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TIVOLI THEATRE May 17, 1980 8:00 P.M.

#### "This Is My Country"

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THE CHATTANOOGA CHAPTER S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A.

**Featuring** 

The Mountain City Chorus
The Boston Common Quartet

LOCAL QUARTETS

Sum-R-Fun
Back Stage Four
Harmony Land Express

May 17, 1980

8:00 P.M.

**Tivoli Theatre** 

#### WELCOME TO OUR SHOW

As we take a musical journey through our country, we hope you will feel some of the same pride we have felt as we have prepared our program. Tonight's show will include some of the best in Barbershop music and many of our favorites. We are especially proud to have headlining our show tonight, THE BOSTON COMMON quartet. They are among the finest in our society, and we are excited to have them in Chattanooga. We know they are going to thrill you as they have thrilled audiences from coast to coast.

We thank you for coming and helping us to support ourselves as well as allowing us to support our service project, The Institute of Logopedics in Wichita, Kansas - an institute dedicated solely to the correction of speech defects in children, no matter how severe.

We hope you enjoy the show. It has been fun for us and we always enjoy singing for an appreciative audience. Again, thank you for coming.



SING-cerely,

Don Bruce, President Chattanooga Chapter

#### **ABOUT OUR CHAPTER**

The Chattanooga Chapter was chartered as a chapter of S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A.. Inc. in 1962. Since then a determined group of barber-shoppers with fun, fellowship and singing in mind have met weekly. Not only have we competed in Dixie District Competitions over the years, but our hobby has proven to be an excellent tool for community service. The chorus and quartets sing at every opportunity where vocal entertainment is needed. The Mountain City Chorus has performed for various state conventions, activities at Eastgate and Northgate Malls, civic organizations, hospitals, retirement homes, educational functions and local television.

The highlight for our chapter occurred in March of this year when the Mountain City Chorus competed and WON the Volunteer Division of the Dixie District. Bringing home the trophy was a thrilling experience for all of us.

All men of good will who enjoy "bustin' out" with a song are invited to attend. Anyone who wants to just listen is also cordially invited to come and enjoy the pleasant sound of good close harmony.



#### "WE SING THAT THEY SHALL SPEAK"

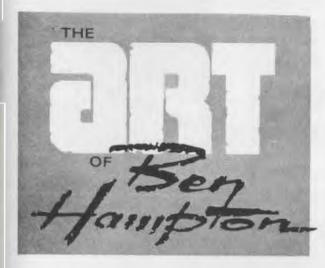
In June of 1964, the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America adopted the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita, Kansas, as our own Society-wide service project.

This Institute is dedicated to the correction of speech defects in children, no matter what the cause and no matter how severe the impediment. They perform almost daily miracles with children who have been locked in a prison of silence or bound by the misfortune of speech defects.

Adopting this fine institution has added a new dimension and sense of purpose to our singing activities. This purpose can be summed up in our motto, "We Sing That They Shall Speak". We believe we can have no finer purpose. And you may take satisfaction in knowing that your support has allowed the contributions of our Society to exceed three million dollars to this worthy effort.

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Left to Right: David Reynolds, Paul Blazek, David Mills, Dan Bruns

The "Backstage 4" was organized in 1978 for a production at Chattanooga's Backstage Playhouse during which they performed regularly. They have performed for a variety of audiences, including churches, schools, parties, last year's Fall Color Cruise, and even the luncheon crowd at Miller Park.

They sing songs which will make you smile, and songs which may make you cry, but all their songs are done in the incomparable style of unaccompanied, four-part harmony known as barbershop.

Although they strive for perfection in their music, the men are not professional entertainers. The tenor, Dan Bruns is a Computer Program Specialist with TVA. David Mills, the lead singer, is the perfusionist with a team of heart-lung surgeons. The baritone, David Reynolds, is an engineer with TVA, and the bass, Paul Blazek is a salesman with BC Sales Co. of Chattanooga.

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Left to Right: Bob Smith, Tony Songer, Charles Stanbery, Bill Bice.

The Sum-R-Fun quartet has been singing together for three years entertaining civic, church and industrial groups. They are active on the contest circuit and this March won first place in the Volunteer Division Contest. Sum-R-Fun is composed of Tony Songer, bass and Bob Smith, baritone both of whom are employed by T.V.A. Bill Bice, tenor is a salesman for Coca-Cola and Charles Stanbery, lead is the director of music and youth at Jones Memorial United Methodist Church.

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Left to Right: Rich Knapp, Kent Martin, Larry Tully, Terry Clarke.

#### FEW BARBERSHOP QUARTETS ENJOY A POPULARITY EQUAL TO THAT OF THE BOSTON COMMON

Formed by chance in 1971 at a friend's home, this hobbyist foursome has since appeared in more than 25 states, on several network radio and television shows (including NBC's TODAY SHOW and the CBS AMERICA program), and on a host of local and regional radio and television programs. In addition, the group has been written up by UPI and numerous magazines and newspapers, appeared at New York's National Arts Center, and performed as back-up to a major recording artist.

Since 1973, they have been finalist in international competition - always in the top five. Last year they were second - proving they are one of the best barbershop quartets in the world.

The key to the group's popularity is their easy musical style and stero-like sound developed over six years of singing together. The members truly enjoy each other, and their performance reflects it. They leave no doubt that they have as much fun performing as do the audiences who hear them.

THE BOSTON COMMON - much like the historic spot from which they borrowed their name - are fast becoming an institution of their own.

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#### **PROGRAM**

| "National Anthem"                                     | The Mountain City Chorus   |
|---|--|
| "What A Country"                                      | The Mountain City Chorus   |
| "Dixie"   | The Mountain City Chorus   |
| "The Midnight Choo-Choo"                              | The Mountain City Chorus   |
| "Whole World in His Hand"                             |  |
| "Soon One Morning"                                    | Sum-R-Fun  |
| "New Orleans"   | The Mountain City Chorus   |
|   |  |
| "South Rampart Street Parade"                         | The Mountain City Chorus   |
| "Western Medley"                                      | Back Stage 4   |
| "Western Medley" "Every Step of the Way"              | Back Stage 4   |
| "Every Step of the Way""  "Bye Bye Blues"             | Back Stage 4The Mountain City ChorusHarmony Land Express                         |
| "Every Step of the Way"  "Bye Bye Blues"  "Show Boat" | Back Stage 4The Mountain City ChorusHarmony Land ExpressThe Mountain City Chorus |
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(Tenor, Dan Bruns, Lead, David Mills, Baritone, David Reynolds, Bass, Paul Blazek)

SUM-R-FUN

(Tenor, Bill Bice, Lead, Charles Stanbery, Baritone, Bob Smith, Bass, Tony Songer)

#### THE BOSTON COMMON

(Tenor, Kent Martin, Lead, Rich Knapp, Baritone, Larry Tully, Bass, Terry Clarke)

| "If The Lord Be Willin" | . The Mountain City Chorus |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| "God Bless America"     | . The Mountain City Chorus |
| "Keep America Singing"  | . The Mountain City Chorus |



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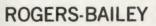
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#### "BARBERSHOP HARMONY MONTH"

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Chattanooga to be affixed this the 29th day of April, 1980.

CHARLES A. "PAT" ROSE
Mayor