

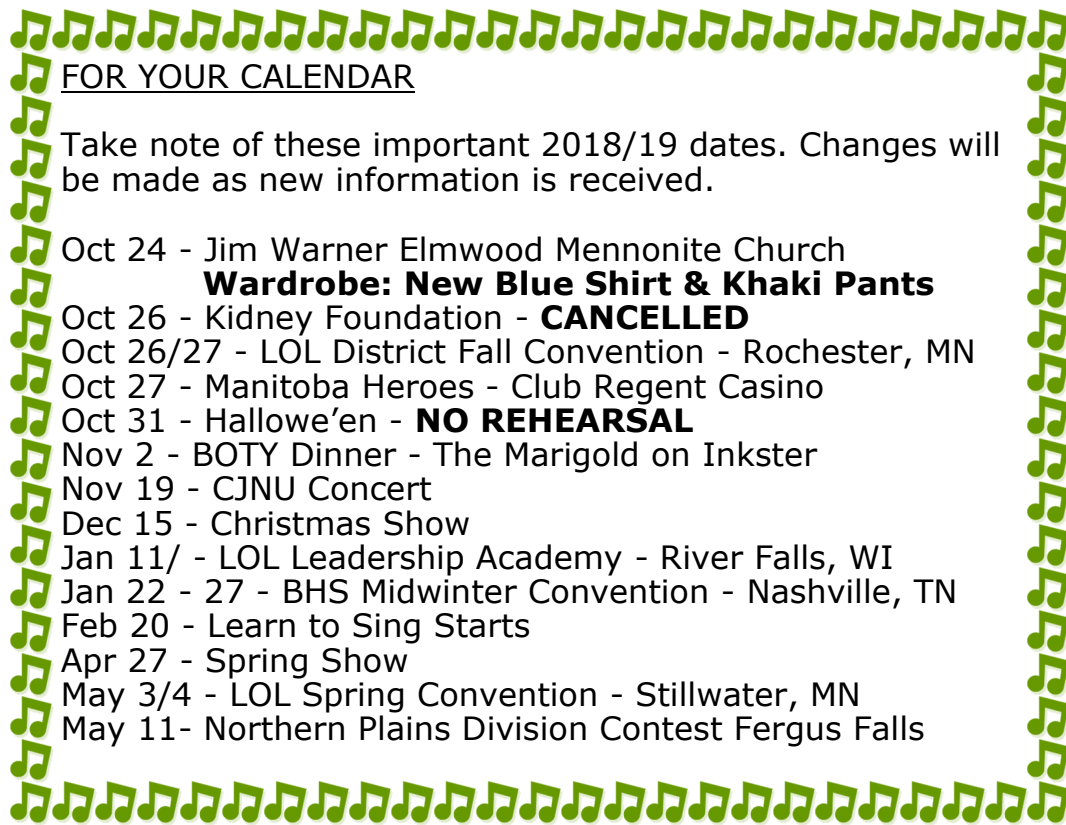


# Notes 4 U

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## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Take note of these important 2018/19 dates. Changes will be made as new information is received.

- Oct 24 - Jim Warner Elmwood Mennonite Church  
**Wardrobe: New Blue Shirt & Khaki Pants**
- Oct 26 - Kidney Foundation - **CANCELLED**
- Oct 26/27 - LOL District Fall Convention - Rochester, MN
- Oct 27 - Manitoba Heroes - Club Regent Casino
- Oct 31 - Hallowe'en - **NO REHEARSAL**
- Nov 2 - BOTY Dinner - The Marigold on Inkster
- Nov 19 - CJNU Concert
- Dec 15 - Christmas Show
- Jan 11/ - LOL Leadership Academy - River Falls, WI
- Jan 22 - 27 - BHS Midwinter Convention - Nashville, TN
- Feb 20 - Learn to Sing Starts
- Apr 27 - Spring Show
- May 3/4 - LOL Spring Convention - Stillwater, MN
- May 11- Northern Plains Division Contest Fergus Falls

### BOTY NOT BOWTIE

As a "newbie", when I first heard a Chordsman talk about a "bowtie night", I was sure he was advising me to wear a particular type of neck tie. I soon learned that BOTY was an acronym for **Barbershop- per Of The Year**. At this annual awards night, members bring their girl friends, partners, or spouses and enjoy a Chinese supper (with cash bar) and help celebrate with various award winners in our chapter. Ricki & Gary Miles dedicate themselves to making it a fun night with laughter, singing & comraderie. I encourage everyone to contact Gary to reserve their tickets (as outlined on page 4). Thanks to Gordon Billows, our historian, for providing important info about these awards and the winners.

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**Are you wishing to donate to Sing Canada Harmony?** If so, give Art Gross your cheque at this Wednesday's performance, so he can take it to Rochester.

## Upcoming Performance Information

This Fall there are a number of performances that are being planned. This page will provide the chorus with as much information about these gigs as possible. Please mark these confirmed and tentative dates in your personal calendar so that you can sing with the chorus and help enhance our performances. As more details unfold, I will update this page to help you prepare.



- **Date:** Wed. Oct 24  
**LOCATION:** **Elmwood Mennonite Brethren Church**  
145 Henderson Highway  
**EVENT:** I understand that we will perform as well as Jim Warner's Orchestra. Silver collection proceeds will go to Siloam Mission.  
  
**ARRIVAL TIME:** 6:45 pm  
**PERFORMANCE TIME:** 7:30 pm  
**WARDROBE:** Blue WGC shirt khaki pants, black shoes  
**SET LENGTH :** approximately 30 minutes - 7:30 - 8:00 pm  
**REPERTOIRE:**
  - He's Got The Whole World In His Hands
  - Can You Feel The Love Tonight?
  - When I'm 64
  - I'm Feelin' Fine
  - Hello MaryLou
  - Shenandoah
  - Give Me A Barbershop Song
  - Fun In Just One Lifetime
- **Date:** Fri. Oct 26 **Time:** TBA **Status:** **CANCELLED**  
**Event:** **Kidney Foundation**
- **Date:** Sat. Oct 27 **Status:** Confirmed  
**Time:** 5:00 pm - Quartets entertain at cocktail reception  
5:30 pm - Chorus warm-up  
**Event:** **Our Manitoba Heroes Gala**  
**Location:** Club Regent Casino - 1425 Regent Ave West  
**Wardrobe:** Tuxedo, white shirt, blue vest, blue necktie, black shoes  
**Songs:** "Oh Canada" at 6:08 pm  
"Imagine" at 6:15 pm
- **Date:** **Wed. Oct 31 - No Rehearsal (Hallowe'en)**
- **Date:** Mon. Nov. 19 **Time:** TBA (Evening) **Status:** Confirmed  
**Event:** **CJNU Concert**  
**Location:** Bethel Mennonite Church - 465 Stafford St  
**Wardrobe:** TBA  
**Songs:** Repertoire Songs  
**Set length:** Approximately 30 minutes  
**Extras:** All parking at church is reserved for patrons. We will park at Grant Park Shopping Center and a shuttle bus will transport us to & from the church.

## Bud & Spud Recognition

Les Creek, Heather & Harry Hunter, and their team of volunteers should be congratulated for all the hard work and effort that they expended to help ensure that our Bud & Spud fund-raiser was a real success! Thanks as well to all our chorus members who sold tickets to this event. I appreciate Gordon Billows' help in capturing and sharing the following pictures of different individuals.

*Ken ... I don't think I have enough cash for all those 50-50 tickets!*

*That's funny ... I thought Bernie always had lots of "bread"!*



**Ken Finnbogason sells Bernie Gunn 50-50 tickets**

*I wonder if Bruce Springsteen started out serving coffee?*



**Les Creek a.k.a. "The Boss"**

*I thought Drummond was supposed to win the TV!*



**Ed Hlady wins the 50" TV as Grand Prize**

## Barbershop Business by Drummond Brown

First, at our rehearsal on Wed. on Oct 17, I advised the members that there had been a tie in voting on our new marketing name. Both "The Chordsmen" and "River City Sound" received the same number of votes but Brenda Bourns recommended that we explore and consider registering "River City Sound". Our formal name will remain the Winnipeg Golden Chordsmen but for marketing and future advertising we would refer to our chorus as "River City Sound". The Executive will explore all aspects of this re-branding procedure.

Secondly, I want to table the nominating committee report for the members of the Executive for the 2019 calendar year:

- President - Bruce Wilson
  - Executive Vice President - Ken Finnbogason
  - Past President - Drummond Brown
  - VP Music & Performance - Duncan Zaluski
  - VP Membership & Chapter Development - Larry Bredesen
  - VP Marketing & Public Relations - Drummond Brown
  - Secretary - Brian Sanderson
  - Treasurer - Scott Webber
  - Chorus Manager - Chris Magas
- Board Members at Large:
- Les Creek
  - Larry Hunter
  - Leo LeTourneau
  - Charles Siegel

Motion to accept this report. (Silverberg/Miles)

### Attention All Chapter members:

Prior to the performance on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Elmwood Mennonite Church, there will be a call for any further nominees from the members of the chapter. If there are no further nominees, we will call to order our Annual Meeting and commence with the voting for the 2019 Board Members as per Chapter Bylaws.

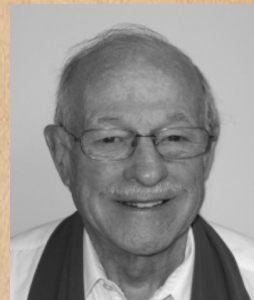
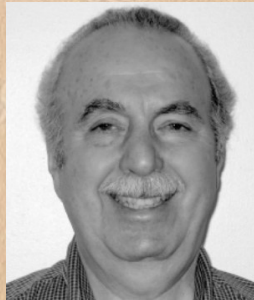
Any non-singing member is urged to attend this Annual Meeting and Election.  
Thank-you.

### Barbershopper of the Year - BOTY Awards Dinner - Fri. Nov 2

There are no more rehearsals prior to the BOTY dinner so **if you have not yet ordered your tickets please e-mail Gary Miles at [garmiles@shawbiz.ca](mailto:garmiles@shawbiz.ca) or phone at 953-6106** with your order. Tickets are \$20 each and you can pay and receive them at the door. However, we must have final numbers at least a few days before the event. It is once again at the Marigold at 1245 Inkster, starting at 6:30, on Friday November 2nd. The meal is a wide variety of Chinese delivered to your table.  
Thanks for your prompt action. Gary Miles



# -WANTED-



***Do you see your picture?  
If so, read the next page  
to see how we can add  
“local colour” to help  
improve our ROSTER!***

## Connect with Colour at BOTY Dinner - Nov 2

by Brian Metcalfe

This 2018 year was the first year that our organization moved from the more traditional paper roster to the online format. I'm sure many of you have found this new online variation, of both the one page Pocket Roster and the WGC ROSTER (including pictures and addresses), to be worthwhile tools. True, you may have to print out the Pocket Roster for easy access, but this new online format provides us with the ability to update the rosters more frequently than once per year. Unfortunately, those members on the previous page, have not, as yet, had their picture taken in a colour format.

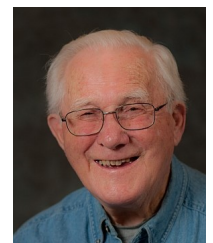
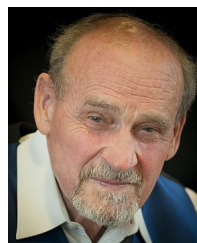
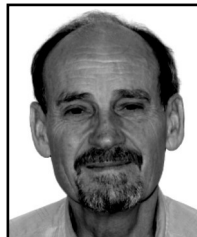
This year, John Latham has brought his camera, tripod & background screen to two different rehearsals so that we could update our WGC ROSTER pictures from the older black & white to the more engaging colour photos.

Before our "Snow Birds" fly South, **I have asked John to bring his camera equipment one last time to the BOTY awards dinner on Friday, November 2.** He will do his best to capture colour pictures of those on the previous WANTED poster. If you plan to attend the BOTY awards dinner, please see John sometime during the evening, so that this task can be accomplished.

Some may argue that there is no need to update our pictures, since we are the only ones who can access the WGC ROSTER under the "Members Only" area of our web site. As a former educator, I often look at tasks through the eyes of a child. I challenge you to look at these two pictures of pencils at right. Is there any doubt that the coloured option is more engaging & eye-catching?



Perhaps this comparison is not fair. However, I ask you to peruse below the older black & white with the newer colour images of some of your colleagues. I trust that you will agree that the colour pictures look so much more professional. So if you are one of the "famous fourteen", on the previous page and are planning to attend our BOTY dinner, please see John Latham on November 2 to help us finish this photography procedure.



## BOTY Awards Background

by Gordon Billows

**The Barbershopper of the Year (BOTY) Award** was originally the Vern Leatherdale Trophy. Vern Leatherdale was the first WGC director and he directed the chorus from 1948 to 1959. The BOTY award was first presented in 1955 to Charlie Brenan. The silver BOTY pin was presented at the same time. The original document describing the Vern Leatherdale award criteria has been preserved and is part of WGC archives. The criteria has changed over the years, but the intent to recognize the Barbershopper of the Year has remained.



Vern Leatherdale was active in many service and fraternal organizations. He was a Past President of the Kinsman Club and a member of the K 40. He was a member of the Kiwanis, the St. Andrews Society and the Carlton Club and had a long association with the Barbershoppers S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A.. He was a member of Northern Light Prince Rupert's Masonic Lodge No.1, King Edward Preceptory, Khartum Shrine Temple, Motor Patrol. He was also a Past President of the Funeral Directors' Association of Canada 1958-1959.



### **Dorothy Casselman Lifetime Achievement Award (DCLA)**

This award was established in 2002 in honour of Dorothy Casselman. Dorothy was very involved over the years with church choirs in Rivers, Brandon, Neepawa, Winnipeg and Oakbank, both singing and directing. Her husband's barbershop singing was a big part of her life and she became one of the chorus' greatest fans and supporters. Dorothy was also involved with the Oakbank Dinner theatre, singing, acting, doing make-up and helping backstage. The Dorothy Casselman Award, although similar to the BOTY, is there to recognize the long term supporters of the chapter. In other words, it is there, not to replace the BOTY, but to be in addition to it. Members who have been awarded the DCLA are listed below:



2002 Harold Casselman	2010 Matin Gurvey
2003 Jeep Enns +	2011 Bill Christie +
2004 George Smellie +	2012 Milt Muldrew
2005 Eric Roberts +	2013 Lloyd Thomas
2006 Gordon Billows	2014 Larry Hunter
2007 Arnie Charles +	2015 Art Gross
2008 Jim Gilroy +	2016 Bruce Wilton
2009 Rob Smith	2017 Herold Driedger

**Rookie of the Year Award** - (Past President's Award) - is presented at the BOTY awards dinner, depending on the involvement of the newer members. The purpose of this award is to provide encouragement and reward to new members (within two years of the date of the BOTY awards banquet) for exemplary service to our chapter. This award's point system takes in all aspects of participation in the chorus.

*[ + designation means that chapter member has passed away.]*

## Quartet of the Year (QOTY) (J.J. Connor Quartet Achievement Award)



This award was established in 1963 to honour Winnipeg Chapter quartets. The award was presented to the quartet that had done the most performances during the past year. In 2005, the award was changed to a point system that considered not just the number of performances but the type of performances and quartet participation in chapter activities, Harmony College and chapter shows. Points are earned by participating in administrative and musical events at the local and district level - time commitment, for the good of the chapter, WGC and member improvement and event complexity will determine point allotment. The past quartets & their members who have received this award are listed below:

- 1963 - Pine Tones (Dean Perkins, Dave Mackling, Ted Sayer, Hugh Skinner)  
(competed at 25th Anniversary Society International Convention in Toronto)
- 1964, 1965 - Hamburgers (Chuck Houston, Gerry Somers, Rube Batke, George Morrow)
- 1966 - Fort Garry Four (Gord Gooding, Fred Cathcart, Ed Laurie, Hugh Fraser)
- 1967 - Metro Gnomes (Jim Bova, Dave Mackling, Rick Winick, Earl Banks)
- 1968, 1969 - C Flat Four (Chuck Houston, Harvey Wiebe, Dick Hopkins, Rube Batke)
- 1971 - Catfish Colony Four (Lloyd Thomas, Harvey Wiebe, Dick Hopkins, Dick Wells)
- 1972, 1973 - Music Shop (Lloyd Thomas, Harvey Wiebe, Dick Hopkins, Dick Wells)
- 1974 - Music Shop (Lloyd Thomas, Gordon Burton, Dick Hopkins, Dick Wells)
- 1975 - Singing Souvenirs (Dennis Owens, George Loepp, Rube Batke, Len Bye)
- 1976 - Chord Corporation (Ed Boychuk, Roy Barron, Laurie O'Donnell, Jack McDowell)
- 1977 - Major Decision (Len LaRue, George Loepp, Rube Batke, Dick Wells)
- 1978 - Merry Morticians (Don Walker, George Asgeirson, Ed Laurie, Merrill Whitehead)
- 1980 - San-Banks (Meron Chabluck, Joe Grills, Keith Cuddy, Norv Christopherson)
- 1981 - Aurorachords (Wayne Stengel, Mike Cook, Dave Maunder, George Morrow)
- 1982 - Prairie Sound (Don Walker, George Asgeirson, Rick, Winick, Merril Whitehead)
- 1983 - 1985 - Suburban Knights (Vern Fast, Ernie Hallatt, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman)
- 1986 - 1988 - Chordspinners (Ed Boychuk, Mike Cook, Laurie O'Donnell, Cliff Harris)
- 1989 - Suburban Knights (Vern Fast, Hank Fast, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman)
- 1990, 1991 - San-Banks (Meron Chabluk, Joe Grills, Keith Cuddy, Norv Christopherson)
- 1992 - Suburban Knights (Vern Fast, Mike Cook, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman)
- 1993 - 1996 - Winnipeg Square (Dennis Owens, Roy Barron, Brian Hughes, Cliff Harris)
- 1997 - Suburban Knights (Vern Fast, Mike Cook, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman)
- 1998 - Mystique (Rob Smith, Victor Olafson, Herold Driedger, Larry Hunter)
- 1999 - 2009 - Harlequin (Rob Smith, Paul Bullock, Herold Driedger, Larry Hunter)
- 2010, 2011 - Tempo (Gord Sargent, Jim Gilroy, Ted Mikliechuk, Ron Latourelle)
- 2012 - Vocal Point (Art Gross, Charlie Siegel, Bruce Wilson, Harold Casselman)
- 2013, 2014 - Harlequin (Rob Smith, Larry Hunter, Herold Driedger, Paul Bullock)
- 2015 - 2017 - Vocal Point (Art Gross, Charlie Siegel, Bruce Wilton, Harold Casselman)



**~ October 2018 ~**

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	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Music Committee	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Arnold Bros 60th Anniversary
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Executive Committee	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Bud and spud	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Jim Warner Elmwood Mennonite Church	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Manitoba Heroes Regent Casino
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> No Rehearsal Hallowe'en		<< LOL District Fall	Convention >>

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<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> CJNU Concert	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> VLQ Rehearsal	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	

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Tenor Section - Duncan Zaluski Asst. Art Gross  
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Bass Section - Larry Bredesen Asst. Bruce Wilton  
Baritone Section - Victor Olafson Asst. John Latham

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