



The Appleton Boychoir's Winter Meeting, Potluck & Fruit Sale Kickoff for members and families is on **Thursday, January 5**. Boys will check in with their Choir Parents in the lobby of First Congregational UCC between 5:15-5:35 pm to receive attendance credit and receive their fruit sale information. Please place your food on an assigned table near the narthex/elevator area. Volunteers will then bring the food down to Fellowship Hall and setup for the potluck. The meeting will then begin at 5:35 pm in the sanctuary of First Congregational UCC. We will introduce the Appleton Boychoir staff and board members, discuss upcoming events and make other exciting announcements. Information regarding the fruit sale will also be discussed at this time. We will then move downstairs into Fellowship Hall for our potluck. Please note the following changes in food assignments. Plates, silverware and napkins will be provided. Please bring your own beverages.

Repertoire Choir Families:	Please bring a side dish to share, enough for 8-10 people.
Junior Choir Families:	Please bring a main to share, enough for 8-10 people.
Senior Choir Families:	Please bring a side dish to share, enough for 8-10 people.
Ambassador Choir Families:	Please bring a dessert dish to share, enough for 8-10 people.

We will need 6-8 volunteers to help setup and clean up the potluck. Please let Ms. Shallue know as soon as possible if you are able and interested in helping out!

## **Young Men's Chorus Festival – Monday, February 6, 2012**

The Junior & Ambassador Choirs will be singing at the matinee performance of Young Men's Chorus Festival on Monday, February 6, 12:30 p.m. at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium. **Please drop the boys off at the AUDITORIUM ENTRANCE, LOCATED AT 610 NORTH BADGER AVENUE, APPLETON at 11:15 am. PLEASE HAVE YOUR SON EAT LUNCH IN ADVANCE! PLEASE HAVE THEM READY TO GO IN THEIR CONCERT ATTIRE!** We will meet in the Auditorium lobby, warm-up and leave jackets in their assigned seats and then rehearse on stage from 11:35 a.m.-12:05 p.m. The house will open at 12:05 pm and all groups will move to their seats in the Auditorium. They will then perform at the matinee performance of Young Men's Chorus Festival at 12:30 p.m. The performance will last approximately one hour. Junior Choir Boys can be picked up at 1:45 pm.

A school excuse letter for the day of the performance is attached.

Although it is free to attend the matinee performance, there is limited seating due to many school groups in attendance. Please let Ms. Shallue know if you plan on attending the 12:30 p.m. performance **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2012** and she will reserve a seat for you.

### TICKET INFORMATION

All general admission tickets for the 7 pm performance are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door . Tickets can be ordered in the following ways: by **Mailing** in the Appleton Boychoir's 2011-2012 ticket order form located in our season brochure, on our website at [www.appletonboychoir.com](http://www.appletonboychoir.com); by **Calling** the Appleton Boychoir office during open office hours which are Monday-Thursday from 10 am-3pm using Visa or MasterCard as payment; or **In Person** one half hour prior to the performance in Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Lobby with cash or check payment only.

Repertoire, Junior and Senior Choir members will receive one free complimentary ticket and will receive extra credit for attending the evening performance at 7pm at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium.

**Schedule for Monday, February 6, 2012**

- 11:15 am Junior & Ambassador Choir boys arrive at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Entrance/Lobby in concert attire
- 11:35 am Junior & Ambassador Choirs' Rehearsals on stage
- 12:05 pm House Opens/Choirs take seats in Auditorium
- 12:30 pm Young Men's Chorus Festival Matinee Performance
- 1:45 pm Junior Choir boys can be picked up at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Entrance/Lobby
- 1:45-2:30 pm Ambassador Choir & High School Varsity Men's Choirs Workshop
- 2:40 pm Ambassador Choir boys can be picked up at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Entrance/Lobby
- 5:45 pm Ambassador Choir boys arrive at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Entrance/Lobby in concert attire
- 6-6:30 pm All Choirs' Rehearsal
- 6:30 pm House Opens/Choirs take seats in Auditorium
- 7 pm Young Men's Chorus Festival Evening Performance
- 8:45 pm Ambassador Choir boys can be picked up at Appleton West High School's Community Auditorium Entrance/Lobby

**Fruit, Cheese and Sausage Sale – January 5 – February 24, 2012**

If your son is registered to fundraise as a part of his tuition payment program, he is required to sell at least 15 boxes of fruit, cheese or sausage. If someone wishes to make a donation to the organization instead of ordering a box, the donation should be at least \$6. **All fruit, cheese & sausage sale order forms & payments must be turned in at the beginning of rehearsal on Monday, January 30!** Tallying will be during rehearsals on Monday, January 30 from 4-6 pm at First Congregational UCC and on Friday, February 3 from 9-11 am at the Trout Museum of Art's 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room. Please let Ms. Shallue know if interested.

**ORDER PICK-UP AND DELIVERY:**

**Friday, February 24, 8:00 am-6:30 pm, Appleton Warehouse, 115 N. Kensington Dr., Appleton**

Volunteers will be needed on Friday to load orders into cars, etc. Volunteers will work in two-hour shifts. Contact Ms. Shallue if interested. If you have access to a **hand truck or loading cart**, please bring it over to the warehouse on Friday or let Ms. Shallue know and it will be picked up and returned.

REMEMBER: You are responsible for delivering all orders you have sold.

The fruit sale information and brochure will be available on our website: <http://www.appletonboychoir.com/>

## **Family Involvement Program (F.I.P.)**

### **Winter Volunteer Opportunities**

**January:** Winter Meeting & Potluck (Setup, Takedown – 1 hour each); Fruit, Cheese & Sausage Sale (Tallying – 1-3 hours)

**February:** Young Men's Chorus Festival (Setup, Takedown, Ticketing, Ushering, Selling CDs/Hats – 1-2 hours); Fruit, Cheese & Sausage Sale (Tallying, Pickup & Delivery – 1-8 hours)

**March:** Tour Assistance (Packing ABC clothing, nametags, medical kits, etc. – 1-4 hours); Spring Concert (Setup, Decorating, Takedown, Ticketing, Ushering, Selling CDs/Hats – 1 -2 hours)

**April:** Clothing Return (Move clothing from storage, checking in items – 1-3 hours)

**Office Projects:** We could always use help with marketing, fundraising, technology, and recruiting.

Please contact Ms. Shallue as soon as possible to register for these volunteer opportunities. For more information on the Family Involvement Program, please see the Appleton Boychoir Handbook 2011-2012:

[http://www.appletonboychoir.com/current\\_choir\\_members.htm](http://www.appletonboychoir.com/current_choir_members.htm)

## **Appleton Boychoir Open Office Hours & Communications**

Fall semester open office hours will be Mondays-Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. starting Tuesday, September 6 – Thursday, December 1, 2011. Winter semester open office hours will be Mondays-Thursdays from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. from Tuesday, January 3, 2012-Thursday, March 29, 2012. The office is located on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the Trout Museum of Art/Reigel Building (formerly known as the Appleton Art Center). Please enter in the back of the building and take the elevator directly to the 4<sup>th</sup> floor. Our office is located on the north/College Avenue side of the building. Ms. Shallue will also be at Monday rehearsals at First Congregational UCC and at Thursday rehearsals at Appleton West High School's Choir Room. Please mail or drop off any payments directly to the Appleton Boychoir office. Our mailing address is Appleton Boychoir, 111 West College Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Appleton, WI, 54911.

### **Communications:**

- Handbook, Master Calendar, Season Events & Rosters (distributed in August)
- Fall Meeting & Potluck, September 8
- Parent Meetings (during 1<sup>st</sup> set of rehearsals)
- Bi-monthly Choirs' e-Newsletters (Sept/Oct, Nov/Dec, Jan/Feb, Mar/April)
- Winter Meeting & Potluck, January 5, 2012
- Open Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 10 am-3pm
- Rehearsals

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