

# *The Town and Country Chorus*

**NOTES ♪ NEWS and VIEWS for December 22, 2020**

Christmas is almost here. I'm hoping that you've completed all your shopping and preparations for this special time. It will take a little inventiveness this year to celebrate with your family and friends that's for sure.

In place of all the prior traditions connected with this season of joy, perhaps a new one or two may come out of all the distancing and stay-at-home measures that we're in the midst of. And that may not be altogether bad.

One new innovation this year is the increased use of computer software programs such as Zoom which allows a person to be able to conduct not only business, but also to stay in touch audibly and visually with family and friends.

Another technology, although not new, is the live-streaming of events that we can log into and watch on our computers as well as other media. One such program aired last evening.

The Association of International Champions, through the sponsorship of Harmony Foundation International, staged their, *The Spirit of the Season* program - and it was wonderful! I sincerely hope you were able to watch it. One and a half hours of continuous barbershop music concentrated on Christmas and the joy of the season was truly uplifting.

And there are other live-streaming events coming that also feature musical specials by a number of choruses and groups. Please look through the various programs listed below. I admit I do not understand how many of these operate, but some may be available to watch after their debut date. For that reason, I'll leave them all listed even though the initial showing may be past. Enjoy!

- Dec 1 - 31 | on-demand | **New Tradition Chorus** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 5 (Sat) | Noon Pacific/3:00pm Eastern | **Croix Chordsmen** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 5 (Sat) | 3:00pm Pacific/6:00pm Eastern | **Masters of Harmony** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 5 (Sat) | 5:00pm Pacific/8:00pm Eastern | **Ambassadors of Harmony** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 6 (Sun) | 4:00pm Pacific/7:00pm Eastern | **Beehive Statesmen** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 11 - 31 | **Harbourtown Sound** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 12 (Sat) | Noon Pacific/3:00pm Eastern | **Land O' Lakes District** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 12 (Sat) | 2:00pm and 7:30pm Central | **Vocal Majority** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 12 (Sat) | 6:00pm Central | **Fog City Harmonia**
- Dec 12 (Sat) | 5:00 Pacific/8:00pm Eastern | **SmorgasChorus** | [WATCH](#)

- Dec 12 (Sat) | 5:00 Pacific/8:00pm Eastern | **HALO** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 12 (Sat) | **Harmony Delegation with Harmony Central** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 12 (Sun) | 2:00 pm HST | **The Sounds of Aloha** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 13 (Sun) | 3:00pm Central | **Heralds of Harmony** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 13 (Sun) | 4:00pm Pacific/7:00pm Eastern | **Westchester Chordsmen** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 18 (Fri) | 6:00 pm Pacific | **The Westminster Chorus** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 18 (Fri) | 7:00 pm Central | **Vocal Revolution** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 19 (Sat) | 7:00 pm Central | **Minneapolis Commodores** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 19 (Sat) | 7:30 pm Eastern | **AIC Show** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 19 (Sat) | 9:00pm Central | **San Diego Chorus**
- Dec 20 (Sun) | 3:00pm Eastern | **Vocal Confluence with Voces Solis** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 20 (Sun) | 3:30pm PT/6:30pm ET | **Alexandria Harmonizers & Northwest Sound** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 23 (Wed) | 1:00pm Central | **The Collective** | [WATCH](#)
- Dec 23 (Wed) | **PDX Voices**
- Dec 29 (Tue) | 5:00pm Pacific/8:00pm Eastern | **Music City Chorus** | [WATCH](#)

Please take a few minutes of your day and check in with each other, stay connected as best you can. We cannot know when we'll be able to again participate in live rehearsals and see each other face to face. Stay in touch. Somehow, someway, until then, **Keep the Whole World Singing!**

**We sincerely wish that each and everyone one of you have a truly joyous and Blessed Christmas!**

Take care and stay healthy,  
**Gary**

*Log into these websites to keep informed as to what's happening in the Pioneer District, the Barbershop Harmony Society, and the Harmony Foundation.*  
[www.pioneerdistrict.org](http://www.pioneerdistrict.org)

[www.barbershop.org](http://www.barbershop.org)

[www.harmonyfoundation.org](http://www.harmonyfoundation.org)

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**Calendar for 2020**

**DECEMBER**

**19 Sat:** AIC Christmas Show, *THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON*.

**Calendar for 2021**

**JANUARY**

**28-31, Thu-Sun:** 2021 Virtual Midwinter Convention. Check out the Barbershop Harmony website for details, registration, and how-to's.

**APRIL**

**23-25, Fri-Sun:** Spring Convention, The Plaza at DeVos/CHS, Grand Rapids.

**JUNE**

**4-6, Fri-Sun:** Great Lakes Harmony Brigade.

**28-July 4, Mon-Sun:** 2021 International Convention, Cleveland, Ohio.

**OCTOBER**

**15-17, Fri-Sun:** Fall Convention, Battle Creek, the Radisson and W.K. Kellogg Auditorium.

***“Seek, develop, use and enhance the skills and talents of each member to such an extent that progress seems limitless.”***

