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The purpose of this organization, operating under the auspices of the Houston Symphony society, is to promote quality music education and enrichment programs for area students and to promote music appreciation in the Bay Area through an affiliation with the Houston Symphony and other resources.

HOUSTON SYMPHONY MAY MEETING FEATURES "NOTE-ABLES:



The Note-Ables, a choral group and community service project of the Houston Symphony League Bay Area will be the featured performance group at the League's Spring Luncheon, May 8, at Bay Oaks Country Club, 14545 Bay Oaks Boulevard in Clear Lake City. A social time begins at 10:00 with the business meeting and installation of officers beginning at 10:30. The program featuring the Note-Ables will begin at approximately 11:00 with lunch following at 11:45. Reservations for the luncheon are \$27 and are required. To make your reservation, call or email Donna Stoa at dstoa@comcast.net or 713-805-5075. The **deadline** for receiving payment is Friday, May 3.

The Note-Ables is currently a 36- member mixed chorus under the direction of Sandra Strickhouser. They sing a wide variety of music including Broadway tunes, Spirituals, Golden-Oldies, Gershwin numbers and Patriotic music. Founded in 2001, they primarily perform in the Bay Area, Houston or Galveston at places such as M. D. Anderson Hospital, the Ronald MeDonald House, the Women of Rotary at the Briar Club, UTMB Senior Group and for area nursing homes and retirement centers. They have performed with the North Houston Symphony Orchestra and each year they are featured at Jones Hall before a Houston Symphony concert.

This group welcomes new singers. Rehearsals are held on Thursdays at 1:30 in the Choir Room at Clear Lake Presbyterian Church. No auditions are required. For more information or if you are interested in having the Note-Ables sing for your group. Contact Jo Anne Mills, 281-286-3171.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends,

Please remember to make your reservation for the May Luncheon! It is our grand finale for the year, a time to celebrate and recognize the individual contributions that we make toward the overall success of Houston Symphony League Bay Area. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. It is the last meeting of the year, and we need your support.

This year we will honor two of our members who are "retiring" from important positions they have held for several years, we install our new officers and we will display the artwork of several of our members including the fine pottery made by our newsletter editor, Linda Coney. The Note-Ables will treat us to a lively performance as only they can. The luncheon will be held at Bay Oaks Country Club on May 8 at 10:00. The cost is \$27.00 including lunch. Please contact Donna Stoa, 713-805-5075 or dstoa@comcast.net to make your reservation!

If you have yet to make a contribution to the Houston Symphony for the year, there is still time to do so. We will be happy to accept contributions at the May Luncheon.

It is not too late to volunteer to help at our booth at Keels and Wheels on May 4 and 5. Please contact me at 281-480-2930 or carolemurphy@live.com.

This will be my last newsletter as President and I do want to say it has been an honor and a pleasure to work with you this year. You are talented, devoted, wonderful members and we, collectively, can be very proud of HSLBA and all that we stand for.

Thank you! Carole Murphy

Newsletter editor

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Board Meeting May 13, 2013 9:30 coffee and 10:00 a.m. meeting Carole Murphy 15706 Craighurst Drive, Houston

Memorial Music Education Fund

Houston Symphony League Bay Area has established the Memorial Music Fund to accept donations in memory of friends and family members. HSLBA will gratefully accept and acknowledge any contributions. State the name of the person you wish to remember and provide the name and address of the person to receive notification of the contribution. Make checks payable to HSLBA and send to:

Roberta Liston, Education Treasurer 126 Bristol Bend Lane Dickinson, Texas 77536

If you know of an HSLBA member who has had a serious illness, or death of a spouse or child, please notify Doris Macek-Humbach at 281-996-0671 or dmacek@flash.net.