

**Homework for Wednesday, May 8, 2019**

***We are entering the final part of our season; the next two rehearsal are CRITICAL. I need you there, so please make every effort to be there prepared. We are a wonderful team, and together, we will make this one of the best concerts that ACC has ever produced. It's all up to you. Please do your homework and be present.***

***Thanks SO MUCH!***

**Dolces:**

***May a Rainbow Run Beside You*** - Practice at least 3 times and memorize it 100% before next rehearsal.

Only breathe where you see commas or rests in the music. Otherwise, you are meant to sing the whole phrase without breathing. We are thinking of each phrase like a "rainbow." Think about how long the next rainbow is every time you breathe. If your brain knows how long it is, it will help you take a big enough breath to make it over the whole rainbow with no breaks. So, "in a sky that's always blue" is on one breath, NOT "in a sky \*gasp\* that's al\*gasp\*ways blue."

***Hope is the Thing with Feathers*** - Practice at least 5 times and memorize it 100% before the next rehearsal.

Focus on the stormy part. Listen to the practice recording and sing along, making sure that your voice matches the pitches and melody correctly. Think about the words and how loud/soft you think you should sing them. In the part talking about the storm - this should be forte! And then the end "and sings the tune without the words, and never stops....at all" should be piano. And then remember that we are putting a decrescendo on the last word "all" - make it softer and softer until it fades away.

Neither of these songs are supposed to be super loud - practice singing them sweetly and gently.

**Troubadours:**

***As I hear the Sweet Lark*** - Have 100% memorized. Please pay special attention to the last ½ of the piece...especially the final three phrases. Remember, we are slowing down just a little at the end and I will point to you and tell you when to sing ***Clear Air of the Day***.

***The Lord Bless You*** - Have the AMENS ready. We have forgotten them!

***It's a Small World*** - Please review the piece

**Circle Round the Moon** - Please review and have your part ready to sing.

**Bel Cantos:**

***Home Among the Hills*** - Have it completely memorized, part three, please spend ample time on it. You have the grounding part...it helps us all stay together and is SO IMPORTANT!

***Lord Bless*** - Review

***Give us Hope*** - Review

***Lonely Goatherd*** - Review your part. This piece has A LOT of words, so it may help you remember them if you type them onto a 'cheat' lyric sheet? Just a friendly suggestion.

***The SSB*** -PLEASE look over the piece and make sure that you are breathing where I have marked BB (Big Breath) and not where I have marked NB (No Breath). This is a very important piece! I want to record this at our upcoming concert and send to those in the world who may want ***to host us as we sing this piece.***

I know parts two and three are very challenging, but you have the talent to have it completely ready in 5 MINUTES. Please do the homework.

***It's a Small World*** - Please find a YouTube of the piece AND please be prepared to tell me where this piece is from and why it is famous.