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29 November Rehearsals - Wednesday 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at St. Andrews Church (basement) 255 oak Street Issue 44 2017

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Take note of these important 2017 dates. Changes will be made as new information is received.

December 2nd "Flash Mob at Seasons of Tuxedo Outlet Mall", 1:30 P.M. Saturday,
December 3 – 2:00 P.M. – Prince of Peace Lutheran Church – 930 Winakwa Road

Dec 6th - Joint ASC/WGC Christmas Concert Rehearsal – at St. Andrew's

Dec 9 Christmas Show

December 15 – 7:30 P.M. – Atlantic-Garden City United Church – 725 Atlantic Avenue

December 16 – 7:30 P.M. – St. Michael & All Angels Anglican Church – 300 Hugo Street North

December 17 – 2:00 P.M. – St. Alphonsus Church – 315 Munroe Ave. (Brazier & Munroe)

Februar 3 2018—Applebees

WGC Members,

I am overwhelmed with pride for the very generous support you are giving to the Regina based Prairie Chords youth chorus. They will be representing LOL at the Midwinter Convention in California in January. The total amount that I will be presenting to Dave Pearce (chorus manager) is \$525!

Thank you.

In harmony,
Gordon Billows

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NOTE FROM

Christmas Show Committee
Help Wanted – Free Ticket to the Show

We need three (3) ushers for the 2:30 P.M. performance at Bethel Mennonite Church on December 9th. Must be able to fog a mirror – but other than that, no experience necessary! Please check with friends or relatives to see if they would like a free ticket to the show!

Please contact Bruce Wilton if you have someone who is willing to help out.

- November Birthdays - Perry Chochinov 15, Aqvar Manhas 20

WC REHEARSAL – November 29, 2017

ALL SONGS OFF THE PAGE (if Possible)

(Subject to change at the discretion of the Director)

7:00 Warm-up & Vocal Instruction

7:20 Slow Rockin' Christmas

7:30 We Want to Wish you A Merry Christmas

7:40 If There's Anybody Here From Out Of Town

7:50 Golden Chordsmen Christmas Show Run-through

Deck the Halls, Jingle Bell Rock, Fun In Just One Lifetime

Christmastime Is Here, Winter Wonderland, Little Saint Nick

We Want to Wish you A Merry Christmas, Can You Feel the Love Tonight

Audience Sing Along:

O Little Town of Bethlehem, It Came Upon A Midnight Clear , Joy to the World

The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting), Silver Bells

Slow Rockin' Christmas, Calypso Carol, First Noel/Pachelbel's Canon

O Holy Night, Peace, Peace

8:50 Business Meeting/Announcements, Break

9:15 Harmony, Hallelujah

9:25 Any songs with issues needing minor corrections

9:55 Draw, Final song, clean up....

Please Bring Your Christmas Music to all rehearsals until after performances

How to Get Your 2017 "The Spirit of Giving" Christmas Tickets by Brian Metcalfe

The Golden Chordsmen and The Assiniboine Show Chorus are once again teaming up to present our joint Christmas Show on Saturday, Dec. 9, 2017 at Bethel Mennonite Church. I will be distributing the \$20 afternoon (2:30 pm) and evening (7:00 pm) tickets to chorus members over the next five rehearsals. All ticket/fund transfer **MUST BE COMPLETED** on or before Wednesday, Dec. 6th. In order to keep the ticket/funds transfer to a minimum at rehearsal, so as to not disrupt our learning, I ask all members to do the following:

1. Please send me an email **BEFORE** the next rehearsal, advising me as to how many afternoon & evening tickets you need.

2. This courtesy provides me the luxury of documenting the proposed transaction at home. All members are encouraged to sell a minimum of two tickets, as this is one of our major fundraisers.

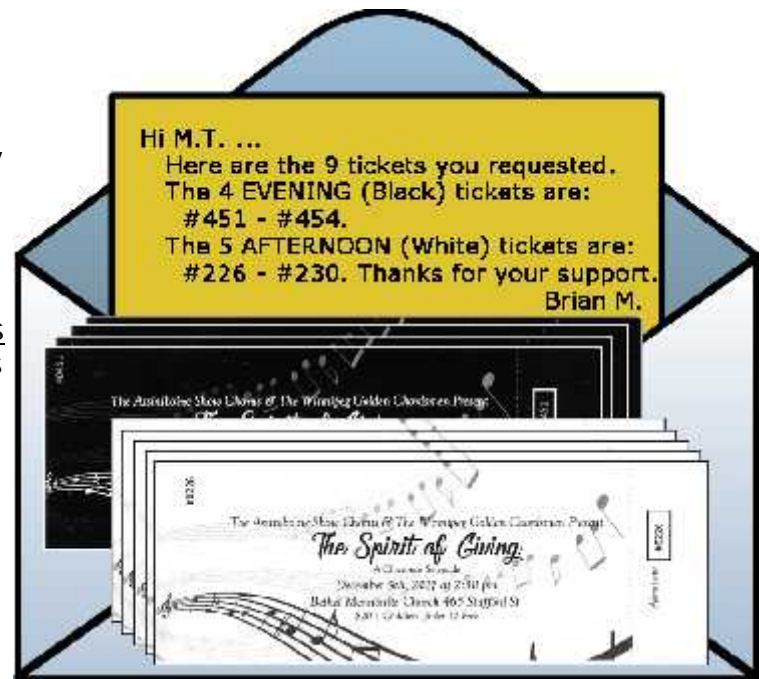
3. Please come to rehearsal early or stay at the end, to allow me the necessary time to hand you an envelope containing the tickets that you requested. Make certain to count your tickets at this time.

4. Since I am the contact on our poster, I may get phone calls. I will encourage prospective patrons to purchase RUSH tickets at the door or to acquire tickets online through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/a-christmas-serenade-the-spirit-of-giving-tickets-39505100820> However, if a patron still wants tickets delivered, I will get his/her name, address, and phone number. A form containing these details will be put in an envelope with the tickets and a WGC volunteer driver will be given the delivery envelope at the next rehearsal. I very much appreciate the help of my delivery team. If you can help deliver tickets in your neighbourhood, please contact me.

5. Certainly, I will have extra tickets at rehearsal for those who have forgotten to email me in advance, but please do your best to help me plan, by emailing me first.

6. Should you sell tickets for cash, please convert the amount to a personal cheque. Remember, all cheques should be made payable to the "Winnipeg Golden Chordsmen".

7. I would like payment in an envelope as well. Please indicate on the envelope, your name, the number of tickets received, the number of tickets sold, an appropriate cheque for your sold tickets, and any returned tickets. Such documentation and cheques provide a "paper trail" which is helpful in determining an accurate sales figure. Thank you.



WGC,

For the BOTY banquet, Ricki requested that I help prepare about 25 minutes of WGC pictures from my files for a power point presentation. It took about 47 hours to go through about 2000 pictures and do some scanning, it was a wonderful trip down memory lane! As several of you did not attend the banquet, I thought you might want to take that trip also. I am working on sending it to our WGC Alumni as well. You should be able to download and view the presentation by clicking on the following link:

<https://db.tt/ATVIWJV5As>

Thanks to the late George Morrow, a 65 year Society member and the WGC historian for several of those years, I now have the complete collection of WGC annual show programs, 1949 to 2017 and have updated a file containing pictures of all the program covers. WHAT AN ABSOLUTE GOLD MINE OF WGC HISTORICAL INFORMATION AND PICTURES! BTW, George was the original Baritone in the Suburbanites.

In several of the 1960 show programs, I came across the attached ad from Gurvey's Drug Stores and emailed Martin Gurvey in Toronto. His return email;



by my Uncle Syd who had a drugstore on Henderson Highway. At the time, there were 3 Gurvey's drugstores, including my dad's on Ellice and Sherbrooke. Little did they know at the time that the surname would be repeated in the members section over and over several years later!

I have several 70th Anniversary projects on the go and am planning to send out tidbits of history, almost, weekly.

IH
Gordon



Congratulations on the completion of a very ambitious project! Well done. I did enjoy going through it and remembering a lot of the friends I made in my 29 years with the Golden Chordsmen. The ad was likely placed

Note from Bruce Wilton

Flash mob details

Details on the Flash Mob are confirmed as follows:

Date: Saturday, December 2nd

Time: 1:30 P.M.

Location: Center Court of the new Outlet Collection Winnipeg Mall (See attached map)

Dress: You are shoppers in the mall----- so dress like shoppers!

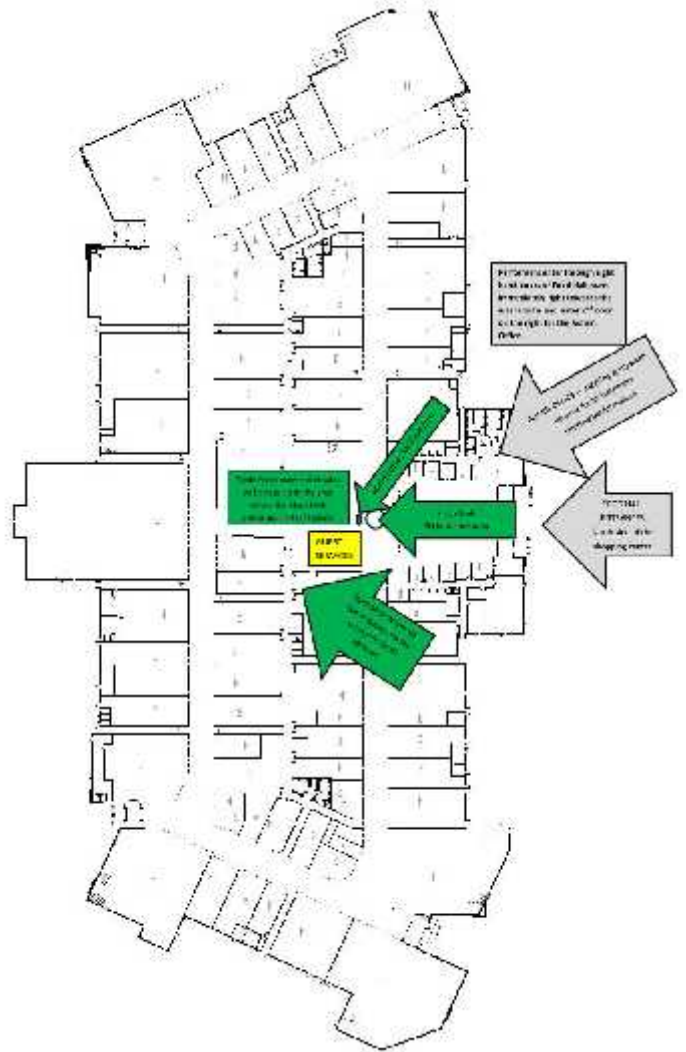
Program:

- Harmony
- Intro of the choruses by Larry Bredesen
- O Holy Night

The mall is making a room available to us if we want to warm up (shown on attached map). I will leave it up to Sherrie whether anyone other than the two quartets that are going to start us off need to warm up.

Drummond is working on getting TV coverage of the flash mob.

If there is anything I have left out, let me know.



Winnipeg Golden Chordsmen Christmas Performances – 2017

Song List

Deck The Halls With Boughs Of Holly
Jingle Bell Rock
Fun In Just One Lifetime
Christmas Time is Here
Winter Wonderland
Quartet -- Novelty
Little Saint Nick
We Want To Wish You A Merry Christmas
Can You Feel The Love Tonight
Audience Carol Sing-a-long
 Little Town of Bethlehem,
 It Came Upon A Midnight Clear,
 Joy To The World
The Christmas Song
Silver Bells
Slow Rockin' Christmas
Calypso Carol

Selected (non-Christmas) Music WGC 2017/18

2017/18 REPERTOIRE LIST

Hello Mary Lou
Under the Boardwalk
Can You Feel the Love Tonight?
I'm Feelin fine
Shenandoah
Fun in Just one Lifetime
When I'm 64
Be Our Guest
Cabaret
Do You Hear the people sing
Hard Day's Night
Sh-Boom

Possible Contest songs. Two will be selected.

I Don't Know Why
What Kind of Fool am I?
Crazy About Ya Baby
That Old Quartet of Mine

Total number of songs in this list = 14

REPERTOIRE FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Happy Birthday (with Harris tag)
Welcome Song
O Canada (bilingual)
Star Spangled Banner
Spiritual Medley
The Lord is MY shepherd
White Cliffs of Dover
Irish Blessing

2018 SHOW SONGS

Imagine (new)

Songs in repertoire.

Under the boardwalk
Be Our Guest
Fun in Just One Lifetime
I'm Feelin fine
Do You Hear the People Sing
When I'm 64
I've Been Working on the Railroad

Not in repertoire, but from the past.

We Sing That They Shall Speak
Yesterday
Beach Boy's Medley
Unchained Melody
Can't Help Falling in Love
Come Go With Me

Total number of songs in this list = 12

CHRISTMAS SEASON SONGS 2017

Joint Christmas Show songs:

Is there Anybody here from out of Town? (new) (some lyric changes to adapt for Christmas)

Hallelujah
Harmony
First Noel Pachelbel's Canon
Peace, Peace
O Holy Night
Fun in Just One Lifetime
Calypso Carol

~ November 2017 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 BOTY Dinner	4
5	6	7	8 Executive Meeting	9 Bud and Pasta	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		Joint Rehearsal at Ladies Churchill Park Church	Nov. 21 or Nov. 22 - Quartet Auditions for the Joint ASC/WGC Christmas Concert			
26	27	28	29	30		

~ December 2017 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Flash Mob
3 2:00 P.M. — Prince of Peace Lutheran Church — 930 Winakwa Road	4	5	6	7	8	9 Xmas Show
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17 2:00 P.M. — St. Alphonsus Church — 315 Munroe Ave. (Brazier & Munroe)	18	19	20 No Meeting Music Committee	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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