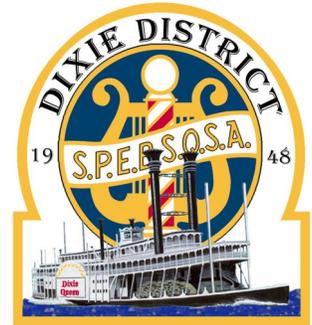




Dixie Town Crier

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



April 1, 2016

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Crimson Pride Chorus Wins Championship In Dixie District's Closest Contest Ever

You can't get any closer than this.

The **Crimson Pride Chorus** from the Tuscaloosa, AL chapter won the Dixie District Chorus Championship by one point ... over not one, but two choruses.

The judges awarded **Crimson Pride** 904 points, while **RVSP** (Germantown, TN) and **Voices of the South** (Central Alabama) each earned 903 points. The average score of all

three choruses was 75.3.

Rounding out the contest were **Sound of Tennessee** (74.7), **Stone Mountain Chorus** (70.8), **The Big Chicken Chorus** (68.6), **The Appalachian Express** (67.2), **Choo Choo Chorus** (63.6), **Smokyland Sound** (63.1), **Garden City Chorus of Augusta** (62.8), **Memphis Men of Harmony** (60.6), and **Southern Splendor Chorus** (58.5). **Southern Splendor** was the Most Improved Chorus.



Dixie District Contest Photos Courtesy of Tony Nichols

Six Quartets Qualify to Compete at International 2016



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The Summit (Out of District)



Ohana Means Family (Youth Quartet)



Dixie District Barbershopper of the Year

TIM BROOKS



The Dixie District crowd gave a rousing reception for 550 Chord, the U.S. Army quartet that served as the mic tester quartet. The lead in the quartet, Cliff Hinson, is a former member of the Music City Chorus.

Jess Helton Reporting

Northeast Tennessee Chapter Recognizes Members, Thanks Families

The Northeast Tennessee Chapter (**Appalachian Express Chorus**) met in December 2015 at their rehearsal venue Crossroads Christian Church in Gray, TN to reflect on the year, recognize members, and to thank our supporters and families. This year was a bit different with the addition of karaoke. Member Tyler Carpenter has a karaoke side business and graciously donated his skills and equipment to make the event more festive.



Barbershopper of the Year: Bill Boggs (from left to right: Jim Snodgrass, Bill Boggs, Jess Helton)



Karaoke Maestro: Tyler Carpenter



Ward Hilemon, Carole Hilemon, Kathy Bowman, Tony Bowman



The Northeast Tennessee Chapter (**Appalachian Express Chorus**) hosted its second annual Friends and Family Night at Crossroads Christian Church in Gray, TN, on March 14, 2016. Over 100 people attended to partake in fellowship, finger foods, and a few songs by the chorus as they prepared to depart for Oxford, Alabama Spring Convention. The event allowed the chorus to present its two contest songs to an audience before contest. (Photo courtesy of Jess Helton)



A small cohort of the **Appalachian Express Chorus** called the **Men of Note** sang the National Anthem for a packed Thomas Stadium in Johnson City, Tennessee in March 2016. The collegiate contest was between East Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. (Photo courtesy of Jess Helton)

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<i>I'm Into Something Good</i>	John Fortino	Possibly	Jordan.litz.com
<i>L-O-V-E</i>	Larry Triplett	Yes!	Jordan.litz.com
<i>I've Got the World on a String</i>	Adam Reimnitz	Yes!!	Timtracks.com

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WHO: Men's, Women's, and mixed quartets

WHAT: commuter coaching

WHEN: Monday, July 25th - Thursday, July 28th, 7 pm

WHERE: Belmont University

WHY: Can't give up a week of work, vacation, or the expense of attending Harmony University, but you can drive to Belmont for one night of coaching? Come join us!

COST: \$150 per session

HOW: Register as if you are a week long student, but instead of selecting a college, scroll down to the one day commuter quartet option at \$150. After payment, you will automatically be redirected to SCHED (a scheduling page). Scroll down to the day you want at 7 pm, and select commuter quartet coaching session. Click that little circle on the left, and you are in! You will see hundreds of other classes that you can't take.... sorry! Now, get with your quartet and look at our faculty list with bio's below. Before you select your top 3 coaches, check to see if these coaches are already scheduled to teach a master class on the night you want at 7:30 [HERE](#). If they are teaching the same night you requested coaching, they are not available. Send your top 3 prioritized (and available) coaches to Donny Rose at Drose@barbershop.org, and he will try to connect you with your coach. You may request any man or woman on our list, and will most likely get your #1 pick... *unless some other quartet beat you to them!* Please do not send in requests until you have paid in Eventbrite. Several of our staff that are NOT available have been removed from this list.



Coaches from our quartet and chorus coaching pod:

MUSIC: Steven Armstrong

MUSIC: Alex Morris

MUSIC: Mo Field (SAI)

MUSIC: Evan Boegehold

SINGING: Anthony Colosimo

SINGING: Alex Rubin

SINGING: Rich Knight

SINGING: Jordan Travis

PERFORMANCE: Mark Kettner

PERFORMANCE: Marty Lovick

PERFORMANCE: Cy Wood

PERFORMANCE: Gary Steinkamp

SHOWMANSHIP: Carlos Barillo

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McEachern

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dert (SAI)

SHOWMANSHIP: Joe Hunter

Coaches from our other colleges:

Don Campbell

Chris Peterson

Jay Dougherty

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Lawrence Dodge

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Rich Lapp

Ron Black

Wayne Grimmer

Kim Wonders (SAI)

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Rob Mance

Debbie Cleveland (SAI)

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2016 Dixie District Calendar

BHS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

July 3-10, 2016

Nashville, TN

DIXIE HARMONY EXPLOSION CAMP

July 14-17, 2016

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BHS HARMONY UNIVERSITY

July 24-31, 2016

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DIXIE DISTRICT FALL CONVENTION

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