

# Chord Rustlers

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## "The Old Chorale"

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ **September 27-29, 2012**  
District Contest,  
Spokane, WA
- ◆ **November 11**  
Veteran's Day Show  
[Time & Location TBA]

## Thanks to the Tater Pig™ Guys and Gals!!!

The Chord Rustlers, Sweet Adelines, families, and friends turned out in force to stage another successful Sweet Pea fund raiser. Our Tater Pigs™ are always an instant hit with newbies to Sweet Pea and a main diet for long-time attendees. Who can resist the Gallatin Valley russets with the sausage in the middle heaped with sour cream, butter, chives, and bacon bits.

It takes a lot of effort to stage an operation like this one. Thank you to our team: Chairmen, Dave and Kevin, and to Bernie and many other Chord Rustlers who worked way more than their "required" shift—they never seemed to go home. *DH*



## Who is this Chord Rustler?



Periodically, "The Old Chorale" will have an article describing a member's life and experiences.

Liessman Sturlaugson was raised on a cattle ranch near Carson, North Dakota. The third of seven children, he and his three brothers and three sisters were homeschooled all the way through high school. Liessman studied math and computer science at the University of Sioux Falls. He currently attends Montana State University, where he earned a Master's degree in Computer Science this Spring and is now working toward his PhD.


Liessman's first memories of singing were out of the hymn book in church before he could even read the words. Once he grew older, the kids of the church joined to form a youth group choir, putting on about two performances a year, as well as numerous programs in area nursing homes. In college, he couldn't bring himself to give up singing, performing with the Concert Chorale all four years, along with two years in the Singing Camerata, a smaller ensemble made up of select members from the chorus. His time with these groups also provided some great opportunities to travel—from Summer Break road trips through the Midwest to two international tours, one in Eastern Europe and the other throughout Italy.

While applying to graduate schools, Liessman kept in touch with Shane Strasser, a fellow graduate of USF. In addition to good things about the computer science graduate program, Shane told him about his experiences singing barbershop with the Chord Rustlers. After being accepted to MSU and moving out to Bozeman, it wasn't long before Liessman joined the Chord Rustlers as well. He has been a member for nearly two years, having a good time over there in the baritone section. Liessman also enjoys reading, hiking, playing the guitar, developing websites, and using Oxford commas.

*Jerry Mollock*



## Tell Others about Us



Tuesday Evenings 7 pm  
 Grace Bible Church (North Entrance)  
 3625 S 19th Ave, Bozeman  
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“...put customers in a good mood”  
Dwight Adams



## Dewey's Dialogue for the Ageless

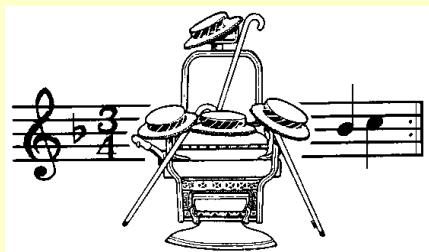
### PUBLIC SERVICE

The Barbershop Harmony Society could do something for this nation that would far outweigh anything that has ever been done for the good of the country. I refer to offering to place Barbershop arrangements of songs in every mall, elevator, and "on hold" telephone service in the country. The other day in the Gallatin Valley Mall the music coming from the loudspeaker was the doggonedest caterwauling you ever heard. Obviously it was sung by someone in extreme pain. Just imagine, instead, a rendition of *Sittin' on Top of the World*. Wouldn't that put the customers in a good mood to buy stuff? Or imagine being put on hold at the Acme Ball Bearing Company and hearing "It's a good day from morning till night." This would be an even better public service than satisfying people's need for a Tater Pig fix once a year.

Dewey

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<b>Directors:</b> Natalie Berdahl	406-579-2211
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## Wear Your Button

**Music is Love is Music is Love  
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## September, October Birthdays

Sept 9 Wyman Schmidt

Sept 18 Sig Dehn

Sept 29 Frank Johnson

Oct 3 Richard Kintz

Oct 9 Liessman Sturlaugson

Oct 9 Dennis Taylor

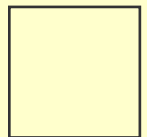
Oct 31 Samuel Hersman



Chord Rustlers meet Tuesdays at Grace Bible Church, 3625 South 19<sup>th</sup>, Bozeman. Rehearsals are from 7:00–9:30 p.m. Guests are always welcome.

## Mission Statement — Bozeman Chord Rustlers

“The mission of the Chord Rustlers is to sing *a cappella*, four-part harmony, in the barbershop style, to support vocal music education of youth, and to provide audiences with wholesome entertainment for all occasions by men who enjoy musical and social camaraderie, desiring to share their love of music within the community, and who aspire to grow in musical excellence and preserve the tradition of four-part harmony singing.”



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