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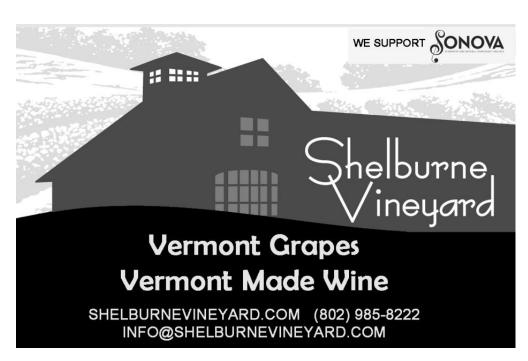
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M. Rondeau

A. Adam

M. Charpentier

J. Allentoff

Arr. by J. Allentoff

G. Handel

L. Anderson

LYRICS - ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH

1st time: Orchestra

2nd time: Audience, in English

Angels we have heard on high Sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

3rd time: Audience, in French

Ils annoncent la naissance Du libérateur d'Israël Et pleins de reconnaissance Chantent en ce jour solennel

Refrain:

Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

LYRICS – JINGLE BELLS

1st verse:

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go
Laughing all the way
Bells on bobtail ring
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight!

Chorus

Jingle bells, jingle bells, Jingle all the way.
Oh! what fun it is to ride In a one-horse open sleigh.
Jingle bells, jingle bells, Jingle all the way;
Oh! what fun it is to ride In a one-horse open sleigh.

2nd verse

A day or two ago
I thought I'd take a ride
And soon, Miss Fanny Bright
Was seated by my side,
The horse was lean and lank
Misfortune seemed his lot
He got into a drifted bank
And then we got upsot.

Chorus

LYRICS - HALLELUJAH CHORUS

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The kingdom of this world Is become the kingdom of our Lord, And of His Christ, and of His Christ; And He shall reign for ever and ever, For ever and ever, forever and ever,

King of kings, and Lord of lords, King of kings, and Lord of lords, And Lord of lords, And He shall reign, And He shall reign forever and ever, King of kings, forever and ever, And Lord of lords, Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

And He shall reign forever and ever, King of kings! and Lord of lords! And He shall reign forever and ever, King of kings! and Lord of lords! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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Maestro Dokken is one of today's most exciting and vibrant conductors, composers, and musicians. Over the past decade, Mr. Dokken has performed across the United States, and in America's greatest venues, including the Kennedy Center and Carnegie Hall. In October 2011, Mr. Dokken served on an elite three-member international adjudication panel for the Guayaquil Symphony Orchestra, the national orchestra of Ecuador. For the past three years, Mr. Dokken has also conducted at the White House in Washington, D.C. as a part of "Holidays at the White House."

After earning his degree in vocal performance from the University of Redlands School of Music, Mr. Dokken pursued graduate degrees in education and conducting at California Lutheran University and Shenandoah Conservatory, respectively. He studied conducting with Dr. Steven Cooksey and Jeffrey H. Rickard, euphonium and trombone with Dr. Phil Keen, piano with Dr. Angelica Prodan, and voice with Mrs. Patricia Gee and Dr. Anthony Zwerdling. Mr. Dokken has worked with some of the world's greatest conductors, including Valery Gergiev, Christoph Eschenbach, Marvin Hamlisch, and Norman Scribner.

In 2010, Mr. Dokken was hired as the Music Director and Conductor of the Symphony Orchestra of Arlington (SOA), now the Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia (SONOVA). He is also the Artistic Director of the Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia Chorale. In addition to composing, conducting, and performing on numerous opera, classical, and musical theatre CD's and DVD's, he is a musical consultant and composer in residence for Kaiser Permanente. Mr. Dokken maintains a private voice and piano studio and is active as an educator and adjudicator in the DC metro area.

PROGRAM NOTES

Il est né, le divin Enfant (English: He is born, the divine Child) is a traditional French Christmas carol, which was published for the first time in 1862 by R. Grosjean, organist of the Cathedral of Saint-Diédes-Vosges, in a collection of carols entitled "Airs des Noëls lorrains." The text of the carol was published for the first time in a collection of ancient carols, published in either 1875 or 1876 by Dom G. Legeay.

Chanukah Divertimento, Jonathan Allentoff

Includes, Chanukah Oh Chanukah, Maoz Tzur, Mi Y'malel. There are roughly 280,000 Jews living in Paris. Chanukah celebrations, as with all Jewish holiday celebrations in Paris, tend to be more understated and private than in the United States. There is, however, a public Menorah lighting at the Eiffel Tower, and several synagogues and Jewish centers host evening candle lightings. In French, Chanukah is written Hanoucca.

Jingle Bells, Sing along

Written by James Lord Pierpont (1822–1893) and published under the title "One Horse Open Sleigh" in the autumn of 1857. Even though it is now associated with the Christmas and holiday season, it was actually originally written to be sung for American Thanksgiving.

Bring a Torch Jeannette, Isabella, Marc-Antoine Charpentier Originated from the Provence region of France in the 16th century. The carol was first published in 1553 in France, and was subsequently translated into English in the 18th century. The song was originally not a song to be sung at Christmas, but rather dance music for French nobility. It seems likely that the melody was written by Charpentier, derived from the air à boire Qu'ils sont doux, bouteille jolie from the now lost Le médecin malgré lui.

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Christmas Symphony, Michel Rondeau

4 movement symphony by Canadian composer Michel Rondeau, comprised of many of the most famous and beloved Christmas songs of all time.

Rock of Ages, setting by Jonathan Allentoff

One of the most well known Chanukah songs of all time. In France, the Jewish population is made up of Eastern European, Alsatian, North African, and Spanish descendants. Each of these cultures celebrates Chanukah in its own way, and with its own foods and traditions. One popular food for Chanukah in France is Algerian style donuts.

Angels we Have Heard on High (Les Anges dans nos campagnes), sing along verse 1 English, verse 2 French Traditional French carol, literally translated means "Angels in our countryside", was composed by an unknown author in Languedoc, France. The song has received many adjustments or alignments including its most common English version that was translated in 1862 by James Chadwick, the Roman Catholic Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle, northeast England. The carol quickly became popular in the West Country, where it was described as 'Cornish' by R.R. Chope, and featured in Pickard-Cambridge's *Collection of Dorset Carols*.

O Holy Night (Cantique Noel) is a well-known Christmas carol composed by Adolphe Adam, French composer and music critic, in 1847 to the French poem "Minuit, chrétiens" (Midnight, Christians) by wine merchant and poet, Placide Cappeau (1808–1877). The song was premiered in Roquemaure in 1847 by the opera singer Emily Laurey. In 1855 Unitarian Minister John Sullivan Dwight wrote an English translation of this popular song. In both the French original and in the two familiar English versions of the carol, the text reflects on the birth of Jesus and of humanity's redemption.

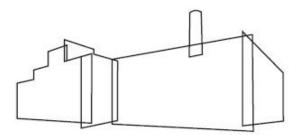
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Sleigh Ride

"Sleigh Ride" is a popular orchestral piece composed by Leroy Anderson. The composer had the original idea for the piece during a heat wave in July 1946; he finished the work in February 1948. The lyrics were added in 1950 by Mitchell Parish. The orchestral version was first recorded in 1949 by Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops Orchestra. The song was a hit record on RCA Victor Red Seal, and has become a signature song for the orchestra. The Boston Pops has also recorded the song with John Williams, their conductor from 1979 to 1995, and Keith Lockhart, their current conductor. Over the years, the song has become a Christmas standard.

Hallelujah Chorus, Audience Sing along

The closing movement of Part II of Handel's *Messiah*, the chorus is frequently performed out of context, particularly at Christmas and Easter. In many parts of the world, it is the accepted practice for the audience to stand for this section of the performance. The tradition is said to have originated with the first London performance of Messiah, which was attended by King George II. As the first notes of the triumphant Hallelujah Chorus rang out, the king was so moved that he rose to his feet and remained standing until the end of the chorus. Royal protocol has always dictated that when the monarch stands, everyone in the monarch's presence is also required to stand. Thus, the entire audience and orchestra stood when the king stood during the performance, initiating a tradition that has lasted more than two centuries.



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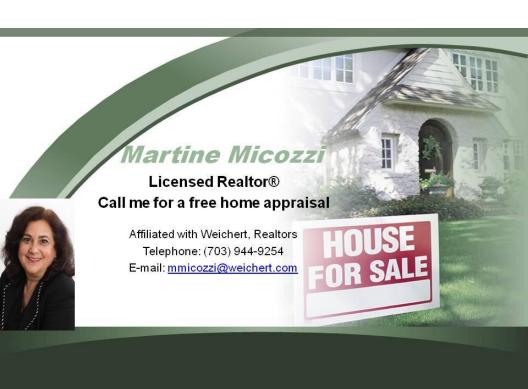
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