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Tonight, as we lift our glasses in a toast to the Christmas season, we greet our old friends and we welcome our new ones upon this occasion—the celebration of our Traditional Madrigal Dinner.

Madrigal singing, brought to England from Italy in the 16th Century, was at first an informal type of private entertainment at the castle and country homes of the landed gentry. Frequently, the lords and ladies performed the music themselves as they sat at dinner in the Great Hall. Naturally, during the twelve days of the Christmas Season, there was much entertaining and singing of Madrigals.

Madrigals are songs written for small groups in which several voice parts are skillfully combined so that each part is interesting and independent, both melodically and rythmically. The Madrigals are sung without musical accompaniment, and they are frequently based on a secular text or fable of the times. The first Madrigals were quite spontaneous. It wasn't until the late 16th and early 17th Century that they were published in written form.

Madrigal singing continued to flourish in England, and the Madrigal Society, founded in 1741, still meets regularly in Carpenters Hall, London. Today such groups are becoming more and more popular in this country, and small groups of singers get together to sing as a pastime in the tradition of the Madrigals which first reached popularity in England's Elizabethan Age.

With the sound of each fanfare, you will discover Christmas as celebrated in the ancient traditions of Merrie Olde England. We present this annual dinner for your pleasure at the the Christmas Season. As we raise our voices in a toast to the meaning of Christmas, we wish you and your families a season filled with joy and beauty.

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FANFARE THE FIRST WELCUM

Wassail Song English

"Wassail" was the old Anglo-Saxon drinking pledge Waes-Heal which means "Be in good health." At early Saxon feasts it was customary to drink a wassail to the lord of the house, and thus the wassail bowl became a feature of the English Christmas. Also, the custom of wassailing the fruit trees was common throughout England. Men went out to the orchard with a large jug of cider and there they drank a toast to the trees, often beating upon them, bidding them bear fruit in the coming Spring.

FANFARE THE SIXTH BOAR'S HEAD

Boar's Head Carol English

The use of the Boar's Head at Christmas is based not only on its value as an article of food but its symbolism as well. The boar, because he roots into the ground with his tusks, had long been revered as having taught mankind the art of plowing. It was first established as a Christmas dish by Henry VIII. The head was dressed with a garland of Rosemary and Laurel. As a final touch a lemon, the symbol of plenty, was placed in its mouth. The eating of suckling pig today is a variation of eating the boar's head.

FANFARE

THE SEVENTH DINNER CONCERT OF MADRIGALS

Selections from

My Bonnie Lass She Smileth	Thomas Morley
When My Rich Husband Is At Home	
Tutto lo di mi dici	
Were I a Tiny Bird	. Orlando di Lasso
Hey There, Mister	Anonymous
Dulcis Amica	Jacob Handl
En Ego Campana	Jacob Handl
Aminte French Folk	Song, arr. Ahrold



FANFARE THE EIGHTH..... ELIZABETHAN DANCERS

Pavane							-				Tabouret
Harpsichord Interlude: Noel			*						*		Daguin
Galliard											Hassler
Harpsichord Interlude: Noel											
Menuet											



FANFARE THE NINTH..... FLAMING PUDDING

We Wish You a Merry Christmas. English

The Christmas pudding has evolved from a sorry mess of watery gruel pottage-fermety-which, according to the oldest recipe extant, was "Wheat boiled till the grains burst, and, when cool, strained and boiled again with broth or milk and yolks of eggs." It must have been quite awful, for every Christmas somebody tried to do something about it. Later, lumps of good English suet were added, and by 1670 the old pottage, after centuries of culinary evolution, had sweetened and stiffened into plum pudding, much as we now eat it. It was good luck to eat plum pudding on each of the days between Christmas and Epiphany. A wish was to be made each day upon the first mouthful. But woe to anyone who nibbled at the holiday pudding before the Christmas feast began-he would be in trouble for twelve months. Our feaste's dessert is a lighter bread pudding, which we have found to be more popular with most of our quests. It will be flamed in the traditional manner.

AN ARE THE TENTH AFTER DINNER CONCERT

Selections from

My Dancing Day							Traditional English Carol
So Blest a Sight						*	Traditional English Carol
The Friendly Beasts							Traditional French Carol
As On the Night							Orlando Gibbons
Noel We Sing	 					4.	Louis Claude Daquin

Traditional Carols to be Sung by All...

SILENT NIGHT

Silent Night! Holy night!
All is calm, all is bright:
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child,
Holy Infant, so tender and mild!
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night!

Shepherds quake at the sight!

Glories stream from heaven afar,
Heav'nly hosts sing Alleluia,
Christ the Savior is born.

Silent night! Holy night!
Son of God: loves pure light,
Radiant, beams from Thy holy face,
With the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

JOY TO THE WORLD

Joy to the world, the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room, And Heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ: While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains,

Repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love.

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Such being the Viands so much desired in the Sixteenth Century of Our Lord



ELIZABETHAN FEASTE

The Wassail Bowl

Spanish Bisque Soup

Renaissance Salad

Roast Round of Bef

Potatoes Au Gratin

Spinach Stroganov

Hearty Burgundy Wine

Flaming Bread Pudding

Coffee or Tea

Fruit and Nuts from Distant Lands

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Kindly Heed these Rule of Etyquett

- 1. Gueysts myst hav nayles cleane or they wyll dysgust theyre table companyones.
- 11. Gueysts myst abovd quarrelyng and makyng grymaces wyth other gueysts.
- III. Gueysts myst not stuff theyre mouths. The glutton who eats wyth haste, if he is addressed, he scarcely answers thee.
- IV. Gueysts should not pyck theyre teethe at the table wyth a knyfe, strawe, or stycke.
 - V. Gueysts myst not tell unseemly tales at the table, not soyle the clothe wyth theyre knyfe, nor reste theyre legs upon the table.
- VI. Gueysts myst never leave bones on the table; allways hyde them under the chayres.
- VII. Gueysts myst not wype theyre greezy fingers on theyre beardes.
- VIII. Gueysts myst not leane on the table wyth theyre elbowes, nor dyp theyre thumbs in theyre drynke.
- IX. Gueysts myst retane theyre knyfes or they shall be forced to grubbe wyth theyre fingers.



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