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2018 Board Installed	January 1, 2018
<p>In This E-mail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Meeting on New Year's Day</li> <li>• From The President</li> <li>• 2018 Board Installed</li> </ul> <p>Calendar</p> <p><b>No Meeting New Years' Day.</b> Monday, January 1, 2018</p> <p><b>Board Planning Meeting,</b> Saturday, January 6</p> <p><b>Next Meeting,</b> Monday January 8, 2018, 7:00 PM. All Saints</p>	<p>No Meeting on New Year's Day</p> <p>There is no meeting on this first Monday of the 2018, New Year's Day.</p> <p>From The President</p> <p>A Happy and prosperous New Year to all. Enjoy football and recover from partying on the 1st and be ready to get your barbershop "fix" on the 8th. 2017 was a good year. Our challenge is to make 2018 better!! The new Board will meet on January 6 to layout the year. We'll share that with you on the 8th. I ask you to think about any ideas you have to help us to improve. You can email those to me (<a href="mailto:1bearcub@epbfi.com">1bearcub@epbfi.com</a>) or pass them along to the any board member. Either way be ready to sing in a new year when you walk into practice. <i>Rich</i></p> <p>2018 Board Installed</p>

Chad Bennett representing the BHS installed the 2018 Board consisting of 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). He brought us greetings from Marty Monson, CEO and Society President, Skipp Kropp. As shown below, we sang several songs to our wives and guests. Another really nice Christmas party.

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Rock City 2017	January 8, 2018
<p>In This E-mail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Script For Monday's Meeting</li> <li>• Rock City Sing Out Highlights</li> <li>• From The Treasurer</li> </ul> <p>Calendar</p> <p><b>Board Planning Meeting,</b> Saturday, January 6, 8:30 AM, Wally's East Ridge</p> <p><b>Next Meeting,</b> Monday January 8, 2018, 7:00 PM. All Saints</p> <p><b>Dixie Leadership/Harmony Weekend,</b> January 26-27, Hampton Inn &amp; Suites,</p>	<p>Script For Monday's Meeting</p> <p>7:00 – 7:15 Warm Up  7:15 – 8:45 Paul - <i>National Anthem, When I'm 64, Hello Mary Lou, God bless America, When There's Love at Home, Tennessee Waltz</i>  8:45 – 8:55 Announcements  8:55 – 9:25 Paul – Continue repertory review  9:25 – 9:30 Gandy Dancer Award/KTWWS</p> <p>Repertoire: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm 64</i></p> <p>Rock City Sing Out Highlights</p> <p>Largest crowd I have ever seen up there and there</p>

<p>Hamilton Place Mall, Chattanooga</p> <p><b>Dixie District Convention,</b> March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p> <p>From The Treasurer</p> <p>Please turn in any money from Christmas Show tickets sales ASAP. <i>Wendell</i></p>	<p>were a line of cars trying to get in when we left about 9. We sang 2 sets of about 40 minutes each with 21 guys on the first set and 24 on the second. Both were good with half of RC4 with J Jackson and dapper Dan, the second had 2 quartets made up with D Dan, P Jones, S Vipond and C Wilson along with RC4 with J Jackson and Wally. Photograph by Mary Strickland. <i>Wilbur</i></p> <p>DanB and I git caught in the traffic but made it to the pavillion about 6:55. Paul was ~10 minutes ahead of us. Some got hung up and didn't make it at all but Johnny, Henry, Wally, and a couple others made it late and joined. A good mix of voices, chorus and CCCC chorus and CCCC guys. We sang 2 sets, the first to a large and friendly group. The second to a smaller but equally involved crowd. It took awhile but we had Rock City 4 and Uncalled For. We left about 8:55. Merry Christmas. P.S. It was noisy up there but we really sang well!!! <i>Rich</i></p>
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2018 Planning Meeting	January 15, 2018
<p>In This E-mail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Script For Monday's Meeting</li> <li>• Highlights From Last Meeting</li> <li>• 2018 Planning Meeting</li> <li>• Goals For 2018</li> </ul>	<p>Script For Monday's Meeting</p> <p>7:00 – 7:15 Warm Up</p> <p>7:15 – 8:45 Paul - <i>National Anthem, When I'm 64, Hello Mary Lou, God bless America, When There's Love at Home, Tennessee Waltz</i></p> <p>8:45 – 8:55 Announcements</p> <p>8:55 – 9:25 Paul – Continue repertory review</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend</li> <li>• From The Treasurer</li> </ul> <p>Calendar</p>	<p>9:25 – 9:30 Gandy Dancer Award/KTWWS</p> <p>Repertoire: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm 64</i></p>
<p><b>Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend</b>, January 26-27, Hotel is Hampton Inn &amp; Suites, Hamilton Place Mall. Some events at Morris Hills Baptist Church. See Below.</p>	<p>Highlights From Last Meeting</p>
<p><b>Dixie District Spring Convention</b>, March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p>	<p>Happy New Year to one and all! We had a great meeting this past Monday. Even though the lead section was small, they stuck it out and performed quite well. We also have two new men in the membership process who will be excellent additions to the bass and bari sections, Bob Robbins and Seth Lucas. Our repertoire review went very well, and our goal to be 100% words and notes on The Old Songs and Keep The Whole World Singing is well underway. Be sure, if needed, that you download the learning tracks either from the member section on our website or from the Society website <a href="http://www.barbershop.org/resources/get-music/free-music">http://www.barbershop.org/resources/get-music/free-music</a>. I'd like us to be note-perfect on both songs by the first Monday in February. You'll hear other great news in other sections of the newsletter. Rich passed the Gandy to Wendell. See you Monday night! <i>Paul</i></p>
<p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p>	
<p>Dixie Leadership Harmony Weekend</p> <p>The Leadership and Harmony weekend is at the Morris Hills Baptist Church in East Brainerd on January 26 &amp; 27, and the chorus will pick up the registration expense for all attendees. We need to be well represented on Friday evening as we are the chorus which will be asked to apply the singing principles taught by Clay Hines and Steve Scott. Saturday morning is leadership training or other harmony classes. <i>Rich</i></p>	
<p>Goals For 2018</p> <p>A. Score 66 or better at</p>	<p>2018 Planning Meeting</p> <p>These are some of the items discussed at the January Board Meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. We agreed to participate in the spring (Huntsville) and fall (Oxford,AL) contests, have the annual show in August and the December Christmas show again inviting the Scenic City Women to join us. There will be 4 Special Olympics events (Feb., March, April, Oct.) Specific dates/times to be confirmed. We will offer to sing at the National Cemetery in May and November.</li> </ol>

<p>contests.</p> <p>B. Appoint section leaders, schedule sectionals when new songs are added to the repertoire.</p> <p>C. Correct deficiencies in managing ad sales, show program inclusion, collection of ticket sales.</p> <p>D. Document system procedures for those responsible.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From The Treasurer</p> <p>Please turn in any money from Christmas Show tickets sales ASAP. <i>Wendell</i></p>	<p>We will pursue singing at Rock City, Ruby Falls, and multiple retirement communities.</p> <p>2. As a Chorus we will not participate in Singing Valentines this year. Individual quartets are free, on their own, to sell valentines, provide the rose and card and sing for their customer(s). Money received for the service can be kept by the quartet or donated to the chorus.</p> <p>3. We want to improve our image to guests and potential new members. Specifically we want to improve the condition of the practice hall. We need to pick up after meetings, straighten chairs, remove plastic bottles, take out trash and so on. We will have a team of volunteers or assign a week of the month to the each chorus sections. We encourage all members to be welcoming and friendly with visitors. <i>Rich</i></p>
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- A. Score 66 or better at contests this year.
- B. Appoint section leaders, schedule sectionals when new songs are added to the repertoire.
- C. Correct deficiencies in managing ad sales, show program inclusion, collection of ticket sales.
- D. Document system procedures for those responsible in the future.



# The Weekly Newsletter of the **Choo Choo Chorus**

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2017 Year in Photographs	January 22, 2018
<p style="text-align: center;">In This E-mail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Script For Monday's Meeting</li> <li>• Highlights From Last Meeting</li> <li>• 2017 Year in Review</li> <li>• Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Calendar</p> <p><b>Dixie Leadership/Harmony Weekend</b>, January 26-27, Hotel is Hampton Inn &amp; Suites, Hamilton Place Mall. Events at Morris Hills Baptist Church. (See our participation in the</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Script For Monday's Meeting</p> <p>7:00 – 7:15 Warm Up  7:15 – 8:45 Paul - <i>National Anthem, When I'm 64, Hello Mary Lou, God bless America, When There's Love at Home, Tennessee Waltz</i>  8:45 – 8:55 Announcements  8:55 – 9:25 Paul – Continue repertory review  9:25 – 9:30 Gandy Dancer Award/KTWWS</p> <p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm 64, When There's Love at Home</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights From Last Meeting</p>



<p>right column). Uniform: Class B.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Spring Convention</b>, March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, May 19.</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p>	<p>Paul led announcements. Fred passed renewals to DanK - 4 years, Gene - 7, SteveW - 16, Beau - 18 and Clarence Wall - 42. Wally welcomed a young guest and his mother and we sang them a welcome. Jack announced sing outs to Hickory Valley Retirement Home. Rich provided more details on the Harmony Weekend (see left column). Wendell needs help with risers for this event, and contact him if you can help. Fred announced that Rock City 4 is doing Singing Valentines and if you want one then let him know. Wendell gave the gandy to Dan Kopf, and we closed with KTWWs.</p>
<p>2017 Year in Review</p> <p>I recently received a call from a Harmony Foundation representative and had a chance to tell him about our chapter which for 2017 included the Annual Show, Christmas Show, Spring and Fall Dixie contests, Singing Valentines, nineteen sing outs, and this year passing \$50,000 in donations to the Boehm Center. It's nice to say this is commonplace for us. <i>SteveW</i></p>	<p>Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend</p> <p>The final schedule for the Leadership/Harmony weekend is still being worked out. Here is the tentative schedule: On Friday at 6:30 PM, there is a reception in the church fellowship hall. At 7:00 PM, there is a group session in front of everyone, and Clay Hine and Steve Scott will teach two charts and pass along general singing tips. Steve will coach our chorus in the session to demonstrate the techniques that Clay will use. An afterglow at the hotel follows with ice cream and tag singing. Saturday morning from 9 until 12 will be officer training. There will be some harmony classes and quartet classes led by Category 4 and Steve Scott for those not in leadership training. A lunch break will follow. Saturday afternoon (1:30-5:00) will be primary coaching for our and other choruses along with general harmony classes for those not in a chorus or quartet. Saturday evening at 7:00pm will include a brief show by Category 4 and a showcase of all the quartets and choruses that have been coached. I'll update specifics at our practice tonight. <i>Rich</i></p>
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Forecasting Chords at Christmas	January 29, 2018
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<p style="text-align: center;">Calendar</p> <p><b>Dixie Leadership/Harmony Weekend</b>, January 26-27, Hotel is Hampton Inn &amp; Suites, Hamilton Place Mall. Events are at Morris Hills Baptist Church. (See our participation in the right column). Uniform: Class B.</p> <p><b>Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet</b>, Saturday, February 24, arrive at 9:30 AM, GPS. Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Special Olympics Area Swim Meet</b>, Thursday, March 8, arrive at 9:30 AM, GPS. This is a quartet sing out.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Spring Convention</b>, March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p> <p><b>Special Olympics Track &amp; Field Meet</b>, Saturday, April 21, arrive at 9:30 AM, Red Bank High School. Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Chattanooga Football Club</b>, Saturday April 21, arrive at 6:30 AM, Finley Stadium. Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, May 19.</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note</p>	<p>8:30 - Barry - Announcements and Break              8:45 - Paul – Repertory review of <i>When There's Love at Home, Shenandoah and California Here I Come</i>              9:25 - Gandy Dancer Award/KTWWS</p> <p>Spring Contest Songs: <i>When There's Love at Home?</i></p> <p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm 64, When There's Love at Home</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights From Last Meeting</p> <p>Barry led announcements. Wally welcomed four guests and we sang them a welcome. Two guests were there because they heard us sing at the Veterans Day event at the National Cemetery. Chuck met with the Ladies and we are again jointly sponsoring the Christmas Show. There will be an 3rd eight part song. The date is December 15 and start time will be 3:00 PM. Jack announced some singouts (see Calendar). Rich introduced Jimmie Thompkins who gave more details about the Dixie Harmony weekend (see below). We sang Happy Birthday to SteveW. Wilbur noted there are Registration Forms for the Spring Convention. DanK gave the Gandy to JimF and we closed with KTWWS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dixie Leadership and Harmony Weekend</p> <p>Per Jimmie Tompkins, the weekend starts on Friday, and arrive at 6:30 pm with Class B outfit. Download the two sings to learn prior to Friday (<a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BE5ImjVBCQ3I_WVSgBeEOIGQj6UrJrhv">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BE5ImjVBCQ3I_WVSgBeEOIGQj6UrJrhv</a>). At 7:00pm, a group session for everyone with Steve Scott and Clay Hines teaching all the two songs.</p>
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<p>new time)</p>	<p>Steve will coach our chorus in front of the entire group demonstrating the singing techniques that he taught in the session.</p> <p>The Saturday morning session starts at 9:00 m. Leadership classes are for Board officers and anyone interested in learning more about the various offices. There will be harmony classes and quartet classes for those not in leadership training.</p> <p>Following a lunch break (12:00- 1:30) primary coaching for our chorus will follow. Coaching will end ~5:00.</p> <p>At 7:00 pm, the showcase of all participants, quartets and choruses, will take place followed by a brief Category 4 performance. Wear the class B outfit for Saturday evening. Be sure to wear your name tags. This weekend is a unique chance to improve our singing with some of the best trainers in the society . Just have fun!! <i>Rich</i></p>
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Dixie Harmony Coaching	February 5, 2018
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<p>Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Special Olympics Area Swim Meet</b>, Thursday, March 8, arrive at 9:30 AM, GPS. This is a quartet sing out.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Spring Convention</b>, March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p> <p><b>Special Olympics Track &amp; Field Meet</b> Saturday, April 21, arrive at 9:30 AM, Red Bank High School. Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Chattanooga Football Club</b>, Saturday April 21, kick off at either 3:00 or 7:00 PM, decision will be made later, Finley Stadium. Uniform: Class B</p> <p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, May 12, 2:00 PM</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, May 19.</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p> <p><a href="#">Online Archive</a></p>	<p>Highlights From Last Meeting</p> <p>Barry led announcements. Paul reviewed the Dixie Harmony Weekend. Fred Jessie presented Wendell with his 9 year membership renewal. We had a guest that said he wanted to join and was going to get with Fred to get the necessary paperwork. Paul reminded members of events coming up soon.</p>  <p>Highlights From Dixie Harmony Weekend</p> <p>Paul thought the chorus did a very good performance on Saturday evening. Everyone that attended especially Saturday night was very appreciative for the opportunity to attend. BobR., Gene, and JimC voiced positive comments about the weekend events. Good possibility that the DLHWeekend will be repeated next year. There were a total of approximately 20 members that attended off and on over the weekend. The big photo shows Clay Hines coaching with Steve Scott (at the edge of the photo) waiting his turn. The small photo shows the chorus singing before coaching began.</p>
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Mishetones at Christmas	February 12, 2018
<p data-bbox="342 1444 526 1476">In This E-mail</p> <ul data-bbox="269 1514 607 1927" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="269 1514 574 1587">• Script For Monday's Meeting</li> <li data-bbox="269 1598 581 1671">• Highlights From Last Meeting</li> <li data-bbox="269 1682 607 1755">• Highlights From Board Meeting</li> <li data-bbox="269 1766 591 1881">• Director's Comments From Dixie Harmony Weekend</li> <li data-bbox="269 1892 558 1927">• Tenor Opportunity</li> </ul>	<p data-bbox="821 1444 1219 1476">Script For Monday's Meeting</p> <p data-bbox="675 1528 1354 1860"> 7:00 - Chuck - Warm Up  7:10 - Paul -Run thru - <i>California Here I Come</i>  7:15 - Sectionals on <i>California Here I Come</i>  7:30 - Paul - Fine tune – <i>California Here I Come</i>  8:15 - Paul - <i>When There's Love at Home</i>  8:30 - Barry - Announcements and Break  8:45 - Paul – Repertory review of <i>When I'm 64, Shenandoah, Old Song, KTWWS, Tennessee Waltz</i> </p> <p data-bbox="675 1902 1273 1934">Spring Contest Songs: <i>When There's Love at</i></p>



Calendar	Home?
<p><b>Special Olympics Regional Swim Meet</b>, Saturday, February 24, arrive at 9:30 AM, GPS. Uniform: Class B</p>	<p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home</i></p>
<p><b>Special Olympics Area Swim Meet</b>, Thursday, March 8, arrive at 9:30 AM, GPS. This is a quartet sing out.</p>	<p>Highlights From Last Meeting</p>
<p><b>Dixie District Spring Convention</b>, March 16-18, Huntsville, AL</p>	<p>Chuck opened up the evening with the warm up leading the chorus in <i>The Old Songs and Down Our Way</i>. Chuck handed the “baton” to Paul which directed us in a tag-In Dixieland Where I Was Born. The chorus then went thru</p>
<p><b>Special Olympics Track &amp; Field Meet</b>, Saturday, April 21, arrive at 9:30 AM, Red Bank High School. Uniform: Class B</p>	<p><i>Shenandoah, CHIC, Tennessee Waltz, and WI64.</i> There was no formal business meeting this week. Reminder of up coming sing out at GPS on Feb 24 at 10am and meet at 9:30am for Special Olympics.</p>
<p><b>Chattanooga Football Club</b>, Saturday April 21, kick off at either 3:00 or 7:00 PM, decision will be made later, Finley Stadium. Uniform: Class B</p>	<p>Paul welcomed a guest to the chorus and friend of Charlie Holder-Paul Blount. Next week we plan on having a sectional on <i>California Here I Come</i> so come prepared. Jim Frank has the gold spike and he is sick so we closed the meeting with KTWWS. <i>Barry</i></p>
<p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, May 12, 2:00 PM</p>	<p>Highlights From Board Meeting</p>
<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, May 19.</p>	<p>1. We decided to order Class B long sleeve shirts because several members feel cold with short sleeves in the cold weather. We have sizes from the short sleeve order and expect the cost to be about the same. The chorus will pay half of the cost and members will pay the remainder. We think the shirts will be available by month end.</p>
<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.</p>	<p>We expect the class B uniforms to be in use for another three years.</p>
<p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p>	<p>2. We discussed contest participation and came to no conclusions about qualification of a member for contests. In January we appointed section leaders and plan sectionals to enhance</p>
<p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p>	

## Tenor Opportunity

Hello Gentlemen! This is Mike Hartley with The Noblemen Quartet. We are looking for a tenor for our male quartet. We have been singing southern gospel music for many years. If anyone is interested in auditioning please contact me. I can answer any questions. You can visit our website @Thenoblemenquartet.com for information about our group and also listen to the first 15 seconds or so of our last 3 CD's for a sampling of the style music we do. This is our ministry for spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community and beyond. My phone is (423)987-0156. Thank You for your time, *Mike Hartley*

performance of contest songs and new songs. All of us have some issues with notes or words and each needs to work on these areas at home and at practice. The Music Team will provide guidance and followup as we get ready for the March competition. Let's listen to each other and help each other get better.

### 3. Administrative items:

A. GPS has not billed us for the Christmas show. We need that input to decide the Boehm Center contribution. Dan Kopf will contact GPS again.

B. One estimate ~\$900 is in to replace the back row light fixtures in the riser room. We are looking for additional estimates and investigating if we should redo lighting in both rooms.

C. We need 3 volunteers to work with Wendell in the annual financial review. It takes about 40 minutes and can be done prior to practice. Contact Wendell or Rich if you can help. *Rich*

## Director's Comments From Dixie Harmony Weekend

Our coaching sessions at DLHW were very gratifying to me for a number of reasons. Firstly, the number of you that attended the sessions was an excellent representation of our chapter and chorus. Secondly, the attitude displayed during coaching gave me great pride. You guys were attentive and willing to learn. Some of the concepts were new and different, but that did not keep you from adjusting and improving. Lastly, the coaching itself was outstanding. Steve Scott did a great job with the basics of vocal production. Clay Hine and Kirk Young were both Music-category oriented but showed us different ways of looking at our performance. Some things to remember: engage and commit to the message, take responsibility for your own performance, feel the underlying triplets in swing songs, connect with the back row of the audience. There's lots more, I know, and we'll

	continue to remember and refresh as the weeks go on. Thanks for being a part of it. <i>Paul</i>
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Repertory: *National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home*

### Highlights From Last Meeting

Chuck started us off with stretches and tuning exercises followed by the Old Songs and Down our way. Paul revisited the Foolish Over You tag. We worked on portions of Love At Home then broke up into sectionals working on LAH. Jack reminded the chorus of the GPS sing out on Saturday the 24th. He announced the long sleeve class B shirts are in. Cost is \$10 per member. We worked on CHIC on the risers and Paul announced sectionals on CHIC at our next meeting. Pete passed the spike to Rich W and we closed with KTWWS. *Rich*

### Special Olympics Sing Out Reminder

Just a reminder that we sing as a chorus this Saturday, February 24, for the Special Olympics swim meet at GPS. Arrive at 9:30 AM. Uniform: Class B. This will be a first for most of us.

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St). Reception to follow	Highlights From Last Meeting
<b>Lookouts</b> , Friday, April 6, arrive at 6:30 PM, Uniform: Class B	Barry led announcements and talked about Spring Banquet (see below). Fred passed Rich an 8 year renewal. Discussed uniform for contest. Reviewed songs for Road Scholars sing out. After a short speech about help received from the chorus, Bob passed the Gandy to Paul.
<b>Road Scholars</b> , Sunday, April 8, Arrive at 7:00 PM, Double Tree Hotel. Uniform: Class B: Long sleeve shirt.	
<b>Spring Banquet</b> , Monday, April 9, Epicurean Restaurant	From The Director
<b>Special Olympics Track &amp; Field Meet</b> , Saturday, April 21, arrive at 9:30 AM, Red Bank High School. Uniform: Class B	I'm excited about our trip to Huntsville this weekend for several reasons. One is the improved level of performance demonstrated in our rehearsals. When you guys commit to the message, the songs come alive and your energy leaps from the risers to the audience. Another is our vocal production - again, higher levels in our rehearsals. My goal this weekend is to have you be the best Choo Choo Chorus we can be on that stage. Higher scores are nice, but the true measure of our success will be the feelings we have as we leave the stage. I'm looking forward to it - see you in Huntsville! <i>Paul</i>
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<b>Garden Plaza</b> , Saturday, May 12, 2:00 PM	Road Scholar Highlights
<b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b> , Saturday, May 19.	Thanks to all who sang at the Roads Scholars sing-out (see photo). I was very happy with the way we sounded, and I knew during warm-ups we would sing well. I was proud of what we did. <i>Chuck</i>
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<b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b> , Saturday, June 9. 2 PM	Epicurean Restaurant on Monday, April 9. Cost is \$19/person which includes meal, drink, tax and tip. Does not include dessert. Pay Barry Arp in advance if you are planning to be there. Last night to pay is April 2. <i>Barry</i>
<b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b> , Saturday, May 19	
<b>Monteagle SSA</b> , June 14, 8:15	

PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming.	
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## Highlights From Last Meeting

Chuck opened the evening with some vocal warmups including some polecats, ISOTOTW, and a tag. Chuck introduced Paul and we revisited a tag from previous weeks. The chorus worked on WI64, Tennessee Waltz. Barry led the announcements. Wally reminded us to call our members and potential members. Barry announced the upcoming Spring Banquet at Epicurean on April 9. Sign up sheet is on the podium. \$19 /person is due by April 2 Paul reminded us of the sing out at Lafayette Presbyterian Church on Saturday March 24. Be there at 6:30pm wearing long sleeve class B. We dismissed early because of impending storms. Closed with KTWWS. Barry

## Lafayette Sing Out Reminder

The Lafayette Presbyterian Church Sing Out is Saturday, March 24th. Check the Calender item for driving instructions. *Uniform is Class B with the long sleeve shirt. Jack*

<b>Monteagle SSA</b> , June 14, 8:15 PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming.	
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## Highlights From Last Meeting

Barry led announcements and noted that next Monday is the last night to sign up for the Spring Banquet. Cost is \$19. Jack thanked the 17 who sang at LaFayette Presby Church. Rich thanked Chuck for his good job of directing at LaFayette. Also tonight was the last time for members to enter a suggestion for next year's Christmas Show charity. Paul led more discussion on our performance at contest and the lack of leads. In the fall we need at least 20 members to sing or not compete. The Gandy, given to the entire chorus and held by Paul, was passed to Chuck. We closed with KTWWS.

## Spring Banquet

Epicurean Restaurant on Monday , April 9. Cost \$19 per person which includes meal, drink, tax and tip. Does not include dessert. Pay Barry Arp in advance if you are planning to be there. Last night to pay is April 2..

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<p><b>Special Olympics Track &amp; Field Meet</b>, Saturday, April 21, arrive at 9:30 AM, Red Bank High School. Uniform: Class B</p>	<p>Warm-up by Paul. Paul worked with us on a tag - New York Ain't New York Anymore. The chorus was lead in several songs including <i>Love at Home, Shenandoah, Tennessee Waltz, Down our Way</i> and others. Barry announced the final night for sign- up for the spring banquet at the Epicurean on April 9 starting at 6:00PM. Three quartets sang after the break and did a fine job. We continued to sing on the risers after the break. We sang KTWWS at the end of the meeting and Paul held on to the spike for Chuck to award to someone next regular meeting.</p>
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<p><b>Scout Flag Day</b>, Saturday, May 26, National Cemetery, Tentative</p>	<p>I'm looking forward to seeing everybody at the banquet Monday night for some good time and fellowship. Our attitude since returning from Huntsville is encouraging to me, as it indicates a desire to improve our performances. Remember to build good habits, and stay tuned for upcoming announcements about new repertoire, both for show and contest. See you next Monday! <i>Paul</i></p>
<p><b>Memorial Day</b>, Saturday, May 28, at the National Cemetery. Be there by 9:30. Tentative</p>	
<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, June 9. 2 PM</p>	<p>Jack Cook Profile</p>
<p><b>Monteagle SSA</b>, June 14, 8:15 PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming.</p>	<p>Born in Nashville on July 28, 1934, the third out of four children. A year later we moved to Charleston, SC, where we lived until 1950. Then moved back to Tullahoma, Tennessee where I finished High School. My wife and I live at Lakeshore in Chattanooga; my daughter and her family live in Ringgold, GA. I was a design engineer for Combustion Engineering and Westinghouse in</p>
<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.  <b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>,</p>	

<p>September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p>	<p>the nuclear arena.</p> <p>On my 13th birthday my father gave me a marine band harmonica and taught me to play a few simple tunes. And it was about then that I started singing, harmonizing with another guy at school. My harmonizing pal played a ukulele, so it didn't take long 'til I was playing one also. At Christmas in 1950 my brother gave me an old guitar that had been damaged and repaired. So I learned to play guitar quickly because it was tuned to the same intervals as the nuke, just in a different key.</p> <p>At college, Tennessee Tech, I was accepted into the dance band playing bass, then switched to playing guitar with the band. During my sophomore year, a quartet from Oak Ridge came to Tech and I became involved with them playing my guitar as background to some of their songs. While I was at Tech I also taught myself to play a few songs on the piano, also sang in the Tech choir. Back home in Tullahoma I sang in the church choir until I moved away in 1965. I don't play the guitar anymore; my fingers are too tender. But I enjoy playing around on the keyboard and occasionally on my harmonica. I was invited to sing with the Chattanooga Community Christmas Chorus four years ago by a man from my church. I came back the next year on my own and decided to stay. Most of all, I enjoy the camaraderie of a couple of dozen men who enjoy barbershop singing.</p>
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Awards Banquet	April 16, 2018
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With 35 attending, the 2018 Awards Banquet hosted by Program VP, Barry Arp, was one of the most successful in recent years. Barry started the dinner with a short speech thanking our wives who support us by letting us out to sing in fellowship with our singing brothers. After a good meal, we celebrated the 60th anniversary of Wilbur and Mary Strickland with a surprise beautiful Italian Cream Cake made and presented by Glenda Holder (Glenda, thanks very much for preparing the dessert; it was very good). The chorus sang *Sweet and Lovely* to honor the occasion. The Barbershopper of the Year award was presented to Jack Cook, and the President's Award to Steve W (his favorite chorus photo is attached to this email-view full screen). Paul spoke some words of encouragement and praise and then led the chorus in *WI64* and *Love at Home*. Everyone seemed to have a good time and enjoyed the meal. [The three small photographs are by Barry Arp.]



Thanks from the Stricklands

Thank you so much for the good wishes and beautiful song for our 60th wedding anniversary. The friends we have in the Choo Choo Chorus and those we have known over the past 27 years are among our many blessings.



Jack Cook - Barbershopper of the Year



Steve Wixson - President's Award

Special thanks to Charlie and Glenda Holder for the delicious cake. *Wilbur and Mary*

### CFC Sing Out Details

We're really excited to have the Choo Choo Chorus sing the national anthem for us. Here are some of the details:

The match day is Saturday, April 21. Please arrive at Finley Stadium at 6:15PM (parking might be tricky, CFC does not manage the parking, it is managed by Finley Stadium). We recommend carpooling and parking on the street near the stadium to avoid paying; otherwise, you'll have to pay \$10 to park in the stadium parking lots. Please go down the south ramp to the playing field and ask for Angela McDaniel. She is our on-field supervisor and she will have the microphone for your mic check.

The mic check is at 6:30 PM. After the mic check, you are welcome to enjoy the tailgate festivities (it should be fun)! Please return to the field at 7:15PM so that you are ready to sing promptly at 7:30 PM. After you sing, you are free to enter the stands via the stadium stairs near the CFC locker room

We can have tickets available for spouses that can be picked up at Will Call (just send me a list of their names)

Thank you. *Reed Farnsley*. Chattanooga Football Club  
(423) 596-0508

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<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, May 5, 2 PM</p>	<p>During the business meeting Fred J announced several membership renewals. Wally introduced Nathan who was visiting with us from the Cleveland chapter. Jack reminded us of the Special Olympics event this Saturday morning as well as the presentation of the National anthem Saturday evening at the CFC game. A small turn out for both events is expected so make every effort to attend if possible, Especially baritones. Rich discussed the details of the Board meeting. Bob R. received the Gandy Dancer award.</p>
<p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, May 12, 2:00 PM</p>	<p>Christmas Show Charity Selection</p>
<p><b>Scout Flag Day</b>, Saturday, May 26, National Cemetery, Tentative</p>	<p>At our next practice we will choose between Candlelighters and Hospice as our 2018 charity. Candlelighters are dedicated to quietly helping families with a child stricken with cancer. They help with rent, food, utilities, even funeral expenses. A subset of Hospice, Kangarookidz, serve children with life-limiting diagnoses from hospital to home, guiding families through tough decisions during this difficult time. If you cannot attend the meeting please email your choice to <a href="mailto:1bearcub@epbfi.com">1bearcub@epbfi.com</a>. If the result is still too close the Board will decide on one charity or to split the contribution between the two charities. <i>Rich</i></p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">Pete Jones Profile</p> <p>Born in Atlanta , Ga. April 16, 1956. I was an "oops"! Was not supposed to happen. Then when my soon to be older brother and sister found out, supposedly, they said if I was not a black headed girl, they were going to get rid of me. Well, turned out to be a blonde headed boy and 62 years later, I'm still here. Minus the hair though.</p> <p>After a couple of years, my family moved to Copperhill, TN, where my dad was originally from. Then a couple more years, we moved to Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., where I have basically resided ever since. Attended two different elementary schools then went on to graduate from L.F.O. High School in 1974.</p> <p>Worked in our family business (Lakeview Auto Parts) from that time until the 90's, when business slowed and eventually had to shut down. Worked several jobs since then and now self employed as a moving/delivery business.</p> <p>Been married and divorced two times over the years. Currently single. Two children from the first marriage.</p> <p>Musical/singing background was only that of singing in choir at church. Was invited to join the chorus by fellow church and chorus members - Wilbur Strickland and Charlie Petty in 1991. At first I said I didn't think I could do it. Then after a couple visits, I got "hooked" and been in ever since. Have sung in a few put together q'tets including a mixed q'tet made up of myself, former member Ron Weaver and ladies from the Scenic City Chorus. Currently singing with The Histones.</p> <p><i>Pete</i></p>
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## Highlights From Last Monday

The evening's rehearsal opened with Chuck doing a fine job leading in warm-ups. Paul took over and taught the chorus a new tag. Next we reviewed several songs including *Sitting on Top of the World*, *Tennessee Waltz*, *WI64*. *There was a short business meeting with no comments* from Fred J and Wendell W. Jack C talked about upcoming sing outs which you should look to the sidebar for details. Jack passed out commitment rosters for the upcoming sing-outs. Jack thanked us for being at the Special Olympics and CFC last Saturday. RichP passed out ballots for the charity vote—Candlelighters got the majority vote for this upcoming Christmas Show. Paul again thanked those that showed up last Saturday and addressed our attention to the participation award given to the chorus for our several years of service to the Special Olympics.

Two quartets entertained us after the break. We sang some more on the risers. BobR has the Gandy Dancer spike which he wanted to give out next week. The rehearsal closed with KTWWS.

## Special Olympics Track Sing Out

15 members showed up for the 50th anniversary of the Lloyd Ray Smith Area 4 Special Olympics Track & Field competition. We have sung at this event for around 29 years, and Director Judy Rogers (in the pinkish top above) has listened to most every one of those sing outs. Also shown in the photograph is this year's torch bearer, Mary Crews, and the chorus formed an honor guard for her to walk to lite the torch. The weather was great and so were we even with only one tenor and one baritone. Next is the bowling competition.

## Christmas Show Charity Selection

	22 members voted at last Monday's practice. 13 chose Candlelighters while the other 9 chose Hospice. So Candlelighters will be our 2018 charity. <i>Rich</i>
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Kyle Snook Visits From BHS	May 14, 2018
<p>In This E-mail</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Script For Monday's Meeting</li> <li>• Highlights From Last Monday</li> </ul> <p>Calendar</p> <p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, May 12, 2:00 PM (arrive at 1:30)</p> <p><b>Road Scholars</b>, Sunday, May 13, 7:30 PM (arrive at 7:00),</p>	<p>Script For Monday's Meeting</p> <p>7:00 - Chuck - Warm Up  7:10 - Paul - Tag  7:25 - God Bless America, <i>National Anthem</i>, <i>AF Medley</i>, <i>Let's Get Away From it All</i>  7:50 - Sectionals  8:00 - Barry - Announcements and Break  8:20 - Paul – Repertory/Patriotic/Show Songs  9:25 - Gandy Dancer Award and KTWWS</p> <p>Fall Contest Songs: <i>When There's Love at Home</i>, ?</p> <p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem</i>, <i>California Here I</i></p>

Double Tree Hotel	<i>Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home</i>
<b>Scout Flag Day</b> , Saturday, May 26, National Cemetery. Details later.	
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<b>Monteagle SSA</b> , June 14, 8:15 PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming. Make arrangements to carpool if possible and arrive by 7:45 CDT. Driving directions will be given later.	After the tag, Paul introduced the chorus to one of our contest songs- <i>Let's Get Away From It All</i> . We sang thru the song and focused on some sections. Then we worked extensively on the <i>Armed Forces Medley</i> . It was sounding a lot better.
<b>Adam Griffith</b> , July 7, 7:00 PM (arrive 6:30) at 14103 GA 157 in Rising Fawn GA. This is a private party for about 200 guests. Watch the newsletter for details and/or changes.	Barry led the announcements. Wally welcomed guest Winston Robbins and Kyle Snook, Regional Director with the Harmony Foundation. JackC reminded us of the sing out at Garden Plaza on Saturday and Road Scholars on Sunday May 13. Rich reminded us of the Board meeting on May 14 and introduced Kyle Snook who talked about the benefits of the Harmony Foundation. He also talked about several possible ways to contribute to the foundation including monthly, quarterly, or annually. The business meeting ended with Paul suggesting a push out quartet singing <i>Armed Forces Medley</i> .
<b>Annual Show</b> , Saturday, August 18, GPS. Details later.	CharlieH, WallyE, DaveR, and RichP sang <i>Wait Till the Sunshine's Nellie</i> . Paul led a push out quartet on AFM. Paul worked on parts of WI64 and <i>Old Folks at Home</i> . Emmanuel presented the spike to JimF and we closed with KTWWS.
<b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b> , Saturday, December 1.	
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Garden Plaza Sing Out	May 21, 2018
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<p>28, 11:00 AM, (arrive at 10:30), National Cemetery. Uniform: Class A: regular white shirt without vest.</p>	<p><i>of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home</i></p>
<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, June 9. 2 PM (arrive at 1:30)</p>	<p>Highlights From Last Monday</p>
<p><b>Monteagle SSA</b>, June 14, 8:15 PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming. Make arrangements to carpool if possible and arrive by 7:45 CDT. Driving directions will be given later.</p>	<p>Chuck started the evening with some physical and vocal warmups. The chorus sang My Wild Irish Rose before turning it over to Paul. Paul then led us in a tag. After the tag, Paul introduced the chorus to one of our contest songs for the second week - <i>Let's Get Away From It All</i>. We sang thru the song and focused on some sections. Barry led announcements. Fred announced a 27 year renewal for Benny. Wally welcomed guest Winston Robbins and Bob back from his shoulder surgery. Jack thanked those who attended the Garden Plaza and Road Scholar sing outs this past weekend and reminded us of upcoming sing outs (see calendar in Newsletter). Rich talked about the Christmas program and the contribution from the proceeds to Boehm. He also mention that Emmanuel will be sponsored to go to the Harmony Explosion this summer. Three quartets performed after the break. Paul then worked with the chorus on <i>Armed Forces Medley</i> on the risers. Jim presented the spike to Barry and we closed with KTWWS. <i>Barry</i></p>
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<p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p>	<p>13 sang for the Spring sing out at Garden Plaza. While the chorus was small we got lots of enjoyment talk from the mostly women audience. We will sing for them them at Christmas. 12 sang for the Road Scholars third sing out.</p>
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Wendell The General	May 28, 2018
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<p>Class A: regular white shirt without vest.</p> <p><b>No Meeting Monday Night,</b> May 28</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home,</b> Saturday, June 9. <b>NOTE: This sing out has been cancelled.</b></p> <p><b>Monteagle SSA,</b> June 14, 8:15 PM Central time. Driving directions will be forthcoming. Make arrangements to carpool if possible and arrive by 7:45 CDT. Driving directions will be given later.</p> <p><b>Adam Griffith,</b> July 7, 7:00 PM (arrive 6:30) at 14103 GA 157 in Rising Fawn GA. This is a private party for about 200 guests. Watch the newsletter for details and/or changes.</p> <p><b>Annual Show,</b> Saturday, August 18, GPS. Details later.</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home,</b> Saturday, December 1.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention,</b> September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p> <p><b>Christmas Show,</b> Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p>	<p>This is a new contest song we are working on for this fall. We ended up singing in a circular formation which I believe this has helped our singing and performance. We are getting better every week.</p> <p>Barry led the announcements. Wally welcomed Winston Robbins for the third week now and the chorus welcomed him with <i>Your as Welcome as the Flowers in May</i>. JackC reminded the chorus of Scout Day and Memorial Day Ceremony on Saturday and Monday respectively. We would like to have a good turnout as we thank our military personnel for their service to this great country. After some comments from Paul, he led us to the break by requesting some quartets to perform. Three quartets sang after the break. They all did a great job. You can learn so much by singing in a quartet. The chorus worked on <i>God Bless America and the Arm Forces Medley</i>. BarryA had the spike and presented it to three fellow barber shoppers who have helped Barry very much over the last couple of months - DaveF, WallyE, and BeauC. The evening closed with KTWWS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wendell Whitmire Profile</p> <p>I was born and raised in Hixson, Tennessee. I went to college at Tennessee Tech studying business management and in 1982 started General Heating and Air. I am married to Karen and we have three children, one grandchild and one more on the way. In elementary school I directed a rhythm band, in high school sang in a choir, and in college sang with a church group. I have sung in church choirs for many years and also have done some directing.</p> <p>I was introduced to barbershop by Leroy Hobbs who invited me to a CCCC rehearsal. I could not sing the next year, but I met Jay Correll and we drove together to CCCC rehearsals the following year. I fell in love with it staying on after that, and</p>
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	now you can't get rid of me. I am your treasurer, move risers and help where needed. <i>Wendell</i>
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#### From The Director

We did some great work last Monday night. Our “feel” for Let’s Get Away is getting so much better and the words and notes are falling into place. I can’t wait to start polishing it for contest! Keep up the good work and I’ll see you next Monday. *Paul*

#### Highlights From Last Monday

Chuck opened up with vocal and physical warm-ups. After the warm-up, Chuck led us in a couple of pole cats. Then we started on sectionals for Lets Get Away from It All. I believe we are getting better. Fred Jesse presented a one year membership renewal for BobT. WendellW read a letter we got from the association allowing us to solicit for ads etc. This is an annual form that needs to be filled out. JackC talked about the upcoming Monteagle Sunday School Association sing out on June 14. This is a big deal and we need every one that can show up particularly leads, tenor, and Baritones. We think there is enough basses but there is always room for more. Chuck read a note from DaveF. He has some health issues and he needs your prayers. Remember Dave. Rich talked about his birthday gathering recently with his family. He was on a high last night. We sang Happy Birthday. Paul suggested that the chorus might want to have a weekend retreat and to have a coach come in to work with us. He will discuss more about this probably later this fall. Two quartets sang after the break. Beau passed the spike to RichP. The evening ended with KTWWS. *Barry*

#### Memorial Day Sing Out

Thanks to the seventeen men who sang *National Anthem, Armed Forces Medley and God Bless America* (see lower photo taken during GBA) at the armory on Memorial Day. It was very different from singing at the cemetery but just as meaningful. When we sang GBA the crowd stood up and sang the second verse with us. Paul's introduction to GBA is always moving. Several persons including MOAA Chaplain Phil Sumrell, County Mayor Jim Coppinger and Alden Perry were very complimentary of our singing and participation in Memorial Day events. Channel 9



	showed the chorus singing. Paul, Johnny and I got some screen time. <i>Rich</i>
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<p>18, GPS. Details later.</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1.</p> <p><b>Dixie District Fall Convention</b>, September 28-30, Oxford, AL</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p> <p>From The Director</p> <p>We did some great work last Monday night. Our “feel” for Let’s Get Away is getting so much better and the words and notes are falling into place. I can’t wait to start polishing it for contest! Keep up the good work and I’ll see you next Monday. <i>Paul</i></p>	<p>including MWIR and <i>Shine on Me</i> while mixing in some stretching exercises. Chuck started working with the chorus with the song <i>Let’s Get Away From It All</i>. Paul took over and had us gather in a circle and sing to each other. We worked on the song till the business meeting. Barry led the announcements. Jack discussed the upcoming sing out at MSSA. We are to be there and ready to warm up starting at 7:15 CST. Look forward to seeing fellow chorus members for a great evening. BobR discussed a possible event next year on Memorial Day after the Memorial Day sing out on Signal Mountain. There could be approximately 900 folks we could sing to at the event. RichP talked about the music team meeting and a list of songs that was put together for Paul to review. We took a break and worked on songs for Thursday evening at MSSA. Rich presented the spike to JackC for all of his hard work especially on arranging sing outs. We closed with Jack leading us in KTWWS.</p> <p>Directions to Monteagle Sing Out</p> <p>Take I-24 West to Monteagle, exit 134.</p> <p>Turn right at the top of the ramp and go 0.4 miles</p> <p>Turn left on Assembly Avenue.</p> <p>Stop at the Guard Gate for instructions.</p> <p>Plan to arrive by 7:15 Central Time. We sing at 8:15</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">From The President</p> <p>The board met on the 16th. Significant items include: We will go ahead with the annual show on August 18 at GPS. The Scenic City Chorus will sing with us at the 2018 Christmas Show and in the future. We plan to have a guest night on Monday August 27.</p> <p>The Parish is leasing All Saints to a developer for conversion to condo, and we need to find another location to practice. We must vacate sometime in November, and we have 2 Realtors looking for possible vacant sites. Tell me: 1.If you know of an empty available building, 2. There is church that might let us use their facility, 3.You know of someone we could contact that might support us with space, 4. If you would help inventory what we have, help decide what to keep and help dispose of the reusable.</p> <p>The District will host the January Mid Winter Convention in Nashville. As Host, the District has a spot in the Senior Chorus competition. Men 55 years and older are eligible to participate. The Senior Chorus has to learn 2 songs and score a 68 at the September District Convention. Practices will be here in Chattanooga. If successful the Senior Chorus sing In the Grand Old Opry at the midwinter Tell Rich by June 25 if you want to participate. For active Choo Choo chorus members this would be in addition to competing with the Choo Choo Chorus. <i>RichP</i></p>
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<b>Ruby Falls</b> , Saturday August 11, arrive at 10:30 am to sing from noon to 2 PM, Uniform: Class B	Chuck opened the meeting with some vocal warm-ups and breathing exercises. After warm-ups, Paul jumped right in to a new tag. Then we went to work on “Let’s Get Away From It All”(LGAFIA). We were to know the song as part of our homework from the previous week. The song is sounding much better. We started singing in a circle facing each other—sounding even better.
<b>Annual Show</b> , Saturday, August 18, 3 PM, GPS. Details later.	
<b>Dixie District Fall;l Convention</b> , September 28-30, Oxford, AL	During announcements, FredJ presented a one year renewal to Emmanuel. Wally introduced Andrew who then introduced his guest -Gage. The chorus sang You’re as Welcome as the Flowers in May” to our visitor. Jack reminded us of our next sing out on July 7. Also Harmony Explosion is toward the end of July. Rich talked about the Senior chorus and asked for names that were interested in participating. This is a district wide chorus. Paul commented on the senior chorus indicating that there would be two songs and would probably require 2 or 3 Saturday’s to practice as a group. He also said there would be a quick try out.
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Directions to Griffith Sing Out	Profile of Jim Frank
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	Moved to Daytona Beach in 1983 and lived in the



Central Florida area for 33 years. I won the 1984 Daytona waiters race while attending DBCC as a computer science major. Graduated from Stetson University School of Music in DeLand, FL in 1989 where I had a full ride.

I was a H.S. educator for over 4 years at a public school in Port Orange, FL and taught Chorus, Symphonic Band, Marching Band, Drum Corp, Jazz Band, Music Theory, Piano, Computers and Music (MIDI). I was also the H.S. track coach.

I was also the Science department chairperson for over 6 years at a private H.S. in Deltona and taught Honors Chemistry, AP Anatomy and Physiology, General Biology, and Marine Biology. I was also the Junior High Basketball coach for 2 years. During this time I also taught private lessons at my house.

I was a Minister of Music for over 10 years where I was responsible for all aspects of the music ministry including a 120 member adult choir, 35 member orchestra, drama, and leading praise and worship.

In addition to these vocations, I was a freelance IT consultant for 20 years where I built computers, servers and networks for businesses in Central FL, and was Vice-president of Production, Operations and IT at a commercial print shop in Longwood, FL for 7 years. (I know print)

What brought me to Chattanooga was to open a Visiting Angels here where I put caregivers into the homes of people in need. In addition to singing with the Choo Choo Chorus, I sing with a barbershop quartet called The Histones, I sing and am becoming very involved again in church ministry, and I play lead trumpet and sing with the Sweet Georgia Sound big band.

I'm somewhat quiet at first until we get to know each other, but then, lookout.

	Ask me sometime about any of the different periods of my life above and I guarantee a very interesting story.
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arrive at 10:30 am to sing from noon to 2 PM, Uniform: Class B	break. Jack discussed the sing out at Rising Fawn, GA on this Saturday, July 7. Details should be in the announcements. Make your own arrangements for car-pooling. RichP discuss briefly the upcoming show with the Cleveland chorus as our guest (see photograph above). Paul talked a little about the sing out and that he would be in Orlando. Chuck will be directing us on Saturday. We has about 16 members committing to be at the sing out. After the break, we had a quartet consisting of RichP, Charlie, Fred and Barry. After the quartet sang, we went thru approximately 10 songs to perform on Saturday. Paul presented the Gandy Dancer spike to Johnny. We adjourned with KTWWS. <i>Barry</i>
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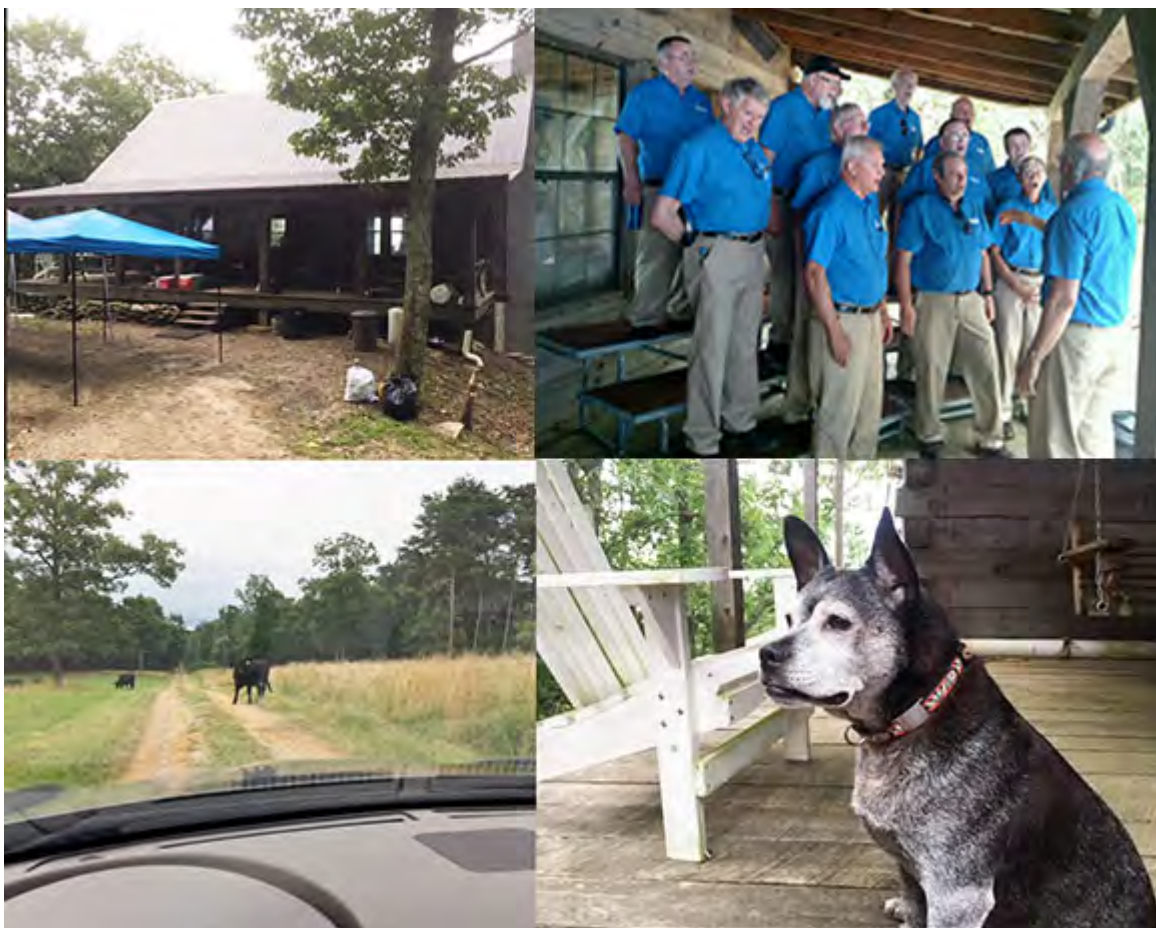
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**Christmas Show**, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)

**Garden Plaza**, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM

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*Chattanooga Choo Choo, Let's Get Away From It All,*

Fall Contest Songs: *When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away From It All*

Repertory: *National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home*

### Highlights From Last Monday

Chuck welcomed every and started us singing with a couple of polecats. We changed then to some breathing exercises and some stretching. We worked on a tag- M-I-C-K-E-Y M-O-U-S-E. The chorus worked on our contest songs - LGAFIA and Love at Home. Both sounding pretty good. During the business meeting, Wally introduced our three guests - Gage, Bill, and Edwin. They seemed to enjoy singing with the chorus and we sang YAWATFIM to them. Jack thanked those that showed up for the Adam Griffith sing out. Jack talked about the upcoming sing outs at Harmony Explosion on July 21 and the two sing outs at Ruby Falls in August. RichP talked about the good time we had at Adam Griffith's. Those interested should hear something soon about the Senior Chorus. Rich also reminded us to sell ads and work on sell of tickets for August Show. Chuck suggested we break and meet on the risers for quarteting. We had two quartets and the chorus was entertained. We worked on contest songs on the risers and adjourned with KTWWS. *Barry*

### Highlights From Griffith Sing Out

The Griffith sing out was unique. After turning onto the property and avoiding black Angus cattle we followed a rutted trail ~ 1/2 mile onto what

<p>bottom of this column and select "Newsletter Portfolio 2017." It was another good year. <i>SteveW</i></p>	<p>looked like an airstrip. There was a cottage where Pete and Wendell set up risers on a narrow porch. Chuck directed from the side and we sang several songs. Nooguys sang one song and Charlie, Pete, Fred and Rich sang two polecats. The small crowd of ~20 Griffith"s friends and 3 dogs watch us and enjoyed our efforts. Afterwards we followed them inside the cottage and shared barbecue, baked beans, fresh fruit and sweet tea. To my knowledge no one hit a cow on the way out!! <i>Rich</i></p> <p>Annual Show Ad Forms Available</p> <p>Ad sales forms will be available again at tonight's practice. Prices are the same as last year, and we have until August10 to sell ads. That's only four weeks. Talk with those you do business with (eg. barber, doctor, dry cleaner, car repair shop etc.). We need everybody to pitch in as best you can. <i>Rich</i></p>
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<p><b>Harmony Explosion, Saturday, July 21. This Sing Out has been canceled.</b></p>	<p>Annual Show Songs:</p> <p>ACT I: <i>Star Spangled Banner, Let's Get Away From It All, RC4 Song 1, Play A Simple Melody, Histones Song 1, Georgia On My Mind, California Here I Come, Fourcasting Chords Song 1, When There's Love At Home, Histones Song 2, Old Folks At Home, When I'm 64, RC4 Song 2, Sittin' On Top Of The World, Fourcasting Chords Song 2, Darkness On The Delta.</i></p>
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<p><b>Christmas Show, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</b></p>	<p>Jack discussed Harmony Explosion which after some discussion we will not participate. Our next sing out is Ruby Falls in August. Dave has show tickets. Gene has ad forms. Chuck talked about a</p>
<p><b>Garden Plaza, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM</b></p> <p>Annual Show Media Available</p>	



Ad sales forms, tickets and posters will be available again at tonight's practice. SteveW is emailing electronic posters along with a page of events that people's financial supports let us do for free - a good selling point. This can be forwarded to local people in your email address list. Talk with those you do business with (eg. barber, doctor, dry cleaner, car repair shop etc.). We need everybody to quickly pitch in as best you can. *Rich*

quartet push for LGAFIA after the break. RichP showed us the show poster and passed some around. Paul talked about the upcoming show and our past sing out for Adam Griffith. After the break, we had the push out quartet. We worked on *Love at Home* and WI64. Johnny gave the spike to SteveG. We dismissed with KTWWS. *Barry*

#### Profile of Bob Radel

Born and raised in Cincinnati. I was only peripherally interested in music and singing during my teenage years. I married my wife, Pat, in 1972, and we moved to Tuscaloosa, Alabama. By the way, we just celebrated our 45th wedding anniversary last December. We joined a small Methodist Church and I joined a small (8 folks) choir. Since then, I have been singing in choirs. While working as Technical Director on Dugway Proving Ground, I had the opportunity to lead praise and worship music. I also directed 3 Christmas musicals. When I retired, I moved to Memphis and attended Hope Presbyterian Church, again in the choir, but a bit larger than my first. We typically had 30-40 singing and closer to 60 on Holidays. It was during that time, that I began writing song lyrics, and had the pleasure of putting together my first 6 song CD (#1 4 Him), all recorded at the Grove Studios at Hope. Great musicians and friends. We moved to Chattanooga in the summer of 2015. I joined the Choir at Red Bank United Methodist Church, and began writing lyrics for album #2. I am currently filling in by leading the Praise and Worship portion of the service. I also have just released Album number two ("Two For Him"), recorded in the home studio of Ted Partin in Memphis. Since I have joined the Chorus, I have improved my singing skills, and my memory. I am looking forward to performing with the Chorus at future events. On a lighter note, I wear blue tooth hearing aides. When I walk my dog, Faith, people look at me strangely. I'm singing barbershop with no apparent music!

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#### From The President

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#### Profile of Rich Wilson

Born and raised in the "country" north of Trenton, New Jersey. Great place to grow up - nearby farms, woods, space for baseball, football, basketball, Delaware River a few hundred yards in front of our home on the hill. Learned to swim in the river, including through the rapids of Scudders Falls. One of five homes perched on a bluff, no one locked doors even when away. Neighbors all looked out for each other. Summers were great - sports, games, roaming the fields and woods. Our gang were "official" quality control tasters of the delicious ripe peaches from the nearby orchards. Sang in a boy's choir with some friends for five years at Trinity Cathedral in Trenton. Really loved singing, was the choir's soloist the last two years. After I was no longer a soprano, I focused on sports in high school. Graduated from Lafayette College in 1962 with a BS in Industrial Engineering along with a 2nd Lt's commission in the army through ROTC. Married love of my life two months later. The big deal after completing army training was the Cuban Missile Crisis. We all got yellow fever shots - ready to invade Cuba. Thankfully, this didn't happen. Spent the rest of my two year commitment in southwestern France with my wife - lots of great times traveling throughout Europe. Back in the states, I worked as an Industrial Engineer at a large US Steel plant just north of Philadelphia for five years. Went to Temple University at night and earned my MBA. Then, changed gears and went to work for M&M/Mars in Hackettstown, NJ. By then, we had two little girls - so much fun! I spent 30 years making candy, including five years in Chicago, saving the company a lot of money along the way as Industrial Engineering Director then Production Director. My last assignment was in "The Southland" - Cleveland Tn. I was fortunate to retire early at 58. Thought I might miss work, but after 19 years, "not yet"! Pat and I are enjoying time with our family - two married daughters, one



	<p>in Atlanta (two grand daughters 15 and 12) and Falls Church Virginia (one grand daughter 15). We get together frequently throughout the year - just got back from two great weeks "down the shore" in Ocean City NJ. Pat and I have traveled quite a bit with friends to Europe and Australia and skiing out west. Snow skiing is my favorite sport. I also enjoy tennis, golf, swimming. I was a certified scuba diver and enjoyed a number of dives in the Caribbean, though I think I will stick to snorkeling from now on. So, what about singing, already! As I mentioned, I enjoyed singing in a boy's choir. Beyond that, not much. I did step singing in college and sang with my wife in several groups throughout the years. She plays the piano and guitar. Most of my singing has been at home, singing in Pat's ears as she plays the piano. Finally, I discovered how wonderful it is to sing with all of you great guys! I enjoy it so much! I started in October 2016 for Christmas and joined the Chorus a year ago. So, I want to thank Paul, Chuck, Rich, board members and everyone else for all that you do to make singing with the Choo Choo Chorus such a great adventure! Thanks, Rich Wilson</p>
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<p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM</p>	<p>appreciated. DaveR encouraged sales of tickets. Paul reminded everyone about our sing out at Ruby Falls this Saturday. See the calendar for details. Gene encouraged us to sell ads. Barry reminded the chorus of the upcoming Afterglow which will be immediately after the show at GPS. You must sign-up and pay by August 13. He encouraged us to sign-up and pay as soon as possible. Only 1 more meeting before the afterglow. Meal to be provided by Sticky Fingers. Paul talked about the Senior Chorus which will be singing on Friday evening at the fall contest. SteveW played some sound effects for the show. SURPRISE: DaveF made a surprise appearance, and has lost about 20 pounds. Good to see Dave. We went to break. After the break, we sang National Anthem, LGAFIA, Love at Home, WI64. Wendell gave the spike to RichW and we closed with KTWWS. <i>Barry</i></p>
<p>Tonight is Ad Sales Deadline</p> <p>The deadline for ads is tonight, Monday the 13th, as the program goes to the printer by noon on Tuesday. On Thursday, August 9, I will email a copy of the Program Booklet to members, so please look at it and let me know if any of your ads are missing. I know of only 13 ads so far. There is a bit of color in this year's Program which will make it attractive. <i>SteveW.</i></p>	



		<p>1st Ruby Falls Sing Out Highlights</p> <p>There were 11 folks including Chuck who directed. We sang initially outside of the new building on the patio usually with a crowd of approximately 20 folks wandering thru enjoying a break and a snack. Then we moved inside and sang one set from the balcony while folks waited in line. This was in the older building. <i>Barry</i></p> <p>Annual Show Afterglow</p> <p>Sticky Fingers. Baked Potato with Salad. Trimmings for potato include Smoked chicken and Pulled pork with sweet tea, unsweetened, and lemonade. Banana pudding or peach cobbler. Reservations and monies due no later than by tonight, August 13. \$15 per person. <i>Barry</i>, Program VP</p>
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Tree Hotel	Highlights From Last Monday
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Prayers for Ron Weaver	
For those who know him, Ron Weaver, former member and longtime barbershopper who visits and sings with us occasionally, has suffered a stroke. He actually attended our show Saturday night then the stroke occurred sometime Sunday. Not sure of the damages yet, waiting on test results. He and his family could use your prayers at this time. <i>Pete</i>	
From the President	Annual Show Highlights

17 people turned in post mortems of the show. Email your input or give it to me next Monday at practice. Your input are needed and appreciated. Consider serving on the board. Strick, Beau and I are the nominating committee. We will be talking with members in the next two weeks. I expect the election to be in October. *Rich*



Well, another show has come and gone and from all the feedback I've received it seems to have been another successful effort on our part. We got the whole show in in under 2 hours and it was a very appreciative audience. Everyone tasked with a chore stepped up and got it done. The Afterglow was slow getting started but the food was very good that Sticky Fingers supplied; the only problem was we only had one quartet there to perform. The Sound of Tennessee showed up in fine number and voice. I think asking them has helped maybe to foster some good will between the chapters. Ad sales topped \$3,000.00, which is not bad at all considering the loss of our main seller, Frank Delaney. The house appeared to be around 200 or so, by my best estimation. Ticket sales continue to be an issue for some guys and I would encourage you to step up and really push our Christmas show this December 15th. Don't be afraid to ask your friends to attend a show you know they're going to enjoy! They will thank you afterwards for selling them a ticket, trust me. We have a great opportunity this year to support the Candlelighters, a group that aides families of critically ill children. SteveW did his usual outstanding job with the set, procuring the train and getting it in place for us, despite dealing with Janet's health issues the whole time. Chuck and Paul did another great job directing and we as a chorus really sounded good, despite our usual poor practices leading up to show time. I really do enjoy emceeing these shows and the bonus of

	being able to step into the chorus and sing with my brothers in Harmony is always an added bonus! Give yourselves a pat on the back and let's get busy preparing for Fall Contest and the Christmas show. Congratulations to everyone! <i>Steve Grubb</i>
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<p><b>CCCC First Rehearsal</b>, Monday, October 1, 7 PM</p>	
<p><b>Road Scholars</b>, Sunday, October 14, 7:30 PM, Double Tree Hotel</p>	<p>Highlights From Last Monday</p>
<p><b>Special Olympics Bowling</b>, Tuesday, October 16, 10:00, Hixson Spare Time Rec Center</p>	<p>Chuck opened the evening with stretching and breathing exercises and a couple of polecats. After warmups, Paul went thru a tag and the chorus worked on Love at Home. Barry led the business meeting. Paul talked to the chorus about some plans for the Christmas program as well as the Christmas Party. We will plan on doing three 8 part songs this year with the Scenic City Chorus. If anyone has a special request for a song at Christmas program please turn in to Paul or Chuck. If you are a quartet and plan on singing, let Paul or Chuck know as soon as possible. We talked about getting a head start on our spring concert which will actually be in the spring. We will need a list of spring show songs soon. Next Monday is Labor Day . A few folks expressed an interest in practicing. Paul is planning on being there so if you raised your hand then please show up for the rehearsal. Fred talked about Dave Reynolds who passed away this weekend. He was a long time talented member of the chorus who will be missed. Wendell encourage all that had ticket money, owed for the afterglow, or had Ad monies to turn in those monies ASAP. Wally introduced our guest—KennyR. The chorus sang a welcome to Kenny. Wally also encouraged us to invite someone to the first CCCC. Jack talked about the contest in September and some sing outs in October. There are members from the Choo Choo Chorus and the Cleveland Chorus that have not turned in monies for the Afterglow. Please turn in your monies as soon as possible. Gene reported several hundred dollars still outstanding for Ads. Get monies in ASAP. RichP talked about Oxford contest, officer elections, and upcoming Board Meeting on September 8 at Wally's in East Ridge. After the break, the chorus worked on LGAFIA. No Gandy Dancer was presented. We closed with KTWWS. <i>Barry</i></p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">Note From Dave Abercrombie</p> <p>I would like to convey to everyone involved how much I enjoyed the entire show! I have ne ver heard the Choo Choo Chorus sound so good, and the presentation factor was very good in that you told the audience that you were having a good time. I was proud of the SOT chorus and all the quartets were very entertaining. The only negative that I observed was there were too many empty seats.....guys get off your butts and sell those tickets! Your friends will thank you and the worse response you will get is a "NO"....how many times have we all heard that, and we are still alive and going strong, well I digress but congratulations on a great night of entertainment! Your Friend, Dave Abercrombie</p>
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Rock City 4 From Annual Show	September 10, 2018
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## Highlights From Last Monday

There was no formal meeting last Monday.

## Time To Recruit for 2018 CCCC

We start the Chattanooga Community Christmas Chorus on October 1. In 2017, we raised \$6000 for the Boehm Center and over \$50,000 for them in the past 10 years. Our 2018 charity is the Candlelighters (see below). Use these facts to recruit CCCC participation. It's fun to sing at Christmas and it's a great feeling helping those in need by raising money as we sing. We need everyone to bring one or more men with you to the first rehearsal. That gives us 4 weeks.

The mission of the Candlelighters is to provide emotional support and financial assistance to families of children receiving treatment for childhood cancer or other catastrophic diseases. They are a local nonprofit charity. Support could be counseling, financial aid for food, rent, transportation medical needs, funerals etc.. There are similar local Candlelighter support groups across the country who do the same thing. *Rich*



Rock City 4 singing *Java Jive* with Linda Troups  
serving the Java

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Strickland, Bus. Manager Jack Cook, Program VP Barry Arp, Newsletter Editor, Steve Wixson, At Large Gene Huelman, Steve Grubb, and Rich Wilson.

The slate will be read three times after which the chorus will vote. Steve Wixson sent pictures and the story about our annual show that appears on page 4 of the District's *Town Crier*. Thanks Steve for submitting this to the District newsletter. *Rich*

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evening with *God Bless America* and KTWWS. *Barry*



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<b>Veterans Day</b> , Sunday, November 11, arrive at 1:30 PM to sing at 2:00, National Cemetery	Paul opened the evening with some vocal scale exercises. Then the chorus went to the risers and worked on <i>Lets Get Away from It All</i> till time for announcements. No report from the treasurer, secretary, or membership. No new sing outs coming up in the near future. Beau read the slate of officers for 2019 to be voted on soon. A request was made for any additions with none coming forth. Paul talked about the upcoming contest in Oxford. The Senior chorus sings Friday evening around 10:30 pm, the Choo Choo Chorus sings 3rd on Saturday morning. We still have outstanding monies from the Choo Choo Chorus and from the Cleveland chorus for the Afterglow. After the break, Paul, Chuck, JimF, and DanB sang in a quartet and did a great job. The chorus worked on <i>Love at Home</i> for the rest of the evening on the risers. SteveW (via Pete) presented the spike to DanB. We closed with KTWWS and dismissed. <i>Barry</i>
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<p><b>Special Olympics Bowling</b>, Tuesday, October 16, 10:00, Hixson Spare Time Rec Center</p>	<p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty- Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away From It All</i></p>
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<p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1, 2 PM</p>	<p>Started the evening with warm ups from Chuck. Paul started by leading us in a tag <i>Long and Lonely Night</i>. Then we went to the risers to work on <i>Love at Home</i>. Barry led the announcements.</p>
<p><b>MOAA</b>, Tuesday, December 11. arrive at 6:40 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club</p>	<p>Barry reminded those that still owed for the afterglow to please give their monies to Barry. Also we plan on eating at Top of the River on Saturday afternoon in Oxford between contests.</p>
<p><b>Alexian Village</b>, Thursday, December 13.</p>	<p>Please let Barry know if you plan on joining in on eating as a chorus at the restaurant. A time will be announced at warm-ups on Saturday</p>
<p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)</p>	<p>morning. Fred recognized Barry for his 5th year renewal and Johnny for his 20th year membership renewal. Wally recognized Jerry as a visitor and we welcomed him with a song. Paul</p>
<p><b>Rock City</b>, Tuesday, December 18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City</p>	<p>discussed the contest in Oxford. Comments about the contest will be included in the newsletter. RichP has had surgery and will not be</p>
<p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM</p>	<p>coming to the contest. Please continue to remember Rich and also DaveF in your thoughts and prayers.</p>
	<p>After the break, Paul, JimF, Chuck, and DanB sang a couple of songs. They did a great job. I look forward to hearing them at the contest Friday evening. The chorus worked on LGAFIA and then we went through our set of songs for the contest a couple of times. DanB awarded the golden spike to Gene and we closed with KTWWS. <b>PS If</b></p>

	<b>anyone has the learning track for <i>Love at Home</i> – Baritone, please forward to Gene.</b>
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PM to sing at 2:00, National Cemetery	Highlights From Last Monday
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<b>MOAA</b> , Tuesday, December 11. arrive at 6:40 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club	
<b>Alexian Village</b> , Thursday, December 13.	
<b>Christmas Show</b> , Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)	
<b>Rock City</b> , Tuesday, December 18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City	Road Scholar Reminder
<b>Garden Plaza</b> , Saturday, December 29, 2 PM	Please remember our commitment to provide entertainment for the Road Scholars on Sunday evening, October 14 at 7:30 PM. Arrive by 7:00 at the Double Tree Hotel. Uniform is Class B. Thanks, <i>Jack</i>
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Christmas Quartet Practicing	October 22, 2018
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Cemetery	<i>of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away From It All</i>
<b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b> , Saturday, December 1, 2 PM	
<b>MOAA</b> , Tuesday, December 11. arrive at 6:40 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club	Highlights From Last Monday
<b>Alexian Village</b> , Thursday, December 13.	Chuck opened with vocal exercise and stretching. We did a vocal exercise to help us think about our vocal coordination. Paul taught the chorus a new tag. Paul reviewed <i>Jingle Bells, Amen, Betelehemu, and It Came upon a Midnight Clear</i> . We worked on <i>Have yourself a Merry, Little Christmas</i> . During the business meeting, Fred read the slate of officers for next year.
<b>Christmas Show</b> , Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time)	This was the third reading so we voted and the new slate of officers was accepted by the chorus. The list is shown in this news letter. Jack told us of a sing out for Special Olympics
<b>Rock City</b> , Tuesday, December 18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City	Tuesday Morning at Spare Time bowling alley in Hixson. Paul talked about the Special Olympics sing out and our Road Scholars sing out last Sunday night. The Road Scholars sing out was successful. We had a big crowd and everyone seemed to enjoy our performance. Rock City 4 also sang three songs for the audience.
<b>Garden Plaza</b> , Saturday, December 29, 2 PM	After the break we reviewed some of our songs for the sing out. Chuck lead us in singing KTWWS and we dismissed. Barry
Officers for 2018	
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Dan Bullock (3)	
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Matt Van Stelle Profile	October 29, 2018
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**Soddy Daisy Veterans Day**,  
Tuesday, November 6, Arrive at  
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Uniform: Class A

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November 11, arrive at 1:30  
PM to sing at 2:00, National  
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**Hickory Valley Retirement  
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PM

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**Alexian Village**, Thursday,  
December 13.

**Christmas Show**, Saturday,  
December 15, 3:00 pm (note  
new time) GPS

**Rock City**, Tuesday, December  
18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City

**Garden Plaza**, Saturday,  
December 29, 2 PM

*Clear, Let There Be Peace on Earth, Mary Had a  
Baby, Need a Little Christmas, O Come all ye  
Faithful, Silent Night, and Christmas Tag*

Spring Contest Songs:?

Repertory: *National Anthem, California Here I  
Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America,  
Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top  
of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-  
Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away  
From It All*

#### Highlights From Last Monday

Paul opened with vocal exercise and stretching.  
Paul taught the chorus a new tag and reviewed  
Jingle Bells, Amen, Betelehemu, It Came upon a  
Midnight Clear and Let There be Peace on Earth.  
We worked on Have yourself a Merry Little  
Christmas. Chuck directed Mary Had A Baby.  
During the business meeting, Fred announce  
membership renewal for Wally, RichW, new  
member Jerry. Jack told us of a sing out for  
veterans appreciation in Soddy Daisy. He also told  
us about the performance for Veterans Day. RichP  
explained the chorus would be using upcoming  
Singing Valentines as a fund raiser in 2019. We will  
be moving out of the building sometime after the  
first of the year. RichP will form a relocation  
committee and is seeking volunteers for the  
committee. After the break we reviewed some  
songs for the upcoming sing outs. If you can sing  
at the coming sing outs please show up. Your  
attendance is very much needed. BobR gave the  
Gandy Dancer spike to GageP. Gage lead us in  
singing KTWWWS and we dismissed. *Barry*

#### Matt Van Stelle Profile

I come from a very musical family in Jupiter, FL.  
My mom always encouraged me to sing the alto  
part with her at church when I was maybe 7. My  
dad and sister sing too, and we've enjoyed singing

	<p>as a family quartet several times! I played piano growing up, and I picked up the euphonium in late elementary school. I pursued all three instruments in school and at church through high school, and I kept up singing while minoring in the euphonium when I moved up this way to attend Covenant College in 2010. I did the dual-degree engineering program at Covenant, which means I got a BA in Pre-Engineering there before heading to the University of Florida for my BS in Industrial Engineering. In 2016, I moved back to Chattanooga to help some friends start a web-based software company where I work now. We make structural engineering software for the construction industry, and I am the project manager for about 12 developers. We're still in the startup phase, but we think we're on track to make money this year. I met my wife, Caroline, shortly after moving back to Chattanooga at North Shore Fellowship where we are members. I first heard the Chorus sing at a CFC game in the summer of 2016, and I finally got to visit the following January. I've performed in quartets known as Birchwood Commons and the Mistletones, and I'm currently singing with the Histones. I love the challenge of learning barbershop harmonies with you all, and I appreciate getting to learn from the experience you all have to offer! <i>Matt</i></p>
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Candlelighters plus Wilbur	November 5, 2018
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**(Note corrected time),**

Uniform: Class A

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November 11, arrive at 1:30  
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**Garden Plaza**, Saturday,  
December 29, 2 PM

From the President

Still try to get other singers  
especially those that might  
have song with us before. This  
is the last opportunity. Good  
job passing out and picking up  
tickets. The Cadlelighters ladies  
took ~60 with them. Not so  
good was the lack of chorus  
members after the break. We  
need to work the Military  
Medlay for Veterans Day sing  
outs. Can't do it without all  
parts present. Please stay and  
let's work to be

Repertory: *National Anthem, California Here I  
Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America,  
Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top  
of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-  
Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away  
From It All*

Highlights From Last Monday

Chuck opened with vocal exercise and stretching,  
and presented a new tag to the chorus. Wilbur  
introduced folks from the Candlelighters. The  
proceeds from the Christmas show will go to the  
Candlelighters this year. Paul reviewed *Jingle  
Bells, Amen, Betelehemu, and It Came upon a  
Midnight Clear* and *Let There be Peace on Earth*.  
We worked on *Have yourself a Merry Little  
Christmas*. We went to the risers to go thru a few  
of our Christmas songs. During the business  
meeting, Jack told us of a sing out for veterans  
appreciation in Soddy Daisy. He also told us about  
a performance for Sunday the day before Veterans  
Day. RichP showed us the 3rd place trophy from  
our recent contest in Oxford, Al. We reviewed  
some of our songs for the upcoming sing outs. If  
you can sing at the coming sing outs please show  
up. Your attendance is very much needed. After  
the break the chorus sang the *Armed Forces  
Medley* for the upcoming singouts. Gage gave the  
Gandy Dancer spike to tthe missing chorus and  
the remaining chorus sang KTWWS and we  
dismissed.

the best we can be for those who served. *Rich*



#### Candlelighters Present to CCCC

The Candlelighters of Chattanooga is an organization dedicated to helping families with a child stricken with cancer by paying house payments or rent, utility bills, buying food or helping with transportation needs. Sometimes one or both parents have to be away from their jobs without pay. Because of this, they get behind the monthly bills. This causes extra stress on them and we try to relieve them of as much stress as possible. Candlelighters has been active since 1988. However, Candlelighters provides help behind the scenes, maintain the confidentiality and dignity of the families we assist. Most people don't hear of Candlelighters until they know of a child who has been diagnosed with cancer.

[Shown in the photograph with Wilbur are Martha Strickland, Bethany Crowe, and Tommie Erwin.]

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Soddy-Daisy Sing Out	November 12, 2018
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<p>arrive at 6:40 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club</p> <p><b>Alexian Village</b>, Thursday, December 13.</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time) GPS</p> <p><b>Rock City</b>, Tuesday, December 18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City</p> <p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM</p>	<p>Highlights From Last Monday</p> <p>Fred passed renewals to Johnny Jackson (32 years) and Steve Grubb (30 years). Rich noted there will be a Board meeting coming on Nov 17. We practiced for Soddy Daisy Veterans Day sing out and worked on the Chistmas show. <i>Barry</i></p> <p>Soddy Daisy Veterans Day Sing Out</p> <p>Thirteen guys showed up for the Soddy Daisy Veterans Day Sing Out. As shown in the photograph above the event was held inside in their new gymnasium, and the chorus in blue is shown seated waiting to be introduced. We sang the <i>National Anthem</i> and <i>Armed Forces Medley</i>.</p>
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<p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, 3:00 pm (note new time) GPS</p> <p><b>Christmas Party With SCC</b>, Monday, December 17</p> <p><b>Rock City</b>, Tuesday, December 18, 7-9:00 PM, Rock City</p> <p><b>UTC MOCs BB Game</b>, Friday, December 21, McKenzie Arena</p> <p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, December 29, 2 PM</p> <p>RC4 Quartet Note</p> <p>Have you or your quartet ever sung <i>Sweet Adeline</i> to a lady. Rock City 4 did! Her real name was Adeline, she was named after the song, and was 5 years old. Want to hear more? Ask one of us. <i>Fred</i></p>	<p>Highlights From Last Monday</p> <p>Paul opened with our customary warm-ups. We learned a tag and then went straight in to some Christmas show songs—<i>Jingle Bells</i>, <i>Mary Had a Baby</i>, <i>Veni Veni</i>, <i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i>, <i>Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas</i>, <i>It Came upon a Midnight Clear</i>, <i>Amen</i>, and <i>Bethlehemu</i> on the risers. We had a good crowd. SteveG and Gene made some announcements about tickets and ads. We celebrated Emmanuel’s 14th Birthday before dismissing the Community chorus. We had our business meeting. Wally thanked those who invited new guests tonight. Jack talked about upcoming sing-outs in December. RichP discussed the board meeting on Saturday November 17, installation of new officers, dinner on Monday following our show at Spring Hill Baptist Church. Paul thanked those that made the Veterans day appreciation at Soddy Daisy High School and Veterans Day celebration at the National Cemetery. Wally gave the spike to DaveF. We dismissed after singing KTWWS. <i>Barry</i></p> <p>Veterans Day Sing Out</p> <p>Seventeen guys showed up on one of the coldest Veterans Day Ceremonies I can remember, and It was also the least attended ceremony that I can remember. However, the several speakers had good words to say on this the 100 anniversary of the end of World War I, and the female Colonel keynote speaker greeted us warmly before the ceremony. It is an honor to be invited and an honor to sing <i>The National Anthem</i>, <i>Armed Forces Medley</i> and <i>God Bless America</i> at this event. <i>SteveW</i></p>
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Practicing Betlehemu Move	November 26, 2018
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arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7, Walden Club	Chuck opened with our vocal and physical warm-ups. We learned a tag and then went straight in to some Christmas show songs. Paul worked with us on <i>Amen</i> . Paul sent us to the risers to sing some of our songs— <i>Jingle Bells</i> , <i>Mary Had a Baby</i> , <i>Veni Veni, Let There Be Peace on Earth</i> , <i>Have yourself a Merry Little Christmas</i> , <i>It Came upon a Midnight Clear</i> . Gene made some announcements about tickets and ads. We had our business meeting. Jack talked about December sing-outs. RichP told us about the relocation of the Choo Choo Chorus probably at the end of January 2019, installation of new officers will most likely occur at one of our business meetings. We will practice at Spring Creek Road Baptist Church on December 3 and 10 with Scenic City Chorus. The chorus sang <i>Betelehemu</i> . DaveF gave the spike to Winston. We dismissed after singing KTWWS. <i>Barry</i>
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Joint Rehearsal on Monday	December 3, 2018
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<p style="text-align: center;">Calendar</p> <p><b>Hickory Valley Retirement Home</b>, Saturday, December 1, arrive at 1:30 PM to sing at 2. Uniform: Christmas. Address is 6705 Ballard Dr.</p> <p><b>Joint SCC&amp;CCCC Rehearsal</b>, Monday, December 3, 7 PM. Spring Creek Road Baptist Church, 1312 Spring Creek Rd.</p> <p><b>Work Day</b>, Saturday, December 8, All Saints.</p> <p><b>Joint SCC&amp;CCCC Rehearsal</b>, Monday, December 10, 7 PM. Spring Creek Road Baptist Church, 1312 Spring Creek Rd.</p> <p><b>MOAA</b>, Tuesday, December 11. arrive at 6:40 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club, Uniform: Christmas</p> <p><b>Alexian Village</b>, Thursday, December 13. Uniform: Christmas</p> <p><b>Cleveland Christmas Show</b>, Friday, December 14, 7 PM, Pangle Hall, Lee University</p> <p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, arrive at noon for 3:00 PM show time, GPS, Uniform: Christmas</p> <p><b>Christmas Party With SCC</b>, Monday, December 17, Pot luck, Spring Creek Road Baptist Church</p> <p><b>Rock City</b>, Tuesday, December</p>	<p><i>Baby, Need a Little Christmas, O Come all ye Faithful, Silent Night, and Christmas Tag</i></p> <p>Spring Contest Songs:?</p> <p>Repertory: <i>National Anthem, California Here I Come, Georgia on My Mind, God Bless America, Hello, Mary Lou, Old Folks at Home, Sittin' On Top of the World, Tennessee Waltz, When I'm Sixty-Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away From It All</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Highlights From Last Monday</p> <p>We had sectional rehearsal for <i>Let There Be Peace on Earth</i>, and sang thru all of our songs. Jack reminded us of the Hickory Valley sing out on Saturday. RichP announced a work day on Saturday, December 8 to begin sorting items in our storage room. Paul encourage us to attend the Cleveland Christmas show. We closed with KTWWS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From The Director</p> <p>The season is upon us and we are doing a great job of preparing! Please remember to be involved in your singing, and let your face know (and show) that you are really enjoying our performances. I'm really looking forward to them. Remember the message! <i>Paul</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Uniform</p> <p>The uniform for the Christmas Show and Christmas sing outs is black pants, belt, shoes and socks, and anything Christmasy from the waist up.</p>
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Combined Chorus Rehearsal	December 10, 2018
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<p><b>MOAA</b>, Tuesday, December 11. arrive at 6:30 PM to sing at 7 PM, Walden Club, Uniform: Christmas</p>	<p>and going over our CCCC songs. Then as shown above, we joined SCC for a rehearsal of our two songs together, and while there is still some work to do, overall it sounded pretty good. <i>SteveW</i></p>
<p><b>Alexian Village</b>, Thursday, December 13. Uniform: Christmas</p>	<p>From The Director</p>
<p><b>Cleveland Christmas Show</b>, Friday, December 14, 7 PM, Pangle Hall, Lee University</p>	<p>We're in the final days! I've listened to the recording from Monday's rehearsal and I'm thrilled to hear us singing so well! Keep up the good work and I'll see you Monday night! <i>Paul</i></p>
<p><b>Christmas Show</b>, Saturday, December 15, arrive at noon for 3:00 PM show time, GPS, Uniform: Christmas</p>	<p>From The President</p>
<p><b>Christmas Party With SCC</b>, Monday, December 17, Pot luck, Spring Creek Road Baptist Church</p>	<p>Good job CCCC singers last Monday. Work hard on words and music. Get even better and try next Monday to be off music on the risers. Board members, let me know who's coming next Saturday, December 8, to help inventory our props and equipment in anticipation of moving out of All Saints. I expect a group 3 or 4 is needed. Let's start at 9:30am and plan to work no later than noon. <i>Rich</i></p>
<p><b>UTC MOCs BB Game</b>, Friday, December 21, McKenzie Arena</p>	<p>Christmas Show Ads</p>
<p><b>Garden Plaza</b>, Saturday, December 29, Uniform: Christmas</p>	<p>The show program goes to the printer's Tuesday morning meaning the deadline for ads and artwork is the rehearsal at the Spring Creek Road Baptist Church on Monday. However, I would much appreciate receiving ads via email so we can have a near final draft of the show program to review at that rehearsal. <i>SteveW</i></p>
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MOAA Sing Out w/Lunard Lewis	December 17, 2018
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**Cleveland Christmas Show,**  
Friday, December 14, 7 PM,  
Pangle Hall, Lee University

**Christmas Show,** Saturday,  
December 15, arrive at noon  
for 3:00 PM show time, GPS,  
Uniform: Christmas

**Christmas Party With SCC,**  
Monday, December 17, Pot  
luck, Spring Creek Road Baptist  
Church

**Rock City,** Tuesday, December  
18, 7- 9:00 PM, Rock City,  
Uniform: Christmas

**UTC MOCs BB Game,** Friday,  
December 21, McKenzie Arena  
**(CANCELLED)**

**Garden Plaza,** Saturday,  
December 29, arrive at 1:30  
PM to sing at 2:00, Uniform:  
Christmas

*Four, When There's Love at Home, Let's Get Away  
From It All*

#### Highlights From Last Monday

We had our second rehearsal with the SCC with  
our own rehearsal both before and after the joint  
rehearsal.

#### From the Director

This is IT! The big show is just around the corner  
and, while I don't want to ed-emphasize our other  
performances, Saturday will be the climax of the  
season! Lots of butts in the seats, families and  
friends cheering us on, and a message that can't  
be beat! Make a last-minute effort to sell a few  
more tickets, and let's have a great time together!  
*Paul*

#### From the President

Thank you for those who came to the MOAA sing  
out. Kudos to Jack for setting up the warm-up  
room and Wendell for transporting the risers. We  
did a good job despite the inconveniences of  
elevators, delays in singing and waitresses clearing  
tables. The biggest applause was for Amen. We do  
need MORE HELP getting riser moved and set up.  
With Alexian on Thursday and the show on  
Saturday all have opportunities  
to pitch in. More on riser later. Rich

#### From Wendell

I need help setting up risers for the show. Load  
them at All Saints at 10 AM and unload them onto  
the stage at GPS at 11 AM. *Wendell*



	<p>MOAA Sing Out</p> <p>20 showed up for the Military Officers Association of America sing out. With no quartets it was a short program, but as shown in the photograph, AMEN with our soloist, Lunard Lewis (who will sing AMEN on the show), was a real crowd pleaser.</p> <p>Christmas Uniform</p> <p>The uniform for the Christmas Show and Christmas sing outs is black pants, belt, shoes and socks, and anything Christmasy from the waist up.</p>
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Christmas Show 2018	December 24, 2018
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<p>We had a great Christmas singing season starting with Hickory Valley and ending soon at Garden Plaza. In between were the MOAA, Rock City, and Alexian Village sing outs and our well received Christmas show. My granddaughter took photographs at the show and those plus ones I took are in a short slide show at URL <a href="https://steviewixson.myportfolio.com/christmas-show">https://steviewixson.myportfolio.com/christmas-show</a> an address you can share with family and friends to let them know what we do at Christmas. <i>SteveW</i></p>	<p>pot luck dinner and singing. A special event was videoing <i>Let There Be Peace On Earth</i> for a soldier deployed overseas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">From Show Co-Chair</p> <p>One of the outstanding things about Saturday's show to me was the large, enthusiastic crowd; more than four hundred tickets were collected at the door. Also there was the enthusiasm and high spirit of the Choo Choo Chorus to go on with the show despite the disappointment of the <i>Amen</i> soloist canceling and the tenor of two of the quartets being ill. Rock City 4 was able to fill in some of these spots. The Choo Choo Chorus and Chattanooga Community Chorus did an outstanding job. The Scenic City Chorus was great; they had several quartets and larger groups which were very good. Everyone worked hard and put in a considerable amount of time to make the Christmas show a success and Steve Grubb and I appreciate and thank each of you. <i>Wilbur Strickland</i></p>
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Rock City Sing Out	December 31, 2018
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<p>January 7, 7:00 PM, All Saints</p> <p>From The President</p> <p>Choo Choo Chorus. Thank you for your hard work throughout the year. We added new members, exceeded the number of sing outs and money raised from them. Mostly we sang very well but consistency was an issue. Participation was affected by several members having medical and family issues contributing to inconsistency. 2019 is ahead. We lose an old friend as the All Saints building will be converted to condos. We decide on a new location soon. So 2019 is a chance for a new start in a new place with a goal to sing our best each and every practice and outing. A happy and prosperous New Year for all. <i>Rich</i></p> <p><a href="#">OnlineArchive</a></p>	<p>Rock City Sing Out</p> <p>33 showed up for the Rock City sing out which typically is the most fun of the Christmas sing outs, and this year the weather and the light decorations were perfect. RC4 sang a couple of songs and Wally brought his drum for <i>Betelehemu</i>. Several wives attended, and the Rock City visitors were animated and enjoyed our singing. We got our free drink for performing.</p> <p>Thanks To The CCCC</p> <p>Gentlemen of the CCCC. Thank you for your participation in the Christmas Season sing outs and show. You did a marvelous job each time we sang spreading Christmas cheer and raising funds for the Candlelighters. We don't have a final talley of expenses but we collected over 430 tickets at the door, our largest audience for a Christmas performance. I'll let you know the final amounts and the country- button to the Candlelighters soon. You're always welcome any Monday during the year, but include Monday, October 7th, on your 2019 calendar. <i>Rich Ptacin</i></p> <p>2018 In Review</p> <p>Thanks to Jack, many other leaders, and all of us, we've had a very good year. Click <a href="#">HERE</a> to see the photographic highlights. <i>SteveW</i></p>
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