**Membership Report for May 17, 2023 VHS Board Meeting **

 We finally were able to put on our first “Spring Fling/Ice Cream Social on May 13th. at ONEgeneration Senior Center in Reseda, CA. since the pandemic. This was our second show since the pandemic. What a wonderful feeling to perform to a live audience. Thanks to everyone in our chorus who were able to round up such a diverse group of performers. The audience were overwhelmed not only by our quartets, but by the shear quality of all the performances.

This show was no easy task. Several people both in and out of the chorus were responsible for planning, executing, and making our second indoor show in several years a smashing success.

 What we need now is someone to take charge, and contact some of the dozens of women’s and men’s groups and clubs in the Valley for our Fall Show on December 2, 2023.

**Encino Farmers Market:**

I just got a reply from Sue Sexton on us being able to perform at the Encino Farmers Market in June.

Sue stated that the market hired a new manager. Her name is Marcelle Angelo. I requested a Sunday when the singer guitarist is not performing. Also, a spot down the main strip if possible.

Sue will forward my letter to the new manager.

**Candidates: Ben Ziek**, has been attending our weekly rehearsals on a regular basis when he is able. He still has not passed his Repertoire audition. Ben is taking part in the Barber Polecat program and has passed his first song. Ben is also attending our Kathie’s Lunch Brunch at Lulu’s.

**Jonathan Asperil**: Could not attend our May 15th rehearsal because he was playing for a show out of town. He tried to click on the Not Attending button on our website, but could not. Jonathan will be back next Monday May 22nd.

**Members:** Mathew’s mom had a car accident. They have been helping her with the insurance and DMV forms. Mathew has been helping his mom with basic chores until she can get back on her feet.

They will be back next week.

**Kathie Edwards** name will appear in the next issue of The Harmonizer in Chapter Eternal, under Far Western District. Blessed be her memory.

**Good of The Chapter**: With just 15 of us on the risers, plus Tom for the Spring Fling; I know we all made our family, friends, and show attendees very proud. I feel we are really starting to take to heart everything Tom and Jeffery are teaching us. I am proud of our members and leaders for their dedication and willingness to continually to improve. Keep up the good work.

Ben Marder, Membership VP, VHS 5-17-23