

## Sing the National Anthem at a Twins game!

Once again, the Allegro Choral Academy has been invited to perform the National Anthem at the start of a Minnesota Twins baseball game at Target Field. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 24! It's a 7:10pm game so we will need to meet outside of the stadium by 6:00 that evening. More information will be shared next week when we send out the official invitation and ticket order.

While this event is completely optional, we hope your family can participate in this memorable event. Any Allegro student is invited to sing with us – right on the warning track in center field! Also, it is likely that we will have several new students with us, so if you know of any family or friends who might want to sing with us in Allegro next year, make sure they sign up soon so that they can get in on this event.

Stray tuned for an email from Nicole regarding specifics about August 24 such as ordering group tickets, transportation, rehearsal, etc. Spread the word!

### **Upcoming Events**

#### May 8 (Sun)

Allegro's spring concert, 4:00pm at Eastview High School. Singers must be ready at 3:15.

Year-End Party is immediately following the concert. RSVP required!

#### **May-June**

Register for the 2016-2017 season. Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders may choose to audition for Bel Canto. Email gdouma@allegroca.org to schedule an audition.

June 20-23

Pitch Perfect Camp for ages 6-11.

#### August 24 (Wed)

Allegro Day at the Minnesota Twins game (7:10pm game). Sing the National Anthem. RSVP required.

# Dirsct from the Director

This season marks Allegro's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a music organization dedicated to providing children a comprehensive vocal music experience to children in our community. I want to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who has played a part in Allegro's *first* decade of music-making: supportive parents who set aside time and resources to encourage their child to sing, a community that has embraced us and attended concerts and participated in fundraisers, a dedicated staff that nurtures the talents of every child, area schools and churches that are partners in music education for all, and the *hundreds upon hundreds* of students who have sung with us so far.

But we won't rest here! Let's start our next decade by spreading the word and collecting registrations for our 2016-2017 season. It is going to be a great year!

With more songs to sing,

Greg

# REGISTER NOW FOR 2016-2017!

It's not too soon to think about next year. Please consider registering early so that your child may continue his or her Allegro journey.

Check out our website for registration info for the Pitch Perfect Camp this summer and our 2016-17 choral season.

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# Allegro is seeking support

There are many ways a person can help Allegro fulfill its mission of being an organization dedicated to created high quality musical opportunities for children in our community.

- Sponsor a child. This is done every time a parent or guardian registers a child for Allegro. But it can also take the form of donating to our Grandparent's Fund which allows Allegro to award need-based scholarships to families in our community.
- □ **Check with your employer** to see if there are matching funds for employee donations or if their company is somehow able to support Allegro in other ways.
- Volunteer for Allegro. In addition to various tasks such as working as an usher for a concert or assisting with Allegro's Got Talent, Allegro is also looking to grow its Board of Directors. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more about serving on Allegro's board, please contact Greg at gdouma@allegroca.org or call (952)846-8585.
- At the end of the day, Allegro is nothing without its singers. Therefore, the most supportive thing a person can do is spread the word about our program. If you appreciate Allegro, don't keep it a secret! Now is the time to talk to neighbors, friends and coworkers and encourage them to check out our website and registration information. <u>Remember: if you refer someone who ends up joining you receive a tuition discount!</u>



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Allegro Choral Academy's mission is to provide a comprehensive vocal music experience to young people through the achievement of **musical excellence** in an environment that nurtures creativity, teamwork and the love of singing.