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The



# Undertone



What's Happening in the Burlington, Vermont, Chapter  
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## Are you ready for the contest Saturday?

by Greg Morrill, Music Director

I thought last week's rehearsal was really great! Everyone worked hard at singing well and we made good progress. Many thanks to those in attendance for making it such a positive experience. Hopefully, tonight we can pick up where we left off! I hope you left last Tuesday with that same feeling.

Just a reminder for those going to Manchester that we have an extra rehearsal on Wednesday night (tomorrow) right here at SBHS. I'd really encourage everyone to be there! I know back-to-back nights are inconvenient, but two factors make this very important in my opinion. Our package isn't exactly "mature" which translates into lack of confidence on stage — the more we practice the package,

the higher our confidence level. Second, we're going with a skeleton crew. I'm betting we put fewer people on stage than the "small chorus" winner whoever that will be! So please make an effort to be there. We'll dedicate the entire rehearsal to the package.

Hopefully you'll find answers to all the questions about the contest this weekend elsewhere in last week's issue of *The Undertone*, but here's my take on the schedule Saturday. Warm-up will be at 11:00AM sharp. Those driving down please take note and allow adequate time. Our singing position has moved up two places from 8th to 6th, due to scratches, but I'm keeping our warm-up at 11:00. Since they'll be taking

See **Are you ready** over

## New Meeting Place — Yes!

Last Wednesday your board of directors approved the proposal to seek an arrangement to use the St. Francis Xavier School in Winooski as the Burlington Chapter's new permanent quarters and storage facility.

Those of you who were lucky enough to attend the recent retreat coached by Dan Signor already know where the school is and how accommodating it can be.

In other business, the board approved expending up to \$700 to refurbish our old 18" risers.

If you'd like to know more about what goes on at board meetings, feel free to attend.

If you like reading news on the  
"inside pages" — 2 and 3.  
You might consider submitting  
some material that's fit to print.  
Thanks...  
The Editor

**Are you ready?** from front pictures before we perform, we'll probably leave our warm-up room about 12:20. They'll take us to where the pictures are taken and then to a singing warm-up room. From there we'll go to the stage to perform. I estimate we'll be on stage in the 12:50-1:00 p.m. timeframe. During our preparation time we'll have a couple of guys at a time getting dressed and made-up. Time won't permit a long break for everyone to get dressed at once.

After we have sung I encourage everyone to watch the rest of the contest. Following the contest will be the evaluation sessions and everyone is invited to sit-in. I anticipate we'll be in the first round so even those driving back should be able to stick around an extra half hour to hear the evaluations.

Our goal for this contest is to qualify for the Fall contest. If everyone concentrates and sings as we did last Tuesday, we'll achieve our goal!

## Reminder: Uniforms

Uniform for the contest is our standard, black tuxedo pants, white tuxedo jacket and shirt, paisley vest and bow tie, black shoes and socks.

**Extra rehearsal  
Wednesday  
Tomorrow  
here  
at  
South Burlington  
High School  
7:00 to 9:00**

## Roster update!

A roster update is being generated as we speak. If you have any changes to be made or if the last roster was inaccurate, please review your entry in the circulating copy of the roster or provide updated information to Charlie Church – and also to Chapter Secretary Dave Merrill.

## 20 Week Club Results

12/25	3 Marion Beaulieu	Dan Venditti
01/01	33 Carol Henson	Dick Labrecque
01/08	247 Bob Bouvier	Dick Labrecque
01/15	75 Donna Walter	Jerry Walter
01/22	80 Christina Gonillo	Ed Bechtel
01/31	211 Adam Socinski	Dan Blouin
02/05	244 Matthew Higgs	Dale Higgs
02/12	175 Conrad Hazelton	Charlie Church
02/19	157 Ray Ouimette	Charlie Church
02/26	70 Becky Senesac	Dan Venditti
03/05	81 Don Goliber	Dan Blouin
03/12	18 Walter Fischer	Ed Bechtel
03/19	219 Deanna Higgs	Dale Higgs
03/26	65 Dan Smullen	Jerry Huetz
04/02	60 Kerra Desseau	Denis Brochu
04/09	221 Ed Bechtel	Ed Bechtel



April 19-20 (Fri. - Sat.)	- Division Contest Manchester, Connecticut
May 3 (Friday)	- 20 Week Club Banquet South Burlington K of C
May 17 (Tuesday)	- Singout/Guest Night St. Albans warm up 6:30 Details to follow
May 25 (Saturday)	- Montreal's Annual Show
June 1 (Saturday)	- 2002 Annual Show College Days featuring Michigan Jake
June 8 (Saturday)	- Package Show – Morrisville
July 23 (Tuesday)	- Workshop at SBHS Coach - Karen Rourke
July-August	- Vermont Expos singouts Dates TBD
August 10	- Package Show – Troy

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