

# THE PEEP SHEET

## Manatee Chapter's Newsletter

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**Costume:** White Shoes, White Socks, White Trousers and Tropical Shirt

### Singouts

- Surry Place – Wednesday, March 11th – Be there at 1:30 p.m. Costume same as above.
- Tropical Gardens – Monday, March 23rd – Be there at 6:30 p.m. Costumes same as above.

### REHEARSALS

- Every Tuesday and Thursday in March at Water's Edge @ 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 14th 9:00 a.m. Mass Chorus at Water's Edge
- Tuesday, March 24th – Full Dress Rehearsal at Water's Edge @ 7:00 p.m.

### SHOWS

- Friday, March 20th, 6:00 p.m. ±, Venice Show
- Friday, March 27th, 6:00 p.m. ±, Sun City Center Show
- Sunday, March 29th, **BINGO!**



### TICKET RETURN DATE



All money for show tickets and unsold tickets that have been distributed to members must be turned in to the ticket chairpeople at rehearsal on **Thursday, March 19th**. Hopefully there won't be any unsold tickets turned in, **just money!**



### NAME TAGS

from Charlie Blair,  
VP Membership

Thanks to those members that remember to wear their name tags and to those that don't remember, thank you for your contribution to our forgotten name tag fund. Due to the fact, that there are several new members, it is important that we wear our name tags and the new members wear their provided name badges so that everyone will be able to become familiar with each others names.

### OFF THE PAPER

from Your Director



The following is a list of the songs we will be singing on March 29th. Everyone should be OFF THE PAPER by now or at least ASAP, because we have many other things to learn for our show besides the words to the music.

1. Down Mobile
2. Where The Southern Roses Grow
3. Tin Roof Blues
4. Darkness On The Delta
5. After Dark
6. Alexander's Ragtime Band

I ask you to put your best effort into attending every Tuesday and Thursday rehearsal until show time. Also don't forget the Mass Chorus rehearsal on Saturday, March 14th at 9:00 a.m.

*Congratulations!*

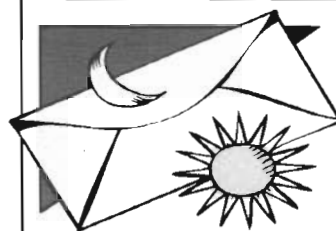
to the following Sandpiper renewal:

David Eitman      25 Years

**THANKS**

Prez Chaz

Thanks to Ken Geisinger and Bruce Witton for the loan of their chairs to use as seats for those members that aren't able to stand for long periods of time at the annual show.



**SUNSHINE NEWS**

**Frank Chlad** – is recovering from a severe respiratory situation.

**Mary Hansen** – wife of Tenor/Lead is recovering from a recent surgery.

**Ron Gore** – is suffering from a recurring medical situation.

And to all other members and their family members that we may not be aware of who might be under the weather, we wish you a speedy recovery.

Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers, send a card or words of encouragement with a call and/or a visit as appropriate.

Also, if you should know of any member or their family that may need some sunshine from members, please contact your Sunshine Person, Imelda Garvin @ 941-722-3640.

**JOE BARBERSHOPPER**



**TEN COMMANDMENTS  
OF SINGING  
IN A CHORUS**

by Bill Biffle  
(Big Orange Chorus)

1. Be at rehearsals – you can't contribute if you're not there.
2. Stand and sit up straight – you need to be upright and relaxed to breathe correctly and support the vocal tone.
3. Keep vertical space inside your mouth – drop your jaw and lift your soft palate.
4. Keep your tongue forward and high in your mouth; the tip stays against the lower gum ridge unless it needs to leave for a millisecond to make a consonant.
5. Stay relaxed – keep tension out of our jaw, your lips, your tongue and your face.
6. Smile – you're having fun singing with your brothers-in-song; show it!
7. Listen – what sing of sound are you making? How does it fit in with the sounds around you?
8. Watch the director's HANDS – sing with his hand signals and you won't be late anymore!
9. Learn your words and notes early – it's more fun to sing stuff you know.
10. Invite someone to share the joy with you. Membership is the lifeblood of what we do.

**TICKET SALE REMINDER**

Please remember to pick up some show flyers tonight and distribute them everywhere you go. Keep in mind that this performance will be featuring the world renowned Barbershop and Gospel Quartet, Happiness Emporium/Good News from Minnesota. You might want to distribute a flyer to your place of worship and any other place of worship that may be in your neighborhood or you may encounter in your travels.

We are lagging behind in ticket sales, so it is of the utmost importance that you distribute flyers and get the word out to as many people as possible. We can't count only on media publicity, you must do your part too.

