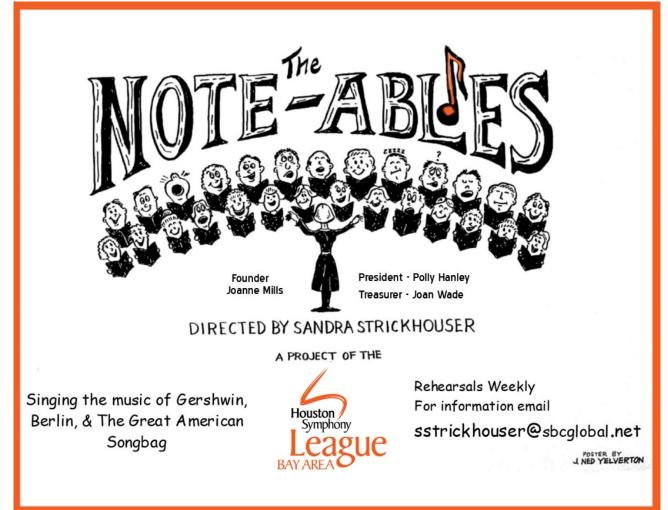
Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at 10 AM Gloria Dei Lutheran Church



If you love good music and a good time, we invite you to attend the November 11th meeting of HSLBA at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 18220 Upper Bay Rd. in Nassau Bay at 10:00 am. The Note-Ables will be performing. Be prepared for some surprises with the expanded repertory and additional members.

The Note-Ables are a project of HSLBA started in 2000 with 13 singers. They are now a 60voice mixed chorus who are in demand to perform throughout the greater Houston area. They have performed with the North Symphony Orchestra in the 1960 area; UTMB in Galveston and Texas City; Rotary International House and Ronald McDonald House in the Med Center; Houston Women of Rotary; retirement centers and church groups throughout the metropolitan Houston, League City, Pearland and Clear Lake Areas. The Note-Ables take pride in representing the Houston Symphony League Bay Area wherever they are performing!

The group prepares an extended repertoire from the American Songbook, including Golden Oldies, Irish and Christmas music, Gershwin, Cohan, Cole Porter, patriotic and popular music from Beatles to rock and roll. The group is open to all with rehearsals are on Thursdays from 1:30-3:00pm at Clear Lake Presbyterian Church



President's Message

After having The Best Little Klezmer Band in Texas for our October meeting and then Music at the Museum at the end of October, we will have our annual treat by the Note-Ables for our November meeting.

Our education program is reaching full speed as described below by Nina McGlashan. Embedded Musicians, the 3rd and 4th grade programs, and the start of the Magnificent Maestro programs – WOW! Plus our participation in "Imagination Celebration" at Clear Falls High School with the Petting Zoo.

Vicki Buxton raised questions in the September meeting describing the challenges in identifying and securing quality homes for the 2016 Home Tour. Vicki's report this month shows the fruit of her team's tremendous effort that should result in another successful Home Tour.

EDUCATION REPORT – Nina McGlashan

The Houston Symphony has begun a pilot program called, "Community Embedded Musicians," wherein they have hired four musicians to go into different schools to teach a lesson to a fifth grade class. Brookwood Elementary was chosen and Jenna, a violinist with the HSO, taught the students how to listen for the rhythm and melody of a musical phrase that will be repeated many times in the concert they will hear when the students go to Jones Hall on buses later this month. (HSLBA pays for the tickets for their bus ride.) The music teacher filled out a survey so that changes can be made as needed in the program. Jenna will return for another lesson to follow-up after the concert.

On Saturday, October 17, HSLBA took our instrument petting zoo to participate in "Imagination Celebration" as part of the district-wide arts programs in CCISD. Karen and Jon Akkerman, Joan Schneck, Jim Moore, Bill and Sherry Straight, Martha McWilliams, Janice Callihan, Elena Bryant and her daughter who is a senior and plays violin, and Nina McGlashan showed the students how to play the instruments. How excited the children were when a sound came from the instrument!

At the end of Oct. HSLBA will have paid for 25 program presentations. We are starting the Maestro performances if you'd like to be a puppeteer.

Fund Raising 2015-16 – Vicki Buxton

What a turnaround for the 2016 Home Tour! We now have 2 homes in Nassau Bay, 2 in historic League City, and one in Taylor Lake Village. Plus, for Sunday only, an enchanting Spanish-heritage home on eight acres of beautiful landscaping in Seabrook. In addition, 2 homes have been promised for the 2017 Home Tour

Nassau Bay has awarded us a grant again and will make the presentation in the November 9 council meeting.