



Boise Chapter
of the
Barbershop Harmony Society

2025 Annual Report

BOISE
CHORDSMEN
BARBERSHOP CHORUS



Year ending December 31, 2025

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1. From the Director

Dear Friends,

What a remarkable year 2025 has been for the Boise Chordsmen. As a men's a cappella chorus dedicated to barbershop harmony, we continue to grow in musical excellence, community engagement, and educational outreach. This year we were honored to perform at the Idaho State Capitol building in the House Chamber on Idaho Day (March 4), a historic moment for us. We also continued our mission of welcoming new singers, sharing joyful songs with audiences throughout the Treasure Valley and beyond, and hosting the annual Idaho Youth Barbershop Festival. Thank you to our members, volunteers, sponsors, families, and audience for making our 2025 season a success. Let's keep the harmony going!

Sincerely,
Zach Groeblichhoff, Artistic Director

2. About the Boise Chordsmen

- We are an a cappella men's chorus based in southwest Idaho, who love to sing barbershop.
- We are a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society and members of the Evergreen District.
- Our mission: To enrich lives through vocal harmony with an emphasis on the Treasure Valley.

3. 2025 Highlights & Milestones

- Annual Officer Installation Banquet on 7 January.
- Delivered singing valentines across the Treasure Valley on 14 February.
- Sent a team to the Big Leap leadership conference hosted by Barbershop Harmony Society in Dallas, TX in February.
- Performed at the Idaho State Capitol in the House Chamber on 4 March.
- Performed at fundraisers for 2 local high school music programs: Parma High (13 March) and Emmett High (29 March).
- Performed in the Barbershop Appreciation Concert on 25 April.
- Sang the National Anthem at a Boise Hawks baseball game 23 May.
- Presented our Annual Show on 31 May.
- Performed a private show at Touchmark Retirement Home on 7 June.
- Performed with Idaho Falls Sweet Adelines Chorus on 5 September.

- Hosted the annual Youth Barbershop Festival in September: nearly 500 high school students participated from local schools and as far away as Burley.
- Performed for the Idaho ACDA Conference on 4 October.
- Welcomed Sawtooth Serenade, a new mixed chorus in Twin Falls into the Boise Chapter.
- Conducted an intensive retreat on 15 November at Meridian High School to prepare for the holiday season.
- Presented our Annual Christmas Show 9 & 10 December at Cloverdale Church of God.
- Performed a private show at Touchmark Retirement Home on 16 December.
- Several quartets performed with Sawtooth Serenade in Twin Falls, Idaho 19 December.

4. Membership & Leadership

- Artistic Director: Zach Groeblichhoff.
- Board Members:
 - President - Steve Wargo
 - Immediate Past President - Sid Brown
 - Secretary - Terry Jones
 - Treasurer - Zachary Haynes
 - VP of Communications - Kimball Larsen
 - VP of Marketing - Eric Maine
 - VP of Membership - Shad Durfee
 - VP of Music - Brad Pfau
- Weekly rehearsals: Tuesday nights, 7:00–10:00 pm at Cloverdale Church of God, 3755 S. Cloverdale Rd., Boise.
- Membership: Diverse membership from all over the Valley; committed to building both musical skills and camaraderie.

5. Outreach & Education

- Idaho Youth Barbershop Festival: In 2025, nearly 500 high school students engaged in learning and singing barbershop harmonies, culminating in a performance at the Morrison Center. This event also brings new ideas to music educators in singing style.
- Community performances: The chorus continues to bring barbershop style to broad audiences and venues across the region.
- Two high school performances were held as fundraisers for Parma and Emmett HS Choral programs in March 2025.
- Open rehearsals: New singers are invited to attend and experience the rehearsal process.

- One unique way we spread awareness of barbershop music happens in February. Our members deliver Singing Valentines - romantic barbershop serenades performed for that special someone, courtesy of a loved one.
- 25 tickets are donated to Vet-Tix/First-Tix to provide Veterans and First Responders a discounted opportunity to attend each show.

6. Financial & Sponsorship Snapshot

- Income: \$31,371.89
- Expenses: \$26,446.11
- Net: \$4,925.78
- Sponsors acknowledged in 2025:
 - Touchmark at Meadow Lake (Platinum)
 - Elements Kitchen – Emmett (Gold)
 - Nampa Smiles Dentistry
 - Idaho Pest Control
 - ERA West Wind Real Estate
 - Terrace Lake Resort (Ilene Johnson)
 - Ada West Dermatology
 - Idaho Central Credit Union
 - C.H. Spencer LLC
 - Fundraising U Idaho
 - Rustic Table Kitchen
- Our fiscal responsibility: We remain dedicated to good stewardship of resources, enabling performance excellence and community impact.

7. Looking Ahead to 2026

We have developed a 2026 Strategic Plan to support the following goals and additional aspirations.

- Build upon our performance experiences from 2025.
- Return to competition in 2026.
- Expand membership and strengthen quartets within the chorus.
- Continue our educational outreach and youth engagement.
- Explore new venues and collaborative opportunities throughout Idaho and the region.
- Maintain financial sustainability and deepen relationships with community partners and sponsors.

8. Acknowledgements

We extend heartfelt thanks to our members, leadership team, volunteers, families, audience members, and sponsors. Their support allows us to bring barbershop harmony to the Treasure Valley and beyond. Special thanks to our dedicated chapter leadership!

Thank you for joining us in song!

This document was curated by the Big Leap Committee:

Steve Wargo

Shad Durfee

Sid Brown

Eric Maine

Zach Groeblichhoff

Kimball Larsen