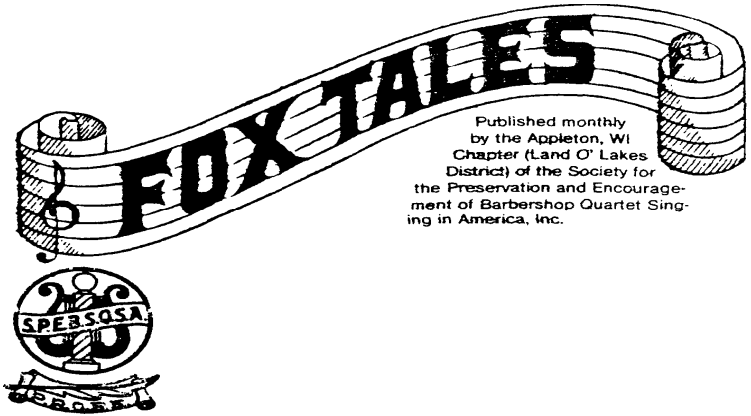


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WELCOME TO 2008

On January 19, about forty Appleton Chapter members and guests gathered at the **Grand Meridian Hall** for a wonderful meal and fellowship. The annual event is an appreciation dinner for our wives and family. At this time we also select the **Barbershopper of the Year and the Frank Wagner Award for 2007**. I am pleased to announce that the **BOTY Award** was given **Don Derozier**. The **Frank Wagner Award**, which was started 23 years ago, was retired at the last board meeting. It was replaced by **Dan Waselchuk Memorial Award**. The recipient for 2007 was our incoming president, **Ken Bester**. You can see pictures later in this issue.



As of this date the Fox Valleyaires Chorus has renamed itself. Henceforth we shall be known as the **Itty Bitty Music Co**. In this age of electronics the stockholders, alias members, decided to call themselves “**programmers**.” They elected a new Board of Directors. **Gene Randerson, Paul Holzschuh, Jack Marcoe and Albert Eg** were elected to ensure that the system development of the new foxvalleyaires.com is developed with the programmers vision. The programmers elected **Tom Vandenberg** as VP of bit/bytes storage and allocations, alias treasurer. The **Itty Bitty Music Co**, also known as “**IBM**” needed someone to maintain their records. They chose **John Scherer** as VP of Archives-shareholders Services also known as, secretary. To keep up with the fast changes of the

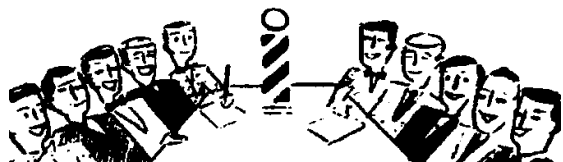
internet and to meet the needs of the new corporation they elected **Gerry Dunning** as VP of personal, also known as, VP of Chapter Development.

Will Mackin will be our systems manger, alias Program VP. He has the job making sure that company meetings are planned to be exciting and orderly. Programmer enthusiasm will increase attendance and make the **Itty Bitty Music Co** the pride of the Appleton configuration. With bits and bytes flowing all over **Bill Albrecht**, our Director of System Alignment, alias Music Director, has the job of making sure the plan is executed as designed. The bits and bytes must be properly timed in correct pitch. Because the Programmers envision a huge growth and expansion and the new corporation is seeking a world-wide market, the programmers appointed **Ken Felton** as Corporate Publicity Adviser, also know as Public Relation Vice President.

Dick Staedt was elected as Corporate Youth Consultant. With his vast knowledge of youth activities he can provide musical activities for the area youth.

As the person in charge of current vision and compliance **Ken Bester** was elected the CEO, alias, President of the **Itty Bitty Music Co**. **Ken's** job is to ensure that all programmers work together to realize the dream for the coming year. It is also his job to ensure no viruses are present in 2008.

My dream for you is that the **Itty Bitty Music Co**, also known as the **Appleton Fox Valleyaires Chapter**, becomes charged and accomplishes all of its dreams. After the wonderful meal and presentations, we were entertained by the oldest chapter quartet, not necessarily by age, **The Touch of Old** and the youngest chapter quartet, **Bag of Tricks**. The evening was topped off by having the chorus sing several favorites,



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Fox Valleyaires Mission Statement

- * To promote the barbershop style of music in the community.
- * To extend to all men an invitation to join our chapter and share in the barbershop experience.
- * To offer members the opportunity to improve their musical skills through crafts and coaching sessions, quarteting and tag singing.
- * To produce an annual show, perform in the community and for charity.
- * To encourage vocal music in schools and our community.
- * To use competitions to gage musical improvement of chorus.

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Up-coming events

You can also check out the upcoming events by going to www.foxvalleyaires.com/events

The Appleton, Wis. Fox Valleyaires Chorus meets every Tuesday from 7:00 to 10:00 P.M. at the Village Hall, 108 Main Street, Little Chute, Wis. The music committee meets at 7:00 P.M. on the first Wednesday of each month.

The board of directors meets at 7:00 P.M. on the **third Wednesday** of each month. All chapter members are invited to attend.

Harmony for Lunch Bunch meets at 11:45 A.M. every Thursday at Schreiner’s Diner, 2437 South Oneida, in Appleton.

February 02, 2008, Saturday: Youth In Harmony Festival at Hortonville High School. The chorus will sing at 4PM.

April 12, 2008, Saturday: Our annual show at **Pathway Church**. The church is located at 311 West Evergreen Drive (corner of Hwy. 41 and 47.

May 2-3, Friday-Saturday: Quartet Prelims and Spring District Convention in **LaCrosse, Wis.**

May 17, 2008 Saturday: Packerland Division Contest hosted by the **Fox River Valley Chapter**.

March 3, Saturday: Quartet School at Stevens Point. Contact **Jack Edgerton** for more details.

March 10, Saturday: Quartet School in Racine.

May 26, Memorial Day Performance at Little Chute Cemetery.

June 24, Tuesday: Inner-Chapter Activity: Annual Chicken Chew at South Park in Oshkosh. Hosted by the Oshkosh Chapter.

July 1-6: International Convention in Nashville, TN.

September 27: Octoberfest on College Ave. in Appleton.

November, 11 Tuesday: Veterans Day performance at Outagamie Court Courthouse.

December, 03 Wednesday: dinner show.

January

- 01 Will Mackin, Bill Kutscher, Rick Helm
- 02 John VerBockel,
- 03 Carl Schumacher
- 10 Jim Manuel
- 09 Bob Schneider
- 17 Royal Uhlenbrauck, Scott Finley
- 20 Lynn Kopitzke
- 24 Les Hannemann
- 25 Bob Pautz



FEBRUARY

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 01 Clifford Lee, Don Gibson, | 03 Mary Ann Reinhardt |
| 06 Gerald Brien, Scott Dorschner | 09 Don Derozier |
| 16 Dave Tyink | 18 Mark Cappear |
| 22 Karen Schell, | 23 Elsa Braun |
| 24 Ken Bester | 25 Don Gehring |
| 26 Frank Knutzen | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 1-30-54 John and Joan Scherer
- 2-18-50 Russ and Rosemary Johns
- 2-20-99 Robert and Judy Pautz

ANNUAL YOUTH IN HARMONY FESTIVAL



Believe it or not, the **Fox Valleyaires** will be sponsoring their eighth Youth in Harmony Festival on **February 2,**

2008 at **Hortonville High School.** If you have not seen the auditorium, it is really nice and the stage is big. It should be a good venue for the festival. **Joe Liles** will be the clinician and **High Rez** will be the teaching quartet and will perform on the show. The Festival Chorus will sing: **“Sha Boom”**, **“Harmony Leads the Way”**, **“Crazy Bout Ya Baby”** and **“Keep the Whole World Singing”**. I’d like the FVA’s to do **“Crazy”** and **“Keep the Whole World”** with the Festival Chorus. The students tell me that they enjoy singing with the adults and get more out of the total experience.

Along that line, I’d like to encourage more chapter members to be there to sing along with the students throughout the day. The chapter members must know the music being sung, because the students will know if you do or don’t, so don’t try to fool them. I can provide music for those that wish to participate during the day. You’ll be surprised how much you will get out of the experience.

The FVA’s and quartets will perform at 4 PM to start the show. **High Rez** will follow and the Festival Chorus with quartets (if any) will sing two numbers.

The **Fox Valleyaires Chorus** will then join the students for **“Crazy and Keep the Whole World”** if **Joe** wants to do it that way. He may want the students to do **“Crazy”** by themselves. I’ll check with Joe well before February.

The schools participating this year will be **Freedom, Appleton West, Xavier, St. Mary’s and Hortonville.** As always other schools have conflicting activities which prevent their students from participating.

Sean Ciske, a Neenah High Student we sponsored to the HX Camp, has an eighteen-voice BBS Chorus rehearsing twice a week at Neenah High. **Sean** will be going to San Antonio with the BBS Chorus from Oshkosh West

High School. I hope to attend one of their rehearsals after the 1st of the year. The chorus performed on the Neenah High Christmas Concert, Sunday, Dec. 16th and was a real hit. **Sean** hopes that concert will attract more students to the BBS chorus. **Carl Schumacher’s** coaching efforts with the **Music Man Quartet** at **Hortonville** has prompted another Hortonville student to put a BBS quartet together to sing for a family members wedding. The FVA’s support of Youth in Harmony activities is paying dividends and we can be very proud that we are involved.

Dick Staedt FVA’s YIH VP

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Submitted by **Bill Kutscher**

All of us are some form of “tater”, whether we know it or not. Do you know which type of **“tater”** you are?

Some people are always looking to cause problems by asking others to agree with them on everything. They are called **“Agie-taters.”** Some people never do anything to help, but are always finding fault with how others do things. They are called **“Comment-taters.”**

Some people are busy and like to tell others what to do, but don’t want to duty their own hands. They are called **“Dick-taters.”** Some people put up a front and pretend to be someone they’re not. They are called **“Emma-taters.”**

Some people offer to help, but they never get around to actually doing the promised help. They are called **“Hessie-taters.”** Some people are always spinning their wheels or revolving in circles and never know in what direction they are going. They are called **“Row-taters.”**

Then there are those who love others and do what they say they will do. They are always willing to stop and lend a helping hand. They are called **“Sweet-taters.”**

2008 Annual Show Songs

Hello Mary Lou
 I Wonder Who’s Kissing Her Now?
 Georgia on my Mind
 If the Lord be Willin’
 By the Beautiful Sea
 I found my Sweetheart
 Sally
 Love Letters
 Crazy Bout Ya Baby
 For Me and My Gal
 My Wife the Dancer
 Lida Rose



TBGRATIN08

Submitted by **Don Derozier**

Text messaging is a new skill that avoids us 'over 60' types. But it can make for an eye-catching title, at least catchy enough to get you to read this far ☺ Still, good old words, "To Be Great in '08" somehow motivate us to step up to another year of singing fun.

At the recent joint board meeting, chapter officers gave mini-summaries of positive and negative events in 2007 and a "Delta-review" of accomplishments and failures was conducted by our president. The new board members were quickly brought up to speed by these efforts. Now they take us into 2008 with a clearer sense of mission, goals and priorities.

We had a wonderful year in our Society and our Chapter. The move to **Nashville** placed the **Barbershop Harmony Society** in the center of Americana. A warm reception by the city and the planned 2008 Convention will likely underscore our success at historical preservation as well as innovation.

The FVA Board has embraced ideas of promoting growth through musical productions, YIH support and ongoing education of members via COTS and Mini-Hep. The new board will find these efforts worth continuance. They may well expand training efforts as resources become available.

The FVA Chorus, a significant part of our chapter, is slowly emerging out of the box of the "tried-and-true" and into the emerging barbershop world of the "untried-and-true." That is, we are learning from other chapters who may not have flourished as well that we need to go with the flow of change that has been initiated by the Society, and respond to the demands for new energy that comes from younger members.

New Visitor Mentors and Polecat Programs are working toward improved vocal production and happier members. The excitement of 'barbershop musicals' and modern venues will help retain membership. Along with increased marketing and advertising efforts, the board of '08 will likely enjoy an increased notoriety in Community sing-outs and productions. Anticipated joint efforts with other musical groups will also broaden our appeal to cover both our aging fans and our new fans. Family-friendly efforts will pay off in new members and chapter satisfaction.

So, TBGRATIN08, let's make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to the **Fox Valleyaires**. And let's pledge to give 100% support to our new board and its committees.

A Plug for the Spark Plug Award

Granting the *Spark Plug Award* is a time-honored tradition in our chapter. At-Large Directors of the board review member contributions in terms of Chapter Development on a quarterly basis. They propose a recipient to the board for a vote.

Members that serve in quiet but essential ways and members who are visible in the promotion and encouragement of Barbershop Harmony (members whose attendance at rehearsals or whose participation in fund raising events, sing-outs or with youth is constant) are reviewed and one is selected for the award. Every member is eligible and often there are several considered as serving "above and beyond" expectations.

I was very much honored to receive the **Spark Plug** for the last quarter of 2007. It hangs on a bookcase beneath a picture of the **Sultans of Sound** and the 2006 Chorus Competition picture, just above my membership certificate.

It strikes me that membership in our Chapter can open many doors to choral, quartet, educational, administrative, and social activities. I am happy that I stepped through that door to sample from this musical buffet. I look forward to supporting the chapter in new and varied ways in 2008.

Again, THANK YOU for this award.

Don Derozier

Editors note: **Don Derozier** received this award for the last quarter of 2007. This is a separate award from the BOTY Award.



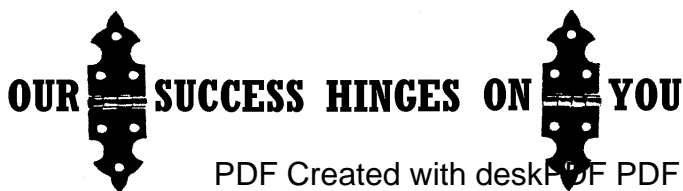
Dear Fox Valleyaires members,

Thank you for sharing your beautiful voices with the residents at **St. Paul Home**. The residents raved about the wonderful music and singing they heard when you came

on **Tuesday, December 18.**

May you all have a Blessed Holiday Season.

Sincerely,
Melanie Gonnering, St Paul Home



Foxtales Fun Food Facts

Submitted by **Scott G. Finley**
(Excerpted from "Eaters Digest" by
Lorraine Bodger)

How Well Should We Cook Pork?

Times have changed. First of all, trichinosis (the Tricinella parasite), is nowhere near as common as it once was. We now know that the parasite is killed off at 137°F not at 185°F. In addition, today's pork is much leaner than the pork of the past, and cooking it the way our parents and grandparents once did will produce nothing but tough, dry meat.

To be on the safe side, pork should be cooked to an internal temperature of 160°F.

To best achieve this, remove the pork roast at an internal temperature of approximately 155° and let it rest. When cooked meats are allowed to rest for 10-15 minutes, it relaxes the meat and allows the juices to redistribute while increasing the internal temperature to 160°F-165 °F.

So, if the pork you are eating is lightly pink, relax and enjoy it!



NEW MEMBER

Our newest member is **Bret Lewis**. Bret has joined the baritone section. He recently was able to go to COTS and came back with a head full of new knowledge about this hobby of ours.

Bret lives in Appleton and is employed in Neenah. I understand that if you need a new lawnmower or want to get your old one repaired, **Bret** is the man to see.



PICTURES FROM THE ANNUAL DINNER



Ken Bester (center) receiving the **Dan Waselchuk Memorial Award** from **Harold Baerenwald** (2006 recipient). **Pat Waselchuk**, **Dan's** widow was present for the presentation.



Don Derozier, right, is the proud recipient of the 2007 **Barbershopper of the Year Award**. Presenting the award is **Kelly Aschebrook**, 2006 recipient.

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Remember to get out and sell those Valentines performances. Quartets are gearing up to have an exciting day. Dates for the quartet performances are February 13 and 14. Call 920-0455 or 9250-759-0262 for your reservation.

WELCOME TO 2008

Important rehearsal locations between now and April 12.

- January 22:** with Sweet Adelines at Grace Lutheran Church 900 North Mason, Appleton
January 29 At Village Hall in Little Chute.
February 5: At Village Hall in Little Chute.
February 12: At Village Hall in Little Chute
February 19: With Sweet Adelines at Grace Lutheran Church 900 North Mason, Appleton
February 26: At Village Hall in Little Chute
March 4: At Pathways Church 311 West Evergreen Drive (corner of Hwy. 41 and 47).
March 11: At the Village Hall in Little Chute
March 18: With Sweet Adelines at Grace Lutheran Church 900 North Mason, Appleton
Mach 25: At the Village Hall in Little Chute
April 1. With Sweet Adelines at Grace Lutheran Church 900 North Mason, Appleton
April 8: At the Village Hall in Little Chute
April 11: Dress Rehearsal at Pathways Church.
April 12: show time at Pathways.

Congratulations to **Mary Ann and Clary Reinhardt** on the birth of their newest grandchild, **Nicholas Jerome Miller**, born on December 28, 2007. The parents of **Nicholas** are **Traci and Eric Miller** from Black Creek.

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Condolences to **Joan and Carl Schumacher** on the death of Joan's brother.

