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THE HOUSTON CHORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

Music Fit for a King

MAY 6, 2017



The Houston Choral Society (HCS) culminates its 30th season with magnificent and regal works in its Music Fit for a King concert on Saturday, May 6 at 7:30 PM at The Foundry United Methodist Church.

This inspiring concert, directed by HCS Artistic Director Dr. Kevin M. Klotz, features Handel's "Coronation Anthem Zadok the Priest," Mozart's "Coronation Mass," and John Rutter's "This is the Day" that was composed for the wedding of HRH Prince William and Miss Catherine Middleton.

Handel composed his four coronation anthems between September and October 1727, producing some of the most spine-tingling choral music of the Baroque period. Zadok the Priest is by far the most popular of the four. Composed for the coronation of King George II of England in 1727, this anthem has been performed at every coronation since then. Its adrenaline rush of an introduction, with its teasing promise of release only to start again, is only a warm-up for what is to come. As the regal strings build, it's still a surprise when the trumpets and choir burst onto the scene with their triumphant outpouring of joy, gradually climaxing in a full seven-part choir singing 'God save the King!'

Mozart's triumphal Mass in C Major, K. 317, is one of his most

popular and enduring works. It is known as the Coronation Mass, a nickname it acquired following a performance conducted by Antonio Salieri in 1791 in Prague at the coronation of Leopold II as King of Bohemia. This festive setting of the mass combines soloists, chorus, and orchestra in a brilliant and virtuosic style. In addition, Mozart uses the same thematic ideas from the first movement in the final movement, bringing a sense unity to this magnificent and rousing composition!

In addition, the 75-member chorus will be singing two numbers specifically composed for the coronations of British Royalty - C. Hubert H. Parry's "I was Glad When They Said Unto Me" composed for the coronation of King Edward VII in 1902 and Ralph Vaughn Williams' "O Taste and See" that was composed for the coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in 1953.

"On this concert, we are featuring works that were performed at royal celebrations," said Dr. Klotz. "Come and experience the dramatic and rousing quality of these compositions as the Houston Choral Society presents some of the most magnificent and regal music ever written!"

Guest soloists for this concert are soprano Cynthia Clayton, mezzo-soprano Sonja Bruzauskas, tenor Nicholas Szoeka, and bass Leon Turner.

Ticket prices are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors/students/veterans, and \$10 for children ages 5 and younger. Group rates are available. Tickets are available online at www.houstonchoral.org. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. The Foundry United Methodist Church is one of the premiere choral venues in Houston with extraordinary acoustics. It is located in northwest Houston at 8350 Jones Road, Houston, TX 77065 with easy access from Highway 290.

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To submit an article for consideration please email it to townelake@peelinc.com. The deadline is the 9th of the month prior to the issue.

Attention Parents of Graduating Seniors!

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Cost: \$115 Free range balls, cart, green fees, two drinks on course, tournament prize, and dinner. (If you do not have a foursome, we will pair you with others)

All proceeds benefit Acts of Wisdom and help to expand our presence in rural Africa to help give more children the materials they need for school. For a registration form or to be a sponsor at any level, please go to actsofwisdom.com.

ACTS of Wisdom grew out of founder Pastor Brad Otto's experiences in Ethiopia and the Book of Acts where an Ethiopian Eunuch asks the Apostle Philip about Jesus. Philip is stunned that

he doesn't know, to which the eunuch replies, "No one has ever taught me." Part of the cycle of poverty is not having access to quality education, or having inadequate supplies for education. 145 million children in the world do not have access to education, yet children still dream of becoming doctors, lawyers, and teachers.

At ACTS of Wisdom we believe every child, everywhere, should have access to education and to teachers willing to take time to teach them. Our hope is that through bettering the education opportunities of children, we might be able to help end the cycle of poverty, and begin to have peace in our world.



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Do you know of someone who has trouble putting food on the table? Maybe their employment was suddenly terminated; maybe it's a choice between medications or food; for whatever reason a family can find themselves in a situation where they need a little help.

Fountain of Life Church of God on Mueschke Road runs a food pantry on Mondays from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm and the only requirement is that the client should live in zip code 77433 and west of Skinner 77429. For more information, contact 281-373-9337. Food donations and volunteers are also greatly appreciated.

Computerized job search and resume preparation and printing are also available.



Cy-Fair Republican Women May Meeting

Tuesday, May 9th will be CFRW General Meeting from 10:30 AM - Noon.

Meeting is \$3 -- Meeting w/Lunch at Noon is \$23.

Hearthstone Country Club, 7615 Ameswood, Houston, TX 77095
All are welcome! Come and enjoy like-minded fellowship and relevant speakers.

RSVP to www.cfrw.net by May 2nd. We look forward to seeing you there!

We have a Scholarship available for a female college student. Go to www.cfrw.net for criteria and application. Deadline is June 15th.

Our "After Hours" Event for March was a tour and lunch at the Steamboat House on Beltway 8. Owner Charlie Fogarty conducted the tour and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it. Check the website for future events.

SAVE the DATE—November 3rd for High Heels & High Tea at Sterling CC. Watch this space or website for further details.

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AHFC has multiple campuses in and around Houston. The club invites all interested players from the ages of 7 to 18, to the Player Tryouts & Evaluations and to become part of our success. We ask that all interested players pre-register before coming out to the fields. Please visit albionhurricanes.org for details about your particular campus.

AHFC offers JHSL (a recreational program for 5 - 10 year old) at our Cy Fair and Central locations and offers additional training at Katy Friday Night Academy.

Visit albionhurricanes.org for times and dates.

CYPRESS TEXAS TEA PARTY

The next meetings of the Cypress Texas Tea Party will be on:

Saturday, May 6, 2017 NOON - 2:00 PM

- Alan Bragg, Police Chief, CFISD

Saturday, May 27, 2017 NOON - 2:00 PM

- To be determined

The Cypress Texas Tea Party meets every three weeks on Saturday

Noon until 2:00 PM at:

Spring Creek BBQ

25831 Northwest Freeway

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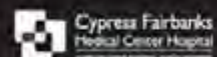
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How Key Club Benefits our Society

In your opinion, which is more important, doing things for the good of the individual or the good of the society?



One of Key Club's sole principles is to help out the community in any way, shape, or form through volunteering. Doing things for the good of the community is a default when it comes to volunteering. Whether it's helping kids with math tutoring at nearby schools or aiding the less fortunate through food drives, Key Club will always strive to help out the community, to better strengthen our society.

While doing things for the good of the individual may seem the right choice, it is evident that everyone isn't as well off as others, and we need to be the first responders in times when they are in need of help, big or small. Volunteering brings individuals together, forming a stronger community and society.

For example, if there is no one to help out with a certain volunteering event, then there is more work that needs to be done within the individuals organizing the event, that could be easily done amongst volunteers. Helping out with what needs to be done at events allows for a more smooth ride, which benefits all that are both volunteering and participating in the event. Volunteers help out during events to make things easier. Any form of service is considered beneficial to the community, even if those are being impacted indirectly.

Individuals make up our society, and without those who seek doing things for the good of the people, we would be nowhere today. Concerning Key Club, those individuals are our volunteers who strive during each event to do all they can to make a difference when they serve our community. Without them, Key Club wouldn't be what it is, and there would certainly be a void to fill within the world of service.

It is easy to think that you should just worry about yourself and not be entitled to help out others. When you sign up to be a Key Club volunteer, you understand and realize just what it means to put others' needs before yourself. Whether you're assigned to just move and set up equipment or assist the elderly, all events matter and are centered around putting the good of society before yourself as an individual.

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By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



You always know when an animal has met an untimely and unfortunate death when you see Black Vultures or Turkey Vultures. So how can you tell the difference? The Black Vulture has a featherless black-grey head while the Turkey Vulture has a featherless red head. In flight, the Black Vulture is distinguishable by

white-tipped wings whereas the majority of the underside of the Turkey Vulture is pale in color.

Both species of vultures feed primarily on carrion. Most of what vultures eat would make any other animal very sick but they are strong animals with an incredible digestive system and a very strong immune system. Their stomachs are extremely acidic. They can usually survive eating carcasses infected with botulism, anthrax, cholera and salmonella. Some believe that vultures spread disease because they eat dead meat. Actually, the opposite is true. They rid our environment of what could potentially cause the spread of diseases.

Turkey Vultures use their eyesight and keen sense of smell to find their food. By flying low, they are able to see dead animals and detect the gases produced when an animal begins to decay. They prefer to feed on animals that are recently dead. Black Vultures can't smell but will often follow Turkey Vultures to find food.

The breeding season of the turkey vulture starts in March,

peaks in April to May, and continues into June. Interestingly, vultures don't make nests. In most cases, females lay two eggs but have been known to lay one and rarely three. The eggs are whitish/cream colored and heavily marked with dark brown or lavender spots around the larger end. Eggs are generally laid on a bare surface in a protected location. TWRC receives many calls from the public reporting that a vulture took up residence in their atrium or on their front porch.

Both parents incubate, and the young hatch after 30 to 40 days. Chicks are altricial, or helpless at birth. Both adults feed the chicks by regurgitating food for them, and care for them for 10 to 11 weeks. When adults are threatened while nesting, they may flee, or they may regurgitate on the intruder or feign death. If the chicks are threatened in the nest, they defend themselves by hissing and regurgitating. Family groups will remain together until fall.

Although not endangered, vultures have been impacted by the use of lead bullets and buckshot used by hunters. If the shot animal is not removed or covered, vultures will consume the contaminated meat and become ill or die.

Because of their eating habits and appearance, vultures would probably never win a "My Favorite Bird" contest or "Most Beautiful Bird" award but they play an important role in keeping our environment cleaner and definitely smelling better. Have you thanked a vulture today?

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