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## GREATER NY/NJ REGION #15

HARMONY, FRIENDSHIP, AND FUN!

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## What you need to know now...

A Bridge to Harmony

Reg 15 Convention and Contest

April 7-10, 2016

Empire State Plaza Convention Center, Albany, NY

Thursday, April 7

7:30 pm at Hilton Contest Briefing

Friday, April 8

Mass Sing Noon State Capitol steps

1:30 pm at ESPCC Quartet Competition

Saturday, April 9

12:00 pm at ESPCC Chorus Competition

7:00 pm at Hilton Cash Bar

7:30 pm at Hilton Buffet Dinner

8:45 pm at Hilton Awards/Afterglo/Tag Party

Sunday, April 10

10:00 am at Hilton Farewell Sing

# Convention

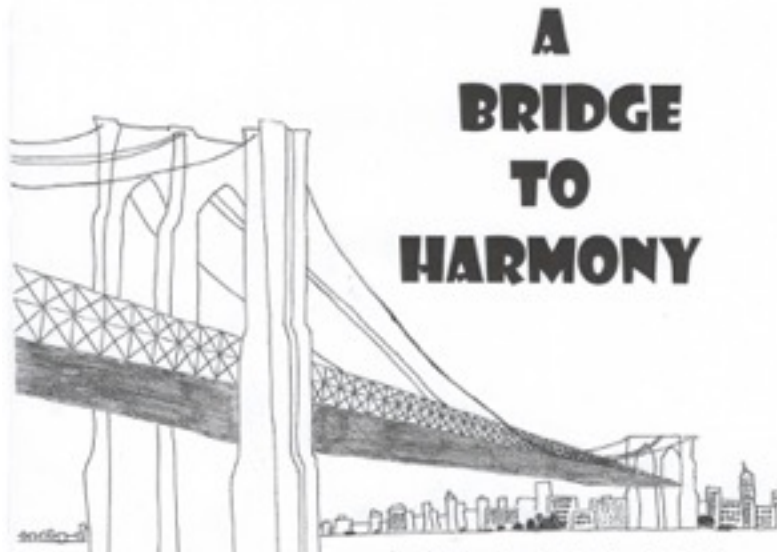
Hi Region 15:

I'm looking forward to being together again in Albany in just a few weeks. I'm sure we're all wishing for Spring weather for the weekend.

In our haste to get information and forms out to the Region, the supplement which was sent out in early March had omissions and errors for which we apologize. The Regional Convention Committee (RCC) has as our goal to provide timely and accurate information to you the members of Region 15 and we just got ahead of ourselves in this publication. We are sorry for any confusion that this caused. Please disregard the Supplement that you originally received. The complete, corrected Supplement has been sent out and can also be found on the regional [website](#).

Please let me know if there's anything I can help you with. Travel safely. See you soon.

In harmony, Sharon Putney,  
Chair, Regional Convention



## TOP 5

Top Five things you do not want to miss at Regional

Mass Sing Friday Noon

We are Sweet Adelines  
Videotaping after chorus contest.

Regional Dinner, awards and performances

Tag Party Saturday 10:30pm

Farewell Sing Sunday 10:00am

## QUARTET CORNER

Hello Region 15 quartets!

It's almost time to hit the stage, and we're so excited to celebrate big! 20 AMAZING quartets will compete soon, and we'll have almost 37 quartets joining us in the annual quartet chorus! We want to wish all quartets and choruses a joy filled performance this year, and we look forward to connecting and hugging and laughing and singing with everyone. Break a lip!

Leigh Anne Dorman  
Kim Higdon  
Region 15 Quartet Coordinators

[Quartet Order of Appearance](#)

[Find out about all of our registered quartets!](#)

# Harmonizing the World!

July 21, 22, & 23



[Registration is now open!](#)

With Special Faculty & Guests  
2014 Rising Star Champions  
8th Place International Quartet  
Class Ring Quartet



2011 BHS Gold Champions  
Old School Quartet

Sweet Adelines International

Girl  
Scout  
Patch



Watch out, Region 15—here come the Girl Scouts and they are amazing!

On February 23, Capitaland Chorus had quite an exciting rehearsal when girls from nine local Girl Scout troops visited and earned their Sweet Adelines Young Women in Harmony badges. Not only were they very attentive as they learned the history of Barbershop and the arrangement of four part harmony, but the girls, along with their section leaders, sang a round of “One Bottle of Pop” with the chorus and it was beautiful!

It is always so wonderful to see a love of music and Barbershop at such a young age. Great job, girls!





# Notes



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Greater NY/NJ Region #15  
Presents  
**VocalFest 2016**  
September 9-11, 2016  
Hilton Westchester, Rye Brook, NY  
with  
**Master Director, Jean Barford!**  
(Certified Sound Judge, Sweet Adelines International Faculty & Coach)

**Sunday, May 22**  
Heart of NJ Presents: The "Heart" Sings

**Saturday, October 1,**  
Liberty Oak Send Off to Vegas

**Monday, October 17-22**  
International Convention in Las Vegas

**Saturday, November 5**  
Capitaland Show

**Saturday, November 19**  
Jersey Harmony: Give Thanks



*Don't rush out after the  
chorus contest this year!  
We'll be taping a short video for  
inclusion in a compilation that  
will be featured in the opening  
session of the  
International Convention  
in Vegas 2016!*

*Stay tuned for details!*



# Region 15

**A Note from  
RMT  
Coordinator,  
Barbara Wright**

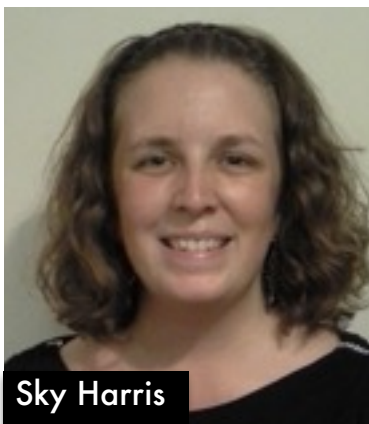
Hello - and Happy Spring!

It's great to see the sun today! As I write this we are just weeks away from a VERY early Regional Convention. I know that many of us have found it necessary to reschedule weekly rehearsals due to weather issues, so it's great to see the snow melting. I'm looking forward to seeing you all VERY soon!

Speaking of Convention - the number of people that it takes to present an event such as ours is impressive. The convention team works tirelessly for us, so we can simply drive to the hotels, put our costumes in the closet, and know that all we have to do is put on a good show for the judges, and each other. And then we pack up and go home for another year; most of us don't think twice about HOW this all happens. The women on our Regional Convention Committee spend hours planning and implementing the contest and convention - for YOU and I. Please thank them as you encounter them during the convention - they are most deserving of our gratitude.

Here's exciting news from the International front: If you haven't already heard, Region 15's Sky Harris (2015 NAFME winner, Assistant Director for Spirit of Syracuse and Region 15's Co-Youth

Coordinator) has just been selected by the International Board of Directors as one of three coordinators for the international Young Women in Harmony Program! Sky is a fabulous choice for this position, and will be working in concert with Amy Leacock and Natalie Allen. Please join me in congratulating her on this most prestigious appointment!



**Sky Harris**

On another, completely different international topic: As some of you may know, the International Board has proposed a major change in leadership and structure of all regional management teams. The *Regional Governance Proposal* has been presented by a task force which was convened at the International level. The proposal is available for all members to review on the MEMBERS ONLY side of SAI's website. I encourage each of you to review it - if passed this proposal will take all Regional Management Teams from their current 8 members down to three, who will act as executive directors for the region. Region 15's Management Team has spent many hours reviewing and digesting the information that has been provided to us; in Mid-April each RMT will cast a single vote either for or against the proposal. The outcome of this world-wide vote will affect every Regional Management Team, and ultimately, every member of Sweet Adelines. I encourage you to familiarize yourself with the proposal; we will not know the outcome until after May 1st, at which time the RMT will communicate directly with regional chorus leaders regarding the result and its impact on this region.

In the meantime, your RMT continues to work hard for you by developing a long-range plan for education, membership and recruitment, and fiscal stability. [Our contact information is listed on Region 15's website](#), and we're always appreciative of a word of encouragement, or advice. If you need us, we're available!

See you at Convention!

Barbara  
RMT Coordinator

# Interact

Many of our Region 15 Choruses recently held Membership Events! Led by RMT Marketing Chair Tricia Zichello and Membership Chair, Beth Fulton, Choruses were asked to have one consistent marketing message. Posters were shared on social media and websites encouraging prospective members to "Give the Gift of Harmony" this season.



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*What to do after  
a long day of  
singing?*



*More singing!*



*Don't miss the  
Tag Party  
Convention*

*Saturday Night!*



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