

Noteworthy

NEWS FROM THE



GREETINGS!

Hello, and welcome to the inaugural issue of *Noteworthy*, the newsletter of the [Blue Ridge Singers](#)! I am Curtis Morgan, a “Tenor 2” (front center right above) and BRS Board member, and I have taken on the

taken on the opportunity to produce a periodical that will inform and inspire our “fan base” with up-to-date concert information and interviews with performers, musicians, and other members of our “family.”

I also hope to provide some (hopefully) interesting insights into the music we perform and the composers who make it possible. Stay tuned!!

By the way, if you'd like to join us, just return to the main page of the website and click on “Auditions” at the top right!

***Boardom* (Board of Directors News & Notes)**

The Board of Directors of BRS has a brand-new member, recently recruited by yours truly. She has already begun contributing to our monthly meetings and will be a huge asset to our planning and financing. Dr. Johanna Weiss is the Vice President of Academics and Student Affairs at Laurel Ridge Community College. She has worked in Virginia's Community Colleges for almost 20 years, having served as a biology faculty member at Northern Virginia Community College, an academic dean and then the Associate Vice President of Learning and Student Success at Brightpoint Community College (formerly John Tyler Community College), and now is loving her time as an academic and student services leader and faculty member at Laurel Ridge.

Johanna has extensive volunteer experience, having been on several service trips for Habitat for Humanity, served on local boards for the American Association of University Women and Southside Health Education Foundation Board, and taught religious education for middle-schoolers at her church. And though she can't read music and has limited musical ability, she has strong skills in data analysis, strategic planning, and grant writing and management. She enjoys listening to a wide range of musical styles, from classical to blues to her favorite genre of music which country and folk. She attended her first Blue Ridge Singers concert on a snowy Sunday last December at the First Baptist Church in Winchester and was smitten by our high-quality sound and virtuosity. Though not ready to join us at rehearsals yet, she is excited to help us grow in fundraising, outreach and strategic planning. Hopefully you'll see her at our concerts this December! Welcome Johanna!

Overture (preview of coming attractions!)



A new season begins . . . It's not too late
to join us!

Just contact Dr. Alban at

artisticdirector@blueridgesingers.org

to set up an audition! We especially need
tenors.

Upcoming events:

- ♦ *Ice cream social*
August 26
- ♦ ***First rehearsal***
Sept 2 7 pm
- ♦ ***Choir retreat TBA***