



Kokomo Men of Note

Program –Meeting Night (5/4/09)

1st Presbyterian Church - 2000 W. Jefferson Street

Please visit our website: <http://www.kokomo-men-of-note.org>

The mission of the Kokomo Chapter is to promote, encourage, preserve and sing the barbershop style of music; and lead the cause of supporting and encouraging vocal music in our schools and community.

April 27th Attendance: 20 singers – 3 Tenors, 10 Leads, 3 Baritone, 4 Basses
+ Marv Knoll, the “Voice of God”

“Taint Punny, Magee” –“Time flies like an arrow, but fruit flies like a banana!”



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! John Tarkington – May 9th

~~~~~ **Program** ~~~~~

- 7:00 Warm up
- 7:15 On stage - Touch-up show songs
- 7:45 Run through of show music
- 8:30 Break and Business
- 8:45 Run through of show
- 9:15 Quartetting (if time allows)
- 9:30 KTWWS

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♪ Note from the President:

Gentlemen,

I am so glad to see everyone in the chapter investing in their upcoming spring show performance! This show will be a tough project to sell with the current economic status of our local corporations. This situation will add challenges to our project, but DO NOT PANIC!! Your show committee and board trimmed this year’s show down to provide a magnificent show for a very low cost to our fans. We are already looking at our 2010 show as one that goes back to a small auditorium with the more traditional Barbershop show venue with guest talent coming to the show. We need to let our fans know that we are working to accommodate our local economics this year, and that we will be back with a classic Barbershop show next spring.

One more thing! How about that Bryan Harris!!!!!!!!!! He was asked just last Monday night to cover the role of Joe Barbershopper and Bryan became an instant natural for the job with enthusiasm and a performance that is going to make this show come alive! Thank you Bryan!!! CC



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**Mark Your Calendar**

- May 4<sup>th</sup>** – Monday – Music Team meeting @ 6:00PM
- May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Monday – Show planning meeting @ Panera @ 11:45AM (Weekly meeting-members invited)
- May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Monday – BOD meeting @ 6:00PM
- May 16<sup>th</sup>** – Saturday – Show set-up (8:00AM) & rehearsal (9:30AM) @ New Life Church
- May 16<sup>th</sup>** – Saturday – Kokomo Men of Note Annual Show – 2:30PM Matinee; 7:30PM Evening Show
- June 17<sup>th</sup>** – Wednesday – KMoN w/ the KPB – “Nothing Like a Dame” for Broadway/Hollywood night
- June 19<sup>th</sup>** – 6-9PM Harmony International (Ladies Chorus) regional Convention @ Courtyard Marriott
- June 20<sup>th</sup>** – 11 AM – 3:00 PM (core times) Harmony International regional Convention
- July 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>** – Harmony Explosion Camp (Do you know interested youth we can sponsor and send?)
- July 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>** – Cardinal Chord College w/ concentration on Chorus and Quartet coaching & training. (Check your calendar and indicate availability on sign up sheet-we would like to take the Kokomo Chorus)
- July 29<sup>th</sup>** – Wednesday – KMoN in concert with the KPB – medley about the theme "See The U.S.A."
- August 5<sup>th</sup>** – Wednesday – KMoN Concert in the Park – Time TBA

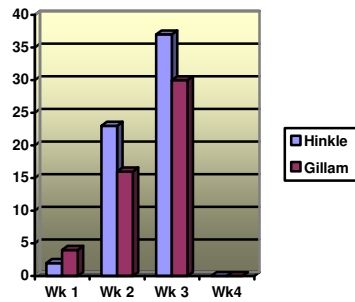
**O.C. Cash sez . . . “Bring me a guy with absolute pitch and I’ll cure him for you”.**

A T-shirt seen at a recent convention:

**Front:** "Just say no to singing flat."

**Back:** "Will harmonize 4 food."

## *Heaven Can Wait!*



### **Who's leading?**

**Ticket sales to date:** Gillam 18; Doyel 13 (Seniors@Northwoods Commons); Grohman 7 (6-A, 1-S); Rose 6; Hawkins 5; Heckert 5; Tarkington 5; Hinkle 4; Maish 2; J. Farkas 2 = 67 total . . .5/4 – T/L=37; B/B=30

#### Notes from last Monday's show meeting:

- 1) Myron Maish will be assisting Tom Rodenbaugh and his committee, helping to coordinate setting up of tables and chairs. Myron will also be assisting in the coordination of "Clean Up" after the show.
- 2) **IMPORTANT:** There will be a rehearsal Saturday morning of the show beginning at 9:30 AM. Room set up will begin at 8:00. Please be prompt.
- 3) Show Committee Report...
  - There will not be any elaborate choreography...we know the music, now its time to have fun, relax, and react to each song as the mood hits you...facial expressions to fit the songs...let it all hang out...some chorus members have already begun to feel the mood...its noticeable...keep it up.
  - Brian Harris will play the part of "Joe"...other members of the Heavenly Quartet will be Ted Hinkle, Phil Rankin and Tim Farkus
  - Steve Backmann will be "St Peter"
  - Al Temby will ask Mark Moss to be our observer during rehearsals
  - Colin will arrange for the 3 large platforms to be added to the depth of the stage. He also has the risers and will bring Saturday AM
  - Al Temby has a bench and a recliner to be used as props. Tom Gillam to help Al in getting them to the church
  - Charlie has a lamp to use, as a prop...will bring Sat.
  - **GOD**, (Marv) will either be positioned in the kitchen or room off the stage. He needs to see what's going on.
- 4) **STAGE DESIGN AND SET UP COMMITTEE:** (Bob Whitacre, Committee Chair)
  - Waiting for you and your committee's input on lay out and design...please Meet with Colin to get specifics of the design and remaining set up that has been discussed by Show Committee
  - Need to design clouds for backdrop (**Ray has ideas for you Bob**)...need to be complete with "thunder and lightning"...consider a piece of tin for thunder sound???
  - Sound man for the church will have colored lights, mics etc....we will pay \$150 for his services
  - Colin has access to spot light...Charlie's son will run spot
  - Bob Whitacre, please arrange for production of a DVD of the show
  - BOB...NOTE: Cam Lambert is willing to assist your committee, but can't be there Sat night..possibly Sat AM?? PLEASE CONTACT HIM @ HOME OR MENARDS
- 5) We're discussing having a "Cast Party"...considering either after the show or on Monday night after the show. I JUST CAME UP W/ AN IDEA, WHAT ABOUT MON NITE AT HINKELMEYERS???? Just a thought. **Ticket Competition, Bases, Baritones vs. Leads and Tenors..good time for loosing team to pay up???** We will discuss w/ Chorus Members further Mon night and vote
- 6) **IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO BE AT REHEARSAL EVERY MONDAY NIGHT TO WORK OUT REMAINING KINKS**
- 7) NOTE: Show and Music Committees to meet next Monday night...Bob Whitacre, please attend
- 8) **REFRESHMENTS PLAN AND EXECUTION** Committee: (Amos Blakeslee, Chairman)  
Bill Doyel has an inventory of soft drinks etc if needed. Menu might include chips, pretzels, soft drinks etc...your wisdom will take care of all this and we appreciate your efforts. Committee responsible for freshening up refreshment table (s) between shows.

*Two weeks until the show, but together we're going to make it happen!*

#### **Stress Management:**

- ❖ Accept that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue
- ❖ Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.