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60 YEARS OF BARBERSHOP SINGING IN SACRAMENTO



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CAPITOLAIRES CELEBRATE 60 YEARS OF BARBERSHOP HARMONY IN SACRAMENTO

BY ALAN SWANSON



Men who had been a member of the Capitolaire more than 10 years ago treated the audience with some of the real old songs. L-R are Don Salz, Ken Potter, Les Cudworth, Kent Borrowdale, Roger Santiago, Joe Sisson, Jack McPhillips, and Bill Seibel.

The Sacramento Capitolaire celebrated their sixty years of harmony in Sacramento at the chapter meeting on Wednesday, June 20. The festivities started with a 6:30 PM pot luck dinner at the Pilgrim Hall of the Sierra Arden Church of Christ.

A proclamation was presented by the City of Sacramento commemorating the 60 years providing music to the Sacramento area. In addition, Far Western District President, Bill Cale presented the chapter with the certificate for 60 years as a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, formerly S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A.

Among the guests at the celebration were former members: Al Redman, former director; Roger Santiago, former treasurer; Kent Borrowdale, former president and current director of the Folsom Express chapter; and Ken Potter, former member. Also attending were members we haven't seen for a while including: Bill Cale, our current FWD President, Jack McPhillips, and Al Smith. It was great to see these members at the chapter. Russ Burgess, a guest of Keith Slater attended for his first time. Special guests included the wives of several members including: JaneAnne Jeffrey/Marr, Betty Carol Smith, Barbara Hertler, Irene Cudworth, and Lela Sisson.

The sixty years of harmony in Sacramento celebration was enjoyed by all who attended.

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**THE SACRAMENTO CAPITOLAIRES MEET EVERY TUESDAY AT 7:00 PM at
SIERRA ARDEN CHURCH OF CHRIST, 890 MORSE AVENUE AT NORTHRUP**



PRESIDENT'S CHORDS

BY JIM CORSON, PRESIDENT



When you stop and think about it, 60 years is a very long time for a group such as ours to have been in continuous operation.

Sixty years adds up to something over 3,000 regular meeting nights devoted to the practice of our craft. Who knows how many shows and other performances were planned and put on? To keep the organizational wheels turning there probably have been some 700 board meetings, and many more music team meetings and committee meetings of one sort or another.

Another way to look at 60 years would be to calculate the hours of singing satisfaction derived by our members from practices and performances alike and the pleasure brought to countless audience members. Think of how many people received pleasure from receiving Singing Valentines and special performances by quartets for other special occasions or when recovering from an illness over the past 60 years.

It is clear to me that we would not be here today, able to enjoy our hobby together, were it not for all those who have been willing, over the years and right up to the present, to give time and energy to help make the Capitolaire a thriving reality.

It was great to have District President Bill Cale with us at our Founders' Day party to present the certificate of recognition from the Far Western District.

The proclamation from Sacramento Mayor Heather Fargo was another nice recognition. I understand that folks watching the TV coverage of the council meeting saw and heard the VLQ that was there to represent us for the occasion.

We do owe a lot for the contributions of so many people for what we have today.

Now, rather than simply enjoy that which we have received from those who have gone before, it is appropriate that we consider what we need to do to ensure that the legacy lives on for the benefit of those who follow us. What will it take to make sure that the Capitolaire are a vital thriving enterprise?

One thing I know of for sure is active leadership on our board of directors. It is not too soon to be thinking about next year. We will be in our nominations/elections mode in a couple of months, and I know that the nominating committee, chaired by Gib Hertler along with Jim Minoudis and Randy Finger, are already at work. If you want to contribute to the future of our chapter by being part of the leadership team, I hope you will indicate that to one of them.

QUARTET CORNER

RIVER CITY MUSIC COMPANY PROMOTES THE CAPITOLAIRES 60 YEARS OF HARMONY ON TELEVISION

BY JIM NEWLOVE

The River City Music Company performed on the daily television show, Sacramento and Company, on Thursday, June 15. Sacramento and Company is seen on the Sacramento ABC affiliate, channel 10. The goal of the show is to inform the Sacramento viewers about upcoming events in the area and to promote these events and the organizations that sponsor these events.

Sacramento and Company promoted the Barbershop Harmony Society and the 60 years of barbershop harmony since the founding of the Sacramento Capitolaire on June 10, 1946

The River City Music Company is a registered quartet in the society with lead, Gib Hertler, bass, Jim Newlove, members of the Capitolaire. Baritone, Kent Borrowdale, is a former member of our the Capitolaire and director of Folsom Express chapter. Our regular tenor is Keith Slater but he was not available for this performance so a former Capitolaire member, Roger Santiago, filled in at tenor.

THE AMBASSADORS HAVE A BUSY MONTH SPREADING HARMONY

At this year's Sacramento Jazz Jubilee on Memorial Day weekend, **The Ambassadors** were on the streets three days during intermission for **True Colors** and **Gaslight** quartets at their shows in the Discovery museum and the California State Railroad Museum. We had six other sing outs in June, including a repeat performance for one family who celebrated their aunt's 90th birthday. We sang for her older sister's 90th two years ago. To our delight, both sisters were in attendance. The Ambassadors had help from baritones Bill Borah and Ken Lunde for a few of our sing outs this month when David Wilder was out of town.

FROM THE EDITOR

The goal of Swipes and Tags is to provide members with timely and relevant information about the chapter members and activities. If you have friends who would like to receive a copy by e-mail, send me their e-mail address.

The deadline for the August issue will be Tuesday, May 25. Contact Alan Swanson 916-786-6018 or e-mail to AhsSwanson@surewest.net

**WEBCAST IS THE NEXT BEST THING***FROM THE SOCIETY WEB SITE*

If you can't get to Indy this year - the webcast is the next best thing.

Updated: 6/20/2006 5:00:00 PM

We are pleased to announce the schedule for our webcast and the hosts that will take us through the week of events. Several guests plan to stop by to join our web hosts for discussions as well as many of the competitors shortly after they leave the stage.

We are also excited about the addition of a "SuperBand" connection for all those folks that are planning a get-together with friends and family who want to watch the webcast on a large screen TV. The "SuperBand" will be available for both the Friday and Saturday contest sessions.

Look at this lineup (all times EDT; UTC/GMT -4 hours)

Wednesday, July 5 10:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies, Quartet Quarter-Final Session I	DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Wednesday, July 5 7:00 PM	Quartet Quarter-Final Session II	DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Thursday, July 6 12:00 Noon	Quartet Semi-Finals	DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Thursday, July 6 7:30 PM	Association of International Champions Show	DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Friday, July 7 11 AM	International Chorus Contest I	SuperBand, DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Friday, July 7 6:30 PM	International Chorus Contest II	SuperBand, DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Saturday, July 8 11:00 AM	MBNA America Collegiate Barbershop Quartet Contest	SuperBand, DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio
Saturday, July 8 7:00 PM	Father-Son-Grandson, Quartet Finals	SuperBand, DSL, Dial-up, free mono audio

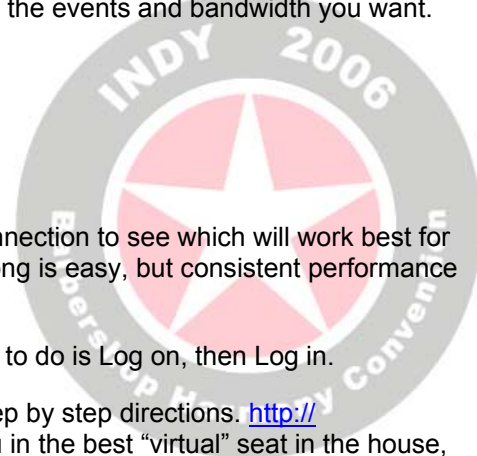
Whether on a slow dial-up phone line or a high-bandwidth DSL, cable, or corporate LAN connection, there are plenty of ways for you to hear and see the very best in barbershop entertainment. Choose the events and bandwidth you want.

- Purchase an All-Events Package for the entire week
- Purchase a single day of entertainment
- Or, listen FREE to the mono audiocast.

Try before you buy! Test streams will be available on the website to test your connection to see which will work best for you and your computer. Please give these a good long listen – a three-minute song is easy, but consistent performance across many hours is a different animal.

Don't delay. Get the formality out of the way today, so that on July 5 all you have to do is Log on, then Log in.

To check which stream is best for you, simply click on our URL and follow the step by step directions. <http://webcast.riverbendmedia.com/barbershop/> Then sit back, relax and let us put you in the best "virtual" seat in the house, as you prepare to enjoy the best that Barbershopping has to offer.





NOTES FROM AROUND THE BARBERPOLE



Nevada-Placer chapter held the 15th annual "SOMEWHAT SERIOUS" INTERCHAPTER QUARTET CONTEST and CONCESSION BEAN FEED on Tuesday June 6th. Several members of the Capitolaire were in attendance.

As usual at the annual bean feed, all who attended had a really good time in harmonizing with old friends and meeting some new friends. Some of the quartets provided some levity for the evening.

For the contest, there were 25 quartets competing. Quartets can have no more than two members from a registered or organized quartet. A man may sing in a maximum of three quartets, but must sing a different part in one quartet.



Late Show, shown above, who will compete at the International Quartet Contest in July, were the (best money can buy) judges for the contest. The hat was passed for donations to help **Late Show** in getting to Indianapolis for the International competition.



Jack McPhillips and Paul Greisen deciding what song to sing just before going on stage! Or, are they deciding who is on first?

Just a reminder that Tuesday July 4, 2006 is a Federal Holiday and that it will be a **DARK NIGHT** for the Capitolaire's rehearsal that night.

The Stockton Portsmen Are Hosting



HOT DOGS HORSESHOES AND HARMONY



PHOTO FROM SOCIETY WEB SITE

It's a Picnic, An Impromptu, Informal Quartet Contest

Games
Lots Of Singing

**Sunday, July 16, 2006
10AM-4PM**

Bring all your picnic fixin's, drinks and meat for the BBQ. It'll be hot and waitin' for your hotdogs, hamburgers, steak or whatever.

Micke Grove Park

North of Stockton - Near Lodi.
Take Armstrong Rd West off Hwy 99
Take Eight Mile Rd East off 1-5
(\$5.00 Parking Fee Required At The Gate)

Contact: Kep Keplinger 209-472-0819 Email: mmkep@sbcglobal.net

Bring the whole family. The park has a Zoo, Japanese Gardens, Kid-die amusement rides and lots of grass for games and good times.



Al Druin, Dennis Giebe, Les Cudworth and Alan LeVezu singing one of the songs that they all knew.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

**Les Cudworth
Ian Gayton**

**07-06
07-21**



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BY FRANK KINNISON,
SECRETARY



June 2006 Board Summary

The meeting was called to order with the singing of "Down Our Way". The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as received. Treasurer, Tom Reaves, reported total funds available are \$5,465.26. The treasurer's report was accepted as received.

Jim Newlove, Chapter Development and Membership VP, reported that we now have 35 members that attend rehearsals semi-regularly. They include 3 tenors, 13 leads, 8 baritones, and 11 basses. We welcome our newest member, Norm Andrus. **River City Music Company (Version IV)** sang at the Jazz Jubilee and handed out chorus fliers to a number of interested listeners.

Keith Slater, Music and Performance VP, Reported that the Music Team will meet the next Monday to discuss the following items:

- Proposed Youth Festival at Roseville HS, Nov. 18, 2006 (Norm Smith)
- Review of weekly audio taping of rehearsals
- Final prep for Eskaton performance
- New music
- FWD Convention, San Jose – chorus has been registered for contest
- The next team meeting on Monday, 7/10, 6:30 pm.

David Jones, Public Relations VP, emailed the Barbershop Harmony Week proclamation to the City of Sacramento on May 22. Included in the email was a request to have the proclamation read at the City Council meeting on June 13, the week of our anniversary. It also suggested that we would like to sing a song to the mayor, council members, and audience.

Clark Abrahamson, Marketing VP, reported that we received a check for \$2,388.49 for hosting the Midwinter Convention.

The next meeting will be held at the UM Center in West Sacramento on July 15, 2006. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM with the singing of "Keep The Whole World Singing."



Barbershopper of the Month for May 2006 is Dave Jones



Dave has been very helpful to the chapter as Public Relations Vice President of the chapter. He has been instrumental in getting the name of the Capitolaire to the public through newspaper and television media.

For his efforts to promote the chapter, Dave Jones is the Barbershopper of the Month for May 2006.



TAG OF THE MONTH

110. After Today

to - day, af - ter to - day. Af - ter to - day, af - ter to - day. to - day, af - ter to - day.

Jay Giallombardo, 1971
Sung by the Acoustix

2006 CALENDAR SUMMARY

JULY

2-9		International Convention, Indianapolis
10		Music Team Meeting
15	9-11	Board Meeting - UM Center
16	10-4	Stockton Area Picnic at Micke Grove Park
21-23		Harmony College West at Redland
29		Barbershop Show—Woodland Opera House
30		
31	10	Sierra Arden Worship Service

AUGUST

5	9-11	Board Meeting
12		Sacramento Area Quartet Workshop, SAQW VII
15	7-10	Chapter Meeting in the Sanctuary
19	9-4	Coaching Session - Marty Lovick
27	11:15	Granite Bay Lutheran

SEPTEMBER

9		Cabaret Show - St Ignatius
15-17		SA AIM - San Ramon
16	9-11	Board Meeting - Library
22-24		YMIH Camp, Sly Park
26		Board Elections



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