



The MVEer Monthly

December 2017

December Calendar

Monday, December 4, 2017 Rehearsal, 7:14pm at St. Luke's



Wednesday, December 6, 2017 5pm **Oak Creek Christmas Tree Lighting**

Saturday, December 9, 2017 ***What the Dickens?!*** at Franklin High School

Monday, December 11, 2017 stay tuned for info on VA Hospital singout info

Tuesday, December 14, 2017 Board Meeting, 7:00pm at St. Luke's all welcome.



To get this **official photo** above from Rochester, go to **Groupanizer** and click the "More" tab on the left side of the dashboard. Click on the "Image Gallery" tab then click on "MVE Photos for General Use" link. – **Steve Johnson**, President.

The Saber Center for the Performing Arts at Franklin High School

The **Saber Center for the Performing Arts** was completed in August 2014 and



is located within Franklin High School at **8222 South 51st Street, Franklin, WI**. The Saber Center has a seating capacity of

850 and serves as a high-quality event venue for Franklin Public Schools and the Franklin community.

It has the state-of-the-art acoustics and feeling. We'll just love performing there for our What the Dickens?! Christmas Show.



Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble

The Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble under the direction of **Dr. John Behnke** and associate director, **Suzanne Hibbard** joins the MVE for the Christmas Concert.

Their excellent website is:

<http://www.milwaukeehandbells.org/> which includes clickable audio files of their beautiful music.



The MHE's mission is *"To further the art of handbell ringing by educating, inspiring and informing others on the art form."* Maybe you'll want to buy a CD of their Christmas Music after our shows together at 2 and 7:30 called **An MHE Christmas Celebration**.

Sorry MVEers, you can't be in the MHE and the MVE as we both hold rehearsals on Monday nights. The MHE meets at St. John's Lutheran Church in Glendale. Welcome back to the very popular **Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble**.

No doubt you've seen and heard the MHE on TV for commercials for TV 58 and for Colders.

<http://www.milwaukeehandbells.org/promotions.html>



Installation & Awards Banquet – Steve Johnson

The annual Installation and Awards Banquet is going to be held on Saturday January 20, 2018 at **Klemmers Banquet Center** at 10401 West Oklahoma Avenue, Milwaukee, WI.



For the new people, this is the banquet where we celebrate 2017, give out multiple awards including the Barbershopper of the Year award and install our 2018 Board.



Look for more information soon but in the meantime put it on your calendars. Cocktails are at 6pm. Dinner is at 7pm. And the Awards are at 8pm.

For those who came last year, I promise that there will be an ice cream dessert.

Oak Creek Christmas Tree Lighting Performance on Wednesday, December 6th – Brian Plehn

Those who said they were available will perform our songs this coming Wednesday will meet first at the Oak Creek Library at 5pm.

Dress Attire: Dress Weather Appropriate, feel free to accessorize with festive wear (hats, gloves, etc.)!



Songs to know: ALL SHOW SONGS (Except *Adeste Fideles*)

Drexel Town Square Christmas Tree Lighting



Times are as follows:

5:00pm - Meet at Oak Creek Library (**8040 S 6th St, Oak Creek, WI 53154**) We will warm-up a bit, but please warm-up a bit in your car since we won't have much time before we sing (humming, trilling, breathing exercise etc.).

5:30pm - **Sing for the Christmas Tree Lighting** (which is near the library)

5:35pm-6:30pm: Stroll around the **Drexel Town Square** and sing.

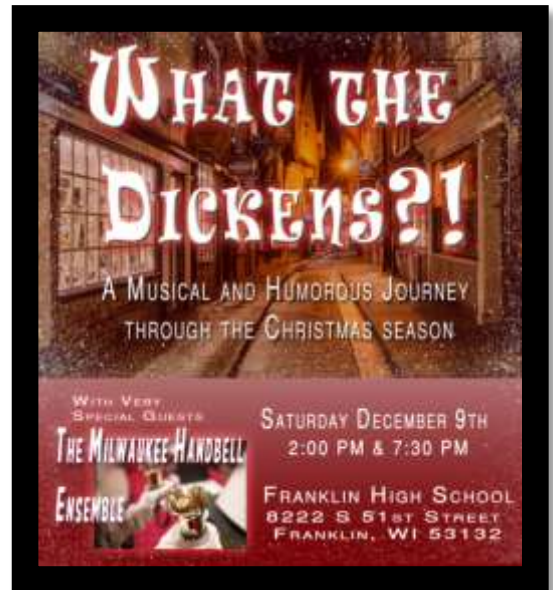
Prepare to be flexible as things may not go as planned. If you have any questions, please let me or Jim Franklin know. This is a great way to promote our show. Thanks!

P.S: Quick directions: East of I94, exit on Drexel Ave. East on Drexel, you'll turn right (South) on S 6th St.

Tickets

Tell all you know we have a great show this coming Saturday!

Barbershop Humor Corner



On the risers: When you **feel terrific**, tell your face.

I asked our director **if I could sing a solo** while the chorus hummed in the background. He asked what my other two wishes were.



Accept a **breath mint** if either your spouse or a barbershopper offers you one.

I sang lead in a high school quartet. After our first public performance my mother suggested that I find three other kids who **didn't sharp** so often. Mothers are wonderful.