

# ST. CROIX VALLEY CHAPTER

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## WEEKLY NEWS

Emergency Number at Rehearsals - (651) 246-7257

Tuesday, July 7, 2009

### Significant Dates

NOTE: The 2009 Calendar is located on our website under EVENTS it is frequently updated

Saturday	July 11, 2009	Rosalie & Jack True's Anniversary Boat Ride Party 2:30pm
Tuesday	July 14, 2009	Como Park Performance 7pm Concert
Sunday	July 19, 2009	Churches @ Woodbury (8am Service) & St. Paul (9:30 Service)
Monday	Aug 10, 2009	Barbershop Harmony Open Golf @ Elk River, MN
Sunday	Aug 16, 2009	Massed Chorus @ Twins Game
Sunday	Aug 23, 2009	Churches @ Stillwater (??am Service) & <i>TBD</i> Picnic @ Sylvia & Norm's – Somerset, WI

\*\*\*\*\***We meet every Tuesday at St. Paul Lutheran, Stillwater**\*\*\*\*\*

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## COMO PARK PERFORMANCE

TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009

Como Park Pavilion – St. Paul, MN

Meet at the west side of the Pavilion to warmup @ 6pm

SCV Songs: Sound Celebration, The Longest Time & I'll Fly Away

Massed Chorus Songs: Minnesota Medley, God Bless America & Battle Hymn of the Republic

Uniform: California Blue (Teal) Shirt, Tan Trousers (*not Casual Uniform Tan Slacks or Shorts*), Black Belt w/Brass Buckle, Black Socks & Comfy Black Shoes.

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## CHURCH SINGOUTS

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2009

St. John Lutheran - 8am Service (warm-up 7:30am)  
1975 St. John's Drive - Woodbury, MN

Grace Lutheran - 9:30am Service  
1730 Old Hudson Road - St. Paul, MN

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

First Presbyterian - Service *TBD*  
6201 Osgood Ave. N - Stillwater, MN  
*Second church TBD*

Churches Uniform: SCV Casual Uniform – Comfy Black Shoes, Black Socks, Tan Slacks, Black Web Belt w/Brass Buckle, Colored Shirt, Chorus Neck Tie, Blue Blazer)  
(*No nametags*)

## **YOUTH IN HARMONY EXPLOSION CAMP, 2009**

We left New Richmond a little before 12:00 noon on Thursday and arrived at the U of W LaCrosse dormitory Coates about 3:00 p.m. We had a little construction on 94, but not bad. Rehearsals started at 4:00 p.m. at the Cartwright Center. I counted 63 students on the risers. Rehearsed until 6:00 and returned at 7:00 and went to 9:15 p.m. Returned to the dorm and sang tags with the students until lights out at 11:00 p.m.

Friday was a lot of hard work utilizing the quartet for sectionals to work the tough spots. The music chosen was not the easiest. The Mainstreet Station quartet did a good job with the young men. Sam Sather was terrific with the youth. He is a unique individual to work with them and have the patience and tolerance for the job. The students respect him and seem to respond to his telling them how to do it. Dick Staedt has done a terrific job with this program and he picked a dandy in Sam.

We had lots of terrific food. They bring it in by truck from a catering service. The young men eat a lot of food.

The show began at 8:15 on Saturday night in the Cartwright Center Theater. We had a nice crowd. Luke Westmoreland's parents and grandmother drove down for the show. They were so surprised at the quality of the show and were so proud of the young men on stage. Luke's mother told me that Luke came to her right away and said he had a great time and loved the weekend. The Mini Hep quartets (4 of them and one was from Canada) performed first and then the youth chorus. The youth sang four songs: Chordbusters March, Bright Was the Night, two student quartets sang, then the chorus did Swing Down Chariot, with two student soloists, and the last one was Oh! Look At Me Now. The second half of the show was the Mainstreet Point Station Wagon quartet first. Steve and Colin from Mainstreet Station, Jason, a stand in lead from Point, and Sam from the Bandwagon Quartet. They sang some wonderful ringing chords. The headline quartet was Stateline Grocery. They placed third at the 2008 International competition. Great fellows and they sang some terrific arrangements. All in all it was a successful and joyous weekend. On the way home the two boys that rode home with me thanked us for sponsoring them and they enjoyed the experience. (Note: Luke rode home with his parents.)

Thanks to the Indianhead members for your support of the Youth in Harmony program. The program is making progress and it will keep getting better as time goes by. There were many that repeated from last year and a bunch said they intend to come back next year.

***JON BUSS, DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH IN HARMONY***

I'd like to add my thanks to St. Croix Valley members for your support of the YIH program and to Jon for transporting and chaperoning Luke to the HXC while I was on vacation.