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JAD Qualifies 5!



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MEN



Mark Blake at 📍 Holiday Inn Cleveland South.

May 16 · Independence

Had a great time at the Music Reading Clinic hosted by Carl Taylor and including JAD President Doug Smeltz!



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Special Guest Chorus

Cleveland Heights Barbershoppers

Directed by Jesse Lange & Kim Sudduth

The Cleveland Heights Barbershoppers is an audition-only small ensemble. The group often performs in local events and has performed at the BHS Midwinter Convention for the past 4 years. The group performs traditional barbershop songs as well as contemporary music. Their performance Saturday afternoon at the JAD Spring Convention this year left the crowd stunned as 9 young men took the stage and dazzled the audience with an entertaining set.

The men's barbershop group is a part of an active and thriving choral program at Cleveland Heights-University Heights under the direction of Jesse Lange and Kim Sudduth.



BHS Historivia Volume XXVI

JAD Prelims

With Mike Sisk

The JAD International Quartet Preliminary Contest has been proven historically to be the toughest and of highest quality. This is usually evident by way of top notch quartets like our past JAD champs and previous qualifiers returning after they've represented us in previous international competitions. JAD Historivia issues have highlighted multi-time JAD champs, multi-district champs, and multi voice-part champs. With respect to the JAD International Quartet Preliminary Contest, enjoy the following historical data which highlights the great JAD's quartets and quartet performers with their first place finishes!

I hope you've enjoyed this issue of BHS Historivia. y goal is to make it interesting every time! If you have any comments or questions feel free to contact me at clarionstate76@comcast.net or (412) 913-2896.

Quartet	1 st Place Finishes	Total
Allies	2007-2012	6
Uptown Sound	1998-2003	6
Roaring 20's	1971-1983	12
Town and Country Four	1958-1963	6



Allies

Quartet Man	Quartets	Total
Jim Gentil	Roaring 20's: 11, Naturals: 3	14
Gerry Kelly	Roaring 20's: 12	12
David Calland	Uptown Sound: 6, Allies: 6	12
Bob Moorehead	Roaring 20's: 5, Act IV: 1, Naturals: 3	9
Larry Autenreith	Town and Country Four: 6, Travelers: 1, Golden Touch: 1	8
Puck Ross	Allies: 6, Quorum: 1	7
Leo Sisk	Town and Country Four: 6, Golden Touch: 1	7
Don Gray	Roaring 20's: 7	7
Mike Connelly	Roaring 20's: 5, Naturals: 2	7



Uptown Sound



Roaring 20's



Town and Country Four

JAD 2017 District Chorus Contest

Emcee Skipp Kropp

Southern Gateway Chorus

1st



2017 District Champion

Plateau AAAA Champion

Jeff Legters
Western Hills (Cincinnati), OH

Five Foot Two
If I Had My Way



The Men of Independence

2nd

Gary Lewis
Independence, OH

So This Is Love
Get Me To The Church On
Time

**Voices of
Harmony**
CC Snyder &
Will Baughman
Northwest Ohio

3rd



Plateau AAA Champion

When She Loved Me
Sweet Georgia Brown

JAD 2017 District Chorus Contest

Emcee Skipp Kropp

Northwesternaires

Jim Shisler
Defiance, OH

A Son of the Sea
The Pirate King

4th



The Steel City Harmonizers

Donald Dresser, III
Pittsburgh Metro, PA

Stars Fell On Alabama
Lonely Nights Medley

5th

Kanawha Kordsmen

Steve Waggoner &
Ted Rose
Greater Kanawha Valley

I Only Have Eyes For You
After You've Gone

6th



Most Improved

Plateau AA Champion



Hall of Fame Chorus

Frederick Locker
Canton, OH

Santa Claus Medley
Why Doesn't Santa Claus Go Next Door?

7th

JAD 2017 District Chorus Contest

Emcee Skipp Kropp

Akron Derbytown Chorus

8th

Scott Giles
Akron, OH

*I Don't Know Why
Drivin' Me Crazy*



Thundertones

9th

Steve Patrick
Huntington Tri-State, WV

*It's A Good Day
Zip A Dee Doo Dah*

Northern Cascade Chordsmen

Alan Downey
Elyria, OH



JAD 2017 District Chorus Contest

OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY, BHS, International Quartet Preliminaries and District Chorus Convention

Johnny Appleseed District, Chorus Finals, Olmstead Falls, Ohio, April 22, 2017

Contest Legend: 1=Johnny Appleseed District Chorus, 2=Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AA Chorus, 3=Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AAA Chorus, 4=Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AAAA Chorus, 5=Johnny Appleseed District Most Improved Chorus

Chapter / Nickname	Song	MUS	PER	SNG	Total	Avg	Cnt
1 Western Hills (Cincinnati), OH	<i>Five Foot Two</i>	169	171	170	1014	84.5	62
Southern Gateway Chorus (1,4,5)	<i>If I Had My Way</i>	167	169	168			
2 Independence, OH	<i>So This Is Love</i>	168	168	168	1011	84.3	49
The Men of Independence (1,4,5)	<i>Get Me To The Church On Time</i>	166	170	171			
3 Northwest Ohio, OH	<i>When She Loved Me</i>	151	148	149	897	74.8	20
Voices of Harmony (1,3,5)	<i>Sweet Georgia Brown</i>	153	147	149			
4 Defiance, OH	<i>A Son Of The Sea</i>	151	148	150	894	74.5	34
Northwesternaires (1,4,5)	<i>The Pirate King</i>	151	146	148			
5 Pittsburgh Metro, PA	<i>Stars Fell On Alabama</i>	147	140	147	864	72.0	28
The Steel City Harmonizers (1,4,5)	<i>Lonely Nights Medley</i>	146	139	145			
6 Greater Kanawha Valley, WV	<i>I Only Have Eyes For You</i>	138	136	138	826	68.8	24
Kanawha Kordsmen (1,2,5)	<i>After You've Gone</i>	139	136	139			
7 Canton, OH	<i>Santa Claus Medley</i>	136	132	140	813	67.8	28
Hall Of Fame Chorus (1,3,5)	<i>Why Doesn't Santa Claus Go Next Door?</i>	138	131	136			
8 Akron, OH	<i>I Don't Know Why</i>	128	128	134	775	64.6	34
Akron Derbytowntown Chorus (1,3,5)	<i>Drivin' Me Crazy</i>	127	124	134			
9 Huntington Tri-State, WV	<i>It's A Good Day</i>	122	125	134	757	63.1	16
Thundertones (1,2,5)	<i>Zip A Dee Doo Dah</i>	120	123	133			

Western Hills (Cincinnati), OH is the District Chorus Champion.

Greater Kanawha Valley, WV is the Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AA Champion.

Northwest Ohio, OH is the Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AAA Champion.

Western Hills (Cincinnati), OH is the Johnny Appleseed District Plateau AAAA Champion.

Greater Kanawha Valley, WV is the Johnny Appleseed District Most Improved Chorus.

This marks the 34th District Championship for Southern Gateway!



District Events Team		Host Chapter Events Team	
VP of Events	Greg Swann	Local Chair	Dave Rubin
Convention Manager	Stevens Sommer	Registration	Ann Scott
VP Contest & Judging	Bari Courts	Stage & Judges Pit	Luther Carson
Back Stage Manager	Nathan Miller	Transportation	Tom Raab
Back Stage Assistant	Jamison Calland	Judges Services	Tammy Hipp
Senior Sound/Video Technician	Brad Scott	House & Usher	Bruce Moore
Program & Registration	Ken & Sharon Stevens	Pattern & Runners	Terry Scott
Convention Activities	Carl Taylor	Barbershopper's Shop	Jake Mandator
Advisor	Skipp Kropp	Society Representative	Chad Bennett

Mic Testers
Brian O'Dell
Joe Barbershopper Chorus



Vocal Seniority

20 JAD chapters were represented at the Midwinter Convention this past winter in the International Senior Barbershop Chorus Festival as members of Vocal Seniority where they took first place. Vocal Seniority did a victory lap at the JAD Spring Convention by performing their contest set under the direction of Doug Smeltz. Preparations and registration are already under way for next year's chorus.



JAD 2017 District Seniors Contest

Route 33

Keith Shuck, Tenor
Chuck Young, Lead
Doug Smeltz, Baritone
Tim Kalb, Bass

1st

Each Time I Fall In Love
Looking At The World Through Rose Colored Glasses



District Seniors Champion



High Mileage

Larry Icenogle, Tenor
Rusty Cates, Lead
Dennis Sagar, Baritone
Joe Jenkins, Bass

2nd

Nevertheless
There'll Be No New Tunes On This Old Piano

OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY, BHS, International Quartet Preliminaries and District Chorus Convention Johnny Appleseed District, Seniors Quartet Finals, District Seniors Quartet, Olmstead Falls, Ohio, April 21, 2017

Contest: Johnny Appleseed District Seniors Quartet

Finals	Song	MUS	PER	SNG	Subt	Prev	Total	Avg
1 Route 33	<i>Each Time I Fall In Love</i>	137	141	134			825	68.8
	<i>Looking At The World Through Rose Colored</i>	136	142	135				
2 High Mileage	<i>Nevertheless</i>	135	135	131			804	67.0
	<i>There'll Be No New Tunes On This Old Piano</i>	137	137	129				

Route 33 is the District Seniors Quartet Champion.

JAD 2017 International Preliminary Quartet Contest

Emcee Rusty Cates



The Crew

Noah Campbell, Tenor
Patrick Michel, Lead
Paul Gilman, Baritone
Jared Wolf, Bass

1st

Baby Mine

Hooray for Love

Sunday Kind of Love

Yes Sir, That's My Baby/Ain't She Sweet?

International Qualifier



Speakeasy

Matt Cook, Tenor
Keith Parker Jr., Lead
Kerry Conrad, Baritone
Terry Keith, Bass

2nd

Love Me

Rock It For Me

Baby, It's You

Sweet Pea

International Qualifier

JAD 2017 International Preliminary Quartet Contest

Emcee Rusty Cates



Unfinished Business

3rd

Dave McKinnon, Tenor
Jeff Gehm, Lead
George Lepsch, Baritone
Bob Godot, Bass

Hallelujah I Love Her So
Baby It's You
Two of a Kind (Workin' On A Full House)
Your Cheatin' Heart

Prototype

4th

Mark Hoffman II, Tenor
CC Snyder, Lead
JP Miller, Baritone
Jon Bell, Bass

When My Baby Smiles At Me
Ain't Misbehavin
A Fool Such As I
If I Didn't Have You



The Regulars

5th

Jon Geyer, Tenor
Chris Buirley, Lead
Christopher Boron, Baritone
Peter Scalabrino, Bass

When My Baby Smiles At Me
Mr. Success
What Can I Say After I Say I'm Sorry?
I Want You, I Need You, I Love You



JAD 2017 International Preliminary Quartet Contest

Emcee Rusty Cates

Escapade

Tim Speicher, Tenor
Pat Keenan, Lead
Bradley Babiack, Baritone
Jon Clunies, Bass

Lovelier Than Ever
They Didn't Believe Me
I Remember You
I Got Rhythm

6th



Cornerstone

Frederick Locker, Tenor
Chris Foisey, Lead
David Hipp, Baritone
Michael Sabo, Bass

Hello, My Baby
Sweet Adeline
After You've Gone
When She Loved Me

7th

Weekend Edition

Steven Shiveley, Tenor
Kent Vanderkolk, Lead
Todd Farrow, Baritone
Troy Kaper Jr., Bass

There Used To Be A Ballpark Here
She Didn't Say No
My Daddy's Still Singing His Song
Drivin' Me Crazy

8th



JAD 2017 International Preliminary Quartet Contest

Emcee Rusty Cates



Velocity

9th

Randy Goss, Tenor
Ernie Blevins, Lead
Mark Culp, Baritone
Terry Healey, Bass

Hey Good Lookin'
How Deep Is The Ocean?
L-O-V-E
The Nearness Of You

The Independents

10th

Jonathan Lang, Tenor
Mark Lang, Lead
Brandon Miller, Baritone
David Rubin, Bass

Chances Are
Old Cape Cod
P.S. I Love You
Blackbird Medley



Riverblend

13th

Don Gray, Tenor
Thomas Rouse, Lead
Bayard Pelsor, Baritone
Dutch Speidel, Bass

Blues In The Night
Birth Of The Blues

JAD 2017 International Preliminary Quartet Contest

Emcee Rusty Cates



Out Of District

Throwback

Paul Saca, Tenor
Sean Devine, Lead
Alex Rubin, Baritone
Michael Skutt, Bass

*Two Of A Kind, Workin' On A Full House
He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother
Still Crazy After All These Years
Burnin' The Roadhouse Down*

Out Of District

The Guyer Boys

Jake Guyer, Tenor
Nate Guyer, Lead
Gabe Guyer, Baritone
Joel Guyer, Bass

*Alexander's Ragtime Band
And They Called It Dixieland
April Showers
Got A Lot Of Rhythm In My Soul*



OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY, BHS, International Quartet Preliminaries and District Chorus Convention

Johnny Appleseed District, Quartet Finals, Olmstead Falls, Ohio, April 22, 2017, REVISED 04-23-2017

Contest Legend: 1=Johnny Appleseed District International Preliminary Quartet (2 Rounds), 2=Johnny Appleseed District Out Of District Qt Prelims (2 Rounds)

Finals	Song	MUS	PER	SNG	Subt	Prev	Total	Avg
1 The Crew	Sunday Kind Of Love	165	160	165	975	959	1934	80.6
(1)	Yes Sir, That's My Baby/Ain't She Sweet? (Medley	162	159	164				
2 Speakeasy	Baby, It's You	153	151	154	921	908	1829	76.2
(1)	Sweet Pea	157	153	153				
3 Unfinished Business	Two Of A Kind (Workin On A Full House)	151	152	153	908	897	1805	75.2
(1)	Your Cheatin Heart	148	151	153				
4 Prototype	A Fool Such As I	149	146	149	889	890	1779	74.1
(1)	If I Didn't Have You	149	148	148				
5 The Regulars	What Can I Say After I Say I'm Sorry?	149	149	150	891	882	1773	73.9
(1)	I Want You, I Need You, I Love You	148	149	146				
6 Escapade	I Remember You	140	148	153	888	869	1757	73.2
(1)	I Got Rhythm	148	148	151				
7 Cornerstone	After You've Gone	146	144	148	868	856	1724	71.8
(1)	When She Loved Me	143	142	145				
8 Weekend Edition	My Daddy's Still Singing His Song	141	145	141	849	864	1713	71.4
(1)	Drivin' Me Crazy	139	145	138				
9 Velocity	L-O-V-E	144	143	140	846	855	1701	70.9
(1)	The Nearness Of You	139	140	140				
10 The Independents	P.S. I Love You	141	136	143	828	838	1666	69.4
(1)	Blackbird Medley	135	133	140				
Throwback	Still Crazy After All These Years	172	185	184	1091	1068	2159	90.0
(2)	Burnin' The Roadhouse Down	178	188	184				
The Guyer Boys	April Showers	136	139	147	840	861	1701	70.9
(2)	Got A Lot Of Rhythm In My Soul	134	140	144				
Semi-Finals	Song	MUS	PER	SNG	Subt	Prev	Total	Avg
1 The Crew	Baby Mine	161	158	160			959	79.9
(1)	Hooray For Love	159	158	163				
2 Speakeasy	Love Me	150	149	152			908	75.7
(1)	Rock It For Me	153	152	152				
3 Unfinished Business	Hallelujah I Love Her So	150	151	151			897	74.8
(1)	Baby It's You	147	149	149				
4 Prototype	When My Baby Smiles At Me	148	149	152			890	74.2
(1)	Ain't Misbehavin'	144	149	148				
5 The Regulars	When My Baby Smiles At Me	149	145	148			882	73.5
(1)	Mr. Success	146	148	146				
6 Escapade	Lovelier Than Ever	137	144	151			869	72.4
(1)	They Didn't Believe Me	144	145	148				
7 Weekend Edition	There Used To Be A Ballpark	143	146	143			864	72.0
(1)	She Didn't Say No	145	146	141				
8 Cornerstone	Hello! My Baby	142	139	147			856	71.3
(1)	Sweet Adeline	140	141	147				
9 Velocity	Hey Good Lookin'	145	143	139			855	71.3
(1)	How Deep Is The Ocean?	146	143	139				
10 The Independents	Chances Are	142	134	142			838	69.8
(1)	Old Cape Cod	141	137	142				
Throwback	Two Of A Kind, Workin' On A Full House	174	181	180			1068	89.0
(2)	He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother	174	182	177				
The Guyer Boys	Alexander's Ragtime Band	140	144	149			861	71.8
(2)	And They Called It Dixieland	138	144	146				
11 Route 33	Each Time I Fall In Love	137	141	134			825	68.8
(1,3)	Looking At The World Through Rose Colored	136	142	135				
12 High Mileage	Nevertheless	135	135	131			804	67.0
(3)	There'll Be No New Tunes On This Old Piano	137	137	129				
13 Riverblend	Blues In The Night	128	132	135			792	66.0
(1)	Birth Of The Blues	129	134	134				



2016 Director of the Year Don Dressler

Don started out his musical adventure at the ripe old age of 7 yrs old singing in the church youth choir. He got influenced by his mom in barbershop and helped pass out fliers for her local Sweet Adeline Chapter that same year. He did solo work in high school and was the first one to ever compete and qualify from his high school to the All-Ohio State Fair Youth Choir in 1982. Being influenced by his mother Don was a charter member of the Medina Honeycomb Chordsmen in 1981 and in 1983 he transferred to the Canton Hall of Fame Chorus and graduated from Wadsworth High School. He joined the USAF in 1984. While in the Air Force he was stationed in Denver, Co and was a member and baritone section leader of the 1987 International 7th place Chorus Denver Mile High and in 1988 helped charter a brand new chorus in Denver called Denver Tech where he was on the music team and Baritone section leader. He moved back to Ohio in 1989 and was once again a member of the Canton Hall Of Fame chorus. He moved to North Huntingdon, Pa in 1990.

In 1991 Don married his wife Kristin and currently still lives in North Huntingdon, Pa with their 7 cats and 3 dogs. On an interesting note Don and Kristin were married at a dog show and when the preacher asked "if there was anybody here that think these two should not be wed speak now or forever hold your peace", the entire show got deathly quiet. I guess that even the animals knew they were meant to be together.

Don has been in several choruses throughout his barbershop history. After moving back to the Johnny Appleseed District he helped The Butler Notables and The Mon Valley Chorus both win small chorus championships. He has sung in several quartets singing both baritone and lead. He also directed two Sweet Adeline Choruses in the area and has coached both choruses and quartets from all over the tri-state area. Don began his second tour directing the Steel City Harmonizers in 2008 and continued until early 2017. Don's philosophy is "if you aren't having fun or learning then why do it".

Past Recipients

2015	Jeff Letgers
2014	Chad Wulf
2013	Gary Lewis
2012	Ted Rose
2011	Scott Giles
2010	Dave Rubin
2009	Skipp Kropp
2008	Kevin Mohr
2007	Ken Williams
2006	Kirk Roose
2005	Steve Kovach
2004	Stevens Sommers
2003	Mark Blake
2002	Dave Calland
2001	Paul Gilman
2000	R.D. Mathey
1999	Paul Shannon
1998	Jim Shisler
1997	John Sommer
1996	Bob McFadden
1995	Fred Schmidt
1994	Kirk Roose
1993	David Smotzer
1992	Jim Miller
1991	Douglas Smeltz
1990	Bill McCord
1989	Gene Pearce
1988	Bob Mucha
1987	Lane Bushong
1986	Dan Tice
1985	Bill Miller
1984	Scott Brannon
1983	Henry D. Kracker
1982	Curt Dungan
1981	Stu Pearson
1980	Jim Shisler
1979	Roy "Dusty" Rhodes
1978	Darryl Flinn
1977	Glen Gibson
1976	Tom Gentil



The Regulars

April 21 · 🌐

About to go catch #fireinabucket @ #17jadspring!!! Wish us luck!



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Tyler Dohar

April 24

The two most common phrases said to me during convention:

#1-Congrats on your engagement!

#2-I hate what they did with the youth contest this year!

Love you JAD!



The Crew Quartet

April 20 · 🌐

So stoked that JAD quartets [Quorum](#), [The Core](#), and [The Con Men](#) have already qualified, and we are excited to share the stage with many more of our JAD brothers this week in Cleveland. Hope to see you all there!

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Throwback

April 28 · 🌐

Certainly a performance we'll never forget! We were introduced last Friday night at the JAD spring convention to a pitch black stage... We rolled with it - and, what a blast! Check it out!

https://youtu.be/lrmHsD_yXPk

#throwbackquartet

#lightsout



Two Of A Kind, Working On A Full House

Throwback, 4-21-2017 -- JAD Prelims

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Nathan Rettig added 5 new photos.

April 23 · 🧑🏻‍🤝‍🧑🏻

Well the men of the Northwest Ohio Chapter hosted another successful hospitality room at JAD spring contest and the quartets kept coming.

#17jadspring



Jessica Vitz

April 23 · Independence

Well apparently I missed quite the party last night when I opted out of hospitality fun early, but I still had a ton of fun this weekend. JAD puts on a fantabulous convention, and I'm glad I could be a part of it.

Congrats to all of our qualifiers, including those who competed elsewhere...looking forward to seeing you on the International Stage! And kudos to ALL of our competitors, who continue to make JAD shine. 💕💕

 **Suzi Hoffman Castiglione** with Jonathan Lang and 5 others.
April 22 · 🌐

Harmony Camp Pals at JAD Spring 2017



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The Alliance Chorus @AllianceChorus · Apr 22

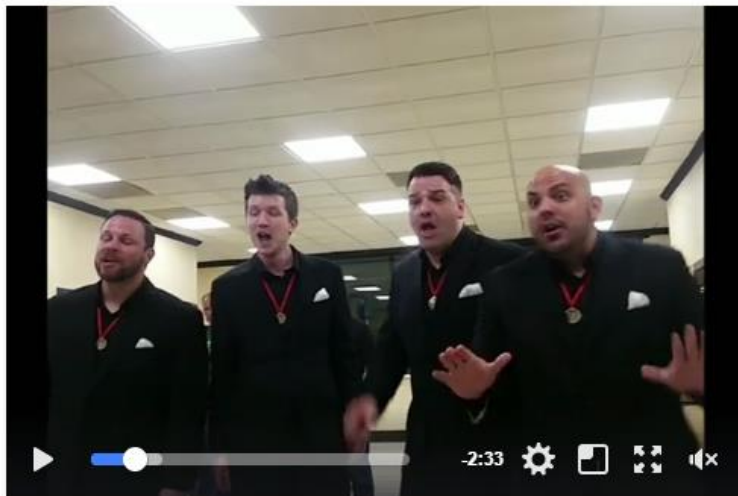
Congratulations to our new @jadbhs 2017 District Champions
@SouthernGateway Great hit brothers! #17JADSpring #harmony
#abetterworldsingin



Sharon Carter Stevens

May 9 · 🌐

Throwback close up and personal at the JAD Spring Prelims. One of the highlights of my weekend.



Dennis Castiglione

April 23 · 🌐

It was a full day of music and musicals yesterday and I'm exhausted but exhilarated. Proud of our MOI performance on the JAD stage, bursting with pride at Gio's performance in All Shook Up and had a blast at our hospitality suite after the convention. Man there is some talent in this district! Congrats to all who crossed the stage - and graced us with their presence and performance in the suite! #17JADSpring