



Sisters Children’s Choir (L to R) front row: Sailor Yost, Sam Bosco, Reed Ast, Iain Bennette. Back row: Dane Ast, Maceigh Yost, Janae Mitchell and Naomi Bennette.

CHORALE: Singers are welcome to join group in song

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chorale concerts for almost all the nine years they have been singing in the Sisters Community Church said, “The Christmas concerts just get better and better each year. This year’s concert was very special because of the variety of music, the children’s choir, and the accompanying bells, flutes, drums, ukes, and recorders. I’ve

heard nothing but positive comments from first-timers and many who come every year.” Carolyn Blackman sent this note to the chorale: “We had the great pleasure of attending another of your wonderful concerts put on by Irene Liden and Lola Knox. As usual, they exceeded our expectations. “Irene is a professional who is able to gather a group of local people who just love music and treat us to a professional concert. Lola’s children’s group and the bells were a joy to all

with her lighthearted and fun approach. They capture the true meaning of Christmas and put us in the holiday spirit. Sisters is blessed by having them here.” Liden and Knox are both quick to invite new singers to come and join the fun of singing in the chorale, especially younger people who like to sing. Knox has a corner on the market for pint-sized singers, but there’s a noticeable loss in the chorale as the “seniors” are forced to retire from what they love to do. As result, new fresh talent is always needed.

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and other chronic diseases linked to our meat-based diet. But times are changing. According to Gallup, 22 percent of American consumers are avoiding meat and 12 percent are avoiding dairy products. Supermarket chains, along with Target and Walmart, offer a growing selection of delicious and healthy plant-based meats and dairy products. Animal meat consumption has dropped by eight percent in the past decade. Hundreds of school, college, hospital, and corporate cafeterias have embraced Meatless Monday and vegan meals. Fast-food chains like Chipotle, Panera, Subway, Taco Bell, and White Castle are rolling out vegan options. Let’s make this New Year’s resolution about exploring the rich variety of plant-based entrees, lunch meats, cheeses, ice creams, and milks, as well as the more traditional green and yellow veggies. The Internet offers tons of recipes and transition tips.
Skyler Nash



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