



# FootNotes



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## Director's Notes

### SUCCESS

"Private Victory precedes Public Victory. Algebra comes before calculus." Stephen R. Covey

In 1989, Dr. Stephen Covey released a life changing book entitled "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People". In his ground breaking masterpiece, Covey makes the brilliant point that PRIVATE victory comes BEFORE public victory. Simply Put: if we want all the joys of outward success, first we must master **ourselves**. Never start by chasing outward success. Let the public acclaim flow OUT OF our own self-mastery.

This past weekend in Jacksonville, we celebrated a huge public victory. Why is this HUGE? Because the Sarasota One Voice Chorus saw the fruit of our labor crystallize in unity. We came together and allowed the public to witness what we have collectively been working on PRIVATELY for the past six months. Our brief time on stage is only the tip of the massive effort that privately occurs week in and week out. Here are just a few acknowledgements:

**UNIFORMS**– This undertaking was handled by the "Quinn Household". Behind the scenes.

**RISERS**– Dave and Scott...plus the entire team. Working overtime to make this happen.

**CHORUS MANAGEMENT**– Chad Shreffler. A new face stepping up.

**CHORUS ADMINISTRATION**– Tom Hankins. A GIANT of a man!!!

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## Calendar

Apr: 16: Lunch Bunch TBA

May 30: Singing for life Blood Drive (plus all the convention stuff, etc...)

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**HOSPITALITY ROOM**– Dick Bechtel organizing the BEST food, beverage and fun in JAX.

**CONVENTION HOSTING**– Jim Stoup. An OUTSTANDING effort coordinating our hosts.

**THE MUSIC**- How much work did Coach Don do privately? You will NEVER know.

**THE COACHES**– A world class team of unsung heroes.

**OUR OUT OF TOWN SINGERS**– Someone should tally the miles and dollars they donated.

**OUR CHORUS QUARTET REPRESENTATIVES**– Many private rehearsal hours.

**THE CORUS SINGER**– All the HOURS you spent away from your loved ones.

**OUR CHORUS LOVED ONES**– All the hours they spent away from you.

**ALL THOSE I'VE MISSED**– You know who they are. Go up and thank them.

*We are the 2009 Sunshine District Champions because of **YOUR** private victories. **THANK YOU!!!***

Coach Don and GGG

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### Member

4-08 Ray Pontoni  
4-09 Chris Fuller  
4-09 Frank Hawking  
4-10 Jamie Breedon  
4-11 Hank Zielin

### And Spouse

None to report

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4-08 Helen Cunniff, Bill  
4-13 Mary Vomacka, Hank

### GENTLEMEN, THE BROADWAY BAR IS RE-OPENED

Last week at the Broadway Bar was OK but for the echo factor. The bar doesn't have any baffling which made the room very noisy. BUT, there is a Banquet Room on the second floor which would be ideal for us. There is also an elevator for those of us who have legs that do not like stairs. Negotiations with the owners, Frank & Carolyn, are in progress for it's use by us. Even with the echo factor the place is, at least to me, better than listening to Karaoke. We sang the Irish Lullaby for Carolyn and the other patrons gave us a very good ovation. And, after that, the echo was not as disturbing to us. The people quieted down to listen to our other songs. It was, to me, a good evening at the New Broadway Bar. SEE YOU THERE, editorken.

In spite of our problems getting our sound system operating, I want to thank ALL the chorus members for their contributions to our Hospitality Room in Jacksonville. We stayed within our budget, and had a nice party, which is what it's all about. I heard nothing but positive comments from our participants. So, thanks to all who helped. You're a great chapter. Dick Bechtel

## Sunshine News

### A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even heard. They must be felt with the heart." Helen Keller

Hopefully, no news is good news, but, it sure would be nice to hear from someone about our members who may be ailing in some manner.

Cards, calls & prayers are always welcome.  
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### SINGING FOR LIFE

Please note that our "Singing for Life" Saturday in May has been moved to May 30, (the weekend after Memorial Day), so you have plenty of time to get your quartet ready; for the Blood Drive. I can tell you that we are partnering with CHILI's restaurant for this blood drive, and we are targeting their venues in Bradenton, Sarasota and Venice. We need at least eight quartets (more are welcome), and we hope to rotate each quartet between two sites for about two hours each. We hope to include quartets from Lemon Bay, Venice, Sarasota and Bradenton in this effort. It should be a good PR opportunity, and a time to "show the flag" as we used to say in the Navy. We'll start setting up the singing schedule three weeks from now. All quartets, please register with me by May 16. Dick Bechtel

### SONGS WE MAY NEVER HEAR SUNG

"I've Grown Accustomed To Her Brace"  
"The Girl From Emphysema"

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