



To: Illinois District Board/House of Delegates
From: Bob Squires, Illinois District Historian
Re: 2017 Spring HOD Report
Date: March 1, 2017

Board Members and Chapter Delegates,

A lull is being experienced both in historical committee activities and in historical donations to our district archives. This is both good and not so good as it gives your chairman and his committee an opportunity to catch up on all of the administrivia involved with the committee and the materials. But it also means that the donation activity has slowed to a halt.

That being said provides another opportunity for our members to keep in mind your district historical committee when the time arises to decide what to do with any barbershop materials that you come across during the annual Spring cleaning of the attic, basement or closets. If you find anything barbershop related, be it chapter, district or Society, please give me a call or send a text before deciding to toss the materials. Your historical committee would be extremely grateful.

Many of you may have noted our quartet champions display at the Fall, 2016 convention where we honored the "Barbersharps" and their 50th anniversary.. We ask that you take the time to visit the Youth In Harmony display at this weekends Jamboree where we honor our past high school and collegiate champions, as well as providing a look back to youth barbershop activities in the 1940's.

Since our last report at the Fall, 2017 meeting your committee has finished up work transferring all of the vinyl recordings in our library, along with getting closer to completing the transfer of all of the district video tapes of chapter shows and contest sessions.

We are in the process of finding several individuals to volunteer in the transfer of video tapes, home movies, tape cassettes and old audio tapes to an improved format. If you, or anyone you know of in your chapter, have the time and would like to know more about this activity, please contact me using the information below.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Illinois District Historical Committee.

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