



A Publication of Carolinas Barbershop Harmony

NSC November '24 News

Membership Stats a/o 11/15/2024: NSC Active Membership: 484 NSC Active Quartets: 45

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Lots to Report On!

To all: Thank you for taking the time to keep up with the District News-we couldn't do this without your dedication and talent! All of us are part of a 501(c)3 organization; the donation of our time and talents are indispensable for the continuation of this, our hobby, our lifestyle, our escape, our first love, our connection to our community. If there's something you want us to report on, or have questions, please just email vp-communications@carolinasdistrict.org, and THANK YOU!!

YOUR BOD

Your New Board of Directors for 2025

Elections were held at the October HoD meeting. Our incoming Board for 2025 is below. Bios will also be posted on the website in January!

Jeff Osborne......President
Bob Boone.....Executive VP
Richard Harris.....Secretary

Ted Leinbach......Treasurer

Justin Slack......Chapter Support VP Beverly Greene.....Communications VP

Steve Curulla.....Contests & Judging VP

Jason Kekas......Events VP Chris Bianco.....Marketing VP Tom Parker......Music & Performance VP Mike Fitch......Youth in Harmony VP Nicholas DiLorenzo..Immediate Past President Jessica Cerri.....Member at Large Ray Gatland.....Member at Large Larry Gilhousen....Member at Large Paul Martin.....Member at Large Ken Thomas.....Member at Large Nathan Vaughan.....Member at Large

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

House of Delegates October Meeting

Twice yearly, our District holds a House of Delegates meeting for all Chapter Presidents and our Board. Elections, state-of-the-district information, and more occurs. If you are interested in keeping up, please view our Fall 2025 HoD Meeting here.

NSC CHAPTER SUPPORT

Where's Tom Been?

Your Chapter Support Rep, Tom Parker, is always busy visiting even more Chapters...it's always worth it! Just ask what and why we do this.

~Tom Parker, VP-Chapter Support

 Coastal Harmonizers (Brunswick County, NC) directed by Kat Vigil

2-3. Low Country Chorus (Grand Strand) directed by Marty Rhoades

4-5. 13th Colony Sound (Savannah, Ga) directed by Eric Grimes











AROUND THE DISTRICT

Fayetteville Sound!!

The Fayetteville Sound sang the national anthem to a huge crowd at the Fayetteville Marksmen hockey game on Saturday November 16th!



AROUND THE DISTRICT

Extra Credit to SWD Fall Contest

Back during the first weekend of October (4th through 6th), Extra Credit (the quartet of four chorus teachers), took a trip to Dallas, Texas for the SWD District Fall Contest. We went for scores and evaluation only (having attended Harmony University in July we wanted to see what numerical improvement we gained from a week of coaching). We had a fantastic time, seeing old friends and meeting new ones. We came out of the contest with a score of 76.5, and we are quite happy with it!

With the weekend trip coming just days after Hurricane Helene ravaged through the southeast, it was fairly emotional for the quartet, especially me (Nate). Living in Asheville, seeing the destruction and being locked from the outside world for a few days was shocking and traumatic. Finally being able to get out and spend time with some of my closest friends and sharing our stories to the world felt relieving, vulnerable, and hopeful, all at the same time. The love we felt from the Southwestern District was immense; they even put together a fundraiser for the Land of the Sky Chorus over the weekend, it raised over \$1000 in 48 hours.

The barbershop family is a large but closely knit one. We love and support each other as we need. We care for each other. Barbershop matters, and not just for the music. We would love to share our experience with the district (and let folks know we are available to sing on their shows!!!!!!)

~Nate Leuders, Kayla Fernandes, Amy Moyer, Haley Burton







She Used to Be Mine

BHS NEWS

Midwinter Registrations and HU!

You still have time to register for the **2025 Midwinter Convention** in San Antionio, being held Jan 28 - Feb 2. San Antonio has quite a reputation for a fabulous place to visit...and of course, there's never enough barbershop. Prices increase Dec 17, so book now! HU location and dates are in! Often called 'The best week in singing", **Harmony University** will be held again July 22 - Aug 3 in Denver, CO. Classes, coaching, choruses...you name it, you can experience it!

CHAPTER REQUEST

Hurricane, Asheville and International

The Land of the Sky Chorus in Asheville is looking for support. After winning the district contest last April, we qualified for the International Competition in Denver in July of 2025. However, Hurricane Helene's devastation has hit our community hard, with many of our members facing loss of property or income. To assist our members with the costs, the Asheville Chapter has set up a GoFundMe site to raise funds. If you are able, please consider a donation to help all our members get to Denver to sing on the international stage! And also a huge Thank You! to all who have called, or in so many ways supported us thus far.

Link to our GoFundMe page: https://www.gofundme.com/f/asheville-chorus-denver-2025

or Go to GoFundMe.com and search for: asheville-chorus-denver-2025



Land of the Sky Chorus: District Chorus Champs! April 2024

Upcoming Shows!!!





North Carolina Harmony Brigade Spectacular!

With outstanding quartets and featuring special guests:

2024 Carolinas District Quartet Champ **Comeback**





Owens Auditorium at Sandhills Community College Sat. Jan. 18, 2025 at 7:00 pm

Tickets are available at https://ticketmesandhills.com/ or at the door. Also R Riveter, in Southern Pines;

Provision Ace Hardware, in Whispering Pines and Seven Lakes; and Heavenly Pines Jewelers — Pinehurst South
You may also contact Jerry Ritter (910-295-4138 / jritter@nc.rr.com) or Bob Boone (910.695.3263 / boonerd@nc.rr.com)

LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Learn, Share & Enjoy NSC LeadAc

We've scheduled our 2025 Leadership Academy for Saturday, Feb 8, via Zoom.

- <u>Everyone</u> is invited for Saturday morning stimulation, knowledge acquisition and discussions
- Classes will be held for all major Board positions-but ALL are welcome and encouraged to see what it's all about, what interests them, what the District is planning and working on.
- The class information will be coming soon...please consider joining us for all or even part of the event; the information and discussions are always worthy.
- Discover new ideas, and also contacts for your projects
- Additional classes of interest will be offered..we'll keep you updated here!
 For more information, contact <u>Bob Boone</u>, Dean Leadership Academy

The Calendar Your Link to Upcoming District Events and Chapter Shows

Click the link for the official **District Calendar**, that includes time

and place. Here's a recap of what's scheduled to date. Contact District Secretary **Justin Slack** at

<u>secretary@carolinasdistrict.org</u> to get your chapter show cleared for posting to the District calendar, etc.

Dec 8 - Cape Fear Chordsmen, A Selfie with Santa Dec 14 - Heart of Carolina, Home for the Holidays Dec 17 - Oak City Sound, Songs of the Season

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Jan 28-Feb 2 - **BHS Midwinter Convention** - San Antonio, TX Feb 8 - **NSC Leadership Academy** - NSC District via Zoom April 4-5, 2025 - **2025 NSC Convention** - Pinehurst, NC



Important Links

> Carolinas Barbershop Harmony

> HU Warmup Series on YouTube

<u>> Barbershop Harmony Society</u>
(BHS)

> Previous Carolina Crooners

Please send in letters, photos and comments with your opinions, ideas and experiences to share, and ideas to ponder. We hope to see you at our 2025 Leadership Academy on Feb 8 via Zoom!

Yours in Harmony,

Beverly Greene, VP Communications VP-Communications@carolinasdistrict.org



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