

The Pitch

Greater Montreal Chapter



The Little Chorus that could!

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COMING UP - ROB'S REQUIRED EVENTS*

Saturday, June 3, 2006 Annual Show with Vocal Spectrum and Ardesco, Salle Pierre Mercure [2 weeks to go!]

Monday, June 12, 2006 Guest Night Église St-Sixte

Wednesday, June 21, 2006 Mondial Choral Loto-Québec Avant Spectacle, Scène Loto-Québec

Thursday, June 29, 2006 Mondial Choral Loto-Québec Église Ste-Rose, In Concert Series, 19:30 – 22:00

Monday, September 11, 2006 Guest Night Église St-Sixte

October 13-14, 2006 Fall Forward 2006 Church of St. Augustine, 176 Westcliffe, Pointe Claire

October 27-29, 2006 60th District Convention and Contest Providence, RI ← **NOTE CORRECTION OF DATE!**

April 13-15, 2007 Western Regional Convention Albany NY area [Location to be determined]

October 12-14, 2007 Fall Forward 2007 Ermitage St-Croix, Pierrefonds

October 19-21, 2007 District Convention and Contest Montreal, Quebec

*NOTE: It is your duty to inform Rob as soon as you know you will miss any rehearsal or event.

COMING UP - OPTIONAL, BUT FUN and EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

July 2-9, 2006 68th Annual Barbershop Harmony Society International Convention Indianapolis, IN

Saturday, September 30, 2006 Hanover, NH Chapter Show with *Realtime* Tickets on sale NOW! ← **NEW SHOW**

January 21-28, 2007 Mid Winter Convention Albuquerque, NM

July 1-8, 2007 69th Annual Barbershop Harmony Society International Convention Denver, CO

June 29-July 6, 2008 70th Annual Barbershop Harmony Society International Convention Nashville, TN

Fighting for peace is like having sex for virginity.

“A Night to Remember” is Saturday!

The show is this Saturday. Please arrive at Salle Pierre Mercure and be ready to sing on stage *before* 1:00 PM. We have to be warmed up, rehearsed and off stage before 3:00 PM. **Vocal Spectrum** and **Ardesco** will have their mic check between 3:00 and 4:00. We will have a light supper (thanks to **Addie Tauchner-Wheaton**.) and the show will start at 8:00 PM)

Bert Brossoit wants your ticket money. Please give Bert any unsold tickets. **Murray Phillips** wants your ad money.

Bob Ebers got us some good publicity, and there is more to come. Let's hope we will see a boost in ticket sales. Keep talking to people about the show. We need to money, the audience and the excitement!

We have budgeted to make a profit on this year's show – something we haven't done for the past four years. Talk up

our show with your friends and acquaintances. Tickets are \$25.00 each.

Parking is difficult!

Remind your friends and ticket buyers that parking around the Centre Pierre Peladeau can be difficult. If they can take the Metro, that is a perfect way to travel.

The parking for us isn't a big problem, since we arrive early. You do need to have change, or a credit card to pay for your parking at the exit.

Program is nearly complete.

The show program is nearly “put to bed,” and we have some good information. Thanks to the few that contributed ads. Those that didn't... you have tonight to bring them in.

Alan Kenley and **Murray Phillips** put it all together.

Look for the new photo of the chorus. It is now on the chorus web site at <http://www.nedistrict.org/montreal/>.

To get the Mini-Pitch by email, send your email address to imphillips@videotron.ca

We sing every Monday at Église St-Sixte
1895, rue de l'Église, St. Laurent, Quebec

Songs for the Show

We will be singing these songs on the show, and in this order. Make sure that you have a copy of the list and know what song comes where and what the first words are.

It doesn't look very professional to be asking, "What comes next?"

Tonight.....	G
Beautiful Dreamer.....	E
Exactly Like You.....	C
Que reste-t-il ?.....	F#
Orange Colored Sky.....	C
What Child is This / Child of the Poor.....	Cm
Give My Regards to Broadway	Bb
Chances Are.....	Bb
Hush-a-Bye Mountain.....	Am
Before the Parade Passes By	C
The Impossible Dream.....	Bb
Finale – Reprise of Exactly Like You.....	C

Plattsburgh Show with Men In Black.

A small contingent of Montrealers attended the Plattsburgh show Saturday evening. The Plattsburgh Chorus is singing better than in the past, and have qualified for District this fall. **Steve Wheaton** is lending his voice to their bass section, and his contribution is very welcome.

The show featured the Champlain Valley Sweet Adeline Chorus as well as chapters quartets. The audience were very supportive, and enjoyed their contributions to a very entertaining evening.

The cream of the NED was the guest quartet. **Men In Black** were in fine form and absolutely crushed several of their songs. "Always" in particular had the hair standing up all

Here is our current repertoire list: [mp3] means that the mp3 file is on the *Members' Only* web site

Beautiful Dreamer [mp3]	Orange Coloured Sky [mp3]
Before The Parade Passes By [mp3]	Overture [mp3]
Chances Are [mp3]	Que reste-t-il de nos amours [mp3]
Exactly Like You [mp3]	Sixteen Tons [mp3]
Give My Regards To Broadway [mp3]	The Impossible Dream [mp3]
Hello [mp3]	The Star Spangled Banner
Hello Mary Lou [mp3]	Tonight [mp3]
It Don't Mean A Thing [mp3]	Witchcraft [mp3]
Keep The Whole World Singing [mp3]	You'll Never Walk Alone [mp3]
O Canada	Hush-a-Bye Mountain [mp3]
Happy Go Lucky Lane [mp3]	What Child is this/Child of the Poor [mp3]

over my body through out. Men In Black are going into the International Contest ranked in the top 20. This is the first time in many years that NED has had a quartet in that position.

The Cumberland Bay Chorus certainly did a marvellous job selling advertising. Their program was loaded with ads from every kind of business in the area. We need to find out their secret!

If you didn't make the short trip to Plattsburgh, you missed a great evening.

Time to Renew!

If you have a June 30 renewal date, you can go to the Members Only section and renew online. You can also send your payment by snail mail to:

The Barbershop Harmony Society
Dues Renewal
 7930 SHERIDAN RD
 KENOSHA WI 53143

The Society's Canadian Exchange Rate for the second quarter is \$1.0994.

Membership Scoreboard

New members = 2 Members in process = 0 Current = 33

Last Guests = 0 Returning = 0 Follow ups = 1
week:

We had no guests again last week. Let's make a big effort for June 12. Talk to somebody about barbershop this week! Our target for members this year is for a 7 member NET INCREASE by the end of 2006.

Remember: If you recruit 5 members this year, your International, District and Chapter dues for 2007 are **100% fully paid!**

Practice is something we do at home, every day, between rehearsals!

Rehearsal is what we do Monday evenings, where we reinforce what we have been practising every day!