The Renaissance Quartet from Bethel University, under the direction of Matthew Holt, is performing at the Iris Festival Community Wide Gospel Singing, set to start at 7 p.m., Wednesday, May 4. They are (I to r): Hayden Nichols from Jackson, Chase Davis from Flint, Michigan, Aubrey Rodgers from Memphis, and Nick Conder from Milan.

Community Wide Gospel Singing To Be Held May 4

he featured group at this year's Community Wide Gospel Singing is the Renaissance Quartet from Bethel University under the direction of Matthew Holt.

The singing will be held at Dresden First Baptist Church on Wednesday, May 4, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

This group has encouraged and uplifted listeners with their unique style since the conception of the group in 2006. The group has traveled from coast to coast leading worship and performing in concerts of all kinds.

The Quartet won best new group at the 2009 National Quartet Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, besting 41 other groups in the competition. They opened the final evening show in 2009 at the Convention before

an audience of 23,000 people.

Those who enjoyed last year's Iris Festival Singing will remember that Renaissance performed to rave reviews and scores of standing ovations. An added treat is the accompaniment and direction of Matthew Holt, acclaimed pianist for the Gaither Vocal Band, who will favor the festival with at least one solo during the evening.

Don't miss this worship service and blessed evening of wonderful music. Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information, contact event chairperson Tommy Moore at 364-2915.

A pancake supper fundraiser for Santa's Helpers is from 5-7 p.m. in the church's fellowship hall prior to the singing.

Community Wide Yard Sale Scheduled for April 30

Festival-goers are invited to spend their day exploring hidden treasures and great bargains across the city of Dresden during this year's Iris Festival Citywide Yard Sale.

Shoppers are encouraged to bring their friends and enjoy being out and about town when it's Iris Time in Tennessee.

Maps will be available at Dresden City Hall beginning Wednesday, April 27. For more information, contact Chairperson Nancy Jarred at 514-8761.

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4-5 Years Old - Queen, Tenley Lewis; First Maid, Analeese Arnold; and Second Maid, Addie Rook.



2-3 Years Old - Queen, Kinsley Wilson; King, Jaxon Pflueger; First Maid, Bryle Slusser; and Second Maid, Olivia Scarbrough.



13-24 Months - Queen, Gracie Smith; King, Blayne; First Maid, Ava; and Second Maid, Gabriella.



Birth - 12 Months - Queen, Rowan Hughes; King, Alex Cardena; Page, Karston Vernon.