



# CHORAL NOTE

"Music is feeling, then, not sound" - Wallace Stevens

## Fall Calendar

- 9/28 Special FHS Class of '63 Reunion Performance (Fair Oaks Hilton Garden Inn) 6-7 pm (Chamber Singers TBA)
- 10/5 Homecoming Performance (FHS) 7-7:15 pm (6:00 call)
- 10/9 FHSCPA Open House (Chorus Room) 7-8:30 pm
- 10/13 Senior Honors Choir Auditions (Longwood University)
- 10/13 Fall Festival: Volunteer to sell White House ornaments
- 10/25 Fall Pyramid Concert (FHS) 7-8:30 pm (5:45 call)
- 11/10 District Chorus Auditions (Centreville HS)
- 11/17 Craft Show (FHS) Volunteer to sell White House ornaments
- 12/17 Winter Concert Rehearsal (FHS) 3-4:30
- 12/18 Winter Concert (FHS) 7-9 pm (5:45 call)



FHS Chorus in the 2017 Homecoming Parade

### *Note from Luke*

Dear Chorus Families,

Welcome to what I know will be an outstanding, educational, and fun year in the chorus family. I have strived during my 10 years at Fairfax to develop a choral program that enriches, challenges, and provides a safe haven where all students feel welcome and accepted. Your involvement as a parent is crucial to the success of our students.

In October you will receive information about parental volunteer opportunities and other ways to support the choral program at our Choral Patron "Parent Chorientation" on Tuesday, October 9th from 7-8:30 p.m. in the chorus room. Other information that will come home with students throughout the month of September will include a calendar of events, the grading syllabus, information about uniforms, and of course, information about paying fees!

On October 5th, the entire chorus will perform "The Star-Spangled Banner" at the beginning of the Homecoming football game. After school that day, the chorus will walk in the homecoming parade. Students will have the opportunity to show their school spirit and throw candy to spectators along the parade route. This is a lot of fun and all

## FHS Choral Patrons Association-FHSCPA

FHS Choral Patrons Association (FHSCPA) meetings are scheduled the first or second Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the FHS Choral Room. All interested parents are welcome to join us. FHSCPA meetings for 2018-19: 9/11, 11/13, 12/04, 1/08, 2/12, 3/12, 4/09, 5/14

chorus members are encouraged to participate.

Dress for homecoming this year is casual- all students should wear jeans and FHS spirit wear of any color. In years past we have had a chorus t-shirt ready to wear for Homecoming, and if I can make that happen, I'll distribute those the night of the game for the students to wear. Students walking in the parade should plan to meet at the Country Club Hills Pool at 3:30PM on Friday (10/5). The call time for all students to warm up to sing at the game is 6:00 p.m. in the chorus room. The students will finish performing at approximately 7:10, at which time they may stay and watch the game or be picked up outside of the chorus room.

I'm looking forward to meeting you!

Take care,

Luke Frels, Fairfax High School Choral Director

### *Note from the President*

#### President's Column

Welcome to the 2018-19 choral year. To our returning singers and families, welcome back. To our new singers and families, welcome to Fairfax High School Chorus! My name is Jenn Robinson, and I am the president of the Fairfax High School Choral Patrons Association ("FHSCPA"). The Choral Patrons are the fundraising arm of the chorus. Our goal is to provide financial and volunteer support to Mr. Frels to ensure an amazing experience for your singer. t

It takes many hands to make your singer's chorus education fun, experiential, and memorable. Our singers participate in competitions, take part in workshops, and travel. For all of this to happen, it takes a village of people willing to donate their time, talent, and treasure. There will be plenty of volunteer opportunities this year for each family, and if everyone donates 3-4 hours over the course of the entire school year, our chorus will run smoothly.

Your FHSCPA board is an all-volunteer group of chorus parents who meet monthly to support Mr. Frels and ensure that the chorus needs are being met. You are welcome to join us! I'd like to introduce your 2018-19 board:

- Jenn Robinson, President; Sing-a-Thon chair; Picnic Chair
- Kathryn Schababerle, Vice President; Booster Sales Chair; Spirit Wear Chair; Papa John's Cards Chair
- Kristin Shriver, Secretary; Wardrobe Coordinator
- Jim Coffey, Treasurer
- Erik Buice, Publicity
- Jason and Michelle Scadron, White House Ornaments Co-Chairs
- Chris Castle, Lead Trip Chaperone
- Susan Smullen, Concessions Chair
- Reva Kamat, District Chorus Hospitality Chair
- Holly Rhoder, PTA Liaison

Please plan on attending our "Chorientation", on Tuesday, October 9, 2018. Mr. Frels will go over the chorus year, including upcoming concerts, trips, fees, and other important information. You will also have the chance to purchase Papa John's Pizza cards, White House Ornaments and Booster Memberships. We'll even bring the coffee and dessert!



Our spirit wear store is open for shopping. You can find a variety of items for every taste—including water bottles and pajama pants! Visit: <https://fairfaxhschorus2018.itemorder.com/sale> to start shopping! Hurry—the store closes on September 28th! Finally, please consider volunteering this year. Many hands make light work! Please take a look at all of our fall 2018 volunteer opportunities. Here’s wishing you and your singer a great 2018-19 school year. I look forward to meeting you at Chorientation!

With Gratitude,

Jenn Robinson, President, FHSCPA

# SUPPORT FHSCPA!



The Fairfax High School Choral Patrons Association (FHSCPA) is the fundraising arm of the FHS Chorus program. Funds are raised to support the purchase of music, equipment, wardrobe items and general operating expenses. The FHSCPA also offsets the cost of chorus-related trips. Help us support your singers by supporting the FHSCPA!

## Patron Levels:

### Soloist (\$25)

Name appears in choral program for 2016-17 season.

Reserved seating at performances.

### Producer (\$50)

All Soloist benefits.  
Treble Clef magnet.

### Conductor (\$75)

All Soloist and Producer benefits.  
FHS Chorus car decal.

### Maestro (\$100)

All Soloist, Producer and Conductor benefits.  
FHS Chorus lanyard.

### Virtuoso (\$200)

**Corporate Sponsorship**  
All previous benefits.  
Business card appears in choral program for the school year.

Checks payable to “FHSCPA”

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Patron Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as you would like it to appear in our program/recognition materials: \_\_\_\_\_

Check here if you wish to remain anonymous.

## Support FHSCPA!

All proceeds and volunteer hours benefit your singer's chorus education.

### Papa Johns Pizza Cards:

Use these throughout the DMV to receive one free large pizza for each one purchased. These make great stocking stuffers, gifts for college students, bus driver and teacher appreciation gifts, and work great when you have to feed lots of hungry kids at birthday parties! \$15 each and FHSCPA earns \$10 for every card sold!

Email Kathryn Schababerle at [kschabab@gmail.com](mailto:kschabab@gmail.com) to place your order!



### White House Ornaments:

This year's ornament honors President Harry S. Truman. Ornaments will be sold at Choriantation, Fairfax Fall Festival, the Fairfax Holiday Craft Show (at FHS) and at all chorus concerts. Ornaments are \$19.50 each.

If you would like to order in bulk, or need ornaments before one of our events, please contact Jason Scadron at: [jpscadron@yahoo.com](mailto:jpscadron@yahoo.com)



### Chorus Spirit Wear

Show off your chorus pride with our spirit wear! You can place your order online and have it delivered to school or directly to your house. We are offering a wide variety of items such as shirts, water bottles, and even pajamas!

Visit our spirit page at: <https://fairfaxhschorus2018.itemorder.com/sale>



### Volunteer With Us!

We need you! Many hands make light work. It takes a lot of people-power to keep our chorus running. Please consider donating 3-4 hours of your time over the course of the year. We are a fun bunch of people and we welcome your time, talent, and treasure! We offer volunteer opportunities in the fall and spring. Click here to review our fall Sign Up Genius and let us know how you will help. Link not working? Paste it into your browser:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0e4ca9ad29a5f85-2018>

