





A Publication of Carolinas Barbershop Harmony

Hello Beverly,, THERE'S A LOT GOING ON in NSC!:

- Editor's message
- Congrats to Wade Hampton HS: Audience Choice!!!
- Happy Birthday to the Winston-Salem Chapter!
- Your Chapter "Officer" status on BHS member database
- LEADERSHIP ACADEMY IS FEB 3! Register Now!
- Dues Increase. Deadline is soon, to save money
- BoD notes, etc. available on Google Drive
- 2024 Convention-expect news very shortly!
- LHW and HX Update to Dates and news
- District Calendar Your Link to Upcoming Events
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Welcome all! 2024 is starting off BUSY and EXCITING; we've got A LOT of news and activities to celebrate! Thanks for reading about what is happening in our Carolinas District. We want to celebrate our accomplishments, as well as give you ideas for your chapters and choruses! Reach out if you want more information, or wish to highlight your chorus activities. Thanks for joining us!

Our very own Wade Hampton Singers... Voted Audience Favorite at The BHS NextGen Chorus Festival at Midwinter!



Seventeen (17) youth choruses performed for Judges' evaluations at the BHS Midwinter Convention *Next Generation Chorus Festival* in New York City this January and Greenville, SC's *Wade Hampton Singers* (high school) were rated "Outstanding." Only one (1) other youth chorus scored higher with a "Superior" rating. Even more impressive, the *Wade Hampton Singers* were voted "Audience Favorite" which included an appearance on the Saturday night "Barbershop's BEST" Show. Wow!

Congratulations to the *Wade Hampton Singers* and to their choral director Mrs. Amy Moyer.

Amy is pictured with Upstate SC Chapter President Larry Gilhousen and the "**Audience Favorite**" plaque on the right.

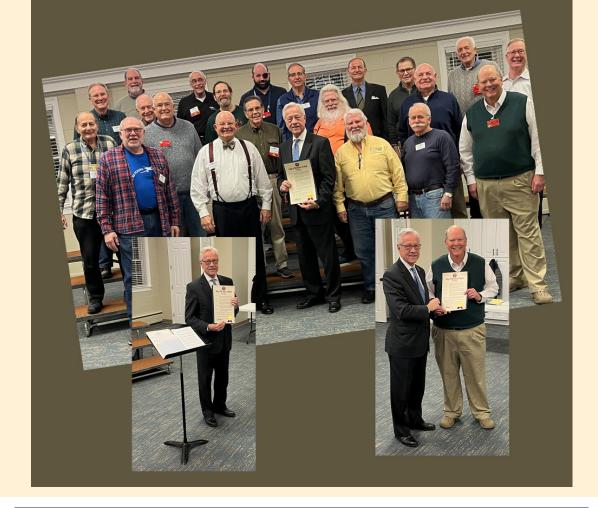
In addition to her high school teaching duties Amy serves on the Upstate SC Chapter Board as Vice President for Youth Outreach and she is co-founder and director of the newly formed young adult chorus **Palmetto Forte**`.

Larry praises Amy and her *Singers* and says, "We are blessed to have Amy on our Chapter leadership team!"



Happy 75th Birthday to our Winston-Salem Chapter!

The occasion was celebrated at the Jan 23 Chapter Meeting, topped off with a visit and Birthday Proclamation from W-S Mayor Allen Joines (seen here with Program VP Ted Leinbach).



Check Chapter Officers Status on BHS Database

Each year, your Chapter Secretary is tasked with updating the Chapter Officers on the BHS Member site. Your district uses this information to be certain we can reach out to you, with questions or great ideas! Please log in to the BHS website, and verify that your membership status and appropriate data is correct!

Leadership Academy is Feb 3 - for Everyone!

We promise not just a fabulous faculty lineup, but breakout rooms and a Leadership Rountable. EVERYONE is invited to discover how it happens, and what your role is or might be...

If you haven't yet, <u>click here to register for the event</u>. You will see your **Zoom link upon registration**. We hope you will check this out on Saturday!

BHS Announces Dues Increase and Timetable

- If your normal renewal is before April 1, 2024, you can go ahead and send in your renewal payment before February 1 at the old rate, or
- Everyone is eligible to renew (pre-pay) for three years at the old rate avoiding the increase for three years, as long as you do it before February 1.
- Click here for more details, and instructions

Board Notes, Docs Available on Google Drive

We try our hardest to be transparent! All District Board meetings, training videos, and many other documents are available to all members. Go to your Google Drive, look at Shared Drives, and click on the "Carolinas Barbershop Harmony" folder. We are still in the process of "organizing and re-organizing" the docs, but they are all there for your reference.

2024 Convention Details Coming Very Soon

We will be releasing the details on pricing, hotels, etc. *very* soon for our **April 19-20 NSC Spring Convention** in Pinehurst-Southern Pines, NC. It's our only convention in 2024. We want to see what's new, sing with you, cheer you on, and most definitely see all you there in April!

Lakeside Harmony Updates for Clemson in July

The dates for both the NSC - DIXIE Lakeside Harmony Weekend, and the Harmony Explosion Camp have been updated to July 26-28 and July 25-28 respectively. More details will follow, but please mark your calendars with these dates. It was a time not to miss in 2023, and promises to be even better in 2024!

The Calendar Your Link to Upcoming District Events and Chapter Shows

Click the link for the official <u>District Calendar</u>, 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.



Feb 3 - NSC Leadership Academy - Virtual Apr 19-20 - **NSC Convention -** Southern Pines - Pinehurst, NC June 30-July 6 - **BHS International Convention** - Cleveland, OH July 24-27 - **NSC-DIXIE Harmony Explosion** - Clemson, SC July 25-27 - **NSC-DIXIE Lakeside Harmony Weekend** - Clemson, SC April 4-5 - **2025 NSC Convention** - Pinehurst, NC

Important Links

> Carolinas Barbershop Harmony

> HU Warmup Series on YouTube

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

> All Past & Present Harmonizer Issues Please send in letters, photos and comments with your opinions, ideas and experiences to share, and ideas to ponder.

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