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North by Northwest Region 13

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Below...

Look for important updates on awards, educational opportunities, upcoming events, and a fun article from PrimeTime Quartet.

We hope this eblast finds you healthy, safe, and warm. Spring will be here before we know it!

CHORUS MEMBERSHIP RETENTION AND GROWTH



Last fall, a challenge was issued to all Region 13 choruses: Those who *retained* their current membership or *grew* their membership between September 1, 2020 and January 31, 2021, using member numbers from the SAI website, would receive \$75.00 for meeting the challenge.

It is my pleasure to announce the following choruses who met or exceeded the challenge:

Retained Membership: Acapella Soundsations, Blue Mountain, Capital City Sound, Coeur d'Alene, Columbia River, Harmony of the Gorge, Pacific Sound, and Seattle Shores.

Growth in Membership: Song of Seattle and Sound Harmony

Congratulations to all these choruses for a job well done!

*Submitted by Sharon Stockstad
Region 13 Membership Coordinator*

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Your Region 13 RMT and education team, who are always working to create opportunities for you to connect and to learn, want you to be aware of some things occurring in the next couple of weeks for our members:

- singing and building your skills. One great gift given to all Sweet Adelines was provided in memory of two wonderful coaches: Darlene Rogers and Sharon Babb. Peggy Gram and Dale Syverson have gifted *Sing, Baby, Sing!: Blue Ribbon Vocal Warmups, Edition #1*, to all Sweet Adelines' members. Be sure to take advantage of this wonderful gift by downloading the .mp3 files available on this link: <https://sweetadelines.com/education/sing-baby-sing>
- **SET 2021** – As many of you already know, due to the current uncertainty and risks related to having a live event in August, we have rescheduled the Region 13 Summer Enrichment Training (SET) to November 2021. Please be sure to check the [Master Calendar](#) on the R13 Members Only site to see the other educational opportunities available between now and then.
 - **Visual Communication Category** – Tune in on **April 10, at 12:00 pm** for a special presentation during our Virtual Convention where **Katy Hawley**, *Visual Communication Education Specialist*, presents a special look into SAI's new Visual Communication Category.
 - **Special opportunity** – Have you ever wondered what it would be like to perform on Broadway? To perform for an audience and truly tell the story of a song as a professional might? On **April 7 at 10:00 am**, you will have a special opportunity to learn from Broadway actress **Nikki Renee Daniels**, who played Angelica in the Chicago company of **Hamilton**. She will work with select Region 13 singers, teaching them how to act out a song, plus will answer questions.

*Submitted by Shelly Pardis
Region 13 Education Coordinator*

LEADING THROUGH TRANSITION TO AN EXCITING FUTURE!



SAVE THE DATE! On **Saturday, February 20, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**, Region 13 will host a Zoom workshop with **Dr. Leslie Galbreath**, International Board and Faculty member, to explore ways to prepare for when we can be together again...and beyond. Now is the time to begin planning for an exciting and compelling future!

Exciting futures don't just happen—we build them—with strong leadership, out-of-the-box creativity, and shared energy. You won't want to miss this!

[Register here](#) for this meeting; you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

*Submitted by Paula Davis
Region 13 Leadership Development Specialist*



NEW 2021 SET LOGO

After months of reviewing, revising, and voting on entries for potential logo ideas, we have a winning name and logo—a hybrid submitted by two finalists who collaborated to create the perfect name and logo.

Congratulations to **Paulene Hakala** (Rivers Edge Chorus and KIX quartet) and **Cherie Letts** (Coeur d'Alene Chorus, Spirit of Spokane Chorus, and Soul Sisters quartet, AND Region 13 SET Coordinator). This was not an easy decision! Thanks to all who submitted entries; we are a creative bunch!

More information regarding set 2021 will be forthcoming in the near future.

*Submitted by Cherie Letts
Region 13 General Education Specialist-SET*

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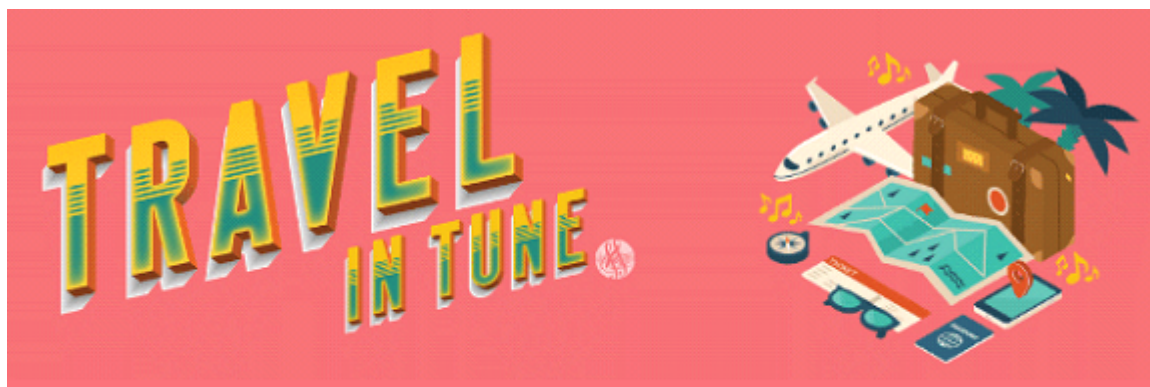


- ♪ **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021**
- ♪ **10:30 am - 12:00 pm PST**
- ♪ **PVI TECHNIQUES THAT EMPOWER SINGERS**

Enjoy this demonstration and Q&A session with **Rob Mance**, the director of Vocal Standard Sweet Adeline Chorus, and Central Standard Men's Barbershop Chorus.

More details to follow.

Questions? Contact Patty Martin, Region 13 Directors' Coordinator, at pgmartin1@comcast.net.



Starting in late spring, you will have the ability to *travel virtually* to Sweet Adeline regions across the world and experience educational offerings. A different destination experience will be available for download to your smart phone, tablet, and on the SAI website.

(Stay tuned for more exciting news as it develops.)

*Submitted by Sandy Smith
Region 13 Communications Coordinator*

US & UK COLLABORATION

PrimeTime and Friends Sing Across Borders



In early 2020, Felixstowe Harmonies Choir (UK) began sharing their thoughts and feelings about how the COVID-19 pandemic affected their lives. It was an uplifting message of solidarity and of friends uniting in singing, which has the power to lift hearts across borders of our world. The result was the song “**Across the Borders,**” brilliantly written and composed by Chandra Grover, Felixstowe Harmonies Choir’s director.

Through a series of events, Liz Rastrick (UK) shared this information with pen pal Patti Burklund of Region 13’s PrimeTime Quartet. The lyrics of the haunting melody resonated with Patti, and she contacted Chandra to inquire if the song could be arranged in the barbershop style. Surprisingly, Chandra knows how to arrange barbershop music!

Thus began an amazing collaboration between Felixstowe Harmonies Choir and PrimeTime Quartet. And as plans were made to create a virtual video together, the project grew to include another of Chandra’s UK choir groups, Stellar Acapella, as well as Region 13’s Song of Seattle Chorus.

Thrilled with this brand-new arrangement, the Kingdom of United Voices presents “**Across the Borders.**” Please [click this link](#) to enjoy our collaboration, which resulted in the creation of a wonderful piece of music.

*Submitted by Patti Burklund
Baritone, PrimeTime Quartet*

REGION 13 TALENTS AND INTERESTS SURVEY

As an organization of volunteers, Sweet Adelines International and NxNW Region 13 rely on the skills, talents, and time our members give so generously. We have been fortunate so many talented and forward-thinking members have stepped up through the years to make our region one of the strongest in the organization.

We continuously need additional members to step up and volunteer to maintain this good work. A number of opportunities exist within the region, with varying time commitments and levels of responsibility, where members can share their skills and interests.

Help us capture the wealth of talent around us. Please click on the link below and complete the survey, so we may have a skills database from which to draw. Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R2DNRJ3>

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
Region 13 Team Coordinator*

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM SAI



Sweet Adelines International's president, Joan Boutilier, recently provided a response to members' questions about dues during this time of cancellations and online-only events. I encourage you to view her video message or read the written transcript by [clicking here](#). You'll receive a full explanation of how SAI has implemented financial strategies that enable the organization to continue providing necessary services while addressing some of the financial impacts on members during this time.

Here are some of the changes to which she refers:

- A 120-day grace period will be granted for all membership renewals through December 2021.
- Prospective choruses are granted a one-year extension to meet the requirements to advance in the chartering process.
- The minimum number of members required to renew the chapter charter will be waived for the 2021-22 fiscal year charter period.
- The charter renewal fee will be reduced by 50% for the 2021-22 fiscal year charter period.
- Quartet registration/renewals fees will be reduced by 50% from May 1, 2021 – July 31, 2021.
- Regions will be given a \$400 USD stipend for a virtual meeting platform.

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
Region 13 Team Coordinator*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Region 13's Convention Team met January 31 to discuss specifics about the upcoming Virtual Convention. A huge THANK YOU goes out to the SET Team for sharing their logo. Look for the finalized schedule and viewing details to be published soon.

- Thursday Night Kickoff – April 8
- Quartet Parade – Friday evening, April 9
- Education Class – Saturday noon, April 10, followed by the Chorus Parade.



Questions? Contact me at luvs2sing56@hotmail.com.

*Submitted by Jody Allen, Chair of the Regional Convention
Region 13 Events Coordinator*

REMINDER: VIRTUAL CONVENTION PARADES

Region 13 Quartets and Choruses: March 24 is the deadline for submitting your video to our tech, Jaye, at ajnordling@aol.com.

Questions? Contact me at luvs2sing56@hotmail.com.

*Submitted by Jody Allen, Chair of the Regional Convention
Region 13 Events Coordinator*



The Region 13 Management Team 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 Resource Staff Openings:

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

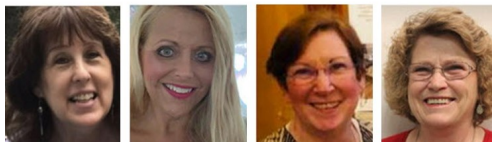
Take a few moments to read the detailed Job Description you are interested in and complete an application today! Both documents are found on the Members Only [website](#).

*Submitted by Sandy Smith
 Region 13 Communications Coordinator*

ATTEND AN RMT MEETING



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**.



All meetings begin at **2:00 pm** Pacific time and last approximately one hour.

The next meeting is scheduled on **Sunday, February 28**. Register in advance for this meeting

at <https://zoom.us/j/98740914446?pwd=eE1pM1ZzNUpwVkVYVWxCNGE2djhzdz09>.

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

*Submitted by Sally Ryerson
 Region 13 Team Coordinator*

MEMBER INFO UPDATE REQUEST

Please take a moment to log in to the [R13 Members Only](#) webpage

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

*Submitted by Sharon Stockstad
Region 13 Membership Coordinator*

*Music is your own experience, your thoughts, your wisdom.
If you don't live it, it won't come out of your horn.
~ Charlie Parker ~*

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