

The Las Vegas Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society

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Events for 2024

5/11—Far Western District SE/SW Divisional Convention—Ontario, CA

5/27—Memorial Day gig at Woodlawn Cemetery 9:30 am (public event)

6/9 — “If The Lord Be Willin’” show at Windmill Library. 2 pm **Free admission!**

6/16— “If The Lord Be Willin’” show at Clark County Library. 2 pm **Free admission!**

6/29-7/6—Barbershop Harmony Society International Convention—Cleveland, OH

7/3—Silver Statesmen sing National Anthem at Las Vegas Ballpark for the Aviators (public event)

10/18-19—FWD Fall Convention

11/9—Chorus performance—Temple Sinai

11/11—Veterans Day events tba

12/14—Christmas Show Winchester Dondero Cultural Center 2 pm **\$20**

President's Corner



Bill Robey



Hello my brothers,

Our chorus is moving full speed ahead, as our balance and sound continues to improve each week.

The pancake breakfast show was successful, and our performance was very good. I'm sure there were a few hiccups, but overall I feel it went well.

We have a busy summer ahead of us, so buckle up, it's gonna be fun!

As always, keep a song in your heart and never stop singing!

Your brother in song,



Congratulations on a GREAT Show!!

Clark County Parks & Recreation presents
National Barbershop Quartet Day

LIVE at Winchester Theater
Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 2 pm
Tickets \$15
Kids 12 and under are free

The **Silver**
Statesmen

Winchester Dondero Cultural Center
3130 S McLeod Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89121
702-455-7340
<https://clarkcountynv.gov/parks>



From our Director: Gordon Lankenau



A gauntlet of wandering thoughts . . .

Hello gentlemen,

First, I am excited about the group going to Ontario this year. Though for various reasons we fail to get 100% participation, I feel that our representation in Divisional and District singing events is incredibly important, not only in keeping Las Vegas actively visible in the district, but to assure the District that we aren't going away. There are many chapters that are struggling to get going again since Covid, but kudos to the leadership of our chapter for keeping our chapter thriving during that challenging time. Thank you Administration!!

Fast forward four years and here we are, improving our sound and our interpretation welcoming many new and vibrantly active members, contributing to performances and making them special. I hope we continue to exceed your expectations for years to come. Thank you, new members.

Thank you, everyone, for your continued attention at rehearsals as we improve our Las Vegas sound through increased focus on vowels, breathing, posture, faces and taking our performances to the next level. It will continue to take effort from everyone, but it will be worth it. As I've always said, "it's great to have fun, but it's fun to be good." Let's keep it going. Thank you for allowing me to be your director on this journey of improvement and chapter growth.

Sing-cerely,

Gordon

Our Mission Statement:

"To share our passion for music, to preserve the art form known as Barbershop singing, to enrich the lives of our members, community, and audiences through performance and to bring people together in Harmony and fellowship."

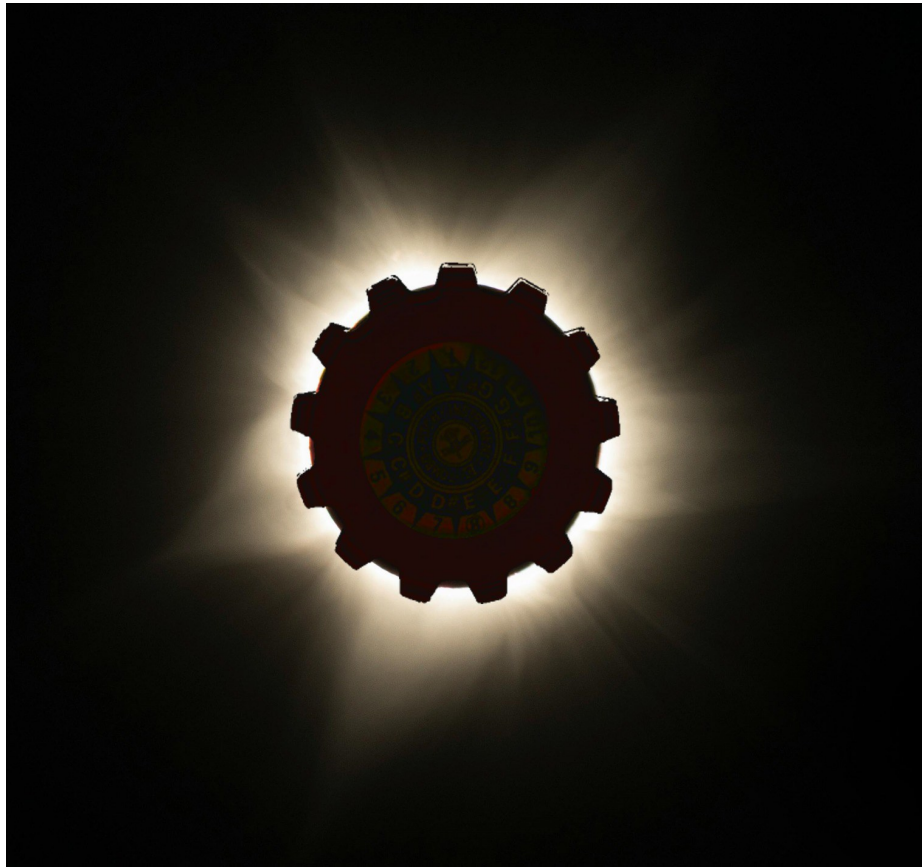


"Happy Mother's Day to all the amazing mothers out there! Thank you for your unwavering love, care, and dedication. You are the heart of your family and the reason for so much joy and happiness."

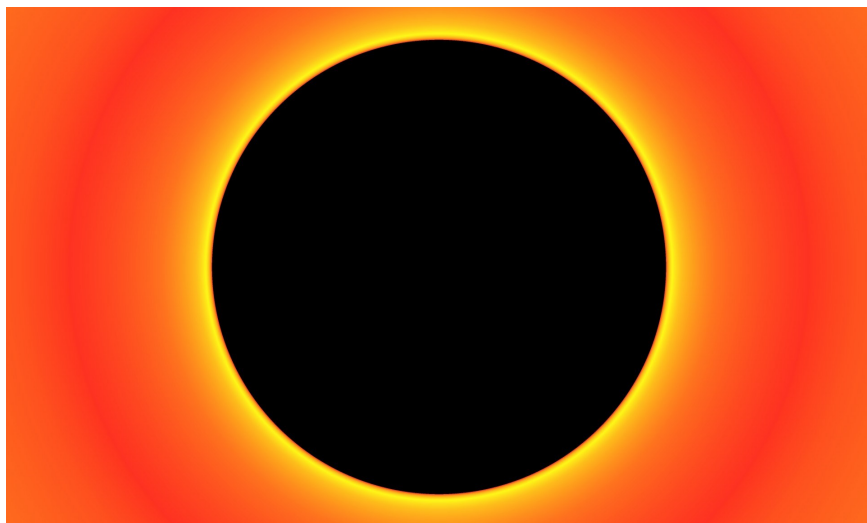




A barbershopper's eclipse



What the rest of the world sees



On the lighter side

**I MAY LOOK LIKE I'M
HAVING DEEP
THOUGHTS BUT
99% OF THE
TIME I'M THINKING
ABOUT WHAT I'M
GOING TO EAT LATER**

**I have been nominated
to a "25 pushups a day
for 25 days" challenge.
I blocked that person.**

**Us older folks know all about
living on the edge, we used
to answer the phone without
knowing who it was**



**Some people are
solving major world
problems, and I'm
over here all excited
because I found
my missing sock
inside a pair of my
underwear.**

You should have fun when you sing. Like each other and share in the joys of making great music because you don't know when you won't be able to do so again.



Smile often . . .
It keeps other
people guessing

Come Sing With Us!!!

What: Weekly Chapter Meeting and Rehearsal

When: Thursdays 7-10 pm

Where: Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
10265 Bermuda Rd. Las Vegas 89183



Our chorus and quartets love to sing for our audiences and to share our love of "Barbershop".

You are invited to join us to enjoy an evening of camaraderie and great barbershop harmony. Don't miss out on the fun! Come see what it's all about.

The **Silver** Statesmen

Patron Support

The Silver Statesmen Barbershop Chorus is supported by revenues from shows, membership dues and contributions from patrons. Many of you have been a contributor in the past and we appreciate your generosity.

Tier Levels of Patron Donations:

Bronze: \$25 (to have your name listed in our show program and on the chorus website)

Silver: \$50 (same as above, and receive two tickets to events like the Pancake Breakfast or Ice Cream Social)

Gold: \$100 (same as above plus receive two tickets to a paid performance)

Platinum: \$150 or more (same as above plus a free "Singing Valentine" in February)

Thank you for your continued support.

To contribute online: silverstatesmen.com

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PATRONS 2024

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Wally & Marla Smulson
Jeff Homer
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GOLD

Cindy Cardwell (in memory of Herb Craig)
Jonathan & Robin Savar
Andrea Olson CPA Inc

BRONZE

Thomas Brill
Larry Paterson
Kurtis Harrold



We'll be onstage in Ontario!!!





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With Special Guests:
THE SWING IT! GIRLS

IF THE LORD BE WILLIN'

FREE SHOWS

JUNE 9, 2024 - 2 pm
WINDMILL LIBRARY
7060 W. WINDMILL LN
LAS VEGAS 89113

JUNE 16, 2024 - 2 pm
CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY
1401 E. FLAMINGO RD
LAS VEGAS 89119