

RMD Weekly

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Special Edition

RMD Weekly is a periodical E-bulletin sent to all Chapter Presidents (or chapter Email contact), and it is the duty of the Chapter President to digest and disseminate all pertinent information to the chapter members. This prevents the overall membership from experiencing “information overload” and allows the Chapter President to be the source of information to his chapter that he forwards to chapter members by whatever means he sees fit.

This “Special Edition” is being distributed to all members with Email because President Rod Sgrignoli has determined this information is pertinent to everyone in the Rocky Mountain District.

A summary of upcoming District events that every member should be aware of.

1. *RMD Fall Convention... Oct 6-7 in Layton, Utah*
2. *COTS (Chapter Operations Training Seminar)... Nov 10-11 in Denver, Colorado*
3. *Rocky Mountain Harmony College... Feb 2-3 in Estes Park, Colorado*

Check out the benefits of each event:

The Fall Convention is your opportunity to hear what the choruses and quartets of our District are doing, and to support as well as enjoy them. It is great fun to get together and sing with barbershoppers from other chapters in our Association. We'll also have NEW things like a massed sing directed by President Rod Sgrignoli, and an open mic at registration where ALL quartets (competing or not) can “bust some chords” for the enjoyment of everyone. We will unveil our new program “Barber Pole University” where anyone can earn “degrees” in singing of the traditional “PoleCat’s” and the new “Harmony Classics”. A Society Board representative will address the RMD, updating us on future developments in our Society. Remember that the RMD will host the next two Society conventions (MidWinter in Albuquerque, and International in Denver) and remember that our Society headquarters will move to Nashville following the Denver International Convention. There will be plenty of relevant news. ***Remember, new members (within 365 days of joining) get 1 free registration to an RMD Convention.***

COTS is designed to provide “cutting-edge” preparation for incoming chapter officers to prepare them to lead your chapter to success, however your chapter defines success. It is also a “leadership retreat” for your chapter officer team, coordinating their individual efforts into one unified effort toward the greatest chapter success. If any of your chapter officers are missing this opportunity, your chapter is missing the opportunity for greatest success. COTS is open to “aspiring leaders” as well as elected leaders, and if your chapter has any leaders not attending COTS, perhaps you should volunteer to take their place and receive the training and assist that leader in the coming year. COTS will also offer quartet coaching, and all COTS attendees will enjoy the opportunity to hear performances by the quartets receiving coaching.

(Chapter Presidents: attached is the registration form for quartets desiring coaching at COTS...chapter members: you can find the COTS quartet coaching registration form at www.RMDsing.org).

Rocky Mountain Harmony College is a music and performance school for individuals and quartets (and even for choruses seeking top-of-the-line coaching). We ALWAYS have an outstanding faculty of gold-medal performers and elite musicians to provide education for every attendee to “take it to the next level”, no matter what level you are currently at. Quartets attending RM-HC attend the annual “Beer ‘n Brat Social” and socialize in a laid-back gathering that is inspiring and hilarious. The Saturday Night Show is an absolute BLOCKBUSTER, and alone is worth the trip to Estes Park. Throw in the incredible scenery of Rocky Mountain National Park, a weekend FULL of barbershop, food, and a little sleep here and there at the fantastic YMCA facilities, and you’ll know why guys come back year after year.

For information about registration for ANY of these events, visit the RMD website at www.RMDsing.org .

Also, there is a quick and painless form for you to register as a VOLUNTEER at the Denver 2007 International Convention...we intend to offer the BEST hospitality EVER and the key to our success is YOU. There are many opportunities to assist, and you are invited to select the areas that interest you. Please register NOW so that we can assemble our teams. Join the fun!

If you ever want to read the regular editions of RMD Weekly, they are posted on the RMD website as they are sent to the Chapter Presidents. Check them out at the document center.

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