



FootNotes



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Director's Notes

It scarcely seems possible that after seven years (approximately 350+ weeks) this is my last FootNotes article and my last rehearsal as your Director. To say that it is hard to gather my thoughts would be an understatement of huge proportions. In so many ways, these last 7 years have been some of the very best of my life. We have learned, laughed, and cried together. We have scaled impossible heights and shared experiences that can never be forgotten.

I could not begin to thank each one of you for what you have meant to me and my family—especially Michael and David. Suffice it to say, that the decision to step down has been one of the hardest of my life. But I am greatly comforted by the knowledge that you will be in some of the world's most uniquely qualified hands in Don Clause and George Gipp. Between them, they bring so much to The Chorus of the Keys. I am confident that they will usher in a whole new era built upon the great foundation we have so joyfully laid together.

It is our hope and prayer that we will be able to keep in contact with everyone, and although we will not be able to attend on a weekly basis, we will be "just around the corner", looking forward to our Christmas Concert together.

It is with our love and appreciation, from the very bottom of our hearts, that we say "Thank you and so long for now". We pray God's richest blessings on you, your families, and The Chorus of the Keys.

We love you!

Stephen & Family

Calendar

- Jun. 13: SIZZLE
- Jun. 26: Lunch Bunch at LaTosca Ristorante on Blackburn Point Rd in Osprey.
- Jun. 29: Church of the Nativity
- Jun. 29: International Convention, Nashville Tn
- Jul. 13: Trinity United Methodist, Sarasota
- Jul. 24: Lunch Bunch TBA
- Aug. 3: First Baptist Church

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

2008 SHOW VIDEOS

Gentlemen, it is **imperative** that you **ALL** return the CDs of our 2008 Show. You will get a refund of your \$20 donation. We will try to get a better copy for archival purposes only, and that will be available for your review from Steve or one of the chapter officers.

These were not for the general public and should be used only by chorus members as a critique of our performance for improving our overall skills and presentation. If you have any questions, please see me. Tom Hankins, President

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

5-30 Walt Schlicht
5-31 Fred Williams

And Spouse

5-27 Sheila Wild, Ray
6-01 June Brown, Merrill
6-02 Florence Porch, Leon

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5-29 Frank & Alice Sapareto
5-31 Jerry & Janet Russo
6-01 Gary & Jen Raulerson
6-02 Bob & Dee Isringhaus

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!

Sunshine News

A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

The best way to wake up with a smile on your face, is to go to bed with one already there.

John Wooley: the sad news is that he is back in ICU but the good news is that he is doing well with help from family.

Jim Spear: is back home but still has no energy.

Bob Durgin: is still having serious & continuous back pain & weakness.

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**.
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