Come Sing a Song, or 2 or more

To: 2023 DGMs and Other Inspecting Officers

Grand Chapter Chorus Information to Share with Members of the OES

Two special matters are taking place this year regarding the GC Chorus that opens opportunities for more singers. First is all Grand Elected, Grand Floor, Grand Representatives, Deputy Grand Matrons and Grand Pages and Aides are able to be a part of the Chorus. The second is local rehearsals are being planned, allowing all to rehearse and have the music before Grand Chapter. The opportunities have come about after discussion with WGM Debby and the securing of keyboard players by Chorus Director Bill Westover.

What is needed is response by those willing and able to play for the rehearsals as well as those who want to sing to contact either Bill or Diane Phillips who will coordinate across the state. Or questions if any- email!

Please see your DGM for filling out the information needed and this can be emailed to

 **Diane at:** **phillipsdlk@gmail.com** **or Bill at:** **wmwestover@spectrum.net**

The WGM, Sister Debby, has submitted her titles for the opening session. #3 and #4 are New this year.

**1. Why We Sing 2. Color My World** a Sing a long 3. **I’ll Fly Away** and **4. My Way**

 **with WGP Rick as soloist, alternative words by WGM/WGP reflecting the 2023 Grand Year**

**And just a couple of titles to tease you for 2024 prior to Installation: Humble and Kind** and **Kind- Hearted Hand.** The rest will only be announced to those signing up to sing. Music is being purchased….

There will also be singing during the Worship Service on Sunday morning: waiting on information as of this time.

These are Expectations from input of 2022 members

**Attire** 2023**–** keeping with WGM theme– long, black skirts & pastel, rainbow color tops/ black sparkle top

– OR required dress for session. **Men**: dark jacket, pants, light color or white shirt or required attire for session.

**Sisters:** Installation choir: Black sparkle top-- or required session dress **Brothers:**  as before

**$5.00 participation** fee to be paid by sending to Diane: 737 Lynnwood Dr. Minerva, Oh 44657 covers cost of new music

but payment is by US Post. Or If you see Diane along the way and pay then…… Thank you

**Each singer** will need to: **attend** at least 1 rehearsal to get music and provide own black 3 ring ½” binder

 **Walk-ins will not be considered as it not fair to sing without rehearsal as others gave up time to rehearse\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Bring music to GC session -  **No** additional music will be available – since all have attended rehearsals.

Members will stand in SATB sections – be on time for warm-up, standing order and a picture.

Please complete the following information and return by July 1, 2023 ------- email is okay

----------------------------------------------- Grand Chapter Chorus Registration ----------------------------------------------------

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Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ chapter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Region \_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Able and Willing to lead a rehearsal? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*Bill has already contacted me. YES

returning singer Yes / No Part Preferred (Brothers Needed) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Soloist \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

additional information is appreciated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 all secrets are kept – been there / done that as Gr. Organist 2011 and DGM 2020/21

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