

*REPORTS OF THE
FAR WESTERN DISTRICT OFFICERS
DISTRICT MANAGEMENT TEAM &
OTHER COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN*

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FAR WESTERN DISTRICT

FALL CONVENTION • MESA, ARIZONA

OCTOBER 15-18, 2015 • SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



DESCRIPTION OF EVENT	START	END	LOCATION	ROOM
Thursday, October 15, 2015				
FWD Board of Director's Meeting	2:00 PM	10:00 PM	Marriott	
Harmony Platoon	9:00 AM	10:00 PM	Marriott	
Convention Registration	6:00 PM	9:00 PM	Marriott	Lobby
Friday, October 16, 2015				
Convention Registration	9:00 AM	3:00 PM	Marriott	Lobby
FWD Past District President's Meeting	9:00 AM	12:00 PM	Marriott	
Harmony Platoon	9:00 AM	2:00 PM	Marriott	
AHSOW	9:00 AM	6:00 PM	Marriott	
Ladies Hospitality	10:00 AM	4:00 PM	Marriott	
Harmony for Lunch	11:00 AM	2:00 PM	TBD	
Hall of Fam Lunch/Meeting	11:30 AM	2:00 PM	Marriott	
Convention Classes (TBD)	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Marriott	
FWD House of Delegate's Meeting	2:00 PM	4:00 PM	Marriott	
Convention Registration	4:00 PM	10:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Lobby
Judge's Meeting	3:30 PM	4:30 PM	Marriott	
Doors Open	4:30 PM	5:00 PM	Mesa Art Center	Ikeda Theater
Quartet Semi--Finals	5:00 PM	9:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
AFWDC Late Show	9:30 PM	11:30 PM	Marriott	
Evaluations (Quartets not advancing)	9:30 PM	12:30 AM	Marriott	Judge's Rooms
Saturday, October 17, 2015				
Convention Registration	8:00 AM	7:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Lobby
Doors Open	8:30 AM	9:30 AM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Chorus Contest	9:30 AM	2:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Chorus Evaluations	2:30 PM	4:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Judge's Dinner	4:00 PM	6:00 PM	TBD	
Sandwich Buffet	5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Marriott	
Doors Open	6:15 PM	6:45 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Quartet Finals	6:45 PM	8:45 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Show of Champions	8:45 PM	10:00 PM	Mesa Arts Center	Ikeda Theater
Afterglow	10:00 PM	1:00 AM	Marriott	Auditorium
Evaluations (Finalist Quartets)	11:00 PM	1:00 AM	Marriott	Judge's Rooms
Sunday, October 18, 2015				
AFWDC Breakfast	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Marriott	
Harmony Platoon Wind--up	9:00 AM	11:00 AM	Marriott	

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District President Allan Webb

Welcome to the 2015 Fall Convention and House of Delegates Meeting! I hope 2015 has been treating you and your Chapter well.

Thus far this year, the Far Western District has executed on several initiatives which have been either a major topic of discussion or an action vote by the HOD from previous meetings:

Establishment of the Far Western District Outreach Fund: Per previous HOD action, we established a \$30k fund with Harmony Foundation as seed money from which to write future Far Western District grants to Chapters engaged in outreach events. The full details of the fund and its purpose is in last year's 2014 Fall HOD brochure, if you need to refresh your memory. This year, we funded \$1500 (5%) in grants to several youth outreach events around the District. At the end of this year, my intention is that we will have a combination of donations to the District, HF Donor Choice funds, and net income from operations such that we can increase the fund by \$10k going into 2016. This would allow next year's FWD grant pool to increase to \$2000 (5% of \$40k).

Remember, the fund is available for many types of outreach grants, not just youth outreach. We will be working on an online submission process for grant applications in 2016 in order to streamline the process. Also note that Chapters can and should be availing themselves of the BHS grant application process as well. The FWD fund is primarily built to be supplemental to the BHS grant process. The latest BHS grant window opened on Sep. 1, 2015. Details (including instructions on how to submit grant applications through the online WizeHive tool used by the BHS) can be found at barbershop.org/grants.

Combined Harmony College West/Leadership Academy: In January 2015, we had our first combined event, and will be repeating that formula again in January 2016 in Las Vegas. This weekend delivers both HCW content as well as a block of time delivering Leadership Academy content (including a block on Sunday specifically for Chapter Boards in attendance to meet as a Board to plan the 2016 calendar year). Please inform your Chapter Board members to save the dates of January 8-10, 2016, where we will be at the Sunset Station Hotel in Henderson, NV (just outside Las Vegas). Details and online registration should be up on the FWD website by the Fall 2015 Convention.

Chorus Director Development: We continue to provide budget support for Chorus Director educational opportunities, and were able to use some of that money to help send Sang Park, the Musical Director of the Temecula Chapter, to the Directors College track at Harmony University in Nashville this year. As a music educator in the Temecula school system, Sang was able to take advantage of a BHS music educator scholarship to cover the tuition to Directors College, while the Far Western District supplemented that to cover his travel expenses. Next year, we would like to identify a couple more Directors who would be willing and able to take the time to attend Directors College in Nashville, and will also be providing some scholarships to the HCW Director track in January. We have a certain amount of budget for this purpose.

Minutes of the Spring HOD Meeting



Far Western District
Spring House of Delegates Meeting
Sacramento, Ca.
2:00 PM Friday March 20, 2015

The following officers, directors, guests and delegates were present:

Past Presidents (6 Voting)

Sam Barger	1984-1985
Chuck Hunter	1988-1989
John Krizek	2002-2003
Peter Feeney	2004-2005
Bill Cale	2006-2007
Bernard Priceman	2010-2011

Board Members (11 Voting)

Allan Webb
Russ Young (Absent Not Voting)
Gordon Bergthold
Bob Gray
Max Bates
Brent Anderson
Craig Hughes
Charles Feltman
Richard Lund
John Bloomquist
Ron Black
Nick Papageorge

Distinguished Guests (non-voting)

Don Fuson Society Board President
Jim Clark Harmony Foundation

Chapter Delegates (30 Voting)

1. D-002 Greater Phoenix
2. D-003 Tucson
3. D-005 Bakersfield
4. D-008 Santa Rosa
5. D-009 Placerville
6. D-013 Long Beach
7. D-022 Palo Alto - Mountain View
8. D-023 San Diego
9. D-024 San Francisco
10. D-026 Bay Area
11. D-028 Santa Maria
12. D-029 Visalia
13. D-039 Marin
14. D-040 Nevada - Placer
15. D-042 Stockton
16. D-044 Prescott
17. D-046 Santa Fe Springs
18. D-049 Monterey Peninsula
19. D-051 Reno
20. D-052 Chico
21. D-055 Orange (Quartet)
22. D-057 Central California
23. D-058 Santa Monica
24. D-072 Central Arizona (Quartet)
25. D-075 Las Vegas
26. D-098 Folsom
27. D-101 Sun Cities
28. D-103 Rincon Beach
29. D-113 Sedona
30. D-123 California Delta

President Allan Webb called the Spring House of Delegates meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Gordon Bergthold led the delegates in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nick Papageorge led the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and “The Old Songs”.

Richard Lund gave the Invocation.

President Allan Webb welcomed all of the delegates to the meeting and recognized past district presidents, board members, and distinguished guests, Don Fuson, President of the Society Board, and Jim Clark from Harmony Foundation.

President Webb advised that his remarks would be later in the meeting. Two items were added to the Agenda. 1. Chapter of the Year, 2. Another Presentation, 3. “Pass the Hat” for High School Quartet Contest Pizza Party.

President Webb entertained a motion to approve the revised agenda. Moved & Second **Motion Approved.**

President Webb entertained a motion to Accept the minutes from the Fall HOD Meeting. Moved and Second **Motion Approved.**

President Webb entertained a motion to accept the receipt of the HOD Reports. Moved & Second **Motion Approved.**

EVP Gordon Bergthold discussed his email to all Chapter Officers in the District, and the need for the Chapter Presidents to update their Chapters regarding District information published in the Brochure. Gordon also introduced Steve Salmon, the new District CSLT Chairman.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business

New Business: Vote on “Amended” “Net Zero” 2015 Budget as published in the HOD Brochure.

Motion to approve the Amended 2015 Budget. Second. **Motion Approved.**

President Webb discussed items which were discussed at the FWD Board of Directors meeting on March 19, 2015.

- 1) Focus on “Chapter Filings” including IRS 990’s, Financial Reviews, and Secretary of State Filings.
 - a) District Treasurer Max Bates helped a number of Chapters update ebiz and checked status on the IRS Database.
- 2) Chapters that drop below 8 members on the roster are at risk of losing their Charter. Two chapters with only 1 man on roster. Allan will recommend Lompoc and Redding have Chapter Charter pulled. Two additional Chapters below 8 were discussed. Casa Grande and Los Angeles.
- 3) Discussion of Chapters not meeting requirements on Financial and State filings possibly being disqualified from competing.

- 4) All attendees on the risers at Chapter meetings need to be members to prevent liability issues.
- 5) Harmony College West & Leadership Academy will be in early January 2016.
- 6) The District Events Calendar and Contest Sound Systems. A committee appointed to address issues.
- 7) Noah Funderburg from Governance Committee advised District Presidents that "Robert's Rules of Order" for small boards will be placed in the Stand Chapter By-laws

Awards Chairman Bill Cale announced that Deane Scoville passed away. Deane has been replaced on the committee by Bob Lally. Mr. Cale proposed that Jim Turnmire from Fresno be honored at the Fall Convention, and Steve Sammonds be honored at the Spring Convention.

Society President Don Fuson addressed the delegates and guests about and community involvement, and leadership development. He also discussed the Society House of Delegates report from Marty Monson.

Jim Clark from Harmony Foundation led the delegates in the singing "Shine On Me". Jim updated everyone on Harmony Foundation and the progress that has been made this year.

President Allan Webb presented the "**Chapter of the Year**" award to Las Vegas. Steve Salmon accepted the award.

President Allan Webb discussed future conventions and pointed out there were no bids for Spring Convention. It is planned for the Spring Convention to be in March 2016. It will be a combined SE/SW Convention.

President Allan Webb introduced Stockton Past President Al Wolter who presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Richard Lund for his work on the Lodi Convention.

President Allan Webb introduced Bill Rosica from Santa Fe Springs (Masters of Harmony) presented Jim Clark from Harmony Foundation a check for \$1350.

The next House of Delegates Meeting will be October 18, 2015 in Mesa, Arizona.

President Allan Webb led the delegates in "Keep the Whole World Singing."

President Allan Webb entertained a motion to adjourn. Moved and Second. **Motion Approved.**

Meeting Adjourned at 3:55 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Bob Gray, FWD Secretary

Minutes of the Spring Board of Directors Meeting



**Far Western District
Board of Directors
March 19, 2015
Sacramento, California**

Meeting was called to order by President Allan Webb at 2:00 PM

Past President Russ Young directed "The Old Songs".

Div. 4 VP Richard Lund gave the Invocation.

Roll Call was taken by Secretary Bob Gray who reported to President Webb that all members were in attendance, and that a quorum was present. Board members present: Allan Webb, Russ Young, Gordon Bergthold, Bob Gray, Max Bates, Brent Anderson, Craig Hughes, Charles Feltman, Richard Lund, John Bloomquist, Ron Black, and Nick Papageorge.

President Allan Webb welcomed all board members and guests. He acknowledged the Past Presidents in attendance at the meeting, Ethics Chair Chuck Hunter, CSLT Steve Salmon, Society President Don Fuson, and Jim Clark from Harmony Foundation.

President Webb introduced new Board Members Brent Anderson VP Division 1 Southwest, Charles Feltman VP Division 3 Northwest, Ron Black VP Contest & Judging, and Nick Papageorge VP Music and Performance.

Society President Don Fuson addressed the Board and guests in attendance. He discussed the Society HOD which was published in *LiveWire* on March 12, 2015. He requested that it be sent to all members of the District.

Harmony Foundation Representative Jim Clark addressed the board and presented an update on the Foundation. This year's goal is to double the gifts to the Foundation. The Foundation outreach is for All, not just Youth Outreach.

President Webb requested five items be added to the Agenda. 1. A slot on the agenda for Contest & Judging, another slot for Music & Performance, 2. Basecamp, 3. Gordon with Summer Board Meeting Schedule, 4. Russ Young for an item with Arizona, 5. Revised "Small Board" Robert's Rules of Order. Motion to approve the meeting agenda, with the additions. **Motion Carried**

President Webb entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2014 District Board meeting. **Motion Carried.**

President Webb advised that the Division VP reports were published in the HOD Brochure. There were additional reports by the District Vice Presidents.

Division 1 Southwest VP Brent Anderson reported he had been in contact with most Chapters in his Division. All chapters are talking about Membership. President Webb asked Brent to focus his efforts on Pasadena, Conejo Valley, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura. Whittier will be discussed later.

Division 2 VP Craig Hughes complimented Brent on his ideas regarding membership as described in his HOD Brochure report. Riverside and Inland Empire Chapters will be combining, and will be known as "Inland Sound Chorus". President Webb advised that Apple Valley needs attention.

Division 3 Northwest VP Charles Feltman's report is in the HOD Brochure. President Webb reported Walnut Creek and Napa Valley Chapters have shown an increase in members. Monterey Peninsula has lost 38% and Fremont-Hayward has lost 23%. Both need attention.

Division 4 Northeast VP Richard Lund reported Placerville has had a 27% increase in membership after getting a new Director, and Visalia is up 15%. Gordon Berghold reported Chico is looking for a new Venue, New Name, and a New Director.

Division 5 Arizona VP John Bloomquist in addition to his HOD report he discussed the Mid-Winter performance by Chandler High School Boys Choir and *Treblemakers* Girls Chorus. John also advised that the Mesa AZ chapter has had a 27% increase in members.

Contest & Judging and Music & Performance VP reports were tabled at this time.

EVP Gordon Berghold formerly introduced the new CSLT for the District Steve Salmon, giving his background and accomplishments since he started in the position in January prior to Leadership Academy/Harmony College West.

President Allan Webb reported that Las Vegas is the "***Chapter of the Year***" for 2014. Steve Salmon accepted the award.

3:30 PM Fifteen Minute Break:

Awards Chairman Bill Cale announced that Deane Scoville passed away. Deane will be replaced on the committee by Bob Lally. Mr. Cale proposed that Jim Turnmire from Fresno be honored at the Fall Convention, and Steve Sammonds be honored at the Spring Convention. Motion and Second. **Motion Approved.**

Ron Black VP Contest & Judging discussed complaints about Barbershop Contest Sound System. Ron Black, Nick Papageorge and John Jones will have a proposal by the June Board Meeting.

There was additional discussion regarding getting dates set on the District Calendar.

There is not enough participation to support 5 Division Contests.

Motion by Ron Black that one date be set in May for a double Division contest. **Motion Failed**

Gordon Bergthold will work with Ron Black and Bryan Forbes on the issue and have recommendations prior to the Summer Board Meeting.

Nick Papageorge VP Music & Performance discussed the 2015 *Harmony College West* and *Leadership Academy* with input from Craig Hughes.

Old Business: President Allan Webb discussed the status of the Whittier Chapter. The Charter may be used in San Francisco. The Earl Moon Scholarship Fund was discussed. It was pointed out that all but one of the Past Presidents of the Whittier Chapter were no longer involved. Past President Paul Feinzimer has been working with Allan Webb and Don Rose from Harmony University. The application process will be handled by the Society, and the approval process referred to the FWD Board.

New Business: Chapter dissolutions were discussed. Several Chapters are falling below required standards, or are very close to failure. Allan will send a letter to Marty Monson requesting that the Charters for Lompoc and Redding be pulled. Elko, Casa Grande, and Los Angeles were also discussed.

Lloyd Steinkamp Endowment Fund for FWD Harmony Camps. Richard Lund presented a motion with a Second by Craig Hughes for the Nor-Cal Camp. There was much discussion about the guidelines for the Fund and how it was to be used. The fund process is contingent on Judy Steinkamp approving what will be funded by the Endowment Fund, and the contract language being corrected prior to signing.

Motion Approved with one Abstention

Base Camp: President Webb explained the Base Camp system. It is an online Project Management System which is being funded by the Society for the District.

Convention VIP Seating: Motion by Richard Lund "That Convention Honorees" be considered VIP's with regard to preferred seating assignments and registration at Conventions. **Motion Approved.**

Summer Meeting: Fullerton California June 12 & 13. Gordon Bergthold will work with Bryan Forbes on selecting a venue.

President Allan Webb entertained a motion to adjourn. **Motion Approved.**

Meeting Adjourned at 6:04 PM

Next Meeting June 12, 2015
Fullerton, CA

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Gray
FWD Secretary

Following the HOD meeting on 3/20/15

President Allan Webb convened a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors. All Board members were in attendance except Past President Russ Young.

Chapter Merger: Craig Hughes, Division 2 VP moved that the Far Western District Board approve the request to merge the Riverside (D-114) Chapter into the Inland Empire (D019) Chapter. **Motion Approved.**

President Allan Webb entertained a motion to adjourn. **Motion Approved**

Bob Gray
FWD Secretary

Minutes of the Summer Board of Directors Meeting



**Far Western District
Board of Directors
June 13, 2015
Fullerton, California**

Meeting was called to order by President Allan Webb at 9:00 AM

M&P Chair Nick Papageorge directed "The Old Songs".

NorCal East VP Richard Lund gave the Invocation.

Roll Call was taken by EVP Bergthold who reported to President Webb that all members except Bob Gray and Brent Anderson were in attendance, and that a quorum was present. Board members present: Allan Webb, Russ Young, Gordon Bergthold, Max Bates, Craig Hughes, Charles Feltman, Richard Lund, John Bloomquist, Ron Black, and Nick Papageorge.

President Allan Webb welcomed all board members and guests. He acknowledged the DMT members present including David Melville, FWD Webmaster. He asked and received a motion and approval of the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried**

President Webb entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2015 District Board meeting. **Motion Carried.**

President Webb advised that the Division VP reports were published in the HOD Brochure. There were additional reports by the District Vice Presidents.

Division 1 Southwest VP Brent Anderson although absent, furnished a thorough report. He continues to be in contact with most Chapters in his Division. Brent has focused much of his efforts on the Bakersfield Chapter and there is some positive activities planned compared with past years.

Division 2 Southeast VP Craig Hughes in addition to his written report stated that Palomar was struggling primarily due to director challenges. Temecula has a good director in Sang Parks who attracts and welcomes youth. Westminster is up in its membership primarily due to the International participation in Pittsburg in July. Hemet has promoted Larry Hull from assistant director to Director.

Division 3 Northwest VP Charles Feltman did not write a report but has been in contact with some of the chapters in his division. Walnut Creek is promoting recruitment primarily on the efforts of Mike Cating. Marine is stable and Santa Cruz continues to operate using female associates where needed.

Division 4 Northeast VP Richard Lund wrote a very thorough report and reports that Vocal is headed to Harmony University as a full chorus. Harmony Camp is scheduled for September 18-20, 2015 with a full complement of instructors, counselors and quartets.

Division 5 Arizona VP John Bloomquist wrote a thorough report. In addition, he reports that the division contest produced 5+ quartets qualifying for the fall district contest. The White Mountain Chapter will vote in September whether to turn in their charter or continue operating. John has been actively working with the chapter leadership over the past months to encourage them to figure out a way to survive the current challenges. Phoenix once again split up the chapter over administrative and music team differences and a potential new group is forming named the Grand Canyon Chapter

Contest & Judging VP Ron Black other than his short written report, Ron reported that there was no site inspection prior to the SESW division contest and that cause a last minute scramble to get things in order for the contest. He also reported that there were 23 choruses and many quartets that have qualified for the district fall contest. The final numbers of both choruses and quartets will be announced after the Pittsburg International convention. There was a discussion pertaining to the number of risers on stage at each contest and the final resolution was determined by the FWD Statement of Policy.

Music & Performance VP Nick Papageorge referred all to his Westunes article for details pertaining to his activities. Read it, it's a good overview of what Nick feels about competition and carrying over the learning techniques from contest numbers to repertoire.

EVP Gordon Bergthold introduced the District Management Team and each had a recap of the previous evening's presentations pertaining to each area of responsibility.

Bryan Forbes, Event's Chairman mentioned that the 2016 division conventions would be SESW March 18 and 19; NENW April 2; and Arizona April 15th. Ron Black moved that the three conventions, SESW, NENW and Arizona maintain a minimum of three year calendars. **Motion Carried**

Bryan Forbes had reviewed the issues of his draft Convention Process and Procedures presented at the DMT meeting on Friday evening. His conclusions regarding modification of the process are as follows:

- Recommendation #1, transferring responsibility of securing contest venues and headquarters hotels for District Conventions and Contests from Host Chapters to the FWD Event Chairman and creating a multi-year rotation schedule was approved by the board. **Motion Carried**
- Recommendation #2, pertaining to modification of registration for competitors was withdrawn.

- Recommendation #3, regarding seat selection was referred back to Bryan and his committee for further research.
- Recommendation #4, is back in Bryan's court for streamlining and finalization.
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Jerry McElfresh, reiterated his plans for establishing a website that has templates for chapters to advertise their successes. He also stated that the Westunes publication was receiving more attention online and that the district website was receiving much attention as well. Not everyone has adapted to the online Westunes delivery but more are using the vehicle to obtain information about the FWD. Jerry also said that the Webcast for the District Convention in Mesa was on schedule and would be offered.

Youth in Harmony was covered by Allan Webb and Richard Lund. There has been \$1,500 in grants offered for youth activities.

Membership, Allan reiterated that the FWD membership was down 5.9% during the year. Allan appointed Steve Young from the Brea Chapter as Membership Chair for the remainder of his term, December 31, 2015.

Lunch Break 12:35 pm until 1:45 pm

Old Business: None reported

New Business:

Russ Young, Chair of the Nominating Committee reported the following:

President – Gordon Berghold
 Immediate Past President - Allan Webb
 EVP – Craig Hughes
 NW DVP – Charles Feltman
 NE DVP – Richard Lund
 SW DVP – Brent Anderson
 SE DVP – Nick Papageorge
 AZ DVP – John Bloomquist
 Secretary – Bob Gray
 Treasurer – Max Bates
 C&J – Ron Black
 M&P – Craig Ewing

Financial Review was a combined discussion with Allan Webb and Max Bates offering the most relevant data. Max referred us to the Revenue and Expense, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss by Class documents for discussion. Max would like the Mesa Convention Budget 60 days prior to the district advancing money. He also talked a bit about the 990's and Financial Reviews and how important they were to maintaining the 501.3 C status of the chapters and district, not to mention the society.

Max would also like to see the convention P&L immediately following the event, or at least within 60 days. Ron moved that Section 10.6.2 of the SOP be changed to 60 days.

Motion Carried

Leadership Academy was thoroughly discussed on Friday night but it was reiterated that Steve Salmon will continue working with Craig Hughes and Nick Papageorge to finalize the planning of the tentatively scheduled January 8 and 9, 2016 at Sunset Station. Steve has bargained for a \$6,200 fee for the facility and \$92 room rates for attendees. The details of the event are being worked on by the three people above and advertising for the joint meeting will start immediately following the international convention.

Budget for 2016 was worked through by all concerned for 2.5 hours and after many adjustments and discussions pertaining to the individual elements of the document a net revenue of \$500 was accepted by the board.

President Allan Webb entertained a motion to adjourn at 4:45 pm. **Motion Approved**

Gordon Bergthold, acting in place of Bob Gray

FWD Secretary

**HOD Order of Business
FAR WESTERN DISTRICT
FALL HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING
Mesa, Arizona
2:00 PM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2015**

Call To Order

- Pledge of Allegiance
- "The Star Spangled Banner"
- "The Old Songs"
- Invocation
- Welcome
- Introduction

Allan Webb
Gordon Bergthold
Russ Young
Ron Black
Richard Lund
Allan Webb
Allan Webb

- Past Presidents
- Other Dignitaries
- District Officers

- Roll Call
- District President's Remarks
- Memorial to Departed Members

- Approval of the Agenda
- Approval of previous minutes
- Receipt of HOD Reports
- Additional Officer/Committee reports
- Old Business
 - FWD Outreach Fund
- New Business

Bob Gray
Allan Webb
Bob Gray
(and American Pastime)
Allan Webb
Allan Webb
Allan Webb
Gordon Bergthold
Allan Webb

Allan Webb

- Changes to the SOP regarding Events bid process
- Approval of the 2016 Budget

Bob Gray
Max Bates

- BOD Highlights
- Society Board Update
- Harmony Foundation Update

Allan Webb
John Donehower
Jim Clark

- Nominating Committee Report
- Election of Officers
- Installation of Officers
- Awards
- Future Convention Update
- Next Meeting time/Location
- Keep the Whole World Singing"
- Adjourn

Russ Young
Allan Webb
John Donehower
Bill Cale
Bryan Forbes
Allan Webb
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Allan Webb



**FAR WESTERN DISTRICT
Board Meeting Agenda
Marriott Hotel 200 N. Centennial Way, Mesa, Arizona
October 15, 2015**

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| 1. Call to Order | Allan Webb |
| 2. The Old Songs | Russ Young |
| 3. Invocation | Richard Lund |
| 4. Roll Call | Bob Gray |
| 5. Opening Remarks | Allan Webb |
| 6. Society Board Member Remarks | John Donehower |
| 7. Approval of Agenda | Allan Webb |
| 8. Approval of minutes of previous meetings | Allan Webb |
| 9. Vice President Reports | |
| • Division 1 Southwest | Brent Anderson |
| • Division 2 Southeast | Craig Hughes |
| • Division 3 Northwest | Charles Feltman |
| • Division 4 Northeast | Richard Lund |
| • Division 5 Arizona | John Bloomquist |
| • Contest & Judging | Ron Black |
| • Music & Performance | Nick Papageorge |
| 10. Old Business | |
| • Whittier Chapter Charter Update | Allan Webb |
| • Harmony College West – Leadership Academy | Nick Papageorge/ |
| Craig Hughes | |
| • FWD Outreach Fund Update | Allan Webb / Max Bates |
| 11. New Business | |
| • Spring 2016 Convention Honoree | Bill Cale |
| • DMT Positions for 2016 | Gordon Bergthold |
| Marketing & PR | Jerry McElfresh |
| 12. For the good of the order | All |
| 13. Keep The Whole World Singing | Brent Anderson |
| 14. Adjourn | Allan Webb |



Executive Vice President – House of Delegates Report

Another year has faded away and my term as Executive Vice President is ending December 31, 2015. It has been a two-year stint that seemed to pass much too fast and the Far Western District (FWD) will be electing new officers at the House of Delegates (HOD) meeting in Mesa in October. Our district has accomplished many good things the past two years; in the International arena New Fangled Four won the Collegiate contest in 2013; Masterpiece won the International quartet contest in 2013, and High Priority finished 2nd in the Seniors Int'l contest in 2015. In the Int'l Chorus contests the past three years Westminster finished 2nd in 2013, the Masters of Harmony finished second in 2014, and Westminster won the 2015 contest. We have so much musical talent in the FWD that just attending a district contest or international preliminary contest is much like attending the full-blown international convention.

So, why don't we have more attendees at the local conventions where these magnificent musicians compete and entertain audiences at "A" levels? The FWD is the envy of the other 16 districts in the Barbershop Harmony Society not only because of our musical talent but based on our administrative leaders and representatives that lead the best district in the society. Our leaders are those officers and support teams in the 75 chapters that make up our district, plus those district officers and management team who work hard on behalf of the members of the 75 chapters. The way it works is this; the chapters in the FWD district, at the annual fall HOD meeting, elect officers who will represent them the following year. We, the district leaders, represent all the members of the FWD in matters outlined in the Statement of Policy (SOP) that originated from the HOD body.

Why is this important you ask? Why so much talk about the House of Delegates and the FWD leadership? It's important to know that you, as the members of the FWD, have control of what goes on in the district and we want you to participate in the activities that are relevant to the operational aspects of the district. The reason you have delegates appointed by the chapter president to attend the HOD meetings is to represent your chapter in district affairs. Regardless of who's elected to the district offices you should know that COMMUNICATION originates at the member level, through the chapter leadership to the district leaders. Then we, as your representatives, communicate with the society leaders at the highest level. We've been working hard the past few years to make sure that the society leaders know we are concerned about the lack of information being disseminated down to the chapters as decisions are made at the top levels. Our District President's Council representing the 17 districts in the Society, convene at least twice a year to discuss many aspects of leadership; and COMMUNICATION is the primary issue being discussed these days. We are bent on improving this very important element of the society's operational format and we will continue to work on your behalf to achieve success on this issue.

In summary, I urge you to attend the HOD meetings and represent your chapter and its members. We had about 40% of the chapters represented at the last meeting, but that leaves another 60% unrepresented. Be a participant in your chapter and the district activities and you'll find out about a lot of exciting things happening in the society these days. If you don't attend meetings it's similar to voting; if you don't vote you simply don't have a voice in what's driving your organization or your country. Be a member who is informed and concerned and we'll all benefit.



Bob Gray Secretary

Thanks to the effort of the Chapter Leadership, we are making some progress on resolving some of the “Compliance Issues” around the Far Western District. This report was pulled on 9/5/15 from Ebiz.

We have 76 Chapters in the Far Western District. Only 27, roughly one-third of the Chapters in the District are in good standing. Those 27 Chapters are meeting all of the requirements for posting the completion of their 990 filing with the IRS, Financial Review, and State Incorporation. Some of you are actually completing the filings, however part of the process includes sending copies of your documentation to headquarters in Nashville, and posting on Ebiz that you have completed your job. Guys, If you have not filed, your chapter is at risk of losing your Non-Profit Status.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CHAPTERS!

D-002 Greater Phoenix
D-003 Tucson
D-008 Santa Rosa
D-009 Placerville
D-012 South Bay
D-015 Hemet
D-019 Inland Empire
D-020 Davis-Vacaville
D-022 Palo Alto – Mountain View
D-023 San Diego
D-026 Bay Area
D-031 Aloha
D-040 Nevada-Placer
D-042 Stockton
D-044 Prescott
D-051 Reno
D-052 Chico
D-057 Central California
D-058 Santa Monica
D-069 Mesa
D-075 Las Vegas
D-081 Eureka
D-092 San Mateo County
D-098 Folsom
D-102 Fremont-Hayward
D-103 Rincon Beach
D-110 White Mountains

Chapters that were not in compliance as of 9/5/15 and what you need to fix:

D-001 Lompoc	No 990's, No Financial Reviews, No State Inc. Filings
D-005 Bakersfield	990 For 2013 No Other Postings
D-006 Walnut Creek	No 990, No Review for 2014 State Inc. Exp. 3/31/15
D-013 Long Beach	No 990 for 2014
D-014 Conejo Valley	State Incorporation Expired 5/10/15. No 2014 Postings
D-018 Pasadena	No 990, No Review for 2014, State Exp. 5/14/2015
D-021 Sacramento	No 990 or Financial Review for 2014
D-024 San Francisco	No 990 for 2014. No other postings.
D-028 Santa Maria	No 990, No Review for 2014
D-029 Visalia	No Review for 2014, & No State Incorporation
D-030 Whittier	No Filings
D-033 Carson City	No 990 or Financial Review since 2012 & No Incorporation
D-036 Ventura	No Filings
D-037 South Orange Co	No 990 & No Review for 2014
D-039 Marin	No Review for 2014 & State Inc. Expired 6/30/15
D-041 Palomar Pacific	No Filings for 2014. State Incorporation Expired 9/12/14
D-043 Santa Clarita	No Review for 2014
D-046 Santa Fe Springs	No Review for 2014
D-049 Monterey Peninsula	No Reviews
D-050 Crescenta Valley	No Filings since 2012
D-054 Santa Barbara	No Reviews
D-055 Orange Quartet	No Reviews
D-056 Fullerton	No 990, & No Review for 2014
D-059 Fresno	No 990 for 2014
D-063 Yuma	No Filings for 2014. State Incorporation Expired 9/1/14
D-064 Redding	No Filings (1 Member)
D-066 San Fernando Valley	No Filings for 2014. State Incorporation Expired 8/31/11
D-072 Central Arizona	No Filings for 2014. State Incorporation Expired 5/8/14
D-074 Westminster	No Financial Reviews
D-076 Napa Valley	State Incorporation Expired 8/31/15
D-085 San Luis Obispo	No 990 or Financial Reviews for 2014
D-086 El Cajon	No Financial Reviews for 2014 & No State Incorporation
D-087 Coachella Valley	No Filings for 2014. State Incorporation Expired 2/28/11
D-093 Los Angeles	No State Incorporation. (6 Members)
D-095 Apple Valley	No 990 for 2014. No other postings.
D-099 Santa Cruz	No 990 for 2014, No Reviews, State Inc. Exp. 12/31/11
D-101 Sun Cities	No Financial Review since 2012, State Inc. Expired 6/30/15
D-106 San Francisco Bay Cities	No 990 for 2014. No other postings.
D-107 Canada Del Oro	No 2014 filings. State Incorporation Expired 7/14/15
D-111 St. George	No Financial Review
D-113 Sedona	No Financial Reviews
D-116 Brea	State incorporated Expired 8/31/15
D-117 La Jolla	No 990 or Review for 2014 State Inc. Exp. 5/15/2015
D-119 Casa Grande	No 990 for 2014. No other postings (4 Members)
D-120 Laguna Hills	No Financial Review or Incorporation Postings
D-122 Temecula	No Financial Review for 2014. State Inc. Exp. 12/31/14
D-123 California Delta	No Financial Review for 2014
D-124 Elko	No Filings (4 Members)
D-125 Salt River Valley	No Filings (6 Members) (New Chapter)

Your Financials Reviews should be completed in January and your IRS 990 is to be filed by May 15th.

Need help? Look in the BHS Document Center.

www.barbershop.org/resources/document-center under Business and Finance, then look at “Chapter Business Guide at a Glance”. You will find it under Secretary Documents. This is a good reference for what you need to be completing throughout the year. This should be a *must read* for all Chapter Presidents, Secretaries, and Treasurers.

Another resource is to attend the “Leadership Academy – Harmony College West” on January 8th to the 10th in Henderson Nevada.

Help is available, all you have to do is ask.



Treasurer Max Bates

Far Western District – Barbershop Harmony Society –

Financial Report as of August 31, 2015

Financial Reports for the FWD Board of Directors and House of Delegates members.

The following reports are included:

2015 Operating Results vs Budget and the proposed budget for 2016 (with notes)

2015 Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2015

2015 Operating Results by Class (activity)

2014 Filing Status Report for Form 990, Financial Review and BHS notices.

Most notable in the operating results thus far in 2015 was the funding of the Lloyd Steinkamp Endowment Fund for FWD youth harmony camps. The initial funding came from the NorCal Youth Harmony Camp fund. Again, as this fund grows the endowment will perpetuate the generation of funds to support FWD youth harmony camps well into the future.

The Society is very concerned with the reporting of annual financial reports to the IRS and to each chapter's respective state agencies. The determination letter issued by the IRS granting the Society non-profit classification has a requirement for the Society to follow with the respective associated chapters to insure that those chapters file Form 990 N, EZ or full form, based on the previous year's revenue. That reporting to be completed by (May 15th).

Failure to file a Form 990 for three consecutive years will result in termination of the non-profit (501 (c) (3) classification). Your chapter will NOT be a non-profit entity.

As of August 25, 2015, I inquired into the IRS database for 990N submission using "E O Select Check" and found the results noted on the FWD status report. At that time I made a request for chapters to focus on this condition and renew that plea now.

After filing with the IRS the task is only half accomplished. You must notify BHS on the EBIZ site that you have not only filed the 990 but a financial review has been completed and all state filings are current.

If you have questions on filings or BHS notices, please contact me. I will be happy to help

Thank you for your attention to these important matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

Max L. Bates

FWD Treasurer

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		Jan - Aug 15	Annual 2015 Budget	\$ Over(Under) Annual Budget	Proposed 2016 Budget	NOTES
Revenue & Expense						
Revenue						
	500.00 - DUES	29,110.89	40,000.00	-10,889.11	40,000.00	E
	501.00 - SRING PRELIMS REV	32,468.71	34,000.00	-1,531.29	41,000.00	
	502.00 - FALL CONVENTION REV	28,225.00	62,000.00	-33,775.00	63,000.00	
	503.00 - DIVISIONAL CONV	32,391.94	37,000.00	-4,608.06	37,500.00	H
	506.02 - INTEREST	19.03	100.00	-80.97	100.00	
	506.03 - WEBCAST	0.00	2,400.00	-2,400.00	2,400.00	
	510 - Donations	10,180.82	19,550.00	-9,369.18	22,000.00	F / G
	520.00 - Fees	255.00	8,600.00	-8,345.00	10,500.00	
	520.02 - HCW / LA	5,190.00	9,750.00	-4,560.00	15,000.00	
Total Revenue		137,841.39	213,400.00	-75,558.61	231,500.00	
Expense						
	601.00 - HCW/LA Expense	14,921.59	10,000.00	4,921.59	15,000.00	
	601.10 - DS16 - District Spring	30,275.00	19,000.00	11,275.00	34,500.00	
	601.10 - DS16 - Profit Split				2,000.00	
	601.20 - AZ16 - AZ Div Exp	7,965.00	8,000.00	-35.00	6,500.00	
	601.20 - AZ16 - AZ Profit Split				1,700.00	
	601.30 - SC15 - SoCal Div Exp	18,699.30	18,000.00	699.30	-00	
	601.50 - NC16 - NorCal Div Exp				20,500.00	
	601.50 - NC16 - Profit Split				2,000.00	
	602.00 - Fall Convention Exp	45,800.00	40,000.00	5,800.00	40,000.00	
	602.00 - Fall Profit Split				8,800.00	
	603.00 - Webcast	300.00	2,400.00	-2,100.00	2,400.00	
	604.00 - BD MEETING	11,885.29	17,700.00	-5,814.71	17,900.00	
	607.01 - DIR DEVELOP	0.00	11,700.00	-11,700.00	5,000.00	
	607.04 - FINANCIAL DEVEL CHR	0.00	500.00	-500.00	-00	
	607.08 - C&J	2,077.16	3,550.00	-1,472.84	6,625.00	
	607.09 - YMIH	6,143.80	19,300.00	-13,156.20	19,700.00	
	607.09B - LSEF - FWD YIH Camps	10,000.00			-00	C
	607.10 - EVENTS	0.00	3,900.00	-3,900.00	3,300.00	
	607.11 - MUSIC & PERF	162.92	8,000.00	-7,837.08	6,400.00	
	607.12 - MKTG & PR	1,861.62	5,550.00	-3,688.38	5,300.00	
	607.18 - MEMBERSHIP	0.00	1,050.00	-1,050.00	1,050.00	
	607.20 - LEADERSHIP FORUM	0.00	5,000.00	-5,000.00	5,000.00	
	608.00 - Donations	41,500.00	10,000.00	31,500.00	10,000.00	B / F
	609.01 - Dues Collection Fees	1,162.04	2,000.00	-837.96	2,000.00	
	609.02 - Merchant Acct Fees	2,283.58	500.00	1,783.58	2,800.00	D
	610.00 - INTERN. QT TRAVEL	1,608.31	2,800.00	-1,191.69	3,000.00	
	611.00 - INTERN CH TRAVEL	3,634.51	6,400.00	-2,765.49	6,700.00	
	612.00 - COLLEGE QT TRAVEL				1,200.00	
	617.01 - CONVEN ACT CHAIRMAN				500.00	
	622.00 - GOV'T FEES	70.50	100.00	-29.50	100.00	
	700.00 - PRESIDENT	5,941.24	6,700.00	-758.76	5,400.00	
	701.00 - IMMED PAST PRES.	50.00	400.00	-350.00	500.00	
	703.00 - EVP	4,262.98	6,000.00	-1,737.02	3,000.00	
	704.00 - DVP	489.61	2,800.00	-2,310.39	2,500.00	
	705.00 - SECRETARY	219.67	300.00	-80.33	200.00	
	706.00 - TREASURER	109.10	250.00	-140.90	275.00	
	709.00 - CHAPTER SUPPORT	2,106.84	1,500.00	606.84	250.00	
	Void	0.00				
Total Expense		213,530.06	213,400.00	130.06	242,100.00	
Net Revenue - (Loss)		-75,688.67	0.00	-75,688.67	-10,600.00	
Net Revenue - (Loss)		-75,688.67	0.00	-75,688.67	-10,600.00	

	NOTES FOR FINANCIAL REPORTS:							
	Financial Report Notes:							
	A - Venue Deposit for HCW / LA Scheduled for January 2016							
	B - FWD \$10,000 Commitment to Harmony Foundation for 2014 was not paid until March 2015							
	In addition the FWD has established an endowment fund with the Harmony Foundation in the amount							
	of \$30,000 (plus \$1,500 front end costs) This fund will enhance the district financial position							
	by having the fund generate income for district purposes and putting current funds to work							
	C - \$10,000 was issued from the NorCal youth harmony camp fund in the name of Lloyd Steinkamp							
	The purpose is to generate a capital base from which income would be able to fund FWD							
	camps and rely less on Harmony Foundation grants. Such HF grants seem to have increased demand.							
	D - With the current funding process for conventions the district is absorbing the credit card merchant fees.							
	E - Dues are now being paid out to the district on a quarterly basis - results should be close to budget							
	F - The FWD still has a commitment to the HF for \$10,000 this year. Please consider chapter and chapter member							
	participation to assist toward this goal. (Consider a "HF pass the hat night or two before years end.)							
	G - The FWD has received notice of a \$2,000 donation from Qualcomm in honor of our current FWD president.							
	To be received in the next few weeks.							
	H - At this date the final report for the SoCal Divisional contest held in May has not been received.							

Balance Sheet

					Aug 31, 15		Notes
ASSETS							
	Current Assets						
		Checking/Savings					
			FWD-CD-9 MO.		52,136.76		
			FWD-CHECKING		32,056.94		
		Total Checking/Savings			84,193.70		
	Total Current Assets				84,193.70		
	Other Assets						
		111.10 - Prepaid			500.00		A
	Total Other Assets				500.00		
TOTAL ASSETS					84,693.70		
LIABILITIES & EQUITY							
	Liabilities						
		Current Liabilities					
			Other Current Liabilities				
			449.00 - Quartet travel		868.02		
			450.00 - Chorus travel		1,314.00		
		Total Other Current Liabilities			2,182.02		
		Total Current Liabilities			2,182.02		
	Total Liabilities				2,182.02		
	Equity						
		446.00 - Youth Ed			2,471.25		
		447.00 - NOR CAL YOUTH CAMP			24,935.92		
		451.00 - Surplus 12/31/2010			66,518.92		
		Retained Earnings			64,095.14		
		Net Income			-75,509.55		B
	Total Equity				82,511.68		
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY					84,693.70		

Operations by Class

	AZ - Arizona Div	DF - District Fall	District Spring	HCW	Leadership Academy	NoCal Youth	SC - So Cal Div	YIH	Unclassified	TOTAL
Ordinary Income/Expense										
Income										
500.00 - DUES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29,110.89	29,110.89
502.00 - FALL CONVENTION REV	0.00	28,225.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,225.00
503.00 - DIVISIONAL CONV	9,561.94	0.00	28,680.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,830.00	0.00	1,905.00	62,977.57
506.02 - INTEREST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	16.82	16.82
510 - Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00	0.00	0.00	6,980.82	10,180.82
520.00 - Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,190.00	0.00	255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,445.00
Total Income	9,561.94	28,225.00	28,680.63	5,190.00	0.00	3,455.00	22,830.00	0.00	38,013.53	135,956.10
Expense										
601.00 - HCW/LA Expense	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,052.70	7,252.70
601.10 - DS15 - District Spring	0.00	0.00	28,775.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28,775.00
601.20 - AZ15 - AZ Div Exp	7,965.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,965.00
601.30 - SC15 - SoCal Div Exp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,257.00	0.00	442.30	18,699.30
601.40 - DF15 - District Fall	0.00	3,131.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,131.50
602.00 - Fall Convention Exp	0.00	42,668.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42,668.50
603.00 - Webcast	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00
604.00 - BD MEETING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11,885.29	11,885.29
607.08 - C&J	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,857.00	1,857.00
607.09 - YMIH	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,168.80	0.00	1,000.00	2,975.00	6,143.80
607.09B - LSEF - FWD YIH Camps	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
607.11 - MUSIC & PERF	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,592.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	574.26	5,167.21
607.12 - MKTG & PR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,861.62	1,861.62
608.00 - Donations	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	41,500.00	41,500.00
609.01 - Dues Collection Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,162.04	1,162.04
609.02 - Merchant Acct Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,102.25	2,102.25
610.00 - INTERN. QT TRAVEL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,808.31	1,808.31
611.00 - INTERN CH TRAVEL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,634.51	3,634.51
622.00 - GOV'T FEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	70.50	70.50
700.00 - PRESIDENT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,941.24	5,941.24
702.01 - IPP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	50.00
703.00 - EVP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,262.98	4,262.98
704.00 - DVP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	489.61	489.61
705.00 - SECRETARY	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	219.67	219.67
706.00 - TREASURER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	109.10	109.10
709.00 - CHAPTER SUPPORT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,825.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	281.80	2,106.84
709.10 - Leadership Academy	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,501.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,501.68
Void	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expense	7,965.00	45,800.00	28,775.00	10,792.95	4,326.72	2,168.80	18,257.00	1,000.00	92,360.18	211,465.65
Net Ordinary Income	1,596.94	-17,575.00	-94.37	-5,602.95	-4,326.72	1,286.20	4,573.00	-1,000.00	-54,366.65	-75,509.55
Net Income	1,596.94	-17,575.00	-94.37	-5,602.95	-4,326.72	1,286.20	4,573.00	-1,000.00	-54,366.65	-75,509.55

FWD #	EIN	State	Name	990 Filing	Fin Review	State Filings	Notes
D001	77-0061593	CA	Lompoc	N	N	N	IRS Revoked Exempt Status 5/15/2010
D002	86-0210384	AZ	Phoenix	Y	Y	Y	
D003	86-6051067	AZ	Tucson	Y	Y	Y	
D005	95-6047716	CA	Bakersfield	Y1	N	N	
D006	94-6104444	CA	Walnut Creek	N	N	N	IRS Exemt Status revoked 5/15/2010 /State filing Expired 3/31/15-BHS 5/11/14
D008	94-6129049	CA	Santa Rosa	Y	Y	Y	
D009	94-2891720	CA	Placerville	Y	Y	N	
D012	95-6195066	CA	South Bay	Y	Y	Y	
D013	95-6118790	CA	Long Beach	N	Y	Y	IRS Revoked Exempt Status 5/15/2010 - BHS 3/9/14
D014	95-2572089	CA	Conejo Valley	Y1	N	N	State Inc Expired 5/10/15
D015	33-0494659	CA	Hemet	Y	Y	Y	
D018	95-6134607	CA	Pasadena	Y1	N	N	State Inc Expired 5/2014
D019	33-0179736	CA	Inland Empire	Y	Y	Y	
D020	94-1692060	CA	Davis-Vacaville	Y	Y	Y	
D021	94-3096683	CA	Sacramento	Y1	N	N	
D022	94-6126374	CA	Palo Alto	Y	Y	Y	
D023	95-2572836	CA	San Diego	Y	Y	Y	
D024	94-6126375	CA	San Francisco	N	N	N	Last Filed 990N for 2013
D026	94-1719915	CA	Bay Area	Y	Y	Y	
D028	23-7165345	CA	Santa Maria	Y1	N	Y	
D029	94-2891502	CA	Visalia	Y	N	N	
D030	95-6096583	CA	Whittier	Y	Y	Y	
D031	39-1675002	HI	Aloha	Y	Y	Y	
D033	88-6006813	NV	Carson City	N			Last 990 - 2012 BHS / devanson4888@gamil.com
D036	23-7066986	CA	Ventura	Y1	N	N	
D037	23-7453321	CA	South Orange Co	Y1	N	Y	
D039	94-6104402	CA	Marin	Y	N	N	
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D042	94-1718991	CA	Stockton	Y	Y	Y	
D043	95-4079519	CA	Santa Clarita	Y	N	Y	
D044	23-7362966	CA	Prescott	Y	Y	Y	
D046	36-3398473	CA	Santa Fe Springs	Y	N	Y	
D049	94-6104441	CA	Monterey Peninsula	Y	N	Y	
D050	95-6093745	CA	Cresenta Valley	N	N	N	Last 990 - 2012 / edwardsalexander@sbc.net
D051	23-7442899	NV	Reno	Y	Y	Y	
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D054	95-6095440	CA	Santa Barbara	Y	N	Y	
D055	33-0510918	CA	Orange	Y	N	Y	
D056	95-6118754	CA	Fullerton	N	N	N	BHS Last 2013 / tsntenon@aol.com
D057	77-0444440	CA	Central California	Y	Y	Y	
D058	95-3269500	CA	Santa Monica	Y	Y	Y	
D059	94-6104440	CA	Fresno	N	Y	Y	Last BHS 990 - 2013 / goldensings@sbcglobal.net /
D063	86-0754539	AZ	Yuma	N			IRS Revoked Exempt Status 5/15/2011 - Last 2007 /larry.lickfelt@usd.edu
D064	68-0316767	CA	Redding	N			IRS Revoked Exempt Status 5/15/2014 - Last 2008 / No current members
D066	95-6096617	CA	San Fernando Valley	N	N	N	Last 990 - 2013 / kirkprthr83@gmail.com
D069	86-0727506	AZ	Mesa	Y	Y	Y	
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D076	94-6104442	CA	Napa Valley	Y	Y	Y	
D081	94-6107883	CA	Eureka	Y	Y	Y	
D085	95-6138399	CA	San Luis Obispo	Y1	N	N	
D086	95-6135739	CA	El Cajon	Y	N	N	
D087	95-3468294	CA	Coachella Valley	Y1	N	N	Last State Filing 2/28/2011
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D095	33-0337457	CA	Apple Valley	Y1	N	N	
D098	68-0284492	CA	Folsom	Y	Y	Y	
D099	77-0298189	CA	Santa Cruz	Y1	N	N	
D101	86-0835174	CA	Sun Cities	Y	N	N	New EIN Issued 11/22/13 #80-0960187
D102	68-0390560	CA	Fremont-Hayward	Y	Y	Y	
D103	93-1218344	CA	Rincon Beach	Y	Y	Y	
D106	91-2027835	CA	San Francisco	Y1	N	N	
D107	26-1267440	AZ	Canada Del Oro	N	N	N	Last 990 - 2013 / tsuwyn@hotmail.com
D110	86-1024132	AZ	White Mountains	Y	Y	Y	
D111	36-3399682	UT	St. George	Y	N	Y	
D113	20-2435650	AZ	Sedona	Y	N	Y	
D116	20-2655520	CA	Brea	Y	Y	Y	
D117	04-3678668	CA	LaJolla	Y1	N	Y	
D119	86-1156492	AZ	Casa Grande	Y1	N	N	
D120	91-2027844	CA	Laguna Hills	Y	N	N	
D122	46-1234956	CA	Temecula	Y	N	N	
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N = REQUIRED FILINGS NOT COMPLETED AT 9-13-2015							



Southwestern Division 1
Brent Anderson, DVP

It's an honor to be a Division VP and to have the opportunity to communicate with the chapters, listen to what they need, to sympathize, as we all seem to have the same problems, and on occasion, where appropriate, then add a few suggestions that might help to move them farther along in their missions and help in overcoming their obstacles... My goal is to get my chapters more involved in district events. I only had six chapters who competed in the spring and although all six qualified for the FWD contest, I'd like to have several more participating in the fun of competition and convention. Although that's my stated goal, my efforts in this last few months have been to stabilize a few of my chapters who are in trouble. I have mixed results to report.

On the positive side, thanks to several stalwarts in the Bakersfield area, we are trying to revive the **Bakersfield Golden Empire Chorus** and are doing this with a benefit show, not to raise money but to raise interest in a "new" a cappella chorus in the greater Bakersfield area. One thought was to let the current chapter fail and start a new one but I decided to try to revive the current chapter. I don't know if that was the right decision. By the time of our HOD meeting we'll have a report on the relative success of this effort.

Rincon Beach (Pacific Sound Chorus) is providing the talent, along with our current FWD quartet champs, **American Pastime Quartet**, for a show in Bakersfield on Sept, 27th. The Bakersfield chapter is attempting to distribute "free," \$25 tickets to men who are interested in forming a new choral group, and in the three Thursdays following the show, we hope to have formational meetings to create the nucleus of the new chapter. We are looking for a new board, new musical leadership, new energy, while retaining a few of the stalwarts and hopefully some other former leaders who will come back to sing, based on the new energy. We'll see how it works. If it works well, it could be a template for reviving ailing chapters all across the Society.

Sadly, it looks like **Santa Barbara** chapter is going to fold up its tent. Their last performance will be Sept. 28th, and the 8-10 guys who have been attending have realized their hearts are just not in changing things around. I've paid visits there, spoken with the leadership and there's no desire for a merger as they don't want to drive the 35 miles or so to Ventura or 60 miles to Santa Maria. So perhaps, we try to form an entirely new chapter there sometime in the near future? What we do with the charter remains to be seen.

As an aside, **Bob Wilke**, my 86 year old personal hero and the founder of Santa Barbara chapter 59 years ago, has recently suffered hearing losses that prevent him from accurately singing. Those of you who know Bob, understand how sad this makes him. His energy and enthusiasm has been the main aorta of energy for this chapter for all those 59 years.

South Bay is doing well - 35 fun guys under the direction of **Pete Neushul**, 6 quartets and growing slightly with some younger singers. They are preparing for Holiday shows with Westminster Chorus.

Another chapter with grit is **San Fernando Valley**. I recently attended the SFV Ice Cream Social which was well-attended and featured a dozen different quartet and entertainment groups. **Tom Raffety** has re-taken the directing reins there. They are one of the few chapters in my Division that are planning shows into 2016 and 2017 already, which is why they have been leading the charge for firming up the dates of FWD division contests going forward.

Santa Monica remains strong, as does of course, **Santa Fe Springs**. The musical leadership of **Justin Miller** is totally inspiring and the organization of the chapter, under president **Ron Andreas**, is phenomenal. Several members of MOH are helpful with other SW Division chapters. Thanks to MOH members, **Bill Rosica** and **Rich Owen** who are helping mightily with the Bakersfield effort. **Steve Katz** is helping teach presentation to several chapters in the FWD. I can tell you from personal experience that he's doing a wonderful job with **Rincon Beach**, sharing what he's learned from his many championship years with MOH, and our contest set will reflect many of his good ideas. Rincon just finished three very successful, sold-out, standing-ovation shows over a two weekend period in Santa Barbara and also Ventura. They are doing well, still recruiting youth and singing at a very high level under the direction of **Kelly Shepard**.

Santa Maria has had a Youth Festival for the past several years and is making inroads with local HS and Jr. HS music educators. They have formed an Honors Chorus of youths and entered them in the 2016 Mid-Winter festival. This chorus is directed by a local HS music teacher who has friends in **Westminster**. **The Central City Chordsmen** under the joint direction of **Bob Carlson** and **Gene Kai**, have an Ice Cream Social coming up on Sept. 27th that I'm sure will be successful.

Santa Clarita has a new musical director. **Ray Johnson** of the MOH is waiving his arms and getting good response. **John Minsker** in **Pasadena** is still having fun with his small band of erstwhile singers. He gets a lot out of a few and is always positive and happy...a great trait among successful directors. **Jim Browne** directs the **Ventura Clippers Chorus** and needs bass singers. **Larry Nixon** of **Conejo Valley Chapter** reports success and his quartet was one who entertained at the SFV Ice Cream Social. Nice to see **Neil Pennywitt**, recovering from serious illness, up and singing in his quartet at that same Social. Stay tuned...

Brent



Craig Hughes, Division 2 Vice President (Southeast)

We have been busy in the **Southeast Division** since your House of Delegates Meeting in March.

Our **2015 Division Convention** in Santa Monica was amazing. Thank you to the **Masters of Harmony** (Host Chapter), **Bill Rosica & Doug Price** (Event Co-Chairmen), **Ron Black** (VP Contest & Judging), and **Russ Young & Nick Papageorge** (Backstage Magicians).

The Southeast had eight Choruses compete and all qualified for District Competition in Mesa, Arizona. La Jolla's **Pacific Coast Harmony** is our 2015 Division Chorus and Plateau AAA Champion. South Orange County's **South County Sound** is Plateau AA Champion. Inland Empire's **Inland Sound** is Plateau A Champion. Fullerton's **Orange Empire Chorus** is Most Improved.

The Southeast had twelve Quartets compete and six qualified for District. Las Vegas's **Harmony Lane** is our Division Quartet Champion. **Harmony Lane** is a family affair with **Dallas Halvorson** on Tenor, his dad **Larry** on Lead, Uncle **Jim** on Bari and longtime friend **Buzz Bossard** on Bass.

The **2015 International Convention** in Pittsburg was filled with successful Southeast Division representatives.

The Westminster Chorus is **International Champion!** They scored an amazing 97.5% - the second highest ever (*they scored 97.7% in 2010*) - and represent all that is good in Barbershop. They are true champions.

We had four Division Quartets compete at International. **North of the Border** is brand spanking new and finished in the top 35 on their first time out. 2014 Division Champion **McPhly** (2014) and 2013 Division Champion **The Newfangled Four** finished in the top 15. 2009 Division Champion **The Crush** finished in the top 10.

Let's take a look at our Division membership data through August.

DIV2	08/31 2013	08/31 2014	08/31 2015		New 2014	New 2015		OD 0-30	2015 Duals	2015 Death		2013 NR	2014 NR	2015 NR
D015 Hemet (CA)	18	18	18		1	1		0	0	0		(1)	(2)	(1)
D019 Inland Empire (CA)	43	37	51		0	1		0	18	0		(13)	(6)	(4)
D023 San Diego (CA)	34	35	30		3	1		1	1	(1)		(5)	(3)	(6)
D037 South Orange County (50	52	42		5	2		2	0	0		(10)	(7)	(9)
D041 Palomar Pacific (CA)	44	42	31		4	1		1	1	(2)		(19)	(12)	(6)
D055 Orange (Qtet) (CA)	44	40	34		0	0		2	0	0		(6)	(4)	(6)
D056 Fullerton (CA)	85	80	80		2	4		1	1	(2)		(10)	(7)	(7)
D074 Westminster (CA)	82	73	85		8	12		2	0	0		(18)	(13)	(8)
D075 Las Vegas (NV)	85	81	79		8	4		0	2	0		(19)	(16)	(10)
D086 El Cajon (CA)	17	26	23		2	0		0	0	0		(5)	(4)	(3)
D087 Coachella Valley (CA)	43	43	44		5	5		0	3	0		(15)	(13)	(4)
D095 Apple Valley (CA)	21	18	15		2	1		1	1	0		(2)	(7)	(4)
D111 St George (UT)	29	28	25		5	0		0	1	0		(8)	(13)	(4)
D116 Brea (CA)	44	42	39		2	3		0	0	0		(10)	(6)	(4)
D117 LaJolla (CA)	41	38	34		2	1		1	1	0		(8)	(8)	(5)
D120 Laguna Hills (CA)	11	10	11		1	0		0	0	0		(2)	0	0
D122 Temecula (CA)	15	21	34		4	3		1	14	(1)		(6)	(4)	(4)
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The Southeast Division membership is up over the past 3 months with a total substantially higher than any of the past three year end totals. We do have 45 men who are past due and may need a phone call from the Chapter Secretary to get them to renew.

Special recognition to the **Temecula Chapter**. They have added 20 men in the past 3 months and returned to the contest stage after a 10 year absence. The combination of an enthusiastic leadership team, outstanding director, and a nice age spread across the membership has paid off and they are only getting started.

These numbers are a snap shot and don't tell the whole story. All our Chapters are unique with exceptional members working to make them the best at their chosen goals. That is a key. Chapters must identify who they are and what their members want them to be. This is an ongoing task and is at the core of member satisfaction. In some cases the growing chapters are pulling members from their neighboring chapters. That is not necessarily bad as long as the members are happy and finding *their* home in the Society. It may be an indication of matching the goals with the members' needs. There is no right answer. Our chapters run the gamut from Social to Competitive with most somewhere in the middle. The importance is recognizing where your chapter fits and being the best at your chosen mission.

The Far Western District is hosting your **Leadership Academy** and **Harmony College West** in Las Vegas – January 8th to 10th. There is additional info on the District Website and on the flyer in this brochure. The **Leadership Academy** will focus on identifying your Chapter mission and goals and then achieving them. We will teach the basics for the Chapter Officers but want to help your “Barbershop Franchise” prosper in 2016. The **Harmony College West** will provide the best in music and vocal training. It will be an outstanding weekend. Please attend if at all possible.

Mark your calendars for the **International Midwinter Convention** in Reno – January 26th to 31st. It will feature the **Youth Choral Festival** and the **Senior Quartet Contest**. Many think this is the best event of the year and it's "local".

Our **Spring Convention – Division Contest – International Quartet Prelims** is scheduled for March 17th to 20th. The location will be announced at this House of Delegates Meeting.

It has been my pleasure to serve the Southeast Division for the past 4 years. I am moving on to other responsibilities in the District and will always be loyal to the Southeast. I have learned much from "my" chapters and look forward to applying that in my new role. Chapters need a "spark plug" to ignite and accelerate. Like internal combustion engines, more plugs and sparks mean more power. Think V4 vs V6. I had an old 4 cylinder Porsche in the 70's and my wife pushed it all over Germany so I could jump start it. (*I know that says something about our relationship but we are still married 40 years later.*) You can provide some of that additional power and reliability to your chapter. Come prepared to rehearsal and then look for something you can contribute to the good of the Chapter. This is a volunteer hobby that needs all hands on deck. My promise to you is that I will continue to find ways to help our chapters grow and prosper and communicate those ideas on an ongoing basis.

Oh . . . and invite someone to your next rehearsal. They will thank you for it. And **thank you** for your support of the Division. We are the best of the best.

In Harmony,

Craig Hughes, VP for Southeast Division

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Charles Feltman (FWD Division 3 VP)

This year to date I have physically met with all but three of my Division Chapters. I have also been in contact with members of the others by telephone. On that basis I have both specific and general findings:

I have been evaluating Chapter health around five issues:
These are Aging, Directorship, Chapter Officers, Numbers, and Cost.
Different issues adversely or positively affect different Chapters.
My focus here is what we can learn from where these issues arise.
And as a result we can apply what we learn to all FWD Chapters.

Increasing average age is a negative effect on most of my Chapters.
This relates to who gets recruited, how this happens, and longevity.
Useful age examples are Eureka, Walnut Creek, and Fremont-Hayward.
Available quality Music Directors are the second Chapter health issue.
Useful examples here are Santa Rosa, PA-MV, and the three above.
Finding Chapter Officers is a problem for all the smaller Chapters.
My San Francisco Chapter is regrettably the best example here.
Smaller member Numbers affect finding Chapter Officers.
This alone may argue for some Chapter mergers.
Numbers and Cost affect almost every Chapter.

Eureka makes strong efforts to expose Barbershop to Cal State Humboldt.
But most graduating students leave the area due to the poor local economy.
So Cal State Humboldt young membership retention is almost impossible.
The Eureka Chapter also has two local community performances every year.
However the locally aging Eureka area population offers few young singers.
More critically they have no replacement for their aging Music Director.

Walnut Creek is doing a better job than most Chapters for several reasons.
The improving economy offers more local younger men with time to sing.
Their Music Director is a professional musician with long Barbershop chops.
They lost a few old members, but average age is decreasing as numbers increase.
They had an "every week whom did you recruit" to keep a focus on membership.
And their successful Show this month clearly energized their current membership.

Fremont-Hayward has a member numbers crisis but taking steps on this.
Their Music Director is keeping music simple and focusing on teaching skills.
This teaching attracted new singers and drove away one disruptive member.
Musical skill teaching may save this at-risk Chapter as average age decreases.
I really like what Demaster Survine is trying to do and support him as best I can.
So I have visited this Chapter when I can to sing whatever non-Bass part is needed.
Monterey Chapter has finessed the membership problem with female integration.
They are clearly having fun (I went to their last Show and will go again in November).

Their gender integration may not be common but it could very well be the BHS future.

Santa Rosa and PA-MV Chapters both had recent changes in their Music Director. For PA-MV this transition was smooth as a local VIH Barbershopper took the job. But Santa Rosa had two Music Director changes as the first one did not work out. Probably as a result many members on their books have overdue registrations. I am therefore unsure how many "overdue" will return to the Santa Rosa chorus. Fortunately those remaining appear to be happy with their recent second choice. He has significant prior a cappella choral experience although none in Barbershop.

San Francisco had a successful Chapter Show but immediately lost two members. One member has a financial issue; The other disliked commuting to SF (I hate it too). Fortunately neither was on the Board but one was my current Assistant Director. I have discussed the issue of membership cost with many members in several choruses. Insufficient funds for membership is the primary cost level but it goes beyond that. For Eureka the distance to any Convention is too big a financial hit to participate. There is of course two nights in a hotel plus a lot of gas in addition to registration. Walnut Creek elected to pass on the District Convention despite qualifying again in 2015. Cost was the reason for their low 2014 participation numbers and why they passed on 2015. PA-MV and Bay Area will both be there so cost has not deterred anybody in Silicon Valley. Will SoCal participation drop off due to the cost when the District Convention is up north.

The bottom line I take from this review is that both luck and planning are needed for success.

The luck factor is both geographic and economic, things over which we have little control. Chapter Planning however is under our control, so based on what I have seen and heard:

1) Chapter Members need to understand that they eventually need to do more than just sing.

2) Smaller Chapters with no strong recruitment plans cannot survive with only walk-ons.

3) The right Music Director can make or break any Chapter so always prepare a successor.

4) If there were both a North and South FWD we could dispense with Division Conventions.

This would require a second set of administrators but would we have more District attendance?

Yours In Harmony,

Charles Feltman (FWD Division 3 VP)



Division 4 Northeast Richard Lund_

Northeast Division report this year is an eclectic summation of numerous events and happenings around the Division that appear to be a Wonderful manifestation of very real advances of Barbershop here in the NE.

Gotta start with the truly spectacular week spent in Nashville by Voices of California with 53 guys attending Harmony University as a full chorus. With truly wonderful coaching by Kevin Keller, Gary Plaag, Marty Lovic and Bill Stauffer, the chorus achieved significant progress in their singing and overall sound. The experience of Harmony University was brand new for a large fraction of the chorus thereby opening a whole new world of barbershop to a lot of guys.

An example of the pure joy of singing is apparent on the Live Wire edition of August 28 showing the Honors Chorus at HU singing Sold to the audience of 800 barbershoppers who jumped to their feet in approbation. VoCal had some 13 of the 60 singers in that chorus; and that meant a total of about seven hours each day on the risers for those 13. A testament to their commitment to our hobby!

The Reno Silver Dollar Chorus, in collaboration with Kiwanis, presented their annual summer show featuring entertainers David John and the Comstock Cowboys and Rockapella. The Silver dollar chorus included the audience favorite Calypso. The show was a fundraising endeavor for the Jessica Ann Faber Foundation and early indications are the show was a rousing success both in terms of raising funds and entertaining the full-house audience.

Congratulations to David Queen also of Reno for a spectacularly successful High Sierra Harmony Brigade, with almost a hundred guys participating. Brigade is a very special kind of barbershop that is targeted for the guy who really wants more in the way of "extreme quarteting". A special activity is singing at Reno high schools Friday morning, promoting both a Capella singing and Harmony Camp. Fifty guys came a day early, allowing Brigade to split into two groups thereby covering seven schools in the Reno area. And speaking of Reno, Remember!! The Midwinter International Convention will be held in Reno in January at the Peppermill Casino January 26-31, 2016. This is a Very Big Deal; and one that you simply cannot miss! My gosh! Midwinter this close! You simply must attend; I am hearing of many Far Western District Youth Choruses in formation for Midwinter.

Let's mention a couple of small chapters. Placerville is a small chapter with a very successful new director in the form of Elizabeth Dyer. The Gold Rush Chorus is singing better than ever under her challenging and encouraging style; and they have improved their Division scores hugely. Congratulations, GRC and Elizabeth.

Chico has reformed after taking August off and is welcoming a new young director. This "model" of finding young men recently out of college with a brand new music degree is Working! These young men are anxious to get experience with directing; and there is no

better opportunity than a small barbershop chorus to accomplish this goal. And the quality of directing is often superb. Chico is currently looking at a young man who is working on his teaching credential at Chico State. We are welcoming him to Harmony Camp this year to learn from the (Masters). That chapter is being pulled up by their bootstraps with the capable hands of Gordon Bergthold. Best of luck to Chico; I know you Will Do Well!

Another small chapter, but this time in the NW Division, who has followed this model is Santa Rosa. They have just found Dan Holle, another recent college music grad who has joined the Redwood Chordsmen as their new director. I am inspired to continue the model of young would be directors in smaller chapters which I believe has great potential and am committed to working with Royce to provide on-going training for these young people.

Speaking of small chapter issues and concerns, we here in the NE Division are planning on having a mini leadership academy for those chapters (targeting small chapters) who find that they simply cannot make the trip to Las Vegas for the Big Leadership Academy, January 8-10. Our mini LA will not be "full blown"; it is planned to have classes for only the critical offices: president, secretary and treasurer. We are targeting December 12 and have space reserved in Sacramento. Contact Richard Lund rwlund92@gmail.com.

Congratulations to Marc Jantzen and the Golden Valley Chorus for a very successful Youth Festival held on August 29. Gabe Caretto was their main clinician along with Dynamix as their teaching quartet and a wonderful turnout of 75 boys! Well Done, Marc and GVC!

Speaking of youth, Adam Kitt and the Fresno chapter are putting together an a capella youth chorus. They are working to enhance the opportunities for young folks in the Fresno area to sing! Best of Luck to you, Adam!

Finally, the FWD Youth Harmony Camp is on track for September 18-20 NOT to get smoked out this year. We have After Hours, 8th place International quartet, along with Gabe Caretto, Ron Black, Jim Halvorson and Don Rose as our clinicians. We are really looking forward to a wonderful camp this year. We had 101 boys registered last year, and hope to do even better than that this year. With our usual fifty volunteers, camp is always a real blast for the boys and the guys. We invite Music Educators to attend all or any portion of Camp as guests of the District and this year we already have four ME who have said they will be joining us.

With all these examples of young men and youth efforts, it certainly feels like the youth movement, or whatever you want to call it, is suddenly exploding here in Northern California. That is a wonderful thing to happen and portends great things for the future of our hobby.

We continue to work on ways to expand our membership and realize that each chapter and geographical area must work on membership issues in ways that work for their members. One size does not fit all, and one of our goals is to work with each chapter to identify what works for them and their area. I am in the process of setting up a brief monthly newsletter for the NE Division, the purpose of which is to communicate with each member.

In Harmony,

Richard Lund



Division 5 Arizona John Bloomquist

With the International Convention in Pittsburgh over, the Far Western District again came away with our heads held very high. Congratulations to our brothers, THE Westminster Chorus for your outstanding performance. I was proud to see you so well rewarded. Also showing well for the FWD were Voices in Harmony. Congratulations as well to our FWD quartet representatives, in particular, The Crush and Artistic License for your top 10 performances. Additionally, I want to recognize Mc Fly, The Newfangled Four, American Pastime, Flightline and North Of The Boarder for their exceptional efforts. Speaking of Flightline, they along with Brannigan and Makeshift (one member from AZ Div...thanks RJ) were awesome in the College Quartet Contest. Way to go everyone.

The FWD Fall Convention will be held here in Mesa AZ once again, and things are really "heating up" so to speak. At this writing, the HQ Hotel has sold out of our room block. There are 3 other hotels on the list, if you haven't done so, be sure to get your reservations in soon. Also, since our last convention here in 2013, the light rail project has been completed to downtown Mesa. This means you can catch it at Sky Harbor Airport and end up just up the street from the HQ Hotel and it also passes one of the overflow hotels. This will allow you to save some cab fare as well as you get to see some awesome sights along the way for under \$4. Such a deal

The annual Fred Koch Memorial BASH is set for the weekend of Aug 14-16. This event continues to be an awesome weekend of barbershop fellowship.

Please take a long look at EVP Bergthold's message in this issue. He has hit on some points that ring true for all of us, in particularly here in the AZ Div. Communication is THE most vital element of any organization. If the information is withheld or not clearly passed on, problems will develop. There have been a couple of situations where that is true. I want to thank the leadership of the White Mountains Chapter for their thoughtful efforts and constant communication to its members. They were on the verge of folding as a Chapter which would be terrible for the Div and the White Mountain area in general. With calm heads, clear minds, and a constant flow of positive energy, they voted recently and defeated the motion with a resounding no vote. Well done gentlemen. I wish every Chapter could take a lesson from them. We are a fraternity that thrives on our good will. Problems which seem monumental are generally small things that seem big without proper communication.

Finally, I announced in the last Westunes that Frank Ortega has resigned as AZ Division 5 Westunes Editor. I have sent a request to all of the AZ Div. Chapter contact people to check with their membership to see if anyone was willing to step up to fill this important position. Now I know that Frank has pretty big shoes to fill, but I am sure that SOMEONE can do it. Please let either myself or Ray Rhymer know if you have an interested party. If you are wondering how this is going, take a look at the Chapter comments later in this issue.

As always, membership is consistently on the front burner. How many **Man Of Note** awards will YOU get for the year? Do it because you love singing and really just want to share the joy with as many men as possible! Simply ask, “where do you do your singing”? You will be surprised.

As I said before, it is GREAT to be part of this awesome Division!!!

John Bloomquist

AZ Div. VP



Contest & Judging VP Ron Black

FWD C&J VP - Report to 2015 Fall FWD Board-HOD, October 16, 2015 – Mesa AZ

As in previous Fall reports, added here are the "stats" from the 2015 Spring Divisions, as well as the 2014 Fall information. The numbers are always interesting, and are reasonably consistent, showing that our quartets and choruses continue to participate every year in about the same numbers. FWD is fortunate in this aspect.

2015 Spring does show a bit lower than 2014 in numbers. Chorus "number of men" varies by choruses sometimes choosing to "sit out" one year. Numbers of quartets drift a bit, oddly because we see quartets "break up and reform" in cycles. Go figure!

In the column Intl. Qualifiers, for the Spring Totals this indicates the number of quartets qualifying for the International Contest in the summer, and for the Fall Totals this indicates the number of Senior Quartets qualifying for the next Senior International.

Again, for some reason, the Total Quartets * 4 = the Total Quartet Men.

	Total	Total		Total	Total		Intl.		Super	
	Choruses	Ch Men	Avg Pts	Qt Men	Quartets	Avg Pts	Qualifiers	Senior	Senior	College
							(Fall Sr.)			
SPRING TOTALS										
2015	32	866	67.3	204	51	66.7	7	12	3	3
2014	33	896	65.1	228	57	66.7	7	10	2	2
2013	31	931	65.1	224	56	67.3	4	12	1	5
2012	35	985	63.9	256	64	64.1	6	19	4	4
2011	30	705	64.7	248	62	63.9	4	22	6	1
2010	29	897	66.6	240	60	66.0	4	14	4	2
FALL TOTALS										
2014	20	597	69.9	96	24	67.9	2	7	n/ap	n/ap
2013	24	804	67.8	84	21	64.8	1	7	n/ap	n/ap
2012	20	659	69.1	72	18	70.6	2	1	n/ap	n/ap
2011	19	632	68.3	80	20	67.1	2	6	n/ap	n/ap
2010	20	739	68.0	80	20	68.2	3	6	n/ap	n/ap
n/ap = not applicable										

We have 15.7% of all Certified Judges here in the FWD, 24 of the 152 total

5 Contest Administrators

8 Music Judges

3 Presentation Judges and 1 Presentation Candidate

8 Singing Judges

Respectfully submitted

Ron Black, FWD VP for Contest and Judging



Nick Papageorge VP
Music & Performance

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ALL FAR WESTERN DISTRICT CHAPTERS!
HARMONY COLLEGE WEST & LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
ATTENTION ALL! - MASTERPIECE TO BE GUEST QUARTET AT HCWEST.

AGAIN THIS YEAR! Harmony College West will be combining with the FWD Leadership Academy. It will be held at the Sunset Station Hotel and Casino in beautiful Las Vegas, Nevada, January 8 - 10, 2016.

But first I must address an issue that may interfere your Chapter's love of making music, and performing. Unfortunately, many of our Chapters are delinquent in filing the required forms with the IRS and their respective States that allow them to remain a non-profit organization. (In all fairness, they may not have posted the filing on EBiz. That must be done as well so that the Society and District can confirm it has been completed) I'm sure that my fellow Board members will also be addressing this frightening state of our great District. If you don't know about your Chapter's filing, ask your Secretary or Treasurer; or even better, ask them if they need help with it. There are videos on the Society web site that show exactly how to take care of this vital issue. But I assure you, it's easy. I looked at the forms, and even I can fill them out. They are the EZ forms for most of our Chapters. Enough said. I hope you all take care of this, because if you don't, you may not be singing.

Each year I encourage as many of your chapter members to attend Harmony College West. It will be held at the same time and place that your Chapter Officers attend their Leadership Academy. Imagine the knowledge and work that chapter members, their chapter officers, and their chapter quartets can collaborate on during a weekend retreat of learning and strategic planning/goal setting. Not to mention the Barbershop Experience, i.e., singing, ringing chords, and just plain FUN!

HCWest will offer classes in barbershop basics such as arranging, vocal techniques, sight-reading, and more. There will also be an emphasis on Chorus Director training at all levels. Royce Ferguson and I are planning exciting, new opportunities for all of our directors (or those barbershoppers who may want to find out how to direct). We have many chapters in our District that need directors, so we are making a concerted effort to train exciting and vibrant new directors. Please, SEND YOUR DIRECTOR! More information will be available this month!

Are you aware of the "Best Seat In The House" program? For a donation to the Harmony Foundation, you can participate in the judging of a contest! It would be an eye & ear-opening experience for you. You would actually judge the quartets or choruses, and be in on the judges' discussions Very cool indeed! Check out the details at bestseat.org

Many of our choruses are gearing up for a Holiday Show or an Annual Show. Remember that your chorus can engage in the “Standing Ovation Program.” This program is set up to have a qualified District coach attend your show and give your chapter constructive feedback to make your subsequent shows even better!

Lastly, PLEASE SUPPORT the Far Western DISTRICT CONTEST in Mesa! Many of you will be competing and the rest of us will be having a blast listening and watching you!

Have a musically rewarding Fall!

Nick Papageorge



Events Chairman Bryan Forbes

FWD Events Chair – Report to the 2015 Fall FWD Board-HOD, October 16, 2015 – Mesa, AZ

At the June 2015 Board meeting I presented a recommendation to the Board to transfer the responsibility of securing venues and hotels for FWD Fall Conventions from host chapters to the Events Chair. A draft rotation schedule was also presented indicating the proposed cities. The primary purpose of this recommendation was to allow for long range planning for FWD Fall Conventions & Contests. The Board approved the recommendation. This report provides an update to the FWD Board regarding the proposed city rotation and selected venues over the next ten years.

The first objective was to secure the venue and headquarters hotel for the 2016 Fall Convention, which was targeted for San Jose, and then complete the balance of the ten-year rotation. Two issues immediately surfaced for San Jose. First, another entity had secured a reservation for the City National Civic Theater. Based on further inquiries, I learned that the reservation did not include a deposit and, as a consequence, we could place a “second hold” on the theater and initiate a 72-hour challenge. While working through that process I requested proposals through the San Jose Visitor’s Bureau from the surrounding hotels. The proposed room rate quotations presented the second issue. The \$169/night rate was, in my opinion, significantly above an acceptable price point.

Moving to Plan B for 2016, I requested assistance through the Riverside Visitor’s Bureau and confirmed that the Fox Performing Arts Center was available as was the newly constructed Convention Center. We would also have access to the City’s Auditorium (one block from the Fox Theater). Room rate quotations from the Marriott came in at \$109/night, within an acceptable range for an FWD Convention. Based on that information, reservations are in place for the 2016 Fall Convention to be held in Riverside, CA. I am still communicating with the Visitor’s Bureau regarding the Convention Center and what it can provide.

With 2016 locked down, I began requesting and receiving reservation confirmations for the balance of the proposed rotation. As discussed in June, the Board preferred to have Bakersfield in the rotation every three years and Mesa, AZ every five years. This suggested rotation would result in both venues hitting the rotation in the same year since the 2015 convention is in Mesa, AZ. Thus, some minor modifications to the rotation schedule were necessary to achieve a workable schedule.

I’m pleased to report that as of the submission of this report, theaters have been secured and reserved for nine of the ten years in the proposed rotation schedule. The single hold-out is the Mesa Arts Center – Ikeda Theater because their reservation policy does not allow for a hold on the theater this far in advance of the event. All other venues are reserved and the contracting process is ready to move forward should the Board approve these recommendations.

The following table identifies the dates of the FWD Fall Conventions from 2015 through 2024, theater need dates, location, venues and reservation status.

Table No. 1 – FWD Fall Conventions
(Proposed Rotation Schedule & Reservation Status)

Convention Date	Venue Date	City	Venue	Reserve Status	Contract Status
Oct. 15-18, 2015	Oct. 16-17, 2015	Mesa, AZ	Mesa Arts Center - Ikeda Theater	Reserved	Executed
Oct. 13-16, 2016	Oct. 14-15, 2016	Riverside, CA	Fox Performing Arts Center	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 19-22, 2017	Oct. 20-21, 2017	Bakersfield, CA	Rabobank Convention Center	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 11-14, 2018	Oct. 12-13, 2018	Fresno, CA	William Saroyan Theater	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 10-13, 2019	Oct. 11-12, 2019	Sacramento, CA	Sacramento Memorial Auditorium	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 08-11, 2020	Oct. 09-10, 2020	Bakersfield, CA	Rabobank Convention Center	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 14-17, 2021	Oct. 15-16, 2021	Mesa, AZ	Mesa Arts Center - Ikeda Theater	Contacted	Call in 2017
Oct. 13-16, 2022	Oct. 14-15, 2022	Fresno, CA	William Saroyan Theater	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 12-15, 2023	Oct. 13-14, 2023	Bakersfield, CA	Rabobank Convention Center	Reserved	In Process
Oct. 17-20, 2024	Oct. 18-19, 2024	Sacramento, CA	Sacramento Memorial Auditorium	Reserved	In Process

In addition to the above, I am working through the respective Visitor's Bureau's to ensure the following:

1. Venues are contracted using non-profit 501(c)(3) rates.
2. Hotel rates are commissioned¹
3. Access to all City-owned property connected with the respective convention centers and theaters.
4. Access to historical hotel room count data.

Action Requested: Approve the proposed rotation schedule so the FWD Event Chair can move forward with the contracting process.

With the approval of this recommendation, I will secure contracts with the various entities and make certain that room needs are met, rates are appropriate, contract language is acceptable, milestone dates are defined regarding rates and cancellation, just to name a few of the more important aspects of these contracts. In addition, I will turn my team loose on preparing a "Convention Booklet" that contains all of the necessary graphics and information sheets for each of the selected city's theater and headquarters hotel. These documents can then be housed on the FWD website such that host chapters can download them and make them part of the communication to competing chapters and quartets.

In my June Report to the Board, I also suggested that the development of a one-page timeline of the Committee Tasks described in the current Fall Convention Manual might assist chapters with managing the myriad tasks they face in hosting a convention. After a couple of drafts, it became clear that the number of committees and tasks, combined with the length of the timeline (as currently described in the manual) would not be printable on a single 8-½ x 11 sheet. As a consequence, I organized the committees into two distinct groups, those that are **Contest-Related** and those that are **Convention-Related**. For example, Auditorium "House" and Auditorium "Stage" are clearly related to the contest

¹ A commissioned hotel rate provides for a rebate back to the FWD, generally in the range of \$10/room/night, which results in additional revenue to the convention in the range of \$6,000 to \$9,000.

while “Meetings” and “Housing” are more related to the overall Convention. With this separation, I was able to prepare two one-page timelines. Drafts of these timelines follow at the end of this report.

Key observations emerge from completing this exercise and are summed up in the following bullet points:

1. Many tasks described in the various committees are no longer applicable and/or need some degree of modification.
2. The commencement dates of various committee tasks are no longer valid now that the venues and hotels are secured by the FWD Events Chair.
3. Based on the gaps in the timeline, it appears that preparations by host chapters can be completed in a 6-month window prior to the Fall Convention.

Recommendation: Begin updating and re-drafting the Fall Convention Manual. Suggest separating the manual in two volumes: One volume for District responsibilities and the other for Host Chapter responsibilities.



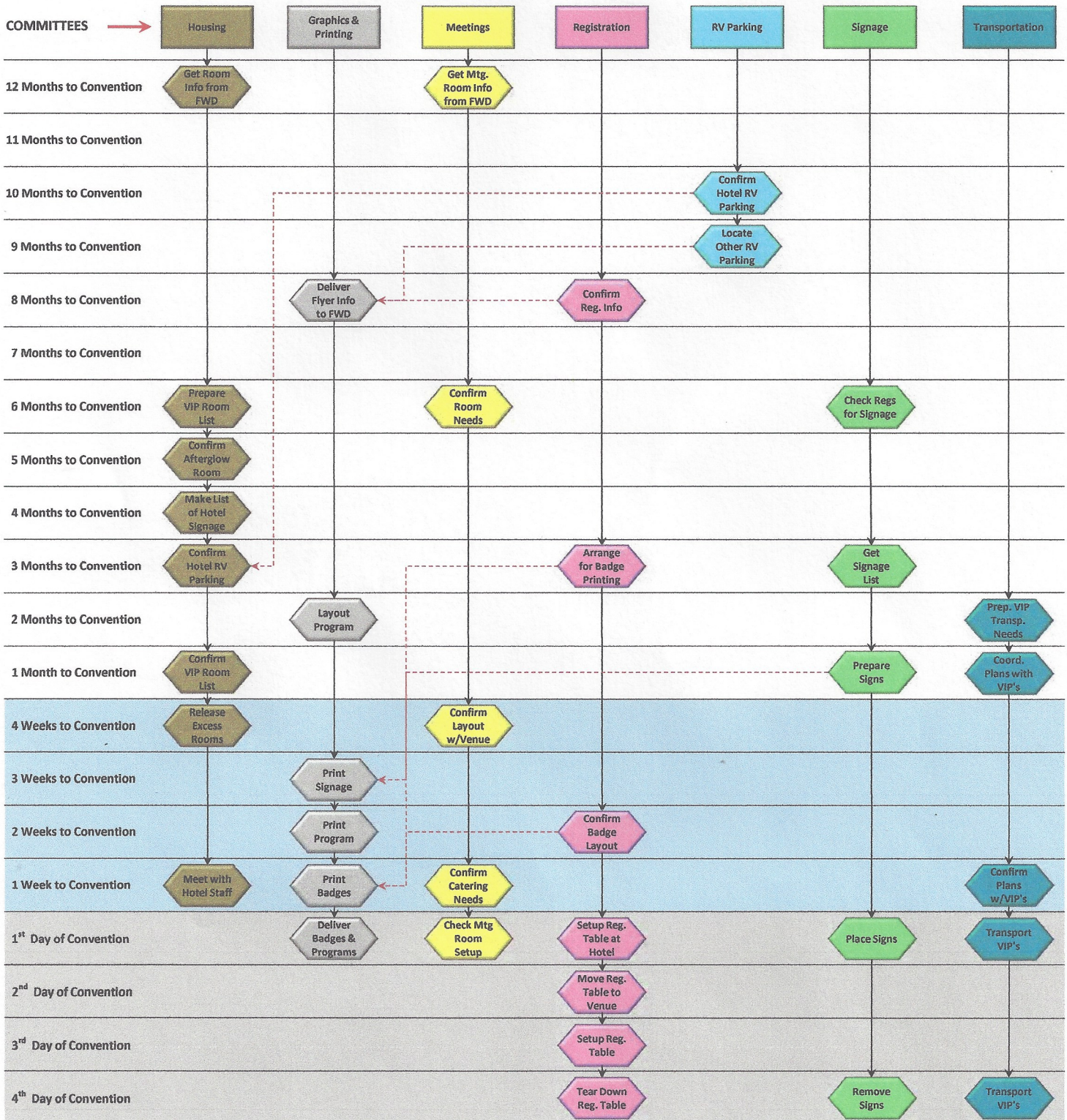
FWD Fall Convention & Contest

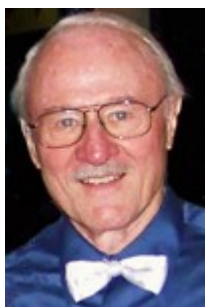
(Timeline of *Contest-Related* Committee Tasks)



FWD FALL CONVENTION & CONTEST

(Timeline of *Convention-Related* Committee Tasks)





Jerry McElfresh, Chair - Marketing and Public Relations (M&PR)

Marketing and PR continues working to improve communication within our District and with our fans, Barbershoppers in other Districts and the public.

With that goal in mind, District Webmaster David Melville and I, with support of District President Allan Webb and Executive VP Gordon Bergthold, have begun work on a monthly email-based **Westags** designed to get the word out on matters of interest and importance to our members.

It provides monthly reports on FWD Division and District events. They'll include a number of brief items, a calendar of events and occasional comments from District officers. Examples include reports on upcoming Harmony Camps, Leadership Academies, District conventions and Division programs such as this summer's Arizona Barbershop Bash.

We have contracted for a **Webcast of the Fall convention**. Due to our ability to notify our members about the availability of the Webcast we should at least break even on the cost. The goal is to let those who cannot attend the convention to see the fine performances of our quartets and choruses and, through archiving, allow those who attend the convention to view their own performances after they've returned home. The subscription fee will be \$30, the same as last year.

Our quarterly e-zine, **Westunes**, and the **FWD Website** continue to reach a widespread audience. During the past quarter, Westunes had 8,237 views for a total of 84,030 since we began tracking it seven quarters ago. The Website had 54,594 views for the three months, totaling 558,811 in seven quarters. Those figures represent far more than our District's membership and indicate that many of us and friends and fans return to those sites frequently during a quarter for information that they find useful.

You've seen that the next combined **Harmony College West** and **Leadership Academy** is scheduled in Henderson, Nev., on Jan. 8-10. We hope your chapters will send as many representatives as you can. They'll be able to attend Leadership classes on chapter jobs including Marketing and PR, Membership, Secretary and Treasurer and others and also gain more knowledge about our musical craft through HCW classes. See more details on the FWD Website and start planning now to be there.

HARMONY COLLEGE WEST & LEADERSHIP ACADEMY



January 8 - 10, 2016

FEATURING:



Instruction for:

President - Secretary - Treasurer - Membership - Marketing
Music & Performance - Directing - Arranging
Coaching: Individual - Quartet - Chorus
Vocal Techniques & Ringing Chords

Sunset Station Hotel & Casino
Henderson (Las Vegas), Nevada

Registration (Room & Meals not included):

Early Bird - \$50 (to 10/25/15)
Standard - \$65 (10/26/15 to 12/6/15)
Last Minute - \$80 (12/7/15 to 1/8/16)

Buffet (with free players card):

Breakfast - \$6.49
Lunch - \$7.99
Dinner - \$9.99

(Other Dining Options Available)

Hotel: \$92 per night plus resort fees & tax - FWD special thru 12/7/2015
(Two Queen beds or a King bed - same price)

Online Registration - events.farwesterndistrict.org

Bring the whole Chorus for a Chapter Changing Event!



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HOD Report – Steve Salmon

Chapter Support Leadership Training

It was a year ago that I visited the District Brigade at our last fall convention.

WOW was I impressed. I remember thinking here are the leaders of our chapters. Thank You to all the Brigade participants, and thank you for your extra effort to show your love for our hobby. If you have any question what a leader is stop by and observe the brigade.

Now if your chapter needs support or training then we will see you at the Harmony College West and Leadership Academy. Come and learn from the best in our District, as well as each other.

If you need a better Director, better Quartets, better Chapter Members lead them to HCW/LA.

If you need to strengthen your “Bench” of future leaders in your chapter lead them to HCW/LA.

When you attend HCW/LA we don’t just cover a bunch of “Stuff”, we strive to uncover the topics you are studying. We are not just filling buckets this year, we are lighting fires. Please come and join us.

In closing I'd like to share an abridged leadership concept written by Marge Combe .

“A leader is like a Shepard. You stay behind the flock, you let the most nimble go out ahead, whereupon the others follow, not realizing that all along they are being directed from behind.

- **They encourage the leadership of others.** In small and large ways, they send others to the front to take the lead in areas where they are the strongest. They give the ‘nimble’ leaders an open runway, removing obstacles and keeping them off the rocks.
- **They focus on cohesiveness and contribution.** They ask everyone to stretch to his or her ability and to offer their best to the team. Individual interests are encouraged, but are subject to the best interests of the team.
- **They intervene only in rare cases.** They give others a lot of latitude, and allow for small stumbles as part of learning. They don’t jump in to rescue, but instead allow others to help.
- **They are the keepers of the stories.** They remind the team of their successes and their fun. They explore the vision and direction agreed to by the team.
- **They sleep with the flock.** These leaders can barely be discerned from other members of the team. They pitch in and help when the nominal leader needs their skills.

<http://blog.vernalmgmt.com/shepherd-leadership-five-ways-of-guiding-from-behind/>



Youth in Harmony Jim Halvorson

No Report



Chorus Director Development
Dr. Greg Lyne



Royce Ferguson

No Report

HOD Vote Item #1

Events Chair Bryan Forbes presented a number of compelling items for the BOD to consider at our June meeting, including a detailed analysis of the financial performance of Events over the last 15 years. As a result the BOD is recommending that the District Events team become the primary up front scheduler/budgeter and venue contract broker for all District and Division Conventions. While we will still need Host Chapters to provide the bulk of the on the ground labor around Event logistics (particularly the bodies on the actual event dates), we believe it would be in the best interest of the District to have the Events Team create a longer term rotation of venues and contract for those venues years in advance, and be the designator of Host Chapters. This fundamentally changes the process from a HOD vote driven process (which has also been an issue since we've often had to wait months until the next HOD meeting in order to actually accept a Host Chapter bid under the current process).

One of the perennial issues we've had is finding Host Chapters to bid on conventions through the existing bid process in a timely manner. We have consistently ended up having to do very late contracts and logistics, which causes innumerable problems. We have lost venues which we would normally have wanted to book, or booked so late we couldn't get the room blocks we wanted, or missed out on better pricing, etc.

The specific SOP language change is in Section 8.5, much of which references a date in 2001 (for some reason unknown to me) and a fairly convoluted process (which we don't necessarily even comply with completely today).

Section 8.5 currently reads:

8.5 AWARDING OF CONVENTIONS/CONTESTS

The awarding of International Preliminary and District Conventions and Contests follow the procedures and specifications contained in the FWD Convention Regulations. Some details regarding the awarding of conventions are provided here for information. Full details are contained in the referenced document.

8.5.1 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS BID POLICY

Bids for both International Preliminary and District Conventions and Contests shall be requested from member chapters in accordance with District practice.

The award of these conventions will be made by the District HOD with the following exceptions:

a) Starting in 2001 all district conventions will be run by the District Events Management Team. unless the HOD approves the bid of a qualifying chapter host. Chapters are encouraged to bid on the Fall Conventions on the open year (2005 and every fourth year thereafter) at least three years in advance of the Convention, and on the Spring Conventions on the open year (2004 and every fourth year thereafter) at least 3 years in advance of the convention.

b) Starting in 2001, the FWD Events Management Team will run those divisional convention for which no qualified bids for divisional Convention/Contests have been received and approved by the HOD at least one year in advance of the convention(s),
Chapters wishing to submit bids shall secure a copy of the appropriate section of the FWD Convention Regulations and the official bid form from the District Chairman of the Events Committee or Regional Chairman of Meeting and Planning Committee (DEP) of their respective area.
FWD policy regarding the bid process is described below:

Award of conventions will be made only to an incorporated chapter in good standing with the Society.

A preliminary budget must accompany bids for these contests and the bid must be in conformance with all contest and convention rules and regulations.

8.5.2 FWD DIVISIONAL CHORUS AND QUARTET CONTEST BID POLICY.

Bids for Division Chorus and Quartet Contests may be accepted from chapters within the division in conjunction with the District Chairman of the Events Committee or his assistant in accordance with FWD Convention Regulations. The awarding of these contests will be made by the District Chairman of the Events Committee.

a) Chapters desiring to submit bids for these contests may secure a copy of the appropriate section of the FWD Convention Regulations and the official bid form from the District Chairman of Events, or DEP of their area.

b) The award of this contest shall be made only to incorporated chapters in good standing.

The recommendation of the BOD is to keep the first paragraph of Section 8.5, strike the entirety of Section 8.5.1 onward, and end up with the following:

8.5 AWARDING OF CONVENTIONS/CONTESTS

The awarding of International Preliminary and District Conventions and Contests follow the procedures and specifications contained in the FWD Convention Regulations. Some details regarding the awarding of conventions are provided here for information. Full details are contained in the referenced document.

The District Events Chairman is responsible for the identification of a set of venues in multiple cities appropriate for our convention requirements, through which we can rotate on a regular basis. He is also responsible for submitting to the BOD an event budget for each event consistent with both the overall District event budget for the year, and in keeping with historical event expense norms.

Subsequent contract negotiation and execution with hotel and performance venues, consistent with the submitted budget, is also the responsibility of the District Events Chairman.

The District Events Chairman will also seek out Host Chapters for each event, who will provide the majority of the event labor leading up to and encompassing the event, as per historical practice.

All of these responsibilities are subject to the usual and customary delegation prerogatives of a committee Chairman.

Ultimate approval of submitted convention plans, budgets, contracts, and Host Chapter designees lies with the District BOD.

Please Remove and Present to the DVP

Chapter Delegate's Credential Form

House of Delegates Far Western District Fall 2015 Meeting



This will certify that the Delegate of
the _____

(Chapter Name)

Chapter [# D-_____]

is _____

(Delegate Name)

Signatures:

_____/_____

Delegate

Chapter President