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New Chorus Name! New Meeting Venue! **NEW ATTITUDE!**

The Chorus is starting 2017 with a lot of new aspects, including The Phoenixians name, the meeting venue at the Church of the Beatitudes at the southeast corner of Glendale and 7th Aves. in Phoenix (just a mile and a half from where we formerly met) and that all-important New Attitude.

The New Attitude is the most important part with 15 or more members agreeing to take on committee positions to help the chapter and chorus run more smoothly. (If you were unable to attend the meeting but would still like to contribute to the chapter's growth and improvement, contact President Glean Partridge.)

A survey of members showed that the main interests/desires of the members, when combining top responses to "Most Important" and "Most Enjoyable" aspects of the chapter are Performing (a strong first place), Vocal training, and Fun. Quarteting, Fellowship, Harmonizing and Contests were all close behind the top categories.

The administrative and music leadership is taking these responses in consideration as our goals are set for the new year. Among those, we are aiming toward the chapter's 75th anniversary in 2018 and have some great ideas on how to make it as special for The Phoenixians as the Society did in 2013 for its 75th.

If you haven't attended a rehearsal for a while come on down this Tuesday to see the effects of our new name, new venue and New Attitude.

Singing Valentines next on our agenda

A successful Singing Valentines program on Feb. 10-14 can go a long way to help finance our chapter and make us better known to the public.

Watch for more information and be prepared to 1) Volunteer to sing at least one of those days with a quartet delivering Singing Valentines to happy recipients and 2) Help sell the Singing Valentines to anyone you know who has a "Valentine" that he or she wants to say "I Love You" with a song.

Beatles & Barbershop: Music to work on

You've spent our Christmas "vacation" by working hard on chorus music, haven't you? If not be aware that the emphasis now is on our Beatles music, especially "All My Loving," which will play an important part in our Singing Valentines program.

Calendar

Feb. 10-14 -- Singing Valentines

Treat our new meeting hall with respect

If you haven't seen the new rehearsal hall you'll be impressed by how well it suits us, including a high, hardwood ceiling that adds to a great sound.

We have a very favorable rental fee but with it goes some requirements on our part to continue to make the hall available to us.

They'll be explained to us Tuesday night but the main requirements are that we bring no food or drink (except for bottled water) into the hall, that we return it to the layout of chairs, etc. that it had when we arrive and that we use the far left door, not the glass doors immediately outside of the meeting area. Also note that all doors will lock automatically at 9 p.m. but anyone arriving after that time can knock on the door for entrance.

We think you'll like our new setting and will be happy to meet the church's requirements.

TEAMWORK

Taking down the rehearsal hall needs to become a full MEMBERSHIP EFFORT. Arriving early will also be helpful in getting the chairs and risers set up. We are a TEAM -- Let's help one another!

Unless Announced Otherwise,

The Phoenixians will have weekly rehearsals every Tuesday night starting at 7:00 p.m. at Church of the Beatitudes, 555 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix, Arizona. (Parking entrance off Seventh Avenue south of Glendale Avenue).