

Chorus Chatter

News and Musings for Young at Heart Chorus Members

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Name That Old Song

Here are a few lyrics from some of the songs we have sung, along with several song titles, one of which is correct. See if you can name the song the phrase is from. Answers are on the last page.
No Peeking!

1. If you should run into a shower...

- April Showers
- Pennies from Heaven
- I Met a Million-Dollar Baby
- Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head

2. The rosy red cheeks of the little children

- Winter Wonderland
- Over the River & Through the Woods
- England Swings
- Frosty the Snowman

3. When you dance down the street with a cloud at your feet...

- The Girl That I Marry
- That's Amore
- On the Street Where You Live
- Sound of Music

4. Who cares about the clouds when we're together?

- Let a Smile Be Your Umbrella
- Look to the Rainbow
- Sunrise, Sunset
- Happy Trails

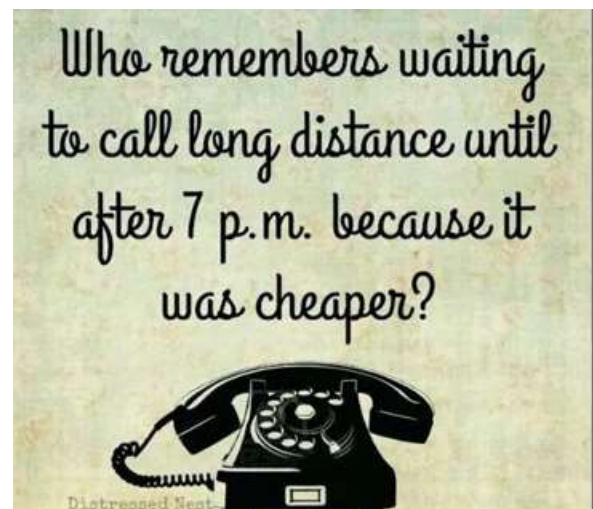
5. Whisper of How I'm Yearning to Mingle with That Old Time Throng...

- Give My Regards to Broadway
- Gang That Sang "Heart of My Heart"
- That Old Gang of Mine
- Standin' on the Corner



Meredith Willson is best known for his Broadway show *The Music Man* but also composed several of the songs we have sung, including "Till There Was You" and "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas."

Born Robert Reiniger Meredith Willson in Mason City, Iowa during 1902, he was a flautist, composer, conductor, musical arranger, band leader, playwright and author. Willson played the flute and piccolo in John Phillip Sousa's band and later in the New York Philharmonic Orchestra under Arturo Toscanini. During World War II, he worked for United States' Armed Forces Radio Service. Before creating *The Music Man*, he scored several films and was involved in various network radio shows. He died in 1984.



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The Most Hydrating Drink

Researchers at the University of St. Andrew's in Scotland studied 13 common beverages to see how much water the body retained two hours after they were consumed. Surprisingly, plain water was near the bottom of the list. The winner was skim milk! Its sugar, protein and fat slow the way fluids empty the stomach, and its sodium acts as a sponge to keep water in the body.

Pedialyte and other hydration solutions also are effective at keeping water in the body. Sodas and juices also empty the stomach more slowly, but they have a higher concentration of sugars. This makes them less hydrating because the body pulls more water into the small intestine to dilute the sugars.

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Bumper Sticker Seen in Las Cruces

CHICKEN POT PIE
MY 3 FAVORITE THINGS

Bet You Don't Know "Big Cheeks"

A grandson of slaves, this boy was born in a poor neighborhood of New Orleans known as the "Back of Town." His father abandoned the family when the child was an infant. His mother became a prostitute, and the boy and his sister had to live with their grandmother. Early in life he proved to be gifted for music and with three other kids he sang in the streets of New Orleans. His first gains were coins that were thrown to them.

A Jewish family named Karnofsky, who had emigrated from Lithuania to the USA, had pity for the seven-year-old boy and brought him into their

home. He remained there and slept in this Jewish family's home where, for the first time in his life, he was treated with kindness and tenderness.

When he went to bed, Mrs. Karnofsky sang him a Russian lullaby that he would sing with her. Later, he learned to sing and play several Russian and Jewish songs.

Over time, this boy became the adopted son of this family. The Karnofskys gave him money to buy his first musical instrument, as was the custom in Jewish families. They sincerely admired his musical talent. Later, when he became a professional musician and composer, he used these Jewish melodies in compositions, such as St. James Infirmary and Go Down Moses.

The little black boy grew up and wrote a book about the Jewish family who had adopted him in 1907. In memory of this family and until the end of his life, he wore a Star of David and said that in this family, he had learned "how to live real life and determination."

You might recognize his name. This little boy was called Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong.

Louis Armstrong proudly spoke fluent Yiddish! And "Satchmo" is Yiddish for "Big Cheeks"!



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"Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on earth."

Muhammad Ali

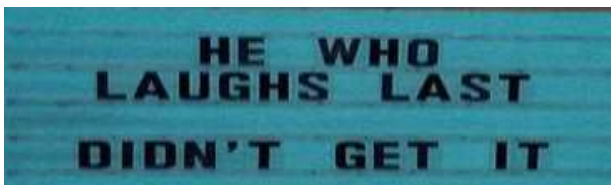


George and Ray sang at 11 different spots around the Good Samaritan campus on May 27th.

Mis-named

- The “funny bone” isn’t a bone; it’s a nerve.
- Catgut (formerly used in stringed instruments) doesn’t come from cats; it’s made from sheep.
- French fries were invented in Belgium, not in France.
- Koala bears aren’t bears; they’re marsupials.
- A ten-gallon hat holds only about three quarts of liquid.

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Comment on the Covid-10 Quarantine

Never in a million years could I have imagined I would go up to a bank teller wearing a mask and ask for money.



Ready for a haircut after more than two months!

- Answers to Name That Old Song
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 3. That's Amore
 4. Happy Trails
 5. Give My Regards to Broadway