

Hello Region 19!

This is a short email update to inform you of just a few things you need to know for Regional 2023.

\*Just a quick reminder that the Joint Chorus/Quartet Briefing will be held 7:00 - 8:00pm, Thursday, May 18.

#### Regional 2023 Website:

The new and improved Regional Competition and Convention website will go live in January – watch for an email announcing its availability. The website will be an online version of the traditional handbook, and will have all the information you need to know regarding convention and contest including all deadlines, forms, housing links etc.

#### **COVID Policy:**

As set forth by the Regional Management Team (RMT):

### COVID Protocols for Region 19 2023 Educational Events

The health and safety of our members remains an important concern of the Regional Management Team. Members are reminded to use good judgment regarding their own health and the health of others. Beginning in January 2023, COVID vaccinations are strongly recommended but will not be required in order to participate in "live" events hosted by the region. Similarly, negative COVID tests will not be required but are encouraged. Masks will be optional and your personal choice. This policy could be adjusted should there be a change in local, state, or national guidelines.

## Housing (Lancaster Marriott Penn Square in Lancaster, PA):

Standard Blocked Room Rates: \$149 + 11% taxes

Housing will be booked individually by the "Room Captain" via Marriott's online housing link which will be available on the Convention website. You will be able to enter your chorus name at the time of booking in order to try to have

choruses grouped together in the same area. Please remember this is a request – not a guarantee.

## **Regional Registration Fees:**

Members: \$100

Youth Members: \$50

Guests: \$110

Youth Guests: \$60

# 2023 Judging Panel:

Sound: Bobbette Gantz

Music: Jan Meyer

Expression: Lisa Hunzinger

Visual Communication/Panel Chair: Diane Porsch

Panel Secretary: Kelli Hinton

That is all for now! Happy Holidays to you all!

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Chair- Regional Contest and Convention Steering Committee