

February 11, 2023

Hi, Subscriber,

Welcome to February in Region 13, where it's still winter but signs of spring are starting to pop up! Read on for the exciting things that will be happening for us as the season begins to unfold.

## Applications now being accepted for RMT positions



It's time to start looking ahead to RMT terms that expire April 30, 2023. Serving your region, either on the RMT or as a member of a Resource Team, can be very rewarding in terms of service to fellow members, new learning, thinking creatively, and new friendships. We welcome applications for the following two-year coordinator positions that begin May 1, 2023. The deadline to apply is March 15, 2023.

#### Finance Coordinator: vacant

• Major responsibilities include receiving invoices and vouchers, issuing payments, working with contracted bookkeeping service to reconcile accounts, providing support and information to the RMT and chapters related to financial issues (scholarships, grants, and monetary awards).

Directors Coordinator: currently held by Patty Martin, Olympia Chorus

 You do not need to be a director/past director to apply. Regional directors will vote to select this coordinator, who provides a range of support for our directors.

Events Coordinator: currently held by Jody Allen, Spirit of Spokane Chorus

• This coordinator oversees all major events of the region: convention/contest, SET, Area Schools, and new activities that may be developed.

Marketing Coordinator: currently held by Cherie Letts, Spirit of Spokane and Coeur d'Alene Choruses

• The Marketing Coordinator creates announcements, social media posts, and other methods for publicizing and sharing regional events, and helps chapter Marketing Coordinators to develop strategies.

Associate Member: currently Kari Flint, Spirit of Spokane and Coeur d'Alene choruses, and Diana Jordan, Alaska Sound Celebration Chorus

• Associate Members serve for one year. They participate in all activities and meetings of the RMT but cannot vote. Being an Associate Member is a great way to "sample" the various position on the RMT and possibly shadow a coordinator in an area of particular interest (note: it is not a pre-requisite for applying for any other regional position).

**Diana Jordan**, the region's Nominations Chair, and the Nominations Committee will gather, review, and prepare applications for further review and decision by the RMT.

<u>An application form</u>, plus the <u>full job descriptions of these positions</u> can be found by clicking these links. Please consider applying. Region 13 needs you!

Submitted by Sally Ryerson, Region 13 Team Coordinator

#### **PVIs Under Glass sessions are back!**

Two more sessions of PVIs Under Glass remain!

- Basses are up on February 25 at 9:30am PST with Marsha Kelly
- Leads follow two weeks later on March 11 at 9:30am PST with Julie Hagstrom

**Please register at least 24 hours in advance** of the session to ensure you will receive the proper log in information. We cannot guarantee you will receive the email if you are not registered by that time; it is not automatically sent upon receiving. Registering early



ensures you have what you need to attend and if there are issues, you have time to reach out and confirm.

These PVIs (Personal Vocal Instructions) will be conducted over Zoom. Each workshop will be limited to approximately 25 attendees including 2 or 3 people who will be given a PVI under Glass while others observe (there is always something to be learned from observation!). Volunteers to receive a PVI will be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis. All parts can attend any class, but only the specific class/part will be selected for the PVI recipient. These classes are priceless in value and are **FREE** for Region 13 members!

To register, visit sairegion13.org/PVIs-under-glass

(Did you miss the session for your voice part? No worries, recordings are posted on the **<u>Region 13's YouTube channel</u>**.)

Submitted by Shelly Pardis, Region 13 Education Coordinator

#### **Region 13 Education Team Updates**

The Education Team has been very busy over the past couple of months, and as your Education Coordinator, I wanted to give you a quick update on some programs we're offering to our members.

**PVIs Under Glass** 

We are continuing with our NxNW Presents Series of *PVIs Under Glass*. Be sure to read the article about it above!

#### Be part of our Ed Team

Are you interested in being part of our amazing Region 13 Education Team? We are looking for a member to help coordinate our NxNW Presents series. For more information, please feel free to <u>email me</u>.

#### Attention Section Leaders and Assistant Directors



Mark your calendars for a networking session especially for

you on March 4 at 9:30 am PST and hosted by...me! We will spend some time getting to know each other and exploring what we can do to help support one another in our journey to musical leadership. This is also your opportunity to let our region know what kind of education you would like to see offered that helps you grow as a musical leader.

No registration is required. On March 4, after <u>logging in to R13's Members Only</u> <u>site</u>, click Master Calendar on the left sidebar. Find March 4 and click on it, then click the Zoom link to join the meeting. See you all there!

> Submitted by Shelly Pardis, Region 13 Education Coordinator

# NxNW Region 13 Area Schools: Coming soon!

Our region's 2023 Area Schools are coming your way in August and September featuring our amazing Region 13 Faculty. Watch the calendar for more details regarding schools in your area. Below is information we know so far for 2023 dates and host choruses:

- Alaska Area School, hosted by Fairbanks Frontier: Date TBD
- Montana Area School, hosted by Helena Xpress Singers: September 9, 2023 SAVE THE DATE!
- Idaho/E. Washington Area School, hosted by Rolling Hills: Date TBD
- Oregon/SW Washington Area School, hosted by Harmony of the Gorge: Date TBD
- Western Washington Area School, hosted by Olympia Chorus: August 19, 2023. SAVE THE DATE!

Dates and venues are still being finalized, so be sure to check our Event Calendar regularly. If you have any questions, reach out to <u>Jerrie Beyrodt</u>, Region 13 Area School Educational Event Specialist.

Submitted by Shelly Pardis, Region 13 Education Coordinator

## **Region 13 is having a fundraiser!**

On Friday, March 10, 2023, NxNW Region 13 is partnering with Panda Express and having an ALL-DAY fundraiser!

Anyone in the United States can order online by using the Panda Express app. Before ordering, you will need to create a free account with Panda Express, and under Special Instructions, enter **913339** in the Fundraiser Code box. <u>By clicking</u> <u>here, you can view our flier and order</u> for pickup (or for delivery, if available in your area).

Also, while on the website, please click the **SHARE THIS** button and forward the flier to your friends and family to ask for their support. The entire region will



benefit by receiving **28**% from all sales, which will support Region 13's programs!

Thanks, everyone!

Submitted by your Region 13 Management Team

# **Region 13 Contest Entry NOW OPEN!**

Plans continue for our 2023 LIVE Convention May 18-21, in Spokane's First Interstate Center for the Arts. Housing will only be at the DoubleTree Hotel, and reservation information will follow soon, as well as the registration information at the Region level. Quartet and chorus contest registration with SAI <u>is now</u> <u>open</u> at the International level. Our Registration Chair will let chapters know when All-Events tickets can be purchased.

Contest Judges for our convention include Joan Boutilier, Sound; Sharon Carlson, Music; Vickie Maybury, Expression and Panel Chair; and Sandy Wright, Visual Communication.



Be sure to check our Convention website as we have added convention apparel ordering options, as well as charm/pins: both fundraisers managed by the Regional Management Team. The official website for "all things competition" can be found at r13convention.org, which is updated as new information comes in.

If you have any other questions, they can be sent to the various members of the Convention Team (see below) or at our NEW EMAIL: SAIR13Convention@gmail.com

- Jody Allen: Chair of the Regional Convention
- Denise Thomson: Facility Event Specialist
- Julia Mikulic: Competition Coordinator
- Arlene Blackmer: Official Panel Liaison
- Kari Flint: Convention Communications Chair

Submitted by Kari Flint, Region 13 Convention Communications Coordinator

## Region 13's calendar keeps you in the know!

Want to know what's going on in Region 13 or what educational events are upcoming? <u>Check out our website's calendar for answers</u>!

First, <u>sign into the Members Only site</u>, then select Master Calendar (from the sidebar menu) and choose how you want the results filtered. The Agenda tab



appears by default and lists events chronologically by date. Choosing the Calendar tab will show events color-coded, and has education events in red, meetings in blue, conventions in green, shows/performances in purple, and eBlast due dates in brown.

To add something to Region 13's Event Calendar for your chorus or quartet, email me at <u>wulf65@gmail.com</u>, and include 1) name of your

event, 2) type of event, 3) date, 4) start/end time, and 5) whether or not it's a public event. A flier and a graphic may also be included.

If you are planning to add a show, a completed Date Clearance Form must accompany your request. This form (in either Word or fillable PDF format) may be downloaded from our website in one of two ways:

- If you are signed into the Members Only site and are looking at the Dashboard, you will need to click Go to public site in the sidebar menu, and then choose Events.
- If you are not signed up, all you need to do is click **Events** from the main menu.

After completing your form, return it to me at <u>lwulf65@gmail.com</u>. I will notify you when your event has been added to the calendar.

Many great educational opportunities and events are being held by Region 13, so check the regional calendar often to be in the know!

Submitted by Linda Wulf, Region 13 Calendar Manager

## A Cappella Express Youth Festival

Region 13 would like to give a big shout-out to the <u>Bud Leabo</u> <u>Memorial Fund</u> for helping sponsor the **A Cappella Express Youth Festival** at Century High School in Hillsboro, OR. With their generous support, along with Region 13, we are happy to bring 2022 Rising Star Champion, <u>Valkyrie Quartet</u>, to share our love of barbershop music with young singers in the area.



If you are in the area, be sure to attend the show on Saturday, February 18, 2023 at 7pm. Tickets are a suggested donation of \$15-\$20. All proceeds go to the Century High School Choral Department.

If you've thought about hosting a youth festival or Girl Scout event in your area, you can reach out to our Youth Education Outreach specialists for resources and assistance at <u>YouthEducOutreach@sairegion13.org</u>. We have financial assistance available, and can help you in other ways to fund your event. <u>Check out the webpage by clicking here.</u>

Submitted by Shelly Pardis, Region 13 Education Coordinator

#### **Remembering Melanie Wroe**

Many of our Region 13 members have fond memories of Melanie Wroe, a beloved member who sang in several award-winning choruses and quartets, was a choreographer and Showmanship Judge, and coached all over the Sweet Adelines International community. Among her many achievements, Melanie was one of the founders of <u>Song of Seattle Chorus</u> in Bellevue, WA, and was the first recipient of our <u>Heart of the Northwest</u> <u>Award</u>.

In her career as a nurse, Melanie was passionate about medicine and looking after her patients, caring for them much like she mothered her Sweet Adeline sisters. Maybe you were one of them!

Melanie's widower, Dr. Allen Sussman, recently had his book, Saving the Art of Medicine, published and says it's a



"must-read for medical students, doctors, and anyone interested in improving their own medical care and the healthcare system at large." It also recognizes the importance of Melanie's Sweet Adeline friends throughout her life and in her final days. Visit Dr. Sussman's <u>website</u> for more information.

And by the way...NxNW Region 13 is proud of our members' accomplishments both within and outside the Sweet Adeline world. If you would like to share any of them (awards, publications, accomplishments) with others in our region, you may submit your information to <u>eblast.editor@gmail.com</u>.

Submitted by Sandy Smith, Region 13 Communications 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:

- Associate Regional Management Team Member
- Director Mentoring Program Coordinator
- Facility Acquisition Specialist
- Finance Assistant
- Social Media Administrator
- Team Administrative Assistant

Please consider getting more involved in your region. If you're interested in any of the open positions, we'd like to hear from you! Visit <u>sairegion13.org/JoinOurTeam</u>, then take a few moments to read the detailed job descriptions you are interested in, as well as access application and reference forms.

Submitted by Sandy Smith, Region 13 Communications Coordinator

## Is your Member Information up to date?

Please take a moment to log in to the <u>R13 Members Only</u> website to update your member profile information. If you have any login issues, please contact <u>Mindy</u> <u>Engelberg</u> or <u>Diana Jordan</u>.

"As long as we live, there is never enough singing."

~ Martin Luther ~

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