

December 2006

## From the Director

Dear Students and Parents:

Looking back of the previous semester, we have had a great first half of the year! I'd like to thank the Chorus Booster Board for their hard work and support this year. They have allowed us to have successful fundraisers, a successful Gala and Silent Auction and have helped with concerts!

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The month of December saw multiple performances in the choral department. This began with the SCAPA Voice Major recital, followed by the Winter Concert in Beeler featuring the Men's and Women's Chorus and Swing Choir. The Madrigals performed at the Lafayette Faculty meeting. And finally, Lafayette Singers, Madrigals and Chorale performed with the Lafayette Orchestras at Singletary. These were great concerts that featured the talent and hard work of our students. In teaming up with the orchestra, the students participated in a great collaborative effort! Thank you for all your positive comments. Though the concert was long, it was an outstanding performance by our students! Thanks to the orchestra, Orchestra Boosters and Mr. Dillard for collaborating on this event!

Next semester promises to have many more exciting performances and fun opportunities! Here's looking toward 2007. I can't wait!

I hope everyone has a great holiday break! See you in January.

Ryan Marsh

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# Upcoming Events and Important Dates

Madrigals Extended Rehearsal	Choir Room	Friday, Jan 5 7:00 pm
Distr. 7 All-State Reh.(mandatory fr All-Staters)	Georgetown College	Saturday, Jan 12, 9-2:00
SCAPA Voice Masterclass	Choir Room	Thurs Jan 18, 3:30-5:00
LHS Musical	Beeler Auditorium	Thur Jan 18-Sun 21
UK Male Chorus Day	Singletary Center	Saturday Jan 20, 9:00 -4:00
LHS Chorus Invitational (All Choirs)	LHS	Friday Jan 26, 4-9:00 pm (Free Concert – 8:00 pm)
Snow Makeup date for Chorus Invitational	LHS Cafe	Fri Feb 2, 4:00-9:00 pm
Nat'l Anthem @ Basketball Game (Singers, Madrigal. Chorale)	Meet in Choir Room	Fri Feb 2
All-State Choirs @ KMEA Convention,	Louisville, KY	Wed Feb 7-Sat Feb 10
Madrigal Rehearsals for UofL Chamber Choir Competition	Choir Room	Monday Feb 12, 3:30-4:30 pm Tuesday, Feb 13, 5:30-6:30 Wednesday Feb 14, 5:30-6:30 Thursday Feb 15, 5:30-6:30
UofL Chamber Choir Competition	UofL Sch. of Music	Fri, Feb 16, 12:00-10:30 pm
SCAPA Voice Masterclass	Choir Room	Wed Feb 21, 3:30-5:00
Combined Rehearsal for Orlando Tour	Choir Room	Thurs Feb 22, 7:30-9:00 pm
Vocal Solo and Ensemble Contest	Scott Co. H.S.	Saturday February 24
Combined Rehearsal for Orlando Tour	Choir Room	Thurs Mar 1, 7:30-9:00 pm
Pre-Tour Concert	Location TBA	Sunday March 4, 7:30 pm
Spring Competition Tour – Orlando LHS Singers, Chorale, Madrigals, Orchestra	Florida	Wednesday, March 7-11
SCAPA Voice Masterclass	Choir Room	Thurs March 15, 3:30-5:00
SCAPA Musical	Opera House	Thurs March 22-24
KMEA Choir Contest	Singletary Center	Tue, March 20 (During School)
Spring Break	No School	March 31 - April 8
CATS Testing	LHS	Friday Apr 23-27
Massed Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Tuesday May 1, 6-8 pm
Choir Banquet/ Awards (All Choirs)	LHS Cafeteria	Friday May 4, 6:00 pm
SCAPA Senior Recital	Location TBA	Sunday May 6, Time TBA
<i>Ice Cream Concert (All Choirs)</i>	Beeler Auditorium	May 10, 7:00 pm
Underclassmen SCAPA Voice Juries	Choir Room	Mon, Thur May 14, 17, 3:30-
Massed Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Wednesday May 16, 6-8 pm
Madrigal Concert	Christ Church Cathedral	Friday, May 18, 7:30 pm
Spring Concert (Singers, Madr, Chorale)	Singletary Center	Monday May 21, 7:30 pm
LHS Baccalaureate (Singers, Madr, Chorale)	Norsworthy Aud-IAKSS	TBA
LHS Commencement (Singers, Madr, Chorale)	Rupp Arena	TBA

Check out our Online Calendar:

<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/calendar.html>

Download the Spring Schedule:

<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/schedule.html>



# Fundraisers

## Andy Frain

### Women's UK Basketball games

January 2: 7:00 p.m.  
January 4: 7:00 p.m.  
January 14: 2:00 p.m.  
February 1: 7:00 p.m.  
February 4: 12:00 p.m.

- Arrive 2 hours before the game
- Stay for a little while after the game.
- Games at Memorial Coliseum
- Contact Jeff Story: 229-3042
- Must be 18 years old to work

Please report to the front doors on the east side. Parking is available in the parking garage next to Kennedy's book store on Limestone St.



Thanks to Shawn Bower and Corky's BBQ in Lexington for their generous support of our students. Corky's has provided work opportunities to our student to raise money toward the Spring tour. Over \$1800 has been credited to student accounts!

## Upcoming Fundraisers

### Candy Sales

(LAST FUNDRAISER for the Year)

January 8-19

Earn Credits for Travel and Fees

<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/feesandfundraisers.html>

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# Chorus Boosters

## From the Presidents:

Here is information about adult travelers and chaperones for the Orlando Trip.

- The cost for all adult chaperones for the trip is \$300.
- An adult wishing to travel but not as a chaperone (that means you would not have responsibility for supervising kids) is \$368.
- If you have not already done so, you will need to fill out paper work and send a \$50 deposit to secure your place.

## Booster Links

Here are some Links to important Booster Information:

[www.lafayettechoir.org/boosters.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/boosters.html)

Credit Policies

[www.lafayettechoir.org/credits.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/credits.html)

Fundraising Info

[www.lafayettechoir.org/feesandfundraisers.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/feesandfundraisers.html)

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## Andy Frain Fundraising Opportunities Still Available!

Please see detailed information about this great opportunity on page 3 of this newsletter. If you are interested in participating call Jeff Story @ 229-3042.

Jeff and Rhonda Story, Choir Booster Co-Presidents  
[4storys@insightbb.com](mailto:4storys@insightbb.com)

### *Don't forget our Sponsors!*

Many thanks to our corporate sponsors for the 2006-2007 Season! You will see our Corporate Benefactors and Donors listed each month in the Choir Newsletter!

Please show your appreciation for their support by choosing them for your shopping/service needs.

### Next Board Meeting:

Jan 22, 2007 6:00 pm  
Choir Room

Board meetings are usually held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month.



# Orlando 2007

LHS CHOIR TOUR  
MARCH 7-11, 2007

[www.lafayettechoir.org/orlando.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/orlando.html)



*Students in Singers, Chorale, Madrigals and Swing Choir are eligible for this tour*

**Cost per student: \$569**  
**Cost per chaperone: \$300**  
**Cost per Adult Traveler: \$368**

Fees include:

- Transportation
- Lodging
- Meals
- Entertainment

See details in the Presidents' letter above.

A payment of \$100/student is due Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.

See the trip itinerary at

[www.lafayettechoir.org/orlando.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/orlando.html)

Trip Coordinator:

Jeff Story

[orlando@lafayettechoir.org](mailto:orlando@lafayettechoir.org)

## Payment Schedule

- Oct. 23th - \$50/student
- Nov. 20th - \$100/student
- Jan. 19th - \$150/student
- Feb. 20th - \$remainder due

Total Trip Cost: \$570

## Web Announcement:

During the Winter break, the Lafayette Choir website will be undergoing planned upgrades and transition to new servers. Hopefully you will notice no interruption in connection to our website or email addresses.

- Affected services include: the main URL [www.lafayettechoir.org](http://www.lafayettechoir.org) - there may be a period of time that this does not forward to our website.
- Email addresses with the suffix - lafayettechoir.org may not receive email for a period of time.

If you encounter problems, please try again at a later time.

When these upgrades are completed it will allow us to offer better web services in the future.

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An advertisement for Music of Lexington Institute. It features a young boy playing a violin and another boy playing a piano. The text includes "The Ultimate in Quality Individual &amp; Group Music Instruction", "Enroll Today!", "MUSIC OF LEXINGTON INSTITUTE", "Early Childhood Music Ages newborn &amp; up", "Instruction Provided by Established Artists/Teachers to students of all ages", "Piano, Rock &amp; Classical Guitar, Strings, Woodwinds, Brass, Percussion &amp; Voice.", and the phone number "273-9991" with the website "www.musicinstituteoflexington.org".



## From Ms. Gabbard

The month of November started off with several SCAPA freshmen participating in the Kentucky Choral Director's Association's Jr. High All-State Chorus. The students rehearsed all day Friday and Saturday and gave a wonderful performance on Saturday afternoon. This was an invaluable experience for those who were selected to participate. Later in the month, Katie Berger and Reilly Richardson performed solos at SCAPA's Coffee House Arts Lease.

Perhaps our biggest event for the month of November was the Master Class presented by Dr. Everett McCorvey of the University of Kentucky. This was an outstanding clinic! Dr. McCorvey shared much insight into the development of the young singer's voice. He worked with several students on issues such as posture, vocal placement, tension, projection and interpretation. As each performer sang, we were able to hear definite improvements upon implementation of Dr. McCorvey's suggestions. Thank you to Earl Hazell, Emily McClanahan, Patrick Toll, Sarah Tubbesing, and Kevin DeVries for performing for this class.

December is already in full swing. SCAPA students presented a winter vocal recital on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Woodland Christian Church. Each student performed one selection of classical literature. These students are to be commended for their efforts in preparing for this event. Voice Juries were held on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Each student performed two prepared, memorized selections for the jury. Grades were be given based on vocal technique, tone, musicality, and evidence of progress.

From now through the month of February, there are several opportunities for students to sing the National Anthem at home basketball games. If interested, please choose a game from the sign-up sheet on Mr. Marsh's board. Make sure either Ms. Gabbard or Mr. Marsh hear you sing prior to game night. Also, upon our return from the Winter break, we will have our January Master Class on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, from 3:30 until 5:00. If you have not already performed for a class and would like to, please see Ms. Gabbard. All SCAPA students are required to attend the master classes but all other students are also invited.

Thank you for your hard work this semester and for helping to make my transition into this position as smooth as possible! I look forward to our continued study in the spring.

**Laura Gabbard**  
SCAPA Vocal Instructor/ Director  
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[www.lafayettechoir.org/scapavoice.html](http://www.lafayettechoir.org/scapavoice.html)

## Important SCAPA dates

- **SCAPA Performance class**  
Thurs Jan 18, 3:30-5:00
- **SCAPA Performance class**  
Wed Feb 21, 3:30-5:00
- **Vocal Solo and Ensemble Contest**  
Saturday February 24  
Scott County High School

Laura Gabbard  
Vocal Instructor/Director

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Office Hours: 1:20 - 3:20

## Practice Logs

Don't forget to submit your SCAPA Voice practice logs each week!

<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/charms>



The logo for the Lafayette Choir Invitational features the word "lafayette" in a grey, lowercase sans-serif font on the left. In the center, there is a stylized graphic of a blue treble clef and a red eighth note. To the right of the graphic, the word "choir" is written in a grey, lowercase sans-serif font. Below "choir", the word "Invitational" is written in a large, bold, red serif font with a slight shadow effect.

# lafayette choir Invitational

On Friday January 26, the Lafayette Choral Department will be hosting a chorus event for **seventh** and **eighth** grade choir students. The event will consist of a workshop and performance with the Lafayette Choirs. Students will get the opportunity to work with the directors, get to know other choir students, learn more about what awaits them, and learn more about the audition process in the Spring.

Students need not prepare anything prior to coming to Chorus Night. We will teach them all they need for the performance that evening. Our Boosters will provide pizza dinner.

If you know a current 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student that may be attending Lafayette, encourage them to sign up to attend. Contact Mr. Marsh to sign up for the Choir Invitational.

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<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/invitational.html>

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## New Mailing List for Alumni!

The Lafayette Choir has a new email list setup especially for **alumni and alumni parents**. Those wishing to stay connected with the Choir will want to sign up on this list.

This is a light-use listserv to keep Choir alumni and parent alumni connected and informed about Lafayette Choir Concerts and other news of interest. If you have contact with alumni, please inform them of this new email list and encourage them to sign up.

<http://www.lafayettechoir.org/listserv.html>



Women's Choir performs at Winter Concert



Men's Choir performs at Winter Concert



Swing Choir performs at Winter Concert



Dr. Everett McCorvey works with Earl Hazell







Lafayette Singers perform at Winter Concert



Lafayette Advanced Choirs and Orchestra

# CHARMS

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