

Jim Jarosz - 2023 Barbershopper of the Year



March Birthdays

- 3: Mike Dutton
- 10: Don Davia
- 30: Joe Tomecek
- 30: Jim Williams

Activity	Mar. 25, 2024 (CHAIRS – No Risers)
Physical warm-ups Vocal warm-ups	
Run through (2x)	I Want to Hold Your Hand (C#)
Rehearse Song	Walking On Sunshine (F) Interlude: Ms. 105 - 127
Breaks	Business Comfort / Tag Zone
Section rehearsal	Jim Croce Medley Ms. 1 – 8; 89-110 (G)
Rehearse Song	Jim Croce Medley (G)
Run through (2x)	I’m a Believer (G)
Other	Raffle drawing and Keep the Whole World Singing (Eb)
Rehearse Song – VLQ	Change the World (E)

Note: Quartet auditions for the spring show are scheduled for 4/15/2024.

IMPORTANT: Oak Trace performance has been moved to April 17. 6 PM Call time.

Ellyn Nicodem will be at rehearsal from about 6:45 pm until break time this Monday (3/25). She’ll have printed tickets for you to sell. Be sure to let her know each week how many tickets you have sold. This venue has limited seating capacity, so we need to keep track of all tickets sold.



Jim Jarosz - 2023 Barbershopper of the Year

Notes from the Mar. 21, 2024 board meeting.

Secretary: **Bob Nicodem** – Minutes from the February meeting were approved.

Treasurer: **Tony Tumea** – provide a YTD comparative P&L.

Music and Performance – **Mark Servos** – Naperville Library show – Dave Cowin said that we sang very well. Spring Show – quartet auditions will be 4/15; Stiletto quartet officially booked. Uniform is being discussed. Fall Contest – judges will be informed that our order of appearance is done strictly by draw and not by plateaus. Christmas show – repertoire being discussed but not quite locked in yet. Contract has been signed with Timothy Christian Schools for the venue. Other – Oak Trace performance changed because of schedule conflicts. Vocal Spectrum will be at Judson University on 4/27 – would like some West Towns guys to be there or be involved. Marketing: **Josh Love** – Hoping to resolve issues with access to Facebook soon. Board agreed with suggestion to add our presence to additional social media. Talked about the value of well timed and planned guest nights. Program: **Frank Glas** – Talked with Dave Martin about availability for parades. Joliet Slammers would like us to sing for them more than once. Next poker night is 3/29 – Frank and Bill will be writing instructions. Additional help would be nice that night.

Chorus Manager: **Bill Burt** – Likes the look of Choir Genius 4. Need everyone to be involved in looking for venues – not just suggest a place but ask questions like 1) Size/capacity, 2) Can food/drink be brought in, 3) Tech availability like mics, speakers, lights, etc, 4) Stage/size, 5) approximate cost, 6) contact name/number.

Past President: **Don Davia** – to give Bill the contact for Naperville St. Patrick's Day parade. Will be forming a nominating committee for next year's board soon.

Other: Joe T has put a lot of work into upgrading Groupanizer to Choir Genius 4 and moving our web site to the new platform. Should be ready to cut over soon. Mark Servos is working on updating our by-laws to meet our current needs but also allow for changes and growth. Trying to find a way to get corporate donations directly to our bank. Also working on setting up Venmo and Zelle accounts.

Jim Jarosz - 2023 Barbershopper of the Year

WTC New Music Learning (in Sectionals) Spring Show 2024

Song	Jan. 29	Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 26	Mar. 4	Mar. 11	Mar. 18	Mar. 25
Africa	3 Choruses: m24-33, 51-60, 73-82	2 Verses: m5-23, 37-50	Intro, Interlude, & Outro: m1-2, 32-37, 59-64, 81-88			<u>Memorized</u>			
Where Everybody Knows Your Name				m1-32	m32-71	m71-88		<u>Memorized</u>	
Jim Croce Medley (<u>memorized April 8</u>)							m9-40	m41-88	m89-110; 1-8

PLEASE NOTE: We will learn Walking On Sunshine as trio/lead sectional

Song	Jan. 29	Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 26	Mar. 4	Mar. 11	Mar. 18	Mar. 25
Walking on Sunshine (<u>memorized April 8</u>)					Verses: m1-31, 53-83	Choruses m31-52, 83-105		Interlude m105-127	Reprise m128-160

Jim Jarosz - 2023 Barbershopper of the Year

West Towns Chorus

Chicagoland West Suburban chapter
P.O. Box 1005
Downers Grove, IL 60515
Phone: (630) 201-5544
www.WestTowns.org
Email: info@westtowns.org

Visit us on our website: www.WestTowns.org

2024 Board

President Jim Brown
Music VP Mark Servos
Development & Membership VP Tony Emerson
Program VP Frank Glas
Marketing VP Josh Love
Chorus Manager Bill Burt
Treasurer Tony Tumea
Secretary Bob Nicodem
Member-at-Large Dave Hollander
Past President Don Davia

Email

Board@WestTowns.org

Other Roles

Sunshine Care Person Don Davia
Librarian Daniel Melvin
Uniform Eric Roffelsen
Historian Joe Tomecek

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

2024

4/15/2024 Quartet auditions for spring show
4/17/2024 6PM Oak Trace Performance
5/11/2024 3PM Spring Show - Benet Academy
6/14/2024 Coaching w/ Joe Cerruti?
6/15 Combined concert w/ SOI?
9/27 – 29/2024 District Fall Contest

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: Mark Servos

Section Leaders

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

Email

MusicTeam@WestTowns.org

Uniforms & Tuxedos: Talk to Eric Roffelsen about uniforms and tuxedos. Tuxedos are available at **Louis For Men**, 748 Ogden Ave, Downers Grove, IL 60515.

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

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81780296722?pwd=dTJHd2V5WWhYOHAydVhQQkVxUjJSdz09>

Meeting ID: 817 8029 6722 Passcode: 213478 One tap mobile: 1 312 626 6799,,81780296722#,,, *213478#(Chicago)

Dial by your location 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) Meeting ID: 817 8029 6722 Passcode: 213478