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RMT Update



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Chapter Management Teams or Board of Directors - if you have not already done so, your elections for chapter leaders need to be held as soon as possible. Our new fiscal year begins May 1st, 2010 and new teams/boards should be in place.

A NOTE FROM INTERNATIONAL - It is with deep regret that the International Board of Directors announces the immediate cancellation of all five IES Global education events planned for North America in 2010 and Europe and the Pacific Rim in 2011. The Visual Leaders Workshop scheduled for IES West and the Young Women in Harmony Festival scheduled for IES Central also are cancelled.

To the fewer than 100 members who had registered for the North American IES events, your registration fee will be reimbursed from headquarters.

Region 5 Music School - Due to the cancellation of the IES Global, Region 5's Management Team has secured **Darlene Rogers** as faculty for a summer education workshop **July 30th & 31st**. Mark your calendars now as this will be an awesome workshop you won't want to miss. Tentative schedule for Friday evening is Darlene working with the chorus directors and assistant directors plus section leaders on doing PVIs. Saturday workshop will be for everyone with sessions on vocal production and singing! The Crazy Quartet Contest last year was such a hit, watch for details about a Double Quartet Contest!!!

Regional Management Team

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As a thank you to all you do, the Regional Management Team cordially invites all Chapter Directors to the annual Director's Luncheon on Friday, May 7th after the quartet/chorus briefing. The luncheon is a great opportunity to share ideas and network with fellow Region 5 directors. For more information and to make your lunch selection, contact Region 5's Directors' Coordinator, Becky McDuffee at (217) 356-0531 or email Becky at mcduffbe@uiuc.edu.

Quartet Search Info – now located on the Quartet Webpage
– Check it out! www.sairegion5.org/regional_quartets.htm

Team Leaders/Presidents - you should have received an invitation from Region 5's Membership Coordinator Judy Kaeser to attend the annual Team Leaders/President's luncheon on Friday after the quartet/chorus briefing. This time together has proven to be a great sharing event of your chapter's success, how their team/board handles particular situations and what's on the horizon. For more information or to make your luncheon selection, please contact Judy at (563) 946-3037 or by email at jkaeser@hughes.net.

Team Leaders/Presidents - information on the annual review of the Regional Management Team will be coming soon. Deadline to complete is **April 30th**



The Regional Annual Member Meeting (RAMM) will be held Friday, May 7th at 1:00 at the Holiday Inn. There will be door prizes plus gift certificates for the boutique to make your shopping even more fun! The RMT will be hosting a karaoke-style singing competition fashioned from the CMT show called *The Singing Bee*. Contestants are tested on their knowledge of lyrics to well-know barbershop songs. Grand prize will be a **free PVI** from Darlene Roger during the July 30th & 31st Region 5 Education Workshop.

Stats from the 3rd quarter The Real Women. Real Harmony. Real Fun. pilot membership program. Region 5 added 11 new members – kudos to everyone! An interesting observation from the reports during November-January, Region 5 chapters had 147 total inquiries, of which 119 guests attend at least one rehearsal and 104 of these returned for a 2nd visit. We need to continue to be diligent in encouraging guests to attend each week. If 1/3 of the 104 guests had joined, that would have put our membership growth to 45!!

We are in the final month of the pilot program. The RMT wants to thank each Membership Committee, the Chapter Leaders, Directors and the members for your efforts in making this a successful program.

By Twilla Duvall