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May 7/7:30
East Aurora High School

May 8/7:30
Sweet Home High School

Advance Sales
Adults...\$15
Seniors and Students...\$12

At the Door
Adults...\$18
Seniors and Students...\$15

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Seneca Land District Association of Chapters



Spring Convention and Contests April 9 - 11, 2010

District Champion Chorus Contest
International Preliminary Quartet Contest
International Preliminary College Quartet Contest

Woodcliff Hotel and Spa - Fairport, NY
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**Welcome to the
Seneca Land District
Spring 2010
Convention !**

Welcome to the 121st Seneca Land District Convention! That's right, 121st convention. Our first District convention occurred in 1946 and during the following sixty-four years since then, there has been both a Spring and Fall Convention every year with the exception of the first two years— '45 and '46. Imagine all the FUN that occurred during the past 120 gatherings of Seneca Land Barbershoppers.

This convention belongs to you, "Joe Barbershopper", and it is your God given duty and right to have FUN this weekend. Your Convention Team has scheduled many opportunities for you to have FUN! Here are some of the activities:

- Joe Barbershopper FUN Classes - Friday afternoon
- Friday Night President's Chorditorium
- SING Festival - Saturday afternoon featuring SLD quartets and choruses with special guests:
 - * SLAM Chorus performance
 - * SING Festival MC - Kenneth Ray Hatton (Blue Grass Student Union fame)
 - * Seneca Land District Past Champions - Gold Rush

See the schedule in this program for times and locations.

Have a Great Convention and remember - if you don't hear singing, grab three other guys (or more) blow a pitch and let'er rip!

Bust a chord or two this weekend. Come on Seneca Land, Let's SING!

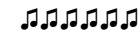
Peter Carentz, Seneca Land District President

SLAM RANKED SUPERIOR

(Following are excerpts from a report on the 2010 Youth Festival, written for Smoke Signals by Andy Notaro)

When we arrived in Tampa the 70 degree temperatures felt like heaven. Immediately, tag singing started, and we couldn't be happier. After rehearsing Friday afternoon and getting a chance to relax, we went to see the Friday night show which showcased the Anaheim medalists and the Senior Quartet Champions Chorus. On Saturday, everyone was starting to get pumped, some of us nervous yet extremely excited. Then the moment comes and we nail it! Everyone in SLAM jumped and shouted as the curtain closed. While walking to our seats we received a standing ovation from the crowd. Finally, we hear our result: "For superior choruses, SLAM!" We had set our goal and met it, with an average score of 75.2, 11 points better than last year!

Slam is looking to next year competing in Las Vegas, and improving our score again. Our overall goal is to put Seneca Land back on top!



Richard is leaving (for Virginia) after this school year. Thank you Richard for your hard work and dedication to SLAM these past two years we wish you well in your future barbershop endeavors, we'll miss you!!

SLAM is looking for a replacement director for SLAM please contact Bob Coant if your are interested.

THANK YOU SENECA LAND for your financial support. Feel free to send your financial support to me or directly to district treasurer:

Bob Coant
SLD VP Student Activities
379 Howard Road
Fulton, NY 13069

John Howe
District Treasurer
640 Maple Ave.
Fulton, NY 13069

Contest Results

Chorus Contest 2010 Winners

Plateau A _____

Plateau AA _____

Plateau AAA _____

Seneca Land District Chorus Champion

Seneca Land International Quartet

Representative to Philadelphia

SLD College Quartet Champion
& Representative to Philadelphia

Plateaus are based on membership figures as of
December 31, 2009.

Plateau A = 34 or fewer members
Plateau AA = 35-70 members
Plateau AAA = 71 or more members

Alan Wile
MAD/SLD
Society Board Member



"If only the whole world could feel the power of harmony."

This statement is attributed to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, but isn't the same sentiment often uttered by District and Society officials? Barbershop harmony must receive considerable public visibility to stop being described as a *"best kept secret."*

Weekend conventions present an opportunity to show just how much **FUN** it is to meet, sing, and perform. This year's spring convention program is designed to do just that:

- To **Satisfy** everyone's desire and need to sing;
- To **Inspire** every participant to greater performance;
- To **Nurture** continued development and personal growth; and

To provide the basis on which membership will **Grow** and prosper. Coincidentally this is District President Pete's challenge for the year: "to dare to **SING!**"

So join in! Enjoy the fellowship and immerse yourself in the **FUN** of singing four part, a cappella barbershop music and go home uplifted, happy, and *feeling the power of harmony!*

I'll be here the entire time and am anxious to hear from you -- about your experiences, interests, ideas, suggestions and questions about future Society happenings.

Alan Wile
Society Board Member (MAD/SLD)



Judging Panel

Contest Administrators

David Bowen (LOL)
John Santora (MAD)

Lakeville, MN
Bel Air, MD

Music

Rick Spencer (DIX)
David Wright (CSD)

Nashville, TN
St. Louis, MO

Presentation

John Coffin (RMD)
Steve Janes (NED)

Denver, CO
Colchester, VT

Singing

James Estes (DIX)
Bill Rashleigh (DIX)

Nashville, TN
Knightdale, NC



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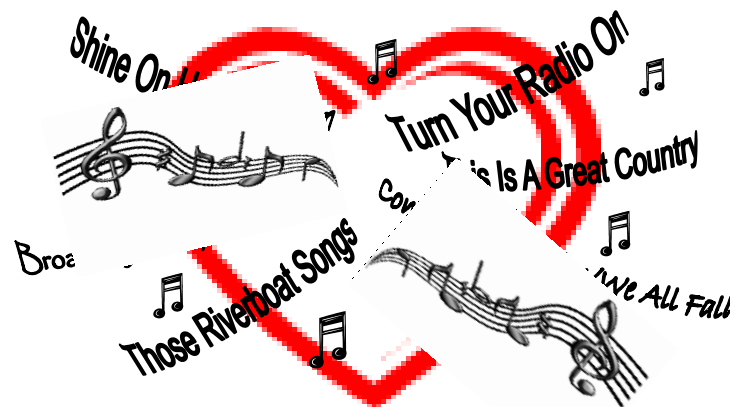
JASON MARTY BILL DAN

Contact Bill: 585.381.2810 - wrohlin@gmail.com

Grove City's
Olde Town Harmony
Barbershop Chorus

Presents:

“Songs from the Heart”



Tickets
\$8.00

For Tickets see:
Rick Collins or Warren Capenos

Featuring:
Pavillion 6 & LeftOver Parts

7:30 PM - May 1, 2010
Grove City High School Auditorium

----Join us at our next ----
ALLEGHENY DIVISION SHOW
Hosted by the Olean Chapter

Date: May 8, 2010
Time: 2:00-9:00 pm
Show Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Cuba Elementary School
15 Elm Street, Cuba, NY
14727
Featuring: Allegheny Division Choruses
(13)
Directors from several cho-
ruses
Quartets: Division Quartets include,
22nd Time, Keystone Ex-
press, Chorduroy, Harmony
Production Company
Show Tickets: Available at \$10.00 for non-
singers

Come sing with a very large chorus
Proceeds: All profits are shared with SLD,
SLD Endowment Fund & Host Chapter



Mike Lurenz
John Perricone
Mike Esposito
Jay Reimel

"You'll laugh...you'll cry. We're better than CATS!"

Contact: John Perricone 607 785-1362 email: johnybuff@aol.com

CHAUTAUQUA 2009

AUGUST 22, 2010 2:30 PM

Invited Performers to date are:

Empire State Quartet

2009 SLD Quartet Champs

SLAM

2010 6th Place Youth Festival

Tampa, FL

Note: *Other invitations will follow the 2009 SLD Spring Conv.*

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**Make this a Family weekend and include the following events
with the Chautauqua Show:**

SUNSET GLOW w/Food following Show at Midway Park on
Sunday, August 22
CHAUTAUQUA BELLE Dinner Cruise: Saturday afternoon,
August 21, Time TBA
CAMPFIRE & TAGS, Saturday, August 21, after Dinner Cruise

Other details will be announced as soon as they are confirmed.

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The Lake Dinner Cruise will be continued for 2010 with a boat change. It will be the Paddle Wheel Boat "**Chautauqua Belle**". **It will be a 2 hour cruise complete with a catered dinner.** This is a limited **Barbershop Harmony** charter cruise. Early intention of reserving is suggested, as this cruise will fill up fast. Seats will be sold on a first come, first served basis. E-mail gj@harmonyexpress.com for hotel and other Chautauqua weekend related details including prices.

Keep checking the Smoke Signals for the Chautauqua weekend details.

"The Chautauqua Show"

A major financial contributor to our SLD Music Programs!

**SENECA LAND DISTRICT
QUARTET SEMIFINAL CONTEST**

Friday, April 9, 2010 7:00 p.m.

*Master of Ceremonies: Andy Nazzaro
1995-96 SLD President*

Quartet members are listed in the following part order:
tenor, lead, baritone, bass

Mic Testers: Pavilion 6

Michael La Scala, Mike Nichols, David Melonson, Joel La Scala

C - College R - Regular

1. Lake Effect (C) – Batavia, Buffalo, East Aurora, Hornell,
Painted Post, Salamanca
Michael La Scala, Matthew Clancy, David Melonson, Ryan Kasperski
2. Unaccompanied Minors (C&R) Batavia, Painted Post,
Frank Thorne
Kedar Shashidhar, Zachary Hempstead, Michael Roche, Mathew DeMartino
3. Renaissance (C&R) Batavia, Erie, Ithaca, Mark Twain
Michael Ho, Sean Mulligan, Eric Little, Chris Ficken
4. Crescendo Buffalo, East Aurora
Kevin Koczka, Mark Karwan, David Lawson, Peter Hart
5. 22nd Time Salamanca, Warren
Eric VanDruff, Nathan Bell, Paul Mahan, Skip Berenguer
6. Fever Pitch Rochester
Scott Ventura, Dick Wissler, Allen Weitz, Bob Statt
7. 7th Dimension Mohawk Valley, Frank Thorne
Charles Zelows, Richard Schlaegel, James Tichenor, Terry Couch
8. 2nd Generation Allentown Bethlehem (MAD)
Sean Feyrer, Drew Feyrer, Michael Feyrer, Chip Moyer
9. Model A Four Greater Dubois, Saratoga Springs
Frederick Riley, J. Bruce Cornelius, James Baird, Lon Baird
10. Leftover Parts Batavia, Warsaw
Craig Bray, Bob Fuest, Ron Mason, Eddie Moss

**SENECA LAND DISTRICT
QUARTET CONTEST FINALS**

Saturday, April 11, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

*Master of Ceremonies: Ken Hatton
Lead, Blue Grass Student Union
1978 International Quartet Champion*

Mic Testers.._____

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6. _____

7. _____



**SENECA LAND DISTRICT
District Chorus Contest**

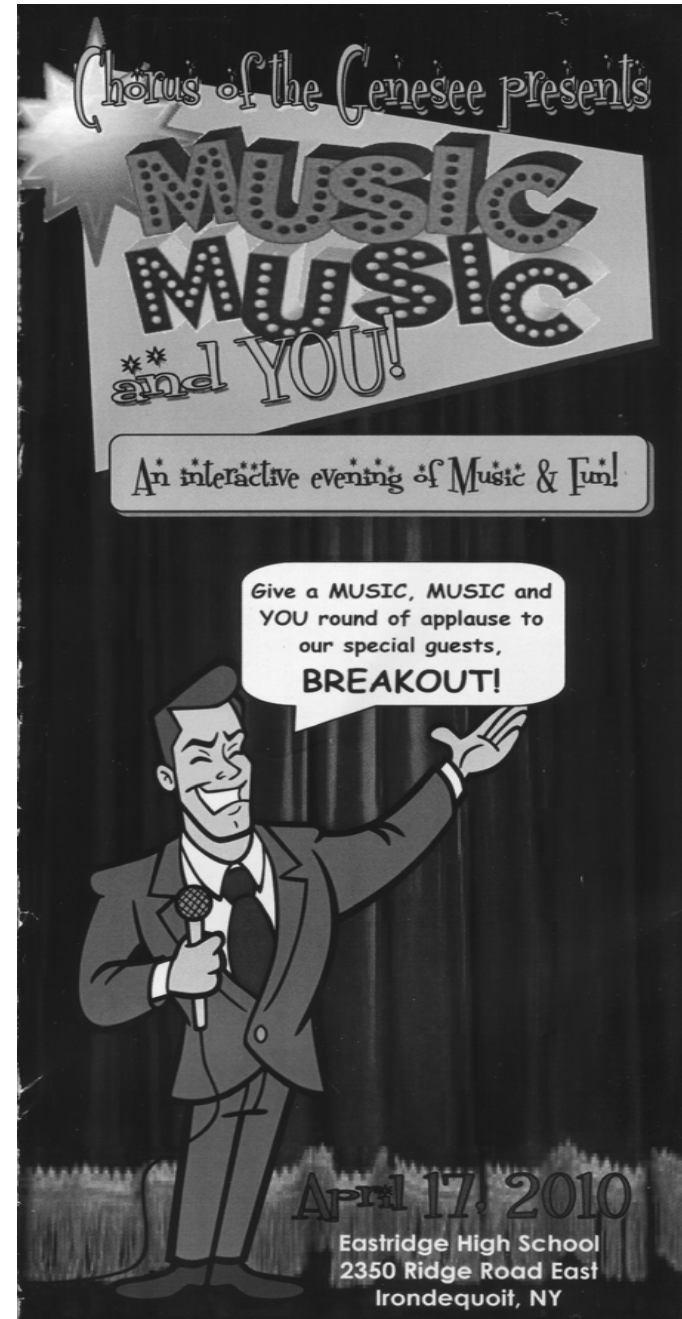
Saturday, April 10, 2010 10:00 a.m.

Master of Ceremonies: Bob Coant

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| 1. Mark Twain (A) | | Mark Twain Chorus |
| | <i>Nicholas DiLorenzo</i> | |
| 2. Erie(A) | | Lake Erie Sound |
| | <i>Aaron Praetzel</i> | |
| 3. Salamanca (A) | | Seneca Junction |
| | <i>Skip Berenguer</i> | |
| 4. Geneva (A) | | Finger Lakes Chorus |
| | <i>Keith Langdon and Peter Covert</i> | |
| 5. Warsaw (A) | | Warsaw Chordbusters |
| | <i>Bob Fuest</i> | |
| 6. Mohawk Valley (AA) | | New Horizons Chorus |
| | <i>Rob Hopkins</i> | |
| 7. Rochester (AAA) | | Chorus of the Genesee |
| | <i>Allen Weitz</i> | |
| 8. Jamestown (AA) | | Jamestown Harmony Express |
| | <i>David Lewis</i> | |
| 9. Binghamton (AA) | | Southerntiersmen |
| | <i>David Scott</i> | |
| 10. East Aurora (AAA) | | Friends of Harmony |
| | <i>Richard Lewellen</i> | |



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