The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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Spring Contest Photograph

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Calendar

Naturalization Ceremonies, Thursday, April 4, 10:30 AM and 1:30 PM, US District Court, Arrive 9:45 AMand 1:00 PM

Special Olympics, Saturday, April 20, 9:30 AM, McCallie Field

Memorial Day, Monday, May 27

Summer Cookout, June 29

Annual Show, Saturday, August 17, GPS, Lunch Break is guest quartet.

Fall Contest, October 4-5, Chattanooga, we are host.

Christmas Party, December 15 (tentative)

Christmas Show, Thursday, December 19, Tivoli

Dixie Contest Statistics from Fred

Some contest statistics for those interested: *How's Everything In Dixie* has been sung 5 times. This time was best with score of 373, next best was 363 in 2009, lowest 326 in 2011. *When She Loved Me* (364) was nearly identical to Oct. 2011 with 363, but the Music category went up 6 points. This contest 61.4 average was the highest since March 2001 (62.9). We had 25 on stage. Highest was 41 in Chattanooga in Fall 2001. We have had 10 of the last 24 contests in Chattanooga, and we will do it again this Fall.

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Script for Monday Meeting

7:00 Chuck leads warm up plus Polecat
7:15 Chuck - Sweet and Lovely
7:30 Paul - Celebrate Harmony
7:45 Paul - Armed Forces Medley
8:00 Paul - Sectional on Armed Forces Medley
8:15 Paul Circle - Armed Forces Medley
8:20 Announcements & break
8:30 Four on the Floor - Wally, Cameron, Sub for Rich, Marcellus
8:40 Risers - Don G's - My Wild Irish Rose + Georgia
9:00 Paul - Work on singing-faces
9:12 Paul - Repertoire song
9:28 Gandy Dancer & KTWWS

Highlights of Last Meeting

Paul asked us to be off sheet music for *Armed Forces Medley* in two weeks. He asked us if we would like to sing it on Memorial Day Sing Out. Cameron introduce our guests, John, Jesse, Bob and Walt, and we sang them a welcome.

SteveG led announcements. Wally reported on House of Delegates meeting. They voted not to require qualification at Spring Contest to be able to sing at Fall Contest (big change). And we got the Dixie Gold Award for donations. Paul presented Wally the Most Improved Chorus Award and noted that the last time we scored this high was in the early nineties (see Fred in left column). He challenged us to win it next time - back to back, something that has never been done in Dixie. We discussed the contest and Paul played the contest CD. We got our best score on *HELTID*, but the many individuals complimented us on *WSLM*. 16 attended evaluations and they were quite good. Not shown in the photograph above are Bill and SteveW.

The quartet of Chuck, Wilbur, Bill and DaveW sang a great *Java Jive.* Frank in place of DaveF passed the Gandy to Paul for leading us at Dixie. We closed with KTWWS.

Barbershop Term of the Week (BTOW)

Congratulations on a great contest, guys. I'm sorry I couldn't write a full article this week but here are some great PDFs about how to be a great Tenor, Lead, Bari, or Bass. *Wally*