

Be Our Guest!

The Rochester Music Men Barbershop Chorus
meets every Monday night (except holidays)

from 7:00 - 9:30 pm at:

Masonic Center

2002 - 2nd St. S.W.

Rochester, MN

(Park in the rear and enter through the South
door and down the stairs)

You will be given a guest music folder and
seated in the appropriate section of the
chorus. An experienced section member will
be assigned as a voice to "lean on" and will
answer all of your questions. The following is
brief outline of a typical evening program:

- Warm-up exercises/easy singing
- Chorus rehearsal
- Break
- Short business meeting
- More chorus rehearsal
- Closing song

You'll get an enjoyable example of what
barbershop is all about - *men having fun
singing together!*

For more information call:
507-282-4910

An invitation to join us in song!



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<http://www.rochestermusicmen.org>

The Music Men Chorus

The Rochester Music Men Barbershop Chorus extends a Special Invitation to men in the Rochester area who would like to join a great singing organization. Participating in the Music Men Chorus is a fun hobby and a great opportunity to blend your voice with other men and provide a unique music resource to Rochester and surrounding communities.

The chorus is a Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, an international organization with 35,000 members. The Rochester Chorus has enjoyed the opportunity to share the Barbershop style of four part harmony for over 50 years.

Weekly rehearsals are held throughout the year to prepare the Chorus for a number of performances. Part of each rehearsal is spent on choral risers. Our goal is to develop a close sense of rhythm and harmony.

Quartets

A unique part of the barbershop music program is the opportunity for individuals to form quartets. Over the years many local quartets have been organized and performed programs for many venues as well as performing on the annual Show. These Quartets may also elect to enter contests at the Division and District levels that determine the Championship Quartets.

The Annual Show

Each fall the Chorus presents an annual show. The Chorus sings a number of songs interspersed with chapter quartet performances. A performance by a special guest quartet is often a part of the show. We pride ourselves in providing entertainment that is "G" rated for the entire family.

Contests

Each year the Barbershop Harmony Society holds a competition to determine the best Chorus and the best Quartet in the world. Competition begins at the Division level with winners advancing to the District level and ultimately the International contest.

The Rochester Chorus, along with 8 others in southern Minnesota and western Wisconsin, make up the Southwest Division in the Land O'Lakes District. Over the years the Music Men have consistently performed well enough to qualify for the District competition.

Many years the Rochester Chorus is host to the LOL District Contest where the top choruses from Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota and part of Canada compete for the Land O' Lakes District Championship. In addition, upwards of 25 Quartets compete in the contests which are held at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester.

Parades

The Chorus owns a parade float and each summer we appear in numerous parades in the

surrounding area. The float is equipped with a sound system to provide quality sound along the parade route for the enjoyment of thousands.

Community Performances

The Chorus is available for performances at Conventions and other occasions during the year.

Singing Valentines

Each year chapter quartets deliver "Singing Valentines." This unique delivery of a song, a rose and a greeting card is a pleasant surprise to many Sweethearts.

Sing Well! Have Fun!