

The Gospel Barn

Gospel Music At Its Finest

Hello from the Gospel Barn!!!

February 2017

We certainly trust this letter of news and greeting finds you well. The days and weeks are passing quickly, and the beginning of the 2017 concert season is drawing closer.

It all begins on April 8th with **The Overtones**, a men's quartet from Lafayette, IN. These four young men have consistently and faithfully carried the gospel in song with exciting enthusiasm and a dedication to quality with every visit they make to the Barn. These guys simply know how to have a "great time in the Lord," and they will kick off the 2017 season in gospel quartet style.

Each week through the early part of the season provides opportunity to enjoy fantastic gospel groups, including the **Woodsmen Quartet**, **4 One Quartet** and **The Taylors**. And, if bluegrass is your favorite, the **Wasepi Bluegrass Gospel Singers** will be with us on April 15th. Week after week, terrific groups will be making their way just around the curve on Bankers Road to share their ministry and love for the Lord, carrying out their calling to serve. June 10th will feature **The Dixie Melody Boys Qt.** This will also be the day of our annual Strawberry Jubilee.

ANNUAL STRAWBERRY JUBILEE

Saturday, June 10, 2017

Serving begins at 4 pm

Strawberry Shortcake and Ice Cream

\$3.50

Strawberry Eating Contest during Intermission

On July 17th, **Southern Raised**, another bluegrass style group including four incredibly talented siblings, will fill the Barn with tremendous musical arrangements and a non-stop presentation of new and old songs.

We have five double concert events scheduled for this season. The first one is April 29th with **The**

Browns. If you are looking for the perfect concert event for every age, this is the ideal opportunity. The Browns provide an incredible arrangement of singing and live instrumentation that thrills audiences across the country. Tickets are available now for this concert at \$10 each for 2PM or 7PM. They can be purchased at the Barn, through our website, or by phone.

Again this year, we are thankful for the opportunity to present another double concert event featuring **Legacy 5** on May 20th. This group of gentlemen made their first Gospel Barn engagement in 2015 and we could not be more excited to welcome them back. You don't want to miss one of gospel music's finest quartets with a history and foundation befitting their name. Tickets for this concert are \$12 each for either 2pm or 7pm.

Consider taking advantage of the Special Ticket Package for all five of this year's special ticketed events:

- **The Browns** – April 29
- **Legacy Five** – May 20
- **Triumphant Quartet** - June 24
- **Jim Brady with David Pendleton** – August 26
- **Booth Brothers** - September 23

All five tickets for \$55

The two newer groups on our schedule for the year are **Justified Quartet**, and the **Dixie Melody Boys**, who have not been with us in quite a few years. We look forward to a fantastic evening with these groups. You may want to make a note of a few groups added back to our schedule this year as well. A couple of these are **The Lindsey Family** on July 15th and **The Erwins** on July 29th. Both of these incredibly dynamic family groups made their first trip to the Barn last year, and it seems that everyone demanded that they come back this year.

We're planning a bus trip this year too. Join us as we travel north to Mackinac Island on October 22 and 23. We'll be staying at the fabulous Grand Hotel with a five-course dinner and breakfast included, along with two concerts featuring Legacy Five and the Birchfield Brothers. More details coming soon, so check out our website or pick up a flyer at an upcoming concert.

The 2017 concert season features many of today's most recognized gospel groups. It is truly an honor and privilege to be included on the itineraries of so many great groups. Significant preparation is necessary for all involved, and we share a common request for your prayerful support. Our guest groups are scheduling well in advance as they seek God's

direction and guidance in their planning.

With respect to the Gospel Barn facility and property, we continue to maintain and make improvements. Some minor remodeling of the concession area is underway with new flooring and wall covering. Further development of ideas for a lobby expansion is in the works as well. As we look to the future, we recall the vision of Everett and Margaret Wirick, whose calling to build and establish this ministry in 1974 is paramount yet today in providing a wonderful venue for gospel music, well into the future. Friends, there is reason to gather and sing about God's amazing love. It is the good news we need in a world filled with turmoil, division and uncertainty.

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:38-39

On behalf of our family and staff and all the singing groups that come our way each week, we offer our deepest gratitude for your support and invite you to come out for a great time in the Lord. **We'll see you at the Gospel Barn real soon!!**

To God Be the Glory!!
Your Gospel Barn Family