

Congratulations on being the new Region 11 Quartet Champions! It will be an exciting year for you! This guide gives you some idea of things to expect during your championship year, including some privileges and responsibilities.

CONVENTION WEEKEND

- ◆ **Quartet Contest** – It's Friday night and you are the new Champions! You were cheered in the Convention Center lobby where you sang and greeted your public! You were then whisked away to the hotel for the Winners' Circle celebration and had a first toast in your honor!
- ◆ **Parade of Champions & Hospitality Rooms** – You'll be a featured performer on the Parade of Champions! Choruses would love to have you sing at their Saturday parties – enjoy making the rounds and showing off your blue ribbons! Meet new and old friends who could become your biggest supporters for chorus shows and future love gifts.
- ◆ **Sunday Morning Brunch** – Plan to be up bright and early to sing at the Brunch. You'll have a reserved table, and you may be invited to sing a song.
- ◆ **Sunday Afternoon** (after the Brunch) – Attend the annual Winners' Circle meeting and share a song!

LIFE AFTER CONVENTION WEEKEND

- ◆ **Trophies** – Please have them engraved within 30 days of contest, and send the bill to the Winners' Circle Treasurer.
- ◆ **Thank You Letters** – Remember to write thank-you notes and answer correspondence quickly.

REPRESENTING REGION 11

There are 2 Regional seminars during the year, and your presence is expected at each one. If you can't make it, let the RMT know, and have them extend your greetings to the Region in your absence.

- ◆ **Summer Sizzler / Winners' Circle Show** – You'll have a chance to perform both of your International packages on Saturday's Winners' Circle Show, and you'll be showered with love (& money) from Region 11 choruses during the Love Gift Presentation. Plus, you'll be offered a table in the Harmony Bazaar to help you raise money for your trip to International – the Regional Sales Chair will contact you with the details.

- ◆ **Fall Festival** – You'll be recognized at a dinner and reception for Region 11 International competitors on Saturday night. Bring your International DVD to share with the Region – those who contributed to your fund-raising efforts and supported you will appreciate seeing your performance, especially if they weren't able to make it to International.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

As Regional Quartet Champions, you will have the honor of representing Region 11 at the International Competition!

NEXT YEAR'S REGIONAL CONVENTION

As outgoing champions, you have several responsibilities:

- ◆ **Champion glasses** – Purchase 4 new glasses, and have them engraved.
- ◆ **Thursday Night Winners' Circle Quartet Reception** – You will be invited to be the official hostesses for this annual event.
- ◆ **Mic Testing / Outgoing Champions Package** – As the outgoing champions, you'll be asked to be the mic testers (if you are not competing). You'll also sing your "swan song" immediately following the Quartet Contest (even if you are competing).
- ◆ **Quartet Medal Presentations** – If you did not compete in the contest, you may be asked by the Region 11 Events Coordinator to present the 1st place medals to the new quartet champions. However, if you were a competitor (with a chance to win again!), someone else will present them.
- ◆ **Winners' Circle Chorus** – Don't forget to learn your Winners' Circle songs to perform with the chorus after the Quartet Contest on Friday night. Rehearsal with the Winners' Circle Chorus is Friday afternoon in the Convention Center.
- ◆ **Champions Celebration** – At the Champions' Celebration in the lobby of the Convention Center, you'll cheer the new quartet champions, and toast the new champions at the Winners' Circle reception back at the hotel.

As your year unfolds, you may find things not covered in this handout that you will be responsible for or be asked to do. This is merely a guideline of the more traditional expectations. Please refer to the more detailed [Guide for Regional Quartet Champions](#), and feel free to contact the Winners' Circle President for assistance.