

# RMD Weekly

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## **SPECIAL INVITATIONS TO ALL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS**

1. **All Chapter Presidents** are invited (*EXPECTED*) to attend the House Of Delegates Meeting in Albuquerque at the Fall Convention (Sept 28-29). Your Rocky Mountain District Board of Directors (and their Operations Team) has been hard at work preparing a budget for 2008, which will be presented for your scrutiny, discussion, and ratification. If you cannot attend, please send an authorized delegate to attend in your place.
2. **All Chapter Presidents** (incoming for 2008) are invited (*EXPECTED*) to attend the Rocky Mountain District Leadership Seminar (formerly "COTS") President Track, offered in three convenient locations: Denver—Albuquerque---Ogden (SLC). The Seminar has 4 tracks: President (Management), Director (Music), Internal Operations (Members), and External Operations (Money). These are the 4 essential operations of a chapter (**Management, Music, Members, Money**). As Chapter President, make SURE that your 4 key leaders for 2008 are in attendance (Denver Oct 13, Albuquerque Nov 3, Ogden Nov 17).
3. **All Chapter Presidents** are invited to attend a **CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S DINNER** hosted by the Barbershop Harmony Society at the **Mid Winter Convention in San Antonio**. Your dinner tab will be paid by the RMD. **Spouses and guests** are MOST welcome, and their dinner cost is \$35. (If a Chapter President cannot attend, he can appoint another chapter officer as substitute).

- A. WHERE: Restaurant Casa Rio (15 minute walk from Crowne Plaza, hdqtrs hotel.)
- B. WHEN: Thursday evening Jan 24, 2008
- C. WHO: Send reservations to Walt Lane [wlane937@nycap.rr.com](mailto:wlane937@nycap.rr.com)
- D. WHAT: The evening begins with cocktails, then dinner, then a program tailored precisely for Chapter Presidents.
- E. WHY: Prior to the meeting there will be a Chapter President survey conducted, and the results of the survey will be discussed with plenty of time allotted for questions and input from the audience. There will be good information about Membership, Management, and Money with practical ideas to help chapters. Your District President (Mike Deputy) will be in attendance, as will your Society Board Representative (Rod Sgrignoli). Society Executive Director / CEO Ed Watson and Society President Noah Funderberg will be open for questions, comments, and will help kick off 2008 with exciting ideas and eager enthusiasm. All of these men look forward to meeting EACH ONE OF YOU PERSONALLY, to connect directly with the leaders of our fundamental barbershop unit...the CHAPTER.

RMD President Mike Deputy reports that there were about 75 Chapter Presidents at the dinner held in Albuquerque. That represents just under 10% of the chapters in our Society. Not bad, but let's get that representation up to 25-30% of all chapters at any given Mid Winter. San Antonio is in our neighboring Southwest District, and is a WONDERFUL city to visit in January! And the shows are just fantastic!

**ALBUQUERQUE IN SEPTEMBER IS EXQUISITE...SEE YOU THERE!**

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