



REGION #19 MAILING

JANUARY 2016

The Region #19 mailing contains vital information to be shared with *all* members.

- ♪ Presidents/Team Leaders are reminded to make appropriate reminders at rehearsals.
- ♪ Chapter REC's are reminded to distribute this mailing to the proper committee chairs and officers.
- ♪ Directions and their addenda are to be kept by the Secretary.
- ♪ Flyers should be posted.

Region #19 Philosophy

Women join Sweet Adelines because they love to sing. They stay because of the musical challenges, the rewards of individual achievement, and the rewards of performance and the sense of belonging. Therefore, Region #19 is a progressive women's organization which:

- ♪ Promotes excellence in the performance of barbershop harmony through education
- ♪ Creates an atmosphere of camaraderie among its membership
- ♪ Provides opportunities for individual growth.

Region 19 Website: www.region19sai.org

All submissions for the monthly mailing are due on the **27th OF EACH MONTH.**
All submissions should be submitted in electronic form (Microsoft Word, or any graphic format - jpg, bmp, etc.), and sent to maggysings@verizon.net.

ATLANTIC BAY-MOUNTAIN REGION #19

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – updated SEPTEMBER 2014

Key: ■=Chapter Events; ■=Regional Events; ■=International Events

* = newly added/modified events

2016

DEADLINE FOR SPRING HI-LO'S.....	FEBRUARY 20
Regional Convention and Competition, Hershey, PA	April 7-10, 2016
RMT Planning Meeting	April 30-May 1
A.R.T. (Faculty: Sharon Babb).....	June 4
* Rising Star Contest, Auckland, New Zealand.....	July 13
* AHA!, University of Auckland.....	July 15-17
* Directors' Seminar, New Orleans, LA.....	August 18-20
Regional F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Betty Clipman).....	September 23-25, 2016
International Convention, Las Vegas, NV	October 18-22, 2016
Valley Forge Chorus, Chapter Show	December 10

2017

Singers' School (Faculty: TBD).....	January 20-22
Regional Convention and Competition, Hershey, PA	April 6-9, 2017
Regional F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Judy Posgay & Sandy Marron)	September 8-10, 2017
International Convention, Las Vegas, NV	October 10-14, 2017

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Regional Convention and Competition, Hershey, PA	April 12-15, 2018
Regional F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Jim Arns & Renee Porzel)	September 7-9, 2018
* International Convention, St. Louis, MO	October 15-20

2019

* International Convention, New Orleans, LA.....	September 16-21
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2020


* International Convention, Louisville, KY – 75 th Anniversary	October 12-17
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Please Note:

- If there are any additions and/or corrections to the regional calendar, please notify Sarah Nainan-Newhard, Team Coordinator: syuki63@gmail.com, and Marge Grossman: maggysings@verizon.net.
- Chorus show dates do not have to be “cleared” with the Region; however, choruses should contact the Communications Coordinator to add your show date on this, and the *Hi-Lo's*, calendar. This will also help you learn when other choruses are planning their shows, and share your plans with other choruses.

Other Important Deadlines:

- Regional Mailing: submit to Marge Grossman (maggysings@verizon.net) by the 27th of each month
- *Hi Lo's*: submit articles/photos/etc., to Marge Grossman, maggysings@verizon.net, by the deadlines indicated within the calendar.

Marge Grossman 
Communications Coordinator

NEWS & REMINDERS

- ✓ If at all possible, please send fliers and photos in PDF. Thanks!
- ✓ Please try to keep some type of “diary” of what your chorus/quartet has been, or will be, doing since the Fall *Hi-Lo*’s, for submission to the Spring *Hi-Lo*’s. And, of course, save your photos!!
- ✓ All information/articles/photos/ads/etc. for the Spring *Hi-Lo*’s are due to me no later than FEBRUARY 20.

FAREWELL!

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to one of Region 19's choruses, **FIRST STATE HARMONETTES**. We wish its former members good luck, and hope they find their voice in a nearby chorus.

In Harmony,
Region 19's Regional Management Team



WANTED:



A Certified Director for the goal-oriented, energetic, and fun loving **Dundalk (Star Spangled) Chorus!**

- ♪ We're a well-established, mid-size chorus made up of women from 14 to 85. We are unique in that we have a large group of YWIH members from the local school for the performing arts. We have the pleasure to sing with and support these young women in their Sweet Adeline activities. We have 5 quartets in the chorus.
- ♪ Our Director has retired, and we're looking for a certified director to guide us toward our goals. One of our goals is to reach 600 points (which we reached in 2014) and beyond in competition. We've medaled in 3 out of 4 recent competitions in Region 19.
- ♪ We love to compete, but we also love to do community sing-outs.
- ♪ We have a tradition of 2 annual shows: our Fall dinner/dance show and our Spring Talent show/dress rehearsal for competition.
- ♪ We rehearse on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m., currently at the North Point Government Center in Dundalk Maryland 21222.

If this sounds right for you, please contact our President:

Bev Bruening at 410-866-2288 or beverly.bruening@comcast.net

Deadline for return of applications: December 31, 2015.



OPEN DIRECTOR POSITION

READING PAGODA CHORUS *CHARTERED 1957*

READING PAGODA CHORUS IS SEEKING A DIRECTOR. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 18 MEMBERS AND WE REHEARSE ON MONDAY NIGHTS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF READING, (BERKS COUNTY) PA.

WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM ANY INTERESTED PARTIES.
PLEASE CONTACT TEAM LEADER FRAN GRAEFF AT
FGRAEFF@PTD.NET



From International:

FREEZE ON ALL ARRANGED MUSIC FOR JANUARY 2016

To our Sweet Adelines members, arrangers, and loyal supporters:

Some of you may have heard about a new contract for Sweet Adelines International from Hal Leonard, effective January 1, 2016. While we don't have all of the answers yet, we wanted to update you on the situation. First, please know that we were not aware of a new contract until we received it on October 28, 2015. The new contract was dated July 1, 2015. Our last contract from Hal Leonard was dated December 30, 1996. Based upon conversations with BHS, they have received a similar contract with the same timelines.

Upon receiving the contract, we began carefully identifying the differences between the old and new contracts, and consulting with the International President, President-Elect, Education Direction Committee Chair and the International Music Arrangers Program Coordinators. We sent out a notification letter to our arrangers on December 5, 2015 alerting them to the new contract. An attempt was made to schedule a conference call with the arrangers before the holidays. Unfortunately, the call had to be postponed due to scheduling limitations and has now been rescheduled for the first week in January.

To provide additional time to work through the details of the new contract without the stress of the looming January 1, 2016 start date, we have put a "freeze" on all arranged music for the month of January. This is in response to multiple requests we received from arrangers and others involved in this complex process. As we all work through these issues, we would like to thank the arrangers who are submitting questions and suggestions and participating in this dialogue. We also want to express our appreciation to the IMAP Coordinators for their ongoing assistance, leadership and support through this uncharted territory.

While this communication does not provide the answers you need as related to the new Hal Leonard contract, please know we are working diligently to identify the best possible solution for everyone impacted by this situation. As information and answers become available, we will distribute this information through Facebook and the new Sweet Adelines International website.

2016 TECHNICAL CHORUS FOR REGIONAL

Last year's Technical Chorus made up of volunteers from the Region was a huge success! This year we are once again offering the opportunity for the members of Region 19 (competing, non-competing, and of course, Directors) to sign up to participate. Remember this is a BRAND new venue and the Tech Chorus size will be limited so sign up ASAP to reserve your riser spot!

Attention ALL REGION 19 CHORUS MEMBERS, CHORUS TEAM LEADERS, CHORUS RECS, DIRECTORS, AND REGISTERED QUARTET MEMBERS:

PLEASE SHARE THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION and ENCOURAGE YOUR CHORUS and QUARTET MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE!

The Region is accepting **SINGING VOLUNTEERS** to participate in our *Technical Rehearsal and Sound/Lighting Check* for the upcoming Region 19 Chorus Competition in Hershey PA. This is an exciting and educational opportunity open to ALL members (competing and non-competing) attending the Regional Convention in April. **Participating will give your Chorus/Quartet members an opportunity to feel and hear the Contest Stage in a BRAND NEW venue, while making a valuable contribution to the Region. Please encourage all of your members to sign up!**

The *Technical Rehearsal and Sound/Lighting Check* will take place on Friday morning, April 8, 2016 at 9:30 AM. Singers will need to arrive to the auditorium in the Hershey Lodge at 9:15 AM and be ready to get on the risers to perform for the Judging Panel so they can set the sound and lighting levels. Two Regional songs will be used, *Send Your Love & Harmonize the World*. Learning tracks and music will be available on the Regional Website and information with links will be sent to all participants by February 7, 2016. We are looking for a minimum of 45-60 Singers to participate. Volunteers will be taken on a first-come basis, **with a limit of the first 90 Singer (with balanced parts to be considered)** to sign up. We hope to have a large number of volunteers taking advantage of this opportunity!

To sign up and participate please email me no later than January 15, 2016 at AdelineEve@gmail.com with your name, chorus name, voice part, phone number, and email address.

Thank you!
Eve Sclawy
Competition Coordinator #19

Memo

Date: January 2016

To: All Chapters of Sweet Adelines International

From: Paula Davis, International Nominating Committee Chair

Re: Choosing potential nominees for the International Board of Directors (2017-2020 term)

We just finished counting the votes in December for the two new members of the International Board of Directors who will serve the 2016-2019 term. Since this is an ongoing process, it is now time to start thinking about choosing potential nominees who, if nominated and elected, will serve the 2017-2020 term.

Why is this important? This is your chapter's opportunity to participate in the selection of potential nominees for the International Board of Directors. It's time to look at the leaders in your chorus, your region, and the Sweet Adelines world with an eye toward their potential as members of the International Board. Your chapter board of directors or management team **may** recommend potential nominees to the chapter; however, ***the actual selections should be made by vote of the chapter membership.***

When your chapter has selected potential nominees who have all, or most of the qualifications listed below, the International Board of Directors 2016 Potential Nominee Application is to be completed by each potential nominee. The Good Standing Statement portion of the application should be completed and signed by two Chapter Officers and mailed or emailed to the Corporate Secretary at International Headquarters.

The IDEAL potential nominee should work well on her own and as a team member to define and pursue goals, and to carry out the aims of the International Organization. Her qualifications should also include the following:

- Positive, objective attitude
- Good listening skills
- Critical and analytical thinking as well as imaginative and creative thinking
- Effective verbal and written communications skills
- Knowledge of and ability to use available resources
- Computer skills, with ability to communicate electronically
- Vision and long-range planning experience
- Ability to adapt easily to different environments
- Ability to relate to a variety of personality types
- Training and experience in a field which could be of value to the International Board
- Experience in Sweet Adelines International as a chapter, regional or International officer, committee chair or committee member

- Thorough understanding of the mission and goals of Sweet Adelines International
- Professional appearance and dress

The Corporate Bylaws provide for a three-year term of office for members of the International Board of Directors. In 2016, eight nominees will be chosen and four directors will be elected (every third year, four nominees are chosen and two directors are elected). During its 2016 meeting, the Nominating Committee will carefully consider all the nominee applications received from the chapters and from members of the committee. After all potential nominees' qualifications have been discussed the Nominating Committee will select eight nominees by secret ballot.

Information on these nominees will be provided in *The Pitch Pipe* and online so that you have a chance to familiarize yourself with the candidates. Ballots containing the names of the eight nominees will be sent to the chapters in October 2016. Chapters are requested to schedule their election meetings for International Board Members in October or November 2016, so that the official ballots may be cast by the first Wednesday in December.

Remember that you play a vital role in the selection of this most critically important group! **DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF POTENTIAL NOMINEE APPLICATIONS AT INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IS MAY 5, 2016.**

Please click on the following link to access the [2016 International Board of Directors Potential Nominee Application information](#). The Potential Nominee Application is also attached to this email.



YWIH VIDEO CHORUS CONTEST '16

Calling all young women who like to sing!

Sweet Adelines International is sponsoring its fourth annual Young Women in Harmony Video Chorus Contest in 2016!

This is your chance to astound the judges with your rich harmonies and engaging performance via a DVD submission to Sweet Adelines International. Beyond gaining great experience and creating fun memories with your chorus-mates, you could win some cash!

Awards include cash prizes of \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 for the first, second and third place winners of the YWIH Video Chorus Contest. All three winners will also receive a copy of the [Young Women in Harmony Competition Music Folio](#).

Deadlines, Rules and Regulations

Deadline for submissions is June 1, 2016.

For a copy of the rules and regulations, click the links below:

[YWIH Video Chorus Contest Rules and Regulations 2016 YWIH Video Chorus Contest Entry Form](#)

Want the Latest YWIH Information?

Click on the [YWIH Interest Survey](#) link to sign up for information regarding Young Women in Harmony.

For more information or contest questions, email [Music Services](#).



RISING STAR 2016 AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

JULY
13
— 2016 —

80 Women, 20 Quartets, 11 Chords, 2 Songs, 1 International Rising Star Quartet Champion

But Rising Star is not just about competition — the educational weekend provides a perfect opportunity for young ladies to sharpen performance skills, receive coaching and teaching from the world's best female barbershop VIPs, to be empowered by mentors known worldwide, and to receive world-class instruction and mentoring.

The 2016 Rising Star Quartet Contest promises to be bigger and brighter than ever! Sweet Adelines International is excited to partner with Region 35 for the 2016 International Rising Star Quartet Contest. The contest will be July 13, 2016, in Auckland, New Zealand (in conjunction with the 2016 A Cappella Harmony Academy). The event is expected to draw upwards of 1,000 youth and audience members for the contest. Don't miss your chance to shine in 2016. Sign up for the Rising Star Quartet Contest today!

2016 Entry Form and Information Packet

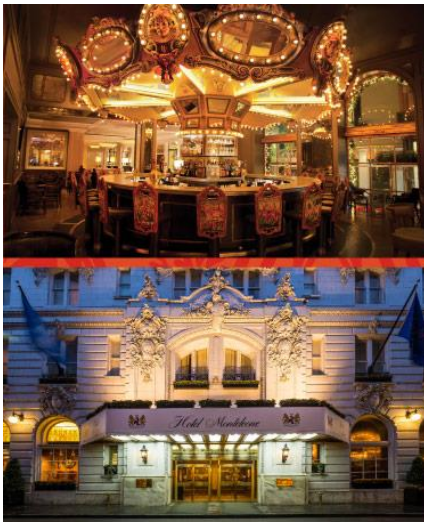
Click below to download an entry form and ePacket.

2016 Rising Star Quartet Contest Entry Form – coming soon!

2016 Rising Star Information ePacket – coming soon!

Interested in Learning More?

To sign up and receive information regarding Rising Star, click here for the [Rising Star Interest Survey](#).



SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL
2016 Directors' Seminar

at the luxurious
Hotel Monteleone
 located in the world-famous French Quarter.

“TLC: Teach, Lead, Care” Directors' Seminar

Calling all directors! Join us for the Directors' Seminar 2016 in New Orleans, LA, on August 18-20, 2016, at the luxurious Hotel Monteleone. Soak in dynamite education amid the beautiful accommodations located in the world-famous French Quarter.

“TLC” is an exciting and intensive two-day educational event for frontline directors. Guest faculty Dr. Jim Henry, along with our roster of world-class Sweet Adelines International teaching faculty, will share their knowledge and expertise on topics ranging from conducting and kinesthetics, to expressive singing and effective interpretive plans. Classes on riser placement and Open Division will be taught with the help of the fabulous New Orleans-based Crescent City Sound Chorus! Whether you're a novice director or a longtime arm waver, you will come away with a new set of tools and techniques for being the best director you can be!

Registration Details:

Registration includes incredible director education sessions, housing and the following meals: dinner Friday and breakfast and lunch Saturday.

Frontline Director Shared Room- \$650

Frontline Director Single Room- \$850

Commuter Rate- \$400 (includes education and meals ONLY)

Registration opens January 4, 2016 for frontline directors and April 18, 2016 for assistant directors (if there is remaining availability). There is limited availability, so sign up today!

For more information, call toll free **800-992-SING (7464)** or call **918-622-1444**.

Costumes For Sale



Red Sequined Vests

- Approximately 55 available
- Various Misses and Plus sizes
- Will sell in any amounts.
- \$5 each plus shipping

Three Quarter Length Sleeve Pastel Blazers

- Approximately 50 jackets available
- Sizes 6P to 24W
- Colors Jade, Blue, and Pink available
(All colors pictured)
- \$5.00 each plus shipping



If you are interested in these items or have
any questions, please contact
mtstansky@verizon.net or call 609-714-1088.

GREATER HARRISBURG CHORUS

is accepting ads for the 2016 Regional Competition Program

If you, or someone you know, would like to advertise this year, please submit the following either by mailing this form, or emailing the information:

Name: _____

Business/Chorus: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____ Donation: \$ _____ Check # _____

AD RATES (PLEASE CIRCLE DESIRED SIZE):

	<u>RATE</u>
Rear Cover-----	\$200.00
Inside Front/Back Cover-----	\$150.00
Full Page -----	\$100.00
3/4 Page -----	\$ 75.00
1/2 Page -----	\$ 50.00
1/4 Page -----	\$ 25.00
<u>Special:</u> Competing Quartets can buy a business card ad for \$20.00	
Single-line patron ads -----	\$ 5.00

1. **ALL ADS MUST BE IN PDF.**
2. Check must accompany all program ads.

DEADLINE: All ads must be RECEIVED NO LATER THAN
FEBRUARY 29, 2016

Please forward program ad, along with check payable to "GREATER HARRISBURG CHORUS," and any questions, to:

Maggie Ryan
19 W. Green Street
Shiremanstown, PA 17011
maggie.ryan.mr@gmail.com

~ be sure to check out the Regional web site: www.region19sai.org ~