The Weekly Newsletter of the Choo Choo Chorus

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Your 2017 Officers

January 2, 2017

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- Script for Monday's Meeting
- From the President
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Calendar

Called Board Meeting, Monday, January 2, 6PM, All Saints

First Meeting of 2017, Monday, January 2, 2017, 7PM, All Saints

Hickory Valley Retirement Home, Mid-January 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:10-Chuck-Polecats

7:25-Paul- Repertoire

7:55-Paul-Open Discussion

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:35- Four on the Floor

8:45- Paul- Repertoire

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

From the President

Board members please meet at 6:00pm on Monday, January 2 to develop a chapter response to a society request for input helping guide strategic direction. We also will set a date and location to plan the 2017 year and agree on specific goals. *Rich*

From the Program VP

Welcome to 2017. Wishing everyone had a very Merry Christmas and hope you are looking forward to a Happy New Year filled with a song in your heart. I am a youngster in the group, but I thought the year was a great year for the Choo Choo Chorus. I want to do better and would personally like to thank Paul and Chuck and all of the chorus members for their efforts to make us better. In keeping with past traditions, there will be an open discussion at the beginning of our business meeting. It is intended for useful purposes. In your opinion: As a chorus what things can we do to improve? As an individual what can you do

to improve the Chorus? In general as a chorus what are our likes and dislikes? As a new Program VP, I would like to welcome everyone to our 2017 season. BarryA.	
Photograph by DanK	

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Martin-Boyd Sing Out

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Planning Meeting for 2017, Saturday, January 7, 9:30AM, Wally's Restaurant-East Ridge

Hickory Valley Retirement Home, Thursday, January 19, arrive 6:30 PM

Singing Valentines, Tuesday, February 14, DanK is chairman.

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

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Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:10-Chuck-Polecats

7:20-Paul- Repertoire

7:55-Barry.- Announcements and Break

8:30-Eight is Enough

8:40-Paul- Repertoire

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

After warm up, polecats and singing thru some of the songs listed in the left column to prepare for Hickory Valley sing out, we had an open discussion on 2016 that the Board will consider at its upcoming planning meeting. In summary, it was a good year and the Christmas Show was the best ever. It was noted that we need a few songs just for the kids. Paul thanked everyone. We discussed themes for the Annual Show, and everyone liked Paul's idea of Cities and States.

Barry led his first announcements. Scott Kornblum from the CCCC was a guest. DaveR gave an update on the Hickory Valley sing out and it's posted in the Calendar to the left. He plans about the same number of sing outs as in 2016, and if anyone thinks that is to many to let him know. Rich announced that DanK is Singing Valentines chairman. Rich is also looking for a volunteer or two to help with the annual financial audit

Repertoire

National Anthem
God Bless America
Dancing on the Delta
Sitting on Top of the World
Georgia on My Mind
Simple Melody
When I'm 64
I Want a Girl
Hello, Mary Lou
When There's Love at Home

required by BHS. After the break, the quartet of Chuck, Paul, DanK and DanB sang. SteveW passed the Gandy to DanK for taking on the Singing Valentines job. We closed with DanK leading KTWWS.

From the President

2016 was a great year for the chorus. Let's build on that foundation to make 2017 even better. One way to do that is to get involved with the planned activities. DanK is our new Valentine Day chairperson and he needs help taking phones orders, getting the flowers/candy/cards, assembling set ups for the quartets among other things. Let DanK or me know if you can help. *Rich*

National Championship Game

We plan to practice on Monday the 9th. We know several members who want to rehearse and still watch the College National Championship game. So the chorus will rehearse from 7:00 until ~8:15. Those wishing to leave can and those who want to sing can stay. *Rich*

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Photograph by Brooke Steele



MOAA Christmas Sing Out

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MLT Meeting, Monday, January 16, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Hickory Valley Retirement Home, Thursday, January 19, arrive 6:30 PM

Planning Meeting for 2017, Saturday, January 21, 9:00AM, Wally's Restaurant-East Ridge

Dixie Leadership Academy, Saturday, January 28, 9AM-5PM, Fayetteville, GA

Singing Valentines, Tuesday, February 14, DanK is chairman.

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:10-Chuck-Polecats

7:20-Paul- Repertoire

7:55-Barry.- Announcements and Break

8:30-Eight is Enough

8:40-Paul- Repertoire

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

January 16, 2017

Barry led announcements. Wally welcomed four guests, three from the CCCC, and we sang them a welcome. Dave reminded us of our Hickory Valley sing out. Chuck announced a MLT meeting for next Monday, and the theme of the Annual Show will be decided. Chet needs to know what quartets are singing for Singing Valentines so he can organize publicity. Rich announced the snowed out planning meeting is rescheduled for Saturday, January 21st. Paul noted the songs listed in the left column will be sung at Hickory Valley, and encouraged us to work on them at home. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 to let people watch the National Championship football game. We closed with KTWWS.

From the President

Singing Valentines have been an important fund raiser for the Chorus. I know some men are active forming quartets but we **Dixie Spring Convention**, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Unofficial Chapter Repertoire

National Anthem
God Bless America
Dancing on the Delta
Sitting on Top of the World
Georgia on My Mind
Simple Melody
When I'm 64
I Want a Girl
Hello, Mary Lou
When There's Love at Home

need help with other things as well e.g., taking phone orders, obtaining flowers, greenery, cards, vases, assembling the set ups etc.. On Valentines day we need someone to be home base and take late orders and communicate with the quartets in the field. Don't be shy. If you can help, feel free to send Dan an email at Daniel.Kopf1@gmail.com or give him a call at 908-672-8622.*Rich*

MOAA/SCORE Christmas Sing Out

Twenty four Choo Choo and CCCC men showed up to sing for a combined Christmas Party for the Military Officers Association of America and the Service Corps of Retired Executives. The quartets of Chuck, Paul, DanK and DanB and Benny, SteveV, Pete and Chuck as well as RC4 with Wally subbing for Fred sang. It was a larger audience than previous years and more fun for us. Photograph by Fred Weinhold.

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Garden Plaza Christmas Sing Out

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Hickory Valley Retirement Home,

Thursday, January 19, arrive 6:30 PM. Dress is Class A: No Vest

Planning Meeting for 2017, Saturday, January 21, 9:00AM, Wally's Restaurant-East Ridge

Dixie Leadership Academy,

Saturday, January 28, 9AM-5PM, Fayetteville, GA

Singing Valentines, Tuesday, February 14, DanK is chairman.

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:10-Chuck-Polecats

7:20-Paul- Repertoire

8:00-Barry.- Announcements and Break

8:20-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Repertoire

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Chuck reported on the MLT meeting. Dress for Thursday is Class A: No Vest. The Annual Show with a title such as 'Barbershop Across America' will be in August and songs might include, *GOMM, Chattanooga Choo Choo and Shenandoah*. DaveR reminded us of the arrival time for Hickory Valley. Wally welcomed our four guests. Rich noted the 2016 financial audit has been done. We closed with KTWWS.

Garden Plaza Sing Out Highlights

Twenty-one Choo Choo Chorus and CCCC men showed up for the final sing out of the 2016 Christmas season. It is always fun to sing in their beautiful building and as you can see a large crowd always shows up. Thanks to Wally for again bringing his drum so we could sing *Betelehemu* properly.

2016 Newsletters Now in Archives

Last year's newsletters are online in our Archives. Click the link below and then click the link of anything you want to view.

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The Choo Choo Chorus is the performing unit of the Chattanooga Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. We meet almost every Monday night at All Saints Academy, 310 East 8th Ave, Chattanooga, TN 37421.

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2017 Planning Meeting

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Singing Valentines, Tuesday, February 14, DanK is chairman.

Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Saturday, February 25, A Quartet Sing Out

Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, Possibly a VLQ sing out.

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Special Olympics Track & Field, Saturday, April 22, 10:00 AM,

January 30, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Repertoire + Old Folks at Home

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quartets

8:40-Paul- Risers-Repertoire + Old Folks at Home

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Fred welcomed former member Ron Satterfield back as a 10 year member. Wally welcomed our four returning guests. Wendell pleaded for members to turn in any outstanding Christmas Show money. Rich summarized the Board's recent planning meeting (see below), and announced that we will donate \$6,000 to Boehm. Paul thanked the small group who showed up for the Hickory Valley sing out. Chet told us he submitted a grant request to the Times Free Press and we were awarded two free ads for some future newspaper. The quartet of guest Jim Frank, Pete, DanB and Chuck sang *Down Our Way*," and the quartet of Ron, guest Matt Van Stella, Wilbur and DaveF sang *Old Folks at Home*. DanB passed the Gandy to guest Jim Frank and we closed with KTWWS.

From the President

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Annual Show, Saturday, August 19, GPS Dixie Fall Convention, September 22- 24, Oxford, AL	The Board met on Saturday and decided to participate in the spring and fall contests, stage the annual show in August and the Christmas Show in December. We plan to invite the Scenic City Chorus for the Christmas Show. In addition we will sing at 4 Special Olympic events and offer to sing at the Cemetery in May and November. We will continue to pursue sing outs at retirement communities and other area tourist attractions (See the attached calendar). Tell me if you have any issues with the plan.
	The funds after expenses from Christmas show and December sing outs allows us so to contribute \$6000 to the Boehm Center. Thank you all for a job well done, We need to push Valentine sales to finance expected increases in the 2017 budget. Not shown in the photo are Gene and SteveW. <i>Rich</i>
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Hickory Valley Sing Out

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Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A Quartet Sing Out

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Special Olympics Track & Field, Saturday, April 22, 10:00 AM, Ooltawah

Annual Show, Saturday, August 19, GPS

February 6, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Repertoire + Old Folks at Home

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting -Tap Your Back Move Out Jack

8:40-Paul- Risers-Repertoire + Old Folks at Home

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Repertoire includes National Anthem, God Bless America, Simple Melody, Darkness On the Delta, When I'm 64, Sitting On Top of the World, Hello Mary Lou, Georgia On My Mind, and When There's Love At Home

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Fred presented a bit of history from a 1995? annual show noting who from that era are still members. Wendell read a letter of thanks for our 2015 Christmas Show gift. We welcomed Ryan and CCCCer Rich Wilson. DaveR noted how he and 3 others enjoyed the Leadership Academy last weekend. Good teachers and classes. DaveK passed out Singing Valentines business card and encourage us to give them to people. Wilbur noted it is hard to find registration information on the Dixie District website so he had registration forms printed up that he placed on the table for members to pick up. Paul gave an update on the Christmas Show recording. It should be ready in a week or so and Brandon Guyton says it is good enough to make into a CD. Paul and DanB said it is possible we could get

Dixie Fall Convention , September 22-24, Oxford, AL	the HumDingers for our Annual Show (we can't tell anyone, but they are also the Dapper Dans). Finally, we are having a new chapter logo designed, and samples will be available soon to see what we like. SteveG reported on attending the BHS Midwinter Convention, and noted that everyone should try to make it sometime. The quartet of Paul, Chuck, DanK and DanB sang a great rendition of <i>Dear Hearts and Gentle People</i> . Jim Frank passed the Gandy to Chet. We closed with KTWWS. **Hickory Valley Sing Out*
	Fifteen men showed up for the Hickory Valley Sing Out, however, there was only one lead until DaveF arrived. We sang a short program, but it was well received by the audience. Shown above are the guys hamming it up for the camera.
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Alexian Christmas Sing

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Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Saturday, February 25, possibly a VLQ sing out.

Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A Quartet Sing Out

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Annual Show, Saturday, August ??, GPS

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Alexian Sing Out

February 13, 2016

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Repertoire plus Contest Songs

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quartets

8:40-Paul- Risers-Repertoire + Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Repertoire includes *National Anthem, God Bless America,* Simple Melody, Darkness On the Delta, When I'm 64, Sitting On Top of the World, Hello Mary Lou, When There's Love At Home

Contest Songs – Georgia on My Mind, I Want a Girl

Fall Program Songs(so far) – Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Chuck remembered former chorus Director, Jay Cravens, who died recently. Then he selected people to lead a push out quartet. Wally welcomed our new and returning guests. He noted this is a good time to recruit because there is time for new members to learn the Annual Show songs. Rich said "Sell Singing Valentines. DanK passed out SV Order Forms (and an electronic one is attached to this newsletter). Paul said we will end next Monday's meeting at 9 so that we have time to assemble SV flowers and help with the route plan. He also passed around a photo of the new chapter Logo and took a vote to see if people like it - we do. Chet passed the Gandy to Barry and we closed with KTWWS.

Twenty four of us showed up for this annual Alexian Village Christmas sing out. Chuck directed, and we had a good audience, The program is broadcast over their private TV network so we do not know how many people got to hear us. Hopefully a lot of people. This is the last of the Christmas Sing Out photos.

From the Director

Great session this past Monday! A lot of new voices are really improving our sound! We're only a few weeks away from Spring Convention and Contest, so keep up the good work. See you next Monday. Chordially, *Paul*

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Board Meeting, Monday, February 20, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Saturday, February 25, possibly a VLQ sing out.

Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A Quartet Sing Out

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-

February 20, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck - Polecats

7:15-Paul - Chattanooga Choo Choo

8:15-Barry - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quartets - TapYour Back Move Out Jack

8:40-Paul- Risers - Repertoire + Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Repertoire includes *National Anthem, God Bless America,*Simple Melody, Darkness On the Delta, When I'm 64, Sitting On
Top of the World, Hello Mary Lou, When There's Love At Home

Contest Songs - Georgia on My Mind, I Want a Girl

Fall Program Songs(so far) – Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo

Highlights From Last Meeting

Rich led announcements, and welcomed 6 guests. There is a Board meeting next Monday. Fred passed a 7 year renewal to Wendell and a 10 year to DaveF. DanK updated tomorrow's

19, Huntsville, AL

Annual Show, Saturday, August ??, GPS

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

From the Chattanooguys

The Chattanooguys are seeking a bass for our quartet. Interested men should call (423-837-0263) or email Beau Christian at beaubird7@gmail.com. Thanks, Beau

Singing Valentines event. After the break, Birchwood Common sang *I Love You Truly*, and Rich, Chuck, DaveR and DanB sang MWIR. We closed at 9:10 with KTWWS so members could help set up for tomorrow's SV event.

Singing Valentines Highlights

Yesterday was a great success thanks to our four wonderful quartets (that is Matt Van Stelle in the upper right corner of the photo). Overall we delivered over 30 Valentine's throughout Chattanooga and North Georgia! We got several orders throughout the day and I'd like to thank Rich and Jack for manning the phones and directing traffic! Also big thanks to everyone who stayed after rehearsal to help get everything done. A special thanks to Chet and Dave Rack for spearheading that and for everything else they did. Steve Wixson also gets a shout out for the wonderful job he once again did on our cards. And of course we couldn't do this without Marcellus, who gave us guidance to help make sure it was another successful year. If you have any ideas on how we can continue to improve our Singing Valentine's please shoot me an email with suggestions at Daniel.Kopf1@gmail.com. Thanks again for all of your help! Dan Kopf" [Editor Note: thanks guys for the great photos.]

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Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Saturday, February 25, Arrive at 9:45, GPS swimming pool.

Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A quartet sing out

Couching Session, Monday, March 13, 7PM, All Saints

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Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck - Polecats

7:15-Paul - Annual Show Songs

8:15-Barry - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quartets - TapYour Back Move Out Jack

8:40-Paul- Risers - Repertoire + Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Repertoire includes *National Anthem, God Bless America,*Simple Melody, Darkness On the Delta, When I'm 64, Sitting On
Top of the World, Hello Mary Lou, When There's Love At Home

Contest Songs - Georgia on My Mind, I Want a Girl

Annual Show Songs (so far) – Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements to 29 in attendance. Fred passed a 27 year renewal to Wilbur. Wally welcomed 8 guests. DaveR

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19, Huntsville, AL

Awards Banquet, Monday, April 3, 6:00 PM til closing, Epicurean Restaurant, Coat and Tie, Barbershopper Of The Year

Road Scholar Program, Monday, June 5, arrive 6:15 for 7 PM program, Double Tree Hotel

Annual Show, Saturday, August ??, GPS

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

From the Chattanooguys

The Chattanooguys are seeking a bass for our quartet. Interested men should call (423-837-0263) or email Beau Christian at beaubird7@gmail.com. Thanks, Beau

announced a new sing out for the Road Scholar Program (former Elderhostel). Beau noted the Chattanooguys are looking for a bass (see ad in left column). Rich thanked all who participated in SV including helpers Pete, DaveR, Chet and Chair DanK. Paul asked for volunteers for the Regional Special Olympics swim meet and several volunteered. He announced a coach for the Monday meeting before contest. He noted we will have a quartet competing at contest and asked for members to support them on Friday night. Barry passed the Gandy to DaveR and we closed with KTWWS.

Westminster Chorus Warm Up

Please watch this one-minute video https://tinyurl.com/zqpkpv6of the Westminster Chorus warming up, outside, of all places, and look for a few interesting things:

- He has the guys doing a move, first to the right, and alternating every note, engaging their entire bodies. Do we do this during our warmups?
- 2. They are singing the "ng" sound, moving their sound into their masks and really feeling all of the resonators and then opening up to "ah". We can't achieve a perfect in-between resonance unless we know what this feels like. Do we ever talk about this (vocal placement) in our warmups?
- 3. The video calls this a warmup, but it's really the director unifying their sound. I have sung for Royce before, and he does something like this plus maybe one small section of one simple song for about 40 minutes at the beginning of every rehearsal. You can hear the results in the way they sound like only a few voices singing in a cathedral with screaming overtones, even though they are standing outside in the wind.
- 4. The reward is the final, perfect chord in the video. It isn't REALLY a full chord because they are singing only two notes, but you can clearly hear a full four-part chord due to the overtones. Ridiculous.
- 5. Notice how the director is not impressed. They sound like this most of the time because he knows their capabilities and he holds them to that standard. He expects nothing more or less than their best effort every time they open their mouths. We are not as capable as these youngsters vocally, but we are just as capable at performing to our best ability, and can get closer to their sound that you might think with some focus and week-to-week retention, the thing that I think holds us back more than anything else. Let's be more like these guys this year. *Wally*

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Frank Delaney Funeral, Friday, March 3, 11 AM, arrive at 10:00 to rehearse

March 6, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck - Polecats

7:15-Paul - Annual Show Songs

8:15-Barry - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Repertoire + Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Repertoire includes *National Anthem, God Bless America,* Simple Melody, Darkness On the Delta, When I'm 64, Sitting On Top of the World, Hello Mary Lou, When There's Love At Home Nearer My God To Thee and The Lord's Prayer, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 501 S. Moore Road. Outfit: plain white shirt with blue or bluish tie, black pants, socks and shoes.

Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A quartet sing out

Couching Session, Monday, March 13, 7PM, All Saints

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Board Meeting, Monday, March 20, 5:30 PM, All Saints

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Road Scholar Program, Monday, June 5, arrive 6:15 for 7 PM program, Double Tree Hotel

Annual Show, Saturday, August 3, GPS

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Frank Delaney Tribute Video

I edited a tribute video to Frank that can be viewed by clicking HERE. Frank was a rear gunner in a two-man fighter plane in WWII, and it inspired the rapid fire photograph sequence in the video. It will be online for the next couple of weeks. Steve Wixson

Contest Songs – Georgia on My Mind, I Want a Girl

Annual Show Songs (so far) – Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo

Highlights From Last Meeting

The entire meeting was spent rehearsing Nearer My God To Thee and The Lord's Prayer for Frank's funeral. Barry led announcements by announcing the Awards Banquet on April 3 at the Epicurean Restaurant starting at 6 PM. Wilbur noted this is the week for discounted registration for the Dixie Convention. Rich provided details about Frank's funeral (see Calendar) and recognized Charlie, DaveF and Jack who provided transportation for Frank the last couple of years. Paul thanked those who sang for the Regional SO swim meet and in particular Jim Frank, the only lead, who learned the two songs by standing next to Paul, singing lead, as they were performed. DaveR passed the Gandy to Rich who lead KTWWS.

The Late Frank Delaney

Frank was a text book Irish Catholic attending Mass regularly and pulling for the Fighting Irish. He attended as many sing outs as he could especially events at the National Cemetery. He was proud of his service in the military. I was told Frank and a buddy at Notre Dame went to sign up for service early in WW2. The Chattanooga recruiting center had filled their quota and refused both boys. The buddy's dad drove them both to Birmingham. They had openings and the two signed up and that same day were sent to a naval training facility. Frank ultimately became a rear gunner in a two man fighter plane on Guadalcanal. When I first joined he offered his music file to me so I could copy songs. Despite losing mobility with age he found a way to serve the chorus selling more program ads than anyone else (25 to 40%). He frequently offered his help even when it was obvious his capabilities didn't match the task. In his own way Frank was an inspiration to others and he will be missed. Click HERE for his formal Obituary.

Thanks From Lindy Blazek

Gentlemen: I cannot thank you enough for the VLQ Saturday morning. There were numerous posts on Facebook and many emails and texts to me that praised your performance and stated that it added so much to the meet. You probably saw the young man playing his "air guitar" during the second song! What you did not know was that we had a situation in the locker room and needed to stall. Your second song was the perfect solution. By the time you finished the crisis had been taken care of and we were ready to proceed. The ChooChoo Chorus and Special Olympics has a tradition going back over 25 years; thanks again for getting us off to a great start! If anyone has any pictures, please email them to Paul. Thanks! *Lindy Blazek*

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Special Olympics Area Swim Meet, Thursday, March 9, A quartet sing out

Couching Session, Monday, March 13, 7PM, All Saints

Dixie Spring Convention, March 17-19 Huntsville, AL. Enter Matrix at 10:50 AM CDT. Uniform:Class A

Board Meeting, Monday, March 20, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Awards Banquet, Monday, April 3, 6:00 PM,, Epicurean Restaurant, Coat and Tie, Barbershopper Of The Year

Lookouts, Friday, April 7, arrive at

March 13, 2017

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7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck - Polecats

7:15-Paul - Annual Show Songs

8:15-Barry - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

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9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Contest Songs – Georgia on My Mind, I Want a Girl

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements, and reminded us to sign up for the Awards Banquet. Fred passed a 3 year renewal to Jack and a 7 year to Rich. DaveR noted we need a quartet for the Special Olympics swim meet and Paul, DaveF, Fred and Rich volunteered. He announced a Lookouts sing out for Friday, April 7th, Beau for the last time announced that the Chattanooguys are looking for a bass (see below). Paul thanked everyone who sang at Frank's funeral (see below). He passed out the contest matrix. We enter at 10:50 CDT and sing at 11:50. The quartet of Matt, Jack, Charlie and Ron sang Darkness on the Delta and the Forecasting Chords sang Dear Hearts. Rich passed the Gandy to DanK for Singing Valentines leadership and we closed with KTWWS.

Frank Delaney Funeral

6:30 PM, Uniform: Class B

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Frank Delaney Tribute Video

I edited a tribute video to Frank that can be viewed by clicking HERE. Frank was a rear gunner in a two-man fighter plane in WWII, and it inspired the rapid fire photograph sequence in the video. It will be online for one more week. Steve Wixson

I am extremely pleased that thirty-three men showed up for Frank Delaney's funeral service. Along with participating and singing the funeral Mass, we also sang The *Lord's Prayer* and *Nearer My God To Thee*. Both pieces were very well received, with many comments from the family and congregation after the service as to the beauty and appropriateness of the songs. My heartfelt thanks to all who participated. *Paul* [Editor note: Actually thirty-four were there - including Frank.]

From the Chattanooguys

The Chattanooguys are seeking a bass for our quartet. Interested men should call (423-837-0263) or email Beau Christian at beaubird7@gmail.com. Thanks, *Beau*

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Chorus with Coach Aaron Evens

March 20, 2017

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Board Meeting, Monday, March 20, 5:30 PM, All Saints

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Annual Show Songs (so far) – *Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo*

Highlights From Last Meeting

Aaron Evens was our coach as we prepared to go to contest (see below). Barry led announcements, and noted Charlie's 75th birthday. We sang him a Happy Birthday. Fred passed a new member certificate to Jim Franks, and his Man of Note to Ron. He also presented a 13 year renewal to DanB.. Paul went over last minute convention details and said we would meet in the Embassy Suite lobby at 10:45 CDT. DanK passed the Gandy to Matt who led KTWWS.

From The President

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From The Director

Guys, thanks for all your hard work last Monday! Our coaching with Aaron went very well from my point-of-view and it looks like I have as much to work on as you do! I'm excited about the trip to the convention this weekend and I can't wait to be with you on stage to perform this set for the last time. Keep up the good work, see you in Huntsville! *Paul*

Gentlemen, Arron did a nice job helping us. Put the learnings to use as best you can on Saturday. Attached are chorus and quartet information. Drive safely, be on time and have fun. *Rich*

Summary of Aaron Evens' Coaching

Thanks again for having me out on Monday. The hospitality was second to none, and I felt very welcome. Below is a link to the videos I posted on YouTube. Feel free to share with your chapter if you like. Best,

Aaronhttps://youtube.com/channel/UC8xAXE8RyjHZpJU6fJnFDIg

Aaron's Four Point of Emphasis

- Posture: body aligned, head over shoulders, tilt head down as if looking over eye glasses. Superman breathing exercise breath with arms extended horizontally in front
- 2. Tongue: flat and relaxed to further open airway
- 3. Synchronize: Paul trusts us and we trust each other
- 4. Cursive: (as apposed to Printed Type singing), long vowels linked smoothly to next word, singlish

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Fall Program Songs(so far) – Old Folks at Home, Chattanooga Choo Choo

Highlights From Last Meeting

Paul congratulated the Chorus on achieving a 65 at the contest and singing both contest songs at the 65 level. Fourcasting Chords sang their best program, scoring a 60+ Saturday evening. We sang Happy Birthday to Johnny and Ron. Fred

6:30 PM to sing at 7 PM., Uniform: Class B

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announced 54 year society membership to Tom Keegan, a new membership to Ryan Logan and A Man of Note award to DanK. Paul ended practice inviting members to Scenic City guest night in East Ridge. We got there after their performance and went home. *Rich*

Awards Banquet Details

Here's the menu for the party Monday, April 3, at Epicurean Restaurant. Four entrée choices: 1) Delicate Sirloin Steak; 2) Veal Cutlets; 3) Baked Stuffed Chicken; 4) Broiled Red Snapper. Meals come with a side salad and baked potato (may substitute if desired). Average price is \$11 per person. Drink and dessert extra. Building is at the corner of Dover and Ringgold Road in East Ridge with additional parking available in the FSG bank lot across the street. Meeting time is 6 PM with presentation of BOTY as main activity, along with our special thanks to our significant others for letting us do this great hobby. See everyone there! Barry

Contest Photo Available

I have ordered a picture disc with the contest photo. Who wants one? Wendell

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Official Contest Photograph

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MLT Meeting, Monday, April 10, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Scout Flag Day, Saturday, May 27, National Cemetery, Uniform: Class A:

April 3, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

6PM - Awards Banquet Doors Open

7PM - Dinner

Highlights From Last Meeting

Matt passed the Gandy to Charlie. We adjourned early.

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Contest Video

There is a link to our contest video below. You might want to watch and listen and comment. Could be a good coaching tool,

without vest

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There is a download link on the page so it can be archived, too. *Wally*

https://1drv.ms/v/s!Alk0C5_TjzoPhsl3zkEbKlbmt8ioyQ

Help Select Color for Polo Shirt

This is your last chance to input your color preference for the polo to replace the current white polo. Email me at 1bearcub@comcast.net on or before next Sunday. I'll announce the winning color at Monday's dinner party. Remember indicate 1 for your preferred color and 2 for your second choice etc..

Lookout Game Reminder

We do The National Anthem at the Lookouts Game Friday, the 7th. Show up at 6;30. Sing at 7;15. Class B uniform. *DaveR*

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7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When

I'm 64, GoMM, Darkness on the Delta

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

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9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

Awards Banquet Highlights. There was a good group that showed up for fellowship, dinner and the awards. Fred presented the BOTY to Dave Rack and Paul presented in Rich's absence the President's Award to Jack Cook. Photos by Chet

Lookout Game Reminder

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Harmony Explosion Camp, Saturday, July 15, Georgia On My

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7:00-Chuck Warm Up 7:05-Chuck-Polecats

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Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home,?

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements and noted how much he enjoyed the Awards Banquet. DaveR was Barbershopper of the Year and Jack received the President's Award. Fred passed renewals to Paul, 43 years, Benny, 26 and himself, 32. Wally noted that now is a good time to invite new members as we start learning new music. Beau gave an initial overview of the Annual Show. DaveR reminded us of the Special Olympics sing out. Paul thanked those who sang at the Lookouts game. The Christmas Show CD will be available soon. Unfortunately, the Harmony Explosion Camp for

Mind, This Sing Out has been cancelled..

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2017 has been cancelled. The quartet of Matt, Barry, Corey and Wally sang *Heart of My Heart*. Chuck got the Gandy.

Lookout Sing Out



17 men showed up for the Lookouts sing out. As always people appreciated our efforts. Photographs by Linde Blazek.

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Sing Out

Ooltewah High School



Arrive 9:30 AM

Photos by Gail Boots

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Fred gave some 1990 show history and presented a 37 year renewal to Chuck. DaveR reminded us of the Special Olympics sing out this Saturday. Beau gave an Annual Show update thanking all the volunteers so far and needs

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quartets to let him know if they want on the show. Rich thanked those who called or came by while he was laid up. He also noted that there was a writeup on Frank's funeral in the Dixie Town Crier (it's attached to this email). Paul noted you can donate to the Harmony Foundation thru smile.amazon.com. He suggested a chapter outing to a great show in Atlanta in June (see below). More later. Check passed the Gandy to Andrew who led KTWWS.

Paul Asks for Help on Saturday

I've been asked to get five or six volunteers to stay a little while after singing on Saturday to provide some help. Every year the local McDonalds restaurants donate hamburgers for feeding the athletes and coaches, and this year Judy has asked if any of us can help by driving to the restaurants to pick up the food. My daughter Melissa is heading up the food pickup, so if you can volunteer to help with this please respond directly to her email mablazek@tva.gov. Once again let me tell you how much I HATE missing this event, but I know you guys will do a great job, especially considering how well we did Monday night. On behalf of myself AND Region 4 Special Olympics, thanks for all you do. Chordially, *Paul*

The AVP Chorus/Mainstreet Show

The show in Atlanta on June 11th is an excellent opportunity to travel not too far from home and hear some quality Barbershop singing. AVP is an outstanding chorus and Main Street is the most entertaining quartet I've been privileged to hear in some time. Please consider making an afternoon and evening of great fellowship with your fellow chapter members and commit to attending this event. We will be brought closer together as a Chorus and hear some outstanding Barbershop harmony. Let's make this trip!! Steve Grubb

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April Board Meeting

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Annual Show discussion. See Beau's article in right column.

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Fred passed a 20 year renewal to Pete. DraveR reminded us of our upcoming sing outs. Chuck noted the MLT meeting next Monday and asked all those on the attached list to attend. Rich summarized the Board Meeting last Saturday noting we have a budget and SteveG, Jack and Wilbur on making progress on a new Class B uniform. Paul read a note from Frank's daughter, Louanne, thanking us for singing at Frank's funeral. He also said we would start working on a new Annual Show song, Tennessee Waltz, and to go ahead and download the learning track (see how below). We closed with

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Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur KTWWS.

Annual Show Volunteers

Fellow Chorus members - I have attached to this newsletter a PDF showing the work assignments for the Annual Show. Please look it over, advise me of errors or omissions. For those of you who have agreed to work the Annual Show, it would be good if you could attend the Music Leadership Team meeting coming up at 5:30 on May 8 just to help us make sure we are on track and haven't missed anything. Thanks for you help, *Beau*

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To login, visit http://choochoochorus.org and click the "MEMBERS ONLY" link just below our old logo. That will take you to a login page where you'll enter the username and password you received today. You can change your password by visiting http://choochoochorus.org/?page_id=265&edit-account if you like, but you can just keep Monday's email handy or write it down, too, whatever's easiest for you. Once you log in, you can click the "MEMBERS ONLY" link again to get to our download page. Please remember that we have only one license per song for each of you, so don't download all the parts and count it as one download. Thanks for your patience as we get all this set up. Wally

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May 15, 2017

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Board Meeting, Monday, May 15, 6:00 PM (Note time change) All Saints

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Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, National Cemetery, Arrive 10 AM to sing at 11 AM. Uniform: Class A: without vest

Road Scholar Program, Monday, June 5, arrive 6:15 for 7 PM program, Double Tree Hotel, Uniform: Class A

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. DaveR reminded us of upcoming sing outs. He is working on a MOCS basketball game sing out. Chuck reported on the MLT meeting. Rich thanked everyone for working hard tonight. Paul needs volunteers for the Special Olympics swim meet.

AVP Chorus/Mainstreet

Show,Sunday, June 11, Atlanta. This is a Chapter social event

Special Olympics Swim Meet, Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15. Need volunteers

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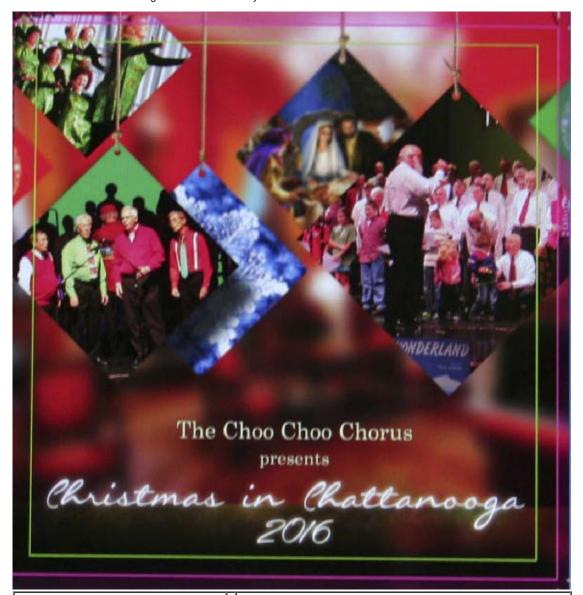
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The quartet of Rich, Wilbur, Corey and Fred sang MWIR. Wally, Charlie, Pete and Matt sang Wait Til the Sun Shines, Nelly. Forcasting Chords sang Up a Lazy River. Wally passed the Gandy to Ryan Logan and we closed with KTWWS.

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Paul led announcements. Rich noted that the \$6,000 Christmas Show check will be presented to Boehm this week. Also the new Class B uniform was approved at the Board meeting. Bring your shirt size (eg. S,M, L, XL etc.) and your waist and inseam information next Monday. Details are Khaki pants with expandable waist, and blue button down collar shirt with white new chorus logo. Paul announced that the Christmas Chorus CD is in production and it could be here next Monday (see cover photos at top and bottom of this email).

After the break the quartet of Beau, Pete, JimF, DanB sang GOMM and the quartet of Rich, DaveR, Charlie and Fred sang Sweet Roses of Morn. Wally via Rich passed the Gandy to DaveR and we closed with KTWWS.



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Road Scholar Program, Monday, June 5, arrive 6:15 for 7 PM program, Double Tree Hotel, Uniform: Class A:

May 27, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

There is no meeting Monday night as we will have sung ourselves out at Scout Flag Day and Memorial Day ceremonies.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. DaveR went over the next three sing outs. After some discussion, we decided that after the Road Scholar sing out we will return to All Saints around 8 PM and continue working on show songs. He also presented the CFC sing out on June 17. Wilbur noted that former member Edgar Dawson has serious health issues. Jack noted he needs our shirt and pant sizes for our new Class B uniform. Paul noted we have only 10 Mondays before the Annual Show. We will start working on Shenandoah at our next meeting, and you can download the sheet music and learning track from our website (click HERE and login first). He also noted that this is going to be a good show and that should inspire us to sell lots of tickets. Wally announced people can buy show tickets online.

The quartet of Beau, Paul, DaveF and Wally sang How's Every

No Vest

AVP Chorus/Mainstreet

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Chattanooga Football Club,

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Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur Little Thing in Dixie, and the Fourcasting Chords sang Edelweiss.

DaveR passed the Gandy to SteveW who led KTWWS.

Boehm Check Presentation

As shown in the photograph, we presented a check last week with the net proceeds from our Christmas Show to the Walter Boehm Birth Defects Center. From the left are Rich, Elizabeth Myers, Executive Director of the Center, Chet and Paul.

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June 5, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

6:15 Warm up for Road Scholar Sing Out at Double Tree Hotel 7:00 Road Scholar Sing Out

8:00 Return to All Saints and work on show songs 9:25 Gandy and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

There was no meeting last Monday due to singing at Scout Flag Day and Memorial Day ceremonies. See Flag Day photo above and story below. Next week will highlight the Memorial Day sing

Scout Flag Day 2017

As shown in the photograph,18 members showed up to help the Scouts set flags at the grave sites in the National Cemetery. During the opening ceremony we sang good renditions of the *National Anthem, Armed Forces Medley and God Bless America*. The photograph, taken by Alice Huelman, shows some of the those recognized during the singing of the *Armed Forces Medley*.

From The President

Please bring your shirt size (S,M,L,LL) and pants size (inseam, waist) to the meeting on Monday. We need these to get class B uniforms on order. Email your sizes if you won't be at practice on 5th. A big thank you to the 19 who performed at the Cemetery this weekend, most of whom made it to both events. Judging by the handshakes, compliments and one hug I received on leaving, we did really well. Lets keep it up at the Double Tree. *Rich*

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Thanks From Fred Jesse

I want to thank the chorus members who expressed their condolences on the passing of my sister. Barbershopping played a great part in her life up to her death, and also in the funeral proceedings we attended. She was a baritone and her quartet, *Party of Four*, sang their favorite song with the three remaining members. I could hear the baritone anyway. Thanks for concern by all. *Fred*

Road Scholar Sing Out Reminder

Our meeting this week starts at the Double Tree Hotel and concludes at All Saints. See Calendar.

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AVP Chorus/Mainstreet

Show,Sunday, June 11, Atlanta. This is a Chapter social event. Meet at OLPH Church (where we sang for Frank's funeral) at 1:30 PM to car pool.

Chattanooga Football Club,

Saturday, June 17, 7:30 PM. Details later.

June 12, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Tennessee Waltz, California Here I Come,

Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64,

GoMM, Darkness on the Delta, Sittin' on Top of the World

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Continue with Show Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, ?

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Last Monday was an unusual meeting with the first half a sing out for the Road Scholar Program and then 14 members (plus 2 who couldn't make it to the sing out) returned to All Saints to work on CASL City Swim Meet, Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15. Need volunteers - Call Paul

Ruby Falls, Saturday, July 29, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

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Editorial

Your Editor purchased a copy of our Christmas CD and started listening to it on my way home last Monday. It is outstanding. I congratulate Paul for his vision of the CCCC, for being its Director, and for being the Producer of this Choo Choo Chorus CD. We members have had the chance to perform in a large chorus and to raise lots of money for the Boehm Center. Congratulations also to our singers who made it happen! SteveW

Tennessee Waltz. Paul led announcements. Jack collected size information for our new Class B uniforms. Rich presented the cost information on the Christmas CD and several members were the first to purchase this exciting CD. SteveW passed the Gandy to his boss, Beau, the Annual Show Chairman. We closed with KTWWS.



Memorial Day 2017

Nineteen showed up for the Memorial Day Ceremony. Like the Saturday Scout Flag Day Ceremony, we did a fine job singing the *National Anthem, Armed Forces Medley and God Bless America*. Lots of highlights including presentation of the flags, keynote speech, 21 gun salute, taps and the touching photograph by Alice Huelman of the Gold Star Mothers receiving a white rose in memory of their lost son or daughter.

From the President

Please bring your shirt and pants sizes to practice or email them to Jack or me. We now have the Christmas CDs and you can purchase copies for yourself and family at practice. Your first CD is \$9.00, and thereafter each one you buy is \$12.00. List price for the CD on the website and for the general public is \$15.00. *Rich*

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Road Scholar Sing Out

June 19, 2017

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Chattanooga Football Club,

Saturday, June 17, arrive at 5:30 PM for the sound check and sing at 7:15 PM. Take the ramp at the SW corner of the stadium.

CASL City Swim Meet, Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15. Need volunteers - Call Paul

Ruby Falls, Saturday, July 29, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

Ruby Falls, Saturday, August 12,

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7:05-Chuck-Polecats

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8:30-Quarteting

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Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Eight people went to the Atlanta show, and they recalled the best/worst of the Emcee jokes. Wally noted that the Christmas Show rehearsals start in October, and suggested we contact prospectives now when their calendars have those Mondays free. DaveR went over the details for the CFC Sing Out on Saturday, June 17th. Arrive at 5:30 for the sound check. DaveF gave a status report on sales of the

Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

Christmas C

Darkness C

I'll Fly Away

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

GPS, Show Chairman: Beau

Christmas CD. After the break, Birchwood Common sang Darkness on the Delta and The Chattanooguys with Ryan sang I'll Fly Away. Beau passed the Gandy to Paul who led KTWWS.

Road Scholar Sing Out

Nineteen showed up for the Road Scholar Sing Out. We sang a full 45 minute program including a rare encore. It was an intimate setting with lots of audience interaction. There was a Mary Lou for *Hello, Mary Lou,* and Gene reported she said it was sung to her when she attended high school. The photograph shows RC4 singing the funny Side By Side.

Uniform Committee Report

Uniform Committee is making headway on finding a provider for our pants in the Class B outfit we're putting together. More info to follow soon, we hope. SteveG

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Chattanooga Football Club Game

June 26, 2017

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Board Meeting, Monday June 26, 5:30 PM, All Saints

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Ruby Falls, Saturday, July 29, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Paul led announcements. Wally welcome Nick, a friend of DanK and Ryan and we sang him a welcome. DaveF gave a CD update. Rich noted the Board meeting will be next Monday. After the break, the Chattanooguys sang *How's Every Little Thing in Dixie* and Birchwood Common sang MWIR. Paul passed the Gandy to Wilbur and we closed with KTWWS.

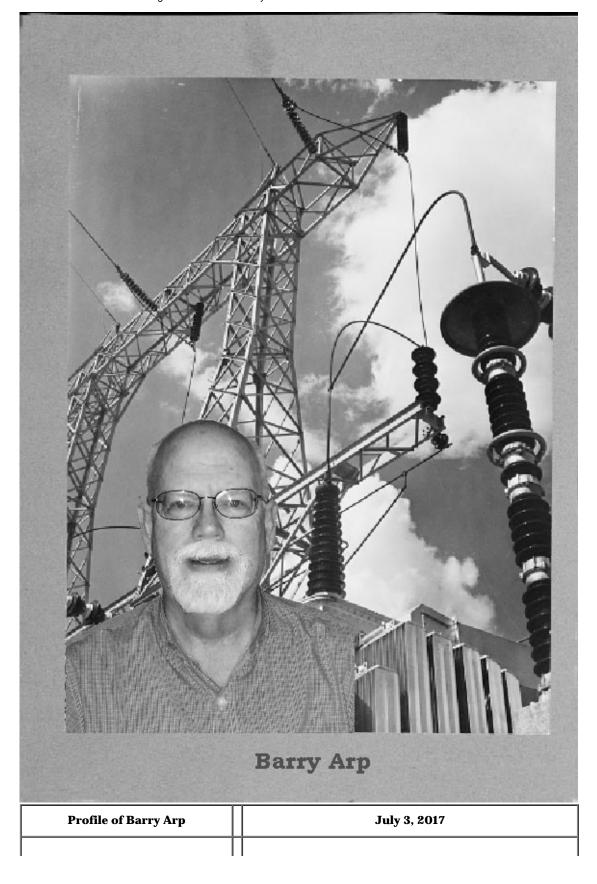
Chattanooga Football Club Sing Out

GPS, Show Chairman: Beau Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL	Thirteen guys showed up for the Chattanooga Football Club game. Prior to the game was food in the First Tennessee Pavilion. We sang the <i>National Anthem</i> having to ignore the delay in the Finley Stadium sound system. A few stayed to watch the game. Photographer Gary Fain took the insert photo.
Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur	From The President The June Board meeting will be next Monday the 26th starting at 5:30pm. Updates of the new class B uniforms, the annual show and CD sales will be the key duscussion items. Please be prepared so we can end the meeting by 6:45. <i>Rich</i>
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South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

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Profile of Barry Arp

I was born in Chattanooga on June 17, 1951 I went to Red Bank High school, and obtained a BSEE from UTC and a MSEE from UTK. I worked as an electircal engineer for TVA as Manager of Substation Maintendance and Programs and retired after 28 years. I've stayed on as a contractor for the last 7 years.

My music background is in Junior High and church choruses, and presently in Red Bank Baptist Church Choir. I played rhythm guitar and sang in a rock band during my college years. Marty Malone (Benny's son) introduced me to the CCCC and I've been a Choo Choo Chorus member for 3 years. Barry

Script for Monday's Meeting

There is no meeting tonight due to the long July 4th weekend.

Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcments. Fred had tickets for the Cleveland Choruse show this Saturday at 3 PM. Guest quartet is Category 4. Chuck noting that Frank sold as many at 40% of our ads, pleaded for everyone to sell ads this year. DaveR noted we have added a Christmas sing out in South Pittsburg, have a possible CFC sing out on July 22, and our next sing out is Ruby Falls. Rich noted we should have our new Class B uniforms by the Ruby Falls sing out. Also there will not be a meeting next Monday. Paul thanked everyone for our hard work tonight. He said the BHS will bring out a new member section on their website that will be easy to use. Also he has been Elected as Dixie's Executive VP for 2018-9 which means he will be President in 2019-2020. Wilbur passed the Gandy to Ron and we closed with KTWWS.

From The President

Remember there is no practice July 3rd. Come back on the 10th. Practice show songs and identify possible businesses to approach for ads. A Happy and safe 4th of July to all. *Rich*

From The Director

We're two months away from the Annual Show (otherwise known as the Spring Show in August) and I'm amazed at how well we're singing and the progress we've made. This past Monday we *never* went flat on a show song. The issues we're facing are small and easy to fix as we progress towards the show. Keep working on the music, practice the parts that trouble you (or me) the most, and get ready to have a great time! Commit yourself to ad and ticket sales – step out of that comfort zone. I'd like to see 400 butts in seats and a program full of ads that would make Frank Delaney proud! See you Monday night. Paul

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Our New Class B Uniform

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Highlights From Last Meeting

There was no meeting last Monday

From The Uniform Committee

New Class B uniform pants are here and the shirts should be here by Monday, July 10. The cost is \$25.00 per person (half of the total cost of each uniform). Please come a little early prepared to pay your share and take possession of your new uniform. Thanks, *Jack*

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December	From The President
5, 5:30 CST Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur	Paul and I met with the Scenic City Chorus Board and proposed they join us again at Christmas sharing expenses and profits. They have a full fall schedule and need more time to determine if they can manage learning new songs and selling sufficient tickets so soon after their other performances. We'll know their decision by July month end. <i>Rich</i>
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Dan Kopf & Lookouts Stadium

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Chattanooga Football Club,

Wednesday, July 19, Arrive at 6:30 PM, Finley Stadium, Uniform: The new Class B.

Ruby Falls, Saturday, July 29, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

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South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Script for Monday's Meeting

July 17, 2017

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, California Here I Come, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64, GoMM, Darkness on the Delta, Sittin' on Top of the World 8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Continue with Show Songs 9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home,?

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Jack had the new uniforms and was thanked for his work along with SteveG and Wilbur. Beau noted things for the show seem on track, but if anyone needs help to let him know. Gene reported the new 3-part ad form is here and told us how to fill them out. DaveR noted we have a CFC sing out on Wednesday, July 19 wearing our new Class B uniforms. He reminded is of our two Ruby Falls sing outs coming up. Paul has purchased an 8 part song for the Christmas Show. He also has purchased the Web-cast of the Internationals competition and would host a viewing party at his house this Saturday or Sunday. Let him know if you are interested.

Dan Kopf Profile

I grew up in Cranford, NJ with my Mom, Dad and an older sister. I sang for four years in high school and got my first taste in barbershop (sang baritone) by singing the national anthem prior to a talent show. After high school I went to Marist College in Poughkeepsie, NY. I sang in the choir their for four years and sang with the Chamber Choir senior year where I was lucky

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

From Program VP

Current plans for Annual Show Afterglow; Champy's, \$15 per person, Chicken strips, tamale, slaw, baked beans, dessert, iced tea. Sign up list coming soon." *Barry* enough to be able to sing at Carnegie Hall. After that I got my Masters at The Ohio State University (sang there briefly as well) and took an internship at Colorado Springs. Once that was complete I got the job with the Lookouts and have been in Chattanooga ever since! I found the Chorus using the Internet. I'm having a great time singing with the Four-casting Chords quartet. *Dan*

From The Director

What a great rehearsal last Monday! I really enjoy the progress we make and your willingness to be coached and accept new ideas and techniques. Between here and the show, it's just a matter of repetition and tweaking. With a couple of exceptions, we could sing the show two weeks from now and it would be OK (the newer, better, ever-growing Choo Choo Chorus doesn't accept "ok", do we?). I'm smiling as I write this, knowing that with a little more work it will be GREAT! Keep it up, see you Monday!

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CASL Swim Meet Quartet

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Board Meeting, Monday, July 24, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Chattanooga Football Club,

Wednesday, July 19, Arrive at 6:45 PM, Finley Stadium, Uniform: The new Class B.

Ruby Falls, Saturday, July 29, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

Ruby Falls, Saturday, August 12, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B

Annual Show, Saturday, August 26, GPS, Show Chairman: Beau

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Script for Monday's Meeting

July 24, 2017

7:00-Chuck Warm Up 7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- **Shenandoah,** Tennessee Waltz, California Here I Come, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64, GoMM, Darkness on the Delta, Sittin' on Top of the World 8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break 8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Continue with Show Songs 9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come (maybe)

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Wally encouraged us to ask friends now to reserve the first Monday in October for the 2017 CCCC. Gene asked everyone to start selling ads using the new ad form. Rich reminded us of the CFC sing out this Wednesday. We are on for Ketner Mill in the fall. Barry took a preliminary count for the Annual Show Afterglow, and there will be a sign up sheet next Monday. Chuck noted there is limited parking at Ruby Falls and we will need to do some car pooling. The quartet of DaveF, Rich, Paul and DanB sang.

From The Director

I was very pleasantly surprised when we did Tennessee Waltz on the risers, but I suspect the surprise was bigger for those of you

Ketner Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, CDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

CASL Swim Meet

Thanks to the quartet who sang the National Anthem for the CASL swim meet last weekend, DaveF, Paul, Rich, and DanB.

that were singing! Didn't know you knew the song that well? A real confidence-builder, in my opinion. Looking forward to our anthem performance for CFC and another great Monday night coming up! Make sure you brush up on Shenandoah - we're going to put in some hard time getting it ready. Thanks for all you do. *Paul*

From The President

The Board will meet next Monday July 24 starting at 5:30pm. The Annual show status, future sing outs, chorus feed back about Class B uniforms are the main items. Let me know if you have an item to bring to the Board's attention. All are invited to attend. Rich

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Ruby Falls Sing Out

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Ruby Falls, Saturday, August 12, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B with black socks and belt and comfortable shoes.

Annual Show, Saturday, August 26, GPS, Show Chairman: Beau

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Ketner Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

August 7, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- **Shenandoah,** Tennessee Waltz, California Here I Come, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64, GoMM, Darkness on the Delta, Sittin' on Top of the World 8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

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Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come (maybe)

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements, and again asked everyone to sign up on the Afterglow sign up sheet. He also welcomed Steve Vipond. Gene gave a plea for ad sales and passed out the new ad forms. Paul thanked DanK for the annual show promo at the Lookouts sing out. He also announced that JJ is now a Deacon in his

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16. Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur



From The Program VP

The plan for Annual Show Afterglow is Champy's Chicken strips, tamale, slaw, baked beans, dessert, and iced tea. \$15 per person. Sign up sheet next to door. Sign up early. *Barry*

church. HE WANTS US OFF OF SHEET MUSIC NEXT MONDAY.



Ruby Falls Sing Out #1

Nineteen showed up for the first of two Rudy Falls Sing outs. As always we sang 4 sets from noon til 2 PM to guests in the waiting line for tickets. We did our usual good job and had fun interacting with the people in line. During a break the quartet of Fred, DaveF, Gene and Chuck sang Let Me Call You Sweetheart to a couple, and the look of the Indian family in the upper left of the photo below is interesting. Later the mother of a young boy from China ask if her son could sing for us and he had a great voice though we couldn't understand the Chinese lyrics. Another fun sing out and ready for #2 on August 12.

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Lookouts Super Hero Sing Out

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Ruby Falls, Saturday, August 12, Arrive at 11:30 to sing from Noon until 2 PM. Uniform: Class B with black socks and belt and comfortable shoes. Car pool from All Saints at 11 AM if you can.

Extra Rehearsal, Thursday, August 24, 7 PM, All Saints

Annual Show, Saturday, August 26, GPS, Show Chairman: Beau

Lookouts Playoff Game, Thursday,

August 14, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul- **Shenandoah,** Tennessee Waltz, California Here I Come, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Old Folks at Home, When I'm 64, GoMM, Darkness on the Delta, Sittin' on Top of the World 8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Continue with Show Songs 9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – *Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come* (maybe)

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements, and noted only 15 have signed up for the Annual Show Afterglow. Gene noted he has started to receive ad contracts and the back color page has been sold. DaveR reminded us of the second Ruby Falls sing out this Saturday. He announced we have a Lookouts playoff game sing out. He also encouraged us to take Choo Choo Chorus business September 7, arrive at 6:45 PM.

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Ketner Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

From The Program VP

The plan for Annual Show Afterglow is Champy's Chicken strips, tamale, slaw, baked beans, dessert, and iced tea. \$15 per person. Sign up sheet next to door. Sign up early. Barry

card and pass them out. Jack noted that only 140 tickets have been taken so far, and pleaded for us to take more. Rich sold four tickets from the email poster. Paul noted only 3 weeks to the show and scheduled an extra rehearsal on Thursday, August 24 at 7PM. Beau passed the Gandy to Gene. We closed with KTWWS.

From The Director

What a GREAT rehearsal Monday night! Guest (and longtime barbershopper) Ron Weaver spoke the truth when he said it was the best he had ever heard the chorus sing! Emotion, smoothness, fun - we had it all! Now, learn the rest of the notes and words for Shenandoah (leads, I'm talking to YOU) and let's get this show polished up! Sell tickets! Sell ads! See you at Ruby Falls or next Monday night. *Paul*

Lookouts Super Hero Sing Out

Fifteen showed up for the Lookouts Super Hero Night sing out as shown in the photograph with the mascot Looie in a Super Hero costume. We did out usual good job singing the *National Anthem*, and one lady said that was the best version she had ever heard. Those that stayed for the game got to see three innings before the rain came.

Note From Charlie

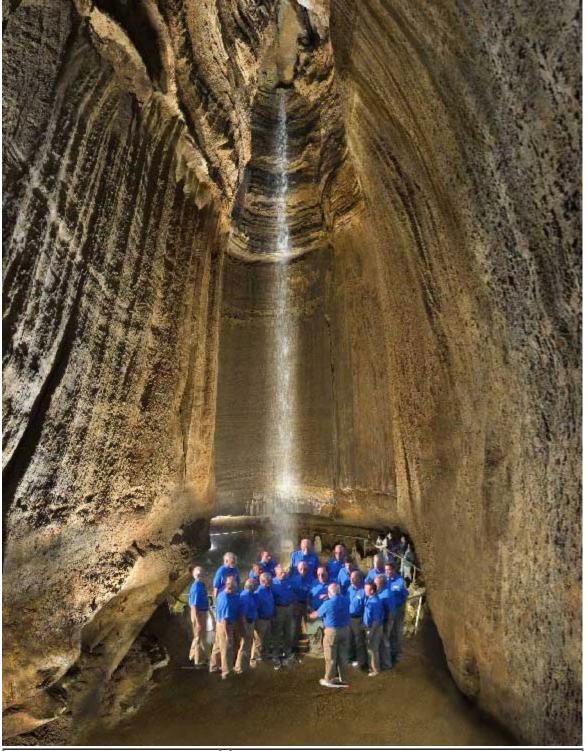
I encourage everyone talk to all business, church groups and social groups about the possibilities of a quartet doing a 5-8 minute presentation for them that might get the word out about Barbershop. Thanks, *Charlie*

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Extra Rehearsal, Thursday, August 24, 7 PM, All Saints

Annual Show, Saturday, August 26, GPS, Show Chairman: Beau

Lookouts Playoff Game, Thursday, September 7, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7:15. Uniform: Class B.

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Ketner Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

From The President

The Nominating Committee is looking for members who might like to help by becoming a Board Member. By observation you have a general idea of some responsibilities of the Board Officers, and we will be glad to answer any questions. It does take a little more time and responsibility but your skills and ideas can help us. There will be a short Board Meeting on Monday beginning at 6:00pm. All are welcome. *Rich*

Show Ad Deadline

The Annual Show Program goes to the printer Tuesday morning, so the deadline for ads is this Monday night's rehearsal. Any ad without artwork cannot be included, however, it is OK to use artwork from last year's

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul-Run Through Entire Show

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Continue with Show run through

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – *Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come* (maybe)

Annual Show Songs – Sitting On Top of the World, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Chattanooga Choo Choo, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, and Old Folks at Home.

Highlights From Last Meeting

Paul led announcements. Wally again encouraged us to start recruiting for the CCCC, and he noted that Andrew Bresee is coming back. Rich announced a different time for the Board meeting next Monday. The Nominating Committee is working on next years Board members, and Rich asked members to consider it. DaveR thanked those who sang at Ruby Falls. And we will be singing the National *Anthem* for a playoff game between the Lookouts and an opponent yet to be determined. Jack said he still has 100 show tickets to pass out. Paul reporting on a Dixie Board meeting noted that the Dixie Fallside (old Lakeside) event will happen in Chattanooga and there will be lots of opportunity for singing and learning. Also Harmony Explosion will be back in Chattanooga next summer. Gene passed the Gandy to Chuck for directing at Ruby Falls. We closed with KTWWS.



Ruby Falls #2 Sing Out

Sixteen showed up for the second 2017 Ruby Falls sing out with Chuck directing. Twas a bit hotter and humid, and for the first 30 minutes or so there were few people to sing to. The crowd picked up and we did our normal Ruby Falls routine. Previously we have been asked to sing in the cave as shown in the composite photograph above, and maybe some day we will sing there..

program. SteveW	From The Program VP
	The plan for Annual Show Afterglow is Champy's Chicken strips, tamale, slaw, baked beans, dessert, and iced tea. \$15 per person (if you write a check address to Choo Choo Chorus) Sign up sheet next to door. Last day to sign up. <i>Barry</i>
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Our Chattanooga Now Ad August 28, 2017 In This E-mail Script for Monday's Meeting 7:00-Chuck Warm Up Script for Monday's Meeting 7:05-Chuck-Polecats Highlights From Last Meeting 7:15-Paul-Annual Show Retrospective From the Program VP 8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break 8:30-Quarteting Calendar 8:40-Paul- Risers - Contest Songs 9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS Extra Rehearsal, Thursday, August Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come 24, 7 PM, All Saints (maybe)

Annual Show, Saturday, August 26, 3PM on the risers ready to sing, GPS, Show Chairman: Beau. Uniform: Class A. Break for food at 5:30.

Lookouts Playoff Game, Thursday, September 7, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7:15. Uniform: Class B.

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Beau announced the uniform for the show is the full Class A. Those setting up the stage should be at GPS at 2 PM and the chorus on the risers ready to sing at 3 PM. Jack noted he still has 200 tickets to sell. DaveR reminded us of the Lookouts and Ketner's Mill sing outs. Rich asked us to be on time on Saturday and have patience as we work though the final rehearsal. Chuck gave the Gandy to Wally and we closed with KTWWS.

From The Program VP

The plan for Annual Show Afterglow is Champy's Chicken strips, tamale, slaw, baked beans, dessert, and iced tea. \$15 per person. I will be accepting monies for the Afterglow Thursday night and Saturday before the show. *Barry*

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2017 Annual Show

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No Meeting This Monday

Lookouts Playoff Game, Thursday, September 7, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7:15. Uniform: Class B.

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL

First CCCC Rehearsal, October 2, 7:00 PM, All Saints

Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December

September 4, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

No meeting tonight due to the Labor Day Weekend

Highlights From Last Meeting

There was a postmortem on the Annual Show. Paul was proud to be directing us. Shenandoah was emotional and well received as well as Old Folks that got lots of applause. Barry led announcements. Fred as historian talked about our show ten years ago titled Radio. Wendell said we have about \$3,000 in ticket sales. Chuck thanked Beau for his job as Show Chair. He was proud to have directed CHIC saying it was the best we've done it. Rich congratulated us on a team effort well done. The quartet of DanB, Jim, Wilbur and Benny sang Caroline. We closed with KTWWS.

From the Show Chairman

Thank you Chorus members for your help and hard work to bring off another successful show. Thanks to Chet for taking photographs of the show. *Beau*

5, 5:30 CST	
Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur	
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Dollar's Worth of Show Quartets

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Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

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Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul-Old Folks at Home and California Here I Come

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs - Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come

Highlights From Last Meeting

There was no meeting last week. However, note that there is the Lookout Playoff Game Sing Out on Thursday (see Calendar)

From The Director

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur	am about the show, but this column should be short. Let's focus on the work ahead for contest and Christmas! See you Monday! Paul From The President
	If you're going to the Dixie District Fall Convention in Oxford Alabama be sure you register. You can do this online at dixiedistrict.org. If you plan to spend a night, the Hilton Garden Inn is booked, but rooms are available, at convention rates, at the Home2 Suites next door. Keep working on FAH and CHIC between now and Monday the 10th. We are singing better than ever with an excellent chance to exceed past contest scores.
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Lookouts Playoff Sing Out

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Scenic City Chorus, Saturday, September 30, 4 PM, Notre Dame High School. Tickets \$20 for show and \$15 for afterglow

First CCCC Rehearsal, October 2, 7:00 PM. All Saints

Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul-Old Folks at Home and California Here I Come

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - Contest Songs

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Fall Contest Songs – Old Folks at Home, California Here I Come

September 18, 2017

Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Wendell noted that the Scenic City Chorus has their annual show on September 30 at 4 PM at Notre Dame high school. Tickets cost \$20 at the door and \$15 for the afterglow. DaveR announced the Christmas singing schedule which is shown in the calendar to the left. Paul made another plea for singers for the CCCC and suggested offering them a ride on their first Monday. Rich thanked everyone for coming to tonight's rehearsal. He noted there will be a Board meeting on Saturday at Wally's East Ridge. The nominating committee is looking for a few members and he hoped we would make ourselves available if asked

From The President

Open, Tuesday, December 19, TBA

Online Archive

5, 5:30 CST The Board will meet Saturday the 16th at Wally's in East Ridge. We have the room from 8:30 to 10:30am. A reminder all Alexian Village, Thursday, December participants need to register for the convention prior to 7, arrive at 6:15 PM performing. You can do it online at DixieDistrict.com. Rich Lookouts Playoff Sing Out Garden Plaza, Tuesday, December 12, arrive at 6:15 PM The Lookouts are Southern League Champions with our help singing the National Anthem at three games this year. The Open, Thursday, December 14 playoff game photograph above is by Pat Daniels. Christmas Show, Saturday, From The Program VP December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur A couple of folks still owe me for the Afterglow. Barry Christmas Party, Monday, December 18, details later

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Board Meeting at Wally's

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Extra Rehearsal, Thursday, September 21, 7:00 PM, All Saints

Dixie Fall Convention, September 22-24, Oxford, AL Enter the pipeline on Saturday at 9:30 AM CDT. Uniform: Class A. See right column for more details.

September 25, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00-Chuck Warm Up

7:05-Chuck-Polecats

7:15-Paul-Jingle Bells

8:15-Barry A. - Announcements and Break

8:30-Quarteting

8:40-Paul- Risers - *Cradle in Bethlehem*

9:25-Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS

Highlights From Last Meeting

Rich led announcements. Historian Fred reviewed our contest score from 10 years ago - we sing better now. DaveR reminded us of the Ketner's Mill and Special Olympics sing outs. Wally again encouraged us to recruit for the CCCC as only two weeks left before the first rehearsal. Direct prospects to christmaschorus.org. Wendell ask for members to come early

Scenic City Chorus, Saturday, September 30, 4 PM, Notre Dame High School. Tickets \$20 for show and \$15 for afterglow

First CCCC Rehearsal, October 2, 7:00 PM, All Saints

Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

Special Olympics Bowling, Thursday, October 26, arrive at 9:30 AM, Holiday bowling, Hixson

Veterans Day, Saturday, November 11, arrive 10:15 AM, National Cemetery

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Alexian Village, Thursday, December 7, arrive at 6:15 PM

Garden Plaza, Tuesday, December 12, arrive at 6:15 PM

Open, Thursday, December 14, TBD

Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairmen: SteveG & Wilbur

Christmas Party, Monday, December 18, details later

Open, Tuesday, December 19, TBD

Online Archive

next Monday to set up risers for the CCCC. Rich noted the SCC is co-sponsoring The Christmas show and that we could change our charity. Let him know if you have a suggestion. Paul gave a summary of the contest information (see below). Wally passed that Gandy to Gene for his work setting up music folders for the CCCC. We closed with KTWWS.

Dixie Contest Information

We sing 2nd and will be on stage at the Performing Art Center on Saturday about 11:20 CDT (not EDT). Meet in the lobby of the Home2 hotel next door to Hilton at 9:45 AM CDT. After the contest we will be evaluated by 2 contest judges who will coach us. Uniform: Class A. *Paul*

From the President

Thursday's practice will be shorter than usual. Plan on ~30 minutes extra to help clean up the practice hall. A little extra time Thursday and next Monday will prevent a Saturday session. We want the place to look welcoming for all. Line up a friend to come with you on October 2. The Board is asking if we should consider a different local charity this year. If you have a suggestion or favorite let me know before the October Board meeting. *Rich*

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First CCCC Rehearsal, October 2, 7:00 PM, All Saints. Wear something with Choo Choo Chorus on it plus name tag. Come early and finish cleaning up our rooms.

Ketner's Mill, Saturday, October 21, 3:00 PM, EDT

Special Olympics Bowling, Thursday, October 26, arrive at 9:30 AM, Holiday bowling, Hixson

October 2, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

7:00 - 7:05 Welcome CCCC'rs

7:05 – 8:45 First CCCC 2017 Rehearsal

8:45 – 8:55 Announcements

8:55 – 9:25 Paul – Repertoire/Christmas

9:30 – 9:40 Gandy Dancer Award/KTWWS

CCCC Songs: Jingle Bells, It Came Upon a Midnight Clear, Need a Little Christmas, Silent Night

Highlights From Last Meeting

After warm-up and singing through a few Ketner's Mill songs, Paul started a postmortem on the chorus contest over the weekend. We had 19 on stage and scored lower than expected (59.9 though most every chorus thought the scores were about 3 points lower than usual). We were coached by the music and singing judges. Rich encouraged us to donate to the Harmony Foundation, and we received a check for \$171 from them. He noted that Harmony Explosion sing out will be in July 21-23, 2018 and Dixie Leadership Weekend is January 26-27, 2018 in Chattanooga. We went over a few details for next Monday's first CCCC rehearsal; wear name tag and wear something that says 'Choo Choo Chorus' on it. Gene passed the Gandy to Jack who directed KTWWS. We finished the evening cleaning up our

	rooms for next Monday.
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First Look at 8-part Peace Song

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CCC Songs: Santa Claus is Coming To Town, Mary Had a Baby, Veni, Veni

CCCC Songs: Betelehemu, I Saw Three Ships, It Came Upon a Midnight Clear, Jingle Bells, Need a Little Christmas

CCCC/SCC Songs: Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, Let There Be Peace On Earth, Silent Night, Merry Christmas Tag

Repertoire: National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, When I'm 64, Sittin' On Top of the World, Old Folks at Home, Tennessee Waltz, Hello, Mary Lou

Highlights From Last Meeting

As shown in the photograph, Paul passed out the 8-part Let There Be Peace on Earth and we started work on it (learning CDs will be here on Monday). After the CCCC departed, the quartet of Johnny, Paul, Chuck and Fred sang Please Mr, Columbus in honor of Columbus Day. Rich had the first reading of the slate of officers for 2018. They are: Rich Ptacin, President, Wally Edmondson, Membership VP, Chuck Wilson, Music VP, Barry Arp, Program VP, Fred Jesse, Secretary, Wendell Whitmire, Treasurer, Dan Kopf, PR, Jack Cook, Business Manager, Steve Wixson, Bulletin Editor and Board Members at Large, Wilbur Strickland (1 year), Gene Huelman (2) and Jim Frank (3). Wendell passed the Gandy to JimF and we closed with KTWWS.

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For the Choo Choo Chorus

Thanks for another great Monday night! Some new members for this year's CCCC and some great singing made for a wonderful first half, and the second half was good practice for our upcoming performance at Ketner's Mill. Keep up the good work, and try to find someone else to invite for Christmas! *Paul*

For the Christmas Chorus

Two weeks in and the music is wonderful! It's delightful to see the new faces this year, along with the returnees - you guys add sooooooooooo much to our sound! We'll have CDs of learning tracks next week so you can delight (irritate?) everyone in your car while you review the music. The new eight-part song is going to be AWESOME! See you next Monday. Can you bring another singer along for the fun? *Paul*

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements. Fred passed an 18 year renewal to Erby and a 19 year to John Johnston. Wendell passed around the contest photos for people to order copies. Wally introduced two guests and we sang them a welcome. Chuck noted that show preparations are coming along. Rich read the slate of

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officers nominated to serve on the 2018 Board for the 2nd time. If anyone would like to be nominated for an office let him or Fred know before next Monday. The chorus will vote be next week. Dave reminded us of the Ketner's Mill sing out on Saturday. Paul noted that any quartet that wants to sing on the Christmas show to please let him know now. JimF passed the Gandy to SteveW who directed KTWWS with animations.

For the Christmas Chorus

Great job again this past Monday! Hopefully we'll have the CDs ready next Monday. In the meantime, there are (probably) final song lists published in this newsletter for the male side, and I expect to have the other song lists in our next newsletter. Thanks for all you do - it's going to be a wonderful Christmas season! Paul

Contest Photos Available

Pictures from fall contest are available for \$10.00. Please see me if you are interested. Wendell

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Ketner's Mill Sing Out

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements, and suggested we wear Halloween costumes next Monday. Paul reminded us of the Special Olympics sing out on Thursday, and gave a summary of the Central States District convention he attended over the weekend. Rich thanked those who sang at Ketner's Mill on Saturday. He did the third read of nominations for officers for 2018 and a motion was made and approved that we elect them by acclamation. SteveW passed the Gandy to SteveG and we closed with KTWWS.

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Rock City, Thursday, December 21, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7 PM. Uniform: See Christmas Show uniform

Special Olympics

A reminder that the Special Olympics bowling tournament sing out is this Thursday. See Calehndar.

From The Christmas Co-Chairman

We are sounding really fine, and I'm sure the ladies will bring their "A" game for the show. The workings behind the scenes are progressing nicely and this should be a really big show!! Keep working on the music and let's wow 'em this year. Of course, the only way to wow someone is to have fannies in the seats, so PLEASE sell tickets when they come in. All this work is for charity (Boehm Birth Defects), so that should be motivation enough to ask folks to attend the concert. Steve Grubb, Co-Chairmas

For the Christmas Chorus

It looks like we have settled down to the CCCC we will have this year. It's interesting that although we're slightly smaller than average (we've' been as high as 85) our sound is outstanding! I credit the hard work on your part and the willingness to "join the team" with the amazing results we've had so far. Keep up the good work and I'll see you next Monday! *Paul*

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South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST

Alexian Village, Thursday, December 7, arrive at 6:15 PM

Lady Moc's Basketball Game, Sunday, December 10, 3:30 PM, McKenzie Arena,

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Garden Plaza, Tuesday, December 12, arrive at 6:15 PM

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Christmas Show, Saturday,

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements wearing a Halloween costume (the only person to do so). DaveR reminded us of the Veterans Day sing out., and uniform is full Class A. He also presented us with an opportunity to sing the *National Anthem* at the December 10th Lady Moc's basketball game and we approved it. Paul asked that quartets give him their song list for the show. We sang Bob a welcome. SteveG passed the Gandy to Bernard Peek and we closed with KTWWS.

For the Christmas Chorus

It's amazing to me what we accomplish in about 1 hour each week. After accounting for warm-up and announcements and other talking, that's about all the singing we do on Monday nights. Thanks to your continued attention and hard work, we get outstanding results from that hour, and I'm extremely grateful.

December 16, Show Chairs: SteveG & Wilbur & Megan Grass	Starting next Monday, we'll be spending some time singing on the risers, so wear comfortable shoes and prepare physically. As	
Christmas Party, Monday, December 18, details later	always, if you need to sit instead of stand, we will accommodate you. See you next Monday! <i>Paul</i>	
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A CCCC Christmas Card

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Board Meeting, Monday, November 13, 5:30 PM, All Saints

Joint Rehearsal with SCC, Monday, December 4, 7:00 PM, Spring Creek Road Baptist Church

South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5. 5:30 CST

Alexian Village, Thursday, December

November 13, 2017

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gave instruction on when to turn in unused tickets and money. Rich noted there will be a Board meeting next Monday. Paul encouraged ticket sales and attendance at the January 19 and 20th Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend held in Chattanooga this year. He noted we could register as a chorus and receive coaching. The Veterans Day sing out is Saturday, November 11, and the uniform is full Class A. Bernard Peek passed the Gandy to Paul and we closed with KTWWS.

Veterans Day Reminder

Just a reminder that Saturday, November 11, we sing *National Anthem, Armed Forces Medley* and *God Bless America* for Veterans Day at the National Cemetery. Arrive at 10:15 AM to warm up. Uniform: Full Class A.

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South Pittsburg, Tuesday, December 5, 5:30 CST. Senior Activities Center, 315 Elm Street

Alexian Village, Thursday, December 7, arrive at 6:15 PM

Lady Moc's Basketball Game, Sunday, December 10, Arrive at

Sunday, December 10, Arrive at 3:00 PM, McKenzie Arena, Uniform: Class B

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8:55 - 9:25 Paul - Christmas Songs

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Highlights From Last Meeting

Fred passed out renewals to Matt Van Stelle (new), Jim Frank (1), Wally (11), SteveG (28), and Johnny (30). DaveR noted there is a Christmas Schedule to pick up. Also the uniform for the Lady Mocs game is Class B. Chuck reported that the Board decided not to have a Valentines Day fund raiser, however, any quartet can do it on their own and keep the money. Paul thanked those

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Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend

We'd like to get as many chorus members to participate in the Dixie Leadership and Harmony weekend on January 26 & 27 at the Morris Hill Baptist Church in East Brainerd. I'll pass along the specifics of the available classes and chorus training opportunity when available. This is a real opportunity for all of us as singers, Board Members, and potential Board Members. The chorus will pay the \$40 registration

fee for Board Members and \$20 toward the fee for other chorus members. Rich

town who sings the National Anthem better than we do. Rich noted that without the Valentines Day event we need to sell more Annual Show ads to make up the difference. He also noted the Leadership academy in January for Officers, and if we get enough others we could get coached (See bottom of left column for details). Johnny led a rousing KTWWS.

who sang for Veterans Day. DaveR noted that there is no one in

Veterans Day Sing Out

Seventeen showed up on a beautiful, but brisk day for this year's Veterans Day sing out. After a tough warm up, we got it together and sang well on National Anthem, Armed Forces Medley and God Bless America. Photographs by Gary Hart. a previous keynote speaker.



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Christmas Show, Saturday, December 16, Show Chairs: SteveG, Wilbur & and Magen Grass, Arrive 1PM to sing at 4 PM. Uniform: something Christmasy

Christmas Party, Monday, December 18, 6pm at Fairview United Methodist Church in Rossville, details in this newsletter (map) (another map is attached)

Rock City, Thursday, December 21, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7 PM. Uniform: See Christmas Show uniform

December 18, 2017

Script for Monday's Meeting

6:00 - Christmas Party fellowship

7:00 - Dinner, Install Officers and Singing

If you would like to come to the Christmas Party next Monday night, December 18, I am still taking names up to <u>2pm on</u> <u>Thursday, December 14</u>. But I will need your name and how many total you will Be bringing. I will need your Monies by Monday evening. \$15 per person. Check preferred.

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Christmas Show Finale

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Rock City, Thursday, December 21, arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7 PM. Uniform: See Christmas Show uniform above.

No Meeting New Years' Day. Monday, January 1, 2018

From the Program VP

Merry Christmas to all and have save travels as you spend time with family and friends. I enjoyed singing with fellow barbershopers and with Scenic City Chorus. A special thanks to Mary and Wilbur Strickland on the fine pre-

December 25, 2017

No Meeting on Christmas Day

There is no meeting on this last Monday of the year. Merry Christmas to all as we celebrate the birth our our Lord.

From the Director

Choo Choo Chorus. What a year it's been! Having just finished our most successful Christmas show ever, with our best Community Christmas Chorus ever, it's great to look back on a year filled with special moments and say, "Well done!" I'm sure each of you could pick one or two performances out of 2017 and describe how exciting they were, yet they might be different for everybody. For me, the peak could have been the *two* eightpart songs we did this Christmas, but when it comes right down to it, each performance is special in its own way. What makes them all special for me is being out front, helping you make artistry time after time. Thanks for your efforts and dedication this year. From Lindy and me, Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to you and your families! *Paul*

P.S. Remember Rock City on 12/21! See you there!

Chattanooga Community Christmas Chorus. Thanks for a wonderful season, although it's not quite over - remember Rock City on 12/21; I look forward to seeing some of you there. The energy and talent and musicianship that you guys add each year continues to amaze me, even after 15 years. It's so much fun to be in front of the CCCC shaping the outstanding music and

dinner foods at the Christmas dinner, and to Fairview United Methodist Church for providing their facilities for our Christmas Party. *Barry*

Christmas Show Photo Attached

A copy of the Christmas Show photograph above is attached to this email and is suitable for printing. A higher resolution version is available upon request. *SteveW*

encouraging you to be your best, then experiencing the result. It's also gratifying that a couple of you, each year, choose to become year-round members of the Choo Choo Chorus and the Chattanooga Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society. Should you want more information about doing so, please feel free to reach out to me or any other member of the chapter. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families! See you next year on the first Monday of October, if not before. *Paul Blazek*

From the Show Co-Chair

It was my pleasure to serve as Co-Chair for probably our most successful Christmas show ever. Easily the largest crowd we've ever had truly enjoyed our efforts. There was not a weak spot in the show and everyone performed very well. Having the ladies on board as permanent partners enhanced the show greatly and will only blossom more over the years to come. A special thanks to all the guys of the CCCC who put forth the effort to learn the music and sing with the chorus; Y'all hit it out of the park! As always, we are indebted to our Directors, Chuck Wilson and Paul Blazek, for skillfully guiding us through the whole endeavor. Our Mate from Down Under, Steve Wixson, put together another fine program and everyone seemed to sell a bunch of tickets to friends and family. To the men who handled so many duties behind the scenes (Jack Cook, Dave Rack, Gene Huelman and Chet Tschetter) a special thanks. Let's get geared up for a Great 2018!! Happy Holidays to everyone. Steve Grubb

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