

## COMING EVENTS — MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| June 14, 2016      | Melting Pot fund raiser                 |
| July 12, 2016      | Summer Party                            |
| July 26, 2016      | Central City Opera tour<br><i>Tosca</i> |
| August 23-27, 2016 | Opera Tour— Santa Fe                    |
| August 24, 2016    | <i>Vanessa</i>                          |
| August 25, 2016    | Romeo et Juliette                       |
| August 26, 2016    | <i>Don Giovanni</i>                     |

Details in inside this issue.

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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

As I was preparing the article for my final message in this issue of the Lyric Letter, I could not believe that a year has passed us by.

I enjoyed my time as your president and was more than delighted to meet so many wonderful members of our guild. As I step back and realize, both the many ups and a few downs of serving you, I totally comprehend the value of our organization.

We are both unique and a huge contributor to the encouragement for our singers as they begin or progress through their talented careers.

I wish to think we are a guiding light for those who participate in our annual competition events.

I want to congratulate and wish good luck to the incoming board members for accepting their respective positions.

And not to be forgotten, a 'HUGE THANK YOU' to the outgoing board members for all their support and cooperation during the past year.

I also want to say a big thank you to all our volunteers who without their help, we could not have accomplished many of our events.

As always, remember to enjoy opera and music, it makes the day a happy occasion.

*Dick Bronowski, President*

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### **Coming Summer Events —**

**June 14, 2016—Tuesday**

#### **Flag Day Fundraiser**

Where: Melting Pot  
2707 W. Main Street  
Littleton, CO 80129

What time: 5:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Cost: \$60.00

**Deadline June 9, 2016** Make checks payable to DLOG, mail to:

Lynn Harrington  
99997 Raleigh St.  
Westminster, CO 80031

**July 12, 2016—Tuesday**

#### **Summer Party**

Where: Mt. Vernon Country Club  
Golden, Colorado

Times: 10:30 am — Social Hour  
11:00 am — Program  
12:00 noon — Lunch

Cost: \$40.00

**Deadline July 7, 2016.** Make checks payable to DLOG, mail to:

Diane Bakke  
8222 S. Peninsula Dr.  
Littleton, CO 801290  
(Note on check meal choice.)

Or reserve on line through PayPal on the DLOG website:  
[Denverlyricoperaguild.org](http://Denverlyricoperaguild.org)

**July 26, 2016—Tuesday**

#### **Central City Opera Tour**

Article on page 2 has all the details of this excursion to see  
*Tosca*. **Deadline: June 24, 2016**

**August 23-27, 2016—Tuesday-Saturday**

#### **Santa Fe Opera Tour**

You will find all the details on page 5. **Deadline: July 7, 2016**

Fun Flag Day Fundraiser —-

This Summer DLOG is sponsoring another fun filled activity, the Flag Day Fundraiser on June 14 at the Melting Pot restaurant in Littleton, 2707 W. Main Street. It will begin at 5:30 pm and end at 8:30.

We need to have at least 50 attendees to make this a financial success. The \$60 dinner is a four course meal including salads, cheese fondue, with veggies and breads, meats to cook with different sauces and of course, our favorite, chocolate fondue with marshmallows, and various fruit items. There is also a cash bar.

The entertainment will be furnished by some famous (perhaps infamous) singers sharing some patriotic songs and including the attendees in the fun with a sing-a-long. We encourage you to invite guests to share this experience. If you are in the patriotic spirit, wear your red, white and blue.

Please send your checks made out to DLOG to Lynn Harrington, 9997 Raleigh St, Westminster, CO 80031. If you have questions feel free to call at 303-464-0659. The deadline for payment is June 9.

Yeah for the Red, White, and Blue!

Lynn Harrington, Chairman

Summer Party - July 12, 2016

Excited about summer? We are and hope you will join us for our annual Summer Party at Mt Vernon Country Club. Please come and bring your friends for a fun filled event with great singing, good friends and delicious food in a beautiful setting. We will have singers from Central City Opera perform and give us a preview of upcoming performances. There will also be a drawing for two tickets to Central City Opera. This is always a fun event.

- 10:30 Social Time
- 11:00 Central City Coming Season Teasers
- 12:00 Yummy Lunch

Menu

Medallions of Steak Au Poivre  
Chicken Spinach Phyllo Triangles w/Mornay  
Sicilian Vegetables Over Rice  
(Be sure to indicate your choice of entree and any special dietary needs.)  
Reservations \$40 by July 7, 016

Please make your check payable to DLOG and send to:  
Dianne Bakke  
8222 S. Peninsula Dr  
Littleton, Co. 80120  
You may also pay with PayPal on the DLOG website.

Looking forward to seeing you there!!

Diana Bakke, Chairman

Central City Opera Tour—July 26, 2016

Central City is holding 18 seats in reserve for DLOG and 4 parking spaces for carpool drivers in the opera lot. Purchase your ticket for the opera and add \$3 towards a parking spot and send a check made out to DLOG in the amount of \$52.00 to Carole Cruson\* It must be received no later than June 24. The Guild has also reserved 18-21 spaces for lunch at Kevin Taylors in the Teller House where you may order off the menu. Following lunch there should be free time to enjoy Central City visiting friends in the flower gardens, shopping, exploring the gallery, or attending the pre-opera talk in the Stable....who knows perhaps you will have a visit with a one arm bandit!

The matinee begins at 2:30 p.m. and is estimated to last around three hours at which time you will connect with your driver and head home. On a note of interest Michael Mayes will be singing the role of Baron Scarpia, Chief of Police; some will remember he was a judge at the DLOG 2014 Competition; he also sang the lead role in Dead Man Walking in Central City. Such a bad guy!! It is also rumored that a special guest may show up for lunch.

Don't forget to send your check on time. Carole will be arranging the carpools. Two people have agreed to drive at this point and 2 more drivers will be needed. Let Carole know if you could drive.

\*Carole Cruson  
103 Normans St.  
Golden, CO 80403  
Phone: 303 638-8870



Santa Fe Opera Tour, August 23-27, 2016

Come with us on a fun-filled opera trip to Santa Fe, NM. We will leave August 23, see 3 operas - Vanessa, Romeo et Juliette and Don Giovanni and return home August 27.

Total package includes opera tickets, hotel (double occupancy \$646/single \$884) and \$100 donation to DLOG Competition. We will be staying at the Double Tree by Hilton. Meals are not included but the Double Tree does have an on-site restaurant. The hotel has a shuttle to the downtown plaza where there is fabulous shopping and excellent restaurants. We will carpool so everyone will be asked to give their driver \$35 to cover expenses.

Many sights to see during the day include Canyon Road with wonderful art galleries, Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, Museum of Indian Arts & Culture, New Mexico History Museum and lots more.

Contact Carol Hoffman, 1854 W. Cape Cod Way, Littleton, CO 80120, phone 303-347-1404, email [cahsoprano@reagan.com](mailto:cahsoprano@reagan.com) to sign up or ask questions. **Reserve by July 7, 2016.**



*In Memoriam*

*DLOG extends sympathy to Sarita List on the loss of her husband Jim*

*and to the family and friends on their loss of*

*Winston Hill*

**Welcome new members—**

**Allie Coppeak**  
5200 S. Ulster #1411  
Greenwood Village, Co. 80111  
970-331-6015  
[acoppeak@gmail.com](mailto:acoppeak@gmail.com)

**Patrick Diamond (Marleen)**  
Same contact information as Marleen

**Marilyn Ogden**  
7573 C. Cove Circle  
Centennial 80122  
303-756-8920  
[Maogden3@aol.com](mailto:Maogden3@aol.com)

**Rod Wicklund (Phyllis)**  
same contact information as Phyllis

**Directory Changes**

New Address  
Angie Pope  
1802 Wall Street, Apt. 222  
Bellevue, NE 68005  
Phone: same 303-750-3160

New email—Phyllis Wicklund [phylwick@comcast.net](mailto:phylwick@comcast.net)



## 2016 Competition Winners Receive awards



President Dick Bronowski presents Galen & Ada Belle Spencer Foundation Award to 1st place winner Sarah Cambridge



Past President Phyllis Wicklund presents Kenneth King Foundation Award to 2nd place winner Phoenix Gayles



Past President Carol Hoffman presents Myrle F. Hoffman Memorial Award to 3rd place winner Rebecca Robinson



Mathew Peterson, 6th place winner (Bernard Polak Memorial Award; Christian Mark Gibbs, Ctf. of Merit; Phoenix Gayles, 2nd place winner; Neila Getz, Ctf. of Merit; Anna Englander, 4th place winner (Stasia Davison Award); Emily Morris, Ctf. Of Merit; Rebecca Robinson, 3rd place winner; Sarah Cambridge, 1st place winner; Humberto Borboa Beltran, 7th place winner (Sherry Sargent Memorial Award. ) (Not pictured: Maggie Sczekan, 5th place winner, Shirley and Marlis Smith Award.)



Karen Bruggenthies, Competition Vice-President



Jeremy Reger. Accompanist

## Annual Meeting Luncheon



President –elect Marie Belew Wheatley, , Immediate Past President Dick Bronowski, President Marleen Diamond



Sissy Baker, Emily Gradowski, Kevin Gwinn, Jenna Clark, Matthew Peterson, Ken Cox — Lamont School of Music, D.U.



**The 2016-17 Elected Board of Directors**—Immediate Past President Dick Bronowski, VP Education Carole Cruson, Secretary Deanna Leino, VP Competition Barbara Walton, President Marleen Diamond, President-elect Marie Belew Wheatley, VP Membership Becky Gantner, VP Public Relations Lynn Harrington (Not pictured Treasurer Karen Bruggenthies, VP Finance Trish Pansze/Jackie Writz)



Gloria and Guy Andrus



Lynn Harrington and Deanna Leino



Jackie Greer and Sissy Baker



Mike and Mary Jo Weiker with daughter Leah Hamilton