

# 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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## HCNE Is On!!! Are You Going?—Jim Dodge

Hi all,  
Now that we are sure that Harmony College Northeast will run, it's time to remind you of all the great things that we have in store for you who will be attending. We always start with a BBQ on the Quad on Friday evening. Chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, salads...the works! And we don't stop there. We finish up the weekend with a pizza and beer (cash bar) on Saturday night that will feature all the quartets who come to the school to be coached PLUS our guest quartets.

You know about our guest quartets (both International champs...Realtime and Power Play) and you have probably seen the list of classes (Jerry Walter has published them for the second time in the latest Nor'easter...thanks, Jerry!) that you can see on line at [www.nedistrict.org](http://www.nedistrict.org) What we haven't reminded you of lately is that you get all of this for a mere \$120 that includes room, board, tuition, and a show ticket. It's like stealing, for heaven's sake! And all you have to bring (besides yourself!) is a pillow and a fan for your room (thought I'd forget, didn't you!). (See HCNE, p.2)

## UCANSING2 Kickoff Two Weeks Away-

You will see attached a listing of short ads that might be run in local papers. Which ones describe how you feel about the chorus, or which ones appeal to you the most? Also, what ads would you run that describes how you fell about your hobby? The Society ad is included.

The UCANSING2 program starts up in a couple of weeks. Next week we will listen to some radio spots the Society has made up for use by local chapters. We will be attempting to place these spots with local radio stations—if you have any contacts at these stations please see me and you can bring in the CDs with the spots—personal contact is important.

Please start to bring in old *Harmonizers* in preparation for Guest night on September 13—we want the rehearsal space to SHOUT! *barbershop harmony* and *Green Mountain Chorus*. We hope to have banners with the UCANSING2 logo that coincides with the local and national campaign.

Now, although there is more, the main effort comes from each and every member to bring in guests for that evening.

## July 27<sup>th</sup> Package Show Coming Up-

Package Show on Wednesday, July 27th., in Essex Junction, at the Fairgrounds, in the Blue Ribbon Bldg.; warm-up at 6:00, sing at 7:30, two quartets have signed up to participate with the chorus (Charisma and High Voltage) Show uniform will most likely be the same one we used on our Annual Show—black shirt, black tux trousers/shoes/socks, white tie, paisley vest, cleaned and ready to go. This show is being sponsored by the Masonic Campers.

## August 6<sup>th</sup> Package Show at Montgomery-

Warm-Up at 6PM, show at 7PM—  
details and directions to follow.

## Halifax 2<sup>nd</sup> Payment Due-

If you are paying for the Halifax train in installments, the second payment is now due. For seniors it would be \$68 per person, for those younger than 60, the payment is \$75 per person. Third and final payment is due August 9<sup>th</sup>.

### (HCNE, cont'd.)

You can register online at the district website above. Oh, yeah, here are the vitals:

PLACE --- Fitchburg State  
College, Fitchburg, MA

DATE --- August 12-14, 2005

COST --- \$120 full tuition ---  
\$85 for commuters (you get  
everything except the room)

Will we see you there?

Jim and Mike

## News From Kuwait—

Hello yet again from sunny camp Virginia, Kuwait! Things here are going good, but very hot. I have never been so hot! I haven't been doing any singing, but I think of you all often. Can't wait to get home and bust a few chords. I'll be looking forward to it very much. Hope that all is well back at home. Tell every one that I say Hi. Talk to you soon,  
Brett (Goertmoeller)

## Plattsburgh Picnic Review-

Reid Allen, Bill Roberts, and Jerry Huetz, plus spouses attended the Plattsburgh picnic Sunday and participated in their quartet contest as well as their group sing. Marc Lewis, past director of Montreal's Island Chorus was there and directed a few songs. The quartet of Marc Lewis, Reid Allen, Jerry Huetz, and Steve Wheaton finished second in what appeared to be a rigged contest, judged by a Plattsburgh-weighted panel of judges(sour grapes)—a good time was had by all—It is apparent that the GMC can conduct such (See **Plattsburgh**, p.3)  
(**Plattsburgh**, cont'd.)  
a picnic at the North Beach campground site with just as much success—We should plan on it for next summer, for sure.

**BARBERSHOP**  
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## New Hampshire Barbershop Festival-

If you are in a quartet or chorus (male, female or mixed) and would enjoy an opportunity to perform at the newly revived barbershop festival at Alton Bay, NH, I would sure love to talk to you. We have several quartets and choruses signed up, but room for many more. Details about the event are now posted at [\\_www.granitestatesmen.org\\_](http://www.granitestatesmen.org) (<http://www.granitestatesmen.org>) .

The festival takes place Fri, Sat and Sun August 19-21. Along with several boat cruises on the lake featuring barbershop entertainment and ongoing music from the outdoor bandstand, there is a feature show in the brand new, fully air conditioned Prospect Mountain High School at 7:30 P.M. Saturday evening. (Aug 20th)

If you have some interest in performing, please drop me an e-mail and we will sort out the details. If you plan to attend the event, you should consider ordering your tickets by July 26 to take advantage of the Early Bird special which includes a ticket to the show, two afterglows, and a free event T-shirt for only \$25.00!

If you don't have a quartet organized, come and down and meet some singers. This jamboree has been a launching point for many quartets and life-long friendships. Hotel and camping info is posted to the website,

so come on down and be part of a 51-year barbershop tradition on scenic Lake Winnepesaukee. Drop me a note if you have questions.

In Harmony,

Roger Menard, President  
Nashua, NH Chapter SPEBSQSA  
The Granite Statesmen Chorus

## CALENDAR

July 19-**No** Rehearsal at St. Francis  
July 27- **Package Show in Essex Jct.**  
July 29-Boy Scout Camp Singout-Eden, Vt. -(If sign up is adequate)  
Aug. 2-Tues.-Vermont Expos Game  
Aug. 6-**Package Show Montgomery, Vt.**  
Aug. 12-13- Harmony College Northeast  
Aug. 13-**Ethan Allen Tower Sing-Out**  
Aug. 24-(Wed.) Vermont Expos Game-  
Raffle & Anthem!!  
**Sept. 13-Guest Night!!-National Campaign-UCANSING2**  
Sept. 29-Oct. 2- Fall Convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia —PLAN AHEAD !

**N.B.:**--The Karen Rourke retreat prior to contest may be rescheduled—we should know by next week..

