



## RECRUITING CONTINUES!!

Do you know of a prospective choir member that would enjoy singing in our choir? Please have them contact Cecilee at 491-3040 or [lagc@cableone.net](mailto:lagc@cableone.net) to set up an audition!! If you'd prefer Cecilee contact them directly the following information is helpful:

**Your friend's name**

**Her parents' names**

**Birthdate**

**Grade in Fall of 2009**

**School**

**Home Phone**

**Home Address**

**Email Address**

**LAGC Families:** It's never too early to raise funds for your tour or tuition fees! *This includes our new members who have registered for the upcoming season.* We have shifts available for a fund raiser at the Sunmart store at 3175 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Fargo, Friday-Saturday, August 21-22 and August 28-29. We receive all the proceeds for the items we sell. We are making hamburgers, brats & hot dogs. We need at least 1 adult and 2-3 choir members per shift. The shifts are from 11am-1pm, 1-3pm, and 3-6pm. All proceeds go into the choir members' fundraising account. Please call me at 491-3040 to reserve a spot for you or email me: [lagc@cableone.net](mailto:lagc@cableone.net).



**FUNDRAISER!**

**Shifts are first come, first served and we only have a few left!**



## HAVE YOU RESERVED YOUR PLACE IN THE CHOIR?

Please remember to mail in your registration for our upcoming 2009-2010 choir season. You should all have received an 'Invitation to Join'. If you did not or have misplaced your letter, please contact Cecilee.

If you don't see your name listed below, we have not received your reservation to join the choir for 2009-2010! Please contact Cecilee at [lagc@cableone.net](mailto:lagc@cableone.net) or (701) 491-3040. Don't miss out!

### CANTARE CHOIR

Claire Benson	Alexandra McIntyre	Hannah Schlomer
Krissy Borud	Laurel Mikkelson	Chelsey Schmitz
Allison Cwikla	Kayla Peuser	Kylie Shorma
Grace Kidder	Lauren Richardson	Lauren Smart
		Paige Smart

### MELODIA CHOIR

Abby Baucom	Isabelle Henley	Abby Moser
Haylee Brown	Mari Holmstrom	Julia Osborne
Morgan Campbell	Chloe Horton	Rachel Ostlund
Abbi Cogdill	Hailey Kindem	Olivia Renner
Victoria Cole	Alayna Kohler	Allison Schwark
Michelle Foster	Laura LeGare	Evie Shorma
Tylar Frame	Molly LeMier	Erin Slack
Janet Ganehiarachchi	Brenna LeMier	Mayim Stiith
Kendra Gozdal	Claire LeMier	Lauren Wenaas
Sydney Graf	Emily Mercier	Sarah Wenaas
Grace Grettum	Miranda Morgan	Madeleine Williams

### CANZONETTA CHOIR

Jensen Bloom	Sydney Lunde	Justine Schmidt
Meagen Kindem	Karine Otteson	Kendall Swanson
Samantha Lemke	Ellie Prafcke	Jesemy Travers
Jessica Livdahl	Emilie Schaaf	Rylee Wedell
		Ashlen Wright



## All LAGC Families Welcome!

Where has the summer gone? How can school supplies be out already? I asked my family these questions just the other day. Hopefully you have gotten to enjoy the summer months and the nice weather (when we have had it). Many of our LAGC alums and current members participated in the F-M summer theatre programs. We have such talented young ladies in our organization and community and are very proud of their accomplishments! These programs are a great reminder of how important arts programs are to our community.

For the LAGC Board of Directors and Staff we have completed two Board Retreat meetings in June and July, which are long meetings covering a lot of topics. The LAGC board is diverse and active so I hope you will get to know all of us throughout the year. To give you opportunities to visit with board members, they will be the hall monitors for the first weeks of the choir year. Please stop by, visit, ask questions, and address concerns you may have. We all look forward to meeting with you and need to hear from you to continue to become a better organization.

Lots of new families will be joining our three choirs this year, so once again we ask for mentors. We plan to have mentor meetings during the choir year which will be used to answer questions families have about fundraising, tour, etc. You don't have to know everything about the choir, just help out the new families joining the organization to feel comfortable.

Da Capo is August 24th so please plan on attending. For those of you who haven't attended in the past, this great event is used to kick off the choir year. Da Capo is a musical term that means "back to the beginning". This fall registration will be the beginning of an exceptional LAGC 19th anniversary season! Information is presented to parents and choir members about tours, fundraising, choir participant expectations, staff and board member introductions and much more. Our parents are integral to the success of this great organization and Da Capo is the first step in the journey.

This year will have some staff changes. Katie Damico will not be returning as the Canzonetta choir director due to a change in her teaching job at DGF schools. We are so happy for her and wish her the best! Kathy Lindquist has stepped up to take on both the Canzonetta and Melodia choir directing positions. LaRae Mikkelson will not be returning as Melodia accompanist in order to give more time to her family as they get older and more active. These changes resulted in needing an accompanist for both of the younger choirs. We are happy to announce the addition of Shimmer Foster, mother of Melodia choir member Michelle Foster, as the Melodia and Canzonetta accompanist. There will be a new choir manager this year, Doris Shive. Most of you know Doris as the SCRIP and Hornbacher card lady. With Cecilee leaving the staff of LAGC on August 31st, we have found

someone with LAGC background to hopefully make the transition seamless. All of our staff and their respective talents and dedication really make this organization tick. We are so fortunate to have such an amazing team!

Enjoy what is left of summer and see you at Da Capo!  
**Deb Slack, LAGC President**

### Welcome to the nineteenth season of the Lake Agassiz Girls Choir!

Wow! It takes an incredible amount of dedication and so many people to keep a community non-profit arts organization alive and growing! It takes:

- Talented girls who love to sing
- Parents with good hearts and good sense
- The leadership of staff and hard working board members
- Dedicated choral directors
- Skilled accompanists
- Willing consultants
- Interested audiences
- Financial supporters
- Hundreds and hundreds of volunteer hours



What "magic" inspires all of these people to balance their busy schedules and shrinking budgets to make room for LAGC? It's the "magic" of artistry! Let me explain:

Education through artistry approaches music as a performing art rather than a fine art. That just means that an artistic approach to music education will focus as much on the process as the product. To do something in an artistic way is to do it with skill and understanding. In other words, artistic refers to the process used to create something of beauty.

For adults and children alike, the artistic process provides the opportunity to express ideas and emotions that can't be expressed through ordinary language. The Lake Agassiz Girls Choir offers girls the opportunity to do something uncommonly well. It helps to develop confidence and self-satisfaction, and it creates an opportunity for each girl to realize her uniqueness as an individual and an artist. When we combine our seemingly ordinary skills and minds and talents, we produce something uncommonly beautiful. This is the "magic" that unites us!

I love being part of this "magic". I'm glad you've decided to be a part of it, too!

**Pamela C. Burns, Artistic Director**

**PARENT HALL MONITORS:** *Check below for your daughter's name.* Monitors take attendance, supervise girls before & after rehearsals, during breaks, and distribute flyers & notices as needed. Your service keeps our girls safe and gives you a chance to meet other parents and the girls your daughter is making music with. Hall Monitors need to be present 15 minutes before and after each rehearsal. **Please arrive promptly and remember, we do not want you to leave until we insure that all girls have been safely picked up.** Please arrange for another parent to be there if you can't stay or you cannot make your assigned time.

**HALL MONITOR ASSIGNMENTS  
Aug. 31 - Oct. 26, 2009**

**SHIFTS**

**Cantare-NDSU** 6:00-8:45 PM  
**Canzonetta-Peace** 5:45-7:15 PM  
**Melodia-Peace** 7:00-8:45 PM

HALL MONITOR ASSIGNMENTS		Parent(s) of:
<b>Aug. 31</b>		
Cantare		Brooke Just
Canzonetta		Ashlen Wright
Melodia		Morgan Campbell
<b>Sept. 7 - NO REHEARSAL</b>		
<b>Sept. 14</b>		
Cantare		Emily Osman
Canzonetta		Meagen Kindem
Melodia		Grace Grettum
<b>Sept. 21</b>		
Cantare		Kylie Shorma
Canzonetta		Sydney Lunde
Melodia		Chloe Horton
<b>Sept. 28</b>		
Cantare		Claire Benson
Canzonetta		Karine Otteson
Melodia		Emily Mercier
<b>Oct. 5</b>		
Cantare		Krissy Borud
Canzonetta		Justine Schmidt
Melodia		Miranda Morgan
<b>Oct. 12</b>		
Cantare		Allison Cwikla
Canzonetta		Jesemy Travers
Melodia		Allison Schwark
<b>Oct. 19</b>		
Cantare		Grace Kidder
Canzonetta		Jensen Bloom
Melodia		Erin Slack
<b>Oct. 26</b>		
Cantare		Alexandra McIntyre
Canzonetta		Samantha Lemke
Melodia		Abby Baucom



**Happy summer! and welcome to the Lake Agassiz Girls Choir!**

My name is Kathy Lindquist and I am the director for BOTH Canzonetta and Melodia choirs.

We will rehearse at Peace Lutheran Church again this year: Canzonetta - Mondays, 6-7:00 p.m. and Melodia - Mondays, 7:15-8:30 p.m. I can't wait for the opportunity to work with each and every girl because we all share a passion for singing and making great music while building community through new and old friendships. May you enjoy these last precious days of summer and I look forward to seeing all of you at DaCapo, August 24th for orientation and September 14th for our first night of rehearsal. **Kathy Lindquist**



**Dear LAGC Families,**

I am writing to regretfully inform you that I have resigned my position as the director of the Canzonetta Choir. I was offered a full time teaching position in the fall at DGF. This was a very difficult decision for me, and I will miss LAGC greatly. It has been a wonderful, supportive community for me in the last two years. I will see you at all the concerts!

**Sincerely,  
Katie Damico**



**SPOTLIGHT ON....** Looking for the performances of the girls artistic endeavors! Please submit info to Amy Arness, (H: 232-2825, C: 238-7023, [amyarness@hotmail.com](mailto:amyarness@hotmail.com)).

What fun for the girls to support one another! More Congratulations to our girls!

**Totally Trollwood July 31 & Aug 1—7:30 Pre-show**

Rachel Evenson	Cantare
Hannah Gress	"
Alexys Hewitt	"
Grace Kidder	"
MacKenzie Larson	"
Kelly Thoreson	"
Lauren Richardson	Melodia
Sarah Wenaas	"
Becca Aaker	Alumnae
Olivia Berglund	"
Audra Hanson	"
Paige Vance	"

# RESERVE THE DATE!

## October 4 1:30-6:00 PM

Location to be Announced

We will be rehearsing, team building, having fun together, electing choir representatives, having a parent meeting, several parent committee meetings at our Fall Camp this year. Girls and parent volunteers will be served food and refreshments. Try to save the above block of time for that day - we may change that a little. More details to come!

## DRESS FITTINGS

Fittings for the concert dresses and uniforms will take place on the following dates:

- September 21: Canzonetta Choir 7:00 PM following choir rehearsal
- September 28: Melodia Choir 6:15 PM before choir rehearsal
- October 4: Cantare Choir at Fall Camp



POLO SHIRTS & BLACK SHOES  
DO YOURS FIT?

### HAVE YOU OUTGROWN YOUR RED POLO SHIRT OR BLACK SHOES?

If they're in good condition and you'd like to try to sell them to another choir member, please bring your items to "Da Capo". Drop them off at the table we'll have set up. You must pin a sealable envelope with your name and phone neatly printed on it along with the dollar amount (shirts are \$20 new so if it's in good condition please mark it \$10). Place shoes either in a shoe box with the envelope taped on it or inside a large ziploc bag with the envelope enclosed. Shoes will vary in price so just mark what you want for them. We will accept cash or checks made payable to the seller. At the end of "Da Capo" stop by the table to pick up your envelopes and/or unsold items.

## SUMMER SCRIP SCHEDULE

- August 17 - Monday  
SCRIP Order Placed
- August 24 - Monday  
SCRIP & HB Card Pick Up @ DaCapo



\*Note date change of final summer order.



Aug. 5-6	Cantare Auditions
Aug. 6	Board Reports due by Noon
Aug. 10	Scholarship Applications Due; Express Registration Due
Aug. 13	Board Meeting - Peace Lutheran
Aug. 17-20	Melodia & Canzonetta Auditions
Aug. 21-22	Sunmart Hot Dog Fundraiser
Aug. 24	DA CAPO!!
Aug. 26	September Newsletter Deadline
Aug. 28-29	Sunmart Hot Dog Fundraiser
Aug. 31	FIRST REHEARSAL!
Sept. 3	Board reports due by Noon
Sept. 7	NO REHEARSAL
Sept. 10	Board Meeting
Sept. 14	Rehearsals & Buddy Nites - Canzonetta & Melodia; Cantare Tour Committee Meeting; Melodia Tour Committee Meeting
Sept. 21	Rehearsals & Buddy Nite - Cantare; Canzonetta Dress Fittings
Sept. 25	October Newsletter Deadline
Sept. 28	Final Date for Auditions; Melodia Dress Fittings

Dear LAGC families, staff members and board members,

I wanted to take a moment to let you know that I am leaving my position at LAGC as of August 31st. Most of you know I have a full-time position as Office Manager at Peace Lutheran Church. Therefore, I did not apply for the new choir manager position as the job would require 25 hours a week.

I have enjoyed my ten years with the choir and I appreciate having had the opportunity to work with you. Thank you for the support, guidance, and encouragement you have provided me during my time at LAGC. I wish you all the best and another successful season.

Thanks again for everything.

Yours truly,

Cecilee Turmo



Lake Agassiz Girls Choir  
August 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>Happy Birthday, Laurel Mikkelson!</i>	3	4 <i>Happy Birthday, Brooke Just!</i>	5	6 <b>Board reports due at NOON</b> <i>Happy Birthday, Isabelle Henley!</i>	7	8
9	10 <b>SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS DUE</b>	11	12	13 <b>Board Meeting Peace Lutheran 6:30 PM</b>	14	15
16 <i>Happy Birthday, Mattigan Walters!</i>	17 <i>Happy Birthday, Grace Kidder and Chelsey Schmitz!</i>	18 <i>Happy Birthday, Mayim Stith!</i>	19 <i>Happy Birthday, Sydney Kays!</i>	20	21 <b>Sunmart Fundraiser SEPTEMBER newsletter deadline</b>	22 <b>Sunmart Fundraiser</b>
23	24 <b>DA CAPO</b> <i>7 PM NDSU REINEKE HALL</i>	25	26	27	28 <b>Sunmart Fundraiser</b>	29 <b>Sunmart Fundraiser</b>
30	31 REHEARSALS: 6:00-7:00 pm Canzonetta Monitor: Wright 6:15-8:15 pm Cantare Monitor: Just 7:15-8:30 pm Melodia Monitor: Campbell	Just a reminder...our next rehearsal will be Monday, September 14 <sup>th</sup> due to the Labor Day holiday. This is also Buddy Night for the Canzonetta & Melodia Choirs...don't forget to bring a friend!				

**LAKE AGASSIZ GIRLS CHOIR**

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