



Novice Quartet Contest

Jay Elliott

It's not too late!

If you'd like to sing in a quartet on Monday night put four voices together and send an email to WTCNoviceContest@gmail.com or call 630-926-0532 or just bring \$10 for your registration and we'll write you in. Remember even if you're participating in the contest in one voice part - you can still strut your stuff in a second (or third) voice part.

Contest will start at 7:30 PM. Quartets will be judged on two main categories: Singing Quality (part balance, pitch accuracy, legato singing, presence or projection) and Overall Entertainment (smiles, story telling, involvement and costume/props/etc). Our fearless leader Mr. Joe Krones

will be judging the Singing Quality category and the lovely Diane Michalak will judge the Overall Entertainment category. Jay Elliott will play the part of erstwhile timekeeper and part time emcee.

Quartets will perform for 2 to 4 minutes ... the timekeeper promises to be lenient on the 4 minute limit if the quartets endeavor to not abuse his magnanimous nature.

After all quartets have performed, we will have a refreshment break to give the judges time to tally the scores, and then the winners will be announced.

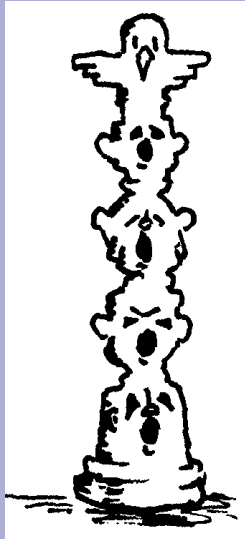
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POW!

POW! requests help with refreshments and serving on Monday, March 2nd at the Novice Quartet Night. Anyone willing and able to bring or send in with a chorus member some type of refreshment (veggie tray, fruit, cookies, nuts, etc. etc.) it would be greatly appreciated for this special evening. Coffee and punch will be provided. Thank you for your support. Anyone willing to help set up and serve is welcomed. ☞

POW! will have a meeting prior to the refreshment time to discuss it's role if any in the Spring Concert in Peoria and also the ongoing development of the 60th Anniversary cookbook project. Please plan to attend if possible. Meeting will start at 7:30.

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Gaming Night

Darryl Nordentoft

Our Rockford Gaming Night will be Saturday March 21st from 2 PM to Midnight. Here are the particulars:

Hub Caps Galaxy Banquets, 4663 Ruby St., Schiller Park, IL 60176

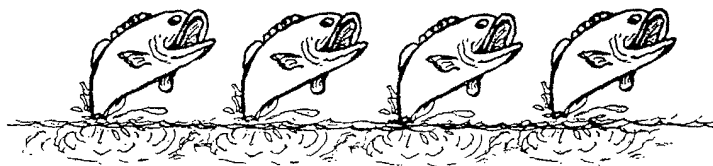
I will have the volunteer sign up form on March 2. When you come in to work, you sign in and will be cleared to work because the list of 24 will have been furnished to the State of Illinois. This is all done to avoid any mishandling of the money. **WE FUNCTION ONLY AS BANKERS - NO DEALING OR SET UP REQUIRED BY US.** That is handled by Rockford Gaming personnel. If we do not have 24 signed up, we will not be allowed to participate. I will field ques-

tions on March 2nd.

Finally, I need to tell you that participation is critical because we plan to use most or all of the monies earned toward our trip to Philadelphia. The more guys we have, the more fun it will be, plus, it won't be a hardship on a few. There is no faster way to make \$2,500 - \$3,800 in one sitting that I know of! Additionally, we are entitled to 3 more this year with the same possible results. Can you even imagine? This is an "off year" for us and need to plan to make extra cash for such an event as Philadelphia. We will qualify in the fall, no doubt!

More information will be forthcoming in the next several weeks.

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Novice Quartet Contests continued

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We have 6 quartets registered and 1 threatening to register. That will put \$60-70 toward our Youth-In-Harmony activities. A modest start to what could become an annual event for WTC.

Remember after the contest we will have our regular rehearsal - but I'm betting we could talk Joe K into letting the chorus sing a couple numbers for our guests! Maybe those two tracks we just worked so hard on last Monday? (Bring your tap shoes George!)

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Schedule of Events

March 2009

- ◆ 2 **Novice Quartet Contest**
- ◆ 7 7PM—St. James the Apostle
- ◆ 9 Rehearsal
- ◆ 16 Joe Connelly & Recording session
- ◆ 21 Gaming night
- ◆ 23 Rehearsal
- ◆ 30 Rehearsal

April 2009

- ◆ 6 Rehearsal
- ◆ 11 Coaching Session
- ◆ 13 Rehearsal
- ◆ 18 **Sing in Peoria**—Required
- ◆ 20 Rehearsal
- ◆ 27 Rehearsal

MARCH 2009

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May 2009

- ◆ 9 Cabaret – American Legion Hall, Downers Grove.
- ◆ 29-30 Retreat with Kevin Keller as coach
- ◆ June 28 – July 5—International (Anaheim)

September 2009

- ◆ 25–27 Fall Convention (compete to qualify for International 2010 Philadelphia)

December 2009

- ◆ 10 7:30 PM Tech Rehearsal (Thu)
- ◆ 11 8:00 PM Christmas Show (Fri)
- ◆ 12 2:00 PM & 7:30 PM Christmas show
- ◆ 13 **Sunday 1:30 PM Christmas Show**

2010

- ◆ June 27 – July 4 – International (Philadelphia)

APRIL 2009

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The West Towns Chorus

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South Cook Barbershop Bash

We have been invited to a Barbershop Bash hosted by the South Cook Chapter on **Tuesday March 17th**. Please let me know if you can attend. John Morrison

South Cook 2009

Winter Beach Party

Good Evening, welcome and thank you all for participating in South Cook's First Annual Winter Beach Party. **"Recommended attire"** for the evening will be **"Hawaiian Shirts"** and whatever else you have that will get us into the spirit. The evening will be filled with Chorus, Quartet and Gang singing along with a few contests to enhance the evening.

TIME – 7:00 – 11:ish

Date Tuesday MARCH 17th

Location – Orland Chateau – 14500 LaGrange Road, Orland Park, 708-349-7878

Cost - \$00.00 / person - Cash Bar - Please Wear Name Badges - Raffle Tickets will be sold

7:00 – 7:30 - **Meet and Greet** – socializing time, **"Quartet"** sign in sheet – (Any quartet that would like to be put on the evening's program should register to sing.)

7:30 – 8:00 – **Directors Choice** / Mass Sing – Each Director will be asked to come forward and direct one or two pole cat songs of their choice or to introduce their favorite tag for all to learn.

8:00 – 10:15– **Chorus Performance/Quartets** - to sing between Chorus Performances

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| 1) Kankakee Chapter | 2) Joliet Chapter | 3) Aurora Chapter | 4) DuPage Valley Chapter |
| 5) Western Lights | 6) West Towns Chorus | 7) Midwest Crossroads Chorus | 8) South Cook Chorus |

10:15– 10:30 - **Final mass sing** / Director Raymond S to lead

10:30– 11:00 – **Socializing** - on your own, pick up quarteting, etc...

All times may change as we progress through the evening.

Questions - Call Tom Weidenhoefer 708-460-0056 or weidenhoefer@yahoo.com