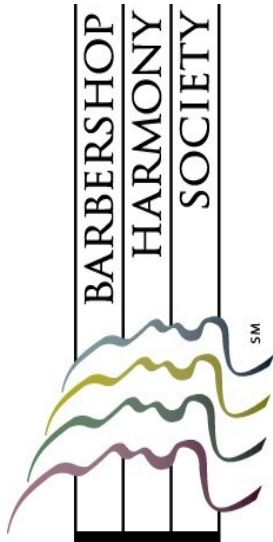




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Rehearsals - Wednesday 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at St. Andrews United Church (basement) - 255 Oak Street

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<p align="center">PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE</p> <p>Please send any information for publication to Krista by Saturday noon at:</p> <p>kristahanisgervais@gmail.com</p> <p>Thanks, Krista ☺</p> <p align="center">♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪</p>	<p align="center">PERMANENT ZOOM MEETING REHEARSAL LINK</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84457343549?pwd=ZGJmeUIJTl5Nnp1Ly9sNGQxYkxPUT09 Meeting ID: 844 5734 3549 Password: 974496</p> <p align="center">♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪</p>
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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Take note of these important 2020 dates. Changes will be made as new information is received.

June 17 Music Committee Meeting (5:30 pm)
River City Sound zoom rehearsal (7:00 - 9:00 pm)

July 8 Executive Meeting (5:30 pm)
Social Evening (7:00 pm)

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CHORUS REHEARSAL PLANS AND UPDATE

From Paul Bullock

How are you doing with the Dream Lover audio recording of yourself? Have you sent it to Les? He has offered to put together the recordings he receives by Sunday night into a composite that we can listen to on Wednesday. We want as many members as possible to be a part of it.

This Wednesday, we can listen to the audio track that Les creates and decide if we want one more week to work on it. By the following week, we will switch to video recording. So, it is now time for each of us to figure out how we are going to set up and video record ourselves singing Dream Lover. In the June 3 edition of Notes 4 U, Brian provided lots of good tips on how to make a good quality video. Similar to our audio recording exercise, we will do some practice runs on Wednesday nights but it may be easier for us to do a better recording of ourselves at another time, when we are not also trying to follow along during the zoom rehearsal. We have scheduled rehearsals through July for the purpose of continuing to work on our music and practice video recording. We also expect to introduce another song in July. Ultimately, our goal is to have everyone provide a good quality video (both singing and picture) to be included in a composite. As mentioned previously, Bruce has found a graduate student who will put them together for us but first we need to produce the tracks and review them for quality. Hopefully, we can accomplish that by the end of July.

We also mentioned on Wednesday that we have scheduled a Social Evening for July 8 at 7:00 p.m. at 12 Phil-Chris Way. It is meant to be an opportunity to socialize in-person and to do so safely. It is not a chorus BBQ since there will not be food or drinks served but we hope that as many members and significant others as possible can join in. The fellowship we share in the chorus is important and even though it is nice to see everyone at the zoom rehearsals, it is not the same as the visits we have during an in-person rehearsal. Thanks to Ken Broadfoot for putting forward the suggestion and for all of the thought that he put into the details. More information will be circulated to you by Shirley Christie further in the newsletter. Please put this date on your calendar. If it rains, the backup date is July 15.

Keep singing. We'll see you on Wednesday.

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REHEARSAL SCHEDULE - JUNE 17, 2020

VIRTUAL SINGING WEEK 8

From Duncan Zaluski

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE: ALL OF YOUR NEW MUSIC, CURRENT REPERTOIRE, BARBERPOLECAT SONG

6:55 – 7:10	Login and greetings
7:10 – 7:25	Warm up
7:25 – 7:40	Bridge over Troubled Water
7:45 – 8:05	Stand By Me
8:10 – 8:20	Business Meeting & Break
8:20 – 8:25	Barber Polecat: The Story of the Rose (Heart of My Heart)
8:30 – 8:45	Hello Mary Lou (Off the Page June 3)
8:45 – 9:00	Repertoire Review Blue Moon(s) Dream Lover

Current Show Repertoire:

Blue Moon(s)
Can You Feel the Love Tonight?
Daydream
Dream Lover
Harmony Collage
I'm Feeling Fine



Imagine
Irish Blessing
O Canada
Shenandoah
Under the Boardwalk
When I'm 64

INFORMATION ON PERMANENT ZOOM REHEARSAL LINK

From Paul Bullock

Going forward, you will be able to join the Wednesday night zoom rehearsals using the same link. It was circulated to you from Ken last week. It was also shared with Jay Althof to be included in the list of virtual rehearsals in the district so that members from other chapters could join us.

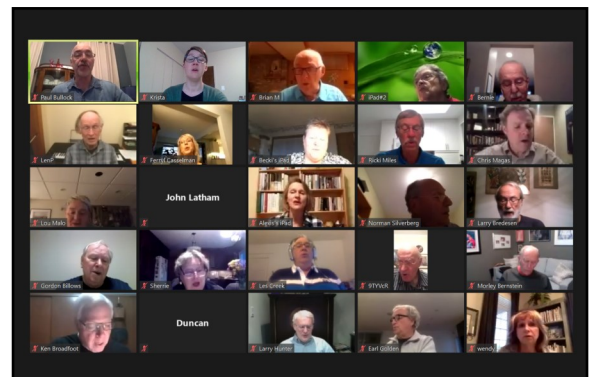
We'll put the same link information onto the front page of the newsletter each week so that you can find it here. You should be able to click on the link itself or enter the meeting ID and password.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84457343549?pwd=ZGJmeUIJTjXl5Nnp1Ly9sNGQxYkxPUT09>

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Password: 974496



CONTINUED SUSPENSION OF IN-PERSON REHEARSALS

From Paul Bullock

Despite the fact that the Manitoba Department of Health is expected to allow groups of up to 50 people to meet indoors, the strong message from the scientific and medical communities is not to gather indoors to sing (<https://www.barbershop.org/landing-pages/covid-19-resources-for-barbershoppers>). There have been numerous instances of choirs rehearsing in early March (before the covid lockdown) where many of the choir members developed Covid 19 and several members died. It has made a lot of news headlines and continues to do so (<https://www.latimes.com/world-nation/story/2020-06-01/coronavirus-choir-singing-cdc-warning>).

There is some debate about the degree of coronavirus transmission risk that is directly associated with choral singing, however the Executive of River City Sound do not want to take that chance. Therefore, we propose to continue to rehearse virtually until such time as a vaccine is developed which will protect members when we gather indoors to sing. That timeline is still uncertain but the enormous efforts of many, capable infectious disease experts gives us some room for optimism (<https://www.cp24.com/news/canadian-expert-says-he-is-confident-covid-19-vaccine-is-months-not-years-away-1.4982250>).

PASSING OF PAUL STEIN

From Paul Bullock

Sadly, we are informing the chapter that former member, Paul Stein, passed away on Friday this week at his Vancouver home. Paul was a long-time member of the Winnipeg Chapter, having joined at the invitation of Bernie Gunn. Paul sang lead in the chorus and contributed to our chapter in many different ways. Some of the longer-term members probably remember him looking after the till at the BBQs, helping set up dressing rooms at chorus shows or volunteering to deliver tickets to our past patrons in the St. James area. Paul was quiet but witty with a wry sense of humour such as his email moniker ("ezwriter"). Last year, our hearts went out to him when we learned about the passing of his wife, Helen. Our more recent members may remember Paul after he "dropped in" from Vancouver to a couple of our online rehearsals.



We send sincere condolences to Paul's children and grandchildren. He was a gentle soul and we will remember him fondly as a fellow barbershopper.

BARBERSHOP SOCIAL EVENING - JULY 8TH AT 7:00 P.M.

From Shirley Christie

We've all been missing a chance to get together to socialize and visit with our fellow barbershoppers as well as wives/significant others, so we are scheduling an evening where we can see each other in person and enjoy an evening of camaraderie.

Every precaution will be taken to ensure the safety of each and every person who is able to be there. We are pursuing the purchase of a temperature monitor so each of us can be checked when we arrive. And if you are feeling unwell we would ask that you enjoy that evening by staying at home. Another evening is planned for some time in August if you have to miss this one.

Again, as a precaution, there will be nothing provided in the way of refreshments of any kind, however, you are free to bring your own food and drinks with the necessary accouterments such as glasses, cutlery, etc.

Chorus singing will not be encouraged, but quartets may entertain, adhering to the 6 foot rule.

So, bottom line, please plan to come and enjoy an evening with your fellow barbershoppers, bring your own chair, your own food and if you feel more comfortable doing so, wear a mask.

Again the date is July 8th (alternate date in case of rain is July 15th) at 7:00 p.m. The location is the home of Paul Bullock and Wendy Lamont. Their address is 12 Phil-Chris Way and we'll provide directions for you prior to the date.



TO BRIGHTEN YOUR SPIRITS

From Brian Metcalfe

This video has music to lift your spirits with awesome photography.

Ode to Joy - Rock Version by Ana Rucner (cellist)

<https://player.vimeo.com/video/58611141?autoplay=1>



GETTING TO KNOW YOU - THE 2020 SEQUEL

By Brian Metcalfe

Chris Magas, our web site manager, is to be thanked for all his work in uploading and formatting our 2020 "Getting To Know You" stories which now reside in our password-protected "Archive" section.

2020 RCS Member Autobiographies
Thank you Krista Hanis-Gervais for rekindling this project!

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2020 Introduction Beckl Ammeter Yvonne Applewhalte Sherrie Bredesen Feryl Casselman Shirley Christie	Joan Crapper Les Creek Henry Graham Krista Hanis-Gervais Wendy Lamont Louise Malo	Len Paluck Donna Paryniuk Gayle Wharton 2020 Closing Comment
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Undoubtedly, the 14 amazing stories were extremely well received and on behalf of all our chorus members, I want to thank the above individuals for taking the time to create and share their stories with us.

Krista Hanis-Gervais, our newsletter editor, chanced upon the original 38 "Getting To Know You" stories shared by the Winnipeg Golden Chordsmen in 2014. She not only saw the potential of sharing stories by the relatively new River City Sound members, she also thought it might be wise for the long-standing Winnipeg Golden Chordsmen to update their autobiographies. If you are anything like me, there are many activities, vacations, and events in our household and family that have occurred over the span of six years from 2014 - 2020.

With this in mind, I have approached our Executive about initiating a "SEQUEL" for those members who first contributed a "Getting To Know You" story in 2014. We would like to start this sharing process this Fall, but I thought I should give you time to prepare.

Perhaps over the summer, you might:

1. Read over your initial 2014 story located in the "Members Only > Archives" section of our web site.
2. Following the same format and jot down events that have happened in your family during the last six years.
3. Collect photos that enhance your update.
4. Begin writing your sequel in anticipation of my request for your story with pictures in the Fall.

Perhaps the reason for initiating this sequel project is best expressed by James Wan who stated:

"I think you kind of need to acknowledge that the reason why sequels do well is because people that loved the first one come back."

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SEQUEL

— YOU'RE [ALWAYS] —



CONNECTED !

IMPORTANT DATES 4 U

Meetings, Rehearsals, Holidays and River City Sound Birthdays

~ June 2020 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3 Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Executive Committee Zoom Meeting (5:30) Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Music Committee Zoom Meeting (5:30) Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	18	19	20
21 <i>Father's Day Happy Birthday Joan Crapper</i>	22	23	24 Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	25	26	27
28 <i>Happy Birthday Drummond Brown</i>	29	30				

~ July 2020 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <i>Canada Day No Rehearsal</i>	2	3	4
5	6	7	8 Executive Meeting (5:30) Social Evening (7:00)	9	10 <i>Happy Birthday Tony Grosvenor</i>	11
12	13	14	15 Zoom Rehearsal (7:00) <i>Rain Date for Social Evening (7:00)</i>	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 <i>Happy Birthday Louise Malo</i> Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Zoom Rehearsal (7:00)	30	31	

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Past President: Bruce Wilton
VP Membership & Chapter Development: Larry Bredesen
VP Music & Performance: Duncan Zaluski
VP Marketing & Public Relations: Drummond Brown
Secretary: Charles Siegel
Treasurer: Bruce Wilton
Chorus Manager: Chris Magas

Board Members at Large

Ken Broadfoot, Les Creek, Shirley Christie, Gayle Whar-ton, Henry Graham

2020 Music Committee

VP Music & Performance: Duncan Zaluski
Co-Directors: Sherrie Bredesen & Larry Hunter
Assistant Director: vacant
Tenor Section: Duncan Zaluski
Lead Section: Chris Magas
Bass Section: Larry Bredesen, Asst. Bruce Wilton
Baritone Section: John Latham

2020 Leadership Positions

Accountant: Gary Miles
Attendance & 50/50: Norm Silverberg
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2021 Show Producer: Les Creek
2021 Show Chairman: vacant
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