



The Sounds of Harmony®

“Our mission is to perpetuate the institution of Barbershop Harmony, the Barbershop Quartet, and promote and encourage vocal harmony and good fellowship among its members and the community”



October 2009

- News & Notes -

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SoH Calendar 2009

October		
18	Sun*	Holiday Party Don Koch's house 1:00pm
24	Sat*	Scottrade Center Showtime: 3:30 Jim Bostick's office
31	Sat	Centralia Halloween Parade Showtime: 5:00
November		
9	Mon	Board Meeting Jim Bostick's office 6:00pm
14	Sat	Scottrade Center Showtime: TBD
27	Fri	Scottrade Center Showtime: TBD

Rehearsals are every Tuesday, at 7:00 PM, at Parkview Church of Nazarene in Fairview Heights, unless specifically noted in this column.

* = Points Event

Guest Night

Just a reminder that we are having a guest night on October 20th at 7:00 p.m. Please bring anyone and everyone who loves to sing or would just love to hear us. Please wear your blue chorus polo shirts and any choice of pants. Also be sure to wear your nametag. It will be a fun night of harmony and fellowship, so bring as many guests as you can.

Florissant Christmas Show

I know it's a little bit early before the Christmas season, but Florissant is looking for any singer that would like to join them on stage for their annual Christmas Show on December 12th. If you're interested in participating, please see Mike Dohogne for more information. Thanks.



Birthdays

Packy Botula – Oct 18th

Can't Make the Rehearsal or Performance?

All singing members are encouraged to be at all chorus rehearsals and performances to achieve participation points towards money redemption from the chorus to help with spring contest expenses. Call or email Steven Martin before the rehearsal or performance if you can't make it.
Cell: 618-301-0810
Email: sdmartin79@hotmail.com

Vision Statement:

“To be recognized as the best singing small chorus by the Illinois District and the Community. To be active in the Illinois District and the Community for the propagation of the Barbershop Style”

Notes From the “Ex” Prez

Are we having fun yet? I know I am. Not too many more things could provide as much enjoyment as ringing chords with your fellow Sounds of Harmony Chorus members--at least not with your clothes on (I knew Bill S. was thinking it, so I may as well put it in the article).

We have an opportunity to share that pleasure with friends and family at our Guest Night on Tuesday, October 20. Although I believe I have invited everyone in Mascoutah at one time or another, I'm still going to try to bring in at least one guest. I know Steve will have a great program lined up for all of us, and Doug will make us sing as well as we possibly can. . . or else he'll have us do it again, more lyrically!

You have one week to think about it. Whom do you sing with in your church choir? Who's that family member or neighbor you've been intending to invite? Can your barber sing? I have actually heard complete strangers singing or humming and invited them to a rehearsal--and I've signed a few of them up as members, too.

So, don't be embarrassed. Invite someone. THEY will be glad you did.

Bob Cearnal
Immediate Past President

Quiet, please!

As a courtesy to our **Director** and fellow members, please turn off or set to silent mode, all cell phones, pagers and alarm watches during rehearsal. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



Koch Holiday Party

Don Koch will be hosting a Holiday Party this coming Sunday, October 18th starting at 1:00pm. There will be a silent auction, so everyone who attends can bring a wrapped gift. There will be plenty of Food and refreshments, and entertainment will be provided by Karen Carpenter and Johnny Cash (not the real ones, but impersonators). It will be a fun afternoon so please attend. If you need directions or more information, please see Don Koch.

CDWI

We are hosting a CDWI (Chorus Directors Workshop Intensive) on November 21st at Parkview Church. It is an instructional workshop for anyone wishing to become a chorus director. We will be used as the chorus for the workshop, so we need everyone to show up for this. Chorus members will need to arrive by 1:00 in the afternoon. Several of our members will be participating in this workshop, so we need you guys out there to support them.

Centralia Parade

We will be riding a float in the Centralia Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 31st. We need at least 8-10 people to ride the float. This is an excellent opportunity for us to get the word out to the public about us and our upcoming Christmas show, so please mark your calendars and attend. Showtime will be announced within the next week, and we will wear our blue polo shirts, but also please dress accordingly with the weather.

Current Repertoire

The Christmas Song
Jingle Bell Rock
Jingle Bells
O Holy Night
Silent Night
I'll Be Home for Christmas
White Christmas
Hark the Herald Angels Sing
O Come All Ye Faithful
Angels We Have Heard on High
We Wish you a Merry Christmas
Let it Snow
It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
While By My Sheep

Scottrade Center Dates

Jim Bostick has attained the following dates for us to work a food booth at the Scottrade Center. Most of these dates are for St. Louis Blues home games. Please mark these dates in your calendar and volunteer for as many as you can. We will need 5-6 volunteers for each booth. We will have sign up sheets when the time comes. These dates are tentative. More information will follow on the Members Only section of our website.

October 24th
November 14th
November 27th
December 11th
December 29th
January 16th
January 30th
February 13th
March 21st
Apr 3rd
Apr 9th



River Blenders Show

The River Blenders are having a show on October 17, 2009, at 8:00 PM at Logan College's beautiful Purser Center, 1851 Schoettler Rd in Chesterfield.

We are featuring our 4th annual Sing for Scholarship competition with 5 talented high school students competing for scholarship funds. The audience will vote and determine the winner.

We are also very excited and proud to be hosting the Circular Keys Chorus from Sydney, Australia who will perform on the show. This chorus will be competing in Nashville the following week at the Sweet Adeline International competition.

Tickets are \$20.00 reserved seating and are available at www.riverblenders.org

Carlyle Street Fair

We will once again be participating in the Carlyle Street Fair this coming fall. It will be on the 11th and 12th of September. We will be operating a food booth. We will need volunteers to work either a 6 hour shift on the 11th (Friday) or 1 of 3 4-hour shifts on the 12th (Saturday). Sign up sheets will be available this month, so please sign up and help out. We will wear either khaki shorts or pants with the yellow chorus t-shirt. If you don't have one, please see Don Koch for your size.

Web page <http://www.soundsofharmony.org/>