



THE GROVE GANG

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**DON'T PEAK TOO
SOON !!!!!!!**



10th of May SINGNG FOR LIFE

Grove Country Sound - Dick Baker, Peter Challoner and Bill Courtis, with the help of AlanMcQuarrie, sing to the Global TV camera as Jim Wilde gives his pint. For Jim it was his "around45th" donation. Grove Country Sound sang throughout the morning and early afternoon with several others from the Grove City chorus and eceived lots of applause from both donors and staff. Thanks to everyone who turned out. Also thanks to Cal who did a great interview. Cal receives blood products on a regular basis. By the way, Orlean Moran has donated over 100 times.

The golden age of the writing of songs that lend themselves to the barbershop style was in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, and came from a wonderful place in Manhattan called "Tin Pan Alley." How did the term come about?

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donor sing out
photos



Left: a group of the guys singing to donors. It was hard for them to clap with one arm "tied down", but they let their appreciation show.

Right: Dickie Baker sings to Candace Korchinsky, Canadian Blood Services public relations person, who set up the whole event and helped with the press releases (too bad we didn't get more coverage, but discovered that many media now don't have much staff on weekends).



Below: Kathryn Cochrane is serenaded as she donates to the cause.



QUIZ ANSWER. TIN PAN ALLEY

A journalist named Monroe Rosenfeld did a series of articles about NYC's thriving music industry and the district in which it was centered. While walking down the street, the sounds coming out of open windows of pianists banging out newly written tunes sounded to Rosenfeld like the clatter of pots



We practice. Getting ready for the competition in Red Deer on the 31st of May. New exercises and also perfecting vowel sounds with mouth shapes.

Well, OK, some mouth shapes such as Alan Macquarie's (top right) may be scary.

OUR NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS IS:

<http://www.evg.org/GroveCity/>

Jim Wilde is our webmaster

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**The Grove City Chorus meets each
Wednesday night from 7.30 to 10 p.m.
at the Broxton Park School, 501
McLeod Ave., Spruce Grove.**

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Directors: Robin Saumer, 967-2417

Jim Moran, 457-1490

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SECTION LEADERS

Lead, Gorden Schaber , Cliff Otto

Tenor: Cliff Goebel, Matthew Cherry

Bass: Alan McQuarrie, Frank Traviss

Baritone: Jim Wilde, Jim Cochrane



WE'RE GETTING READY
(DON'T PEAK TOO SOON)



At our May 21st practice, we had a small room with mirrors, which helped everyone see their facial expressions. Director Vern Roth had to get “up in the world” so we could all see him.

We had an unexpected but pleasant surprise when a group of young ladies, who heard us from an adjacent room came in and acted as our audience.

“I wish Frank Sinatra would just shut up and sing”-

Lauren Becal: from The 2,548 best things anybody ever said.