

Events at Owatonna Arts Center

Agency on aging seeks advisory council members

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on Aging at
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Owatonna Arts Center offers grant writing class

This one-hour class will cover an overview of arts funding in Minnesota, including private versus public grants and various funding agencies, including SEMAC; and discuss basic grant writing skills.

WHS choir to host holiday Renaissance concert and feast

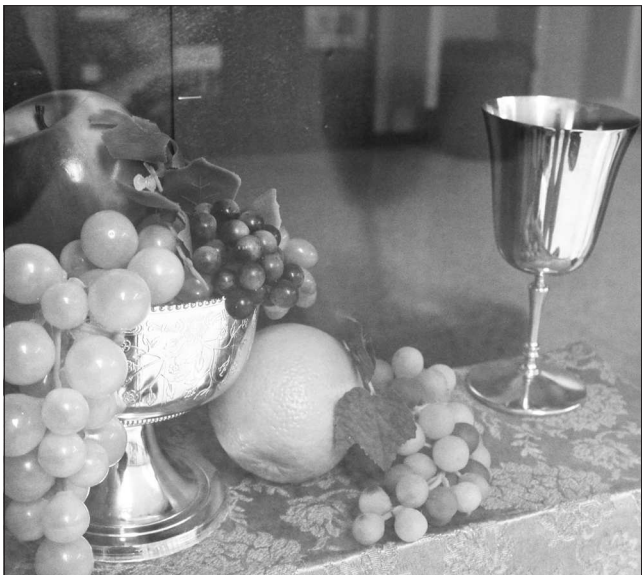
"I thought it would be



A group of Waseca High School choir students posed for a photo during rehearsal on Monday night. (Marianne Carlson/Waseca County News)

IF YOU GO:

Tickets: Reserved seat tickets on sale at Waseca Music Company Dec. 8 to 14.



The Waseca High School "Holiday Renaissance Feast and Concert" is sure to arouse all of the senses.

The concert will end with

"We invite WHS choir alumni and the parents of current choir students to join us for this traditional performance," Wantoch-Yess said. "This has been done at Waseca's holiday concerts for at least 35 consecutive years. It

Reach reporter Marianne Carlson at 837-5451, or follow her on Twitter.com @marianne-cn.

RULES OF THE GREAT HALL:

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beaten after each nyght of
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iWealth helps raise more than \$7K for holiday food basket program

"We help people with their financial planning and many of them have abundance," Connors said. "So we ask them to help donate to the food drive and they are more than willing."



L-R: Neighborhood Service Center Thrift Store Manager, Toni Larson; Neighborhood Service Center Programs Manager, Cindy Coy; Trudi Connors and Brad Connors from iWealth Financial. (Marianne Carlson/Waseca County News)

Those interested in receiving a holiday food basket need to fill out an application at the Neighborhood Service Center. Coy said applicants must be Waseca County

residents and meet the income guidelines.

This year the holiday food baskets will include meat, mashed potatoes, fruit, vegetables, dinner rolls and dessert.

The logo for American Waterworks is centered on a background of a cracked concrete wall. The text "AMERICAN" is in a large, serif font with horizontal lines above and below it. Below that, "WATERWORKS" is in a bold, sans-serif font. Underneath is "★ Basement Systems ★". At the bottom, it says "Wet Basement? Basement Wall Bowed? Foundation Settling?" followed by "• FREE Estimates • Financing Available", the toll-free number "Toll Free 1-800-795-1204", the website "www.american-waterworks.com", and a disclaimer in parentheses: "(Cannot be combined with any other offers)".

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Important property tax homestead notice.
This will affect the amount of property tax you pay in 2013, and it may affect your eligibility for a property tax refund.

Please contact your county assessor to file a homestead application on or before December 15, 2012, if one of the following applies:

- You purchased a property in the past year and you, or a qualifying relative, occupy the property for homestead purposes on December 1, 2012; or
- You, or a qualifying relative occupy a property for homestead purposes on December 1, 2012, and the property was previously classified as non-homestead.

A qualifying relative for homestead purposes depends on the type of property. For agricultural property, a qualifying relative can be a parent, stepparent, child, stepchild, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, nephew, or niece of the owner. This relationship may be by blood or marriage. For agricultural property, a qualifying relative can be a child, grandchild, sibling, or parent of the owner or of the spouse of the owner.

Once you have been granted the homestead classification, no further applications are necessary unless they are specifically requested by the county assessor.

You must also contact the assessor by *December 15, 2012*, if you are the property owner, or a qualifying relative of the property owner, and the use of the property has changed during the past year.

If you should sell, move, or for any reason no longer qualify for the homestead classification, you are required to notify the county assessor within 30 days of the change in homestead status. Failure to notify the county assessor within this 30-day period is punishable by recalculation of tax as nonhomestead, in addition to a penalty equal to 100 percent of the homestead benefits.

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