy Jeronen 573; Kama Dembińska and Justyna Orlikowska 267; Steve Brett, Tom McTighe, Helen Peake, and Rachel Wemyss 290. A business meeting was held for the purpose of hearing reports. The Treasurer, Kuba Choiński, announced that all expenses were met through the generosity of the attendees. Bogna Różycka gave the Secretary's report and stated that 190 songs had been sung in total (103 on Saturday and 87 on Sunday) by 105 registered singers (among them 94 leaders). Thirteen countries were represented: Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, England, Germany, Ireland, Norway, Poland, Scotland, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the United States of America (twelve states were represented: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Indiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Oregon, New York, Tennessee, and Vermont). The Resolutions Committee (Aldo Ceresa) thanked all

whose work made the convention a success. The business meeting was closed, and announcements were made.

Kuba Choiński remembered the late Steve Helwig, (who contributed a lot to make the first Poland Sacred Harp Convention possible) and together with Justyna Orlikowska and Gosia Perycz led 146 as the closing song (as they did together with Steve Helwig during the first Poland Sacred Harp Convention in 2012). Błażej Matusiak offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kuba Choiński; Secretary—Bogna Różyczka

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Montezuma Lodge #1, Santa Fe, New Mexico

September 22-23, 2018

Saturday, September 22

The 28th annual Rocky Mountain Sacred Harp Convention, New Mexico Session, was held in Santa Fe, New Mexico, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in September. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Leslie Alperin leading 59. She welcomed the class, and thanked Charles Whitmer, who had taught a singing school earlier that morning. Jean Merritt offered the morning prayer.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Sally Gwylan; Treasurer—Sally Gwylan; Secretary—Leslie Alperin.

Leaders: Harlan Van Camp 171; Laura Densmore 313; Anita Landess 77t; David Schmitt 77b; Janet Morgan 270; Lamar Matthew 156; Sally Gwylan 383; Sally Langendorf 87; William Price 312b; Allan Stavely 479; Eloise Clark 300; Craig Averill 63; Carol Selleck 89; Erin Fulton 501; David McPherson 430; Nancy Price 384; Judy Van Duzer 153; Eric Metzler 66; Larry Hand 72b; Nancy Nortz 33b.

RECESS

Robert McKay called the class back together leading 277. Leaders: Erika Roush 481; Marjorie Mullany 183; Carla Smith 480; Corrie Van Duzer 217; Erik Mason 135; Ellen Ray 101t; Donna Sewell 282; Charles Whitmer 218; Chris Nicholson 34b; Jean Merritt 474; David Hand 128; Paige Winslett 81t; Leslie Alperin 344; Cathy Van Blerkom 168. Jean Merritt offered the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David McPherson leading 49t. Leaders: Stephanie Fida 216; Evelyn Lamb 232 (in memory of Barbara Losse); Harry Scott 276; Julie Johnson 31t; Abbie Sorg 452; Andrew Snyder 198; Janet Plattner 47b; Paul Lindholm 564; Will Sims 178; Catie Van Duzer 441; Mimi Faraj 131t; Eric Morgan 186; Marilyn Murata 200; Robert McKay 448t; Sally Langendorf 548; Lamar Matthew 388; Laura Densmore and Steven Hoyt 549; Erin Fulton 124; Carla Smith 67; Janet Morgan 76b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Eric Metzler leading 65. Leaders: Liz Bryant 425; Eloise Clark 532; Paige Winslett 361; Erika Roush 107; Donna Sewell 146; Jean Merritt and Harlan Van Camp 280; Craig Averill 49b; William Price 547; Nancy Price 569b; Charles Whitmer 320; Nancy Nortz 379; David Hand 400; Judy Van Duzer 313b; Corrie Van Duzer 230; Sally Gwylan 324; Anita Landess 312t; David Schmitt 106; Chris Nicholson 212; Erik Mason 354t; Carol Selleck 424; Ellen Ray 512; Cathy Van Blerkom 442; David McPherson 50t; Evelyn Lamb 522; Harry Scott 155; Marilyn Murata 274t.

The chairman shared comments and concerns. Jean Merritt dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, September 23

The Sunday session of the Rocky Mountain Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Sally Gwylan leading 171. Claire Singleton offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Claire Singleton 228; Larry Hand 282; Eric Morgan 344; Leslie Alperin 454; Allan Stavely 148; Will Sims 71; Marjorie Mullany 302; Mimi Faraj 535; Stephanie Fida 28b; Julie Johnson 143; Andrew Snyder 268; Abbie Sorg 532; Paul Lindholm 422; Janet Plattner 159; Catie Van Duzer 492; Harry Scott 524; Sally Langendorf 401; Lamar Matthew 35; Laura Densmore 349.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Harlan Van Camp leading 46. Leaders: Erin Fulton 472; Carla Smith 115; Janet Morgan 68b; Liz Bryant 542; Eloise Clark 486; Robert McKay 39t; Paige Winslett 288.

Carol Selleck conducted the memorial lesson. She spoke for sick and housebound, and read the following list of names: Norma Ruptier, Michael McKernan, Kathy Garrett, Ed Stevens, Donald Lewis, Steve Hoyt, Kathryn Glatter, Curtis Owen, Amy Wilson and baby girl, Chuck Grant, and Kathleen Mark Waxman. Eric Morgan led 50b in their honor.

Carol then spoke for the deceased and read the following list of names: Mark Powers—New Mexico; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Donna Andrews, Theodore Knox, Jim Van Winkle, Barbara Greenspan, Lou Curtis, and Bill Knox—California; Edith Owen, Amy Denison, and Mel Rosenbaum—Texas; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona; George Snyder—Georgia; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Michael Kaye—New York; Barbara Losse—Utah; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; and Keith MacAdam—Kentucky. Carol led 420 in memory of the deceased. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Claire Singleton.

Leaders: Donna Sewell 40; Erika Roush 126; Craig Averill 276; William Price 29t; Corrie Van Duzer 352; Nancy Price 551; Charles Whitmer 504; Sally Gwylan 326; Anita Landess 111t; Chris Nicholson 473; Erik Mason 229; Ellen Ray 426t; Cathy Van Blerkom 278t. Claire Singleton asked a blessing before the midday meal.

LUNCH

David McPherson called the class together leading 452. Leaders: Evelyn Lamb 485; David Hand 312b; Judy Van Duzer 283; Marilyn Murata 456; Claire Singleton 124; Will Sims 48b; Harlan Van Camp 86; Eric Morgan 245; Nancy Nortz 270; Carol Selleck 285b; Stephanie Fida 165; Marjorie Mullany 284; Andrew Snyder 269; Allan Stavely 58; Robert McKay 70b; Carla Smith 378t; Lamar Matthew 154; Liz Bryant 142; Charles Whitmer 147t; Erika Roush 236.

RECESS

Leslie Alperin brought the class back together leading 163b. Leaders: Will Price 496; Laura Densmore 370. A meeting was called by the chairman to hear reports from committees.

Leaders: Anita Sanders 528; Jodie Streit 45t; Abbie Sorg 56b; Paul Lindholm 447; Julie Johnson 207; Janet Plattner 119. Sally Gwylan thanked everyone for coming, and led 62 as those who wished took the parting hand. Claire Singleton offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sally Gwylan; Secretary—Leslie Alperin

POPLAR SPRINGS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

North of Bowdon, Carroll County, Georgia

Sunday, September 23, 2018

The 2nd annual Sacred Harp singing at Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church, north of Bowdon, Carroll County, Georgia, was held on the fourth Sunday in

September. Cecil Roberts called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 56t. Cecil welcomed everyone, and then Jack Nelson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Judy Chambless 146, 82t; Glenda Collins 100; Richard Delong 77t (in honor of Charlene Wallace), 337; Gary Davis and Karen Flagg 565, 47b; Philip Denney 101t, 84; Tony Hammock 89, 426t; Jack Nelson 136, 480.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts called the class back to order leading 35. Leaders: Barbara Brooks 457, 274b; Rebecca Over 544, 77b; Robert Chambless 33b, 39b; Bert Collins 274t, 421; Virginia Dyer 217, 222.

A business session was held. There was discussion whether to continue the singing for another year and change the start time from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. This change is to be notated in the minutes book. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Richard Delong; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Donna Bell; Arranging Officer—Judy Chambless.

Some members of the church mentioned they wanted to have a two-day convention, but were told that they didn't have enough support. A motion was made to move the singing from Sunday to Saturday at 10:00 a.m., and then withdrawn. Options to have a two-day singing at Poplar Springs Primitive Baptist Church mentioned to consider were the Georgia State Convention or possibly the United Convention. It was also noted that the church would have to send a letter of request for a convention be held there. It was reiterated that the motion change from Sunday to Saturday was withdrawn. A motion to continue to have the singing on the fourth Sunday in September and change the start time to 10:00 a.m. was made. The motion carried, and the business session was closed.

Oscar McGuire led 515 and 163b. The memorial lesson was conducted by Richard Delong. The deceased remembered were Darrell Swarens—Illinois; Louise Holland, Alan Lambert, Daniel Lanier, Wawena Entrekim Miles, Audrey Ruth Garner, Florice Akin, and Ruth Ayers—Georgia; Daphene Causey, Mike Jones, and Willodean Barton—Alabama; Eugene Horst—Pennsylvania; and Steve Helwig—Oregon. Richard spoke in memory of the deceased, and led 154.

The sick and shut-ins honored were Ruth Daniel, Charlene Wallace, Lucy Garner, Karen Rollins, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, Mildred Patterson, and Eugene Forbes. Richard Delong and Fallon Cook led 176t for the sick and shut-ins. Cecil Roberts closed the memorial with prayer. Shane Brown offered the blessing of the noon meal at the tables.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts brought the class back to order leading 319. Leaders: Winfred Kerr 521, 283; Daniel Williams 290, 472; Sherrell Cleino 335, 127; Cain Cook 146; Donna Bell 48t, 542; Shane Brown 285t, 373; Fallon Cook 159, 294 (for Mildred Patterson); Joyce Heath 164, 155; Rebecca Over 197; Daniel Williams 74t; Glenda Collins and Bert Collins 454; Shane Brown 339; Fallon Cook 37b; Tony Hammock 112; Jack Nelson 300; Oscar McGuire 229; Richard Delong 327 (in honor of Karen Rollins, who was able to come to the afternoon session of singing).

Announcements were made. Richard Delong, Cecil Roberts, Donna Bell, and Judy Chambless led 323t as the closing song. Daniel Williams offered the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard Delong; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Donna Bell

WINSTON COUNTY CONVENTION

Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama Sunday, September 23, 2018

The Winston County Convention was held at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Double Springs, Alabama, on the fourth Sunday in September. Richard Mauldin brought the class order by leading 35 and 309. Nicholas Thompson offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Vice Chairman—Henry Guthery; Secretary—Roma Rice; Arranging—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Richard Mauldin 417; Henry Guthery 101t, 76b; Marlin Beasley 388 (in memory of Freddie Briggs), 336; Loretta Whitman 81t (for her sister, Nellie), 34b; Roma Rice 371, 496; Theresa Westmoreland 300, 299; Louise Yeager 569b, 480; Mike Hankins 59, 84; Linda Sides 182, 215 (for Ann Jett).

RECESS

Henry Guthery called the class to order by leading 477. Leaders: Nancy Phillips 117, 146; Linda Booth 222, 454; Butch White 86, 74b; Nellie Alexander 176t, 176b; Nicholas Thompson 218 (for Eugene Forbes), 436; Tom Booth 348b, 73t; Lauren Allen 460, 323b; Amber Davis 396, 422.

LUNCH

Richard Mauldin called the class to order by leading 446. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 283, 177; David Jackson 147t, 30b; Betty Baccus 387; Susan Allred 102, 110; Lisa Geist 187 (for her nephew, Jerry); Larry Ballinger 566, 151; Lena Keeton and Linda Booth 445, 475; Greg Allred 452; Christie Allen 499, 78 (for her mother, Margaret); Julie Poston 99, 129; Bernice Wakefield 294; Marlin Beasley 490, 318; Margaret Keeton, Roma Rice, Carolyn Pipkins, Louise Yeager, Loretta Whitman, Nellie Alexander, and Bernice Wakefield 276.

Richard Mauldin led 521 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Vice Chairman—Henry Guthery; Secretary—Roma Rice

JOHNNY LEE AND KELLY DAY MEMORIAL COOPER BOOK SINGING

Carroll County 4H Fairgrounds Scout Building, Flora, Indiana Saturday, September 29, 2018

The 11th annual session of the Johnny Lee—Kelly Day Memorial *Cooper Book* Singing was called to order by Brad Bahler leading 68b. Ed Walton offered the opening prayer. The following officers were appointed: Chairman—Brad Bahler; Vice Chairman—David Bahler; Secretary and Arranging—Robert Bahler.

Leaders: David Bahler 72; Jim Helke 571; Ginny Landgraf 224; Karen Bahler 541; Brian Newell 388; Ray Rechenberg 344; Rob Bahler 201; Susan Holsinger 501; John Hoerr 212; Jeff Begley 45b; Ginny Landgraf 318; David Bahler 31t; Jim Helke 41; Brad Bahler 55.

RECESS

Leaders: Ray Rechenberg 140; Rob Bahler 102; Susan Holsinger 546; John Hoerr 273; Karen Bahler 395t; Tim Gregg 391; Jeff Begley 150; Brian Newell 266t; Jim Helke 507b; Dave Bahler 199; Ginny Landgraf 587; Brad Bahler 406. Dallas Meador offered prayer for dinner.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Rob Bahler leading 324. Leaders: Ray

Rechenberg 78; Susan Holsinger 563; John Hoerr 184b; Tim Gregg 559; Jeff Begley 589 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Karen Bahler 572; Jim Helke 505; David Bahler 95b (in memory of Johnny Lee); Ginny Landgraf 504b; Ray Rechenberg 133; Rob Bahler 370; Tim Gregg 410; Susan Holsinger 518; John Hoerr 186; John Bahler 567; Karen Bahler 361; Jeff Begley 69; Tim Greg 99; Ed Walton 96; John Bahler 38t; Ginny Landgraf 38b (request from Dallas Meador).

Brad Bahler, David Bahler, Rob Bahler, Dave Bahler, John Bahler, and Karen Bahler led 343 as the closing song. Keith Wolfe offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Brad Bahler; Vice Chairman—David Bahler; Secretary—Robert Bahler

MOUNTAIN HERITAGE DAY
Western Carolina University, Cullowhee
Jackson County, North Carolina
Saturday, September 29, 2018

The morning session was from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. Mike Nichols welcomed the singers. Steve Walker offered the opening prayer. Mike Nichols led 59.

Leaders: Andy Morse 267; Judy Mincey 40; Dan Huger 66; Steve Walker 445; Bill Hogan 53; Nancy Hogan 178; Cathy Smith 159; Will Peebles 48b; Mary Baumeister 322; Phil Perrin 354b; Kelly Smith 101t (in memory of Ed Smith); Annie Harlow 155; Patty Judson 282; Cindy Smith and Kelly Smith 426t; Mike Nichols 324; Andy Morse 454; Bill Hogan 129; Judy Mincey 475; Dan Huger 38b; Steve Walker 569b; Nancy Hogan 171; Cathy Smith 503; Will Peebles 117; Mary Baumeister 126; Phil Perrin 127; Kelly Smith 378t; Annie Harlow and Judy Mincey 49t; Patty Judson 187; Cindy Smith and Kelly Smith 39b; Larry Hogan 47b. Announcements were made. Kelly Smith asked a blessing before lunch. Thanks to the university for providing an excellent lunch.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was from *The Christian Harmony, 2010 edition*. Mike Nichols welcomed the singers to the afternoon session, and led 87 (CH). Bill Hogan gave a brief introduction to *Christian Harmony* singing.

Leaders: Andy Morse 51 (CH); Judy Mincey 16 (CH); Steve Walker 131 (CH); Bill Hogan 245 (CH); Nancy Hogan 149 (CH); Will Peebles 88 (CH); Mary Baumeister 1 (CH); Phil Perrin 117 (CH); Kelly Smith 380 (CH); Annie Harlow 339 (CH); Cindy Smith 30b (CH), 31t (CH); Larry Hogan 91 (CH); Clark Williams 291 (CH); Maddy Mullany 47 (CH); George Reynolds 215 (CH); Mike Nichols 29 (CH); Andy Morse 64 (CH); Judy Mincey 133 (CH); Steve Walker 167t (CH); Bill Hogan 15 (CH); Nancy Hogan 362 (CH); Phil Perrin 143 (CH); Will Peebles 344 (CH); Mary Baumeister 235 (CH); Kelly Smith 189 (CH); Robert Johnson 228 (CH); Cindy Smith 274 (CH); Larry Hogan 184 (CH); Clark Williams 257 (CH); Maddy Mullany 174 (CH); George Reynolds 11 (CH). Announcements were made.

Mike Nichols led 76 (CH) as the closing song. Steve Walker offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Mike Nichols; Vice Chairman—Judy Mincey; Secretary—Mary Baumeister

SOUTHWEST TEXAS SACRED HARP CONVENTION FALL SESSION, (COOPER BOOK)

Jarrell, Texas

September 29-30, 2018

Saturday, September 29

The Southwest Texas Sacred Harp Convention, Fall Session, was held on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in September in Jarrell, Texas. The class was called to order by Kristie Powell leading 68b. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Sonny Huckaby. Kristie led 171, followed by Sonny Huckaby leading 558, Bruce Coates leading 575, and Beverly Coates leading 270.

Leaders: Al Rogers 541; Catherine Rogan 155; Lauren Owen 146; Donn Howard 484; Abby Huckaby 45t; Jeb Owen and Jackson Owen 514; Patrick Curran 388; Amy Peveto 500; Jackson Owen 186; Tammy Powell 142; Daniel Allcock 422b; Ellee Curran 367; Robert Vaughn 521; Liz Owen 299; Carter Cook 168; Diane Ross 53; Reed Coates 511b; Linda Booker 511t.

RECESS

Sonny Huckaby called the singers back together leading 63. Leaders: Scott McCown 99; Vickie Cook 277; Mike Hinton 400; Ellen Ray 345t; Steve Luttinen 567; Lisa Matt 406; Ron Bernucho 571; Janie Short 430; Kit Alderson 47b; Michele Curran 416b; Kevin Powell 300; Emily Brown 140; Donald Ross 590; Kate Agnew 110; Jesse Latimer 200; Leon Ballinger 120; Tom Owen 122; Scott Curran 464; Gaylon Powell 486; Jeb Owen family 410; Al Rogers 505; Catherine Rogan 217; Amy Peveto 559; Robert Vaughn 573; Donn Howard 518; Daniel Allcock 68t. Donald Ross offered the blessing for the food.

LUNCH

Kristie Powell led 65 to begin the afternoon session. Leaders: Ellen Ray 98; Reed Coates 139; Lauren Owen and Abby Huckaby 159; Kit Alderson 563; Kate Agnew 393; Ron Bernucho 507b; Olivia Powell 106; Vickie Cook 508; Jackson Owen 408; Mike Hinton 515; Emily Brown 86; Steve Luttinen 524; Lisa Matt 133; Jesse Latimer 189; Diane Ross 40; Carter Cook 427; Michele Curran and Ellee Curran 421.

RECESS

Kristie Powell led 29b to bring the class together. Leaders: Tom Owen 369; Tammy Powell 222; Scott McCown 282; Linda Booker 293b; Donald Ross 211; Janie Short 112; Scott Curran 218; Olivia Powell 148; Leon Ballinger 297; Kevin Powell 47t; Gaylon Powell 543; Beverly Coates 96.

After announcements, Kristie Powell led 323t. Robert Vaughn offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, September 30

The Sunday session of the Southwest Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention began with Kristie Powell leading 31b. The opening prayer was offered by Elder Sonny Huckaby. Kristie Powell led 272, followed by Sonny Huckaby leading 49t, Bruce Coates leading 179, and Beverly Coates leading 30t.

Leaders: Carter Cook 203; Olivia Powell 77t; Addison Bowles 573; Donn Howard 49b; Janie Short 276; Daniel Allcock 427; Sarah Huckaby 392; Riley Owen 293b; Amanda Bowles and Weston Bowles 99; Jackson Owen 53; Rick Foreman 35; Lauren Owen 39; Kevin Powell 36b; Ellee Curran 367; Tammy Powell 95b; Patrick Curran 60.

RECESS

Sonny Huckaby brought the class to order by leading 100. Leaders: Vickie Cook 162; Greg Bowles 559; Abby Huckaby 45t; Charles Whitmer 218; Cheryl Foreman 470;

Steve Luttinen 271b; Linda Booker 336b; Ron Bernucho 463; Emily Brown 38t; Tom Owen 168.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Sonny Huckaby opened the memorial with remarks about the purpose of this time and asked Michele Curran to speak and sing for the sick and shut-ins. After a short talk about the need to reach out to those on the list as well as their caregivers, Michele led 129 in honor of the following: Doug Webb, Myrl Jones, Azalea Barnett, Curtis Owen, Paul Wilson, Charlene Wallace, Ann Jett, and Amanda Lee.

Kevin Powell read a portion of the 100th Psalm, and led 122 in memory of the following deceased: Jemima Ward, Mel Rosenbaum, Amy Denison, and Peter Nichols—Texas; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Daphene Causey—Alabama; Julie Veal—Wisconsin. Elder Sonny Huckaby offered prayer to close the memorial lesson.

Leaders: Ellen Ray 331b; Mike Hinton 544; Diane Ross 365; Scott Curran 196; Kate Agnew 30b; Donald Ross 111b; Catherine Rogan 192; Gaylon Powell 482; Michele Curran 183; Leon Ballinger 264b; Amy Peveto 411; Lisa Matt 290; Sonny Huckaby 450. Elder Huckaby asked a blessing for the food.

LUNCH

Kristie Powell led 176b to begin the afternoon session. Leaders: Carter Cook 268t; Cheryl Foreman and Abby Huckaby 146; Riley Owen 142; Amanda Bowles 155; Silas Huckaby 442t (for Curtis Owen); Emily Brown and Reese Brown 434; Rick Foreman 273; Addison Bowles, Lauren Owen, Abby Huckaby, and Ellee Curran 159; Steve Luttinen 422t; Vickie Cook 335; Charles Whitmer 410; Janie Short 280; Patrick Curran 421; Greg Bowles 81; Sarah Huckaby 416t; Jackson Owen 215; Mike Hinton 461; Ron Bernucho 239; Kate Agnew 210; Donald Ross 419; Michele Curran 224; Diane Ross 112; Tom Owen 558; Catherine Rogan 177; Scott Curran 269; Amy Peveto 132; Kevin Powell 138t; Linda Booker 199; Daniel Allcock 422b; Gaylon Powell 137; Ellen Ray 279; Tammy Powell 553; Olivia Powell, Lauren Owen, and Abby Huckaby 348t.

After announcements, Kristie Powell led 69 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Carter Cook, and the class was dismissed.

Chairwoman—Kristie Powell; Vice Chairman—Sonny Huckaby; Secretaries—Bruce Coates and Beverly Coates

UNION MUSICAL SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Alpharetta City Hall, Alpharetta, Georgia

September 29-30, 2018

Saturday, September 29

The 150th session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held in the Alpharetta City Hall, Alpharetta, Georgia, on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in September. Throughout the convention, singers shared their memories of attending this convention in previous years and what it has meant to them. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Faye Holbrook leading 81t. John Plunkett offered the morning prayer. Faye Holbrook led 75.

Leaders: Jeannette DePoy 31t, 171; Helen Bryson 217, 274t (in memory of Allan Lambert); David Brodeur 339, 323b; Andy Ditzler 180, 504; Tony Hammock 495, 112; Winfred Kerr 40, 516; Lauren Bock 72b (remembering the Isbell family), 172; David Smead 160b, 27; John Plunkett 147t, 385t. Janice Paulk, who had attended the 100th session of this convention, led the introductory lesson with the following songs: 478, 384, 448b, 541, 274b.

RECESS

David Brodeur called the class to order leading 330b. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 77b (for

Charlene Wallace), 155 (for her friend Zee's family); Jesse Roberts 536, 201. A business session was held and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jeannette DePoy; Vice Chairman—Rebecca Over; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson; Arranging Committee—Jesse Karlsberg and Lauren Bock; Memorial Committee—Nathan Rees and Andy Ditzler; Locating Committee—David Brodeur, John Plunkett, and Oscar McGuire; Resolutions Committee—Lisa Bennett and David Smead; Finance Committee—Eli Hinton and Anna Hinton; Chaplains—Jesse Roberts and Andy Ditzler. There was discussion about how the Union Convention should proceed in the future. To that end, the following items were passed: a locating committee will be appointed and future Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Conventions may be held at any location in Georgia. Also discussed was whether the date for next year's convention should be changed to June as there is a conflict. It was voted to keep the September date for 2019 (the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in September). Leaders: Jerusha Wheeler 203, 157; Jesse Karlsberg 88t, 285b; Phillip Langley 272, 283; Richard DeLong 544 (in memory of Doris DeLong), 109 (in memory of great grandmother Corley); Rachel Carlisle 204, 480; Anna Hinton 455, 142; Bob Hume 276, 45t; Sandra Wilkinson 168, 300; Matt Hinton 234, 212.

LUNCH

Rebecca Over called the class to order leading 106. Leaders: Pat Temple 162, 195; Jose Comacho-Cerna 528, 306; Nathan Rees 181, 444; Evelyn Lamb 99 (in memory of Barbara Losse), 446; Robert Kelley 565, 150; Keillor Mose 420, 222; William Cleary 137, 227; Emily Stutzman 154, 503; Nicholas Thompson 216, 304; Rebecca Over 123b, 562; Mary Wright 146, 477; John Plunkett and friends 49b; Keillor Mose 28b; Evelyn Lamb 492; Bob Hume 268; Nicholas Thompson 336; William Cleary 215; Emily Stutzman 159; Jose Comacho-Cerna 149; Robert Kelley 105. Announcements were made. Jeannette DePoy, Rebecca Over, and Helen Bryson led 323t as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, September 30

The Sunday session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held in the Alpharetta City Hall, Alpharetta, Georgia. Jeannette DePoy called the class to order leading 56t and 89. Evelyn Lamb offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Rebecca Over 59, 465; Helen Bryson 505, 313b; Jesse Karlsberg 353, 351; Lauren Bock 76t, 123t; David Smead 235, 170; Nathan Rees 44, 93; Lisa Bennett 410t, 410b; Andy Ditzler 453 (for Charlene Wallace), 85; Jerusha Wheeler 87, 271t; Rachel Carlisle 145t, 155.

RECESS

Rebecca Over called the class to order leading 131b. Leaders: John Plunkett 467, 354t; Faye Holbrook 542, 196 (in memory of Ms. Leola Wright); David Brodeur 399t, 385b; Oscar McGuire 475, 556; Malinda Snow 468, 466; Emily Stutzman 270, 178; Vaudie Sherer 101t, 480 (in memory of John Hocutt).

RECESS

Jeannette DePoy called the class to order leading 421. Leaders: Janice Paulk 136, 317; Winfred Kerr 314, 36b; Ateven Snderson 108b, 192; Matt Hinton 100, 109; Mary Wright 312t, 312b.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Andy Ditzler and Nathan Rees. Andy spoke of the sense of separation that singers feel when they are sick and/or shut-in. It can feel like being in exile in another country. This is when our compassion comes in as we sing and remember these singers and their caregivers as well. Andy led 390 for the following sick and shut-ins: Jack Paulk, Ottis Sides, Velton Chafin, Ann Jett, Charlene Wallace, Karen Rollins, Don Bowen, Norma Mincey, Concetta Branson, and Lynne deBenedette.

Nathan shared his experience as one day he was at the Sacred Harp Publishing Company headquarters scanning pictures when he came across a picture of Hugh McGraw sitting at the same desk in the same chair where Nathan was seated. Nathan shared that at this time he felt a range of emotions. Two of the strongest were grief, and then gratitude to Hugh as he and other singers have created space for singers who came later and are still coming and learning about Sacred Harp. The deceased we remember today are part of a large group. Nathan led 48t in memory of the following deceased: Allan Lambert, Agnes Roberts, Daniel Evans, Thomas Sanders, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Louise Holland, Ruth Ayers, Audrey Ruth Garner, Florice Akin, and Hollis Gentry—Georgia; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois; Amy Denison and Mel Rosenbaum—Texas; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Michael Kaye—New York; Barbara Losse—Utah; Barbara Isbell, Daphne Causey, Willodean Barton, Mike Jones, and Floy Wilder—Alabama; Susan Carr—United Kingdom; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio. John Plunkett closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

LUNCH

Rebecca Over called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Michael Spencer 370, 382; Evelyn Lamb 486, 228; Anna Hinton 203, 383; William Cleary 386, 232; Bob Hume 38b, 472; Nicole Scott 39b, 84; Eli Hinton 186, 299; Jesse Roberts 66, 328; Pat Temple 457; Pat Temple and Richard DeLong 33t; Dan Edwards 56b, 73t; Lottie Hinton 32t; Laura Akerman 543, 124; Richard DeLong 348b, 72b; Evelyn Lamb 371; Ateven Snderson and Daren 344; William Cleary and Bob Hume 448t.

The convention entered into a business session for purpose of hearing reports. Lisa Bennett and David Smead of the Resolutions Committee reported the following: We, the singers and members of the 150th 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, who came from near and far to join us in the fellowship. We are grateful to all whose work made for a wonderful weekend of singing. We resolve to meet on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in September, 2019, for the 151st session of the Union Musical Sacred Harp Singing Convention at a location to be determined. Addendum: We thank Alpharetta Councilman Donald Mitchell for arranging the availability of the Alpharetta City Hall for this year's convention. The Treasurer reported that the convention expenses were met. The Locating Committee reported that arrangements will be finalized within 30 days for the 2019 location and will be communicated to the Secretary. The reports were approved and the business session was closed. Announcements were made. Jeannette DePoy, Rebecca Over, and Helen Bryson led 146 as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jeannette DePoy; Vice Chairman—Rebecca Over; Secretary—Helen Bryson

MUNICH SACRED HARP SINGING AND WORKSHOP **St. Martin Spirituelles Zentrum, Munich, Germany** **Saturday, October 6, 2018**

The 4th all-day singing in Munich, Germany, was held on the first Sunday in October at St. Martin Spirituelles Zentrum in the Glockenbach neighborhood of Munich. Elisabeth Schallwig welcomed singers and led 59.

Juniper Hill taught a singing school/workshop, introducing shapes to beginning singers. Juniper Hill used and led the following songs: 146, 159, 209, 318, and 29t.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Elisabeth Schallwig; Secretary—Hinrich Kruger; Arranging Committee—Amelie Kruger and Naomi Kaye Honova; Treasurer—Hinrich Kruger.

The class was called to order by Naomi Kaye Honova and Amelie Kruger leading 58. Leaders: Peter Kocher 34b; Marie Eve Geigen 268; Inga Huebner 86; Maria Neumann Fraune 114; Florence Lochet 87; Ekaterina Liseva 91; Tobias Tenhaef 117; Heather Thompson 299; Elisabeth Schallwig 32b; Claudia Jansen 312b; Ulli Windmeier 452; Nele Gilch 277; Derek Buckland 496; Tobias Kanngießer 163t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Juniper Hill leading 107. Leaders: Emma Rock 372; Stefan Swat 171; Eva Striebeck 313t; Jan Hon 231; Lynn Parkerson 38b; Dominik Fraune 37b; Geoff Grainger 163b; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 440; Naomi Kaye Honova 196; Yotin Tiewtrakul 217; Caro Stamm-Reusch 189; Gerben Vos 335; Inga Huebner 330b; Tobias Tenhaef 476; Claudia Jansen 472; Maria Neumann Fraune 566.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Peter Kocher leading 159. Leaders: Walburga Ruhl 339; Naomi Kaye Honova 411; Heather Thompson 84; Geoff Grainger 503; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 548; Derek Buckland 323b; Eva Striebeck 430; Stefan Swat 142; Tobias Kanngießer 198; Caro Stamm-Reusch 528; Dominik Fraune 228; Gerben Vos 547; Elisabeth Schallwig 455; Yotin Tiewtrakul 136; Emma Rock 551; Lynn Parkerson 168.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Eva Striebeck leading 128. Leaders: Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 320; Yotin Tiewtrakul 182; Caro Stamm-Reusch 492; Geoff Grainger 68b; Gerben Vos 33b; Dominik Fraune 143; Stefan Swat 567; Tobias Kanngießer 300; singers from Nürnberg 33t; singers from Berlin 564; singers from Munich 63; singers from Bremen 272; singers from Köln 523; singers from UK and Netherlands 111b; singers from America 288. The final song was 347.

Announcements were made. There were people in attendance from six countries (Germany, Netherlands, USA, Canada, United Kingdom, and Czech Republic).

There were 44 attendees.

Chairman—Elisabeth Schallwig; Secretary—Hinrich Kruger

NEW ENGLAND SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Topsham Grange, Topsham, Maine

October 6-7, 2018

Saturday, October 6

The class was called to order by Chris Holley leading 171. Leaders: Rachel Taylor 99; Elizabeth Stoddard 36b; Peter Golden 107; Ally Talbot 72b; Scott Harriman 32t; Jesse Vear 92; Emma Swartz 73t; Jesse Flynn 101t; Robert Stoddard 85; Bruce Voyles 87; Jana Yeaton 277; Ethan McNerny 108b; Kit Walsh 102; John Hughes 330b; Susan Jaster 388; George Sigut 159; Celia Divine 429; William Schuller 335; Philippa Stoddard 106.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Anna Mays leading 89. Leaders: Kerry Cullinan 510; Linda Shea 369; Brian Harris 217; Nicole Collins 63; Judy Contompasis 228; Dennis O'Brien 474; Anne Kazlauskas 201; Hollie Long 454; Mary Skidmore 538; Leonard Spencer 250; Laura Hodges 61; Greg Law 312b; Jean Seiler 66; Liz Cantrell 348b; Hal Booth 254; Jennie Brown 475; Patrick Friesen 138t; Joyce Forry 495; Chris McKnight 67; Pamela Minor 121; Micah John Walter 131t;

Christine Andrews 229; Bob Parr 200.

LUNCH

The class was called back together by Chris Holley and Syd Caldwell leading 43 (in memory of J.L. Edge). Leaders: Sheila Girling Macadam 500; Anna Mays 477; Ismael Stefanov-Wagner 479; Em Ekelund 460; MB Gowins 436; Chris Nicholson 34b; Pam Nunn 528; Edwin Macadam 236; Ina Shea 456; Natalie Sims 316; Donald Ross 183; Sandy Scott 472; Isolda Heavey 42; Mark Brown 38b; Reba Windom 542; Karen Swenson 377; Syd Caldwell 220; Jennifer Jones 527; Diane Ross 543; Ruth Wampler 328.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Peter Golden leading 551. Leaders: Rob Taylor 319; Joanne Fuller 192; Bill Holt 112; Molly Sauder 209; Aldo Ceresa 546; Sue Peters 341; Lyra O'Brien 411; Mike Richards 318; Sylvia Martin 297; DJ Hatfield 430; Donna Mayhew and MB Gowins 29t; Jonathan Spencer 123b; Sara Sandberg 77t; Joan Frankel 414; Paul Robinson 37b; Emily Hancock 384; Eric Sandberg 373; Fritz Rasenberger 271t; Christine Andrews and Syd Caldwell 434; Chris McKnight 480. Mark Brown led "Sweet Beulah Land" as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, October 7

The class was called to order by Chris Holley leading 82t. Leaders: Rachel Taylor 40; Elizabeth Stoddard 32t; Eric Sandberg 225t; Anna Kellar 65; Robert Stoddard 77b; Sara Sandberg 176b; Ally Talbot 66; David Bliss 63; Bobbie Goodell 473; Peter Golden 70b; Scott Harriman 283; Donna Carlson 300; Greg Law 81t; Liz Patton 160b; Emma Swartz 440; Ron Trial 217; Bruce Voyles 344; Micah John Walter 269.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Pat Callahan leading 105. Leaders: Jana Yeaton 146; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 273; Sue Peters 338; Rob Taylor 270; Ina Shea 80; George Sigut 122; Nicole Collins 313b; Bill Holt 455; Lyra O'Brien 456; Brian Harris 396; Em Ekelund 69t; William Schuller 458.

Emily Hancock and Kerry Cullinan conducted the memorial lesson. Emily Hancock spoke and led 154 for the following sick and shut-ins: Chuck Micciche, Linda Brazeau, Charlene Wallace, Don Bowen, Corrone Bryant, Ruthann Bryant, Dorothy Devine, Ginger Cody, Jon Sho, Keith Pigott, Andy Worthington, Regina Contrino, Rosemary Vequist, Steve Crevoshay, Aimee Richmond, Alexander Hancock, Jimmie Gilmore, Carol Holt, Keith Brown, Steve Hoyt, Ann Jett, Melanie Hauff, Curtis Owen, Jackie Hills, and Gail Cowart.

Kerry Cullinan spoke and led 339 in memory of the following deceased: Aspen Wampler and Baby Rowan—Pennsylvania; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Mary Ellen Schrock, Michael Kaye, Harry Roy, Herbert Erikksen, Jean Fleming, and Robert Barrett—New York; Elizabeth Rechenberg and Judith McDowdell—Ohio; Barbara Isbell and Daphene Causey—Alabama; Lyle Meeks, Jennifer Bennett, and Nicholas Cameron—Canada; Andy Spence, Frank Pigott, Bob Patten, and Rollo Woods—United Kingdom; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Louise Holland—Georgia; Nancy Waters and Janet Shea—Massachusetts; DeeDee Cox—California; Charles Hoffman and Bob Rafoko—Connecticut; Colette Kelly—Ireland; Megan Swartz—Maryland; June Drummond—Virginia; Walt Colteryahn—Vermont; Tony Quimby—New Hampshire; Phyllis Greenhalgh—Maine; Edith Owen, Mel Rosenbaum, and Amy Denison—Texas; Ruth Ekelund—North Carolina.

Leaders: Ruth Wampler 279; Anna Mays 573; John Hughes 504; Kit Walsh 153; Donna Mayhugh 274t; Aldo Ceresa 556.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Kathe Pilobosian leading 277. Leaders: Mary

Skidmore 442; Patrick Friesen 387; Diane Ross 350; Mike Richards 389; Sheila Macadam 372; Joanne Fuller 564; Syd Caldwell and Kathe Pilobosian 426b; Laura Hodges 532; Hollie Long 159; Donald Ross 419; Joyce Forry 282; Jennie Brown 411; Jennifer Jones 522; Edwin Macadam 444; Karen Swenson 291; Reba Windom 216; Chris Nicholson 235; Pamela Minor 312b; Natalie Sims 224; Pam Nunn 362.
RECESS

The class was called back together by Anna Mays leading 326. Leaders: Susan Jaster 352; Jonathan Spencer 375; Pat Callahan 53; Judy Contompasis 143; Leonard Spencer 260; Jean Seiler 148; Celia Divine 324; Fritz Rasenberger 99; Philippa Stoddard 399b; Molly Sauder 569b; Dennis O'Brien 353; Joan Frankel 284; Jesse Flynn 448t; MB Gowins 505; Paul Robinson 189; Anne Kazlauskas 327; Jesse Vear 483.

The class entered into a business session. The Secretary reported that one hundred twenty-six singers had registered from sixteen states, two Canadian provinces, and three additional foreign countries, and that eighty-nine leaders had led one hundred sixty-three songs.

Em Ekelund and John Hughes of the Resolutions Committee reported the following: First, be it resolved that the members of this 43rd New England Convention give humble thanks for the blessings of life, friends, family, and the joy of song, and the higher power that sustains us. Second, be it further resolved, that we gratefully remember the generations of singers, composers, and convention organizers who have handed this music down to the present day. We also recognize the continuous tradition of stewardship by indigenous and settler peoples of this land on which we sing. Third, be it resolved that we thank the officers, the committees, and the keyers, the hosts, and those who prepared our delicious meals, for their effort and their service to this singing, and we embrace the spirit of inclusivity being fostered here by today's organizers. Finally, be it resolved that we will meet again, on the first Sunday and Saturday before in October, 2019, in Massachusetts, for the 44th New England Convention. The Treasurer reported that all expenses had been met. The business session was closed, and announcements were made.

Chris Holley led 69t as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Chris Holley; Secretary—Rachel Taylor

ALEXANDER, HULLETT, LOWE, BROTHERS, HYATT, PUTMAN, AND WOOTTEN MEMORIAL

Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, Oneonta, Alabama Sunday, October 7, 2018

The 52nd 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 32t. Doyle Alexander offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 81t; Doyle Alexander 36b, 146 (for Jimmy Watkins); Bobby Watkins 64, 460; Philip Gilmore 47t, 47b; Linda Thomas 123t, 345b; Nate Green and Norma Green 34b, 314; Philip Denney 120, 313t; Henry Johnson 288, 289; Tom Owen 106, 328; Loyd Ivey 176b, 410t.

RECESS

The class was brought back together by Lindy Groening leading 105. Leaders: Daniel Lee 179, 67; Gayle Denney and Philip Denney 178, 155 (for Charlene Wallace); April Watkins 454, 101t; Karen Rollins 153, 119; Rebekah Gilmore 277, 411; Samuel Sommers 132, 197; Cheyenne Ivey 88t, 430; Shane Wootten 565 (for Jewel Wootten), 87; Judy Caudle 389, 394; David Jackson 499 (in memory of Frank

Wood), 480; Nicholas Thompson 318, 200; Susan Cheronos 564, 300; Terry Hullett 340 (in memory of Eloise Wootten).

LUNCH

The class was brought back together by Terry Hullett leading 290. Leaders: Terry Wootten 378b; Theresa Westmoreland 377, 396; Jamey Wootten 39t; Wanda Capps 203; Marty Wootten 369; Rodney Ivey 571 (CB), 465 (CB); Terry Wootten 572 (CB); Paula Gilmore and Philip Gilmore 270, 145b; Elene Stovall 172; Elene Stovall and Marlon Wootten 283; Debra Ritch 168; Grace Gilmore 196, 542; Vella Dailey 452, 49t; Taylor Watkins 445, 388.

Terry Hullett, Doyle Alexander, and Philip Gilmore led 45t as the closing song. Elder Philip Gilmore dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Nate Green; Secretaries—Paula Gilmore and Rebekah Gilmore

SOUTH GEORGIA SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

Liberty Hill Community House, Barnesville, Georgia

Sunday, October 7, 2018

The 99th session of the South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on the first Sunday in October. President John Plunkett called the class to order leading 52t. Bill Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 77b (for Charlene Wallace); Oscar McGuire 34b, 77t; Lauren Bock 32b, 74t; Helen Bryson 467, 505; Bill Hollingsworth 489, 50b; Judy Chambless 269, 454; Nathan Rees 492, 413; Sandra Wilkinson 91, 129; Bentley McGuire 56b, 198; Winfred Kerr 521, 516. The President appointed Andy Ditzler and Robert Kelley to serve as the Nominating Committee.

RECESS

Oscar McGuire called the class back to order by leading 145t. Leaders: David Brodeur 378b, 399b; Ryan Nash 112, 340; Rebecca Over 326, 383; Robert Chambless 317, 39b.

A motion carried to enter into a business session wherein the class accepted the Nominating Committee's recommendation to elect the following officers:

President—Oscar McGuire; Vice President—Sandra Wilkinson; Secretaries—Lauren Bock and Jesse P. Karlsberg; Treasurer—Helen Bryson; Chaplain—Judy Chambless. John Plunkett called for letters from delegates and visitors and petitions for annual singings. The class reviewed and accepted a list of singings to be printed in the convention's directory. John Plunkett called for correspondence from sister associations. Helen Bryson presented the Treasurer's report for 2017-2018, which the class approved. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Andy Ditzler 147t, 174; Robert Kelley 124, 136. Judy Chambless offered grace over the noon meal.

LUNCH

John Plunkett and Alpha Watson opened the afternoon session leading 88t. Leaders: John Hollingsworth 176t, 186; Elinor Mullis 354b; Marquela Stevenson 178, 58; Jesse P. Karlsberg 79 (for Charlene Wallace), 94 (for Mary Brownlee, Rosemund Watson, and Martha Harrell); Rita Haley 268, 63.

Rebecca Over conducted the memorial lesson, leading 68b for the following sick and shut-ins: Charlene Wallace, Velton Chafin, Pat Ditzler, Melanie Hauff, Ann Jett, and Norma Mincey. Rebecca Over led 381 in memory of the following deceased: Florice Akin, Ruth Ayers, Audrey Ruth Garner, Charles Grant, Louise Holland, Allan Lambert, Wawena Entrekin Miles, and Agnes Roberts—Georgia; Daphene Causey and Hollis Gentry—Alabama; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Barbara Lain—Virginia; Susan Carr—United Kingdom. Judy Chambless closed the

memorial service with prayer.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 171; Lauren Bock, Jesse P. Karlsberg, and Lucey Rose Karlsberg 556; Robert Chambless 225t; Ryan Nash 272; Nathan Rees 182; Rebecca Over 569t; Bill Hollingsworth 354t; Winfred Kerr 89; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 382; Robert Kelley 539; Marquela Stevenson and Gina Barnes 335.

Announcements were made. John Plunkett led 323t as the closing song. Judy Chambless offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—John Plunkett; Vice President—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Lauren Bock

COLUMBIA SINGING

Dripping Spring Christian Church, Columbia, Missouri

Saturday, October 13, 2018

The 24th annual Columbia Singing was held at Dripping Spring Christian Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in October. Tim Von Engeln called the class to order leading 34b. Cindy Burlison offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Lou Kujawinski 350; Cindy Stone 455; Carla Bermudez 360; Meg Stauffer 535; Carol Krause and Penny Kujawinski 138 (MH); Cherry Hinderberger 481; Jeff Burlison and Cindy Burlison 547; Julie Thompson 171; Barb Onofrio and Penny Kujawinski 496; Abigail Schultz 268; John Markovitz 313b; Roberta Strauss 135 (MH) (dedicated to friend in Panama City, Florida); Ellen Rees 133; Prisca Rice 133 (MH); Sandy Falloon 127 (MH); Presley Barker 120.

RECESS

Wendy Hofmann called the class back to order leading 430. Leaders: Jairus Schultz 497; Anna Dohman 39t; Barbara Chopin 335 (dedicated to the western states undergoing drought); Jedidiah Schultz 503; Shirley Figura 318; Evan Jorn 282; Lori Graber 147 (MH); Paul Figura 51 (MH) (in honor of Adrian Eldridge of Indiana); Tommy Schultz 58; Joan Aldridge 475; Chris Nicholson 413; Penny Kujawinski 228; John Huffman 198; Katie Huffman and John Huffman 48t. Penny Kujawinski led 164 (MH) as the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Lou Kujawinski called the class back to order leading 13 (MH). Leaders: Pattie Doss 183; Becky Browne 362; Jamie Dohman 546; Roberta Strauss and Penny Kujawinski 269; Melody Kleinsorge 312b; Shirley Figura 36b; Lori Graber 58 (MH); Abigail Schultz 542; Julie Thompson 163b; Anna Dohman 472; Presley Barker 505; Chris Nicholson 157 (MH); Tommy Schultz 145 (MH); John Huffman 49b; Barbara Chopin 180 (MH); Katie Huffman 40.

RECESS

Tim Von Engeln called the class back to order leading 178. Leaders: Becky Browne 564; Paul Figura 122 (MH); Pattie Doss and Penny Kujawinski 162; Joan Aldridge 540; Lou Kujawinski 548; Carla Bermudez 332; Wendy Hofmann 159 (MH) (in memory of her Quaker uncle, Heinz Koch); Jamie Dohman and Katie Huffman 528; John Markovitz and Barb Onofrio 159; Cindy Burlison 203 (dedicated to her relative in Panama City, Florida); Sandy Falloon 47b; Evan Jorn 299; Penny Kujawinski 46 (in memory of Darrell Swarens).

Following announcements, Tim Von Engeln led 347 as the closing song. Sandy Falloon offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tim Von Engeln; Secretaries—Carla Bermudez, Sandy Falloon, and Cindy Stone

NORTHWEST PENNSYLVANIA SACRED HARP SINGING
First Universalist Church of Girard, Girard, Pennsylvania
Saturday, October 13, 2018

The annual Northwest Pennsylvania All-Day Sacred Harp Singing held at the First Universalist Church of Girard, Girard, Pennsylvania, was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Gerry Hoffman leading 145b. The morning prayer was offered by Katie White. The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Gerry Hoffman; Vice Chairman—Brian How; Secretary—Elisabeth Joyce; Chaplain—Katie White.

Leaders: Gerry Hoffman 209; Elisabeth Joyce 479; Brian How 107; Katie White 547; Marita Straffin 86; Alice Beattie 171; Lois Hurt 551; Laura Ann Russell 542; Michael Darby 131b; Chuck Crawford 540; Bill Beverly 546; Beth Todd 430; Martha Beverly 272; Pleasance Crawford 311; Jan May 228; Laura Densmore 142; Ginny Landgraf 433; Rochelle Lodder 344; Cody Gonzales 277.

RECESS

Beth Todd called the class back to order leading 49t. Leaders: Kay Cramer 178; Karen Swenson 203; Maria Cramer 522; Guy Banks 436; Laura Ann Russell 336; Marita Straffin 50t; Martha Beverly 396; Chuck Crawford 66; Rochelle Lodder 31t; Gerry Hoffman 143 (for Judy Clum); Susan Turnquist 81t; Alice Beattie 271t; Jan May 276; Elisabeth Joyce 84; Ginny Landgraf 215; Michael Darby 133; Pleasance Crawford 464; Lois Hurt 146.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Gerry Hoffman. Gerry read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Judy Clum, Len VanderJagt, Paul Foster, Adrian Eldridge, Ruth Ann Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Dorothy Connor, Melanie Hauff, Michael Appert, and Nicoletta Rogers. He led 34t in their honor.

Gerry spoke in memory of the deceased. He read the following list of names of the deceased: Carol Sanders, David Armor, and Mable Banks—Pennsylvania; Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steven Helwig—Oregon; Daphne Causey, Art Gilmore, J.A. Mosley, Glenda Hopper, Verlon Stiefel, Mike Jones, and Willodean Barton—Alabama; Ann Sleeva and Berkley Moore—Illinois; Amy Dennison and Peter Nichols—Texas; Louise Holland and Florice Akin—Georgia; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona; Elizabeth Rechenberg and Judith McDowell—Ohio; Freddie Briggs—Florida; Donna Schleifer—North Carolina; Tom Sies—Canada. Gerry led 285t in their memory. Katie White closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Beth Todd 299; Katie White 33b; Cody Gonzales 106; Brian How 117; Laura Densmore 365; Bill Beverly 191; Guy Banks 120; Kay Cramer 38t; Karen Swenson 327; Maria Cramer 201. Katie White offered the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Pleasance Crawford brought the class back to order leading 176t. Leaders: Rochelle Lodder 485; Chuck Crawford 288; Alice Beattie 532; Jan May 287; Martha Beverly 502; Karen Swenson 431; Ginny Landgraf 447; Guy Banks 538; Pleasance Crawford 474; Gerry Hoffman 148; Beth Todd 373; Susan Turnquist 200; Laura Ann Russell 504; Marita Straffin 268; Bill Beverly 163b; Karen Perkins 47b; Cody Gonzales 457; Laura Densmore 49b, 44; Elisabeth Joyce 282; Michael Darby 560; Lois Hurt 358.

RECESS

Alice Beattie called the class back to order leading 29t and 29b. Leaders: Katie White 324; Kelly Armor 155; Kay Cramer 28t; Maria Cramer 216; Martha Beverly 217; Laura Ann Russell 290; Beth Todd 566; Pleasance Crawford 453; Guy Banks 351; Ginny Landgraf 385t; Cody Gonzales 335; Karen Swenson 270; Jan May 313b;

Chuck Crawford 314; Rochelle Lodder 472; Michael Darby 300; Kelly Armor 236. Following announcements, Gerry Hoffman led 347 as the closing song. Katie White dismissed the class with prayer.
Chairman—Gerry Hoffman; Vice Chairman—Brian How; Secretary—Elisabeth Joyce

SHEFFIELD SACRED HARP SINGING
Worrall Memorial Hall, Worrall, United Kingdom
Saturday, October 13, 2018

The annual Sheffield All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order at Worrall Memorial Hall by Vicki Elliot leading 34b. Leaders: Eimear O'Donovan 56t; Joe Vickers 52t; Sam Carter 108b; Chris Brown 82t; Josh Lant 50t; Emily Verrier 36b; Martel Reynolds 49t; Claire Welford 89; Thomas Sprackland 63; Helen Brown 32t; Phil Tyler 88t; Steve Brett 171; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 138t; Ted Brown 37b; Sinéad Hanrahan 187; Jacoba Bruneel 272; Richard Mayers 311; Katie Ahern 228; Joy Spreadborough 47b; Kate Kirwan 135; Colin Monson 350; Niamh O'Sullivan 217; David Garman 410t; Penny Macbeth 122; Derek Buckland 111b.

RECESS

Sam Carter called the class to order by leading 314. Leaders: Piers Cawley 178; Calum Woods 405; Ross Harbison 76b; Rosalind Woods 168; Amy Parkin 117; Ted Brown 445; Emily Verrier 503.

Thomas Sprackland spoke for the sick and housebound, leading 47t for the following: Curtis Owen, Melanie Hauff, Philip Ralls, Laura Densmore, Chris Densmore, Charlie Miller, Cath Tyler, David Elliott, Edwin Macadam, Charlene Wallace, Adrian Eldridge, Sister Pippa, and Joyce Farrell.

Eimear O'Donovan then spoke for the deceased and led 340 in memory of the following: Steve Harrison, Rev. Michael Pain, Harry Cowking, Janet Winstanley, Bob Patten, Anthony Gill, Gillian Tolfrey, Peter Golding, John Hayto, Reginald Brett, Susan Carr—United Kingdom; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Stuart Tanner, USA; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, Barbara Isbell, Lily Hopper—Alabama, USA; Freddie Briggs—Florida, USA; Greg Hodnett—Pennsylvania, USA; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; David Gasi—Australia; Vlad—Canada; Anne—United Kingdom.

Leaders: Claire Welford 523; Chris Brown 234; Sinéad Hanrahan 546; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 32b; Kate Kirwan 351.

LUNCH

Judy Whiting called the class back to order by leading 72b. Leaders: Piers Cawley 146; Cath Saunt 99; Laurie Skelton 35; Julie Russell 107; Derek Buckland 339; Amy Parkin 128; Josh Lant 296; Martel Reynolds 504; Joe Vickers 385t; Jacoba Bruneel 522; Calum Woods 181; Ross Harbison 204; Vicki Elliot 454 (for Hannah Land); Phil Tyler 442; Katie Ahern 434; Richard Mayers 528; Helen Brown 192; Steve Brett 225t; Niamh O'Sullivan 475; Sam Carter 270; Philippe Doyle-Gosselin 411; David Garman 133; Sinéad Hanrahan 447; Thomas Sprackland 290; Colin Monson 142.

RECESS

Kate Kirwan called the class back to order leading 319. Leaders: Joy Spreadborough 277; Ross Harbison 163t; Emily Verrier 318; Ted Brown 77t; Julie Russell 344; Steve Brett 376; Katie Ahern 436 (for Amanda Parkes); Derek Buckland 124; Niamh O'Sullivan 176t; Joe Vickers 138b; Rosalind Woods 275t; Jacoba Bruneel 330b; Josh Lant 36t; Laurie Skelton 312b; Judy Whiting 208; Eimear O'Donovan 521; David Garman 430; Helen Brown 345b.

Vicki Elliot and Eimear O'Donovan led 347 as the closing song.
Chairman—Vicki Elliot; Secretary—Emily Verrier

SYDNEY SINGING

Australian Catholic University, Strathfield, New South Wales, Australia Saturday, October 13, 2018

The 7th annual Sydney All-Day Sacred Harp singing was held in the old chapel of the Australian University in Strathfield on Saturday before the second Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Margo Lanagan leading 492. Angharad Davis offered the opening prayer. The Chairperson, Meg Quinlisk, gave the Acknowledgement of Country, welcomed everyone to the singing, introduced the appointed officers, and led 52t.

Leaders: Caitlin McHugh 319; Elaena Gardner 318; Thomas MacDonald 26; Caitlin Jay 166; Margo Lanagan 84; Angharad Davis 36b; Meg Quinlisk 33b; Ruby Foster 135; Lauren Reader 40; Caitlin McHugh 133; Elaena Gardner 472; Thomas MacDonald 474; Caitlin Jay 370; Margo Lanagan 377; Angharad Davis 430; Meg Quinlisk 313t; Ruby Foster 478.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Lauren Reader leading 448b. Leaders: Elaena Gardner 209; Angharad Davis 326; Thomas MacDonald 66; Caitlin McHugh 482; Ruby Foster 171; Meg Quinlisk 110; Lauren Reader 67; Margo Lanagan 236; Caitlin Jay 340; Elaena Gardner 142; Angharad Davis 202; Thomas MacDonald 524; Caitlin McHugh 29t; Ruby Foster 198; Meg Quinlisk 479; Lauren Reader 276; Elaena Gardner 300. Angharad Davis led 207, and the blessing of the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Meg Quinlisk leading 30t. Leaders: Angharad Davis 111b; Thomas MacDonald 358; Caitlin McHugh 112; Ruby Foster 217; Lauren Reader 63; Margo Lanagan 361; Caitlin Jay 274t; Elaena Gardner 506; Angharad Davis 453; Thomas MacDonald 269; Caitlin McHugh 268.

Angharad Davis conducted the memorial lesson and led 387 for those who were sick or shut-in, and in memory of those who had passed away.

Leaders: Ruby Foster 299; Meg Quinlisk 47b; Lauren Reader 122.

RECESS

The class was called back together by Meg Quinlisk leading 354b. Leaders: Margo Lanagan 193; Caitlin Jay 114; Thomas MacDonald 86; Elaena Gardner and Dilini Jayakody 457; Angharad Davis 330t; Caitlin McHugh 410t; Thomas MacDonald 58.

The chairperson expressed the gratitude of the class to all those who contributed to the success of the day. Announcements were made. The class sang 62 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Angharad Davis.

Chairman—Meg Quinlisk; Secretary—Elaena Gardner

TAYLOR SINGING

Lafayette County, Mississippi Saturday, October 13, 2018

The 31st annual Sacred Harp singing at Taylor United Methodist Church (formerly held at Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church) was called to order by Warren Steel leading 61 and 53. Robert Vaughn offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Warren Steel 171; Andy Davis 106, 73t, 198; Jamira Jackson 455, 282, 168; Robert Vaughn 142, 317, 445; Arlon Gardner 30t, 313b, 448t.

RECESS

Warren Steel reassembled the class leading 384. Leaders: Erin Fulton 52t, 52b, 85; Anne Steel 318, 480, 203; Jan Murray 457, 285t, 31b; Alicia Canterbury 128, 159, 39b; Regina Derstine 276, 436, 410t.

LUNCH

Warren Steel called the class together leading 280. He then led “Hurricane Creek” in memory of T.J. Funderburk, Darrell Swarens, Elizabeth Rechenberg and Logan A. Green.

Leaders: Ann Ray and Lyn Joyner 110, 118, 196; Dan Miller and Marianne Miller 117, 63, 148; Andy Davis 297, 299; Jamira Jackson 542, 236; Robert Vaughn 569b (in memory of T.J. Funderburk), 40 (for Alice McGuire); Arlon Gardner and Peth Gardner 42, 277; Erin Fulton 80t, 334; Anne Steel 66, 67; Jan Murray 268, 270; Regina Derstine 208, 209.

Following announcements, Warren Steel led 76b as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer offered by Arlon Gardner.

Chairman—Warren Steel; Secretary—Anne Steel

ALBRIGHT, CATES, BROWN, AND SHEPPARD MEMORIAL
Muscadine Methodist Church
Muscadine (Cleburne County), Alabama
Sunday, October 14, 2018

The annual Albright, Cates, Brown, and Sheppard Memorial Singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. (CDT) by Rene Greene leading 36b and 34b. Jack Nelson offered the opening prayer. A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Glenda Collins. Isaac Green was appointed to arrange.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 49t, 49b; Winfred Kerr 225t, 282; Glenda Collins 63, 99; John Plunkett 467, 34t; Rebecca Over 296, 203; Andy Ditzler 539, 429; Tony Hammock 89, 105; Gary Davis 569b, 338; Daniel Williams 216 (for Samuel Williams), 171 (for Charlene Wallace).

RECESS

Rene Greene called the class back to order leading 276. Leaders: Bert Collins 340, 339; Jack Nelson 369, 141; Virginia Dyer 155 (for Charlene Wallace); Virginia Dyer and Glenda Collins 454 (for Ruth Daniels); Richard DeLong 182, 168 (for Rene’s Cates grandparents); Amber Davis 440, 224; David Brodeur 404, 188 (for Hugh McGraw); Erin Fulton 317, 165; Sherrell Cleino 335 (for Estella Warren), 127 (for Chester Warren). Daniel Williams offered grace before the meal.

LUNCH

Cecil Roberts called the class back to order leading 303. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 344, 485; Shane Brown 36t, 313b; Fallon Dyer 196; Fallon Dyer and Shane Brown 396; Chance Cook 192; Rene Greene, Fallon Dyer, and Tony Hammock 269; Ann Simpson 159, 445; Fallon Dyer and Cain Cook 146; Isaac Green 79 (for Charlene Wallace), 548; Bert Collins and Glenda Collins 35; Oscar McGuire and Winfred Kerr 39t; Andy Ditzler and Rebecca Over 374; Erin Fulton 297; Daniel Williams and Richard DeLong 74t, 268; Amber Davis 436; Jack Nelson and Sherrell Cleino 560; David Brodeur and Ann Simpson 47t (in memory of Evelyn Harris); Shane Brown and Tony Hammock 102. Announcements were made.

Rene Greene, Cecil Roberts, and Glenda Collins led 46 as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rene Greene; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Glenda Collins

TENNESSEE STATE SACRED HARP SINGING
Arlington United Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee
Saturday, October 20, 2018

The Tennessee State Sacred Harp Singing was held at Arlington United Methodist

Church, Nashville, Tennessee. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Emily Stutzman leading 59. Ron Harper offered the morning prayer.

The class organized by appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Emily Stutzman; Vice Chairman—Sarah Trumbore; Arranging Committee—Justin Bowen; Secretary—Janie Harper.

Leaders: Justin Bowen 60; Ron Harper 64; Gail Doss 148; David Carlton 65; Caleb Dillehay 56t; Jason Witt 47b; Marilyn Burchett 36b; Nicholas Thompson 336; Larry Brown 454; Sarah Trumbore 284; John Went 229; Malik McCutcheon 294; Ryan Nash 112; Jonathon Smith 434; Keillor Mose 340; Andy Ditzler 32b; Tim Reynolds 30b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Emily Stutzman leading 81t. Leaders: Sarah Trumbore 101t; Mary Roberts, Abigail Harms, A.P. Harms, and Sue Rodnicke 146; Jesse P. Karlsberg 402; Rick Fretter 313b; Tim Morton 365; Alex Forsyth 26; Ray Rechenberg and Ed Walton 47t; Cheyenne Ivey 432; David Brodeur and Chris 378b; Richard Ivey 153; Stefani Priskos 203; Nathan Rees 162; Tom Morton 209; Hayden Arp 405; David Ivey 271b.

RECESS

Emily Stutzman brought the class together leading 72b. Leaders: Jason Whipp 101b; Tammy Heinsohn 178; Lauren Bock 228; Shelby Castillo 200; Kelsey Ivey 426t; Jeannette DePoy and Justin Bowen 328; Carol Wendt 569b; Marilyn Burchett 49t; Caleb Dillehay 472; David Carlton 183; Gail Doss 567; John Wendt and Carol Wendt 335; Malik McCutcheon and Justin Bowen 39t. Tom George asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class resumed singing with Emily Stutzman and Sarah Trumbore leading 35. Leaders: Nicholas Thompson and Justin Bowen 436 (for Barrett Patton); Alex Forsyth 396 (in memory of Oliver Kindig-Stokes); Shelby Castillo 208; Ray Rechenberg 480; Andy Ditzler 439; Stefani Priskos 95; Hayden Arp 269; Kelsey Ivey 196; Ron Harper and Alex Harper 52b; Tom George 458; Cheyenne Ivey 383; Jesse P. Karlsberg 316; Ryan Nash 288; David Brodeur 337; Jonathon Smith 423; Keillor Mose 386; David Ivey 103; Lauren Bock 329; Tim Morton 76b; Tim Reynolds 77t; Richard Ivey 430; Nathan Rees 462; Tammy Heinsohn 504; Tom Morton 496 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Rick Fretter 350.

Following announcements, Emily Stutzman led 62 as the closing song. Sarah Trumbore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Emily Stutzman; Vice Chairman—Sarah Trumbore; Secretary—Janie Harper

NEW YORK STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Rochester, New York

October 20-21, 2018

Saturday, October 20

The 30th meeting of the New York State Sacred Harp Convention, held annually on the weekend of the third Sunday in October, was called to order at the Mennonite Meetinghouse by Thom Metzger leading 34b. Eileen Metzger offered the opening prayer, and led 39t.

Leaders: Laura Densmore 313t; Melody Johnson 33b; Dev Crasta 203; Rachel Fox Von Swearingen 277; Jason Jones 268; Gloria Slater 117; Kathy Chillemi 47t; Mitzie Collins 452; Candis Bailey 480.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Thom

Metzger; Chaplain—Eileen Metzger; Arranging and Recording—Laura Densmore; Secretary—Sue Hengelsberg.

RECESS

Eric Bean called the class together again by leading 159. Leaders: Bob Wheeler 147t; Ginny Huszagh 195 (Ginny has attended all thirty NYS Conventions); Chris Haller 267; Frank Griggs 442; Eric Bean 163b; Bethany Comegys 178; Em Ekelund 163b; Joanne Fuller 460; Jean Seiler 299; Joy Van Riper 148; Pleasance Crawford 543; Heather Schramm 472; Dennis Leipold 189.

RECESS

Eileen Metzger called the class together by leading 47b. Leaders: Leon Pulsinelle 30b; Mary Skidmore 171; Thom Metzger 29b; Gerry Hoffman 196; Barbara Swetman 260; Willis McCumber 37b; Nicole Collins 155; Anne Wheeler 86; Jonathan Spencer 123b; Dylan Aiello 282. Bob Wheeler asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Ginny Huszagh began the afternoon session by leading 46. Leaders: Rebeka Radna-Crasta 142; Chuck Crawford 300; Jan May 362; Dan Hertzler 556 (Dan has attended all thirty of the NYS Conventions); Hal Kunkel 396; Karl Dise 56t; Laura Densmore 349; Pleasance Crawford 453; Nicole Collins 504; Mary Skidmore 215; Em Ekelund 217; Joanne Fuller 192; Frank Griggs 216; Heather Schramm 276; Jean Seiler 315; Leon Pulsinelle 440; Gerry Hoffman 522.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Bob Wheeler leading 312b. Leaders: Jonathan Spencer 68t; Willis McCumber 500; Rachel Fox Von Swearingen 294; Jan May 474; Daegan Von Swearingen 334; Candis Bailey 290; Dylan Aiello 146; Chuck Crawford 288; Bethany Comegys 106; Dan Hertzler 99; Hal Kunkel 475; Karl Dise 380.

RECESS

Jan May called the class back together by leading 31t. Leaders: Jason Jones 31b; Bob Wheeler and Anne Wheeler 503; Jason Law 66; Dennis Leipold 56b; Thom Metzger 76b; Barbara Swetman 198; Ginny Huszagh 344; Eileen Metzger 131t; Eric Bean 335; Melody Johnson 490; Gloria Slater 162; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 547; Mitzie Collins 133; Chris Haller 497; Joy Van Riper 84; Thom Metzger 40. Ginny Huszagh offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, October 21

The Sunday session of the New York State Convention was held at Tay Lodge.

Thom Metzger called the class to order by leading 49t. Eileen Metzger offered the opening prayer, and led 159.

Leaders: Laura Densmore 150; Helen Haller 481; Jason Jones 282; Chris Haller 497; Rebeka Radna-Crasta 36b; Joy Van Riper 315; Eric Bean 285t; Leon Pulsinelle 391; Barbara Swetman 390; Mary Skidmore 101b; Dennis Leipold 87; Ginny Huszagh 228; Gerry Hoffman 42; Katie Reimers 547; Jonathan Spencer 365.

RECESS

Dan Hertzler led 82t to call the class back together. Leaders: Melody Johnson 113; Chuck Crawford 384; Joanne Fuller 564; Frank Griggs 83t; Jean Seiler 273; Jan May 448t; Kass Urban-Mead 106; Dylan Aiello 268; Pleasance Crawford 297; Hal Kunkel 333.

Eileen Metzger prayed for the sick and shut-ins, and led 72t for the following: Charlene Wallace, Ruth Ann Bryant, Corrone Bryant, Dorothy Connor, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, Judy Clum, David Shipe, Len VanderJagt, Paul Foster, Melanie Hauff, Steve Hoyt and Lynne Hoyt, and Tenisha Collins.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Thom Metzger who read the following list of names, and led 196. Eileen Metzger prayed for the following departed: Tom Siess

and Nicholas Cameron—Canada; Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; Carol Sanders and David Armor—Pennsylvania; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona; Joann Buitron—Texas; Tony Quimby—New Hampshire; Walter Colteryahn—Vermont; Daphene Causey—Alabama; Ruth Ekelund—North Carolina; Stan Subhan—New Jersey; Harry Roy, Michael Kaye, Herbert Eriksson, Jean Fleming, Laurie Lambie-Wallace, Mary Ellen Schrock and Dona Dise—New York.

Leaders: Dan Hertzler 426; Heather Schramm 99; Karl Dise 320; Nicole Collins 47b; Em Ekelund 67; Dev Crasta 455. Dennis Leipold asked a blessing before lunch.

LUNCH

Frank Griggs led 29t. Leaders: Karl Dise 379; Nicole Collins 313b; Dylan Aiello 504; Em Ekelund 475; Thom Metzger 362; Heather Schramm 472; Dan Hertzler 505; Laura Densmore 542; Kass Urban-Mead 410t; Jan May 528; Pleasance Crawford 534; Frank Griggs 376; Jean Seiler 318; Eileen Metzger 383; Sue Hengelsberg 270; Chuck Crawford 546; Joanne Fuller 400; former and current NYS Convention chairs Laura Densmore, Eric Bean, Ginny Huszagh, Barbara Swetman, Jean Seiler, Mary Skidmore, Thom Metzger, and Dennis Leipold 212.

RECESS

Gerry Hoffman led 145b to gather back the class. Leaders: Jonathan Spencer 71; Helen Haller 338; Gerry Hoffman 272; Melody Johnson 340; Eric Bean 236; Katie Reimers 31t; Ginny Huszagh 269; Dennis Leipold 65; Mary Skidmore 306; Leon Pulsinelle 458; Barbara Swetman 457; Jason Jones 277; Joy Van Riper 117; Hal Kunkel 189; Dev Crasta 274t; Chris Haller 191.

RECESS

The class was called together by Heather Schramm leading 155. Thom Metzger called for announcements of regional and local singings. Leaders: Leon Pulsinelle 448b; Chuck Crawford 66; Gerry Hoffman 77t; Pleasance Crawford 382; Frank Griggs 372; Nicole Collins 63; Em Ekelund 89; Jonathan Spencer 70b; Heather Schramm 300; Jan May 276; Dan Hertzler 32b; Laura Densmore 532; Thom Metzger 62. The closing prayer was offered by Dan Hertzler.

The Secretary recorded attendance: forty from New York State, five from Pennsylvania, two from Connecticut, two from Vermont, one from New Jersey, one from Colorado, ten from Canada, and two listed as gmail, for a total of sixty-three registered singers, and several visitors. Over the two days, the class sang one hundred-seventy songs.

Chairman—Thom Metzger; Secretary—Sue Hengelsberg

PACIFIC NORTHWEST SACRED HARP CONVENTION, OREGON Laurelhurst Club, Portland, Oregon

October 20-21, 2018

Saturday, October 20

The 27th annual Oregon session of the Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Laurelhurst Club, Portland, Oregon, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in October. Linda Berkemeier and Thom Fahrbach called the class to order leading 448b. Tom McTighe offered the morning prayer. A business meeting was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—Thom Fahrbach; Treasurer—Linda Berkemeier; Secretary—Ruth Linehan. Leaders: Betsy Jeronen 105; Sadhbh O'Flynn 37b; Chris Noren 40 (to celebrate Dan Thoma's birthday); Concetta Branson 384; Yosef Trachtenberg 30b; Ruth Linehan

99; Tom McTighe 432; Rose Walker-Young 42; Bruce Rowland 426b; Laura McMurray 30t; Doug Hill 163t; Ana Tighe 411; Greg Saue 163b; Reed Schilbach 61; Steve Tarr 267; Kathy Vlach 77b; Ben Brown 142.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Lyle Lindsey leading 84. Leaders: Anne Huckins 114; Corinne Serfass 383; John Berendzen 378b; Clarissa Fetrow 343; Pat Coghlan 444; Nancy Novotny 564; Daniel Lee 101b; Carolyn Gilkey 344; Rodman Campbell 229; Nell Whitman 276; Julius Pasay 227; Kate Fine 532; Dorothy Robinson 401; Ashley McCorkhill 410t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Marie Brandis leading 29t. Leaders: Kate Coxon 145t; Erik Schwab 402; Mischa Skeeter 324; Ethan Hardy 442; Karen Willard 141; Kevin Barrans 544; Mark Godfrey 392; Kerry Cullinan 438; Mark Miller 85; Carolyn Deacy 224; Jack Lofton 328. Tom McTighe offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Peter Schinske leading 350. Leaders: David Wright 186; Ann Riley 318; Evelyn Lamb 202; Darlene Dalton 454; Christy Rauwolf and Joey Rauwolf 448t; Kevin Beirne 428; Lydia Lewallen 419; Kate Kirwan 240; Mike Hinton 534; Elizabeth Stoddard 422; Carolyn Thompson 280; Adam Berey, Boaz Allen-Berey, Leilai Immel-Parkinson, and Isaac Parkinson 569b; Steve Luttnen 570; Stacey Berkheimer 187; Matthew Parkinson 213t; Catherine Roberts 480; Susan Cheronas 349.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Bradley Knoke leading 89. Leaders: Lindy Groening 203; Gillian Inksetter 286; Sean Francis Conway 70b; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 377; Leigh Cooper 228; Edward Rice 183; Bob Schinske 439; Chris Noren 507; Jennifer Jones 270; Linda Berkemeier 477; Wing Mui 300; Dan Thoma 338; Lucinda Larson Saue 86; Peter Schinske 287; Dorothy Mitchell 208; Lyle Lindsey 47b; Ana Tighe 112; Steve Cackley 560. Thom Fahrbach led 45b as the closing song. Tom McTighe offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Sunday, October 21

The Sunday session of the Pacific Northwest Sacred Harp Convention was brought to order by Thom Fahrbach and Kate Kirwan leading 171. Emily Winokur offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Dan Thoma 26; Karen Willard 49b; Hannah Field 66; Steve Cackley 167; Doug Hill 32t; Melissa Stephenson 479; Bruce Rowland 282; Martha Sherwood 114; Laura McMurray 39b; Steve Tarr 277; Molly Staley 45t; Nell Whitman 148; Greg Saue 135.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Cornelia Stanton and Solomon Ossa leading 37b. Leaders: Kate Fine 319; Rose Walker-Young 445; Reed Schilbach 318; John Berendzen 314; Yosef Trachtenberg 198; Kathy Vlach 169; Mischa Skeeter 178; Dorothy Robinson 371; Jake Hachey 500; Jen Rymut and Kelly Clare 498; Julius Pasay 328; Betsy Jeronen 460; Tom McTighe 200; Jenn Dolan and Isaac Dolan-Wolfe 207; Lyle Lindsey 39t; Anne Huckins 38b.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Marie Brandis and Kim Lusk leading 30t. Leaders: Marla Elliott 535; Daniel Lee 489; Clarissa Fetrow 474; Jennifer Jones 196; Peter Schinske 302.

Concetta Branson led 340 for the following sick and housebound: Ethel Chaffin, Charlene Wallace, Adrian Eldridge, Franklin Mitchell, Dolores Mitchell, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Ann Bryant, Stephanie Fida, Ima Rowland, Art Maddox, Melanie

Hauff, Curtis Owen, Elaine Zidek, Charlotte Heard, Eugene Forbes, Sandy Kirk, Madeline Campbell, Darlene Simpson-Brown, Don Bowen, Jeff Stoike, Jill Wilson, Jeannette Bates, Dan Fahrbach, and Marge Morgan Schwitzgoebel.

Bradley Knoke gave the memorial lesson, and led 505 in memory of the following: Anita Carroll Jones, Daphene Causey, Arthur Gilmore, and Glenda Hopper—Alabama; Andrew Worthington—Arkansas; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona; Steve Ewert and Adela Schroth—California; Verner Chaffin and Louise Holland—Georgia; Berkley Moore and Ann Sleeva—Illinois; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Jack Duncan—Maine; Donald Wilkinson—Massachusetts; Michael Kaye and Mary Ellen Schrock—New York; Gail O'Day—North Carolina and Massachusetts; Marion Embick, Steve Helwig, Maureen Hunt, Lee Kelley, Charles Kornfield, Tim Robert, and Wesley Voth—Oregon; Amy Denison and Mel Rosenbaum—Texas; Barbara Losse—Utah; Walt Colteryahn—Vermont; Aaron Giles—Virginia; Jacqueline Dupras, Dave Haworth, Mona Reardon, and Corinne Welfelt—Washington; Julie Veal—Wisconsin; Reginald Brett and Bob Patten—United Kingdom.

Leaders: Sadhbh O'Flynn 285b; David Wright 499; Rodman Campbell 491; Leigh Cooper 283; Jack Lofton 550. Emily Winokur offered the noon prayer.

LUNCH

The class was called back to order by Lindy Groening leading 312t. Leaders: Kevin Beirne 272; Carolyn Deacy 91; Thom Fahrbach 216; Kate Kirwan 345b; Mike Hinton 373; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 546; Steve Luttinen 192; Darlene Dalton 68b; Matthew Parkinson 400; Lydia Lewallen 483; Bob Schinske 456; Stacey Berkheimer 327; Gillian Inksetter 517; Kerry Cullinan 368; Evelyn Lamb 292; Catherine Roberts 209; Erik Schwab 140; Susan Cheronos 56b; Kevin Barrans 80t.

RECESS

The class was called back to order by Nancy Novotny leading 73t. Leaders: Elizabeth Stoddard 124; Sean Francis Conway 275t; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 335; Pat Coghlan 528; Ann Riley 142; Jake Hachey 300; Scott Kennedy 228; Linda Berkemeier 143; Lucinda Larsen Saue 168; Edward Rice 372; Kate Coxon 564; Mark Godfrey 556; Carolyn Thompson 53; Aubrey Hemminger 547; Corinne Serfas 214.

A business meeting was held to hear committee reports. The Arranging Committee reported that one hundred sixty-seven people registered from fourteen states and three countries, ninety-one leaders, and one hundred sixty-three songs sung. The Treasurer reported that two thirds of expenses were received and thanked the singers. Announcements were made. The Resolutions Committee thanked everyone who helped to make the convention a success.

Gifts were presented to Matthew Parkinson for his singing school presentation on Friday evening. Thom Fahrbach, Leilai Immel-Parkinson, Matthew Parkinson, and Isaac Parkinson led 97. Thom Fahrbach and Betsy Jeronen led 36b as the closing song. Emily Winokur offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Thom Fahrbach; Vice Chairman—Betsy Jeronen; Secretary—Ruth Linehan

ANDREWS CHAPEL/SCHOOLHOUSE

The Rock, Georgia

Sunday, October 21, 2018

The annual singing at Andrew's Chapel/Schoolhouse was called to order by the South Georgia Convention president Oscar McGuire leading 59. Judy Chambless offered the opening prayer. Oscar McGuire nominated Bentley McGuire to serve as the chairman for the day and the class approved unanimously. John Plunkett was nominated and approved to serve as secretary for the day.

Leaders: Bentley McGuire 37b; Malinda Snow 124, 96; Trent Peachey 37t, 317; Jerusha Wheeler 171, 148; Bert Collins 340, 339; Judy Chambless 319; Richard DeLong 39b, 36t; Erin Fulton 315, 279; Bill Hollingsworth 56b, 74t.

RECESS

Bentley McGuire called the class back together leading 33b. Leaders: Robert Kelley 440, 181; Robert Chambless 145b, 523; Glenda Collins 81t, 282; John Hollingsworth 50b; Daniel Williams 186, 160t; David Grant 153, 345t; Rosemund Watson 503, 34b; John Plunkett 83b, 321. The blessing for the noontime meal was offered by John Plunkett.

LUNCH

Bentley McGuire called the class back to order leading 47t. Leaders: Mary Brownlee 47b, 556; Mott Harrell 77t, 178; Malinda Snow 540; Robert Chambless 354b; Bert Collins 35; Glenda Collins 100; Richard DeLong 571; Erin Fulton 432; John Plunkett 80t; Mary Brownlee 183; Bentley McGuire 505; Trent Peachey and Kendra Peachey 318; Martha Harrell 515; Robert Kelley 208; Daniel Williams 60; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Bill Hollingsworth 365; Oscar McGuire 229. After announcements, Rosemund Watson led 347 as the closing song. Wayne Watson offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Bentley McGuire; Secretary—John Plunkett

REID MEMORIAL **County Line Church, Corner Alabama** **Sunday, October 21, 2018**

The 99th session of the Reid Memorial singing was called to order by Danny Creel leading 30t. He then offered the morning prayer, and led 217 (for Emily Brown). Leaders: Ken Tate 35 (for Kathleen Robbins); Yancey Jett 89; Hubert Nall 312b; Linda Booth 361; David Jackson 39b; Andy Ditzler 203; Ryan Nash 110; Linda Sides 215; Henry Guthery 527; Paula Oliver 142; Earl Ballinger 283; Buell Cobb 325; Marty Wootten 176b; Loretta Whitman 399b; Scot Oliver 100; Judy Caudle 182; Tom Booth 441.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ken Tate leading 278t. Leaders: Cindy Tanner 186 (for Adrian Eldridge); Isaac Green 419; Larry Ballinger 268; David Brodeur 333; Cheyenne Ivey 76b; Jamey Wootten 77t; Lisa Bennett 150 (for Don Bowen); Michael Walker 129; Lisa Geist 492; Nicholas Thompson 140; Sara Trumbore 187; Betty Shepherd 216; Alex Forsyth 411; Amber Davis 224 (for Paula Springfield); Stefani Priskos 448t; David Smead 192; Beth Ann Clay 208; Reba Windom 542.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Ken Tate leading 147b. Leaders: Hayden Arp 382; Justin Bowen 507 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Nancy Phillips 97; Marlin Beasley 61 (for Juanita Beasley); Sharon DuPriest 189; Jared Wootten 475; Diane Haywood and Michael Walker 457; Tom George 138b; Elene Stovall 302; Chris Ballinger 342; Julianna Styles 88t; David Ivey 324; Betty Baccus 387; Lomax Ballinger 144; Shelby Castillo, Reba Windom, and Sharon DuPriest 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey); Cassie Allen 316; Jesse P. Karlsberg 422; Susan Allred 65. The blessing before the noon meal was offered by Hubert Nall.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Danny Creel leading 170. Leaders: Lauren Bock 460; Ann Jett and Yancey Jett 546; David Heidorn 63; Wanda Capps 36b; Jackie Tanner 73t; Cindy Tanner and Lucy Heidorn 155 (the oldest and next to the youngest grandchildren of Annie Reid Creel and great grandchildren of J.H. (Jim) Reid); Michael Walker 298; Greg Allred 56t; Justin Bowen 548; Stefani Priskos 314;

Yancey Jett 440 (for Steve Creel); Ryan Nash 128; Jamey Wootten, Jared Wootten, and Marty Wootten 99; Andy Ditzler 396; Diane Haywood and Lisa Bennett 474; David Brodeur 319; Sara Trumbore and Tom George 380; Ainslie Allen and Emma Hayden Calvert 132, 388; David Smead 222; Jesse P. Karlsberg and Lauren Bock 377; Reba Windom and Shelby Castillo 436; Lisa Geist and Chris Ballinger 528; Hayden Arp and Alex Forsyth 234; Nicholas Thompson, Cassie Allen, and Isaac Green 328; Paula Oliver and Scot Oliver 540; Betty Shepherd and David Ivey 299; Larry Ballinger, Earl Ballinger, and Lomax Ballinger 472; Elene Stovall 200; Sharon DuPriest 137; Judy Caudle 228; Nancy Phillips 277; Linda Sides 530; Amber Davis 391; Cheyenne Ivey 106; Marlin Beasley 336; Cassie Allen and David Ivey 491b (WB); Danny Creel, Wanda Capps, Ann Jett, and Cindy Tanner 512; Lucy Heidorn 389; Cassie Allen, Shelley Calvert, and Yancey Jett 111b.

After announcements, Danny Creel and Ken Tate led 145t as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Earl Ballinger, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Acting Vice Chairman—Ken Tate (Honorary—Kathleen Robbins); Secretary—Lucy Heidorn

ALASKA SACRED HARP CONVENTION **Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Fairbanks, Alaska** **October 26-27, 2018**

Friday, October 26

The 11th annual Alaska Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on Friday and Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October. Campbell Longworth introduced David Ivey, of Huntsville, Alabama, as the singing school teacher. Cornelia Stanton offered the opening prayer. David began the singing school with an overview of the Rudiments from the 1991 edition of the Sacred Harp, concentrating on scales, modes of time, importance of accent, preparing to lead, and the different singer sections and the range of exploration between sections.

RECESS

Campbell Longworth called the class to order leading 40. David Ivey led 69b, and continued the singing school by introducing the upcoming revision project of the Sacred Harp, including the history of past revisions. David led 45b, 271b, 92, 93, 88b, and 285b, which are some examples of less frequently led songs. Campbell Longworth led 347 as the closing song. A prayer was offered by Cornelia Stanton to close the singing school.

Saturday, October 27

The Saturday session was called to order by Campbell Longworth leading 82t. William Walters offered the opening prayer. A business meeting was convened, and all were welcomed. Campbell announced this year's convention was dedicated to the memory of Steve Helwig, a longtime, generous supporter of Alaskan Sacred Harp singings, and friend to many. Business meeting was suspended.

Leaders: Kari Lundgren 171; Bob Hume 472, 62; Charley Basham 38t, 49t; Campbell Longworth 47b, 82b; Sarah Beaber-Fujioka 157, 474; Joe Linden 126, 122; Sylvia Friske 146, 99; Betsy Jeronen 436, 440; Keri Petersen and Charley Basham 282.

RECESS

Marie Brandis called the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Karen Willard 467, 465; Kristina Lowenstein 178; Kate Fortin 42, 372; David Kreiss-Tomkins 385b, 81t; Maria D'Agostino 268, 155; Darlene Dalton and Siri Tuttle 33b, 309; Cornelia Stanton 87, 318; Karen Ivey 129, 567; Erik Schwab 267, 102; Kate Coxon 176b, 227.

RECESS

Kate Fine called the class back to order leading 32t. Leaders: Marie Brandis 411, 212; Kathy Williams 186, 276; Dorothy Robinson 106, 203; David Ivey 125, 458; Kate Fine 111b, 278t.

David Kreiss-Tomkins conducted the memorial lesson and led 313b for the following sick and shut-ins: Adrian Eldridge, Elaine Zidek, Concetta Branson, Charlotte Heard, Don Bowen, Dustin Saksek, and Darlene Simpson Brown. David spoke of the deceased and led 323t for the following: Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona; Steve Helwig—Oregon; William E. Davis—Alaska; Louise Holland—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Daphene Causey and Anita Carrol Jones—Alabama. William Walters closed the memorial lesson with a prayer. Leaders: Kari Lundgren 236 (in memory of William E. Davis); Karen Ivey and David Ivey 187; Erik Schwab 182. William Walters blessed the noon meal.

LUNCH

Kari Lundgren called the class back to order leading 448b. Leaders: Kate Fortin 159; Campbell Longworth and Dean Shannon “Mighty Father” (an original composition); Karen Pyne and Darlene Dalton 40; DeAnn Moore and Campbell Longworth 347; Cornelia Stanton 480; David Ivey 343; Kate Fine 532; Karen Willard 81b, 200; Betsy Jeronen 564, 494; Kathy Williams 273 (in memory of her mother), 208; Marie Brandis 352, 448t; Karen Ivey 108t, 217; Joe Linden 84, 30t; Dorothy Robinson 180, 377; Sarah Beaber-Fujioka 31t; Dean Shannon 198.

RECESS

Campbell Longworth called the class back to order leading 354b. Leaders: Bob Hume 38b, 65; Erik Schwab 378t, 228; Kari Lundgren 209 (for Juneau SH singers); Sylvia Friske 45t; Kate Coxon 163t, 416; Charley Basham 86, 479 (for Lynn Basham); David Kreiss-Tomkins 353, 410t.

Campbell Longworth reconvened the business meeting and reports were given. The Treasurer reported that all needs were generously met. There were fifty attendees, thirty-five leaders, six states represented and ninety songs sung. The Resolutions Committee thanked all who made this event safe, seamless, and satisfying, and resolved that the Alaska Sacred Harp Convention will be held one year from now. The business meeting was closed.

Campbell Longworth led 36b. The closing prayer was offered by William Walters. Chairman—Campbell Longworth; Secretaries—Bob Hume and Dean Shannon

LONDON SINGING

Highgate United Reformed Church Chapel, London, United Kingdom Saturday, October 27, 2018

The 10th annual London All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was held at Highgate United Reformed Church Chapel, Pond Square, London, and was called to order by Andrew Clark leading 47t. Andrew Clark offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Teresa Maguire 67; Derek Buckland 429; Machna Nowak 569b; Robin Bisson 29t; Marjorie Brown 171; Sam Carter 556; Amy Cutts 76b; Thomas Sprackland 105; Joss Tait 331; George Simms 203; Victoria Timberlake 133; Greg Carson 29b; Rachel Jordan 441; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 66; Stacy Hackner 117; Francis Gaskin 60; Sheila Girling-Macadam 173; Nick Hall 448t; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 72b; Alec Williams and Emma Graveson 277; Jacoba Bruneel 36b; Johannes Sauer 531; Caro Stamm-Reusch 112.

RECESS

Matthew Parkinson brought the class back to order leading 32t. Leaders: William Cleary 446; Susanne Rolli and Barb Patterson 178; Thomas Greig 89; Char Hayward and Dick Patterson 320; Hyke Sakaras 51; Joyce Smith 535; Edwin Macadam 492; Seth Dickens 198; Lim Shu Ning and William Cleary 50t; Steve Brett 172; Ewa

Lichnerowicz 65.

The sick and housebound lesson was conducted by Amy Cutts, leading 81t for the following people: Helen Ainsworth, Silke Kunow-Koch, Adian Hilton, Justine Stair, John Pettman, Paula Mogensen, Adrian Eldridge, and Keith Pigott. Dick Patterson and Barb Patterson conducted the memorial lesson in memory of the following deceased: Geoffrey Rendle, Rodney Willard, Barbara Willard, Susan Carr, Steve Helwig, Elizabeth Rechenberg, James B. Walker, Don Croft, Liz Spalding, Jeff Stote, Stephanie Coltvet Erdmann, Bob Patten, Sigrid Trotman, Barbara Isbell, Reginald Brett, Andy Spence, and Frank Pigott. Dick led 32b.

Leaders: Joe Jones 225t; Sam Thomas 448b; Rachel Wemyss 482; Colin Monson 296; Inga Huebner 413. William Cleary gave thanks before dinner on the grounds.

LUNCH

The class was brought back to order by Seth Dickens leading 350. Leaders: Marjorie Brown 474; Joe Vickers 460; Ruth Herold 479; Jan Geerts 222; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Francis Gaskin 263; Rachel Jordan 368; Harley Jones 128; Stacy Hackner and Machna Nowak 268; Dick Patterson 70b; Fiona Byrne and Sheila Girling Macadam 82t; Matthew Parkinson 454; Barb Patterson 228; William Cleary 220; Sarah Hochner and Andrew Clark 39t; Caro Stamm-Reusch 245; Derek Buckland 425; Sam Carter 87; Joe Jones 227; Rachel Wemyss 360; Sam Thomas 146; Teresa Maguire 440; Alec Williams 113.

RECESS

Robin Bisson brought the class back to order leading 191. Leaders: Nick Hall 455; Lim Shu Ning 69b; Jan Geerts 373; Joe Vickers 43; Barb Patterson 271t; Harley Jones 504; Inga Huebner 86; Johannes Sauer 428; Colin Monson 457; Jacoba Bruneel 477; Edwin Macadam 499; Ewa Lichnerowicz 102; Matthew Parkinson 80t; Joss Tait 324; Thomas Greig 42; Steve Brett 445.

The Secretary reported that seventy-six singers had registered, with representation from seven countries: France, Scotland, England, USA, Canada, Germany, and Singapore. There were fifty-one leaders and eighty-five songs were sung. After announcements, Andrew Clark gave thanks to everyone who had helped organize and run the day, as well as to all those who had travelled to attend. He led 347 as the closing song. Joe Jones offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Andrew Clark; Co-Vice Chairmen—Teresa Maguire and Joss Tait; Secretary—Jacoba Bruneel

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS SHILOH SINGING, FALL SESSION

Shiloh Meeting Hall, Springdale, Arkansas

Saturday, October 27, 2018

The Northwest Arkansas Shiloh Singing, Fall session, was called to order by Syd Caldwell with his welcome to all singers. Dan Brittain offered the opening prayer. Syd Caldwell opened the singing leading 56t.

Leaders: Syd Caldwell 72t; Andrew Albers 437, 166; Alexis Walker 496, 335; Dan Brittain 13 (MH), 12 (MH); Will Sims 178, 277; Cory Winters 274t, 112; Darryl Criss 49b, 472; Bonnie Wood 344, 463 (CB); Lou Kujawinski 354t, 515; Chris Nicholson 34b, 47t.

RECESS

Andres Albers brought the class back together by leading 33b. Leaders: Bill Caldwell 192, 351; Syd Caldwell 426b, 460; Dan Brittain and Kim Hodges 138 (MH), 160 (MH); Penny Kujawinski 228, 181; Cory Winters 195, 189; Chris Nicholson 212, 72b; Will Sims 108b, 71; Andrew Albers 95t (CB), 347 (CB); Darryl Criss 393 (CB), 155; Katy Black 350, 384; Margaux Burleson 63, 282; Alexis Walker 354b, 40; Syd Caldwell 137, 138t. Bill Caldwell led 164 (MH) as the blessing of the dinner.

LUNCH

Walt Gallagher, the docent of the newly renovated Shiloh Meeting Hall, gave a short presentation on the history of the hall.

Cory Winters led 479 and 513. Leaders: Bill Caldwell 62 (MH), 135 (MH); Bonnie Wood 362, 117; Lou Kujawinski 171, 272; Will Sims 478, 481; Penny Kujawinski 475, 383; Margaux Bureson 177 (MH), 175 (MH); Syd Caldwell 392 (CB), 497 (CB).

Dan Brittain began the memorial service by reading the following names of those who have passed away: Andy Worthington—Arkansas; Edith Owen, Mel Rosenbaum, and Amy Denison—Texas; Daphne Causey and Floy Wilder—Alabama. Dan Brittain led 285t. Andrew Albers read the following list of names of the sick and shut-ins: Charlene Wallace, Don Bowen, Norma Mincey, Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Gail Cowart, Karen Isbell, Tommy Spurlock, Ruth Daniels, Adrian Eldridge, and Melanie Hauff. Andrew led 337. Bill Caldwell closed the memorial service with prayer.

RECESS

Syd Caldwell brought the class back together leading 542 and 216. Leaders: Kim Hodges and Chris Nicholson 180 (CB); Andrew Albers 178 (MH), 496 (CB); Katy Black 217, 143; Chris Nicholson 157 (MH), 45 (MH); Cory Winters 127 (MH), 113 (MH).

Syd Caldwell led 142 as the closing song. Bill Caldwell offered the closing prayer. Chairman—Dan Brittain; Vice Chairman—Andrew Albers; Secretary—Alexis Walker

PUTNAM, LIGHT, AND KING MEMORIAL

Mt. Oak Methodist Church, Arab, Alabama

Saturday, October 27, 2018

The annual Putnam, Light, and King Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October. David Light called the class to order leading 30t. Delone Cobbs offered the opening prayer.

In a business session, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Judy Caudle; Arranging—Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: David Light 143; Nicholas Thompson 89, 138t; Judy Caudle 167, 187 (in memory of Rhoda Norris); Delone Cobbs 49t, 33b (in memory of Marcus Light); Robert Walker 350, 99; Nancy Thompson 207, 354b; Blake Sisemore 208, 209; Rebecca Over 478, 391; David Jackson 101t, 48t; Nancy Phillips 333, 282; Sarah Trumbore 336, 176t.

RECESS

Nicholas Thompson led 100 to bring the class together. Leaders: Elene Stovall 176b, 283 (for Don Bowen); Tom George 359, 401; Lisa Geist 272, 327; J.L. Hopper 407, 402; Linda Booth 454, 39t; Buell Cobb 166, 303; Tom Booth 225t, 475; Hayden Arp 181, 470. Elder J.L. Hopper asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with David Light leading 200. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 403, 418; Winfred Kerr 569b, 516; Amber Davis 276 (for Margaret Keeton), 380; Larry Ballinger 78, 97; Loretta Whitman 343, 399b; Blake Sisemore 411; Nicholas Thompson 216 (for Bill and Reba Windom); Hayden Arp 558; Lisa Geist 472; David Jackson 39b; Rebecca Over 159; Amber Davis 142; Larry Ballinger 168; Winfred Kerr 36b; Nancy Phillips 388; Earl Ballinger 389; Judy Caudle 274t; David Light 436 (in memory of Tat Bailey).

David Light and Nicholas Thompson led 62 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Secretary—Judy Caudle

SADSBURY COOPER BOOK SINGING

Sadsbury Friends Meeting House, Christiana, Pennsylvania

Saturday, October 27, 2018

The 11th session of the Sadsbury *Cooper Book* Singing was held at the Sadsbury Friends Meeting House in Christiana, Pennsylvania, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October. Connie Webster began the day by leading 54t. Lamar Matthew offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Barb Hohenstein 42; Laura Densmore 380t; Lamar Matthew 504t; Guy Banks 505; Elizabeth Patton 316; Harry Scott 168; Rachel Hall 492; Roland Hutchinson 587; Ina Shea 98; Leon Pulsinelle 577; Jan May 575; Gina Balestracci 38t; Maria Cramer 31t; Tom Stokes 432; Robin Banerji 32b.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Kimberly Haas leading 155. Leaders: Barb Hohenstein 442t; Elizabeth Patton 583; Ted Stokes 559; Connie Webster 107; Lamar Matthew 485; Laura Densmore 210; Guy Banks 391; Harry Scott 40; Rachel Hall 279; Roland Hutchinson 350; Ina Shea 393; Leon Pulsinelle 449; Jan May 364; Gina Balestracci 137; Tom Stokes 501; Maria Cramer 408; Robin Banerji 524; Ted Stokes 594; Connie Webster 410; Laura Densmore 463 (while Carol Stevens signed). Laura then introduced the class to Heidi Harper whose grandfather, Francis Harper, connected with the singers from the Okefenokee Swamp at that time. Lamar Matthew offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Leon Pulsinelle called the afternoon session to order leading 28b. Leaders: Lamar Matthew 328; Joyce Forry 348t; Guy Banks 269; Craig Wiley 45t; Tom Stokes 511t; Hollie Long 60; Harry Scott 132; Rachel Hall 482; Laura Densmore 133; Robin Banerji 376; Ina Shea 89; Roland Hutchinson 484; Leon Pulsinelle 30b; Gina Balestracci 522; Barb Hohenstein 563.

RECESS

Laura Densmore called the class to order leading 336t. Leaders: Connie Webster 573; Jan May 430; Maria Cramer 428; Elizabeth Patton 571; Ted Stokes 147; Joyce Forry 72; Laura Densmore 552; Hollie Long 440b; Lamar Matthew 199; Craig Wiley 49t; Ina Shea 208; Jan May 367; Maria Cramer 62; Gina Balestracci 276; Robin Banerji 142.

Laura Densmore, Connie Webster, Carol Stevens, and Barb Hohenstein led 527 as the closing song. Lamar Matthew offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Connie Webster; Secretary—Barb Hohenstein

SEED AND FEED SACRED HARP SINGING

Emory Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia

Saturday, October 27, 2018

The 42nd annual Seed and Feed Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Sandra Wilkinson leading 31b. Jim Neal offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Sandra Wilkinson 63; David Smead 73b, 147b; Laura Akerman 176b, 390; John Plunkett 77b, 175; Debora Grosse 224, 215; Kelly Morris 503, 159; Malinda Snow 287, 497; Henry Slack 268, 300; Bert Collins 340, 35; Karen Morris 65, 299; David Brodeur 415, 448b.

RECESS

The class returned with David Smead leading 82t. Leaders: Dave Farmer 473, 196; Hayley Robb 146; John Whittimore 40, 38b; Samuel Williams 138b, 505. A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Jim Neal; Secretary—Laura Akerman. Leaders: Jim Neal 406, 477; Lisa Bennett 444, 332; Susan Firestone 474, 475; Jeremiah Ledbetter 312b, 148; Andy Ditzler 462, 75; Amy Armstrong Wells 272, 448t.

LUNCH

Jim Neal brought the class back together by leading 32t. Leaders: Eric Tweedy 174, 442; Glenda Collins 99, 100; Erin Fulton 466, 399b; Daniel Williams 441, 360. Lisa Bennett conducted a memorial lesson for the deceased and sick and shut-ins. The names of the following deceased were read: Andy Worthington, Louise Holland, Daphene Causey, Clois Rollins—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon. The names of the following sick and shut-ins were read: Charlene Wallace, Don Bowen, Norma Mincey, Judy Mincey, Helen Bryson, Tim Gregg, and Adrian Eldridge. Lisa led 70t for all, and Jim Neal closed the service with prayer. Leaders: Zachary Silva 157; Diane Heywood 49t, 178; Tony Hammock 404, 400; Lauren Bock 325, 532; Michael Walker 41, 392 (both in memory of Danny Arms).

RECESS

The class returned with David Smead leading 335. Leaders: Nina Burris 344, 362; Anders Wells 70b, 71; Susan Posey 66, 84; Jesse P. Karlsberg 80b, 45b; Caran Bramlette 143, 480; Sandra Wilkinson 489; Michael Walker 131b; Dave Farmer 454; Laura Akerman, Caran Bramlette, Kelly Morris, Karen Morris, Henry Slack, and John Whittimore (original Seed and Feed Theatre people) 47b, 155. Kelly Morris announced that the location of this singing will change next year to Northlake Church of Christ in Tucker, Georgia. David Smead led 414 as the closing song. Jim Neal dismissed the class with prayer. Chairman—David Smead; Vice Chairman—Jim Neal; Secretary—Laura Akerman

COWETA COUNTY COURTHOUSE SINGING

Newnan, Georgia
Sunday, October 28, 2018

The 5th annual Coweta County Courthouse Singing was held on the fourth Sunday in October at the Coweta County Courthouse in Newnan, Georgia. Mark Puckett called the class to order leading 101t. Bert Collins offered the morning prayer. Mark Puckett welcomed all of the singers, made several announcements, and led 40. Leaders: John Plunkett 467, 285b; Lela Crowder 479, 460; Glenda Collins 454 (for Virginia Dyer), 282; Jack Nelson 560, 300; Faye Hollis 299, 168; Winfred Kerr 541, 569b; Lisa Bennett 132, 375; Joyce Heath 212, 288; Donna Duke and Gene Duke 159, 36b; David Brodeur 410t, 417.

RECESS

John Plunkett brought the class back together by leading 49b. Leaders: Robert Chambless 70t, 77b; Michael Walker 418, 182; Karen Flagg and Gary Davis 565, 47b; Erin Fulton 352, 69t; Karen Rollins 227, 327; Andy Ditzler 209; Andy Ditzler and David Brodeur 320 (in memory of the people killed at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA); David Smead 321, 424; Judy Chambless 501, 464.

LUNCH

Mark Puckett, Mark Puckett III, LeighAnna Beatenbough, Haley Beatenbough, Mackenzie Beatenbough, and Clara Puckett brought the class back to order by leading 35. Leaders: Rebecca Over 423, 428; Oscar McGuire 441, 336; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 31t, 440; Bert Collins 542, 97; Sheri Taylor and Lisa Webb 334, 224; Nathan Rees 110, 272.

The class paused for a memorial lesson conducted by Karen Rollins. Karen read the names of the deceased including Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, Mike Jones—Alabama; Florice Akin, Ruth Ayers, Audrey Ruth Garner, Truitt Haynes, Louise Holland, Allen Lambert, A.R. McGukin, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Frank Searcy—Georgia; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Susan Carr—UK. She also read the names of the sick and shut-ins who included Don Bowen, Helen Bryson, Virginia Dyer, Adrian Eldridge, Eugene Forbes, Virginia Futral, William Futral, Chris Holley, Karen Isbell, Ann Jett, Norma Mincey, Judy Mincey, Tim Gregg, Tommie Spurlock, and Charlene Wallace. She led 119 for all of these singers. Judy Chambless close the memorial lesson with prayer. Leaders: Lela Crowder 39b; Winfred Kerr 225t; Glenda Collins 45t; Erin Fulton 510; Jack Nelson 228; Lisa Bennett 385t; Donna Duke and Gene Duke 312b; Judy Chambless 549; Faye Hollis 340; David Brodeur 408; Karen Flagg and Gary Davis 354b; Rebecca Over 278b; Sheri Taylor and Lisa Webb 142; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 277; Andy Ditzler 567; Bert Collins 335; David Smead 482; Nathan Rees 92; Mark Puckett and Stephen Puckett 388. Announcements were made. Mark Puckett led 62 as the closing song. Ken Ashley closed the singing with prayer. Chairman—Mark Puckett; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Lela Crowder

DENNEY MEMORIAL
Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia
Saturday, November 3, 2018

The Denney Memorial was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Tony Hammock and Philip Denney leading 31t. John Huffman offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tony Hammock 60; Philip Denney 61; David Smead 473; Lisa Bennett 515; Jack Nelson 524; Winfred Kerr 569b; Kathy Williams 472; Rebecca Over 196 (for Winfred Kerr); Daniel Williams 543; Karen Rollins and Randa Harris 345t; Glenda Collins 300 (for Judy Chambless); Matt Hinton 498; Faye Hollis 318; Daniel Lee 489; Henry Johnson 418; Andy Ditzler 483.

RECESS

Keillor Mose brought the class back to order leading 111t. John Plunkett led 50t. The class entered into a business session and elected the following officers:

Chairman—Tony Hammock; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Arranging Officer/Secretary—Judy Chambless.

Karen Rollins presented a plaque to the family of Louise Holland on behalf of the Sacred Harp Publishing Company. Kathy Williams, Warren Holland, Ginnie Prater, Donna Baldwin, and Lou Anne Williams received the plaque in memory of Louise Holland's untiring support of and dedicated service to the cause of Sacred Harp singing.

Karen Rollins conducted the memorial lesson. Karen spoke about our love for fellow singers despite the differences between us, and exhorted us to extend this to love for our neighbors, as God commanded. She read the following names of the sick and shut-ins: Don Bowen, Adrian Eldridge, Charlene Wallace, Ann Jett, Eugene Forbes, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, William Futral, Virginia Futral, Norma Mincey, Judy Mincey, Joan Huff Bell McWhorter, and Oscar Block. She then read the following list of names of the deceased: Louise Holland, Lynn Denney, Wawena Entrekin Miles, Elder Frank Andrews, Florice Akin, Audrey Ruth Garner, Allen Lambert, and Agnes Roberts—Georgia; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, and Floy Wilder—Alabama; Andy Worthington—Arkansas; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Elizabeth

Rechenberg—Ohio; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Susan Carr—United Kingdom. Karen Rollins led 56t, and closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Michael Walker 475; Judy Caudle 540; Jerrod Ball 335; Oscar McGuire 344; Kacey Cook, Duke Cook, and Philip Denney 147t; Jerusha Wheeler 147b; Nathan Rees 398; Anna Hinton and Lottie Hinton 383; Erin Fulton 506; Justin Bowen 384; Sarah Trumbore 422; Jesse P. Karlsberg 421 (for Deane Root and Doris Dyen); Shelby Castillo 411; Loyd Ivey 278b; David Brodeur 449; Shane Wootten 171 (for Charlene Wallace); Hayden Arp 434 (in memory of Louise Holland); Susan Cheronas 349. John Huffman offered the blessing for lunch.

LUNCH

Rebecca Over brought the class back together leading 106. Leaders: Tom George 405; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 49b; Lauren Bock 511; Keillor Mose 482 (for Graham Cobleigh); Elene Stovall 142; Alex Forsyth 272; Donna Duke and Gene Duke 314; Cheyenne Ivey 172; Bert Collins 340; Tim Gregg 87; Wyatt Denney 77t; Joyce Heath 33b; Michael Walker 212; Loyd Ivey 460; John Huffman and Katie Huffman 556; Shane Wootten 105; Henry Johnson 409; Tim Gregg 90; Keillor Mose 200; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 88t; Hayden Arp, Justin Bowen, Alex Forsyth, and Loyd Ivey 424; Daniel Lee and Susan Cheronas 67; Rebecca Over 375; Elene Stovall and Jesse P. Karlsberg 371 (in memory of Elene's Uncle Robert); Cheyenne Ivey 222; Judy Caudle 348b; Erin Fulton 516.

Announcements were made. Tony Hammock and Philip Denney led 62 as the closing song. John Huffman dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Tony Hammock; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Arranging Officer pro tem—Lisa Bennett; Secretary pro tem—David Smead

HYDE PARK SINGING

Quaker House/57th Street Meeting of Friends, Chicago, Illinois Saturday, November 3, 2018

The 20th Hyde Park All-Day Singing was held at Quaker House/57th Street Meeting of Friends, Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. Jerry Gripshover called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 34b. Lyda Jackson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Eileen Ferguson 36b; Lisa Cohen 84 (in memory of Daniel Stein, who was murdered in the Pittsburgh Tree of Life Synagogue massacre, and in memory of Ella Reed); Jim Swanson 228; Mark Dawson 496; Peter Bradley 538; Nick Pasqual 333; Lyda Jackson 276; Ray Rechenberg 40; Susan Geil 474; JoDell Albi 8 (MH).

A business meeting was held to elect the following officers: Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chairman—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Mary Rogel. Jim Helke led 20 (MH) for Gale Barkus and for the victims in the Squirrel Hill Tree of Life Synagogue massacre and all their friends and families.

RECESS

Steve Warner called the class to order leading 148. Leaders: Mary Rogel 39 (MH); John Davis 30t; Matthew Siefert 344; Randy Neufeld 127 (MH) (in honor of the composer, Ted Johnson); Rochelle Lodder 126; Ted Mercer 177 (MH); Daniel Braithwaite 89 (MH); Anne Heider 131 (MH); Ginny Landgraf 147 (MH) (in memory of Ann Sleeva); Karen Swenson 51 (MH); Jerry Gripshover 138 (MH); Jim Swanson 172 (MH); Ben Zucker 130 (MH).

RECESS

Jim Helke called the class to order leading 142 (MH). Leaders: Lisa Cohen 148 (MH); Nick Pasqual 95; Debra Barford 313b; Eileen Ferguson 112; Dave Barford 142; Peter Bradley 444; Mark Dawson 299; Ray Rechenberg 454; Lyda Jackson 268; JoDell Albi 109 (MH); Susan Geil 180 (MH); John Davis 76b; Steve Warner 86;

Karen Swenson 75 (MH); Mary Rogel 534; Matthew Siefert 88t. Jim Swanson offered grace before the noon meal and led 164 (MH).

LUNCH

Randy Neufeld brought the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Ruthie Holtrop and Jim Swanson 457; Rochelle Lodder 472; Lexi Ugelow 217; Ted Mercer 215; Anne Heider 532; Ginny Landgraf 77 (MH); Jim Helke 129 (for Johanna Fabke); Karen Swenson 183; Rochelle Lodder 475; John Davis 178; Steve Warner 168; JoDell Albi 162 (MH); Dave Barford 209; Ben Zucker 410t; Debra Barford 547; Ray Rechenberg 285t (for his daughter); Mary Rogel 270 (for Len VanderJagt); Peter Bradley 169; Susan Geil 565.

RECESS

Eileen Ferguson called the class to order leading 171. Leaders: Lexi Ugelow 455; Catherine Walker 107; Lyda Jackson 146; Nick Pasqual 569t; Jerry Gripshover 99; Jim Swanson 197; Karen Swenson 13 (MH); Ray Rechenberg 448t; Peter Bradley 300; Ted Mercer 80 (MH); Dave Barford 56b.

Rochelle Lodder reported for the Finance Committee. Peter Bradley presented Resolutions. Mary Rogel reported that fifty-four singers attended from nine states, the District of Columbia, and Canada, and twenty-nine leaders led seventy-six songs. After announcements, Jim Helke, Ginny Landgraf, Jim Swanson, and Mary Rogel led 347 as the closing song while the class took the parting hand. Melanie Jansen dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chairman—Ginny Landgraf; Secretary—Mary Rogel

NORUMBEGA HARMONY SINGING

Church of The Redeemer, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts

Saturday, November 3, 2018

The 4th annual singing from *The Norumbega Harmony* (NbH) and *The Sacred Harp* was called to order by Sylvia Martin leading 34b, followed by welcome and introduction. Robert Dove gave the invocation.

Leaders: Dennis O'Brien 191; Robert Dove 474; John Travers 150; Bill Holt 148; Bob Parr 136 (NbH); Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 200 (NbH); Susan Jaster 236 (NbH); Lyra O'Brien 548; Christopher Kain 378t; Eric Hildebrand 192; Anne Kazlauskas 196; Joan Frankel 204 (NbH); Kerry Cullinan 70t; Paul Robinson 280; Liz Patton 501; David Bliss 80 (NbH); George Pomfret 258 (NbH); Ron Trial 112 (NbH); Glen Wright 122 (NbH); Susan Mampre 6 (NbH); Sylvia Martin 166 (NbH).

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Richard Schmeidler leading 84. Leaders: Sue Hanson 209; June Mathews 34 (NbH); John Martin 150 (NbH); Ocean (Belcher) Dennis O'Brien 163 (NbH); Robert Dove 242 (NbH); Liz Cantrell 244 (NbH); Bob Parr 3 (NbH); Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 265 (NbH); Finance Committee 174 (NbH); Susan Jaster 156 (NbH); Lyra O'Brien 224 (NbH).

Bill Holt gave a memorial lesson, and led 288 for the sick and shut-ins and the deceased.

Leaders: Christopher Kain 195 (NbH); Anne Kazlauskas 142 (NbH); Kerry Cullinan 14 (NbH); Paul Robinson 86 (NbH); Liz Patton and Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 140 (NbH); David Bliss 50 (NbH); George Pomfret 250 (NbH); Glen Wright 212 (NbH); Richard Schmeidler 4 (NbH); Susan Mampre 214 (NbH); Sue Hanson 2 (NbH). Liz Cantrell offered the grace before the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Ron Trial leading 28 (NbH). Leaders: Dennis O'Brien 108 (NbH); June Mathews 82 (NbH); John Martin 168 (NbH);

Dennis O'Brien 76 (NbH); Robert Dove 160 (NbH); Liz Cantrell 503; Bob Parr 190 (NbH); Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 233 (NbH); John Travers 183; Susan Jaster 230 (NbH); Lyra O'Brien 98 (NbH); Bill Holt 266 (NbH); Christopher Kain 134 (NbH); Joan Frankel 229; Anne Kazlauskas 44 (NbH); Kerry Cullinan 116 (NbH); Paul Robinson 132 (NbH).

RECESS

The class was called back together by Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner leading 47t. Leaders: Liz Patton 234; David Bliss 114 (NbH); George Pomfret and Glen Wright 239 (NbH); Sophie Michaux 124; Glen Wright "Rutland"; Richard Schmeidler 254; Susan Mampre 228; Sue Hanson 473; Ron Trial 184 (NbH); Nancy Reid and Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 177 (NbH); John Martin 120 (NbH). Sylvia Martin gave thanks, and led 21t (NbH) as the closing song. Robert Dove offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Sylvia Martin; Secretary—Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner

VELTON CHAFIN BIRTHDAY SINGING

Liberty Primitive Baptist Church (McCormick), Sumiton, Alabama Saturday, November 3, 2018

The annual Velton Chafin Birthday Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Brenda Chafin leading 30t. The morning prayer was offered by Richard Mauldin. The class was organized by appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary and Arranging—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Brenda Chafin 35; Marlin Beasley 34t, 72t; Amber Davis 123t, 395; Loretta Whitman 75, 36b; Ann Jett 47b, 37b; Linda Sides 225t, 500; Nancy Phillips 438, 274t; Beth Branscome 128, 31t; Henry Guthery 189 (in memory of Milton Oliver), 192; Tom Booth 235 (in memory of those who died in the bombing of the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania), 28b.

RECESS

Danny Creel called the class together by leading 224 and 196. Leaders: Hubert Nall 147b, 164; Wanda Capps 371, 454 (in memory of Willodean Barton); Mary Huffman 214, 107; Larry Ballinger 108t, 101t; Stephen Huffman 111t, 312b; Emily Stutzman 270, 178; Brenda Chafin 542, 430; Danny Creel 385b, 566; Mary Huffman 266, 66. Hubert Nall asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Danny Creel led 133 (CB) to bring the class back together. Leaders: Danny Creel 404 (CB) (in memory of Elsie Moon and Edith Tate); Hubert Nall 84 (CB), 572 (CB); Richard Mauldin 43 (CB); Beth Branscome 505 (CB); Linda Sides 571 (CB) (for Ottis Sides); Amber Davis 559 (CB); Stephen Huffman 497 (CB); Henry Guthery 450 (CB); Larry Ballinger 54t (CB); Nancy Phillips 269; Tom Booth 511b (CB); Marlin Beasley 199 (CB); Loretta Whitman 124; Emily Stutzman 328 (CB); the class sang 206 (CB), 464 (CB), 96 (CB), 203 (CB), 98 (CB).

Brenda Chafin led 521 as the closing song. Hubert Nall dismissed the class with prayer. Brenda invited singers to her home to sing with Velton Chafin. He was able to sing with the visitors, and he thanked everyone for coming.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretary—Margaret Keeton

HOLLY SPRINGS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

South of Bremen, Georgia

Sunday, November 4, 2018

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church

on the first Sunday in November. Richard DeLong brought the class to order leading 32t. Daniel Williams offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Richard DeLong 57; Philip Denney 84; Daniel Williams 455; Gary Davis 338; Winfred Kerr 548; David Brodeur 412; Nathan Rees 93; Phillip Langley 172; Rebecca Over 306 (in memory of Wawena Entrekin Miles); Esther Williams 74b; Cecil Roberts 403; Sheri Taylor 176b (in memory of Henry Wilson).

A business session was held and the following officers were elected: Lifetime Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Co-Chairman—Judy Henry; Vice Chairman—Phillip Langley; Arranging Officer—David Brodeur; Chaplain—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Lela Crowder.

RECESS

Phillip Langley brought the class back to order leading 145b. Leaders: Ed Thacker 35; Karen Rollins 298; Phil Summerlin 283; Lela Crowder 81t; Robbie Rivers 480 (in memory of Hugh McGraw, Earlis McGraw, Jeff Sheppard, and in honor of Charlene Wallace); Andy Ditzler 266 (for Justin Rabideau); Erin Fulton 123b; Daniel Lee 28t; David Smead 185; Margaret Thacker 39b; Fred Eady 112; Anna Hinton 203; Mike Spencer 289; Amber Davis 422; John Plunkett 420; Oscar McGuire 485; Susan Cheronos 564. The class recognized Judy Henry and Linda McWhorter for the care they have provided to Charlene Wallace.

RECESS

Daniel Williams brought the class back to order leading 277. Leaders: Lisa Bennett 58; Erica Hinton and Lottie Hinton 284 (in memory of Earlis McGraw); Diane Heywood and Michael Walker 294; Lauren Bock 202; Kathy Williams 273; Sarah Trumbore 208; Elene Stovall 436; Michael Walker 426b (in memory of Danny Arms); Edwina Unrath and Keillor Mose 288; Tom George 293; Tim Gregg 91; Hayden Arp 140; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 225b; Alex Forsyth 56t; Cheyenne Ivey 500.

LUNCH

David Brodeur brought the class back together by leading 343. Leaders: Joyce Heath 452; Susan Cheronos 300; Lauren Bock and Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 126; Oscar McGuire 336; Kathy Williams 385b; Michael Walker 297; Elene Stovall 99 (for Don Bowen); Tim Gregg and Erin Fulton 228; John Plunkett 330b (for Helen Bryson); Michael Spencer 521; Amber Davis 192; Lela Crowder 145t; Fred Eady 546; Daniel Lee 47t; Erin Fulton 163t; Laura Akerman 504; Karen Flagg and Gary Davis 47b; Ed Thacker and Daniel Williams 565; Sheri Taylor 477; Rebecca Over and Judy Henry 225t (in memory of Earlis McGraw); Judy Henry 77b (in honor of Charlene Wallace).

Announcements were made. Judy Henry and Phillip Langley led 46 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Co-Chairman—Judy Henry; Vice Chairman—Phillip Langley; Secretary—Lela Crowder

MT. EBON MEMORIAL SINGING

New Hope Baptist Church, Near Double Springs, Alabama Sunday, November 4, 2018

The 112th session of the Mt. Ebron Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held on the first Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 31b, followed by prayer offered by David Jackson. A business session was held and the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—David Jackson; Secretary—Theresa Westmoreland. The business session was then closed.

Leaders: David Jackson 378t, 101t; Theresa Westmoreland 217, 434; Lisa Geist 472,

527; Emily Stutzman 81t, 336; Earl Ballinger 338, 322; Betty Backus 59, 72b; Chris Ballinger 111b, 339; Roma Rice 318, 297; Larry Ballinger 528, 540; Loretta Whitman 399b, 343.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 197 and 120. Leaders: Louise Yeager 480, 100; Julie Poston 166, 290; Nancy Phillips 268, 269; Tom Booth 229, 31t; David Jackson 30b; Emily Stutzman 477; Nicholas Thompson and Lisa Geist 112. Earl Ballinger asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Nicholas Thompson leading 72t. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 177; Roma Rice 93; Jayne Fulmer, Leigh Pearson, and Raegan Pearson 208, 186; Lisa Geist 273; Theresa Westmoreland 377; Chris Ballinger 147t; Betty Backus 454; Leigh Pearson 294; Larry Ballinger 68b; the class sang several song requests as follows: 45t requested from a listener; Bernice Wakefield requested 159; Andrea Fulmer requested 47b. Leaders: Nancy Phillips 277; Tom Booth 278t; Nicholas Thompson 236 (by request); Loretta Whitman 56t.

Announcements were made. Nicholas Thompson and David Jackson led 373 as the closing song. The closing prayer was offered by Tom Booth, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Nicholas Thompson; Vice Chairman—David Jackson; Secretary—Theresa Westmoreland

BERKSHIRE FOOTHILLS SINGING **Old Meeting House, Granville, Massachusetts** **Saturday, November 10, 2018**

The Berkshire Foothills All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Lilly Israel leading 131b. Micah John Walter offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Lily Bell 171; Kit Walsh 72b; Jeremy Galvagni 99; Rachel Stevens 361; Paul Robinson 280; Rebecca Hawkins 230; Margaret Hughes 287; Chris Geissler 107; John Holbrook 354; Rachel Field 278; Julia Seidenstein 542; Chris Frantz-Dale 105; Ron Trial 369; Jonas 198; Joanne Fuller 460; Leonard Spencer 518; Crispin Youngberg 326.

RECESS

The class was brought to order by Liz Patton leading 77b. Leaders: Christopher Kain 227; Sally Langendorf 34t; George Sigut 178; Margaret Youngberg 426b; John Martin 515; Gerald Clark 511; Ruby Francis and Devereaux Fuller 388; Bill Holt 384; Sue Peters 271t; Corey Walters 333; Laura Timmerman 228; Richard Schmeidler 254; Al McCready 270; Jennie Brown 192.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Tarik Wareh leading 47b. Leaders: Rachel Taylor 133; Kerry Cullinan 168; Andal Sundaramurthy 179; Ron Woodland 479; Leah Velleman 423; Ryan Nash 272; Wendy Sibbison 316; David Rosenberg 363.

Ivy Hauser led 39b in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Katherine Glatte, Carol Holt, Ron Bornick, Margaret Bornick, Cindy Small, Chloe Rombach, Don Bowen, Corrone Bryant, Ruth Ann Bryant, Peter Golden, Amy Wootten, Keith Brown, Charlene Wallace, Pat McDonogh, and Maggie Smith.

Linda Shea conducted the memorial lesson, and led 390 in remembrance of the following deceased: Joe Compton and Walter Colteryahn—Vermont; Janet Shea, Joyous Fox-Sky, Elliot Ross, and Bob Rundquist—Massachusetts; Michael Kaye, Mary Ellen Schrock, Harry Roy, Tom Cuite, Emily Ostermann, Bob Ostermann, and Jean Fleming—New York; Freddie Briggs—Florida; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Tommy Lefthand—New Mexico; Stacy Phillips—Connecticut; Reba Bowen—North

Carolina; Daphene Causey, Arthur Gilmore, and Glenda Hopper—Alabama; Louise Holland and Andy Worthington—Georgia; Robert Francis—Maine; Lyle Meeks—Canada; Gary Ryan, Sr.—Mississippi. Ivy Hauser offered a prayer to close the memorial session.

Leaders: Christine Andrews 30t; Nic Tuff 399t; Ian Quinn 123t; Barbara Swetman 203; Jesse Flynn 354b; Eliza Cavanaugh 282; Mary Skidmore 538; Philippa Stoddard 548. Kit Walsh asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The class was called to order by Nathan Aldrich leading 89. Leaders: Holly Laws 76b; Allison Steel 411; Jean Seiler 472; Vale Cofer-Shabica 351; Molly Dektar 440; Liz Cantrell 396; Anya Skibbie 454; Tristan Gordon 458; Claire Hogan 29t; John Hughes 474; Jesse Vear 276; Alanna Goodman 545; Gwen Gethner 277; Elizabeth Stoddard 546; Mike Richards 564; MB Gowins 522; Chris Holley 49b; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 183; Jesse Polhemus 142; Liz Patton 543.

RECESS

The class was called to order by Al McCready leading 34b. Leaders: Laura Hodges 329; Charles Biada 570; Mary Andrews 475; Jonathan Spencer 210; Tarik Wareh 418; Jean Rosenberg 59; Katerina Livermore 274; Joan Frankel 414; Sheila Kelley 547; Tim Eriksen 200; Micah John Walter 324; Gary Ryan 567; Allen Livermore 117; Andrew Forsthoefel 58; Becky Wright 102; Nathan Aldrich 269. Announcements were made. The officers led 62 as the closing song. Sheila Kelley offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Lilly Israel; Vice Chairman—Lily Bell; Secretary—Kit Walsh

BOILING SPRINGS CONVENTION

Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church, Ashland, Alabama

Saturday, November 10, 2018

The 152nd session of the Boiling Springs Convention was held at Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church, Ashland, Alabama, on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. Jack Nelson led 32t as the opening song. Philip Denney offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held to discuss the future of the Boiling Springs Convention. It was reported by Jack Nelson that due to age and health issues, Eugene Forbes and Myrline Redmon would not be able to host this singing at Mt. Zion after this year. The class did not want to discontinue this singing, therefore, it was voted to ask the Calhoun County Convention at Oak Hill to host this singing in conjunction with the singing on the second Sunday in November until some place could be found to host the singing.

Leaders: Jack Nelson 480; Jacob Acton 168, 196; Samuel Williams 125, 213t; Ann Riley 318, 300; Cheyenne Ivey 129, 111b; Robert Chambless “The National Anthem”, 230 (for people who have had recent tragedies); Amber Davis 337, 150; Esther Williams 335; Philip Denney and Gayle Denney 75, 77t; Richard DeLong 121, 385b; Myrline Redmon 164, 569b.

RECESS

Jack Nelson brought the class back to order leading 518. Leaders: Daniel Williams 441, 74t; Erin Fulton 131b, 440; Karen Rollins 354t, 354b; Winfred Kerr 59, 225t (for Rebecca Over); Shane Brown 138t, 66; Oscar McGuire 276, 171.

Karen Rollins conducted the memorial lesson, telling the importance of sending cards and making phone calls to the singers who cannot be with us. Karen Rollins led 119 for the memorial lesson. The following list of names of the deceased was read: Darrell Swarens, Elizabeth Rechenberg, Daphene Causey, Florice Akin, and Floy Wilder. The following list of names of the sick and shut-ins was read: Roy Nelson,

Sarah Nelson, Adrian Eldridge, Charlene Wallace, Eugene Forbes, Don Bowen, and Helen Bryson. Philip Denney closed the memorial lesson with prayer. A phone call was placed to Eugene Forbes so that Oscar McGuire could lead 203 as Eugene listened.

LUNCH

Jack Nelson brought the class back to order leading 399b. Leaders: Bert Collins 340, 277; Glenda Collins 418, 81t (for her daughter, Gail); Lori Hinesley 172, 373; Judy Chambless 384, 454 (for Virginia Dyer); Jacob Acton 282; Samuel Williams 536; Ann Riley 290; Cheyenne Ivey 546; Robert Chambless 547; Amber Davis 30b; Esther Williams 224; Philip Denney 101t; Richard DeLong 176b; Myrline Redmon 147t; Daniel Williams 228; Erin Fulton 108b; Winfred Kerr 421; Shane Brown 267; Oscar McGuire 515; Bert Collins 97; Lori Hinesley 58; Glenda Collins 105.

After announcements, Jacob Acton led 229 (CB) as the closing song. Shane Brown offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Secretary—Judy Chambless

DALLAS COUNTY SINGING

Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas

Saturday, November 10, 2018

The annual Dallas County Sacred Harp Singing was held at the Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Michael McBride leading 49t. Bruce Coates offered the opening prayer.

The officers were Chairman—Michael McBride; Vice Chairman—Donald Ross; Secretary—Diane Ross; Arranging Committee—Sonny Erwin.

Leaders: Donald Ross 284; Sonny Erwin 441; Diane Ross 480; Kristie Powell 500; Jerry Ryan 490; Ron Bernucho 457; Rick Foreman 527; Tammy Powell 163b; Mike Hinton 99; Janie Short 168; Leland Ross 277; Cheryl Foreman 492; Gaylon Powell 312b; Beverly Coates 473; Owen Ross 546; Lisa Matt 290; Bruce Coates 150; Ellen Ray 32t; Scott Curran 299.

RECESS

Donald Ross called the class back together by leading 81t. Leaders: Ellee Curran 146; Michele Curran 354b; Hoss Curran 421; Barbara Smith 147t; Chris Nicholson 34b; Sarah Huckaby 428; Sonny Erwin 472; Ron Bernucho 268; Tammy Powell 318; Scott Curran 475; Beverly Coates 313b; Owen Ross 532; Lisa Matt 148; Bruce Coates 503; Diane Ross 40; Ellen Ray 111b; Ray Quigley 82t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Donald Ross and Reverend Owen Ross.

Donald Ross read the following names of the sick and shut-ins: Doug Webb, Chloe Webb, Curtis Owen, Myrl Jones, Azalea Barnett, and Charlene Wallace. He led 179 for them. Reverend Owen Ross read the following list of names of the deceased: Amy Dennison and Peter Nichols—Texas. He offered a devotional and led 278b. The memorial lesson was closed by prayer offered by Reverend Ross.

Leaders: Chris Nicholson 72b; Sarah Huckaby 73t; Janie Short 183; Jerry Ryan 145t; Kristie Powell 455; Mike Hinton 270.

LUNCH

Michael McBride called the class back together by leading 178. Leaders: Donald Ross 225t; Sonny Erwin and Tammy Powell 454; Abigail Blevins 445; Michele Curran 269; Avon Miller 254; Beverly Coates 499; Ray Quigley 84; Ellen Ray 456; Chris Nicholson 212; Lisa Matt 61; Owen Ross 442; Sarah Huckaby 326; Ron Bernucho 535; Janie Short 373; Bruce Coates 515; Tammy Powell 542; Rick Foreman 448t; Kristie Powell 77t. Announcements were made.

Leaders: Scott Curran 440; Cheryl Foreman 498; Gaylon Powell 298; Barbara Smith

550; Avon Miller 260; Abigail Blevins 566; Mike Hinton 400; Jerry Ryan 30b; Martha Quigley 63; Ron Bernucho 162; Ray Quigley 112; Donna McKay 86; Emmeline Blevins 117; Diane Ross 354t; Kate Agnew 384; Barbara Smith 551; Abigail Blevins 125.

Michael McBride, Donald Ross, Sonny Erwin, and Diane Ross led 347 as the closing song. Rick Foreman offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Michael McBride; Vice Chairman—Donald Ross; Secretary—Diane Ross

DENMARK, WISCONSIN SINGING
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Denmark, Wisconsin
Saturday, November 10, 2018

The class was called to order by Carol Crawford and Jim Crawford leading 52t. A prayer was offered by Paul Landskroener.

Leaders: Denise Kania 171; Jeanette Nelson 455; Paul Landskroener 65; Carl Houtman 148; Jim Crawford 454; Jacob Kiakahi 30t; Dick Patterson 299; Carol Enseki 86; John Seaton 48t (for Karen Isbell); AnnaLeigh Smith 129; Jan Ketelle 368; Lisa Grayson 348t; Nancy Parsons 344; Barb Patterson 275t; Jim Helke 41 (CB); Paul Wyatt 157; Jim Pfau 101t; Ted Mercer 419 (in memory of Julie Vea); Jim Page 334.

RECESS

Dick Patterson called the class to order leading 313t. Leaders: Carol Crawford 312b; Hans Guttmann 511t (CB); Thad Walker 102; Will Strayer 410t; Christine Stevens 532; Ginny Landgraf 173 (in memory of Ann Sleeva); Rochelle Lodder 504 (CB); Claudia Egelhoff 590 (CB); Daniel Braithwaite 76b; Lisa Grayson 214; Eleanor Haase 272; Paul Wyatt 464; Carl Houtman 49b; Jim Crawford 178. Paul Landskroener asked the blessing on the mid-day meal.

LUNCH

Jim Pfau called the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Jacob Kiakahi 192; AnnaLeigh Smith 220; Dick Patterson 383; Carol Enseki 149; Rochelle Lodder 573; Ginny Landgraf 224 (CB); Jan Ketelle 556; Denise Kania 500; Jeanette Nelson 472; Barb Patterson 153 (in memory Ann Sleeva and Julie Vea); Nancy Parsons 504; Paul Landskroener 266; Ted Mercer 378b (CB); Jim Page 98 (CB); Daniel Braithwaite 110; Carol Crawford 448b.

RECESS

Ginny Landgraf called the class to order (song not recorded). Leaders: Christine Stevens 371; Carol Crawford and Tina Mercier 268; Jim Helke 571 (CB); Christine Stevens 159; Will Strayer 209; Carl Houtman 66; Hans Guttmann 505 (CB); John Seaton 47t; Marybeth Neal 47b; Claudia Egelhoff 340 (CB); Jeanette Nelson 163b; Eleanor Haase 99; Carl Houtman 87; Paul Wyatt 144.

RECESS

Jim Page called the class to order leading 84. Leaders: Jim Crawford 587 (CB) (for son, Ben); Dick Patterson 312t; Ginny Landgraf 48b; Jim Helke 507b (CB); Carol Enseki 474 (for Dick and Val Dunagan); John Seaton 203.

Following announcements, Carol Crawford led 347 as the closing song. Paul Landskroener offered the closing prayer.

Chairmen—Jim Crawford and Carol Crawford; Secretary—Jim Crawford

IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Nashville, Tennessee

Saturday, November 10, 2018

The 34th annual Sacred Harp singing at Immanuel Baptist Church was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Tim Reynolds leading 59. Danny Creel offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Tim Reynolds 84; John Wendt 30b, 34b; Sandie Scott 472, 317; Larry Brown 350, 454; Lewis Frost 479, 515; Carol Wendt 425, 125; Rick Fretter 481, 388; Danny Creel 389, 77t.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds brought the class back together leading 133. Leaders: Kerry Lovett 127, 53; John Wendt 128, 369, 231; Larry Brown 99, 178; Lewis Frost 229, 86; Sandie Scott 225t, 512.

RECESS

Tim Reynolds brought the class back together leading 72b in memory of Fay Thompson. Leaders: Rick Fretter 277, 274t; Carol Wendt 569b, 71; Gail Doss 566, 270; Danny Creel 271t, 503.

LUNCH

Tim Reynolds brought the class back together leading 148 and 203. Leaders: Gail Doss 299, 209; Larry Brown 63, 496; Kerry Lovett 334; Gail Doss 162; Rick Fretter 163b; Carol Wendt 315; Tim Reynolds 223; Rick Fretter 186; Larry Brown 236; Danny Creel 405; John Wendt 96; Tim Reynolds 455, 404; Larry Brown 477; Gail Doss and Sidney Yarborough 290.

After announcements, Tim Reynolds led 45t as the closing song. Carol Wendt dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Secretary—Sandie Scott

JAMES RIVER CONVENTION

Historic St. John's Church, Richmond, Virginia

Saturday, November 10, 2018

The 27th annual James River Convention was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November in the parish hall of St. John's Church in Richmond, Virginia. The class was welcomed by Adrienne Robertson leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Les Updike.

A business session was held, and the following officers were elected or appointed: Chairman—Adrienne Robertson; Vice Chairman—Jeremy Wacksman; Treasurer—Bridget Camden; Secretary—Mary Wright; Arranging Committee—Stephen McMaster and Matt Ference.

Leaders: Bridget Camden 315; Pat Temple 58; Emily Owens Altman 127; Mary Wright 35; Stephen McMaster 38b; Les Updike 515; Matt Ference 551; Ari Lindenbaum 410t; Kelly Macklin 365; Ben Hartland 42.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Nora Miller leading 29t. Leaders: Kathy Manning 383; Susan Green 217; Cheri Neilson 546; John Fedderson 354t; Richard Green 162; Brenda Dunlap 477; Tim Gregg 540; Tom Ivey 485; Lynda Hambourger 486; Derek Lane 48t; Sharon Strong 340.

The memorial lesson was directed by Kelly Macklin and John delRe, who led 70t for the sick and shut-ins.

Leaders: Lydia Lewallen 371; Kyle Johnston 99; Chris Wolf 67; Leyland delRe 126; Nora Miller 564.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Tom Ivey leading 32t. Leaders: Chloe Summers 133;

Hannah Mann 480; John delRe 263; Adrienne Robertson 148; Bridget Camden 385b; Pat Temple 195; Mary Wright 106; Stephen McMaster 269; Les Updike 503; Matt Ference 442; Clare Chapin 473; Ari Lindenbaum 229; Nora Miller 236. Les Updike led the class in prayer before the lunch recess.

LUNCH

The class resumed singing with Cheri Neilson leading 147 (ShH). Leaders: Kelly Macklin 297 (ShH); Ben Hartland 21 (ShH); Kathy Manning 114 (ShH); Susan Green 197 (ShH); John Fedderson 188 (ShH); Richard Green 424b (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 404t (ShH); Tim Gregg 157 (ShH); Tom Ivey 264 (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 254 (ShH); Sharon Strong 348b (ShH); Chris Wolf 12b (ShH); Leyland delRe 139 (ShH); Hannah Mann 45 (ShH); John delRe 180 (ShH); Clare Chapin 7b (ShH); Lydia Lewallen 152 (ShH); Kyle Johnston 420 (ShH); Derek Lane 242b (ShH); Nora Miller 441 (ShH); Emily Owens Altman 416 (ShH).

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Adrienne Robertson leading 118 (ShH). Leaders: Cheri Neilson 300b (ShH); Tim Gregg 54 (ShH); Chris Wolf 310 (ShH); Sharon Strong 431 (ShH); John Fedderson 414t (ShH); Lynda Hambourger 161 (ShH); Kelly Macklin 322 (ShH); Ben Hartland 381 (ShH); Kathy Manning 187b (ShH); Susan Green and Richard Green 266 (ShH); Brenda Dunlap 124 (ShH); Tom Ivey 162 (ShH); Emily Owens Altman 298t (ShH); Hannah Mann 140b (ShH); Martha Burns 288t (ShH); Bridget Camden 287 (ShH).

Adrienne Robertson thanked all who had a part in putting on the convention, and all those who participated. The James River Convention will meet next year on Saturday before the second Sunday in November (November 9, 2019). Adrienne Robertson led 22b (ShH) as the closing song. A prayer of dismissal was offered by Les Updike, which concluded the convention.

Chairman—Adrienne Robertson; Vice Chairman—Jeremy Wacksman; Secretary—Mary Wright

SALLY COGHLAN MEMORIAL SINGING

United Methodist Church, Davis, California

Saturday, November 10, 2018

The 3rd annual Sally Coghlan Memorial Singing was held at the Davis United Methodist Church in Davis, California. Lindy Groening called the class together leading 52t. Dave Davidson-Methot offered the opening prayer.

In a business meeting, the following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Pat Coghlan; Vice Chairman—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Dan Harper; Treasurer—Stu Pettygrove; Arranging—Carolyn Deacy.

Nancy Novotny of Portland, Oregon, conducted a singing school. She taught some of the rudiments of music for the many new singers present, and led the class in singing 49t, 105, 274t, and 40.

RECESS

Erika Wilson brought the class together leading 32t. Leaders: Esteban Veliz 99; Barbara Davis 535; Mark Godfrey 101t; Gretchen Muller 565; Cyprian Stevens 39t; Annalise Veliz 56b; Aisha Morgan 339; Kathy Williams 146; Yuka Oiwa 74b; Dave Davidson-Methot 48b; Stu Pettygrove 86; Oliver Streissberg 100; Andrew Hudson 268; Nancy Novotny 142; Mischa Skeeter 178; Leigh Cooper 189; Alexander Cotton 311; Andy Alexis 106.

RECESS

Thom Fahrbach brought the class together leading 312b. Leaders: Wren Hyde 267; Betsy Jeronen 225t; Edward Rice 200; Linda Selph 215; Kate Fine 302 (in memory of Steve Helwig).

Cornelia Stanton led 472 for the following sick and housebound: Concetta Branson, Mary Anne Ciavonne, Adrian Eldridge, Dan Fahrbach, Dennis Fossdahl, Melanie Hauff, Melanie Parker, Eric Robbins, John Wills, and Elaine Zidek.

Erika Wilson conducted the memorial lesson and led 462 in memory of the following deceased: Stephen Arnold, Daphene Causey, Laurie DePaul, Steve Helwig, Lindsey Sanchez, Darrell Swarens, Steve Thomas, Barbara Willard, Rodney Willard, and Solomon Zook. Dave Davidson-Methot closed the memorial lesson with a prayer. Leaders: Carolyn Deacy 421; Kate Coxon 411; David Fetcho 562; Elaine Denny 217; Greg Freed 532; Clarissa Fetrow 47b; Inder Khalsa 383; Laura McMurray 101b; Laurie Burk 547; Susan Fetcho 564; Jeff Begley 487; Dan Harper 269. Dave Davidson-Methot offered the prayer for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Annalise Veliz and Esteban Veliz brought the class together leading 335. Leaders: Erika Wilson 203; Thom Fahrbach 379; Cornelia Stanton 454; Leah Coffin 245; Erik Schwab 183 (in memory of Steve Helwig); Rebecca Edwards 542; Dave Barber 332; Lindy Groening 349; Joel Chan 491; Kate Coxon 123b; Elaine Denny 117; Nancy Novotny 527; Edward Rice 159; Laurie Burk 277; Kate Fine 426b; Linda Selph 456; Betsy Jeronen 460; Inder Khalsa 272; Laura McMurray 89.

RECESS

Kate Coxon brought the class together leading 30b. Leaders: Yuka Oiwa 522; Thom Fahrbach 442; Dave Barber and Greg Freed 168; Esteban Veliz 196; Cornelia Stanton 466; Leigh Cooper 358; Clarissa Fetrow 312t; Susan Fetcho 556; Erik Schwab 91 (in memory of Sally Coghlan); David Fetcho 482; Annalise Veliz 208; Mark Godfrey 418; Rebecca Edwards 48t.

The Secretary reported seventy-two singers sang seventy-nine songs led by forty-two leaders. The Treasurer reported expenses had been met. Aisha Morgan and Elaine Denny thanked those who made the singing possible, and the class voted unanimously to meet again next year on Saturday before the second Sunday in November.

Lindy Groening and Nancy Novotny led 347 as the closing song. Dave Davidson-Methot offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Pat Coghlan; Vice Chairman—Lindy Groening; Secretary—Dan Harper

STAPLEFORD SINGING

Stapleford Baptist Church, Albert St, Stapleford Nottingham, United Kingdom Saturday, November 10, 2018

The Stapleford All-Day Sacred Harp Singing was called to order by Helen Brown leading 313t. Ted Brown gave the opening prayer.

Leaders: Joe Vickers 30t (CB); Ted Brown 397 (CB); Rosalind Oldham 49b; Toby Goss 228; Hannah Land 54t (CB); Geoff Grainger 339; Joy Spreadborough 107 (CB); Phil Tyler 504t (CB).

At the 11 o'clock hour, Helen Brown called for one minute of silence to be observed in commemoration of the 100 year anniversary of Armistice Day on 11 November, 2018. Edwin Macadam then spoke in honor of his great uncle, Captain Robert Carl Hobson, who died exactly 100 years ago today, and led song on page 71 in his memory.

Leaders: Julie Russell 276; Ian West 563 (CB) (for Anne Hayto); Claire Welford 284; Chris Brown 133 (CB); Karen Turner 432.

RECESS

Leilai Immel-Parkinson reconvened the class leading 290. Leaders: George Simms

196; Sheila Girling Macadam 51; Joe Vickers 35 (CB); Michael Walker 111b (CB); Sarah West 572 (CB); Steve Brett 138t (CB).

The memorial lesson was conducted by Joe Vickers, who spoke on behalf of the sick and deceased. The following names of the sick and housebound were read as follows: Margaret Emmerson, David Elliott, Anne Hayto, John Hopkinson, Curtis Owen, Philip Ralls, Charlene Wallace, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, Dave Elliott, Diana Elliott, Cath Tyler, Brenda Bennett, Keith Pigott, Ray Stickley, and Stuart Russell. The following list of names of the deceased was read: Elspeth Murray, Joyce Farrell, John Hayto, Mary McClean, Darrel Swarens, Steve Helwig, Rollo Woods, Harry Cowking, Stuart Tanner, Louise Holland, Janet Winstanley, Glenda Hopper, Barbara Willard, Rodney Willard, Steve Harrison, Susan Carr, Rev Michael Pain, Greg Hodnett, Bob Patten, Elizabeth Rechenberg, Jurgen Bohlen, Daphene Causey, Ruth Ayers, Michael Kaye, Mary Ellen Schrock, Tom Mead, Reginald Brett, Wawena Entrekim Miles, and Captain Robert Carl Hobson. Joe then closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 475; Matthew Parkinson 282; Hannah Land 465 (CB); Ted Brown 478 (CB); Ian West 480; Rosalind Oldham 573 (CB); Edwin Macadam 198. Grace for the midday meal was offered by Jonathan Stanyon.

LUNCH

The singing was reconvened by Karen Turner leading 336t (CB). Leaders: Phil Tyler 486 (CB); Matthew Parkinson 32t (CB); Julie Russell 155; Helen Peake 538; Steve Brett 411; Sheila Girling Macadam 500; Geoff Grainger 503; Michael Walker 351; Helen Brown 556; Chris Brown 392; Claire Welford 500 (CB); Toby Goss 201; Aldo Ceresa 200; Sarah West 397; George Simms 181; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 292t (CB); Ian West 492; Edwin Macadam 528; Joy Spreadborough 544 (CB); Ted Brown 378t (CB); Hannah Land 442; Joe Vickers 98 (CB); Matthew Parkinson 562 (CB).

RECESS

The singing was reconvened by Sheila Girling Macadam leading 39t. Leaders: Toby Goss 273; Steve Brett 372 (CB); Claire Welford 430; Michael Walker 45b (CB); Sarah West 96 (CB); Aldo Ceresa 400; Karen Turner 192; George Simms 354t; Julie Russell 33b; Phil Tyler 318 (CB); Helen Peake 565; Leilai Immel-Parkinson 293t (CB); Geoff Grainger 163b; Joy Spreadborough 277; Chris Brown 268b (CB); Hannah Land 454 (in memory of Ruth Steggles).

Helen Brown led 46 as the closing song. Michael Walker dismissed the class with prayer.

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

OAK HILL AND CALHOUN COUNTY CONVENTION

Oak Hill Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama

Sunday, November 11, 2018

The annual Oak Hill and Calhoun County Convention was held on the second Sunday in November at the Oak Hill Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama. Cecil Roberts called the class to order leading 81t. The morning prayer was offered by Daniel Williams.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 403 (in memory of Stanly Edwards); Judy Chambless 29t, 37b; David Brodeur 393, 401; Winfred Kerr 414, 89; David Smead 487, 285b; Daniel Williams 170, 38b; Jack Nelson 560, 145b (in honor of Virginia Futral); Erin Fulton 385t, 400; Oscar McGuire 155 (in memory of Evelyn Harris), 229 (in honor of Cecil Roberts); Lisa Bennett 465, 530.

RECESS

David Brodeur brought the class back to order leading 420. Leaders: Samuel

Williams 173, 107; Karen Rollins 222 (in memory of her parents), 220.

A business meeting was held electing the same officers as follows: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Arranging Officer/Secretary—Judy Chambless. The class had a discussion about the Boiling Springs Convention needing a home since Mt. Zion would no longer be able to host the singing. It was voted to add the Boiling Springs Convention to the Oak Hill/Calhoun County Convention until the Boiling Springs Convention could find a new home. The name was changed to the Calhoun County Convention/Boiling Springs Convention at Oak Hill Baptist Church.

Leaders: Robert Chambless 503 (in memory of B.J. Harris, 72b (in memory of B.M. Smith); Jack Nelson “The National Anthem”; Keillor Mose 117, 76b; Richard DeLong 432, 422; Ann Simpson 388, 335; Andy Ditzler 451, 551; Erin Fulton 109, 83t; Karen Rollins and Keillor Mose 365; Samuel Williams 260; Lisa Bennett 566, 556; Oscar McGuire 350, 163b; Richard DeLong 214, 116; Andy Ditzler 52b, 73b.
LUNCH

David Brodeur brought the class back to order leading 354b. Leaders: David Smead 464, 421; Jack Nelson 408, 228; Winfred Kerr 549 (for Rebecca Over), 521; Keillor Mose 39b, 318; Ann Simpson 47t (in memory of Evelyn Harris), 445; Robert Chambless 494, 49b; Daniel Williams 211, 302.

After announcements, David Brodeur led 323t as the closing song. Daniel Williams offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—David Brodeur; Secretary—Judy Chambless

HOLLY SPRINGS NIGHT SINGING

Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Bremen, Georgia
Saturday night, November 17, 2018

The annual Saturday evening singing at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Hayden Arp leading 59. Cecil Roberts offered the opening prayer. A business session was held and the following officers elected:

Chairman—Hayden Arp; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Andy Ditzler. Leaders: Hayden Arp 61; Cecil Roberts 303, 403; David Brodeur 379, 421; Samuel Williams 301, 210; Glenda Collins 418, 105; Bert Collins 97, 35; Richard DeLong 98, 116; Daniel Williams 271b, 428; Andy Ditzler 130, 205; Philip Denney 73t, 101t; Winfred Kerr 65, 144.

RECESS

Cecil Roberts called the class back to order by leading 285t in memory of Stanly Edwards. Leaders: David Brodeur 410b; Samuel Williams 411; Glenda Collins 410t; Bert Collins 542; Richard DeLong 154; Daniel Williams 53; Andy Ditzler 487; Philip Denney 313t; Winfred Kerr 49b, 549; Hayden Arp 491 (by request); Andy Ditzler 108t (by request); Glenda Collins 566 (by request). Announcements were made. Hayden Arp and Cecil Roberts led 46, and Philip Denney dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Hayden Arp; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Andy Ditzler

TRI-COUNTY SACRED HARP SINGING

First Presbyterian Church, Wetumpka, Alabama
Saturday, November 17, 2018

The 11th annual Tri-County Sacred Harp Singing was held at the First Presbyterian Church, West Bridge Street, Wetumpka, Alabama, on Saturday before the third Sunday in November. The class was called to order at 9:30 by Bill Hogan leading

187 (CB) and 404 (CB). He welcomed the class. Hubert Nall offered the morning prayer. Note lessons followed by (CB) were sung from the Sacred Harp, *Cooper Edition*. Others were sung from the Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition.

Leaders: Nancy Hogan 171 (CB), 520 (CB); Danny Creel 133 (CB), 98 (CB); Gary Padgett 494 (CB), 174 (CB); Jack Nelson 514 (CB), 515 (CB); Mary Huffman 54t (CB), 504t (CB); Reba Windom 186, 155; Winfred Kerr 36b, 225t; Ken Kelley 480, 208; Taylor Kennedy 146, 566; Ann Riley 454, 318; Stephen Huffman 200, 203.
RECESS

Leaders: Don Clark 446t (CB); Chris Parris 183 (CB); Chris Parris and Reba Windom 559 (CB); Ken Millner 30b (CB), 31t (CB); Karen Clark 573 (CB), 30t (CB); Tommy Spurlock 120 (CB) (for Aubrey Barfield), 574 (CB); Will Kelley 348t (CB), 282 (CB); Lloyd Jones 571 (CB), 465 (CB); Pam Nunn 216, 365; Denice Burleson 383, 218; Joey Brackner 209, 47b; Stanley Smith 294, 542. The class sang 369, and Hubert Nall asked God's blessings for our noon meal.

LUNCH

Bill Hogan brought the class together for the afternoon session leading 87. Leaders: Katlin Bailey 168, 425; Loretta Jones 77t (CB); Steve Grauberger 147t, 85; Danny Creel 269; Gary Padgett 351; Jack Nelson 560; Mary Huffman 81t; Reba Windom 505 (CB); Alfred Jones 507b (CB); Jim Carnes 225t (CB); Rocky Twilly and Bill Hogan 72 (CB); Winfred Kerr 335 (CB); Stephen Huffman 497 (CB); Don Clark 320 (CB); Chris Parris 159 (CB) (for Jillian Parris); Ken Milner 229 (CB); Karen Clark 430 (CB); Katlin Bailey 516 (CB); Joey Brackner 522 (CB).

Announcements were made. Bill Hogan and Nancy Hogan led 95b (CB) as the closing song. Stephen Huffman offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Bill Hogan; Secretary—Nancy Hogan

WEST YORKSHIRE SACRED HARP DAY **Haworth Methodist Church, Haworth** **West Yorkshire, United Kingdom** **Saturday, November 17, 2018**

The 16th annual West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day was held at Haworth Methodist Church, in the United Kingdom, on Saturday before the third Sunday in November. Chris Brown began the day by leading 31b. Karen Turner offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Chris Brown 77t; Jan Geerts 38t; Richard Mayers 350; Vicki Elliott 171; Eimear O'Donovan 81t; Calum Woods 81b; Josh Lant 131t; Karen Turner 313t; Michael Walker 418; Colin Monson 36t; Liz Lawson 503; Helen Brown and Chris Brown 234; Claire Welford 474; Sam Carter 95; Aldo Ceresa 349; Lin James 73t; Erin Johnson-Williams 475; Teresa Maguire 30b.

RECESS

Derek Buckland called the class to order leading 278b. Leaders: Guy Naisby 268; Joyce Smith 410t; Calum Parker 106; Hannah Land 391; Ted Brown 546; Judy Whiting 105; Matthew Mason 339; Tom Sprackland 276; Sue Gibson and Joe Vickers 38b; Ed Johnson-Williams 448b.

Richard Mayers conducted the memorial lesson and read the following list of names of the deceased: Rollo Woods of Swanage; Harry Cowking of Goodshaw; Janet Winstanley of Bolton; Steve Harrison of Slaithwaite; Susan Carr of Leeds; Rev Michael Pain of Dorchester; Bob Patten of Morchard Bishop; Ben Thompson and Elspeth Murray of Paisley; Rob Pickard and Gillian Tolfrey of Newcastle; Joyce Farrell of Derby; Ray Stickle of Nottingham; Toby Boyes of Market Weighton; Kit Yip of Cheshire; John Hayto of Leicester; Darrell Swarens—Indiana, USA; Steve

Helwig—Oregon, USA; Stuart Tanner—USA; Louise Holland and Ruth Ayers—Georgia, USA; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, and Barbara Isbell—Alabama, USA; Barbara Willard and Rodney Willard—Arizona, USA; Greg Hodnett—Pennsylvania, USA; Mary Ellen Schrock and Michael Kaye—New York, USA; Elizabeth Rechenberg and James B. Walker—Ohio, USA.

He also spoke for the following sick and household: Don Walker, Charlotte Walker, Curtis Owen, Melanie Hauff, John Hopkinson, Phillip Ralls, Brenda Bennett, Charlene Wallace, David Elliott, Eugene Forbes, Tim Gregg, Adrian Eldridge, Jean Foster, and Roy Bailey. Richard led 65, and said a prayer for them all. Leaders: Benny Ross 285t; Joan Gordon 47b; Simon Dumpleton 354t; Helen Peake 294; Ben Fink 200; Lizzie Dye 523. Lin James gave thanks for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Claire Welford called the class to order with 270; Leaders: George Simms 528; Vikki Elliott 217; Jan Geerts 182; Joe Vickers 422; Calum Woods 298; Karen Turner 362; Callum Parker 173; Hannah Land 507; Michael Walker 306; Erin Johnson-Williams 460; Helen Brown 522; Tom Sprackland 344; Eimear O'Donovan 384; Aldo Ceresa 532; Rosalind Woods 269; Ben Fink 417; Josh Lant 419; Lin James 319; Matthew Mason 284; Ann Altringham 425; Guy Hayes 358.

RECESS

Aldo Ceresa called the class to order with 114. Leaders: Jan Geerts 178; Liz Lawson 157; George Simms 566; Lizzie Dye 547; Simon Dumpleton 569b; Helen Peake 228; Sam Carter 215; Joyce Smith 163t; Ed Johnson-Williams 539; Rosalind Woods 472; Joe Vickers 43; Teresa Maguire 42; Ted Brown 129; Ben Fink 455; Guy Hayes 365; Michael Walker 134; Joan Gordon 86; Derek Buckland 429; Calum Parker 287; Benny Ross 389; Richard Mayers 515.

Chris Brown gave thanks for the clement weather. He thanked the church for permission to use the wonderful singing space, and all who attended and helped. It was agreed to meet again on Saturday before the third Sunday in November, 2019. Chris Brown and Judy Whiting led 323t as the closing song. Michael Walker offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Chris Brown; Vice Chairman—Judy Whiting; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders

WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL **King Schoolhouse, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church** **Natural Bridge, Alabama** **Sunday, November 18, 2018**

The 48th session of the annual Sacred Harp singing in memory of Ganus Wakefield, Wilford Wakefield, Clifford Wakefield, Gene Wakefield, Cecil Wakefield, and Wendell Wakefield was called to order by Glenn Keeton leading 335. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer. Glenn Keeton led 32t.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Henry Guthery; Secretary—Debbie Hall; Arranging Committee—Betty Baccus and Faye Donaldson; Chaplain—Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 163b; Henry Guthery 548, 488; Debbie Hall 432, 391 (in memory of Fayrene Wakefield and Helen Langston); Wayne Baines 155, 340; Linda Sides 480, 273; Richard Mauldin 43, 446; Ken Tate 303, 354t; Roma Rice 123t, 137; Earl Ballinger 139, 141; Wanda Capps 546, 299; Nicholas Thompson 192, 112 (in memory of Gravis Ballinger).

RECESS

Henry Guthery led 407 to bring the class together. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 389, 394; Betty Horton and Betty Baccus 72b, 317; Lisa Geist 228, 472; Logan Donaldson and Jacob Donaldson 274b, 59; Jeff Baccus, Kathy Buchanan, Lisa Ingle, Tammy Wakefield, and Debbie Hall 274t, 358, 159; Amber Davis 345t, 436; Marlin Beasley 171, 434, 61.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Glenn Keeton leading 457. Leaders: Loretta Whitman 147t; Louise Yeager 569b, 143; Ernestine Parker 74b, 168; Margaret Keeton 276, 422; Steve Miles 234, 235; Berniece Wakefield 282; Glenn Keeton “Joshua”, “Ashley”, 270; the class sang 464 (CB). The children of Sim and Catherine Wakefield (Wayne Wakefield, Larry Wakefield, Faye Donaldson, Betty Baccus, Clara Stults, and Julia Poston) led 333, 339, 108t, and 35 in memory of family members. Announcements were made. Glenn Keeton led 267 as the closing song. Nicholas Thompson dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Henry Guthery; Secretary—Debbie Hall

SACRED HARP MUSICAL HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting

Saturday, November 24, 2018

The annual meeting of the Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA) was held at Jefferson State Community College on Saturday, November 24, 2018. Approximately 40 association members were present. David Ivey, President, called the meeting to order at 2:17 p.m. David welcomed the assembly and introduced the other Board members present: Judy Caudle—Minutes Secretary; Pam Nunn—Treasurer; Jeannette DePoy—Secretary (by telephone). The board members not present were Henry Johnson—Vice President; Lauren Bock, Terry Wootten, and Sam Sommers—Board Members. David thanked them for their service this year. David presented a general overview of SHMHA and its purpose. He provided and reviewed an information sheet that summarized 2018 activities and the 2017 financial summary. He stated that SHMHA, as a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, files an IRS Form 990 report annually. A full financial summary will be available at the Jacksonville singing in February, 2019. David reported that SHMHA received grant funding in 2018 from the Alabama State Council on the Arts for the fifteenth year. He expressed gratitude to the Sacred Harp Publishing Company for its continued financial support, and recognized the Publishing Company board members who were present. The Publishing Company has given annual grants to Camp Fasola since 2005. David stated that SHMHA now supports financial management for the National Convention, United Convention, State Line singing, Alabama State Convention, and Young People’s Singing.

Judy Caudle provided a report for the “*Directory and Minutes of Sacred Harp Singings*” (Minutes Book) project. The estimated expenses for the project, including printing and shipping in 2018, were \$6,871.45. Judy stated that 287 singing events had submitted minutes as of November 20, 2018. This includes 234 one-day singings, 49 two-day conventions, three sessions of Camp Fasola, and one three-day convention. There have been 121 singings requesting not to receive Minutes Books next year. For those singings that do request Minutes Books, the cost of the books will remain the same per singing day for 2019. Judy praised her team who assists her with the Minutes Book publication: Sam Sommers, Chris Thorman, and Carolyn Deacy. David thanked Judy and the entire Minutes Book team for the contribution of many hours of work to produce a high quality publication that is greatly valued by the Sacred Harp community.

David reported that SHMHA completed its sixteenth year of Camp Fasola operation in 2018. Thirty-one camps have been held since 2003. SHMHA has offered both Youth and Adult Camps for the past eleven years. Four sessions of Camp Fasola Europe have been held: 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2018. This session of Camp Europe was dedicated to Steve Helwig, who played a large part in the success of Camp Europe and singings. There will be another Camp Europe session in 2020. Adult Camp had seventy participants and Youth Camp had one hundred participants, and Camp Europe had eighty-eight participants. Camp Europe was more heavily promoted this year, resulting in a substantial increase in campers. In response to a question David said that Camp Europe will remain in Poland in 2020. David stated we need to promote Adult Camp this year. If attendance is low, we may go back to having one camp. The camp dates for 2019 were announced: Adult Camp—June 9-13, and Youth Camp—July 1-5. The fees for camp were last raised in 2017, and will remain the same in 2019.

Jeannette DePoy stated that a total of thirty-eight scholarships totaling \$10,000 were awarded in 2018: twenty-eight for Youth Camp (\$6,250), one for Adult Camp (\$300), and nine for Camp Europe (\$3,450).

David reported that Aldo Ceresa was given a \$5000 grant for research regarding the 1942 Alabama State recording. He has applied for another grant to continue his research on Paine Denson. Next year, 2019, is the Bicentennial year for Alabama statehood. There will be a special Alabama Bicentennial singing on Sunday, June 30, hopefully at the courthouse in Birmingham, Alabama, in honor of this celebration. David expressed his gratitude for all of camp's teachers.

The members were given additional opportunity to provide input on SHMHA's programs and operations. There being no further business brought before the members, David Ivey adjourned the meeting at 2:45 p.m. SHMHA is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization, incorporated in Alabama, whose purpose is the perpetuation and preservation of Sacred Harp singing and its traditions. SHMHA produces the Directory and Minutes of Sacred Harp Singing, operates Camp Fasola, sponsors the fasola.org website, and supports Sacred Harp conventions and singings and other activities related to Sacred Harp music.

President—David Ivey; Vice President—Henry Johnson; Secretary—Jeannette DePoy

THANKSGIVING SACRED HARP SINGING

**Jordans Village Hall, Jordans, Buckinghamshire, United Kingdom
Saturday, November 24, 2018**

The 10th 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 Sheila Girling Macadam leading 34b. Rebecca Over offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Brenda Harvey 47t; Toby Goss 47z; Nigel Bowley 39t; Francis Gaskin 39b; Kathryn Whelan 147b; Werner Ullah 33b; Neil Horlock 107; Amy Cutts 142; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 72b; Joyce Smith 223; Edwin Macadam 171; Teresa Maguire 89; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 66; Steve Welch 569t; George Simms 63; Alec Williams 312b; Victoria Timberlake 133; Derek Buckland 429; Thomas Sprackland 37b; Kate Kirwan 88b; Johannes Sauer 285t; Ted Brown 34t; Jacoba Bruneel 112; Barry Parsons 92.

The following officers and committee members served for the day: Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Vice Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Treasurer—Werner Ullah; Secretaries—Sofi Mogensen, Rebecca Over, and Mary Welch; Arranging Committee—Nigel Bowley and Kate Kirwan; Chaplains—Rebecca Over, George Simms, Victoria Timberlake, and Lamar Matthew.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Rachel Jordan leading 350. Leaders: Calum Woods 132; Brenda Harvey 29t; Sam Carter 168; Nick Hall 422; Rebecca Over 306 (for Michael Walker); Robin Bisson 474; Inga Huebner 359; Helen Brown 475; Steve Brett 408; Seth Dickens 193.

George Simms conducted a combined memorial and sick and housebound lesson, reflecting on what the Sacred Harp singing community means to him, and the significance of the support and comfort it brings to us all. He led 70t for the following sick and housebound: Pat Newns, Adrian Hilton, Kim Harrison, Thom Bonneville, George Bonneville, Charlene Wallace, Velton Chafin, Ottis Sides, John Cattrell, Paula Mogensen, Elspeth Hannen, David Chantler, and Vonnie Chantler. He led 538 in memory of the following deceased: Wawena Entrekin Miles, Audrey Ruth Garner, Florice Akin, Louise Holland, and Ruth Ayers—Georgia, USA; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard—Arizona, USA; Steve Helwig—Oregon, USA; Elizabeth Rechenberg—Ohio, USA; Edith Owen and Doug Webb—Texas, USA; Daphene Causey—Alabama, USA; Mary Ellen Schrock and Michael Kaye—New York, USA; Geoffrey Rendle, Roy Bailey, Kamila Zahnd, Michael Seifert, and Michael Ridge—London; Neville Taylor—Malvern Hills; Susan Carr—Leeds; Bill Caddick—Jackville; Jane Rice—Southampton; Joyce Farrell and Peter Golding—Derby; John Hayto—Leicester; Charlie Hicks—Hereford; Ivan Bainbridge—Sheerness; John Marsh—Essex; and Reginald Brett—Sunningdale. George closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 176t; Teresa Maguire 176b; Harry Scott 542; Barry Parsons 453; Jacoba Bruneel 274t; Lamar Matthew 35; Francis Gaskin 116; Toby Goss 479; Amy Cutts 38t; Thomas Sprackland 314; Derek Buckland 161; Nigel Bowley 466; Alec Williams 348t; Ted Brown 426b. Victoria Timberlake offered thanks for the midday meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session commenced with Seth Dickens leading 497. Leaders: Robin Bisson 272; Sheila Girling Macadam 377; Edwin Macadam 236; Joyce Smith 401; Steve Welch 489; Inga Huebner 209; Steve Brett 456; Rebecca Over 461; Sam Carter 512; Helen Brown 434 (in memory of Daphene Causey and Louise Holland); Calum Woods 225b; Lamar Matthew 154; Barry Parsons 483; Oskar Kvasner 87; Harry Scott 186; George Simms 294; Rachel Jordan 500; Alec Williams 540; Nick Hall 455; Pete Eiseman-Renyard 504; Teresa Maguire 506; Werner Ullah 278t; Nigel Bowley 517.

RECESS

The class was reconvened for the final session by Ted Brown leading 77t. Leaders: Neil Horlock 324; Johannes Sauer 227; Jac Gehring 178; Oskar Kvasner 388; Kate Kirwan 312t; Harry Scott 448t; Maggie Eiseman-Renyard 282; Francis Gaskin 211; Harriet Micklewright 268; Helen Brown 430; Lamar Matthew 156; Rebecca Over 197; Aldo Ceresa 228; Rachel Jordan 546; Sam Carter 556; Calum Woods 271b; Edwin Macadam 217.

Thanks were given to all those who had helped in any way to make the day's singing a success. Announcements were made. The Secretary reported fifty-six singers had registered from the UK, Germany, Norway, Japan, and two American states. Forty-two leaders had led ninety-five 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 as the closing song. Lamar Matthew offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Sheila Girling Macadam; Vice Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Secretaries—Sofi Mogensen, Rebecca Over, and Mary Welch

ALABAMA SACRED HARP MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

Jefferson State College, Birmingham, Alabama

November 24-25, 2018

Saturday, November 24

The 119th session of the Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association met at Jefferson State College on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in November. The class was called to order by Judy Caudle leading 63. The opening prayer was offered by Nicholas Thompson.

Leaders: Tom George 171; Linda Thomas and Nate Green 32t (for Jewel Wootten); Cheyenne Ivey 182; David Ivey 388; Justin Bowen 207; Rodney Ivey 200; Nicholas Thompson 340; Gail Doss 354t; Jim Aaron 47b; Mary Helen Dupree 107; Nate Green and Norma Green 34b; Mike Hinton 475; Pamela Minor and Gill Minor 121; David Smead 492; Ann Riley 186; Tim Gregg 92; Ben Shirley 115; Tom Booth 480; Anna Hinton 455; Hubert Nall 313t; Jeremiah Ledbetter 35.

RECESS

Tom George led 81t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Buell Cobb 439; Nathan Rees 462; Alex Forsyth 271b; Karen Rollins 136; Lisa Bennett 512 (for Chloe Webb).

A business session was held at this time, and the following officers and committee members were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Tom George; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretaries—Elene Stovall, Cheyenne Ivey, and Linda Thomas; Chaplain—Daniel Lee; Arranging Committee—Sharon DuPriest and Cindy Tanner; Locating Committee—Linda Thomas and David Ivey; Resolutions Committee—Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Pam Nunn; Memorial Committee—Linda Sides and Hayden Arp; Finance Committee—Alex Forsyth, Rodney Ivey, and Nicholas Thompson. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Jonathon Smith 417; David Carlton 198; Bea Aaron 456; Ellen Ray 338; Judy Chambless 318 (for Eugene Forbes); Sarah Trumbore 172; Thom Fahrback 214; Susan Cheronos 349; Ann Jett 440 (for Barrett Patton); Andy Ditzler 151 (for Gillian Inksetter); Dennis George 139; Ryan Nash 522; Danny Creel 269; Loyd Ivey 426b; Daniel Lee 101b.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by David Ivey leading 345b. Leaders: Daniel Williams 453; Hayden Arp 488; Daniel Bearden 234; Matt Hinton 29t; Linda Sides 82b; Anna Pfau 411; Christopher Mann 565; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 564 (for Elder Hopper); David Brodeur 403; Paul Luther Wilson 86; Wanda Capps 542 (for Brenda Chafin); Ada Silva 346; Keillor Mose 28b (in memory of Jim Windom); Pam Nunn 556 (in memory of Daphene Causey).

Danny Creel, representing the Sacred Harp Publishing Company, informed the class of the criteria for posthumously honoring Sacred Harp singers and supporters. He asked Hayden Arp to lead 140 in memory of Daphene Causey. He then presented Daphene's family with a plaque honoring her dedication and support of the Sacred Harp singing community. The family made comments, and accepted the award. Cindy Tanner led 436.

Leaders: Marlin Beasley 460; Ateven Snderson 203; Celeste Silva 209; Delone Cobbs 347; Samuel Williams 215; Jacob Acton 277; Vella Dailey 47t; Lina Silva 496; Shane Brown 297; Jerusha Wheeler 383. Daniel Lee asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Danny Creel leading 76b. Leaders: John Markovitz 278t; AnnaLiza Cull 40; Robert Chambless 84; Joseph Silva 504; Michele Cull 208 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Justin Bowen 333; Jim Aaron 231; Tim

Gregg 473; Mary Helen Dupree 497; Loyd Ivey 283; Daniel Williams 326; Daniel Bearden 327; Lina Silva 196; Jeremiah Ledbetter 495; David Carlton 332; Karen Rollins, Rodney Ivey, and Matt Hinton 365; Noel Silva 49b; Samuel Williams 534; Cassie Allen and Hayden Arp 434; Tom Booth 204; Vella Dailey 176; Christopher Mann and Delone Cobbs 168; Shannon Primm 38t.

Tom George led 45b as the closing song. Daniel Lee dismissed the class with prayer.

Sunday, November 25

The Sunday session of the Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association meeting began with Tom George leading 37b. Daniel Lee offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Danny Creel 112; Daniel Lee 179; Linda Thomas 81b; Elene Stovall 411 (for Paula Picton and Don Bowen, and in memory of Robert Mathis); Nicholas Thompson 304; David Ivey 394; Linda Sides 530; Pam Nunn 216 (for Reba Windom); Karis Askin 168; Bridgett Hill Kennedy 82t; Mike Hinton 373; Ashley Sellers 442; Andy Ditzler 328; Larry Ballinger 306; Samuel Williams 378b; Shannon Primm 181; Winfred Kerr 521; Buell Cobb 52b; Nathan Rees 351; Nate Green and Norma Green 141; Kathy Williams 540.

RECESS

Tom George brought the class back together by leading 145t. Leaders: Jonathon Smith 202; Ellen Ray 323t; Philip Denney 421; Pamela Minor 312b; Gail Doss 493; Wanda Capps 298; Ben Shirley 294; Lisa Geist 273; Hubert Nall 287; AnnaLiza Cull 142; Ryan Nash 299; Beth Ann Clay 455; Henry Johnson 489; Lisa Bennett 341 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Bea Aaron 568; Keillor Mose 422; Sarah Trumbore 418; Judy Caudle and Ryan Nash 272; Emma Hayden Calvert 388; David Brodeur 329; Ateven Snderson 417; Anna Hinton 383.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Linda Sides and Hayden Arp. Hayden spoke on behalf of the following sick and shut-ins: Charlene Wallace, Gillian Inksetter, Velton Chafin, Brenda Chafin, Ottis Sides, Jerry Kitchens, Concetta Branson, Dan Fahrbach, Norma Mincey, Judy Mincey, Roy Davis, Jewel Wootten, Eugene Forbes, Louis Hughes, Janice Hughes, Margie Smith, Don Bowen, Ozella Blackmon, Julia Poston, Coy Ivey, David Jackson, Idy Kiser, Paula Picton, Margaret Keeton, and Adrian Eldridge.

Linda Sides spoke in memory of the following deceased: Willodean Barton, Glenda Hopper, Lilly Hopper, Daphne Causey, Doug Conn, Elaine Ivey, Barbara Isbell, and Floy Wilder—Alabama; Florice Akin, Louise Holland, Andy Worthington, and James Batts—Georgia; Doug Webb, Calvin Stone, Edith Owen, and Mrs. Vaughn—Texas; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Jim Windom—Michigan; Wally Jeffries—Kentucky; Robin Mathis—Mississippi. Linda led 111b in memory of the deceased, and then offered prayer to close the memorial service.

Leaders: David Smead 348b; Cassie Allen 498; Hayden Arp 225b; Alex Forsyth 57; Ann Riley 456; Susan Cheronos 300; Tom Fahrbach 27; Matt Hinton 460; Michele Cull 430; Ann Jett 88t; Cindy Tanner 198 (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Sharon DuPriest 546. Daniel Lee asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

Danny Creel brought the afternoon session to order by leading 77t. Leaders: Cheyenne Ivey 212; Leanne Carter, Julia Carter, and Haven Carter 45t, 354b; Karis Askin and Philip Denney 178; Anna Hinton and AnnaLiza Cull 155; Tom George and Sarah Trumbore 124; Bridgett Hill Kennedy and Thom Fahrbach 276; Larry Ballinger and Lisa Geist 528; Kathy Williams and Judy Caudle 547; Matt Hinton and Mike Hinton 527; Daniel Lee and Susan Cheronos 67; Linda Sides and Nicholas Thompson 215; Hayden Arp and Alex Forsyth 445; Lisa Bennett and David Smead 538 (for Judy Mincey); Ryan Nash and Beth Ann Clay 454; Anna Pfau and Keillor Mose 500; Ateven Snderson and Ellen Ray 344; David Brodeur and Andy Ditzler 242

(in memory of Daphene Causey); David Ivey and Nathan Rees 461; Michele Cull and Shannon Primm 36b (in memory of Darrell Swarens); Gail Doss and Ann Riley 523; Hubert Nall and Winfred Kerr 566; Henry Johnson and Samuel Williams 55; Ben Shirley and Pamela Minor 191; Pam Nunn and Cassie Allen 218 (for Eugene Forbes); Bea Aaron and Cheyenne Ivey 175; Linda Thomas and Elene Stovall 217; Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Cindy Tanner, and Danny Creel 222; Sarah Trumbore, Cheyenne Ivey, Hayden Arp, Nicholas Thompson, Alex Forsyth, Keillor Mose, and Tom George 384 (for Coy Ivey).

A business meeting was held for the purpose of hearing reports. The Locating Committee reported that the convention will be held at Jefferson State College in November, 2019. The Finance Committee reported that expenses were met. The Resolutions Committee submitted the following: We would be remiss to close this convention without first giving thanks to the Lord. We give Thee thanks for the miracle of life, for quickening our spirits, and strengthening our voices to sing your praise. Additionally, we resolve to thank all the officers and committee members for their tireless efforts. We offer special thanks to the Arranging Committee for keeping this convention organized and moving along. We are thankful for the caterers and most appreciative for each individual who prepared a dish or dishes. We thank each of you for lending your voices. Finally, we resolve to congregate on the same weekend next year at this place for the 120th session of the Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Association meeting. The Secretary reported that over the two days of singing 118 leaders, representing fifteen states and two countries, led 196 songs. Announcements were made. Tom George and Danny Creel led 146 as the closing song. Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Tom George; Vice Chairman—Danny Creel; Secretaries—Elene Stovall, Cheyenne Ivey, and Linda Thomas

LEHIGH VALLEY SINGING (SHENANDOAH HARMONY)
The Unitarian Universalist Church of The Lehigh Valley
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
December 1, 2018

The 6th annual Lehigh Valley All-Day Singing from the *Shenandoah Harmony* was held on the first Saturday in December. Thomas Ward called the class to order by leading 1b. Jason Steidl offered the opening prayer. The following officers were announced: Chairman—Thomas Ward; Treasurer—Dan Hunter; Arranger—Nora Miller; Secretaries—Eli Roberts and Krista Guerrieri.

Leaders: Jesse Krikorian 243; Katy Hunter 2; Nancy Mandel 204; Guy Bankes 260t; Krista Guerrieri 48; Mary Helen Dupree 3b; Sam Kleinman 120b; Theresa Rodriguez 245; Myles Louis Dakan 127; Nancy Tkacs 5t; Jason Steidl 418t; Elizabeth Patton 171; Eric Hunter 21; Stefani Priskos 128; Chris Cotter 226.

RECESS

Nora Miller called the class back to order by leading 81. Leaders: Rachel Hall 276b; Kay Cramer 80; Leon Pulsinelle and Mary Helen DuPree 366; Ben Hartland 392; Nancy Britton 279; Dan Hunter 36; Joanne Fuller 41; Miriam Delirium 403b; Jaime Piedra 374t; Stuart Jackson 129t; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 429; Ben Cocchiaro 78; Claire Hogan 60b; Tom Stokes 109; Jonathan Newton 105; Corinne Ducey 272; Robin Banerji 161.

RECESS

Myles Louis Dakan called the class back to order by leading 147. Leaders: Jim Glaser 139; Ina Shea 230; Graham DeZarn 321t; John Hughes 253b; Eileen Metzger 220; Leyland delRe 457; Eric Hunter 260b; Yosef Trachtenberg 384; John delRe 227; Jan

Ketelle 168; John Seaton 12b; Kelly Macklin 348b; Ted Stokes 205; Stacey Berkheimer 35; Thom Metzger 76t; Ted Mercer 431; Matt Roberts 195. Jason Steidl offered the blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

John delRe called the class back to order by leading 137. Leaders: Mary Skidmore 404b; Seth Wenger and Tori Lawrence 61; Cheryl Nelson 276t; Maria Cramer 270; Ted Mercer 428; Joanne Fuller 146; Jan Ketelle 382; John Hughes 264b; Thom Metzger 222; Stacey Berkheimer 136; Yosef Trachtenberg 310; Claire Hogan 170; Jason Steidl 286; Mary Helen Dupree 77; Jonathan Newton 15; Jaime Piedra 269; Leyland delRe 145; Robin Banerji 422; Eileen Metzger 387b; Jesse Krikorian 404; Ina Shea 453.

RECESS

Dan Hunter called the class back to order by leading 143. Leaders: Ben Cocchiaro 408b; Sara Leitao 108; Chris Cotter 42; Nancy Mandel 381; Nancy Tkacs 443b; Katy Hunter 456; Sam Kleinman 186; Maria Cramer 177; Stefani Priskos 420; Graham DeZarn 100; Cheryl Nelson 158t; Ben Hartland 432t; Corinne Ducey 9b; Matt Roberts 278; Jim Glaser 293; Kelly Macklin 440; Ben Sachs-Hamilton 111; Stuart Jackson and Sasha Hsuczyk 180.

Following announcements, Thomas Ward led 309 as the closing song. Jason Steidl offered the closing prayer.

Chairman—Thomas Ward; Secretaries—Eli Roberts and Krista Guerrieri

HOUSTON SACRED HARP SINGING **Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas** **Saturday, December 1, 2018**

The 15th annual session of the Houston Sacred Harp Singing was held at Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Houston, Texas, on Saturday before the first Sunday in December. Donna Bing called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. Ron Bernucho offered a prayer to start.

Leaders: Donna Bing 49t; Fred Todt 82t; Troxel Ballou 299; Ray Rechenberg 148; Robert Vaughn 110; Beverly Coates 484 (CB); Bruce Coates 503; Wade Price 40; Cheryl Foreman 472; Michael Ruppert 47b; Rick Foreman 65; Emma Rothman 505; Kris Wiggins 49b (CB); Priscilla Wiggins 186; Ron Bernucho 62; Charles Whitmer 569b; Fred Todt 480.

RECESS

Leaders: Donna Bing 63; Gaylon Powell 223 (CB); Kristie Powell 133 (CB); Troxel Ballou 178; Ray Rechenberg 454; Robert Vaughn 519 (CB); Beverly Coates 591 (CB); Bruce Coates 518 (CB); Wade Price 127 (CB); Cheryl Foreman 354t; Michael Ruppert 463 (CB); Rick Foreman 461 (CB); Emma Rothman 504; Kris Wiggins 240; Priscilla Wiggins 344; Ron Bernucho 571 (CB); Charles Whitmer 218 (CB). Ron Bernucho led a prayer of thanksgiving before the lunch break.

LUNCH

Leaders: Donna Bing 277; Kristie Powell 500; Gaylon Powell 98 (CB); Fred Todt 273; Troxel Ballou 126; Ray Rechenberg 29t; Robert Vaughn 175 (CB); Beverly Coates 475; Bruce Coates 348b; Wade Price 497 (CB); Cheryl Foreman 269 (CB); Michael Ruppert 81t; Rick Foreman 434; Emma Rothman 217; Kris Wiggins 239 (CB); Priscilla Wiggins 365; Ron Bernucho 507b (CB); Charles Whitmer 320; Gaylon Powell 225b; Kristie Powell 383.

RECESS

Leaders: Donna Bing 572 (CB); Becca Pedersen 522; Troxel Ballou 132 (CB); Ray Rechenberg 448t; Robert Vaughn 422; Beverly Coates 380t (CB); Bruce Coates 313b; Wade Price 84; Michael Ruppert 57; Emma Rothman 183; Kris Wiggins 532;

Priscilla Wiggins 47t; Ron Bernucho 535; Charles Whitmer 587 (CB); Gaylon Powell 374 (CB); Kristie Powell 514 (CB).

Donna Bing made expressions of thanksgiving and announcements were made. Donna led 563 (CB) as the closing song. Linda Siemers offered the closing prayer. The next annual Houston session is scheduled for November 30, 2019.

Chairman—Donna Bing; Vice Chairman—Linda Siemers; Secretaries—Howard O'Maley and Troxel Ballou

FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION

Holiday Inn, Panama City, Florida

December 1-2, 2018

Saturday, December 1

The 51st session of the Florida State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by Kevin Eddins leading 461. He then read from Psalms 40. The opening prayer was offered by Frank Strickland. Kevin Eddins then led 52t. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 31t; Evie Eddins 203; Aubrey Barfield 306; Mary Whitehurst 224; Bill Hogan 134; Morgan Bunch 98; Elliot Eddins 146; Shannan McKenzie 430; John Kelley 63; Beverly Dayton 454; Laura Gunter Kimel 573; Ewan Eddins 193. Ken Kelley was appointed to the memorial committee.

RECESS

Kevin Eddins led 438b to bring the class together. Leaders: Tommie Spurlock 183; Geoffrey Brooks 133; Ralph Ward 478; Rachel Speer 411; Edith Eddins 54t; Gary Padgett 156; Samuel Williams 479; Russ Scholz 96; Dana Eddins 162.

RECESS

The singing continued with Kevin Eddins leading 29b. Leaders: Alice Bejnar 408; Elam Eddins 383; Vickie Mariner 107; Stephen Huffman 365; Chris Nicholson 293b; Jewell Rowland 345t; Alice Sundberg 339; Daniel Williams 74t; Dean Jens 429; Ken Kelley 404; Eli Eddins 45b; Luke Strickland 100; Ellen Fournier 587; Barbara Jones 171; Ken Sundberg 457; Ethan Eddins 330t; Tim Jones 553; Sue Bunch 268b; Wayne Jones 187; Emily Eddins 128; Stanley Smith 391; Chip Westbrook 59; Jamie Kelley 140; Eric Eddins 331b; Loretta Jones 384. The class sang 369. Kennon Smith asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Kevin Eddins leading 592. Leaders: Frank Strickland 367; Ezra Eddins 210; McKenzie Flynn 559; Kennon Smith 239; Nathaniel Brown 91; Lloyd Jones 45t; Tor Bejnar 53; Daniel Williams 38t; Vickie Mariner 155; Samuel Williams 392; Nathaniel Brown 277. Announcements were made. The class sang 95b. Stephen Huffman offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, December 2

The Sunday session of the Florida State Sacred Harp singing convention was called to order by Kevin Eddins leading 70t. He read a scripture from Matthew 11. The opening prayer was offered by Chris Nicholson.

Leaders: Kevin Eddins 520; Oscar McGuire 444t; Evie Eddins 127; Aubrey Barfield 186; Wynette Smith 49b; Wayne Jones 104; Geoffery Brooks 268t; Lloyd Jones 571; Edith Eddins 132; Kennon Smith 189; Shannan McKenzie 163t; Brian Kelley 63; Dana Eddins 508; Dean Jens 471.

RECESS

Kevin Eddins led 278b. Leaders: Chip Westbrook 500; Elam Eddins 304; Sue Bunch 306.

At this time the memorial lesson was held. Ken Kelley and Eli Eddins conducted the memorial lesson. Eli Eddins read the list of names of the sick and shut-ins, and then

led 283. Ken Kelley read the following list of names of the deceased: Mike Jones—Alabama; Andy Worthington—Georgia; Thomas Carter—Maryland; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Adelaide Vaughn, Mel Rosenbaum, Amy Denison, and Edith Owen—Texas. Ken led 572. Brian Kelley closed the memorial session with prayer.

Leaders: Tommie Spurlock 145b; Ralph Ward 507b.

RECESS

Kevin Eddins led 70t. Leaders: Jamie Kelley 112; Chris Nicholson 212; Will Kelley 384; Jewell Rowland 143; Stanley Smith 235; Loretta Jones 144; Barbara Jones 277; Ken Sundberg 288; Bill Hogan 588; Gary Padgett 503; Ken Kelley 86. The class sang 369. A blessing was asked before the noon meal by Geoffrey Brooks.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Aubrey Barfield leading 96. Leaders: Eli Eddins 507t; Ezra Eddins 223; Ethan Eddins 594; Eric Eddins 250; Emily Eddins 48t; Tommie Spurlock 574; Dean Jens 308; Chris Nicholson 264t; Stanley Smith 112 (for Margaret Spurlock).

Tommie Spurlock gave the financial report and announced that sufficient funds were collected to cover all expenses. He announced the new officers for next year as follows: Chairman—Ryan Bowman; 1st Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; 2nd Vice Chairman—Ken Kelley. He thanked everyone for their contribution to help make this singing a success.

Ryan Bowman, Oscar McGuire, and Ken Kelley led 323t as the closing song. Ken Kelley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kevin Eddins; Secretary—Aubrey Barfield

GEORGIA STATE CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING

Number 3 Railroad Street Community Center, Arnoldsville, Georgia

December 1-2, 2018

Saturday, December 1

The 9th annual Georgia State *Christian Harmony* Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in December. The class was called to order by Michael Spencer leading 21. John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Michael Spencer 495; Shannon Primm 22b, 123 (for Dave Richardson); Lisa Bennett 346, 248 (for Merv Horst, in memory of his brother, Darryl); John Plunkett 23t, 415b; Helen Bryson 137, 189; David Smead 155, 8; Leslie Booher 396t; Billy Hollingsworth 491, 318; Nathan Rees 54, 4; John Hollingsworth 347, 63t; Hayden Arp 308, 266.

RECESS

Michael Spencer led 58t to bring the class back together. Leaders: Kevin Beirne 342, 172; Eli Snyder 154, 295; Carol Huang 131, 190; Ken Tate 339, 490; Nicholas Thompson 93, 10; Laura Hodges 90, 18; Mike Richards 9, 316; Andy Ditzler 292, 317. John Plunkett prayed before the meal.

LUNCH

The class was reconvened by Mike Spencer leading 163t. Leaders: Danny Creel 186, 355; Lauren Bock 19, 133; Alex Forsyth 1, 38; Debora Grosse 91; Robert Kelly 145b, 125t; Christie Sinksen 548, 55b; Jerusha Wheeler 406, 164t; Chris Wilhelm 28b; Nicole Scott 184, 128t; Jesse Karlsberg 320, 338b; Michael Walker 43, 265; Cindy Tanner 51, 322; Justin Bowen 168b; Cassie Allen 176, 250t; Wanda Capps 264; Ann Jett 352; Ainslie Allen 136; Yancey Jett 354; Jane Cannon 492t.

A business meeting was held and the class elected the following officers: President—Michael Spencer; Vice President—Shannon Primm; Secretary—Jane Cannon; Treasurer—Shannon Primm.

RECESS

Jane Cannon brought the class back together by leading 281t. Leaders: Leslie Booher 543; Kevin Beirne 16; Carol Huang 419t; Ken Tate 404t; Nicholas Thompson 110; Laura Hodges 364; Cindy Tanner 258; Robert Kelley 435; Nicole Scott 72t; Michael Walker 61b. Michael Spencer led 23b as the closing song. Shannon Primm offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, December 2

The Sunday session of the Georgia State *Christian Harmony* Convention began with Shannon Primm leading 23t. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Michael Spencer 493b, 402t; Jesse Karlsberg 182; Danny Creel 82b, 167b; David Brodeur 280, 313; Ann Jett 180, 149; Chris Wilhelm 455t; Cassie Allen 63b, 281t; Lisa Bennett 534, 544; John Plunkett 48, 262; Billy Hollingsworth 74, 111b.

RECESS

Michael Spencer brought the class back together by leading 448t. Leaders: Nicole Scott 27t, 143; David Smead 132, 304; Ken Tate 50, 121t; Nathan Rees 332 (for Jonathon Smith), 231; Hayden Arp 71, 6. The memorial lesson was held at this time. Kevin Beirne led 432b for the following sick and shut-ins: Charlene Wallace, Judy Mincey, Norma Mincey, Dorothy Lane, Robert Martel, Brenda Chafin, Velton Chafin, Don Bowen, Don Walker, and Charlotte Walker.

Cassie Allen led 204t (CH) for the following deceased: Robert Varkony and Polly Eskenasy—North Carolina; Doug Webb—Texas; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Mary Ellen Schrock—New York. Danny Creel closed the memorial lesson with prayer. Leaders: Michael Walker 455b; Cindy Tanner 43, 85; Carol Huang 61t, 276. John Hollingsworth offered a prayer before the meal.

LUNCH

Jane Cannon brought the class together by leading 246. Leaders: John Hollingsworth 369, 52; Eli Snyder 150, 198; Mike Richards 223, 362; Mildred Chandler 89; Rodney Chandler 372; Terry Chandler 126; Keillor Mose 211b, 186; Ainslie Allen 117; Alex Forsyth 326, 131; Andy Ditzler 305, 3; Lauren Bock 355, 54; Justin Bowen 64; Leslie Booher 546b, 49; Kevin Beirne 144b, 138; Nicholas Thompson 281b, 59b.

RECESS

Jane Cannon led 429 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Laura Hodges 26t, 417b; Michael Walker 205, 13.

A business meeting was held for the purpose of hearing committee reports. Laura Hodges and Mike Richards presented Resolutions concerning the current and future singings. Shannon Primm presented the Treasurer's Report. The Locating Committee reported that the location for the 2019 convention will once again be Number 3 Railroad Street Community Center in Arnoldsville, Georgia. The reports were approved, and the business session was closed.

After announcements, the class closed the day by singing the Drone. Danny Creel dismissed the class with prayer.

President—Michael Spencer; Vice President—Shannon Primm; Secretary—Jane Cannon

JOE BEASLEY MEMORIAL SINGING Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama December 8-9, 2018

Saturday, December 8

The 24th annual session of the Joe Beasley Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in December. The class was called to

order by Richard Schmeidler leading 66. Marlin Beasley offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Richard Schmeidler 34b; Becky Briggs 108t, 141; Margaret Keeton 33b, 39b; Brenda Pena 480, 523; Mary Huffman 32t, 47t; David Carlton 98 (CB), 341 (CH); Linda Booth 81b, 77t; Julie Poston 30t, 30b; Betty Baccus 317, 329.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Richard Schmeidler leading 155. Leaders: Cora Sweatt 159, 45t; Marlin Beasley 75, 129; Stephen Huffman 283, 464 (CB); Tom Booth 333 (LD), 511b (CB); Sarah Beasley 145 (LD). Marlin Beasley asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Richard Schmeidler leading 474. Leaders: Sarah Beasley 687 (LD), 184 (CH); Louise Yeager 569b, 143; Chug Beasley 571 (CB), 111b; Juanita Beasley 61, 63; Irv Landau 159, 341; Ruth Nix 354b, 128 (CB); Seth Holloway 388, 236, 268.

Richard Schmeidler led 566 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer.

Sunday, December 9

The Sunday session of the Joe Beasley Memorial Singing was called to order by Ricky Beasley leading 317. Marlin Beasley offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ricky Beasley 277; Margaret Keeton 57, 129; Lisa Geist 546, 120; Nicholas Thompson 85, 434 (for Hayden Arp); Earl Ballinger 204, 403; Julie Poston 343, 145b; Betty Baccus 319 (in memory of Myrtle Ann Beasley), 192 (for Ozella Blackmon); Cora Sweatt 81t (for Bunk Beasley), 72b; Amber Davis 224, 391 (in memory of Sandra Spradlin and Helen Langston); Louise Yeager 426b, 503.

RECESS

The class was brought back to order by Ricky Beasley leading 49b. Leaders: Mike Hankins 31b, 34b; Sarah Beasley 408, 384; Larry Ballinger 56t, 50b; Isaac Green 493, 483; Marlin Beasley 335, 33b; Richard Schmeidler 268, 543.

The memorial lesson was held at this time. Lisa Geist spoke on behalf of the following sick and shut-ins: Bunk Beasley, Charlene Wallace, John Beasley, Velton Chafin, Brenda Chafin, Ozella Blackmon, Loretta Whitman, Roy Davis, Otis Sides, and Wayne Wakefield. She led 472.

Nicholas Thompson spoke in memory of the following deceased: Freddie Briggs—Florida; Daphene Causey, Glenda Hopper, Lilly Hopper, and Willodean Barton—Alabama; Darrell Swarens—Indiana; Steve Helwig—Oregon; Louise Holland—Georgia. He led 544. Earl Ballinger closed the memorial service with prayer. Brenda Pena led 490 and 39b. Marlin Beasley asked a blessing before the noon meal.

LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Ricky Beasley leading 101t. Leaders: Jerry Kitchens 112, 475; Becky Briggs 179, 318; Brenda Pena 77b; Margaret Keeton 402; Lisa Geist 273; Nicholas Thompson 216 (for Betty Shepherd); Earl Ballinger 299; Julie Poston 201; Betty Baccus 40 (for Faye Donaldson); Cora Sweatt 312b; Sarah Beasley 146; Louise Yeager 480; Mike Hankins 63; Irv Landau 68b; Juanita Beasley 270; Larry Ballinger 97; Isaac Green 422; Marlin Beasley 34t; Richard Schmeidler 155, 84; Brenda Pena 73b, 569t; Ricky Beasley 62; Ricky Beasley and Seth Holloway 388, 236. Marlin Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Ricky Beasley; Vice Chairman—Richard Schmeidler; Secretary—Becky Briggs

SACRED HARP SINGERS HISTORICAL MEMORIAL PROJECT

This is an ongoing project to document the names of prominent, lifelong Sacred Harp singers and supporters with their dates of birth and death and location of burial. Please send your contributions to minutes@fasola.org. Please note that this historical project is not extended to family members and friends who are not Sacred Harp singers and supporters. Also note that all entries in this year's book are new. Please see the earlier books for all names submitted prior to this year.

Effie Florice D. (wife of E.G.) Akin

b. January 29, 1919
d. March 8, 2018
Carroll Memory Gardens
Carrollton, Georgia

Joseph Alonzo Akin

b. May 10, 1909
d. March 13, 1962
Elmwood Cemetery
Birmingham, Alabama

Gertrude Rape Bateman

b. June 4, 1906
d. November 29, 1997
First Baptist Church
Centerville, Georgia

Amanda Denson Brady

b. November 20, 1941
d. February 8, 2008
Fairview Cemetery
Double Springs, Alabama

Hoyt N. Cagle

b. 1915
d. April 15, 1992
Green Lawn Cemetery
Roswell, Georgia

Mary Lou (wife of Hoyt) Cagle

1919-2000
Green Lawn Cemetery
Roswell, Georgia

Daphene M. (wife of Jimmy) Causey

b. December 8, 1928
d. December 4, 2017
Hillview Memorial Park
Alexander City, Alabama

Obediah Bentley Chappell

b. August 3, 1861
d. February 4, 1946
Community Church
(formerly Mt. Moriah)
Senior, Georgia

William Doster Chappell

b. September 11, 1880
d. April 7, 1965
Hopewell Cemetery
Hanceville, Alabama

Hurley Tyrone, Sr. Dryden

b. January 10, 1938
d. January 14, 1997
Camp Ground United
Methodist Church
Cleburne County, Alabama

Harry Dumas

b. October 13, 1919
d. November 4, 1994
First Baptist Church
Centerville, Georgia

Mildred J. (wife of R. Harry) Dumas

b. July 28, 1916
d. June 24, 2000
First Baptist Church
Centerville, Georgia

Audrey Ruth Kerr (wife of C.W.) Garner

b. October 16, 1936
d. May 4, 2018
Cross Roads Baptist Church
Tallapoosa, Georgia

Dorothy N. (wife of Loy) Garrison

b. October 22, 1929
d. May 20, 2012
Boiling Springs PBC
Alpharetta, Georgia

Loy H. "Pop" Garrison

b. August 14, 1924
d. February 13, 2008
Boiling Springs PBC
Alpharetta, Georgia

Ples Higden Hardin

b. June 18, 1876
d. July 21, 1956
Zion Hope Cemetery
Antioch Baptist Church near
Arabi, Georgia

Joyce Rape Harrison

b. March 1, 1929
d. February 3, 2015
First Baptist Church
Centerville, Georgia

Glenda Holmes (wife of J.L.) Hopper

b. June 26, 1935
d. May 9, 2018
Gum Pond Church Cemetery
Morgan County, Alabama

Mary Valilla (wife of Willard O.) Hopper

b. July 5, 1932
d. March 7, 2018
Gum Pond Church Cemetery
Morgan County, Alabama

Gertis Lee McGraw

b. September 1, 1913
d. March 22, 2002
Fairview Memorial Gardens
Stockbridge, Georgia

Hugh Winfred McGraw

b. February 20, 1931
d. May 28, 2017
Forest Lawn Memorial Park
Bremen, Georgia

Maudie Bell Akin (wife of Gertis) McGraw
b. August 24, 1917
d. October 19, 1993
Fairview Memorial Gardens
Stockbridge, Georgia

Wawena Entrekin Miles
b. February 6, 1929
d. December 3, 2017
Mount Zion United
Methodist Church
Mount Zion, Georgia

Leona Smith (wife of R. Virgil) Moon
b. April 2, 1915
d. July 23, 1988
Indian Creek Baptist Church
Carroll County, Georgia

Robert Virgil Moon
b. April 28, 1892
d. November 2, 1976
Indian Creek Baptist Church
Carroll County, Georgia

Darrell Franklin Swarens
b. October 16, 1945
d. January 3, 2018
Mt. Zion Cemetery
Indiana

2018 DEATHS

Names submitted from Memorial Lessons in 2018 minutes.

Listed by Date

12-05-17	Ann Sleeva	Illinois
12-31-17	Doug Conn	Alabama
01-03-18	Darrell Swarens	Indiana
01-04-18	Berkley Moore	Illinois
01-21-18	Steve Helwig	Oregon
02-02-18	Thomas Jackson (T.J.) Funderburk	Arkansas
02-05-18	Arthur Gilmore	Alabama
02-10-18	Peter Nichols	Texas
02-27-18	John (Rusty) Neff	Ohio
03-01-18	Louise Holland	Georgia
03-07-18	Mary Valilla (Lily) Hopper	Alabama
03-08-18	Florice Duncan Akin	Georgia
03-13-18	Verlon Stiefel	Alabama
05-09-18	Glenda Holmes Hopper	Alabama
06-25-18	Barbara Ruth Hastings Willard	Arizona
07-23-18	Mike Jones	Alabama
07-24-18	Willodean S. Barton	Alabama
08-24-18	Rodney Ellsworth Willard	Arizona
09-14-18	Freddie Briggs	Florida
09-26-18	Douglass Wyers	Alabama
11-22-18	Doug Webb	Texas

Listed by Location (* — see above list for date)

Alabama	Edna Rogers	Emma DeBoncoeur
Bonnie Bailey	Reid Rogers	Owen Delay
*Willodean S. Barton	Mary Cu Shivers	Steve Ewert
J. C. Brothers	*Verlon Stiefel	Barbara Greenspan
*Doug Conn	Ralph Tidwell	Harvey Guthrie
Everett Dailey	Sue Wills	Bill Knox
Elder Leon Etheredge	*Douglass Wyers	Theodore Knox
Hollis Gentry	Alaska	Jim Kyne
*Arthur Gilmore	Bill Davis	Nita Mokricki
Libby Hankins	Arizona	Anne Neville
*Glenda Holmes Hopper	Signe Brantvold	Paul A O'Leary
*Mary Valilla (Lily) Hopper	*Barbara Ruth Hastings	Mark Redar
Barbara Isbell	Willard	Adela Schroth
Elaine Ivey	*Rodney Ellsworth Willard	Michael Siemon
Mary Bullock Johnson	Arkansas	Jim VanWinkle
Anita Carroll Jones	*Thomas Jackson (T.J.)	Luis Veliz
*Mike Jones	Funderburk	Lynn Anna Wilson
Odean Moran Keel	Andrew Worthington	Colorado
Joan Lowe	California	David More
Rachel Jan Martin	Donna Andrews	Connecticut
Hilda Morrison	Drusilla Ann Bailey	Mel Marshall
J. A. Mosley	Lou Curtis	Stacy Phillips
Jane Mullins		
Marion Phillips		

District of Columbia

Dudley Brown

Florida

* Freddie Briggs
 Jahseh Dwayne Ricardo
 Ben Smith

Georgia

* Florice Duncan Akin
 Ruth Ayers
 James Batts
 Ella Herstine Bussey
 Cherry Hodges Casey
 Melba Castleberry
 Verner Chaffin
 Audrey Ruth Garner
 Charles Grant
 Randolph Green
 Robyn Green
 Lucille Gunnels
 Truitt Haynes
 * Louise Holland
 Jean Hollingsworth
 Edna Keel
 Alan Lambert
 Daniel Lanier
 Julia Laverack
 A.R. McGukin
 Wawena Entrekin Miles
 G. C. Redding
 Ash Rickli
 Agnes Roberts
 Robert Rogers
 Jerry Rollins
 Joyce Runels
 Thomas Sanders
 Frank Searcy
 Lois Speaker
 Mike Taylor
 Dorothy Webber
 Janice Yarbrough
 Randy Yates

Illinois

Pat Doerfler
 * Berkley Moore
 * Ann Sleeva

Indiana

* Darrell Swarens

Iowa

Wayne Jens

Kentucky

Richard Graver
 Wally Jeffries
 Cathy Scaife
 Wes Theophan Sheldahl
 Charles Thobaben
 Tony Whalen

Louisiana

Albert Davis

Maine

Jack Duncan
 June Durkee
 Robert Francis
 Alice McRae
 Jo Pendleton
 Skip Pendleton

Maryland

Nancy Graham
 Robert Hancock
 Robert Lacey
 Marjorie Forbush Scott

Massachusetts

Janet Shea

Massachusetts

Arlene Dextraze
 Joyous Fox-Sky
 Iris Gomes
 Ruth Houme
 Linda Leslie
 Russ MacLeod
 Gail O'Day
 Elliot Ross
 Bob Rundquist
 Nick Stanton
 Christa Leigh Steele-
 Knudsen
 Kirsten Tarnowski
 Donald Wilkinson
 Erica Zissman

Mexico

Cynthia Mesa

Michigan

Jim Windom

Minnesota

Steve Huisken

Mississippi

Robin Mathis
 Anne Percy
 Gary Ryan, Sr.
 Yaeko Takada

Missouri

Griffin Simmons

New Hampshire

Tony Quimby

New Jersey

Irene Brown
 Thomas Fedorick
 Florence Haas
 Robert Jenson
 Bill Matles
 Stan Subhan

New Mexico

Tommy Lefthand
 Mark Powers

New York

Robert Barrett
 Mary Billington
 Yi Chiang Chu
 Tom Cuite
 Donna Dise
 Ken Ecks
 Norma Ecks
 Herbert Eriksson
 Jean Fleming
 Alan Friend
 Corinne Goodman
 Michael Kaye
 Laurie Lambie-Wallace
 Steve Lawson
 Sonya Rae Manning
 Sile O'Flynn
 Bob Ostermann
 Emily Ostermann
 Harry Roy
 Mary Ellen Schrock

North Carolina

Carol Belt
 Laura Bodenheimer
 Reba Bowen
 Blackwell Brogden

Ruth Ekelund
Polly Eskenasy
Bob McBride
Premis Page
Donna Schleifer
Laura Schmania
Robert Varkony

Ohio

Michael Goldenberg
Leroy Heeg
Bill Houger
Gerald Hughes
George S. Kaplonski
Judith McDowell
*John (Rusty) Neff
Elizabeth Rechenberg
James B. Walker

Oregon

Marion Embick
Glen Gordon
*Steve Helwig
Maureen Hunt
Lee Kelley
Charles Kornfield
Tim Robert
Lotte Streisinger
Wesley Voth

Pennsylvania

Will Abbott
Winter Acorn
David Armor
Mable Banks
Mabel Banks
Virginia Crawford
Marilyn Damaskos
Tony Farrisi
Greg Hodnett
Eugene Horst
Dawn Ruth Nelson
Elizabeth Perry
Carol Sanders
Sam Slothour
Clifford Steinruck
Aspen Wampler
Rhoda Weiner

South Carolina

Jim Hudgens
Rev. Doug Thrift

South Dakota

Patricia Haider

Texas

Geneva Harrell Buckner
Joann Buitron
Amy Denison
Deason Dunn
Mary Franklin
Nancy Marion (Mamie)
Grant
Mae Griffith
Kit Halsted
Jack Hurosky
Cliff Jenson
Frances Ross Joplin
Jenne McVicker
*Peter Nichols
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Kameron Prescott
Mel Rosenbaum
Loree Schoefner
Calvin Stone
*Doug Webb

Utah

Barbara Losse

Vermont

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Jeremiah Crompton
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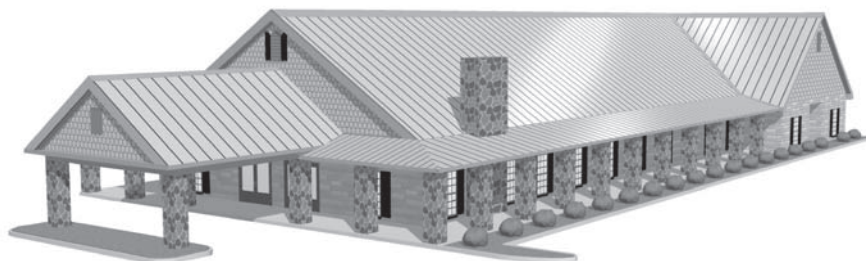
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