Alexandria Harmonizers 70th Anniversary Throwback Thursdays No. 14 - 1977 First District Chorus Champ

1978 Mid-Atlantic District (M-AD) Chorus Champion



ALEXANDRIA HARMONIZERS SCOTT WERNER, MUSIC DIRECTOR

1978 MID-ATLANTIC DISTRICT CHORUS CHAMPION, OCEAN CITY MD, OCTOBER 8, 1977

FIRST ROW
ALAN DURICK, RICK LOVELAND, BOB BALDERSON, SCOTT WERNER, RANDY LAZEAR, MYLES REYNOLDS, BOB BENDER, LINTON REED, MIKE ORGAN, RICK SAVAGE, JIM GAMMON, STEVE HALL, BRIAN RODDA SECOND ROW
JOHN HOHL, BILL TAYLOR, CHUCK JONES, RAY O'CONNELL, WALT PAGE, JIM BALDWIN, HANK RICKER, STEVE MARTIN, BOB FULMER, JOHN ADAMS, DICK BODLE, WARREN ZITZMANN, DON PROST, JOE CRAIG, MIKE EVERARD THIRD ROW
DAVE SHINN, CHUCK HARNER, DAVE PECK, BOB BAECHLER, TONY RODOLAKIS, BOB ADAMS, CLIFF HOWARD, LARRY ROSS, BILL MCDONALD FOURTH ROW
CHARLIE EVERLY, TOM LETTINGTON, FRED CATTO, FRANK BEAHM, SETH HUISMAN, CHRIS MORROW, HERB MCALISTER, BEN COLLINS, MIKE WALLEN, CHUCK FULLER, DAVE WILT, CLAYT SEELEY, BILL BOWLES, ANDRE MARECHAL, JOHN SHIELDS, WIL WINDER, DON ANDERSON FIFTH ROW
BILL CODY, NELSON SUBLETT, TED HIGHBERGER. WILBUR SPARKS, DON WEBSTER, LEN METALLO, BOB FEDEL, MIKE RIORDAN, AL DUDDLESTON, TOM DEHAVEN, DOUG SMITH, LEE HANSON, BILL MEGONNELL, BAKER COLLINS, PHIL ROBERTS, ALAN WHITE, JON LOWE, JACK PITZER NOT PICTURED JIM LUCEY

M-AD Convention and Contests, Ocean City MD, October 7-8, 1977 Musical Director **Scott Werner** Associate Director **John Hohl** Chapter President **Bill Sando**

80 men wearing the "sartorial trademark of the '70s" - white polyester leisure suits

"No Wonder I'm Happy" (John Hohl, Arranger)

"I Tore Up Your Picture When You Said Goodbye" (John Hohl, Arranger)

"EXTRA! EXTRA! Read All About It! Harmonizers Win Mid-Atlantic District Championship!"

Only a shouting headline can properly introduce the story of what happened at Ocean City, MD in October 1977. A band of barbershoppers, veterans of twenty-three unsuccessful attempts to win a Mid-Atlantic District chorus championship, finally had made it on the twenty-fourth try!

Winning the Mid-Atlantic District Chorus Contest in 1977 was only the beginning. The Harmonizer Chorus won the next two District Contests. They dominated this part of Mid-Atlantic's chorus history, just as the **Jubil-Aires** (Fairfax VA), the **Chorus of the Chesapeake** (Dundalk MD), and the **Dapper Dans of Harmony** (Livingston NJ) had done in prior years.

Since the Mid-Atlantic District Championship Chorus is the following year's entry in the International Chorus Contest, Alexandria could now try for the greater prestige that comes from competition with other district champions.

Harmonious Tagline:

Eighty Harmonizers were in the 1977 District Chorus. Eleven of them are current members of the Alexandria Chapter.

Another Historical Tagline:

Elvis Presley, age 42, passed away on August 15, 1977 at Graceland. The King is dead. Long Live the King!