

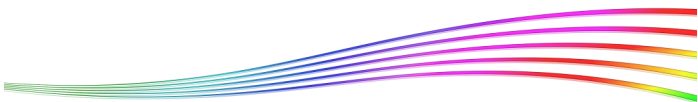


IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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2022 ZOOM link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84457343549?pwd=ZGJmeUIjTXI5Nnp1Ly9sNGQxYkxPUT09>

Deadline for contributions to Notes 4 U is noon Saturday. Please send your information to Mae at
Denby.mae@gmail.com to have it included

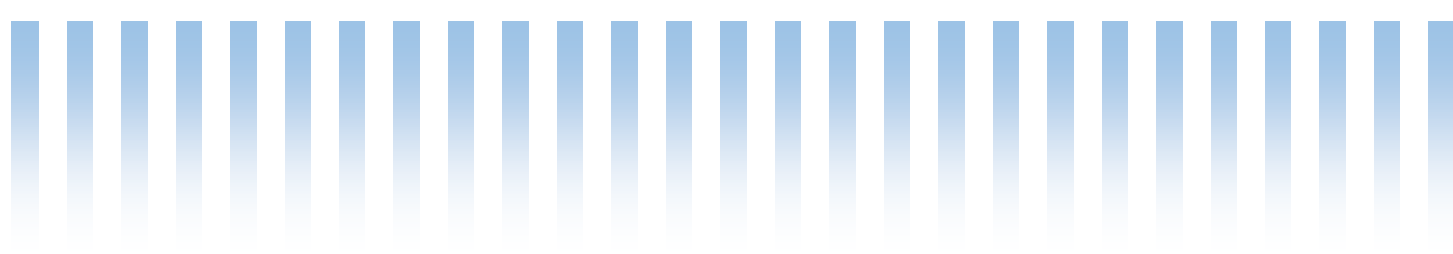
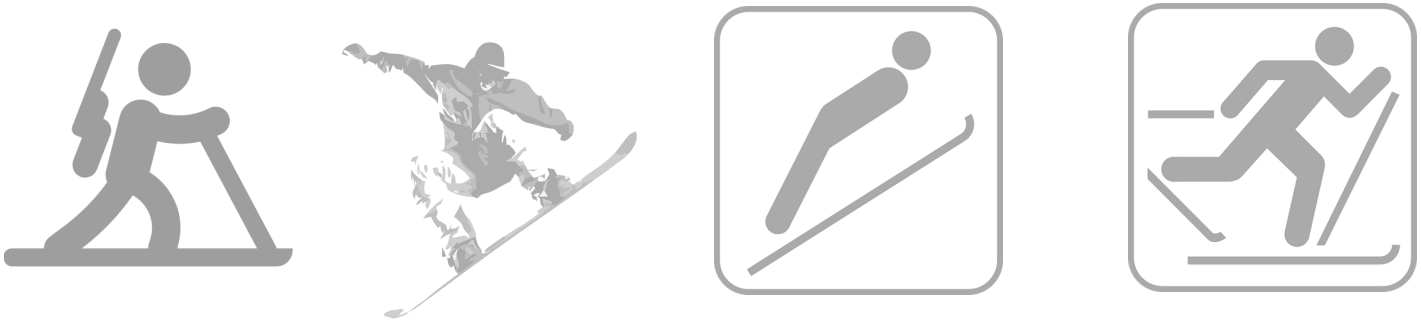


PRESIDENT'S MUSINGS

BY ROB SMITH

The good news is that Zoom rehearsals are actually getting us all prepared for the May 14 spring show at Prairie Spirit United Church. By my calculation, that is 14 weeks away. Some years in the past, the chorus has had to add Sunday rehearsals to ensure we will be ready to put on our best performance. However, Les assures me we are on track to be in good shape for the show and he didn't (yet) say anything about extra rehearsals. There is apparently only one new song "500 Miles" to be introduced so it is a matter of perfecting what we already know.

After the feedback from chorus members last Wednesday, it was a pretty straightforward decision for the executive to extend our Zoom rehearsals. The only real question was, "for how long"? The decision to add 2 weeks and then re-consider was a compromise. It gets us to Feb 9th and that is the date of the next executive meeting. The question of whether or not to continue on Zoom will be considered then. Our chorus has many members who are considered in the vulnerable category based on age or health conditions. We certainly don't want to risk your health or that of your family members by getting back in person too soon no matter how much we enjoy "in-person rehearsals". Rob



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

Ladies and Gentlemen

Please be advised that Chapter Dues have returned to the pre-Covid contribution of \$80 per year. Chapter dues are due within the next few weeks.

Please forward your \$80 chapter dues to my attention in one of two ways:

1. E-Transfer to bww6850@gmail.com . Please provide your mailing address in the memo field.

2. Cheque by mail to my home address -

827 John Bruce Road E, Wpg. R3X 1Y3. Please make the cheque payable to "River City Sound Inc."

The charitable receipt should follow by email within a few days of receiving your donation.

I would appreciate your remitting your dues as soon as possible. Thank you.

Bruce Wilton



The February 2 and 9 rehearsals for RCS will continue to be held on zoom. The same link will be used as for the January rehearsals. Our rehearsal mode beyond those dates will be determined later.

2022 Winnipeg Chapter and YOUR History (Gordon Billows—Wpg Chapter Historian)



Winnipeg Chapter has a rich history that needs/deserves to be preserved! I am preparing the Chapter's history binders (2000—2021) and am looking for "noteworthy" Chapter or personal BBS event information. I have entered the basic

information from our annual show programs already, but so much more happened throughout those years that should be included. YOU can help document those events!

I am asking each of you to recall any personal/chapter Barbershop related event that you feel might be included in the binders to better reflect our Chapter's History. Listing the events or providing short write-ups **with dates** will certainly help complete the binders.

I will probably receive some duplicate information, but that is OK, I can combine some submissions. Scanned pictures are welcomed also. BTW—many of you submitted autobiographies and mentioned some highlights of your BBS involvement. This is all good information to submit to me. I am sure your "research" will bring back many great BBS memories.





REHEARSAL SCHEDULE - FEBRUARY 2 2022



from Les Creek

6:55 to 7:05

Greetings

7:05 to 7:25

Warmups

7:30

New(er) Music

I'm Gonna BE (500 Miles0



7:35 to 8:05

Sectional Breakout

I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)

Best of Doo Wop

Beach Boys/ Dream Lover Medley

8:05 to 8:25

Chorus Review

I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)

Best of Doo Wop

Beach Boys Dream Lover Medley

Stand By Me



8:25 to 8:45

Woodshedding – Rob Smith

8:45 to 8:55

Business Meeting

8:55

Final Song

Irish Blessing



9:00 to 9:15 Afterglow and Music Team review (in tenor room)

Planned Upcoming Rehearsal Music (SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!)

New(er)

Music Repertoire Review

Feb 9

I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)

Hello Mary Lou

Best of Doo Wop

Do You Hear The People Sing

Yesterday

Feb 16

I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)

Hello Mary Lou

Yesterday

He's Got the Whole World

I Want to Hold Your Hand

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ETCETERA

By Wendy Lamont, VP Membership & Chapter Development

Further to our Chorus Rehearsal of January 26th, I would like to formally thank each and every one of our members who have agreed to serve on one of our Leadership positions for 2022. Your willingness to assist our Chapter is very much appreciated by all of us whom you serve.

A big thank you goes out to:

Accountant – Gary Miles

Meeting Attendance – Norm Silverberg

50/50 – Norm Silverberg

Awards Banquet Chairs - Gary and Ricki Miles

Charities – Bruce Wilton

Church Xmas Chorus – Bruce Wilton

Learn to Sing Program – Len Paluck, Wendy Lamont and Ferryl Casselman

Grey Cup Pool Chair – Len Paluck

Historian – Gordon Billows

Notes4U Editor – Mae Denby

Notes4U Proofreader - Becki Ammeter

Refreshments – Norm Silverberg, John Latham and Len Paluck

Sing Canada Harmony – Gordon Billows

Sunshine – Charlie Siegel

Wardrobe – Charlie Siegel and Ferryl Casselman

Website (update and maintain) – Chris Magas

2022 Spring Show Producer – Les Creek

2022 Spring Show Chairman – Bruce Wilton

2022 Spring Show Vice-Chair – Donna Paryniuk

Land O' Lakes (LOL) District Chapter Advocate – Gordon Billows

In addition to the above positions, there are three left to fill, namely:

Assistant Historian – to assist Gordon Billows. For more information on this position, please contact Gordon directly.

Notes4U Editor – Mae Denby has agreed to continue as Editor until a replacement can be found.

Chorus Manager – please check out our River City Sound Website, under Administration, for the job description for this position. For further information, please contact Chris Magas.

Thanks also to Brian Metcalfe, who served as the 2021 Sunshine person. Your contribution to this position and all of the other roles you have filled in the past is very much appreciated.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ETCETERA — CONTINUED

By Wendy Lamont, VP Membership & Chapter Development

i would also like to thank Donna Paryniuk for serving on the Wardrobe committee and know that as Vice-Chair for our spring show, you will do an awesome job for us.

We would also like to thank Chris Magas for serving as Chorus Manager for many years. We need someone like you at the helm and are very thankful you will be continuing in your role maintaining our website.

Thanks also go out to Mae Denby for your creative talents as Notes4U Editor.

Again, on behalf of our President, Rob Smith, thank you for letting your name stand for the various roles for 2022 and for those of you who haven't already signed on, please consider one of the positions available. Thanks.



A CHRISTMAS TO REMEMBER IN REVIEW

By Shirley Christie

Well, we did it! At our performances on December 11th at the Prairie Spirit United Church we were finally able to get together with our faithful followers and enjoy performing for an audience.

Thank you to everyone who worked directly on the planning of the show from beginning to end, and to all members of the chorus who worked so hard and long, both via zoom and in person to ensure we put on a successful show. Thanks also to our producer and directors Sherrie and Larry, they kept our spirits up and worked so diligently at making sure we were ready. And those volunteers who help make the show day smooth sailing as we had many obstacles to overcome, requiring vaccination checks at the door, ensuring everyone coming for the shows was double vaccinated, and requiring each patron to wear a mask. They are an integral part of the success of the shows. It definitely was an entirely different procedure than what we normally have to plan for at show time but it worked.

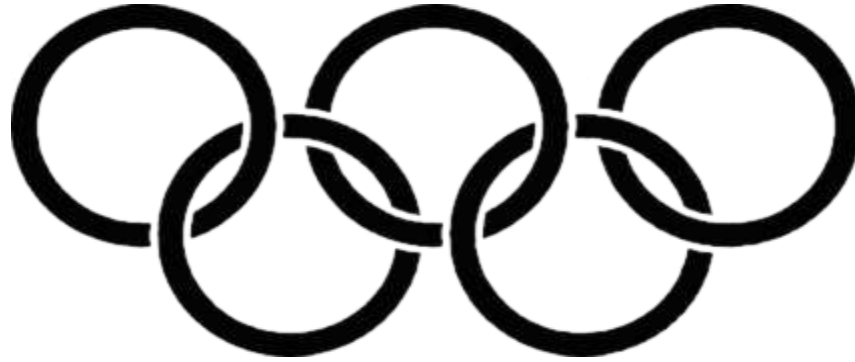
The attendance was down, that darn Covid affected the ticket sales, but we were able to sell 179 tickets for the afternoon show and 103 for the evening. Thank you to Brian for his hard work and timeless hours put in to ensuring the shows had people in the seats. And thanks to those who sold tickets, it was not an easy sell as some of our regular patrons were reluctant to be in a public venue.

The end result, I am happy to report is that we made a profit of \$4,780.58. It was an entertaining performance, definitely fun to finally get out in the public eye and now we look forward to our spring show

FOR YOUR INTEREST AND EDIFICATION

What are the colours of the Olympic rings?

<https://olympics.com/ioc/olympic-rings>



WISE WORDLE WISDOM

by Brian Metcalfe

What do the following terms have in common? *choir, pitch, piano, staff, sound & notes*. If you suggested that they are all related as musical entities, you would be *right*. However, did you also note that the *terms* are all five-letter *words*? This feature is helpful if you want to exercise your *brain power* in a game called “Wordle” which has variations that have gone *viral* on the internet.

I recommend playing the free variation of Wordle *found* online

as: “[Wordle - A daily word game](https://www.powerlanguage.co.uk/wordle/)” at:
<https://www.powerlanguage.co.uk/wordle/>

Each day, a new 5-letter word is chosen by the computer. You get a chance to find the word by entering your *valid* 5-letter word. After each *guess*, you are provided feedback as to *which* letters are correct and in the proper position as *shown* in the illustration. You are a winner if you *enter* a word that displays all 5 *tiles* in the *green* color in 6 or *fewer* *tries*.

Sally & I team up and *enjoy* this *daily* challenge over coffee. Have fun and exercise your *brain*! You may even *begin* with the *hints* shown in italics. :-)

Guess the **WORDLE** in 6 tries. ×

Each guess must be a valid 5 letter word. Hit the enter button to submit.

After each guess, the color of the tiles will change to show how close your guess was to the word.

Examples

W E A R Y
The letter **W** is in the word and in the correct spot.

P **I** L L S
The letter **I** is in the word but in the wrong spot.

V A **G** U E
The letter **U** is not in the word in any spot.

A new **WORDLE** will be available each day!

GOLDEN NOTES

Winnipeg Chapter Annual Show Quartets 1999—1979 (2)

(Gordon Billows – Wpg Chapter Historian)



This article is part 2 of my Chapter Historian project listing details of the Winnipeg Chapter Quartets from 1949 to 2021. Parts 3 and 4 of the Winnipeg quartet listing will appear in upcoming Notes 4 U. This complete project includes details of quartets or groups from Winnipeg/Canada and the United States. Information about all quartets will eventually be shared. My computer files also contain scanned pictures of each quartet and the “hard copies” are being organized in binders. If anyone finds any errors, omissions or wants a picture of any quartet, contact Gordon Billows.

Quartet name—year(s) on annual show—quartet members (Tenor, Lead, Bass, Baritone):

Sanbanks – 1979, 1980, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991 – Meron Chabluk, Joe Grills, Keith Cuddy, Norv Christopherson

Themesters' Union – 1981, 1982 – Dennis Owens, Doug Sly, Craig Parker, Eric Wells

Aurora Chords – 1981, 1982 – Wayne Stengel, Mike Cook, Dave Maunder, George Morrow

Prairie Sound – 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984 – Don Walker, George Asgeirson, Rick Winick, Merrill Whitehead

Themesters' Union – 1983 – Dennis Owens, Brian Best, Craig Parker, Ron Crapper

Eight Feet of Harmony – 1983 – George Morrow, Don Hughes, Dave Maunder, Cliff Harris

Suburban Knights – 1983, 1984 (Suburbanites), 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, – Vern Fast, Ernie Hallatt, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman

Seventh Heaven – 1983 – Meron Chabluk, Dennis Owens, Clark Fliss, Ron Webb (no picture)

Original Cast – 1984, 1985 – Dennis Owens, George Loepp, Rube Batke, Len Bye

Moonlight Special – 1984 – Dennis Owens, Keith Jones, Clark Fliss, Ron Webb

Chordspinners – 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989 – Ed Boychuk, Mike Cook, Laurie O'Donnell, Cliff Harris

Brass Chord – 1987, 1988 – Randy Nerbas, James Edgar, Rube Batke, Terry Carmichael

Suburban Knights – 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1992 – Vern Fast, Hank Fast, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman

Brass Chord – 1988 – Randy Nerbas, Gord Southam, Rube Batke, Terry Carmichael

Unsung Four – 1989 – Dennis Woens, Roy Barron, George Smellie, Ron Crapper

Harmony 101 – 1990 – Rob Smith, Murray Burton, Rube Batke, Terry Carmichael

Suburban Knights – 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003 – Vern Fast, Mike Cook, Doug Holden, Harold Casselman

Winnipeg Square – 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996 – Dennis Owens, Roy Barron, Brian Hughes, Cliff Harris

Sprogs – 1995 – Rob Smith, Tom Gilchrist, Jim de Graff, Ron Odgers

Good Vibrations - 1996 – Dennis Owens, Victor Olafson, Herold Driedger, Larry Hunter

Four-Tune 500 – 1996 – Grant Smith, Morley Bernstein, Martin Gurvey, Norv Christopherson

What Four – 1996 – Rob Smith, Michel Lamoureux, Jim deGraff, Ron Odgers

GOLDEN NOTES

Winnipeg Chapter Annual Show Quartets 1999—1979 (2) - continued

Notorious – 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005 – Brian Duplak, Wayne Stengel, Doug Buffie, John Latham

Kindachords – 1997 – Grant Smith, Paul Bullock, Jim Thexton, Norv Christopherson

Everyman Quartet – 1997 – Meron Chabluk, Dave Moore, Brian Hughes, Cliff Harris

Kindachords – 1998 – Grant Smith, Paul Bullock, Nick Palylik, Norv Christopherson

Kindachords – 1999 – Grant Smith, Paul Bullock, Bruce Wilton, Norv Christopherson

2022 Joe Liles Lifetime Achievement Award—LOL

From Gordon Billows—Wpg Chapter Historian



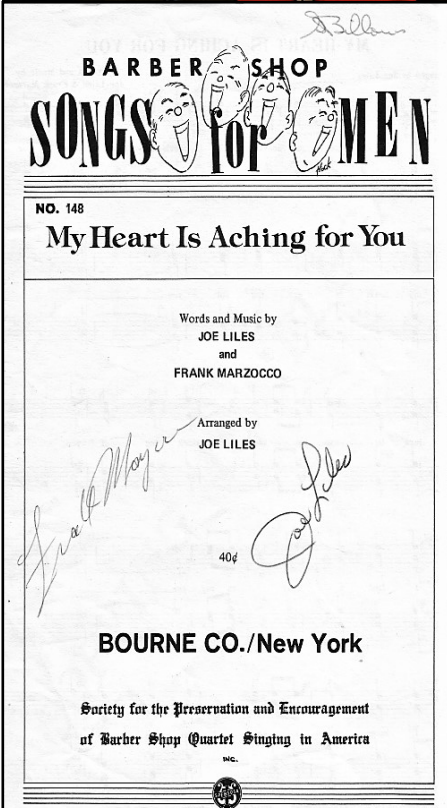
In 2008, Joe Liles wrote about the power of music. He said, “My mom taught me to sing and play the ukulele before I ever attended grade school. I started making up songs at age six. There was always singing at home and church with family and friends. Music has been a golden thread throughout my life, and I can vouch for its power of communication.

The **Joe Liles Lifetime Achievement Award** has been created to honor members of the Land O’Lakes District who have made a long term, positive impact on the District. The recipient shall have a minimum of 25 years membership in the LO’L District, held multiple roles of leadership positions over a period of years and whose leadership has made a positive impact on the well being and success of the District. Consideration shall be given to contributions in directing, arranging, composing, judging, coaching, teaching, quarteting as well as leadership in administrative jobs in district office, committees, conventions, contests and schools.

I am sure that all will agree that this Joe Liles Lifetime Achievement Award is a very fitting tribute to this iconic Barbershopper!

Over the years, many Winnipeg Chapter members have enjoyed meeting Joe and attending his education sessions at Harmony University, conventions, workshops, contests, etc. His arrangements are very popular and are sung by probably all BBS choruses around the world! Here are a few Joe Liles arrangements that the Wpg chorus has sung: *I’m Feelin’ Fine*, *Let It Snow*, *Christmas Song*, *Let It Snow*, *Harmony Collage*, *I Believe in Music*, *Teach the Children to Sing* and *Celebrate Harmony*.

This is my signed copy of *My Heart is Aching for You* from Harmony University—1981. It was always a pleasure meeting and singing with Joe over the years. Great memories of a great Barbershopper—Joe Liles 1930—2021.



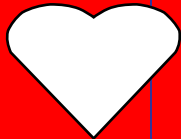




Learn more about Joe Liles from the following links:

<https://www.barbershop.org/in-memoriam-joe-liles>

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/kenoshanews/name/joe-liles-obituary?id=16356050>

IMPORTANT DATES 4 U – FEBRUARY—MARCH 2022

~ February 2022~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1 Happy Birthday Brian Strong	2 Music Cmte 5:30 Rehearsal 7:00	3	4	5	
		6	7	8	9 Exec Cmte 5:30 Rehearsal 7:00	10	11
13	14 	15	16 Rehearsal 7:00	17 Happy Birthday David Petrie	18	19	
20	21	22	23 Rehearsal	24	25	26 Happy Birthday	
27	28						

~ March 2022~

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Happy Birthday Bruce Wilton Music Cmte 5:30 Rehearsal 7:00	3	4	5 Happy Birthday Jerry Moscovitch
6	7 Happy Birthday Gary Miles	8	9 Exec Cmte 5:30 Rehearsal 7:00	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Rehearsal 7:00	17 	18	19
20	21	22	23 Happy Birthday Gayle Wharton Rehearsal 7:00	24	25	26
27	28 Happy Birthday Herold Driedger	29	30 Rehearsal 7:00	31		



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Editor - Mae Denby

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2022 Chapter Executive

President: Rob Smith
Executive VP: Wendy Lamont
Past President: Paul Bullock
VP Membership & Chapter Development: Wendy Lamont
VP Music & Performance: Les Creek
VP Marketing & Public Relations: Gayle Wharton
Secretary: Shirley Christie
Treasurer: Bruce Wilton
Chorus Manager: vacant
Board Members at Large: Becki Ammeter, Herold Driedger, Ferryl Casselman

2021 Music Committee (not yet updated)

VP Music & Performance: Les Creek
Chorus Directors: Sherrie Bredesen, Larry Hunter
Tenor Section: Becki Ammeter
Lead Section: Chris Magas **Assistant** Charlie Siegal
Baritone Section: Paul Bullock, John Latham
Assistant: Len Paluck
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

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Chorus Manager: Vacant