BARBERSHOP BEAT

ATLANTIC BAY - MOUNTAIN REGION 19 | MAY 2020

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Celebration!

Despite all the uncertainty at this time, Region 19 is moving forward! This month is all about celebrating YOU - our wonderful members! Our Online Extravaganza showed off the creativity and talents of our many members, and this issue of the Barbershop Beat recognizes the many milestone Sweet Adeline Anniversaries you are celebrating! So raise a virtual glass to all of your sisters in song who are celebrated in these pages!

Nikki Burkhardt



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REGION 19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

EVENT	DATE
2020	
Stay tuned for virtual offerings!	TBD
International Convention, Louisville, KY	Oct. 12-1
Greater Harrisburg Chorus Show	Dec.5
2021	
Region 19 Quartet Coaching Weekend, Location TBD	Jan. 15-1
Region 19 Convention & Competition, Location TBD	April 15-1
Region 19 F.L.A.S.H. (Faculty: Britt-Helene Bonnedahl), Location TBD	Sept. 10-
International Convention, St. Louis, MO	Oct. 11-1

CHAPTER & CAL REGIONAL ASSESSMENTS

Don't Forget

DUE: MAY 31, 2020

SUBMIT ADDITIONS AND/OR CORRECTIONS TO THE REGIONAL CALENDAR TO IRENE HERSHEY, TEAM COORDINATOR, IHERSHEY@AOL.COM CHORUS SHOW DATES DO NOT HAVE TO BE "CLEARED" WITH THE REGION, HOWEVER, THIS CALENDAR MAY BE USEFUL FOR PLANNING EVENTS.



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.

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What a different time of life that we find ourselves in!! I hope that this edition of the Barbershop Beat finds you all healthy and safe. It has been fun and exciting to watch Facebook to see how different groups have found fun and creative ways to stay connected. We are quite the sisterhood, aren't we?

Amid all this, there are things that continue to move forward as "normal". Your RMT (Regional Management Team) is no exception. As with all our chorus structures, the new fiscal year has begun and we move forward. As happens every year, there are positions that come open on the Team. There have been a couple changes this year and a way that YOU can also apply to become a part of regional management.

With an 8 member Management Team, each position serves a 2 year term. At the end of the fiscal year, 4 positions come up for renewal or replacement. Four positions renew on even numbered years and the other 4 on odd numbered years. This past year Team Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, Membership Coordinator and Education Coordinator came up for renewal. The Education Coordinator position is the only one that must be approved by the International Organization and applications had to be submitted by October 2019. Lori Jo Whitehaus was the only application received and she was subsequently approved by International.

The Membership Coordinator role was the only one in which the current Team member was choosing to step aside. We have appreciated Jennifer Newman's work and contribution to not only the region, but also to the Management Team. We were sad to see her go. She solicited many individuals to express interest for stepping into this important regional role and with her efforts and notices in this space, one person expressed interest. That person was our own Patty Weeks, who was currently serving an unexpired term as Director Coordinator. Patty will be moving to her new role as Membership Coordinator as of May 1.

Team Coordinator and Communications Coordinator roles were reaffirmed at our last Team meeting, so Nikki Burkhardt and I will continue in those roles for the next term. Here is a picture of what your current Management Team looks like:

Team Coordinator:	Irene Hershey	Term ending April 2022
Communications Coordinator:	Nikki Burkhardt	Term ending April 2022
Education Coordinator:	Lori Jo Whitehaus	Term ending April 2022
Membership Coordinator:	Patty Weeks	Term ending April 2022
Events Coordinator:	Sally Kelly	Term ending April 2021
Finance Coordinator:	Cathy Schuman	Term ending April 2021
Marketing Coordinator:	Donna Vincent Roa	Term ending April 2021
Director Coordinator:	????	Term ending April 2021

As you can see, there is room for you! We would love to have you consider serving your region in any one of these roles. The most immediate is to fill the Director Coordinator role and you will be receiving a personal invitation to consider that role and apply in your email. Watch for that! If you just want to join us to check out where you might fit, consider submitting an application and becoming a Shadow on the Team. You can be a non-voting part of the Team while you consider where you might fit. You can declare a specific area to Shadow or not. WE WANT YOU!! Applications are available on the regional website or if you have specific questions, please feel free to email me directly at ihershey@aol.com.

Until we see each other face to face, stay well, stay safe and know that this Sweet Adeline sisterhood is strong and here for you.

Irene Hershey Team Coordinator

ANNUAL CAL REGIONAL ASSESSMENTS

Greetings Region 19 Chapter-at-Large members,

May starts a new Sweet Adeline fiscal year, which means it's time to pay your CAL regional assessment of \$25. The easiest way to pay your assessment is via PayPal on Region 19's website.

Just use this link: http://www.region19sai.org/ store/c1/Featured_Products. html

and select "CAL Regional Assessment."

A late fee of \$2.50 is assessed after May 31st, and if no payment is received by July 31st, you will be moved to Member-at-Large status. So, if you wish to remain a member of Region 19, please pay your regional assessment promptly.

For those unable to pay online, you can make out a check to Atlantic-Bay Mountain Region 19 and mail it to Peggy Reno at 13549 Youngwood Turn, Bowie, MD 20715.

If you have any questions regarding your Chapter-at-Large status or have any issues that require the RMT's attention, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you, Lois A. Conrad Atlantic-Bay Mountain Region 19 CAL Liaison

MEMBERSHIP CORNER



We are excited to celebrate with you all the milestone membership anniversaries within Region 19! Whether you are celebrating 5 years or 60 years, we are so happy that you have chosen to share your voices and talents with us! Congratulations!

<u>60 Years</u>

Peg Millard - Chapter-at-Large Betty Ireland - Dundalk Janet Muck - Valley Forge

Linda DiNicola - Altoona Ann George - Altoona Pat Edelmann - Chapter-at-Large Niki Wakefield - Dundalk

<u>40 Years</u>

Lynda Keever - Chapter-at-Large Marion Koch - Chapter-at-Large Shirley Doss - Greater Harrisburg Camellia Wells - Greater Harrisburg Sue Guenther - Harbor City Music Company Judith Martell - Harbor City Music Company Nancy Curl - Jersey Sound Pat Fusco - Jersey Sound Barbara Carfolite - Philadelphia Freedom Martha Russell - Pride of Baltimore Becky Lilly - Sing! Shenandoah Joyce Fidler - Vocal Harmonix

<u>55 Years</u>

Charlotte Kranyecz - Lehigh Valley Alice Bell - Valley Forge Ida Bilodeau - Valley Forge

<u>45 Years</u>

Priscilla Mitchell - Arundelair Marilyn Ferguson - Diamond State Barbara Nielsen - Harbor City Music Company Nancy Lever - Jersey Sound Charlene Clarke - Valley Forge

<u>35 Years</u>

Jan Fitch - Clustered Spires/POB Karen Galle - Greater Harrisburg Sally Kelly - Harbor City Music Company Anne Russell - Harbor City Music Company Helen Kogut - Jersey Sound Carol Cooper - Pride of Baltimore Janis Dunning - Ringing Hills Lynn Johnson - Vocal Harmonix



30 <u>Uears</u>

Paulette Seiler - Arundelair Donna Stockley - Greater Harrisburg Marianna Gellert - Harbor City Music Company Pamela Hullett - Harbor City Music Company Mara Mayor - Heart of Maryland Vicki Stokes - Heart of Maryland Stephanie Brictson - Jersey Sound Christine Slusser - Jersey Sound

<u>20 Years</u>

Marcia Thornton - Altoona Marcia Larson - Cape Shore Alicia Carter - Chapter-at-Large Peggy Coulter - Chesapeake Harmony/GH Marsha Adelson - Clustered Spires/HoM Jo Miller - Diamond State Sheila Calvert - Dundalk Janice Shea - Greater Harrisburg Janice Huque - Heart of Maryland Nancy Wellborn - Jersey Sound Linda Colarusso - Lehigh Valley Liz Danielski - Vocal Harmonix

<u>25 Years</u>

Marge Puccinelli - Arundelair Patricia Bright - Cape Shore Sandra Lee - Capital Accord Leone Craven - Chesapeake Harmony Joanne Kloby - Dundalk Deborah Reese - Dundalk Marlene Teitel - Dundalk Cheri Bowers - Greater Harrisburg Iris Evans - Greater Harrisburg Nancy Farrar - Greater Harrisburg/HCMC/POB Jennifer Fox - Greater Harrisburg/Jersey Sound Ann Geis - Greater Harrisburg Marlene Teitel - Greater Harrisburg Karen Hanchett - Harbor City Music Company Linda Ellis - Heart of Maryland Betty Nevins - Heart of Maryland Gail Greene - Jersey Sound/POB Doris Murdock - Jersey Sound Miriam Costa - Lehigh Valley Marge Grossman - Pride of Baltimore

<u>15 Years</u>

Barbara Reynolds - Dundalk Margaret Donapel - Cape Shore/Jersey Sound Kathryn Towne - Capital Accord/HCMC Jennifer Seymour - Chapter-at-Large Christina Taylor - Freedom Valley Loretta Miller - Greater Harrisburg Cynthia Willison - Greater Harrisburg Karen Collins - Heart of Maryland Vicki Frink - Heart of Maryland Anne Donaldson - Ocean-Bay Cleta Lizas - Ocean-Bay Evelyn Donnachie - Shades of Harmony Virginia Gagnon - Shades of Harmony Celeste Gormley - Shades of Harmony Eileen Hoopes - Shades of Harmony Betty Liguori - Shades of Harmony Terry Scaruzzi - Shades of Harmony Alice Bingel - Upper Chesapeake Deborah McCallum - Upper Chesapeake Amber Poplaski - Valley Forge

<u>10 Years</u>

Dianne Humphries - Arundelair Sandra Marquardt - Capital Accord Gail Walsh - Capital Accord Patricia Platt - Chesapeake Harmony/GH Jane Adewole - Diamond State Michelle DiGiulian - Dundalk Judith White - Freedom Valley Kevena Espinoza - Greater Harrisburg Kristin Powell - Greater Harrisburg Lynda Banfer - Harbor City Music Company Christine Czuhajewski - Harbor City Music Company Beth Thatcher - Harbor City Music Company Sandra Attick - Heart of Maryland Carrie Biddle - Heart of Maryland Joyce Klimkiewicz - Heart of Maryland Theresa Chambers - Jersey Sound Suzanne Knezick - Jersey Sound Joanne Miksit - Jersey Sound Edyann Rush - Lehigh Valley Shirley Quay - Ringing Hills Melissa Guzman - Shades of Harmony Rachel Ponder - Upper Chesapeake Gretchen McKinley - Vocal Harmonix

<u>5 Years</u>

Deborah Bright - Arundelair/CH Christine Dennison - Arundelair/GH Emma Smith - Arundelair Margaret Taneyhill - Arundelair **Devon Boyer - Cape Shore** Victoria Kelly - Capital Accord Lauren Marx-Abel - Capital Accord Lisa Orr - Capital Accord Patricia Smith - Capital Accord Laura Geiger - Chapter-at-Large Brenda Lyons - Chesapeake Harmony Paula Ringham - Clustered Spires **Cynthia Stone - Clustered Spires** Susan Rabuck - Delmarva Susan Charles - Diamond State/UC Amanda Devoy - Diamond State Dominique Elder - Dundalk Jan Miletich - Dundalk Carol Ridge - Dundalk/GH/POB Mary Roby - Dundalk Sandra Martin - Freedom Valley/GH Jill Coyne - Greater Harrisburg Colleen Karl - Greater Harrisburg

Amber Martin - Greater Harrisburg Marcia Murphy - Greater Harrisburg/POB Cindy Austin - Harbor City Music Company/POB Susan Campbell - Harbor City Music Company Keli Goldsborough - Harbor City Music Company Susan Reed - Harbor City Music Company Daniella Livnat - Heart of Maryland Laurie McLrod-Flynn - Heart of Maryland Barbara Mulach - Heart of Maryland Theresa Brown - Jersey Sound Phyllis Fishbein - Jersey Sound Ella Meadows - Ocean-Bay Tamara Smith - Ocean-Bay Holly Spilinek-Adams - Ocean-Bay Carol Michaels - Shades of Harmony Pearl Nickel - Shades of Harmony Cheryl Conrad - Sing! Shenandoah Katherine Anderson - Valley Forge Ashley Hazen - Valley Forge/VHMX Nan Latona - Valley Forge Ashley Lee - Valley Forge Desiree Riccardelli - Valley Forge Amy Nolt - Vocal Harmonix Nancy Rau - Vocal Harmonix



<u>Linda DiNicola</u>

I joined Sweet Adelines in 1970 when a very kind co-worker invited me to a rehearsal in an old, rundown schoolroom in Altoona, Pa. I was basically a very shy person and, even in school, had my nose in my studies so much that I didn't cultivate a lot of friendships except for one. (We're still in touch to this day.) My musical background included playing the accordion and singing in my high school chorus. So, when the ladies in that schoolroom took a pitch and struck up a chord--I was hooked! I never looked back.

During my tenure with the Altoona Chorus I have held every administrative office in this Chapter except for Treasurer and spent 15 years on the Board of Directors until my mother's health issues required me to take on her care for the next 11 years.



Linda DiNicola (far right)



My most cherished memory, in my years as a member of this chorus, is a bittersweet one involving the loss of a cherished pet that I had raised from an orphan. I called him 'Tiny' and he, in turn, considered me to be his Mom. I was devastated to have to say goodbye 13 years later. However, shortly thereafter one of my chorus buddies invited me to go shopping since Easter was near and she thought it would do my heart good. She arrived alone, of course; but when I invited her in, 4 more chorus members jumped out from behind my hedges with an Easter basket for me--one that contained a very feisty 6 week old kitten. They said, "We named her Adeline, but you can change the name if you want." (Fat chance) So Adeline it was.

In short, besides the shared love of barbershop music and comradery, the word that comes to my mind when someone says Sweet Adelines, is "belonging". Being a member of this great organization has enabled me to step out of my comfort zone; to become involved with other people that I am not related to. I was able to trust and open up to those who were basically strangers and form lasting and cherished friendships. They have been there for me through triumphs and through losses and I don't just consider them friends--I consider them family.



Linda DiNicola (front row, yellow shirt)



Pat Edelmann

My introduction to barbershop began long ago, and I probably wasn't even aware. My grandfather was a barbershopper and, although he passed away when I was only 7, barbershop was in my blood I guess.

Fast forward a few years and I was reintroduced to barbershop when I walked into my 9th grade music teacher's room. My teacher was the one and only Fred King. As with everyone, Fred made a lasting impression. So, it was inevitable that after graduation I would sing for Fred again. I joined Dundalk chorus and for more than 20 years, learned everything I could from the master.



Pat Edelmann



After leaving Dundalk chorus, it was only about 9 months before an opportunity presented itself. My friend, Karen Matthews, also a former member of Dundalk, contacted me with a proposition to start a new chorus. I agreed and Pride of Baltimore was born. As co - founder of Pride, I could not be more proud of our growth over the next 15+ years under the direction of the wonderfully talented Janet Ashford.

I've been CAL for the last 11 years and now serve the Region as By Laws & Rules chair.

I've made lifelong friends while in both choruses and will treasure them always. I think that's the best part of Sweet Adelines. Creating a bond through our mutual love of this American art form.





<u>Ann George</u>

When I returned home after graduating from college, I thought 'now what?' I had been in choir and band from the 4th grade on and wondered if church choir was my future. A friend of the family took me to an Altoona Chorus rehearsal, I auditioned the same night and have been there ever since. In 1978, six weeks before contest, I stepped off the risers and became their director and I've been there ever since.

Sweet Adelines has played such a major part in all phases of my life. I often told the administration of my school district that I received better continuing education thru my hobby than my profession. My chorus members and the friends formed from around the world has been a blessing to my life and are definitely an extension of my family.



Ann George



In the fifty years, the chorus has been in three regions and I've been honored to serve on the board of directors of one, been on the faculty of two, and served as an ADMA. I've coached quartets, choruses and sang in several quartets.

My small chorus is probably my biggest source of love and pride. Together we have been as high as 2nd in region competition, also been in the top 5 several times, and have been 1st small chorus many, many times. We also appeared in Harmony Classic twice. I thank them for allowing me to stand in front of them for the past 42 years and for all the hard work and love they bring to the rehearsal hall each week!

When I joined, fifty years seemed so far away. Now, today, looking back, where has the time gone? I wouldn't have wanted to spend them any other way.





Niki Wakefield

What a wonderful thrill for me to reach my 50th Anniversary in this "life changing" hobby known as Sweet Adelines! Life changing is a big phrase I know, but that's what joining Sweet Adelines has done for me. During the early years, it helped to build confidence in myself when speaking in front of others and to realize that I had something to offer both musically and administratively. In later years, it's the lifelong friendships that have brought so much joy and support into my life.

I joined Sweet Adelines in 1970 after hearing the Dundalk Chorus sing at a mother/daughter dinner at my church. As a young adult (21 years old) I had been looking for other outlets to sing other than church choir and they "danced into my life". Over the span of 50 years I have sung with three different choruses: Dundalk, Port of Baltimore and Pride of Baltimore. I've also have had the pleasure of singing for and learning from many talented directors (Fred King, Lois Smithson Anderson, Dolores Robinson, Ed Doerr, Robin Blythe, Janet Ashford, Joe Cerutti, Claire Domenick and Jen Williams).



Niki Wakefield



Some highlights from the past 50 years include:

- Being featured in my employer's Annual Report because of singing with Sweet Adelines
- My picture was on the cover of the Pitch Pipe as part of the Hostess Committee with Dundalk for the 1973 International Convention in Washington, DC
- Competing in the first International Chorus Contest in 1973 with Dundalk (we came in 2nd)
- Quartet hostess for the "Tiffanys" Quartet at International in 1973 and they won!
- Directing the Dundalk Chorus singing the National Anthem at a Baltimore Orioles' game
- Memories made with my various quartets both competing and performing
- Directing the Pride of Baltimore chorus on the International stage while our Director (Janet Ashford) was part of our famous "stick routine"
- Achieving my Director Certification with SAI; was also Asst. Director in all 3 choruses
- Singing at Carnegie Hall with the Greater Harrisburg Chorus
- The thrill I felt each and every time I earned a medal, realizing that the hard work had paid off

The most important highlight is definitely the friends that I've made who have become like family to me. They are a very important part of my life and helped to make me into the person I am today. I can't believe that 50 years has flown by so quickly. As they say: "Time flies when you're having FUN"!





CHAPTER NEWS



JERSEY SOUND CHORUS

Jersey Sound is bursting with pride as our director, Stephanie Brictson, has welcomed her first grandchild to the world on April 25! Stephanie's son Danny, and his wife Jenta, live in Hawaii. The baby's name is llima, which is the Hawaiian word for "flower". Everyone is doing well. We are so happy for her and her family. Please join us in congratulating Stephanie, her family, and future Sweet Adeline! This picture is of the family and shared with permission.



HARBOR CITY

Harbor City has been busy honing our musical knowledge with theory lessons taught by Michael and opportunities to work out trouble spots in our contest songs using online sectionals. Beyond rehearsal we're on an even bigger task. If you've been around awhile you'll remember our Orphan package. Well, it lives again as we are appropriately repurposing those costumes into masks for local health care facilities and community members. 1100+ delivered so far. @WeAreSweetAdelines



UPPER CHESAPEAKE

The Upper Chesapeake Chorus is adapting to rehearsing from our homes. We are grateful to our technologically adept members for showing us how to participate in Zoom meetings. On Fridays, we get together just for fun. We invite our alumni, so this has been heartwarming. On Mondays, we have our regular rehearsal. During this rehearsal, we have physical and vocal warm-ups, work on repertoire and use models of famous choruses to study various vocal concepts. UCC wishes all of Region 19 safety and good health.











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