

The Burlingtone



The Voice of the Green Mountain Chorus of the Barbershop Harmony Society since 1947

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December 13th the GMC Will Sing Carols on the Marketplace-

As an alternative to our usual caroling at senior housing locations, it has been arranged with the Church Street Marketplace to have the Chorus entertain the crowds this year on Church Street on Tuesday, December 13th.

The locations scouted out by Reid and myself include Miguel's Stowaway, Church Street Tavern, Leunigs, Sweetwaters, and Ri Ra's. It is likely we will start at Ri Ra's and warm up in a back room and go on their stage to sing. We will then meander up the Marketplace and stop in to the aforementioned venues, sing 3 or 4 songs for the patrons, and continue on our way. Once finished we can return to the backroom at Ri Ra's and have some apps and drinks to wrap up the evening. Hopefully, this will give us exposure to people who have not heard us sing before and give us an opportunity to enlist some new members. The better we sing, the more likely someone will say to themselves, "I think I would enjoy singing with those guys."

Installation Banquet Set for January 14th—Plan Ahead

Mark your calendars now for our annual Installation Banquet in January.

President Dick Labrecque is scheduling a fun filled evening sure to entertain you and your significant others.

The banquet will take place at the Holiday Inn in S. Burlington on Williston Road, and will include a plated meal with several choices of entrees. More to follow, but this event brings our whole group together to look back on our accomplishments in 2005, and to thank our families for their much needed support in our endeavors. Just the fact that the **BOTY**(Barbershopper of the Year) is announced is important enough, but the new officers will be charged, and the dinner kicks off a promising New Year for the Chorus.

The cost is reasonable and the whole evening will be relaxed and fun. Plan Now!



New Members Onboard!



Don Jackson-Lead Section

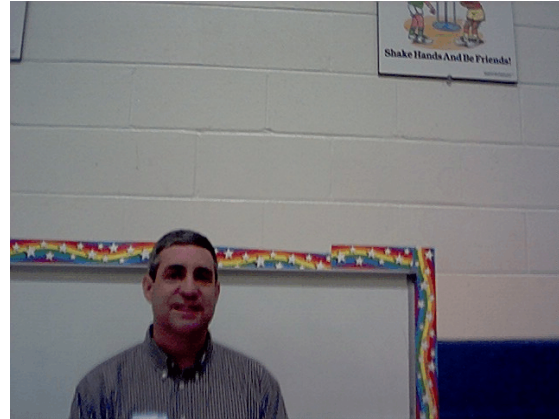
We want to welcome **Don Jackson**, one of our newest members. Don and his wife Jan live in Burlington, and he is an ordained minister, semi-retired. He remains active in many activities such as Guide at the Shelburne museum, helping in providing housing for people with special needs, and working as a companion caregiver. Don enjoys civil war history, music in general, and loves barbershop harmony. Don has a wonderful lead voice and we welcome him aboard. Man of Note goes to Charlie Church.



Mitch Godburn-Lead Section

New Member **Mitch Godburn** lives in S. Burlington and works at St. Michaels College as a graveyard dispatcher. If you are looking for a cemetery plot maybe Mitch is the guy to see! At the College he has a radio talk show called

Krunch Time, where students call in and discuss movie scores and comedy. Mitch's hobbies also include model railroading. Mitch enjoyed singing in his high school days and heard the GMC sing at one of the Expos baseball games, so his mother urged him to join our chorus(Thanks, Mom) Man of Note goes to Dave Stonecliffe.



Jim Walsh-Lead Section

Jim Walsh joins our recent crew of new members, and lives in St. Albans with his wife Dale and their three boys, Nick, Jackson, and Joseph. Jim is employed by the Northwest Vermont Public Transit Network as an Executive Director. Jim is a member of the Shriners and Masons, and enjoys golfing and reading. His credits include performing as a soloist on the annual Cardiac Capers variety show in St. Albans, a popular fund raiser for the hospital there. He has a famous uncle, Emmet Walsh, a character actor who has appeared in numerous movies, including *Missing in Action* with Chuck Norris. Emmet resides in a cottage in West Swanton in the summer. Man of Note goes to Oren Lane

U-Mall Singout Update-

Be prepared to wear your khaki pants, black shoes, (see U-Mall, p.3)

(U-Mall, cont'd.)

black socks and belt, and green GMC shirt to the U-Mall singout on Nov. 26.

New Singing Valentines Chairman Announced-

Neil Schell has agreed to take on the important task of directing our Singing Valentines in 2006. Past Chair, Jerry Walter, will assist Neil. At Saturday's Planning Session, Music VP Bruce Spector noted that Singing Valentines presents a great opportunity to the Chorus for a multiple of reasons. It has great potential financial rewards for the Chorus; for those participating in actually delivering the Valentines, there is great personal reward and satisfaction; there is also a membership opportunity as we meet face to face with our public and talk up the joys of barbershopping. Neil will most likely work closely with the Echoes Chairperson in this endeavor, and we look for a spectacular Singing Valentines event in 2006. Thanks Neil!!

Holiday Show News—

Jerry Walter

Here's what the GMC should be prepared to sing, based on rep review last Tuesday:

White Christmas

*Rudolph The Red Nosed reindeer
Jingle Bell Rock*

The Christmas Song

*Carol Of The Bells (Waterbury
Only)*

*O, Holy Night (Conflicts with
CE's Amy's Quartet)*

Jingle Bells (Jointly)

Silent Night (Jointly)

GMC Quartets

Grade A Fancy -- *I Saw Mommy
Kissing Santa Claus*

CVQ -- *Baby It's Cold Outside*
(with **The Long and The Short Of
It**)

Let It Snow

*Have Yourself A Merry Little
Christmas*

High Voltage -- *Deck The Halls*
(not sure if they will sing in
Burlington)

CALENDAR

Nov. 26-Sat. 11am-1pm-U Mall Holiday
Sing

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**Dec. 4-Sun.Holiday Show, 3PM
Burlington; 7PM, Waterbury Ctr.**

Dec.13-Tues.--Caroling-Church Street
Marketplace-6:30PM

Dec. 17-Starr Farm Nursing Home-
Christmas Holiday Singout-1-3PM;

Dec. 17-Sat. 3-5PM-U Mall Holiday
Sing

Dec. 31-Sat.- First Night Rutland, 5PM,
6PM, 7PM-A bus will transport us.

Sat., Jan 7th, COTS in Warwick, Rhode
Island

Sat., Jan 14th Installation Dinner,
Holiday Inn, S. Burlington

Sat., Feb. 4-HEPS School, Montreal,
TBD

Tue, Feb 14th, Singing Valentines

Feb./March 2006-Curling Excursion
Quebec, TBD??

April 21, 22-Burlington-Mountain
Division Contest (We Host!)

May 12—20 Week Club Banquet and
Grand Prize Drawing

June 9, 10- GMC Annual Show in S.
Burlington and Barre.