The Weekly Newsletter of the
Choo Choo Chorus

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Chapter Meeting. **No regular meeting this Thursday**, February 9, 7 PM, however, Pete will meet with Singing Valentines quartets. Ponders

Board Meeting. Monday, February 13, 6 PM, Ponders

Naturalization Ceremonies. Thursday, February 16, 10 AM and 2 PM, Federal Courthouse, 900 Georgia Ave. 10 AM Details
2 PM Details

Dixie Spring Convention. March 17-18, 2023, Gadsden State Community College. Details

A Naturalization Sing Out Story

What is a Naturalization Ceremony Sing Out like? As shown in the photograph on the right it begins with an Honor Guard and us singing the *National Anthem*. Typically there are new citizens from 35 to 40 countries, and they take an Oath of Allegiance followed by each receiving their Naturalization Certificate. Judge Liles then gives an inspirational welcome speech (which I assure the new Judge will do) that moves us as well as the new citizens. We sing *God Bless America* with many of them tearing up and my voice cracks with this much emotion in play. We depart by way of the Jury door to wait for them as they exit the courtroom, and excitingly ask them where they are from and can we see their certificate which they proudly display. *What a day! SheraR*

Go to Calendar/Naturalization to sign up to sing.

For The Good Of The Chapter

Wendell passed the Gandy to Jerry Wright.

Silver Ring With Morpheus Evon Christmas Show

Script For Thursday's Meeting

7:00 PM - No regular Meeting at Ponders this Thursday, but this week work at home on these potential Contest Songs, *Blue Skies, Let's Get Away From It All,* and *Let the Rest of the World Go By.*

Repertory: America the Beautiful, Armed Forces Medley, Blue Skies, California Here I Come, Can You Feel the Love Tonight, Dixieseas and Adella, Loving Her Is Top of the World, Pick Yourself Up, Pretty Girl, Over Top of the Hill, It's the Most Wonderful Time, Sweet Caroline, Sweetness of All, Old Folks at Home, Star Spangled Banner, Welcome Song, When She Loved Me, When There's Love at Home, Yesterday, and *You Tell Me Your Dream*

From The Prez

Best of luck to the Seniors Chorus as they compete in Daytona Beach! Bring home the Gold. As announced, Pete will open up the rehearsal room for Valentines practice on the 9th. Hopefully, we will be able to work on our potential Contest bombers. Hope everyone will be joining us in March in Gadsden, Alabama! Naturalization ceremonies are on for Thursday, the 16th. Details in this newsletter.

Board Meeting is Monday, February 13, at Ponder's at 6 PM. We will help Pete get set-up's put together and conduct Chorus business.

Until next meeting, KTTWS! *SheraS*

Marketing and Publicity

Mentioned last Thursday that I scored a $100 Valentine's order with my dentist! Well, overnight it turned into $50, but it's still an order! Also, I did the same with my doctor and Benchmark Physical Therapy!

Guys we need a lot of help with orders! Last year we sang at 13 sites on the weekend with $990. At this point we may not sing over the weekend at all.

So, please visit your doctor and dentist with a poster and make *your pitch!* The worse thing to happen is a no. Then again you may well be pleasantly surprised! If you get an order, it is likely that it turns into an ongoing sale, year after year.

Also, please let Pete know if you are available for setups on Monday February 13.

A Big Thanks to Jimmy, Dan, Paul and Ron W. for singing at a M & G luncheon supporting Go Red. This is an effort from The American Heart Association to enhance awareness that heart disease is the number one killer of women - 1 in every 3. For more information check goredforwomen.org.

Thanks guys, *RoNW*

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