



FootNotes



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Director's Notes

Calendar

May 16: Lunch Bunch canceled

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

A NEW BEGINNING

"Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end"...

Roman philosopher, mid- 1st century AD

All our knowledge has its origins in our perceptions and our perceptions serve as our reality. From small beginnings come great things- we know this to be true. In light of our recent victory, capturing the Sunshine District Chorus Championship, consider an excerpt from a poem written by Lady Moore-Sabb, titled none other than:

New Beginning:

*A seed is planted in the earth
the nurturing begins.*

*Nourishment has seeped inside
a process from within.*

*A rupturing has taken place
and stems begin to form.
The extension from the seed proceeds
to stretch out nice and long.*

*Subtly it makes it's way
along the chosen path.
Pressing by each obstacle
with all the strength it has.*

*Till finally it's drawn above
to reach the source of light.*

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FERTILE SOIL- We know that the beginning is the most important part of any undertaking. Certainly, with agriculture, it is critical to begin by planting in soil filled with nutrients. Why? The soil is the container that supports plant life. Soil depletion occurs when the components contributing to fertility, are removed and not replaced, and the conditions which support soil fertility are not maintained. This leads to poor crop yields and can be attributed to inadequate soil management.

GROWTH- This refers to an increase in some quantity over time. The quantity can be physical such as size, wealth and stature, or it may be abstract such as measuring complexity or maturity. It can also refer to the mode of growth such as numeric models for describing how much a particular quantity grows over time.

The first step towards reaching your destination is to decide that you will not remain stationary. Many fail because they refuse to get started—they just won't make the choice to begin. We have taken this initial step and now there is no turning back. Musically and administratively, we will lock in concert. Chorus members will collectively contribute, leaders will emerge and together we will press on, overcoming each obstacle with all the collective strength we possess...as **One Voice!**

Your Directing Team
Coacher and GGG

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

4-15 Steve Eccher
4-15 Paul Stiles
4-18 Jim Spear

And Spouse

4-15 Bernice Ditchfield, Steve
4-17 Francine Bravo, Paul
4-18 Helen Beer, Tom

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4-18 Chuck & Laurie Lindberg
4-19 Jim & Peg Styer

GENTLEMEN, THE BROADWAY BAR IS RE-OPENED BUT

Last week the Broadway was too crowded for us to find a place, so we had to go back to Applebees. DAMN!!!! I have talked with Jeff Motchok & he says the Banquet Room on the second floor is open only on weekends for now. He remembers us from the old Broadway but says he cannot let us use the second floor on Tuesdays. When the newness of the New Broadway has worn off, and the snowbirds have gone north, there will be enough room for us. Until then we are stuck with Applebees. DAMN!!!! OH WELL, see you at Applebees. Editor Ken

SONGS WE MAY NEVER HEAR SUNG

"MRI Blue?"
"My Melancholic Baby"
"From Here to Maternity"

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A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

"In family squabbles,
Truce is better than Friction"

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

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