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Dear Friends,

This time of year is filled with special things. Gifts, experiences, music, and of course special holiday food and drinks. I know that many of these overlap - for instance I bake homemade goodies for the fine folks who volunteer their time to help out Front House at our concerts. Just by attending our concert today you have helped give a holiday treat to some deserving local residents. SMFC is pleased to be able to donate \$1 from every ticket purchased this season to T.R.U.E. Diversities, a Taunton based group which empowers youth, families, and communities to have successful outcomes through prevention programs and equitable diverse resources.

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Yours in song,

Deb DeFilippo President SMFC





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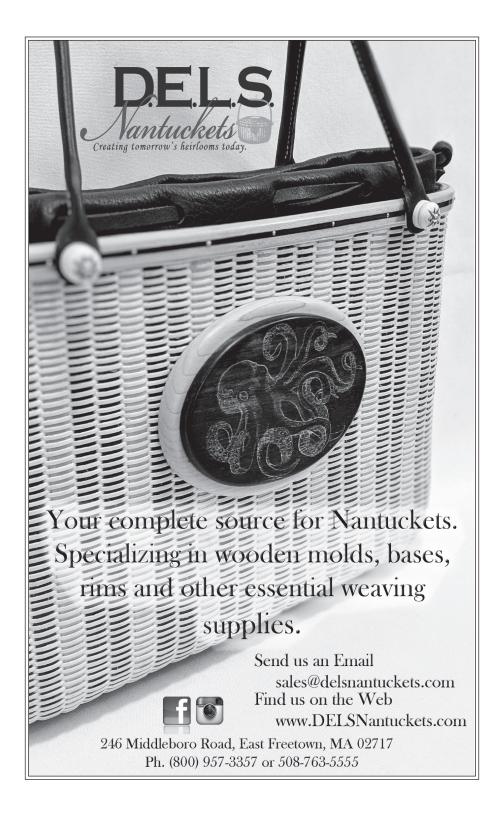
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HOLIDAY CHEERS
Arranged by Victor Lopez
Orchestra

It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas Music and lyrics by Meredith Willson, arranged by Mark Hayes

A Marshmallow World with The Candy Man Music by Peter De Rose, lyrics by Carl Sigman; music and lyrics by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley; arranged by Mark Hayes

SILVER AND GOLD Music and lyrics by Johnny Marks, arranged by Tom Fettke

THE CHRISTMAS SONG (CHESTNUTS ROASTING ON AN OPEN FIRE) Music and lyrics by Mel Torme and Robert Wells, arranged by Mark Hayes

SILVER BELLS

Music by Jay Livingston and Ray Evans, arranged by Cynthia Dobrinski

SMFC Bronze

WALKING IN THE AIR

Music and lyrics by Howard Blake, arranged by John Leavitt

WINTER WONDERLAND OF SNOW Music by Felix Bernard, lyrics by Dick Smith; music by Jules Styne, lyrics by Sammy Cahn; arranged by Mark Hayes

SLEIGH RIDE

Music by Leroy Anderson, lyrics by Mitchell Parish, arranged by Mark Brymer

WHITE CHRISTMAS

Music and lyrics by Irving Berlin, arranged by Mac Huff

SWINGIN' ON THE HOUSETOP Arranged by Ralph Ford Orchestra

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THE CHRISTMAS WALTZ
Music by Jules Styne, arranged by Jerry Brubaker
Orchestra

KAY THOMPSON'S JINGLE BELLS

Music and lyrics by Kay Thompson, Johnny Mandel, and J. Pierpont, arranged by Mac Huff

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Music by Ken Darby, lyrics by Clement Clark Moore, arranged by Harry Simeone
Featuring Michael Mezhberg, Kathleen Greenberg, Jennifer Evans, Tracy Travers,
and Brendan Davidson

Believe

Music and lyrics by Alan Silvestri and Glen Ballard, arranged by Mark Hayes

ONCE UPON A DECEMBER

Music by Stephen Flaherty, lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, arranged by Carl Strommen

NUTCRACKER SWEETS

Music by Peter I. Tchaikovsky, arranged by Michael Ryan SMFC Bronze

THEME FROM ELF

Music by John Debney, arranged by Daniel Grassi

SOMEWHERE IN MY MEMORY

Music by John Williams, lyrics by Leslie Bricusse, arranged by Mark Hayes Featuring Kristin Reddy

HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS

Music and lyrics by Hugh Martin and Ralph Blane, arranged by Mark Hayes Soloist: Makenzie Marra

I'LL BE HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Music by Walter Kent, lyrics by Kim Gannon, arranged by Mark Hayes

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

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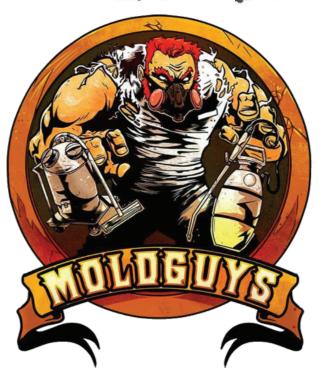


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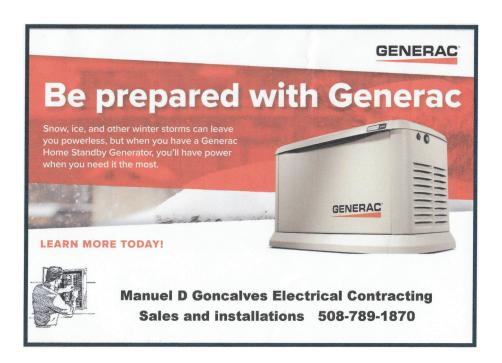
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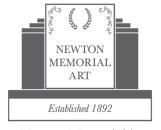


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The SMFC began with a simple idea; uniting people who share two common interests – a love for music and a desire to perform in a pleasant, relaxing atmosphere. We invite new singers to share this journey with us by attending open rehearsal and learning more about SMFC.

Our spring concert is titled "American Postcards" and will include music that highlights many parts of the county. A selection of Showtunes will include "Lullaby of Broadway", "Good Morning, Baltimore", and "Oklahoma". Standard hits will include "Chattanooga Choo Choo", "Forever Motown", and "Theme from New York, New York". More recent radio tunes will include "Mountain Music", "Walking in Memphis", "We Built this City", and a medley of John Denver tunes. Plus so much more! Concerts are scheduled for May 17 and 18, 2025 and will be accompanied by professional musicians.

New singers are invited to attend our next open rehearsal on Monday, January 27th, 2025 to sing with us and learn more about becoming a member. A brief, informal audition will take place following the rehearsal. Singers in all voice parts are welcome to audition. Weekly rehearsals are held each Monday, 7 PM to 9 PM, at First Congregational (Stone) Church, 785 South Main Street, Raynham. For more information, please email admin@smfconline.org or visit smfconline.org.





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