

# 2017 Fund Drive

Since 1985, the North Kingstown Community Chorus has been an integral part of the community. Who are we?



The Annual Spring Concert with Dancers from the RI Ballet Arts Academy

**An Entertaining Experience.** Our Spring and Winter Concerts are performed in front of capacity audiences, featuring patriotic and inspirational songs, Broadway and seasonal favorites, and music from around the world. A live band, first class accompanist and dancers make the music really come to life!

**A “Community” Chorus.** We are often asked to perform for local and civic events. In the past 32 years, we’ve performed in 50 different venues, including

- Dedications, such as the new Beechwood Center and Blue Star Memorial
- The Annual Festival of Lights
- Veterans and Memorial Day parades
- Nursing homes in town and nearby



The Chorus Hay Wagon in the Memorial Day Parade



The Youth Chorus Singing in the Winter Concert

**Support for Our Young Singers and Musicians.** For children, singing is one of the most natural things in the world. In 1991, when some elementary schools did not offer a children’s chorus, the NKCC created its first Youth Chorus. Today, the Youth Chorus can have as many as 50 singers. The children learn how to sing correctly while building their self-confidence and ability to work in teams.

**Financial Support for music programs in the North Kingstown School Department.** Our fund-raising efforts have provided \$35,000 for:

- Two new grand pianos for the high school
- An electronic piano for the Quidnessett Elementary School
- Support for new risers in the choir room and auditorium
- New speakers for the High School auditorium

Since 1996, we have offered scholarships to students continuing their music education at the college level. To date we have given \$32,000 and we all enjoy hearing the winners perform at our Spring Concerts.



2016 Janet Berry Scholarship Winner Olivia Rich Preparing to Sing at the Spring Concert



A Couple of Our Long-Term Members Having Fun on Stage

**A fun group to be part of.** Our 100 singers range from high school students to seniors in their 80's. We come from many towns throughout Rhode Island. All singers are welcome (no auditions required). We work hard but have fun, too.

**We need your help.** Our annual expenses include music scores, director and pianist fees, rehearsal and auditorium rental, band fees and other miscellaneous expenses. Member dues, ticket and ad sales only cover 80% of these expenses. Your contributions help us close this gap and allow us to give back to the community. (In 2017, all fund drive contributions will be dedicated to supporting the elementary school music programs in North Kingstown.)

Donations received before April 15 will be recognized in our Spring Concert program unless anonymity is requested.

- Friend \$ 25
- Sponsor \$ 50
- Patron \$100
- Benefactor \$250
- Director's Circle \$500
- Other \$\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

My donation is in Memory of: (Optional)

Please make checks payable to:  
**North Kingstown Community Chorus**  
**PO Box 53**  
**North Kingstown, RI 02852**

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