

The Burlingtone



The Voice of the Green Mountain Chorus of the Barbershop Harmony Society since 1947
We meet Tuesdays at 7:00 PM at St. Francis Xavier School, Winooski, Vermont-Call 879-3105
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Annual Show Information

Tickets—Please see Jim Mallabar for your show tickets. 1200 seats will be available for the three shows and a majority of those will be sold by members, or an average of about 30 per person. Line up your prospects now and we will be singing to a FULL HOUSE!.

Ad Sales—Crunch time for sure in selling ads for the show program. Remember this year free tickets are available for any size ad sold—a bargain to boot!! For example, a \$55 ad gets your customer two show tickets...a \$30 BONUS! Deadline for Ad Sales is next Tuesday, May 17th!!! (My guess)-Ad Sales Brochures will be handed out at tonight's rehearsal.

Have you sold YOURS?

J.Huetz

Organizational Meeting - Rutland Chorus-Report May 2005

Introduction -As a result of interest expressed in a Rutland barbershop Chorus, members of the Green Mountain Chorus meet with Dan Graves at his home in Rutland. He is a music educator in the Rutland School system. The Green Mountain Chorus has been asked to be the sponsoring Chapter to work with the Rutland singers. President Dick Labrecque, Charlie Church and Dave Stonecliffe attended for the Green Mountain Chorus.

Discussion - Dan Graves is volunteering to be the organizer, director and facilitator of a Rutland barbershop chorus.

Walt Lane sent Dick Labrecque a box of introductory barbershop materials from the Harmony Society for the aspiring Rutland chorus that he delivered to Dan Graves. (See *Rutland* p.2)



(Rutland, Cont'd.)

It is reported that there could be approximately 30 men to start the Rutland chorus. More tenors will be needed. There is a singing group at High School called The Mail Storms. They meet after school, have sporadic attendance but could be a good source for singers and tenors.

Music is needed. A Barbershop Polecat book was viewed and discussed. It was suggested that the Green Mountain Chorus purchase a quantity of Barbershop Polecat music manual and a set of audio CDs for Rutland.

Action Item - Dave Stonecliffe will cost out 15-20 polecat books and a set of CDs and it can be presented to the Board of Directors for approval. If approved they can be purchased by Green Mountain Chapter and sent to Dan Graves.

Submitted by D. Stonecliffe

Membership Notes-

1) As most of you are aware, the Society will be sponsoring a major membership campaign late this summer replete with cash awards. You will hear much more later from many sources but please do hold September 13th open for a Guest Night.

2) Your humble Membership VP has developed both Orientation and Recruitment plans for 2005. These plans have been reviewed and approved by your Board of Directors. The 2005 Orientation Plan was printed in a previous edition of this newsletter.

Charles C. Church-Membership VP

Booking Agent Report

1. The Fund Raising Committee of the Clarina Howard Nichols center in Morrisville has decided that since they/we cannot use the stage area at the Hyde Park Opera House on Friday, June 10, 2005, they WILL NOT have us perform on that date.
2. Last week I got a call from Vergennes Day Committee contractor Marguerite Senecal. She indicated that they are going to do something different this year, "maybe a variety show", and will not be hiring us to perform at Vergennes day this year. This job usually occurs around the third week of August.
3. I am looking for venues in late June and August to replace the blanks in our paid performing schedule.
Suggestions welcome!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 12-GMC BOD Meeting-Williston
May 27-28- GMC Annual Show
July 3-10- International Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah
July 20-(Wed.)-Vermont Expos-Anthem only
July 27- **Package Show in Essex Jct.**
Aug. 12-13- **Harmony College Northeast**
Aug. 13-**Ethan Allen Tower Sing-Out(??)**
Aug. 24(Wed.)-**Burlington Expos Game-Raffle & Anthem!!**
Sept. 13-Guest Night!!-National Campaign
Sept. 30-Oct. 2- Fall Convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia—PLAN AHEAD!!