



PRESS RELEASE

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News Alert: Heartland Schedules Press Conference

Heartland Presents Gifts to the Red Cross and the University of Saint Francis

November 29, 2011– Fort Wayne, IN. Heartland has scheduled a Press Conference with interview & photo opportunities for all media outlets in northeast Indiana:

WHO: Heartland Sings

WHAT: Media Press Conference

WHERE: **University of Saint Francis North Campus Auditorium • 2702 Spring St**

WHEN: **Monday December 5, 2011 @ 12 Noon**

WHY: Heartland Sings will present a donation to the Fort Wayne American Red Cross, portions of which are the result of our 9/11 Commemoration Concert. We will also present an American flag to the University of Saint Francis; this flag was flown over Washington D. C. and presented to Heartland by Congressman Marlin Stutzman. The flag will be flown over the Fort Wayne campus of the University of Saint Francis.

Artistic Director **Maestro Robert Nance** and members of Heartland (including singers, staff, and Board of Directors) will be joined by **Kay Ostrum** (from the American Red Cross), **Sister Elise Kriss** (President of the University of Saint Francis), **Katrina Boedeker** (Director of the USF Center for Service Engagement), and **Trois Hart** (Director of Marketing for USF). All will be available for interviews and photos following the press conference.

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Now presenting outstanding vocal music performances in its fifteenth season, the 26-member Heartland Chamber Chorale is Northern Indiana's only professional chorus. Founded by Artistic Director Robert Nance, the Heartland Chamber Chorale performs in and around Fort Wayne throughout the year. The HCC also engages promising young vocalists through educational outreach programs like our *Side-by-Side in Song* and *Project Sing!* initiatives. The purpose of the Heartland Chamber Chorale is to perform high quality choral chamber music to enrich audiences in the Fort Wayne community, Northeast Indiana, and beyond, with a goal to serve as a professional resource to the community for matters pertaining to the art of chamber vocal music.

The Heartland Chamber Chorale is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and is funded in part through gifts from Arts United (a local agency), the Indiana Arts Commission (a state agency), and the National Endowment for the Arts (a federal agency). Additional funding is provided by HCC Member-Supporters, the English Bonter Mitchell Foundation, Target Foundation, the Wilson Foundation, and the Lincoln Financial Group Foundation. For additional information and a current schedule of concerts, please visit www.heartlandchorale.org or call the HCC office at 260.436.8080.

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