



Wisconsin Gossellers September 2022

2022-2023 Gossellers Dues - Scholarships available to those who request it

Welcome all to the start of a new Gossellers season! We are looking forward to the new year and the leadership team is starting to find music, find musicians, and reserve rehearsal space. With the planning also comes budgeting. Therefore, we're going to ask for dues for the the 2022-2023 Wisconsin Gossellers season. The annual dues are due by November 15. Active Membership is \$100.00/year which is the most common level of membership. Active Members who have paid annual dues need not pay workshop fees. Annual dues do not cover food/lodging. Associate Membership is \$45.00/workshop. This level of membership is intended for singers who attend a workshop, but are not regular singers with the choir. Sustaining Membership is more than \$100 /year. Sustaining members have all privileges & rights of active members, and choose to support the choir's ongoing costs (including scholarships, music, compensation for musical leadership, etc.).

Please make the dues check payable to "Wisconsin Gossellers". Checks can then be mailed to Cathy Jones as treasurer at 229 Meadowbrook Dr, Fredonia WI 53021.

If there is someone who would like to have a membership with the Wisconsin Gossellers, but is unable to afford some or all of the dues, the individual may talk with the current treasurer (Cathy Jones) to be covered using the scholarship funds. No formal application is required. God will find a way for each and every one of us to be part of the ministry that works on touching souls through the transformative power of gospel music.

Rehearsal & Performance schedule (Rehearsal every 2nd Saturday of each month)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Notes</u>
October 8, 2022 10am-1pm	2 nd Saturday rehearsal/fellowship	Olivet UCC 313 W Prairie St, Columbus, WI 53925	In person rehearsal
November 12th 10am-1pm	2nd Saturday rehearsal/fellowship	Neenah ?	In person rehearsal
December 10th 10am-1pm	2nd Saturday rehearsal/fellowship	TBD—what suggestions do you have?	In person rehearsal
January 14th 10am-1pm	2nd Saturday rehearsal/fellowship	TBD—what suggestions do you have?	In person rehearsal

Email wisconsin_gossellers@gmail.com for rehearsal & performance suggestions.



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MINISTRY vs. JOB

Some people have a job in the church.
Others invite themselves into a ministry.

What's the difference you ask?

If you are doing it just because no one else will, it's a job.
If you are doing it to serve the Lord, it's a ministry.

If you quit because someone criticized you, it's a job.
If you keep on serving, it's a ministry.

If you'll do it as long as it does not interfere with your other activities, it's a job.
If you are committed to staying even if it means letting go of other things, it's a ministry.

If you quit because no one thanked you or praised you, it's a job.
If you stick with it even though no one recognized your efforts, it's a ministry.

It's hard to get excited about a job.
It's almost impossible not to get excited about a ministry.

If your concern is success, it's a job.
If your concern is faithfulness and service, it's a ministry.

If God calls you to a ministry, don't treat it like a job!

"Lord, strengthen your servants and
move us to a true sense of ministry and service,
through Your abundant grace. Amen."



**What do you get when
you cross a high
voiced singer with a
seamstress?
A SEWprano!**

COVID safety measures for WI Gossellers

- We require singers to wear a mask. We recommend a singers mask or a N95 mask.
- We require that singers be vaccinated.
- We will physically distance ourselves as best as possible while still maintaining blending of voices while singing

Leadership team notes

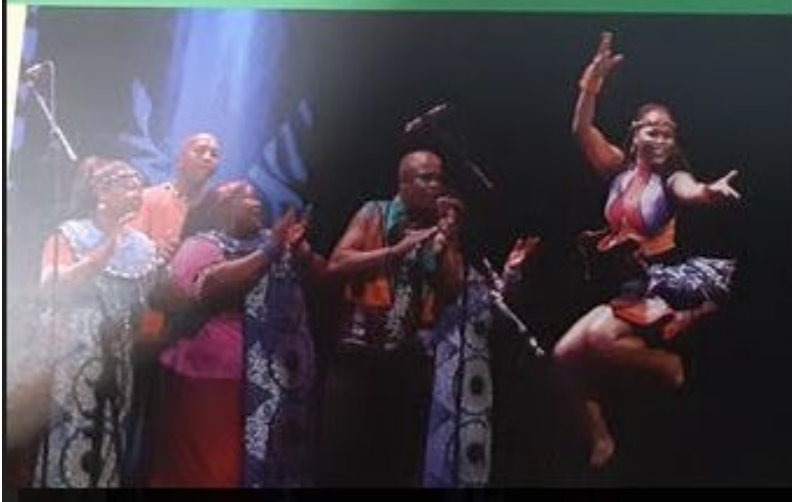
The leadership team is currently meeting once a month to discuss rehearsal planning and locations, concert opportunities, and many other things. It has been a challenging past two years. Please, be kind as we transition into a full rehearsal year moving forward. Martin is in contact with our friends in Germany and they are discussing singing opportunities between us.



Mission Statement: To bridge cultural divides and touch souls through the transformative power of gospel music.

Vision Statement: A world where God's love triumphs over that which divides us.

A joyful music opportunity in Kohler WI on Friday October 7, 2022 at 8:00PM



KOHLER FOUNDATION
PRESENTS
**SOWETO
GOSPEL
CHOIR**
Friday, October 7 • 8:00 PM
HOPE
It's Been a
Long Time Coming
A concert of hope featuring songs
from South Africa's 'Freedom' and the
U.S. 'Civil Rights' movements
Kohler Memorial Theater
260 School Street, Kohler, WI

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God gave us
MUSIC
...that we might
Pray without Words

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Kimberly guys-mom@hotmail.com for
items to include in the newsletter.

