

## **HAPPY NEW YEAR! ARE YOU READY FOR A SUCCESSFUL SPRING SEASON?**

### **A BIG Welcome to our 21 New Choirboys and a Welcome Back to our Returning Choirboys!**

Welcome to the beginning of this great 2018 Spring semester, kicking off the second half of our 36<sup>th</sup> concert season! With this New Year, we have 21 new choirboys starting the Training Choir, 9 Training Choirboys who moved up into the Town Choir and 2 boys who moved to Tour Choir. Congratulations! Please give our new boys and their parents a smile and helping hand. At one time or another, we all have been the new "kids" on the block!

### **Thanks to the First United Methodist Church of Missouri City!**

We extend a big thanks to the First United Methodist Church of Missouri City for opening their home to us. As guests of the church, there are some rules we must respect to maintain a great relationship in times to come.

♪ Training and Town Choirboys should enter and exit only through the covered drive-through area on the side parking lot facing Lexington Blvd.



♪ Tour Choir should enter and exit from the same place as their Sunday rehearsals.

♪ Please use only the designated entry and exit points as we indicated. We do not want our choirboys to wander the hallways unattended.

♪ **TAKE NOTE**—We have **Room 124** set aside specifically for parents (and siblings) to hang out in while the boys rehearse. This room is next door to the Town Choir and also serves as our parent volunteer meeting place. Help us keep the hallways quiet and clear so rehearsals and church meetings are not disrupted. Thanks for helping us be exceptional guests in the church!

## ***WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION AT OUR SUPERHEROES UNITE! GALA EVENT SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 6:30 P.M., AT SAFARI TEXAS***

Our Gala Dinner and Auction is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we depend on our parent volunteers and community supporters to help us make it a big success. Invitations were mailed at the end of December for the event and an email will be out soon requesting help with volunteering and donations. Look for more Gala information on our website under "News" in the right hand menu. Break out superhero capes and tights and get ready for some fun!



### **HELP! Parent Volunteers Needed**

Come to the meetings and find out more! Contact **Tiana Mortimer**, Executive Director at (281) 240-3800 or [ptm@fbbctx.org](mailto:ptm@fbbctx.org) with your auction item ideas or areas where you are willing to help! The clock is ticking! We will see you at volunteer meetings in Room 124, next to the Town Choir rehearsal room!

### **We Need Help in These Areas:**

- ❖ Soliciting of Auction Items
- ❖ Corporate Sponsorship
- ❖ Office Help the week of January 29<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Decorations & Auction Item Set-up—Day of Event
- ❖ Event Check-in and Event Check-out
- ❖ Event Clean-up
- ❖ Tech support to help with mobile check-out
- ❖ Live Auction spotters
- ❖ Reader for the Live Auction (assisting the Auctioneer)
- ❖ Donation of Auction items and even cash to go towards a Live Auction Package
- ❖ Phone calling to follow up on mailed donation letters.



Visit our Gala page for more details: <http://fbbctx.org/2018-gala-dinner-auction-event/>

**Please TURN OVER for more Choir News!**



**VOLUNTEER MEETINGS WILL BE EVERY THURSDAY IN ROOM 124**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THE GALA AND OTHER PROJECTS!**



Are you ready to roll up your sleeves? The Fort Bend Boys Choir is a volunteer-driven organization and we wouldn't get far without you. Everyone has contacts, talents or connections that can be tapped ... our choirboys need you to step up and volunteer! It's a great way to learn more about us AND support your son's endeavors! Our biggest fundraiser of the year - the Gala Dinner and Auction - is fast approaching **Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Safari Texas.

**Noteworthy News  
& Choir Events**

You can download the latest **Noteworthy News** from our website at [www.fbbctx.org](http://www.fbbctx.org). The link is on the right sidebar menu under the "Parents Corner" section; the new edition is available each Thursday afternoon. If you know your son is going to be absent for a rehearsal, please check our website for the latest information. For future concerts and events, click on the link "Concert Schedules" at the top of our webpage.

**Parker Uniform Store Closures**

Our uniform coordinator and the choir office are aware that Parker Uniform closed and are working hard to find new suppliers for uniform pieces comparable to what we already have. Once we have the new suppliers lined up, we will let everyone know! Stay tuned!



- ♪ **Winter Camp Reminder** - Winter camp starts tomorrow **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.** However, be there closer to 4:30 p.m. if at all possible to get set up and settled in. Don't forget your forms and your music! Please refer to your camp packets for instructions on what to bring. Be prepared for lots of singing and great fun! Winter camp will end on **Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon** after a mini-concert for the parents which starts at 11:45 a.m.
- ♪ **Tour Parent Meeting** - On **Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.**, there will be a parent meeting regarding our upcoming summer performance tour to Western Canada. At least one parent should attend as important information will be given out!
- ♪ **Woodlands Boys Choir Workshop on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>** - An email was sent out about this regarding participation. So far, 11 boys have confirmed. If you want to participate, please email Mr. A at [wra@fbbctx.org](mailto:wra@fbbctx.org). More details will be out soon!



- ♪ **Take Note!** Rehearsals are every Thursday from **6:30—7:45 p.m.** Please make allowances for traffic so that you can arrive in plenty of time and make the most of your rehearsal. If you will be late or absent for a rehearsal or performance, please contact the choir office at (281) 240-3800 or email **Tiana Mortimer**, Executive Director at [ptm@fbbctx.org](mailto:ptm@fbbctx.org).  
⇒ **Mark your Calendar Now!** - The Town Choir will participate in the Soundwaves Music Festival at Schlitterbahn in New Braunfels on **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Details will be forthcoming regarding this performance.
- ♪ **Welcome Ms. Hausmann!** Please give a warm welcome to our new Town Choir Director Catherine Hausmann!



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⇒ **NEW TRAINING CHOIR PARENTS ONLY** - Tonight, your son received some paperwork that needs to be filled out. Please make sure that your son brings them next week! Of course, you are welcome to email them to **Tiana** in the choir office or fax them to (281) 240-3880.