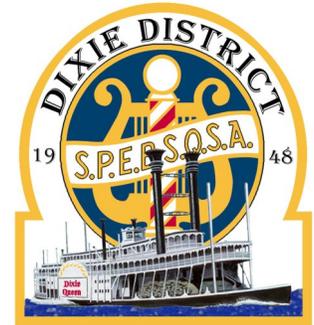




Dixie Town Crier

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



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A Month of Harmony for Choo Choo Chorus

May was a busy month of harmony for the men of the **Choo Choo Chorus** (Chattanooga Chapter). Early in the month the chorus presented its annual show. The title of this year's show was "Can You Feel the Love Tonight." The songs the chorus sang covered the years

1854 to 1994 and the dress shown in the photo (top, left) represented three different eras. The photo shows one scene from the background video used in the show. The video used photographs donated by members of the chorus family, and the photos represented things that are loved. Sitting on the bench in the photo are Tom and Barbara Keegan. Tom has been a barbershopper for over 50 years.



The show marked the first time the chorus had performed in their new blue coats. **MC4**, the current district quartet champion, was the guest quartet.

Later in the month the chorus sang at the Memorial Day service at the historic Chattanooga National Cemetery. Pictured in the photo (bottom, left) are the chorus, the Gold Star wives and mothers (in yellow), and local dignitaries and a large audience.



The show photo is courtesy of Linda Toups. The Memorial day photo is courtesy of Steve Wixson.

DIXIE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

Good Luck at the Pittsburgh International Contests!



A MIGHTY WIND



MC4



BOARDWALK



REDZONE



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PRELUDE



LOOP 10



MUSIC CITY CHORUS



Youth In Harmony

Jim Moore, VP

Date set for Harmony Explosion Camp

Put this date on your calendar: July 16 – 19, 2015, Harmony Explosion Camp, University of Tennessee Chattanooga.



Did you know there is NO CHARGE to run your chapter's show flyer in the Dixie Town Crier?

POSITION AVAILABILITY

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Sarasota Chorus of the Keys

"A Barbershop Chapter that attracts and retains quality singers, while providing a platform for each to improve in a fun and supportive environment."

The Sarasota Chorus of the Keys is accepting applications for the position of Music Director.

This individual must display the talent and ability to work with an exceptional Chorus Leadership Team to carry out the Chorus mission; to continue its measurable improvement in singing quality and performance. The Chorus has been on this path for over two years, and has made great progress in this area. The quality of its singing and performance has been measured by a dramatic improvement in Sunshine District Competition scores and annual audience surveys.

The individual must have directing experience or education, a love of Barbershop singing, great communication skills, and demonstrate an understanding of the Chorus goals; as well as an idea of how to assist the Chorus Leadership Team to achieve these goals.

A GENEROUS COMPENSATION PACKAGE IS BEING OFFERED

Interested individuals should contact Patrick Kilbane, Search Committee Chair, by email patrick.kilbane@ms.com at to request an Application or to learn more.

Nashville Chapter Preps for International Contest

It is crunch time for Nashville's **Music City Chorus** as they prepare to represent the Dixie District at the International Chorus Contest in Pittsburgh.

The Dixie District has not had a representative earn a chorus medal since the **Big Chicken Chorus** placed third in 1999. Of course, the other 27 choruses headed to Pittsburgh are also hoping to bring home a medal for their own district.

In addition to the weekly Tuesday night rehearsals, the **Music City Chorus** held a three-day retreat at Paris Landing State Park. Hours were spent in rehearsal sessions with coaches Kevin Keller and David McEachern. While great progress on the contest set has been made, the chorus will continue to polish their set prior to leaving for Pittsburgh at the end of June.

The Nashville Chapter will also be represented in the quartet contest. **MC4** is a chapter quartet, and **RedZone** and **'Round Midnight** include Nashville chapter members among their quartet makeup.



One of the after-hours activities at the chorus retreat was a quartet tag contest. Nearly 20 quartets were formed, with Rich Smith, Robert Strong, Bill Munn, and Sam Wey taking top honors this year.



Nashville Chapter member Wayne Grimmer sings lead in the 'Round Midnight quartet which will compete in Pittsburgh.

Heart of Georgia Barbershop Chorus Presents A Night of Barbershop Harmony



Macon Harmony



Harmonic Balance



MC4

Additional guests

Confederate Harmony Brigade

SATURDAY, September 12th, 7:00 p.m.

Wesleyan College's Porter Auditorium

4670 Forsyth Rd, Macon, GA

Ticket Information:

\$15 Adults, \$10 Students & Military (with valid ID)

www.hogchorus.org or call (478) 345-SING (7464)

2016 North Carolina Harmony Brigade Chuck Greene Youth Scholarships



Attention Male Singers Ages 18-28

Full Scholarships are NOW AVAILABLE for qualified male *a cappella* singers ages 18-28 to attend the North Carolina Harmony Brigade and its "eXtreme Quartetting" rally in Pinehurst, NC on January 15-17, 2016.

You'll enjoy an expense-paid weekend of wall-to-wall singing in dozens of quartet combinations with over 100 well-prepared and experienced quartet singers, while being treated to the first-class lodging and cuisine, found only in the Carolina Inn and Resort.

Interested in knowing more? Click on
NCHB.Scholarships@gmail.com
to receive a prospectus that details all the weekend's inclusions!



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2015 Dixie District Calendar

International Convention

June 30—July 5

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Harmony Explosion Camp

July 16-19

University of Tennessee Chattanooga

Fall Contest

October 23-25

Dunwoody, Georgia

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SEND YOUR NEWS TO
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