

ST. CROIX VALLEY CHAPTER

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WEEKLY NEWS

Emergency Number at Rehearsals - (651) 246-7257

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

Significant Dates

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

Fri - Sun	Oct 23-25, 2009	LOL District Convention in Rochester, MN
Tuesday	Nov 3, 2009	Xmas Show Joint Rehearsal @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Sunday	Nov 8, 2009	Veterans Day Service @ Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday	Nov 14, 2009	Xmas Show Joint Rehearsal @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Monday	Nov 30, 2009	Xmas Show Joint Rehearsal @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Friday	Dec 4, 2009	Xmas Show Dress Rehearsal @ Trinity Lutheran Church
Saturday	Dec 5, 2009	Xmas Show @ Trinity Lutheran & Guardian Angels Catholic
Tuesday	Dec 8, 2009	Officer Installation Party @ Grand Banquet Hall, Stillwater, MN
Tuesday	Dec 15, 2009	SCV Bowling Party @ Woodys-Bayport
Tuesday	Dec 22, 2009	No Meeting
Tuesday	Dec 29, 2009	No Meeting

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

REHEARSAL SCHEDULES

Tuesday, October 6, 2009 - Risers

6:30 Old Songs
6:40 Warm-up
6:50 Contest-intro's
7:00 Jim Emery Contest Set
7:10 Evaluation by Jim Emery
7:30 Business Meeting – Garner
7:40 Christmas
8:10 Armed Forces Medley
8:30 Pole Cats/Keep The Whole World Singing

Tuesday, October 13, 2009 - Risers

7:00 Old Songs
7:10 Warm-up
7:20 Christmas
8:00 Business Meeting – Garner
8:10 Contest – Emery Recap
8:45 Great Day
8:30 Keep The Whole World Singing

VETERANS DAY SERVICE

For the past several years the Croix Chordsmen have been a big part of the Stillwater Veterans Day service at Trinity Church. This year the service will be held Sunday November 8th at 2 P.M.

The "Red Bull Division" of the National Guard from the Stillwater area is currently deployed in Iraq. The "Yellow Ribbon" committee and the Veterans Day committee along with the Commander of the Red Bull Division are working on a live telecast from Trinity Church to Iraq to beam the service to the troops. After the service family members of the soldiers will be able to talk one on one via the telecast hook-up to their loved ones on the front line.

This will be an historic event, and one we need to be at full strength for. Please, please, please check your schedule now, and save Sunday November 8th @ 2 P.M. to sing with the chorus on this very special occasion. Sign-up sheets are available tonight!!!!!!

FALL DISTRICT CONVENTION INFORMATION

This information is intended primarily for our new members that have not participated in a Fall District Convention before but can be useful for all of us.

This year the Convention is in Rochester, MN, during the weekend of October 23-25th.

Carl Quist has done his usual excellent job of putting together our hotel requirements and has sent them to the Rochester Convention Committee. Our hotel of choice is the Hilton Garden Inn Downtown, 225 South Broadway, Rochester, Minnesota 55904, (507) 285-1234 (only 3 blocks away from the contest site – Mayo Civic Center). Due to hotel mergers they are slow getting our confirmations sent out to each of us. At this point we are each responsible to work directly with the hotel on any changes or cancellations we individually have.

The basic schedule for our weekend is:

Friday	9:00AM - 10:00PM	Registration/Ticket Desk	Mayo Civic Center
	??? - 5:30PM	Dinner on our own	Restaurant of your choice
	6:00PM - 9:30PM	Quartet Preliminary Contest	Mayo Civic Center
	10:00PM - 12:00PM	ADC Past Champions Show	“ “ “
Saturday	??? - 8:45AM	Breakfast Buffet @ Hotel	Hilton Garden Inn
	9:00AM - 10:00AM	Chorus Warmup*	Doubletree (short walk)
	10:00AM - 10:30AM	Dress In TuxTo Compete*	Hilton Garden Inn
	10:30AM - 2:30AM	Chorus Contest	Mayo Civic Center
	10:50AM -	Bus Pickup for Chorus*	Hilton Garden Inn
	11:05AM - 11:25AM	Ready Room A*	Mayo Civic Center
	11:30AM -	On Stage Compete*	“ “ “
	3:00PM - 5:00PM	Chorus Evaluations*	“ “ “
	5:30PM - 7:15PM	SCV & Oshkosh Dinner	“ “ “
	7:30PM - 10:00PM	Quartet Finals & Show	“ “ “
	10:30PM - 1:00AM	Afterglow	“ “ “
		<i>*These activities are for competing SCV chorus members only</i>	
Sunday	??? - 8:15AM	Breakfast Buffet @ Hotel	Hilton Garden Inn
	8:30AM - 10:00AM	Sing @ Bethel Lutheran Church just south of our hotel	
	10:00AM -	----Head for home----	

Your ticket(s) will be at the Registration/Ticket Desk in the Mayo Civic Center. It will double as a name tag and will have your auditorium seat identified on it. The Association of District Quartet Champions (ADC) show ticket is not included in tickets we purchased but can be purchased at the door of the show – usually \$10 each. You can pick up your Ticket/Name Badge Friday afternoon or when you go to the Friday night Quartet Contest. Registration is also open on Saturday, 8:30AM to 8PM.

Nothing is pre-planned for the Friday night dinner. We are on our own. I will try to get some recommendations for good restaurants. It is best to get together in small groups. Remember the Quartet Contest starts at 6PM. There are currently 22 quartets scheduled to compete – none from St. Croix Valley.

The Saturday morning buffet breakfast at our hotel has been very good in the past and is recommended. Chorus members will be required to attend our chorus warmup at the Doubletree hotel which is just a short walk from our hotel. Dress in casual clothes. We will return to our hotel at 10AM to get dressed (Full Tux w/Black Shirt & Fancy Vest) for competing in the Chorus Contest. Chorus members will be picked up at the hotel at 10:50AM. We sing 6th of 19.

After the Chorus Contest there will be Chorus Evaluations where the Judges will give us an evaluation of our performance. This is open to be attended by all members of our chorus. We will then return to the hotel to change into the clothes we will wear for our dinner and watching the Quartet Finals. Dress for dinner varies from a suit to more casual, like slacks and a sweater or sport shirt. Our buffet dinner starts at 5:30PM in a special room for us at the Civic Center. You can get there early and socialize – a cash bar will be available in the hallway. The Oshkosh Chapter will be joining us for dinner. After dinner we go down the hall to attend the Quartet Finals.

There will be an afterglow after the contest in the Civic Center where many of the contestants sing for the Convention attendees in a casual setting.

Sunday we sing at Bethel Lutheran Church at their 9AM Service. We will wear our casual uniform (i.e. Blue Blazer, Tan Slacks, Colored Shirt, etc.) and meet at the church @ 8:30AM to warmup. The church is located at 810 3rd Avenue SE, Rochester, MN 55904 (only a few blocks south of our hotel). Many of us will have a continental breakfast early and find a restaurant for a late breakfast/early lunch on the way home.