



FootNotes



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Director's Notes

"The biggest **reward** for a thing well done is to have done it." Voltaire, (French Philosopher/Writer and one of the greatest of all French authors, 1694-1778.

THE REWARD

A reward is a satisfying result- it is the return for the performance of a desired behavior, and provides a positive reinforcement. When you give a reward, you are providing recompense and showing satisfaction or gratification for a job well done. In other words, Mission Accomplished!

Well again, this past Saturday, the SCOK received a tremendous reward from our audiences at both shows. Yes, we earned a standing ovation and encore at BOTH performances. That is a reward in and of itself, yet we NEVER take that prize for granted. We have learned the lesson that each time we take the stage, our effort must be fresh and must feel as though it is the "first time".

Effort only fully releases its **reward** when a person refuses to quit. Such was the case on Saturday. We began our rehearsals at 11:30 A.M. and did not quit until we shook the hand of every audience member as they left the auditorium at about 9:00 P.M. Gentlemen, we are so very proud of you.

Why? **Because** the singing was top notch. We sang in tune and never gave in to fatigue or "rubber legs". In fact, some of the evening songs were stronger and more heartfelt than the earlier ones. **Because** our quartets- Santa's "Whiddle Helpers" (Mary Had a Baby was heavenly and The Grinch was...Green), The "Whiddle Bowery Boys, (Ya gotta love those costumes...But get some TEETH) and our True Tones (who anchored the show and sang with class and poise)- continue to improve and provide the perfect balance of entertainment and musical excellence. **Because** one of the finest banjo pluckers in North America- Mr. Warren Worthley- is a star.

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Calendar

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

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

2010

Jan. 9: Annual Installation Dinner,
Bent Tree Country Club, (pending)

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

Feb. 21: Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota
Sunday

Mar. 6: Sarasota Chorus Spring Show,
Riverview Performing Arts Center.
Saturday, March 6 Matinee is at 2 PM,

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He sang and performed even though he was battling fatigue and sickness from his trip. What a "Trooper"! **Because** Chris Owens (what a job as Logistics Manager) and "Mr. POW" are considering taking their comedy duo on the road (in fact, some SCOK members are encouraging them to leave as soon as possible). **Because** we have a "Doo Wop King" in Vern Sievers. WHAT A JOB directing Jingle Bell Rock...**AND** because we have a barbershop icon in Mr. Don Clause. He designed, developed and directed a perfectly timed show-stopping entertainment package that had BOTH audiences "dancing in their seats...AND in the aisles"!

AND because, AFTER the shows, each man extended to each person in the audience- no matter how brief or seemingly trivial the contact- all the care, kindness, understanding and love that we could muster. And you did it with no thought of any **reward**- the joy of the journey became the **reward**. When we do that, we change their lives, hence a "Life-Changing Event"- and the true reward for us is that OUR lives will never again be the same.

Walk Tall SCOK.

Your Directing Team, Don & GGG

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Member

12-06 Patrick Kilbane

And Spouse

12-01 Phyllis Allen. Dick

12-02 Barbara George, Mike

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

12-01 Harold & Dorothy Eady

12-01 Al & Dolores Yearick

SARASOTA CHORUS SPRING SHOW

Saturday, March 6th & Sunday, March 7th, 2010 at the brand new Riverview Performing Arts Center. The Center is at the corner of Proctor Rd. & Lords Ave. (south of Bee Ridge Rd & east of US 41, the trail). We will likely be the first Community group to perform at this venue.

Saturday Matinee is at 2 pm,

Saturday Evening Show is at 7 pm.

Sunday Matinee is at 2 pm.

Prices are \$40, \$35, \$30, \$25, and \$20.

Ticket Chairman is Joe Nanfito, 941-484-7589.

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Sunshine News

A THOUGHT TO REMEMBER

Those who complain about the way
the ball bounces.
are often the ones who dropped it.

No new news of anyone.

Cards, calls & prayers are always welcome.

Sunshine Chair— Ed Manville **941-346-8219**

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4 PERFORMANCES— 3 DATES

The following dates have been confirmed.

Please mark your calendars.

Sat. Dec. 5: 8:00 PM, Bird Key, (12—14 men)

Sun. Dec. 20: 2:00 & 7:00 Pm, Glenridge
Christmas Shows
2010

Sun. Feb. 21: 5:00 PM Church of the Redeemer,
Sarasota

CHRISTMAS SHOW TICKETS

Joe Nanfito will have tickets for our two Christmas Shows at Glenridge on December 20. Please step up, take some tickets and either buy them or sell them. On Tuesday, December 15, please return unsold tickets to Joe and give him a check or cash for the tickets you bought or sold. Thank you, Joe