



# Sing

News Feb. 9/10

Hi everyone,

The 2010 Kiwanis Music Festival is quickly approaching and I'm very excited about how all of our choirs are doing as they prepare for this fun and important arts event in our community.

Please note that a short warm-up/rehearsal has been scheduled at the venue prior to each group performing. Our performance schedule *for each choir* is as follows:

## Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

### Children's Choir

**Warm-Up/Rehearse at Southminster United Church in the upper hall 5:00 – 5:30 p.m.**

**Arrive back at Southminster United Church to line up 6:30**

**Perform at Southminster United Church in the sanctuary 7:00 – 7:30**

*Parents ... as I am warming/lining up the Youth Singers right after our group assembles, I will need 2-3 of you to take the Children's Choir into the sanctuary to be seated and to sit with them until we sing. If you would be willing to do this, would you please let me know?*

### Youth Singers

**Warm-Up/Rehearse at Southminster United Church in the upper hall 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Arrive back at Southminster United Church to line up 6:40**

**Perform at Southminster United Church in the sanctuary 7:30 – 8:15**

*Parents ... I realize that there is a large gap between when I've asked your children to arrive back at the church and when we actually sing. However, as the children's choir is performing from 7:00 – 7:30, there is no other way for me to do this. The Youth Singers will need to assemble and be in the church by 7, where they will sit in the audience and listen to the Children's Choir and one other group perform before they take the stage at 7:30. If there are 2-3 of you who could sit with this group while I'm busy with the Children's Choir onstage, I would really appreciate it. If you would be willing to do this, would you please let me know?*

## Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

### Senior Singers

Warm-Up/Rehearse at Southminster United Church in the upper hall 5:45 – 6:15 p.m.

Perform at Southminster United Church in the sanctuary 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

### Other Festival Details

For those of you new to this music festival thing and those of you who need lots of reminders (like me), here are some other details

1. The adjudicator will comment on our songs between each class.
2. There is a \$2.00 admission charge for everyone but the performers
3. Each singer should wear his/her uniform which includes:

#### Children's and Youth Singers

- "Sing" t-shirt (if you are new to the choir since January, I will chat with you about this)
- black skirt and black tights (girls), pants (boys) and black shoes

#### Senior Singers

- red scarf (ladies), red tie (men) (if you are new to the choir since January, I will chat with you about this)
- white dress shirt, black skirt and black tights (ladies), pants (men) and black shoes

#### 4. Choirs Supporting Choirs

Senior Singers, if at all possible, it would be great if you could be there as audience members to support the Children's Choir and Youth Singers on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Children's Choir and Youth Singers, I know that the Senior Singers would appreciate your support on the 17<sup>th</sup> if at all possible.

### Provincial Music Festival (*if we are invited to participate*)

Depending on how the adjudicator marks us, we may be invited to go to Edmonton to represent Lethbridge in the provincial music festival. This would be on **Saturday, May 8th**.

***If at all possible***, please keep this weekend open. We cannot participate if the majority of our singers are unable to attend.

We should know by the end of March if one or all of our choirs have been invited to attend.

**And finally ...**

Thanks for your support, cooperation and good humour with me. As always, I appreciate all that you do as singers, parents and families to make all of this possible for our choirs. I know how fortunate I am as a conductor.

If you foresee any problems in this schedule or have any concerns, please contact me by [email \(matkka@uleth.ca\)](mailto:matkka@uleth.ca) or telephone (403.328.1783) anytime.

Musically yours,

Kathy