David L. Walters Department of Music Upcoming Events

<u>Calhoun County Civic Chorale Concert,</u> Sunday, December 2nd

"A Celebration of Carols" Dr. Patricia Corbin, Director Featured work: `by Benjamin Britten Katherine Newman, Guest Harpist The Church of St. Michael and All Angels 1000 West 18th Street, Anniston, AL

A Cappella Choir to Perform at the 2013 Alabama Music Educators In Service Conference January 10, 2013, Renaissance Conference Center, Montgomery, AL

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The Annual Renaissance Madrigal Dinner

Presents



"Triads & Tribulations: A Prince's Sad Tale"

Featuring

Chamber Singers

Assisted by A Cappella Choir & Weaver High School Concert Choir

Dr. Patricia Corbin, Director

Friday, November 30, 2012 & Saturday, December 1, 2012 Leone Cole Auditorium Jacksonville State University Onight, as we lift our glasses in a toast to old friends and new, we will journey in time to Renaissance England, to the England of William Shakespeare and Ben Jonson, a time of bawdy living, wandering troubadours, madrigal singing and dancing.

Adrigal singing, brought to England from Italy in the 16thcentury, was at first an informal type of private entertainment at the castle and country homes of the landed gentry. The ability to either sing or play an instrument was an essential element of a good upbringing. Frequently, the lords and ladies performed the music themselves as they sat for dinner in the great hall. Naturally, during the twelve days of the Christmas season, there was much entertaining and singing of madrigal and carols.

f or your entertainment this evening, we have also included seasonal music from both old and new worlds. As we raise our voices in song and merriment, we present this annual dinner for your pleasure. We wish you and your family a holiday season filled with joy and happiness.

The Order of the Salt



Guests may receive vials of salt, which was considered a blessing or precious gift in the 16th century. An emissary may go to the head table and make a request to His Majesty to obtain a portion of the salt. Tradition dictates that all

male guests seated at the table become the keepers of the salt. Any ladies requesting said salt must pay the keeper of the salt with a kiss. If the lady forgets, her table must pay the penalty of entertaining all present with a carol.

Messengers from the Pope

If there be any messengers of His Excellence, the Pope present this evening (these messengers shall be recognized by their red clothing), such persons should come forth when called upon to present the Pope's message to His Majesty, the King. Be ye warned that if the King or his court finds thy message to be false, an appropriate punishment shall be rewarded.



Wassail

"Wassail" was the ancient Anglo-Saxon drinking pledge, "Waes-Hael" which means "Be in good health." It was customary for guests to drink a wassail to the lord of the house, and thus the wassail bowl became a feature of the English Christmas. Much pomp developed around wassail drinking, which also included the custom of wassailing the fruit trees in the dead of winter to ensure a crop in the coming year. Men went out into the orchards with a large jug of cider to toast the trees, often beating upon them. In the 16th century wassail was a mixture of spices, ale, eggs, cream, and apples. Vestiges of the wassail custom are seen today in caroling and partying at Christmas time.

The Boars Head

The use of the boar's head at Christmas was based not only on its value as a food item, but its symbolism as well. The boar, because he roots into the ground with his tusks, had long been revered as having taught man the art of plowing. King Henry VIII first established the boar as a Christmas dish.



The head was dressed with a garland of rosemary and laurel. As a final touch, a lemon, the symbol of plenty, was placed in its mouth.

Menu

Freshly Baked Rolls Wassail Creamy Corn Chowder Glazed Cranberry Chicken Rice Pilaf Tasso Greep Beaps Baked Sweet Potato Cranberry Sauce Pumpkin Cheesecake Coffee, Tea, Water

The Order of the Feast

Welcome	Lord Chamberlain
Fanfare I	Processional <i>Deck the Hall</i> Traditional
Fanfare II	Wassail <i>Gloucester Wassail</i> Traditional
	Adoramus teEric Barnum (b. 1979) We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. Holy cross and passion you have redeemed the world. O Lord, have mercy upon us Meg Griffin, Conductor
Fanfare III	Soup
Fanfare IV	The Boar's Head Ceremony - Entree <i>The Boar's Head Carol</i> Tradītīonal
Fanfare VI	Dessert and Concert

Rules of Etiquette

- I. Guests must leave all weapons at the door.
- II. Shoulds't thou be in need of a privy, please ask thy serving knave or wench where one is located. Please allow enough time for the removal of armour, chastity belts, codpieces, gauntlets, and other such cumbersome apparel, or else ye might not make it...particularly after drinking thy fill of Wassail.
- III. At the request of the Lord Chamberlain, ye shall cease your jabbering and pay close attention to his Lordship.
- IV. The young squires may choose to be publicly knighted by his Royal Highness during the course of the evening. Young ladies may be sworn in to the service of the Queen in a similar manner.
- V. Guests must not tell unseemly tales at the table, nor soil the cloth with their knife, nor rest their legs upon the table.
- VI. Guests must never leave their bones on the table; always hide them under their chairs.
- VII. Guests must not wipe their greasy fingers on their beards.
- VIII. Guests must retain their knives or they shall be forced to grumble with their fingers. -
- IX. Guests must not pick thy teeth with thy knives, be civilized and use thy fork instead.

Courtly Speech

Good gentles, it is extremely likely that ye may have the chance to meet some of the members of the Royal Court and villagers this evening. It would be well if you could converse with these goodly folk in the language of the realm, English. Since most attending the feast will speak in a foreign tongue, American, this list of common phrases and terms has been compiled.

> "Hail and well met" "What be thy title?" "How dost thou?" "Whence came you?" "Tarry and feast" "Whither be the privies?" "Prithee, attend me?) "What wouldst thou?" "Fare thee well"

<u>Knave</u> - a young scoundre! <u>Lightskirt</u> - a woman of easy virtue <u>Pox</u> - a disease <u>Shrew</u> - an evil tempered woman (Hello, nice to see you!) (What is your name?) (How are you?) (Where are you from?) (Stay and eat) (Where are the bathrooms?) (Please wait on me) (What would you like?) (Good-bye)

<u>Spousebreech</u> - an adulterer <u>Poppinjay</u> - dressed gaudily <u>Daft</u> - mentally deficient <u>Huzzahl</u> - Hurry

If ye do happen to meet the Royal Family, please be respectful. The King and Queen are only addressed as "Your Majesty" and "Your Highness," or "Your Grace." The Princess is referred to as "Your Highness." It is safe to call any gentleman "M'Lord," or "Sir." Women may be addressed as "M'dame," "M'Lady," or "Good Mistress." Knaves and peasants, while needing no formal salutation, should be treated kindly as this is the holiday season.

Concert

Amor	Vittorioso	Giovanni	Gastoldi	(1554 - 1609)

Come all ye, armed, My hardy soldiers! Fa la la I am Love indomitable, The righteous archer. Do not fear in the slightest, But in beautiful array, Follow me with ardor! Fa la la

In Dulci Jubiloarr. Robert Lucas Pearsall (1795-1856)
The Goslings
Whence is that Goodly Fragrance Flowing? Arr. David Willcocks (b. 1919)
Schuyler Simmons, Soloist
<i>The 12 Days After Christmas</i> Frederic Silver (b.1936)
In the Bleak Mid Winter
Bagels and Biscuits
The Candlelight Carol
Combined Choirs Scott Johnson (Friday), Ashley Boyd (Saturday), Conductors
Additional Music Il Bianco e Dolce CignoJacob Arcadelt (1507-1568)
The white and sweet swan dies singing, and I, weeping, reach the end of my life. Strange and different fate, that he dies disconsolate and I die a blessed death, which in dying fills me full of joy and desire. If in dying, were I to feel no other pain,
I would be content to die a thousand deaths a day.
A Little Pretty Bonny LassJohn Farmer (1570-1601)
Since First I Saw Your Face

Ye Royal Players		Royal Script Writers	Ye Royal Secretary	Ye Student Conductors	Ye Royal Tailor
Lord Chamberlain King Jovial Queen Bliss Prince Euphoric Ye Royal Director Versace Dior	Cody Hays Kaylon Gilley Anna Stuart Dylan McCombs Scott Johnson Blake East	Ellen Abney Christina Booker Dr. Patricia Corbin Kaylon Gilley Kaitlyn Graves Meg Griffin Ye Royal Trumpeters Jason Warren, Ryan Carter	Kaylon Gilley Ye Royal Accompanist Meg Griffin	Christina Booker Ashley Boyd Kaylon Gilley Kaitlyn Graves Meg Griffin Scott Johnson Jessica Lister	Frederick Clements Ye Royal Tailor's Apprentices Brianna Garrett Cody Hays
Jacques Daniels	Macon Prickett	Tailors	Bakers	Smiths	Millers
Mike Royal Tutor Madre Superior Midwife La Maz Iodine Renée Flamenco	Robbie Franks Schuyler Simmons Christina Booker Kaitlyn Graves Madison Baldwin Brianna Garrett	Jessica Lister Latoya Colley Amanda Beasley Katherine Danford* Marrisia Simmons* Noya Levy* Savannah Rutherford Joshua Swanson		Cary McKinney* Melody Weldon Ariel Jones Rebekah James* Sarah Burleigh* Alycia Pride* Russell Henson Jason Coward*	Lacy Taylor Halle Witcher Erin Owen Meng Yue Jia Mallory Cain Lyndsie Gunter Alex Smith* Lucas Reaves
Mariah Onfiyah	Caylen McCall	Sopranos	Altos	Tenors	Basses
Jester Twin Holly Twin Jolly Nun "Do" Nun "Mi"	Ellen Abney Meg Griffin Debora Mantua Ashley Boyd Kristin Griffin	Alyssa Jennings Anna Davis Cheyenne Dothard* Jenna Kerr Clara Kinquire Megan Brown *Speakers	Bailey Thrash Brianna Stokes Hannah Massey Charlotte Daoust	Aaron Lenard* Brian Jones* Tenors	Dallas Bedford Aaron Smith Tanner Faulkner
Nun "So"	Whitney Henson				