

University of Victoria Chamber Singers Alumni Newsletter

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Alumni Updates:

I post what I'm sent - send me stuff!

Peter Allan '81 and his wife run the very successful Falcon Gymnastics in Victoria.

Charles '91 Barber's book on Carlos Kleiber is in its 3rd printing.

I had a great massage from **Sarah Quist '01** who in addition to her singing, is a Doula and a Childbirth Educator in addition to doing Relaxation Massage.

Leon Leontaridis '04 formed a pop-opera band called Destino which performed at the 2008 Beijing Olympics, Miss America 2008 in Las Vegas, and opened for the Canadian tour of the Rankin Family. He also has a busy vocal studio in Calgary.

Alexis More '99 has been teaching in Nelson since 2005, playing viola in the Symphony of the Kootenays, and touring with her string quartet La Cafamore. This summer she is returning to Victoria (Mom and Dad are sooooo not disappointed!) where she will return to her old job at the Sunrise Waldorf School.

Jennifer (White) Parlee '88 is in her 17th year as conductor of Allegra Choir. They hope to travel to Newfoundland in the coming year.

Greg Magnusson '97 is a Veterinarian in Indianapolis.

John Cole '86 is a Contemporary Music Composer at Elizabeth University in Hiroshima, Japan.

Dallas '80 Bergen's Univox Choir participated in the Mondial Choral Loto-Québec in Laval in 2009 and was honoured to be awarded 2nd place in the Chamber Choir category of the competition. Dallas has been chosen by the Unitarian Universalist Association as the 2013 UUA General Assembly Choir Director; charged with leading a 180-voice choir from across North America.

Tom Heemskerk '86 is Assistant Technical Director at the Royal and MacPherson Theatres.



Bruce's Book Launch party in Victoria

Most of Victoria's 75 book orders were picked up at a reception at Bruce and Connie's on Sunday, April 7. Over 200 were ordered by alumni and distributed by mail and through the generous help of alumni distributors: **Ian Bullen** (20 in Vancouver); **Dallas Bergen** (10 in Toronto); **Patti Thorpe** (10 in Langley); **John Churchley** (7 in Kamloops); **Pam Roberts** (6 in Calgary); **Don MacDonald** (5 in Nelson); **Carrie Tennant** (5 in Coquitlam); **Ruth Bard** (4 in Nanaimo); **Darlene Ngo** (4 in Comox); **Fred Hanes** (2 in San Francisco) and **Mark Ward** (2 in Medicine Hat).

Don '89 MacDonald's opera KHAOS will be one of only four new operas selected by New York based, OPERA America.

Dave Buchan '87 is Head of Performing Arts at the Collingwood School in West Vancouver.

Marion Newman '92, First Nations Soprano, continues her successful career as mezzo soprano soloist in Eastern Canada.

Tobin Stokes '87 continues his mercurial rise as a much sought after Canadian composer. He continues to work on operas: *Pauline* (with Margaret Atwood); *Rattenbury* (with Richard Margison) and *Fallujah*.

Karen Wiltse '88 Antolin is Sales Director at the Hotel Grand Pacific.

André Sherstobitoff '07 continues his excellent leadership with the Victoria Douk-hobour Choir - caught their "show" in Brilliant last month.

Erika Sinhuber '04 is a Band Teacher in Kelowna with colleagues (and C.S.s alums)

John Anderson '76 and **Peter Deroche '81**.

Anne Wilson '89 Unger is Artistic Director/Conductor of Vivo Children's Choirs in New Westminster.

Pam (Kerr '93) Roberts is busy with her two daughters, Emily and Jessica. She works at an engineering firm in the construction arm, doing voice and data network infrastructure and project management.

Dan Hogg '02 is off to Cannes again with his latest movie.

Lindsay Sterk '97 is on the faculty of Pantuo Dance in Courtenay, B.C.

Keith Todd '85 is a Band Teacher in Nelson and plays in the excellent Kootenay Brass Quintet.

Nathan MacDonald '07 and his "bride" are off to Spain for a year of travel and music.

Sheila Sartini '79 Johnson continues her superb choral work in Duncan with her Cowichan Valley Youth Choir. The choral world experienced a great loss with the passing of her husband Jim in September.

JOIN THE GANG THIS YEAR - SUMMER RETREAT 2013 - JULY 5 - 7- RSVP by June 15) (see details on page 2



SUMMER RETREAT 2013

JULY 5 - 7 (RSVP by June 15)

FRIDAY - JULY 5:

Afternoon - retreat begins

(Ferry info. here: bcferries.com)

7 pm: dinner & socializing

SATURDAY, JULY 6

Morning: Breakfast & socializing

11am - Singing

1pm - Lunch

Afternoon: socializing,

hiking, sports, swimming etc.

7 pm: Focus dinner

8pm - Best Chamber Singers stories, games, more singing.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

8:30 m Breakfast

10:40 and 1:20 departures.

(All meals are provided; feel free to bring contributions if you wish - please let Bruce know. Bring snacks & beverages, sleeping bag, suit & towel)

CHAMBER SINGERS ARCHIVE PAGE IS AT: <http://finearts.uvic.ca/music/ensembles/chambersingersarchive/>

BRUCE'S TUNES

http://people.finearts.uvic.ca/~bmore/Chamber_Singers/itunes_page.html

Now available to all singers

This is a site dedicated to my Singers and/or conducting students from the past 40 years who are actively engaged in conducting School, college, Church or community choirs. They are my public domain arrangements and are offered to you for your free use.

"World" Music

Arirang (Korea)
Bumba Meu Boy Bumba (Brazil)
Igquirra Lendlela (South Africa)
Kalinka (Russia)
Ladi Pompong (South Africa)
Logdriver's waltz (Canada)
Lyeepea Vyekovaya (Russia)
Nkosi Sikelele (South Africa)
Now I Walk In Beauty (Navajo)
O Canada
Pare Cochero (Cuba)
Pilentze Pe (Bulgaria)
Schweelo (South Africa)

TulalimaSiponono (South Africa)

Vela Vela (South Africa)

We Majekeje (South Africa)

Humorous Songs

Fawlty Towers Theme

Saanich Coffins

13 Carols from the edge

Tour Songs

1. Thankyou Song

2. "Wrong" Song

3. Late Song

CAMP SONGS

<http://people.finearts.uvic.ca/~bmore/Koolaree/Campsongs>



A clickable database of camp songs chosen from my own camp experiences at Koolaree, reflecting strong "campsong" qualities. They are songs that were traditionally learned by being heard, sung by other campers (aural tradition), rather than learned from printed music or heard on the radio.

Amy Doolittle ('83)

A book about her journey with ALS

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