

# CHIMES TIMES II

## EACH ONE, REACH ONE

AUGUST 2009

### AGENDA... FOR CHORUS BUSINESS MEETING

TUESDAY, AUG. 4, 2009

**6:15 P.M.—6:45 P.M.**

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. VOTE ON PROPOSED LOGO
2. COSTUMES-FUNDRAISERS TO SUPPORT PURCHASES
3. MEMBERSHIP
4. WINERIES FOR SINGOUTS
5. NOMINATING COMMITTEE
6. NASCAR
7. WOS DATES, DECALS &

#### SIGN DISTRIBUTION

8. CALENDAR
9. HOME SCHOOL NIGHT

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. OCTOBER BBQ

#### COMMITTEES:

WANT TO PRESENT AN IDEA TO THE CHORUS? GET ON THE AGENDA BY CONTACTING AD-HOC MEMBER JOYCE PALMER AT 273-1713.

#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *Agenda for next business meeting*
- *Timeline of 2009*
- *The Importance of Membership*
- *Reminders*
- *Chimes Trivia*
- *Music Ed 101*

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009:

- *Aug. 4—Chorus Business Meeting 6:15 p.m.*
- *August 6-9—NASCAR*
- *August 20—Singout at LongPoint*
- *August 22—WOS (Setup starts August 20)*
- *Elks—Pigroast & VA Hospital, date TBA*
- *New Member Party—Dates to be determined*
- *More 2009 Singouts—Dates to be determined*

### TIMELINE 2009

February — Singing Valentines 2/13 & 14

June — Drive-Thru Chicken BBQ 6/14

July — Relay for Life 7/10-7/11

August — NASCAR 8/6-9; Whale of a Tag Sale 8/22

October — Drive-Thru Chicken BBQ 10/11

October- December — Christmas Chorus

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Committee A Report

Costume committee has successfully purchased new shoes for all active members. Cost was reduced from \$35.00 to \$30.00 by the time the shoes were purchased.

Costume committee still needs to organize costumes on hand and present a budget to the board. The committee will also continue to work on

additional fundraising ideas to support purchase of future costumes, which will be presented to the Executive Board.

#### Committee B Report

Credential information has been submitted to Americrown for NASCAR volunteers. Each day is still short of volunteers for Pit Terrace. Note: Americrown will only credential volunteers

18 or over from this point forward. Anyone who knows of an adult willing to volunteer for Friday, Saturday or Sunday should contact Candis at (607) 227-6410. A few members and other volunteers have ultimately been unable to commit to the time they initially thought they could work, so we need more staff. If we are unable to staff with Chimes volunteers, we will need to

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### REMINDERS:

*Don't forget to wear your name tag at rehearsals and singouts!*

*Planning to be absent? Please call Daisy Sweet if you are unable to attend a planned rehearsal. It will facilitate the group and the director's ability to plan the evening. Thanks!!*

*Bring your tape recorder to rehearsal!!*

## THE IMPORTANCE OF MEMBERSHIP

We have been told recently that our performances are good, that our blend is tightening up, that our audiences are enjoying our musical ability and our energy. Let's remember to share the good news and camaraderie with everyone we touch. Don't forget that guy standing in the line at the grocery store probably has a sister, wife, daughter, mother, friend or colleague who is a potential member of the Chimes. Now is the time to begin to encourage your contacts to sing for the holidays with us. It's never too early!

### MUSIC ED 101

Continuing along the path of warm-ups, the 5 options: stretches, rhythmic, melodic, harmonic, breathing.

Let's explore harmonic this month. These warm-ups are generally used for vocal groups who need to warm-up their hearing in order to have tight harmonies as they sing. They are also useful for solo singers in order to sing more confidently against background harmonies. Basically, they are very similar in style to the melodic warm-ups except that each person sings a different pitch, rhythm, and sometimes syllable.

### CHIMES NOTE

New mailing address for the Chimes is:

P.O. Box 4522

Ithaca, New York 14852

**THANK YOU TO CLAIRE AND JOAN WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO BE ON THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR OFFICER ELECTIONS. OFFICES COMING UP THIS YEAR ARE PRESIDENT, RECORDING SECRETARY AND AD HOC. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RUN FOR OFFICE, PLEASE CONTACT CLAIRE OR JOAN!**

### COMMITTEE REPORTS (CONT'D)

hire help at \$8.00 per hour. It would seriously cut into the fundraising profits for the Chimes for this event.

The publicity committee still plans to draft a two-sided, menu-style, flyer to be laminated and placed in locations throughout the area advertising the chorus and the events we hold on a regular basis. This is a good place to advertise our BBQ's and WOS.

Although Jill has contacted the Ithaca Journal with correct information regarding rehearsals, there is still a need for correction. She will contact them again.

Claire has reported that there was an additional \$50.00 spent on charcoal for the Flag

Day BBQ. It has been suggested that purchase of charcoal in the future should be at a location where the price would be less per bag. Claire also received an inquiry to our website requesting information on how to join the chorus.

A reimbursement still needs to be submitted for moving the donated piano to the current rehearsal location at Conifer Village.

Fundraising: Concentration is on the upcoming Whale of a Tag Sale. The garage #36 is nearly full. Additional space will be available until the sale takes place in #37. Carol has contacted Student Agencies regarding the price of posterage the Collegetown area on our

behalf. They charge a fee for posting a certain number of flyers.

Director: The Pegasys channel at Time Warner Cable still needs to be contacted to see if we can get on TV for the Christmas season.

Reminder! Summer rehearsals are at Conifer Village—200 Conifer Drive, just off Rt. 79 going toward Mecklenburg, same time as usual.

A big thank you to all who participated in Relay for Life! A special thanks to Carol for much work and organization, to Eric for entertaining us with Sylvester McMonkey McBean, and to Amy Westmiller (Roni's sister) for walking through the night with us!

### AUNT ABIGAIL'S ADVICE

*Dear Auntie Abigail,*

*Help!! My front lawn looks like something out of a Beverly Hillbilly's movie—an old trunk filled with my Grannie's handmade quilts, a bumper from Elmer's '59 DeSoto, cousin Bubba's coonskin cap, Uncle Walter's three-wheeler—well you get the picture I'm about to get a citation. What'll I do??*

*Fed-up*

*Dear Fed-up,*

*Tisk-tisk...how did you let your kin take advantage of you like that? Get in touch with one of the gals in the Cayuga Chimes. I hear they are collecting for their annual Whale of a Tag Sale this month. Your sweetie will be happy, your family will be happy and boy will the neighbors be impressed! That's my advice.*