

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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KAREN ROURKE WORKS HER MAGIC!!



Karen Rourke, coach extraordinaire, makes her point during Saturday's coaching session at St. F.X. school library in Winooski. Karen used the technique, among others, of breaking up the chorus into 'mini-choruses', each of which sang the contest package. The impact it had on the members was astounding as it became abundantly clear from her evaluations, that the importance of vowel matching and synchronization made a huge difference in the quality of sound produced by the individual groups. The chorus made significant improvement by day's end through her efforts, and now the task is to continue that improvement as we approach District contest in Halifax. Much work needs to be done, but now we can more fully appreciate what the judges are looking for. If all it takes is hard work, is there any reason why we cannot continue to improve??

9/13/2005

FINAL ORDER OF APPEARANCE
 2005 NED INTERNATIONAL
 PRELIMINARY CHORUS CONTEST
 2005 SUNRISE DIVISION CHORUS
 CONTEST
 HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA
 OCTOBER 1, 2005

OOA	Num	Chapter Name	Plateau	Chorus Name	Director	2004 Score
1	K038	Worcester, MA	AAA	Men Of Song	Mark Goodney	700
2	K015	Portland, ME	AA	Downeasters	Fred Moore	785
3	K046	Providence, RI	AAA	Narragansett Bay Chorus	Gail Jencik	889
4	K031	Cape Breton, NS	A	Cape Breton Chordsmen	Hal Higgins	
5	K013	Saint John, NB	A	Men of Fundy	Debbie Hatfield	
6	K033	Beverly, MA	AA	Northshoremens	Gene Anderson	796
7	K053	Halifax, NS	A	Atlantic Swells	Paul Creasor	
8	K075	Moncton, NB	A	Moncton Barbershop Chorus	Johnson Smith	
9	K092	Manchester, CT	AA	Silk City Chorus	Todd Lamson	831
10	K058	Portsmouth, NH	A	Yankee Clipper Chorus	Jim Dodge	682
11	K067	Saratoga Springs, NY	AA	Racing City Chorus	Mike Nichols	777
12	K056	Nashua, NH	AAA	Granite Statesmen	Steve Tramack	939
13	K048	Burlington, VT	AA	Mountain Chorus	Greg Morrill, Pat Hiese	788
14	K045	Greater Montreal, QC	A	Island City Chorus	Rob Mance	703
15	K044	Schenectady, NY	AA	Electric City Chorus	Chuck Eaker	755
16	K095	Kentville, NS	A	Dukes Of Kent	Perry Jackson	
17	K025	Concord, MA	AA	Sounds Of Concord	Karen Rourke	851
18	K052	Truro, NS	A	Novatones	Keith Goudge	
19	K014	Brunswick, ME	A	Nor'easters	Jay Wiley	603
20	K100	Bedford-Sackville, NS	AA	Millstream Chorus	Paul Creasor	
21	K042	St. John's, NF	AA	Anchormen Chorus	Chris Bowman	
22	K050	Hanover, NH	AA	North Country Chordsmen	Dan Signor	
23	K041	Laconia, NH	A	Lakes Region Chorus	David Snell, Jr.	699
24	K063	Dartmouth, NS	AA	City Of Lakes Chorus	Shelagh Radcliffe, Paul Stubbington	786

Dartmouth, as host chapter, has elected to sing last.

Bangor, Central CT, Pittsfield, Poughkeepsie, Springfield, Fredericton, and Prince Edward Island have elected not to sing. Brunswick and Laconia have been invited to sing in their place.

Plateaus are based on membership figures as of December 31, 2004.

Barbershop friends,

A Memorial Service will be held beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 24 at St. Mark's Church Parish Hall (the building just to the rear of the church) 1251 North Avenue, Burlington.

Going North on North Avenue just past the Ethan Allen Shopping Center at the next traffic light, turn left.

Attached is a copy of the obituary which appeared in the Burlington Free Press, with appended information on how to donate to the Red Cross and the Amateur Radio Relay League in Carl's name.

I guess we all know that Carl would be in New Orleans right now if he were still with us.

Yours in Harmony,

Jerry Walter

Obituary-Carl Phillips Sunday 08/28/2005

“CARL BRANSON PHILLIPS — COLCHESTER — Carl Branson Phillips, age 56, passed away peacefully at his home in Colchester. He was born March 17, 1949, in Glen Ridge, N.J., son of Sidney Hazen Phillips and Jane Branson Phillips. He was loved and will be missed by many. Carl graduated from Dartmouth College, Class of 1971, with a fifth year at Dartmouth's Thayer School of Engineering. He was employed by IBM at its Essex Junction facility from 1972 through 1988. Following that, he had his own business as an electrical engineer, specializing in computer development and programming. Carl's two avocations were music and

amateur radio. He was first associated with the Green Mountain Chorus of Burlington. He then went on to do barbershop directing, coaching and judging, receiving national recognition as a judge and teaching at a number of barbershop schools. He especially enjoyed directing the Champlain Echoes. Carl was an active amateur radio operator for many years and held an extra class license. He was communications coordinator for the Vermont City Marathon in Burlington for 16 years and he volunteered his radio skills at the local Red Cross chapter. Carl helped with communications in New York City after the 9/11 attack and often spoke of that emotional experience. In 2002, he was appointed ARRL Section Emergency Coordinator for Vermont. Carl was also the first ham radio operator in Vermont to be certified as a member of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Carl is survived by his mother, Jane B. Phillips of Janesville, Wis.; a sister, Patricia J. Phillips of Seattle, Wash.; and a younger brother, Scott H. Phillips (Gail) of Madison, Wis. He was preceded in death by his father in 1991. A memorial service will be held at a later date, followed by a private interment in Framingham, Mass. Contributions may be made in Carl's name to the Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross, or to the Vermont Section of the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL).”
[Addresses are:
Northern Vermont Chapter of the
American Red Cross
29 Mansfield Ave.
Burlington, VT 05401
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Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL)
Seeing as there is no legal way to contribute to the Vermont Section of the ARRL, I recommend that donations in Carl Phillips name go to "The ARRL Education and Technology Program Fund ". Carl was a big advocate of education, and it was his vision to have all Vermont ARES Members as well educated as they could be, in preparation for an emergency that might arise.

To do this, have your Barbershop friends go to <http://www.arrl.org>

Click on "Donate to ARRL"

A little box will drop down.

Click on Donation Form

Choose Education and Technology Program Fund

There is a comment box where they can say "In the name of Carl Phillips KC1WH."

Fill in the financial information.

Click Submit Form.

CALENDAR

Sept. 13-Guest Night!!-National Campaign-UCANSING2

Sept. 29-Oct. 2- Fall Convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia —PLAN AHEAD !

Nov. 5-Veterans Day Ceremony-
Vergennes-time tbd

Early Bird Singout at Burlington Marketplace Receives Applause-

Last week on Tuesday before rehearsal the Chorus performed in the Marketplace downtown to the delight of the many diners and strollers enjoying a fine summer evening. The Chorus started up by Old Navy and gradually worked its way down the street to Sweetwaters and Leunigs, gathering names of potential singers along the way. To be sure, it reinforced the idea of occasionally getting the chorus to perform in such a high traffic venue more often, if only for the opportunity to hand out information about the GMC and raise public awareness of our existence. It is also nice to have positive feedback from alive audience.