



## LASTING FRIENDSHIPS – ENDURING MUSIC

### PRESIDENT’S UPDATE

June 2018

### **EVERYONE IN HARMONY**

When Marty Monson, BHS Society CEO was at our Spring Convention he conducted a sessions on Everyone In Harmony. As you should know, this is the new Vision Statement for the Society. Before he came to Pioneer, I asked Marty if he would address the Vision Statement, and give people an opportunity to participate in a discussion on the new Vision Statement. For those who have not had the chance to see this, I encourage you to review this presentation, which is on the Society website. <http://www.barbershop.org/everyoneinharmony/>

This month I want to hear from you regarding your thoughts on Everyone In Harmony. Specifically, I would like to know a few things as they seem to be the issues I hear the most from people whenever this topic comes up for discussion:

1. What does Everyone In Harmony mean to you?
2. As a result of this new Vision, do you see the Society changing in any way?
3. If so, how do you think it will change? In what way?
4. What impact do you think Everyone In Harmony will have on you, your Chapter and BHS?
5. How open are you to having Society Membership open to all people, not just men?
6. Any other comments, questions or concerns?

I ask these questions of you at this time because, as your District president, I will be participating in discussions with other District leaders regarding how the Districts will be working within this Vision Statement. Part of our responsibility, as District leaders is to examine the Society Vision Statement, and take those steps which our members are interested in, and work to merge the two together as harmoniously as possible. Your feedback on this issue will be of great importance to me, and to Joe McDonald, your District E.V.P. as we go forward in our discussions with leaders from other Districts.

I am going to ask you to let me know what your anticipations are for this new Vision, both positive and those things that might concern you as well. Feel free to let me know what you think, and I will be taking those points of view into considerations with my discussions with other leaders from

other Districts and throughout the Society. Send me an email at my new email address for District business: [pio.district.pres@gmail.com](mailto:pio.district.pres@gmail.com) to let me know your thoughts.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Friday, June 8 in Windsor for the annual Windsor Send-Off Show. This is always a great event, with the International bound Chorus and Quartet representatives there to perform for us, and to allow other chapters to show their support, both moral and financial. Also coming up this month is the Flint Chapter's Dead Creek Picnic on June 19<sup>th</sup>. This is also a great event, with lots of fun and singing available. Come on out and support these events!

If, at any time, you have anything you want to ask me, or have the Board review or address, feel free to contact me by email at [pio.district.pres@gmail.com](mailto:pio.district.pres@gmail.com). I will do my best to get back to you in an appropriate amount of time, or put you in contact with the appropriate member of the District Board.

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