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RSVP Seeks New Music Director for the Senior Vibes

Leonardtown, MD – The Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) with the St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services is seeking an experienced choral director to serve as the new Volunteer Music Director to lead Senior Vibes during rehearsals and performances in Leonardtown.

Senior Vibes is a caring group of volunteers with RSVP that provides musical entertainment and friendly visitation to residents of St. Mary's Nursing & Rehabilitation Center and Cedar Lane Senior Housing Community.

Practices are held once per month at the Garvey Senior Activity Center in Leonardtown, followed by two community performances per month. Senior Vibes performs classic favorites as well as folk, country, patriotic music, hymns, and more. RSVP is seeking an individual capable of leading a choral group who would like to help the Senior Vibes share their love of music with others.

Senior Vibes meets three Tuesday's per month to practice or perform, September-June. The group takes a brief winter and summer break.

The choir consists of 20-plus members and the schedule is as follows:

1st Tuesday of month	Garvey Senior Activity Center	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
2nd Tuesday of month	St. Mary's Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
3rd Tuesday of month	Cedar Lane (donut social)	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Senior Vibes occasionally performs for extra events during the year. Also, during July and August, the group may meet once or twice to sing and socialize.

Senior Vibes sing from a songbook with written words. While the group does not use written music for the singers, most of the melodies are familiar. The group's program is changed each month, and a written list of songs is handed out to everyone. Singers who enjoy singing solos or duets are encouraged to do so. Senior Vibes generally does not sing in parts (as in a church choir) but anyone who wishes to harmonize can do so. Performances usually last about an hour.

Senior Vibes members love the people they sing for and receive tremendous feedback and appreciation from their audiences. Group members are also very supportive of one another, and they all look forward to the fun and fellowship they enjoy during rehearsals and performances.

For more information, contact Norine Rowe, RSVP Project Manager, at 301-475-4200, ext. 71653, or email Norine.Rowe@stmarysmd.com.

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