



Where the Harmony Began

Central States District
Association of Chapters Of
The Barbershop Harmony Society, aka
The Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet
Singing In America, Inc.

Report to the House of Delegates (Consent Calendar)

March 18, 2022 (Virtual, via Zoom)



[Our bylaws grant authority to the Board of Directors to manage the district affairs when the House of Delegates is not in session provided that all actions by the board are subject to approval by the House of Delegates. Acceptance of the Consent Calendar by the House of Delegates is the process by which action by the Board of Directors are approved.]

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Reports

Report #100 --- Executive Director Report

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What's Happening

International Convention, July 3 – 10, 2022, Charlotte, North Carolina



Harmony University July 24 – 31, 2022, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA



Midwinter Convention February 7 – 12, 2023, Daytona Beach, FL



International Convention, July 2 – 9, 2023, Louisville, KY



Midwinter Convention, July 9 – 14, 2024, New York, NY



International Convention, 2024, Cleveland, OH



Report #200 --- CSD Events, Spring, 2022

Doug Brott, District Events V.P.



Due to the continuing issues with the Covid-19 Pandemic, HEP and LA were changed from in-person to Virtual to be held on Feb26, 2022. In addition, based on Survey results, the Chorus Contest was dropped from Spring Convention. Choruses have been encouraged to attend, however, as Coaching from Judges and members of Main Street will be available on Saturday Morning. Plans are going forward for 2022 Fall Convention in Lawrence KS at the Lied Center with the Doubletree as Headquarters Hotel again. The Fall Conventions for 2023 and 2024 will also be in Lawrence KS.

The Events Team continues to plan ahead for future conventions and work to secure good and reasonably priced venues and hotels. We would very much like to see other district chapter's ideas on hosting future conventions. Below you will see our scheduled conventions and events. We hope that by planning these further out, your chapter will be able to plan on attending!

2022 Spring Convention
March 18 – 20, 2022
Wichita, KS

2022 Fall Convention
October 7 – 9, 2022
Lawrence, KS

2023 Spring Convention
April 21 – 23, 2023
Iowa City, IA

2023 Fall Convention
October 13 – 15, 2023
Lawrence, KS

2024 Spring Convention
April 19 – 21, 2024
TBD

2024 Fall Convention
October 11 – 13, 2024
Lawrence, KS

2025 Spring Convention
April 11 – 13, 2025
TBD

2025 Fall Convention
October 17 – 19, 2025
TBD

2026 Spring Convention
April 24 – 26, 2026
TBD

2026 Fall Convention
October 16 – 18, 2026
TBD, KS

Report #214 --- Contest and Judging, Spring, 2022

Carter Combs, CSD Contest and Judging V.P.



1. On [February 7](#), 2022, the Barbershop Harmony Society Board of Directors voted unanimously to open its annual international contest to all quartets and choruses, without gender distinctions. This means that all International Prelim contests will also follow the same rules.
2. As always, Districts are free to determine which contests they hold, and awards they present, for any District-level championships. The CSD Board decided a couple years ago that we would have Men's, Women's, and Mixed Harmony categories for both our Chorus and Quartet District contests. In addition, we will award Overall District Champion Quartet and Chorus for the highest scoring ensembles, regardless of gender. And of course, we will continue to recognize our District Senior, Super-Senior, Novice, Super-Novice, and Youth categories, which are all also open to all genders.
3. The International Seniors Quartet Contest will be open to all genders. At this time, no announcements have been made about any potential changes to the International Senior Chorus contest, which is not currently an official BHS event. CSD will hold our Senior International Prelims at our Fall convention, in accordance with whatever rules have been announced by that time.

4. The CSD Convention Team surveyed all chapters earlier this year, and learned there were not enough willing or able to participate in the usual Spring small-chorus competitions. The decision was made to instead hold ALL our District Chorus contests for 2022 at the convention this Fall in Lawrence, KS.
5. CSD wishes to encourage all barbershop choruses, regardless of size, so has contests for the following, all based on the number of performers on stage:
 - a. 5 – 11 = VLQ = Very Large Quartet
 - b. 12 – 19 = Plateau I Chorus
 - c. 20 – 29 = Plateau II Chorus
 - d. 30 – 39 = Plateau III Chorus
 - e. 40 or more = Plateau IV Chorus

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Report #300 --- Marketing and Public Relations, Spring, 2022

Michael Pommier, Marketing and Public Relations V.P.

Aaron Powell, Assistant Marketing and Public Relations V.P.



Greeting men and women of the CSD! I hope my message finds you and your chapter well.

Words cannot express how excited I am to have an in-person convention. It may be a little different than in the past without the chorus contest, but it's a step in the right direction. Many chapters are starting to make their way back to regular rehearsals and that is super exciting. As your chapter begins to pick up steam, please let us know so we can help showcase the amazing things you are doing in your own communities.

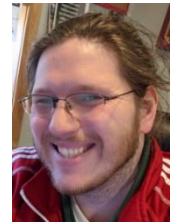
We just finished up our Virtual Leadership Academy and I have to say that I didn't know just how much I missed that event. In the marketing class, we had 7 people join, most of whom were chapter presidents attending on behalf of their marketing person. We had a very engaged group with lots of excellent questions. We shared ideas, had some laughs, and talked about how we can make our chapters better through effective marketing. I look forward to seeing more chapters participate next year.

We're always looking to add folks to the marketing team, and right now we have a pretty big need for social media coordinator. This is a volunteer position who would be the primary curator of social media content on the CSD social media accounts. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact me (my contact info is below).

The last two years have been a challenge. We've been trying to make more of an effort to promote the wonderful things our chapters are doing, however, with chapters shut down, there hasn't been much to promote. It looks like things are on the upswing and I really hope we can get in the swing of showing the world all the amazing things that happen in the CSD.

If I don't see you in Wichita, I look forward to seeing you this fall in Lawrence.

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Report #340 --- CSD Philanthropy, Spring, 2022

Larry Warrick, District Treasurer



Harmony Foundation International (HFI).

<https://www.harmonyfoundation.org> The mission of the Harmony Foundation International is to connect people through charitable giving to enrich lives through singing. HFI believes that singing improves

lives and seeks philanthropic partners who wish to share the gift of singing as a means of making lives more enjoyable, satisfying and meaningful. HFI provides funding for music education programs for students in middle and high school and college, as well as outreach programs in communities, to promote, develop and advance opportunities for lifelong singing.

Or, donate directly to Barbershop Harmony Society using the BHS online giving platform. You may direct up to a combined 85% of your gift to your chapter or district. Through the BHS online giving platform almost \$800 has been directed to the District since October 2021. Gifts may be made online, <https://give.barbershop.org>, via credit or debit card, and ACH/bank transfer. For other methods of donation of more information call 800-876-7464 or email development@barbershop.org. Thanks for all you do to create a world of harmony!

Your Gift Will Keep the Whole World Singing

	BHS ADVOCATE \$1 \$1 - \$99	BRONZE LEVEL \$100 \$100 - \$999	SILVER LEVEL \$1,000 \$1,000 - \$4,999	GOLD LEVEL \$5,000 \$5,000 - \$9,999	DIAMOND LEVEL \$10,000 \$10,000 - \$24,999	TULSA ROOFTOP CLUB \$25,000+
Your name listed in BHS publications	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Donor badge		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Donor exclusive experience at conventions			✓	✓	✓	✓
Two VIP convention seats			✓	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive email for Harmony Hall needs				✓	✓	✓
Access to exclusive online events					✓	✓
Special recognition during major events						✓
Backstage access during quartet Finals call-off						✓

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Mark Fuerniss - Secretary

Report #360 --- Historian, Spring, 2022

Tom Schulein, Historian



I reworked the history boards such that only about 12 single-panel foam boards are now used to tell the entire story of the Central States District. So, since our founding in 1946 to the present, pertinent information is presented in a form that anyone can review readily at a convention without having to wade through the entire collection of 70-some tri-fold boards that each represent a single year in too much detail and with too fine of print to read in dimmed lighting such as usual presents at our conventions.

My hope is that my new boards would be established at the wall of the entrance doors of the performance area. Such has not been the case so far, although the only time these boards were used was at the fall convention in Lawrence, Kansas in the fall of 2019.

I will not be in attendance at the spring convention in Wichita next month and I don't trust anyone to bring the boards in my stead, lest they forget to return them! That would be too much work down the drain. I'm sure they won't be missed since so very few people ever look at our history anyway.

I hope I can bring these boards to a future convention and have them presented in the best possible manner for maximum viewing by "the masses."

Thomas Schulein
CSD Historian

Report #400 --- Music and Performance, Spring, 2022

Jeff Veteto, Music & Performance V.P.



This report is written on the heels of the **2022 HEP School** effort. This is always the biggest single event that occurs under the Music and Performance umbrella, and I'm glad to report the 2022 event went well.

A bit of history: In 2020, we had an in-person event, combined with Leadership Academy (LA) in St. Joseph. This was just prior to the whole COVID thing. In 2021, we found ourselves at a point where people were just getting vaccinated, so we went with a virtual event. All agreed that the event was a success.

For 2022, we had hoped to go back to in-person, but there were hurdles. Missouri Western nearly tripled the price of using their facilities, and when we checked with churches we might use, they were.....sluggish....in their response. This was mostly due to ongoing concerns with COVID safety, and hesitance on the part of the venues to bring in outside groups--all certainly understandable. So, we went back to the virtual model.

When the dust settled, six quartets took advantage of HEP coaching (a seventh had to scratch due to illness). Of these six, four were men's, one women's, and one mixed.

We had six coaches working with the six quartets on a very, very NON-traditional scheduling matrix! Matt Suellentrop was indispensable in his efforts to schedule all those Zoom meetings. Thanks, Matt!

And I can't say enough good about the wonderful coaches in this District. You outdid yourselves. Again. Thank you!

And...thanks to the quartets for participating. Hopefully you were all given tangible feedback that will only make you better.

Looking forward to 2023, when we will once again push for an in-person event!

Report #450 --- Chapter Support and Leadership, Spring, 2022

Brett Randolph, CSLT V.P.



As our world is getting closer and closer to "normal", chapters are starting to get back to the business of barbershop. Chapters are meeting again and the District is hosting its first convention in two and a half years. Now is the perfect time to try something new in your chapter. That will look different for each chapter, but your State VP or Chapter Advocate would be a great resource to help your chapter take on a new challenge. If you have not yet been contacted by your State Vice President or your Chapter Advocate, please let me know and I will get you in touch with the appropriate person.

As my schedule has allowed, I have participated in several Chapter President conference calls that are happening once per month throughout the District. I have found them to be very informative and a valuable communication tool for Chapter Advocates and for Chapter and District leaders. While each chapter is unique, they face many of the same triumphs and challenges. These calls have allowed for chapters to share the great things that are happening and have provided an avenue for leaders to get ideas from their counterparts throughout the District. If you haven't had a chance to be on those calls, please make time to do so. It is time well spent. Brett Randolph brett_randolph@hotmail.com

Report #460 --- Leadership Academy, Spring, 2022

Brett Randolph, CSLT V.P.



Report #470 --- Membership Development, Spring, 2022

Don Fuson, Membership Development V.P.
CSD Membership VP



2022 planning

- a) Host quarterly zoom calls with chapter membership/development VPs
- b) Led Membership class at CSD 2022 Leadership Academy – follow-up on class questions
- c) Work individually with chapter leaders for refresher training with Member Center 2.0
- d) Encourage chapter members to work closely with chapter marketing to have outreach performance opportunities
- e) Refer and track open questions about data issues with HQ
- f) Support chapters through chapter rosters and current member lists, as requested

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Report #475 --- Chapter Eternal, Spring, 2022

Mark Fuerniss, District Secretary

Spring 2022 Chapter Eternal

- Lloyd Marshall Springfield, MO
- Curtis Hallberg Milbank, SD 36 years
- Richard Pannbacker Manhattan, KS 4 years
- Charles Bale St. Joseph, MO 2 years
- Charles 'Dick' Young Kansas City, MO
- James Dutton Nebraska City, NE 18 years
- Richard Ellis Kansas City, MO
- Mike McCormick Sioux Falls, SD 5 years
- Charles Fiser Davenport, IA
- Gerald Little Davenport, IA 30 years
- Robert Burdick Kansas City, MO 40 years
- Scott Barnum Hays, KS 6 years

- James Malek Sioux City, IA 15 years
- James 'Doc' Rea Wichita, KS 29 years
- Mark Hopp Nebraska City, NE 18 years
- Edward 'Mike' Reilly Leavenworth, KS
- Grover Hartsuch Davenport, IA 38 years
- Michael McKim St. Joseph, MO 33 years
- Brian 'Brian' Seydlitz Kansas City, MO 8 years
- Paul Mussack Fremont, NE

Report #510 --- Iowa State V.P. Report, Spring, 2022

Jeff Arians Iowa State V.P.



As the new guy, I haven't had much time to reach out and introduce myself to our Iowa chapters. I sent each chapter an email and heard back from 7 of our chapters. There are a few chapters gearing up for their first spring show after the pandemic. There is a cool thing going on with the Mason City and Waterloo chapters. The two choruses are combining for a spring show with about 70 guys on stage. I remember the spring shows in Mason City selling out all 3 shows when I was a child and how big the chorus was then, so it will be awesome to see a large chorus back on the NIACC stage. They will be having a couple shows in Mason City on [April 9](#) and one show in Waterloo on [April 23](#). Harmony Delegation is in the beginning stages of planning their spring show for [April 30](#), and the Harmony Hawks are gearing up for a show on [May 14](#)!

Unfortunately, the pandemic has also had a negative impact on a few of our chapters. The Algona, IA chapter is in critical condition after losing their director and some key members, while there are a couple other chapters who haven't begun rehearsing due to health issues and the age of their members.

I look forward to tax season ending for many reasons, with the main one being so I can start getting to our chapter's weekly rehearsals.

Thank you,

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Report #520 --- Kansas State V.P. Report, Spring, 2022

Kevin Barker, Kansas State V.P.



We, as in the Presidents of the Kansas chapters, continue to meet by Zoom once a month. Our main focus is talking about current issues the new presidents are facing and letting the more senior ones give advice.

Most of the chapter are meeting in person and have had Christmas shows. With the ever changing horizon the chapters continue to find ways of meeting, singing, recruiting!

Once the weather warms, I plan to visit some of the chapter meetings to show the commitment and resolve of CSD Board to reach out and offer help!

Thanks
Kevin Barker
Kansas State VP

Report #530 --- Missouri/Arkansas V.P. Report, Spring, 2022

Michael Bass , Missouri/Arkansas State V.P.



Most chapters in Missouri and Arkansas have successfully navigated back to in-person rehearsals! I hope you all share my excitement with that announcement. I am happy to have Missouri and Arkansas represented at BHS International contest this year by Central Standard from the Metro Kansas City Chapter, as well as The Recruits and The Ambassadors of Harmony from the St. Charles chapter. I am sure they will all make CSD proud. There are a variety of different events our chapters are planning for, including a Foundation fundraising gala in the St. Louis area, a Kansas City area high school show, another St. Louis area show for a senior citizen community, a St. Patrick's day performance, and of course several traditional chapter shows upcoming in the spring and early summer. Did you know that the Greater Ozarks, Arkansas chapter has been providing NAFME's Get America Singing Again song books to local schools? They have supplied over 8000 copies since they began in 1999!

We all know its great to be a barbershopper but, even more so, IT'S GREAT TO BE BACK!

Report #540 --- Nebraska State V.P. Report, Spring, 2022

Dr. Jacob Bartlett, Nebraska State V.P.

As the pandemic has continued to have highs/lows, so too has the involvement of Nebraska's barbershop choruses. However, it seems that most chapters have been meeting in person, which is exciting news.

It does not appear that any Nebraska choruses will be attending the spring convention in mass, but I do know there are a few quartets that intend to do so, namely from the Lincoln, Fremont, and Omaha areas.



Toward the end of 2021, several choruses successfully put on holiday shows. Others focused squarely on caroling, while others had a full fledged holiday show.

At this point, it appears some are selling Singing Valentines, but I have not received a gauge as to whether or not this is happening in our central/western chapters.

Perhaps the largest event for Nebraska is that chapters are being asked to sing the national anthem at the Spring Game for the University of Nebraska Huskers football team on Saturday, April 9. I believe Fremont has a show that day, so are unable to attend. Lincoln, Nebraska City, Beatrice, and Antelope Valley have been invited. I am not sure if central/western chapters have been included. Don Blank is the contact person for this event.



I look forward to visiting with our now active chapters again once we hit early spring into summer. I anticipate several chapters having questions about the new contest format, and existing options for adding new folks to their rosters. I am in the process of scheduling meetings in person and/or in zoom with our leaders.

In harmony,
Jake

Report #550 --- South Dakota State V.P. Report, Spring, 2022

David Stephenson, South Dakota State V.P.

Glacial Lakes Harmonizers – Watertown, SD

We had a fun day on Valentines Day. Our quartet greeted about 30 ladies to Valentine serenades. We had a really good time and spent the whole day doing so. There are no plans for any type of a Show for this year at this time. We do have an interesting opportunity coming up. Our High School Chorus will be spending some time studying Barbershop music. Hopefully we will be able to go and perform for them during this time period, maybe spark some interest for future



Barbershoppers. We currently have 8 or so regularly attending practice, with a couple of prospects we are working on.

Mitchell Barbershop Chorus – Mitchell, SD

In talking with Steve, he said it sounds like we are going to team up with the Community Theater and do a fundraiser at the end of the summer. There are no plans for a Show this year. We have lost several members and some are still really on edge about COVID.

Sioux Emperians – Sioux Falls, SD

There were several members of the Sioux Emperians who met in Jan. to discuss plans for the Chapter. They decided as a result of COVID and all its issues, to postpone practices until early April, probably the 5th, the first Tuesday of the month. Like most other Chapters, their numbers are down significantly. There is hope for some type of a Fall Show.

Tri-Valley Chorus – Viborg South Dakota

We have been very fortunate in dealing with the COVID situation since it began. Practices have continued pretty much throughout the entire time, except for a short time at the beginning. We did, however, lose a member of our chorus, who was a joint member with Sioux Emperians. Jim Dunlap sang with us at our July 2021 Show. He will be greatly missed.

One of our Quartets, “The All Nighters” sang to many lucky ladies for Valentines Day. They put on quite a few miles, but as always, had a great time in doing so. Our Spring Show, April 2, is quickly approaching. Our featured quartet will be Signature. We are looking forward to having them as a part of our show.

Many of the activities we would normally have participated in this past Winter, were unfortunately cancelled due to COVID. We normally sing at several Nursing Homes at Christmas and shortly before our Spring Show. Many of the chapters I contact have had a significant drop in active members since COVID. We have only had a slight decline and feel very fortunate in that.

I have mentioned to the other SD Chapters the possibility of having a 1 day get together just to sing, have some fun, and picnic on a Saturday in July. No training, no coaching, just a fun group sing-out. There was good interest so hopefully we can pull this together and have some fun.

Dave Stephenson
South Dakota VP

Report #560 --- District Secretary's Report, Spring, 2022

Mark Fuerniss, District Secretary

Thanks to chapter leaders for updating their chapter leaders on Member Center before the end of 2021. The few chapters that didn't get their leaders updated will have to contact the Society for assistance. State District Directories have been compiled and shared with Board Members and State Vice Presidents. Your state vice president will be another source of information about chapter leaders in your state.



Chapters are beginning to put on chapter shows again. Please send your Applications for Show Clearance, BMI & SESAC License forms to District Secretary, 3060 San Agustin Drive, Lincoln, NE. Please be aware of show dates for neighboring chapters as well as District and Society events when you are planning your chapter shows. According to our District Code of Regulations, the District Secretary cannot clear dates of shows that conflict with district or society events. Some upcoming shows that have been cleared: Hays, KS, April 2; Sioux City, IA, May 7; Cedar Rapids, IA, May 14; Manhattan, KS, May 21. Follow the directions on the form. Please use your chapter name rather than your chorus name. If I have overlooked your upcoming show, please let me know. Can I assume *ALL* chapters have submitted their ASCAP Reporting Form for 2021, with appropriate fee, to the Society?

Thank you for all you do for your chapter allowing your chapter members an opportunity to do what they like to do best, singing with fellow barbershoppers.

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Report #570 --- District Treasurer's Report, Spring, 2022

Larry Warrick, District Treasurer

Some of my accomplishments are as follows:

- Monthly paid bills due and deposited funds that were received
- Reconciled the accounts in QuickBooks monthly
- Prepared financial reports as requested by the District President
- Closed the books on 2021
- Sent the financial records to our Financial Reviewer



- Any financial questions I receive from chapters or individuals have been answered and the State VP copied on the reply
- Prepared 2022 Budget from requests made by Board members, PAT Vice Presidents and Committee chairs
- Prepared the Annual Financial report, Balance sheet report for the Spring Board meeting and HOD meeting
- Sent 1099-NEC and 1096 to the individuals and IRS
- Will be submitting the 990-EZ filings before May 15
- Expense vouchers and bills have been paid in a timely manner with CSD President's approval
- Prepared for the CSD Leadership Academy for the Treasurers Class

Respectively Submitted
 Larry Warrick, CSD Treasure

Report #580 --- Immediate Past President Report, Spring, 2022

Chad Schuetz – Immediate Past President



Over the last two years, our Central States Board of Directors and Program Vice Presidents have continued to work and plan to provide meaningful opportunities to have our members engage in barbershop. We are incredibly thankful that we will have the opportunity to gather together in person for the first time since Fall of 2019!

Throughout this time, we have also been working on revisions and updates to our District Bylaws, which will be presented during the meetings for Spring Convention. Special thanks to Mark Erikson, Mark Fuerniss, Duane Lawson and Matt Suellentrop for all of their tedious work to prepare these updates for the District.

As Immediate Past President, I have the responsibility to chair the nominating committee for our Board of Directors. This Fall, we will elect our new District President, District Executive Vice President, as well as State Vice Presidents for Missouri-Arkansas, Nebraska and South Dakota.

If you, or someone you know, has an interest in serving at the district level to support and encourage members in the Central States District, please reach out to Nominating Committee Chair, Chad Schuetz, at cschuetz@eldoradoschools.org

Sing with you soon,

Chad Schuetz, Immediate Past President
 Barbershopper of the Year - 2021
 Central States District

Report #585 --- Nominating Committee Report, Spring, 2022

District Code of Regulations (10/10/2014)

3.1. Elected board members shall serve for terms of two years with half of the board members elected on odd and half elected on even numbered years with **President** and **Executive Vice President** elected years in the same years. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected in the years that alternate with the President and Executive Vice President. . .

Standard District By-Laws (10/2012)

5.04a The state vice presidents shall be elected for a two year term on a rotating basis, with the state vice presidents for **Missouri-Arkansas, Nebraska, and South Dakota being elected to begin their terms in the odd numbered years**, and the state vice presidents for Iowa and Kansas being elected to begin their terms in the even numbered years. . . “.

Contact Chad Schuetz if you are interested in serving members of the District in a district leadership role.

--- Mark Fuerniss, Secretary

Report #600 --- District President Report, Spring, 2022

Duane Lawson, District President

I think back to what seemed like normal tasks of a barbershop chapters and now celebrate as glorious achievements. Since our last Fall report, chapters have been back to rehearsals together and having concerts. I personally visited a show from the Leavenworth, KS and performed on the Central Standard Holiday Show. I have visited Heart of America and Little Apple Chorus rehearsals and was elated to be asked to Install the officers of the Manhattan, KS and Kansas City, MO Metro Board of Directors.



Not every chapter has come out of the other side of the Pandemic. But it is great to see how chapters are adapting. Chapters are working together and sharing resources to produce shows. In realizing that audiences are still not full capacity, chapters are finding ways to cut expenses to put on a financially successful show.

I am proud of how our Program Administrator Team has worked together to put on our events such as Spring Convention, Leadership Academy, and HEP. Although the original plans have had to be changed, the team is making adjustments to be the most successful.

I am looking forward to the Spring Convention in Wichita. I can't wait to hear our CSD Quartets cross the stage to entertain again. As always, if you or your chapter needs any assistance, please reach out to the District Board and District Program Administrator Team.

Duane Lawson
CSD President



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