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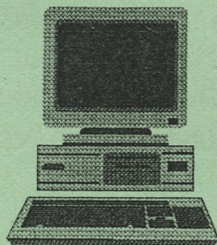
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Issue 2

The Official Newsletter of RAINBOW CHORUS

January, 1997



RAINBOW CHORUS HITS THE INTERNET!

Beginning in 1997, RAINBOW CHORUS will join the World Wide Web. Thanks to the efforts of Ray Legge and his contacts at the Rainbow Community Centre of Waterloo-Wellington Region, RAINBOW CHORUS will have a homepage that will describe the activities of the choir including upcoming concert programs. In addition to the home page, RAINBOW CHORUS will have its own email address: RainbowChorus@rainbow.on.ca



!!UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER!!

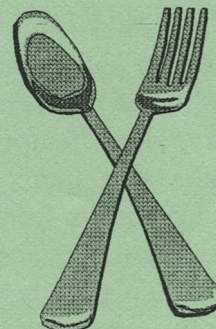
Please make note of the following dates for the upcoming season:

Saturday, January 25 - Annual General Meeting, Dinner and Dance (more on this to follow in this issue)

Saturday, February 8; 9 am - noon - Extra Rehearsal, Location TBA.

Friday, February 28; 7 - 10 pm - Dress Rehearsal, Chalmer's United Church

Saturday, March 1; CONCERT - Starts at 8 pm; Choir assembles at 630 pm, Chalmer's United Church.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, POT LUCK DINNER AND DANCE.

The AGM/Pot-Luck Dinner/Dance will take place on Saturday, January 25 at the Canadian Autoworkers' Hall on 611 SilverCreek Pkwy N. (the Old School House, Just North of Woodlawn on the East (Right) side).

Dinner will be from 6 -7:30 pm, the AGM from 7:30 - 9 pm with dancing to follow. Jane and Frank are organizing the pot-luck dinner and will be asking you to contribute one of your favorite dishes.

The hall rental and entertainment will be paid for out of the Choir budget. Details concerning liquor licensing were not available at press time. Les is looking after the liquor license and is trying to arrange it so that individuals can bring their own liquor if they so wish.

Please make every effort to attend this event. Your input at the AGM is important and it promises to be a great social event as well!



DUES!!DUES!!DUES!!

In the fall edition of this newsletter, the increase in the member dues was presented as a necessary, albeit temporary, adjustment until we had achieved a more stable financial position. With the proceeds from our fall garage sale and the Cate Friesen concert, we have reached that position! Accordingly, we are able to reduce the dues for the upcoming term (January - June). Last term the \$50 fee reflected a per rehearsal cost of **\$3.50**. This term we have been able to reduce the per rehearsal cost per member to **\$2.00**. Since this term is substantially longer, the total cost to each member will still be \$50.00.

Please see Les as soon as possible with your dues. We would like to have all of the dues for this term collected by the middle of February and it is easier for our bookkeeping if they are paid in a lump sum. If you prefer other arrangements, please discuss them with Les.

Please note that we do have some discretionary funds available to assist members who truly find that they cannot meet this financial commitment. If you are one of these people, please do not hesitate to discuss this with either Les or Glenn.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FORMAT

The purposes of the AGM are: 1) to provide the membership with a financial report from the previous year's activities 2) to elect a new slate of Directors and 3) to deal with, in a timely fashion, any motions put to the general membership. A complete Agenda will be provided to you at the rehearsal prior to the AGM (Monday, January 20). Please Note: While anyone can attend the AGM, only members in good standing are eligible to vote. A member in good standing is defined as one who has paid his/her dues. In order to vote at this meeting, you

will need to have paid your dues (or made alternative arrangements) for the period - September 1996 - December, 1996.

Financial Report. Copies of the Financial Report will be made available to you at the Monday rehearsal prior to the AGM.

Election of Directors. There are 3 Director's positions that need to be filled. Two of the positions are two year terms and the remaining position is for one year (to replace one person who is retiring early).

Jane, Frank, Dave and Kallie are continuing. Les, Ray and Glenn are retiring.

If you are interested in serving as a Director or know of someone who is, please submit a nomination form (available from and return to Ray). We would like to have all of the nominations submitted by Monday, January 20.

Please give this some serious consideration. This is a great opportunity to learn about and become involved in the organization associated with one of the hottest new choirs in the area!!!!

Motions.

While there will be an opportunity for the members to put questions to the Directors, the AGM is really a business meeting and, as such, is not a "town hall" meeting. While the Directors welcome and depend on the opinions of the entire membership, the AGM is structured so that any issues or concerns are put forward as motions, the membership discusses the motion, and then a vote is taken. This will allow a proactive, results oriented meeting.

If you wish to put forward a motion for consideration at the AGM, please notify Ray. He will ask you to submit your motion in writing. The motion will require your signature as well as that of a seconder. Motions to be included on the Agenda will be received up until Monday, January 20.

BEST WISHES FOR 1997!!!