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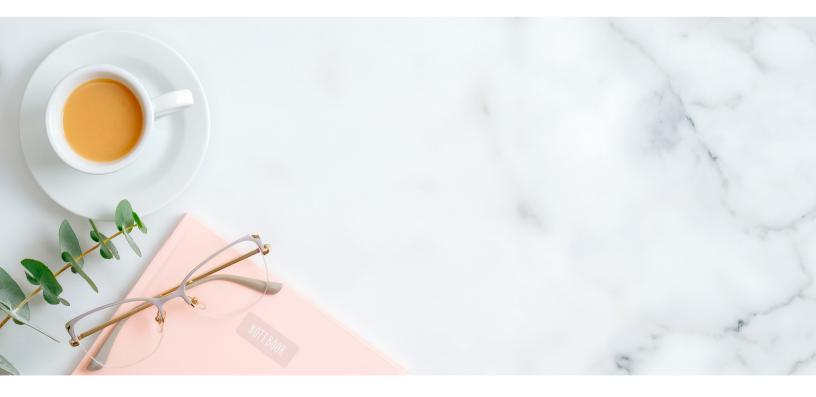




REGION 19 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

EVENT	DATE
2022	
International Education Symposium, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX	Jul. 20-24
F.L.A.S.H. (Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg, PA)	Aug. 19-21
International Convention, Phoenix, AZ	Sept. 12-1
2023	
Singers' School	Jan 20-22
Region 19 Convention & Competition	May 18-20



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: <u>www.region19sai.org</u> Member's Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/region19SAI</u> Director's Facebook Group: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/381778536043160</u> Presidents/Team Leaders' Facebook Group: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/514932849349532</u> REC's Facebook Group: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/558299848045442</u> Membership Coordinator's Facebook Group: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/2484755828517569</u>

THANKS FOR YOUR SUBMISSIONS!

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

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MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

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!

65 YEARS

Patti Bowman - Greater Harrisburg Chapter

60 YEARS

Natalie Mitchell - Jersey Sound Chapter Katherine Siddall - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Pat Sigmon - Harbor City Music Company Chapter

55 YEARS

Claudia Horney - Delmarva Chapter Mary Van den Berg - Heart of Maryland Chapter

50 YEARS

Sylvia Kelty - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Jo Lund - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Lloyd-Ellen Thomas - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Jacqueline Hopwood - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Carolyn Wiles - Greater Harrisburg Chapter

45 YEARS

Amy Carr - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Judith Hall - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Barb McConnell - Greater Harrisburg Chapter

40 YEARS

Gail Davis - Cape Shore Chapter Charlene Jones - Dundalk Chapter Emily Pinder - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Lori Bader - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Constance Hornick - Upper Chesapeake Chapter Carol Klein - Upper Chesapeake Chapter Michele Woodward - Valley Forge Chapter Dianne McMahon - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

35 YEARS

Jean Ganderton - Diamond State Chapter Pamela Rissmiller - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Elizabeth Fisher - Harbor City Music Company Chapter

Denise Klaube - Jersey Sound Chapter Toni Hugo - Upper Chesapeake Chapter

30 YEARS

Valerie Palmer - Altoona Chapter Sherry Datres - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Nancy Miktus - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Ronda Bolinger - Diamond State Chapter Edwina Nowland - Diamond State Chapter Jennifer Williams - Dundalk Chapter and Harbor City Music Company Jennifer Kuethe -Harbor City Music Company Chapter Sally Hausman - Heart of Maryland Chapter Katherine Lehman - Ringing Hills Chapter

Cheryl Robinson Kelly - Valley Forge Chapter

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

25 YEARS

Carol McMullen - Capital Accord Chapter Michele Foster - Jersey Sound Chapter Anna Kitz - Jersey Sound Chapter Joanne Woodward - Jersey Sound Chapter Laura Masucci - Ocean-Bay Chapter Rose Secord - Ringing Hills Chapter Mickey Mears - Shades of Harmony Chapter Irene Richardson - Upper Chesapeake Chapter Denise Howsare - Valley Forge Chapter Patricia Stetter - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

20 YEARS

Judith Terrana - Altoona Chapter Deborah Ferry - Cape Shore Chapter Melissa Hunnefield - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Jackie Fenicle - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Diane Kelley - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Daphne Witmer - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Donna Coakley - Harbor City Music Company Chapter

Lori Crouter - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Susan Irwin - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Carol Shriver - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Marjorie Guroff - Heart of Maryland Chapter Rita Gower - Lehigh Valley Chapter Anita Muth - Lehigh Valley Chapter Faith Flynn - Ocean-Bay Chapter Helen Robie - Philadelphia Freedom Chapter Deborah Moore - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

15 YEARS

Linda Kelsey - Capital Accord Chapter Gale Guinand - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Jean Herbranson - Chapter-at-Large Region 19

15 YEARS (CONT)

Dana DeRemigis - Dundalk Chapter Sheryl Hansford - Freedom Valley Chapter Nina Hill - Freedom Valley Chapter Mandy Jones - Freedom Valley Chapter Cherry Snyder - Freedom Valley Chapter Diana Umbrell - Freedom Valley Chapter Alexis Lowry - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Amy Rule - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Kathleen Russo - Harbor City Music Company Chapter

Cathy Schuman - Harbor City Music Company and Dundalk Chapter

Carol Tester - Upper Chesapeake Chapter Rose Hershey - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

10 YEARS

Deborah Moore - Arundelair Chapter Elizabeth Bizot - Capital Accord Chapter Carol Mosier - Capital Accord Chapter Dani Figueroa - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Michelle Pedano - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Pamela Toole - Chapter-at-Large Region 19 Diane Schwartz - Chesapeake Harmony Chapter Lorraine Markosky - Clustered Spires Chapter Amy Donnelly - Dundalk Chapter Marian Garven - Dundalk Chapter Linda Olding - Dundalk Chapter Rebecca Petruccy - Dundalk Chapter LaVerne Walker - Dundalk Chapter Debra Kennedy - Freedom Valley Chapter Rita Gildea-Bryant - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Lynne Javier - Harbor City Music Company Chapter

Nancy Heller - Heart of Maryland Chapter Patricia James - Jersey Sound Chapter

MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR

10 YEARS (CONT)

Barbara Urban - Jersey Sound Chapter Michala Brent - Ocean-Bay Chapter Lisa Detwiler-Sifford - Ringing Hills Chapter Aimee Hillegas - Ringing Hills Chapter Patricia Keen - Upper Chesapeake Chapter Kathleen Murphy - Valley Forge Chapter Wendy Keesey - Vocal Harmonix Chapter Cheryl Marsden - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

5 YEARS

Susan Dargusch - Arundelair Chapter Donna MacFarland - Capital Accord Chapter Katja Nidel - Capital Accord Chapter Sonya Weakley - Capital Accord Chapter Barb Dau - Delmarva Chapter Penny Sheridan - Delmarva Chapter Torrey Guinn - Dundalk Chapter Kathy Mulgrew - Dundalk Chapter and Greater Harrisburg Dodie Huete - Freedom Valley Chapter

5 YEARS (CONT)

Jaime Weinfeld - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Natausha Williams - Greater Harrisburg Chapter Susan Dargusch - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Robin Kane - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Elena Perett - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Phyllis Shocket - Harbor City Music Company Chapter Lynda Carson - Jersey Sound Chapter Jean Engel - Jersey Sound Chapter Lauren Haxter - Jersey Sound Chapter Donna Kane - Jersey Sound Chapter Angela Reed - Jersey Sound Chapter Pat Wilson - Ocean-Bay Chapter Hilary Young - Ocean-Bay Chapter Helen Brandel - Ringing Hills Chapter Catherine Jordan - Ringing Hills Chapter Emilie Doyle - Valley Forge Chapter Annamarie Filippone - Valley Forge Chapter Michele Turner - Vocal Harmonix Chapter

In Memory May 1, 2021-April 30, 2022

Ronnette Gantz - Harmony on the Bay Dorothy Wall - Cape Shore Lanny Johnson - Capital Accord Joanne Kloby - Dundalk Nancy Smith - Greater Harrisburg Betsy Kaldronics - Lehigh Valley Joanne Landis - Vocal Harmonix

Jo Jund 50 Years - Chapter at Large

I walked into the rehearsal of the Hickory Tree Chorus in New Jersey in February 1972. The director said he needed baris, so that's what I sang for 5 years. My first quartet was Coming Attractions. In my second quartet, 2nd Addition, I sang lead for 4 years. Then I sang with Sound Express Quartet (1977-1979) and we were the Region 15 Quartet Champions. I became friendly with Ann Minihane who said she could teach me how to arrange and she did. I was promoted to Certified Arranger in 1992. In 1984 I visited and joined the





Ramapo Valley Chorus, directed by Renee Craig and there I stayed singing lead until 2008. We formed City Lights Quartet in 1983 and won the International Championship in 1992 and Ramapo Valley won International twice during my time with that chorus (1986 and 1990). I wanted to try directing, in the 80's and 90's and directed Shore Hill, Jersey Shore and finally Metro Rhythm from 1998-2006. In 2008, I moved to Lancaster, PA and joined Pride of Baltimore for 2 years. Then back to Ramapo Valley for a year. I joined Red Rose City Chorus in 2015, now Vocal Harmonix, and sang in another quartet for 4 years. It was fun.

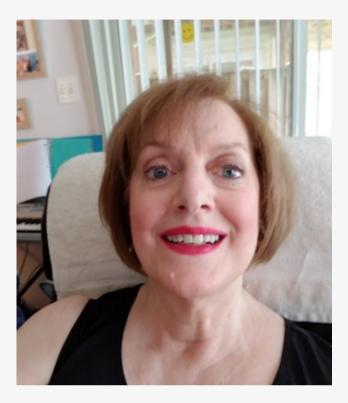
Beginning in 1992, I was asked to coach choruses and quartets, and left my part-time day jobs to handle all of the requests I got. We moved to Summerville, South Carolina in November 2021.

Loyd Thomas 50 Years - Chapter at Large

I joined Sweet Adelines in June 1972 following an invitation to come to fashion show, which turned out to be a fashion show of chorus costumes! Whatever, I was hooked. My husband persuaded me to join so that I could talk to adults once a week. My sons were 1 and 3 ... little did he know then, that once a week would turn into 2-3 times a week.

After 2 great years with the Elkridge Chorus, we moved to Japan for the next 4 years. I transferred to the newlyformed chapter at large. I joined the Dundalk Chorus in 1978 where I remained for 12 years. I had transferred back to Elkridge so that all my quartet members in Signature Sound could be in one chorus. As always, with any chorus I've joined, I had a wonderful time.





After 4 years or so I transferred to Pride of Baltimore Chorus. We figured that competing internationally in both chorus and quartet as we were doing with Elkridge and Signature Sound would end when we moved to the new chorus. It turned out we were wrong as in 1999, POB had its first international competition! That was added incentive for Signature Sound to win the international quartet competition. We were thrilled and very thankful!

I was a dual member with Wellington City Chorus for about 10 years and was fortunate to compete with them both regionally and internationally. We're so lucky to have so many choruses all over the world. I definitely subscribe to the statement that women come for the music but stay for the friendships. You learn so much about yourself and what you are capable of doing in SAI.

Carolyn Wiles 50 Years - Greater Harrisburg

My introduction to Sweet Adelines came when a friend invited me to attend a rehearsal of singers who were anxious to become Sweet Adelines. My previous musical experience included classical singing, choral directing, and being employed as an elementary school music teacher. By the time rehearsal was over, I was hooked. I became a charter member of the Heart of Maryland Chorus in Frederick, Maryland, singing tenor



for many years and then changing to lead to sing in a quartet. I was invited to direct a new chorus in Gettysburg, PA and after a few years moved on to become the director of Clustered Spires, worked to become a certified director, and joined Greater Harrisburg Chorus. Scheduling conflicts with chorus nights, quartet rehearsals, and other musical responsibilities made it necessary for me to transfer to Pride of Baltimore where I remained a member until just recently. Just before Covid 19 hit I decided to transfer back to Greater Harrisburg Chorus and I am looking forward to the next part of my Sweet Adeline journey.

opwood 50 Years - Greater Harrisburg

Jake began her long-time career as a Sweet Adeline in 1972 when she joined the Catonsville Chorus.She moved on to Elkridge Chorus, then Pride of Baltimore, and finally Greater Harrisburg Chorus. She has always been an active member of each of her choruses and has worked at the regional level as well. She served on committees including Ways and Means, Riser Moves, and History Book. She was a member of the Regional Convention Steering Committee, sang in three different quartets, and loved to do Singing Valentines in the community. Jake started as a lead but became a baritone because it was so much fun!



LEGACY CLUB

OTHER LEGACY CLUB HONOREES FOR 2022 INCLUDE:

Patti Bowman – 65 Years - Greater Harrisburg Natalie Mitchell – 60 Years - Jersey Sound Chorus Katherine Siddall – 60 Years - Chapter-at-Large Pat Sigmon – 60 Years - Harbor City Music Company Sylvia Kelty – 50 Years – Chapter-at-Large



Some of the Legacy Honorees for the past three years were invited to the stage at this year's convention to receive their Legacy pins. From left to right: Carolyn Wiles (50 Years), Jake Hopwood (50 Years) Sylvia Kelty (50 Years), Leona Sigurdson (60 Years), Pat Edelman (50 Years), Niki Wakefield (50 Years), and Ann George (50 Years).



To view Membership Milestones and Legacy Honorees from 2020 and 2021, view earlier editions of Barbershop Beat by clicking here:

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REGION 19 CHAPTER LONGEVITY YEARS





UPPER CHESAPEAKE

What an absolute thrill it was for us to participate in the Region 19 2022 Convention in Lancaster. How wonderful it was to see our singing family in person and share our harmonies with each other. We want to thank everyone on the RMT and RCSC who were tasked with putting this convention together-you had an enormous responsibility and we greatly appreciate all of you. Kudos also to Vocal Harmonix, the host chorus and Greater Harrisburg, the layout chorus. UCC has been anxiously waiting to perform in front of the Region with our new director, Tyler Horton. We came, we sang, we laughed, we cried a we were more than satisfied with our results- 2nd place small chorus and 4th overall. We also want to recognize our UCC quartets, Comfort Food and Group Therapy. A big congratulations to Group Therapy on their 4th place medal!! To everyone who crossed the stage and to those who participated virtually, congratulations! We now turn our attention to our summer performances and building up our membership! Looking forward to seeing everyone again...stay safe and healthy!



VOCAL HARMONIX

Vocal Harmonix has so enjoyed being back together and on the risers, we decided to have some fun and go GREEN for St. Patrick's Day. More importantly, we have been working hard to get ready to welcome you to our "hometown" of Lancaster, PA for the Region 19 Convention. It will be so nice to see everyone again, and - WOW - to be able to sing together again. Get ready for a great event.



VALLEY FORGE

WOW! What a month!

In preparation for regionals, Valley Forge Chorus hosted an open rehearsal on April 9. It was tremendous to perform again in front of our friends and family, and to provide insight into our rehearsal process. We really appreciate all of the support, and were extremely excited to once again take the stage!

On April 13, Valley Forge Chorus had the honor of being coached by Tim Warwick! It was stupendous to work in-person with Tim after many years of hearing him on learning tracks. Tim provided some fresh insights into our competition set, and taught us how compression helps to produce a more forward sound. We really enjoyed our time with Tim and hope to work with him again in the future!

We also would like to extend a very big Valley Forge Chorus welcome to our newest member Allie! It has been a joy to get to know her and we really look forward to performing with her soon!

Valley Forge Chorus was ecstatic to open up the Region 19 chorus competition! It was exhilarating to once again perform on the regional stage. We would like to congratulate all of the choruses and quartets that graced the regional stage for the wonderful performances. We were so incredibly blessed to share the stage with such tremendous talent, and we thank you for inspiring joy in our hearts through your fabulous performances!





DIAMOND STATE

Michael's Mantras are on My Mind. We had a great retreat, coached by Michael Gellert, Mar. 18-19 at which we learned ways to produce FREE SOUND and to communicate the message of the song using REAL WORDS. If it feels like work, it probably isn't right; also SMILE TOO MUCH. Almost all of us celebrated that Saturday night at Café Pomodoro for dinner.

We have welcomed a brand new member, a smart and sweet tenor, Cathy Brock! Then after some PVIs our Director Linda Beaver shuffled a couple of ladies into the sections where they can sing most comfortably: one tenor became a lead and one lead became a bass. We welcome them to their new spots. Linda and her brother Richard were singing in a Philly Pops Chorus for their concert of Oscar Hammerstein songs at the Kimmel Center April 1-3. A few of us sitting in the plush seats were awed by the wonderful singing and professional orchestra.

Although DSC will not be competing in Lancaster this year, we hope to cheer on our dual members in HCMC and UCC via a webcast, and possibly a few in person. See you at Regional Competition next year!



LEHIGH VALLEY

While we did not compete in Lancaster this year, a total of 12 of us attended to cheer competitors on and to help with hosting and helping at backstage. Some of us gathered for a photo and hope to be on stage next year!



HEART OF MARYLAND

At our recent April 11 th rehearsal, our director, Karen Collins, pulled an impromptu quartet together to demonstrate a few barbershop singing techniques. (Left to right, are Olga Muratova, tenor; Nancy Heller, lead; Judy Feigenson, bass; and Sally Hausman, baritone.) As they were assembling, our resourceful HOM president, Krissi Folsom, remembered and called out, "This is National Barbershop Quartet Day!"

A brief history is that barbershop singing originated in the 1880's from the African American culture when men would gather and harmonize while they waited for haircuts. Popularity at that time grew and in 1910, a man named Bert Williams even wrote a song called, "Play That Barber Shop Chord" to illustrate the art form. As time went on, however, enthusiasm waned - especially during the Great Depression- until, in 1938, two enterprising gentlemen in Tulsa, Oklahoma, got a group of about twenty- five men to revive it. On April 11th a competition was held. They continued to meet and eventually became the Barbershop Harmony Society. Not to be outdone by male barbershop, in 1945, Edna Mae Anderson (also from Tulsa) helped to establish Sweet Adelines International. Thanks to these creative musicians and singers. (oh. and barbers. too) here we all are today! (For a treat, google "Play That Barber Shop Chord" - Judy Garland and The King's Men - from the movie, "In the Good Old Summertime".)