

A Publication of Carolinas Barbershop Harmony December 2022



Hello Beverly, here's what's going on:

- 2023 Leadership Academy Set for January 21, 2023
- Highlights from November House of Delegates Meeting
- Date Set for Spring 2023 Convention
- Update Chapter Leaders in Member Center Before Year End
- Lakeside Dixie Harmony Weekend Aug 4-6, 2023
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NSC Leadership Academy to Be Held Virtually - and You're Invited!

Building on a successful practice we started during COVID, the 2023 Leadership Academy will be held via Zoom and will be open to everyone. The session will start at 8:30am on Saturday, January 21st with registration and assignment to discussion breakout rooms.

This is your opportunity to take of advantage presentations and discussions covering a range of topics of interest to all members of Carolinas Barbershop Harmony chapters.

Also featured this year will be an afternoon panel discussion highlighting what is coming for 2023.

For more information - including the Zoom link - see the District calendar. The Zoom link will be sent in January.

House of Delegates Elects New Board of Directors; Approves Change to Contests

The House of Delegates met virtually in November to discuss variety of important topics, including:

- Reviewing and approving the 2023 budget
- Electing the 2023 Board of Directors
- A proposal to return to one convention per year

The new BOD for 2023 will be:

- President Nicholas DiLorenzo
- Exec VP Jeff Osborne
- Secretary Richard Harris
- Treasurer Ted Leinbach
- VP Music & Performance Rob Hopkins (replacing Bill Adams)
- VP Events Jason Kekas
- VP Contests Steve Curulla
- VP Communication Bev Greene
- VP Chapter Support Tom Parker
- VP Marketing Eric Lindstrom
- VP Youth Outreach Kenneth Tice
- Members at Large Bob Boone, Justin Slack, Ken Thomas

Immediate Past President (not an elected position) will be Paul Martin

Contest Change

Pre-COVID, the HOD had approved a return to the two-chorus-contests-a-year calendar that we had prior to 2014. Chorus contests are the primary driver of convention attendance. Due to low participation in the two chorus contests in 2022, the District incurred financial losses on both conventions. As a result, Jason Kekas, VP-Events, proposed a return to a single-contest format. The HOD approved this proposal, which will start in 2023. The District events team is looking at other key District events to round out the calendar - with the **Lakeside Harmony Weekend** being a key component. See below for more on that event.

Spring 2023 Convention Set for March 10-11

We are returning to the Greenville-Spartanburg area for the 2023 Spring convention, hosted by the Upstate South Carolina chapter. Watch this space for updates on registration and entering the contest, coming in January.

For more information contact <u>VP-Events Jason Kekas</u> or incoming <u>VP-Contest</u> <u>& Judging Steve Curulla</u>

Update Your Chapter Leader Data in Member Center

As the year draws to a close, has your chapter held elections for its 2023 Board of Directors? And if so... <u>have you told BHS</u>?

Accurate chapter records that are maintained in the <u>Member Center</u> drive many activities of the Barbershop Harmony Society.

• They help prospective singers find your chapter.

- They provide access for adding new members to your chapter
- They ensure chapter dues are sent to the treasurer and new member packages are sent to the secretary
- They help establish communication lines with your district so they can better support your chapter's programs.

IMPORTANT: AVOID GETTING LOCKED OUT

Chapter officer reporting can be managed by the current president, secretary or treasurer. Many of these terms expire 12/31 — and once expired, that access is suspended. Be sure that the new officers are recorded in Member Center before 12/31 to ensure uninterrupted access to important chapter functions. (To ensure a smooth transition, you may wish to set a start date for new officers before 12/31, or extend end dates of current officers a few weeks to overlap.)

We are carrying this over from last month since it's too important to miss: Lakeside Harmony Weekend Returns - August 4-6, 2023



The Lakeside Harmony Weekend was for many

years one of the highlights of our Barbershop calendar - and it is returning for 2023. Mark your calendars now for this amazing weekend of singing, learning, fellowship, and performances. Our 2016 International quartet champions Forefront will be featured as guest faculty and performers. The weekend will also be a joint effort with our friends in the Dixie District.

All events will take place on the Clemson University campus.<u>Click here for</u> more information.

Put this on your calendar now - you won't want to miss it! Watch the District website for more details.

From BHS HQ...

Carolinas Sending Three Quartets to Midwinter; Juniors & Seniors Chorus OOA Set; Sing with the All Chapter Chorus

from Livewire November 17, 2022

Carolinas Barbershop Harmony will be well-represented at the upcoming 2023 Midwinter Convention:

Let's Sing!, Aspire, and our current District Senior quartet champs, Hastily Assembled, have all been invited to compete in the International Seniors quartet contest.

The Order of Appearance for the combined Juniors & Senior Chorus Festival at the **2023 Midwinter Convention** has been announced and we have not one

but two representatives: the Wade Hampton Singers from Spartanburg, and the Carolina Statesmen.

To make the event even more fun, attendees have the chance to sing in the All Chapter Chorus under the direction of Katy Dane and Anthony Colosimo.

<u>Click Here</u> for more information

Did you know? The entire 80+ year run of the magazine is available to BHS members in the <u>BHS Document Center</u>.

This information was first communicated in BHS' weekly LiveWire email. <u>Sign up</u> to receive these emails directly from BHS.

The Calendar Your Link to Upcoming District Events and Chapter Shows

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Click the link for the official <u>District</u> <u>Calendar</u>. Here's a recap of what's coming up in the next three months. Contact District Secretary Richard Harris at <u>secretary@carolinasdistrict.org</u> to get your chapter show cleared for posting to the District calendar.

Dec. 18 - NSC BOD Meeting (Zoom) Jan. 23 - Leadership Academy (Zoom) Feb. 9-11 - BHS Midwinter Convention - Daytona Beach, FL March 10-12 - 2023 Spring Convention - Spartanburg, SC

Important Links

Carolinas Barbershop Harmony Barbershop Harmony Society BHS COVID-19 Resources for Barbershoppers

Thanks for reading!

Please feel free to send in letters to the Editor, photos and comments of your opinions and experiences to share.

Yours in Harmony,

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