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If your chapter is presenting:

- A District Approved Show
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- A Fundraiser
- An event of interest

Send your information & pictures to: communications@evgdistrict.com

District News

TOMORROW: Chapter Development Zoom Meeting



Tomorrow, Sunday March 2nd, at 7pm, I'm hosting a Zoom round table discussion to learn what's working and what's not in recruitment.

What will you do differently this year to get better results?

Please **RSVP** to **bthomas@northwestsound.org** to receive the Zoom link for this is important conversation.

Reminder: There is still money in the Chapter Development budget to help with attendance at HCNW, Harmony U, and Community

Outreach.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with any concerns or questions.

Bob Thomas Chapter Development Director

Convention 2025 & 2026 Update

Convention 2025

October 3-4 in Surrey, BC

Contest events at Chandos Pattison Auditorium

Primary Hotels: Sheraton Vancouver Guildford Hotel & Civic Hotel, Autograph Collection

The Harmony Platoon and HOD Meetings will likely be held at the Civic Hotel. Location of the Presidents reception / afterglow is TBD.

We are in the process of contacting other local hotels in the area as our two primary hotels will sell out quickly. We will provide information about other hotels as soon as we have it.

Convention 2026

October 2-3 in Boise, ID

Contest events at the Morrison Center

Primary Hotel(s): TBD.

We should have that information in the next few weeks and will provide it as soon as possible.

The 2026 EVG convention is at the same time as the combined FWD & Pan Pacific convention in Hawaii. We will be inviting anyone from FWD who does not want to travel to Hawaii to join us, so get these dates on your calendar!

Division III Convention



Registration

\$75 participant pass \$30 quest pass

6 chorus/12 qtet limit

- Friday, May 30 Quartet Coaching--Afternoon
 - Chorus Coaching--Evening
- Saturday, May 31 · Mass Chorus rehearsal &
 - Mock Contest--morning
- certified judges/coaches · Late Lunch--included
 - Evals & Afterglow--afternoon

For more information, contact: Greg Verhappen, Stampede City Mixed Chorus stampedecc@gmail.com or ph. 587-209-4119

Stampede City Mixed Chorus is pleased to be hosting this year's

Division III Convention on May 30-31!

It'll be two days and one evening of some amazing barbershopping and they are keen to invite any Evergreen chorus willing to make the road trip for the event. They are accepting up to five more choruses to participate.

Though there will be judges scoring our Saturday performances, these will be for chorus use only. The focus of the weekend will be on singing together and having a chance to get some feedback from some of our top BHS coaches/judges.

Here's a tentative outline for the Friday/Saturday:

- Friday Afternoon: Quartet Coaching
- Friday Evening: Chorus Coaching & Mass Chorus Rehearsal
- Mass Chorus Songs: Country Roads & Can You Feel the Love **Tonight**
- Saturday Morning: Mock Contest
- Saturday Afternoon: Coaching Feedback & Activities

The convention will end by 5 pm to give people driving any distances a chance to get home.

For more information, contact:

Greg Verhappen, Division III Convention Chair gregsasinger@gmail.com 587-209-4119

Sing Canada Harmony Scholarship/Grant Deadline

JUNE 1, 2025

Summertime is not too far away and the 'biggie' barbershop education events are getting closer too. **SING CANADA HARMONY** (**SCH**) accepts applications for grants and scholarships for such education events and the next deadline for submitting applications is June 1, 2025.

Go to the SCH website and fill out the application form and submit it online.

Our Vision

A Canada that embraces a cappella harmony.

Our Mission

Sing Canada Harmony raises funds and provides scholarships to individuals and ensembles for a cappella harmony education.

Our Purpose

The Sing Canada Harmony Scholarship Fund was created to assist Canadians by providing financial assistance for educational and training opportunities in vocal music performance, vocal music leadership, vocal music administration and vocal music composition, arrangement, adjudication and staging. The intent is to provide funding for learning opportunities for Canadian men and women, particularly youth and



children to gain expertise and experience in the field of singing a cappella vocal music harmony in quartets and choruses.

Contact For More Info

- BC Chapters: Sean Huston
- Alberta Chapters: Bob Robson
- SCH Board Chair Person: Murray Phillips

Nominate a 2024 Barbershopper of the Year

Evergreen District Barbershopper Of The Year (BOTY)

Any member in good standing of the Evergreen District who has made a significant contribution to the Society, predominantly at the District level, with work at other levels (Chapter and Society) taken into account, maybe considered for the District BOTY award.

Nomination Form is Now Active at www.evgdistrict.com
Deadline: Sunday, May 18th
Questions? Contact Duncan Gilman at mal@evgdistrict.com

Do you know a barbershopper who made a significant contribution to the Evergreen District in 2024? If so, why not nominate that person to be the 2024 Evergreen District Barbershopper of the Year?

All you need to do is to write your nominee's contributions and accomplishments on **the nomination form** and submit it to the Barbershopper of the Year Committee. The committee will review the nominations and choose the honoree. The award will be presented at Harmony College Northwest in June.

Contact **Duncan Gilman**, Chair of the Barbershopper of the Year Committee, with any questions.

Who will be the 2024 BOTY?

Nominate an Honoree for the 2025 Evergreen District Hall of Fame

Nominations now open for the 2025 Hall of Fame

Do you know someone in the district who made long-term contributions to the Evergreen District?

Write your nominee's contributions and accomplishments and send the information to District Board or to the Chair of the Hall of Fame Committee, **Kendall Williams**(kendall.a.williams@frontier.com) to get things started

The **Evergreen District Hall of Fame** is filled with our Evergreen heroes, people who have given so much of their time and talent over the years. Do you know someone in the district who made a similar long-term contribution to the Evergreen District? If so, why not nominate that person for the evergreen Hall of Fame?

To nominate someone for the Hall of Fame, write your nominee's contributions and accomplishments and send that information to a member of the District Board or to the Chair of the Hall of Fame Committee, **Kendall Williams**. The Hall of Fame Committee will consider all the nominations and choose the honoree. The award will

be presented at the District Convention in October.

Who will join the Hall of Fame in 2025?

All Voices Barbershop Quartet Festival

All Voices In Harmony, A Barbershop Quartet Festival

Join the Squares and friends at 7pm on April 5th for the 2nd annual All Voices In Harmony, Barbershop Quartet Festival.

West Langley Park 9400 208 St. Langley Twp, BC V1M 2Y9



The "All Voices In Harmony, A Barbershop Quartet Festival" is an opportunity for you and your quartet mates to share your craft with your fellow quartet singers.

This event is for all quartets of any level of skill. It's meant to be an encouraging and supportive experience for all skill levels. You'll be performing for and with your colleagues (barbershop quartet singers).

We are looking for show quartets, gig quartets, contest focused quartets, novice quartets, and past champs. We want to see "All Voices In Harmony" on our stage!

Click here for participant registration.

Tickets for friends, family and the general public go on sale Feb 15th.

Harmony College Northwest 2025

Celebrating our 45th Anniversary!

REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 19

ARRANGER WORKSHOPS

This June, Harmony College Northwest is offering three (yes, 3!) different levels for arrangers to pick from. All three separate workshops are scheduled for June 12-13, 2025 (Thursday afternoon/evening and Friday morning). Along with the faculty in charge of each of the workshops, we will have Steve Armstrong, Dan Wessler, and other arrangers on the HCNW campus also teaching and available to offer advice and answer questions through the weekend.

- **AW101 Janice Wheeler** The Less Experienced & Beginner Group will focus on introducing/reviewing the basic principles of Music Theory & Barbershop Harmony and how they apply to arranging a song in the Barbershop Style -- you may or may not have been to an arranging class before or worked on arranging a song/s.
- AW201 Zach Groeblinghoff The More Experienced Group will assume you already have a good general understanding of the basic principles of Music Theory and Barbershop Harmony and some experience in how they are generally applied to arranging a song in the Barbershop Style -- you have completed song arrangements other than in a class setting that may or may not have been performed by Chorus/Quartet.
- AW301 Mike Menefee and Chuck Roegiers This level will focus on a cappella, four-part writing from a uniquely "barbershop" point of view, wrapped in a discussion of how the genre is evolving in our time. We will assume you are fluent in your understanding and application of the basic principles of Music Theory and Barbershop Harmony so that they have become almost second nature to you and that you have successfully arranged songs that have been performed by Chorus/Quartet and may have been published.

The harmonycollege.net website will soon contain more information about each of these workshops along with tentative schedules for

each.

Questions? Email ArrangerWorkshops@harmonycollege.net

Again, the workshops are running concurrently June 12-13th this summer.

Planning a Chapter Event? Bud Leabo Can Help!



Looking to fund an innovative project? The Bud Leabo Memorial Fund has grant and scholarship funds available!

BLMF provides grants to choruses in the Evergreen District of the Barbershop Harmony Society for projects that attract singers to barbershop harmony.

Hosting a youth festival? A membership drive? We would love to hear about it!

BMLF also provides scholarship funds to individuals within the Evergreen District to provide tuition for Harmony College Northwest, Harmony University, Judge Candidate School and more.

Applications are available at https://budleabo.com/.

Applicants must be currently registered in the Evergreen District.

Please include in your application why the event/program will help attract

new singers to our craft.

Harmony Platoon 2025

Take your fun and song to the "next level" at Harmony College Northwest & EVG District Convention



Sure. HCNW and EVG Convention are always "don't miss the fun" events. But since Harmony Platoons have been added to these events, the fun has only gotten better.

Sure. You get to sing with a lot of new people at HCNW and EVG Convention. But finding four people from around the District who know some more challenging songs can be a challenge itself.

Sure. There are polecats and afterglows and hallways and nooks and crannies. But in a Platoon the "room comes to you filled with exactly the keen, fun singers that make these events special." Okay. You actually go to the room, but you get the idea. (And there are still the hallways and crannies, too!

All you have to do is sign up and sing. It's the safest place to sing in a quartet if you've never done it and the best place to sing with new and old friends. And it only costs US \$35.

For that amount you get the music and learning tracks for 5 songs which we will sing this year:

- I'm Gonna Live 'Til I Die
- No More Sorrow
- Stand By Me
- Frog Kissin'
- · You've Got a Friend in Me

There are just **TWO STEPS** to register for this year's event:

- 1. Step 1: Complete the Registration Form using this link:
 - https://forms.gle/DavZrV1Gu7EpbEfD6
- 2. Step 2: ORDER YOUR MUSIC using one of these options:
 - PayPal to donsalz@rosye.com (use Friends & Family option), or
 - Venmo to @Donald-Salz or
 - Send check to Don Salz. Email donsalz@rosye.com for an address.



QUESTIONS? Email <u>platoonharmony@gmail.com</u> (add this to your contact list to avoid messages going to spam)

***By completing these two steps, you are automatically eligible to participate in ANY and ALL of this year's Harmony Platoon Events. ***

Chapters in Action

Harmony Kings Friends and Family Concert



The next **Harmony Kings Chorus** Friends & Family concert is coming on March 4th @ 7:30PM.

And it's absolutely FREE!!

Come enjoy our show, see how we warm up, and sing along with our popular songs! We have a variety of classics, and selections from the 50s, 60s, 70s, and more - all performed in a Cappella harmony. We look forward to having you as our guest!

Location

Journey Church 701 S 320th St Federal Way, Washington 98003

District Choruses Perform in Citywide

Festival





Tickets are now available for "Nanaimo! The City That Sings", a three-day choral festival featuring thirteen Nanaimo-based choruses, including Harmony Nanaimo's choruses, Rising Tide and Tidesmen.

The Festival takes place at **St. Andrew's United Church in Nanaimo** from April 4th to 6th and presents a unique opportunity to truly appreciate the breadth of choral styles present in our city.

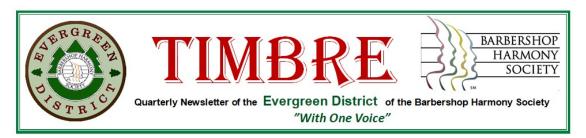
Nanaimo really is The City That Sings!

Please follow this link for the Festival schedule.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Timbre

The March 2025 issue of **TIMBRE** is **PACKED** with information!



From The Editors

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