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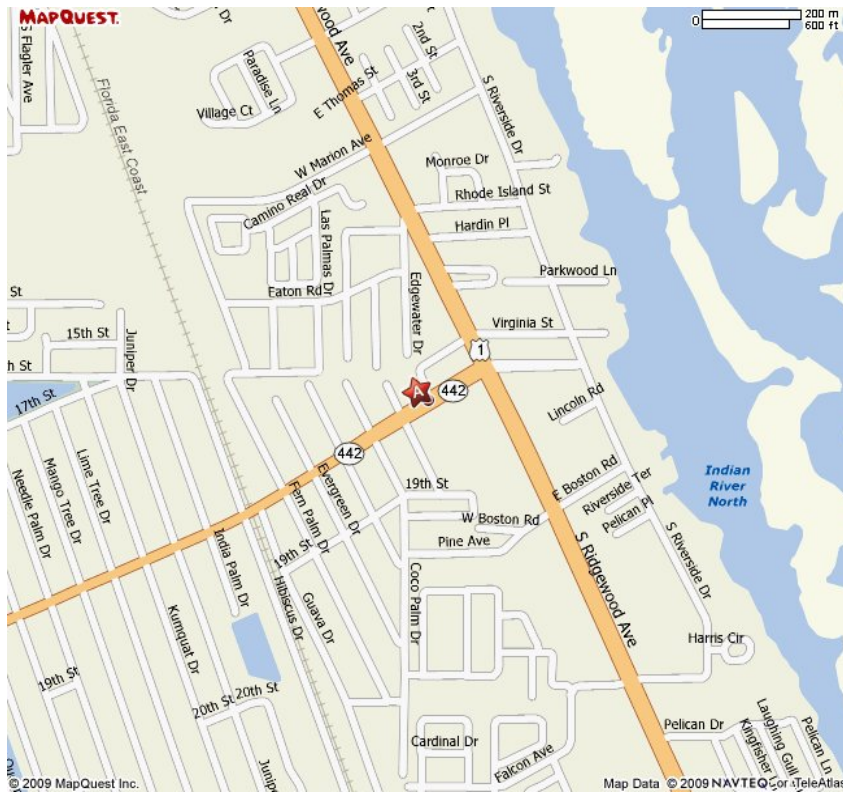
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***HOT STUFF!***

- FROM YOUR BOOKING CZAR:** Singout in Edgewater! Mark your calendars! It's official. We'll be singing at the **Edgewater Library on Tuesday, April 7, 2009**. Warm up at **noon**; sing at 12:30pm. Costume is **Gold shirt**, black pants, black shoes and socks. (Same as St. Patrick's Day!) We need everyone. Song list and map is below. And....we'll be thinking of something exciting to do between the singout and the chorus rehearsal! **NOT YET OFFICIAL.....**but mark your calendars! Singout in **DB Shores, 11 am, Saturday, April 11th, 2009**. I'll have a sign up sheet at our rehearsal on Tuesday, in case this is approved! It's a paid singout and we need the money! In the meantime, keep looking for more singouts! Civic organizations, churches, etc. Have them contact me if they are interested!  
 Thanks, **Myron**
- FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESKTOP:** First, let me thank you for the hard work that everyone is putting into their preparation for this chorus's greatest show. I am excited about this show. I have had conversions with more friends and acquaintances about this 50s show than any other show of which I've been a part. Secondly, please keep up the good work. Continue to study your music and sell those show tickets and ads. Talk it up! Let everyone know that this show is not going to be the 'usual' barbershop show. Sell it! I had the pleasure of spending time this past weekend with Myron, Christopher, Tony, Corky, Bob Stump, **Jack O'Keefe**, and many others at the Sunshine Spring Convention. All I can say is "WOW!" This one will put Sunshine "on the map." Five (that's right five) quartets qualified for the International Convention in Anaheim! The top quartet "On Demand" not only won the College contest but they were first place in the entire contest. And, in case you haven't heard, we also have a new Sunshine District Chorus Champion, "One Voice" from Sarasota, under the combined direction of George Gipp and Don Clause. It was just a fantastic performance by all participants. If you weren't there you missed out on the best barbershop around. Thirdly, if you didn't read it in your latest Harmonizer, let me tell you! Mark your calendars! Make plans! The 2010 Mid-Winter Convention is going to be in Tampa. If you haven't been to a Society Convention before, here's your chance! If you have been before, I don't have to tell you! Finally, here's an observation brought up by our Chapter's newest member, Ed Love. He has noticed that our numbers have started to dwindle since the Kiwanis Show in New Smyrna. He asked "why?" I didn't have an answer for him. To all of you, especially those who are no longer coming to rehearsal, and to those whose attendance is waning, I remind you that I operate an "open door" policy. Please if we need to change or add anything to relight the spark to fire up your barbershop spirit, please let me know! I want each of you to know that you are truly missed and welcome you back on Tuesday night with "open arms."  
 Thanks, **Bill**
- FROM OUR DIRECTOR:** The show is coming soon as you know. We will do some sectionals tonight and most every week so work at home to make our sectionals run smooth. Tonight we will mainly hit the 50s stuff and try to get off the paper when we are all together to really get some interpretation in our singing. I will get the song list in the right order very soon. However, the song list is complete as listed in the Announcer a few weeks ago. There are 6 chorus songs in the first half and 8 in the second half. Again that is Chorus Songs I am talking about - 14 chorus songs for the whole show. There are 23 songs in the show (which includes 2 by the Firecracker in the first half). They will

do a set of songs to begin the 2nd half. This will be a full 2 hour show. The show package is complete; it is up to us to make it happen. I plan to give it my very best. I hope you are planning to do the same. Remember the Saturday rehearsal is May 2nd beginning at 9:30 a.m. and will go for 3 hours. Also we will have a Friday evening dress rehearsal May 15, the night before the show. Time of rehearsal is TBA soon. Thanks, **Art**

- **FROM YOUR MUSIC V.P.:** Wow, what a convention last weekend. The Quartets and Choruses ALL did a commendable job. And to think we had five out of eight Quartets that made the Saturday Night Finals, qualify with enough points to go to International Competition in Anaheim this July, was unbelievable. Normally, 3 would have been great, but five is a record for Sunshine District...Ever. WOW! And Saturday at the Chorus Contest, Sarasota and Tampa were really close also, with Sarasota becoming District Champions for 2009. Wonderful weekend of Barbershop Harmony. Now, Reality. Showtime is racing toward us, and we all know that we really need a successful show this year. This means GOOD SINGING (knowing our parts really well), following our Director, PERFORMING each song (telling and selling the story with our faces and body movements). **AND SELL, SELL, SELL ADs and tickets.** Let's really get behind this show gentlemen. We need everyone to give it their very best effort. Thanks, **Your Music Guy**
- **GUEST ARTICLE 1:** Aha! There's an ulterior motive to our learning tags. I've only been doing this for 8 years so I wasn't aware that doing tags (tagging?) was supposed to be a learning experience. I thought, "Hey, this is fun and games". Now, I find out that it is more than fun and games. I asked myself last night, "Myself, why is Corky so aggravated?" He seems to be overreacting (quite a bit), I thought. You see, nobody ever told me (and no one ever accused me of being terribly bright) that learning tags was supposed to enhance our HEARING and not our sight reading ability. I did notice, when I first joined, that many could memorize their parts rather quickly whereas I remembered about 3 notes if I were lucky. So, I looked at the music (as did a few uninformed others) not realizing that we were committing a crime. I've found out since, otherwise. Anyway, I mentioned the explosion that occurred last night to Corky and he explained all this to me. So, if you've stayed with this essay, you now know as much as I do. Once again, AHa! **Boz**
- **PICNIC NEWS!** The picnic will be on **Saturday, May 30, 2009**, at Earl's condo. There will be a sign-up sheet for quartets and quartet wannabes. You will be competing for valuable prizes, especially the coveted Dick Miller Memorial Trophy! Be thinking about what delicious side dish you will be bringing. **Myron**, Picnic Committee
- **GUEST ARTICLE 2:** All my life, my home has always had a library, even when living in a one bedroom apartment with cribs in the kitchen and living room. It's been where I've solved crossword puzzles, followed the exploits of Dirk Pick, filled in the Sudoku grids and in my formative years, and hidden out. The room alluded to, of course, is the smallest of all rooms, the one with the most plumbing. Now, however, with the pressure on, it has been converted to a conservatory. I have found, by multitasking and putting my time to good use in this manner, that I am learning not only the words but also the music that I should have committed to memory long since. Of course, one's mastery of whatever the subject depends upon how much time one spends multitasking (I love that word) in the conservatory. Give it a try. It seems to be working for me. **Boz**
- **NEXT BOARD MEETING:** The next Board meeting will be **April 7th** in the D.S.C. Choral room. We will begin at **5:00 P.M.** Have something for the Agenda? See a Board member. All members are invited to attend Board meetings. Agendas, minutes and other reports are available in the Members Only section of Chapter web site: <http://www.surfsidechorus.org>.



### **Edgewater Library, 103 W. Indian River Blvd [SR 442]**

- **EDGEWATER LIBRARY SONG LIST: April 7, 2009, at Noon**

- 1 - There's No Business Like Show Business
  - 2 - I Love That Old Barbershop Style
  - 3 - Honey/Li'l Lize Medley
  - 4 - My Wild Irish Rose
  - 5 - Hello Mary Lou
  - 6 - Yesterday
  - 7 - Goodnight Sweetheart
  - 8 - God Bless America
- Encore selection - Sweet and Lovely  
 May start with The Old Songs and Down Our Way.

- **SPRING SHOW SONGLIST: May 16, 2009, at 2 p.m.**

**1st half** 1 - 50s Medley, 2 - Hello Mary Lou, 3 - Breaking Up Is Hard To Do, 4 - Witch Doctor, 5 - Shaboom, 6 - Yesterday, 7 - In The Still Of The Night, 8 - In My Room, 9 - Under The Boardwalk, 10 - When I'm 64, 11 - All I Have To Do Is Dream, 12 - Goodnight Sweetheart, 13 and 14 will be 2 selections from Firecracker (our Sweet Adeline guest quartet and actors in the 1st half for our soda shop.) There are 6 chorus numbers, 1, 2,4,6,11,12. Our soda shop set will be plenty long enough to fill the 1st half of our show and take us to the intermission.

**2nd half** Firecracker for 25-30 minutes. This gives us about 25 minutes or so. Here goes: 15 - **There's No business Like Show Business**, 16 - **Alexander's Ragtime Band**, 17 - **Simple Melody** (quartet), 18 - **Shenandoah**, 19 - **I Love That Old Barbershop Style**, 20 - **I Believe**, 21 - **This Is My Country**, 22 - **Battle Hymn Of The Republic**, 23 - **God Bless America**.

[**DEADLINE is Monday BEFORE 6 PM for this sheet. Call or email Christopher FUN-290-3452.**]