



PO Box 1005  
Downers Grove, IL 60515

**2008 Illinois District Champions!**

**2008 Calendar**

**Monday – Holiday**

**Tuesday**

7:30 Warm-ups  
7:45 Polecat Songs/Tag Singing  
8:00 3 Contest Set  
8:45 Record Contest Song Audio  
9:10 Break  
9:30 3 CD Songs  
10:00 3 Christmas Songs

**September**

6 Saturday, 9 AM–3 PM w/ K Keller

8 Rehearsal

13 Sat. Performance: Arrive 11:45 AM  
DG Fine Arts Festival

15 Rehearsal

22 Rehearsal

26 – 28 District Fall Contest

29 Rehearsal

**October**

6 Rehearsal

13 Rehearsal

20 Rehearsal

27 Rehearsal

**November**

3 Rehearsal

10 Rehearsal

16 Sing Downers Grove Library

17 Joe Connelly & Recording session

24 Rehearsal

**December**

1 Rehearsal

8 Rehearsal

11 Tech Rehearsal

12 – 13 Christmas Show

**2009**

**January**

24 – Installation dinner

**February**

23 Joe Connelly & Recording session

**March**

16 Joe Connelly & Recording session

**May**

29-30 Tentative date for a retreat with Kevin Keller as coach

West Towns rehearses every Monday evening, 7:30 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Moose Lodge, 1030 Warren Ave., Downers Grove, IL 60515

**Special Rehearsal**

Don't forget that we have a special coaching session with Kevin Keller this Saturday from 9:00 AM to about 3:00 PM.

**Downers Grove Fine Arts Festival**

When: Saturday, September 13, 2008 12:15pm-12:45 pm and 1:45pm-2:15pm

Arrival Time: 11:45 AM at Fishel Park Stage (just west of the Cemetery)

Director: Casey Clements

Uniform: Black pants, green shirt

Where: Downtown Downers Grove (Main St Pocket Park) Outside

Two blocks south of the Moose, ½ block south of Curtiss St in front of the Main St Cemetery (right across the street from Ballydoyle Irish Pub & Stillwater Restaurant)

Directions: Two blocks south of the Moose, ½ block south of Curtiss St (right across the street from Ballydoyle Irish Pub & Stillwater Restaurant)

Show Times: 12:15pm-12:45pm and 1:45pm-2:15pm (2 performances, same songs)

Other Notes: This event is outside. This sing-out is a great opportunity for our group to generate new members, and publicize the Christmas Show. Main Street will be closed to traffic. Park in the Parking Garage just ½ block east of Main Street

**Peoria**

- We are going to Peoria for “Fun, Fun, Fun”, and also as current district CHAMPIONS we have been asked to sing on the “Show of Champions”. The plan is to come down early afternoon for rehearsal and sing in the competition, have a party room with some food and drink after and just let our hair down. Hopefully while the judges tally and get ready to announce the scores, we will sing several songs.
- We need to know who will be going to Peoria for riser placement. Please let Diane know ASAP

“I am asking that everyone makes the trek to Peoria to once again show the Illinois District what a Class Act West Towns Chorus really is. Let's set the example for everyone to follow.” Sincerely,

Joe Kronos, Music Director of The West Towns Chorus

- Let Don Davia know if you plan to be there only the one day and would use transportation if provided.
- Because of our late decision to compete, Ken Keever will **not** have time to handle registrations and hotel reservations so everyone needs to take of their own. Registrations are required for all contestants.

All times and plans will be published when we know how many people we need to consider and what time Joe K needs us in Peoria.

**Music Team Notes**

Please note the three recording sessions on the schedule. We will have Joe Connelly present as a coach to work on the songs we will record those evenings. Be sure to reserve those dates to make sure you are there. The first songs we'd like to record are:

*Till There Was You, Live Till I Die, Let A Smile Be You're Umbrella (WTC Opener, Never Go Wrong, How Deep is the Ocean, I'll Walk With God, Precious Lord*

January 5, 2009 is the target date for the fall 2009 contest music and learning tracks. Pencil in May 29 & 30, 2009 for a retreat. Right now this is only tentative.