



# FAR WESTERN DISTRICT SPRING CONVENTION



March 21-24, 2019 • Stockton, California

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Thursday, March 21, 2019

Event	Start	End	Location	Room
Harmony Platoon - Community Sing	1:30 PM		Heritage Inn	Meet in Lobby
FWD Board of Directors Meeting	2:00 PM	6:00 PM	Heritage Inn	Fireside Lounge
Harmony Platoon	4:00 PM	9:00 PM	Heritage Inn	Hollywood Room

### Friday, March 22, 2019

Event	Start	End	Location	Room
Convention Registration	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Heritage Inn	Lobby
Harmony Platoon	9:00 AM	1:00 PM	Heritage Inn	Hollywood Room
FWD Past District President's Mtg.	9:00 AM	11:30 AM	Heritage Inn	Fireside Lounge
FWD House of Delegates Mtg.	1:30 PM	3:30 PM	Heritage Inn	Riviera Room
Society Listening Session	3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Heritage Inn	Riviera Room
Judge's Meeting	3:45 PM	4:45 PM	Heritage Inn	Judge's Suite
Convention Registration	4:00 PM	9:00 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Lobby
Doors Open	4:30 PM		Mamie Starr PAC	Lobby
Quartet Contest & Prelim Semifinals	5:00 PM	9:00 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
Evaluations (qtets not advancing)	10:00 PM		Heritage Inn	Judge's Rooms

### Saturday, March 23, 2019

Event	Start	End	Location	Room
Convention Registration	8:00 AM	7:00 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Lobby
Joe Barbershop Chorus	9:30 AM		Mamie Starr PAC	Green Room D-102
Doors Open	9:30 AM		Mamie Starr PAC	Lobby
Chorus Contest	10:00 AM	12:30 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
No-Host Luncheon	11:00 AM	2:00 PM	McNair HS Campus	Outdoors near PAC
HS Quartet Briefing	11:30 AM	12:30 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Warmup Room D-102
HS Quartet Contest	12:50 PM	1:20 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
Chorus Evaluations	2:00 PM	3:30 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
Doors Open	6:00 PM		Mamie Starr PAC	Lobby
Quartet Prelim Finals	6:30 PM	8:30 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
Show of Champions	8:45 PM	9:45 PM	Mamie Starr PAC	Auditorium
Evaluations (finalist quartets)	10:30 PM		Heritage Inn	Judge's Suites



### No-Host Luncheon • Saturday 11 am to 2 pm

Luncheon items will be available for purchase on campus.

- Green Salad
- Pulled Pork Sandwich with Chips
- Brownies
- Fruit Cup
- Grilled Chipotle Chicken Salad
- Tri-tip Sandwich with Chips
- Cookies
- Assorted Drinks

A good lunch can be obtained for \$10 - \$12 depending on what is ordered. The food is being prepared by the Culinary Arts instructor at the Lincoln Technical Academy, Lodi High School District.

## International Quartet Preliminary Finals

Saturday, October 23, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. • Mamie Starr PAC  
Master of Ceremonies – Craig Hughes, FWD President

Mic Testers: \_\_\_\_\_

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| 1. _____ | 6. _____  |
| 2. _____ | 7. _____  |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____  |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

### Quartet Contest Results

Get the scoring summaries at <https://tinyurl.com/fwd-scores>

#### Northeast Division

#### Northwest Division

Novice Quartet Champion: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Quartet Champion: \_\_\_\_\_

Quartet Champion: \_\_\_\_\_

Mixed Quartet Champion: \_\_\_\_\_



## SHOW OF CHAMPIONS

Immediately following the Quartet Finals  
Master of Ceremonies – Craig Hughes, FWD President

★ High School Quartet Champion ★

★ Division Quartet Champions ★ ★ Division Chorus Champions ★

★ Parade of International Quartet Qualifiers ★



## Upcoming Events in the Far Western District



Register at [events.farwesterndistrict.org](http://events.farwesterndistrict.org)

### 2019 FWD Spring Convention Committee

Convention Chairman ..... Roe Darnell  
FWD President ..... Craig Hughes  
FWD Executive VP ..... Bill Rosica  
FWD VP C&J ..... Brett Littlefield  
FWD Events Director ..... Bryan Forbes  
NorCal Events Coordinators ..... Richard Lund, Patsy Miller  
FWD Registrar ..... David Melville  
FWD Treasurer ..... Rich Owen  
Harmony Platoon ..... Bill Kane

Production Managers ..... Russ Young, Nick Papageorge  
Stage Manager ..... Denise Koehnlein  
Competitor Relations ..... John Gaston  
Judges Services ..... David Rivas  
Emcee Coordinator ..... Nick Papageorge  
Show of Champions ..... Russ Young  
Awards ..... Sam Barger, Chuck Hunter, Sr.  
History Museum ..... Dan Jordan  
Program ..... David Melville, Keith Slater



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International Quartet Preliminaries • Northeast & Northwest Divisions

## Mamie Starr Performing Arts Center

Ronald E. McNair High School

9550 Ronald E. McNair Way • Stockton, California

## Best Western Plus Heritage Inn

111 East March Lane • Stockton, California





2019 Far Western District  
Spring Convention  
PANEL OF JUDGES

MUSIC

Jeremiah Pope - EVG  
Bothello, WA  
Adam Scott - RMD  
Pleasant Grove, UT

PERFORMANCE

Martin Fredstrom - FWD  
Tustin, CA  
Bob Hodges - SWD  
Frisco, TX

SINGING

Eddie Martinez - SWD  
Austin, TX  
Brian Barford - JAD  
West Chester, OH

CONTEST  
ADMINISTRATOR

Kendall Williams (CA) - EVG  
Monroe, WA  
Mike Thompson (ACA) - SWD  
Waco, TX

CANDIDATES

Jamie Bedford - Performance

For an explanation of the judging  
categories, visit  
farwesterndistrict.org



Welcome to the Spring Convention

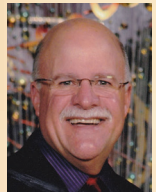


On behalf of the Golden Valley Chorus, I am pleased to welcome you to the 2019 Far Western District Spring Convention and Contests. The Spring Convention is an annual event on the Far Western District calendar and this year combines the Northeast and Northwest Division Contests for both choruses and quartets, the High School Quartet Contest and the International Quartet Preliminaries. You are in store for a terrific line up of quartets and choruses, and I am certain you will enjoy all of their performances and show them the appreciation exemplary of a barbershop audience.

In recognition of all the hard work by the quartets and choruses preparing for this contest, please accept our best wishes for an unforgettable and triumphant event.

Roe Darnell • Convention Chairman

Chris Hebert – Convention Honoree



Chris Hebert's introduction to barbershop was in high school where he sang baritone in The Music Man. Performing under the stirring name of "The BS Quartet", they were heard by a member of the Peninsula Chapter of the SPEBSQSA, and after singing for them he joined the Society in July of 1975. Chris quickly learned to transcribe arrangements from barbershop records to provide a repertoire for the quartet. During his last semester of high school, he saw a poster advertising for singers and dancers at the Great America Amusement Park. The quartet auditioned and were hired, and the first year performed as "The Singing Firemen", sliding down a fire pole to begin each set. Their second year they were called "The Four Flavors" and performed in the ice cream parlor.

Chris attended San Jose State University, graduating with a degree in Vocal Performance. As a student he performed with both the university choir and a smaller ensemble, "The Choraliers", and appeared with the San Jose and Oakland Symphonies.

During the following decade he was an active and enthusiastic Peninsulaire and quartet singer. His most memorable quartet, "Executive Privilege", was comprised of two members of the "San Francisco Storm Door and Whale Oil Company", Bill Tieberg and Jim Sherman plus Chris and Chuck Hunter Jr. They won the NorCal West Division Contest several times and placed as high as 3rd in the FWD District contest.

In 1992 he began his service in the barbershop judging program as a Singing judge. Eight years later Chris became the Singing Category Specialist and did such a great job that in 2010 when the current Singing Category Specialist was unable to continue, he was asked to take over the Category Specialist duties once again.

In 1990 Chris began directing the San Jose Chorus. He led them to 2nd place finishes in the FWD in 1994 and 1996. In 2002 San Jose won the FWD Championship and competed in Montreal. In 2005 Chris stopped directing due to work and family commitments. In 2006 San Jose and the Bay Area Metro chapters merged and became "Voices in Harmony" with Dr. Greg Lyne as director. Chris took on the roles of assistant director, lead section leader and learning track creator. When Dr. Lyne stepped down as director Chris took over and directed VIH at the International contests in 2014 and 2015. Following the 2015 International Chris ended his directing career, which spans 25 years.

Always generous with his time and talent, Chris continues to serve as a judge and is active in coaching both choruses and quartets.

Division Quartet Contest & Prelim Semifinals

Friday, March 22, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. • Mamie Starr PAC

Master of Ceremonies – Stan Trumbull

Mic Testers: Harmony Platoon Champions

Quartet members are listed in the following order: Tenor, Lead, Baritone, Bass.

Quartet	Chapter(s)	Division
1. Phenomenon	Bay Area, CA; Walnut Creek, CA <i>Ian Kasprzak, Nathan Staples, Mike Cating, Rich Postal</i>	Northwest
2. C.O.D.	California Delta; Sacramento, CA <i>Brandon Dyer, Tim Huntsinger, Steve Leipelt, Larry Womac</i>	Northeast
3. Four Love Or Money	California Delta; Frank Thorne - D; Stockton, CA <i>Shel Givens, Bill Sandau, Corley Phillips, Richard Kaiser</i>	Northeast
4. Vocal Capital	Palo Alto - Mountain View, CA <i>Mark Tabry, Dave Kocharhook, John Wanless, Blaise Gassend</i>	Northwest
5. Ring	California Delta; Frank Thorne - D; Fresno, CA; Visalia, CA <i>Doyle Pope, Robert Lenoil, James Morgan, Adam Kitt</i>	Northeast
6. Just4Kix	Barbary Coast, CA; Central California; Frank Thorne - D <i>Daniel Baudino, Dan McQuigg, Alex Driggers, Zach Stillman</i>	Northwest
7. Coastal Blend	Santa Cruz, CA <i>Dale Summer, Ian Blackwood, Nancie Barker, Robert Statsinger</i>	Northwest - Mixed
8. The Good Guys	Bay Area, CA; Frank Thorne - D <i>Paul Engel, James Sousae, John Weingart, Big Norcross</i>	Northwest
INTERMISSION		
9. Pipe Dreamers	Barbary Coast, CA, California Delta; Marin, CA; Santa Rosa, CA <i>Daniel Ezell, Jeff Albright, Phil DeBar, Scott Fewell</i>	Northwest
10. Snickerdoodle	Barbary Coast, CA; Frank Thorne - D; Nashville, TN <i>Michael Ho, Brett Watanabe, Nik Chaconas, Branden Carlson</i>	Northwest
11. Bari and the Three Bears	Fremont-Hayward, CA <i>Christoph Neyer, Toby Jaw, Gregory Anderson, Richard Wood</i>	Northwest
12. Tune Struck	Stockton, CA <i>Al Walter, Bill Litz, Greg Hedges, Bob Yater</i>	Northwest
13. Venture	Barbary Coast, CA <i>Stephen Leander, Ben Laboy, Ben Jackson, John Rae-Grant</i>	Northwest
14. Fast Forward	Frank Thorne - D; Nashville, TN <i>Raymond Davis, Adam Teachout, Ken Martin, William Hill</i>	Northeast
15. Alternate Route	California Delta; Central California; Nevada-Placer, CA <i>Tim Martin, Frank Brannon, Corley Phillips, Richard Lund</i>	Northeast
INTERMISSION		
16. Artistic License	Barbary Coast, CA; Bay Area, CA; California Delta; Placerville, CA; Sacramento, CA <i>Julian Kusnadi, Rich Brunner, Gabe Caretto, Jason Dyer</i>	FWD
17. Seaside	Santa Cruz, CA <i>Glenn Davis, Nick Roberto, Fred Baker, Jordan Johnson</i>	Northwest
18. Tenor First	Barbary Coast, CA; Bay Area, CA <i>Suzy Kirch, Steve Kirch, Colin Ketcham, Matt Rice</i>	Northwest - Mixed
19. Rapport	Frank Thorne - D; Fresno, CA <i>Jim Irwin, Mac McIntosh, Ron Whisenant, Patrick Gerrits</i>	Northeast
20. Breakthrough	Barbary Coast, CA; California Delta; Davis-Vacaville, CA; Marin, CA <i>Jim DeChaine, Dave Knight, Paul Goldsmith, Eric Gallagher</i>	Northeast
21. The Front Line	Fresno, CA <i>Ken Wenger, Adam Kitt, Dave Douglass, Mike Alfaro</i>	Northeast
22. Generations Apart	Bay Area, CA; Palo Alto - Mountain View, CA <i>Sean Abel, Daniel Gollahan, Jake McEvoy, Jim Sherman</i>	Northwest
23. Capitol Ring	California Delta; Las Vegas, NV; Reno, NV <i>Dallas Halvorson, Larry Halvorson, Kevin Palmer, Mike Stewart</i>	FWD

Division Chorus Contest

Saturday, October 23, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. • Mamie Starr PAC

Master of Ceremonies – Brent Anderson

Mic Testers: Joe Barbershop Chorus, Brett Littlefield, Director

Chorus	Chapter	Division	Director
1. Golden Valley Chorus	Central California	Northeast	Zach Stillman
2. Devil Mountain Chorus	Walnut Creek, CA	Northwest	Kristen Taylor
3. Peninsulaires	Palo Alto - Mountain View, CA	Northwest	Dr. Sean Abel
4. Gold Rush Chorus	Placerville, CA	Northwest	Kent Miller
5. The Gold Standard Chorus	Santa Cruz, CA	Northwest - Mixed	Nick Roberto
6. Stockton Portsman	Stockton, CA	Northeast - Mixed	Bill Litz
INTERMISSION			
7. Voices in Harmony	Bay Area, CA	Northwest	Curtiss Mannah
8. Marin Golden Gate Barbershop Chorus	Marin, CA	Northwest	Deborah Benedict
9. Redwood Chordsmen	Santa Rosa, CA	Northwest	Bob Matteucci
10. Folsom Harmony Express	Folsom, CA	Northeast	Kent Borrowdale
11. Voices of California	California Delta	Northeast	Gabe Caretto
12. Fog City Singers	Barbary Coast, CA	Northwest	Chris Lewis



High School Quartet Contest

Immediately following the Chorus Contest

Master of Ceremonies - Bruce Sellnow

Quartets to be Announced

Chorus Contest Results

Get the scoring summaries at <https://tinyurl.com/fwd-scores>

	Northeast Division	Northwest Division
Most Improved Chorus:		
Plateau A Champion:		
Plateau AA Champion:		
Plateau AAA Champion:		
Chorus Champion:		
Mixed Chorus Champion:		

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