



Dear Choir Parents,

TECH WEEK IS HERE! For those of you who have never experienced tech week (the 4 longer rehearsals before our Friday and Saturday Fall Follies performances) the key to a successful week for your student is time management! During the long rehearsals this week there will be time for your student to eat a healthy snack, do homework and even have a little fun. Please encourage your student to manage time wisely, eat well, stay hydrated, sleep well and have fun at rehearsal this week to help reduce any stress this busy week may bring. The Choir boosters will provide healthy snacks (as specified below) to help parents and students manage the week.

FAST FACTS:

- Fall Follies is this Friday and Saturday October 19th and 20th. [Click here](#) to purchase tickets online or purchase them at [Duffey & Co.](#) in the Park or at the door (cash or check only at the door).
- Tech Week rehearsals this week and food provided:
Monday **10/15- All Choirs** 3:30- 8:00pm at PAC.
All students wear TE shirts.
Food Provided: fruit, granola bars, yogurt and cheese sticks

Tuesday **10/16- All Choirs** 3:30-8:00pm at PAC.
Men wear white shirts, women wear red shirts.
Food Provided: fruit, granola bars, yogurt and cheese sticks

Wednesday **10/17- All Choirs** 3:30-8:30pm at PAC.
Men wear black shirts, women wear white shirts.
Food Provided: Mr. A's subs and fruit
Thursday **10/18- All Choirs** 3:30- 8:30pm at PAC.
Dress Rehearsal.
Food Provided: Bagels, cream cheese, yogurt and fruit
- **Call times** for student performances Friday and Saturday evenings will be announced in class.
- **SCRIPS.** The next deadline for a SCRIPS order (ie. gift cards to earn escrow money for your student) will by Sunday, October 21st. [Click here](#) to learn more about SCRIPS

- Our Charity Gaming event this past week earned our Choirs \$2750! **A HUGE thank you** to the following Choir Boosters who covered Charity Gaming shifts:

Miekea Ibekwe
 Towanda Hunter
 Lynette Halalay
 Laura Sanom
 Katherine Brandon
 Karen Strehlke
 Tim O'Halla
 Beth Vernon
 Anita Adams
 Maria Riccobono
 Freeman Gunnel
 Beth Walsh-Sahutske
 Elizabeth Christinidis
 Sandy Srodawa
 Vic Maraldo
 Kim Tripp
 Ion Halalay
 Julie Yonkus
 Amy Moncivais
 Cheryl Maraldo

- **The Andy Work Out!** On Saturday **October 20th**, 9:30-10:15am, South choreographer Andy Haines is challenging all choir parents to experience the same work out and choreography that he teaches our kids! [Click here](#) to sign up for this fun annual event. Mimosas and pastries will be served after at the home of John and Anne Leo as a “cool down” and opportunity to meet fellow boosters! <http://www.gpsouthchoir.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/andy-workout-09182.pdf>
- **Lost DRESSES!** Did you help with costume washing last season? Check your home for 12 coral dresses. Contact either Linda Calisi 313-409-0127 or Michela Walsh 313-354-4224 if you have them.
- **Choir Garage Sale is Next Week:** If you have items to donate or would like to help, see the details below. Mark your calendar, the sale dates are **October 27 and 28**.
- **Choir Benefit Pop up Dinner** at Windmill Pointe on **November 9th**. Join us for a 4 course dinner, cash bar where South students will provide entertainment and the proceeds will benefit South Choir. [Click here](#) to get tickets! Don't miss out!

THE DETAILS:

Tech Week Rehearsal Meals: Please thank this year's meal parents, Alex O'Dell and Jami Leach, who will be organizing and serving your student healthy snacks and light meals this week. Food will be provided daily at approximately 6:00pm as outlined above. If your student requires something different, please plan to provide it. *Also, please remind your student to **bring a water bottle to rehearsals**. We will not be providing bottled water, but we will have water jugs to refill bottles, and there are water fountains at the PAC.*

Choir Garage Sale: Please start saving your donations for this community favorite. The Choir Garage Sale will be held on Saturday & Sunday, October 27-28. The committee is accepting donated items that are in good, saleable condition. Household items including home décor, kitchen and dining ware, small furniture and linens are gratefully accepted. Clothing donations should be limited to designer, very gently used or new items. Bottom line: if you think the choir could make money on it, please consider donating it!

Donation drop off will be Monday-Thursday, October 22-25. Larger donations that can't wait can be picked up earlier and stored for this event. Please spread the word and ask everyone you know who might be "cleaning house" to consider donating to the choir. Thank you to Lauren Wilson who has agreed to co-chair this event again. Her committee can use help gathering, organizing and selling. Please [click here](#) to sign up for a volunteer shift. If you have questions, please contact Lauren at laurenwilson373@gmail.com or call 313-410-1686.

Pop Up Dinner to Benefit Choir: Tickets are ON SALE NOW for our Friday, November 9th Choir Benefit Pop Up Dinner at the Tompkins Center.

[CLICK HERE](#) to purchase tickets. Seating is limited to 130 and tickets are going fast. Join us for a very special evening where Freeman Gunnell and his chef colleagues will prepare a beautiful 4-course dinner as a fundraiser for south choir where students can help serve and perform throughout the evening.

Doors will open at 7:00pm and dinner will be served promptly at 7:30pm. Cash bar with beer and wine available.

Thank you for supporting your students' choir program! Have a great week!

With Warmest Regards,

Megan and Freeman Gunnell
2018-2019 Choir Booster Presidents