



Jubilate's First Spring Concert is a Sell Out

On June 19, 2009 more than 200 family and friends watched the sun set behind Jubilate-Community Youth Choir of Warwick as the sweet sounds of music filled the air. Jubilate's Spring Concert at Mulder Chapel, Warwick Center, the choir's first full-length public concert, was a night that treasured memories were made.

This choir has really blossomed in its three years. Starting as a treble choir with 12 members from Warwick, the choir now boasts 35 members from throughout the county. There are now three choirs: treble, tenor/bass, and full SATB. It's a joy when they perform; they are not only fine-tuned, they obviously enjoy singing. Directors David Crone and Steven Wing are doing an exemplary job of training the choir and selecting music that presents them perfectly.

Local guest performers were a highlight of the evening. Composer/jazz pianist Richard Kimball prefaced his first number with an amusing anecdote about his grandfather. Then he switched the mood with a set titled "Brotherhood", dedicated to his late brother. Singer/actress Jody Weatherstone plus select Jubilate members joined Kimball and created a very moving experience.

Another highlight, although bittersweet, was when Jubilate seniors Emily Barker and Emma Crone were bid a heartfelt farewell. Members of the choir since day one, they are both off to

college this fall. Emily is the daughter of Anne and Scott Barker of Warwick; Emma is the daughter of Lucia and David Crone of Warwick.

Jubilate auditions will be held in September, and the next event is fundraiser *A Voice Raising* on October 23.

Established in 2006 in Warwick, Jubilate (pronounced yoo-buh-lah-tey) is a thirty-five member, co-ed choir of talented young people. Christ Church, Warwick sponsors the choir and provides rehearsal space. Jubilate has performed at local houses of worship, public concerts, community events, St. Paul's Chapel at Ground Zero, a Sussex Skyhawks baseball game, and with locally and nationally-known artists in the pop, bluegrass, folk, rock and classical music genres. Music director David Crone, assistant director Steven Wing, and chorus manager Anne Barker work in local school systems and are accomplished musicians in their own right. For more information visit www.JubilateWarwick.com or call 845-987-2418.

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