



# Portland Peace Choir

BE IT. LIVE IT. SING IT.

## Singer's Etiquette

- Arrive early for each practice so we can begin promptly at 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30 to give you time to sign in, pay dues, socialize and get settled.
- Your music in your binder is organized with titles in alphabetical order. Feel free to add tabs, dividers or whatever makes it easy for you to find songs quickly. This is your music, mark it, or highlight your part if it's helpful. Keep a pencil handy for making notes.
- During rehearsal, please keep side conversations to a minimum. Music stimulates conversation, but please refrain from unnecessary comments after a song. Be ready to sing at all times!
- For musical questions during rehearsal, please ask your section leader first. Also, listen to other people's questions – they often answer your own.
- Listen quietly when other sections are singing. Follow with your part in your head.
- If tapping the beat helps you, do it quietly with your heel. It may not be helping your neighbor.
- Do let Susan Winterbourne know if you'll be missing more than one rehearsal in a row. We all have lives, but we care about you and want to be sure you're alright – and we'll miss you!
- Use your resources: music, the Green Room, practice CD's and the weekly notes – read your mail! Especially practice the songs listed for the next week to get the most out of each rehearsal. It helps to practice them again right afterward. The key to easy learning is to do a little every day and when you can't sing – listen to the CD.
- Most of all: ***Practice, Practice, PRACTICE!***