



FootNotes



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Director's Notes

We're on the way...Don, George and I are all very pleased with the progress we're making and are anticipating a stellar performance in Jacksonville.

Someone once said that "champions do not keep office hours." In other words, they do whatever it takes. Each week we are sounding, looking and acting more like champions, and that only happens with all the "extra" effort. The list of names on our board is growing, but it needs to be full in the next week or two. Please get your tapes done and submit them to your section leader or Bob Quinn ASAP.

Our goal for tonight is simple. We need to internalize our interp plan, including the "in phrase" dynamics for **The Way You Look Tonight**, and clean up both notes and phrasing for **With a Song in My Heart**. The key for **with a Song in My Heart** is good execution of all of our advanced techniques And craft. Target vowels, secondary sounds and synchronization are vital It can be a long road, but enjoy the ride. As the old song says..."I may never pas this way again".

Onward and upward.
Stephen

HOW TO USE YOUR LEARNING CDs

Important Note: It has come to my attention that some of you do not realize that the learning tapes I have made for you have a helpful feature: your part-predominant is on the left channel. If you adjust your stereo CD player all the way to the left channel, you will hear only your part. If you adjust it all the way to the right, you will hear only the other harmony parts with your part missing. When you're just learning, you may want to hear more or less of your part. By eliminating your part in the mix, you can sing with a quartet and find out how much you really know.

Get the most out of your learning **CD** — take advantage of this **GREAT** feature. Steve

Calendar

EVERY meeting from now til Contest will start with Sectional Rehearsals at 6:30 **SHARP**

Apr. 10: Thursday Special meeting here- 6:30 pm

Apr. 19: Saturday Special meeting here- 8:00 am

Apr. 24: Thursday Special meeting here- 6:30 pm

May 2: Friday, full Chorus rehearsal at the Omni, after the Quartet Contest

May 2-4: Sunshine District Convention

We are competing

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

Members registration for the Spring Sunshine Convention being held on May 2 & 3 is now on the District Website. Go to <sunshinedistrict.org> webpage and in the center column click on 2008 Spring Convention.

Again in the middle of the page it will say, visit: <http://sunshinedistrict.org/convention>. Click on it and it will take you to a convention information page. Proceed to the bottom of the page until you see Convention Registration Form and click on it.

It will produce the form which you may print out and mail in. The price changes from \$35 for all sessions to \$50 in April. Every man is responsible for his own registration. Everyone on stage **must** have a registration badge. I will also have forms available starting at the meeting on 3-18-08.

Mike Miller. Chorus Manager

SUMMER PERFORMANCES

Beginning in June 2008 the Chorus will again be performing in churches, RV parks, senior citizen centers and other places. All performances, where possible, will require a small fee or offering. The chorus will not be doing the Inspirational Concert this year and revenues fro that show need to be replaced. It is anticipated that we will do six church performances and the balance in the other weeks in other facilities. Remember that most performances will require a small summer chorus. If you are interested in participating, please contact the chorus manager, Mike Miller, for dates and times.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

4-3 Ray Stoll
4-3 Bill Wise
4-5 Andy Guerriero

And Spouse

4-6 Susan Nicholson, Richard

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4-2 Scott & Susan Duink

MEETING NIGHT AFTERGLOW

Everyone is Welcome..... to attend our weekly "Afterglow" immediately following the meeting. 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!

JACKSONVILLE HOTEL RESERVATIONS

All reservations for the Spring Convention on May 2nd to May 4th have now been confirmed. The hotel is now sold out. Any member who finds he can not attend the convention, DO NOT cancel your room but call the chorus manager about not attending. DO NOT call the hotel as we will still be able to use the room by transferring the name on it. We will need from six to eight more rooms before now and May.
Thank you, Mike Miller, Chorus Manager

Gentlemen, now is the time to dig out your tape recorders. Record all that is sung on the risers. This is the best way to keep track of how you are progressing with the learning curve of the contest numbers. ONLY listen to your recording daily to get the new notes & interp into your sub-conscious.

You should not sing along while listening as that will disturb the input to your sub-conscious. While listening you should just mouth the words as you follow the sheet music. NO SOUND. After listening at least a dozen times, then softly hum your notes while listening. Then after another dozen times of this, you may sing softly enough that you can hear the recording to catch any wrong notes. Guaranteed to work.

Sunshine News

"It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare, it is because we do not dare that they are difficult." **Seneca**, Roman statesman

Jim Spear: is back home & on the mend. Will start Chemo again soon. Appreciates the cards and calls. Misses us.

Bob Durgin: is starting PT with a positive attitude.

Cards, calls & prayers are always welcome.
SunShine Chair—Ed Manville **941-346-8219** or
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OUR WEBSITE

All of the information for viewing, listening to, or downloading files, including sheet music, training tapes, and recent rehearsal recordings is available on our web site at — www.chorusofthekeys.org
Go to the **Members** page by clicking on **Members** in the main menu. You will need a password to access this page. If you don't know it, ask any member; but for security reasons, please **DO NOT EVER** email the password (or ask someone else to). On the **Members** page, click on **Current Rehearsals**.

Chorus Webmaster,
Richard Romley

All non-competitors are invited to participate in the Dick Dreger Memorial Chorus at the Convention. The chorus will be the mike-testers for the chorus competition. Songs will be 'Honey/Little Lize Medley' and 'Sweet and Lovely'. Warm-up & stage-time will be announced later.

Director: Dan Terhune, Certified Director, President, Vero Beach Chapter, Tenor, Ft. Lauderdale Chorus.

You are reminded to turn in your **OLD** Tux pants and black pants as soon as possible. Please put a tag with your name and sizes on it with your uniform items. Thanks for your cooperation,
Jack Webber

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