The Weekly Newsletter of the

Choo Choo Chorus

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Calendar

Merritt Funeral at the National Cemetery - Thursday, December 16. Assemble at 1:15 PM

Alexian Village - Thursday, December 16. Assemble at 6:15 PM.

Directions

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00 Warmup - Chuck
7:20 Tag - Paul
7:25 review Lulu's Back in Town - Paul
7:35 review Old Fashioned Girl In A Gingham Gown - Paul
7:45 review riverboat repertoire - Paul
8:15 announcements/break
8:30 quartet?
8:40 review National Anthem, God Bless America - Paul
9:00 gang singing - final announcements for 2010 - Merry Christmas/Happy New Year!

Christmas Sing Out Summary

Our anticipated performance to young people and others at the Ooltewah and East Ridge High Schools joint WINTER Show was cancelled due to WINTER weather (you know, "Oh, the weather outside is frightful..., Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow.")

National Cemetery. Enter the main gate on Holtzclaw Ave. nd look or ask for directions to the Merritt funeral.

Alexian. Hwy 27 North from downtown. Take the Signal Mtn/Hwy 127 exit and take Signal Mtn Blvd. up the mountain. Take the first left just before the traffic light, and drive until the road begins to turn right up a hill. Turn left onto Mississippi Ave by Nino's Restaurant and this road will take you to Alexian Village. Turn left onto Signal Point Road, and then right at the entrance sign for Alexian. At the dead end, turn left and drive until you see a a flag pole and bell tower. That is their main entrance.

Snow.")

Twenty-seven singers including several Christmas Chorus members assembled for the sing out at Creekside Retirement Center. We sang our second act show songs to the delight of our colorfully dressed audience. After a lengthy fellowship with the residents, the Choo Choo Chorus members rehearsed *The Lord's Prayer* for the Merritt funeral.

Mervin Merritt Funeral Sing Out

A tribute to Mervin F. Merritt will be held on Thursday, December 16 at 2:00 PM. at National Cemetery, corner of Bailey and Holtzclaw Avenues. We will sing *The Lord's Prayer* which was requested by the family. Please arrive at 1:15 in order to go over the song and warm up. It would be respectful for us to wear our Patriotic outfit as we have done for all other performances at the Cemetery. Dress warmly since we will be singing outside.

Mervin was a World War II veteran having fought in Belgium, Germany and France and when the war in Europe ended he was shipped to the Philippines to train for the invasion of Japan. Mervin was my best friend for many years as we have known each other since 1968. He asked me to do this after hearing us at Forrest Bugher's funeral, and his son reaffirmed the request three weeks ago. This is a $200 paid performance and your presence is kindly requested. *Lamar Owens*