

# RMD Weekly

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## “THE SUMMIT” WINS QUARTET GOLD IN HOMETOWN CONTEST

A superb quartet contest at the RMD Fall Convention in Albuquerque concluded with veteran “top gun” foursome from Bernalillo County edging two up-and-coming young quartets (from Denver Mile High and Bernalillo County) for the gold. “The Summit”, consistent top 5 finalists, won the Buckeye Invitational in August and rode that momentum into September in their backyard for the coveted District Quartet Championship.

The future is VERY bright as YOUTH IN HARMONY products “Revolution” (Denver Mile High) and “Vertigo” (Bernalillo County) challenged the veterans, and will hopefully provide excitement in the years to come.

Our International 3<sup>rd</sup> place chorus “Sound of the Rockies” from Denver Mile High captured the chorus championship and will represent our District in Nashville in 2008. An electrifying performance by the Saltaires of Wasatch Front produced a score that would have qualified as a wild card in 2007, so let’s hope they are invited.

## LEADERSHIP SEMINARS FOR CHAPTER OFFICERS

Three regional one-day seminars will replace the traditional “COTS” which the Society is not sponsoring in 2007 because of the move to Nashville and other complications. Chapters are encouraged to send FOUR (or more) to attend each of the FOUR TRACKS being presented. Cost is only \$25 per attendee, up to a maximum of \$75 per chapter. Lunch will be “on your own” and there will be simple and low-cost lunch on site.

The FOUR TRACKS will train an integrated chapter leadership “quartet” team for effective management of all chapter functions. Send a car with four LEARNERS and we’ll send back four LEADERS. Here are the tracks:

1. President (covers governance, oversight of Secretary, Treasurer, all legal operations; driving the philosophical direction of the chapter and team leadership management).
2. Music (for chorus director or music team leader, covering all aspects of music and performance)
3. “Executive VP of Internal Operations” (covers membership and all programs focusing on the members)
4. “Executive VP of External Operations” (covers marketing, outreach, service, events, and generally includes earning and spending of money in the chapter operational account)

The goal is for these four chapter leaders to INTEGRATE leadership with understanding of operations, communication, responsibility, and cooperation among themselves and empowering success among all chapter members who contribute to all chapter programs.

Seminars will be in DENVER on Saturday Oct 13, ALBUQUERQUE on Saturday Nov 3, and EDEN (near OGDEN) on Saturday Nov 17. Contact Lee Taylor to register

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**DON'T MISS THIS**

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN HARMONY COLLEGE...REALTIME...BE THERE

The SECOND weekend of February 2008 will welcome gold medal quartet RealTime to our District Music and Performance school at the beautiful Estes Park YMCA camp. Learn to be the BEST you can from one of barbershop’s BEST quartets and a star-studded faculty. Visit our website [www.RMDsing.org](http://www.RMDsing.org) for registration forms. Quartet coaching, even *CHORUS COACHING* will be available. Early bird registration discount. Find out why quartets and individuals come back to this great event year after year.

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