

Erik Roffelsen 2022 Barbershopper of the Year



September Birthdays

- 3: Bill Burt
- 9: Erik Roffelsen
- 14: Sid Peterson

Hockey Game:

- ✓ **Saturday, 9/30/23**
 - ✓ Call time **5:30 PM**
 - ✓ Black pants, Blue WTC polo shirt, (also recommend a black, long-sleeve t-shirt underneath for warmth)
 - ✓ **Fox Valley Ice Arena**
1996 S. Kirk Rd.
Geneva, IL 60134
- Talk to Frank Glas about tickets.

Activity	Sept. 25, 2023 – NO RISERS
Other	Contest wrap-up
Physical Warm-ups	
Vocal Warm-ups	
Run through Rehearse Song	What Do You Get a Wookiee... O Little Town of Bethlehem (arr. Keller)
Sectionals	TBD new Christmas song
Rehearse Song	TBD new Christmas song
Run through	Still, Still, Still (arr. Keller)
Other	Raffle and Keep the Whole World Singing (Eb)

Reminder: Christmas Blitz

Saturday, October, 7
9AM – Noon
Horizon Community Church
Bring your Christmas music!

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**River City Rhythm
Novice Quartet Champs**

**Mixology
Mixed Quartet Champs**

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Summary

Group: West Towns Chorus

Total: 908 (75.7%)

Finals --> 908 (75.7%)

Song 1: Your Song (from Rocketman) --> 456 (76.0%)

Song 2: Can't Buy Me Love --> 452 (75.3%)

Contestant Scoring Analysis

ILL. Fall 2023 Chorus Finals
Bloomington, Illinois; September 23, 2023

West Towns Chorus

Points: 908 (75.7)

Director(s): Carrie Marcotte
Persons on Stage: 32

Results

Songs	MUS	PER	SNG	Total
Total (OA: 2)	300 (75.0)	309 (77.3)	299 (74.8)	908 (75.7)
Your Song (from Rocketman)	152 (76.0)	156 (78.0)	148 (74.0)	456 (76.0)
Can't Buy Me Love	148 (74.0)	153 (76.5)	151 (75.5)	452 (75.3)

Scores

Songs	M01	M02	P03	P04	S05	S06
Your Song (from Rocketman)	75	77	78	78	75	73
Can't Buy Me Love	73	75	76	77	76	75

Panel

Music	Performance	Singing
M01 = Kevin Keller	P03 = Mo Field	S05 = Ben Shively
M02 = J Pope	P04 = Jon Kready	S06 = Ryan Wisniewski

Official Scoring Summary
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Bloomington, Illinois; September 23, 2023

Group	Songs	MUS	PER	SNG	Total
1. Sound of Illinois Bloomington, IL (1, 3, 9, 10) Dir(s): Tim Beutel and Terry Ludwig; OnStage: 59	Total: 994 Points Somewhere Out There (from An American Tail) [Brent Graham] Never Say Never (from An American Tail) [Dan Wessler]	82.5 82.0 83.0	82.0 82.0 82.0	84.0 82.5 85.5	82.8 82.2 83.5
2. West Towns Chorus Chicagoland West Suburban, IL (1, 3, 8, 10) Dir(s): Carrie Marcotte; OnStage: 32	Total: 908 Points Your Song (from Rocketman) [Dan Wessler] Can't Buy Me Love [Tom Gentry]	75.0 76.0 74.0	77.3 78.0 76.5	74.8 74.0 75.5	75.7 76.0 75.3
3. New Tradition Northbrook, IL (1, 2, 4) Dir(s): Ben Harding; OnStage: 25	Total: 891 Points Desperado [Tom Gentry] Glory Of Love [Dan Wessler]	77.3 78.0 76.5	74.3 74.0 74.0	71.5 71.5 71.5	74.3 74.5 74.0
4. Rock River Valley Chorus Sterling Rock Falls, IL (1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 11) Dir(s): Kevin O'Keefe; OnStage: 16	Total: 824 Points Lora-Belle Lee [Dave Briner] I Only Have Eyes For You [Bobby Gray]	69.0 69.5 68.5	69.5 68.0 71.0	67.5 66.5 68.5	68.7 68.0 69.3
5. The Music Men (CSD) Dubuque, IA (1) Dir(s): Pamela Mumm; OnStage: 21	Total: 819 Points Wonderful Day Medley [Michael Griebel/David Wright] If I Can Dream [Aaron Dale]	65.8 65.5 66.0	69.5 69.0 70.0	69.5 70.0 69.0	68.3 68.2 68.3
6. Sounds of Harmony Belleville, IL (1, 2, 3, 7, 10, 11) Dir(s): Doug Brooks & Jim Mathis; OnStage: 21	Total: 816 Points Mona Lisa [Greg Volk] The Best Times I Ever Had (I Owe 'Em To My Dear Ol' Dad) [Doug Anders...]	69.5 69.5 69.5	67.8 68.5 67.0	66.8 66.5 66.5	68.0 68.3 67.7
7. Coles County Barbershop Chorus Coles County, IL (3, 6, 11) Dir(s): Tim Woodall; OnStage: 20	Total: 809 Points There's A New Gang On The Corner [Gene Cokeroff] That's Life [Kevin Keller]	66.5 67.5 65.5	67.3 67.5 67.0	68.5 68.5 68.5	67.4 67.8 67.0
8. Chorus of Dupage DuPage Valley, IL (1, 2, 3, 7, 10) Dir(s): Pete Hansen; OnStage: 31	Total: 788 Points Never Go Wrong With A Song [Walter Lazko/Burt Szabo] Wait 'Til The Sun Shine, Nellie [Warren "Buzz" Haeger]	65.8 65.5 66.0	65.5 65.5 65.5	65.8 66.0 65.7	65.7 65.7 65.7
9. Second City Chorus Rockford Metro, IL (1, 2, 7, 10, 11) Dir(s): Joseph Tomecek; OnStage: 20	Total: 782 Points Oliver Medley (Parody) [Jay Giallombardo] Murder In B-Rat (Parody) [BHS]	64.0 65.0 63.0	66.5 66.5 66.5	65.0 65.5 64.5	65.2 65.7 64.7
10. Brotherhood of Harmony Chorus Lake County, IL (2, 3, 9, 10, 11) Dir(s): Brian Cromer; OnStage: 24	Total: 780 Points Heart (Parody) [Ed Waesche] If I Give My Heart To You [Jim Clancy]	64.5 64.5	65.3 65.0	65.3 65.0	65.0 64.8
11. Arlingtones Arlington Heights, IL (10, 11) Dir(s): John W. Davis; OnStage: 23	Total: 777 Points Who'll Take My Place (When I'm Gone)? [Greg Lyne] Let's Get Away From It All [Rob Hopkins]	63.5 62.5 64.5	66.0 65.5 66.5	64.8 63.5 66.0	64.8 63.8 65.7
12. Land of Lincoln Chorus Springfield, IL (1, 2, 3, 6, 10) Dir(s): Pat Claussen; OnStage: 18	Total: 759 Points As Time Goes By [Walter Lazko] Side By Side [Tom Gentry]	63.5 64.5 62.5	64.0 64.0 64.0	62.3 62.5 62.0	63.3 63.7 62.8

Groups are listed above by total points and in accordance with Article VII of the BHS Contest Rules.
The following groups performed for evaluation score only: Peoria Barbershop Chorus

Awards

- 1 Intl Prelim Chorus District Representative (ILL):** Sound of Illinois
- 2 Illinois District Chorus Championship:** New Tradition
- 3 Illinois District Men's Chorus Championship:** Sound of Illinois
- 4 Illinois District Mixed Harmony Chorus Championship:** New Tradition
- 5 Illinois District Plateau A Chorus Championship:** Rock River Valley Chorus
- 6 Illinois District Plateau AA Chorus Championship:** Coles County Barbershop Chorus
- 7 Illinois District Plateau AAA Chorus Championship:** Sounds of Harmony
- 8 Illinois District Plateau AAAAA Chorus Championship:** West Towns Chorus
- 9 Illinois District Plateau AAAAAA Chorus Championship:** Sound of Illinois
- 10 Illinois District Most-Improved Chorus Award:** Brotherhood of Harmony Chorus
- 11 Illinois District Gene McNish Small Chorus Award:** Rock River Valley Chorus

Footnotes

Dubuque Music Men (CSD) are competing Out of District

Official Panel

PC: Bill Hawken
ADM: Don Fuson
MUS: Kevin Keller, J Pope
PER: Mo Field, Jon Kready
SNG: Ben Shively, Ryan Wisniewski

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Act One *Red indicates a new song.*

- *A Holiday Road of Carols*
- Jingle Bells (Yuletide Favorites)
- The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting)
- *What Can You Get a Wookiee for Christmas*
- Winter Wonderland Hokey Pokey
- *When A Child is Born*
- **VLQ:** *O Christmas Tree*
- 12 Days of Christmas

Act Two

- *Opener: O Little Town of Bethlehem (K. Keller)*
- Mary Did You Know
- Joy to the World
- **VLQ:** While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks
- *Still, Still, Still (K. Keller)*
- Silent Night (Clancy V1)/Peace Peace
- Adeste Fideles (Raycroft)

Christmas Show: *A Very West Towns Christmas*

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Huizenga Auditorium

Capacity 599

School will provide risers and a choir shell

Timothy Christian Schools

188 W. Butterfield Road

Elmhurst, IL 60126

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Pricing \$25 & \$30, Student pricing available

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Greetings, Gents and Lady!

Again this year we are inviting men who like to sing to join our Christmas chorus. Below is an invitational letter that you can share with men--family members, colleagues, acquaintances, former and inactive members of West Towns, others--who like to sing. As noted in the letter, there is no pressure to continue on with West Towns Chorus after the Christmas Shows--although they certainly are invited to do so.

Please initiate this invitational process in time for the prospective participants to get our Christmas blitz on their calendars--**Saturday, Oct. 7, 9:00 a.m.- noon**--as well as rehearsals beginning Monday, Oct. 9.

Trenton Ferro for the Music Team

CHRISTMAS CHORUS

Inviting all men who like to sing!

You are invited to participate in the West Towns Chorus Christmas Shows as part of the Christmas Chorus. You will be asked to learn music for the first half of the show (and our rehearsals will be planned so that you can leave, if you wish, after we have practiced these numbers. Music for the second half of the shows will be practiced later in the evening.)

However, you may stay longer and learn more if you wish.

We rehearse every Monday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Horizon Community Church, 2129 63rd St., Downers Grove, IL 60516.

Here are our expectations if you plan to join us:

- Prospective participants in the Christmas Chorus should attend the Christmas blitz on
Saturday, Oct. 7, 9:00 a.m.- noon, at Horizon Community Church (address below).
- Begin attending regular rehearsals on Monday, Oct. 9. Participants need to attend at least six (of nine) rehearsals.
- Participants may choose to learn songs for the first half, the second half, or both halves of the show.
- You will be expected to attend our dress/tech rehearsal, Saturday, December 9, 8 a.m., at Huizenga Auditorium, Timothy Christian Schools.
- There is no expectation that you will join WTC; however, you certainly are welcome to do so. Otherwise, we will look forward to your participation again next year.

Here is what you need to know about this year's West Towns Christmas Shows:

- Saturday Dec. 9, 8 a.m. – Tech Rehearsal (break for lunch on your own before the show)
- Saturday Dec. 9, 1:00 p.m. – Call Time Saturday Dec. 9
- Saturday Dec. 9, 2:30 p.m. – Show Time
- Sunday, Dec. 10, 1:00 p.m. – Call time
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- Location: Huizenga Auditorium, Timothy Christian Schools, 188 W. Butterfield Road. Elmhurst, IL 60126

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Pricing TBD

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Chicagoland West Suburban chapter
P.O. Box 1005
Downers Grove, IL 60515
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www.WestTowns.org
Email: info@westtowns.org

Visit us on our website: www.WestTowns.org

2023 Board

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Rehearsals are every Monday at
Horizon & on Zoom unless otherwise noted

2023

9/4 Monday **NO Rehearsal** – Labor Day
9/5 Tuesday **Makeup Rehearsal**
9/22-23 District Convention—plan on at least Friday & Sat.
9/30 National Anthem Chicago Steel
Call Time **5:30 pm**
10/7 **Christmas Blitz 9 am – noon**
11/12 2PM Downers Grove Library – call 1 PM
12/9 Christmas Tech Rehearsal – 8:00 AM
12/9 Christmas Show – 2:30 PM
12/10 Christmas Show – 2:30 PM
2/16/2024 7PM Naperville Library Valentines

The Music Team usually meets the second Thursday of each month 7:00 PM, at Horizon or using ZOOM. Board meetings are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month 7:00 PM at Bob Nicodem's house or Horizon

Music Team

Director: Carrie Marcotte
Asst-directors: Mark Betczynski & Joe Tomecek
Music VP: Bill Burt

Section Leaders

•Bass: Jim B.
•Baritone: Mark & Joe
•Lead: Mark Servos
•Tenor: Trenton Ferro, Sid Peterson

Email

MusicTeam@WestTowns.org

Join Zoom Meeting Topic: WTC rehearsal: Time: Mondays 07:00 PM Central Time

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81780296722?pwd=dTJHd2V5WWWhYOHAYdVhQQkVxUjJSdz09>

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