The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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Pals of Mime	February 13, 2012

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Calendar

MLT Meeting, Monday, Feb 13, 5 PM, Wally's.

Valentine Fund Raiser, Tues, Feb 14.

Valentines Party, Thurs, Feb 16, 6 PM, Golden Corral in Ft Oglethorpe (said to be one of the best in the US.)

Dixie Spring Convention, March 9-11,

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00 Chuck leads warm up
7:15 Paul - Polecat - I Love You Truly
7:30 Circle-sing - Paul with Ten Feet
7:45 Paul - Chattanooga Choo Choo
8:00 Paul - When Somebody Loves Me
8:10 Paul - Ten Feet
8:20 Dave White - Announcements & break
8:30 Valentines Quartets
8:40 Risers - Paul - When You Wish Upon a Star
9:00 Paul - A Dream is a Wish
9:20 Paul - Craft
9:25 Gandy and KTWWS

Summary of the Last Meeting

Paul lead warm up including *Polecat Sweet Rosie* of Morn. Chuck worked on Polecat *Let Me Call You Sweetheart*.

Paul worked on *Ten Feet* in a circle, then *Darkness on*

2012, Gadsden, AL.

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

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

Garden Plaza of Greenbriar 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.

American Harmony

The fillm *American Harmony* is showing on the Documentary Channel next Sunday, Feb. 12, at 8pm and 11pm Eastern (5pm and 8pm Pacific). This would be a great opportunity for barbershoppers to see the film, and hopefully get excited about using it for marketing/PR/ membership purposes through the four wall release plan (see http://www.americanharmonythemovie.com). *Wilbur*

From the Crowe's Nest - 50th Planning

The Planning Team met at Wally's. Lot's of ideas were discussed. The overall plan for the 50th party was defined, and assignments were made for team members to contact people who can help us or who might come and perform at either the show or party. *Pat*

the Delta. Chuck worked on *When You Wish* and Paul worked on *Chat Choo Choo* at slow tempo to learn the syncopation.

Announcements. Wilbur took a count for the Valentines Party. Mentioned the 50th Planning Team had met. Frank has already sold 6 Valentines. Paul mentioned the American Harmony Film will be shown on the Documentary Channel.

After a break, two quartets sang Valentines songs, the Chattanooguys and Pat Crowe's quartet. Went to the risers to work on *Dream* and WSLM. Paul continue with craft. Chet surprised Brandon with the Gandy. We closed with KTWWS.

Pals of Mime Quartet

Pals of Mime was a very unique quartet that sang together back in the 1980's. We consisted of Lee Walker, Bass, Dave Reynolds, Bari, Tom Keegan, Lead and Jack Lane as Tenor. Lee Walker was a Judge (SPEBSQSA) at the time and he came up with the idea that we would appear on stage as mimes and then sing. We wore all black outfits and had all white (King of England) hats. When we were introduced, we silently came on stage pushing brooms like we were cleaning the floors, and eventually arrived at the mike without making a sounnd. One of us would eventually blow a pitchpipe and we would start singing. We all had white-face makeup (which was a real killer-1/2 hour just to put on), and we were a strange, unusual looking quartet. We had to stop competing because it took so long to put on the make-up, that we were worn out before we even got onstage to compete. *Tom*

The Choo Choo Belles Cookbook

Back in 1994, the Belles published a cookbook and sold and gave away a lot of them. As part of our 50th Anniversary Celebration, this cookbook is being re-issued as an on-line cookbook that you can review by clicking HERE. Please try some of these recipies and share the names of your favorites over the next few months. *Mary Strickland*

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