

BARBERSHOP BEAT

ATLANTIC BAY - MOUNTAIN REGION 19 | MARCH 2020



It is the start of my favorite time of year! The weather starts to get warmer, the days start to get longer, and all the flowers and trees start coming back to life!

We have so much to look forward to during spring, including contest season! For those competing, watch for the draw for order of appearance on March 9. For those who are not competing, don't forget to purchase your All Events Ticket by March 20, so you can come cheer on your sisters in song. I can't wait to see you all in Lancaster!

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REGION 19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS SECTION INCLUDES CHAPTER EVENTS, REGIONAL EVENTS, EDUCATION EVENTS, AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS.

EVENT	DATE
2020	
Shades of Harmony Friends & Family Show, Williamstown, NJ	April 25
Jersey Sound's Friends & Family Show, Temple Sinai, Cinnaminson, NJ	April 26
Regional Convention and Competition, Marriott in Lancaster, PA	April 30-May 2
International Education Symposium (IES) in San Antonio, TX	July 22-25
Regional F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Kim Wonders & Natalie Allen), Location TBD	Sept. 11-13
International Convention (75th Anniversary), Louisville, KY	Oct. 12-17
Greater Harrisburg Chorus Show	Dec. 5
2021	
Region 19 Quartet Coaching Weekend, Location TBD	Jan. 15-17
Region 19 Convention & Competition, Location TBD	April 15-18
Region 19 F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Britt-Helene Bonnedahl), Location TBD	Sept. 10-12
International Convention, St. Louis, MO	Oct. 11-16

**CHAPTER REGIONAL
ASSESSMENTS**

DUE: MAY 31, 2020

Don't
Forget



REGION 19 MISSION

Our mission: Region 19 is a women's organization dedicated to musical excellence and the development of leaders through education, camaraderie, and performance of a cappella harmony in the barbershop style.

Region 19 Website: www.region19sai.org

Member's Facebook: www.facebook.com/region19SAI

Director's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/381778536043160

Presidents/Team Leaders' Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/514932849349532

REC's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/558299848045442

Membership Coordinator's Facebook Group: www.facebook.com/groups/2484755828517569

THANKS FOR YOUR SUBMISSIONS!

We welcome your calendar items, chapter and quartet news, and other items of regional interest.

BARBERSHOPBEAT@GMAIL.COM

**SUBMIT QUARTET
NEWS HERE**

**SUBMIT CHORUS
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Ever thought about taking a leadership role on the Region 19 Management Team?

**WE HAVE AN OPENING IN MAY 2020
FOR MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR.**

BE AN INFLUENCER!



Please send your resume and expression of interest to ihershey@aol.com.

HAS YOUR CHORUS EVER CONSIDERED HOSTING A REGIONAL EVENT?

We are looking now for Host Choruses for FLASH 2020 and Convention 2021.

Do you have questions as to what it entails? Now is the time to ask and to act.

Here are a few of the benefits of hosting FLASH:

- Choose the theme for the weekend
- Free registration for Host Chapter members.
- Host the boutique
- Perform on the Saturday night show
- Free coaching from visiting faculty on Sunday morning
- Receive \$500 stipend from the Region.

Hosting convention is a bigger job, but has successfully been done by both large and small choruses. Or maybe you would like to work together with a sister chorus? There is a wealth of guidance, How To's and other aids available to help you have a fun and successful hosting experience. It's also important to note that most of the work to host convention is done before competition weekend. (Most of the big jobs done during competition weekend are done by the outgoing champion chorus.) Here are the benefits of hosting the spring convention:

- Choose the theme for the weekend
- Host the boutique
- Perform on the Saturday night show
- Host the Afterglow party
- Receive \$2000 stipend from the Region.

Applications are being accepted now through March 21, 2020 for FLASH 2020 at the Delta Hotel by Marriott in Hunt Valley, MD on Sep 11-13, 2020, and Competition & Convention 2021 in Lancaster, PA at the Lancaster Penn Marriott on Apr 15-18, 2021. You will be notified of decision by April 6, 2020. If you are selected to host convention 2021 a representative from your chorus should plan to attend the RCSC meeting on Sun May 3, 2020 at the Lancaster Penn Marriott.

Applications can be found here: <https://www.region19sai.org/events.html>

All choruses in good standing are eligible to host an event. Preference will be given to choruses who have not hosted that event in the last 3 years.

LINEs FROM LORI JO



I've been trying to keep my monthly articles to three short items. Here's why . . .

- * You're busy! You barely have time to keep up with chorus news much less what's happening in the region. You scan the Barbershop Beat for key things you need to know.
- * I'm busy! With two choruses and a quartet plus a small business making soap along with kids and grandchildren, I scramble to write something worth reading.
- * Brain Research! It shows that our brains can handle three items (sometimes four) and that's it. Phone numbers and license plates are clustered in three's for that reason.

Now that you read my silly list of three, **what do you really need to know?**

1. Register your chorus or quartet for the spring contest with International Headquarters.
2. Make your hotel reservations as a chorus through the region.
3. If your chorus is not competing this year, come to the convention and plan to be the best fan in the auditorium.

See you there!

DIRECTORS NOTES



Wow, here we are in contest season again.

The Order of Appearance will be drawn by International on March 9, and with all of our choruses performing on the large risers this year, it should be an exciting contest day for everyone.

Once we get the Order of Appearance from International, we will schedule walk-ons for Friday, May 1. Since we are in a new location this year, I hope that all of you will be able to participate in this activity and feel comfortable with the pattern and the stage.

Quartets will begin walk-ons immediately following the Quartet/Chorus Briefing that morning. Choruses will have walk-on times assigned by order of appearance following the Quartets and we will email that schedule to directors and team leaders as soon as it is ready.

I will also send each of you rehearsal room schedules as soon as everyone has completed those forms and I hope we are able to accommodate the request of each chorus.

It's been so much fun to see all of the creativity and fun that is going on this year at retreats. Keep posting! And enjoy the coming weeks as we prepare to meet in Lancaster, PA.

Please be sure to email me if you have any questions about walk-ons or rehearsal rooms – patty.weeks@comcast.net.



CHAPTER NEWS



OCEAN BAY CHORUS

Ocean Bay celebrated its 35th charter year at Salisbury's Irish Penny Pub & Grill on February 11th, exactly 35 years to the day after International President, Bev Sellers, signed the document. After entrees of shepherd's pie, fish & chips, boxty and blarney, we finished with three tunes including "Irish Blessing."

[Learn More](#)


LEHIGH VALLEY CHORUS

The Lehigh Valley Chorus rocked 2019, welcoming 3 new members and performing 16 times! From sporting venues, senior communities, a 104th birthday, holiday teas, caroling strolls, we provided lots of barbershop harmony and fun. We were also gifted new risers, and re-gifted our old ones to a new Ohio chorus.

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JERSEY SOUND

Jersey Sound was so ex-CY-ted to have the renowned Cy Wood in the house! He got us moving and grooving to our music. He was so animated, that it was infectious! We loved having Cy with us and are energetically incorporating his style into our performances!

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RINGING HILLS

February has flown by here at Ringing Hills. We have been preparing for our weekend retreat with Stephanie Britson and are excited to meet with her again. Meanwhile, our newest member, Aurelia, visited rehearsal with her proud Mom, Cath Jordan. Rei got some pointers about her music from one of our charter members, Jan Dunning!



CAPITOL ACCORD

On Valentine's Day, three intrepid Capital Accord quartets—Of Sound Mind, PEARL, and Singchronicity—spread musical messages of love and friendship throughout the Greater Washington region from early morning to evening. They sang to two young sisters (a gift from their mother) in their paper-heart-strewn kitchen; to the burly building staff of a huge synagogue; to middle and high school teachers in front of their students; and to faraway recipients via FaceTime and phone. A marvelous time was had by all.

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VALLEY FORGE

Valley Forge had a stellar retreat weekend Feb 14-16th with the one and only Dale Syverson! On Saturday evening of our retreat, we invited charter members and lifetime members of our chorus to celebrate the 55th Anniversary of Valley Forge. It was a great weekend of singing, celebration and fun!

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ARUNDELAIR CHORUS

The Arundelair Chorus spent February giving back to the community. What a joy we had sharing songs of Harmony to the homeless community & Atria Manresa. Michael Gellert shared the “Free & easy” way of singing.

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HARBOR CITY

February was chock full of fun for HCMC. We kicked back to enjoy a night out with good food, friends, dancing and games at our annual Bull Roast. We performed to a packed house at the South Anne Arundel County concert series and we topped off the month mining gold nuggets at a productive retreat with the ever positive Karen Breidert. We're rich!

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DUNDALK CHORUS

Retreat was out of this world! With coach and Master 700 director Michael Gellert, we traveled in search of distant planets, transported by breath, wind, and spirit. A stellar time was had by all! After our return to earth, we had a fantastic coaching session with Master 700 director and Showmanship judge Becki Hine. We're SmiYEELing!

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HEART OF MARYLAND

On February 9, the Heart of Maryland and four other area choruses performed in an annual concert to benefit the Rockville Emergency Assistance Program (REAP). REAP provides services to prevent eviction and heating termination and offers referrals for food, clothing and medical care for Montgomery County's most vulnerable populations. We look forward every year to honoring REAP's generosity to and concern for residents that are too often forgotten.



SHADES OF HARMONY

A fabulous Valentine's weekend retreat with the AMAZING Lynda Keever! Our new mantra: We love to drill! We learned that adding emotion to our singing makes us look AND sound better. Who knew?



DIAMOND STATE

You could have heard a pin drop! Our usually chatty chorus was stunned into silence by Director, Pam Nichols' retirement announcement. For 14 years we have LOVED Pam for her kindness, generosity, hard work and dedication, not to mention three first place Division A medals! A Director Search is underway!


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CHAPTER NEWS



UPPER CHESAPEAKE

UCC is fortunate to have an excellent management team. We are always impressed by all their empathy, creativity and organizational skills. We are lucky to have Carol Klein as our team leader. She has had that strong and steady hand at the wheel as our chorus continues to grow. We are so grateful to these leaders who have important and time-consuming lives but who still carve out time to donate their talents to our chorus. We are fresh off a great Saturday coaching with Claire Domenick and looking forward to our retreat with Michael Gellert!



GREATER HARRISBURG

Is February feeling kinda BLAH? Does your energy level need a hefty boost? Well, GH Chorus has found the FUN! Hats-off for a successful Guest Night; thumbs-up for our productive leadership meeting; cheers to all for our outstanding coaching with Jana; NEW MUSIC!! See ya soon, Spring.....can't wait.

Photo: Greater Harrisburg Chorus enjoyed a fascinating, fast-paced coaching session with Music Judge Jana Gutenson (inset). We went home with our brains stuffed with fresh insights into our music, and can't wait for Jana's next visit.



CAPE SHORE

Cape Shore Chorus enjoyed a lovely weekend at the historic Flanders Hotel on the Ocean City, NJ Boardwalk with the amazing Claire Domenick as our retreat coach. Wonderful accommodations, incredible food, and fun was had by all.



QUARTET NEWS



JEWELTONES

JewelTones promoted Vocal Harmonix's Singing Valentines on ABC27 (Harrisburg) on Good Day PA. We also had three big performances that week along with two other performances at VHMx shows. We also coached with Jim Arns and Lynda Keever.



PINNACLE

Keli Goldsborough (Bass) and Christine Czuhajewski (Baritone) welcome Donna Vincent Roa (Lead) and Shana Oshiro (Tenor) to Pinnacle, a newly-formed Region 19 diverse quartet whose message through music is one of social justice, peace, and healing. This Sweet Adelines quartet will also be part of the Race and #RealTalk outreach and activism program.

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UP & AWAY

Up & Away is hard at work preparing for contest! We have a retreat coming up along with some stellar coaches! Recently, we have been starting on some new music. We like taking screenshots of our sets to find the best pictures! Does your quartet do this?

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QUARTET NEWS



GROUP THERAPY

Planning your pre-competition Friends & Family night? Looking for another quartet to add to your lineup? How about a (Group) Therapy session? Group Therapy Quartet would love to join you! Contact us at grouptherapyquartet@outlook.com to book us for your celebration!

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Sweet Sisterhood Shirt and Tote Bag Sale

Sponsored by Vocal Harmonix

Want a new shirt or bag to rock at convention this year? Then look no further! Just go to this website to make your purchases:

<https://www.bonfire.com/store/swt-sister-swag/>



Questions? Contact Valerie Ruhl at valerieruhl@windstream.net

Vocal Harmonix - Lady Jayne fundraiser

Vocal Harmonix (host chorus for 2020 Convention) will be selling select items from Lady Jayne at the convention boutique. Please stop by to check it out.

Boutique hours: Thurs 30Apr 3-9pm; Fri 1May 9am-5pm; Sat 2May 9am-4pm

Don't want to wait? No problem – feel free to shop on line and have items shipped to you for free. There are various award holders and other items.

www.ladyjayne.com and then Associations, Sweet Adelines or

<https://www.ladyjayne.com/sweetadelines>

Be sure to use code "SA19" at check-out to ensure your purchase is credited towards us. Thanks in advance for your support!



Shades & Harmony

Invites you to attend...



OUR Friends and Family Sendoff Concert

Join us for our annual performance showcasing our contest set for Sweet Adelines Region 19 Contest.

Special performance by our in-house quartet competing for the first time, **Voices Carry!**

Saturday, April 25, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.
Admission: FREE!

The Free Public Library of Monroe Township
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Williamstown, NJ 08094