The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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Calendar

Valentines Party, Thursday, Feb 16, 6 PM (**not 6:30 as mentioned at the last meeting)**, Golden Corral in Ft. Oglethorpe. Wear your RED coat and a Valentines tie.

Special Olympics Swim Meet, Thurs, March 8, GPS, 9:45 am (quartet only)

Dixie Spring Convention, March 9-11, 2012, Gadsden, A

.**Naturalization Ceremonies,** Wed, Apr 11, 10:30 AM & 1:30 PM, US District Court.

Special Olympics Track and Field, Saturday, April 21, McCallie 9:30am

Gold Star Wives, Sat, Apr 21 (tentative).

Garden Plaza of Greenbrier Cove, Thurs, April 25, 7 PM.

Annual Show, *Fifty Year Parade of Harmony*, May 18 or 19 (depending on venue scheduling)

50th Anniversary Celebration, Fri, June 1, 5:30 PM, Colonnade.

Dixie Fall Convention, Sept 28-30, Tunica, MS.

Sweet Adelines 50th Show, Oct 6.

From the Director

Great work last Monday! Our contest songs are shaping up nicely - we just need to continue to improve and retain our gains each week so we can be our best in Gadsden. Please remember which nits I picked so I can find new ones next Monday. Also, please remember the basics (same vowel, same time, in tune) to make our "unit sound" in each part. To quote Hannibal Smith (A-Team), "I love it when a plan comes together"! *Paul*

Birthdays

7 - Marcellus Scott
12 - Brooks Gist
28 - Wally Edmondson

Anniversaries

26 - Richard and Ann Poole

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00 Paul leads warm up
7:15 Chuck - Polecat - Shine on Me
7:30 Circle-sing - Paul with WSLM
7:45 Chuck - Darkness on the Delta
8:00 Paul - Chattanooga Choo Choo
8:10 Paul - Ten Feet
8:20 Dave White - Announcements & break
8:30 Four on the Floor quarteting
8:40 Paul - A Dream is a Wish
9:00 Risers - Paul - When You Wish Upon a Star
9:20 Paul - Craft
9:25 Gandy and KTWWS

Summary of the Last Meeting

Chuck opened with TOS and led warm up. Paul led a circle sing of TFOTG. Paul worked on Darkness on the Delta.

Dave White led announcements. Wilbur discussed the MLT meeting, and reminded us of the Valentines Party on Thursday. We will wear our Red Coats. Paul announced the Special Olympics T&F on Saturday, April 21. We sang a Happy Birthday to Brooks.

After the break that include some great cake provided by Daniel. We went to the risers to work on contest songs; WSLM, Dream, WYWUaS and again WSLM that sounded very good. Brandon passed the Gandy to Wally. We closed with Wally leading a rousing version of KTWWS.

Singing Valentines 2012

A big round of thanks to JW and Richard for chairing the 2012 Singing Valentines fund raiser.- about 60 Valentines delivered. And thanks to the quartets, Chattanooguys; Brandon, Brooks, Erby and Pat (who said that Brandon wowed everyone); Rock City 4 with Wilbur as bass; and Paul, Johnny, Steve G and Dave White.

The first SV photograph via Fleury's cell phone camera came in minutes after it was delivered by the Chattanooguys - and as you can see above, it's a great picture. They also sang to a101 year young lady who looked about 70. She had to be helped out of her chair, but was spry and had a twinkle in her eye.

Wilbur reported that RC4 sang to a gentleman yesterday who was bedfast with cancer, but he loves Barbershop. After we got through singing to him he told his wife that he has had gifts for Christmas, Easter, Birthday and all other gifts, but this was the best gift that he has ever had. Kinda made us feel good.

Rich reported that two concerned husbands called ~30 minutes before the end of the time window for their quartet visit. One was calm - the other appopleclectic. I couldn't find which quartets were assigned. I called each back ~ 10 minutes after they called and the quartets had arrived. Appoplectic was ecstatic, apologized multiple times and said his wife was going to kill him when she got home. The other guy almost drove off the road when his wife called him. He was most appreciative of the jobs we did.

Valentines Party

From all indications, there will be a good turn out for our Valentines Party, Thursday, February 16 at 6:00 PM (and not 6:30 as mentioned at our last meeting.) It will be at the Ft.. Oglethorpe Golden Corral which is said to be one of the best. Let's pretty it up by wearing our Red Coats with a tie suitable for a Valentines Party.

The Choo Choo Belles Cookbook

One of Audrey Gist's favorite recipes is the Broccoli casserole on the top of Page 84. You can see the cookbook by clicking HERE. You can find the recipe by searching for 84 and then go to top of that page. Please try this and other of these recipes and report back. *Mary Strickland*

Old Newsletters now in Archive

I have removed all of the 2010 and 2011 weekly newsletters from the website and placed them in a PDF Portfolio that is text searchable just like the cookbook. Click Chapter Archive below to view them and other goodies. You may have to download a new version of the Adobe PDF Reader. *Steve Wixson*

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