



**FROM THE DIRECTOR:**

Only one more rehearsal and then dress rehearsal is left before the spring concert. Please have all music memorized! Be sure to stay healthy by getting plenty of sleep, no yelling, wash hands often, and drink plenty of water. We want everyone singing at their best for the concert.

<b><u>SCHEDULE:</u></b>	
Monday, April 26, 2010	4:00 p.m. - Regular Rehearsal
Friday, April 30, 2010	4:00 – 6:30 Dress Rehearsal @ Spanish Fort United Methodist Church
<b>Sunday, May 2, 2010</b>	<b>2:30 p.m. – Concert Call Time</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – Concert @ Spanish Fort United Methodist Church</b> <b>Formal Uniform</b>
Monday, May 3, 2010	4:00 p.m. - Regular Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. - Tour Meeting (For tour participants, chaperones & parents)
Monday, May 10, 2010	4:00 p.m. - Regular Rehearsal
Tuesday, May 11, 2010	MSC End of the Year Party 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 15, 2010	9:00 till 12:00 - Rehearsal for Mass of the Children @ Spring Hill Presbyterian
<b>Sunday, May 16, 2010</b>	<b>2:00 p.m. - Call Time</b> <b>3:00 p.m. - Performance of Mass of the Children @ Spring Hill Presbyterian</b>

**End of the Year Party!**

Our end of the year party will be on **Tuesday, May 11 at 5:30 pm** in the Bullard Building at Spring Hill Presbyterian. The whole family is invited to this buffet style, covered dish dinner. We will enjoy pictures and video from the year, and recognize the accomplishments of our singers! Please mark this fun evening on your calendar NOW!

**Food Assignments for May 11<sup>th</sup>:**

Intermezzo and Concert Choir Singers / Families bring the designated food item to the party based on the *first letter of the singer's last name*:

- A -D and R's bring Meats
- E - H and S's bring Salads
- J - O and T's & W's bring vegetables

Preparatory Choir: All preparatory singers/families should bring bread or a dessert.

**Concert Invitations:**

Concert invitations were sent home last week (4 per singer). If your child was absent due to spring break, or if you need extras, you may pick them up in Mrs. Hoitt's office from a parent council representative.

*Happy Birthday!*

Gabbi Rasp – 4/3

**Accomplishments:**

Let us recognize your accomplishments! Send an email to [mobilesingingchildren@gmail.com](mailto:mobilesingingchildren@gmail.com)!



**Congratulations to Ian Copeland** who will be heading to the State piano competition after scoring all double O's in the district piano competition on April 10th.

**Congratulations to Caroline Belue** who participated in the piano competition at South Alabama and was also chosen to go to the state competition!

Congratulations to the following MSC Members who were selected in their individual districts to participate in the **Alabama All State Band Festival** in Auburn this past weekend:

**Awesome!**

- **Hannah Findlay** was chosen for All State First Band, 5th chair Bass Clarinet.
- **Leigh Hoitt** was chosen for All State First Band, 8<sup>th</sup> chair flute.
- **Molly Barnett** chosen as a member of the All State Third Band.

**From the Parent Council:**

All Out-of-the-House money, ticket stubs and unsold tickets are due today!



**“Out-of-the-HOUSE” Donations:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signature Organic Facial and 50 minute Massage from Skin Perfection Med Spa</li> <li>• Three night stay for a pet at Animal Care of Mobile County. This includes a bath the day of pick-up.</li> <li>• Family outing to a Mobile Baybears home game of choice.</li> <li>• \$100 Gift Certificate to Ruth's Chris Steakhouse</li> <li>• 2 matinee tickets to Mobile Opera's production of "Candide"</li> <li>• 2 matinee tickets to Mobile Opera's production of "Tosca"</li> <li>• 2 Season Tickets to the Mobile Ballet</li> <li>• Mobile Symphony Tickets</li> <li>• \$100 Gift Certificate to Sunnyside Theater/Drama Camp Productions</li> <li>• One Hour Swedish Massage</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$20 Zea Gift Card</li> <li>• \$20 Panara Bread Gift Card</li> <li>• 2 Season Tickets to the Mobile Ballet</li> <li>• 2 Gift Certificates for a Haircut &amp; Style from Genesis Hair Salon</li> <li>• \$20 David's Catfish in Spanish Fort</li> <li>• Hershey's Ice Cream / Sully's Cafe</li> <li>• Gulf Pines Golf Course</li> <li>• Olive Garden</li> <li>• Exploreum Tickets</li> <li>• Longhorns Steakhouse</li> <li>• 4 Tickets to a Joe Jefferson Playhouse Production</li> </ul> |
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**PLEASE share your Mobile's Singing Children pictures & video!**

MSC has a new photo sharing website at [www.mobilesingingchildren.shutterfly.com](http://www.mobilesingingchildren.shutterfly.com). On this site you can share pictures you have taken during MSC events. We are also hoping to create photobooks for MSC to show prospective new members what types of things that MSC does. You can also create your own photo books or order pictures from the site. We need more pictures added so please share your own pictures. We especially need some of the Dickens Christmas. If you have any questions please email our historian, Lara Nolan, at [dnolan001@centurytel.net](mailto:dnolan001@centurytel.net).



**VIDEO's NEEDED!**

Did you video any or all of our "Bach to the Future" presentation? We have a volunteer who will take multiple videos and compile them into one finished DVD, which we hope to have available at the spring concert. If you can submit files for this project, please save your video files to a DVD and bring them to rehearsal on April 19<sup>th</sup>!

# NYC Tour Countdown!

## 39 Days!

## Tour Reminders!

### Payment Reminders!

Woo Hoo! The **final** tour payment is due today, Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Statements reflecting each participant's balance were emailed yesterday.

### Planning Ahead ...

Our tour chairperson, Amy Henry, has estimated that each singer should plan to travel with a *minimum* of \$150.00. This **does not** include additional spending money for souvenirs and shopping. The \$150 breaks down to \$20-\$25 per day for food (some days will be more, some will be less) and \$25-\$50 of emergency funds for unforeseen expenses that hopefully the singer can return home with. (Those traveling on their own may need slightly less as this estimate includes airport meals on travel days.)

### Discounted tickets to the Carnegie Hall Concert are available :

Tickets for the Concert at Carnegie Hall can be purchased at a discounted rate of \$75 until May 4, 2010. Please let Amy Henry know by **TOMORROW, 4/20/2010**, if you would like to purchase any tickets. She will purchase them in a block. You can pay her directly. Also, if anyone has any friends or family in the New York area, encourage them to attend the concert! Anyone can order the discounted tickets until May 4. We have order forms available in Susan's office. (Chaperones: your tickets are included in your tour package.)

*Amy's contact information:*

Cell phone - 251-591-8575

E mail - [arhenry03@comcast.net](mailto:arhenry03@comcast.net)

### Tour Meeting – Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6p.m.:

A meeting for all tour participants, chaperones and parents will be held on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. During the meeting, we will present the itinerary and rooming assignments as well as collect medical release forms and copies of insurance cards. Rules and other travel information will be distributed.