ABOUT THE PRIDE OF IOWA CHORUS



The Pride of Iowa is a barbershop chorus which actively promotes a cappella music for men of all ages and walks of life. It consists of men who come from various musical organizations as well those who may not presently be affiliated with any organized musical group. For the past seven years the chorus has collaborated with area schools to plan and conduct youth workshops that promote this life-time activity and to encourage young men to sing and

participate in vocal music programs. Working with area choral directors, the Pride of lowa supports vocal music by bringing nationally recognized coaches, directors and teachers to Des Moines to lead workshops for singers of all ages and to be guest presenters at area choral directors' meetings and seminars.

Pride of Iowa Barbershop Chorus has recently decided to move their rehearsals to the Grand View campus beginning in April. They will rehearse Monday nights in Cowles Center. This collaboration provides an opportunity to collaborate with a Grand View Choral Music Professor and Student Life in their modern facilities including break out rooms close to the chorus room for sectional work, an opportunity to mentor/sponsor college quartets, individual voice lessons from Grand View staff members, and a site for Youth in Harmony events and other programming.

The Pride of Iowa recognizes the budgetary pressures on arts and cultural educational offerings in our schools and communities. The Barbershop Harmony Society, acting through its local chapters, is aggressively promoting and establishing programs to promote singing among seniors, youth, within communities, and among underserved populations.

Over the past seven years the chorus has served more than 15 area high schools and over 775 young men and women singers at half-day and full-day workshops featuring outstanding guest directors and coaches and award-winning quartets. Free concerts for participating students and the community have been provided in conjunction with the workshops. In October singers from Valley, Valley Southwoods, North, High School and Callanan Middle School participated in an all day workshop at Valley High School and performed at a free show before an audience at Valley Performing Arts Center with the 2015 Barbershop Harmony Society Senior Gold Medal Champion Quartet, Saturday Evening Post, whose members were the workshop clinicians and guest director.

Lyle Schwery, President, Pride of Iowa Chorus









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Opening up young interested students to a new form of music has been a fun but rigorous challenge... My students look forward to singing this style of music and they ask to bring out these pieces, even after the performance is over.

by Heather Nail

Over the last six years, Valley Southwoods Freshman High School has partnered with the Pride of Iowa Chorus chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, local high



schools and directors, the Young Men in Harmony program, and nationally recognized barbershop directors, to put on an event that creates lasting mentoring relationships and encourages young men to keep singing. High School choirs are invited annually to prepare music in the barbershop style and learn how to approach the male voice with healthy singing technique. Each year the event grows and includes more schools.

The day opens with members from the local chorus chapter leading students in singing tags and getting to know each other. We have been fortunate to have amazing nationally recognized clinicians, including groups like the Gold Medal Champion Quartet, Saturday Evening Post, and International Champions, The Ringmasters, to the workshop. The boys spend the day watching these professionals perform, working with them in sectionals, meeting students from other schools, sharing meals, and performing for an audience to culminate the day. Thanks to the work of the Harmony Society in grant writing, this event is completely free for participants. Music, meals and t-shirts are included.

Opening up young interested students to a new form of music has been a fun but rigorous challenge. It helps teach music skills and techniques unique to the barbershop style and also brings the community together for a different kind of choral performance. Clinicians who have worked with our students are often classically trained and teach how to apply healthy technique to all styles of singing. Barbershop harmonies are easy to connect to learning in the jazz ensembles and help students to become independent musicians.

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The materials provided through music and tag books have been beneficial and alleviate some of the financial burden amid budget pressures. My students look forward to singing this style of music and they ask to bring out these pieces, even after the performance is over.

One of the most positive parts of the event is the interaction not only the day of, but before and after, with the gentlemen who are involved in the local quartets. Each year, they reach out to the students, coming to sing during classroom rehearsals and in-school performances. Following the event, they extend invitations to concerts and harmony rehearsals and keep in touch with the students.

One of the wonderful things about the barbershop resources is that they work for both large and small groups of students and teach about singing in a way that doesn't rely on accompaniment or larger numbers to be successful. This music is accessible to all and promotes skill building in ear training, sight reading, and part independence. Presentations and resources for educators are available and usable from the middle to high school level.

I believe in holistic education that exposes students to proper technique, differing styles, and opportunities that are varied and suit the diverse student populations. I believe that these workshops and performances help to give unique experiences to our teachers and students not found in other areas of high school music at this time. Advances in the Harmony Societies' attention to not only the music but healthy singing technique and making connections to other musical disciplines, makes it easy

to connect the clinics and workshops to our core curriculum. I look forward to continuing to have this opportunity, among the other offerings we have, as a way to set an example of life-long music making and collaboration for our students.

The link to the BHS website, Music Educator pages: http://www.barbershop.org/education/music-educator-resources/

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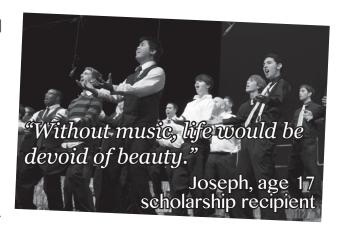
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The members of Boardwalk were taught by their performing families the power that music has in the community to forge friendships and change lives. The quartet's goal is to bring their unique enthusiasm and energy to every performance and they enjoy sharing their music with each audience they have the pleasure of meeting on their journeys.



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Tom's retirement brought an end to Instant Comedy at the high school but it was later revived by Tom with the help of Chad Weir in 2005. This troupe has an annual show December 30th and 31st every year in Marshalltown with a workshop open to anyone in the days prior to the performance dates. Just Add Spam is excited to be sharing the stage with the Pride of Iowa Chorus and the opportunity to make all of you laugh! Members of the troupe performing tonight are Tom LaVille, Lauren Grabau, Jeremy Lane, Sean McFarlin and Chad Weir.



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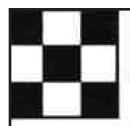
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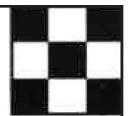
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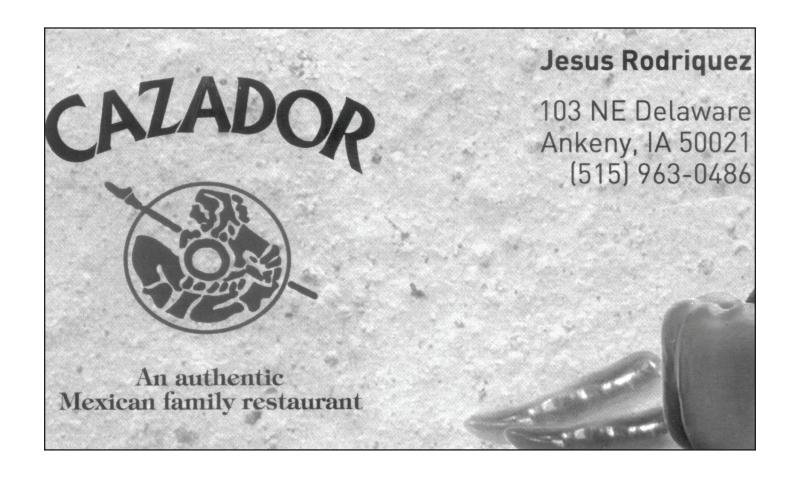


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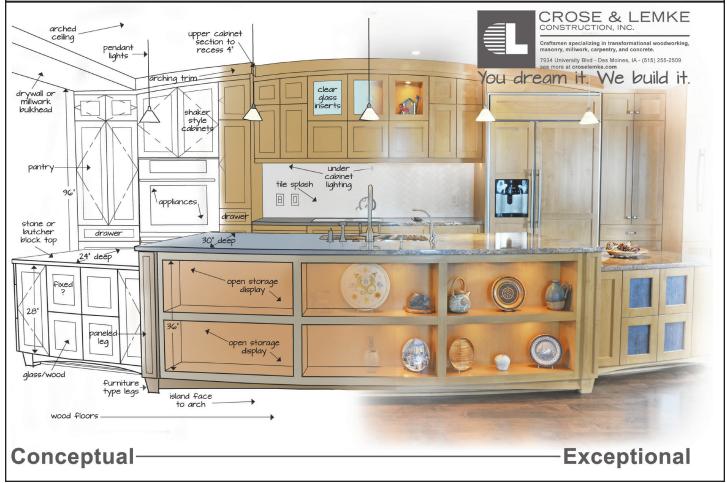
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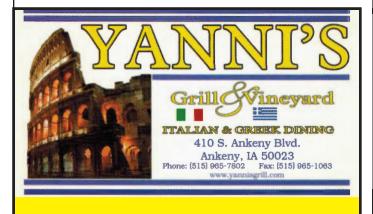


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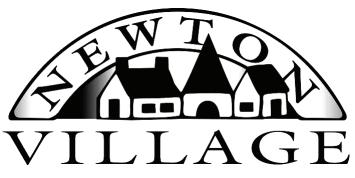


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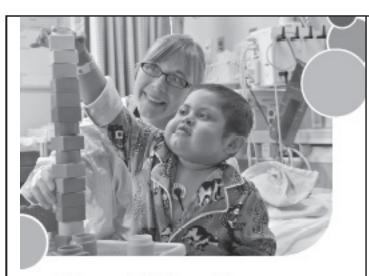
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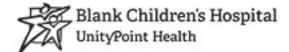
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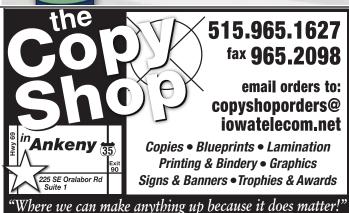
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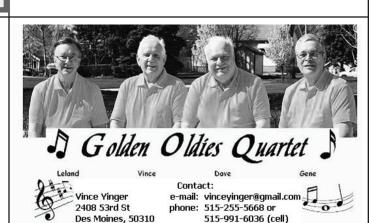


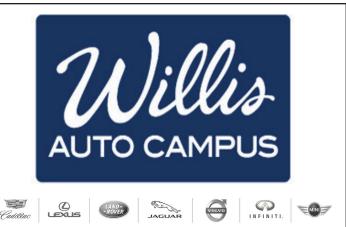
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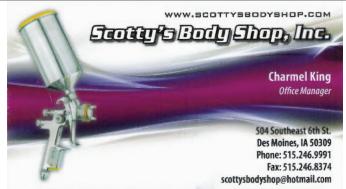




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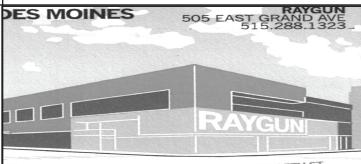
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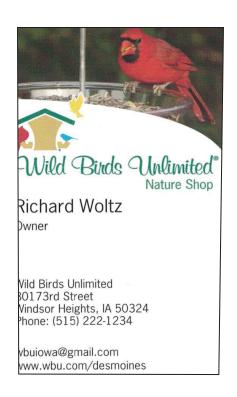


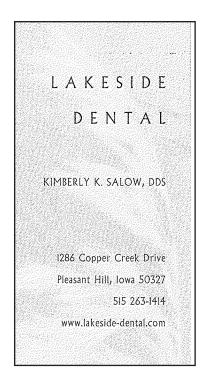


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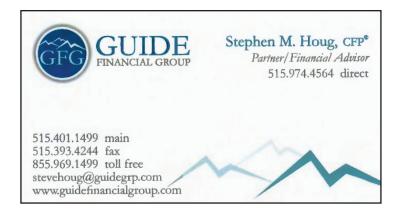
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