The Weekly Newsletter of the

Choo Choo Chorus

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Calendar

Christmas Chorus members are invited to all of these sing outs.

Winter Show Sing Out - December 13. Assemble at Spring Creek Road Baptist Church at 6:45 PM. Go to the parking lot in the rear of the church, come in from the back and ask for 'The Blue Room.'

Script for Monday's Sing Out

6:45 Warm up

7:00 Rehearse music for tonight's performance and the Creekside and Alexian sing outs.

8:00 This time is an estimate. Sing three songs for the Winter Show of East Ridge and Ooltewah High Schools.

Last Monday's Party Summary

Sixty nine people attended the annual Christmas Party at the home of Steve and Janet Wixson (one person did not pay--she was small and weighed around 20 pounds-- Paul's granddaughter. She did help direct the choral singing.) The food must have been good as there was none left at party's end. Both Four Grand and The Chattanooguys sang, and our choral songs to our ladies sounded really good. Paul installed the officers for 2011. He told the story that he always tells the first Monday in December. Dave Fleury, in memory of Clyde

Creekside Retirement - December 14. Assemble at 6:15 PM.

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

The CCCC Photograph

The 2010 CCCC photograph at the top of this e-mail is available as a download or print. E-mail Steve Wixson at wixson@chattanooga.net if you would like a copy.

Directions

Spring Creek Road Baptist Church. I-24 East to Moore Road Exit. Drive the access road until it dead ends into Spring Creek Road. Turn right. The church will be on your left a block or so from the Ringgold Road intersection.

Creekside. From Chattanooga, I-75 North. Exit right at Shallowford Road exit. Continue on Shallowford past Gunbarrel Road. Creekside is on the left with a small sign marking the entrance.

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.

Rogers, told the story of the new Gandy Spike, and then presented framed photographs to our two newest members, Dave Callao and Cameron Druyor. There were thank yous to the 2010 CCCCers who attended. A great fellowship event.

Message from the Director

I'd like to thank everyone who participated in what I believe is the best Community Chorus presentation (and overall Christmas show) ever. Seventy-four men made an awesome sound and provoked an awesome silence at the end of Silent Night, more rewarding to me than the standing ovation (rightly deserved) that followed. Thanks to your hard work, we were able to inspire and entertain a larger audience than any I can remember in the 21st century. Please remember our three upcoming performances and be there for all of them (if possible). We can be even bigger and better next year by getting more exposure around the city.

Also, remember that we have Singing Valentines coming up in February, a great chance to sing in a quartet and make people happy. After that, we have contest in Boaz, Alabama in March. We'll start rehearsing songs for both on December 20th. We will not meet on December 27th and return to our regular schedule on January 3rd. *Paul Blazek*

Message from our Show Chairman

Although I don't have the final tally of what was made on the Christmas show...quality-wise it was the best I've seen since my six years with the Chorus. I owe special thanks to a myriad of people who made this program possible. I thank Steve Wixson, Dave Rack and his troop of guys who handled the risers, Paul Blazek, Chuck Wilson, Sharree Stoker of the Walter Boehm Birth Defects Center, Marcellus Scott, Mary Strickland and the Choo Choo Belles, Lighting & Sound Technician Bret Noblitt, the GPS students who gave up their Friday evening to run the tech crew, Andrew Phelps (GPS) and, of course, Jed Mescon. Lastly, I owe a debt of gratitude to my wife, Marilyn W. Fisher who wrote the script and gave me ideas on the show. Hopefully, I haven't forgotten anyone...if I have, please forgive me. Thank you one and all. *Gary Fisher*