

WHAT IS BARBERSHOP

Life Changing Music

## DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS & OTHER STUFF WE MADE UP ...

SAI – Sweet Adelines International

CC – Competition Coordinator

CRC - Chair of the Regional Convention

EDC – Education Direction Committee

IMAP – International Music Arrangers Program

PIPs - Past International Presidents

YSF – Young Singers Foundation

YWIH — Young Women In Harmony

RMT – Regional Management Team

COC – Communications Coordinator

DC – Directors' Coordinator

ED – Education Coordinator

EVC – Events Coordinator

FC – Finance Coordinator

MKC – Marketing Coordinator

MEC – Membership Coordinator

RTC — Regional Team Coordinator

## THE REST OF IT

Afterglow – cast party after a show or competition

All-in one – undergarment worn under costumes

Break-a-leg — said to wish someone well in a performance

Chorus Position – downstage foot slightly in front of other foot, facing the director

Coning

Coning — the art of adjusting to maintain the proper balance of a barbershop chord

Coronet Club — association of members of all past International Quartet Champions (Queens)

Diphthong — two vowel sounds sung on one note

Downstage – toward the front of the stage

Dynamic Contrast – planned volume changes to enhance performance of

song

Fanny Rails — rails attached to top row of risers

Hang Ten on the Risers — standing forward to the front edge of the riser step

Inside Smile – lifting of the soft palate

Off the Paper – being able to sing your part without referring to the sheet music

Overtone — unsung tone heard above the highest tone of a properly balanced and matched chord

Patter – harmony parts singing different words while lead sings melody

Pickups — beginnings of phrases sung by only one voice or one part

Physical Warmups — warming up the body to provide suitable environment

for the singing mechanism to operate

Quartet Etiquette – displaying courtesy by not singing along with a foursome

that is singing unless you are asked to join in

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Ringing Chord — when a barbershop chord is balanced,

overtones are produced resulting in an

exciting "ringing" sound

Ripple – choreographed move that starts at one side

of the chorus and travels to the other side

Stage Left – the performer's left, when on stage facing the

audience

Stage Right — the performer's right, when on stage facing

the audience

Tag — the section at the end of the song that has

been added by the arranger to give a sense

of completeness

Traffic Pattern – designated and carefully timed path followed

by choruses and quartets on competition

day(s)

Tuning – refers to the ability to sing both "in key" and

"on pitch"

Upstage – toward the back of the stage

Vocal Warmups — getting the voice ready to sing

Woodshedding – the art of singing barbershop "by ear",

without a written musical arrangement



THAT'S IT - GO SING

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