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Director's Notes

COMMITMENT & CONTRIBUTION

"There is a difference between interest and commitment. When you're interested in doing something, you do it only when circumstance permits. When you're committed to something, you accept no excuses, only results"... AUTHOR UNKNOWN

So profound and SO very appropriate. James Womack said that COMMITMENT unlocks the doors of imagination, allows vision and gives us the "right stuff" to turn our dreams into reality. So we pose the questions- If you were to imagine the perfect Sarasota Chorus, what would it look like? What do you dream for your chapter? How big are your dreams? What will it take to make your vision a reality?

Desire is the key to motivation, but it's determination and commitment to an unrelenting pursuit of your goal- a commitment to excellence- that will enable you to attain the success you seek. Unless commitment is made, there are only promises and hopes; but no plan. And, in any successful effort, there come a time when your plan must be set into action. Potential Energy MUST become KINETIC ENERGY!

Which brings us to CONTRIBUTION. Over the past few weeks, we have explored the three "T"s- Time, Talent & Treasure. These are the cornerstones of contribution. It has been said that only those who have learned the power of sincere and selfless **contribution** experience life's deepest joy- true fulfillment. When we cease to contribute, we begin to grow comfortable in a passive state. The old adage becomes reality- there being THREE types of people in the world- those who MAKE things happen. Those who WATCH things happen and those who say, "WHAT HAPPENED"? Which of these fit your style?

As we approach the new singing year, we find many LIMITLESS opportunities to contribute through commitment.

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Calendar

Nov. 7: Kirkwood Presbyterian, Bradenton, Saturday 7pm

Nov. 13: Pine Shores Presbyterian, Sarasota, Friday 7pm

Nov. 28: Glenridge Christmas Shows Saturday 2 & 7pm

Nov. 29: Longboat Chapel, (16-20 men) Sunday

Dec. 5: Bird Key, 8pm, (12-14 men) Saturday

Dec. 20: Glenridge Christmas Shows 2 & 7pm Sunday

2010

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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We have new officers being elected and a musical team that is "itching" to pursue greatness. This new year features a new and exciting musical repertoire commanding higher quality standards. We have produced a quality CD ready for distribution- a project that our family and friends as well as the entire barbershop world can experience and enjoy. We embark on the new "world class" show venue, an upcoming BHS Caribbean Cruise, a growing competition chorus and the potential to showcase our music and performances on a broader geographical horizon. The possibilities are LIMITLESS!

So, WHO will step up to the crossroads of Commitment and Contribution? WHAT dreams can be fulfilled to the fullest? WHERE do you plug in? WHEN does your input become part of the process?

How can we synergize our talents to achieve greatness? The story is complete if YOU are involved.

Your Coaching Team, Don & GGG

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

10-13 Steve Marrin
10-16 Ray Schiller
10-17 Don Hadden

And Spouse

None to report

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10-14 Bob & Mary Ellen Hagen
10-18 Glen & Barbara Moon

ATTENTION: ALL PROGRAM AD SALESPERSONS

I realize that our chapter focus right now has to be on the upcoming district convention, but when we return next week, we must turn our focus toward future shows on our calendar, including holiday music, 2010 show music, and buy no means least, the preparation of our **Show Program**. That includes the selling of ads to pay for our printing costs, and the inclusion of other information I've asked members to supply to me. We must, and we will, be ready to go to press on November 4th. That means the bulk of this work must be in my hands no later than October 20th. After I get the material, I will have to spend hours (days) just to get it ready for the printers, so we need to turn "push into shove" now. And rest assured, I'll be available to assist you. Dick Bechtel

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Sunshine News

A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

"The future belongs to those who believe
in the beauty of their dreams".
Eleanor Roosevelt

No new news of anyone.

Cards, calls & prayers are always welcome.
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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

SARASOTA CHORUS SPRING SHOW

Saturday March 6th, 2010 at the brand new River-
view Performing Arts Center. The Center is at the
corner of Proctor Road & Lords Ave.
(south of Bee Ridge Rd & east of US 41, the trail).
We will likely be the first Community group to per-
form at this venue. Times & prices TBA. **NOW**, we
need someone to step up & be our ticket chairman.
WE NEED YOU NOW!!!