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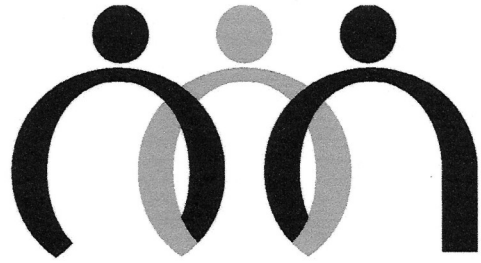
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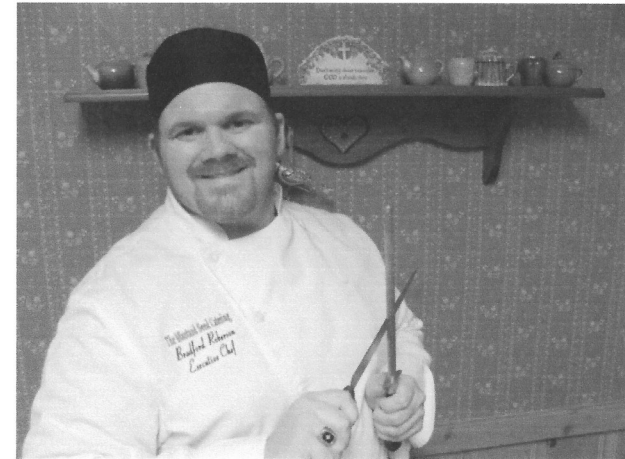
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Let's Sing! won the Carolinas District Championship in October, 2010. They finished 33rd in the world at their third International appearance in July 2011. After a 3-year hiatus they returned to International competition the last two summers in Pittsburgh and Nashville. The quartet was extremely honored to be inducted into the Carolinas District Hall of Fame in the Spring of 2014. Their current CD, "*Let's Sing!*," is available in the lobby after the show. Come say hello!



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Steve Tremper (Tenor) joined the Barbershop Harmony Society in Vermont in 1981, singing Lead, until IBM moved him to North Carolina in 1987. Since then he served as President of both the Research Triangle Park and Central Carolina (Durham) chapters, competed on the International stage with the *General Assembly Chorus*, placed in the International top 20 with bass Greg Zinke in *The CrackerJacks* (1991), and has sung tenor in many other quartets over the years. Steve is a certified Contest Administrator in the BHS judging program, and has served the Carolinas District as Vice President for Contest and Judging. Steve lives in Cary, NC, retired after 35 years with IBM but still active as a Technical Writer.

Mark Chandler (Lead) and his wife, Lisa, both North Carolina natives, live in Old Salem in an historic home that they have lovingly restored. Mark has been a member of the BHS since 1984, and lends his voice and talent to Triad Harmony Express, the chorus of the Winston-Salem chapter, singing lead. Mark is a past Chapter President as well. He sang with the 2001 Dixie District Championship Quartet, *Crescendo*, and the 2004 International Quarter-Finalist Quartet, *Genesis*. Mark is a partner in a CPA firm in Kernersville, NC.

Greg Zinke (Bass) is originally from New Jersey and has been singing harmony for over 30 years. Greg and his wife, Kim, live in Greensboro, where Greg was the Director of the Greensboro *Tarheel Chorus* for many years. He has competed at the international level with four different foursomes, placing in the Top 20 semi-finals in 1987 with the Mid-Atlantic District Champions *Northeast Extension* and in 1991 with Steve in *The CrackerJacks* in the Dixie District. He and Mark sang together in several quartets in recent years, including International Quarter-Finalist *Genesis*. Greg is currently working at Endura Products, Inc. in Stokesdale, NC, as a Tooling Coordinator.

Joe Doub (Baritone) has been a member of the Society since 1974, singing multiple parts in several quartets along the way, including tenor with the 1983 Dixie District Champion and two-time International Quartet Quarter-Finalist *Blue Ribbon Edition*. From 2004 – 2005 Joe sang with his then 16 year-old son David in *Sweet Mother of Harmony*. Joe and his wife Juli are residents of Lewisville, NC and are very proud of their three grown children (Jill, Jane, and David) who have all graduated from college and are gainfully employed. Juli is a first grade teacher at Vienna Elementary School, and Joe is in Supply Management at Deere-Hitachi Construction Machinery Corp in Kernersville. In their spare time, they both enjoy reading, and Joe enjoys NASCAR races and Duke Basketball.



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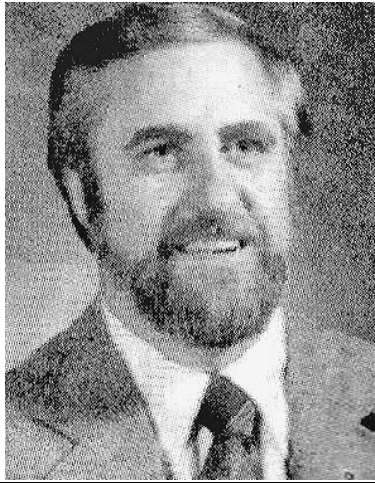
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Stephen Brand, Music Director completed a bachelor degree in education from Appalachian State University in 1999. He also received a master’s degree in vocal performance from East Carolina University in 2009. He has been the conductor for many community ensembles including the Beaufort County Choral Society, the Greenville Community POPS, and the Unitarian Universalist congregation. He and his wife, Erin Brand, own a small-business, Love Joy Music, where they teach *Music Together* classes for birth to five year olds, Rhythm Kids classes for five to eight year olds, adult guitar class, and their Generations class. Stephen and Erin are both professional musicians and play and sing in the area. They do all this while raising their boy Ronan and little girl, Fiona.





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The Carolina Chord Connection was first incorporated as a local chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society in the 1950s. That group faded but was re-incorporated in 1978 as the Greenville NC Area chapter. It presently consists of about 25 men of different ages and all walks of life. From this group several active quartets have been formed. Most do not have formal musical training.

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