



Dixie Town Crier

Dixie's monthly chapter newsletter
dedicated to the original town crier,
Chuck Witherspoon



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DIXIE DISTRICT SPRING 2014 CONVENTION & CONTESTS

WHEN: March 14-16
HOTEL: Nashville Airport Marriott
CONTEST VENUE: The Donelson
Fellowship

Registration and housing info will be
available in early January.

Note: The Donelson Fellowship is a
church on McGavock Pike in the
Donelson/Elm Hill/Airport area of
Nashville.

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David Wright Presents his History of Barbershop in Atlanta



On Saturday, February 22, 2014, David Wright will be presenting his History of Barbershop class in the Atlanta area. This is the same class David has been teaching at Harmony College since the early 1990s. Attendees will learn how barbershop harmony has evolved during the past 75 years. You will also learn about some of the barbershop quartets and non-barbershop groups that have influenced the changes and directions that have been taken to get barbershop to where it is today.

In addition to being one of the Society's top music arrangers, David is also an avid barbershop harmony historian. He has collected a vast library of audio and video recordings of vocal groups and barbershop quartets during his 37-year barbershop career. David has taken some of those recordings and created a very informative PowerPoint presentation that he uses to present this class. You will listen and watch recordings of international quartet champions and other vocal groups that have helped shape the barbershop harmony style of music. As a master tag teacher, David will periodically teach tags during his presentation.

In addition to David's History of Barbershop class, participants will also be entertained by the 2013 International 3rd Place Quartet **A Mighty Wind**.

We invite all of our barbershop friends in the Dixie District to join us for David's unique presentation as we learn more about our wonderful hobby together.

Between the morning and afternoon class sessions, a Chick-fil-A box lunch will be provided for those who choose to purchase the \$20.00 ticket. If you prefer to bring your own lunch, a \$15 ticket should be purchased for the training session only.

To purchase tickets or to obtain more information about how you can attend David's History of Barbershop class, contact Paul Schultz at:

historyofbarbershop@gmail.com.

Hoping to see you there!!!

David Belden reporting

Officers Installed, Awards Presented in Nashville

The Nashville Chapter finished 2013 with its annual installation of officers and presentation of chapter awards. Dixie District President Larry Deters presided over the installation of Charlie Davenport (President) and George Reynolds (Executive Vice-President) as well as the remainder of the chapter officers and board members. The members of the Music City Chorus are looking forward to an exciting 2014 which will include a trip to Las Vegas to compete in the International Chorus Contest.



DIRECTOR'S AWARD
Marcus Nielsen



BARBERSHOPPER OF THE YEAR
Paul Wietlisbach



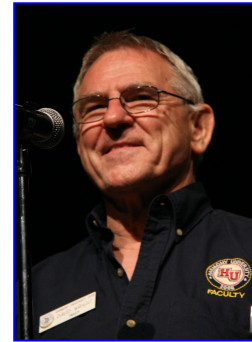
ROOKIE OF THE YEAR
Mike Beck

FRANK CRISTINA SPIRIT AWARD
Christopher Loftin



What is the History of Barbershop Harmony?

*On February 22, 2014, Atlanta Vocal Project will host a **History of Barbershop** class presented by David Wright. David has taught this very popular class at Harmony College since the early 1990s.*



*Attendees will also be entertained by the 2013 International Bronze Medalist Quartet **A Mighty Wind**.*

We invite all of our barbershop friends in the Dixie District to join us for David's unique presentation as we learn more about our wonderful hobby. David will also be teaching us some great tags during his very interesting class.

When: February 22, 2014
10:00AM – 4:00PM

Where: St. John United Methodist Church
550 Mt Paran Rd NW
Atlanta, GA 30327

Tickets: \$20 Training Session + Chick-fil-A box lunch included
\$15 Training Session only

For more information about the class or to purchase tickets, please contact

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Deadline for chapters and quartets to submit articles and photographs for the next issue is JANUARY 25. Submissions should be sent to:

david.belden@comcast.net

Remember to have YOUR chapter news published each month in the Dixie Town Crier

As we begin a new year, it is my pleasure to once again serve as the Editor of the Dixie Town Crier. The district publishes this monthly online newsletter to better promote communication between chapters. Each chapter is encouraged to submit articles, photos, show flyers, or event announcements. Has YOUR chapter appointed someone to send in your chapter news each month? If so, make sure you have your submissions ready by the 25th of each month. If you have not yet appointed someone to handle this responsibility for your chapter, please do so.

David Belden, Editor

**THE DEADLINE FOR CHAPTER, CHORUS,
AND QUARTET NEWS FOR THE FEBRUARY 1 ISSUE
IS JANUARY 25!
SEND YOUR NEWS TO
DAVID.BELDEN@COMCAST.NET**