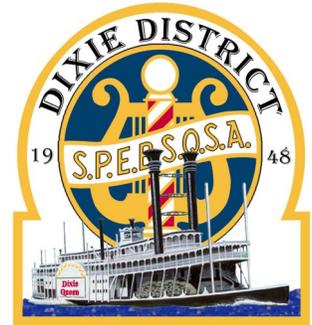




# Dixie Town Crier

Dixie's monthly chapter newsletter  
dedicated to the original town crier,  
Chuck Witherspoon



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# A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year!

## Dixie: Yet Another International At-Large Bid

### Vocal Connection Gains Spot at Midwinter Senior Quartet Contest

Bill Packard (Tenor)  
Jimmy Tompkins (Lead)  
Rick Word (Baritone)  
Nick Daly (Bass)





# Sounds of Christmastime



*Featuring*

**Atlanta Vocal Project & Song of Atlanta**

*Also appearing* SoundFX

**Saturday, December 15, at 3 pm & 7:30 pm**

**SANDY SPRINGS  
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**GET TICKETS AT:**

[citysprings.com/events/sounds-christmas-time/](http://citysprings.com/events/sounds-christmas-time/)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

***www.AtlantaVocalProject.com***

**404-919-SING (7464)**



# Crimson Pride Chorus



The Crimson Pride chorus wants to take you on a tour of the world for Christmas! This year we will present "Christmas Around the World," with selections of your favorite music of the season from all corners of the globe.

A portion of the proceeds will go to Autism Child First, a Tuscaloosa organization committed to improving the lives of autistic children in the area.

There will be a 2:00 p.m. matinee and a 7:00 p.m. evening performance on Saturday, December 8. . More information and to order tickets: [www.crimsonpride.org](http://www.crimsonpride.org).

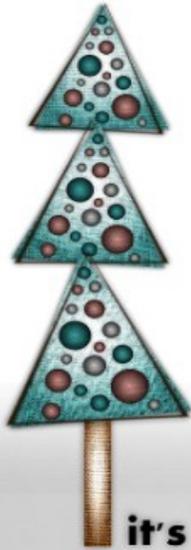
# Voices of the South

Please join us for our Annual Holiday Show at the Lyric Theatre in downtown Birmingham On December 15! We will be performing a little mix of some traditional Holiday tunes with a few of our repertoire throughout the year. We are excited to announce that we will be sharing the stage with TWO other performance groups this year. We are very pleased to have Mountain Brook High School's Chamber Choir and Harmony Hills Chorus of Sweet Adeline's International grace the Lyric Stage with us this year! Please come and join us celebrate the Holiday Season! Tickets are on sale now. More information and the link to tickets can be found on the Voices of the South Facebook page.



# Coming to the Dixie District in January!





# MUSIC CITY CHORUS

Saturday, Dec. 8 2 pm & 7 pm

Details and Tickets at:

[www.musiccitychorus.org](http://www.musiccitychorus.org)



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THE MARIETTA CHAPTER OF THE BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY

# BIG CHICKEN CHORUS

Saturday, December 8, 2018 3:30pm  
Sunday, December 9, 2018 3:30pm



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**"Early Bird" pricing**  
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**VIP Seating**

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**Group Discounts**  
(10 or more tickets)

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**Student Discounts (6-26)**

**Children (under 6) FREE!**  
(Must have ticket)

**All seats \$25 at the door**  
(day of the show)





# Christmas Concert

The Memphis Men of Harmony Present

## “It’s Beginning to Look Like Christmas”

### Saturday, Dec 8th - 2:00 PM Matinee

St. Benedict At Auburndale High School  
8250 Varnavas Dr., Cordova, TN 38016

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## Stone Mountain Chorus with Banks & Shane: Branching Out

As much as we love that a cappella harmony sound, we recognize that great musical entertainment takes many forms. That's why Greater Atlanta Chapter's Stone Mountain Chorus decided to depart from the traditional Barbershop Quartet headliner for the 2018 Fall Show and shared the stage with high-energy Banks & Shane, a legend in the home-town Atlanta music scene. Banks & Shane bills itself as "Atlanta's Entertainment Tradition" and has been thrilling audiences not just locally, but around the country and around the world since 1972.

Banks & Shane performed a 45-minute set after the chorus entertained with classic tunes from the Americana repertoire. To end the show, the chorus joined the band on stage and accompanied them in singing their traditional show closer, Lee Greenwood's "God Bless The USA."

True to the spirit of Barbershop Harmony Society's "Everyone In Harmony" initiative, we were able to expand our audience, and bring the joy of a cappella singing to Banks & Shane fans, many of whom were experiencing Barbershop harmony for the first, but hopefully not the last time.

The show was a great success, and earned us many new friends in the Atlanta area. Going forward, we plan to extend this model and partner with other non-barbershop musical entertainers. Our loyal fans will appreciate the musical variety of other genres, while we get to bring that great four-part harmony sound to new audiences. Sounds like a win-win strategy!

Robert Siegel  
President, Stone Mountain Chorus

# Macon Chapter Starts Christmas Season

The Heart of Georgia Barbershop Chorus started the 2018 Christmas Season supporting Warner Robins Fine Arts 2018 Christmas on the Circle. The chorus entertained shoppers on Friday November 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> with traditional Christmas carols. We are booking Christmas singouts at local nursing homes and hospitals and looking forward to participating in the Regional Chamber of Commerce's Christmas Parade again.

We will open the New Year supporting the Museum of Aviation 2019 Half Marathon, 5K and Hand Cycle Race Marathon. Proceeds from this annual event benefit the Museum of Aviation, one of the largest education-focused aviation museums in the country. The chorus entertain runners and spectators prior to the race, then we open the program singing the National Anthem!



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Music  
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Your Heart  
All Year Long!

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