## **Midwinter:**

## **District Festival Chorus Showcase**

Are you looking for that extra bit of fun to relieve the winter doldrums next January? Grab a couple of your friends, or four our five score of your friends, and plan on heading Albuquerque way, for the Society's Midwinter Convention

**GENERAL CONCEPT**: The Barbershop Harmony Society will be sponsoring a new type of fun-loving singing event...the **District Festival Chorus Showcase**. Singers from all across your district will gather to form one large chorus. There will be prizes to win, but the primary purpose is FUN.

**ORGANIZATION:** Each district will appoint its own person or group of people to oversee the organization of the **District Festival Chorus**.

## **GENERAL CONTEST RULES:**

- 1. Districts are limited to one representative chorus
- **2.** In order to enter, everyone in your group must have purchased a Midwinter Convention registration, and furnished a participant listing, to the event administrator (John Schneider), prior to 12/31/2006.
- **3.** 11 sets of risers will be provided.
- **4.** Total stage time will be 12 minutes from entrance to exit. You may use less than 12 minutes if you choose.

**SCORING:** Six evaluators will be used, evaluating every group. There will be no specific judging categories. Each will have up to 100 points to assign per group. The audience will also play a part in the process by helping to select the People's Choice award. They will have sole decision-making authority over who receives that award. Prizes will be awarded to the top five winners, plus the People's Choice prize.

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

Q: When will this event take place?

A: Saturday of the 2007 Midwinter Convention.

Q: When must my district confirm participation in this event?

A: No later than September 1, 2006.

Q: Where can my district get an entry form?

A: Once Society staff has received your commitment, you will be sent an entry form.

Q: Who will assist the housing and registration process for the Midwinter Convention?

A: Society staff.

Q: What about rehearsal space at the convention?

A: Rehearsal space will be coordinated by Society staff and will be provided to each group.