



"Think and Act Like a Champion...Whenever you rehearse or perform."

Tonight

7:30 Warm-ups
8:00 Repertoire
8:30 Music Man Medley
9:10 Meeting & Break
9:30 Sectionals
9:45 Full chorus

2008 Calendar

January

23 Wed. 9:30 AM Funeral
24 Thur. 7:00pm Valentine's Day
 Quartet rehearsal
26 Installation Dinner
28 Rehearsal

February

4 Rehearsal
11 Rehearsal
14 Singing Valentines
18 Rehearsal
21 Board Meeting 7:30pm
25 Rehearsal

March

3 Rehearsal
8 Sat. - St James the Apostle
 Full chorus
10 Rehearsal
15 Sat. - 10am – 4pm Coaching with
 Kevin Keller
17 Rehearsal
20 Board Meeting 7:30pm
24 Rehearsal

April

5 Performance - Aurora show
 Full chorus
7 Rehearsal
11 - 13 **Spring Contest**
14 Rehearsal
17 Board Meeting
21 Rehearsal
28 Rehearsal

May

17 2pm & 8pm Spring Show
19 Coaching rehearsal with
 Joe Connelly

June - July

29 - 6 International - Nashville
2 First Rehearsal
3 Next Rehearsal
4 **CHORUS CONTEST!**

September

20 Youth Festival
26 - 28 District Fall Contest

December 12 - 13 Christmas Show

New Music – Bring Recorders

- We will continue working on the new Music Man Medley. And yes, with focus and hard work, we can be ready to win the spring contest with this. Isn't this a GREAT, fun piece for us to entertain audiences with?
- **Bring a recorder so you have something to take home to help you learn the music.**

Valentine Quartets

- Organized quartets – if you are willing to help the chapter on Valentines Day, please contact Bill Parks. We need to know what times you will be available.
- Unorganized quartets – is there such a thing? OK, chorus members who would like to be in a quartet – Valentines Day is a great way to start quarteting. There is no pressure, the songs are easy and its just a heck of a lot of fun. And your performance will fill someone's heart with terrific joy. Here is how to get started... join us Monday, before the chorus meeting at the office of Rhoades Brothers, 4919 S Main St., Downers. This is only a block and a half north of where we meet. We start at 6:15, or earlier, but you are welcome any time you can join us. We will meet each Monday until Valentines Day. Joe Tomecek is planning on additional practices – the first of which will be held on Thursday, January 24th – 7:00 at a location to be announced.
- Not involved yet? You can help us out by grabbing a bunch of the Valentines flyers, order forms, posters and business cards. Hand them out to friends, neighbors, co-workers. Take the posters to your barber shop, car dealer, local Subway sandwich shop. Ask them to be posted in their windows. Hang them on the bulletin board at work. This is a great way to surprise anyone on Valentines Day. This is a great fundraiser for the chorus – let's make this a huge success.

Thank you, Bill Parks

- Songs: • *I Love You Truly* • *Let Me Call You Sweetheart* • *Heart of My Heart* • *Love Me Tender*

Funeral – Phil Kareiva – Wednesday, 9:00 AM

Our friend, member of POW and ardent supporter of West Towns, Phil Kareiva died suddenly last Thursday of a brain aneurysm. His family and I are asking those members that can attend to sing "Precious Lord" and "I'll Walk with God" at his funeral. Craig Ahlgrim has agreed to direct. The funeral is at St. Leonard's Catholic Church, 3320 S. Clarence Ave. Berwyn, IL. Please arrive at 9:00 AM to warm up and run through the songs. The funeral mass will start at 9:30 AM. I think they want Precious Lord right at the start and the other at the end of the mass. (See map on other side.)

Installation Dinner – Saturday, January 26

This coming Saturday is our annual installation dinner, our major social gathering of the year and when the *Barbershopper of the Year* is announced. Plan to gather for drinks and conviviality prior to the dinner. There will be good food, lots of fun and yes, even some singing!

Coaching – Reserve the dates

- A coaching session has been planned with Kevin Keller for Saturday, March 15 - 10-4
- Joe Connelly will be coaching us on Monday, May 19 at our regular rehearsal.

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St. Leonard's Catholic Church
3320 S. Clarence
Berwyn, IL 60402

Entrance is on 33rd Street.

Wear: Shirt & tie (no chorus uniform)

Directions from the Moose Hall:

North on Main St (becomes Highland Ave)

East on I-88 (Ronald Reagan Memorial Hwy) to I-290 (Eisenhower)

South on Harlem Ave to 34th Street

East on 34th to Clarence

North on Clarence to church.

