Chattanooga Choo Choo Barbershop Chorus Presents



Saturday, August 11, 2001 8:00 PM

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Welcome



Welcome to "2001: A Barbershop Odyssey." An odyssey – a long journey with many adventures. Tonight we are going to take you on a journey of the barbershop style of music from its beginning and acquaint you with some of its exciting adventures along the way.

The Chattanooga Choo Choo Chorus is a chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America

(SPEBSQSA). Tonight's program will enlighten you as to how this organization began. We are a part of the Dixie District of SPEBSQSA that is made up of choruses from six states – Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. We gather with the members of these choruses and their families twice a year for competition and enjoyment of our craft. On the first weekend in October of this year it is our privilege to host the Fall Convention for the Dixie District here in Chattanooga. We enjoy singing for civic gatherings, private group gatherings, and churches in this area; and we have an active "Singing Valentines" program in February.

We know you will enjoy the show. If anyone is interested in knowing more about the barbershop style of music or joining our organization, please contact any chorus member after the show or call us at 423-265-7392. We practice on Monday nights in Chattanooga at All Saints Academy at 310 East Eighth Street.

Wilbur Strickland, President Chattanooga Choo Choo Chorus

Best Wishes To The Chattanooga Choo Choo Chorus and the Chattanooga Barbershoppers

from one of your most enthusiastic supporters

Keep up the great singing!

Wanted!!

MEN WHO LIKE TO SING!



for the Chattanooga Choo Choo Chorus

Visit us and you will discover there is nothing like an evening of barbershop harmony to chase away the cares of the day and put a smile on your face.

WHY NOT GIVE IT A TRY?

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For more information please call Sam Jones, Membership Vice-President 706-375-5431



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Just What Is Barbershop Music?

On Saturday night, April 11, 1938, twenty-five men gathered at a hotel in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the invitation of two of them to sing in barbershop quartets. As more and more singers appeared in the next few months, Owen C. Cash and Rupert T. Hall founded the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., abbreviated as SPEBSQSA, a playful poke at the government agencies whose initials and regulations still plague us.

The style of "barbershop", now written as one word, began around 1900. It is not really four-part harmony but, rather, three parts harmonizing to a known melody, unaccompanied by instruments. The lead sings the melody and is joined by the bass, the lowest part, and the tenor, who sings consistently above the lead. The baritone, ranging above and below the melody, puts in the last note. There is usually one harmonizing chord on each melody note, although sometimes one or more voices add more notes. Often musical rules of time, expression, and word theme are sacrificed to create variety and pleasurable tension in order to delay the reaching of the expected chords.

With headquarters now in Kenosha, the "Society," as Barbershoppers refer to it, has grown into a pastime for almost 35,000 men in the U.S. and Canada, as well as for recently affiliated groups in Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Sweden, and other counties. A few hundred choruses and over 2,000 quartets perform regularly in and near their communities and often compete against each other, beginning in small geographic areas, with the high scorers moving up to district levels and the best each July to final contests.

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About the Chattanooga Chapter

by David Reynolds Chapter Historian



The Chattanooga Chapter was chartered as a chapter of the Barbershop Quartet Society in May of 1962. Since then, this determined group of barbershoppers with fun, fellowship, and singing in mind have met weekly.

The chapter's Choo-Choo Chorus and quar-

tets have regularly competed in Dixie District Contests. In addition, the Choo-Choo Chorus has presented at least two shows every year for the past several years, one in the Spring and one at Christmas time. The chapter has adopted the "Singing Valentines" program as a chapter project, sending many quartets throughout the greater Chattanooga area delivering over one hundred twenty Singing Valentines.

The singing quality of the Choo-Choo Chorus was recognized locally several years ago. The Chattanooga Symphony Orchestra invited the chorus to join them in their Independence Day celebration, "Pops in the Park".

The chorus continues to be honored with invitations to participate in this event. The Chattanooga barbershoppers work hard to present good barbershop harmony to their audiences, and they have fun just enjoying "barbershopping," the greatest hobby in the world!!!

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Quartets

Four Guys

Dan Bruns	Tenor
Ron Weaver	Lead
John Johnston	Bari
Paul Blazek	Bass

Classic Harmony

Barry Owens	Tenor
Dave Abercrombie	Lead
Chuck Wilson	Bari
Clarence Wall	Bass

Rock City 4

Fred Jesse	Tenor
Bill Slack	Lead
Benny Malone	Bari
David Collins	Bass

Chord Encounters

Ronnie Satterfield	. Tenor
Hobby Thomas	. Lead
Ron Weaver	Bari
Pete Jones	. Bass

Scenic City Sound Jay Green Tenor Lamar Owens Lead Brooks Gist Bari W.C. Strickland Bass

Everyman Quartet

Ronnie Satterfield	Tenor
Dan Bruns	Lead
John Johnston	Bari
W.C. Strickland	Bass

More Than Four

Brooks Gist Bari
Bill McKeehan Bari
W.C. Strickland Bass
Erby Erwin Bass
Pete Jones Bass
LeRoy Hobbs Bass
Hiram Altman Bass



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Chattanooga Choo Choo Chorus

Chattanooga Chapter SPEBSQSA, Inc. Paul Blazek, Director

Basses

Charles Abercrombie Hiram Altman Paul Blazek **Forrest Bugher David Collins** Edgar Dawson **Richard Dunkin Erby Erwin** Lloyd Gimber Lamar Green Pete Jones **Barry Owens** Wavne Pruett **Lonnie Satterfield Bob Stansbury** W.C. Strickland Clarence Wall

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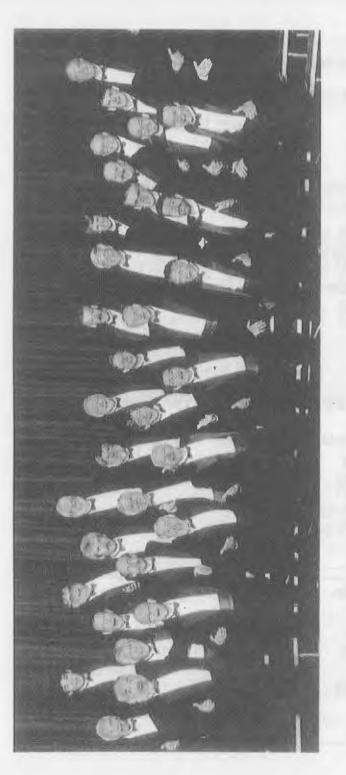
Brooks Gist Johnny Jackson John Johnston Benny Malone Bill McKeehan Bud Moore David Reynolds Lance Scott Chuck Wilson

Leads

David Abercrombie Matt Blazek Pat Crowe Earle Fraser Steve Grubb Sam Jones Tom Keegan J. W. Kirk Lamar Owens Bernard Peek Richard Poole Bill Slack Lamar Smith Hobby Thomas Ron Weaver

Tenors

Dan Bruns Niles Fowler Jay Green Fred Jesse Barry Owens Ronnie Satterfield



Barbershop Chorus Choo Choo Chattanooga

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Emcee: Rich Randall, KZ 106

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My Melancholy Baby Chorus
Give My Regards To Broadway Chorus
I Love A Jolson Song Chorus
How Ya Gonna Keep Em Down On The Farm
Chord Encounters
Radio Chorus

Intermission

ActII

Bye Bye Blues	Chorus
Coney Island Baby/We All Fall	Four Guys
Lida Rose	Classic Harmony
That Old Quartet Of Mine	Chorus, Four Guys

Special Guests

Four Voices

Heritage Medley Chorus, quartets

Four Voices



Brandon Guyton resides in Cleveland, TN where he works at Lee University in the Information Systems department. Brandon is married to the beautiful Noemi Guyton nee Soto, and they are expecting their first child in December. Brandon sings Baritone for the Four Voices quartet; however, his range would allow him to sing virtually any part. He thinks that baritones hold a quartet together, a misnomer that we allow him to believe. Apart from Brandon's job responsibilities at Lee University, he will soon begin pursuing a degree in Computer Information Systems (one of those computer geeks).

Chad Guyton also resides in Cleveland, TN where he serves as the Projects Coordinator for the Church of God denomination. Chad is still looking for his "queen", and we are optimistic that she will also be stunning. Chad sings Lead for the Four Voices quartet and is also the Director of the Cleveland Highland Harmony Chorus. Jayson VanHook, originally from Cleveland, TN, currently serves as the Assistant Director of Admissions at Lee University. Jayson most recently completed a Master's Degree in Industrial/ Organizational Psychology at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. He was married to his gorgeous wife, Arlyne, in December of 1997. Jayson and Arlyne are expecting a baby boy in early September. Yeah!! Jayson sings bass in the Four Voices quartet, and is most noted for his lack of height compared to the other three. He enjoys waterskiing, jogging, and singing when not busy working or studying.

Lester Rector currently lives in Cleveland, TN as he pursues a career in the Music Ministry. Lester graduated from Lee University in December of 1999 with a Bachelor's degree in Music. Lester currently serves as the Director of Music at New Covenant Fellowship in Chattanooga. Lester marks one of his greatest accomplishments as marrying the elegant Holly Rector in June of 1999. Together, they hope to build a ministry using many different music genres. Lester sings Tenor in the Four Voices quartet. At this point, we tried to think of something humorous to say about Lester; however, those of you who have met him know that he is just not a funny guy. Sorry, Lester.



Congratulations to Lamar Owens Chattanooga Chapter's Barbershopper of the Year for 2000



Although this quartet has only been together since January of 2000, among the four of them they have an accumulation of over 50 years of quartet experience. Dan and Paul have been singing since the midseventies, and Ron joined in the early eighties. John has only been singing barbershop since 1999, but has sung with other groups since college.

Dan Bruns (Tenor) is a Systems Programmer for TVA and is married to Kathleen for 29 years with 4 boys. Ron Weaver (Lead) is a Forman for Mars in Cleveland TN and is married to Mary for with 2 children. John Johnston (Baritone) is a Radiologist for Erlanger Hospital and married to Cynthia with 2 children. Paul Blazek (Bass) is a Systems Analyst for Road One and is married to Lindy for 27 years with 4 children.

After a few months together, they decided to compete in Dixie District spring competition, and placed in the top ten. They have performed on several local radio and television programs, promoting barbershop music.

Give us a call for your next event! Contact Dan Bruns at 423-751-6430 (daytime) or 423-493-1880 (evenings).