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news from the Barbershop Harmony Society

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BARBERSHOP NEWS

BARBERSHOP WORLDWIDE

Nurturing a welcoming community

Learning from our past can help shape our present and future, says Dr. Daniel Cartwright, who moderated a BHS series of panel discussions that carefully considered the impact of our Society's Barbershop Harmony Society Timeline training sex history, with suggestions on how to build bridges in the 21st Century. Find it in the May/June 2026 Harmonizer, in mailboxes now and always online.

READ NOW

Vocal Spectrum invites you to celebrate with them

Could it really be TWENTY years? Join **Vocal Spectrum, Crossroads** and **The Dale Weaver Gang** on Wednesday, July 1 in St. Louis, for a full night of laughs, songs and celebration! AND the first to get an instant Download of the brand new VS album!

Join the 2026 champs for a party

GET TIX

LEARN AT CONVENTION

Book a private voice lesson

Growing as a barbershop singer starts with growing as a singer, period.

While at the convention, explore your unique, beautiful vocal instrument with a **45-minute private lesson** with BHS staff vocal pedagogue **Steve Scott**. Whether you're a beginning singer or a seasoned performer, you'll receive personalized, one-on-one coaching and guidance from Steve, who uses evidence-based teaching techniques to ensure healthy, sustainable singing.

Lessons are available onsite in St. Louis Monday – Friday, and are arranged on a one-on-one basis. Once a ticket **($75)** has been purchased, Steve will contact you to schedule the lesson.

BOOK NOW

BHS offices closed Friday, June 19

Barbershop Harmony Society offices will be closed to observe Juneteenth National Independence Day, a US Federal holiday.

SATURDAY, JULY 18 - TWO RIVERS, WISCONSIN

Celebrate The Schmitt Brothers 75th championship anniversary

Four boys from a small town in Wisconsin become local heroes and nationally famous when Joe, Jim, Paul, and Fran Schmitt brought home the SPEBSQSA gold medals in 1951.

It's said that on the night the newly crowned quartet chartered home from the convention, the entire town turned out for an impromptu parade winding from the train station to the city center to welcome home their favorite sons. Today, the beautiful Schmitt Brothers Stage stands in Two Rivers Central Park in tribute to the long-held quartet.

Celebrate their legacy with a free family-friendly show with performances by the **Chipper City Chorsteners, Midwest Vocal Express, Forward Harmony, Cruise Classic, What's New,** and **the Dead Aces.**

LEARN MORE

Ship your chapter history archive, and download a digital copy

BHS has completed a major effort to digitize decades of archival files connected to active chapters. As we prepare for the transcriptions move, we are providing chapters with secure access to their scanned files and asking them to review **and confirm whether it wants the original physical files mailed or securely shredded.**

Instructions for this process have been sent to specific authorized officers of districts and chapters: president, executive vice president, secretary, treasurer, immediate past president, Member Center administrator. **Only these officers are allowed to download or request the files.**

Digital files will remain preserved. Physical files not requested by the deadline will be securely shredded. **Chapters wishing to receive their physical files** must submit the required form and pay the standard $25 shipping/handling fee **by July 7, 2026.**

DETAILS, SEE FAQ

SPONSORED CONTENT

Just added! Crossroads coming to AIC

Technologies they ain't, but they sure can sing. "Perfect" 2026 champs **Crossroads** will make a camee appearance on the AIC Show in St Louis. (No one ever really retires, the gigs just spread out further and further.)

They're part of a lineup packed with NINE past champs:

- **Lemon Squeezy**
- **Three and a Half Men**
- **Quorum**
- **Main Street**
- **Forefront**
- **Instant Classic**
- **Crossroads**
- **Vocal Spectrum**
- **Michigan Jake – celebrating their 25th Championship Anniversary**

See it all Friday, July 3 - 7:30 pm - SSM Theatre

- Live in person
- Livestream
- Delayed view streaming

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Save on Southwest Airlines fares

Get discounted fares when traveling to select 2026 BHS events.

Use this link to save on travel for:

- BHS 2026 International Convention, St. Louis, June 29-July 5, 2026
- BHS Judging Category School, Denver, July 2026
- Harmony University, Denver, July 26-August 2, 2026

Livestream from the 2026 International Convention

Full coverage of the international contests!

- Watch all the action at home or on the go
- Beloved hosts **Alex Morris** and **Debbie Cleveland** plus guests galore to add perspectives and anecdotes
- Performer interviews and shout-outs
- Full post-event archive access for one week!
- **All for just $99!**

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Psssssst... it's not too late to show up in person with a Day Pass!

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2022 Quartet Quarterfinals - Denver

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