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Christmas Concert Twice as Nice

Music lovers again had two opportunities to *Ring in the Holidays* with Stafford Regional Choral Society as SRCS presented a Christmas-themed program at 3 pm and 7 pm on December 18, 2016 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Highlights included the traditional collection of favorites from Handel's *Messiah*, and an exciting contemporary piece titled *Gaudete*, which featured a student percussion ensemble. SRCS added a second Christmas concert in 2015; after a very positive response from both patrons and singers, the back-to-back format was repeated this year. Plans are in place to continue the practice in 2017!



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BROADWAY

2017 BENEFIT GALA SUNDAY MAY 7, 2017
Riverside Center for the Performing Arts

Artistic Director

Barbara Perry

Director's Notes

Hi Everyone,

They say the neon lights are bright on... Yes, SRCS is going to Broadway again! We are so excited to bring back some fun Broadway style music in our new location, the Riverside Dinner Theater. We couldn't think of a more appropriate theme for our new space. Expect some good tunes we all know, and some of the new Broadway. We are also really excited to bring in the Artistic Director of Riverside, Patrick Ahearn, as a guest soloist. You won't want to miss this event!

Looking ahead, this summer we will return to the Marine Corps Museum on the weekend of July 3 for a patriotic concert. This is always a popular concert for the community. Rehearsals will begin in the end of May so watch the website for dates and times.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Gala!

Barbara Perry

How Can You Help?

The Silent Auction team, Karen Rigole and Joan Norvell, are gearing up for another fantastic array of items for the 2017 Benefit Gala *On Broadway!* They and others have been making requests for professional sports tickets, theme park visits, and much more. Now they really need YOU to help out with donations to put it over the top! Please let the team know any requests you plan to make to avoid duplication. They are especially looking for these items, but your suggestions are welcome!

Sports items and tickets

Theater/Concert/Movie tickets (several of these)

Winery items to include bottles of wine, freebies/tours at Winery, etc. (two or more)

Brewery/Ale House items

B&B or other overnight stay

Restaurant Gift cards-downtown or specialty places

Massage and spa services gift cards or certificates

Tickets for fun adventures like Kings Dominion or Six Flags, etc.

*The Stafford Regional Choral Society
Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday
of each month at 7:30 P.M.*

*All members are welcome to attend or to voice
suggestions/concerns to any Board member.*

**Next meeting Dec. 12, 2016*

The General Store, Fredericksburg

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Scholarship News

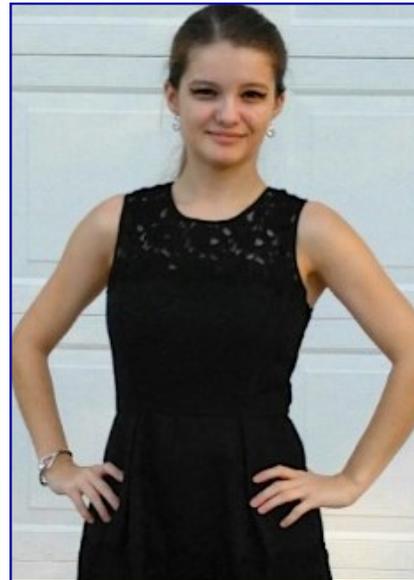
Barb LeRoy

SRCS 2017 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

For the 15th year, Stafford Regional Choral Society will award scholarships to talented high school senior musicians who will continue their study of music during their college years. In support of the SRCS mission to promote the cultural enrichment and fulfillment found through musical study and performance, the competition is open to all local high school seniors and does not require a major in music. Auditions were held on January 16 and we are pleased to announce the 2017 winners.



The 2017 SRCS Instrumental Scholarship has been awarded to Aili Barricklow of Brooke Point High School. She is the daughter of Ron and Kelly Barricklow who reside in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Ms. Barricklow has been principal viola and Concert Mistress since 2015 in the Brook Point High School Chamber Sinfonia in the Symphonic Orchestra since 2016. This Tri M member has been in both the Marching Band as a section leader and the highest level choir at school. Ms. Barricklow plans major in music at Lynchburg College.



The 2017 SRCS Piano Scholarship has been awarded to Jessica Lee of North Stafford High School. Jessica is the daughter of Velveth Lee and resides in Stafford, Virginia. She studies piano with Natasha Smoot. Jessica is currently studying Music Theory in addition to performing in the North Stafford High School theater productions of Addams Family and Fame. Ms. Lee plans to continue her studies at NOVA while she gives performances at local senior homes and other civic events.

We wish our competition winners every success in their upcoming college and musical endeavors. We look forward to hearing from them and watching them grow as talented musicians.

If you are interested in more information about the SRCS Scholarships, please contact the Scholarship Committee Chairperson, Barb LeRoy, (832)398-6718.

Where Are They Now?

Abby and Accapology



Abby Carbone, an enthusiastic and tireless member of SRCS during high school, is currently attending NC State and performing with the original a cappella group on campus, Accapology. She recently sent this update.

Accapology competed in the ICCA Quarterfinals on February 4th at the Carolina Theatre in Durham, NC. We competed with ten other groups from different colleges in the area, including UNC Chapel Hill, UNC Greensboro, Duke, William and Mary, Christopher Newport University, and the University of Tennessee. Our set was *All Time Low* by Jon Bellion, *Once Upon Another Time* by Sara Bareilles, and *Leave Me Lonely* by Ariana Grande (the link is included below). We won second place in the competition, which means we are eligible to compete in the ICCA Semifinals in Athens, GA on March 11 with about ten other groups! It's an incredibly unique and rewarding experience to be able to sing something that I am genuinely proud of with some of my best friends here at NC State. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B0q8yMWGAec&feature=youtu.be>

The SRCS Board of Directors is pleased and proud to congratulate Abby and Accapology with a donation of \$1,000 toward their travel expenses as they compete in the ICCA semifinals! Abby, we miss your smile and beautiful voice but we are so proud of you! We hope this donation sends you and Accapology off to a big win in Georgia!

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