

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

August 14 Executive meeting 5:30 p.m.

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HAVE YOUR SAY!

Please send any information for publication to Mae Denby by **Saturday noon** at:
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PERMANENT ZOOM REHEARSAL LINK

Join our online Zoom rehearsals every Wednesday with this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84457343549?pwd=ZGJmeUIJTl5Nnp1Ly9sNGQxYkxPUT09>

Meeting ID: 844 5734 3549
Password: 974496

For Assistance signing on, call Brian at 204-667-2727

CHORUS REHEARSAL PLANS AND UPDATE

from Paul Bullock

Last Wednesday was great! It was so nice to sing together again in-person. Even a bit of rain didn't slow us down for long. We quickly made room in the garage and did more rehearsing there. The best news of the evening is that we sounded very good. Most of us feel that our individual singing voices have deteriorated over the past 17 months. However, we clearly have not forgotten everything. We all need to get up to speed on the new songs, especially the new Christmas numbers. We want to be able to perform them well by the beginning of December.

Last week's experience will simplify the instructions for this week. We will be rehearsing at 12 Phil-Chris Way at 7:00 p.m., rain or shine. (There won't be a notice circulated on Tuesday.) If the weather is favorable, we'll warm up and do sectionals outside, then move into the garage to sing together where the acoustics are good. If it rains, we'll conduct the entire rehearsal in the garage.

We are in the process of determining the venue and parameters for indoor rehearsals in following weeks. Currently, we have not decided when they will start but information will be provided as decisions are made.

See you all Wednesday for more singing, fun and camaraderie.

Rehearsal for Aug 11

Do you need a ride? Call or email Wendy (204 990 6058 or wendyjlmac@gmail.com). She will organize a ride for you.

It will be held at 7:00 p.m. at 12 Phil-Chris Way (Wendy and Paul's place, see the following maps for directions, there is a washroom but it is up 3 steps).

Plan to arrive at the rehearsal about 6:45 p.m. to allow some time to sign in. This will be done for everyone in attendance.

Bring with you:

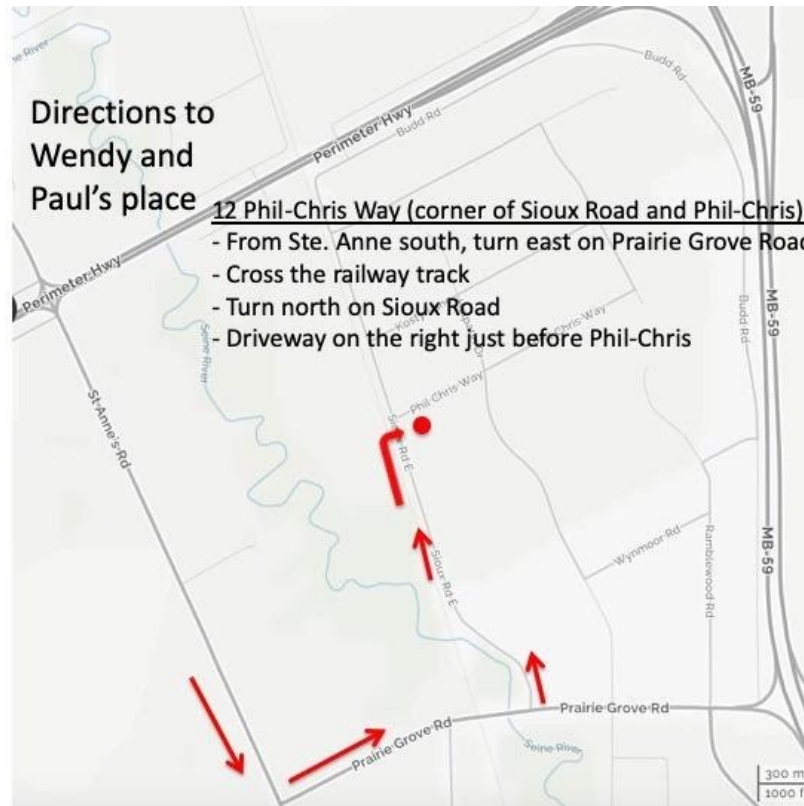
- Your vaccination record (you must be fully vaccinated to participate),
- Your music (the rehearsal plan is in the Notes 4 U),
- A good quality mask to wear during the rehearsal while you sing (Note: inexpensive plastic inserts to keep the mask away from your face while you sing can be purchased at Showcase, a store in most malls or online),
- A folding chair,
- Water and, if you want, a drink and/or treat to have during the break (Note: there will be no communal coffee, drinks or treats available),
- The bugs are usually not too bad but you may want some insect repellent.

When you arrive, go to the sign-in table.

After screening, head to the seating area on the lawn and space yourself out at least 2 m apart from everyone else in preparation to sing! (If it is raining, come into the garage.)

REHEARSAL VENUE AUGUST 11 2021

12 PHIL-CHRIS WAY



Notes on “LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH”

From Sherrie Bredeson:

Hi Barbershoppers,

We had an AWESOME and very productive rehearsal at Paul this week Wednesday. We did bring a little much-needed rain to the land so we can all be proud! When an outdoor rehearsal is planned, it is bound to rain and so it did. We did not complain. We just headed into Paul and Wendy's garage and were quite comfortable. We could hear each other a lot better than outside but we had already accomplished quite a lovely sound together and it just kept getting better. Thank you to all who were there! I was so impressed with what we got done and truly enjoyed the River City SOUND as we haven't been able to in quite a long time!!!



So - here's a note for all of us for our Christmas song -LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH ----

A few of the words have been changed to reflect the times and also our chorus.

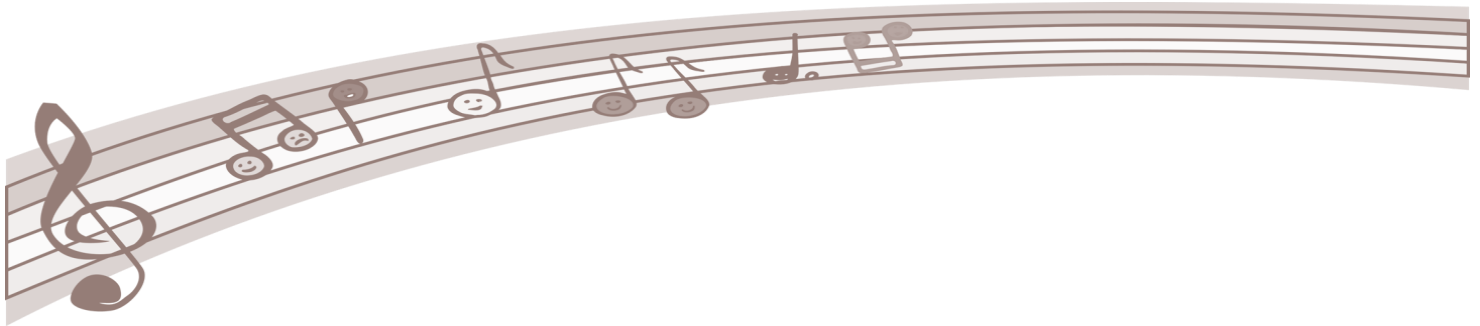
MS. 21-28. "brothers all are we" is now "WE ARE FAM-I-LY."

"Let me walk with my brothers (brothers)" is now "LET US WALK WITH EACH OTHER (OTHER)"

The rest of the song is unchanged.

Please get used to using these words when you sing with the learning track.

See you all next week at Paul's again. Please try to make it out - it will be so worth it!!!!



From Wendy Lamont:

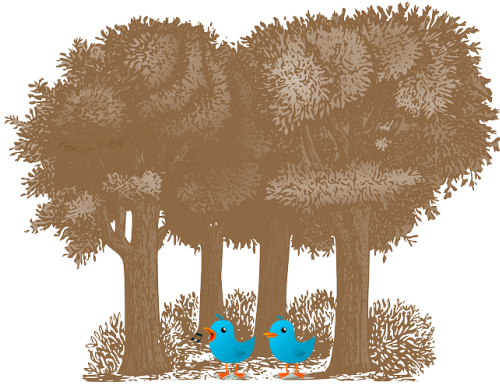
Please note if you are using the learning tracks for this song, you must move the channel to the right in order to isolate your part. This is the opposite of most learning tracks on the website. So if you are having a hard time hearing your part on the learning track, move the channel to the right, NOT to the left.





REHEARSAL PLAN - AUGUST 11 2021
LIVE SINGING TRANSITION WEEK 2 *(as it turns out)*
 from Les Creek

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE: ALL OF YOUR NEW MUSIC,
 CURRENT REPERTOIRE & BARBERPOLECAT SONGBOOK AND ALL THE ITEMS
 MENTIONED IN PAUL'S MESSAGE**



ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN 6:45



This week we'll rehearse again at Paul and Wendy's so we will rehearse in two parts:

First we will look at the TTBB songs

- Let There Be Peace
- Man With The Bag.

Then we'll rearrange into SATB groups to work on

- Merry Christmas Darling and
- Kneeling At The Manger.

Hopefully we will soon be back in our rehearsal hall.



FREE SINGING APPS TO MAKE YOU A BETTER VOCALIST
 shared by Larry Hunter

A list of apps members may consider using for improving their vocal skills at home:

<https://myvocalskills.com/8-free-singing-apps-that-make-you-a-better-vocalist>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Gordon Billows



Rich Derrick - baritone of Fallcreek (a quartet from Grand Forks) passed away on July 11 from a fast acting, inoperable brain cancer. Fallcreek performed on three of our shows - 2003, 2011 and 2017. They started singing together in 1996 and, although a few members have changed over the years, their performances were always very entertaining. They specialized in ever-popular songs of the '50 and '60's. Fallcreek were the 1998 LOL Novice Quartet Champions and the 2016 LOL Seniors Quartet champions. Rich's obituary - <https://www.amundsonfuneralhome.com/obituary/richard-derrick>



Youth Musical Theatre in Winkler (Gordon Billows - MB Sing Canada Harmony)

Sing Canada Harmony has sponsored a unique musical theatre performance, 'Songs in a New World' being held on Aug. 13, 7:00 pm at the Winkler Parkland Outdoor Stage. (Live, in person, NOT virtual!).

The performance comes at the close of an 8 day musical theatre camp held in Winkler. The show features songs from a variety of musicals, put together (by Janna Larsen) to create an artistic expression of the shared experiences and emotions we've all lived with during the pandemic.

The camp is directed by Janna Larsen (Winnipeg) and produced by Rochelle Drudge. It is hosted by DKSM and sponsored by the Kuhl Foundation, the City of Winkler and Sing Canada Harmony. There will be 12 kids involved, ages 11 - 18, from Southern Manitoba.

Tickets must be pre-purchased through our website - <https://www.douglaskuhlschoolofmusic.com/musical-theatre-camp-2021>

With the current restrictions, we're able to have an audience of 150 people. Bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on.

TO BRIGHTEN YOUR SPIRITS DURING THESE TRYING TIMES



Burglary at the Louvre — Contributed by Ricki Miles

After careful planning, the thief got past security, stole paintings, and made it safely to his van.

However, he was captured only two blocks away when his van ran out of gas.

When asked how he could mastermind such a crime and then make such an obvious error, he replied,

'Monsieur, here is the reason I stole the paintings.



I had no Monet.



To buy Degas



To make the Van Gogh.'



See if you have De Gaulle to share this

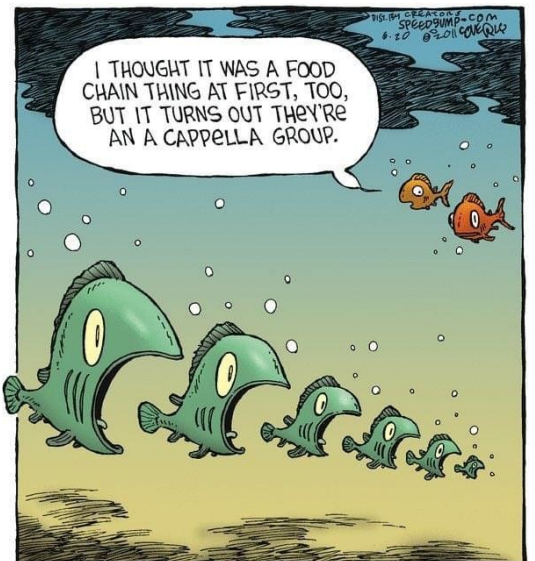


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HOW DO YOU KNOW WHEN A SOPRANO'S AT YOUR DOOR?



SHE CAN'T FIND HER KEY AND SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO COME IN.



IMPORTANT DATES 4 U - JULY & AUGUST 2021

Meetings, Rehearsals, Holidays and River City Sound Member Birthdays

~ July 2021 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<i>Meeting and rehearsal venue will be announced via email on Tuesdays.</i>						
4	5	6	7 Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.	8	9	10 Happy Birthday Tony Grosvenor
11	12	13	14 Executive meeting 5:30 p.m. Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.	22	23	24 Happy Birthday Donna Paryniuk
25	26	27	28 Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.	29	30	31

~ August 2021 ~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Happy Birthday <i>Bernie Gunn</i>	3	4 Music Committee Myg. 5:15 Happy Birthday Paul Bullock Rehearsal (7:00) Details t.b.a.	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Executive meeting 5:30 p.m. Rehearsal (7:00) Details t.b.a.	12	13	14
15	16	17 Happy Birthday Len Paluck & Paul Rondeau	18 Possible Social event* <u>OR</u> <u>Rehearsal</u> Details t.b.a.	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Rehearsal (7:00) Details t.b.a.	26	27	28
29	30	31				

* if both weather and public health orders are amenable

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Notes 4 U

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Past President: Bruce Wilton
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VP Music & Performance: Les Creek
VP Marketing & Public Relations: Gayle Wharton, Shirley Christie
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Treasurer: Bruce Wilton
Chorus Manager: Chris Magas
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Chorus Directors: Sherrie Bredesen, Larry Hunter
Tenor Section: Becki Ammeter
Lead Section: Chris Magas
Baritone Section: Paul Bullock, John Latham
Bass Section: Larry Bredesen, Bruce Wilton
Performance & Staging: Gayle Wharton
Music Research: Duncan Zaluski
Sheet Music Librarian: Len Paluck
Learning Track Librarian: Duncan Zaluski

2021 Leadership Positions

Accountant: Gary Miles
Zoom Meeting Attendance: Wendy Lamont
In-person Meeting Attendance: Norm Silverberg
50/50: Norm Silverberg
Awards Banquet Chairs: Gary & Ricki Miles
Charities: vacant
Church Xmas Chorus: Bruce Wilton
Learn to Sing Program: Len Paluck, Wendy Lamont, Ferryl Casselman
Grey Cup Pool Chair: vacant
Historian: Gordon Billows
Notes 4 U Team: Mae Denby, Becki Ammeter
Refreshments: Norm Silverberg, John Latham, Len Paluck
Sing Canada Harmony: Gordon Billows
Sunshine: Brian Metcalfe
Wardrobe: Charlie Siegel
Website: Chris Magas
2022 Show Producer: Les Creek
2022 Show Chairman: vacant
Advocate for the Winnipeg Chapter: Gordon Billows