

The Travelers Choral Club
presents
A Feast of Carols



Directed by Dorothy Barnhart
Accompanied by Stacy Cahoon

Wednesday, December 12, 2007, 7:30 p.m.
The Bushnell ♪ Mortensen Hall
Hartford, Connecticut



Our Director:

Dorothy Barnhart, Director of the Travelers Choral Club, received her degree in music education from Kansas University and a Master’s Degree in music from Wichita State University. She has lived in Connecticut since 1979 and initially taught vocal music in New Haven Public Schools.

Ms. Barnhart studied conducting under Maestro Otto Werner Mueller during his tenure at Yale University. In addition, she studied voice with master teachers Madam Marga Mueller in New Haven and Madam Eva Likova in New York City. She is Artistic Director of Chorale Connecticut. Ms. Barnhart teaches voice in her Southington studio and is Director of the Handbell Choir at the First United Methodist Church. Ms. Barnhart studies singing with professional soloist and master teacher, Beverly Myers, in New York City.



Our Accompanist:

Stacy Cahoon received her Master of Music Degree in Piano Accompanying from the Hartt School of Music and a Bachelor of Music in Performance from the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. In demand as a freelance accompanist, she has appeared throughout the Northeast, including the Lincoln Center Library and St. Peter’s Church in New York City. She has had the distinct pleasure of being the Choral Club Accompanist since 1995. As a soloist, Stacy has performed recitals in Hartford, most recently at Center Church, as well as throughout Cape Cod. Stacy is a staff accompanist for the Hartford Conservatory and is an independent piano teacher.



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The Board of Directors, Travelers Senior Management Team, and the Travelers Foundation for their continuing support.

The Travelers Employees’ Club for providing ushering assistance.

You, our audience, for joining us this evening and for your always generous donations for FoodShare.

“A Feast of Carols”



A FEAST OF CAROLS

RANDOL ALAN BASS

TOMORROW SHALL BE MY DANCING DAY

DAVID WILLCOCKS

PATRICIA GRAY, SOLOIST

THE HILLS ARE BARE AT BETHLEHEM

MICHAEL LARKIN

ENSEMBLE

FLUTE – PAUL MASON ★ CLARINET – ERIC JOHNSON

IN THE BLEAK MID-WINTER

CHRISTINA ROSETTI/GUSTAV HOLST

CANDELIGHT CAROL

JOHN RUTTER

HODIE CHRISTUS

HEALEY WILLAN



INTERMISSION



CHRISTMAS BELLS

JOHN RUTTER

SILVER BELLS

JAY LIVINGSTON/RAY EVANS

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

DON RAYE AND HUGHIE PRINCE

STACY CAHOON, PIANO

RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER

JOHNNY MARKS/MAC HUFF

LARRY GOODWIN, SOLOIST

WENCESLAS!

STEVE KUPFERSCHMID

EDOUARD PARADIS - GOOD KING WENCESLAS ★ KENNETH SULLIVAN - YANKEE

THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

CLEMENT CLARKE MOORE

CARROLL TOAL – NARRATOR OF POEM

THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

JOHN RUTTER





SOPRANO I

Päivi Ingeri Annast
Thelma Clemons
Linda Cromwell ✱
Catharine Floryan ✱
Julie Fredrickson # ✱
Patricia A. Gray #
Elizabeth Haluszka
Linda Lahart>

Rose Libratore
Doreen Madama
Anne Martin
Yushen Michelsen ✱
Pamela Paul
Beatrice Ann Shields
Jo-An Ulrich
Divinagracia Vernier ✱

SOPRANO II

Tara Bush
Grace Carlson >
Diane Hayes
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Beverly Strout
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Maura Curran Baker
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Gloria R. Lombardo
Sue McGoigle >
Melanie S. Peetz

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Alice Sheremeta
Grace Shuman ✱
Sue Ward ✱

TENOR

Robert Balmer
Patrick Black
Richard Daggett ✱
Michael Dolan
Eric Ellison
Lawrence Goodwin #

Paul Mason
Geoffrey Mather ✱
Martin Proulx
Jean-Michel Sibille > ✱
Phil Stice # ✱
Dan Tuve # ✱

BASS

Kenneth Burr
William Curlew ✱
Kevin Doolittle ✱
Dale Eberhardt>
Ed Gawlinski
Eric Johnson
Bernard E. Kean
Tim Kloczko
Ray Knapp ✱

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Tony Sisti #
Carroll Toal
Barrett True ✱
William Very
Randy Walker

- Past President

> - Section Leader

✱- Special Ensemble



The Travelers Choral Club was formed in 1924 and is the oldest company-sponsored, mixed singing group in the United States. Starting out as a small ensemble, the Club performed in the company's auditorium. In 1931, the group appeared at the newly opened Bushnell Auditorium and has performed annually in Mortensen Hall ever since. During the 1930's, 1940's and 1950's the group sang live Christmas carols on radio station WTIC, then owned by The Travelers.

In 1965, the ensemble performed at the World's Fair Travelers Pavilion in New York City under the baton of former director Dr. Frank Groff. And in 2007, the Travelers Choral Club was chosen to sing at the opening ceremonies of the Travelers Championship in Cromwell and at the Governor's Residence Holiday Open House in Hartford.

Our annual spring and holiday concerts are open to the public and admission is always free of charge. As an additional service to our community, the nonprofit Travelers Choral Club organization supports those less fortunate in the Greater Hartford region by collecting thousands of pounds of nonperishable food from our generous concert audiences for donation to Foodshare each year.



The Travelers Choral Club invites you to visit our new website at www.travelerschoralclub.org where you will find detailed information about upcoming performances, past concert programs, club history, concert photos, audio and video recordings, frequently asked questions, club contacts and more.

Please join us for our next free concert on Saturday, April 26, 2008
Welte Auditorium, Central Connecticut State University, New Britain

