



Welcome to the 2016 FWD NE/NW Division Contest

Saturday, April 2, Castro Valley, CA

As your hosts, the Devil Mountain Chorus wants to make your experience as enjoyable as possible. We will send a Contest Packet with complete details soon. To help with early planning, we offer the following information:

- Location:** Castro Valley Center for the Arts
19501 Redwood Road, Castro Valley CA
- Parking:** The theater is part of Castro Valley High School. Park for free at any of the high school lots.
- Food:** Sorry, there is no food on site. A variety of restaurants and fast food choices are less than a mile away, particularly along Castro Valley Blvd.
- Doors open:** Doors will open at 9AM for picking up pre-registration badges, on-site registration, and chorus/quartet registration (for evals).
- Hotel:** Holiday Inn Express, 2419 Castro Valley Blvd, 510-889-9300 is the hotel where Judges Hospitality and quartet evaluations will take place. Another nearby option is Comfort Inn, 2532 Castro Valley Blvd, 855-849-1513.
- Afterglow:** We have reserved a nearby private venue with room for 180 singers and friends, from 8:30-11:30 PM, with beer, pizza, and more. Please plan on coming!
- Dressing:** There will be dressing rooms available. We will schedule a time for each chorus to avoid overcrowding. This same schedule (coming soon!) will include warm-up times and ready room assignments.
- Questions?** The FWD web site at <http://events.farwesterndistrict.org/conventions> has the performance schedules, judging panel, and registration information. (Our contest is the 2nd one on the web page.)
The "Convention Chairman" link forwards emails to the Contest Chairman (Todd Plantenga), or you can email him directly at tplantenga@hotmail.com.

Thank you, and again, complete details will be coming soon.