The Chattanooga Community Christmas Chorus Chronicle

A Short Term Newsletter of the Choo Choo Chorus

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Calendar

Cleveland Show, Thursday, November 29, Cleveland, TN **(NEW)**

Alexian Grove, Tuesday December 4th, 6:15pm

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 8, GPS. Dress is black pants, socks and shoes, white dress shirt, christmas tie, and optional head dress or scarf.

Christmas Party Reservation Deadline, December 10

Military Officers Association of American, Tuesday, December 11, 6:30 PM, Walden Club

Garden Plaza, Thursday, December 13, 6:15 PM

Fairview Baptist Church, Saturday, December 15, 6:15 PM

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

Alexian Village, Tuesday, December 18th, 6:15pm

Rock City Pavilion, Thursday, December 20, 6:15 PM to perform at 7 PM and 8:15 PM

If You Have to Drop Out of the Chorus

We promised 100 men on stage, so If you have to drop out of the Christmas Chorus for any or no reason, please let us know. We have a few former CCCCers who know most of the music that we might press into service. And turn in your music notebook and CD so the money for copyright fees can go to Boehm..

From the Director

As we approach the last few weeks before the BIG SHEW (for all you Ed Sullivan fans) and other performances, I continue to be impressed how quickly we can fix things and bring the music up to speed. It's getting to be more about "feeling the songs" and "letting your faces show the message" than it is about words and notes (although...Hebrew?). Keep up the good work at home, in your car, etc. during the week and let's get ready for the push towards our first performance.

Our attendance was a little light this past Monday and we're trying to get a final count of how many will be on stage, so please let us know if your plans have changed. Also, don't worry if you feel a little crowded on the risers - we'll have more risers on stage and I'm working on a way to have more risers in the rehearsal space. Thanks again for all you do; I KNOW we're going to have a successful and beneficial Christmas season. *Paul*

Rehearsal Highlights

We worked on our music in the assembly hall and later on risers. Lots of good singing, however, Hebrew words to *Feast of Lights* need lots of work (see translation below) and Leads had lots of trouble with intro to *A Cradle in Bethlehem*. Paul answered a question about dress for the show (see Calendar.)

Chattanooga Magazine Article

We are being featured in the Nov/Dec issue of the slick paper *Chattanooga Magazine* (see photo of part of cover above.) Editor, Debbie Petticord, was at last Monday's CCCC rehearsal taking photographs and getting background information for the article. Hopefully it will get us a bigger audience and more contributions toward our $10,000 goal for the Boehm children.

Feast of Lights Medley Translation

Courtesy of Carl Hansen, below is a translation of the Hebrew words in the *Feast of Lights Medley.*

S' vivon sov, sov, sov, Chanukah hu hag tov, Chanukah hu hag tov (Dreidel turn, turn, turn! Feast of Lights, a good holiday, Feast of Lights, a good holiday) (A dreidel is a spining toy)
S' vivon sov, sov, sov (Dreidel turn, turn, turn!)
Hag sim ha, Hu la am, Nes ga dol ha ya sham. Hu la am (It is a holy day for all the world Remembering a miracle for all the world) Nes ga dol ha ya sham. Hag sim ha Hu la am (Remembering a miracle, it is a holy day for all the world.)
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Cleveland Christmas Show Added

In previous years, we have joined with the barbershop chorus from Cleveland, TN for the Christmas Show - we sing with them and they sing with us. Last Monday, Paul took a poll to see if this year's CCCC was interested, and the answer was yes. More details later, but their show will be in Cleveland on Thursday, November 29th (a week after Thanksgiving). They are learning the same songs. Their show is a benefit for a Cleveland charity.

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