The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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September 2, 2013

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Labor Day, Monday September 2, **No Meeting**

Fisher Goodbye Party, Thursday, September 5th, 6 PM, Ryan's in Hixson.

Men's Music Clinic, Saturday, September 14, Assemble at 3:15 PM. Baylor.

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

Special Olympics Bowling, Monday, October 7, Assemble at 9:15 AM, Holiday Bowl on Brainerd Road

First CCCC Rehearsal, Monday, October 7, 7 PM, All Saints

Ketner Mill, Saturday, October 19, 2:15 EST

Alexian Village, Thursday, December 12, 7PM

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 14

Christmas Party, Monday, December 16 (tentative)

Hickory Valley Retirement, Tuesday, December 17, 7 PM

From the Director

Monday night was fantastic! You guys adjusted to a new, very different concept (speaking in "cursive") and really took off with it. It improved every phrase on which we tried it, so we're going to keep working at it. If you weren't there, you sure missed something big! The good news is, we'll do it again in two weeks. Please work on your music over the holidays, concentrating on When

No Meeting On Monday

No meeting due to Labor Day

Highlights of Last Meeting

Paul led announcements. Fred passed a 23 year renewal to Pat. Charlie introduce returning visitor, Calvin Crim and we sang him a welcome. Rich noted upcoming events, the sing out at Baylor and Dixie Convention. Paul expanded on the Baylor sing out. After some really good singing on the risers, Paul passed the Gandy to Pat. We closed with KTWWS.

Gary Fisher Goodby Party

The Fisher's goodby party will be Thursday at Ryan's Restaurant in Hixson (5104 Hixson Pike) starting at 6PM.

Dixie District Contest Changes

Gentlemen, This fall the Dixie District will be reformatting the Chorus Plateau system utilizing past competition scores versus number of men on stage. This will level the playing field for all chapters by actually putting them in Plateau groupings which are among other choruses who have average scores in the same range. It will prevent small or intermediate top notch choruses from winning the small or intermediate plateaus instead of competing with other higher scoring choruses. The Plateau average is determined by averaging the last TWO contest scores each chapter has earned. Scores may go back over the last three years. Scores of choruses who are singing for Score/Evaluation Only will be utilized as well. And there will still be up to three places awarded in each Plateau. Here are the ranges we are using:

Plateau A 600-799
Plateau AA 800-899
Plateau AAA 900+

As it stands for the Fall Chorus Prelims, here are the Plateaus in place for your chapters:

Plateau AAA: Nashville, Atlanta Metro, Germantown
Plateau AA: Cleveland, Tuscaloosa, Greater Atlanta, Central Alabama, Northeast TN;
Plateau A: Marietta, Memphis, Greater Knoxville, Athens, AL, Chattanooga, Huntsville

Let me know if you have any questions! And best wishes for outstanding performances from you ALL! In harmony, *Jim Sams*
VP Contest and Judging-Dixie

She Loved Me and Georgia On My Mind. See you Sep 9th. Happy Labor Day! *Paul*	
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