



GDC HI-NOTES

A bi-weekly reader for the
Greater Detroit Chapter and the Harmony United Chorus



Chapter meets at Royal Oak Middle School, 709 N Washington Ave, Royal Oak, every Monday night at 7:30, except as noted below.
Editor: *Tom Uicker* Address: 29257 Southgate Dr, Southfield MI 48076 Phone: (248) 559-7082 E-mail: ThomasUicker5@gmail.com

Volume 01

Monday, March 2, 2020

Number 03

WHAT'S UP DOC?

Mon	Mar 2	Music Team Meeting; held at Royal Oak Middle School; 6:30 pm
Tues	Mar 10	Extra Coaching session with Lynne Peirce; Royal Oak Middle School; 7:30 pm
Mon	Mar 16	Board Meeting; held at Royal Oak Middle School; 6:30 pm; Chapter members welcome
Tues	Mar 31	Extra Coaching session with Lynne Peirce; Royal Oak Middle School; 7:30 pm
Tues	Apr 14	Extra Coaching session with Lynne Peirce; Royal Oak Middle School; 7:30 pm
Fri-Sun	Apr 24-26	District Convention and contests; Battle Creek
Sat	Apr 25	Pioneer District Chorus Contest; Battle Creek, MI; 10:00 am
Mon	May 11	Jug Night @ Royal Oak Middle School, "Gather Place"; Regular practice cancelled

DETAILS ON UPCOMING EVENTS

Team Meetings: Normally, the music team will meet on the first Monday and the board will meet on the third Monday of the month. The meetings are held in the Band Room at Royal Oak Middle School, starting at 6:30 pm, unless school is closed. In that case, meeting will be shifted to designated rehearsal location. If you have something for the board or the music team, talk to Keith Opal and/or Jim Kunz.

Coaching Sessions with Lynne Peirce: We have three more coaching sessions with Lynne Peirce. They are all on Tuesdays: Mar 10, Mar 31, & Apr 14. They are in addition to our regular Monday night meetings. So we will have two meetings on those weeks. They will be in our regular room or up on stage at the Middle School.

Next Performance: Spring Convention is in Battle Creek on the weekend of April 24-26 with Chorus Contest on Saturday morning, April 25th. On Monday, May 11th, we will have a Jug Night Party in the Gather area at the school. Regular practice will be cancelled that night.

If you have a potential singing engagement for us, contact Kevin Wolf or Keith Opal.

Daylight Saving Time: Begins again next Sunday, March 8th. We "spring ahead" one hour.

Rest in Peace: Mike Guigar, Aug 4, 1966-Feb 24, 2020

Spring Convention and Contests: Pioneer District spring convention is coming up on the fourth weekend of April, that is April 24-26, 2020. We will be in Battle Creek this time. The contest venue is the WK Kellogg Auditorium, right downtown in Battle Creek. We usually have the McCamly Plaza as our headquarters hotel, but the hotel has been sold and will be closed for renovation until after our convention is over. So we are using the Holiday Inn, 12812 Harper Village Drive as our Headquarters hotel. It is just south of I-94 at exit 98. We also have a block of rooms at the Courtyard by Marriott, right across the street from the Holiday Inn. They are both about three miles from the contest site. It would be good to book your hotel rooms soon. I am not clear on how many rooms are still available for us. Also, order your Convention All-Events tickets before the early-bird pricing ends (April 5th). All-Events tickets can be purchased on-line through PioneerDistrict.org web site. Just go to "Contest & Conventions tab and select "Next Convention.

Our 5th Annual Jug Night party: is set for Monday, May 11th. We host a party for all in the area, as we try to raise funds to send our representative quartets to international competition. We cancel our own rehearsal that (Monday) night, and we reserve the school's "Gathering Place" to which we invite quartets, choruses, and friends & relations from around the area.

Welcome new members: John Fedyk (Lead), Peter Kong (Tenor), Jeff Kroon (Bass), Tom Ziebro (Bass)