COTS CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

PRESIDENT

The President class focuses on all of the components involved in chapter leadership that can breathe new like into your chapter and on the similarities between running a successful chapter (various elements discussed) and leading a successful business.

SECRETARY

Prepares new and veteran chapter secretaries to handle the numerous operational functions of the chapter. He will be trained to utilize the Society web site links to the Document Center and Members Only areas to complete chapter operational functions online.

TREASURER

A guided discussion covering items that the treasurer needs to be aware of to properly manage and report on the chapter's financial status. It covers the Society's financial accounting requirements and suggestions, as well as IRS accounting and reporting requirements and includes discussions of any questions/problems brought up by any student.

MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

An interactive scenario with input from all students to make this class a success. Each student states his principal goals for the weekend; what he needs to learn to help him do his job better, and how to solve his chapter's primary problem(s).

MEMBERSHIP

Covers all of the bases necessary to initiate and maintain a successful chapter membership program and reviews the roles of the required chapter officers, particularly the Chapter Development VP.

MARKETING & PR

This class is like no other in the past. The classes inform the students about all aspects of promoting the chapter, from guest nights, show production and promotion to dealing with the media (extensive discussions) and how to plan and budget barbershop events.

YOUNG MEN IN HARMONY

Involves the very essence of our Society's vision and mission. Our charge is to preserve this wonderful hobby ensuring it will be around for future generations to come. You will receive a computer disk containing more that 400 megs of material and tools that will become one of the most invaluable and useful resources available to you.

CHORUS DIRECTOR

Considers the following topics: (1) Developing as a director, using Society resources, (2) Working as a member of the Chapter Music Leadership Team, (3) Running effective rehearsals, and (4) Conducting skills.

LEADERSHIP

The CSLT Committee has put together an all new leadership class for COTS. The curriculum for the new class is appropriate for any chapter, division or district officer who has attended a previous COTS and wishes to learn some new or additional leadership skills. The curriculum is designed around three (two hour) modules. These are: Module 1 - Leader as a Planner and Thinker, Module 2 - Leader as a Motivator and Influencer, Module 3 - Leader as a Communicator and Teacher.

PROGRAM VP

Provides a forum to develop a "program" that is tailored to your own chapter. Examples of fun programs are presented and discussed as to how they can be implemented. Information sharing is one of the keys to the success of this class.

JOE BARBERSHOPPER

For the beginner and the seasoned veteran barbershopper. Be prepared to cover the wide range of what it means to be a barbershopper and have fun singing throughout the weekend. Touch on the basics of barbershop singing and learn how to identify barbershop chords, which part has the root, the third, the fifth of each chord. Learn about shows, competition and just plain chorus and quartet singing.