



The Ridgewood Choral  
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Dear Friends of the Ridgewood Choral,

How strange it feels to be writing to you as we begin our sixth month of social distancing, but it is very important to us to keep all our friends up to date. Although the Ridgewood Choral's 92nd season certainly did not go as we had hoped, we did manage to accomplish quite a bit before our season was cut short. In September, we held our Semi-Annual meeting where we not only discussed business, but collected food and school supplies for children in need. On into the fall, we prepared beautiful selections for our Holiday Musicale, which included the addition of Laura Carnibucci on flute. We performed our program for the residents of Van Dyk Park Place in November and repeated it for a musical "afternoon tea" for our beloved audience in December. At the Musicale we collected donations for the Center for Food Action.

As we rang in the New Year, we began preparations for our Annual Spring Concert as well as our yearly scholarship auditions that took place in March. Our scholarship winners were Bruce Xu for the Florence Reinauer Memorial Music Award and Caitlin O'Brien for the Marjorie Vandervoort Vocal Award. Unfortunately, for the first time in memory, our Annual Spring Concert had to be cancelled. We didn't have the opportunity to sing our beautiful program or have our scholarship winners "wow" you with their talent. However, we have included performances by our winners on our website [www.ridgewoodchoral.org](http://www.ridgewoodchoral.org) for you to enjoy.

It is through your generous support and patient understanding that we were able to accomplish as much as we did during this uncertain time. Your benefits from the 92nd season will be carried over into our next performing season - as soon as safe singing can begin again. If you would like to contribute towards our 93rd year of "Women in Song and Service", you will receive additional benefits. We are very hopeful that our next concert will be April 17th, 2021 at 7:30pm at West Side Presbyterian Church. Unfortunately, we have made the very difficult decision to cancel our Holiday Musicale in December of 2020.

Please visit our website for updated information about concerts and events. From all of us in the Ridgewood Choral Family, we wish you good health and happiness until we can meet again.

Very sincerely yours,

*Laura Van Orden*

President  
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