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## GREATER NY/NJ REGION #15

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# What you need to know...



Get all the details at the regional  
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[www.sairegion15.org/](http://www.sairegion15.org/)

## Regional Convention

April 20-23, 2017

Empire State Plaza Convention Center  
Albany, NY

Thursday, April 20

7:30 pm at Hilton Governor A Contest Briefing

Friday, April 21

Mass Sing Noon ESPCC Concourse

1:30 pm at ESPCC Quartet Competition

Saturday, April 22

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

10:00pm Tag Party

Sunday, April 23

10:00 am at Hilton Farewell Sing



Nail Polish? Check

Eyelashes? Check

Stage Makeup? Check

Costume? Check

Hmm, what am I forgetting? Does this sound like YOUR life right now? As I write this we are exactly two WEEKS away from the 2017 Convention in Albany – and I’m gearing up for the great weekend ahead. I’m sure you are, too, so this is a VERY short note to say that I can’t wait to be with you all again, make some great music, and celebrate another successful year of harmony with 900 of my best friends.

See you all VERY soon!

In harmony,

Barbara



A note from our Regional Management Team Coordinator, Barbara Wright.

## The Spirit of Syracuse Chorus Introduces SCARLET!

The Spirit of Syracuse Chorus (Greater NY/NJ Region 15) currently has 14 young women (under the age of 25) singing with us on our risers – and we love them! But what do you do when there are young girls who want to sing barbershop but cannot meet the rehearsal or financial requirements needed to join your chorus? You sponsor a YOUNG WOMEN IN HARMONY CHORUS! Meet **Scarlet**, an incredibly talented chorus of 32 girls, directed by 20-year old Spirit of Syracuse member, Danielle Carter, and Spirit of

Syracuse Assistant Director, Sky Harris (Region 15 YWIH Co-Coordinator). **Scarlet** provides an opportunity for young women to dip their toes in the Sweet Adeline world while being mentored by their “big sisters” in the Spirit of Syracuse Chorus – a most rewarding experience for all of us as we train the next generation of musical and transformational leaders. The girls of Scarlet are the face of our very successful youth program and we are extremely proud of them!

**Scarlet** performs and wins a Superior rating and the AA Plateau at the 2017 BHS Youth Barbershop Chorus Festival! Photo credit – Lorin May.



## Long Island Sound Chorus Retreat Weekend



## GEARING UP FOR COMPETITION



March 9, 2017 - 5:07pm -- Pearl Mintzer



After a little rest over Christmas and New Years, we're BA-ACK! We have a new member, Cheryl, who was an Adalette in High School. We learned so much at our January coaching session with Sharon Babb - she's amazing! Now, we're getting ready to compete in April, and we're polishing up our shoes and our choreo. We are learning some new songs, too, to keep our rehearsals fresh and interesting. Best of luck to all the competing choruses in Albany!

## FOREVER BUZZED



The Buzz is almost ready to launch their newest and final CD "Forever Buzzed". Please consider being an integral part of this venture with them by clicking on the link below. They are so grateful for all of your support and friendship over this 15 year journey with them!

<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/170126857/the-buzz-forever-buzzed>

## WE ARE #2!



February 28, 2017 - 2:54pm -- Carol Meaney



We are so excited about singing in our first competition, and we got lucky to be singing second! The upside: Less time to panic - second row seats - and, we get to see most of the other quartets sing! How lucky are we!!! Oh, and we are guaranteed to come in the TOP TWENTY! Now, back to rehearsing.

# LAKESIDE A CAPPELLA 2017 CLINICIANS ANNOUNCED!



February 28, 2017 - 1:49pm -- Amy Manley



Registration for Lakeside A Cappella, the Northeast's premiere youth (AND NOW ADULT) sleep-a-way harmony camp is now open!!!

We are super excited to finally announce that **Storm Front**, BHS 2010 International 1st Place Quartet Champions, and **EPIC**, 2012 Harmony, Inc. Harmony Queens, will be our clinicians this July at Cazenovia College.

Open to all singers, male and female, under the age of 23 who are looking for a great weekend of a cappella singing and performing under the direction of some of the best in the business! Music will include both contemporary favorites and barbershop! Spend the weekend on the lake at Cazenovia College with other young singers from around the country who love a cappella music and you'll learn from some of the best coaches and clinicians in the world!

Lakeside A cappella Camp is a joint venture between Sweet Adelines International, the Barbershop Harmony Society, and Harmony, Inc. that is on its fourth year this coming July 13-15, 2017. This past summer, over 100 young singers from throughout the Eastern U.S. and Canada spent three days and nights working with the best clinicians in the world,

searching for PokeTags, having fun on Caz Lake, and learning first-hand what it means to be a part of the worldwide barbershop family!

## SINGING SCOUTS!



February 7, 2017 - 11:44am -- Jennifer Hunter



Working with Girl Scout organizer, Diane White, who represented the Saratoga/Schuylerville Girl Scouts, Saratoga Soundtrack Chorus helped 4th and 5th grade girls from Junior Troops 3039, 3082, 3119, 3203, and 3359 earn their Young Women in Harmony Girl Scout Activity Patch on January 30. The ALL IN quartet consisting of Cheryl Springer, Terry Bradway, Lisa Fedele, and Kimberly Van Orman demonstrated singing techniques and were assisted by the event's organizers, Jackie Albanese, Wendy Camilli, and Sue Pidgeon. 27 girls participated in a Sweet Adeline International's music program consisting of 9 activities that were chosen from 3 categories: Discover, Connect, Take Action.

In the Discover activity, the Junior Troops learned about different styles of music. Singing rounds and understanding the beat of music was practiced in the Connect activity. The girl scouts exhibited how to Take Action by actually performing a round, and 4-part harmony for an audience of family and new friends. The scouts had an opportunity to hear Saratoga Soundtrack Chorus perform Barbershop music as well as sing a song with the entire chorus. Patches were presented at the end of the evening by Master Director, Nancy Faddegon.

Saratoga Soundtrack Chorus is an award winning women's a cappella group, singing four-part harmony. Performing everything from standards and jazz to ballads and contemporary songs the chorus has been entertaining under the direction of the talented composer/arranger/director Nancy Faddegon since 2008. Their musical performance is visually enhanced through characterization and choreography. Through the years, this musical group has delighted local audiences at many popular events and venues: Congress Park, Saratoga Race Course, and First Night.

## HEART OF LONG ISLAND HAS A NEW DIRECTOR!



February 3, 2017 - 4:30pm -- Marianne Savage



BJ Hillinck is a lifelong musician who's background as a classical instrumentalist and chamber musician greatly influences his approach to singing and vocal directing. He studied cultural history and music at Philadelphia's Haverford College, and directed both the college's orchestra and multiple vocal ensembles in classroom and extracurricular settings while he was a student there. He has spent many summers honing his ensemble singing skills at Westminster Choir College, and studied conducting at Bard College Conservatory's Conducting Institute in 2014.

While relatively new to barbershop, BJ is an active member of the Hell's Kitchen Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, where he serves as both the VP of Membership and as a member of the music team. In these roles, he founded a bi-monthly community service program called "Gotham Gives," which fosters collaboration and community in Voices of Gotham and SAI sister chorus, Sirens of Gotham, by taking members of both groups to volunteer in and around New York City. He is currently organizing several initiatives to promote quartet singing in the chapter.

BJ works as a bookseller at the iconic Strand Bookstore in Union Square. In his free time, he composes and enjoys reading fiction and criticism.

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Oct 7 2017

Liberty Oak Show: Music in Motion with Gimme  
Four

Oct 9-15 2017

International Vegas 2017

Oct 29 2017

Heart of New Jersey Show

Nov 4 2017

Harmony Celebration with The Buzz

Nov 18 2017

Hickory Tree Show

BJ Hillinick  
Heart of  
Long Island Director



Deanna Longwell Sargent, tenor  
with Saratoga Soundtrack Chorus, is now  
singing with Region 1 and 11th Place  
International Quartet, **VOCE Quartet!**  
They'll be joining Greater Nassau, Spirit  
of Syracuse and Evergreen Choruses at  
Vegas 2017!

**VOCALFEST 2017**

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SEPTEMBER 15, 2017

PARSIPPANY, NJ

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# HEADING TO ALBANY?

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