

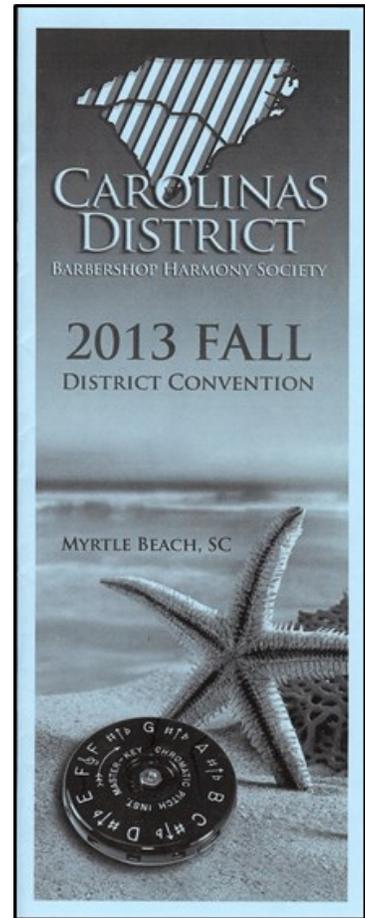
# Fall Convention and Contests

Myrtle Beach, SC October 25-27, 2013

The convention returned to the Marriott Resort & Spa in Myrtle Beach, SC. Thirteen choruses competed. **The General Assembly (Research Triangle Park, NC)** was the District Chorus Champion. **Palmetto Vocal Project (Mount Pleasant, SC)** was the Plateau AA Chorus Champion and qualified for the 2014 International Contest in Las Vegas, NC. **Heart of Carolina Chorus (Central Carolina, NC)** was the Plateau A Chorus Champion. **Palmetto Statesmen (Spartanburg, SC)** was the Most Improved Chorus.

A was a great convention for setting quartet records. A record 24 quartets competed—previous high was 21 in Fall 2010. A record 13 new quartets competed—over half the quartets. A record 18 chapters were represented by the competing quartets—previous high had been 14 at the last two Fall contests. First time chapters represented: **Charleston, Edenton and Pinehurst**. And another interesting fact is that on the Saturday night show 9 of the 27 men on stage with the **Palmetto Vocal Project** had competed in quartets for the Saturday night quartet finals—that is 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the chorus!

When dust settled from setting all those records **Zero Hour** was District Quartet Champion, **Four Knights Standing** was District Novice Quartet Champion, and **BLackJack** qualified to represent the District at the International Seniors Quartet Contest in January 2014.



**Palmetto Vocal Project** on the Saturday Night Show with 9 of the 27 members having competed earlier in the quartet finals



District Quartet Champion  
**Zero Hour**



District Novice Quartet Champion  
**Four Knights Standing**



(left)  
**BLackJACK**– International Seniors Quartet Representative

(bottom left)  
**Keynote** – Second Place Quartet

(bottom right)  
**One Accord** – Third Place Quartet



Derek Street, director for **Palmetto Vocal Project** accepts awards for Plateau AA Champion and qualifying as the District's representative to the 2014 International Chorus Contest



The District Chorus Trophy passes from Mikey Mancuso, **Palmetto Vocal Project** President, to The **General Assembly** represented by Bill Rashleigh (Director) and Paul Martin (President)





**District Quartet Champion**  
**Zero Hour**  
 Charlotte, NC, Sunrise, FL, Frank Thorne  
 Ben Mills (T), Larry Lane (L),  
 Scot Gregg (Bs), Mark Rodda (Br)



**Second Place**  
**Keynote**  
 Mount Pleasant, Lexington County, SC, Frank Thorne  
 Travis Murray (Br), Dan Waltz (Bs),  
 Derek Street (L), Michael Fitch (T)



**Third Place**  
**One Accord**  
 Spartanburg, SC  
 Butch King (Br), Steve Skinner (Bs),  
 Christopher Hale (L), David Satterwhite (T)



**Tucker Street**  
 Research Triangle Park, NC  
 Jason Patrick (T), Chris Mueller (L),  
 Chuck Rich (Bs), Chris Kirkland (Br)



**WHAMMY!**  
 Central Carolina NC; Elizabethtown, KY; Miami, FL  
 O.J.de la Osa (Br), Craig McDonald (L),  
 Andre Kunej (Bs), Mathew Gorman (T)



**Harmony Grits**  
 Research Triangle Park, Charlotte, Winston-Salem, NC  
 Steve Tremper (T), Walter Miles (L),  
 Ted Leinbach (Bs), Jim Nappier (Br)



**International Seniors Representative**  
**BLackJack**  
 Wilmington, NC  
 Jim Benson (Br), Bryson Ley (Bs),  
 Larry Reinhart (L), Kirk Binning (T)



**Quartet X**  
 Charlotte, NC  
 David Dell (T), Stephan Curulla (L),  
 Will Sanders (Bs), Jefferson Sims (Br)



**Infinity**  
 Mount Pleasant, Charleston, SC; Dallas Metro, TX  
 David Box (Br), Phillip Wilcox (Bs),  
 Lewis Law, Jr. (L), Kevin Gillett (T)



**Shrimp 'n Grits**  
 Mount Pleasant, Charleston, SC; Wilmington, NC  
 Richard Harris (T), Steve Cowart (L),  
 Shawn Whisenant (Bs), Mikey Mancuso (Br)



**Village Green**  
 Charlotte, Winston-Salem, RTP, Rocky Mount, NC  
 Ted Leinbach (T), Charles Rose (L),  
 Jon Vickers, (Bs), James Nappier (Br)



**Still Standing**  
 Charlotte, Greater Gaston, NC  
 Al Sundling (T), Chuck Villier (L),  
 Dick Kruse (Bs), Jim Eddings (Br)



***The Hardly Boys***

Research Triangle Park, Central Carolina, NC, Frank Thorne  
 Larry Triplett (L), John Adams (T),  
 John Dendy (Bs), Steve Mark (Br)



***Supersonic***

Asheville, NC, Frank Thorne  
 Justin Slack (T), Kier Klepzig (Bs),  
 Miles Rice, (L), Kevin Kehres (Br )



***Collage***

Spartanburg, SC  
 Martin Hill (T), Ken Maes (L),  
 David Lybrand (Bs), Billy Oates (Br)



***Antics***

Hickory, NC; Frank Thorne  
 Isaac Stewart (T), Ed Walk (L),  
 Robert Johns (Bs), Don Lang (Br)



***Pulling 60***

Greensboro, Winston-Salem, NC  
 Fred Conrad (T), Jim King (L),  
 Glenn Ogden (Bs), Mark Thompson (Br)



***Milestone***

Asheville, NC  
 Rook Wetsel (Br), Dan Gregg (Bs),  
 Randy Johnson (L), Bob Huff (T)



***Southern Piners***

Research Triangle Park, Pinehurst, NC; Frank Thorne  
 Jake Jacobson (Br), Wayne Clay (L),  
 Dave Williams (Bs), Niel Johnson (T)



***Acappella Fellas***

Hickory, Charlotte NC  
 Arden Hintzmann (T), Dennis Kimbleton (L),  
 Robert Johns (Bs), Don Lang (Br)



***District Novice Quartet Champion  
 Four Knights Standing***

Savannah, GA; Hilton Head Island, SC  
 Duke Andrus (T), Wayne Vanderslice (L),  
 Richard La Spisa (Bs), Charles Brown (Br)



***2#2Bb***

Edenton, NC  
 John Caveney (T), Jeff Knox (L),  
 Gil Burroughs (Bs), Ronnie Rountree (Br)



***1/2 Ton Pickup***

Mic Testors  
 Lexington County, SC; Savannah, GA; Sunrise, FL,  
 Will Rodriguez (T), Dan Walz (Bs),  
 Jeremy Conover (L), Andy Miller (Br)



***Let's Sing!***

For Evaluation  
 Research Triangle Park, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, NC  
 Steve Tremper (T), Mark Chandler (L),  
 Greg Zinke (Bs), Joe Doub (Br)

## The Chorus Contest

**Palmetto Vocal Project , Mount Pleasant, SC**, with 26 singers under the direction of Derek Street was the Carolinas District Plateau AA (20-35 men) Carolinas District Chorus Champion and will represent the District at the International Chorus Contest July 2014 in Las Vegas, NV.

**The General Assembly, Research Triangle Park, NC**, with 33 singers and under the direction of Bill Rashleigh was the Carolinas District Chorus Champion.

**Heart of Carolina Chorus, Central Carolina, NC**, with 16 singers under the direction of Susie Smith, was the Carolinas District Plateau A (12-20 men) Champion.

**Palmetto Statesmen, Spartanburg, SC**, with 24 singers under the direction of Daniel Seaman was the Carolinas District Most Improved Chorus.



**International Chorus Representative and Plateau AA Champion**  
**Palmetto Vocal Project – Mount Pleasant, SC – Derek Street, Directing**



**District Chorus Champion**  
**The General Assembly – Research Triangle Park, NC – Bill Rashleigh, Directing**



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***Gold Standard Chorus—Charlotte, NC—Larry Lane, Directing***



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***Triad Harmony Express – Winston-Salem, NC – Robert Cox, Directing***



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***Most Improved Chorus – Palmetto Statesmen – Spartanburg, SC – Daniel Seaman, Directing***



***Greensboro  
Tarheel  
Chorus***  
**Greensboro, NC**  
Greg Zinke,  
Directing



***Plateau A  
Champion***  
***Heart of  
Carolina  
Chorus***  
**Central  
Carolina, NC**  
Susie Smith  
Directing



***Cape Fear  
Chordsmen***  
**Wilmington, NC**  
Don Smith,  
Directing



(left)  
**Land of the Sky  
Chorus**  
Asheville, NC  
Kevin Kehres,  
Directing

(below)  
**The Golf Capital  
Chorus**  
Pinehurst, NC  
Robert Cox,  
Directing



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**The Southern  
Gentlemen**  
New Bern, NC  
Bette Oglesby &  
Russ Erwin,  
Directing

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*The Low  
Country Chorus*  
Grand Strand, SC  
Marty Rhoades,  
Directing



*13th Colony Sound* – Savannah, GA – Jeremy Conover, Directing