

REGIONAL MANAGEMENT TEAM UPDATE
September 11-12, 2008

- **All Region 25 members attending the International Convention in Hawaii are urged to attend the OK City rehearsal (exact time and place to be announced) to give them a Region 25 send-off to the big stage!**
- The next Heartbeat will be published in November. The deadline for submitting articles is October 24.
- Compilation of the Regional Evaluations was reviewed and comments were discussed, specifically, education classes and location of regional events.
- A group of singers that meets weekly in Wilburton, Oklahoma, is interested in becoming a prospective chapter.
- Region 25 welcomes Mesquite Magic, in San Angelo. This chorus is transferring from Region 10 and is under the direction of Jackie Hall. Jackie has joined Region 25's Education Faculty.
- The regional membership goal is *1111 in 2011*.
- Many thanks to Rumors for donating the proceeds from the sale of Rumors t-shirts at SMC 2007 (\$255) to Region 25's YWIH program!
- Debbie Masters is the new regional librarian. Region 25 choruses and/or members may borrow items from the library at no charge. Library contents and a borrower's agreement can be found on the regional web site at <http://sai25.org/library.html>.
- Beginning with this upcoming contest season (2009), every chorus in Region 25 must, on an ANNUAL basis, either compete at the regional competition OR be evaluated for performance by a regional faculty member.
- Hot Topics classes during lunch at SMC were well-attended and received positive evaluations. They will be offered again in 2009.
- SMC will be held at TWU (Denton, TX) June 26-27.
- Plans for regional competition are going well. Brandy Slater is the CRC and Liz Brannon is CC. To help offset rising competition costs, the 2009 all-events fee for **non-members** will be \$50 (no early-bird discount). Single event tickets will be the same as 2007. To allow choruses to budget for an overall increase, member fees will not increase until 2010:

2009

AET, Non-members	\$50
AET, Members	\$50
Early-bird Registration (members only)	\$45
Single Events:	
Quartet Contest	\$15
Chorus Contest	\$15
Show	\$20

2010

AET, Non-members	\$55
AET, Members	\$55
Early-bird Registration (members only)	\$50
Single Events tickets to be determined	

- Jenifer Allbaugh is contacting chorus leaders throughout this year for the *Pedal to the Medal* incentive points.
- The regional song for next year is *Can You Feel the Love Tonight*. A chorus incentive theme is being developed for the year and will be unveiled at the 2009 RAMM.