



# FootNotes



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## Directors Notes

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Swan family this week in the loss of Larry's dear wife, Nancy. It has been seven years since Nancy suffered her first stroke, so many of our newcomers will not remember Nancy before she was wheelchair-bound — but we've all seen Larry and Nancy faithfully sitting at the back of our rehearsal hall over the last few years. Barbershop has continued to be a major part of their lives, and as their barbershop family, it is our privilege to support Larry and the family in this time of loss. It was no coincidence that Nancy suffered her second stroke while in the company of good friends and fellow barbershoppers at the Lunch Bunch in Nokomis. Fortunately, we were able to assist in calling 911 and followed the ambulance to Sarasota Memorial, staying by their side until the family could gather. This Saturday, the Chorus of the Keys will have the privilege of paying tribute to Nancy and showing our support for Larry and the family by singing "How great Thou Art" and "Amazing Grace" at the "Celebration of Life" service in her honor.

Tonight we commence the final countdown as we continue to prepare for contest on May 5th. Basically, we need to continue doing all the right things. The extra rehearsals are making a big difference in both our confidence level and our performance. With just three rehearsals plus our tune-up in Jacksonville on Friday night, we have got to continue to give our full effort if we want to do our very best. The draw has been posted, and we will be singing in position 13 out of 14, preceded by the Heart of Florida Chorus from The Villages, and followed by the Jacksonville Big Orange Chorus. That will put us in a good position to show the judges what we can do, and set a standard that "Big O" will have to exceed if they want to beat us. There is nothing like competition to raise the bar.

Let's give it everything we've got — that way we can be happy no matter how the chips fall. Contest is less than 2 weeks away— so let's apply the supreme effort and do whatever it takes.

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## Calendar

- Apr. 26: Special Contest Rehearsal, 7— 8:30 at Church of the Palms on Bee Ridge.
- May 1: Introduction of Scholarship Winners.
- May 4-6: Sunshine Dist. Convention Jacksonville.
- May 17: Lunch Bunch at Phillippi Creek Oyster Bar, 11:00 am. Specials of TUNA MELT & MAHI-MAHI & CHIPS. Sign-up on Bulletin Board.
- Jun. 14: Lunch Bunch at Linger Lodge.
- Jun. 15: Sizzle at UCF, Orlando
- Jul. 29: Harmony University, St. Jo. MO
- Aug. 12: Inspirational Concert at Church of the Palms, Bee Ridge, Sarasota.
- Aug. 31: Labor Day Jamboree, Orlando
- Oct. 5: Fall Convention
- Dec. 11: Ditchfield Family Christmas Show at Van Wezel, 2:30 & 7:30 shows. We will be participating.

### SPECIAL REHEARSALS

Thursday, Apr. 26: 7PM to 8:30PM at the Fellowship Hall of the Church of the Palms at- 3224 Bee Ridge Rd.

Arrive no later than 6:45 warmed up and ready to hit the risers at 7PM. It is extremely; important that all who are competing at Jacksonville attend these extra rehearsals.

We are in need of non-singing members to help during "Brother" as men standing in the bread line.

Be a participant in our Chorus in Jacksonville, see & hear the other choruses competing & have fun with the rest of us.

**Every man must know— every note, every word, every move, every interpretive nuance, every time!**

Onward & Upward!  
Stephen

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### Member

4-28 Bob Quinn

### And Spouse

4-24 Carolyn Reidenbach, Bob

4-25 Eva Goetz, Paul

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

None this week

### NANCY SWAN MEMORIAL

The chorus is asked to sing "How Great Thou Art" & "Amazing Grace" at the Memorial for Nancy Swan, Saturday, April 28th at 2:00 pm at Manatee Hall in Colony Cove South Mobil Home Park, Ellenton.

I-75 to Ellenton exit (Prime Outlet, exit 224), go east on 301 past 3 traffic lights to the big flag pole on the right.

Turn into Colony Cove South entrance on Outer Dr. Go to the end, turn left to Manatee Hall parking lot.

### CARE OF THE NEW UNIFORMS

The new tux jackets should **always** be dry cleaned—**never washed**. The new formal trousers may be washed, but **should** really be dry cleaned. It is urged that they be dry cleaned only. The vest should **never** be washed: **must** be dry cleaned when soiled. **ALL PIECES, AFTER EACH SHOW.**

In case you haven't noticed, there is an extra button on the inside pocket of the tux jacket. It is suggested that it be removed to a safe storage place. **Please remember where you store it!!!!**

Each vest has an extra button sewed to the inside lining, It will probably be safer if you remove it & put it with the jacket button.

Thank you for your cooperation, Jack Webber

### SPRING CONVENTION

The Chorus of the Keys has been chosen to run the "Harmony Marketplace" this convention. We make money with this venture. Please visit the market which will be in the Naples Room next to the Registration Room at the Omni.

## Sunshine News

"Our obligation is to give meaning to life and in doing so, to overcome the passive, indifferent life."  
Elie Wiesel

Nancy Swan: Memorial Service info below.

Charlie Lenny: is now home & recovering. Despite some voice loss due to medication.

Jim Styer: had a malignant tumor on his left lung removed. Is resting & recuperating.

Bob Ellems: is at Bella Vita assisted living  
1420 Venice Ave, Venice. Ph. 941-483-4374

Cards and calls to our friends are always welcome.

SunShine Chair—Ed Manville **941-346-8219** or  
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### MEETING NIGHT AFTERGLOW

Everyone is Welcome..... to attend our weekly "Afterglow" immediately following the meeting on Tuesday nights. You're invited to wet your whistle, sing songs with the guys, chat with our Director and get a bite to eat in the mall alcove at Applebee's Restaurant on Main Street just a few blocks east of our meeting hall on the corner of the movie theater parking garage. Park along Main Street or pull into the parking garage (it's free at that time of night) and come and ring some chords from 9:45 pm until.....? See you there!

### FALL CRUISE

Set sail with us aboard the "SOVERIEGN OF THE SEAS" for a 3 night cruise Oct. 26 — 29, 2007. Join in the FUN, FELLOWSHIP & SONG as we cruise from Port Canaveral to the Bahamas.

More information to follow.  
Bob Hagen, 923-3843

### TO ALL CHORUS MEMBERS

**All Chorus meetings will begin at 6:30 pm with warm-ups - until contest is over.**  
Dick Zarfos, VP Music & Performance

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