



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS

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Chapter President



I grew up in the Bloomington/Normal area (central Illinois) for about 12 years. Spent under 2 years living with my older sister, Liz, and her family in Libertyville, IL (near Chicago). Then back to Bloomington for a year. The summer of 1967 my younger brother, Thom, and I were taken to Boys Town, Nebraska, by our father. Our mother had died in 1964 and our father then died a few months after he took us to Boys Town. I went to high school there and flunked my singing test the 2nd or 3rd week that I was there (voice change started that day.) So, I was not in the choir.

I did well in school, debate team and Model United Nations. Went away over the summers to various summer education programs: Phillips Exeter, NH, after freshmen year; Bradley Univ., IL, after sophomore year; and Cornell Univ., NY, after junior year.

I never married but I have 20 nieces and nephews. I have lost count of the grandnephews/nieces, let alone the great grands... Here in the Vegas area, I have a sister-in-law, 2 nephews and two nieces. One of the nieces is married and has 10 children. Five of them still live at home.

I graduated with a BA in Philosophy from Princeton University in New Jersey and obtained an MLS (Masters of Library Science) from Dominican University in Illinois.

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DON'T FORGET!!

OUR REHEARSAL LOCATION WILL CHANGE THIS WEEK

We will be moving to the **University United Methodist Church**
at **4412 S. Maryland Pkwy, LV 89119.**

The first meeting will be on Thursday, March 3rd, at 7:00 p.m.

UNIVERSITY CHURCH is located across the street from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas (UNLV) on Maryland Parkway, between Flamingo Rd and Tropicana Ave.

You can see an online location map here:

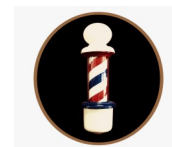
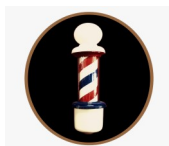
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I was a library assistant, then spent 29 years as a professional Librarian. I spent my entire professional life at Princeton University. I was in Technical Services - Acquisitions for almost 12 years. My last 3 years I was a General Reference Librarian. I did work part-time in reference for a few years during my time in Acquisitions. I spent about 10 years running the Invoice Unit. I paid the bills and tracked our budget (which was around \$20 million a year). I learned more about the international finance system that I planned to. Trust me, sending money to Cuba is a pain!

I have also been an actor, director, stage manager, house manager, etc., for over 40 years. I have done this as an amateur and professionally.

My hobbies include singing, acting, reading and walking. Oh yes, I have even been known to take a drink.

I regret the time in high and college during which I almost entirely quit singing because I was certain I was not good enough. Telling people they should always be willing to try it has become a personal quirk of mine.



SINGING VALENTINES 2022 (Another Success)

It was a busy, yet fruitful, Valentine's Day this year. Good Times! quartet was kept busy as our only available foursome to deliver the annual gift of song. With expert routing, timing and navigating the traffic across the whole valley, they were able to reach nine wives and mothers on Valentine's Day in only four hours. After processing fees, the chapter made \$593.43 from the orders received. Great job, guys!!



A few weeks ago, the chapter was asked for their favorite stories from delivering Singing Valentines. Here are three that were submitted:

A - We went to a supermarket and found our "target" working at a cash register. We sang a couple of songs for her, gave her a rose and a box of chocolates. Of course, everything came to a halt when we did so and when we were finished everyone applauded. A guy who was checking out with a card and flowers chased us to the door... He had completely forgotten what day it was. He begged us to come to his house. We followed him there and he went to the door to get his wife to come out. We sang to her and she loved it! After we sang, she turned to her husband and said, "I thought you forgot." We could have charged him double and he would have paid it!!

B - Our quartet went to a hotel lobby where a young girl was working at registration. There were two other girls, both with flowers on their desk, but our recipient had none and looked sad. We walked up, told her we had a special message from her boyfriend, and sang for her. She started crying because she was so happy, which made it difficult to get through the songs. Her coworkers were amazed. I'm sure the boyfriend definitely got his money's worth out of that!

C - We stopped for lunch at Hooters. One of our quartet had never been in a Hooters and we had to tell him to keep his mouth closed and to stop staring. The waitress took our orders, then asked why we were all dressed up. So, naturally, we explained about Singing Valentines. When she brought our food, the other waitresses came with her and we had to sing for her. The bartender muted all the music and televisions (that's the first time I've ever heard a quiet Hooters!). We got a round of applause from the whole restaurant!

Silver Statesmen Calendar

Calendar Events for 2022

JANUARY

22nd - Annual Awards & Installation Banquet

FEBRUARY

5th - "Love is in the Air" show at the Winchester Cultural Center, 3130 McLeod Dr LV 89121 - 2:00pm

14th - Singing Valentines event

JULY

3rd - Patriotic Songs Performance at Dr. David Dorway's organ concert at Grace Presbyterian Church, 1515 W. Charleston Blvd LV 89102 - 2:00 p.m.

3rd - National Anthem and God Bless America Performance at the Las Vegas Ballpark for the Aviators baseball game, 1650 S. Pavilion Center Dr LV 89135 - 6:05pm

3-10 - International Convention (Charlotte, NC)

AUGUST

20th - "It's Vegas Baby" - 2:00 p.m. - Winchester-Dondero Cultural Center, 3130 McLeod Dr, LV 89121

SEPTEMBER

23rd - "It's Vegas Baby" - 7:00 p.m. - Siena Senior Community 55+, 10525 Siena Monte Ave, LV 89135
(Residents Only)

OCTOBER

13-16 - FWD Fall Convention - Fresno, CA

NOVEMBER

12th - Veterans Day Show - 2:00 p.m. - Clark County Library Theater, 1401 E. Falmingo Rd, LV 89121

13th - Veterans Day Show - 2:00 p.m. - Windmill Library Auditorium, 7060 W. Windmill Ln, LV 89113



**Life's a pitch;
Then you sing**



Puns to Make You Chuckle

You really gotta hand it to short people.... Mainly cuz they can't reach it!

What did one tectonic plate say to the other tectonic plate when they bumped into each other?...."Sorry, my fault."

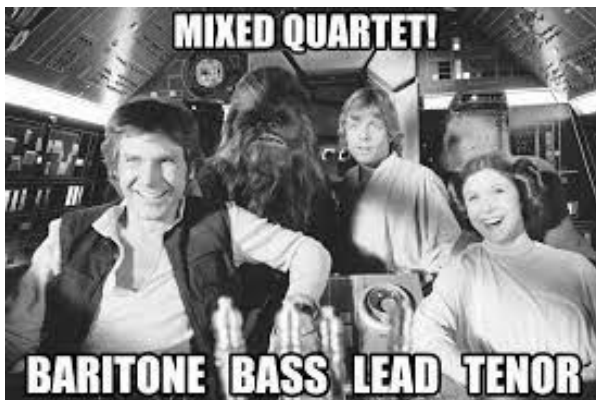
Did you know that the actor, Raymond Burr, had an brother who was a lumberjack?
His name was Tim...

I wanted to make a joke about sodium, but Na.....

The research scientist couldn't experiment on plants because he hadn't botany!

When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

The Middle Ages are called the Dark Ages because there were too many knights....



Our Mission Statement:

"To share our passion for music, to preserve the art form known as Barbershop singing, to enrich the lives of our members, community, and audiences through performance and to bring people together in harmony and fellowship."