The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

From left: Johnny Jackson, Board, Dave Fleury, Board, Marcellus Scott, Publicity, Lebron Brock, President, Wilbur Strickland, Music VP, Larry Deters,Installer, Rick Ptacin, Business Manager, Chuck Wilson, Associate Director, Gary Fisher, Treasurer, Wally Edmondson, Membership VP, Pat Crowe, Board, Steve Wixson, Bulletin Editor

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Calendar

Valentine Fund Raiser, Tuesday, February 14.

Dixie Spring Convention, March 9-11, 2012, Gadsden, AL.

Our Disney Show, May 2012

50th Anniversary Celebration, Monday, July 16 ()

From the Crowe's Nest

The marines may be looking for a few good men. But, I not only believe, but know there are more than a few in the chorus!!.... As Chairman of our 50th anniversary celebration, I'll be asking you for your assistance, to make this a memorable event. Got ideas? .. To paraphrase a former presedent..." Ask not what the Chorus can do for you, ask what you can do for the Chorus" We'll have a brainstorming meeting in the near future. *Pat Crowe*

From the Publicity Chairman

Marcellus Scott

From the Bulletin Editor

The newsletter will continue in its current format, and there will be profiles of more members. Contributed article are appreciated. *Steve Wixson*

January 2, 2012

Script for Monday's Meeting

From the President

From the Director

2011 was a great year and I'm looking forward to 2012 for a lot of reasons - Mid-Winter Convention (in Tucson - let's go!), Singing Valentines (get in a quartet!), Spring Convention and Contest (Gadsden, AL - plan to be there!), the Disney show (start brushing up on what we've already learned and get ready for some more!), International Contest (with Nashville, but you're all invited to join us in Portland!), Fall Convention and Contest (TBA - are you as excited as I am?), and the 2012 CCCCCC (100 or bust!), not to mention our community performances (and personally, my judging gigs). Whew!!!

Who could you NOT want to be a part of this? I'll bet there's 10 new guys (20? 30?) out there just waiting to be asked to share the harmony (musical and personal) that is the Choo Choo Chorus. Make it a personal goal to find one of them in 2012.

According to my (sometimes faulty) memory, 2012 will mark 50 years of existence for the Chattanooga Chapter and 25 years of directing by your truly. Let's find a way to make the most of these marketing/publicity opportunities. *Paul Blazek*

From the Membership VP

There will be a huge push for new members this year at the Society level. To help attract new members, I will be passing out "I Sing" buttons that we should wear whenever possible. Let's let people know about our hobby! I'll be signing us up for Operation Harold Hill when registration opens in early January. The Society will be helping us grow. You can read more about OHH here: http://www.operationharoldhill.com/
Wally Edmondson

From the Music Leadership VP

The Music Team will meet on the second Monday of each month beginning on January 9. JW and Richard are co-chairing Singing Valentines and quartets need to be getting their acts together so we will have enough quartets so the Chattanooguys won't have to do it all. *Wilbur Strickland*

From the Program VP

Dave White

From the Business Manager

I counted 18 sing outs for last year, and Dave Rack gave me his file of contacts. In it was a program from the chorus performance in May 2008 at UTC. There is a history of the chorus on one of the pages and it indicated the chorus was formed on 5/17/1962. As for 2012, the target is to exceed this years 18 sing outs and increase the number of repeat clients (Alexian, Ruby Falls etc). *Rich Ptacin*