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# Wassail Dinner

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Enter the Christmas Season with the first fanfare of trumpets. Greetings to all friends, old and new.

The procession of Medieval splendor winds through the Great Hall and proclaims the season is Christmastide. Remembrance of things past is one of the cherished traditions of this time of year. We halt our busy strivings toward the future and deliberately seek out the color and beauty of that more leisurely day when Christmas was the celebration of a heartfelt idea, and part-singing was a pastime of friends whenever they gathered for social pleasure.

Here we momentarily relive in authentic re-creation the customs, the music, and the costumes of centuries ago, withal expressing our hearty good wishes for a Christmas Season filled with joy and meaning.

The University of Richmond's Schola Cantorum and the Student Activities Office hope that you enjoy this evening with us.



### MENU

Wassail

Roast Beef au jus Peas and Mushrooms Baked Potatoes Apple-Cranberry Nut Salad Rolls and Butter Coffee Trifle



## LIST OF MUSIC (in order of performance)

Deck the Halls: traditional, arr.J. Erb

Wassail All Over the Town: setting by Ralph Vaughan Williams

The Boar's Head: setting by Alice Parker, Robert Shaw

Sweet Nymphe, Come to Thy Lover: Thomas Morley

Upon My Lap My Sovraigne Sits: Martin Peerson

I Saw Three Ships Come Sailing In: Traditional

Lute-Song Lullaby: Anonymous, 16th century

A Merry Christmas (Pudding Song): West Country Carol, arr. Arthur Warrell

I Wonder as I Wander: John Jacob Niles, adapted by James Erb

I Gave Her Cakes and I Gave Her Ale (Catch): Henry Purcell

Nova, nova: Anonymous, 15th century English

<u>Marvel Not, Joseph</u>: Anonymous, 15th century English <u>There is No Rose of Such Vertue</u>: Anonymous, 15th century English <u>Ecce, quod natura mutat sua jura</u>: Anonymous, 15th century English <u>The Holly and the Ivy</u>: Traditional, adapted by J.Erb <u>O Tannenbaum</u>: Traditional German, setting by Alice Parker, adapted <u>The Friendly Beasts</u>: Traditional, setting by Hilton Rufty 1956 <u>Two Songs on the Passamezzo</u>: Anonymous 16th century, arr. J. Erb Greensleeves: setting by Ralph Vaughan Williams PERFORMERS

#### SCHOLA CANTORUM

Kathy Kessler Dori Parsons Debby Rogers Debbie Wood Corby Keener Suzanne Darling Deanie Wiley Jane O'Halloran Steve McMaster Ken Poe Jack Price Ned Dunford David Williams David Woolard Tripp March

#### MUSICIANS

Recorder Players: Barry Allman David Graves

Harpsichordists: Suzanne Darling Brenda Fauber

Percussions: Brenda Fauber

MASTER: Tripp March

#### CREDITS

Musical Director: James Erb

Manager: Suzanne Darling

Costumer: Deanie Wiley

Choreographers: Corby Keener, Suzanne Darling, Debbie Wood

Costumes: courtesy of The Virginia Museum and Andre Bruce Ward

Bells: courtesy of Mike Simpson

Art Work: Alex Gant

Programs: Cathy Robertson, Stephanie Hunter