

UPCOMING SINGOUTS AND CONCERTS

All of the following dates are on the website – just look at the calendar button and all of them are in there. The ones on the side that show up are for the public to attend. The rest are listed as private and will show up on the calendar.

Friday September 6, 2024, Lake Minnetonka Shores, 4515 Shoreline Dr., Spring Park. Arrive at 2:00 p.m. Sing at 2:30 p.m.
40 Singers Max.

Wednesday September 11, 2024, Plymouth Farmers Market, Parker’s Lake Playfield, 15500 County Road 6, Plymouth.
Arrival time to be announced. **WEAR RED PLYMOUTH ROCKERS POLO SHIRTS.**

Friday October 18, 2024, Founders Ridge, 6600 Auto Club Road, Bloomington. Arrive 2:00 p.m. Sing at 2:30 p.m.

Thursday October 24, 2024 Avidor Minnetonka, 12610 Ridgedale Dr., Minnetonka. Arrive 3:45 p.m. Sing at 4:15 p.m.
There is plenty of parking including US Bank and Wells Fargo lots for parking. Bring keyboard.

Wednesday December 4, 2024, Brookdale Senior Living Edina, 3330 Edinborough Way, Edina. Arrive at 1:30 p.m. Sing at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday December 7, 2024, Holiday Concert, Wayzata High School, 4955 Peony Lane N., Plymouth. 3:00 show. More information to follow.

Thursday December 12, 2024, Epiphany Pines. 1800 111th Ave. NW, Coon Rapids. Arrive at 1:30 p.m. Sing at 2:00 p.m.

Presidential News Labor Day traditionally signals the end of summer and a new wave of productivity as the school year begins. We all feel a renewed sense of purpose in our daily lives.

We look forward to upcoming sing outs and our Holiday Concert to put on the best performance we possibly can for the enjoyment of our fans. Your Board is working hard to provide the tools necessary to achieve those goals.

One of the issues we are looking at is the use of our website and if there is another alternative that may better meet our needs. Many of you have experienced problems with accessing the members page on the website due to difficulties with passwords and usernames. We are working to resolve those problems.

We all bear responsibility to utilize the tools available, whether it be accessing music for practice at home, checking in regularly on the calendar of upcoming events, and reading announcements about apparel for upcoming sing outs. We should all make a habit of checking in on a regular basis.

Your President, Don Fernstrom

The Plymouth Rockers Board of Directors met on August 12. Items discussed include review of the Treasurer’s report; exploring a new web site program and making some changes to passwords; ‘at a glance’ volunteer roles document soon to be available for the various member volunteer jobs that support the Rockers (if interested in a vacant volunteer assignment, please contact a Board member); additional revenue streams (e.g. grants, QR Code for donations at concerts, etc.) If any suggestions, please contact Don. The next Board of Directors

meeting will be Monday, September 9 at 8 a.m. (**All Plymouth Rockers Board of Directors meetings are the second Monday of the month at 8:00am.**)

No rehearsal Monday September 2 (Labor Day).

We will be wearing our new choir uniforms starting with the singout on September 6. For men: red blazer/jacket (unbuttoned), black dress shirt (tucked in), black tie, black belt, black dress slacks (no jeans/denims), black socks and shoes. For women: red blazer/jacket (unbuttoned), black jewel neckline top (not tucked in), black dress slacks (no jeans/denims), black socks or hose and shoes.

WEAR YOUR RED PLYMOUTH ROCKERS POLO SHIRTS FOR THE SINGOUT WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11. Then the choir returns to wearing red blazers, etc. Carol Dolan has polo shirts for sale: \$25.00 each, all sizes.

Per Music Librarian Ron Schulte music that can be turned in are: For the Beauty of the Earth, Homeward Bound, I Remember You, Lullaby of Broadway, Sing Your Way Home (except newbies), You've Got a Friend in Me (keep You've Got a Friend, though).

We have three new members! Please welcome Beverly (Bev) Cooper, 2nd Soprano; Vicki Kempf, 1st Soprano; and Joanie Wendt, 1st Soprano. We hope you have felt a warm welcome from the Plymouth Rockers!!

Rita Hovland would like to remind members to be sure they have their emergency contact sheet in the back of their music folder. Please review it to be sure the contact person hasn't changed, and the phone number is accurate. Update all medical information. Blank emergency contact sheets can be gotten from Rita or from a folder at the very back of the rolling music cart. Legibility is important, also!

If anyone is aware of a facility in your neighborhood that seems like a place we might perform, let **Marketing Committee Chair Jeanne Moffat** know so she can be sure it is on our contacts list. Any ideas you might have about how we can get the word out, please contact Jeanne.

If anyone knows of any rocker who is ill or who has had a family member pass away, please let **Sunshine Committee Chair Julie Skogren** know so she can send a note to them. Julie also sends follow-up thank you notes to the facilities where we have performed.

If you change your address, phone number and especially your email address, please let **Lauralee Elnes** know so she can update the roster and notify people of the change.

Thank you to **Maggie Ingle** for volunteering to **create a QR Code** for our organization to help with fundraising! The QR Code will be included in every program at our Spring Concert and Holiday Concerts. QR Codes provide a safe and convenient way for our audience to donate to our organization. A QR Code will not replace our traditional "pass the basket" but will be an additional way for our audience to show their appreciation.

WANTED: Volunteers to do: Carpool Coordinator; Fundraising; Web Page Manager- We need a person who has computer skills and can manage the new web page. Now that the web page has been revamped, we need someone who can take charge of keeping the information up to date. New input and pictures, videos, etc., can be given to our webmaster to get it up to date. Your job will be to manage all our upcoming singing engagements for members and the public and get them into the calendar; upload the song links and current newsletters onto the member page. Please talk to **Lynne Ferguson** if you are interested. If you are interested in any volunteer position, please see one of the Board members for more information or the person who previously held this position.

Join us at FRANKIE'S on Thursday, September 19! We will have our monthly gathering at Frankie's Pizza, 3556 Winnetka Ave. N., New Hope, on September 19 at 5:30 p.m. Members and spouses/partners are welcome!

Happy Birthday!! To all the September Birthday Rockers!

