



Bill Burt – 2018 Barbershopper Of The Year

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Headline

On behalf of the WTC Christmas Show Committee, I would like to invite you to help us find a suitable venue in which to hold our 2019 Christmas Shows.

After more than two decades at the Tivoli Theater, we are no longer able to rent it for our Christmas Shows. Last year's location in St. Charles has proven to be unacceptable for a variety of reasons. The music committee has looked at other places near our area, but to date, has been unsuccessful at locking in a suitable location.

Ideally, we would like to find a venue that can accommodate at least 600 seats, up to 2000. The more seats there are, the fewer shows we would have to do. Historically, in the last few years, we have sold a total of around 2000 tickets for our shows, and we would still need to do that to make the shows economically viable.

The venue also has to have a large enough stage to accommodate our risers. It should be within a 20 miles radius of the Tivoli, since that is where our audience has been used to going. If you can think of a viable location, please let me AND Kathy

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- know.
We have already looked at:
- * Drury Lane in Oak Brook
 - * The Mac at COD in Glen Ellyn
 - * Compass Church in Naperville
 - * Highpoint Church in Naperville
 - * Christ Church in Oak Brook
 - * Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church in Elmhurst
 - * DG North High School
 - * DG South High School
 - * Pfeiffer Hall in Naperville

These places are either not available or simply don't rent to outside parties.

If you think you may know of a venue that fits those parameters mentioned above, please let us know, giving us a name, an email and a phone number for our contact so we can follow-up. Again, we require, at a minimum:

- ◇ a large enough stage to accommodate our risers,
- ◇ seating capacity of 600-2000
- ◇ a location within a 20-mile radius of downtown Downers Grove

Thank in you in advance,
Tony Tumea

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March Birthdays

- 10: Don Davia
 18: Peter Kendall
 22: Bill McKnight
 30: Joe Tomecek
 30: Jim Williams, Jr

Music Team—Peter Kendall

PARADE:

We have an opportunity to sing in a Memorial Day Parade in Elmhurst. The Music team reviewed the details and would like to participate. The main requirement is to have a truck and a flat-bed trailer that can support at least 16+ singers.

We'll need to reply back to the Elmhurst Chamber of commerce in the next week so please reach out directly to me if you know someone that can donate or rent cheap.

OTHER:

- ◇ Chapter quartet auditions for the Spring show will be March 18th and 25th. Songs should be performance ready.
- ◇ Bring your colored tie to Chorus night is April 15th.
- ◇ Amazon has many bright spring colored ties for under \$10
- ◇ Costumes for Act # 1 are Black Tuxedo pants, black shiny shoes, white shirts and spring colored ties.
- ◇ Costumes for Act #2 are Black Tuxedo pants, Black Tuxedo jackets, black shiny shoes and white shirts (No ties).
- ◇ Rehearsal at Trinity Lutheran is April 29th from 7-9 PM.



West Towns Family

Rick Anthony passed away today, Sunday, March 10, 2019

Here is the basic information: Rick was taken off life support today about 3:45 and passed at 4:00pm.

There will be a wake on Friday, March 15 at Friedrick Jones Funeral (Sunday) Home in Naperville IL and a service at Wesley Methodist Church in Naperville on Saturday, 3/16. When times have been determined I will advise.

I have asked the family if they would like to have a chorus sing and if so, what songs and when. I will attempt to coordinate this info and advise.

Please share this information with your fellow barbershoppers who would not be on the WTCList email. I will post on the WTC Chorus FB page as well.

Rick's absence will create a huge hole in the Illinois District Barbershop world. He will be orely missed.

Sid Peterson

George Zima: George is now at Wynscape Nursing and Rehabilitation facility in Winfield. His direct phone number is 630-681-4316. He can receive calls.

Don Davia.



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2019 Harmony U. and Other Fun Stuff

Gentlemen,
We have the beginnings of a fun and maybe profitable summer. First the fun stuff. We have 3 baseball games, one parade, and two or more possible but not confirmed senior center sing outs. The ball games are June 16, August 10 and August 18. The parade is Memorial Day and sing outs are not finalized. Please keep these dates in mind as I know summer activities book quickly and I will follow up with updates early and often.

Now Harmony U rooms and roommates. As of now we have 23 signed up members for the Harmony U Chorus which is July 21 to 28. I will now list the sign ups. If there is an (R) next to the name it means they have signed up for a roommate.

Bill Burt (R), Don Davia, Tony Emerson, Jack Fagan, Trenton Ferro, Will

Gertig (R), Frank Glas (R), Bill Haselberger, Mark Johnson (R), Glen Kersten (R), Dave Martin (R), Dan Murphy, Bob Nicodem (R), Sid Peterson (R), Gerry Riva, Dave Shepard (R), Bill Stob (R), Joe Tomecek, Tony Tumea, Ron Welch (R), Jim Williams, and Bob Zinkel, The chorus will most likely be on the same floor. You do not have to choose one of us if you have planned to room with a member from another chorus. HU would like this information by March 31, but it can always be changed. If you have any questions let me know.

Frank Glas

PS Early Bird registration is over, but anyone can still register at the regular price. If your plans change and you CAN COME, please let me know and I can help you get registered.

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Board meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month (except December) 7:30 PM at Bob Nicodem's house.
The Music Team usually meets the second Thursday of each month at Horizon, 7:30 PM.

Music Team

Director: Carrie Marcotte
Asst-directors: Mark Betczynski & Joe Tomecek
Music VP: Peter Kendall

Section Leaders

•Bass: Jim B., Will G, & Ed Childs
•Baritone: Mark & Joe
•Lead: Mark Servos
Kevin Westburg
•Tenor: Trenton Ferro,
Sid Peterson

Email

MusicTeam@WestTowns.org

Calendar of Events

March 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

March

4 Rehearsal/Over the Rainbow learned/off paper
11 Rehearsal
18 Rehearsal/Cups learned/off
21 Board Meeting
25 Rehearsal
3/28 Music Team Meeting
April
1 Rehearsal /Wedding Bells

8 Rehearsal
11 Music Team Meeting
15 Rehearsal / TBD learned/off paper. Bring bright color tie
18 Board Meeting
22 Rehearsal
29 Rehearsal at Trinity on the Green—Lisle

May

5—Sun Spring Show
6 Rehearsal
5/9 Music Team Meeting

Future

7/21— Harmony U
7/28

West Towns rehearses every Monday evening, 7:00 PM at Horizon Community Church in the Meadowbrook Shopping Center, 2129 63rd Street, Downers Grove, IL 60516.

We invite men who like to sing to come visit us and join us in song and fellowship.

If you purchase anything at Amazon, use

<http://amazonsmile.com> and select West Town Chorus as the qualifying recipient of your donation.