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Hello, Friends!

The time sure flies from one issue to the next! As we return to a new year of Southern Gospel music and this 2024 Spring/Summer issue of the Keystone Quarterly Magazine, I trust that you have had an enriching, safe and healthy winter. Even though we didn't get much snow, I'm hoping that we are at the tail end of this cold season, with nicer weather here to stay...

It's that time of year again! Make it a point to check the websites and Facebook pages of your favorite southern gospel groups and concerts.

This Spring/Summer issue is dedicated to our new Hall of Fame Inductees that were honored last October at the banquet. Many of you were able to attend the 2023 PSGMA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet and the PSGMA sure appreciates your continued support of this annual event. Overflowing congratulations go to Twila Rohrer, Jim Vance and Joe Chioda, our new 2023 PSGMA Hall of Fame Inductees.

The banquet attendees at this current year's HOF banquet (10/26/24) will be enjoying a superb concert by none other than The Down East Boys!! Be sure to check out the enclosed AD below about this upcoming Hall of Fame Induction Banquet for the location and ticket information!

We want to thank you for your continued support of the PSGMA. If you are interested in becoming an annual or lifetime member, see the details on the back cover of this issue.

We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Dave Theis, Editor

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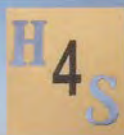
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LOOKING BACK TO THE BEGINNING

By Duane Nicholson

The year 2024 begins the 23rd year of the Pennsylvania Southern Gospel Music Association. It was the dream of two gentlemen from Western Pennsylvania: John Lythgoe and Ken Rhodes. At the beginning, these two men approached me at the summer concerts in Martinsburg, Pennsylvania about becoming a board member.

Thus began an attempt through trial, error and various board members and some criticism to help promote gospel music's Pennsylvania individuals who have gone before us, by developing a Hall of Fame program and a yearly banquet to honor them. A semi-annual magazine was developed to simply support, encourage and introduce Pennsylvania music artists to a broader audience through a membership program. The board also decided not to promote concerts under the name of the PSGMA, in order to not compete with various individuals who already promote across our state, but to encourage them.

One criticism was that we were promoting the board members that had groups. My only answer is that we can only promote those who we know about and have wanted to advertise and be known by a larger audience. Others just don't see the value of PSGMA membership to reach more people for the kingdom through their music and more exposure. Then the question becomes, what is the reason for singing?

Having said this, my retirement from actively singing does not mean that I don't appreciate Pennsylvania groups. I did not have to join the PSGMA board years ago and now approaching 88 years old, find it ever harder to function. I love all that spread the Gospel through song and the Word.

I have so much more in my heart to say, but will close for now.

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If you have not heard of New Journey yet, check out their Facebook and Instagram pages along with their website www.newjourneyministry.com. The family group's recent album "God is Faithful" released in September 2023 shortly before they sang at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, TN (photo bottom right).

If you would like to book New Journey for a 2025 church service or event, contact Michelle at (724)454-9554.

Make sure to check out their schedule and attend a concert near you this year!

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ON THE NARROW ROAD

By Uncle Brian Rosebaum

Growing up, I heard the phrase, "God never promised us a rose garden". I beg to differ with that. God actually does give us a rose garden; we just have to remember that rose gardens have thorns and insects, but OH THE BLOSSOMS!!

To use a more spiritual vernacular, we have mountaintops and valleys. We have sunshine and rain. We also have laughter and tears.

Our lives are full of good and bad. As I look back on my life, it was the rough times that hold the most amazing memories. It was the terrible moments that showed God's grace and power off the most. I like knowing that God gets the glory. I don't always remember this as I'm going THROUGH some trouble or problem. It's as I get through these troubles that I feel the Lord's hand. It's also after the problem is resolved that I KNEW that God had delivered me once again!

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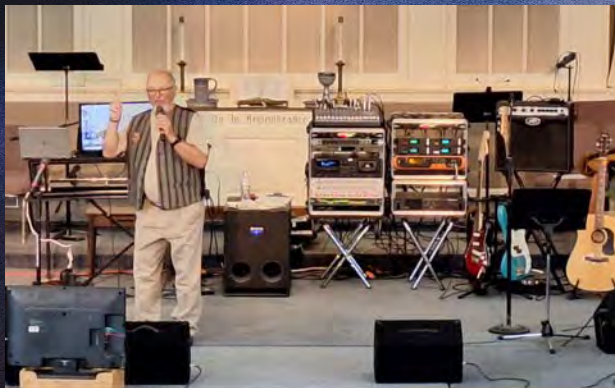
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May-24					
Sat, May 11	6:00 PM	Trinity UMC	H4S	New East Market	Md
Sun May 12	9:45 AM	Bloomery UMC	H4S	Federalsburg	Md
Sat May 18	6:00 PM	Delaware Run Wesleyan Church	H4S	Watsontown	Pa
Sun May 19	10:15 AM	Williamsport Church of Nazarene	H4S	Williamsport	Pa
24-Jun					
Thur, Jun 13	1:30 PM	Silver Spring Rehab	FF	Mechanicsburg	PA
Sun, Jun 16	10:30AM	Edgewood Church of God	FF	Frederick	Md
Mon, Jun 17	7:00 PM	Brethren Village	FF	Lititz	PA
Sun, Jun 23	11:00 AM	Bethesda Methodist Church	H4S	Preston	Md
24-Jul					
Sun, July 7	10:30 AM	Calvary Assy of God	H4S	York	Pa
Sun, Jul 14	11:AM	New Life Outreach	M4Q	Bridgeton	NJ
Sun, July 21	8:45 AM	Chestnut Grove Methodist Church	H4S	Federalsburg	Md
Sun, July 21	6:30 PM	Lincoln Cornerstone Church	H4S	Lincoln	De
Fri, Jul 26	7:00 PM	Enola Church of God	FF	Enola	Pa
Sat, Jul 27	12:00 PM	Calvary Methodist Church	H4S	Acme	Pa
Sun, Jul 28	10:45 AM	Ulyssess Free Methodist Church	FF	Ulyssess	Pa
Sun, Jul 28	6:00 PM	Potter County Fair	FF	Shinglehouse	Pa
24-Aug					
Wed, Aug 21	6:00 PM	Williamsburg Community Farm Show	FF	Williamsburg	Pa
Sat, Aug 24	TBD	Coleman Memorial Chapel	FF	Lititz	Pa
Sat, Aug 31	12:00 PM	Ocean Grove Boardwalk	FF	Ocen Grove,	NJ
24-Sep					
Mon, Sept 2nd	11:00 AM	New Life Outreach	FF, M4Q, H4S	Bridgeton	NJ
Sat, Sep 7	All Day	Concert On The Ridge	FF, H4S	Hooversville	Pa
Sun, Sep 8	11:00 AM	Revere Free Methodist Church	H4S	Ulledi	Pa
Sat, Sept 21	6:00 PM	Good News Church	FF, M4Q,	Mechanicsburg	Pa
Nov-24					
Sat, Nov 9	6:00 PM	Vineyard Outreach	H4S	Shirleysburg	Pa
Sun, Nov 10	10:30 AM	Vineyard Outreach	H4S	Shirleysburg	Pa

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THE 2023 PSGMA HOF AWARD BANQUET

By Randy Simpson



Each year, the PSGMA inducts 3 individuals into the Pennsylvania Gospel Music Hall of Fame. In October 2023, another 3 well-deserving artists joined the Pennsylvania Gospel Music Hall of Fame Alumni. The HOF Banquet was held in Camp Hill, PA at the Christian Life Assembly Family Life Center and the program was opened musically with 2023's Keystone Award winners, The Bates Family. That was followed by the featured singing group, The Blackwood Brothers.



The Blackwood Brothers



The Bates Family

The first of those individuals inducted into the Hall Of Fame was Twila Rohrer. Twila was born on June 26th in Lancaster, PA. Twila is very thankful for God's grace and miracle working power; for at the age of 2, her mother was backing the car out of the garage, and not wanting to miss a Sunday evening drive, Twila ran directly behind the vehicle. The rear wheel ran across her body. Her mother thought she had accidentally run over one of the barn cats, and so she pulled forward and ran over Twila for a second time. After 13 days in the hospital, Twila considers it a miracle of God that she survived.



Twila Rohrer

As a child, Twila attended Erisman Mennonite Church in Manheim. Twila grew up on a dairy farm and learned at a young age about hard work, as chores on the farm included milking cows, feeding animals, driving tractors, and working in the garden, as well as helping her mother with cooking, baking, canning fruits and vegetables, sewing, and cleaning.

Twila also enjoyed participating in several 4-H clubs. Growing up in a conservative Mennonite family, her parents never owned a television until wanting to watch the moon landing in July of 1969. Twila recalls some of her earliest memories of Gospel Music as hearing The Couriers on records, on TV, and live in concert. Her parents would also listen to recordings of Bill & Gloria Gaither and The Oak Ridge Boys. Twila and her girlfriends would go hear The Oak Ridge Boys in concert and sit close to their record table and try to guess what cologne William Golden was wearing. In 1977, Twila was voted Lancaster County Dairy Princess.

After graduation from high school, she completed training and received her license to be a Licensed Practical Nurse. Twila continued to enjoy going to gospel concerts and her heart was delighted when the Holy Spirit would move

in a powerful way. In March of 2000, Twila started volunteering and helping Dick and Mary Carper at Garden Spot Promotions concerts all over Lancaster County. In 2004, she purchased Garden Spot Promotions.

Then in 2009, Twila was voted SGPA Promoter of the Year. Twila considers it an honor and privilege to have met so many of the artists, agents, and promoters during her time of ownership, and is thankful for those friendships. As their children graduated college, got married, and the farm expanded, Twila felt it necessary to step away from promoting and pass along those duties to Landon Beene.

Twila and her husband Dale still work their farm in Lititz, PA and still enjoy attending concerts in the Lancaster area.

Thank you, Twila, for your time and service to Gospel Music.



Jim Vance

The next individual inducted was Jim Vance. Jim was born on February 19, 1949 in Durbin, WV. As a child, he attended Durbin Brethren Church. As a young boy, Jim enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, and playing in the apple trees. His first taste of singing came at age 6, when he joined his musical family singing at churches, revivals, and camp meetings. Jim remembers listening to the radio and hearing

such groups as The Statesmen, The Chuck Wagon Gang, The Blackwood Brothers, and The Speer Family.

Jim has spent many years traveling and spreading the Gospel in song as a part of several different ministries throughout his musical career including: The Clearidge Quartet; The Gospel Travelers; The Masters Four Quartet; The Calvarymen; True Alliance; and finally New Spirit, which changed their name in 2009 to the Keystone State Quartet. Jim considers it an honor to have traveled for many years serving the Lord in this capacity. When he was traveling with Keystone State Quartet, they were voted Pennsylvania's favorite Gospel Group for 2011 & 2012.

Jim was also voted Pennsylvania's Favorite Male Gospel Singer in 2012. As Jim's love for Gospel Music grew over the years, he states that it helped his faith grow stronger as well. Jim is so thankful for all the folks he has met through the years, making so many friendships with folks, and especially other gospel singers. His biggest blessing from traveling and singing was seeing souls come to be saved through the Word in song. After 50 years of singing, Jim has recently retired from active traveling, but continues to attend and support gospel concerts all over the central Pennsylvania area.

Thank you, Jim, for your years of service to gospel music.

The final individual inducted was Joe Chioda. Joe Chioda was born October 5, 1946 and lived in PA his entire life until his passing in March of 2022. As a child, Joe grew up in a loving Christian home, and attended Pitcairn Assembly of God near Pittsburgh.

His earliest recollections of Gospel Music were in the mid 1960's, hearing groups like the Stamps Qt. After attending the National Quartet Convention, and hearing all the great gospel



Joe Chioda

singing, Joe knew he felt a calling to promote this style of music in Pennsylvania.

Joe also founded a group called The Tribunes; this group would go on to become The Steel City Quartet. Later on, Joe founded a group called The Master Builders Quartet. Then in 1991, he began the Streets of Gold Ministry, which started as a radio program that aired on Sunday afternoons. Soon after that, Joe expanded that ministry by doing concert promotions. These events would feature well known gospel artists from the southern states, and each concert would also consist of an opening singing group from the local surrounding area. His daughter Amy would also sing on these programs, as well as with a group that Joe had recently joined, called Spiritual Witness. Joe then continued to expand Streets of Gold Ministry by creating a magazine called 'Streets of Gold'. It was a subscription-based publication that reached all 50 states. Later, Joe organized and founded the Eastern Quartet Convention that was held in western PA for many, many, years featuring many of gospel's top artists.

Joe dedicated his life to the Lord and to Southern Gospel Music. Joe and his wife Mary and their family made lifelong friendships throughout their ministry journey. Gospel Music was the Lord's conductor in Joe's life and his love of the Lord and his love of Gospel Music was apparent to all that knew him. At the HOF banquet, his award was presented to his daughter, Amy (Chioda) Lewellan.

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2024 Gospel Music Schedule

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Saturday nights at 7pm

May 25th : Glory Way Quartet
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June 8th : Ironwood Drive
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June 22nd : TBD
June 29th : The Itzels
July 6th : The Hagans Family
July 13th : The Lordsmen
July 20th : Sonrise
July 27th : Downin Lane
August 3rd : South Penn Crossing
August 10th : The Needhams
August 24th : Calvary's Mercy
August 31st : The Siler Family

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August 12th : Country Praise
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