

February 13, 2018 Squires of Song BucksMont

Leadership Academy Synopsis – Steve Gold reported on the seminar results. Sessions were held on the new initiatives of "THINK!," which is a technique to define a chapter's identity and "Healthy Leadership," a methodology to set goals for the chapter. The attendees to the individual classes were Pat Steckowich (President, Secretary, Treasurer, Marketing/PR), Aaron Fox and Steve Gold (Membership), Marty Kuhn and John Stekowich (Music/Performance). The

Combined sessions were for President/Secretary/Treasurer and Marketing/Membership, which yielded ideas to increase membership using Ready, Set, Sing, among other outreach programs. The all day Academy included mingling during breakfast and lunch and, of course, opening closing sessions. "....extremely informative and probably the most useful one I have attended. Steve"

Valentines Greetings Update - Co-coordinators Joe D and Thomas H thank the ten members and non-members who volunteered to be a Valentines Greeting singer. Three mixed quartets were assigned to perform the greetings. Reservations are very slow this year compared to the 16 greetings we delivered in 2017. Full "disclosure" later.

Upcoming Events: <u>Valentine Greetings</u>, Feb. 11,12,13,14. <u>Guest Night</u>, March 20. The <u>Dinner/Show</u> in April <u>has changed</u> in date, place and guest quartet. The <u>new info</u> is Sat., April 14, at Bensalem Country Club, \$30pp, and the guest Sweet Adelines quartet is "Impulse!"

Key Chapter Goals for 2018

- Grow chapter by getting new members, both men and women
 Improve overall quality of singing
 - 3. Develop more quartets and improve all quartets
- 4. Improve stage presence and become better performers/entertainers

EVENTS CALENDAR

(Events are also listed at website: bms.harmonize.com)

PERFORMANCES & OUTINGS	EVENTS OF INTEREST
February 11 – 14, Valentine Greetings	February 14, Valentine's Day February 19, President's Day/Washington's Birthday

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Mark Your Calendar

- **⇒Valentine Greetings,** Feb 11, 12, 13, 14 Two Songs, a Personal Card, a Presentation Rose, all at your chosen time and place *for only \$50!*
- **⇒Guest Night**, March 20, Tuesday
- **⇒**(CHANGE OF DATE, PLACE) Dinner/Show, April 14, Saturday, Bensalem Country Club, Featured Sweet Adelines Quartet, "Impulse!"
- Newtown Days May 6, Sunday
- ⇒Central Division Contest, Alexandria, VA, May 18-20 (Combined with Southern Div.) (Deadline, April 18)
- ⇒ Harmony College East, June 14-17, McDaniel College, Westminster, MD
- ⇒33rd Lansdale SongFest, June 19, Tuesday, Sellersville, PA
- ⇒6th Middletown Independence Parade, July 4, Wednesday
- ₹)2018 International Convention, Orlando FL, July 1-8, Headquarters Hotel Hotel Regency Orlando
- ⇒70th Middletown Grange Fair, August 16, Thursday



