

# The Squires Wire

May 2, 2017  
Song

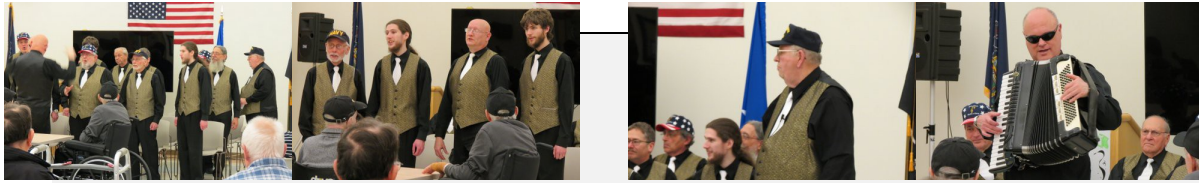
BucksMont Squires of

**April 25<sup>th</sup> Guest Night** –Thirteen guests and Harmony Belles packed the house on guest night. The guests came from Levittown, Philadelphia, Morrisville and North/Central New Jersey. Sixteen Squires presented our “typical rehearsal session” to the guests beginning with the vocal greeting of “Hi Neighbor.” After a shortened physical and vocal warm-up, a quartet demonstrated our singing style with a Lead singing the opening phrase of “My Wild Irish Rose”, then adding Bass, Tenor and Baritone. Director Tom Hankin gave insight to the quartet sound during this demo. The “typical”

session followed under Tom Hankin’s direction, in part to show our guests how we develop a song for performance and also to prepare for an actual performance scheduled for the next evening. The chorus then performed some songs to entertain our guests and a parade of regular and ad hoc quartets ensued. A bit of business announcements then we all shared in the food and drinks, prepared by Pat Steckowich and crew, as we got acquainted. Spontaneous quarteting and gang singing slowly started and gained a strong momentum right up to closing the door!  
*(Photography by E. Fox.)*



**Delaware Valley Veterans Home (the night after Guest Night)** – With Tom Hankin as director and Aaron Fox as Emcee, fourteen Squires entertained the residents at the Veterans Home in NE Philadelphia. The program included the quartet “4TUNES” and Marty Kuhn on his “Stomach Steinway.” Many in the audience participated by mouthing the words or keeping time to the music or simply with vocal outbursts. It was a good time for all. (Photography by E. Fox.)



**Top Three Results: M-AD Central Division Convention, Reading, April 28-29**

*Chorus:*

**Champion - Chorus of the Chesapeake** (Dundalk, MD), 2<sup>nd</sup> – Pride of DelMarVa (Queen Anne’s County, MD), 3<sup>rd</sup> – The North Pennsmen (Lansdale, PA).

*Quartet:*

**Champion - Break From Blue Collar** (Parkside & Red Rose), 2<sup>nd</sup> - Hello Newman (Brothers in Harmony & Rittenhouse Sound), 3<sup>rd</sup> – Distinction (North Pennsmen).

*Seniors Quartet:*

**Champion - Distinction** (North Pennsmen), 2<sup>nd</sup> – Lansdale Station (North Pennsmen), 3<sup>rd</sup> – High Spirits (JerseyAires & Brothers in Harmony).

(For complete details, go to M-AD Home > “Convention Matrix,” > “Judges,” > “Scores” Also, go to M-AD website > Upcoming Events > Conventions > Central Division > Convention results)

Planned Music for 5/2 (Note: Tom H will be absent this meeting):  
**Work:** Over the Rainbow, This is the Moment (at the discretion of the assistant directors)  
**Review:** Ain't Misbehavin', In the Still of the Night, Under the Boardwalk  
**3 on stage:** Blue Velvet, Who Will Buy, You're a Grand Old Flag

**Performance Alert:** Two items for your attention, also shown in the calendar listing – 1) Newtown Welcome Days, Sunday, May 7 and 2) Lansdale SongFest, Tuesday, June 20

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**EVENTS CALENDAR** (Events are also listed at website: [bms.harmonize.com](http://bms.harmonize.com))

<b>PERFORMANCES &amp; OUTINGS</b>	<b>EVENTS OF INTEREST</b>
<b>May 7, Sun,</b> Newtown Welcome Day <b>June 20, Tue,</b> Lansdale Songfest <b>June 24, Sat,</b> Squires + Vintage Harmony Picnic <b>June 27, Tue,</b> Guest Night <b>July 4, Tue,</b> Middletown Independence Day Parade <b>July 6, Thur,</b> Lafayette Redeemer	May 14, Mother’s Day June 6, D-Day June 14, Flag Day June 18, Father’s Day June 15-18, M-AD HCE & Youth Harmony Camp July 2-9, BHS International, Las Vegas, NV

**ReMEMber - MEMbership begins with ME**

Pithy Road sign: **IF PRIDE COMES BEFORE A FALL, HUMILITY SHOULD COME BY WINTER.**

**Mark Your Calendar**

- ⇒Newtown Welcome Day, 11am-4pm, May 7, Sunday
- ⇒Princeton Show, May 13, 2pm, featuring “Impulse,” go to [www.gardenstatesmen.org](http://www.gardenstatesmen.org) for info & ticket purchase, early bird discount and Special 2017 Fan Package; also, toll-free 1.888.636.4449
- ⇒M-AD HCE & Youth Harmony Camp, June 15-18, McDaniel College, Westminster, MD
- ⇒32<sup>nd</sup> Lansdale SongFest, June 20, Tuesday, Sellersville, Arrive 6:00pm
- ⇒(New) Guest Night, June 27, Blue outfit with Name Tag
- ⇒(New date) Combined Picnic, Squires & Vintage Harmony, June 24, Saturday, Fox residence
- ⇒5<sup>th</sup> Middletown Independence Day Parade, July 4, Tuesday
- ⇒Lafayette Redeemer, July 6, Thursday, Arrive 6:45pm
- ⇒BHS International Convention, July 2-9, Las Vegas, NV (HQ Hotel – Planet Hollywood)
- ⇒Harmony University, July 25-30, Belmont University, Nashville, TN 37212
- ⇒69<sup>th</sup> Middletown Grange Fair, Aug 17, Thursday, Arrive 5:45pm, Blue Outfit

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