

Melodia and Cantare Choirs. January 23 and 24th. We will leave Fargo at 5:00 P.M. on Jan.23 and return to Fargo on January 24 at 5:20 P.M.

Our camp will be held at Camp Castaway on Pelican Lake, MN. It is about 45 miles from Fargo. We have lots of fun and get important rehearsal time in while at camp. Please pay attention to information about the schedule and the packing list. **Winter camp attendance is required. Please let your director know as soon as possible if you have a conflict. We pay per person for food and lodging at the camp. The cost of the camp is included in your tuition.**



Winter Camp

Thank you. Suzy Sandsmark, Winter Camp Coordinator

SCHEDULE FOR WINTER CAMP

Friday January 23, 2009

4:45 Board bus at Hope South
5:00 Depart Hope South
6:00 Arrive at Castaway Camp on Pelican lake
6:00-6:45 unload bus, room assignments, etc
6:45-7:30 supper (Godfathers Pizza delivered)
7:30-10:00 team building,
10:00 Free time in rooms
11:00 Lights out /sleep

Saturday January 26, 2009

Rise and Shine as needed for breakfast at 8:30 A.M.
8:00 A.M. Chaperones to dining room.
Rise and Shine as needed for breakfast at 8:30.
8:30 Breakfast (French toast, sausage, cereal, etc.)
9:15-10:45 Cantare Rehearsal/ Melodia recreation
10:45-12:15 Melodia Rehearsal/Cantare recreation
12:15 Lunch (Make your own soft shell taco)
1:00-2:45 Cantare Rehearsal/ Melodia recreation
2:45-4:00 Melodia Rehearsal/ Cantare recreation
4:10 Load Buses
4:20 Depart Camp Castaway
5:20 Arrive Hope south for pick-up

Packing List for Winter Camp

Choir Music
Water Bottle
Overnight Bag carrying the following:
PJ's (flannel pants and warm shirt)
Change of clothes
Sweatshirt
Personal toiletries-toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap or body wash, deodorant, retainer with case, etc.
Glasses, glasses case, contacts, contact solution & case
Medicine
Winter Jacket, hat, neck warmer, gloves or mittens
Book to read optional
Snacks optional, you clean any mess you create

We are riding school buses so whatever we bring will be on the bus, no luggage compartment. **Wear your winter gear on the bus - including boots!**

Cell phone, MP3 players, technology in general may be used in the dorm rooms. Bring these at your own risk. Roaming charges may apply to cell phones, as it is a somewhat remote area. Expensive phone bills and lost or forgotten items are not the responsibility of Lake Agassiz Girls Choir.

PHOTO NIGHTS - January 19 & 26



January 19th - Canzonetta pictures 5:30-6:30 at Peace

January 19th - Melodia pictures 6:30-7:30 at Peace

January 26th - Cantare pictures 5:30-6:30 at NDSU

We will be taking individual photos of all choir members prior to rehearsal in January. You will be receiving an order envelope on January 12th and will have the opportunity to order individual and group photos. Please remember to bring the envelope and payment on photo night. You are not required to purchase any photos but we still want to take each girl's photograph for the choir's use. **We want girls to wear their regular concert dress apparel - for Canzonetta, we even want the skirts on. Please follow handbook guidelines for hair and jewelry.** You may change back into regular clothes after your photo is taken if you wish.

We want girls to come to their regularly scheduled nights but if you cannot then you can come to another one. **Staff, remember you too will be getting pictures these nights so please come dressed as such.**



CANZONETTA WINTER SOCIAL

Friday, January 23
5:00-8:00 PM
Edgewood Chalet

We are having a Sledding party at the Edgewood Chalet! We want to serve Sloppy Joes, chips, apple cider and cookies. If you could donate something, such as anything from plates and cups or napkins to buns, chips, cider or cookies that will help save on our budget. Donations can be brought to rehearsal on Jan 19th. If you have any questions please contact Sandy Otteson (ssotteson@msn.com or 232-9211).



Melodia Parent Meeting

COME & HEAR ABOUT THE MELODIA TOUR!

Monday, January 26

7:00 PM - Peace Lutheran Church

Melodia Parents - please join the Melodia Tour Committee on Monday, Jan. 26th at 7 PM during rehearsal time to hear news about the upcoming spring tour to Chicago.



SPOTLIGHT ON... Looking for the performances of the girls artistic endeavors! Please submit info to Amy Arness, LAGC Past President (H: 232-2825, C: 238-7023,

amyarness@hotmail.com).

What fun for the girls to support one another!

Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Choir Jan. 19
Fargo Theater 7pm
Jacky Arness Alumnae
Caitlin Leick "
Laura Vance "

THANK YOU

Thank you to the many who worked to make our holiday concert a special event - especially our Holiday Concert chair, Laurie Gress, and her committee members! Everything went real well.



We had plenty of cookies and the Kool Aid back-up was unexpected - we never anticipated using that much Apple Cider!

We raised \$210.25 for the choir from our bake sale. Thank you to all of our families for contributing the baked goods.

Thanks again to all of you for helping Laurie and the Choir!



HOORAY for CANTARE!

Cantare has been selected to perform at the North Dakota ACDA (*American Choral Director's Association*) annual Showcase Concert to be held in Bismarck on Friday, February 6th at 8:00 p.m. Three choirs were selected by audition to perform during the winter ND-ACDA conference which is held in conjunction with ND Middle School-Junior High All State Honor Choir. Cantare will travel to Bismarck in the afternoon on Friday, February 6th and will return late the same night. (*Cantare members who were also selected for the Middle School-Junior High Honor Choir will travel separately with the delegation from their schools.*)

The LAGC Board of Directors is considering renting two large passenger vans instead of a bus since it would be considerably less expensive. Cantare parents who would be willing to drive and/or chaperone are asked to email (lagc@cableone.net) or call the LAGC office number (218-329-5973) **as soon as possible**. As another alternative, if you are a Cantare parent who would be willing to drive your own vehicles at your own expense, please contact the LAGC office with the number of passengers you could take.

Please note that an extra rehearsal for Cantare has been scheduled for Thursday, February 5th at 6:15 at Peace Lutheran Church. Mrs. Burns will cancel this rehearsal if the choir is already comfortably prepared for its honorable performance! Hooray for Cantare!

MELODIA CHOIR

St. Cloud Festival - St. Cloud, MN

Saturday, February 21

The Melodia Choir will be performing in the Youth Choral Festival at St. Cloud State University Performing Arts Center, 10am –2pm with clinician Pam Burns and two other youth choirs: our host, Cantabile from St. Cloud and Mankato Children's Chorus. There will be a free public concert at 4pm, Christ Church Newman Center, 396 1 Ave S., St. Cloud.

Girls and chaperones will need to provide \$5.00 for lunch (we will provide more details on this.)

We need 3 chaperones.

We are planning to leave at 6:30 AM and should arrive back in Fargo around 7:00 PM.

We are asking parents to volunteer to drive. All of the parents don't need to be chaperones so some are free to do what they want to do during the day. Some may want to shop, see relatives, etc.

Lavonne Horton is coordinating the trip so please contact her if you're willing to drive and/or be a chaperone. Thank you!

Lavonne Horton 293-7973

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SUPER SAVER COUPON BOOKS

The choir is selling Super Saver Coupon Books to raise monies for our general fund. The choir receives \$10 from each \$20 book sold. Please contact Cecilee at 491-3040 or at lqgc@cablone.net if you'd like to purchase some. They make great gifts!

We're also looking for volunteers to sell them at choir rehearsals. If you can help please let Cecilee know.

Thanks a bunch!

SENDING PAYMENTS IN TO THE CHOIR OFFICE

Please note - we have been receiving several payments mailed to Box 775 - this is **NOT** our address. Please use **BOX 773** - otherwise your payments are being delayed at the post office. **A parent advised me that the Cantare Tour coupons have the wrong box number on them.**



Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, and life to everything. - Plato

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Lake Agassiz Girls Choir

January 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 <i>HAPPY NEW YEAR!</i>	2	3
4 Canzonetta & Melodia Choirs perform at Peace Luth.	5 REHEARSALS: <i>Happy Birthday, Lindsey Gress!</i> 6:00-7:00 pm Canzonetta Monitors: Carlson, Schmidt 6:15-8:15 pm Cantare (AT MRS. BURNS!!) Monitor: Thoreson 7:15-8:30 pm Melodia Monitors: Berry, Holmstrom	6	7	8 Board reports due at NOON <i>Happy Birthday, Susie Mueller!</i>	9	10
11	12 REHEARSALS: 6:00-7:00 pm Canzonetta Monitors: Moser, Travers 6:15-8:15 pm Cantare Monitor: Mueller 7:15-8:30 pm Melodia Monitors: Bortnem, Horton Cantare Tour Committee Meeting 6:30 pm NDSU	13	14 <i>Happy Birthday, MacKenzie Larson!</i>	15 Board Meeting 6:30 pm 1104 2 Ave S, Fgo (board room)	16	17 <i>Happy Birthday, Ashlen Wright!</i>
18	19 REHEARSALS: 6:00-7:00 pm Canzonetta Monitors: Fortier, Larson 6:15-8:15 pm Cantare Monitor: Van Raden 7:15-8:30 pm Melodia Monitors: Brown, Mengelkoch Canzonetta Photos 5:30-6:30 pm Melodia Photos 6:30-7:30 pm	20	21 FEBRUARY newsletter deadline	22 <i>Happy Birthday, Alayna Kohler!</i>	23 Winter Camp- Camp Castaway Cantare & Melodia Canzonetta Winter Social - Edgewood Chalet <i>Happy Birthday, Allison Cwikla!</i>	24 Winter Camp- Camp Castaway Cantare & Melodia <i>Happy Birthday, Alexys Hewitt and Kylie Shorma!</i>
25	26 REHEARSALS: 6:00-7:00 pm Canzonetta Monitors: Cole, Kindem 6:15-8:15 pm Cantare Monitor: Volk 7:15-8:30 pm Melodia Monitors: Mercier, Ostlund Cantare Photos 6:30 pm Melodia Tour Parent Meeting 7:00 pm	27	28 <i>Happy Birthday, Kaitlyn Gefroh!</i>	29	30	31

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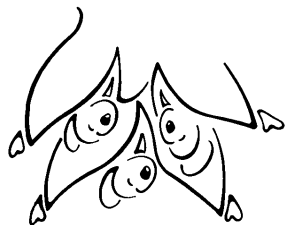
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Our Vision is to build a stronger community by enriching the lives of choir members while nurturing a love of music and demonstrating artistic excellence. Teach life lessons that build self-esteem and develop good citizenship and leadership skills.



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