

BIG CHIEF CHORUS SMOKE SIGNALS



Pontiac/Waterford Chapter
Meetings on Tuesdays: 7:30 to 10 PM

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On Saturday, April 29, the Big Chief Chorus, 39 men strong, performed at the Pioneer District Convention at the Kalamazoo Radisson Hotel. Under Dick Johnson's direction, we sang "Aint Misbehavin'" and "Sweet, Sweet Roses of Morn." We sang as well as we have; and after sweating out pre-performance pitch problems, we kept pitch and presented a crowd-pleasing set. The judges seemed particularly supportive and thoughtful in their comments (Jay Giallombardo – ILL, Steve Plumb – NED, and Jim Emery – LOL). They had good things to say, and offered thoughtful suggestions for improvement, none of which would require fundamental changes.

This year's Pioneer District winners were:

- Fermata Nowhere – Quartet
- Insignia College – College Quartet
- Patch Chords – Senior Quartet
- Mt. Pleasant Mountaintown Singers – Chorus

Some highlights and impressions:

- Our score of 664 points (55.3%) placed us 12th of 15, behind the four other choruses in the high 50's – Windsor, Battle Creek, Grosse Pointe and Michiana Metro.
- Our scores were consistent – across the categories, and between our two songs. (For a helpful analogy to the three judging categories - see my article on "Italian cooking," "The Society for the Promotion & Encouragement of Italian Cooking in America," in issue # 37: http://www.bigchiefchorus.org/Smoke_Signals/2004/May%202004%20-%20Issue%2037.pdf)
- Although this is our lowest score in the last six years, we can make real, solid progress by following the counsel of our judges, our director, and our coach, Gene Hanover.
- Mt Pleasant Mountaintown Singers continue to impress, with their score of 76%, way out in front of second-place Lansing, and this achieved in only two years of existence. They'll be pushing Macomb County Guardians of Harmony next fall for International representation.
- In your editor's opinion, competition for top quartet was very close, with five quartets within a coin's toss of each other – WILDCARD, SOMETHING BIG, FERMATA NOWHERE, INFINITY, and PARTY OF FOUR.
- Fred McFadyen represented us at House of Delegates and picked up two awards, a 3rd-place finish for **Smoke Signals** in the bulletin contest, and a special award for our chapter for its contribution to community service by the value of its 2005 singouts.
- Al Bonney was inducted into the Pioneer District Hall of Fame for his many contributions to the district in less than a dozen years in barbershopping!
- The Joe Barbershopper chorus opened the show Saturday morning with several hundred singers belting out "Nellie" and "Sweet and Lovely," numbers swollen by the opportunity to sing under legendary director, Jay Giallombardo. For a couple photos, go to: <http://theoldsongs.blogspot.com/2006/04/kazoo-contest.html>
- Doran McTaggart continues to charm with his humorous emceeing.
- Big Chief singers Chuck Murray, Tom Ford, Jeff Spires, and Fred McFadyen looked great, presentationally speaking, in the back row of Macomb's GUARDIANS OF HARMONY.

50th Annual Woodshed Contest

By Dick Johnson

The Woodshed Contest, one of Pioneer District's oldest traditional events, celebrated its 50th on Friday, April 7. One of its original organizers, 92-year-old William P. Pascher was present and started the evening by directing "The Old

Songs.” Members from eight chapters were present plus singers from “Frank Thorne.”



Bill Pascher directing the attendees
(Photo by Dave Myre)

Each of the thirteen quartets that were formed according to the contest rules chose a song from the list provided and sang it in front of the judges – the SILVERDOMES (Russ Seely, John Wearing, Gene Bulka, and John Wade).

The winning quartet, singing “I’m Forever Blowing Bubbles,” was FRIED FISH with Hank DeMars (Tenor, Grosse Pointe), Mike Frye (Lead, Pontiac/Waterford), Dale Petrosky (Bari, Grosse Pointe), and Dave Anderson (Bass, Macomb). Each was awarded a 50th Anniversary Woodshed badge.



Fried Fish
(Photo by Jeff Doig)

Of the twenty-three past badge-winners who responded to the chapter’s call to celebrate this anniversary, Gene Bulka (Grosse Pointe) received the award for the

having the oldest Woodshed badge (1965), and Bill Pascher (Pontiac/Waterford) received the award for having the most badges (ten). Flint will be the 50th chapter name added to the Carroll P. Adams Bennington trophy for having the highest percentage of member participation (22%).

Entertainment included the SILVERDOMES, SINGING WITH DAD, B-NATURAL, and the Big Chief Chorus, under the direction of Dick Johnson and Fred McFadyen. After MC Fred McFadyen officially closed the contest, singing continued until the wee hours.

Thanks to the SILVERDOMES, SINGING WITH DAD, and the joys of woodshedding, the evening was one continuous sound of barbershop harmony. Wish you were there? Maybe next year. Mark March 30 on your 2007 calendar.

From The Prez:

Now that District Contest is behind us, we’ve got two upcoming “funtime” functions just around the corner that I hope everyone will make a point of attending. The first one is our invitation from the Grosse Pointe Chapter to attend their Fun Night activities on Tuesday, May 16th. Please note the word “invitation”. We are one of three chapters that Grosse Pointe has invited for this special event. Let’s show ‘em a great Big Chief response by showing up with a bus load for a night of fun, food, fellowship, and more than a little singing. The chapter has rented an Oakland County Parks & Recreation bus for that trip, so your cost for gasoline, if you ride the bus, is zero, zilch, nada!! Please plan to attend.

On Tuesday night, June 27th, the Flint Chapter once again hosts their famous “Bratfest” at Frankenmuth. This was originally scheduled for June 20, but because of our engagement at the Orion Summer Concert Series that night, I asked if they would consider making it some other night. So they moved it back one week, just to accommodate us. Let’s thank them by showing up, once again, with a bus load. This is **NOT A STAG AFFAIR**, so your wives and lady friends are more than welcome.

Jack Teuber will keep us posted regarding bus departure locations and times for both of these functions.

Let the good times roll!

AROUND THE PATCH

“April 6, 2006 was a sunny, warm, spring day in Rochester Hills. Twenty-two men representing the Big Chief Chorus brought sunshine to the Care Unit at **Mercy Bellbrook**. Following that performance the Chorus traveled to the **Lake Orion Nursing Center** and was joined by Doc Mann to brighten the day for forty-two residents.

“Doc was looking well and trim, making a good recovery from his recent hip surgery. Special thanks to Dick Johnson who continues to spread sunshine across Oakland County.” (Jack Teuber)

As reported in the December, 2005 **Smoke Signals**, Gene Downey’s beautiful **Jukebox** was re-used after our Holly reprise. Gene writes, “Grosse Pointe had also built a jukebox. Apparently they were forced to change venues at the last minute and theirs was too big (must have really been large). Ours worked fine and they were very appreciative.”

Bill Pascher is in the **Pioneer District hall of Fame**, but without a photo! http://www.harmonize.com/Pioneer/honor_roll/honorfrm.htm
For that matter, NONE of the Pontiac members have photos: Rawley hallman, Louis Harrington, W. L. (Bill) Otto, Chase Sanborn, Carleton Scott. Can’t we do something about that??

Our auxiliary group, the **Big Chief Chicks**, is planning a lunch May 18, and a dinner June 15. Wives and partners of BCC members are encouraged to contact
Barbara Workman happy2u@ix.netcom.com, or Joan Cheyne
jbcheyne1@comcast.net

MEMBERSHIP (at 64)

Barbershopper of the Month: April: Dave Myre – for volunteering at every event since January. His willingness to work in any capacity and his photographic expertise is recognized.

Renewals: Jeff Spires (7), Walt Bachmann (8), Roger Holm (19)

Pending: Bert Cederleaf, Bruce Collins, Doug Corliss, Graham Frye, Gayle Mohler

May Birthdays: Gene Downie (4th), Bill Dabbs (17th), Dave Monroe (31st)

Medical: Raymond DeVries, Fred DeVries’ father, passed away January 31.
Al Monroe scared us with an energy nose-dive during practice April 18.
The diagnosis was low blood-sugar.

Quartet and Ensemble News

B NATURAL and FOUR WHEEL DRIVE sang to the thousand-plus students of **Walled lake Northern High School** during their lunch hours, Tuesday, April 11. Zaven sent them this letter:

“The reception was truly overwhelming. All of us were very impressed by the respect shown by a marvelous group of high school students who could not have been more generous in their applause and comments afterward. I know that I speak for both quartets when I say that we will be looking forward to another invitation to perform at that wonderful venue. So, on behalf of FOUR WHEEL DRIVE and B NATURAL. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your ‘50s & ‘60s Program.”

Zav

“On April 12th, our B NATURAL and CELEBRATION quartets sang a combined eight-20 minute gigs to about 440 students, teachers and staff at **Waterford Cooley Elementary School** as part of an expanded Chapter effort to reach youth with our craft. Their appreciation was shown by not only smiling faces but a generous honorarium from their Parents Teachers Organization. Plans are underway to "reprise" this performance at several other Waterford Elementary Schools.”

Bruce Brede

FOUR WHEEL DRIVE sang at the St. Joseph Mercy Oakland 32nd Annual **Mercy Volunteer Recognition Luncheon** at Canterbury Village on Friday, April 28. It was the featured entertainment, thanks to Bill Dabbs, and sang a nine-song set.

B NATURAL sang a gig for **All Seasons Senior Living of Rochester Hills**, Sunday, April 30.

AROUND THE DISTRICT

Fred McFadyen has tickets for the **Windsor Send-off**

Jeff Gougeon, FERMATA NOWHERE’s tenor, is the new **Huron Valley** director.

From Michael Slamka:

“POWER PLAY will be holding its 6th annual **Golf Invitational** on Friday, July 21st at the beautiful Fore Lakes Golf Course in Kimball, MI. If you're interested, I will send you the registration information. Also indicate if you're interested in being a sponsor, and I'll send you that info as well! We're looking to make this the biggest and best outing yet!”

SIDEKICKS, 2005 Buckeye Mixed Quartet Champions has a new Lead – Diana Smith. Brian Dunckel has assumed contact duties for the quartet.

AROUND AMERICA AND THE WORLD

Gene Pitney, song writer and performer, died last month in London at the age of 65. He wrote “Hello Mary Lou” in 1961.

Tom Metzger writes that his quartet, and our international champs, REALTIME, will be “touring New Zealand and Australia, with big shows in Christchurch, Wellington, Auckland, Perth, Brisbane and Sydney! Sure to be a highlight and an unforgettable experience for us and our whole entourage. Other tours are booked for England, Russia, and Finland in the next few years, as well as many chapter shows of course.

“The new CD is still on its way, but it's unlikely to be ready by July. We're settling for nothing less than our best, because we want it to be a great listening experience more than we want it to be ready soon. Stay tuned!”

The **Big Chicken Chorus** of the Marietta, GA chapter just celebrated their 20th birthday. They have been to BHS International competition sixteen of those years.

Happy Birthday to us

BHS Executive Director Ed Watson takes a moment to reflect on our birthday:

“Permit me a moment of your day to celebrate the 68th birthday of The Society for the Preservation and Propagation of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, as it was originally known. I sometimes wonder how hard it was to change that to Encouragement? As the Barbershop Harmony Society staff partakes of birthday cake in the break room (sorry, fellas, you'll have to get your own) I think it appropriate to laud and enjoy all the achievements and progress the Society has enjoyed over those many years. Yes, we can always improve and we're all working hard to do that, but we must not let that enthusiasm for change cloud an appreciation of what we enjoy today.

“Congratulations to all the members, the quartets and the choruses that have chosen to sing, to enrich lives through singing. They have enjoyed, and continue to enjoy, a hobby that stretches from the BARTLESVILLE BARFLIES to REALTIME; that includes OC Cash, Rupert Hall, Sean Divine, Charlie Metzger and Joe Barbershopper; that involves Dick Van Dyke and Norman Rockwell, Jim Henry and Tom Neal; that requires countless hours of dedication and volunteer work; that brings smiles to faces and joy to hearts; that engages the best aspects of humanity; that increases in complexity the more it is studied; and that will continue as long as people enjoy singing.”

Invitation To First Meeting Of The Society

Suppose O. C. Cash and Rupert Hall sent this letter to YOU. Would you have been among the 26 men to attend the first meeting of the Society?

April 6, 1938
Gentlemen

In this age of dictators and government control of everything, about the only privilege guaranteed by the Bill of Rights not in some way supervised and directed, is the art of Barber Shop Quartet singing. Without doubt we still have the right of "peaceable assembly" which I am advised by competent legal authority includes quartet singing. The writers of this letter have for a long time thought that something should be done to encourage the enjoyment of this last

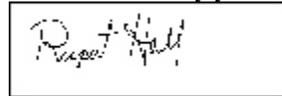
remaining source of human liberty. Therefore, we have decided to hold a songfest on the Roof Garden of the Tulsa Club on Monday, April 11, at 6:30 pm
A Dutch lunch will be served.

After several months of research and investigation, we are convinced that your record warrants our tendering you the honor of joining this group. We sincerely trust you will not fail us.

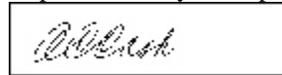
As evidence of the work that your Committee has done in this connection, we inclose a compilation of most of the good old fashioned Barber Shop Quartet songs which we trust you will look over and familiarize yourself with. Bring this list with you. It is our purpose to start right in at the first, sing every song, in numerical order, plow right down the middle, and let the chips fall where they will. What could be sweeter than ten or twelve perfectly synchronized male voices singing "Dear Old Girl!" Just thinking about it brought back to your Committee fond memories of a moonlight night, a hay ride and the soft young blonde visitor from Kansas City we dated on that occasion years ago.

Do not forget the date, and make every effort to be present, telephone us if convenient. We will have a private room and so will not be embarrassed by the curiosity of the vulgar public. You may bring a fellow singer if you desire.

Harmoniously yours,



Rupert Hall, Royal Keeper of the Minor Keys



O. C. Cash, Third Assistant Temporary Vice Chairman
THE SOCIETY FOR THE PRESERVATION AND PROPAGATION OF
BARBER SHOP QUARTET SINGING IN THE UNITED STATES



“This year's **Harmony Round-Up** is May 19 – 21 on the MSU campus and the line up really is dynamite. Bruce Odell will be returning to Pioneer after running the Joe Barbershopper class at COTS. If you haven't heard about this guy, talk to anyone in that was in that class. I'm sure they will all agree that Bruce's energy and approach make for one of the most stimulating classes you have ever had. anywhere on any topic! Bruce will be the anchor instructor for the

Regular track, but no matter which track you sign-up for, you will get at least one of his sessions.

“Bill Rashleigh will also be on hand anchoring the Frontline Directors' track. If you know Bill, you know there won't be any dull moments there. More importantly, Bill has a wealth of information and a lively presentation to get his point across.

“So what are you waiting for? You can find out more about this event and sign-up right now on our district website. Just go to http://www.harmonize.com/Pioneer/District_Events/HarmonyRoundup/hru.htm to reserve your spot at this fantastic event!

Big Chief Jeopardy #6 How did you do?

2. Answer: He reported that our website has had an average rate of 40 hits and 33 files requested per day. (Issue #20) Question: What did our webmaster, Yong McDowell, report?
3. Answer: He described his journey from the Pontiac Merry Motormen, to the Rochester Heart of the Hills, to singing tenor in Vocal Majority. (Issue # 27) Question: Who is Al Haller? (See Letter to the Editor, below.)
4. Answer: He arranged for the BCC to obtain a new Class B Uniform – Midnight Blue Blazer with Heather Gray Slacks. (Issue # 35) Question: Who is Ron Clarke?

Big Chief Jeopardy #7 (Try these.)

1. Answer: A marathoner, a sailor, retired from Ford management, he had the lead in our 1998 show, “Barbershop from the Heart,” in which he played a kind of nerdy character who duetted “Lida Rose” with Eileen Marshall. (Issue #21)
2. Scoring 8099 points, a 90.0% score, they became the 2003 International Barbershop Quartet Gold Medal winner in Montreal. Many of us sat glued to the webcast, and came unglued with the final announcement that they beat out: GOTCHA!, METROPOLIS, UPTOWN SOUND, and RIPTIDE. (Issue #28)
3. He created a new tag with the help of Lead Jim Troeger, Bari John Cowlshaw, and Bass Zaven Melkonian. called “The Autumn Leaves Drift by my Window.” (Issue # 36)

Sound and Music (the third in a semi-regular series by Bruce Brede)

The relationship between two forms of energy, sound and light, fascinates musicians, singers and artists alike. Sight is our dominant sense occupying about 60% of our conscious attention but our ears can detect a much wider range of frequencies. Our eyes see the familiar red to violet "rainbow" spectrum while our ears hear about ten times that frequency range in the form of audible sound waves covering the very low to very high pitches.

Barbershop Wiki

Dave Baker, of the Spirit of Phoenix chorus and EQUINOX quartet, has initiated a barbershop entry in the web-based encyclopedia called Wikipedia.

Wikipedia is a common man's encyclopedia, where anyone can add encyclopedic entries on whatever they want. For general info, look at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Page

Dave writes: “I plan to "pre-wire" a number of pages and sections into the wiki, to give it a structure that we can all build on. Anyone who has any great ideas about the major headings and subheadings to start with can post to this list, or e-mail me directly with your ideas. Here are some of the ideas I came up with after 5 exhaustive minutes of brainstorming:

- Chapter Operations (marketing, administration, show coordination, etc.)
- Quartetting (warmup techniques, choosing music, choosing names, etc.)
- Singing Valentines (marketing strategies, pricing, suggested songs, etc.)
- Vocal Production (vowels, breathing, continuous sound, etc.)
- Sound Technology (microphones, sound boards, recording equipment, etc.)
- Copyright Issues (getting clearance, ASCAP, etc.)
- Barbershop Arranging/Theory (chord structures, circle of fifths, etc.)
- Barbershop Links (society sites, chapter sites, quartet sites, etc.)
- History of Barbershop (the style, the organizations, the personalities, etc.)
- How to Use a Wiki

“Lots of "et ceteras" in there, but you get the idea. I'm sure I've missed plenty. The cool think about a wiki is that you build it as you go. On the other hand, it's nice to have a schema in place when you begin that can serve as a framework as people make their own contributions.

“P.S.: in case you're a purist (like me) or a linguistic snob (like me) or a former resident of Hawaii (like me), be sure to say ‘VEE-kee’ instead of ‘WEE-kee.’ You're welcome.”

This is a delightful new concept, which we can use as a reference point, or where we could create entries for B NATURAL, or Bill Pascher, or Big Chief Chorus or whatever else you think ought to be in a special mini-encyclopedia on barbershop. Check it out at: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barbershop>

The entire issue of the current **PROBEmoter** -- in color -- is posted on the PROBE website. This is the bulletin of The Public Relations Officers and Bulletin Editors of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Check it out at <http://www.harmonize.com/PROBE/>

Gordon Lightfoot to join ranks of honorary members

GORDON LIGHTFOOT HONORED BY BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY APRIL 22



“Legendary singer/songwriter Gordon Lightfoot accepted honorary membership in the Barbershop Harmony Society Saturday, April 22, in Toronto. Lightfoot was honored by the Society for his support of barbershop harmony and the impact he’s had on the world of music.

“His music already has etched an indelible mark on modern culture. We like to think his early experience in barbershop harmony encouraged him in some way.”

“Lightfoot was a member of the Orillia, Ontario, chapter of the Society. His first barbershop quartet, THE COLLEGIATE FOUR, was formed in late 1952 prior to Lightfoot entering high school. They won first prize on the CBC television talent contest “Pick the Stars” in the fall of 1953.

“His second quartet, TEEN-TIMERS, competed in regional barbershop contests and placed second in November of 1955.

“Lightfoot volunteered his time to perform during a barbershop chapter’s charity auction in 2001. As part of that event, he sang with the award-winning Toronto NORTHERN LIGHTS chorus.

“The singer/songwriter has five Grammy nominations, 17 Juno awards and the Governor General’s Award, the highest official Canadian honor, among many other honors.

“He joins artists such as Dick Van Dyke, Irving Berlin, Meredith Willson, Victor Borge, the Osmond Brothers, Sherrill Milnes and Gene Puerling in an elite group who also have been honored by the Barbershop Harmony Society.”

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING April 12, 2006, Excerpts from Jack Teuber’s minutes.

Present: President Zaven Melkonian, Brede, Clark, Cheyne, Holm, Johnson, and Teuber.

March minutes were approved as distributed.

Dick Johnson treasurer’s report: The current balance is \$22,156.20.

Roger Holm, VP of Music and Performance, reported that we have purchased legal copies of “Ain’t Misbehavin” and have met the requirements for providing legal musical to be sung in the Pioneer District contest. Ross Ensign has produced learning CD’s containing 3 of the 9 western chorus songs being considered for the fall show from a master CD that we purchased from Sean Milligan, a source of high-quality song-learning CD’s. We intend to produce our own master CD of the remaining 6 songs using Chuck Murray’s 4-channel recorder and Jeff Doig’s sound system/computer expertise, with B-NATURAL learning and singing the songs. Other quartets are invited to help with this project. Ross would then produce CD’s for the chorus from this master.

Wayne Cheyne reported our membership stands at 59. Bert Cederleaf now has a permanent residence in Florida and did not renew his membership. Good luck to Bert, he will be missed.

Jack Teuber reported we have six performances scheduled between now and the November Show. Doc Mann and the patients at the Lake Orion Nursing Center greatly appreciated our visit there on April 6th. Marv Skupski from the Pioneer District appreciated our quick response for data on our Sing-Outs in 2005. The Pioneer District will use John Cowlshaw’s form as a model for the district. The information is used in securing grants for the district.

Dick Johnson reported that we are on track for a good performance at Contest.

Special thanks to Pete Mazzara on the success of the retreat at the MacMullan Center.

Thanks to Dick Johnson and all who assisted in making the 50th Annual Woodshed Contest a success. Terry Jamison was given recognition by the judges for being the newest (3 months) Barbershopper to compete in the contest.

Ron Clarke, Show Chairmen, reported that FERMATA NOWHERE will be the guest quartet for the show. Ron will work with Dick Johnson, Jeff Doig and Pete Mazzara to produce show flyers.

FOUR WHEEL DRIVE and B-NATURAL sang for more than 1600 students at Walled Lake Northern. B-NATURAL and CELEBRATION sang for 420 students at Cooley Elementary. The students made a great audience at both schools. Bruce Brede voiced concerns about being able to provide quartets for future school performances. We need to work as a Chorus to be sure that we have available the necessary personnel to meet the demand for more daytime performances. Special thanks to all who participated in these school performances. Sacrifices were made in taking time off work and driving long distances to make these performances happen.

Bill Holmes is asked to check on liability insurance from the BHS. Dick Johnson will investigate the cost of business cards from our print shop. Gene Downey will assist with membership data, including the roster, phone numbers and our email address your.name@bigchiefchorus.org. Wayne Cheyne will organize our Annual Guest Night on September 19, 2006.

BSOM was awarded to Dave Myre for volunteering at every event since January. His willingness to work in any capacity and Photography expertise is recognized.

Letters to the editor:

From **Dave Anderson**, SINGING WITH DAD:

“Hi Gang, Just a short note to say thank you to the Pontiac-Waterford Chapter for hosting the 50th annual Pontiac Woodshed Contest. A tradition such as this is worth keeping alive as a fun night was had by all.

“I matched up my 1986 Best Bass badge with a 2006 badge and projected that in 2026 I'd be due again and son Rick smartly said ‘I'll wheel you in Dad.’

“Also a big thanks to the SILVERDOMES for being the judges and continuing to support this institution over the years.

“Next year, you all need to come and share in some fun ‘ear singing.’”

From **Jim Troeger**:

“Jeopardy #6, Question #2 would be one of my best friends and tenor from one of my early quartets, ENDEAVOR, the one and only Mr. Al Haller.

“I saw Al two weeks ago while I was in the Dallas area on business... the first time I'd seen him in nearly nine years. It was great to catch up with him over dinner on that Thursday evening and he even took me with him to the VM rehearsal as a guest.

“I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to stand on the risers with them for about six or seven numbers and at the end of the evening I was even more fortunate to be granted the opportunity to direct the VM in ‘Keep The Whole World Singing.’ It was a thrill of a lifetime and they even gave me a pin that says ‘I directed the Vocal Majority Chorus’ on it.

“[This picture shows] both me and Al Haller in it... Al is on the far left with glasses and the ponytail.”



(Photo from the Troeger family archives)



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Note: All un-attributed articles and photos are by John Cowlshaw

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Calendar

May 2, T Rehearsal, Crary
May 9, T, 7pm Lockwood of Waterford – M-59 at Crescent Lake (Behind Kroger's)
May 9, T, 8pm Rehearsal, Crary
May 10, W Exec Bd Meeting, Jack Teuber's home
May 12, F 3pm Mothers' Day Tribute, American House, Manor 6, 3617 S. Adams Rd, Rochester
May 16, T, 7:30 Grosse Pointe Fun Night, Elks Club, 21728 Harper, St. Clair Shores (between 8 and 9 Mile Rds)
May 19-21 Harmony Roundup, E. Lansing
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May 30, T Rehearsal, Last one of year at Crary
Jun 6, T Rehearsal @ Waterford Oaks "Lookout Lodge"
June 13, T Rehearsal @ Waterford Oaks "Lookout Lodge"
Jun 14, W Exec Bd. Mtg, 7pm @ Ron Clarke's home
Jun 16, F Windsor Send-Off
Jun 20, 7:30 Orion Township hall Summer Concert Series, 2525 Joslyn Rd
Jun 27, T Flint Bratfest at Frankenmuth
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Aug 18, F BCC Picnic, 7:00pm
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