



THE BULLETIN

FLORENCE EXCHANGE CLUB
THE OLDEST SERVING SERVICE CLUB IN THE SHOALS BEGINNING JUNE 1921

“The Florence Camerata is an accomplished community chorus and has become one of the finest community choruses in the state.

“It is open to all singers throughout the area ages 17 and up, its mission is to provide the Shoals area audiences with the finest choral performances possible, to provide a musical outlet for those in the Shoals area who love to sing, and to share with our audiences the joy that only live performance can offer,” Mr. Ian Loepky said Tuesday.



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Sept 13
Bill Sutherland

Sept 20
Joe Flippen

Sept 27
B. W. Gibbons

Loepky has worked as a singer, scholar, conductor, clinician, adjudicator, and arranger in Canada, the United States, and Portugal. He directs all three choral ensembles at UNA and teaches undergraduate and graduate choral conducting, choral techniques, world music, and graduate choral literature. In addition, he is founder and artistic director of Florence Camerata and is in demand as a clinician and adjudicator throughout the region and internationally. He is a frequent contributor to the Choral Journal and the Alabama Reprise, and last spring appeared as a guest conductor with the Madison Honor Choir Girl’s Chorus, the Mississippi Girl Choir, the Huntsville Master Chorale, and his Alma Mater choir, the University of Manitoba Singers. Under his direction, the UNA Chamber Choir completed a highly acclaimed tour of Ireland in spring 2013.

Originally from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, Ian Loepky has been an Associate Professor and Director of Choral Activities at the University of North Alabama since the fall of 2003. His mother was his first music teacher by enrolling him in piano lessons at a very early age.

“It is very cold in Canada and thus there is not much outside events in the long winters,” he said. His college studies began at the University of Manitoba, continued at the University of Minnesota with Kathy Romey, and finished at the College-Conservatory of Music in Cincinnati with Earl Rivers and Stephen Coker.

“At present, we have 45 to 50 members. We provide a wide range of music such as pop, jazz, men, women solo, trio, classical, opera and American music.

Bill Sutherland will be the speaker next Tuesday

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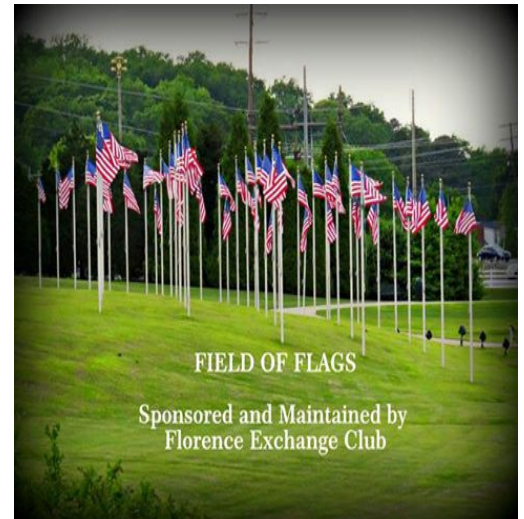


Pictured at left shows the Florence Camerata during one of their four concerts this past year.

“We have been involved with the WC Handy Festival each year,” Loeppky commented. “However due to so many events during the week, we’ve decided for next year to hold a concert a week earlier.”

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and autism are both general terms for a group of complex disorders of brain development. These disorders are characterized, in varying degrees, by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and non-verbal communication and repetitive behaviors.

Join CASA and Dr. Whitney Meade, Assistant Professor of Education at UAH to learn more about helping children diagnosed with Autism in Part I of the Autism Series hosted by CASA on Wednesday, September 14, from 11:30 to 1 PM at the First Metro Bank. Contact Andrea Holt for more information.



The flags at Diebert Park will be lowered to half staff Sunday remembering the victims of 9/11.



The Board meeting has been called for Monday at noon in the FLPL. Committee Reports are needed.

On Thursday, September 15, the Attention Homes Board will host a Dinner and evening with renowned author and speaker, Micheal Franzese. The event will be held at Cross Point Church of Christ And will include dinner provided by Ricatoni’s Italian Grill. Tickets are available. Please contact Teresa Robertson at 256-394-7101 for more information.

