



FootNotes



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Director's Notes

15 in 15

With our upcoming performance in Jacksonville less than 25 days away, it begs to ask the question. Are YOU Ready? We talk about Time, Talent & Treasure so this week let's focus on how best to use our available TIME!

Fifteen minutes really doesn't seem like that much time at all. Quarter of an hour. 900 Seconds...you get the picture. Although it isn't much, you would be surprised what can be accomplished- if you PLAN! Living life at the "Speed of CRAZY" we can barely get our work done, let alone any uncover discretionary down time. But almost everyone CAN find a way to carve out 15 minutes in their 24 hour daily world-wind.

Here are 15 things you can do in 15 minutes:

- 1) SEND/ANSWER CHORUS EMAILS: Spending 15 minutes to initiate or reply to emails means you won't have a backlog that may take hours to reply if you let it go for a few days. We will be sending LOTS of info over the next few weeks so keep tuned in. Individuals appreciate getting a response in a timely manner. Also, take the opportunity to encourage chorus members regularly via email. It will pay dividends.
- 2) CREATE A TO-DO List: Having a list of tasks to accomplish can make a huge difference in your productivity and also ease your mind. Rather than wasting valuable time working aimlessly, it is best to consider the big picture and work towards a larger goal. Sit down with pad and paper or computer and make a to-do list for the day, the week, and the remainder of the month. This will provide focus and direction.
- 3) ORGANIZE YOUR MUSIC & CHORUS PAPERWORK: I don't know about you, but if my chorus paperwork is messy, I am a lot less likely to accomplish much needed tasks. Take just 15 minutes to clear things & get rid of the excess clutter that accumulates after you print it out.

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Calendar

Oct. 1-4: Fall Convention in Jacksonville

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Jan. 26 to 31: 2010 Midwinter Convention, Tampa Florida at the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, Carol Morsani Hall. Details to come later.

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- 4) MEALS: Spend 15 minutes at an 'off-peak' time thinking about what and how you'll eat for the next 25 days. If your dining out a lot- PLAN IT! Eat as healthy as possible between now and contest- AND DRINK LOTS OF WATER!
- 5) MAKE PHONE CALLS: Most of my phone calls default to my voicemail because they always seem to come at the most inconvenient time. Return phone calls by saying you only have 5 minutes to talk and then stick to it. You can return 3 phone calls or more this way.
- 6) WRITE AN ARTICLE: You can easily write a 300-400 word article in 15 minutes on a topic you are knowledgeable in and submit it to The FootNotes and The Voice. (Trust me, I know;)
- 7) FREQUENTLY CHECK THE WEBSITE: We are constantly updating the web with fresh video and learning tools such as spread-sheets, word docs and powerpoints. A few weeks ago we wrote an article on the importance of having current info available. It will only be fresh content if you are actively reviewing it as frequently as we are updating it.
- 8) TAKE A BREAK: In most areas, if you work outside the home, you get a 15 minute break every four hours of labor. Take the time to do nothing. You deserve it.
- 9) HELP THE RISER TEAM: If you give 15 minutes to the set-up or take-down of risers, this will be a HUGE help to Vern & Scott. Many hands make the work easy.
- 10) HELP THE AUDIO/VISUAL TEAM: Ask Dick or Mike if you can help in any way with the sound or recording effort. Get with Hitch or Bob with respect to video.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

9-10 Dick Allen
9-10 Loren Ostema
9-11 Jim Stoup
9-12 Tom Sterling

And Spouse

9-09 Gail Zielin, Hank
9-10 Elizabeth Park, John
9-11 Mary Vomacka, Hank

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

9-12 Milt & Mickey Bronson
9-12 Jack & Gloria Webber
9-13 Ray S. & Ann Gape
9-13 Kirk & Barbra Hyder

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- 11) KEEP UP THE BOOKS: Make sure your BHS, District & Chapter membership is current. Dick can help. And what about your contest registration & room for Jacksonville.
- 12) GET YOUR COSTUMES/OUTFITS READY: 15 minutes is enough time to prepare my SCOK Polos & OV 'Blue T' outfits for the week. Fold a basket of laundry OR take stuff to the dry cleaners. Think about your contest costume. Is it ready for Jacksonville?
- 13) EXERCISE: Spend 15 minutes on the treadmill, go for a brisk walk, or ride the stationary bike. You will find your mind cleared and ready to get work done.
- 14) QUIET TIME: Spend 15 minutes doing something for yourself like thinking or reflecting. David Smotzer and David Wallace told us about 'Imagineering' and the benefits of running the performance in your mind. The time is 'NOW!!!'
- 15) RUN YOUR SETS DAILY: Your musical leadership will love it and so will you.

If you are NOT performing in Jacksonville, we know you will still want to be a part of this labor of love. We have plenty of opportunities to help with Saturday. Rehearsal in house hospitality such as coffee & doughnuts, check in procedures and various support functions. You can make the difference in showing the district why SCOK/One Voice is a family. There is much to do and we need you help. This will be the most exciting month imaginable, so lets ALL get on board.

Your Directing Team: Don & GGG

Sunshine News

A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

Music is harmony;
harmony is perfection;
perfection is our dream,
and our dream is heaven.
Henri Frederic Amiel

No new news of anyone.

Cards, calls & prayers are always welcome.
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ATTENTION: ALL PROGRAM AD SALESPERSONS

Dick Bechtel reports that he has not yet heard from any member with news of selling an AD. We only have eight weeks left to wrap up our ad campaign, and he is getting nervous. There are a lot of envelopes yet to be picked up. And, seriously, if we're going to continue with our tradition of providing our show patrons with a "first class" program, we have to pay for the \$3,500.00 printing bill with AD sales. Not ADs, no Program. This is important. Very important. We'll need 50 ads at an average price of \$70.00 each to reach our goal. It would be nice to sell 70 ads, like we did in 2008.

9 performances, 7 dates

The following dates have been confirmed.
Please mark your calendars.

Sat. Nov. 7: 7:00 PM, Kirkwood Presbyterian,
Bradenton
Fri. Nov. 13: 7:00 PM, Pine Shores Presbyterian,
Sarasota
Sat. Nov. 28: 2:00 & 7:00 PM, Glenridge
Christmas Shows
Sun. Nov. 29: Longboat Chapel. (16-20 men)
Sat. Dec. 5: 8:00 PM, Bird Key, (12-14 men)
Sun. Dec. 20: 2:00 & 7:00 PM, Glenridge
Christmas Shows
Sun. Feb. 21: 5:00 PM Church of the Redeemer,
Sarasota

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