

Seattle Shores Chorus



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Quote

“Once a Winner always a winner, they always try, — harder and stronger and louder and longer. Never say die. . . .

And even if you ain't discovered yet — you're a Winner, that's what you are.

You're a STAR”



From The Winner's Song

By Mary Ann Wydra

This is our Ninth newsletter . If you received it in the post and would rather receive it thru e-mail; know someone else that would enjoy receiving it; or would like to be removed from our list—Let us know. See contact information on the back page.

We're Up, We're Down, We're in there Sluggin'!

Recognize those lyrics? They are part of the song Back in the Old Routine. That definitely describes this chorus.

Since our last newsletter a lot has happened. In January we had new member night and had several interested ladies show up and some even joined us. We had several coaching sessions

in February and March to prepare for competition in Spokane. Before we left for the Regional Competition,

we put on one heck of a show in Marysville for the opening of the Church of Christ. Then we put on another show for our Friends and Family. The MC's had the audience laughing. And so did some of the songs we sang. We sang a few tear jerkers too. It was one of the best shows we have done .



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Quarteting

Quartet: (n.) group of four.
Barbershop Quartet: (n.) Group of four singers that sing barbershop harmony music in four separate parts: Tenor, Lead, Baritone, Bass

when you are the only one singing your part and need to blend with the rest of the group.

Hard work? Definitely!! But all the rehearsing is offset with the satisfaction of being a part of that true barbershop chord! And the fun and giggles with your 'gals' makes that hard work all worth while. It is a known fact that the more chorus members that are in quartets, the better your chorus will become.

If you are interested in having one of them or the entire chorus come to sing for your event contact us. See our contact information on back page.



One way to be sure you know your music is to sing in a quartet. If you do not have the notes and words down, it will definitely show

Keep reading on the next page to find out more about the quartets some of the Seattle Shores members are in.

OUR QUARTETS

Seattle Reign



Seattle Reign chartered in August of 1997 with Ellen Brockman as tenor, Karla Shoberg as lead, Marge Ingram as baritone and Jo Ann Lundgren as bass.

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Our Quartets (con't)

We were and are a chorus quartet, singing for many nursing homes, women's groups, lodges, men's barbershop shows, chorus functions and shows.

Even during the first few years of rehearsing & learning songs, we were able to present the chorus money from our paid sing outs.

Karla had to leave the quartet and chorus due to family. Bonnie Willis stepped in and did a great job untill we found Fran Schmidt. Fran is a great addition and a lot of fun.



Marge Ingram, Fran Schmidt JoAnn Lundgren and Ellen Brockman

We are learning new songs and hope to get back to having more sing-outs in the fall and over Christmas.

Seattle Reign wants to thank Seattle Shores and all our friends for their support and love.

By Ellen and JoAnn

Delighted



Well, there's a new quartet in town!

Delighted starting rehearsing in the fall of 2011. The members are:

Bonnie Willis, Jeanne Anne Craig, Barbara Fine and Judy MacLaren



Jeanne Anne is a member of a capella Joy chorus, and the other three represent Seattle Shores chorus.

Our first performance was at Seattle Shores' Christmas party. Next, we sang at the Family and Friends Nights for both a capella Joy and Seattle Shores. April 2012 brought competition in Spokane. Delighted had a great time, and placed 18th out of 22.

In June, 2012, they had their first paid performance singing for the Tacoma Toastmasters Club. The club loved Delighted's performance, and even gave the quartet a \$20.00 tip. Delighted is looking forward to a year of more performances and overall improvement.

By Barbara Fine

Mostly Mischief



As the name implies, we enjoy having fun and entertaining audiences with music that is tongue in cheek. We love to make people laugh at our comedic antics and funny songs. We sang at the Christmas party to

the tune of The Nursery Rhyme Song.

Each of us dressed up as one of the characters in the song. We each had our own melody in the piece. Somehow it all came together musically. Since then, we have been fighting colds and trying to get our schedules to match enough to meet. With the warmer weather, this situation should get better. We have such a good time singing together that we want to share the fun with everyone. We are working on songs, but are not yet ready for prime time. Hopefully, this will be sooner than later.



Laura Parker, Jamie Miller, Jeannie McNeil and Bonnie Jeanne Massey

By Bonnie Jeanne Massey

Cloud Nine



Our theme song "Wonderful World" describes Cloud Nine very well . . . with skies of blue and clouds of white we love spreading joy and optimism through our smooth blend of barbershop harmony. Although our double quartet will never compete for medals at a

Sweet Adeline contest, we hire coaches and strive for excellence. Our reward is to hear the audience laugh and applaud when we sing funny songs or simply to watch a lady at a senior center luncheon smile and softly sing along with us or be told by a gentleman in a retirement home that our harmony gave him goose-bumps.



Cloud Nine

Cloud Nine consists of members from four Seattle area choruses: Seattle Shores - Linea Croly; Voices Northwest - Suzanne Dahlquist, Lori Peter, Pam Nelson, and Tracy Nagle who is a dual member with Pacific Sound; a cappella Joy - Elizabeth Davies, Marian Jones, and Helen Brew. We currently have open positions for a tenor and a baritone, who must be current members of Sweet Adelines and available to rehearse and perform during weekdays.

If you are interested in auditioning with Cloud Nine or would like to hire us to perform for your next weekday event, please contact Suzanne Dahlquist at 425-293-8971 or e-mail: suzdq4@gmail.com.

By Suzanne Dahlquist

Newest Members— De'Ozhane Holland & Lexi Gemar

With music in her bones, **De'Ozhane** never stops singing. Sometimes her singing is a little more than others in her household can "take" so she goes to her room (also because of shyness.) Born in Seattle she lives with her three adopted "moms" in Monroe. The "moms" all have teaching certificates and used to run a daycare, and now teach her in their private school. She will be participating in the "Running Start" program and will be a senior this fall. She has completed nearly all the requirements to graduate and plans to complete the few remaining classes along with some college courses (Drama 101 and English 101) at Cascadia Community College in the fall. She is finishing this school year taking Literature, U.S. History, Chemistry, Pre-Calculus, Grammar and her 5th year of French. De'Ozhane wants an education so she can go into the world of theater and cinema and possibly work for the FBI.

Last fall, Karen Stark told De'Ozhane about a guest night Seattle Shores had

scheduled and it sounded like fun. The evening was "really fun and the people were really nice!" Since she never stops singing, this opportunity was right up her alley. She was so pleased when she passed her audition and became a member of Seattle Shores. Unable to go to competition in Spokane this year, she hopes to have that experience in the future. She participates in a small choir ensemble in her church where she sings frequently.

When asked what her favorite things were she promptly said MUSIC. It is so much a part of her being and she loves sharing it with others. She also likes movies and her favorite food is Chinese food. Apparently she also likes French since she has taken it for the last 5 years of school.

De'Ozhane is a delightful person and has found a place where she can share her love with others of like interests. Seattle Shores is pleased to welcome De'Ozhane and we look forward to watching her continue to grow in her musical experiences.



De-Ozhane

One day while being bored at the Mukilteo library, **Lexi** (no photo) was talking with her best friend, Angela Philippi. The discussion turned to music and Angela said Lexi should come to a Seattle Shores Chorus rehearsal sometime. So she did and found she loved the pretty songs and the nice people. She appeared in the school musical *Thoroughly Modern Millie* this year and had "so much fun." She has been involved in music most of her life and ultimately hopes to have a career in acting or music.

Lexi was born in Hot Springs, AR but at 6 months old her family moved to Oxford, Mississippi. In 2005 the family relocated to Mukilteo where she met Angela. Her mom works for

Boeing and her dad is a financial advisor. Lexi will be 13 in August and has a little sister, Molly, who is 11. Lexi currently is in the 7th grade at Harbor Point Middle School in Mukilteo. She has been in the gifted program at school and one of her favorite subjects is chemistry. When asked what her future holds, she said "I have an elaborate plan! When I graduate from high school I want to go to either the University of Central Florida or New York University and get a degree in writing and chemistry. Then I want to go to Julliard to get into acting and music."

Although she was not able to participate in the competition experience this year with Seattle Shores Chorus, she does look forward to the performance experiences with the chorus. The chorus is so pleased to know that this musically inclined young lady is learning how to sing barbershop harmony – the Sweet Adeline way!

By Linea Croly

Up—Down—Still Sluggin (con't from page 1)

Although we improved, so did all the other choruses. We did our best and had a great time. We came in 14th. Our quartet Delighted came in 18th (for those that were at the F&F show remember the number 8??) We were very proud of their first competition performance.

Now for the *down*— In May, our Director and a few other members for one reason

or another resigned from the chorus.

BUT while we are looking for a new director we have three members that were music teachers that have taken over the rehearsals. Be assured that Seattle Shores has been around for 59 years and will not disappear. We love each other and love entertaining our fans. And mostly we love to make that

beautiful barbershop harmony.

Change can be good and we plan on using this change to make us even better. We have some performances scheduled and hope to see you at them. (See upcoming Events —we have a singout at the Bellevue Women's Group; at the AquaSox Game in July and we normally sing at the Taste of Edmonds.)

If you would like to join our chorus we hope to have another New Member night soon and will send out notices when this is set up. Obviously the June show we mentioned in our last newsletter is postponed but be assured it will be rescheduled.

Harmonize the World!

By Karen Stark

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New Board Installed

On May 8th, we had our Installation Dinner at Mia Roma Restaurant, along with celebrating our Chorus's 59th Birthday with a delicious cake baked by Jennifer Peranzi.

Below are the members of the Seattle Shores Chorus Board for Fiscal Year 2012.

President: Bonnie Jeanne Massey

Vice President: Donna Heivilin

Recording Secretary: Jennifer Peranzi

Treasurer: Carolyn Starr

Corresponding Secretary: Fran Schmitt

Other Board Members: Vickilynn Gruber

Jo Strobel

Joyce Rimmer

Congratulations Ladies!!!



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FACEBOOK too

Upcoming Events

June 23 at 7:30 PM:
“Memories” SeaChordsmen Show at Seattle Community College. Tickets at door or at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/232853

June 30 at 2:30 and 7 PM & July 1 at 2:30: “a capella Overdrive” show by Northwest Sound and a capella Joy Chorus at Sammamish HS Performing Arts Center

July 12—14: Harmony Explosion

July 15 at Noon: AquaSox performance—See a chorus member for tickets.

July 20, 21, 22: Harmony College NW at University Puget Sound in Tacoma

August 9—12: SET in Yakima—Dale Syverson faculty

August 12 - TBA: Taste of Edmonds performance

