

Winds of Change - 2013

Alexandria Harmonizers, Third Place Chorus, Bronze Medal 75th Annual International Convention and Contests, BHS, Toronto, Canada, June 30-July 7, 2013 Artistic Director Joe Cerutti, Jr. Associate Director Anthony Colosimo Choreographer Carlos Barillo Chapter President Alan Wile 110 men awarded Third Place Bronze Medals, singing: "All The Things You Are," Steve Delahanty, Arr., and "Anything Goes," Kevin Keller, Arr.



In a cover story entitled "Principles Behind A Renaissance" *The Harmonizer* commented: "Some said dark horse for International champion. They weren't blowing smoke. Alexandria (MAD) gets massive ovation on both songs. They've always been the best dancing chapter, but that was spectacular. That made 'Step In Time' look like a waltz. They're back to 'elite' level -- the 'we're next' tier -- that's probably better than what they were doing back when they were gold medalists. It had seemed as if the Alexandria Harmonizers' best days were behind them. Wrong! Their path back to peak strength was grounded in principles that many types and sizes of chapters can apply."

Alexandria Harmonizers, Fourth Place Chorus, Bronze Medal 77th Annual International Convention and Contests, BHS, Pittsburgh PA June 28-July 5, 2015 Artistic Director Joe Cerutti, Jr. Associate Director Anthony Colosimo Choreographer Carlos Barillo Chapter President Terry Reynolds 121 men awarded Fourth Place Bronze Medals singing "Someone Like You." Steve Tramack, Arr., and "Me Ol' Bamboo," Clay Hine, Arr.

Terry Reynolds summed up the year: "...being in the chorus is more exciting than ever. During times of transition... we've actually been inspired to greater artistic heights by the bracing winds of change." Joe Cerutti, said in a speech about the world of possibilities that is opening up for us: "...when I think about my vision for the chapter...I

feel like we're often living for "Now" instead of living for "Yet"....I wonder whether a slight obsession for achievement in contest impedes our ability to dream bigger...Our potential for greatness is simply a decision that we need to make, completely and consistently... When the goal is striving for discipline, focus, consistency, and improvement, achievement will follow...I have always been excited about our future! But I can assure you: you have not seen anything yet."

Harmonious Tagline. Composed by Leonard Bernstein from "Candide" (edited) "Make Our Garden Grow." *"I thought the world...Was sugar cake...For so our master said...But, now I'll teach... My hands to bake...Our loaf of daily bread... Let dreamers dream...What worlds they please...Those Edens can't be found...The sweetest flowers,..The fairest trees...Are grown in solid ground...We're neither pure, nor wise, nor good ...We'll do the best we know...We'll build our house and chop our wood And make our garden grow. And make our garden grow."*