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DIRECTOR HIGHLIGHTS

Thanks to those Region 13 Directors who have submitted a Bio and picture for our Region e-Blasts. If you have not submitted your Bio and a head shot, please send to me at pgmartin1@comcast.net as soon as possible for our next e-Blast.

You are all important to the members of our Region.

*Submitted by Patty Martin
Region 13 Director Coordinator*

CHORUS HISTORY

Thanks to those Choruses that have submitted their histories and a couple of pictures for the past eBlasts! It would be awesome if the rest of you could also submit your histories and pictures. You can email them to me at: sasngjs@msn.com.

I look forward to hearing from you!

*Submitted by Sharon Stockstad
Region 13 Membership Coordinator*

REGIONAL UPDATES

A few regional updates...

It's hard to believe it is already October in one of the most challenging years most of us have experienced!



Recently, SAI held Zoom calls with representatives from every region in the organization. The purpose of the call was to follow up on the announcement of the cancellation of 2021 regional contests and to answer questions or address concerns. Three members of the Region 13 Management Team participated in the call. Here are some topics they covered:

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operating budget (prior to Covid, dues made up about 43%, with International Convention being the largest source of income). Despite having cancelled international and regional competitions, the organization must continue to provide a number of basic services. Staff have been reduced and cross training is occurring to increase efficiency. Each individual member contributes \$8.33 monthly (\$100 annually) to receive the great services and benefits we enjoy. There is no plan to reduce this amount.

2021 regional contest cancellation: By now, you know we will not have an in-person contest next spring. Your Convention Team is on top of this! I'm confident they will come up with an exciting alternate plan for us. Also, our Venue Acquisition Specialist has been communicating with our wonderful contest hotels to apprise them of the situation.

Virtual Quartet Contest: SAI is currently discussing this idea, and plans are tentative at this point. Most likely quartets will submit videos of a competition-quality performance, which will be reviewed by SAI Judge Specialists using traditional criteria as well as considerations unique to video performances. Watch for more details.

2021 International Convention and Competition: It is still on, in St. Louis! As a contingency (which we REALLY hope won't be needed), SAI is planning a virtual chorus contest.

Global Open House: During the month of October, choruses are encouraged to hold one or more open house events primarily focused on attracting new members. Several choruses in our region have made plans to do this. Please check regional and international websites for more information and resources.

Virtual International Event: October 15-17, SAI will provide many events in the spirit of a real international convention. Details are on the [SAI website](#).

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
Region 13 Team Coordinator*

VIRTUAL VISUAL LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP




**Virtual
Visual Leadership
Workshop 2020**
 Nov. 6 & 7 (North America)
 Nov. 7 & 8 (Down Under)
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CONNECTING CREATIVE MINDS!
 CALLING ALL LEADERS PASSIONATE ABOUT AUTHENTICITY AND MUSICALLY DRIVEN PERFORMANCE
 Join **Erin Howden** and **Judy Pozsgay** for a jam-packed educational weekend
 Learn, recharge, share, connect and explore innovative performance improvement strategies to thrive during this time apart
 For more information and to register visit erinhowden.com

We enthusiastically invite all Visual Leaders, Choreographers, Visual Team Members, Visual/Performance Coaches, Directors/Musical Leaders interested in visual authenticity, planning and performance, and anyone interested in learning more about leadership and performance. Attendees will participate in a content-rich curriculum led by 2 of the most experienced, award-winning and sought-after coaches and educators – Erin Howden and Judy Pozsgay. The interactive classes and connection activities are designed to inspire growth and offer ideas, education and support to participating leaders. The music hasn't stopped. The rehearsals haven't stopped. And WE will not stop moving forward!

[Sample Testimonials from the first workshop:](#)

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well-spent by attending every moment of *Celebrating Creative Minds*, created and presented by Erin Howden and Judy Pozsgay. I took pages and pages of notes and have reviewed them often since the seminar. Do yourself a favor and join in the next time they present this wonderful opportunity." **Dale Syverson, Master 700 Director, Rich-Tone Chorus, SAI Judge and Faculty, Queen of Harmony (Rumors)**

"Connecting Creative Minds was a fabulous workshop, chock-full of creative ideas, personal empowerment and ideas for group motivation and actualization in creating chorus plans. Erin and Judy worked so well together to create an atmosphere of learning that valued each participant. Their planning and formatting allowed the classes to succeed in the Zoom format. If you have the chance to attend this workshop, don't hesitate. It's definitely worth your time and the really reasonable registration fee!" **Peggy Gram, Master Director, SAI Judge and Faculty, Queen of Harmony (Ginger & Jazz, Rumors)**

"I found this workshop to be an excellent interactive training session that gave me tools as a Choreographer to not only maintain contact with my chorus members but also bring excitement to our rehearsals as they continue to learn and grow during these times. Worth every penny!!" **Gretchen Holloway, Choreographer Scioto Valley Chorus, Queen of Harmony (Moxie Ladies)**

The weekend workshop will be held virtually **Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7, 2020.**

[Virtual Visual Leadership Workshop 2020](#)

*Submitted by Erin Howden & Judy Pozsgay
Virtual Visual Leadership Workshop 2020*

INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION



A reminder to all chorus Presidents/Team Leaders don't forget to have your choruses vote for the International Board of Directors. You should have received the information from SAI, if you didn't, please let me know and I will get it sent to you.

Let's have **100%** of our choruses voting!

*Submitted by Sharon Stockstad
Region 13 Membership Coordinator*



Music in the Morning

Want to sing? Of course, you want to sing...we all want to sing! What better way to start your day than warming up your voice and singing? And it all starts **Saturday, October 10 at 9:30 a.m.** Pacific Time.

Are you ready for some new **N by NW Region 13 Presents! Let's hear it for "Music in the Morning!"** Join us every **Saturday and Tuesday morning at 9:30 am Pacific Time** for vocal warm-ups. We have a great line up of directors and musical leaders who will lead us in vocal warm-ups. It is a perfect time to learn a few new tricks from someone you may not have sung for in the past. And it is quick, just 15-30 minutes.

All sessions will be on Zoom. The links are readily available on the Region's website at <https://sairegion13.org/>. Click on the link and then log in to the **Members Only** site to

Mark your calendars now for Tuesday and Saturday mornings. The next session is this ***Tuesday, October 13 at 9:30 am Pacific Time.***

I hope to see you all there!!

*Submitted by Shelly Pardis
Region 13 Education Coordinator*

ScavenGEr HUNt!

Let's have some fun learning about what's available on the **Sweet Adelines International members only** by exploring the website, <https://sweetadelines.com/>.

The first person to send the correct answers to communication@sairegion13.org will be recognized in the next eBlast and on our Facebook page.

1. In which month is the Global Open House happening?
2. What is the Diversity and Inclusion Guiding Principle?
3. What is the url address for the latest edition of the Pitch Pipe?
4. How many members does the website say we currently have?
5. Name two marketing resources available to members.

Ready, Set, Go!

*Submitted by Sandy Smith
Region 13 Communications Coordinator*



The Region 13 Management Team (RMT) is looking for women to fill a variety of jobs in our region. Some are "one and done" positions, others are short-term spots, and still others are for a two-year position.

Featured Regional Management Team Positions:

The RMT will accept applications for the following Regional Management Team positions during the month of October:

Director Coordinator
(chosen from applicants by regional directors)
Finance Coordinator
Events Coordinator
Marketing Coordinator

Members will be selected and notified by the first of the year. Terms begin May 2021 and run for two years. [Job descriptions](#) and the [application form](#) can be found in the Members section of the regional website.

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
Region 13 Team Coordinator*

Convention Communications Chair Assistant Webmaster Social Media Administrator

Please decide to get more involved in your region. If you're interested in any of the open positions, we'd like to hear from you! sairegion13.org/JoinOurTeam

Take a few moments to read the detailed [job descriptions](#) you are interested in and complete the [application form](#) today! Both documents are found on the Members Only [website](#).

*Submitted by Sandy Smith
Region 13 Communications Coordinator*

MEMBER INFO UPDATE REQUEST

Please take a moment to login to the [R13 Members Only](#) webpage to update your member profile information.

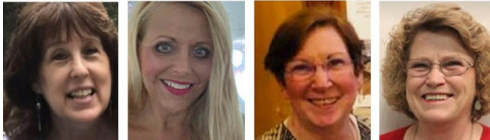
If you have any login issues, please contact [Mindy Engelberg](#) or [Diana Jordan](#).

*Submitted by Sharon Stockstad
Region 13 Membership Coordinator*

RMT MEETINGS



Have you ever wondered what your RMT actually does? Members are welcome to visit monthly meetings which are held via Zoom. If you plan to attend, you will need to register **at least 3 days prior to the meeting**.



NOTE: Meeting times have changed. All meetings begin at **2:00 pm** Pacific time and last approximately one hour.

The next meeting is scheduled on **October 25 2020**. Register in advance for this meeting at <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlvc--qrT8uGtHFgoGpCJysSZs6GgPoz-on>.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
Region 13 Team Coordinator*

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A request not made is an opportunity missed

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