



DAY SIX

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Saturday Night Spectacular

Spectacular, Spectacular !! Tonight, starting at 5 pm in the Conference Center, the Saturday Night Spectacular features stories of friendship and family, along with the power of community impact. From the combined voices of the Everyone in Harmony Chorus to performances from some of today’s hottest barbershop quartets representing multiple organizations, these incredible singers are coming together tonight for one reason: HARMONY.

From 5 to 6:30 pm in the Conference Center, you will hear from *Forefront*, *The Ladies*, *Half and Half*, *ClassRing* and *Double Date*, *Instant Classic* as well as the Everyone in Harmony Chorus – made up of Convention attendees!!

World Harmony Showcase today from 1pm to 4pm at Hilton Grand Ballroom

Performances of current champion choruses and quartets, as well as groups from around the world are the promises of the World Harmony Council for this Showcase.

Featured performers are: Current Gold Medal World Champion Chorus *Vocal Majority*, Current Gold Medal World Champion Quartet *After Hour*, *Finest Hour* from British Association of Barbershop Singers, *The Electric Barbercats* from Barbershop Harmony Australia, *Aged to Perfection* of Harmony Inc., *Hot Pursuit* from Sweet Adelines International, **ZERO8** from Society of Nordic Barbershop Singers, *Trocadero* from Society of Nordic Barbershop Singers, *IFK Barbershop* from Society of Nordic Barbershop Singers, *Half and Half* from Mixed Harmony Barbershop Association.

Literally a “World Class” list of performers. Be there or be square !! If you don’t go you’ll regret it, big time, in the morning !!

CHORDITORIUM : What’z dat?

Do you know what a Chorditorium is? I didn’t, so I looked at the BHS website for a dictionary of Barbershop Terms ... there isn’t one. I looked at a couple of dictionary sites and, funny thing, they didn’t have the term.

So, I asked Nathan Christensen, the coordinator for the Chorditorium (**Sat., July 6, 10:30 to 1 am, at the Hilton Grand Ballroom**). This event is presented by Society President Dick Powell.

Nathan explained it like an Afterglow. It is held after the Quartet Finals on Saturday, so it **will** be the quartet final ‘Afterglow.’ All 38 competing quartets have been invited to perform. Those interested in hearing more from the ‘best quartets in the world,’ should be sure to stay up late on Saturday night and enjoy the UN-competition of a “Chorditorium!”

Quartet Final tonight 6:30 pm

Crowning the 2020 Gold Medal Quartet is the goal tonight. Which of the Top 10 will it be? *Midtown*? *Throwback*? *Signature*? *The Newfangled Four*? or ...

Mid Atlantic and Sunshine Districts each have three quartets in the finals (MAD = *Midtown*, *Round Midnight*, *Pratt Street Power*; SUN=*Throwback*, *Signature*, *Rooftop Records*). Johnny Appleseed Districts each has two quartets in the finals (JAD= *Quorum*, *The Core*). Dixie District has *Category 4* in the finals and Far West District is represented by *The Newfangled Four*.

While *Midtown* is a relatively new quartet, several members have medals from previous quartets, so they are real contenders. *Pratt Street Power* is a Next Generation Barbershop Varsity gold medalist in 2016, as did *The Newfangled Four* in 2013. *Throwback* is the 2019 Silver Medal winner, so they are also well favored. But the rest are also good enough to get in the Top 10: *Signature*, *Category 4*, *The Core*, *Quorum*, *Rooftop Records*, *Round Midnight*.

Mic Testers, ranked number 11 in the world – not too shabby! – is *Clutch*, from the Southwestern District.

Performance order starts with *The Newfangled Four*, followed by *Category 4*, then *Signature*; fourth is *The Core*, fifth will be *Throwback*, sixth is *Pratt Street Power*, seventh *Quorum*, eighth will be *Rooftop Records*, ninth is *Round Midnight*, and tenth is *Midtown*.

The newest Quartet Gold Medal should be awarded after 10 pm Saturday night and then there will be a new member for 2020 of the International Association of Champions.

Also performing, before the Mic Tester, will be the 2019 International Chorus Champion, *Westminster*, and the 2019 Next Generation Barbershop Varsity Quartet Champion *Frontier*. A full night of fantastic Barbershop and just a little bit of suspense as to who will win the 2020 Gold Medal.

Daily Tag

7. I'll Be Seeing You

look-ing at the moon, you

I'll be look-ing at the moon, but I'll be see-ing I'll be see-ing you.

look-ing at the moon,

Bobby Gray, Jr., 1976

Convention Memories:



Rick from Ontario District has an impressive collection of Barbershop pins, so many he couldn't put them on his lanyard anymore so a friend made him a vest to display them. Good job!

(Right) The old Union Pacific logo was very appropriate for a July 4 week convention parting shot.

