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Let's Grow Together

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Pioneer District President

Greetings Fellow Barbershoppers!

It sure is nice to see more sunshine in recent days! More daylight in a day too! We are getting closer to being all together in Battle Creek in April. I'm looking forward to that!

It is the time of year to nominate individuals or groups to be considered for the Pioneer District Hall of Fame. Submissions are accepted through April 1st each year. There is a standing committee (make up of the committee is detailed in the Rules and Regulations document linked below) that will review the submissions. If/when a selection is endorsed by the committee the candidate will be announced and awarded at the Fall convention.

To see the Rules and Regulations and access the application - [CLICK HERE](#)

Two district sponsored education opportunities are on the horizon. A Music Summit on February 29 and a Leadership Summit on April 4. I encourage your participation in these events. There are always take-aways from these sessions that help grow chapters, quartets, and individuals. The links below provide details and also include a cell that has a link to the event registration.

For information/Registration for the Music Summit on February 29 - [CLICK HERE](#)

For information/Registration for the Leadership Summit on April 4 - [CLICK HERE](#)

It has been a process to identify the format for these monthly communications. We have narrowed the choices and begun the home stretch to a decision. I am excited about what the final product will look like and how the content will be delivered, I'm sure many of you will be too! Look for that final product in March!

Roger Lewis and Zach Schroeder, and many others, are busy managing all the details that make for a fun and memorable convention. They will continue to provide information you need. Please be sure that information is passed along to your fellow barbershoppers. The district website is a day to day resource for convention information. Here are a couple of key items;

For a link to Spring Convention Information on the Website - [CLICK HERE](#)

For a link to the Contest Registration email from Zach Schroeder - [CLICK HERE](#)

BHS Chapter Success Manager, Nathan Ogg, recently visited the Michiana Metro Lighthouse Chorus. Here is what Nathan had to say in a Facebook post following the visit *"What a great*

night this evening with the Michiana Metro Lighthouse Chorus. It was a pleasure meeting and working with these gentlemen! What's really impressive (in addition to their singing) is that they've donated nearly \$80,000 to local food pantries over the last decade!" I echo the "really impressive" comment. Great chapters do several things well, proud of you, Michiana Metro!



One comment posted to this photo on Facebook said, "The best choruses, no matter how many guys they have, are the ones that give back". Well said, Dave Hire.

Your board of directors is active on many fronts these days. There are several conversations on several topics ongoing. Watch here for coming announcements!

Here's wishing you a great 2020, in life and in barbershop!

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Did you miss the January Message? [CLICK HERE](#) to see it.

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**Mission - *Bring people together in harmony
and fellowship to enrich lives through singing.***