



BRIDGE TOWN SOUND

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Portland Metro Chapter Men's Barbershop Chorus

Five-Time Evergreen Division Champions

SOUND-Bites

November 15, 2011

Installation Banquet set for January 10, 2012

The annual banquet to install officers and show some well-deserved recognition to our chapter members will be on January 10 at The Old Spaghetti Factory, 0715 SW Bancroft, in Portland. We'll start, as usual, with a no-host reception at 6:00 o'clock, dinner at 7:00 o'clock, and the installation program to follow. The installing officer this year will be Mel Knight.



Entertainment will be provided by our chapter quartets Hometown Harmony and Cascade Four, and we may also be forced to join in on a song and/or a tag. We'll conclude with the presentation of the Barbershopper of the Year.

Entrees this year are the same as they've been (1) Chicken Marsala, (2) Meatballs, (3) Chicken Fettucini Alfredo, and (4) Fettucini Alfredo. Let me know if you have special dietary needs that these choices don't cover. The cost for the dinner will be at or very close to the \$15 figure we've enjoyed for the last few years.

A relatively painless way to help the chapter's financial situation would be to pay for each dinner you order with a twenty dollar bill and suggest that we KEEP THE CHANGE!

—Dick Handley

Lead sectional

Here's a great chance to get qualified on any of those holiday songs you haven't nailed as yet. The leads (especially Greg Jarmer) will host a qualifying sectional on Wednesday, November 16, at the Jarmer Electric Building in southwest Portland. It will start at 7 o'clock, and ALL PARTS ARE WELCOME. The tax deadline will be over, so that won't work as an excuse!

Jarmer Electric Building
5105 SW 45th Ave
Portland, Or. 97221

BSOY Balloting

By Doug Watson

The annual balloting to select our Barbershopper of the Year will take place at the chapter meeting on November 29th. All members should be prepared to name their nominee and to give their reasons for their selection on a written secret ballot. Previous winners of the award are not eligible for election as the member considered to have made the greatest lasting contribution to the chapter and chorus during the year.

Teens-N-Tunes thank you

A BIG THANK YOU from us on the T-N-T Team to Judy Galloway for the wonderful Teens-N-Tunes website (go to teens-n-tunes.com) and Jeff Buckles for setting up the Teens-N-Tunes event page on Facebook. We hope you will all visit, like, and share these with friends, family and current and future fans of Bridge Town Sound.

By the way, two of our youth quartet judges have officially volunteered. Our own John Burri will be our Music Judge. The Pride of Portland's Ryan Heller will be our Guest Judge. Thank you, John and Ryan.

—Greg Jarmer

Combined meeting of the Board

All members of the current Board together with those who are members-elect for next year's Board are encouraged to attend the November meeting at 7 pm Monday, Nov. 14, at Holladay Park Plaza. Incoming officers will have an opportunity to share their vision for the coming year.

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We meet every Tuesday from 7-9:30 pm
at Holladay Park Church of God,
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Please join us!

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Barbershop Harmony Society



Meeting Script –Tuesday, Nov. 15

One way or another, 13 gentlemen heard of us and have visited since we started the Ready...Set...Sing program a month ago, and 8 of them were still with us last week.

Two first-timers were on the risers Tuesday. **Norm Lawson** brought **A. Noor Mohamed**, and Reed College student **Shawn Geller** found us on our website. Hope you had a chance to welcome them both.

Ready...Set...Sing return guests **Bruce Benson, Paul Doty, Philip Haines, Jordan Plassaras, Mark Smith** and **Alfredo Zavala** made us look, and sound, more like a big boy chorus.

Speaking of Ready...Set...Sing, drop a thank you to **Darwin Scheel** for the lessons he's prepared for the RSS participants.

Speaking of **Darwin Scheel**, join him at the qualifying sectional on Wednesday, the 16th. Parts other than leads are encouraged to attend.

Speaking of qualifying, time is getting short to qualify for the holiday show.

Speaking of short, take the short walk to the risers by.....

7:00so you can get fully warmed up for tonight by **John Burri**.

7:25 - See if poet lame-ree-et **Jeff Welsh** has a clever way to introduce tonight's guests.

7:30 - And now ... we pulled out all the stops for tonight's entertainment. Please welcome your 2011 EVG District Quartet Champs ... **Quadrasonics!**

7:40 - Wow - That's inspiring! Now ... RSS'ers, follow maestro **Darwin Scheel**, and BTS'ers, let's get crackin' on *It's The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year*.

8:00 - *Silent Night*

8:10 - *Veni, Emanuel*

8:20 - RSS'ers, welcome back. Let's put today's lesson into practice on *Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer*.

8:30 - Excellent work, so far. Let's conduct a little business and take a break. Tag, anyone?

8:50 - All hands, back on the risers for *Mary's Little Boy Child*.

9:10 - All hands, stay where you are for *Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming*.

9:20 - Great stuff, RSS'ers. Please take a seat while BTS sails through *It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas*.

9:30 - Once again we've managed to pack a lot of work and a lot of fun into a short musical meeting. Great work tonight, and the only things left to do are listen to **Harry Buerer** in the role of Resolutions Chief and follow **Norm Lawson** as he directs *Keep The Whole World Singing*.

Coming Attractions



Dec. 10	BTS Holiday Show	Holladay Park COG
April 13-14/2012	Evergreen Div. IV Convention	Medford
July 2-9	BTS International Convention	Portland
Sept. 14-15	Power Quartetting Weekend	Holladay Park COG
Oct. 20	Evergreen District Convention	TBA

Qualification - 11/15/11

Jingle Bells

Jeff Buckles, bass
Harry Buerer, tenor
Todd Dignan, lead
Dick Handley, lead
Bob King, lead
Norm Lawson, lead
Paul Lewis, bari
Andre Marechal, tenor
Mike Ott, bass
Darwin Scheel, lead
Doug Watson, lead
Jeff Welsh, bari

Silent Night

Jeff Buckles, bass
Harry Buerer, tenor
Todd Dignan, lead
Dick Handley, lead
Bob King, lead
Norm Lawson, lead
Paul Lewis, bari
Andre Marechal, tenor
Mike Ott, bass
Darwin Scheel, lead
Doug Watson, lead
Jeff Welsh, bari

Secret Of Christmas

Rick Barrier, bari
Jeff Buckles, bass
Harry Buerer, tenor
Todd Dignan, lead
Dick Handley, lead
Bob King, lead
Norm Lawson, lead
Paul Lewis, bari
Mike Ott, bass
Darwin Scheel, lead
Doug Watson, lead
Jeff Welsh, bari

Veni Emmanuel

Rick Barrier, bari
Jeff Buckles, bass
Harry Buerer, tenor
Todd Dignan, lead
Dick Handley, lead
Bob King, lead
Paul Lewis, bari
Andre Marechal, tenor
Jeff Welsh, bari
Steve Wright, bass

It's Beginning To Look A Lot Like Christmas

Jeff Buckles, bass
Harry Buerer, tenor
Todd Dignan, lead
Dick Handley, lead
Paul Lewis, bari
Darwin Scheel, lead

It's The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year

Jeff Buckles, bass
Dick Handley, lead
Darwin Scheel, lead

Holiday Harmony Show

By Harry Buerer

I'm not going to ask you to sell show tickets to every creature with a pulse. But there is an easier way to get lots of people to our Holiday Harmony show. Facebook! Many of you are active (to a certain extent) on FaceBook. And you can use it to spread the word. Please do one or more of the following:

- Go to our Holiday Harmony event page. (Search on "Holiday Harmony" to find it.) Click that you are attending, and use the button in the upper left to invite your local friends to the event. <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=294542520558288>
- Mention in your status that we have a show coming up. (If you don't know how to do this, type in the box in the upper center of your FaceBook home page.) Include the link to the information page. Tell them that tickets are available on the BTS website. Talk about the songs that we're singing or the groups that will perform, or... <http://bridgetownsound.org/holiday2011.php>
- If you notice someone else's posting about the show, comment on it, or even share it. This will keep it visible longer.
- Encourage people to repost or share with their friends.

BTW, we've got the possibility of a truly outstanding MC for our show. Watch for an announcement.