Iowa State University
Madrigal Dinners

The 49th annual ISU Madrigal Dinners, featuring the Iowa State Singers, Musica Antiqua, The Music Men and the Orchesis II Dancers will be presented Friday and Saturday, January 17 and 18, 2014, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the Memorial Union. Highlights of the evening include:

Feaste
Wassail punch
Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette
Pease Porridge
Roast Sirloin of Pork
Herb Roasted Potatoes
Guillotine pull-apart Bread
Plum pudding with lemon sauce and hard sauce
Cheese and Fruit
Coffee

Special dietary considerations can be made to meet the needs of vegetarians, diabetics, etc. Please make requests in advance.

Music
The members of the Iowa State Singers will sing a number of madrigals during the evening. In addition, there will be strolling minstrels throughout the evening. Musica Antiqua, an ensemble that plays authentic instruments, The Music Men, and Orchesis II Dancers round out the musical and dance offerings.

Pageantry
The evening begins with the trumpet fanfare and the Royal Procession. The court dancers and singers will perform. Later, the boar's head will be paraded throughout the Great Hall, as will the great wassail bowl and the flaming pudding. All performers are fully costumed in late 16th-century regalia, including the King and Queen, the Squires, the Town Crier, the Court Jester, the Beggars, and other Lords and Ladies of the Royal Court.

Merriment
A light-hearted play, prepared by members of the choir, will involve members of the audience. The public is cordially invited to discover the ancient traditions of Merrie Olde England. Join the Iowa State Singers, Musica Antiqua, The Music Men, and Orchesis II Dancers and raise the wassail cup to welcome the New Year!

Tickets
Tickets go on sale starting Monday, December 2 at 11 a.m. Call the Memorial Union Ticket Office at 294-8349 or visit www.midwestix.com

For More Information
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