



November 16, 2010

Dear Aeolian Singers Alumni!

Can you believe that this year we are celebrating 35 years of singing with heart? The Executive and I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you of our plans to celebrate this momentous occasion and how you may be involved if you wish be.

To commemorate our many years of singing with heart we have joined with the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia to be a voice for educating women about the risks of heart disease. Only one in eight women is aware that heart disease and stroke are their biggest health concern. During our 35th season we will be incorporating many ways to promote women's heart health culminating in a concert at the Rebecca Cohn on May 14, 2011, featuring the world premiere of a suite of songs by Stephen Hatfield commissioned by the choir for our anniversary. We'll be performing in our new costumes - our own version of the Red Dress campaign!

We are collecting memorabilia to share on our web site. Any pictures or programs that you wish to send will be used for a slideshow at our 35th Anniversary party and/or for the Aeolian Singers website for everyone to view. It would also be helpful to have a caption (and ideally a year - even approx.) with each photo. Please send these as jpg or pdf files to René Wall at wallrm@hotmail.ca

At the beginning of Advent we will be joining the Truro Youth Singers in Truro on November 27th at 7PM and Dartmouth City Youth Choir on December 5th at 3PM in Halifax to perform "A Heartfelt Christmas". See our web site for more details!

On March 26th, 2011, we are having a 35th Anniversary party Aeolian style at the comfortable and relaxing Dalhousie Faculty Club! It will be an evening of sharing laughter, food, memories and song.

In early April we are organizing a workshop collaborating with the NS Choral Federation bringing Stephen Hatfield to Halifax, during which the Aeolians will be focusing on the commissioned suite of songs for the world premiere in May. We are excited that our commission has been supported by both the Province of Nova Scotia and Halifax Regional Municipality.

You may be asking at this point “How can I be a part of this wonderful celebration?”

- ♥ **Join us** at the party on March 26th (Please see the attached information for registration)
- ♥ **Send in memorabilia** in the form of a favorite story, concert programs, captioned and dated pictures and/or recipes that could be included on our website and/or in a slideshow for the party. Sadly, we have also lost some choir members in the last 35 years. If you wish to pay tribute to a former member, please send along a photo, caption and information on the member you are writing about. If you have any questions, please contact René Wall at wallrm@hotmail.ca
- ♥ You could **make a donation** toward our commission or toward our new red dresses for a tax receipt
- ♥ **Spread the word** to your friends and neighbours about our exciting 35th season
- ♥ As an alumni you can get a **reduced rate** for your ticket to our concerts for the season.
- ♥ **Buy a “heart beat”** to honour a woman in your life or in memory of one who is no longer with us, for only \$20 (tax deductible). Your loved one will be included in our gala May concert program and their name read out at the performance. The Heart Beat Tribute form is attached.

Our web site is being updated and all suggestions/items are welcome. Please check out our new website at www.aeoliansingers.ca or find us on Facebook!

We look forward to hearing from you and/or seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

The Aeolian Singers
35th Anniversary Committee



The Aeolian Singers 35th Anniversary Celebration

1976-2011



The Aeolian Singers are proud to celebrate 35 years of singing and performing beautiful choral works arranged for women's voices. Our current season theme of "Singing with Heart" encompasses our continued passion for sharing our love of singing with each other and our friends and community. Since our inception in 1976, countless numbers of women from diverse backgrounds have shared unforgettable, extraordinary "Aeolian" moments both at home and abroad.

We are inviting all current and former Aeolian Alumni members and friends to help us celebrate our 35th anniversary by attending our party on the 26th of March, 2011. You'll have an opportunity to rekindle friendships, share memories, harmonize your voices in a sing-a-long and perhaps share your talent, view choir memorabilia and especially laugh, drink and eat in the traditional Aeolian style! Be sure to come and join in the fun.

Don't delay, send in your registration today! Early-birds get a discount on the registration fee!

The Aeolian Singers 35th Anniversary Celebration Party

- When:** Saturday, March 26th, 2011
- Where:** Dalhousie University Faculty Club, Alumni Crescent off of South Street (parking in rear of building), Halifax, N.S. Web site: <http://universityclub.dal.ca/>
- Time:** 7:00 p.m.- midnight
- Who:** Past & present Aeolians & Friends
- What:** Fun, eats, photos, sing-a-long, talent show and more
- Alcohol:** Cash bar
- Attire:** casual (tartan ties or chitons anyone?)
- Cake:** 35th anniversary cake
- Fee:** Early-bird: \$20 (Before January 31, 2011)
Late registration: \$25 (After January 31, 2011)

[Please note this party is not connected with an Aeolian Concert or other choir event.]

[See registration form for details] Visit our web site for more information on this party and our 35th Season! www.aeoliansingers.ca

**The Aeolian Singers 35th Anniversary
Celebration Party**

Saturday, March 26th, 2011

Registration Form



Name: _____

Address: _____

(Street/apartment number)

(City)

(Province)

(Postal Code)

Phone #: Home () _____ Cell _____

Fax #: _____

E-mail: _____

Optional: Please add my email to The Aeolian Singers' Mailing List : YES

REGISTRATION FEES: (Please check the category that applies.)

- Early Registration (before January 31st): ____ tickets x \$20 = _____ \$
- Late Registration (after January 31st): ____ tickets x \$25 = _____ \$
- Total: _____ \$

Please make cheque(s) payable to: **The Aeolian Singers**

Please mail registration form and payment to: **Sue Crooks
49 Forestglen Dr
Timberlea, NS, B3T 1J4**

You may also contact Sue online at: scrookssopi@hotmail.ca

The Aeolian Singers 35th Anniversary Celebration Party Fun Stuff Factsheet!



OPTIONAL: To help us celebrate our 35th Anniversary please complete and send in this Fun Stuff Factsheet! This information could be used on our web site, or at the Celebration Party. Please indicate your preference at the bottom of this sheet.

- ♥ Your Name: _____
- ♥ Years with The Aeolian Singers: _____
- ♥ **To contribute to the evening's entertainment, I would love to perform in the "talent Show" during the party:** check YES NO

If YES, please briefly describe song/duet/skit/joke etc: (keyboard available)

- ♥ Please list any special Aeolian experiences/memories you would like to share. If you have a story or testimonial you'd like to share feel free to attach a separate sheet (or email me).

- ♥ Your favorite Aeolian piece of music:

- ♥ List one thing you love (loved) about the Aeolian Singers:

- ♥ Details can also be sent electronically to the address listed below (**preferred if possible**).

Please check all that apply:

- My Fun Stuff info. may be used in the 35th Anniversary section of The Aeolian web site
- My photos may be used in the 35th Anniversary section of The Aeolian web site
- My information and photos are only to be used at the 35th Anniversary Party
- Please return my memorabilia (**ensure your name appears on all items**) when finished.

Please forward your completed Fun Stuff sheet and any photos (displaying your name, date, caption) or memorabilia to:

René Wall
396 Debert Beach Road, Debert, N.S. B0M 1G0
Email: wallrm@hotmail.ca



Would you like to support our “Buy a Heart Beat” campaign to pay tribute to an extraordinary person in your life through the Aeolian Singers? For a donation of \$20 (tax receipt will be issued), the name of your loved one will be included in the program for our 35th Anniversary Concert on May 14, 2011 at the Rebecca Cohn, “Singing with Heart for 35 years”. Buying a “Heart Beat” may be a tribute *in honour of* or *in memory of* your extraordinary person. During our 35th Anniversary Season we are raising awareness of the importance of women's heart health, with the support of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia. In celebration of our anniversary and heart health theme, we've commissioned world-renowned Canadian composer Stephen Hatfield to create a new suite of songs for the choir. This will be premiered on May 14, 2011 at the Cohn.

Buy a Heart Beat Tribute(s) for...

Name of person to be honoured	Living	Memorial
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Total: _____ X \$20 = _____

Your address (for tax receipt):

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Please send your “Heart Beat” tributes and cheques made out to “The Aeolian Singers” to:

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