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May 2-5, 2019 **Bulletin #3**

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Welcome to Pacific Shores Region 12 **Annual Convention and Competition**

2019 Puttin' On the Glitz is Almost Here.

Every guartet and chorus member competing this year is in the final stages of perfecting their contest package. You are all anticipating your moves on the stage and getting ready to do your best and entertain every audience member. The excitement, the anticipation, the exhilarated feeling as you walk through the pattern and then you're onstage. It's all coming together. Have fun out there and remember to enjoy your stage experience. Show the audience how much you enjoy singing and being a member of Sweet Adelines.

The members of the RCSC have been hard at work preparing everything for contest. There are so many things to think about. I know many of you likely don't know what goes on to prepare for the contest, but it takes many volunteers to make a successful weekend. Remember all those forms you've been filling out. Volunteers process all of that information and make sure that the names are correct and every person on your list is eligible to compete. Volunteers work with the hotel staff to facilitate your guest room reservations. More volunteers work to arrange the meals, the meeting rooms, the boutique, the traffic pattern, the photos, the risers, the judges, the Afterglow, the Thursday night Welcome Party and so much more. This is your contest, but it's the volunteers who make it happen. When you see them during the weekend be sure to say thank you to them for all they do. And if you are interested, we can always use more volunteers. Contact any member of the RCSC or myself and let us know of your interest.

I want to acknowledge Geri Miller-Riedel who has been the Chair of the Regional Convention for the past 4 years. She is moving on to the Regional Management Team this coming fiscal year. Geri has been wonderful to work with as she guided me through my first two years as the Events Coordinator for the Region and as she guided the members of the RCSC to do their jobs successfully. I can't thank her enough for all she has done to support the members of the RCSC, including training her replacement, Margy Kiser, who will assume the role of the CRC in May.

I want to wish each and every one of you a successful competition. Strive to do your personal best. Remember it's only 4 people out of nearly 1000 who evaluate your performance. The rest just want to be entertained and see you have fun.

You've Got This! WE ARE SWEET ADELINES

Mary Mamer Pacific Shores Region 12 Events Coordinator

Bulletin Write-up from CRC and Assistant CRC

By now hopefully everyone has successfully navigated all he registration activities, made their reservations at the hotel and made plans for your chorus meals. And spent hours and hours rehearsing and working on the coaching details that seem to all run together until they finally click! We do this every year for seven minutes in the spotlight. . . Then it all begins again.

The Regional Convention Steering Committee has been busy managing all the fine details that are part of putting on our Regional Convention. In this bulletin, you'll find still more information about deadlines including information about our Judging panel, boutique vendors, helpful hints about your stay at the Nugget, the Thursday night party and Saturday afterglow, food availability, and many other things to help make this the best convention yet.

Encourage your friends and family to watch the Webcast, bring your scrapbooks and displays for everyone to see, bring a dollar or two to support our terrific Vendors, attend our Thursday night party and get some fun photos in our photo booth, take advantage of our fabulous 'Quartet Stroll", kick up your heels at the Afterglow.

A big thank you from us to our fantastic Assistance Choruses - Bay Area Showcase Chorus, Sacramento Valley Chorus, and Diablo Vista Chorus. Lulu Johnson, Bonnie Garlow and Laura Williams: thanks for the great work you've done for the RCSC and the Region. We are proud that we will have three choruses representing Region 12 in New Orleans.

We are all excited to see everyone in Sparks and see the plan come to life as we are "Puttin' on the Glitz!"

Geri Riedel, CRC Margy Kiser, Assistant CRC

Once again, the RCSC will have space available outside the Rose Ballroom to showcase your Chorus activities in the past year or the upcoming events for 2019-20. We hope you will bring your displays, scrapbooks, posters, advertisements to share with the Region. There will be plenty of display space to showcase your "happenings"! For information, please contact Geri Riedel at gerinbob9576@gmail.com.

A Note from Bay Area Showcase Chorus, your 2018 Region12 Champions!

As we prepare for Regional just like everyone else (though we'll be performing for evaluation, not placement), we want to wish every competitor a fabulous time on stage and in every stage of preparation. BASC members will be ready to assist you through the pattern and throughout the convention, and we will be breathing for you and cheering you on! We're as excited as everyone else is to find out who the new 2019 quartet and chorus champions will be, and we're looking forward to renewing old friendships and making new ones! See you all in Reno!

Hugs and Harmony LuLu Johnson Assistance Chorus Coordinator

THIS BULLETIN CONTAINS INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE. PLEASE READ IT FOR MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM OUR COMMITTEE AND FROM THE COMPETITION COORDINATOR. THE LINK IS ON THE HOME PAGE OF THE REGION 12 WEBSITE (SAIREGION12.ORG) WHERE YOU CAN CHOOSE "EVENTS" SELECT "CONVENTION 2019". YOU DO NOT NEED TO SIGN IN TO ACCESS FORMS AND DOCUMENTS FOR CONVENTION. REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE SAME SITE.

JumboTron Ads

Do you know that for \$20 you can have an ad on the Jumbo Tron screen at convention? The ad will run during both the quartet and chorus contests. You've seen the Jumbo Tron, so you know your ad won't be missed. What a terrific way to honor members of your chorus, acknowledge new members, honor coaches or your director, or people in your chorus who have made special contributions throughout the year. Maybe you want to thank family members who are in the audience or watching the webcast. Do you run your own business? This is a perfect way to advertise your business. The funds raised from the Jumbo Tron ads help to support the activities of the convention and those choruses heading to the International Convention in September of 2019. All the instructions for submitting an Ad are on the form located on the Regional Website. The deadline for submitting ads has been extended to April 19th, but don't wait until the last minute to get your ads in. Do it now while the idea is fresh in your mind. Here's the link to find the ad form JumboTron/Print Ad Form

Competition Coordinator Memo - Spring

Thursday, May 2nd	5:30 6:00 7:00 7:00	- - -	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:20 pm 7:20 pm	Combined Briefing (Registration/Meet & Greet) Combined Chorus and Quartet Briefing Quartet Pattern Walkthrough (Optional) Chorus Pattern Walkthrough (Optional)
Friday, May 3rd	8:45	-	9:00 am	Warm-up for Sound Check Chorus (All Directors, Team Coordinators/Presidents, all chorus members welcome)

Schedule of Competition Events

	9:00 - 10:00 am 10:00 - 10:30am	Site Inspection – Chorus and Quartet Sound Check Quartet Stage Walk-ons (Contestants 1-10)
	10:30 - 11:00 am	Quartet Stage Walk-ons (Contestants 11-19)
11:00 - 11:30 am 1:00 pm		Quartet Stage Walk-ons (Contestants 20-24) QUARTET COMPETITION
	8:10 pm (approx.)	Regional Announcements
Saturday, May 4th	8:00 - 11:00 am 12:30 am 6:00 pm (approx.)	Flat Floor Rehearsals CHORUS COMPETITION Regional Announcements

Competitor Information

All relevant information for competitors can be found in the following documents. If after reviewing these documents, you still have further questions please e-mail me, Donna Prochazka, at <u>donnal.garyl@gmail.com</u>

- <u>Quartet Traffic Pattern</u>
- <u>Chorus Traffic Pattern</u>
- Flat-Floor Rehearsal & Make-up Room Schedules
- <u>Competition Coordinator's First Memo to Competitors</u>
- <u>Quartet Final Order of Appearance</u>
- Chorus Final Order of Appearance
- <u>Contest Bulletin #1 December 2018</u>
- Contest Bulletin #2 February 2019

All available singers come be part of the Sound Check Chorus!!

Day: Friday, May 3rd

Time: Warm ups will begin at 8:45 am

Where Nugget Ballroom (2nd Floor)

All Chorus Directors present will be given a chance to stand out and listen!

Official Judging Panel (unchanged since first bulletin)

Sandy Marron	-	Sound and Panel Chair
Marge Bailey	-	Music
Karen Sweeters	-	Expression

- Ruth Ann Parker Showmanship
 - Panel Secretary

Trial Judges

Marilyn Cox

Lisa Hunszinger Ex

Expression

Thursday Social

Don't miss the opening night party Thursday evening from 7pm-9pm! Settle in for our exciting weekend by reconnecting with your Region 12 sisters. Stop by the photo booth, where you and your pals can kickstart our "Puttin' on the Glitz" theme with some bling, a feather boa or maybe a silly prop -- then STRIKE a POSE! You'll find the party on the 2nd level, adjacent to the Boutique and cash bar.

Laura Williams, Diablo Vista Chorus, Assistance Chorus 3

CALLING ALL REGION 12 QUARTETS FOR THE QUARTET STROLL!!

HI Quartets,

As you prepare for competition, we also hope that you are preparing for and planning on participating in our Quartet Stroll that takes place Saturday evening during the dinner hour. This is a great opportunity for all quartets – old and new – to join in singing out at our chorus gatherings throughout the hotel. The Stroll is scheduled from 8 to 9:00 pm during which quartets are invited to visit chorus hotel dinner rooms. After visiting the dinner rooms, you are welcome to continue your Stroll by visiting the chorus suites. In order to accommodate all participating quartets, we suggest that you limit your singing visits to 2 songs. Quartet Stroll Guides showing the location and names of the dinner rooms and the chorus suites numbers and their location will be made available at the Quartet Briefing. Any additional information pertaining to the Stroll will also be included. Following the Stroll, quartets are welcome to stop by the Afterglow for a "Roarin' Good Time" and to continue sing-outs into the evening. In order to accommodate all quartets interested in singing at the Afterglow, it is suggested you limit your time to one song. Upon arrival, you will be asked to sign in so that you can be called to sing in the order of registration. If your quartet plans to join in the Stroll, please notify me at dgarlow@sbcglobal.net, or you are welcome to call me at (916) 391-3739.

Bonnie Garlow Quartet Stroll Coordinator

Scooters/Wheel Chairs

Please note on the Registration Form if you require a scooter. The Nugget will have scooters available for use at \$35 per day on a 'first come, first served' basis. Reservations for scooters must be made in advance. If all scooters are reserved, The Nugget will provide a list of additional resources.

Individuals with scooters will be able to use the freight elevator if escorted by a Security Guard at the end of the Quartet Contest and at the end of the Chorus Contest. We will have additional Security Guards for this purpose. This should help congestion during peak use times. There will be signs directing scooter users and one helper to the freight elevator.

If you require a wheel chair, please note it on the Registration Form. The Nugget does not keep extra wheel chairs. Wheel chair rental costs will be the responsibility of the attendee.

Please note: If you will be using a mobility device in the pattern, you MUST notify Donna or her assistant Joanna Davis in advance. Please remember that you must supply your own device. This is the individual's responsibility, not that of the RCSC or the Nugget.

Housing Coordinator's Message #3

Our deadline for making room reservations for this year's contest ended April 1. I want to thank all of our Chorus Housing Chairs for making sure reservations were made on time and dealing with issues as they arose.

REMEMBER:

ROOM CAPTAINS – it is your responsibility to make any changes (adding or deleting roommate names, etc.) or cancellations to the room you reserved. Do this by contacting the Nugget by phone 800-648-1177 and ask for Ann in Group Reservations – extension 3319 or e-mail Ann at Ann.Reiff@marnellgaming.com. Our group number is GSA19 and be sure to have your confirmation number handy. If needed, your Chorus Housing Chair can help you.

SCOOTERS – The Nugget handles our need differently. Please verify with them that your reservation is on the list.

CHECK-IN – Splitting bill you all must check in together using separate credit cards. One bill – only the person responsible for the payment is required to check into the room.

CHECK-OUT – Splitting bill Sunday morning, finalize the bill BEFORE you are ready to check out and you all must go to desk. One bill – do on TV in room, use small envelope or finalize at the desk. In a day or two, no e-mail of bill, CALL THEM.

VALET – As you are packing, call with your valet check number. It takes about 45 minutes for the cars to arrive.

See you all at contest in May. I can't wait!

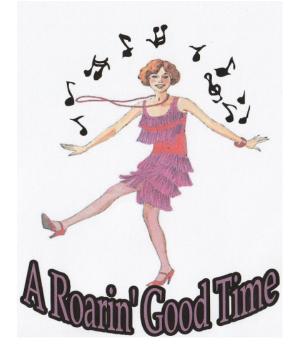
Patti Wright Housing Coordinator Region 12 Convention

Boutique

The Region 12 Boutique will again be packed with some of your favorites and some new faces! You will be able to have your hair done with Styles Extensions, find great blingy purses from ALLSHOW, and get some great jewelry from Kaleidoscope Visions. Other regulars are Ginger's Unique Boutique, Ruby Ribbon and great baked goods from Fausta. LulaRoe is back, as is tasty popcorn from Treat Yourself, hand knit baby clothes from We Do Beautiful Work, and Beyond Healthy chocolates. What is new this year, is Coin Cut Jewelry, actual coins made new as earrings, Under Glass, hand painted glass plates, and Touchstone Crystals by Swarovski. We also have 3 choruses offering great merchandise, BASC will have t-shirts and Lady Jane's bling jewelry, and Sacramento Valley will have shirts and host the Young Singer's Foundation purses, and Diablo Vista will have great scarves and jewelry. The opening party on Thursday night will again be in the Boutique area. There is sure to be something for everyone so make sure you save plenty of time to check out all the great buys.

Nancy Auld Boutique Chair

The 2019 AFTERGLOW Come Mingle, Smooze, Dance and Sing



WHEN Saturday Evening, May 4, 2019 WHERE Poolside Terrace Room **TIME** 9:00 pm to Midnight

Stop by the Poolside Terrace Room and have a **"Roarin Good Time"** with your 2019 Wild Card Chorus, Sacramento Valley Chorus. There will be dancing, dancing and more dancing, and of course our wonderful Region 12 quartets may stop by to sing a song or two.

Bonnie Garlow Assistance Chorus #2 Coordinator

> Editor's note: This is my last Bulletin and the end of my last job for the Regional Convention Steering Committee. I began my work with these talented volunteers in 2006 and have had such a wonderful experience. I've worked as Events Coordinator, Chair of the Regional Convention, Assistance Chorus Coordinator and JumboTron Chair for MVC, my home chorus when they were Champs. I've worked with so many talented and wonderful women in the Region, including Sherry Rowe, Gwen Marks, Jadine Stenger, Bonnie Garlow, Carol Collins, and Geri Miller-Reidel. So very many fine women have made these years fly by! We made such innovations as the JumboTron, the Quartet Stroll, Chorus Dinners, the Boutique and Afterglow Dance-o-Rama!

> > I've loved every minute of my time with you. I will miss you very much.

