

## THANK YOU, IG



### DELCO IS MOST IMPROVED CHORUS

Thanks to the intense rehearsals, during which we learned a variety of singing skills which we desperately needed to know, and the inspiration and dedication of our new director, who made us believe "WE CAN DO IT!", we did it! The Delchordians came away from the

contest not only as "Most Improved" but also "Best Small Chorus." The day became the first time we have sung at the Jamboree in many, many years. Thanks, Ig. And all this with Ig also singing in the Lansdale chorus for Anne, his wife, plus two quartets.

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## **SELLERSVILLE PICNIC A REAL (4-PART) BLAST**

**Lotsa Delco heard from**

As usual, Lansdale put together a really great event – and not just with beer and hot dogs. The opportunity to hear the plethora of choruses and quartets AND eat and drink makes for a fabulous (albeit somewhat long) evening. What a treat just to sit and listen to all the groups give out with that good ol' barbershop music.

The Delchordians did themselves proud in both their chorus and quartet presentations. Not only did Ig have the big bunch primed for the occasion but to also have three quartets in the spotlight was outstanding. Close Chorders (with Phil Lieggi), Chords Are Us and Cobblestone were great in each of their numbers.

Also special for us was the ability to hear the champion North Pennsmen (with Ig in the front row) and Anne out front PLUS our director in a quartet as well. Wow!

Can't wait 'til next year.

## **DIVISION CONTEST A SHOT-IN-THE-ARM**

**We can (will) get better**

The results of the Divisional Contest, Designating the Delchordians as the Most Improved Chorus and the Champion Small Chorus has got to instill in us the idea that we have the potential of becoming an even better singing group.

Under Ig, who has provided us with new and significant learning and singing techniques, we should be additionally proud to invite prospective members to join our up and growing chorus.

We need to show a new enthusiasm and we will become an outstanding and growing Organization. LET'S DO IT!

## **BARBERSHOPPER OF THE MONTH FOR JUNE**



**JACK LAWLER**

**A heck of a lead**

**Main contact with  
Kenosha-Nashville**

**Keeps after us to  
pay our dues**

**Orders our music**





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DELCHORDIAN  
JUNE  
2009

## BIRTHDAYS

### JULY

- 2 Mario Gambol
- 3 Joe Bush
- 11 Barb Olsen
- 14 Fran Keller
- 19 Mary Lawler

### AUGUST

- 18 Ed Davis
- 21 Nicole Agran
- 21 Marg Davis
- 31 Bruce Keller

If I have missed anyone, I apologize. Please let me know and I will correct my list. Thanks ED.

### Gents:

The Barbershop Harmony Society (as part of the efforts of Bill Biffle's Membership Task Force) has authorized a Barbershop Membership Recruiting Contest to run in this area with a cash prize for the chapter that recruits the most members.

Contest information is listed below:

### BARBERSHOP RECRUITING CONTEST

\$500 Cash Prize to the Chapter that gets the most new members between July 1 and December 31, 2009. New members must be on the BHS list by January 31, 2010. The prize will be awarded on or before February 15, 2010.

The purpose of the contest is to encourage recruiting of new members and to generate and publicize effective recruiting ideas for use by all chapters in BHS. This contest has BHS approval and support.

In addition to reporting new members to BHS, they must be reported to David Baraff (davidbaraff@msn.com) by email and the report must include a brief description of how the new member was recruited. This recruiting information will be provided in a timely way to all eligible chapters.

The contest is open to any barbershop chapter within 30 miles of center city Philadelphia. Members switching from one eligible chapter to another will not be counted unless they have changed their residence. Also new dual memberships will not be counted.

Eligible chapters include:

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|--------------------|-------------|
| Abington-Levittown | Delco       |
| Bryn Mawr          | Cherry Hill |
| Hamilton           | Lansdale    |
| Philadelphia       | Pottstown   |
| Princeton          | Wilmington  |

## RECRUITING IS A PART OF NORMAL OPERATIONS

### It's in each of our hands

As we all realize, membership throughout the entire barbershop organization is on the decline. We feel it severely at Delco, especially with the imminent resignation of Gil Doan due to stamina problems and Matt Reiter moving to Texas.

We each have to be aware of the need to be super alert when we're out in a crowd where there may be potential members, to invite them to a meeting (and not let them go home!)

In addition to the aforementioned contest, there is a back issue of the *Harmonizer*, (Jan-Feb '02) with an article "Slow Bleed" dealing with the problem. Ig has copies. We will also be having a visit from Dave Baraff, a local Membership Coordinator on July 13.

**BE HERE!**

## DELCO CHAPTER OFFICERS

### PRESIDENT

Don Lenz

### DIRECTOR

Ig Jakovac

### Asst. MUSIC DIRECTORS

Harry Drew

Phil Lieggi

### VP CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT

Bruce Keller

### VP MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

Harry Drew

### VP MARKETING & PR

Oliver Armitage

### TREASURER

Dick Olsen

### CORRESP-SECRETARY

Jack Lawler

### RECORDING SECRETARY

Vinny Caruso

### INTERNET WEBSITE MANAGER

Norm Brown

## DELCO DATES

### JULY

SAT 4 Pennwood High School 10:00am

SUN 5 Cape May 8:00pm

THU 23 Beaumont @ bryn mawr 6:30pm

SUN 26 Upper Dublin 5:30pm

### AUGUST

TUE 4 Residence @ Glen Riddle 6:30pm

WED 12 Simpson House 7:00pm

### OCTOBER

FRI 9 Jenners Pond 6:45pm

SAT 17 Widener University 10:30am

### NOVEMBER

TUE 10 Lima Estates 6:30pm

MON 16 Riddle Village 7:00pm

### DECEMBER

WED 2 Broomall Rehab

WED 9 Brynmaur Rehab

TUE 15 VA Coatsville

The Delaware County Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society meets every Monday evening from 7:15pm to 9:30pm at St. Marks United Methodist Church on Sproul Road in Broomall.

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