The Chattanooga Community Christmas Chorus Chronicle

A Short Term Newsletter of the Choo Choo Chorus

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Diego, Youngest CCCC Member

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Calendar

Cleveland Show, Thursday, November 29, Dixon Center at Lee University (same as previous years), Cleveland, TN Arrive at 6 PM to rehearse for 7 PM show. Dress is anything Christmas, colorful sweaters, hats and various Christmas decor are all welcome.

Alexian Grove, Tuesday December 4th, 6:15pm, Same dress as our show.

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 8, GPS. Dress is black pants, socks and shoes, white dress shirt, Christmas tie, and optional head dress or scarf, Arrive 5:30 PM for Dress Rehearsal.

Christmas Party Reservation Deadline, December 3

Military Officers Association of American, Tuesday, December 11, 6:30 PM, Walden Club. Same dress as our show.

Garden Plaza, Thursday, December 13, 6:15 PM. Same dress as our show.

Fairview Baptist Church, Saturday, December 15, 6:15 PM. Same dress as our show.

Christmas Party, Monday, December 17, 6 PM, BX Crossroads

Alexian Village, Tuesday, December 18th, 6:15pm. Same dress as our show.

Rock City Pavilion, Thursday, December 20, 6:15 PM to perform at 7 PM and 8:15 PM. Same dress as our show.

From the Director

Great job on the Hebrew this week - you guys really stepped up to the plate! The next big challenge will be Cradle in Bethlehem and we will be working extra hard to get this tough arrangement ready for performance. Please spend some extra time with the learning track - I know the quality isn't the best and the sync is a little off, but the notes are accurate, and if we get those right we can fix everything else.

Thanks for your hard work! It's really paying off on the risers; we can now add finesse and artistry to our performance. See you Monday. *Paul Blazek*

Rehearsal Highlights

We are making good progress as evidenced by singing thru the following songs mostly once, *I Saw Three Ships, Jingle Bells, It Came Upon a Midnight Clear, Mary Had a Baby, Veni, Veni, Emmanuel* and *We Need a Little Christmas.* We did some work on *Feast of Lights,* and the Hebrew is coming along. We worked hard on *A Cradle in Bethlehem.* We went to the risers and sang a couple of songs.

Chad Guyton at Monday's Rehearsal

Chad Guyton, Director of the Cleveland Chorus, will be at Monday's rehearsal to direct songs that we are singing on their show. On Thursday, November 29, in Cleveland, we will rehearse at 6 PM, so arrive early to be ready to sing on time. See Calendar for the dress for their show. Chad is an international quartet champion. It is a lot of fun to sing under his direction.

Youngest CCCC Member

Diego is one of my students at CSLA. A few weeks ago, the Chattanooguys quartet and Paul Blazek came to the school and made a presentation/demonstration of Barbershop to our middle school students. I had mentioned to my chorus students about the Community Chorus being open to them. Diego expressed and interest and decided to give us a try. There are several other students who are interested and have decided to start working together to form a barbershop ensemble at CSLA. My hope is that next year several of the students join the Community Chorus. *Marty Massengale*

Do we have some future barbershoppers? Time will tell. Shown in the photograph is Marty Massengale's chin, Diego, JJ McShan, Charlie Holder, Wilbur Strickland and Chet Tschetter.

Newspaper Photo on Monday

The Times Free Press will run something about the Christmas Chorus soon, and they asked for a rehearsal photograph. So one will be taken this Monday when we are on the risers.

Show/Party Ticket Update

Tickets sales are going nicely and we have 590 already given out. Hopefully, ALL of those will be sold. That leaves 200 tickets left for the general public to fill up our 790 seat theatre. Sell to friends, neighbors, family...even those you DON'T like so well.

Deadline for giving me the money for the Christmas party is Monday, December 3rd. We still have room for 30 more guests, so let me know. Gary *Fisher*

The Choo Choo Chorus is the performing unit of the Chattanooga Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society.
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