



# The MVEer Monthly

July, 2014

## Interview with New Member Stephen Vandenberg

**MVEer asks:** Stephen, we are very happy to have you as a **tenor**. You already helped us win in the Division contest in Stevens Point on May 3, 2014. Your dad is a barbershopper, is that right? Tell us about your musical background.

**Stephen replies:** I have been singing since I was just a little kid. My parents both sing and my dad has sung barbershop for the past 6 years. My music training is mostly in singing but includes violin and guitar. The first choral experience I had was with the **Appleton Boychoir** at age 8. I

continued singing through high school and college. While I attended **Wisconsin Lutheran College** I sang in choir all four years. A few of my friends from WLC and I started an *a cappella* group called **Standard Operating Procedure** which sang covers of current pop songs.



**MVEer asks:** Other than your great voice, what are some of your hobbies or interests?

**Stephen replies:** In my free time I enjoy spending time with my wife, **Kathryn**. As well as disc golfing, camping, and cheering/obsessively following my local sports teams. I also love to drink craft beer/spirits and would love to start my own homebrew somewhere down the road.

**MVEer asks:** Can you tell us a bit more about your family and where you work?

**Stephen replies:** Kathryn and I have been married for 3 years now and have 2 dogs (Harper and Lucy) and a cat (Clementine). I currently am in the midst of switching jobs as I have been a histotechnologist for **Aurora Healthcare** but starting May 19th I will be taking my talents to east beach (a.k.a. **Columbia St. Mary's**).

**MVEer says:** Stephen, it is great to have you in the MVE.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
June 29	June 30 No MVE Practice	1	2	3	4	5
6	7 No MVE Practice	8	9 MVE Board Meeting 6:30 PM	10	11	12
13	14 MVE Practice 7 PM	15	16 	17	18	19
20	21 MVE Practice 7 PM	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 MVE Practice 7 PM	29	30	31	How many directors does it take to change a light bulb? <i>I don't know, I wasn't watching.</i>	

**NOTE:** The Chorus is off two weeks during the International Contest in Las Vegas. And Jake Umhoefer will send out information on **Buffalo Wild Wings** money maker for the chorus planned for Wednesday, July 16 near Mayfair Mall.