

# *Sacred Harp Sings*

## *2004 & 2005*

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# HOW TO SUBMIT MINUTES

Before you prepare the minutes for your singing, please familiarize yourself with the general format and style of the minutes of other singings and try to use the same format and style for your minutes.

- **Name/Location/Date/Time** Please start the minutes with exactly three lines showing: 1) the name of the singing, 2) the location, and 3) the calendar date(s) on which it was held. Do *not* use all-caps.
- **Breaks** Please indicate breaks using RECESS or LUNCH, capitalized as shown, and on a line by themselves.
- **Multi-Day Singings** Indicate the start of a second or third day of singing with the day and date spelled out on a line by itself.
- **Names** Please try to verify the spellings of all names. Do not put state names or abbreviations after singers' names. Do not insert commas between the name and the first song number.
- **Song Numbers** Please list songs only by number. List the name of a song only if the song does not appear in *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition*. If two songs begin on the same page, be sure to add "t" for top or "b" for bottom to the page number. For example: 31t or 49b. If a particular song is the only song beginning on its page, a "t" or "b" should not be used. For example: 306 (not 306b).
- **Memorial Lesson** When listing those memorialized, please indicate the state of origin and year of death if known.
- **Officers** Please list officers at the end of the minutes, ending with the name of the secretary.
- **Brevity** Please be brief with any descriptions of business sessions, resolutions reports, memorial lessons, and expressions of thanks. Submitted minutes will be edited as needed for space reasons.
- **Payment** Each singing must pay a fee to appear in the minutes and receive 10 copies of the minutes book per singing day. Minutes sent without payment will not appear in the book.
- **Fees** \$40 per singing day if you want the books mailed to you  
-or- \$30 per singing day if you will pick up the books in person.
- **Check Payable To**      **Sacred Harp Minutes**
- **Submit To**                      Shelbie Sheppard  
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# COMPUTER INSTRUCTIONS

Please use a computer to prepare your minutes and send them to us by e-mail at [minutes@fasola.org](mailto:minutes@fasola.org).

- **Before You Start** First read *How to Submit Minutes* on the previous page, and follow the instructions. If your minutes are not formatted correctly, we may have to re-type them.
- **No Formatting** Do not use bold, italics, underline, or other special formatting. Do not center the title. Do not type the title in upper case. We will add these formatting elements later.
- **Hard Returns** Never insert returns in the middle of a paragraph—instead, allow paragraphs to wrap to the full column width. Include hard returns (also called ¶ marks or line breaks) only at the end of paragraphs and single lines. Don't use two returns in a row to separate any paragraphs or single lines.
- **File Format** When done editing, please save the file in “Text Only” format (this will intentionally remove any special formatting you may have used, such as bold or italic). If your word processor offers a choice between Text Only and Text Only With Line Breaks—be sure to choose Text Only because Text Only With Line Breaks will insert unwanted hard returns into the file.
- **File Name** Save the file with the name of your singing. Add the extension “.txt”, indicating that it is a text file. For example: LibertyHomecoming.txt. Do not simply name it “minutes.txt”.
- **E-Mail Format** If you are certain that your e-mail program will not add unwanted hard returns, you can paste the minutes directly into the body of the e-mail. If you are unsure, please send the file as an attachment instead.
- **Always Send a Printout** Please mail a printout along with your payment. This allows us to re-type the minutes in the event the e-mail is lost or unreadable.
- **Please Send Other Updates** In the same e-mail as the minutes, please send updates to your singing's directory entry, any local singing information, names & addresses, birthdays, etc.
- **Web Help** A web page with helpful hints, tools, and examples has been prepared for your reference at: <http://fasola.org/minutes/>
- **Questions** Please send any questions to [minutes@fasola.org](mailto:minutes@fasola.org)

# SACRED HARP SINGINGS

## 2005 DIRECTORY

### ANNUAL SINGINGS

Note: Fifth Sunday singings are included here by their dates, and in addition are listed in a separate section starting on page 27, with explanations of the formulas for determining their dates.

#### *January*

##### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 1st**—New Year's Day Singing—Walnut Hills Christian Church—1438 East McMillan—Cincinnati, Ohio—From I-75 or I-471—Follow interstate to downtown—East on U.S. 50 (Columbia Parkway)—Left at first light (Kemper Lane)—At top of hill, right onto McMillan at light—About 0.5 mile to church at Ingleside—From I-71 southbound—Exit at Taft (Exit 3)—From ramp, make four successive rights onto Taft, Reading, Oak, and May—Go 2 blocks, then left on McMillan—About 1 mile to church at Ingleside—Always on New Year's Day.  
Info: John Bealle 513.861.1137 jbealle@spsp.net—  
Web: <http://www.math.ohio-state.edu/~econrad/fasola.html>

**Sat., 1st**—New Year's Day Singing—St. Peter's Episcopal Church—4250 North Glebe Road—Arlington, Virginia—3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—Potluck at 6:00 p.m.—  
Info: Mary Ann Daly 301.229.8534 daly@rff.org or <http://www.fsgw.org>

**Sat., 1st**—Covington County New Year's Singing—First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall—Dogwood Street—Collins, Mississippi—Cooper Book—From Hwy. 49 which runs between Jackson and Harrisburg—Take 84 east into Collins—Watch for Dogwood Street and signs to direct you to the church—First Saturday.

**Sun., 2nd**—Shady Grove Annual Singing—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles north of Double Springs—Hwy. 195.

**Sun., 2nd**—Singing School—Liberty Church—Henagar, Alabama—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Sunday night singing follows at 5:30 p.m.—2 miles north of Henagar on Liberty Road—Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 david@davidivey.com

**Sun., 2nd**—State University of West Georgia Singing—Food Service Building (Z-6)—Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.

##### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 8th**—Singing School—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.—Teacher/Hugh McGraw—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end and turn left.

**Sat., 8th, p.m.**—Memorial Singing for Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—6 miles east of Jasper, Hwy. 69—Follow Hwy. 69 to Boldo—The church is on the right, next to the fire station. This singing is always held each year on Saturday night before the second Sunday in January.

**Sun., 9th**—Uncle Jack Kerr and Henry Kerr Memorial—Camp Ground Methodist Church—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m. CT—Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to

Fruithurst—Turn north onto County Road 49—Dutch Treat Singing—  
Meals are served at the church for a very reasonable price.

**Sun., 9th**—Anniversary Singing—Irish American Heritage Center—  
4632 North Knox—Chicago, Illinois—10:30 a.m.—Just off the I-94 Wilson exit

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 15th**—Auburn Sacred Harp Singing—St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church—  
136 E. Magnolia Avenue (just north of College Street)—Auburn, Alabama—9:30  
a.m.—Info: Allison Ivey 334.826.0741 iveyall@auburn.edu or Richard Ivey  
iveyria@auburn.edu

**Sat., 15th & Sun., 16th**—All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention—  
Los Angeles, California—9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., both days—  
Info: Carla Smith 619.544.0432 or 619.533.3181 DrXOX@aol.com

### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 22nd & Sun., 23rd**—Baldwin County Cooper Book Singing—Bay Minette  
Church of Christ Fellowship Hall—Pine and First Street—Bay Minette, Alabama—  
9:30 a.m.—Info: Bill Hogan 251.665.2433

**Sat., 22nd & Sun., 23rd**—Keystone Singing Convention—Chads Ford Historical  
Society—Chad's Ford, Pennsylvania—9:30-3:30 p.m.—  
Creek Road (Old Route 100) across from historic John Chads House—One quarter  
mile north of the intersection of Creek Road and U.S. Route 1—New dates of fourth  
Sunday and Saturday before in January—Info: Doron Henkin 215.656.4206  
DAHenkin@aol.com or Laura Densmore LDensmo1@swarthmore.edu

### *Fifth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., Jan. 29th**—William J. Reynolds Sacred Harp Sing—Southwestern Baptist  
Theological Seminary—Cowden Hall—Fort Worth (Tarrant County), Texas—  
Dutch Treat—9:30 a.m.—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—Info: Timothy Studstill  
817.923.1921, ext. 6573—Always the last Saturday in January.

**Sun., 30th**—Liberty Church—Henagar (DeKalb County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—2  
miles north of Henagar on Liberty Road—From Henagar Crossing—Take Hwy. 40  
west 0.6 mile to the Farmers Telephone Cooperative—Turn right and go to dead  
end—Turn right—Take first left past Henagar Methodist Church (Liberty Road)—  
Church is on right, after 1.3 miles—First fifth Sunday of year—  
Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 david@davidivey.com

**Sun., 30th**—Parker, Hollis, Putman Memorial—Liberty Church (McCormick)—  
Jefferson County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—2.5 miles southwest of Sumiton—North of  
New Hwy. 78 or south of Old Hwy. 78—First fifth Sunday of year—  
Info: Velton Chafin 205.387.7380

## *February*

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 5th**—Singing School—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near  
Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.—Teacher/Hugh  
McGraw—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south  
on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end and  
turn left.

**Sat., 5th**—Rotunda Singing—Alabama State Capitol—Bainbridge Street at Dexter  
Avenue—Montgomery, Alabama—Barbecue Lunch Provided—9:30 a.m.-3:00  
p.m.—Four books used: The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/Cooper  
Revision/Christian Harmony/Colored Sacred Harp—  
Info: Jim Carnes 334.281.2010/271.1081 (days)

**Sun., 6th**—Burnham and Brown Memorial—Recreation Center—Ladiga Street and Church Avenue—Jacksonville (Calhoun County), Alabama—9:00 a.m.—Driving north on Hwy. 21, Ladiga is the first street forming the city square—Turn right—Pass alley—Center is on the left at the corner of Ladiga and Church Avenue—Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to help with lunch—Info: Pearl Guier 334.272.4696

**Sun., 6th**—J.D. Starnes Memorial—Mount Hope Missionary Baptist Church—Walker County, Alabama—Four miles northeast of Sipsey—On highway from Sipsey to Wilburn (also called Bug Tussle)—County Road 9.

**Sun., 6th**—Lincoln's Birthday Singing—University of Chicago—Ida Noyes Hall—Chicago, Illinois—1:00 p.m.—(Note: this singing is in connection with Folk Festival and will alternate with first, second, or third Sunday)—Info: Ted Mercer 773.486.7400

#### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 12th**—Minnesota State Midwinter Singing (Cooper Book)—Place-TBA—Info: Keith/Jenny Willard 651.699.2040.

**Sat., 12th**—Baylor University Singing—Truett Seminary's Great Hall, Baylor University—Waco, Texas—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—Info: Don Ross 903.831.7083

**Sun., 13th**—Roy Avery's Memorial/Birthday Singing—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—Tallapoosa County, Alabama—3 miles southwest of Daviston—Hwy. 22 to Daviston—Take County Road 79 south to crossroads—Church on right—From Alexander City—Hwy. 22 east to Germany Ferrys Road—Take right—Church on left.

#### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri., p.m., 18th**—Singing School 7:00-9:00 p.m.—Maxwell Hall, Stadium Drive, Tuscaloosa, Alabama—Teacher, David Ivey

**Sat., 19th**—Alabama Collegiate Singing—Wesley Foundation Methodist Student Center—9th Street and Hackberry Lane—Tuscaloosa, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Info: Tim Cook 205.344.5376

**Sat., 19th**—Decatur, Georgia—Emory University, Cannon Chapel—10:00 a.m.—Info: John Plunkett 770.939.3464 bildad12@hotmail.com or Elise Eskew eeskew@emory.edu or www.atlantasacredharp.org

**Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th**—Ohio State Convention—TBA—Cincinnati, Ohio—9:00 a.m.—Always held on the third Sunday and Saturday before in February—Info: Regina Bayer 937.835.3323

**Sat., 19th & Sun., 20th**—Pacific Northwest Convention—Washington—Sunset Hill Community Center—Ballard (neighborhood of Seattle), Washington—Singing school and singing on Saturday, and all day singing on Sunday—9:30 a.m.—Info: Karen Willard 360.897.9545 hallock@mindspring.com or David Wright 206.861.1189

**Sun., 20th**—Sanders Memorial—Sardis Church—Walker County, Alabama—From Birmingham—U.S. Hwy. 78 West to Warrior River—Cross bridge and immediately take first left (sign will read Gorgus/Cordova)—Go 0.25 mile—Church is on the left—If you are going east—Turn right before crossing the river bridge, and follow above directions—Info: Velton Chafin 205.387.7380

#### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 26th**—Yorkshire Sacred Harp Singing Day—near Sheffield, South Yorkshire, England—Info: Ian West—+44 (116) 270 9702 emsacred\_harp@hotmail.com

**Sat., 26th**—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church—3965 Glenwood Road—Decatur, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—J.L. White Sacred Harp/Eclectic Harmony I and II/New Music—From I-285, Exit 44, west (toward Atlanta) on Glenwood Rd. 1.4 miles—Church is on left—From I-20, Exit 61, east on Glenwood Rd. 4.2 miles—Church is on right—Church is between Columbia Dr. and Candler Rd.—

Info: John Plunkett 770.939.3464 or Laura Akerman 404.373.8241

**Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th**—Texas State Convention—College Station Conference Center—1300 George Bush Drive—College Station (Brazos County), Texas—Saturday—10:00 a.m.—Sunday—9:30 a.m.—Dutch Treat—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—Gaylon Powell 512.258.7080

**Sun., 27th**—University of Georgia—Visitor Center, Botanical Gardens—Athens (Clarke County), Georgia—Turn right at intersection of Highway 129 and 441 (Milledge Avenue Extension)—Go 1 mile to Botanical Garden sign—Turn right—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/ Social Harp books used—

Info: John Garst 706.548.3910

## ***March***

### ***First Sunday and Saturday before***

**Sat., 5th**—Pauline Creel Childers Birthday Singing—First Methodist Church—3 Town Square—Wayne, Michigan—9:30 a.m. EST—Turn east off I-275 at Exit 22 onto Michigan Avenue (U.S. 12)—Go 2.7 miles on Michigan Avenue to Newberry—Turn left onto Newberry—Church is one block on the right—

Info: Henry Schuman 734.434.2030 hcschuman@att.net

**Sat., 5th & Sun., 6th**—North Carolina Sacred Harp Convention—<http://ncshapenote.org>—Page Walker Art and History Center, Cary, North Carolina—Info: Lynda Hambourger lynda@ncshapenote.org

**Sun., 6th**—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers Memorial—Ephesus School Auditorium—Ephesus (Heard County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—On Georgia Hwy. 100.

**Sun., 6th**—Martha Harper Nix/Lewis Keeton/McGough Memorial Singing—New Flatwoods Church—Walker County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Three miles south of Nauvoo—Just east of Hwy. 11—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill—

Info: Jimmie Gilmore 205.221.4251

### ***Second Sunday and Saturday before***

**Sat., 12th**—Singing School—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.—Teacher/Hugh McGraw—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end and turn left.

**Sat., 12th & Sun., 13th**—Missouri State Convention—St. John's United Church of Christ—Pinckney, Missouri—9:30 a.m.—11.5 miles west of Marthasville, on Hwy. 94—Info: Karen Isbell 314.664.1411—Jeanette Lowry 636.433.2101

**Sat., 12th & Sun., 13th**—Smith County Convention—New Harmony Community Center—Smith County, Texas—Northwest of Tyler on Farmers Market Road 724 in the New Harmony community—Between State Hwy. 64 and 110—Saturday—10:00 a.m.—Sunday—9:30 a.m.—Cooper Revision—

Info: Myrl Jones 903.593.0955—Myra Palmer 214.223.4617

**Sat., 12th & Sun., 13th**—Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention—Place to be announced—Northampton, Massachusetts—

Info: [www.wmshc.org](http://www.wmshc.org) or [chair@wmshc.org](mailto:chair@wmshc.org) call: 413.773.8208



**Sun., 13th**—Oxford City Hall—Oxford (Lafayette County), Mississippi—The square is at the junction of Hwy. 314 (also called Jackson) and Hwy. 7 (also called Lamar)—City Hall is at the northeast corner of the square.

*Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 19th**—Hoboken Annual Singing—Hoboken Elementary School Auditorium—Church Street—Hoboken (Brantley County), Georgia—9:00 a.m.—Cooper Revision—From U.S. 82 eastbound, turn north on Kelly (at the flashing caution light)—Cross railroad tracks—Turn left on Chicago and enter the parking lot of the school on the right—Info: David Lee 912.458.2493

**Sat., 19th**—Middle Georgia Sacred Harp Singing—Macon, Georgia—Vineville United Methodist Church, 2045 Vineville Avenue—8:30-9:45 a.m., Introductory singing school class, taught by Hugh McGraw—Singing, 10:00 a.m.—

I-75, exit 164 (Forsyth/Hardeman), turn west on Vineville Ave., go about 0.5 miles to church on the right.—Info: Harry Eskew 478.477.3413 land3295@bellsouth.net

**Sat., 19th**—Vermont State Singing—Location—TBA—southern Vermont—Note: Singing is on Saturday before the last Sunday in March, unless it's Easter, when it's a week earlier—Info: Dan Hertzler 802.674.6963 danhertzler@valley.net

**Sat., 19th, p.m.**—Stephenson, Wall, and Hocutt Memorial Singing—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Boldo (Walker County), Alabama—6 miles northeast of Jasper—On Hwy. 69—Follow Hwy. 69 into Boldo—The church is on the right, next to the fire station.

**Sun., 20th—Palm Sunday**

**Sun., 20th**—Palm Sunday Singing—Finstock Village Hall—United Kingdom—Info: Bernard Collard—BernardCollard@lineone.net

**Sun., 20th**—Garrison Memorial—Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Birmingham/Hopewell Road—Alpharetta (Fulton County), Georgia—Cooper Revision—From Hwy. 9 in Alpharetta, turn left (west) on Academy (aka Milton) for a block—Turn right on Canton—Follow Canton as it becomes Hopewell Road for about 5 miles to the four-way stop—Turn left to continue on Hopewell Road—Turn left on Birmingham Road—Church is about 2 miles from the intersection on the right.

**Sun., 20th**—Lookout Mountain Memorial Singing—Pine Grove Church, Lookout Mountain, near Collinsville—DeKalb County, Alabama—Take I-59 and turn east on Hwy. 68 (exit 205)—Follow signs to U.S. 11—Go south on U.S. 11—Look for sign to church between mile markers 210 and 211 (turn is almost directly in line with mile marker 211, Hwy. 469)—Go 2.6 miles, follow signs.  
Info: Bud Oliver 256.523.3303

**Sun., 20th**—The Godsey Sisters Memorial (Leona Horton, Maude Adams, Delia Watts, and Mina Adams)—Shady Grove Church—Double Springs (Winston County), Alabama—10:00 a.m.—3 miles north of Double Springs—On Hwy. 195.

*Fourth Sunday and Saturday before (Easter Weekend)*

**Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th**—Georgia State Convention—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church—Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Take Hwy. 27 south through Carrollton—Go 2 miles and turn right on Oak Grove Church Road—Go to cross roads (or 1st street) and turn left.

**Sun., 27th—Easter Sunday**

**Sun., 27th**—Sardis On The River—Sardis Church—Lynn Park, Alabama—Turn off Hwy. 78 between Jasper and Sumiton onto River Road—Go 0.2 miles—You will see the church to your left on the banks of Black Warrior River.

## April

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri., 1st, Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd**—Potomac River Convention—Pohick Church, Washington, D.C. area—Info: Steve Sabol 301.897.5274 Sabol@his.com

**Sat., 2nd**—Harpeth Valley-Priestley Miller Memorial Singing—Free Will Baptist Bible College—Johnson Academic Building—Nashville (Davidson County), Tennessee—Exit to U.S. 70 South—Go west (West End Avenue) off of I-440 in west Nashville—Go 1 block and turn right at Bowling Avenue (traffic light)—Go 1 block and turn left onto Richland Avenue—Johnson Academic Building is in the middle of the block on the left—Parking on street in rear—Signs will be posted—Singing is the first Saturday after Easter.

**Sat., 2nd**—Singing School—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.—Teacher/Hugh McGraw—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end and turn left.

**Sat., 2nd**—FaSoLa All Day Singing—St. Vincent Antiochian Orthodox Church—2502 North 51st Street—Omaha, Nebraska—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Info: Kathy Wood 402.397.4673 khwood@mitec.net or Jim Solheim jimsolheim@yahoo.com

**Sat., 2nd**—Harry S. Eskew Sing—New Orleans Baptist Seminary (NOBTS)—3939 Gentilly Boulevard—New Orleans, Louisiana—10:00 a.m.—Info: NOBTS 504.282.4455 ext. 3226 Ed Steel—eksteele@home.com

**Sat., 2nd**—Jones Memorial Singing (Cooper Book)—Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Opp (Covington County), Alabama—0.5 miles from Opp on Hwy. 84 east—Info: Mike/Faye Jones 334.493.9363 jonesfm@alaweb.com OR Wayne Jones 334.493.6200 wbfarm@alaweb.com

**Sat., 2nd**—Higher Ground Singing—United Ministry Center—321 N. 7th Street—Terre Haute, Indiana—10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.—

Info: Janet Fraembs 217.345.6873—Marlen Rust 812.336.2792 [www.jarai.org/bisn](http://www.jarai.org/bisn)

**Sun., 3rd**—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church—Calhoun County, Mississippi—Hwy. 9—one mile north of Bruce—Church is on the right.

**Sun., 3rd**—Edwardsville Baptist Church—Edwardsville (Cleburne County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Six miles east of Heflin—Just off U.S. Hwy. 78

**Sun., 3rd**—Old Enon Church—Winston County, Alabama—North of Lynn—9:30 a.m.—From U.S. 278 in Natural Bridge—Take Hwy. 5 towards Lynn—Turn left on County Road 25—Go approximately 1 mile—Turn right at the sign for Old Enon Church—If singing date falls on Easter Sunday, the singing will not be held that year.

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri., 8th p.m.**—6:30 p.m. ET—Antioch Baptist Church—Birthday Singing—Haralson County, Georgia—South of Tallapoosa—On Old 100 Hwy.—From I-20 take exit #5 for Georgia Hwy. 100 and go south—Turn right on Carlton Johnson Road (at J&J/Don's Shoppette) to Old Hwy. 100—Turn left—The church is on the left—Friday night before the second Sunday in April.

**Sat., 9th**—State Line Church—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:00 a.m. CT—From west to east—Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to the Georgia State Line—*immediately* turn around and come back to first road to the right (Co. Rd. 69)—Go to the next road which will be dirt (NOT paved) (County Road #207) and turn right—Go approximately 500 yards and church will be on left—If you are coming from the east—Go to Georgia State Line and follow the same directions.

**Sat., 9th**—William Walker Memorial Singing—Burwell Building—Wofford College—North Church Street—Spartanburg, South Carolina—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/Christian Harmony—Voted to have singing on Saturday before second Sunday in April—

Info: Gerald Thurmond 864.597.4182 [thurmondgt@wofford.edu](mailto:thurmondgt@wofford.edu)

**Sat., 9th & Sun., 10th**—Re-enactment Singing—Blountsville Historical Park—North of Blountsville, Alabama—On Highway 231—

Info: Marlin Beasley 205.429.3996

**Sun., 10th**—Antioch Baptist Church—Ider (DeKalb County), Alabama—Take I-59 north—Exit right at Exit #231—Turn left onto Hwy. 40/117—Go 1.4 miles and turn right on Hwy. 117—Go 9.5 miles (You will cross Hwy. 75)—Turn right onto Co. Hwy. 141—Go 3.9 miles—Turn right onto Co. Rd. 783 and immediately back left onto Co. Rd. 782—Church is on left.

**Sun., 10th**—County Line Church—Jefferson County, Alabama—Near Corner, off Miller Road—9 miles west of Warrior—From Birmingham—Take I-65 north—Exit at Warrior/Jasper Rd. (Exit (#282)—Turn left back across Interstate 65—Go 8-10 miles to first red light—Turn right (Corner School Road)—Pass school (2 lights at school)—Go approximately 1 mile, pass two stores—Turn right on Miller Road—OR—Exit #284 off I-65 (Hayden/Corner Exit)—Turn back left and go under interstate—Take the first road to the right (Blount County Road 8)—Go several miles to four way stop sign—go straight across, and road becomes Corner Road—go until you go through a cemetery—Turn left on Miller Road—Church is on left.

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 16th**—Rhode Island All Day Sacred Harp Singing—Beneficent Congregational Church—300 Weybosset St. (corner of Weybosset and Chestnut Streets)—Info: <http://ri-sacredharp.net> or Kelly House 401.467.4799

**Sat., 16th**—Sharon Jordan Leach Memorial Singing—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—Marshall County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—2 miles east of Arab—On Hwy. 69—Arab to Guntersville.

**Sat., 16th**—Thomas Futral Memorial Singing—Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church—Goodwater, Alabama—From Hwy. 9, turn east in Goodwater on Goodwater Road—Go approximately 5 miles to County Road 83, turn right (church sign there—Go approximately 0.25 miles, church is on left. The singing was changed from Sunday to Saturday.

**Sat., 16th**—New York Regional—Rochester Area—St. Luke's Episcopal Church—77 Country Corner Lane, Fairport, New York—Info: Chris Haller 585.387.9570, [ringer@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ringer@rochester.rr.com) or Thom Metzger 585.467.5192

**Sun., 17th**—Enon Primitive Baptist Church—Chickasaw County, Mississippi—South of Hwy. 8—8 miles east of Houston—From Hwy. 8—Turn south on County Road 190—Church is on the left.

**Sun., 17th**—Old Harmony—Abernathy, Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Approximately 10 miles east of Heflin—Take Exit 210 (Ranburne/Muscadine, exit off I-20—Take first road on right (County Road 60)—Go 1 mile—Church on right.

**Sun., 17th**—Pine Grove Church—Lookout Mountain—Near Collinsville—DeKalb County, Alabama—Take I-59 and turn east on Hwy. 68 (exit 205)—Follow signs to U.S. 11—Go south on U.S. 11—Look for sign to church between mile markers 210 and 211 (turn is almost directly in line with mile marker 211, Hwy. 469)—Go 2.6 miles, follow signs. Info: Bud Oliver 256.523.3303

### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 23rd**—Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Birmingham/Hopewell Road—North of Alpharetta (Fulton County), Georgia—From Hwy. 9 in Alpharetta—Turn

left (west) on Milton for a block—Turn right on Canton—Follow Canton as it becomes Hopewell Road for about 5 miles to the four-way stop—Turn left to continue on Hopewell Road—Turn left on Birmingham Road—The church is about 2 miles from the intersection, on the right.

**Sat., 23rd**—Golden Gate All-Day Singing—Location TBA—San Francisco, California—Info: Jill Accetta 415.200.6099 [refugentorb@mac.com](mailto:refugentorb@mac.com) or Carolyn Deacy 415.585.4773 [sf@fasola.org](mailto:sf@fasola.org)

**Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th**—East Midlands Sacred Harp Convention—Village Hall—Kegworth, Leicestershire—United Kingdom—0.5 miles SE of M1 junction 24—5 minutes from East Midlands Airport and 45 minutes from Birmingham International Airport—For directions, travel, and accommodation details, contact Helen Brown +44 (1332) 768274 or [singing@ianwest.co.uk](mailto:singing@ianwest.co.uk)

**Sun., 24th**—Friendship Church—Winston County, Alabama—Eight miles southeast of Haleyville—On Hwy. 195—Turn south at church sign, go 2 miles, church on left—Going north—look for church sign, go south 2 miles.

**Sun., 24th**—Alewine Memorial—St. Michael Church, near Fruithurst—Cleburne County, Alabama—10:00 a.m. CT—Take U.S. 78 to Fruithurst—Turn north (County Road 35) at post office—Go to County Road 49—Follow County Road 49 north to County Road 14 (Rosewood Community)—Turn right—Go approximately 2 miles—Church on left.

**Sun., 24th**—Pine Grove Church Singing—Henderson, Texas—Off Farm to Market Road 2867 on County Road 364, southeast of Henderson—(Cooper Revision)—Info: John or Emmie Morris 903.898.2510

**Sun., 24th**—The Big Singing—Benton, Kentucky—William Walker's Southern Harmony

## *May*

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., Apr. 30th**—Huntsville Sacred Harp Singing—Burrirt Museum—3101 Burrirt Drive on Monte Sano Mountain—Huntsville (Madison County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Take U.S. 431 south (Governors Drive) to top of Monte Sano Mountain—Turn north onto Monte Sano Boulevard—Turn left onto Burrirt Drive—Singing held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May—

Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 [david@davidivey.com](mailto:david@davidivey.com)

**Sat., Apr. 30th & Sun., May 1st**—Ohio Valley Shape Note Singing—Harrod's Creek Baptist Church—Brownsboro, Kentucky—9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—Held on the weekend before the first Saturday in May (because of Derby weekend)

Saturday—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/Southern Harmony.

Sunday—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/Cooper Book—

From Louisville—Take I-71 North—Go to exit 14—Turn left—Go 1.5 miles past Christian Church on right—Church will be on left—

Info: Robert Meek 502.893.2190

**Sun., 1st**—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church—Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Take Hwy. 27 south through Carrollton—Go 2 miles and turn right on Oak Grove Church Road—Go to cross roads (or 1st street) and turn left.

**Sun., 1st**—Poplar Springs Baptist Church—Reid (Calhoun County), Mississippi—Hwy. 341—South of Reid

**Sun., 1st**—Shady Grove Baptist Church—Dutton (Jackson County), Alabama—Between Section and Dutton—Off Alabama Highway 71 on the west side—Turn at church sign.

**Sun., 1st**—Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery)—Walker County, Alabama—1.5 miles east of New Flatwoods Church on Hwy. 11—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill.

**Sun., 1st**—Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church—Clay County, Alabama—6 miles southwest of Ashland—Near intersection of Hwy. 9 and County Road 5.

*Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 7th**—Singing School—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.—Teacher/Hugh McGraw—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end and turn left.

**Sat., 7th**—Northwest Arkansas Convention—Shiloh Museum of Ozark History—118 West Johnson Avenue—Springdale, Arkansas—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—Info: Syd Caldwell SydneyC@cox-internet.com

**Sat., 7th**—Furman University Sacred Harp/Christian Harmony Singing—Herring Pavillon, Furman Campus—Greenville, South Carolina

**Sat., 7th**—Kentucky State Sacred Harp Convention—Pisgah Presbyterian Church—Versailles, Kentucky—Near Lexington

**Sat., 7th**—Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church and Boiling Springs Convention—Oak Grove Community—North of Sylacauga—Talladega County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Off Hwy. 280 to Oak Grove Community Fire Station—Turn right at Fire Station—Go to dead end.

**Sun., 8th**—Old Flatwoods Primitive Baptist Church—3 miles south of Nauvoo, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—West of Hwy. 11—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill—There is a sign for the church on Hwy. 11—Info: Jimmie Gilmore 205.221.4251

*Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri., 13th p.m., Sat., 14th, & Sun. 15th**—Garden State Singing Convention—Montclair Friends Meetinghouse—289 Park Street—Upper Montclair, New Jersey—Friday night singing school precedes convention—Info: Gina Balestracci 973.655.7219 (days), 973.509.2165 (night) or <http://mysite.verizon.net/gssh/current.html>

**Sat., 14th**—Los Angeles Regional Singing—San Pedro, California—Info: Carla Smith 619.533.3181 (days) or 619.544.0432 (night)

**Sat., 14th**—Mattox Memorial—Harmony Baptist Church—Lawrenceburg, Tennessee—10:00 a.m.—5 miles north on state highway #43—Turn left onto Flatwoods Rd. (by a big cemetery, Memorial Gardens), go across railroad tracks, then go across a creek and church will be on right—

Info: Clayton Ezell 931.762.8267

**Sat., 14th**—Newton County Georgia Singing—Southeast of Covington, Newton County, Georgia—Shoal Creek Primitive Baptist Church—14 miles southwest of Covington, Georgia—Take I-20 East of Atlanta to Exit 98—Turn right onto Hwy. 11 south to four-way STOP sign—Turn left onto Hwy. 278—Take first right turn onto County Road 229—Go 5.5 miles—Shoal Creek Church is on left.

**Sun., 15th**—Cane Creek Church—Cleburne County, Alabama—3.5 miles east of Heflin on U.S. Hwy. 78—From west to east, turn left just beyond mile marker 180. Church is located between mile marker 180 and 181.

**Sun., 15th**—Liberty Hill Church—Lamar County, Georgia—On Highway 36—Approximately 5 miles west of I-75—Take either High Falls Exit or Barnesville/Jackson Exit #102 and go west toward Barnesville—Please bring a covered dish to share.

**Sun., 15th**—Concord Baptist Church—Calhoun County, Mississippi—12:00 Noon—Dinner, singing at 1:00 p.m.—West of Hwy. 32 at Ellard—In Ellard—Take County Road 23 west to church.

**Sun. 15th**—Zion Hill Primitive Baptist Church—Near Snead Cross Roads, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Off Hwy. 75—Turn right at Blount County line and follow signs.

**Sun., 15th**—Rocky Mount Homecoming—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—Daviston, Tallapoosa County, Alabama—3 miles southwest of Daviston—Hwy. 22 to Daviston—Take County Road 79 south to crossroads—Church on right—From Alexander City—Hwy. 22 east to Germany Ferrys Road—Take right—Church on left.

#### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 21st**—Mount Pisgah Singing Society—Stroud (Chambers County), Alabama—9:00 a.m.—Cooper Book—14 miles north of Lafayette and 7 miles south of Roanoke on U.S. Hwy. 431 at Stroud.

**Sun., 22nd**—Gum Pond Decoration Day Singing—Gum Pond Church (Morgan County), Alabama—18 miles northeast of Cullman—On Gum Pond Road near Eva—Drive south on Hwy. 67 from Pence through Florette—Watch for Gum Pond Road on the right—There is a sign for the church there—Turn right—The church is on the left in Gum Pond.

**Sun., 22nd**—Poplar Springs Baptist Church—Haralson County, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Go to Tallapoosa—Get on Hwy. 100 north—Go 5 miles—Turn left on Poplar Springs Church Road (just before mile marker #12)—Go 0.5 miles.

**Sun., 22nd**—Doss Memorial—Sardis Baptist Church—Morris (Jefferson County), Alabama—3 miles west of Hwy. 31 at Morris on Old Sardis Road

#### *Fifth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 28th & Sun., 29th**—Midwest Convention—Place to be announced—Chicago, Illinois—9:15 a.m.—

Info: Ted Mercer 773.862.6477 or 773.486.7400 or 773.276.HARP

**Sat., 28th & Sun., 29th**—Southwest Texas Convention—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church—McMahan (Caldwell County), Texas—Cooper Revision—On Farmers Market Road 713—Between Bastrop and Luling—East of Lockhart—First fifth Sunday in the spring (March or later)—

Info: Tom Owen 512.398.6075 or Curtis Owen 512.398.2017

**Sun., 29th**—Mount Pisgah—Sylvester (Worth County), Georgia—10 miles southwest of Sylvester—From I-75—Take Hwy. 112 to Ashburn and through Sylvester—Turn left on Evergreen/Doerun Road—Go 5.5 miles—Church on right—Always the second fifth Sunday each year.

**Mon., 30th**—Memorial Day—Jack C. Smith Memorial Singing—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—Oakhurst Baptist Church—222 East Lake Drive—Decatur, Georgia—Morning session, The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition, evening session from different hymn books that will be provided (let host know if you will be staying for evening session so he can make arrangements to have enough books)—

Info: John Plunkett 770.939.3464

## *June*

#### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 4th**—Northern Shenandoah Valley—Berryville, Virginia—A set date of Saturday before the first Sunday in June—

Info: John delRe/Kelly Macklin 540.955.2660

**Sat., 4th**—Brattleboro All Day Singing—First United Methodist Church—  
Brattleboro, Vermont—Saturday before the first Sunday in June—  
Info: Matthew/Rosie Wojcik 802.246.1008 rosmarinus@earthlink.net

**Sat., 4th & Sun., 5th**—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—  
Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit  
#11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—  
Turn left—Go to dead end and turn left.

**Sun., 5th**—Liberty Decoration Day Singing—Liberty Church—Henagar (DeKalb  
County), Alabama—10:00 a.m.—From Henagar Crossing—Take Hwy. 40 west 0.6  
mile to the Farmer Telephone Cooperative—Turn right and go to dead end—Turn  
right—Take first left past Henagar Methodist Church onto Liberty Road—Church  
on right, after 1.3 miles—Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 david@davidivey.com

**Sun., 5th**—Hill Roane Memorial—Sherman Baptist Church—Yalobusha County,  
Mississippi—Hwy. 32—10 miles west of Bruce—Dutch treat, singers should bring  
lunch.

**Sun., 5th**—Fellowship Church—Memorial Singing—Cullman County, Alabama—8  
to 10 miles west of Cullman just off Hwy. 278

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 11th**—New York State Regional, Altamont—Altamont Masonic Hall—  
138 Maple Avenue (Route 146)—Altamont, New York—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—  
Info: George/Jean Seiler 518.583.7813  
jwseiler@ix.netcom.com—Michael Ryan 518.399.6046

**Sat., 11th**—Maquoketa River All-Day Singing—Emeline Schoolhouse—just north  
of Baldwin, Iowa—10:00 a.m.—  
Info: Annie Grieshop 563.926.2353 grieshop@n-connect.net

**Sat., 11th**—Shapers Sacred Harp Singing Day—Hitchin Friends Meeting House—1  
Paynes Park—Hitchin, Herts, United Kingdom—11:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.—bring  
covered dish—Info: Steve Fletcher 01462 641787 stevie.fletcher@ntlworld.com

**Sat., 11th & Sun., 12th**—Hopewell Homecoming—Hopewell Primitive Baptist  
Church—Blount County, Alabama—9:00 a.m.—6 miles east of Oneonta—1 mile  
east of Oneonta Airport—From I-59—Take Hwy. 231 north—Go beyond mile  
marker 249—Take first paved road on right at sign for Robin Hill Baptist Church—  
Go to dead end—Turn right—Church is on left.

**Sun., 12th**—Alpharetta Municipal Auditorium—Alpharetta (Fulton County),  
Georgia—Auditorium is in the City Hall, corner of Academy and south Main  
Street—Info: Helen Bryson 770.381.9093

**Sun., 12th**—Oak Springs Church—Calhoun County, Mississippi—3 miles north of  
Derma

**Sun., 12th**—Aldridge Memorial—Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson Schoolhouse)—  
Fayette County, Alabama—On Hwy. 44—Old Fayette Road.

**Sun., 12th**—New Hope Primitive Baptist Church—Carroll County, Georgia—  
1 mile east of Villa Rica, off Hwy. 78—Take exit #26 off of I-20 and go north—Turn  
left on Hwy. 78 for 0.5 miles—Turn right on Connors Road—Cross railroad  
tracks—Church is on right.

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Thurs., 16th, Fri., 17th & Sat., 18th**—National Sacred Harp Singing  
Convention—Trinity United Methodist Church—1400 Oxmoor Road—  
Birmingham, Alabama—Homewood area, I-65 and Hwy. 31—1.5 miles east of I-  
65—From I-65—Take Exit 256-B (Oxmoor Road) East—Cross major intersection  
and Palisades Mall (on left), then get in far right lane as Oxmoor angles off to the

right—Follow through several traffic lights—Trinity Church is on the left past Dawson Memorial Baptist—Info: Buell Cobb cobb1@bellsouth.net

**Sat., 18th**—Moore, Graves, and Calvert Memorial—Addington Chapel Methodist Church—Cullman County, Alabama—15 miles southwest of Cullman—4 miles off Hwy. 69 at Wilburn (Bug Tussle)—At Bug Tussle—Turn north on County Road 54 (aka County Road 9)—Go 4 miles—Church will be on the left.

**Sat., 18th**—Exeter All Day Singing—Exeter Friends Meetinghouse—Exeter Township—Berks County, Pennsylvania—U.S. 422 to Baumstown—Follow signs to Daniel Boone Homestead—Continue past homestead 1 mile to Meetinghouse Road—Left on Meetinghouse Road 0.2 miles to Meetinghouse on right—Set date of Saturday before the third Sunday in June—Info: Ted Stokes 610.689.4083

**Sun., 19th**—Zion Hill Homecoming Singing—Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church—Brachfield (Rusk County), Texas—10:00 a.m.—Cooper Revision—About 12 miles southeast of Henderson—Take Farm to Market Road 840 to Brachfield from Henderson—Turn right at the Welch Cemetery on Farm to Market Road 1798 (aka County Road 368—Church is on the left—Info: John or Emmie Morris 903.898.2510

**Sun., 19th**—Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church—Near Ephesus—Heard County, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—Take Georgia Hwy. 100 south to Ephesus School—Turn left onto Ephesus/Roosterville Road—Go 2.5 miles, turn right.

**Sun., 19th**—Clifford Wakefield Memorial—King School House (Mt. Vernon Baptist Church)—Near Natural Bridge (Winston County), Alabama—3 miles east of Natural Bridge just off U.S. Hwy. 278

**Sun., 19th**—Little Vine Primitive Baptist Church—Oak Hollow Road—Near Empire—Walker County, Alabama—From Sumiton—Take Empire Road north. The road becomes Oak Hollow Road at the turn to Empire—Continue straight for 2 more miles—Church is on right.

**Sun., 19th**—Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church—Macedonia Community (Jackson County), Alabama—4 miles south of Section—7 miles northwest of Fyffe on county road to Section.

#### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 25th**—Salem United Methodist Church Singing—Near Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama—On Alabama Highway 9 between Cedar Bluff, Alabama and the Georgia state line—7 miles from Cedar Bluff and 1 mile from the Georgia line—9:30 a.m.

**Sat., 25th**—Oxford Sacred Harp Singing—Seacourt Hall—Botley, Oxford, England—Edwin/Sheila Macadam shelwin@lineone.net

**Sat., 25th & Sun., 26th**—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles north of Double Springs on Hwy. 195.

**Sun., 26th**—DeLong-Roberts Memorial Singing—Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church—Intersection of Roberts Road and Spalding Drive—Dunwoody (DeKalb County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—From I-285, go Georgia 400 north for 5 miles—Exit at Northridge (Exit #6)—At stop sign, go straight across onto Roberts Drive—Church is approximately 1 mile at the corner of Roberts Drive and Spalding Drive—Motels are at exit #7.

**Sun., 26th**—New Hope Church—Cullman County, Alabama—5 miles south of Jones Chapel on Hwy. 278, the highway from Jones Chapel to Crane Hill—Church is on the right.

**Sun., 26th**—Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church—Fayette County, Alabama—8 miles northwest of Fayette—Take State Highway 18 west from Fayette—Turn right, north, on State Highway 107—Go approximately 4 miles—Turn right on Mt.



Lebanon Road (you will have passed Ballinger Road about midway)—There should be a sign—Church is on the left.

**Mon., Jun 27th – Fri., Jul 1st**—Camp Fasola—Camp Lee—Anniston, Alabama—Community Singing (all are invited) on Thurs., Jun 30th—7:00 p.m.—  
fasola.org/camp

## *July*

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 2nd**—Pioneer Valley Singing—Chapel of the First Congregational Church—Sunderland, Massachusetts—10:00 a.m.—Always held on Saturday before the first Sunday in July—Contact: Linda Shea 413.733.8208 lshea@marketstreetresearch.com

**Sat., 2nd & Sun., 3rd**—Henagar Union Convention—Liberty Church—Two miles north of Henagar—DeKalb County, Alabama—9:00 a.m.—From Henagar Crossing—Take Hwy. 40 west 0.6 mile to Farmer Telephone Cooperative and turn right—Go to dead end, turn right—Take first left past Henagar Methodist Church onto Liberty Road—Go 1.3 miles—Church is on right—  
Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 david@davidivey.com

**Sun., 3rd**—Cross Roads Baptist Church—North of Tallapoosa—Haralson County, Georgia—9:30 a.m. ET—Go to Tallapoosa—Take Hwy. 100 North—Go 8.6 miles—Turn left onto Cross Roads Church Road (Just past mile marker #15)—Go 2.6 miles—Church is on right at the intersection of Cross Roads Church Road and Steadman Road.

**Sun., 3rd**—Dutton, Green, and Jackson Memorial—New Flatwoods Church—Near Nauvoo—Walker County, Alabama—3 miles south of Nauvoo, and east of Hwy. 1—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill

### **Monday, July 4th**—Independence Day

**Mon., July 4th**—Independence Day Singing—Muscadine Methodist Church—Muscadine (Cleburne County), Alabama—9:00 a.m. CT—Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to Muscadine—Turn south on County Road 49—Go 1 mile—Church is on right.

**Mon., 4th**—Independence Day Singing—Mt. Herman Primitive Baptist Church—New Liberty Community (Calhoun County), Mississippi—North of Hwy. 8—3 miles west of Vardaman

**Wed., July 6th**—Jones Chapel Sacred Harp Memorial Singing—Jones Chapel Senior Citizens Center—Jones Chapel (Cullman County), Alabama—From I-65—Take U.S. 278 west to Jones Chapel—Turn south at signal light onto County Road 7, also called County Road 940—Go one block, building on right.  
First Wednesday in July

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 9th & Sun., 10th**—Cullman County Singing Convention—Cullman County Courthouse—Cullman, Alabama—Courthouse is at the junction of U.S. 278 and 2nd Avenue, also called U.S. 31.

**Sun., 10th**—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church—3965 Glenwood Road—Decatur (DeKalb County), Georgia—Preaching at 10:30 a.m.—Lunch at 12:00 Noon—Singing 1:00 p.m.—J.L. White Book

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri. p.m., 15th & Sat., 16th**—Quebec Convention—TBA—Quebec, Canada—Info: Victor Maltby, Chuck Neville, or Phil Dutton pdutton@gmail.com

**Sat., 16th**—Mt. Oak Methodist Church—Marshall County, Alabama—6 miles northwest of Arab—Turn west on County Road 418 at Discount Warehouse Grocery, also called Ruth Eddy Road—Church is on the left.

**Sat., 16th**—Walker County Convention—New Hope Primitive Baptist Church—Walker County, Alabama—Off Hwy. 69 (Cullman to Jasper)—On the Sipsey cut-off Road—Info: Velton Chafin 205.387.7380

**Sat., 16th p.m.**—Elder Bernard Moon Memorial—Dorsey Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Bremen, Alabama—Cooper Book—Hwy. 69

**Sat., 16th**—Michiana Singing—New Testament Baptist Church—Goshen, Indiana—Take State Road 15 south out of Goshen about 1 mile—Turn right (west) onto County Road 38—Church is approximately 3 miles on right—Info: Samuel Sommers 574.294.6180 scmws@yahoo.com

**Sat., 16th**—Spivey Hall Singing—Spivey Hall, Clayton College and State University—Morrow, Georgia—Info: Hugh McGraw 770.537.2283

**Sat., 16th**—Gwehelog, Nr Usk, Monmouthshire, Wales—Info: Ken Baddley ken.baddley@ntlworld.com

**Sun., 17th**—Kalamazoo Singing—Western Michigan University—Wesley Foundation (on campus)—Kalamazoo, Michigan—9:30 a.m. EDT—Follow campus directions towards the Fetzer Center—Wesley Foundation is nearby—Info: Bill/Martha Beverly 269.382.4288 mbeverly@chartermi.net

**Sun., 17th**—Chafin, Harbinson, Hollis Memorial Singing—New Prospect Church—Near Bremen—Cullman County, Alabama—From Cullman—Take Hwy. 69 south—Go past landfill—Take County Road 8 south—Go 1 mile (First paved road)—Take left and go 0.6 miles.

**Sun., 17th**—Hillabee Convention—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—Daviston (Tallapoosa County), Alabama—3 miles southwest of Daviston—Hwy. 22 to Daviston—Take County Road 79 south to crossroads—Church on right—From Alexander City—Hwy. 22 east to Germany Ferrys Road—Take right—Church on left.

**Thurs., 21st**—Capitol City Shape Note Singing—Loeb Reception Center (near Kiwanis Park)—310 Columbus Ave.—Montgomery, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—Bring a sack lunch for the noon lunch break—Sponsored by the Alabama Center for Traditional Culture—

Info: Joe Brackner 334.242.3601. Always held on the third Thursday in July.

#### ***Fourth Sunday and Saturday before***

**Sat., 23rd**—Cotaco Convention—Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church—Gum Pond (Morgan County), Alabama—18 miles northeast of Cullman on Gum Pond Road near Eva—Drive south on Hwy. 67 from Pence, through Florette—Watch for Gum Pond Road on the right—There is a sign for the church there—Turn right—The church is on the left (east) side of the road, in Gum Pond.

**Sat., 23rd**—Marilou and Don Jolly Memorial—Old Poway Park—Poway (San Diego County), California—From I-15 take Poway Road exit eastbound—Go approximately 4 miles—Turn left on Midland Road—The park is on the left—Info: Carla Smith 619.533.3181 (days) or 619.544.0432 (evenings)

**Sat., 23rd**—Chickasaw County Convention—Enon Primitive Baptist Church—Chickasaw County, Mississippi—South of Hwy. 8—8 miles east of Houston—From Hwy. 8 turn south on County Road 190—Church is on the left.

**Sat., 23rd**—“Connexion” All Day Singing—Boston University College of Fine Arts, Concert Hall—Boston, Massachusetts—855 Commonwealth Avenue—I-90 to Allston/Cambridge Exit, follow sign for Cambridge. Take a right on Storrow Drive before crossing the river and take the next right to get off of Storrow, take the next right onto Commonwealth. The College of Fine Arts is ahead one block on the right. Info: Thomas Malone malone@mac.com

**Sat., 23rd & Sun., 24th**—Mt. Zion Memorial—Mt. Zion United Methodist Church—Mt. Zion (Carroll County), Georgia—10:00 a.m.—8.5 miles west of Carrollton on Hwy. 16—Behind school

**Sun., 24th**—Cherry Tree Singing—James Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Itawamba County, Mississippi—4 miles south of Hwy. 78 on State Line Road—East of Tremont.

#### *Fifth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 30th**—Young People's Singing Convention—Shady Grove Baptist Church—Dutton (Jackson County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Between Section and Dutton—Off Alabama Highway 71 on the west side, turn at church sign—This singing is held on Saturday before first fifth Sunday after July 4th.—

Info: Jackson Harcrow 256.632.3388

**Sun., 31st**—Lacy Memorial Singing—Fuller Cemetery—Ider, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Just off AL Hwy. 117—1 mile north from intersection of Alabama Highways 117 and 75—Church is just west of AL Hwy. 117—Follow sign—

Info: Reba Windom or David Ivey—First fifth Sunday after July 4th.

**Sun., 31st**—Moon and Guthrie Memorial—Liberty Church (McCormick)—Near Sumiton—Jefferson County, Alabama—2.5 miles southeast of Sumiton—North of new Hwy. 78 or south of Old Hwy. 78—Third fifth Sunday each year.

## *August*

#### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 6th**—Eugene Singing—Eugene, Oregon area—9:30 a.m.—

Info: Jim Brock 511.345.9652 jbrock@pacinfo.com—First Saturday in August.

**Sat., 6th**—Damariscotta Regional Singing—Great Salt Bay School—Damariscotta, Maine—Business Route One—10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—

Info: Edith Berger 207.832.6561 berger@gwi.net—Set date of Saturday before the first Sunday in August.

**Sat., 6th & Sun., 7th**—Chattahoochee Sacred Harp Convention—Wilson's Chapel—Southeast of Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—9:30 a.m.—Turn left off Hwy. 27-A at Cross Plains Road—Go 4.8 miles. (Follow it as it curves and turns into a dirt road to church.)

**Sun., 7th**—Fayette County Convention—Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church—Fayette County, Alabama—8 miles northwest of Fayette—Take State Highway 18 west from Fayette—Turn right, north, on State Highway 107—Go approximately 4 miles—Turn right on Mt. Lebanon Road (you will have passed Ballinger Road about midway)—There should be a sign—Church is on the left.

#### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 13th**—Calhoun County Musical Association—Mt. Herman Primitive Baptist Church—New Liberty Community, Mississippi—North on Hwy. 8—3 miles west of Vardaman—Between Derma and Vardaman

**Sat., 13th & Sun., 14th**—East Texas Sacred Harp Convention—Henderson Community Center—South High Street—Henderson (Rusk County), Texas—Cooper Revision—Info: John/Emmie Morris 903.898.2510

**Sun., 14th**—Lamar and Pickens County Convention—Zion Church—Pickens County, Alabama—8 miles north of Gordo—0.25 mile west of Hwy. 159

#### *Wednesday after second Sunday*

**Wed., 17th**—Elmore Center Singing—Elmore Center United Methodist Church—Pickens County, Alabama—4 miles south of Gordo on County Roads 9 and 21—This is reputed to have begun in 1845.

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 20th**—Chattanooga Sacred Harp Singing—New Salem Baptist Church—9806 Dallas Hollow Rd.—Soddy Daisy, near Chattanooga, Tennessee—9:30 a.m.—Take the Sequoyah Rd. exit off 27 North. Turn left at the light. Turn left again at four way stop onto Dallas Hollow Rd. Church is about .5 miles from intersection.

Info: Linda Sides 423.842.7265 linjanes@bellsouth.net

**Sat., 20th**—Rock Creek, Mountain Home, and Ryan Creek Convention—New Hope Church—Cullman County, Alabama—Five miles south of Jones Chapel on U.S. Hwy. 278—Info: David Roberson 205.681.4389

**Sat., 20th**—Central Ontario All-Day Singing, Toronto, Ontario—Downtown location TBA—10:00 a.m.—Info: Pleasance Crawford 416.922.7997  
pleasancecrawford@rogers.com

**Sun., 21st**—Santa Cruz Regional—Santa Cruz, California—NO SINGING WILL BE HELD IN 2005—This singing will be held in 2006, but probably in February—date/place to be announced—Info: Shelley Phillips 831.426.155

**Sun., 21st**—Emma Beasley, Belton Beasley, and Phillip Lee, III Memorial—Concord Primitive Baptist Church—Winfield (Marion County), Alabama—0.7 mile south of County Road 14—From Hwy. 78 in Winfield—Take Hwy. 129 North—County Road 14 turns west off Hwy. 129, then left at Church sign—Church is 0.7 mile on right—Info: John Beasley 205.487.3916

**Sun., 21st**—Cedar Creek Church—Crisp County, Georgia—9 miles southwest of Cordele, off Cordele/Albany Hwy—Take Hwy. 300 from I-75 heading south—Go 11 miles—Church will be on the right.

**Sun., 21st**—Cleburne County Convention—Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Near Heflin—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—3.5 miles east of Heflin off U.S. Hwy. 78. From west to east, turn left just beyond mile marker 180. Church is located between mile marker 180 and 181.

### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 27th**—Bear Creek Convention—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles north of Double Springs on Hwy. 195.

**Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th**—Mississippi State Convention—Enon Baptist Church, Near Houston Mississippi—Info: Mark Davis 601.919.0209

**Sat., 27th & Sun., 28th**—Lookout Mountain Convention—Pine Grove Church—Near Collinsville—DeKalb County, Alabama—Take I-59—Turn east on Alabama Highway 68 (exit 205)—Follow signs to U.S. 11—Go south on U.S. 11—Look for sign to church between mile markers 210 and 211 (turn is almost in line with mile marker 211, Hwy. 469)—Go 2.6 miles, follow signs. Info: Bud Oliver 256.523.3303

## *September*

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 3rd**—Maidencreek Friends Meetinghouse—Near Leesport—Berks County, Pennsylvania—Saturday before Labor Day—Info: Betty Hanf 610.582.5924 Doron Henkin 215.656.4206 work, 610.688.6347 home DAHenkin@aol.com

**Sat., 3rd**—Mulberry River Convention—Liberty Church (McCormick)—Jefferson County, Alabama—2.5 miles southwest of Sumiton—North of New Hwy. 78 or south of Old Hwy. 78

**Sun., 4th**—Shiloh-Littlevine Singing—Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church—South of Tallapoosa, Georgia, off Hwy. 100—From I-20—Take Exit #5 and go South on Hwy 100—Go 1.4 miles to Shiloh Church Road—Turn right—Go 0.8 miles to church.

**Sun., 4th**—Clear Creek Convention West—Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson Schoolhouse)—Fayette County, Alabama—On Hwy. 44, Old Fayette Road.

**Sun., 4th**—Haynes Creek Church—Rockdale County, Georgia—10 miles north of Conyers on state Hwy. 20—Turn left on Rosebud Road, approximately 3 miles, church is on left.

**Sun., 4th**—Fox Valley Folk Festival Singing—Island Park—Geneva, Illinois—11:30 a.m.—Always the Sunday before Labor Day.

### *Labor Day, Monday, September 5*

**Mon., 5th (Labor Day)**—Shoal Creek Church—Talladega National Forest—Near Edwardsville—Cleburne County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—From West to East—Take Hwy. 78 east to Heflin and then into Edwardsville—Go through Edwardsville, just past mile marker #183, and turn north onto County Road #61 which is directly across the road from the volunteer fire department building. There is a sign that has Talladega National Forest—Go 5.6 miles, cross the creek, go 0.4 miles and there will be a sign for the church. Turn right at the church sign onto a dirt road that will lead you to the church.

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 10th**—Oberlin Sacred Harp Singing—Christ Episcopal Church—162 South Main Street—Oberlin, Ohio—Held on Saturday after Labor Day—

Info: Charles Wells 440.774.1926 charles@freude.com—

<http://www.math.ohio-state.edu/~econrad/fasola.html>

**Sat., 10th**—Rivanna River All Day Singing—TBA—Charlottesville, Virginia—10:00 a.m.—held on Second Saturday in September—

Info: Bev Oneida 434.974.6534 boneida@ntelos.net

**Sat., 10th & Sun., 11th**—United Sacred Harp Musical Association (United Sacred Harp Singing Convention)—Neely Dining Room, Belmont University—Nashville, Tennessee—9:30 a.m.—From I-65 south of downtown Nashville, take the Wedgewood Ave. exit (Exit 81). Turn west on Wedgewood Avenue and go about 1 mile. Belmont University will be on the left. Access to the Neely Dining Room is from Wedgewood Avenue. Info: Tim Reynolds [trcopes@bellsouth.net](mailto:trcopes@bellsouth.net)

**Sat., 10th & Sun., 11th**—UK Sacred Harp Convention—Place to be announced—Oxford, United Kingdom.

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 17th**—Calhoun County Convention—Mount Moriah Primitive Baptist Church—Four Mile Community—Between Anniston and Jacksonville, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Take Hwy. 21 north from Anniston to Jacksonville—Church is exactly in line with mile marker 263 on Four Mile Drive. *Starting in 2005, this convention will only be held on Saturday before the third Sunday...no longer a 2 day singing.*

**Sat., 17th & Sun., 18th**—Illinois State Convention—Charleston, Illinois—Location to be announced—Fixed date...always the third Sunday and Saturday before. Info: Berkley Moore 217.793.0024 [berkmoore@aol.com](mailto:berkmoore@aol.com) or Janet Fraembs 217.345.6873 [jfraembs@1staccess.net](mailto:jfraembs@1staccess.net)

**Sun., 18th**—B.F. White Sacred Harp Singing—Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church—3965 Glenwood Road—Decatur (DeKalb County), Georgia—J.L. White Book

**Sun., 18th**—Cornelius Benjamin (Bennie) Keeton Memorial Singing—Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery)—Walker County, Alabama—0.5 miles east of New Flatwoods Church on Hwy. 11—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill.

**Sun., 18th**—Smyrna Annual Sacred Harp Singing—Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church—Goodwater, Alabama—From Hwy. 9, turn east in Goodwater on

Goodwater Road—Go approximately 5 miles to County Road 83, turn right (church sign there)—Go approximately 0.25 miles, church is on left.

### ***Fourth Sunday and Saturday before***

**Sat., 24th**—Mountain Heritage Day Singing—Administration Building—Western Carolina University—Cullowhee (Jackson County), North Carolina—10:30 a.m.—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision/Christian Harmony—  
Info: Ed Smith 706.695.0843 for free parking passes.

**Sat., 24th**—Mule Day Singing—Pastime Theatre—Winfield, Alabama—  
Info: Marlin Beasley 256.429.3996

**Sat., 24th & Sun., 25th**—Rocky Mountain Convention—TBA—Colorado—  
Convention alternates between Colorado and New Mexico—  
Info: McPherson@sulphurcanyon.com

**Sun., 25th**—Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church—Morgan County, Alabama—18 miles northeast of Cullman on Gum Pond Road near Eva—Drive south on Hwy. 67 from Pence, through Florette—Watch for Gum Pond Road on the right—There is a sign for the church there—Turn right—The church is on the left, east, side of the road in Gum Pond.

**Sun., 25th**—Winston County Convention—Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church—3 miles north of Double Springs, Alabama—On Hwy. 195

**Sun., 25th**—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church—Thomaston (Upson County), Georgia—From square in Thomaston—Turn west on Georgia Alternate Highway 74—Go 0.7 miles and turn right on Hannah Mill Road—Cross railroad tracks and immediately turn left on Emmaus Church Road—At the stop sign, go left—Church is on the right.

**Sun., 25th**—Loosascoona Primitive Baptist Church—Air Mount (Yalobusha County), Mississippi—North of Hwy. 330—11 miles west of Bruce.

## ***October***

### ***First Sunday and Saturday before***

**Fri., Sept. 30th, p.m. & Sat., 1st or Sat., 1st & Sun., 2nd**—New England Convention—Boston, Massachusetts area—Place to be announced—The date for this singing is selected by the host singers. It can now be Friday night and Saturday or Saturday and Sunday. Check <http://www.neconvention.net/> for dates.

**Sat., 1st**—Cooper Book Singing—Old Shady Grove Baptist Church—Between Dutton and Section—Jackson County, Alabama—Just off the west side of Hwy. 71—Turn at church sign.

**Sat., 1st**—Smyrna Baptist Church Sacred Harp Singing—Rusk County, Texas—Cooper Revision—Church is on Farm to Market Road 2496—5 miles west of Mount Enterprise—Info: Robert Vaughn 903.863.5379

**Sat., 1st**—Louisiana State—Sellers Music Building—New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—9:00 a.m.—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Please note: This singing date is set according to NOBTS, this may or may not be the correct date for singing. We're told that the singing will be held in October. Check with Nancy Van Den Akker 504.286.3845 [nvandena@bellsouth.net](mailto:nvandena@bellsouth.net) or Wanda Gregg 504.816.8424 [WGregg@nobts.edu](mailto:WGregg@nobts.edu)

**Sat., 1st**—Santa Barbara Regional Singing—Goleta, California—  
Info: Tom/Victoria Ostwald 805.965.4707

**Sat., 1st**—Heritage and Harvest Festival—Petersburg Cumberland Presbyterian Church—303 Russell Street, Petersburg, Tennessee—10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—Petersburg is located east of US 431 between Lewisburg and Fayetteville—Saturday

before the first Sunday in October—

Info: John Edmondson 931.659.9418 or Tim Reynolds 615.646.6485

**Sat., 1st & Sun., 2nd**—Minnesota State Convention—Saturday: Place to be announced—Sunday: Murphy's Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota—9:30 a.m.—

Info: Steven Schmidgall 763.593.1965—Keith/Jenny Willard 651.699.2040

**Sun., 2nd**—South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention—Sandy Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Near Flovilla—Butts County, Georgia—1 mile south of Flovilla—From intersection of Georgia Hwys. 42 and 87—Follow Hwy. 87 south approximately 2.7 miles to Darnell Road—Turn left—Church is on right.

**Sun., 2nd**—Alexander, Hullett, Lowe, Brothers, Wootten Memorial—Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church—Near Oneonta—Blount County, Alabama—6 miles east of Oneonta and 1 mile east of Oneonta Airport—From I-59—Take Hwy. 231 north—Go beyond Mile Marker 249—Take first paved road on right at sign for Robin Hill Baptist Church—Go to dead end, turn right—Church is on left.

**Sun., 2nd**—Tom Harper and Ganus Wakefield Memorial—Old Sardis Church Number 1—Near Lynn Park—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles north of Lynn on County Road 17—From U.S. 278 turn south onto County Road 17 at the church sign.

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 8th, p.m. & Sun., 9th**—Tennessee State Convention—Second Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Lawrenceburg, Tennessee—Saturday p.m. singing—Cooper Book—Sunday singing—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Take Tennessee Hwy. 98 to Five Points—Turn west on Liberty Grove/Five Points Road—Go about 1 mile and turn left—Go about 1 mile on paved road to church on right.

**Sun., 9th**—Walker Cates and H.H. Brown Memorial—Muscadine Methodist Church—Muscadine (Cleburne County), Alabama—9:30 a.m. CT—Take U.S. Hwy. 78 to Muscadine—Turn south on County Road 49—Go 1 mile—Church on right.

**Sun., 9th**—Chestnut Grove Church—Near Ider—DeKalb County, Alabama—10:00 a.m.—3 miles south of Ider—Off Hwy. 117

**Sun., 9th**—Taylor United Methodist Church—Taylor (Lafayette County), Mississippi—8 miles south of Oxford—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision.

**Sun., 9th**—Harper Memorial Singing—Old Flatwoods Primitive Baptist Church—Nauvoo (Walker County), Alabama—10:00 a.m.—3 miles south of Nauvoo, west of County Road 11—There's a sign for the church on Hwy. 11—

Info: Jimmie Gilmore 205.221.4251

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Fri., 14th & Sat. 15th**—New York State Convention—Ithaca, New York—Info: Jennifer Cook 607.273.7076 jc27@cornell.edu—Eric Bean—gebean@aol.com

**Sat., 15th**—McWhorter Memorial—Mars Hill Primitive Baptist Church—Mars Hill (Cleburne County), Alabama—9:30 a.m. CT—Hwy. 78 to Fruithurst—Turn onto County Road 35—Go to County Road 49 and continue to County Road 65—Turn right onto County Road 65—Go 5 miles—Church is on left. Saturday only.

**Sat., 15th**—Tri State Convention—Traveler's Rest Church—Samson, Alabama—9:00 a.m.—Cooper Revision—Info: Bill Aplin 334.898.7253

**Sat., 15th**—Columbia Singing—Trinity Presbyterian Church—1600 W. Rollins—Columbia, Missouri—Info: Wendy Hofmann 573.446.1075 whofmann@coin.org—Lou/Penny Kujawinski 573.874.1096

**Sat., 15th & Sun., 16th**—Pacific Northwest Convention, Oregon—Mississippi Rising Ballroom—833 North Shaver—Portland, Oregon—9:30 a.m., both days—

Saturday a.m. devoted to singing school, normal singing Saturday afternoon and all day singing on Sunday—Info: Jessica Beer 503.233.7394 [tunefulpower@qwest.net](mailto:tunefulpower@qwest.net)

**Sun., 16th**—Andrew's Chapel—Upson County, Georgia—6.1 miles southeast of Thomaston on Hwy. 74—Turn right on the Rock Road to first stop sign—Bear left—1 mile to school—Bring covered dish.

**Sun., 16th**—Reid Memorial Singing—County Line Church—Jefferson County, Alabama—Near Corner, off Miller Road—9 miles west of Warrior—From Birmingham—Take I-65 north—Exit at Warrior/Jasper Rd. (Exit #282)—Turn left back across Interstate 65—Go 8-10 miles to first red light—Turn right (Corner School Road)—Pass school (2 lights at school)—Go approximately one mile, pass two stores—Turn right on Miller Road—OR—Exit #284 off I-65 (Hayden/Corner Exit)—Turn back left and go under interstate—Take the first road to the right (Blount County Road 8)—Go several miles until you come to a four way stop sign—Go straight across at the sign and road becomes Corner Road—Continue on Corner Road until you go through a cemetery—Turn left on Miller Road—Church is on left.

#### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 22nd**—Seed and Feed Sacred Harp Singing—Emory Presbyterian Church—1886 North Decatur Road—Atlanta, Georgia—10:00 a.m.—From I-85—Take the Clairmont Rd. exit and go south (passing the VA Hospital on the right) to the intersection of Clairmont and North Decatur Road. Turn right on North Decatur. Church is 0.5 miles west of the Clairmont/North Decatur intersection, at the corner of North Decatur and Westminster Way. Info: Kelly Morris 404.378.0595 or Laura Akerman 404.373.8241 [lib1na@emory.edu](mailto:lib1na@emory.edu)

**Sat., 22nd**—Coy Putnam Memorial—Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church—Near Arab—Marshall County, Alabama—3 miles east of Arab—on Hwy. 69—Arab to Guntersville.

**Sun., 23rd**—Mississippi State Cooper Book Convention—Sherwood Forest Primitive Baptist Church—3 miles south of Brandon, Mississippi—Church is on Old Lake Road, 1.5 miles east of Star Road.—Info: Mark Davis [horn3@bellsouth.net](mailto:horn3@bellsouth.net)

**Sun., 23rd**—Jordan's Chapel—Newell (Randolph County), Alabama—9:30 a.m.—U.S Hwy. 431 to County Road 82—Go across County Road 431 (Old U.S. 431) at Morrison's Cross Roads—Go 0.25 miles, left at fork, left at next fork—Church is approximately two miles on right.

**Sun., 23rd**—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myers/W.A. Parker Memorial Singing—New Hope Primitive Baptist Church—Walker County, Alabama—12 miles northeast of Jasper—1 mile south of Hwy. 69 on Sipsey Road.

#### *Fifth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 29th & Sun., 30th**—Southwest Texas Convention—San Gabriel Community Center, San Gabriel Park—Georgetown, Texas—Fall Session—Cooper Revision—First fifth Sunday and Saturday of the fall (August, September, or October)—Last fifth Sunday before Thanksgiving—Info: Gaylon Powell 512.258.7080

**Sat., 29th & Sun., 30th**—Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention—Camp Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County, Georgia—I-85 North to Exit #104 (Pleasant Hill Road)—Turn right and go 2 miles—Chapel is on the left—You will have to make a U turn at the next traffic light and backtrack if coming from the interstate due to the concrete median—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before, after Labor Day.



## November

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 5th**—Little Hope Primitive Baptist Church—Near Huntington—Angelina County, Texas—Cooper Revision—4 miles on Farm to Market Road 1669 out of Huntington—Info: Burl Russell 409.624.2173

**Sat., 5th**—Alvis Brothers and B.I. Wood Memorial Singing—Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church—Near Attalla—Etowah County, Alabama—South of Attalla on Hwy. 11—*Changed from Sunday to Saturday.*

**Sat., 5th**—Velton Chafin Birthday Singing—Old Sardis Church—Lynn Park, Alabama—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition used in the morning, and the Cooper Book used in the afternoon.

**Sat., 5th**—Denney Memorial—Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church—Carrollton (Carroll County), Georgia—Take U.S. Hwy. 27 south through Carrollton—Go 2 miles and turn right on Oak Grove Church Road—Go to cross roads (or 1st street) and turn left—

Info: Felton Denney 770.832.8198 (Singing was formerly held in Heard County)

**Sat., 5th**—University of Chicago/Hyde Park Sacred Harp Anniversary Singing—Ida Noyes Hall, University of Chicago—1212 East 59th Street, Chicago, Illinois—10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.—Always 1st Saturday in November.

Info: 773.276.HARP shapenote@listhost.uchicago.edu

**Sun., 6th**—Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church—Near Bremen—Carroll County, Georgia—9:30 a.m.—2 miles south of Bremen off Hwy. 27—Exit #11 off I-20 and turn south on Hwy. 27—Go to top of hill at BP service station—Turn left—Go to dead end—Turn left—Go to dead end, church on left.

**Sun., 6th**—Mt. Ebron Church Memorial Singing—Mt. Ebron Missionary Baptist Church—Near Double Springs—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles west of Double Springs on Hwy. 25—Double Springs to Lynn.

**Sun., 6th**—Lebanon Primitive Baptist Church—Crisp County, Georgia—9 miles south of Cordele—Exit I-75 at exit 97—From Atlanta, turn right—Cross over Hwy. 41 and go to the dead end—Turn left on Hwy. 33—Go approximately 4 miles—Turn right onto Antioch Road (this is a "sand road")—Go straight at the stop sign—Church is on left behind Zion Hope Cemetery—Bring covered dish.

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 12th**—Immanuel Baptist Church—222 Belle Meade Boulevard—Nashville, Tennessee—Between Harding Road, U.S. 70, and Harding Place

**Sat., 12th**—Southern Wisconsin—Info: Jim Page 608.255.6861

**Sat., 12th**—Dallas County Singing—First Primitive Baptist Church—1920 Gross Road—Dallas, Texas—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—

Info: Bruce/Beverly Coates 972.227.7976 or Gary/Vivian Rogan 817.220.5147

**Sat., 12th**—Stapleford Sacred Harp Singing—St. Luke's Church—Stapleford, Nottingham—United Kingdom—Contact Helen Brown 44 1332 768274 helenbrowm@poohvalley.freeserve.co.uk

**Sat., 12th & Sun., 13th**—James River Convention—Richmond, Virginia—This singing is always the second Sunday and Saturday before in November—

Info: Stephen McMaster 804.288.1503 Simdar19@idt.net

Blake Morris 804.288.8206 Blake.Morris2@gte.net

**Sun., 13th**—Oak Hill Baptist Church—County Line Road—Near Oxford—Calhoun County, Alabama—9:30 a.m.—Get on Hwy. 21 South in Oxford—Go under I-20—Take left at light onto Friendship Road—Cross 3 bridges to traffic light—Turn right onto Cheaha Drive—Go 5/6 blocks—Turn left onto County Line Road—Church on right.

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 19th**—West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day—West Lane Methodist Church—Haworth, United Kingdom—

Info: Helen Brown 44 1332 768274 helenbrown@poohvalley.freereserve.co.uk

**Sat., 19th—7:00 p.m.**—Cross Roads Church—North of Tallapoosa—Haralson County, Georgia—Take Hwy. 100 North from Tallapoosa for 8.6 miles to Cross Roads Church Road (Just beyond mile marker #15)—Turn left—Go 2.6 miles—Church is on right at intersection of Cross Roads Church Road and Steadman Road—Saturday night before the third Sunday in November.

**Sun., 20th**—Elder and Mrs. Jason Davis Memorial—Harmony Primitive Baptist Church—Harmony Church Road—Calhoun (Gordon County), Georgia—Take I-75 North—Exit right at exit #315 (Red Bud Road exit)—Turn right onto Hwy. 156 east—Go about 200 yards—Turn right onto Harmony Church Road—Go about 100 yards—Church on left.

**Sun., 20th**—Ganus and Wilford Wakefield Memorial—King's School House (Mt. Vernon)—Near Lynn—Winston County, Alabama—3 miles east of Natural Bridge, just off U.S. Hwy. 278

**Thurs., 24th**—Thanksgiving Day

### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 26th & Sun., 27th**—Alabama Sacred Harp Musical Convention—Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church—North of Birmingham, Alabama—9:00 a.m.—Take I-65 North to Fultondale Exit # 266—Turn right onto Hwy. 31 south—Go 100 yards—Turn left to 57th Avenue—Go 0.25 mile, look for signs.

**Sat., 26th**—Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA)—Annual Meeting—Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church—Birmingham, Alabama—3:00 p.m.

## *December*

### *First Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 3rd & Sun., 4th**—Florida State Sacred Harp Convention—Holiday Inn—2001 Cove Boulevard—Panama City, Florida—Cooper Revision—For reservations call 850.769.0000

### *Second Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 10th & Sun., 11th**—Joseph Jackson Beasley Memorial—Concord Primitive Baptist Church—Winfield (Marion County), Alabama—0.7 mile south of County Road 14—From U.S. Hwy. 78 in Winfield—Take Hwy. 129 North—County Road 14 turns west off Hwy. 129, then left at church sign—Church is 0.7 miles on right—Info: John Beasley 205.487.3916

### *Third Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat. and Sun., 17th and 18th**—No listings

### *Fourth Sunday and Saturday before*

**Sat., 24th**—Christmas Eve

**Sun., 25th**—Christmas Day

**Sat., 31st—7:00 p.m.**—Wootten Family New Year's Eve Singing—Antioch Baptist Church—Ider (DeKalb County), Alabama—Take I-59 north—Exit right at Exit #231—Turn left onto Hwy. 40/117—Go 1.4 miles and turn right on Hwy. 117—Go 9.5 miles (You will cross Hwy. 75)—Turn right onto Hwy. 141—Go 3.9 miles—Turn right onto County Road 783 and immediately back left onto County Road 782—Church is on left.

## FIFTH SATURDAY/SUNDAY SINGINGS

<b>First Fifth Weekend</b>	January 29 and 30
<b>Second Fifth Weekend</b>	May 28 and 29
<b>Third Fifth Weekend</b>	July 30 and 31
<b>Fourth Fifth Weekend</b>	October 29 and 30

### *First Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)*

**Liberty Church**—Henagar, Alabama—First fifth Sunday of year

**Parker, Hollis, Putman Memorial**—Liberty (McCormick)—Sumiton, Alabama—First fifth Sunday each year

### *Second Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)*

**Mount Pisgah**—Sylvester, Georgia—Second fifth Sunday of each year

**Midwest Convention**—Chicago, Illinois—Locations announced—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before, preceding July 4, except when the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday falls in June, then it will be on the weekend before Memorial Day

**Southwest Texas Convention**—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church—McMahan, Texas—Cooper Revision—First fifth Sunday in the spring (March or later)

### *Third Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)*

**Young People's Singing**—Shady Grove Baptist Church—Dutton, Alabama—Saturday before first fifth Sunday after July 4<sup>th</sup>

**Lacy Memorial Singing**—Henagar, Alabama—First fifth Sunday after July 4<sup>th</sup>

**Moon and Guthrie Memorial**—Liberty (McCormick)—Southeast of Sumiton, Alabama—Third fifth Sunday of each year

### *Fourth Fifth Weekend (Regular Singings)*

**Southwest Texas Convention**—Littlevine Primitive Baptist Church—Austin, Texas—Fall Session—Cooper Revision—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before of the fall (August, September, or October)—Last fifth Sunday before Thanksgiving

**Union Musical Sacred Harp Convention**—Held at different locations—Atlanta, Georgia area—First fifth Sunday and Saturday before after Labor Day

## LOCAL SINGINGS

### *Alabama*

**Anniston:** Second Tuesday of each month—6:30-8:00 p.m.—Norwood Hodges (Golden Springs) Community Center—Spring Valley Road—Get on Golden Springs Road—Turn at tennis courts—Info: Jeff Sheppard 256.237.1240

**Auburn:** Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>—St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church—136 E. Magnolia Avenue (just north of College Street—7:00 p.m.—Info: Allison Ivey or Richard Ivey

**Birmingham:** First Tuesday in every month—Southside Baptist Church—11th Avenue South—6:30 p.m.—Info: Elene Stovall 205.854.8741  
stovalle@bellsouth.net or Max Berueffy 205.968.0205 maxb@tlanda.com

**Carbon Hill:** Saturday night before the second Sunday in each month—Shady Grove (Keetons), Walker County—1.5 miles east of New Flatwoods Church on Hwy. 11—Nauvoo to Carbon Hill—Info: Travis Keeton 205.697.5268

**Cullman:** First Wednesday of each month—Jones Chapel Community Center—From I-65—Take U.S. 278 west to Jones Chapel—Turn south at signal light onto

County Road 7—Also called County Road 940—Go one block—Building on right—Memorial in July.

**Fayette:** Second Sunday night—6:00 p.m.—Mt. Lebanon Church—Bluff Road off Hwy. 107—8 miles northwest of Fayette—Info: Larry Ballinger 205.932.3858

**Ft. Payne:** Last Tuesday of each month—March through October—6:30 p.m.—Family Worship Center—3901 Gault Avenue, South—From I-59, take exit #218 (AL Hwy. 35)—Take AL Hwy. 35 to U.S. Hwy. 11—Go south on U.S. Hwy 11 for approximately 2.5 miles to the church—Church is on the right.

**Haleyville (Winston County):** First Sunday night—Friendship Primitive Baptist Church—Southeast of Haleyville—On Hwy. 195, south of church sign, 2 miles—In April—Idella Berry Memorial Singing—Info: Josie Hyde 205.486.5625

**Henagar:** First Sunday night—October through April—Liberty Church—5:30 p.m.—Info: Coy Ivey 256.657.4681 david@davidivey.com

**Huntsville:** First Friday Night—February 4, April 1, August 5, November 4—7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.—Burritt Museum—3101 Burritt Drive, on Monte Sano Mountain—Take U.S. 431 south (Governors Drive) to top of Monte Sano Mountain—Turn north onto Monte Sano Boulevard—Turn onto Burritt Drive—Info: David Ivey 256.881.5291 david@davidivey.com

**Ider:** Second Sunday night—October through March—Antioch Church—5 miles north of Ider—Left on Hwy. 75—Info: Terry Wooten 256.632.3830

**Jasper:** Saturday night before second Sunday in January—Memorial Singing—Mrs. Luther Calvert and Mrs. Jim Woodley—Pleasant Grove Church—Boldo Community—5 miles east of Jasper—Hwy. 69.

**Jasper:** Saturday night before the third Sunday in March—Boldo Memorial Singing—Stephenson and Wall Memorial—Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church—Five miles east of Jasper—Hwy. 69.

**Mobile:** Second Saturdays—7:00 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church—1.5 miles east of I-65 on Airport Blvd.—Info: Bill Hogan 251.665.2433 will\_muse@yahoo.com

## *Alaska*

**Fairbanks:** Sundays—7:00 p.m.—

Info: William Walters 907.479.3796 or Robert Sullivan rsrbs@aurora.alaska.edu

## *Arizona*

**Tucson:** First and Third Saturday—3:00-5:00 p.m.—Sonora Cohousing—501 E. Roger Rd.—Info: J.P. 520.682.6201 at jpintozyd@mybluelight.com or Becky Nankiveil 520.293.3783 bnankiveilk@igc.org

## *Arkansas*

**Big Fork:** First Sunday—2:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Info: Verla Huckaby 501.394.6135 EddieVerla@aol.com or Flora Burns 501.394.5730

**Mena:** Second and Fourth Thursdays—6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—

Info: Verla Huckaby 501.394.5730

**Springdale:** Fourth Sunday, each month—1:30-4:30 p.m.—Shiloh Museum, General Store on grounds of Museum—118 West Johnson Avenue—Springdale, Arkansas—Info: Syd Caldwell SydneyC@cox-internet.com

## *California*

**Los Angeles:** First Sunday east-side singing—3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—Third Sunday west-side singing—3:00-5:50 p.m.—

Info: Laura Boyd Russell 310.450.3516 belltower@compuserve.com—Click on “Singing in Los Angeles” from <http://fasola.org>

**Monterey:** Third Sundays—3:00-6:00 p.m. Info: Michael Armstrong 831.373.3465; Jack and Kathy Herbig 831.649.3087 jack@herbigassociates.com

**Poway:** See San Diego, First and third Sundays, below.

**Sacramento/Davis:** Second Sundays—1:00 p.m. potluck—Singing, 2:00-4:30 p.m.—Held at home of Susan Jones and David Wright 916.739.8906 davesue@calweb.com

**San Diego:** First and third Sundays—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—Old Poway Park—Info: Carla Smith and Jerry Schreiber 619.544.0432 DrXOX@aol.com—Carla by day: 619.533.3181

**San Diego:** Second and fourth Sundays—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—First Unitarian Church in Hillcrest—Info: Norma Ruptier 858.452.1859

**San Francisco:** Third Sundays (except August and January)—4:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m.—1024 Chenery St.—

Info: Carolyn Deacy 415.585.4773 sf@fasola.org —<http://fasola.org/bayarea>

**San Francisco Bay Area-UC Berkeley:** Every Monday evening 7:30-9:30 p.m.—Near UC campus—Info: Jill Accetta 415.200.6099 refulgentorb@mac.com

**San Francisco Bay Area-Oakland/East Bay:** First Sundays 4:30-6:30 p.m. followed by a potluck—

Info: Alice Sharp 510.843.8259 avsharp@earthlink or Vicki Solomon 510.601.8576

**San Francisco Bay Area-Palo Alto/South Bay:** Second Sundays—11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. and Fourth Sundays—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m. (hosted lunch following)

Info: Terry Moore 650.736.4089 tmoore@stanfordmed.org

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PaloAltoShapeNote/>

**Santa Barbara:** First Saturday of each month—7:30-10:00 p.m.—808 California Street—Call in advance to confirm—Info: Tom/Victoria Ostwald 805.965.4707

**Santa Cruz:** Tuesdays—7:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m.—Potluck at 6 p.m.—Info: Shelly Phillips 831.427.2980

## ***Colorado***

**Boulder:** Second Friday of every month—3119 9th St.—Info: 303.447.9379

**Denver:** Sunday after the fourth Friday—

Info: Elaine Cullor 303.860.0662 or John Schaffer 303.234.1729

**Fort Collins:** First Friday—7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.—St Luke's Episcopal Church—2000 Stover—Info: Sandy Hill 970.669.6450

**Loveland:** Sunday after the third Friday—3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—604 North California Avenue—Info: Sandy Hill 970.669.6450 sandy@fril.com

## ***Connecticut***

**Middletown:** Second Sunday—2:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Memorial Chapel, Wesleyan University—Info: Phyllis/Neely Bruce 860.347.3003 nbruce@wesleyan.edu

**New Haven:** Singing school and singing—Third Thursday of February, May, August, and November—Church of St. Paul and St. James—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Info: Wilma Whitley 203.562.2143 whitley.javanet@rcn.com

**Newtown, other places:** Meets occasionally—Connecticut Valley Harmony.

## ***District of Columbia***

**Metropolitan area:** Fourth Sunday, except December—4:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.—

Potluck 6:00 p.m.—Usually at St. Peter's Episcopal Church—4250 North Glebe Road—Arlington, Virginia—Sponsored by Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW) (Membership not required)

Info: Mary Ann Daly 301.229.8534 daly@rff.org or <http://www.fsgw.org>

## *Florida*

**Gainesville:** Third Sunday—3:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.—Alternates between—First Methodist Church, Bethany Room—419 NE First Street—Gainesville Episcopal Church of the Mediator—401 NE Chokolka Boulevard—Micanopy—Info: Pat Morse 352.377.8061 or 352.466.3801 barnetta@mindspring.com

**Hilliard:** Saturday evening each month—7:00 p.m.—Pavilion of the Baptist—County Road 121, A paved road that connects to US Hwy. 1 at Bolougne, Florida, just inside the Florida state line, south of Folkston, Georgia—Go west on C.R. 121 about 6 or 7 miles—When you pass C.R. 115/Bay Road on your left, go 0.6 miles, the driveway to the pavilion will be on your right—Cooper Edition—Info: 904.845.2624 tolliesaws@juno.com

**Tallahassee:** Friday before third Sunday in each month—Except July, August, and December—7:00 p.m.—Calvary United Methodist Church—2145 West Pensacola Street—Info: Alice Bejnar 850.656.2027

## *Georgia*

**Alpharetta:** Friday before the third Sunday—S.O.F.A. Singing—September, October, February, and April—7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.—Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church—Take Georgia Hwy. 400—Exit 10—Old Milton Parkway—Alpharetta—Go east on Old Milton for 2.6 miles—Turn left at light onto Kimball Bridge Road—Go 0.2 miles—Church on left—Info: Faye Holbrook 706.636.1707

**Athens:** Monthly evening singings, dates, and locations vary—Info: Lee Rogers 706.795.5472 jleerogers@peoplepc.org

**Decatur:** First Thursday in each month—Except January and possibly December—7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.—Emory Presbyterian Church Baptist Church—N. Decatur Road, between Clifton and Clairmont—Info: Liz Bryant 404.378.5424 or John Plunkett 770.939.3464 mail@atlantashapenote.org

**Hoboken:** Saturday before the third Sunday in each month—Hoboken Elementary School—7:00 p.m.—Take 82 East to Hoboken to the second caution light—Turn left on Kelly—Cross R.R. tracks—Take second paved street to the left—Go to the end of the block—The school and parking are on the right—Info: David/Kathy Lee 912.458.2493 Clarke/Julie Lee 912.458.2268 Johnny/Delorese Lee 912.458.2595

**Savannah:** Second Saturday each month—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Fellowship Hall, First Christian Church—711 East Victory Dr.—Info: Gene Pinion 912.655.0994 ljb2012@att.net

## *Illinois*

**Chicago:** Third Sunday—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—Various locations—Info: Cathryn Baker 773.538.5150—shapenote@listhost.uchicago.edu.—or call the “Harp Line” 773.276.HARP

**Charleston/Mattoon:** First and third Thursday evenings and occasional Sundays—Various sites—Info: Janet Fraembs 217.345.6873 jfraembs@1staccess.net

**Hyde Park/Chicago:** Weekly—Thursday—7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.—Location varies—Info: Cathryn Baker 773.538.5150—shapenote@listhost.uchicago.edu

**Springfield Area:** Year round irregular singings at various sites—Monthly singings at Lincoln’s New Salem Historical Site.  
Info: Becky Schildman 217.476.3572 or Pete Ellertsen 217.793.2587

## *Indiana*

**Bloomington:** Second and fourth Sundays—2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.—St. Mark’s United Methodist Church—100 Hwy. 46 Bypass—Info: Marlen Rust 812.336.2792

**Fisher (Indianapolis area):** Every Tuesday—5:30-7:00 p.m.—at Conner Prairie—13400 Allisonville Road—Missouri Harmony, 1994 reprint of 1846 edition—Contact Sarah Morin 1.800.966.1836 Morin@connerprairie.org for directions about how to enter the building.

**Goshen:** First Sunday in each month—4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—Location moves—Info: Samuel Sommers 574.294.6180 scmws@yahoo.com

**Lafayette/Kokomo:** Lafayette/Kokomo Indiana Area Sacred Harp Singers—Second Sunday afternoon of each month—location varies—Info: Brad Bahler 765.457.9159 bahlerl@netzero.net or Janet Glossic 765.743.1736 glossic@aol.com

## *Iowa*

**Cedar Falls:** Usually on Sundays—2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—Cedar Falls Mennonite Church—9th and Clay Streets—

Info: Michael L. Moore 319.277.8495 mlmoore@cfu.net

**Quad Cities Area:** Third Saturdays—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Usually at 824 W. 3rd St in **Davenport**, but location may vary, so call/e-mail before coming.—

Info: Kristin Bruchmann 563.323.2140 lambsong@aol.com or Annie Grieshop 563.926.2353 grieshop@n-connect.net

## *Kansas*

**Lawrence:** First Sunday—1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—

Info: Susan/Richard Green 816.931.7042

## *Kentucky*

**Berea:** Sundays—2:00 p.m.—Union Church—Corner of Main and Prospect—Info: Kent Gilbert 606.986.4057 kgilbert@mis.net or the church 606.986.3725

**Lexington:** Second Sunday—September through May—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Chapel Hill Presbyterian Church—3534 Bates Creek Road—

Info: Mary Brinkman 606.272.3895 mlbrin00@pop.uky.edu—Keith MacAdam 606.268.0998 (home) or 606.257.3344 (work) phy156@ukcc.uky.edu

**Louisville:** Every third Sunday of the month—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Ohio Valley Shaped Note Singers—Vine Street Baptist Church—

Info: Bob Meek 502.893.2190 bob54393@aol.com—Michelle Cull 502.587.7510

## *Maine*

**Belfast:** Second Monday each month—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—First Congregational Church—Spring Street entrance, first floor, Fellowship Hall—Court and Spring Streets—Info: Bobbie Goodell 207.342.2324 rgoodell@acadia.net

**Damariscotta:** Fourth Sunday—1:00-4:00 p.m.—Great Salt Bay Elementary School—Business Rte. 1—Info: Edith Berger 207.832.6561 berger@gwi.net

**Ellsworth, etc:** Usually monthly—Near middle of the month—Travels around state—Waterville, Ellsworth, New Sharon, Pittsfield, among other places—

Info: Joe Kucera 207.285.7358

## *Maryland*

**Baltimore:** Second Sunday—4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—September through June—Locations varies by month.

Info: Elizabeth Cusick 410.235.6627 elizabeth@cusick.name

## *Massachusetts*

**Amherst:** First Sunday—1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.—First Congregational Church—165 Main Street—Info: Eliza Cavanaugh 413.772.0287 eliza-cavanaugh@direcway.com

**Boston:** Second Monday—7:45 p.m.–10:00 p.m.—Andover-Newton Theological School—Info: Bob Parr 781.648.1009—parr@ll.mit.edu or Ginnie Ely 978.664.1344 Ginnie.Ely@compaq.com

**Boston:** Weekly, 1st, 2nd, and 4th Sunday nights—6:00-9:00 p.m.—Concert Hall, College of Fine Arts at Boston University—855 Commonwealth Avenue.  
Info: Thomas Malone malone@mac.com

**Charlestown (Boston):** Third Sunday 3:00-6:00 p.m.—St. John's Episcopal Church, 27 Devens Street—

Info: Robert Stoddard 617.852.3224 StoddardFamily@comcast.net

**Greenfield:** Fifth Sundays—Cooper Book—1:30-4:30 p.m.—All Souls Unitarian Church—399 Main Street—

Info: Laura Timmerman 413.773.8325 laurat@crocker.com

**Leyden:** Every fifth Thursday—910 Greenfield Rd.—Potluck supper at 6:00 p.m.—singing from 7:00-10:00 p.m.—Various books used—

Info: Laura Timmerman 413.773.8325 laurat@crocker.com

**Northampton:** Every Tuesday—7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.—Helen Hills Chapel, Smith College—Info: Kelsey Wessels 413.773.8208 kwessels@sover.net

## *Michigan*

**Ann Arbor:** Most Second Sundays—2:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m.—The Ark Coffeehouse—316 S. Main—Info: Charlotte Wolfe 734.663.0262 CAWolfe@umich.edu—

The Ark 734.761.1800—Pat Forsberg-Smith 734.747.9644

**Kalamazoo:** Third Sunday—4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.—Pot luck dinner following—

Info: Bill and Martha Beverly 269.382.4288 mbeverly@chartermi.net

## *Minnesota*

**Dinkytown:** Tuesday nights—5:30-7:30 p.m.—University Baptist Church—Near the campus of the University of Minnesota—

Info: Kim Bahmer—kimbahmer@hotmail.com

**Minneapolis:** Second and fourth Sundays—5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—Info: Keith/Jenny Willard 651.699.2040

Third Sunday—5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.—Cooper Book

## *Mississippi*

**Bruce:** Third Sundays—November through March—1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.—Bethel Primitive Baptist Church—

Info: Warren Steel—mudws@sunset.backbone.olemiss.edu—

Mark Davis—Horn4@aol.com—Hugh Bill McGuire 662.983.2376

**Houston:** First Sundays—December through March—1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m.—Enon Primitive Baptist Church—Info: Elder Charles Porter 601.456.3879

**Oxford:** Second Tuesdays—November to February—7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.—

Info: Warren Steel 662.236.5356

## *Missouri*

**Columbia:** Second and Fourth Tuesdays—7:30 p.m.—Trinity Presbyterian Church—Rollins Rd.—

Info: Wendy Hofmann 573.446.1075 or Penny/Lou Kujawinski 573.874.1096

**Kansas City:** Third Sunday—Starting at 1:30 p.m.—

Info: Susan/Richard Green 816.931.7042

**Lawrence (Kansas):** First Sunday—1:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m.—

Info: Susan/Richard Green 816.931.7042

**Saint Louis:** First, third, and fifth Mondays—7:30 p.m.—

Info: Karen Isbell 314.664.1411 Becky Browne 314.968.8921



## *Nebraska*

**Lincoln:** Third Sundays of each month—2:00 p.m.—Northeast Resource Center—5903 Walker Avenue, 3rd floor

**Omaha:** Second Sunday of the month—2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—Fourth Saturday night—7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m.—St. Vincent's Orthodox Church—2502 North 51st Street—Info: Jim Solheim 402.393.6108 jim@jamesolheim.com or Kathy Wood 402.397.4673 khwood@mitec.net

## *New Jersey*

**Upper Montclair:** Fourth Sunday—2:00 p.m.- 5:30 p.m.—Montclair Friends Meetinghouse—289 Park Street—Info: Gina Balestracci or Roland Hutchinson 973.509.2165 balestracci@mail.montclair.edu

**Woodcliff Lake:** Second Sunday—2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Ten minutes from Tappan Zee Bridge—Info: Carol Werba 201.391.2713

## *New Mexico*

**Albuquerque:** Second and fourth Sundays—2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Harwood Art Center—1114 7th St. NW—

Info: Nancy Nortz 505.281.0267 or Ed Stevens 505.281.7615

**Las Cruces:** Every Tuesday night—6:30-8:30 p.m.—Mesilla Park Recreation Center—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition—Info: Eric Morgan emorgan@nmsu.edu

## *New York*

**Albany:** First Saturday evenings—September through June—7:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m.—Calvary United Methodist Church—Corner of Belle and Ridge, Latham, New York—Info: George/Jean Seiler 518.583.7813 jwseiler@ix.netcom.com or Michael Ryan 518.399.6046

**Altamont:** June: Friday, 25th—Saturday, 26th—Sunday, 27th—Old Songs Festival—Altamont Fairgrounds—Altamont, New York—Morning singing, workshops—Info: 518.765.2815—Always held the last full weekend in June, the last Sunday and the Friday and Saturday before.

**Buffalo:** Third Sunday—4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.—At the home of Vince Kuntz—Elmwood West Ferry, neighborhood of Buffalo—

Info: Vince Kuntz 716.884.7807 allemand@buffnet.net

**Clinton:** Fourth Sunday (unless a regional the day before)—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—St. James Episcopal Church—9 Williams St.

Info: Barbara Swetman 315.735.9933 bswetman@hamilton.edu—

Margaret/Ron Bornick 315.853.6282 RMBornick@compuserve.com

**Ithaca:** First, Third, and Fifth Sunday—2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.—Saint John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall—Info: Jennifer Cook 607.273.7076

jc27@cornell.edu—

Eric Bean 607.589.6170 gebeac@aol.com

**Kingston:** Meets twice a month—Second Wednesday and Fourth Tuesday—7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.—Holy Cross Episcopal Church—

Info: Jim Ulrich 914.657.8314 ulrich@ulster.net

**New York City (Brooklyn):** Second Sundays—Joe Beasley Singings—St. Paul's Church Hall or Rectory—199 Carroll Street at the corner of Clinton Street—South Brooklyn, New York—2:00 p.m.—Potluck after singing, usually about 6:00 p.m.—Info: Brenda Pena 718.793.2848 BJPUB@Prodigy.net

**New York City (Lower East Side):** First Saturdays—3:00-6:00 p.m.—The Living Room, 154 Ludlow St.—

Info: www.livingroom.com contact: Linda Griggs 212.777.9837

**New York City (Manhattan):** Third Sunday—2:30-5:00 p.m.—St. Bart's Church, 109 East 50th Street—Info: [www.manhattansing.org](http://www.manhattansing.org)

**New York City (Metro Area):** Fourth Sunday, 2-5:30 p.m.—Montclair Friends Meeting—289 Park Street at Gordonhurst Ave., Montclair, New Jersey—Info: Gina Balestracci [balestracci@mail.montclair.edu](mailto:balestracci@mail.montclair.edu)

**Plattsburgh:** Sunday (floating)—Unitarian Universalist Church—4 Palmer St.—1-4:30 p.m.—we have refreshment break—

Info: Bruce Kokernot 518.563.1834 [bkokernot@bhsn.org](mailto:bkokernot@bhsn.org)

**Rochester:** Second Sunday—2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Rochester Presbyterian Home—256 Thurston Rd.—Rochester, New York (between Brooks Ave. and Chili Ave.)—Info: Chris Haller 585.387.9570 [ringer@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ringer@rochester.rr.com) or Thom Metzger 585.467.5192 or Sue Hengelsberg [sueheng@cnyti.com](mailto:sueheng@cnyti.com)

## ***North Carolina***

**Cary:** Fourth Sunday—2:00-4:00 p.m.—Page-Walker Arts and History Center on the Town Hall Campus, 119 Ambassador Loop—<http://www.ncshapenote.org/carydir.html>

**Chapel Hill:** Second Sunday—2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.—Person Hall on University of North Carolina campus—Info: Matt Cartmill 919.493.8519—Becky Hart 919.682.2517 (H)—919.966.4032 (W)—[bhart@sphvax.sph.unc.edu](mailto:bhart@sphvax.sph.unc.edu)  
<http://www.ncshapenote.org/chdir.html>

**Durham:** Third Sunday—2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.—Watts Street Baptist Church—Info: Joy/Ron Craig 919.929.3695—Becky Hart (see Chapel Hill, above)

**Fletcher:** First Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Calvary Episcopal—Christian Harmony Book used—Dan Huger 828.274.8899 [dehuger@mindspring.com](mailto:dehuger@mindspring.com)

**Raleigh:** Fourth Sunday—2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.—Usually in Mordecai Historic Park Chapel—

Info: Lynda Hambourger 919.781.3596 Becky Hart (see Chapel Hill above)

## ***Ohio***

**Bowling Green:** Second Sundays—2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—

Info: Steve Kasperik-Postellon [spostel@bgnnet.bgsu.edu](mailto:spostel@bgnnet.bgsu.edu)

**Cincinnati:** Second Sundays—4:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.—potluck at 6:00—

Info: John Bealle 513.861.1137 [jbealle@spsp.net](mailto:jbealle@spsp.net)

**Columbus:** First, Third, and Fifth Sundays—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—Dutch Treat dinner afterwards.—Info: Eric Conrad 614.481.7637 [econrad@math.ohio-state.edu](mailto:econrad@math.ohio-state.edu)

**Daton:** Fourth Sundays—3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—

Info: Jeffrey Fyffe 937.320.1339 [fyffe@donet.com](mailto:fyffe@donet.com)

**Oberlin:** Wednesday (One evening a week when Oberlin College is in session)—8:00-10:00 p.m.—31 North Prospect St.

Info: Charles Wells 440.774.1926 [charles@freude.com](mailto:charles@freude.com)

## ***Oklahoma***

**Oklahoma City:** Info: Nancy Powell/Claire Powell 405.737.1186

## ***Oregon***

Information for all Portland, Oregon singings is available by contacting Jessica Beer 503.233.7394 [tunefulpower@qwest.net](mailto:tunefulpower@qwest.net) or <http://www.columbiagypsy.net/sh.htm>

Website for the Pacific NW Sacred Harp is <http://home.mindspring.com/~pnwshs>

**Bend:** Second Sunday-5:00-7:00 p.m.—Trinity Episcopal Church, 469 NW Wall St, in the choir room—Info: David Reich 541.388.5434

**Eugene:** Second and fourth Thursdays—7:30-9:00 p.m.—The Eugene Hotel, 221 E. Broadway—Info: Jean Murphy 541.342.4131

**La Grande:** Second Sundays, 6:00 p.m.—The Olde Meeting House (Quakers/Friends)—Info: Carla Arnold 541.663.0776

**La Grande:** Every other Tuesday, 4:30-6:30 p.m.—In a private home, location changes—Info: Carla Arnold 541.663.0776

**Portland:** Second and fourth Sundays—4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.—Place to be announced. Call for details—Info: Jessica Beer 503.233.7394  
tunefulpower@qwest.net

**Portland:** First Fridays 6:30-9:00 p.m.—People's Co-op, 3029 SE 21st Ave., in the Community Room (upstairs)—

Info: Jessica Beer 503.233.7394 tunefulpower@qwest.net

**Portland:** Last Thursday—7:00 p.m.—McMenamins Kennedy School in the Community Room—5736 NE 33rd Avenue (north of Killingsworth)—Frequent house singings with potlucks. Will organize singings for visitors

Info: Jessica Beer 503.233.7394 tunefulpower@qwest.net

## *Pennsylvania*

**Edinboro:** Fourth Sunday of each month—2:00-5:00 p.m.—Home of Gerry Hoffman—101 Nordmere Dr., Apt.12, Edinboro—Gerry Hoffman 814.734.5950  
gizmo59@vei.net

**Philadelphia (Havertown):** Second Fridays—7:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.—St. James Church—Havertown—Info: Marian McKenzie and Walter Smith  
610.896.1565 mmckenzi@haverford.edu

**Pittsburgh:** First or second Wednesdays—7:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.—East Liberty Presbyterian Church—Will organize singings for visitors at other times—  
Info: Deane Root or Doris Dyen 412.521.7570 dlr+@pitt.edu

**Reading:** Each third Sunday—September through June—Near Reading—7:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.—Berks Sacred Harp Singers—Info: Betty Hanf 610.582.5924

**Sandy:** Every Tuesday—7:00 p.m.—Senior Center—  
Info: Bruce Rowland 503.668.4630

**West Chester:** First and Third Mondays (usually)—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Birmingham Friends Meetinghouse, a few minutes south of West Chester—The singings are held twice a month, but call ahead for we shift the dates because of Monday holidays.—  
Info: Laura Densmore 610.793.5102 LDensmo1@swarthmore.edu

**Wilkes-Barre (Dallas):** Second Sunday—4:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m.—Potluck at 5:00 p.m.—Prince of Peace Episcopal Church—  
Info: David Martin 570.333.4007 martin24@juno.com

## *Rhode Island*

**Providence:** Fourth Sundays—3:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.—Potluck following—Round Top Center of Benificent Congregational Church—300 Weybosset St.—  
Info: Kelly House 401.751.7343 HouseKelly@aol.com

**Providence:** Weekly, most Thursdays—Home of Lynne deBenedette—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Call to confirm 401.621.8697(H) 401.863.7572(W)

## *South Carolina*

**Greenville:** Friday night before the third Sunday each month—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Northside UMC—435 Summit Dr.—  
Info: Frances Carnell 864.862.4373 carnelllh@juno.com

## *Tennessee*

**Chattanooga:** Info: Linda Sides 423.842.7265 linjanes@bellsouth.net

**Knoxville:** (New Harp of Columbia) Info: Sara Baskin 865.588.8728  
mamabgrass@bellsouth.net or oldharp@oldharp.org

**Nashville:** First Sundays—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—Trinity Presbyterian Church—3201 Hillsboro Road—  
Info: Timothy Reynolds 615.646.6485 [trcopes@bellsouth.net](mailto:trcopes@bellsouth.net) or David Carlton 615.322.3326 [david.carlton@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:david.carlton@vanderbilt.edu)

## *Texas*

**Austin (Travis Co.):** First, Third, and Fifth Tuesdays—6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.—  
Info: Alexa Gilmore and Elric Elias 512.374.9391 [alexandraallison@yahoo.com](mailto:alexandraallison@yahoo.com) or [eme00@hampshire.edu](mailto:eme00@hampshire.edu)

**Austin (Travis Co.):** Every fourth Saturday—10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.—Trinity United Methodist Church-600 East 50th Street, Austin, Texas—Hosted by Morris Nelms 512.395.8397 [ninelives@grandecom.net](mailto:ninelives@grandecom.net)

**Dallas/Ft. Worth:** Third Saturdays—1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.—Practice singing—The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—First Primitive Baptist Church—1920 Gross Road—Dallas, Texas—Info: Bruce or Beverly Coates 972.476.9937 or Cheryl Foreman 214.922.5905 [cf91@yahoo.com](mailto:cf91@yahoo.com)

**Houston:** Third Sunday—3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.—University of Houston, A.D. Bruce Religion Center—Practice singing—Cooper Revision/The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision—From I-45, take the Cullen Blvd. exit and turn towards the University, go cross Elgin, pass the stadium, cross Holman, turn left into entrance #13—  
Info: Crystal Visco 713.910.7855 [cvisco@yahoo.com](mailto:cvisco@yahoo.com)

## *Utah*

**Provo:** Second Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—St. Mary's Episcopal Church—50 West 200 North—Info: Stan/Jenny Sterne Jensen 801.229.2274 [jenny@utahsacredharp.org](mailto:jenny@utahsacredharp.org) or [www.utahsacredharp.org](http://www.utahsacredharp.org)

**Salt Lake City:** First and Third Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—Pine Valley Chapel—This Is The Place Heritage Park—2601 E. Sunnyside Ave.—  
Info: Stan and Jenny Sterne Jensen 801.229.2274 [jenny@utahsacredharp.org](mailto:jenny@utahsacredharp.org) or [www.utahsacredharp.org](http://www.utahsacredharp.org)

**Salt Lake City: (Cooper Book)**—Fourth Tuesdays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—at the home of Lynn and Pam Carson—1480 East Edison—Info: Stan and Jenny Jensen 801.229.2274 [jenny@utahsacredharp.org](mailto:jenny@utahsacredharp.org) or [www.utahsacredharp.org](http://www.utahsacredharp.org)

## *Vermont*

**Brattleboro:** Monthly—Third Sunday—1:30-4:30 p.m.—First United Methodist Church—Town Crier Rd.—  
Info: Peter Amidon 802.257.1006 [peteram@sover.net](mailto:peteram@sover.net)

**Burlington Area:** Monthly—Third Sunday—(summer is ad hoc)—5:00 p.m.—Some fifth Sundays—Info: Susan Miller-Coulter 802.658.5713 [smilcoulter335@cs.com](mailto:smilcoulter335@cs.com) or Bill Fellinger [wfellin@together.net](mailto:wfellin@together.net)

**Derby Line:** Fourth Sunday of every month—Universalist Unitarian Church Hall—3:30 p.m. with a pot luck—The church is about 500 feet from the International Border Line between Canada and the US—Info: Julia Richmond 819.657.4703 [doerfle@netrevolution.com](mailto:doerfle@netrevolution.com)

**Glover:** Second and fourth Tuesdays and Thursdays—Singing is held on Second Thursday in the winter, 7:00 p.m.—and every Tuesday in the Summer—7:30 p.m.—Bread and Puppet Farm—Rt. 122—  
Info: Linda Wells 802.586.9698 [craftsbury@hotmail.com](mailto:craftsbury@hotmail.com)

**Middlebury area:** First Sundays—3:30-5:00 p.m.  
Info: Deb Moody 802.545.7777 [deestmo@hotmail.com](mailto:deestmo@hotmail.com)

**Norwich:** Second Thursday—Potluck 6:00-7:00—Singing at 7:00-9:30 p.m.—

Info: Mary Huessy 802.649.8977 ray.huessy@valley.net

**Springfield:** Second and fourth Fridays—7:00 p.m.—11:00 p.m.—

Fifth Fridays—Potluck—Info: Pat Colteryahn 802.885.9521

**Leyden & Greenfield, Massachusetts:** Fifth Thursdays and Fifth Sundays—Info:

Laura Timmerman 413.773.8325 laurat@crocker.com

## *Virginia*

**Arlington:** See District of Columbia

**Northern Shenandoah Valley:** First Saturday—4:00 p.m.—Potluck at

6 p.m.—Close to Winchester and Berryville—

Info: John delRe and Kelly Macklin 540.955.2660

**Richmond Sacred Harp Singers/Ashland:** Third Saturday of every month, except

November—2:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Occasional potluck snack or supper—St. James

the Less Episcopal Church.

Info: Blake Morris 804.288.8206—Stephen McMaster 804.288.1503 or Gail Doss

804.273.9585

## *Washington*

Information for all Washington singings is available by contacting Karen Willard

360.897.9545 hallock@mindspring.com

**Mercer Island:** Fourth Sunday—3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Info: Kathy Vlach

206.762.5021

**Okanogan Valley:** Meet irregularly—

Info: Karen Stingle kstingle@efn.org or Stephanie Clark 509.826.1259

**Puyallup:** First Sunday—4:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church—Corner of

5th and West Pioneer—

Info: Karen Willard 360.897.9545 hallock@mindspring.com

**Seattle:** Second Sundays—6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.—

Info: Jack Lofton 206.783.4508 or Kathy Vlach 206.762.5021

**Spokane:** Second Sundays—7:00-9:00 p.m.—The Waterford, 30th and Pittsburg—

Info: Greg Saue 509.299.7771

## *Wisconsin*

**Madison:** Usually first and third Sundays—3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.—Usually at the

Guild Hall, Grace Episcopal Church—116 West Washington Avenue—

Info: Jim Page 608.255.6861 or Johanna Fabke jbfabke@aol.com

## *Singings Outside the United States*

### *Canada*

**Toronto, Ontario:** Third Wednesdays—7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.—Church of St.

Stephen-in-the-Fields, 103 Bellevue Ave.—College St. entrance

Info: Pleasance Crawford 416.922.7997 pleasancecrawford@rogers.com

### *United Kingdom*

**Newcastle upon Tyne:** Last Tuesday each month—7:30 p.m.—

Info: Chris and Alice Metherell Tel: 0191 284 2438 alice@metherell.org.uk

**Oxford:** 'Teenth' Thursday each month, 7:45 p.m.—

Info: Sheila/Edwin Macadam Tel: +44 (0) 1865 865773 shelwub@lineone.net

## *About the Minutes*

Minutes are compiled and submitted by secretaries of their respective singings. To submit minutes for your singing, please refer to the instructions at the start of this book.

Song/page numbers listed in the minutes are from *The Sacred Harp, 1991 Revision*, unless another book is indicated in the heading of the singing. Songs from other books are indicated by placing one of the following abbreviations after the page number.

ACH	American Christmas Harp
AH	The American Harmony
AV	American Vocalist
CB	Cooper Book
CH	Christian Harmony
EH 1	Eclectic Harmony
EH 2	Eclectic Harmony II
HS	Harmonia Sacra
JB	James Edition Book (#25 — Great Roll Call)
KsH	Keystone Harmony
KH	Kentucky Harmony
LD	Lloyd's Hymnal
MH	Missouri Harmony
NH	Northern Harmony
NHC	New Harp of Columbia
OSH	Old School Hymnal
ScH	Social Harp
SoH	Southern Harmony
WB	J.L. White Book

The following songs from the J.L. White Book (WB) are listed as reference because the book is currently out of print.

478t	Brown
483t	Bethany (Nearer My God To Thee)
486t	Trusting
491b	Jesus Died For Me
492	Love At Home
511	Willie
512	Pray On
517	Not Made With Hands
519	Land of Beulah (O Come Angel Band)
525	Rock of Ages
540	It Is Well With My Soul
545	Just As I Am

# SACRED HARP SINGINGS

## 2004 MINUTES

### WOOTTEN FAMILY NEW YEAR'S EVE SINGING Antioch Baptist Church, Ider, Alabama Wednesday, December 31, 2003–Thursday, January 1, 2004

The annual New Year's Eve Singing at Antioch Baptist Church was called to order by Co-Chairmen Marty Wootten and Jeffrey Wootten leading 82t and 31t. Brother Ronald Patterson offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Marty Wootten and Jeffrey Wootten 76b, 35; Aaron Little 387; David Townson 74b; Mark Brown 108t; Bobby Watkins 73t; Wayne Hartman 59; Hunter Townson and Hayden Wootten 146; Ed Thacker 321; Dewayne Wootten 274t; Loyd Ivey 204; Milton Oliver 314; Joan Aldridge 273; Phil Townson, Danette Townson, Raven Townson, and Dani Townson 186; Betty Wright 30b; Kristie Wootten and Debbie Kean 36b, 163t; Louis Hughes 34t, 496; Charles Stiefel, Rodney Ivey, and Shane Wootten 445, 343; Margaret Thacker 503; Bridgett Hill 276; Linda Sides 277, 454; J.C. Rutledge 490; Terry Wootten 38b; Allison Ivey 335; David Ivey 83; Lela Crowder 300; Donna Wootten 217; Reba Windom 384; Don Bowen and Marty Wootten 99; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 282; Kennedy Wootten, Raven Townson, and Dani Townson 45t, "Oh How I Love Jesus", 486t (WB); Kathy James 430.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Marty Wootten leading 480. Leaders: Robert Walker 569b; Allison Dodson 89; John Plunkett 130; Myra Dalton 112; Sandra Wilkinson 100; Regina Bayer 181; Mattie Townsel 155; Nate Green 206; Keith Willard 144; Claudine Townson, David Townson, and Phil Townson 572 (CB) (in memory of James Townson); Levon Wootten 515 (CB) (for Ronnie Meadows); Tony Ivey 104; Aaron Wootten 270; Jenny Willard 392; Morgan Freuler 145t; Michelle Cull 168; Hobert Ivey and Sylvia Ivey 491b (WB); Eloise Wootten 25 (JB); Linda Thomas and Brenda Carroll 448b; Britt Mann and Jenny Mann 68b, 352; Allan Pritchett 457 (in memory of Joshua Hicks); Syble Adams 505 (CB).

#### REFRESHMENTS

The class resumed singing with Marty Wootten leading 56t. Leaders: Sandy Ivey 30t; Sheila Wootten and Jacqueline Mitchell 29t; Sheila Wootten and Jenny Mann 457; Ronald Patterson and Rheta Patterson "Pass Me Not"; Linda Thomas and Rodney Ivey 47t; Hayden Wootten and Marty Wootten 573 (CB); Jeffrey Wootten 542; Marty Wootten and Jeffrey Wootten 546; Keith Willard and Jenny Willard 559 (CB); Coy Ivey and Shane Wootten 449 (CB); Marty Wootten and Jeffrey Wootten 501 (CB) (for Jewel Wootten).

Announcements were made. Jeffrey Wootten and Marty Wootten led 492 (WB) as the closing song. Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Co-Chairmen—Jeffrey Wootten and Marty Wootten; Secretary—Lorrie Wootten.

**CINCINNATI NEW YEAR'S DAY SINGING**  
**Walnut Hills Christian Church, Cincinnati, Ohio**  
**Thursday, January 1, 2004**

The thirteenth annual Cincinnati New Year's Day Singing was held at Walnut Hills Christian Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. Eloise Clark called the class to order leading 84. John Bayer offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Eloise Clark 34b; Cheryl Pockrose 82b, 146; Debbie Hall 299, 362; John Bealle 147t, 515 (for Christine Cox); Linda Coppock 196, 114; Mike Hieber 378t, 82t; Rich Overturf 73t, 106; Bill Shetter 336 (CB), 515 (CB); Hans Bayer 388, 385b.  
**RECESS**

Eloise Clark called the class to order leading 107. Leaders: Marlen Rust 276, 29t; Beth Huener 86, 344; Karen Arnett 454, 66; John Bayer 235, 282; Mike Grimes 268, 155; Claire Outten 173, 335; Jubal Bayer 349, 373; Mark Risinger 571 (CB), 505 (CB); Wendy Gilchrist 565, 56b; David Rust 480, 201; Kay Huener 313b, 269; Bruce Kokernot 183, 524; Ginny Landgraf 351, 504. Steve Duff offered prayer.

**LUNCH**

John Bealle brought the class together leading 108t. Leaders: Joan Redd 277, 133; Jim Coppock 273, 27; Jo Ann Grimes 45t, 47b; Brittany Duff and Jaimie Duff 511t (CB), 140 (CB), 392 (CB), 117; Bob Meek 324t (SoH), 275 (SoH), 49b; Steve Duff 38t (CB), 178; Loraine Bayer 77b, 354t; Ginny Landgraf 290; Bob Meek 408 (CB); Bruce Kokernot 479; Mike Grimes 99; Wendy Gilchrist 501; Bill Shetter 150; David Rust 16 (SoH); Jo Ann Grimes 236; Mark Risinger 488b (CB); Loraine Bayer 65; Steve Duff 270; Karen Arnett 503; John Bayer 547; Cheryl Pockrose 37 (CB); Debbie Hall 532; Claire Outten 573; Mike Hieber 49t; Rich Overturf 32b; Joan Redd 497; John Bealle 163 (for Christine Cox); Bob Meek 470. The closing song was 347, and Steve Duff offered the closing prayer.

Chairs—Eloise Clark and John Bealle; Secretary—Marlen Rust.

**COVINGTON COUNTY NEW YEAR'S SINGING**  
**(COOPER BOOK)**

**First Baptist Church, Collins, Mississippi**  
**Saturday, January 3, 2004**

The Covington County New Year's Singing was held on the first Saturday in January at the First Baptist Church in Collins, Mississippi. The class was called to order by Andrew Albers leading 500 and 508. Chaplain Emmett Harvey offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Andrew Albers; Vice Chairman—John Lee Van Horn; Secretary—Etna Jean Gray; Chaplain—Emmett Harvey.

Leaders: Andrew Albers 196; John Lee Van Horn 225t, 140; Jean Gray 563; Andrew Albers (for Emmett Harvey) 57; John Hollingsworth 145b (in memory of Eva Dee and Neva Dee Hollingsworth), 470; Billy Hollingsworth 507b, 235b; Bill Hogan 171, 99; A.E. Probst 239; Stanley Smith 112, 515; Gary Smith 553b, 461.

**RECESS**

Andrew Albers called the class together with 378t and 95. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 336t, 336b; J.A. Mosley 572, 282; Alice Mosley 343b, 484b; Sarah Smith 290, 32t; Bobby Caldwell and Winnie McMahon 184 (CH); Mark Davis 107 (by request). Andrew Albers led 369 (traditional song before the noon meal).

**LUNCH**

Vice Chairman John Lee Van Horn called the class together for the afternoon session with 127. Leaders: Arlon Gardner 134, 543; Henry McGuire 507t, 280; Mark



Davis 270, 522; Mike McNeil 573, 559; John Merritt 574, 278b; Murray Simmons 355, 345b; Mike McNeil 101t (by request); Tim Gray 186, 137; Mike McNeil, his mother (Junie McNeil), and sister (Peggy Gandy) 146; Bill Hogan 488b (by request); Hannah Albers and Rhoda Albers 392; Andrew Albers 323b (requested by Nelda Mitchell); A.E. Probst 40; John Hollingsworth 192 (in memory of Mrs. Ottie Matthews); Billy Hollingsworth 393t; Marlin Beasley 447t; Stanley Smith 541; J.A. Mosley 341; Gary Smith 31t; Sarah Smith 61; Andrew Albers 492; John Lee Van Horn 45b; Tim Gray 434 (for Jean Gray); Arlon Gardner 68t, 300; Henry McGuire 220; Andrew Albers 128 (for Emmett Harvey); Mark Davis 176t (in memory of the Millage Hollingsworth family); Bobby Caldwell and Mark Davis 54t; John Merritt 358 (for Nelda Mitchell); Andrew Albers and Walter Blair 511b. Chairman Andrew Albers led 496t, the traditional closing song. Chaplain Emmett Harvey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Andrew Albers; Vice Chairman—John Lee Van Horn; Secretary—Etna Jean Gray.

## SHADY GROVE ANNUAL SINGING

### Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Winston County, Alabama Sunday, January 4, 2004

The Shady Grove Annual Singing was held at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Winston County, Alabama on the first Sunday in January. Kermit Adams called the class to order leading 48t. The morning prayer was offered by Earl Ballinger. Kermit Adams led 32t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Dawson Adams; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde; Secretary—Roma Rice.

Leaders: Dawson Adams 39b; Roma Rice 104, 371; Ivalene Donaldson 129; Earl Ballinger 128, 172; Stella Pratt 319, 318; Loreta Whitman 61, 59; Clarence McCool 45t (in memory of Brenda Parker), 535 (for his wife); Corene White 314, 379; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 34b, 378b, 490; Carla Morris 145t, 145b;  
RECESS

Kermit Adams called the class back to order with 88t. Leaders: Wilton Donaldson 229, 348b; Nellie Alexander 317, 81t; Harrison Creel 111b; Vernice Phillips 112, 155; Amber Davis 224, 142; Ivalene Donaldson and Travis Berry 146; Flarce Creel 384, 475; Travis Keeton 343, 388; Willodean Barton 498, 480; Larry Ballinger 50b, 349.

### LUNCH

Dawson Adams called the class back to order with 68b and 328. Leaders: Edith Tate 73t, 532; Ozella Blackmon 234; Lisa Geist 91, 120; Margaret Keeton 276 (for Gravis Ballinger), 78; Pernie Pelfrey 73b, 74b; Blanton Adair 32t, 159; Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton 274t (for all the people who came to the singings at Shady Grove in the past, and are now dead), 108t; Harrison Creel 512; Josie Hyde 454 (for Betsy Berry), 284 (in memory of Gene Wakefield and Mary Alice Wakefield); the class “Nothing But The Blood” (for Steve Adams); Clarence McCool 430; Carla Morris 143; Amber Davis 528; Ken Tate 340 (for Travis Berry); Earl Ballinger 84 (in memory of Lavaughn Ballinger).

Kermit Adams led 99 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Dawson Adams; Secretary—Roma Rice.

**STATE UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA**  
**Food Services Building, Carrollton, Georgia**  
**Sunday, January 4, 2004**

The twenty-first session of the annual all day Sacred Harp singing at the State University of West Georgia was held in the Food Services Building on the first Sunday in January. The class was called to order by Myron House leading 60. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer. Myron House led 61; Felton Denney 49b; Charlene Wallace 85, 135 (for Don Bowen and Bobby Jackson); Mary L. Smith 134, 75.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Myron House; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Charlene Wallace; Arranging Committee—Mary L. Smith; Memorial Committee—Jan House and Josephine Denney.

Leaders: Myron House 105; Carlene Griffin 146, 155; Philip Denney 40, 84; Jan House 143, 142; Josephine Denney 100, 405; Stanley Edwards 32t, 101t; Tony Hammock 384, 30t; Eunice Webb 30b, 318; Henry Johnson 385t, 47b; Debra Grosse 551, 162.

**RECESS**

The class was called together by Philip Denney leading 145t. Leaders: Lonnie Rogers 389, 225t; Arlene Woods 452, 147b; Richard Mauldin 77t, 358 (for his dad, Dick Mauldin); Lela Crowder 421, 76b; John Plunkett 76t, 45t (for Preston McClendon); Sandra Wilkinson 98, 388; Lee Denney and Philip Denney 164, 120; Phillip Langley 328, 112.

**LUNCH**

Myron House called the class together for the afternoon session with 201, and then presented a letter from Dr. Kevin Hibbard which noted both the historical and contemporary merits of Sacred Harp singing.

Leaders: Earlis McGraw 132, 284; Karen Rollins 123t, 34b; Margie Smith 73b. The memorial lesson was held with Charles Woods leading 108b and 373 in memory of: Gladys Simmons, Everette Denney, Harvey Austin, Rev. Loyd Toney, Ruth Brown, Willie Carolyn Denson, and Beulah Reese.

Henry Johnson led 68b for the following sick and shut-ins: Mozelle Sheppard, I.V. McWhorter, Nancy Allen, Reby Stanford, Lebron Hinton, Jeff Sheppard, and Shelbie Sheppard. Lonnie Rogers closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Hugh McGraw 420 (for Jap Walton); B.M. Smith 475, 276; Evelyn Harris 47t; Billy Joe Harris 503, 303; Laura Frey 117, 178; Jimmie Denney 111t, 46; Oscar McGuire 171; Bentley McGuire 282, 49t; Sheri Taylor 168, 309; Teenie Moody 383; Lori Shadinger 294; Lisa Webb 148, 334; Gene Duke 119, 101b; Tabatha Murphy 87, 61; Louise Holland 35, 37b; Bonnie Flowers 462, 48t.

Announcements were made. Myron House and Philip Denney led 323t as the closing song. Richard Mauldin offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Myron House; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

**LILLIAN CALVERT AND IRENE WOODLEY MEMORIAL**  
**Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo, Alabama**  
**Saturday Night, January 10, 2004**

The fiftieth session of the Lillian Calvert and Irene Woodley Memorial was held at Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Boldo, Alabama on Saturday night before the second Sunday in January. Harrison Creel called the class to order leading 335. Elder Randy Moon offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Danny Creel 137; Richard Mauldin 66; Amber Davis 454; Wilton Donaldson 30t; Julianna Jett and Madison Jett 88t; Kermit Adams 99; Brenda Merritt 192; Charles Kitchens 90; Elder Randy Moon 235; Eldagene Roberson 399; Earl Ballinger 441; Clarissa Springfield 445; Travis Keeton 566; Ann Jett 77t; Margaret Gowen 141; Velton Chafin 487; Elsie Moon 285t (in memory of Christal Calvert Crocker, who died on December 23, 2003); Justin Keeton 146; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 354t, 59; Ivalene Donaldson 270; Cassie Franklin 282; Cindy Tanner 269; Harrison Creel 298.

#### REFRESHMENTS

The class resumed singing with Harrison Creel leading 89. Leaders: Emily Creel 222; Erin Cole 45t; Jackie Tanner 36b; Ozella Blackmon 299; Linton Ballinger 300; Margaret Keeton 276; David Roberson 340; Willodean Barton 101t; the Woodley children (Jetty Lawson and Dorothy Evans—Doris Talley and Felton Woodley were present) 358, 73t; Kenneth Tate and Edith Tate 532, 178; John Merritt 163b (in memory of Elvin Guthrie); Marie Guthrie 446; Amanda Denson 28b; Gary Smith 31t; Wanda Capps 159; Vernice Phillips 112; Flarce Creel 475 (requested by Pauline Childers, who was listening by long distance phone); Flarce Creel, Harrison Creel, Shelley Calvert, Emily Creel, and Cassie Franklin 512; Sara Smith 75; Larry Ballinger 49t.

It was announced that the singing will be held again in 2005. Harrison Creel led 111b as the closing song. Charles Kitchens offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Harrison Creel; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner; Secretary—Wanda Capps.

### **JACK KERR AND HENRY KERR MEMORIAL** **Camp Ground Methodist Church, North of Fruithurst,** **Cleburne County, Alabama** **Sunday, January 11, 2004**

The annual memorial singing for Jack Kerr and Henry Kerr was held on the second Sunday in January at Camp Ground Methodist Church. Chairman Henry Johnson brought the class to order leading 59. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Mary L. Smith 60, 100; Stanley Edwards 445, 36b; Audress Gurley 108t, 147t; Earlis McGraw 435, 544; Jimmie Denney 101t, 143.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Henry Johnson; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Mary L. Smith; Arranging Committee—Hester Edwards.

Leaders: Richard Mauldin 82t, 84; Teenie Moody 222, 384; Sara Smith 290; Hugh McGraw 549; Felton Denney 385b, 31t.

#### RECESS

B.M. Smith brought the class to order leading 85. Leaders: Winfred Kerr 89, 45t; Margie Smith 499, 335; Tony Hammock 30t, 76b; Lela Crowder 272, 274t; John Plunkett 274b, 500; Eunice Webb 475, 208; Milton Oliver 155, 314; Tabitha Murphy 41, 334.

Members of the Kerr family who were present led 282 in memory of all their relatives who have passed away. Lois Bowman, daughter of Jack Kerr, welcomed those in attendance for this occasion, and extended an invitation to come again next year. The memorial was closed with the Kerr family leading 455.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by B.M. Smith leading 284. Leaders: Gary Smith 503, 565; LaRue Allen 299, 106; Jeff Sheppard “Denson” (a song written

by M.F. McWhorter in 1906); Lonnie Rogers 33b, 348b; Daphene Causey 336, 216; Eugene Forbes 328, 438; Virginia Dyer 192, 200; Bud Oliver 145t, 170; Charlene Wallace 276, 327; Floy Wilder 186, 432; Rodney Ivey and Dylan Denney 178, 30b; Fallon Dyer 32t, 63; B.J. Harris 225t, 303; Carlene Griffin 548; Shelbie Sheppard 556; Jeff Sheppard 195; Lois Owen 460, 212; Michael Turner 358, 294; Mark Fuller 72b; Cecil Roberts 73b, 569b; Evelyn Harris and Rodney Ivey 47t.

Announcements were made. Henry Johnson and B.M. Smith led 166 as the closing song. Billy Joe Harris offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Henry Johnson; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Mary Lambert Smith.

## **AUBURN SACRED HARP SINGING** **Dunstan's Episcopal Church, Auburn, Alabama** **Saturday, January 17, 2004**

The first session of the Auburn Sacred Harp Singing was held at Dunstan's Episcopal Church in Auburn, Alabama on Saturday before the third Sunday in January. Allison Ivey brought the class to order, welcomed everyone, and led 81t. Father Wells Warren offered the morning prayer, and also extended a warm welcome to all those who came to take part in the singing.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Allison Ivey; Vice Chair—Bud Oliver; Secretary—Cindy Tanner; Arranging Committee—Scott DePoy and John Plunkett.

Leaders: Bud Oliver 39b; Cindy Tanner 182; Lela Crowder and students 282; Henry Johnson 267; Sandra Wilkinson 274; Jeannette DePoy 179; Max Berueffy 528; Amber Davis 224; Wayne Morgan 30t; Richard Mauldin 35; Edith Tate 73t; Scott DePoy 155; Elene Stovall 142; Stuart Ivey 445; John Plunkett 446; Cassie Franklin 477; Shane Wootten 383; Floy Wilder 336.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Allison Ivey leading 99. Leaders: Dennis George 460; Margaret Thacker 565; Bobby Jackson 568; Lisa Geist 532; Lonnie Rogers 101t; Samuel Holloway 62; Donna Wootten 56t; Danny Creel 269; Judy Caudle 202; Earl Ballinger 203; Ed Thacker 456; Loyd Ivey 424; Daphene Causey 422; Alex Makris 144; Bridgett Hill 276; Lois Stanson 99.

### **RECESS**

Cassie Franklin brought the class to order leading 328. Leaders: LaRue Allen 306; Larry Ballinger 151; Robert Walker 145t; Sherry Lovvorn 112; Jeff Sheppard 556; Ivey Ellis 87; Lee Rogers 454; Andrew Snyder 216; Becky Camp 58; David Ivey 542; Shelbie Sheppard 183; Betty Wright and Ethan Corbitt 45t, 569b; Rodney Ivey and Lonnie Rogers 560.

### **LUNCH**

Bud Oliver brought the afternoon session to order leading 270. Leaders: Nate Green and Norma Green 230; Coy Ivey 384; Amanda Denson and Father Wells Warren 49t; Liz Provow, Mardee Kulaga, Stef Provow, and Kelli McCalla 457; Richard Mauldin and Dick Mauldin 358; Elene Stovall 196; Amber Davis 192; Samuel Holloway and Thela Bailey 335; Max Berueffy 411; Shane Wootten and Donna Wootten 208; Cindy Tanner and Cassie Franklin 198; Lela Crowder 215; Pam Nunn 200; Karen Ivey and Pam Nunn 217; Ivey Ellis and Allison Ivey 82t; Sandra Wilkinson and Ashley Morgan 59; Scott DePoy and Jeannette DePoy 362; Larry Ballinger, Earl Ballinger, and Lisa Geist 171; Lonnie Rogers and Sherry Lovvorn 143; Andrew Snyder 189; Bridgett Hill 134; Rodney Ivey and Henry Johnson 385b; Jeff Sheppard, Shelbie Sheppard, Pam Nunn, Lois Stanson, and Jan Stanson 436; Stuart Ivey 297; Dennis George 455; Lee Rogers 121; Danny Creel 475; Daphene

Causey and LaRue Allen 349; Judy Caudle 345b; Loyd Ivey 97; Ed Thacker and Margaret Thacker 480; Alex Makris 84.

Announcements were made. Allison Ivey led 146 as the closing song. Father Wells Warren offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Allison Ivey; Vice Chair—Bud Oliver; Secretary—Cindy Tanner.

## **CHICAGO ANNIVERSARY SINGING** **Irish-American Heritage Center, Chicago, Illinois** **Sunday, January 11, 2004**

The twentieth session of the Chicago Anniversary Singing was held in the Irish-American Heritage Center, Chicago, Illinois on the second Sunday in January. Cathryn Baker called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 479. Herb Schroeder offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Doug Stapleton 99; Karen Freund 82t; Herb Schroeder 31t; Steve Warner 171 (for Don Bowen and Syd Caldwell); David Wright 276; John Greven 198; Rachel Adelstein 351; Berkley Moore 90; Grace Scrimgeour 33b; Paul Wyatt 53.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Cathryn Baker; Vice Chair—Megan Jennings; Secretary—Becky Allen-Powell; Arranging Committee—Doug Stapleton and Steve Warner; Chaplains—Herb Schroeder and Jim Swanson; Memorial Committee—Jim Crawford and Carol Crawford; Finance Committee—Randy Neufeld; Resolutions Committee—Rachel Adelstein.

Leaders: Jim Swanson 396; Terry Hogg 106; Carol Crawford 370; Bill Beverly 297; Rochelle Lodder 36b; Bob Borcharding 183; Beth Reed 271t; Ginny Landgraf 375; Wally Bloch 148.

### **RECESS**

Becky Allen-Powell called the class to order leading 68b. Leaders: Denise Kania 274t; Wayne Hartman 35; Ann Miczulski 30t; Al Frank 146; Brad Oglesby 405; Susan Kessell 455; Gary Gronau “Bunker Hill”; Johanna Fabke 350; Kshama Ananthapura 379; Bruce Holmes 178; Martha Beverly 196 (for Alabama folks); Jim Pfau 203; Wendy Wahn 372; Jeremy York 66; Don Keeton 89; Kathy Kaiser 29t; Jim Helke 229; Suzanne Flandreau 163t; Dave Ressler 228; Judy Holst 129.

Jim Crawford and Carol Crawford conducted the memorial lesson, and spoke of the ones who were the bricklayers who laid the foundations for the conventions and weekly singings. They remembered Ruth Brown as instrumental in strengthening the Chicago group by bringing Southerners to the north. “Remember the sweet memories they left.” They then led 235 for the deceased: Charles Lewis—New Mexico; Robert Sanders, Flora Bingham, Harry Hutton, and Anthony Jefferson—Illinois; Vern Handrick—Wisconsin; Alan Bates—England; Cecilia Hauff—South Dakota; Ruth Brown—Alabama; Bob Warner—California; Virginia Bloom and Ray Bloom—Missouri; Manya Unger—New Jersey; Dinah Breunig—Vermont; Ann Elaine Cullor—Colorado.

The list of the sick and shut-ins was read and 34t was led in their honor. Those remembered were: Beau Caldwell—Arkansas; Doris Littrell—Tennessee; Kenneth Russell—Pennsylvania; Emily York, Suzanne Checchia, and Hazel Williamson—Illinois; Nick Pender and Richard DeLong—Georgia; Bob Scorgie, Bob Anderson, and Eileen Buchanan—Wisconsin; Kelly Beard—Texas; Mildred Segal—Florida; Pauline Childers—Michigan; Ronnie Meadows—Alabama. A prayer was offered, and the memorial was closed.

Cathryn Baker led 318. Jim Swanson offered prayer for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

Cathryn Baker brought the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: Becky Browne 362; James Page 71; Becky Allen-Powell 354b; Ted Johnson "A Joyful Noise"; Tina Seastrom 34b; Nick Pasqual 302; Liisa Eckersberg 105; Jerry Enright 383 (for Kelly Beard); Julie Vea 419; Mirjana Lausevic 37b; Randy Neufeld 32t; Marcia Johnson 218; Paul Figura 388; Lisa Grayson 436; Tim Eriksen 39t; Jeanette Lowry 411; Ted Mercer 217; Annie Grieshop 40; John Seaton 47t; Melanie Hauff 216; Henry Schuman 532 (for Pauline Childers).

RECESS

Judy Hauff brought the class back to order leading 282.

The founders of the Chicago Sacred Harp Singers led 47b. Standing members were: Ted Johnson, Marcia Johnson, Herb Schroeder, Judy Hauff, Wendy Wahn, and Ted Mercer.

Leaders: Laura Clawson 142; Jim Lawrie 441; Jeanette Nelson 481; Kris Richardson 335; Beverley Enright 480; Anne Heider 189; Rosalynn Anderson 159; Bill Beverly and Martha Beverly 269; Jim Crawford and Carol Crawford 186; David Wright 172; Becky Browne, Dave Ressler, Gary Gronau, Jeanette Lowry, and Paul Figura 384, 270; Orwin Youngquist 28t; Ginny Landgraf 542; Beth Reed 475; Mirjana Lausevic and Tim Eriksen 144; Kshama Ananthapura and Laura Clawson 215.

Randy Neufeld gave the Finance Committee's Report, and stated that the goal had been met to cover the expenses of the singing.

Rachel Adelstein presented the Resolutions Committee Report.

After announcements were made, 347 was led as the closing song while those who wished took the parting hand. Jim Swanson offered the benediction, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Cathryn Baker; Vice Chair—Megan Jennings; Secretary—Becky Allen-Powell.

## **ALL-CALIFORNIA SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Templar's Hall, Old Poway Park, Poway California** **January 17-18, 2004**

**Saturday, January 17**

The sixteenth annual All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention met in Templars Hall, Old Poway Park in Poway California, on Saturday before the third Sunday in January. The singing was opened by Chris Thorman leading 72b. Susan Turpin offered the opening prayer. Jerry Schreiber led 36b; Carolyn Deacy 37b; and Betty Marvin 34b.

A business meeting was then called, and new officers were elected: Chairman—Marion Black; Vice Chairman—Beth Webb; Secretary—Jerry Schreiber.

Leaders: Midge Harder 32t; Jane Campbell 28b; Norma Ruptier 148; Susanna Ball 178; Carroll Lunsford 319; Mary Linn Bergstrom 474; Mimi Wright 31t; Jill Accetta 495; Beth Webb 300; Marilyn Murata 145b; Karen Huss 454; Pat Keating 183; Lorena Moore 47b; David Hough 384.

RECESS

Beth Webb called the class back to order with 49t. Leaders: Ron Huss 475; Susan Turpin 203; John Marr 335; Larry Arnstein 150; Tom Ostwald 504; Greg Freemon 376; Anitra Kaye 448b; Carolyn Craig 195; Juanita Heyerman 159; Gary Smith 569b; Katharine Hough 372; Claire Singleton 163b; Henry Schuman 532; Shelley Phillips 448t; Claire Simon 84; David Rust 86; Michael Kaye 198; Laura Boyd Russell 399b.

RECESS

Jon Giles called the class back to order with 108t. Leaders: Marion Black 287; Bob Meek 294; Stan Jensen 475; Jon Rand 404; Sarah Beasley Smith 290; Laura Shearin

547; Carla Smith 543; Daniel Davis 480; Betty Herman 421; Karen Willard 362; Janet Herman 442; Jon Giles 208; Jenny Jensen 192; Mike Hinton 373; Seth Holloway 274t; Sam Sommers 197. Susan Turpin offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Ginnie Ely called the class back to order after lunch leading 546. Leaders: Leon Ballinger 455; Richard DeLong 411; Tammy Heinsohn 479; Marlin Beasley 498; Ginnie Ely 196; Ted Mercer 352; Gaylon Powell 328; Steve Warner 218; Jeff Gauthier 89; Chris Thorman 73t; Rick Russell 299; Jerry Schreiber 236; Carolyn Deacy 77t; Pat Keating 216; Carroll Lunsford 100; Karen Huss 151; David Hough 371; Jill Accetta 330b; Marilyn Murata 568; Susan Turpin 387; David Rust 378b; Claire Singleton 189.

#### RECESS

Larry Arnstein called the class back to order with 49b. Leaders: Midge Harder 383; Karen Willard 171; Gary Smith 565; Katharine Hough 269; Jon Giles and Carroll Lunsford 59; Shelley Phillips 491; Claire Simon 551; Stephen O'Leary 81t; Michael Kaye 162; Daniel Davis 146; Bob Meek 268.

Marion Black led 426 as the closing song. Susan Turpin offered a closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, January 18

Marion Black called the Sunday morning session to order by leading 31b. Leaders: Midge Harder 40; Jerry Schreiber 313t; Jeff Gauthier 451; Anitra Kaye 339; Norma Ruptier 63; Carroll Lunsford 390; Tom Ostwald 128; Carla Smith 310; Betty Marvin 143; Susanna Ball 66; Steve Warner 86; Claire Singleton 209; Jim Freidrich 168; Marilyn Murata 277; John Marr 159; Henry Schuman 528.

#### RECESS

Marlin Beasley called the class back with 317b. Leaders: Beth Webb 215; Michael Kaye 282; Jon Giles 298; Ron Huss 164; Tammy Heinsohn 155; Cynthia Bodger 284; Janet Herman 377; Tara Covington 312b; David Rust 80t; Gaylon Powell 163t; Jane Campbell 474; Richard DeLong 123b; Marion Black 53; Stephen O'Leary 340; Bruce Hayes 497; Greg Freemon 365.

#### RECESS

Pat Keating called the class back with 107. Leaders: Ginnie Ely 454; Sarah Beasley Smith 318; Betty Herman 430; Sam Sommers 386; Mike Hinton 146; Leon Ballinger 490; Mary Rose O'Leary 213t; Laura Boyd Russell 286; Juanita Heyerman 330; Jon Rand 385t; Laura Shearin 481.

The memorial lesson was held. Richard DeLong led 420 for the singers and loved ones who have passed away in the last year. Samuel Sommers spoke about Ruth Brown and led 285t in her memory. The deceased remembered were: Elder Don Smith, Ruth Brown, Lamar Smith, and Lavaughn Ballinger—Alabama; Myrtle Meek and Lee Shine—Kentucky; Bob Warner, Linda Jean Hoxie-Brown, LaVelle Ure, Leonie Boyd Erickson, Kay Eiko, Dianne Jones, Tom Sullivan, Polly Ann Baxter, Lee Schiff, and Howard Bodger—California; Miki Woodbridge—Connecticut; Jim Pelkey—Montana; Sue McCloud—Indiana; Chelsea Tyndall, Donna Willard Moser, and Rissa Miller—Arizona; Miriam Mahler Wilson Evans and Anna Wiedmann—Iowa; Lois Crump Smith—Tennessee; Mary Craig and Richard Goodrum—Texas; Johnny Cunningham—Massachusetts; Richard DeArmond—Ohio; Ruth Hall—Missouri; Robin Morford—Maryland.

Gaylon Powell led 45t for the sick and shut-ins: Ophelia Matthews, Verna Powell, William Reynolds, Kelly Beard, and Earnestine Pipkin—Texas; Beau Caldwell—Arkansas; Elaine Warner, Sophy Ann Lauchlan, Diane Getrich-Villegas, Don Sheppard, Bob Brown, Peggy Belland, Harry Belland, Anne Friend, and Carroll Lunsford (who will have surgery on Monday, January 19th)—California; Kim

Milling and Stanley Brown—New York; Elsie Beasley and G.L. Hinton—Alabama; Johnny Jeans—Washington; Bob Smith and Kay Smith—Iowa; Caroline Inscoc—South Carolina; Jack Accetta—Pennsylvania; Ted Mercer—Illinois. Sam Sommers closed the memorial with prayer. Susan Turpin offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Beth Webb called the class back for the afternoon session leading 401. Leaders: Stan Jensen 503; Marlin Beasley 336; Jenny Jensen 312b; Karen Willard 428; Susan Turpin 546; Carla Fisher 274t; Shelley Phillips 72b; Rick Russell 240; Daniel Davis 344; Mia Unson 256; Jill Accetta 76b; Mimi Wright 39t; Katharine Hough 333; Pat Keating 296; Claire Simon 228; Karen Huss 236; Carolyn Deacy 501.

#### RECESS

Rick Russell called the class back to order leading 425. Leaders: Stephen Giacopuzzi 137; Gary Smith 31t; Barbara Losse 99; Seth Holloway 388; Marlin Beasley 323b; Richard DeLong 278b; Gaylon Powell 216; Ginnie Ely 349; Jon Giles 203; Sam Sommers 112; Leon Ballinger 120; Mike Hinton 436.

A business meeting was held to hear reports from various committees.

The Resolutions Committee, Henry Schuman and Sharon Kermiet, respectfully submits the following resolutions to the members of the 16th session of the All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention. We resolve:

- To give thanks to God who has blessed us with this opportunity to gather and sing His praise through the wonderful old songs.
- To remember with respect and honor all lovers of Sacred Harp music, current and those who have gone before, all those who seek the old paths and walk therein.

We give thanks to:

- The officers and committees who have done such a wonderful job to make this convention the great success that it has been.
- All those who spent long hours cooking all the various delights which tempted us for lunch.
- The staff at Old Poway Park, who assisted in the background to make the venue work well for us.
- Last, but not least, the singers who came from near and far. It is you who make the singing.

We encourage all to return at this time next year for the 17th All-California Sacred Harp Singing Convention which will be held in Los Angeles.

Marion Black led 347 as the closing song. Susan Turpin offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Marion Black; Vice Chairman—Elizabeth Webb; Secretary—Jerry Schreiber.

## **BALDWIN COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)**

**Bay Minette Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, Bay Minette, Alabama  
January 24-25, 2004  
Saturday, January 24**

The Baldwin County Singing Convention was opened by Chairman Bill Hogan who gave a welcome to all in attendance and led 31b. Aubrey Barfield offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Chairman Bill Hogan 171; Vice Chairman J.A. Mosley 572; Secretary Alice Mosley 484; Tommie Spurlock 146; Milton Oliver 54; Voncille Graves 447t; Scott Ivey 282; Mr. Freeman 388; Rodney Ivey 98; Jewell Roland 341; Aubrey Barfield



532; John Merritt 574; Homer Whitworth and Sandy Nicholson 348t; Margaret Spurlock 112; Bobby Watkins 559; Danny Creel 355; Ann Jett 503; Hobert Ivy 76; Wanda Gregg 222; Nancy Van Den Akker 66; Bud Oliver 440; Reba Windom 505; Hershell King 535; Brenda Merritt 450; Thurman Nall 292.

#### RECESS

J.A. Mosley brought the class to order leading 101t. Leaders: Velton Chafin 86; Sylvia Ivey 330; Wilburn Ellison 451; Mike Jones 384; Sue Bunch 573; Stanley Smith 299; William Green, Nate Green, and Genny Whitworth 571; Morgan Bunch 30.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Bill Hogan leading 105. Leaders: Paulette Chavers 323b; Bobby Willis 165; John Etheridge 486, 133; Ed Bass 309; Kate Merritt Davis 137; Larry Hogan 81; Frank Hataway 58; Nate Green and Norma Green 326; Jerry Gehmann and Bill Hogan 199; Christine Gandy 143. Julie Souse offered the blessing on the food for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Tommie Spurlock leading 376. Leaders: Milton Oliver 575; Voncille Graves 447t; Scott Ivey 186; Mr. Freeman 127; Rodney Ivey 497; Jewell Roland 358; Aubrey Barfield 193; Kate Davis 392; John Merritt 187; Homer Whitworth and Sandy Nicholson 348t; Bobby Watkins 217; Danny Creel 404; Ann Jett 518; Hobert Ivy 274; Cleo Murphy and friends 274.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Bill Hogan leading 198. Leaders: Brenda Merritt 522; Thurman Nall 38t; Wanda Gregg 470; Nancy Van Den Akker 319; Bud Oliver 563; Genny Whitworth 340; Reba Windom 63; Hershell King 395; Becky Briggs 330t; Loretta Jones 285t; Richard Graham 155.

After announcements were made, the singing was closed with a prayer.

### **Sunday, January 25**

Chairman Bill Hogan opened the Sunday morning session leading 36 and 87, then offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Vice Chairman J.A. Mosley 135; Secretary Alice Mosley 343; Velton Chafin 373, 336b; Sylvia Ivey and Scott Ivey 336t, 511; Wilburn Ellison 393t, 447; Mike Jones 47b, 31t; John Etheridge 545, 552; Frank Hataway 49b, 444t; Nate Green and Norma Green 509, 113.

#### RECESS

Bill Hogan brought the class to order leading 488. Leaders: Genny Whitworth 330, 436t; Jeff Corbitt 125, 72; Nancy Van Den Akker 147, 508; Loretta Jones 138t, 292; Christine Gandy 319, 360; Thurman Nall 77, 451.

Bill Hogan conducted the memorial lesson using scripture from Revelations 1:53 and 2:17, and led 54. Rodney Ivey led 183 in memory of all the singers who have passed away.

J.A. Mosley led 290 for the sick and shut-ins. Bill Hogan closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Milton Oliver 503, 410; Scott Ivey 424, 171; Hobert Ivey 535t, 309; Bud Oliver 377t, 345; Rodney Ivey 71, 39; John Merritt 392, 358.

#### LUNCH

J.A. Mosley brought the class together for the afternoon session leading 517. Leaders: Dana Merritt 408, 40; Bobby Watkins 168, 571; Wanda Gregg 559, 239; Hershell King 572, 204; Homer Whitworth and Sandy Nicholson 388, 87; Becky Briggs 282, 348; Mr. Gulledege 45t, 59; Wilburn Ellison 283b; Mike Jones 264b; Frank Hataway 32; Jeff Corbitt 29t, 416; Nancy Van Den Akker 411, 511; Nate

Green and Norma Green 475; Loretta Jones 108t; Thurman Nall 287; Christine Gandy 140; John Merritt 488b.

After announcements were made, a closing prayer was offered, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bill Hogan; Vice Chairman—J.A. Mosley; Secretary—Alice Mosley.

**KEYSTONE SACRED HARP CONVENTION**  
**Chadds Ford Historical Society, Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania**  
**January 24-25, 2004**

**Saturday, January 24**

The sixth annual Keystone Sacred Harp Convention was held at Chadds Ford Historical Society, Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in January. Chairman Doron Henkin called the class to order by leading 492. Elder Stephen Boyd led the class in prayer.

Officers and Committees for the convention were as follows: Chairman—Doron Henkin; Treasurer—Hal Kunkel; Secretary—Barbara Swetman; Arranging Committee—Diane Mennella, Beth Todd, and George Seiler.

Leaders: Laura Densmore 142; Barbara Swetman 312b; Diane Mennella 77b; Guy Banks 350; Thom Metzger 101b; Ginny Landgraf 368; Gabriel Kastelle 456; Susan Bingham 198; Mary Wright 480; Beth Todd 32t; Margaret Bornick 472; Molly Sayvetz 34b; Berk Meitzler 496; Mary Ann Daly 430; Ted Stokes 49b; Patricia Temple 232; Sue Hanson 163t; Sue Hengelsberg 306; Aldo Ceresa 48b; Claire Simon 497; Michael Heyerman 134.

RECESS

Barbara Swetman brought the class to order leading 148. Leaders: George Seiler 183; Carly Goss 440; John Brode 410; Kelly Macklin 468; Joe Todd 179; Jean Seiler 299; Marian McKenzie 455; Eileen and Thom Metzger 30t; Walter Smith 189; Ron Bornick 178; Jim Ulrich 168; Chloe Maher 442; Patricia Temple 146; John delRe 68b; Paula Picton 37t; Hal Kunkel 222.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Susan Munch leading 39t. Leaders: Margaret Bornick 236; John Holbrook 339; Sue Hengelsberg 504; Guy Banks 474; Mary Wright 35; Tom Gibney 501; Carly Goss 448b; Beth Todd 319; Ted Stokes 426t; Susan Bingham 542; Thom Metzger 269; Molly Sayvetz 344; Joe Todd 373; Laura Densmore 475. Ginny Landgraf asked the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Doron Henkin called the class back to order leading 29t and 228. Leaders: John delRe 129; Paula Picton 546; Hal Kunkel 298; Barbara Swetman 203; Chloe Maher 383; George Seiler 347; Mary Ann Daly 181; John Brode 505; Eileen Metzger 201; Jim Ulrich 551; Gabriel Kastelle 131; Jean Seiler 384; Aldo Ceresa 171; Ron Bornick 454; Ginny Landgraf 102; Michael Heyerman 64; Sue Hanson 481; Claire Simon 86; Patricia Temple 567; Kelly Macklin 485; Marian McKenzie 254; Walter Smith 566.

RECESS

Beth Todd called the class to order leading 47b. Leaders: Ina Henkin 160b; Laura Densmore 528; John delRe 111b; Carly Goss 348b; Peter Pate 332; John Daniel delRe 313b; Mary Ann Daly 112; Jim Ulrich 273; Michael Heyerman 270; Debbie Barford 207; Ted Stokes 33b; Tom Gibney 147b; John Holbrook 282; Diane Mennella 564; Peter Pate 436; Debbie Barford and Kelly Macklin 215; Margaret Bornick 122.

Announcements were made. Doron Henkin led 192 as the closing song. Lamar Matthews offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

## Sunday, January 25

The Sunday session was called to order by Doron Henkin leading 48t. George Seiler offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Laura Densmore 228; Diane Mennella 300; Barbara Swetman 390; George Seiler 159; Joe Todd 103; Debbie Barford 191; Peter Pate 210; Molly Sayvetz 163; Aldo Ceresa 209; Eileen Metzger 108b; Guy Bankes 556; Beth Todd 284; John Holbrook 37b; Jean Seiler 217; Gabriel Kastle 61; Susan Bingham 340; Patricia Temple 400; Thom Metzger 399t; Margaret Bornick 28b; Ted Stokes 398.

### RECESS

Aldo Ceresa called the class to order leading 107. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 372; Jim Ulrich 31t; Sally O'Brien 107; Mary Wright 510; Hal Kunkel 31b; Chloe Maher 532; Sue Hengelsberg 38t; Paula Picton 528; Ron Bornick 84; Claire Maher 562; John Brode 57; Claire Simon 547; Carly Goss 70b; Sue Hanson 137; Laura Densmore 542.

### RECESS

Susan Munch called the class back to order leading 81t. Leaders: Debbie Barford 163t; Patricia Temple 58; Mary Wright 290.

Thom Metzger and Eileen Metzger conducted the memorial lesson. Thom Metzger spoke and led 448 in honor of the sick and shut-ins: Loraine Bayer, Marilyn Darch, Margaret Peckman, Julie Vea, Donna Abrahams, Sandra Kurtze, Jane Roman, Keith Poole, Betty Nikelsky, Betsy Balderston, Gay Burgiel, Marie Hauss, John Martin, Nancy Trout, Marianne Bingham, Adele Westort, and Julie Holbrook.

Eileen Metzger spoke and led 122 for the deceased: Hugh Anderson—New York; Don Juel, Buddy Adtal, and Ed Dowey—New Jersey; Tim Lull—California; Jon Eklund and Anne Serio—Virginia; Ed Poole—Maryland/Pennsylvania; Crofford Macklin—Florida; Lee Stewart—Colorado; Bruce Qualls—Illinois. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Doron Henkin 129; Hal Kunkel 348b; Ina Henkin 71. Peter Pate offered the blessing for the noon meal.

### LUNCH

Doron Henkin called the class back to order leading 144. Leaders: Barbara Swetman 362; John Brode 131b; Guy Bankes 151; Diane Mennella 260; Hal Kunkel 87; Gabriel Kastle 240; Susan Bingham 361; Paula Picton 105; Peter Pate 543; Jean Seiler 315; Beth Todd 89; Ginny Landgraf 378b; Sally O'Brien 410; Carly Goss 73t; Claire Simon 91; Ron Bornick 178; Sue Hengelsberg 294; Molly Sayvetz 299.

### RECESS

The class resumed singing with George Seiler leading 99.

Reports from various committees were given and announcements were made.

Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 142; Joe Todd 125; Eileen Metzger 77; John Holbrook 101t; Sue Hanson 82t; Margaret Bornick 268; Thom Metzger 274; Laura Densmore 201; Chloe Maher 457; Ted Stokes 499; Claire Maher 330t.

Doron Henkin led 62 as the closing song. Ginny Landgraf offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Doron Henkin; Secretary—Barbara Swetman.

## **WILLIAM J. REYNOLDS SACRED HARP SING** **Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas** **Saturday, January 31, 2004**

The twentieth annual Sacred Harp singing was held in Cowden Hall at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas on the last Saturday of the month. This is the thirteenth year that the "1991 Revision of The Sacred Harp" has been used, and it was an excellent singing with 150 in attendance.

Dr. Tim Studstill called the morning session to order at 9:30 a.m. After a short welcome, Dr. Studstill moved that the name of the singing be changed to “William J. Reynolds Sacred Harp Sing” to honor Dr. Reynolds for his lifelong contribution to church music, hymnody, and Sacred Harp singing. This was approved with a vote of acclamation. Judge Donald Ross led 59 and offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Cheryl Foreman 171; Syd Caldwell 442 (for the Denson’s); Tom Owen 462; Josh Rogan 163b; Jack Whitehead 268; Scott Curran 99; Morris Nelms 28t; Jerry Ryan 111t; Leon Ballinger 460; Terre Schill 383; Vivian Rogan 282; Father Ronald Baker 148; Owen Ross 196; H.P. O’Mary 35; Michelle Rogan 110; Diane Ross 475; Sarah Huckaby 47b; Catherine Rogan 441; Myrl Jones 302; Judge Donald Ross 225t (in honor of Dr. William J. Reynolds); Barbara Moore 117; Beverly Coates 448t; Bill Caldwell 228.

#### RECESS

Dr. Tim Studstill opened the second session by introducing the following: Secretary—Jordan DeWald; Staff—Brock DeWald, Fran DeWysockie, and Katrina Elsea. Dr. Studstill then led 81t.

Leaders: Anita Buswoll 569b; Ryan Ross 212; Esther Huckaby 224; Reed Coates 31t; Myra Palmer 318; Shannon Seyler 388; Alice Moran 480; Billy Huckaby 421; Crystal Visco 63; Nancy Powell 61; Marilyn Hughes 85; Jeff Corbett 125; Cheryl Foreman 278t; Tom Owen 347; Syd Caldwell 353. Dr. Studstill offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order. Leaders: Bruce Coates 503; Ben Brown 146; Jack Whitehead 40; Scott Curran 384; Morris Nelms 38b; Leon Ballinger 424; John Morris 491; Jerry Ryan 345t; Terre Schill 218; Barbara Moore 312b; Father Robert Baker 84; Diane Ross 128 (in honor of Dr. William J. Reynolds); Sarah Huckaby 454; Owen Ross 27; H.P. O’Mary 275b; Judge Donald Ross 331; Myrl Jones 142; Beverly Coates 358; Bill Caldwell 189; Anita Buswoll 143; Ryan Ross 276; Reed Coates 448b; Myra Palmer 208; Shannon Seyler 56b; Bruce Coates 387 (in honor of Kelly Beard); Alice Moran 178; Billy Huckaby 335; Crystal Visco 535; John Morris 565; Esther Huckaby 179; Nancy Powell 47t; Marilyn Hughes 127; Jeff Corbett 56t; Cheryl Foreman 532; Tom Owen 426b; Syd Caldwell 434; Judge Donald Ross 198 (by request); Syd Caldwell 323b (by request); Terre Schill 323t. Announcements were made. An invitation was extended for all to attend the twenty-first annual session next year, January 29, 2005 at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. Timothy Studstill closed by leading 45t as a benediction, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dr. Timothy Studstill; Secretary—Jordan DeWald.

### ROTUNDA SINGING

#### Alabama State Capitol, Montgomery, Alabama Saturday, January 31, 2004

The seventh session of the Rotunda Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in February at the Alabama Department of Archives and History located in Montgomery, Alabama. Four books were used: “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition,” “Christian Harmony,” “Colored Sacred Harp,” and “The B.F. White Sacred Harp, Revised Cooper Edition.”

The first session was held using “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition.” Chairman Jim Carnes called the class to order leading 37b. Leaders: Rodney Ivey 155; David Ivey 217; Dennis George 189; Wilton Donaldson 229; Max Berueffy 278t; Judy Caudle

85; Elene Stovall 430; Jarrod George 274t; Amber Davis 142; Gary Smith 31t; Linda Thomas 299; Bobby Watkins 32t; Jim Pfau 282.

#### RECESS

The second session was held from the "Christian Harmony." Leaders: Billy Thompson 157b; Tim Cook 111b; Martha Sue Thompson 316; Ruth Wyers 264; Retha Deason 31t; Latisha Crocker 204t; Robert Dupree 293; Luke Smith 188t; Penina King 109.

The third session was held from "The Colored Sacred Harp." Leaders: Henry Jackson 74; Bernice Harvey 65t; Joyce Belcher 65b; John Etheridge 24; Stanley Smith 20; Steve Grauberger 19; Henry Jackson 4, 87; Bernice Harvey and Joyce Belcher "Lord Give Me Just a Little More Time."

The fourth session was held from "The B.F. White Sacred Harp, Revised Cooper Edition." Leaders: Stanley Smith 478; Tommie Spurlock 156; John Etheridge 477; Bill Aplin 163b; Frank Hataway 395b; Max Berueffy 140; Uel Freeman 388; Ercyl Vidrine 141; Bobby Watkins 559; Liz Bryant and Bob Goodman 393t; Ruth Wyers 336t; Bernice Harvey 442t; Jim Pfau 200.

#### LUNCH

The first afternoon session was held from "The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition." Leaders: Jim Carnes 288; Sarah Smith 290; Corene White and Jim Carnes 171; Chita Blakeley 411; Danny Creel 269; Emily Creel 222; Denise Burleson 196; Jack Nelson 30b; Gavin Blakeley 145t; Wayne Hartman 72b; Celia Carnes and Clare Forrester 146.

The second afternoon session was held from "The Christian Harmony." Leaders: Billy Thompson 235; Herby Bailey 248; Retha Deason and Luke Smith 110; Ann Kimzey 289; John Etheridge 64, 85b; Margie Simmons 281b; Bill Hogan 354t; Jim Pfau 372; Luke Smith 163t; Latisha Crocker 298.

The third afternoon session was held from "The B.F. White Sacred Harp, Revised Cooper Edition." Leaders: Chita Blakeley 567; Joyce Belcher 28b; Ellen Gwynn 553; Alice Bejnar 455; Richard Graham 573; Tim Cook 507b; Henry Jackson 400; Wilbert Ellison 447t; Dennis George and Jarrod George 358; Amber Davis 229; Danny Creel 404; Jonathan Blakeley 398b.

Announcements were made. Jim Carnes, Joey Brackner, Amber Davis, and Elene Stovall led 176t as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairman—Jim Carnes; Vice Chairman—Joe Brackner; Secretaries—Amber Davis and Elene Stovall.

## BURNHAM AND BROWN MEMORIAL

### Jacksonville, Alabama

### Sunday, February 1, 2004

The annual memorial singing for Uncle Bob Burnham was held on the first Sunday in February at the Recreation Center in Jacksonville, Alabama. Pearl Guier, granddaughter of Bob Burnham, called the class to order leading 40. Louis Hughes offered the morning prayer. Pearl Guier and Jeff Sheppard led 28b; Shelbie Sheppard, Pam Nunn, and Elene Stovall 142 (in memory of Ruth Brown); Pam Nunn 138t; Margie Smith 373.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairlady—Pearl Guier; Vice Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Secretary—Charlene Wallace; Arranging Committee—Margie Smith and Pam Nunn.

Leaders: Pearl Guier 49t; Charlene Wallace 455 (for Joyce Walton); Richard Mauldin 168; Jeannette DePoy 34t; Don Bowen 34b; Betty Wright 138b; S.T. Reed 35; Karen Rollins 489; Randall Smith 137; Laura Clawson 274t; Dennis George 229; Cindy Tanner 406 (for Elsie Moon); Shane Wootten 276; Norma Green and Nate

Green 131t; Daphene Causey 200; Henry Johnson 88t; Allison Ivey 495; Richard DeLong 336; Teenie Moody 217; Lonnie Rogers 186; Carlene Griffin 225t (for Gladys McGraw).

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Jeff Sheppard leading 75. Leaders: Louis Hughes 337; Mary L. Smith 283 (for Mozelle Sheppard); Kim Galant (granddaughter of Ruth Brown) and B.M. Smith 49b; Linda Thomas 472; John Plunkett 470; Eunice Webb 436; Earlis McGraw 277; Joan Aldridge and Rachel Pike 551; Milton Oliver 176t; Reba Windom 224; Hugh McGraw 124; Karen Ivey and Richard Ivey 203; Rodney Ivey 328; Bridgett Hill 384; Bud Oliver 145t; Reba Norton 282; Loyd Ivey 420; Elene Stovall 182; Pearl Guier, Blake Driskell, and the family of Ruth Brown (Jane Galant, Mary Ann Brown, Kim Galant, and Shari Kenney) 45t. B.J. Harris offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Pearl Guier and Jeff Sheppard leading 87. Leaders: Max Berueffy 548; LaRue Allen 291; Ed Thacker 497; Jimmie Denney 313t; Judy Mincey 475; Jackie Tanner 208; David Ivey 572; Sandra Wilkinson 300; Scott DePoy 201; Tony Ivey 131b; Bobby Jackson 499; Amber Davis 216; Tony Hammock 135; Lou Cotney 222; Buell Cobb 417 (in memory of Ginny Easter); Louise Holland 147t; B.J. Harris 503; Kenneith Calvert 143; Amanda Denson 146; Ruth Daniel 378t; Cassie Franklin and Rodney Ivey 440; Ann Simpson 323b; Evelyn Harris and Nellie Mae White 47t; Pam Nunn and Reba Windom 196; Karen Ivey, Allison Ivey, and David Ivey 31t; Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy 278b; Danyell Sutton, Cassie Franklin, Cindy Tanner, and Jackie Tanner 172; Pearl Guier, Shelbie Sheppard, and Jeff Sheppard 122 (in memory of Ruth Brown); B.M. Smith 358 (by request); Roy Nelson and Jeff Sheppard 434; Pearl Guier and Rodney Ivey 340 (for Estelle Vestgard, granddaughter of Bob Burnham).

A proposal was made, seconded, and passed to rename this singing to: Burnham and Brown Memorial, effective as of this date.

Announcements were made. Pearl Guier and Jeff Sheppard led 46 as the closing song. Rev. Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Pearl Guier; Vice Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

### **J.D. STARNES MEMORIAL**

#### **Mt. Hope Baptist Church, Northeast of Sipsey, Alabama Sunday, February 1, 2004**

The J.D. Starnes Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Mt. Hope Baptist Church on the first Sunday in February. The class was called to order by Travis Keeton leading 75 and 460. The morning prayer was offered by Brother Phillip Starnes.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Ida Lee Starnes; Arranging Committee—Willodean Barton.

Leaders: Velton Chafin 42, 34b; Willodean Barton 101t, 145t; Ida Lee Starnes 39b, 317; Travis Keeton 235; Sara Smith 129, 445; Billy Williams 147t, 28b; Flarce Creel 166, 299; Ivalene Donaldson 33b, 270; Gary Smith 503, 565; Ann Jett 448b, 146.

#### RECESS

Velton Chafin called the class back to order leading 93. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 40, 285t; Josie Hyde 183, 224; Wilton Donaldson 229, 348b; Ozella Blackmon 297, 172; John Merritt 268, 300, 274t. Brother Phillip Starnes welcomed everyone, spoke briefly, and offered prayer for the noon meal.

## LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Travis Keeton leading 290 and 73t. Leaders: John Hyde 124, 61, 544; Margaret Keeton 475, 78; Brenda Merritt 203, 47b; Edith Tate 35; Harrison Creel 498, 530, 111b; Jimmie Gilmore 378t (for daughter Pam, who is recovering from surgery), 288; Arthur Gilmore 491b (WB), 569; John Merritt 358 (for Kathleen Smith, and in memory of his mother), “Nothing But The Blood”; John Merritt and Brenda Merritt 438; Sara Smith and Marlin Beasley 384 (in memory of their mother), 336 (in memory of their daddy); Gary Smith, Sara Smith, and Marlin Beasley 46; Harrison Creel 342.

Announcements were made. Velton Chafin led 46 as the closing song. Brother Phillip Starnes dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Ida Lee Starnes.

## **BAYLOR UNIVERSITY SACRED HARP SINGING** **Waco, Texas** **Saturday, February 7, 2004**

The third annual Baylor University Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Great Hall of the George W. Truett Theological Seminary on the Baylor University campus in Waco, Texas, on Saturday before the second Sunday in February. Justice Donald Ross taught a singing school from 9:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., followed by a break and fellowship.

At 10:00 a.m., Dr. David Music called the class to order leading 59. Dr. Randall Bradley offered the opening prayer. The sponsoring faculty of Baylor University was introduced, and Diane Ross was appointed to arrange the leaders.

Leaders: Diane Ross 543; Terre Schill 383; Gaylon Powell 47b; Reed Coates 48t; Doris Hanks 448b; Justice Donald Ross 183; Beverly Coates 66; Dr. Randall Bradley 186; Gary Rogan 276; Linda McGennis 45t; Bruce Coates 163b; Mary Jane Butler 128; Dr. Chuck Bridwell 299; Owen Ross 542; Dr. Gayle Avant 63; Leon Ballinger 269; Dr. Terry York 147t.

## RECESS

Dr. Music called the class back to order leading 99. Leaders: Amanda Blevins 148; Tom Owen 477; Father Ronald Baker 569b; Amanda Owen 344; Ben Griffin 49t; Jacob Miller 312b; John Blackburn 34b; John Wiles 159; Jason Chism 81; Becky Robertson 457; Dr. Tim McKinney 73b; Dr. Jean Boyd 72b; Sarah Huckaby 196; Cheryl Foreman 107; Billy Huckaby 406; Jessie Simon 354; Cissy Moseley 198; Allison Terry 399b. Father Ronald Baker offered the blessing on the noon meal.

## LUNCH

Dr. Music called the afternoon session to order leading 155. Leaders: Vivian Rogan 178; Katie Moseley 448t; Liz Owen 273; Catherine Rogan 208; Pat Blundell 164; Dick Steil 358; Scott Curran 455; Jeb Owen 454; Mike Moseley 532; Dr. Tim McKinney 268; Becky Robertson 46; Ben Griffin 35; Jacob Miller 87; Jason Chism 85; John Blackburn 58; Allison Terry 47t; Reed Coates 442; Owen Ross 168; Amanda Owen 475; Billy Huckaby 421; Amanda Blevins 137; Catherine Rogan 171; Sarah Huckaby 39t; Scott Curran 270; Liz Owen 328; Mike Moseley 480; Jeb Owen 176b; Katie Moseley 222; Cheryl Foreman 430; Dr. Terry York 325; Dr. Gayle Avant 125; Dr. Randall Bradley 218; Beverly Coates 225t; Gaylon Powell 512; Vivian Rogan 84; Father Ronald Baker 68b; Cissy Moseley 235b; Leon Ballinger 217; Gary Rogan 285t; Patsy Blundell 100; Tom Owen 70t; Bruce Coates 86; Dick Steil 323; Terre Schill 436; Justice Donald Ross 546; Diane Ross 350.

Dr. Terry York led 62 as the closing song, offered the benediction, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dr. David Music.

## **MINNESOTA STATE MIDWINTER COOPER BOOK SINGING** **All Saints Indian Mission, Minneapolis, Minnesota** **Saturday, February 7, 2004**

Chairman Keith Willard called the morning session to order with 511t. The Lord's Prayer, in the Dakota language, was offered by Donald Fox as the opening prayer. Leaders: Matt Wells 82; Steve Schmidgall 333; Stacey Burkheimer 72; Eleanor Haase 575; Paul Figura 449; Gordon Olsen 47t; Cathy Lutz 128; Berkley Moore 416; Christine Stevens 544; Dick Levine 300; Kit Pfau 54t; Guy Bankes 505; Denise Kania 140; Becky Allen 486; Kristin Irving 276; Ramona Lee 422b.

### **RECESS**

The class was called back to order. Leaders: Claudia Egelhoff 527; Val Eng 212; Jenny Willard 553; Tivey 59; Pierre Gingerich-Boberg 59; Kathy Wallace 559; Shelley Robbins 192; Michael Moore "Curiosity" (by Stephen Jenks); Matt Wells 38t; Carol Buche 143; G.C. Waldrep 260; Steve Luttinen 129; Scott Schroeder 149; Martha Henderson 503.

### **RECESS**

Chairman Keith Willard brought the class to order. Leaders: Laura Densmore 98; Jeanette Nelson 216; Bill Waddington 99; Kim Bahmer 203; Barbara Myhr and Midge Olsen "Song of Praise" (by Syble Adams); Johnny Lee 41. Johnny Lee offered the blessing for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

Chairman Keith Willard called the class back to order: Leaders: Steven Levine 84; Jeanette Nelson and a group of students from the University of St. Thomas 217; Jim Goetz 268; Laura Densmore and a group of St. Thomas students 336; Jim Pfau "Minnesota" (by Stanley Smith); Tollie Lee 497; Chandler York 270; Midge Olsen 478; G.C. Waldrep 546; Todd Mitchell 38b; Peire Gingerich-Boberg 239; Becky Allen 393; Christine Stevens 573.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing. Leaders: Michael Moore 163b; Martha Henderson 438; Jenny Blair 29; Steve Schmidgall 485; Doug Donley 424; Guy Bankes 410; Paul Figura 154b; Tollie Lee and Ramona Lee 518; Johnny Lee, Delores Lee, and grandchildren (Kendra Strickland and Dinah East) 500; Paul Wyatt 314; Keith Willard and Jenny Willard 367.

Announcements were made. Keith Willard led 63 as the closing song. Tollie Lee offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Keith Willard; Treasurer—Matt Wells; Secretary—Paul Wyatt.

## **LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY SINGING** **University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois** **Sunday, February 8, 2004**

The twelfth annual Lincoln's Birthday Singing took place on Sunday, February 8, 2004 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Ida Noyes Hall, University of Chicago, in conjunction with the University of Chicago Folk Festival. Chairman Jim Helke called the class to order leading 31t, followed by Judy Hauff leading 30t. Judy Hauff led a singing school, followed by announcements.

### **RECESS**



The class was reassembled with the following leaders called: Randy Neufeld 99; Samuel Sommers 358; Jim Swanson 560; Suzanne Flandreau 472; Herb Schroeder 110; Ted Johnson 142; Don Keeton 390; Doug Stapleton 485; Cathryn Baker “Boulder” (by Ted Johnson); Ariel Weinberg 474; Nick Pasqual 282; Susan Geil 565; Henry Schuman 426b; Melanie Hauff 215; Lisa Grayson 112; Jim Helke and John Graven 236.

#### RECESS

Marcia Johnson brought the class back to order leading 76b and 222. Leaders: Rachel Adelstein 47b; Connie Karduck 456; Orwin Youngquist 107; Beverly Enright 344; Al Frank 163b; Ted Mercer 444; Vi Stark 84; Sam Farwell 442; Gail Gillespie 178; Cindy Carr 106; Sue Kessell 218; Jim Lawrie 441; Samuel Sommers 316; Ariel Weinberg 318; Judy Hauff 196; Cathryn Baker 384; Henry Schuman 454; Doug Stapleton 217.

Jim Helke led the traditional closing song on page 347, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Jim Helke; Arranging/Secretary—Rachel Adelstein.

### **MOUNTAIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** **Stone Mountain, Georgia** **Sunday, February 8, 2004**

A special singing was held at Mountain Park United Methodist Church in Stone Mountain, Georgia on the second Sunday in February. Eric Tweedy brought the class to order leading 59, and offered the opening prayer. Leaders: Eric Tweedy 100; Andy Anderson 452, 39t; John Plunkett 39b, 92; Christine Tweedy 146, 535; Sandra Wilkinson 144, 575; Laura Akerman 147t, 93; Debora Grosse 448b, 101t; Susan Posey 145b, 66; Anne Grosse and Debora Grosse 186, 155; Alice West 350, 354t.

#### RECESS

Eric Tweedy brought the class back to order leading 540. Leaders: Eric Tweedy 532; Andy Anderson 63, 347; John Plunkett 326, 207; Laura Akerman 254; Sandra Wilkinson 127, 108t; Alice West 129, 276; Debora Grosse 84, 497; Susan Posey 479, 344; Anne Grosse and Debora Grosse 223.

Eric Tweedy led 62 as the closing song, and dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Eric Tweedy; Secretary—Sandra Wilkinson.

### **ELDER ROY AVERY'S BIRTHDAY/MEMORIAL SINGING** **Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Daviston, Alabama** **Sunday, February 8, 2004**

The Elder Roy Avery Birthday/Memorial Singing was held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church in Daviston, Alabama on the second Sunday in February. Chairman Eugene Forbes called the class to order with 59. William Futral offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Charlotte Bishop.

Leaders: Eugene Forbes 61; Floy Wilder 108t (for Nelda Henry), 123t; Nell Estes 560, 313t; Stanley Edwards 47b, 384; Myrline Redmon 569b (in memory of Elder C.V. Estes), 339; Linda Fagan 63, 335; Virginia Futral 145b, 566; Jenny Acton and Charlotte Bishop 25 (JB), 517 (WB) (for Audress Gurley).

#### RECESS

Preaching services were conducted with Elder Steve Stathelson as the speaker.

#### LUNCH

Chairman Eugene Forbes brought the afternoon session to order with 100. Leaders: Isabelle Greene 48t, 270; Jordan Whitehead 111t, 354b; Paula Fagan 47t, 39b (for her mother); Dean Avery and Nell Estes "Light At The River"; Jenny Acton 25 (JB) (by request); Sharon Whitehead 480, 186; Leonard Price 290, 36b; Annie Lee Price 300; Stormy Britton 490, 460; Carla Smith 358, 143; Charlotte Bishop 496, 294; Edna Ruth Phillips 200, 373; Sylvia Wesson 164, 334; LaRue Allen 155, 212; Eugene Forbes 112, 489; Charlotte Bishop 196; Jenny Acton 340; Myrline Redmon 452, 147t.

Announcements were made. Chairman Eugene Forbes led 46 as the closing song. Leonard Price offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

## **ALABAMA COLLEGIATE SINGING** **University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama** **Saturday, February 14, 2004**

Made possible through the continuing generosity of the Wesley Foundation Methodist Student Center, the sixth annual session of the Alabama Collegiate Singing was again held in their splendid hall on the campus of the University of Alabama. Tim Cook called the class to order leading 59. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Robert DuPree; Vice Chairman—Bill Stewart; Secretary—Elene Stovall.

Tim Cook gave a brief explanation of shape-note notation and concluded by leading 49t.

Leaders: Bill Stewart 480; Elene Stovall 430; Charlene Wallace 283; Max Berueffy 168; Robert Walker 34b; Richard Mauldin and Dick Mauldin 84; Edward Howton 436; Carlene Griffin 70t; Marlin Beasley 108t; Mary Gardner 196; Wilton Donaldson 32t; Charles Kitchens 205; Leon Ballinger 299; Brenda Merritt 434; Austin Wouters 274t; Luke Smith 401; Sue Kitchens 143.

### **RECESS**

Tim Cook brought the class to order leading 37b. Leaders: Travis Keeton 348b; Earl Ballinger 349; Daniel Goldmark and Tim Cook 186; Brett Price 176t; John Merritt and Marlec Ray 499; Linton Ballinger 212; Sarah Smith 89; Rachel Pike 328; Justin Keeton 385b; Tally Kitchens 340; Courtney Cockrill and Leon Ballinger 490; Helen Beauchamp 318; Clarence McCool 535; Toney Smith 35.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called together with Tim Cook leading 99. Leaders: Peggy Bergman, Barbara Stone, Sandy Turner, Bicket Howton, Era Howton, Bill Howton, Barbara Howton, Patsy Kitchens, and Lanoui Kitchens 45t.

Gary Smith conducted the memorial lesson and led 163b for the deceased. Gary Smith and Robert DuPree led 122 for the sick and shut-ins.

The deceased remembered were: Willie Carolyn Denson, Donald Smith, Ruth Brown, Elvin Guthrie, Virginia "Ginny" Easter, Walter Wade, Alonzo Malone, Clara D. Smith, Elvin D. Morris, and Lavaughn Ballinger.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Lorraine Bayer; Lebron Hinton, John Hocutt, Jap Walton, Joyce Walton, Martha Howell, Velton Chafin, Elsie Beasley, Cecile Deason Cox, Kelly Beard, and Venon Kitchens. Danny Creel closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Gravis Ballinger 222; Warren Steel 224; Bridgett Hill and Doris Plum 142; Danny Creel 498; Amber Davis 454; Allison Ivey 440; Larry Ballinger 282; Dennis

George 546; Laura Kitchens and Emily Kitchens 178; Judy Caudle 403; Lisa Geist 273; Bobby Watkins 76b.

#### RECESS

Max Berueffy brought the class back to order leading 101t. Leaders: Ruth Wyers and Debra Feaster 206; Blaire Wouters 455; Andrew Beauchamp 61; Elston Driver 445; Lee Wouters 197; Lauretta Rice 313t; David Lawson 502; Ola Meadows 137; Lomax Ballinger 300; Allen Kinsaul 143; Dan Beauchamp 139; Margaret Keeton 276; Tim Cook 72b; James Taylor 358; Jeff James 40; Billy Thompson 319; Gary Smith 569b; Tim Cook 282, 340.

Announcements were made. Tim Cook led 46 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Robert DuPree; Vice Chairman—Bill Steward; Secretary—Elene Stovall.

## **OHIO STATE CONVENTION Golden Gate Park, Brookville, Ohio February 14-15, 2004**

**Saturday, February 14**

The twelfth annual Ohio State Convention was held at the Golden Gate Park in Brookville, Ohio, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in February. The class was called to order by Chair Laura Russell leading 72b. Elder Jim Herr offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Laura Russell 38t; Regina Bayer 114; Fred Todt 106; Julie Lee 155; Gary Gronau 278t.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Regina Bayer; Vice Chair—Debbie Hall; Secretary—Henry Schuman; Arranging Committee/Chaplain—Elder Jim Herr; Finance Committee—Vic Whisman; Memorial Committee—Louis Hughes and Steve Duff; Locating Committee—John Beale.

Leaders: Joan Aldridge 228; Riley Lee 300; Eloise Clark 272; Jubal Bayer 277; Hans Bayer 496; Karen Arnett 485; Michael Darby 48t; Linda Coppock 38t; Louis Hughes 135; Leland delRe 505; John Beale 543.

#### RECESS

Henry Schuman brought the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Shawn Fenton 146; Judy Hauff 200; Joseph Pimentel 217; Jo Schultz 86; Dave Ressler 203; Melanie Hauff 421; Cleve Callison 276; Judith McDowell 87; Bob Meek 384; Stephanie Hysmith 74b; William Shetter 34b; Laura Weber 535; Steve Duff 569b.

#### RECESS

Regina Bayer called the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Beth Todd 179; Tim Binkley 335; Bobbie Goodell 501; Jim Coppock 377; Ann Holzer 178; Rich Overturf 209; Loraine Cathala 91; Beth Huener 547; Debbie Hall 348t; Kelly Macklin 545; Laura Russell 142; Kay Huener 556.

#### LUNCH

Debbie Hall called the class to order leading 47t. Leaders: Michele Cull 344; Emily Hatch and John Beale 45t; David Rust 327; Mary Chris Harrison 191; Joyce Brown 495; David Barford 56; Janet Conrad 323b; Regina Bayer and Vic Whisman 388; John Bayer 313b; Michele Rea Biery 122; Joe Todd 375; Jeanette Lowry 475; Emmy Barford 497; Loraine Bayer with her mother (Etta Mae Garber), and Nancy Huerta 61; Louis Hughes 569t; Claire Outten 271t; Joan Aldridge 189; Regina Bayer, Leland delRe, and Emmy Barford 410t.

#### RECESS

Leland delRe called the class to order leading 71. Leaders: Eric Conrad 268; Clara Herr 515; Mark Risinger 148; Anna Marie Bullock, Steve Edgecomb, and Lynette Edgecomb 49b; Jim Herr 383; Sylvia Thomas 65; Henry Schuman 528; Julie Lee 82; Judy Hauff 83t; Riley Lee 40; Bobbie Goodell 299; Dave Ressler 216; Melanie Hauff 542; Gary Gronau 411; Jo Schultz 350; Bob Meek 490; Jeanette Lowry 168; David Rust 195; Kelly Macklin 215; William Shetter 169; Michelle Cull 236; David Barford 224; Jeff Fyffe 225t; Vic Whisman 117.

Chair Regina Bayer led 347 as the closing song. Elder Jim Herr dismissed the class with prayer.

### Sunday, February 15

The Sunday session was called to order by Chair Regina Bayer leading 274t. Elder Jim Herr offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Regina Bayer 181; Debbie Hall 66; Gary Gronau 171; Joan Aldridge 454; Karen Arnett 455; Bob Meek 268; Julie Lee 34b; Jim Herr 324; Linda Coppock 474; David Barford 532; Michelle Cull 53; Louis Hughes 76b; Jo Schultz 361; William Shetter 198; Judy Hauff 536; Jeff Fyffe 47b; Melanie Hauff 212.

### RECESS

Henry Schuman brought the class to order leading 317. Leaders: Eloise Clark 372; Greg Howard 569b; Leland delRe 468; Dave Ressler 67; Clara Herr 479; Shawn Fenton 163b; Henry Schuman 318 (for Pauline Childers); Jeanette Lowry 411; Joe Todd 183; Loraine Bayer 29t; Riley Lee 43; Hans Bayer and Jubal Bayer 159; Liz Meitzler 282; David Rust 270; Bobbie Goodell 496; Kelly Macklin 540; Mary Chris Harrison 332.

Louis Hughes and Steve Duff conducted the memorial lesson. Steve Duff spoke about those that are sick and shut-ins, and led 566 in their honor. Those remembered were: Julie Vea—Wisconsin; Neal Smith—Ohio; Jerry Schreiber—California; Rebecca Hollingsworth—Georgia; Karl Everts—New York; Kelly Beard—Texas.

Louis Hughes talked about those who have passed away, and led 348 in their memory. The names of the deceased remembered were: Pat Virostko, Dan Hendrickson, Ray Pesek, India Scott, and Herbert Howard—Ohio; Ruth Brown, Lamar Smith, Harvey Austin, and Lavaughn Ballinger—Alabama; Ruth Mary Marion—Missouri; Bill Everts and Jack Everts—New York; Crofford Macklin—Florida; Cecilia Hauff—South Dakota. The memorial was closed with prayer. Leaders: Emmie Barford 186; Alexander Knecht 100; Kathryn Knecht 87. Elder Jim Herr offered the blessing for the noon meal.

### LUNCH

Debbie Hall called the class to order leading 317. Leaders: John Bayer 300; Beth Todd 436; Mark Risinger 148; Fred Todt 480; Laura Russell 504; Jim Coppock 273; Joyce Brown 551; Rich Overturf 489; Michael Darby 133; Julie Lee 143; Regina Bayer and Vic Whisman 56b; Vic Whisman 313b; Anna Marie Bullock 117.

### RECESS

Regina Bayer called the class to order leading 225t. Leaders: Charles Knecht 312b; Henry Schuman and De De Heeter 457; Bobbie Goodell and Joan Frankel 284; John Bealle 434; Louis Hughes 448t; Lisa Taylor and Liz Meitzler 245; Judy Hauff 269; Regina Bayer, Leland delRe, Emmie Barford, and Mary Chris Harrison 348t; Riley Lee 388; Kelly Macklin 69t; Gary Gronau, Jeanette Lowry, and Dave Ressler 565; Melanie Hauff 485.

A business session was held, and committee reports were given.

The Locating Committee stated that the 2005 Ohio State Convention will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Finance Committee reported that all expenses had been met to cover the cost of the convention.

The Secretary reported that many songs were led by singers from nine states and one province of Canada.

The Resolutions Committee thanked all concerned with making this convention a great success. End of business session.

Announcements were made. Chair Regina Bayer and Vice Chair Debbie Hall led 62 as the closing song. Elder Jim Herr dismissed the class with prayer.

Chair—Regina Bayer; Vice Chair—Debbie Hall; Secretary—Henry Schuman.

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONVENTION-WASHINGTON**  
**Sunset Hill Community Club, Seattle, Washington**  
**February 14-15, 2004**

**Saturday, February 14**

The thirteenth annual session of the Washington portion of the Pacific Northwest Convention met at the Sunset Hill Community Club in Seattle on the third Sunday and Saturday before in February. Co-Chairs Karen Willard and David Wright opened the convention at 9:30 a.m. leading 47t. Chaplain Reed Schilbach offered the opening prayer. Kathy Vlach led 70t; Joanne Hoover 99; Reed Schilbach 39t.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Co-Chairs—Karen Willard and David Wright; Treasurer—Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Joanne Hoover; Arranging Committee—Anne Huckins, Reed Schilbach, Kathy Vlach, Linda Laing, David Wright, Karen Willard, Greg Saue, and Lucinda Saue; Memorial Committee—Martie Hoadley, John Carson, and Karen Willard; Resolutions Committee—Jacob Priestley and David Hough.

Leaders: Anne Huckins 171; Jinx McGuire 28b; Susan Helf 34b; Gary Plouff 300; Betty Jones 72b; Jack Lofton 228; Marcia Stedman 504; Tom Yeager 107; Karen Stingle 254; Scott Kennedy 68b; Martie Hoadley 312b.

**RECESS**

Shannon McGuire called the class back to order with 457. Leaders: Jenny Jensen 500; Marilyn Murata 492; Juanita Heyerman 46; Daphene Causey 222; LaRue Allen 200; Stan Jensen 217; Kiri Miller 224; Carolyn Gilkey 163b; Mryka Hall Beyer 133; Jessica Beer 511; Greg Saue 523; Meg Larson 143; Martha Johnson 108b; Connie Stanton 66; Tom Payne 375; Fran Ross 31t; Jim Brock 497; Karen Willard 455.

**RECESS**

Jim Van Horn called the class back to order with 531. Leaders: Janice Bridges 117; Dan Thoma 29t; Darlene Simpson Brown 290; Sharon DuPriest 198; Martha Applegate 551; Angie Johnson 178; Darlene Franz Van Horn 479; Alice Poinier 86; Jacob Priestley 146. Reed Schilbach asked the blessing for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session opened with Karen Stingle leading 318. Leaders: Kathy Vlach 515; Eric Holt 49b; John Carson 361; David Wright 168; Kiri Miller 112; LaRue Allen 142; Marilyn Murata 319; Jack Lofton 362; Daphene Causey 434; Jenny Jensen 299; Jinx McGuire 40; Jordan Singer 114; Raoul Titus 163t; Suzanne Denker 56b; Molly Whedbee 547; Juanita Heyerman 421; Stan Jensen 283; Mryka Hall Beyer 350; Sharon DuPriest 196.

**RECESS**

Janice Bridges called the class back to order with 129. Leaders: Alice Poinier 84; Martha Channon 159; Shannon McGuire 137; Jessica Beer 384; Meg Larson 452; Ken Cofield 61; Jim Brock 63; Connie Stanton 108t; Reed Schilbach 122; Anne Huckins 276; Gary Plouff 328; Susan Helf 496; Jacob Priestley 106; Darlene Simpson Brown 303; Dan Thoma 566; Tom Payne 282; Joanne Hoover 477; Fran

Ross 385b; Carolyn Gilkey 549; Karen Stingle 569b; Betty Jones 503; Scott Kennedy 454.

After announcements were made, Karen Willard and David Wright led 157 (WB) as the closing song. Chaplain Reed Schilbach dismissed the class with prayer.

### **Sunday, February 15**

Co-Chairs Karen Willard and David Wright opened the Sunday session at 9:30 a.m. with 73t. Chaplain Gary Plouff offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: David Hough 30t; Linda Laing 47t; Jinx McGuire 155; Shannon McGuire 135; Lucinda Saue 209; John Carson 72b; Suzanne Denker 85; Greg Saue 270, Martha Johnson 148; David Wright 278b.

#### **RECESS**

Darlene Simpson Brown called the class back to order with 145t. Leaders: Janice Bridges 268; Molly Whedbee 67; Katharine Hough 480; Melisa Doss 159; Tom Yeager 63; Bruce Rowland 282; LaRue Allen 192; Jordan Singer 320; Martie Hoadley 107; Daphene Causey 269; Kiri Miller 216; Stan Jensen 475; Mryka Hall Beyer 207; Sharon DuPriest 189; Juanita Heyerman 287.

#### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Linda Laing leading 82t. Leaders: Jenny Jensen 499; Marilyn Murata 486; Jack Lofton 538; Fran Ross 551.

John Carson conducted the memorial lesson and began by saying, "There are many new folks here today who might think that what follows is a little strange. Sacred Harp singing isn't just about the melodies and harmonies, or the words; it also has a rich culture and heritage that is a big part of it. Reading the list of deceased and sick and shut-ins is an important part of all this which becomes our connection with those who are not here today.

Modern hymns seem to have lost any reference to death as being part of life; but many Sacred Harp songs face death with a certain air of reassurance, and even some joy. Most of the Sacred Harp songs about death are in a major key, and even a sprightly tempo. Very few are in a dark minor key.

Many of the names of the deceased which I will read are known to only one or two people here today; some only by reputation, and many are of a generation which is passing away; each of these departed seems to diminish our lives somewhat." John Carson led 329 for the deceased which included: Ann App, Wayne Iverson, Stan Slivinski, and Skippy Slivinski—Washington; Kathy Blago, Gene Lander, Judy Hogg, Emory Vea, Trim Bissell, and Rand Owen—Oregon; James Lavaughn Ballinger, Allie Aldridge, Ruth Burnham Brown, Lamar Smith, and Elder Donald Smith—Alabama; Clarence Lambert—Georgia; Lora Pistoressi, Kay Eiko, Polly Ann Baxter, and Tom Sullivan—California; David Lewin—Massachusetts; Blanche Hull—Montana; Hugh Anderson—New York; Mary Flickinger—Ohio; Cecelia Hauff—South Dakota; Shirley Huckins—Utah; Dinah Brunig—Vermont; Lois Jancaitis—West Virginia.

Karen Willard offered a special tribute: "We don't usually single out one person to eulogize in our memorial lessons. But every once in a while, we lose someone who was so significant to all of us, and for whose loss our grief is so powerful, that we must stop and say a few words particular to them. Miss Ruth Burnham Brown was such a person. She was born in August of 1910 and died last May, at the age of 92. At a time when few women went to college at all, she graduated with a bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State Teachers College and began a 37 year teaching career in 1932, in Cleburne County, Alabama. She came from a singing family and married a singing man, Mr. Leman Brown. But for us from the newer singing areas outside of the South, her life didn't begin to impact us until she retired from teaching and took up her second calling: that of travel organizer par excellence. And her nickname was

born: “the Bus Lady,” the person who chartered a bus every year and filled it up with singers from Georgia and Alabama and took them as living ambassadors of the tradition to New England, New York, Washington, D.C., St. Louis, Missouri, New Mexico, Colorado, the Twin Cities of Minnesota and other points within reach of a day or so of travel. Her last project was planning the trip of a group of southern singers to England; the trip was accomplished three months after her death. The Pacific Northwest is many long miles from Alabama, too far for the usual bus trip. But two years ago, Ruth planned a 10-day vacation for seven southern singers that brought them to our convention. Those of you who were here will remember the elegant, silver-haired lady, seated in the black throne-like chair in the alto section, who delivered such a simple and moving memorial lesson for us. Those of us present that day will never forget. In C.S. Lewis’s book, “The Great Divorce,” the main character is allowed to travel from earth to heaven for a short visit by means of an omnibus, a special route bus. He is able to glimpse a portion of the reality of heaven and then to return using the same omnibus. Miss Ruth’s omnibus went the opposite direction, bringing a taste—whether it was always wanted or not—of the genuine, the real thing, to those singings that sprang up outside of the tradition, and then all too quickly it returned home. For those of us in the North, her bus riders and their examples were the first real contact with the “traditional” versus whatever it was we’d been doing of the Sacred Harp experience. The people in that bus traveled many miles, first up and down the East Coast for 17 years and then branching out. The influence of those trips is incalculable, and we are all profoundly grateful, for they brought to us a true glimpse of heaven. Miss Ruth was an alto, so in her memory today, let’s sing one of her favorite songs, notes and words just as she liked it, that song beloved of all altos, 142.”

Martie Hoadley remembered the sick and shut-ins by saying, “We have come together this weekend from all directions and by several means: car, plane, and train. For many reasons we have gathered at this convention. We have come to reunite with old friends, with lots of catching up to do. No reason for our setting aside this weekend to be together is stronger than our love of singing.” She then read the poem, “How Can I Keep from Singing” by Anne Warner. She continued, “Part of the shape-note tradition is remembering those dear to us who are sick or unable to leave their homes—we call them shut-ins. Let us bringing to mind the meaning of music to all of us and our compassion for these persons as their names are read: Jerry Schreiber, Loraine Bayer, Carroll Lunsford, Kelly Beard, Donnie McGraw, Lebron Hinton, Chad Nunn, Paul Steppenbeck, Clare Hoffman, Kari Lundgren, Mary Bullock Johnson, Robert Hoover, Everen Lacy Miller, Leah Polacek, Albertina Ferrulano, Susan Soliz, Johnny Jeans, Bob Smith, Kay Smith, Steven Hough, and Fumie Murata.” Chaplain Gary Plouff closed the memorial lesson with prayer. David Wright led 30b. Chaplain Gary Plouff asked a blessing on the food.

#### LUNCH

Jack Lofton began the afternoon session leading 383. Leaders: Anne Huckins 277; Kathy Vlach 53; Tom Payne 335; Kiri Miller 442; LaRue Allen 436; Stan Jensen 322; Daphene Causey 222; Bruce Rowland 426b; Mryka Hall Beyer 236; Ken Cofield 324; Sharon DuPriest 212; Jenny Jensen 532; Marilyn Murata 274t; Juanita Heyerman 29b; Dan Thoma 37b; Scott Kennedy 146; Katharine Hough 372; Jessica Beer 74b.

#### RECESS

Joanne Hoover called the class back to order with 354b. Leaders: Bob Schinske and Sophia Schinske 496; Jordan Singer and Corinna Singer 49b; Jim Van Horn 95; Carolyn Gilkey 273; Connie Stanton 448b; Gary Plouff 153; Karen Stingle 203; Eric Holt 31t; Meg Larson 503; Jim Brock and Erik Schwab 34b; Susan Helf 344; Alice

Poinier 388; Betty Jones 59; Suzanne Denker 65; Reed Schilbach and Curtis Taylor 39t; Tom Payne 528; Greg Saue and Lucinda Saue 36b; Martha Johnson 280; Melisa Doss 49t; Fran Ross 380; David Hough 384; Scott Kennedy 347.

The class went into a business session to hear committee reports and announcements.

The Treasurer announced that expenses had been met, and thanked the class for their generosity.

Jacob Priestley gave the Resolutions Committee Report, thanked the Creator for the gifts and blessings of these days which allowed us to join together to sing divine praise. The many workers and officers of the convention were thanked.

The Arranging Committee reported 103 registrants, with numerous others who slipped in to listen. States represented were: Washington 69, Oregon 24, Alabama 3, Alaska 1, California 2, Massachusetts 1, Utah 2, and Canada 1.

All reports were approved as submitted and the business session was closed.

Co-Chairs Karen Willard and David Wright led 48t as the closing song, inviting everyone to take the parting hand. Chaplain Gary Plouff closed the convention with prayer.

Co-Chairs—Karen Willard and David Wright; Treasurer—Kathy Vlach; Secretary—Joanne Hoover.

### **SANDERS MEMORIAL** **Sardis Church, Walker County, Alabama** **Sunday, February 15, 2004**

The annual Sanders Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Sardis Church in Walker County, Alabama on the third Sunday in February. Harrison Creel brought the class to order leading 30t. Danny Creel offered the morning prayer. Max Berueffy led 32t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Harrison Creel; Vice Chairman—Max Berueffy; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Max Berueffy 33b; Cecil Sanders and Winell Sanders 225t; Leon Ballinger 460, 269; Corene White 146, 403; Ricky Savage 318; Ozella Blackmon 441, 436; Danny Creel 182, 383; Margaret Keeton 422, 456; Chris Ballinger 76b, 147t; Flarce Creel 454, 475; Travis Keeton 343, 390 (in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Winford Sanders); Edith Tate 212; John Hyde 63, 297.

#### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Harrison Creel leading 498. Leaders: Lisa Geist 91, 377; Linton Ballinger 306, 144; Wanda Capps 171, 299; Larry Ballinger 98, 37t; Willodean Barton 290, 480; Mike Hinton 490, 146 (for his father, Lebron Hinton, who is ill); Brenda Merritt 217, 442; Amber Davis 391, 192; Dennis George 108t, 365; Clarence McCool 68b, 565; Sarah Smith 159.

#### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called to order by Max Berueffy leading 121 and 499 (for Gladys Bonds, who is ill). Leaders: John Merritt 312b, "Nothing But The Blood"; Earl Ballinger 177, 331; Margaret McGowan 141, 358; Marlin Beasley 77t, 503 (for Thurman Nall, who is ill); Gravis Ballinger 110 (in memory of his father's birthday), 220; Gary Smith 523, 31t; Ricky Savage 294 (in memory of his family, the Garners); Edith Tate 532, 35; Cecil Sanders 569b (in memory of his mother); Josie Hyde 477, 507; Leon Ballinger 120; Dennis George 542; Clarence McCool 73t; Linton Ballinger 142; Harrison Creel 512.



Harrison Creel led 111b as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Harrison Creel; Vice Chairman—Max Berueff; Secretary—Margaret Keeton.

### **J.L. WHITE AND ECLECTIC HARMONY BOOK SINGING Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia Saturday, February 21, 2004**

The fifth annual J.L. White and Eclectic Harmony Book Singing was held at Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in February. John Plunkett called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 59 (WB). John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer. All songs led in the first session were selections from the “J.L. White Book”.

Leaders: John Plunkett 54t; Malinda Snow 138b; Sandra Wilkinson 507; Joan Durdin 148; John Hollingsworth 154b; Andy Morse 492; Rodney Ivey 486t; Henry Johnson 546b; Lela Crowder 478t; Sarah Smith 61; Russ Hanson 526; Bill Hogan 540; Jane Spencer 63; Wes Haley 45t; Carol Hanson 155; Rita Haley 502.

#### **RECESS**

John Plunkett brought the class back together with 34 (EC1).

A business session was held. A Financial Report was given. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Judy Mincey; Secretary—Malinda Snow. The business session was closed by John Plunkett leading 22 (EC1).

Leaders: Judy Mincey 92 (EC1); Dan Huger 27 (EC2); Julie Sues 64 (EC1); Don Bowen 51 (EC1); Lee Rogers 66 (EC2); Anita Landess 59 (EC1); Marlon Beasley 53 (EC1); Laura Akerman 25 (EC1); Mark Davis and Natalie Davis 42 (EC2); Floyd Bennett 70 (EC1); Gary Smith 108 (EC1). Andy Morse offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### **LUNCH**

Judy Mincey brought the afternoon session to order leading 103 (EC1). Leaders: Bob Goodman 110 (EC1); Andrew Snyder 109 (EC1); Liz Bryant 45t (EC1); Tony Hammock 135 (WB); Ellie Soler 299 (WB); Natalie Davis 65 (EC1); Henry Johnson 375 (WB); Rodney Ivey 545b (WB); Dan Huger 32 (EH2); Marlon Beasley 127 (WB); Bill Hogan 76 (EC1); Mark Davis 511 (WB).

#### **RECESS**

John Plunkett brought the class to order with 97 (WB). Leaders: Sandra Wilkinson 24 (WB); Liz Bryant and Pamela Helms 383 (WB); Gary Smith and Sarah Smith 72 (WB); Andy Morse 90 (EC1); John Hollingsworth 494 (EC1); Malinda Snow 44 (EC2).

Announcements were made. John Plunkett thanked Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church for its hospitality. Russ Hanson led 26 (WB) as the closing song, and John Hollingsworth dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Judy Mincey; Secretary—Malinda Snow.

### **NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL SINGING Grace Episcopal Church, Waterville, New York Saturday, February 21, 2004**

The first New York State Regional Singings of 2004 was held at Grace Episcopal Church in Waterville, New York on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in February.

The class was called to order by Barbara Swetman leading 31b. The opening prayer was led by Eileen Metzger.

Leaders: Barbara Swetman 276; Laura Densmore 49b, 148; Brian Collett 143, 497; Deanna Anderson 155, 178; Dennis Leipold 63, 133; Eileen Metzger 48t, 49t; Ginny Huszagh 209, 299; Nicola Collett 347, 455.

#### RECESS

The singing was resumed with Katherine Collett leading 40. Leaders: George Seiler 159, 68; Allen Fannin 163t, 546; Cuba Ray 503, 294; Michael Heyerman 183, 270; Katherine Collett 122, 47b; Thom Metzger 547, 106; Patricia Geritz 38t, 501; Lucy Roberts 481, 408; Ronald Bornick 277, 66; Barbara Swetman 313b, 312b.

Ginny Huszagh offered a blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The singing resumed for the afternoon session with Allen Fannin leading 30t.

Leaders: Brian Collett 117, 254; Jean Seiler 217, 192; Eileen Metzger 379, 76b; Ginny Huszagh 218, 56b; Laura Densmore "Minnesota" (by Stanley Smith), 538; Nicola Collett "Muhaiyadeen" (by Chandler York), "Milton Falls" (by Tobias Tenenbaum); Margaret Bornick 448b, 236; George Seiler 84, 99; Allen Fannin 495, 448t; Cuba Ray 568; Michael Heyerman 319, 245; Katherine Collett 163b, 315.

#### RECESS

Barbara Swetman brought the class to order leading 362.

The names of those who are ill and have died recently were named by members of the class. Barbara Swetman led 385b in their honor and memory.

Leaders: Thom Metzger 60 (Sch), 269; Patricia Geritz 77b, 566; Lucy Roberts 82, 401; Deanna Anderson 203, 551; Dennis Leipold 480, 107; Ronald Bornick 186, 454; Jean Seiler 200; Thom Metzger 198; Laura Densmore 157; George Seiler 171; Eileen Metzger 39t; Ginny Huszagh 474; Dennis Leipold 345b; Cuba Ray 105; Lucy Roberts 59; Michael Heyerman 64; Deanna Anderson 300.

Barbara Swetman led 62 as the closing song. Dennis Leipold offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Barbara Swetman; Arranging—Ronald Bornick; Secretary—Laura Densmore.

## **TEXAS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION** **Conference Center, College Station, Texas** **February 21-22, 2004**

### **Saturday, February 21**

The twelfth annual Texas State Sacred Harp Convention met at the College Station Conference Center on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in February.

Chairman Ryan Ross called the class together at 10:00 a.m. by leading 34b, and then extended a welcome to everyone. Reed Coates offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Secretary Liz Owen 129; Beverly Coates 150; Tom Owen 532; Vice Chairman Cheryl Foreman 391; Al Rogers 569b; Peter Nichols 159; Billy Huckaby 217; Owen Ross 216; Barbara Newell 277; Leon Ballinger 195; Bruce Coates 86; Fr. Ronald Baker 148; Doris Hanks 112; Crystal Visco 178; Amanda Owen 503; Pat Blundell 79; Olivia Powell 168; Katie Moseley 163b; Diane Ross 455; Robert Vaughn 164.

#### RECESS

Chairman Ryan Ross called the class to order with 30t. Leaders: Cassandra Baker 566; Donald Ross 558; Gary Rogan 209; Gaylon Powell 523; Sarah Huckaby 56b; Cissy Moseley 143; Amanda Blevins 47t; Bernard Collard 171; Terre Schill 396; Job Owen 318; Kotoro Aso 49t; Vivian Rogan 535; Curtis Owen 480; Scott Curran 76b;

Reed Coates 448b; Fr. Ronald Baker 35; Barbara Newell 72b. Owen Ross offered the noon prayer.

#### LUNCH

Chairman Ryan Ross led 36b to call the class together for the afternoon session. Leaders: Owen Ross 234; Cassandra Baker 63; Bernard Collard 362; Kotoro Aso 47b; Pat Blundell 282; Crystal Visco 146; Beverly Coates 481; Cheryl Foreman 71; Tom Owen 454; Al Rogers 198; Peter Nichols 457; Billy Huckaby 421; Leon Ballinger 460; Bruce Coates 147t; Doris Hanks 34t; Amanda Owen 39t; Olivia Powell 354b; Katie Moseley 448t; Diane Ross 354t; Robert Vaughn 142.

#### RECESS

Chairman Ryan Ross led 36t to call the class to order. Leaders: Donald Ross 350; Gary Rogan 319; Gaylon Powell 131t; Sarah Huckaby 196; Cissy Moseley 299; Amanda Blevins 290; Terre Schill 212; Jeb Owen 208; Vivian Rogan 268; Curtis Owen 445; Scott Curran 203; Reed Coates 330t; Liz Owen 376.

Chairman Ryan Ross 323t as the closing song. Robert Vaughn offered the dismissal prayer.

### Sunday, February 22

Chairman Ryan Ross called the class together at 9:30 a.m. with 59. Gary Rogan offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Cheryl Foreman 31b; Secretary Liz Owen 110; Barbara Moore 312b; Chris Adams 128; Charles Whitmer 492 (WB); Cissy Moseley 270; Elric Elias 99; Jeb Owen 328; Leon Ballinger 434; Curtis Owen 441; Alexa Gilmore 30b; Bruce Coates 32t; Doris Hanks 384; Amanda Owen 475; Vivian Rogan 73b; Terre Schill 298; Sarah Huckaby 183; Katie Moseley 178; Diane Ross 504; Amanda Blevins 40; Robert Vaughn 70b.

#### RECESS

Chairman Ryan Ross brought the class together with 111t. Leaders: Dr. David Music 53; Gary Rogan 324; Crystal Visco 300; Tom Owen 498; Scott Curran 192; Reed Coates 182; Bernard Collard 70t; Al Rogers 452; Olivia Powell 254; Peter Nichols 276; Donald Ross 368; Gaylon Powell 377; Beverly Coates 137; Billy Huckaby 277; Kevin Powell 442; James Moseley 163b; Barbara Moore 282; Chris Adams 419; Charles Whitmer 524; Cissy Moseley 532.

The memorial lesson was held with Sarah Huckaby reading the names of the deceased, and then led 499 in their memory. Those remembered were: Mary Craig, Ruth Collins, James Lavaughn Ballinger, and O.H. Griffen. Gaylon Powell then remarked on the last verse of 499.

“Farewell, dear friends, farewell for just a little while; we’ll meet and sing on Heaven’s shore, where parting comes no more.” He also commented on the last verse of number 47b. “Waked by the trumpet sound, I from my grave shall rise; and see the Judge with glory crowned, and see the flaming skies!” The class then sang 47b.

Scott Curran led 58 in honor of the sick and shut-ins which included: Verna Powell, Frances Daniels, Myrl Jones, Myra Palmer, Joe Owen, Leland Owen, Dutch Owen, Ophelia Mathews, Lennie Baker, Lovenia Owen, Jimmie Barker, Bill Reynolds, Kelly Beard, and Ernestine Pipkin. Curtis Owen offered prayer to close the memorial.

#### LUNCH

Vice Chairman Cheryl Foreman brought the class together for the afternoon session with 63. Leaders: Elric Elias 168; Dr. Don Barker 145b; Bernard Collard 474; Jeb Owen 68b; Mary Key and Cheryl Foreman 225t; Jack Whitehead 268; Leon Ballinger 269; Curtis Owen 490; Alexa Gilmore 67; Bruce Coates 73; Doris Hanks

448b; Amanda Owen 84; Vivian Rogan 235; Terre Schill 294; Sarah Huckaby 424; Katie Moseley 542.

A business session was held.

Upon recommendation by the Nominating Committee the following officers were elected by acclamation for the 2005 session of the Texas State Sacred Harp Convention: Chairman—Cheryl Foreman; Vice Chairman—Billy Huckaby; Secretary—Liz Owen.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

The Secretary had recorded singers from: Texas, Virginia, United Kingdom, Japan, and Jordan. The business session was closed.

RECESS

Chairman Ryan Ross called the last session to order leading 348t. Leaders: Kevin Powell 107; Diane Ross 149; Amanda Blevins 106; James Moseley and Heather Cannon 34b; Robert Vaughn 347; Dr. David Music 378; Gary Rogan 313t; Crystal Visco 127; Tom Owen 528; Scott Curran 176b; Reed Coates 33b; Donald Ross 551; Dr. Don Barker 82t; Bernard Collard 497.

Vice Chairman Cheryl Foreman led 62 as the closing song. Bruce Coates offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ryan Ross; Vice Chairman—Cheryl Foreman; Secretary—Liz Owen.

### **UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SINGING State Botanical Gardens, Athens, Georgia Sunday, February 22, 2004**

The thirty-first session of the University of Georgia Singing was held at the Visitors Center of the State Botanical Gardens in Athens, Georgia on the fourth Sunday in February.

Singing during the morning sessions was from "The Social Harp" by John McCurry, first published in 1855 and reprinted by the University of Georgia Press in 1973.

Chairman John Garst called the class to order leading 22. John Hollingsworth offered the morning prayer. John Garst led 23b.

A business session was held with the class voting to retain the same officers:

Chairman—John Garst; Vice Chairman—John Hollingsworth; Secretary—Charlene Wallace. Appointments of the following committees were made: Arranging Committee—Lee Rogers; Memorial Committee—Judy Mincey.

Leaders: John Hollingsworth 233b, 250; Charlene Wallace 159, 88; Judy Mincey 135, 53; Lee Rogers 137; John Plunkett 51, 149; Bill Hogan 61t, 23t; Don Bowen 76b, 34; Dan Huger 169, 124; Bruce King 55, 173.

RECESS

John Hollingsworth called the class together leading 148. Leaders: Mark Davis 194, 87; Marlin Beasley 118t, 41; Charles Woods 98, 99; Art Rosenbaum 163, 200; Kelly Morris 129b, 101; Tony Hammock 100, 175b.

The memorial lesson was conducted. John Hollingsworth and Judy Mincey led 204 in memory of the following deceased: Elder Donald Smith, Betty Haas, Ruth Brown, Lavaughn Ballinger, Flora Skinner, Lamar Smith, and Edna "Roxie" Chesser.

Bill Hogan led 196 for the following sick and shut-ins: Bill Green, John Hocutt, Art Deason, Mary Ellen Wilkinson, Jeff Sheppard, and Shelbie Sheppard. John Plunkett closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Laura Akerman 139; Lee Rogers 44; John Garst and Ann Brackwell 146. John Hollingsworth offered the blessing for the noon meal.

LUNCH

Singing in the afternoon sessions was held from "The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition."

John Garst called the class together leading 176t. Leaders: Karen Morris 503; Andy Morris 178; Floyd Bennett 127; Sarah Smith 290; Richard Ivey 135; Anita Landess 297; Mildred Chandler 155; Winston Stephens and Marty Des Rosier 34b; Gary Smith 31t; Angelia Benton 358; Terry Chandler 222; Sandra Wilkinson 384, 282; Kevin Kelly 128; Laura Akers and Ann Brighten 68b; Karen Morris 430; Angelia Benton 354b; Natalia Davis and Mark Davis 345t; Marion Wilhoit 82t; Karen Redwine 105, 323b; Anita Landess 540; Sarah Smith 129; Terry Chandler 268; Winston Stephens and Marty Des Rosier 535; Richard Ivey 208; Mildred Chandler 40; Gary Smith 565; Laura Akerman 240; Bill Hogan 442; Andy Morris 347; John Garst 110.

Following announcements, John Garst led 62 as the closing song. John Hollingsworth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Garst; Vice Chairman—John Hollingsworth; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

**PARKER, HOLLIS, AND PUTMAN MEMORIAL**  
**Liberty Church (McCormick), Jefferson County, Alabama**  
**Sunday, February 29, 2004**

The class was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Velton Chafin leading 52t. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer. Velton Chafin led 35 and 30t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Arranging

Committee—Willodean Barton; Secretary—Ida Lee Parker Starnes. Leaders:

Willodean Barton 63; Sarah Smith 480, 318; Willie Mae Moon 225t, 460; Flarce Creel 454; Winell Sanders and Cecil Sanders 569b; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Ann Jett 37b, 43; Travis Keeton 112, 155; Ozella Blackmon 419, 44; Marlin Beasley 166, 418; Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton 159, 59; John Hyde 129, 297.

**RECESS**

Velton Chafin brought the class to order leading 487. Leaders: Roma Rice 49b, 273; Jennifer Allred 430, 216; Max Berueffy 392, 532; Brenda Merritt 316, 282; Ida Lee Starnes 378t, 426t; Kenneth Tate and daughter 171, 170; Margaret Keeton 192, 336; Jewell Wooten 283, 36b; Glenn Keeton 497, 163b; Wanda Capps 298, 144.

**LUNCH**

The class was brought to order for the afternoon session by Will Allred leading 354b and 274t. Leaders: Elene Stovall 436, 142; Susan Allred 183, 384; John Merritt 240, 300; Estelle Gilmore and L.H. Gilmore 421, 73t; Josie Hyde 234, 434; Rachel Allred 489, 146; Harrison Creel 89, 317; Edith Tate 88t; Ronald Gilmore and Hazel Gilmore 406, 475; Caleb Allred 196, 401; Katrina Bailey 517 (WB), 358; Will Allred 87, 45t; Velton Chafin 499.

Velton Chafin led 521 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Ida Lee Parker Starnes.

**LIBERTY CHURCH**  
**Henagar, Alabama**  
**Sunday, February 29, 2004**

The annual fifth Sunday singing at Liberty Church was called to order at 9:30 a.m. with Chairman David Ivey leading 82t and 32t. The morning prayer was led by Louis Hughes. Leaders: Shane Wootten 36b; Norma Green and Nate Green 329; Loyd Ivey 89; Marlon Wootten 49b; Tony Ivey 131b; Milton Oliver and Scot Oliver

314; Ed Thacker and Margaret Thacker 452; Richard Mauldin 66; Robert Walker 145b; Bobby Watkins 76b; Wilton Donaldson 229; Jimmie Denney 63; Eloise Wootten 480; Teenie Moody 430; Mattie Townsel 213t; Gaston White 40; Myra Dalton 348b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Shane Wootten leading 101t. Leaders: Linda Sides 454; Bud Oliver 270; Lonnie Rogers 186; Alexandra Makris 405; Jackson Harcrow 282; Stuart Ivey 362; Shelbie Sheppard 216; Judy Caudle 365; S.T. Reed 220; Terry Wootten 240; Teresa Bethune, Marian Biddle, Martha Underwood, Vicky Ivey, Candice Bethune, Lindsay Bethune, Ivey Biddle, and Mollie Ivey 424, 501(CB); Karen Rollins 34b; Betty Wright 515; Blake Sisemore, Travis Peek, and Jackson Harcrow 59; David Ivey 358 (by request).

#### RECESS

Wayne Wootten brought the class back together leading 108t. Leaders: Dennis George 108b; Frank Hataway 58; Barrett Patton and Shane Wootten 269; Sandra Wilkinson 67; Tommy George 388; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 496; Jenny Acton and Jacob Acton 340; Franklin Dillard 34t; Syble Adams 39t; Alan Pritchett 99; Herby Bailey 503. Rev. Phil Summerlin offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

David Ivey brought the afternoon session together leading song on page 168. Leaders: Rachel Pike 436; Carol Hanson and Russ Hanson 61; Louis Hughes 512; Lynne deBenedette 48t; Allison Ivey 383; Linton Ballinger and Lomax Ballinger 306; Floy Wilder 214; Karen Freund 47b; John Etheridge 74b; Marty Wootten 542; Jeff Sheppard 556; Bridgett Hill 142; Lela Crowder 442; Aaron Wootten 448b; Amber Davis 192; Jerry Enright 77t; Cindy Tanner 198; LaRue Allen 200; Pam Nunn 236; Daryl Chesney 528; Scott Ivey 171.

#### RECESS

Shane Wootten and Charles Stiefel called the class back to order leading 35. Leaders: Eschol Hughes 197; Eugene Forbes 426b; Wilburn Ellison 147t; Wayne Hartman 68b; Dewayne Wootten 119 (by request); Wayne Jones 565; Randall Smith, Linda Thomas, and David Ivey 137; Michael Thompson 217; Mark Brown 274t; Jarrod George 300; Jackie Tanner 477; Donna Wootten 56t; Darlene Dalton 294 (by request); Hobert Ivey, Sylvia Ivey, Lorrie Wootten, Tony Ivey, and Scott Ivey 511b (CB); Penina Kane 571 (CB); Kathy James 30b; Patsy Gentle and Coy Ivey 486t (WB); Sandy Ivey, Hobert Ivey, and Tony Ivey 410t; Mark Brown "Sweet Beulah Land."

Following announcements, David Ivey led 146 and the class was dismissed with prayer by Pastor Tony Ivey.

Chairman—David Ivey; Vice Chairman—Shane Wootten; Secretary—Norma Latham Green.

### **PAULINE CREEL CHILDERS BIRTHDAY SINGING** **First Methodist Church, Wayne, Michigan** **Saturday, March 6, 2004**

The fourth annual Pauline Creel Childers Birthday Singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Henry Schuman leading 30t. Elder Jim Herr offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Henry Schuman 171; Danny Creel 196; Cathryn Baker 472; Pauline Childers 212, 318; Bill Beverly 304; Edith Tate 532; Samuel Sommers 316; Cassie Franklin 220; Jim Herr 33b; Loraine Bayer 406; Ted Mercer 352; Rachel Baker 388.

#### RECESS

Henry Schuman brought the class back to order leading 32t. Leaders: Beth Todd 234; Harrison Creel 111b; Clara Herr 479; Jackie Tanner 208; Regina Bayer 181; Jim Coppock 377; Amber Davis 224; Steve Kasperick-Postellon 448b; Lucy Heidorn 155; Martha Beverly 501; Ken Tate 389; Mary Postellon 353; Jerry Enright 216; Clarissa Springfield 108t; John Bealle 434; Sue Probert 547; Cindy Tanner 189; Jerry Creason 569b.

#### RECESS

The class was reassembled by Cathryn Baker leading 277. Leaders: Joe Todd 179; B.J. Schnorenberg 354b; Tony Kiser 87; Karen Freund 300; Ted Johnson 440; Marcia Johnson 32b (for those who have been sick and home bound this year); Marcia Johnson and Pauline Childers 288 (for the Creels who have passed away: Marie Aldridge, Hayden Creel, and Lucille Tolbert); Jo Schultz 84; Dennis George 460; Idy Kiser 312b; Linda Coppock 485; Jubal Bayer 114; Hans Bayer 128; Ann Miczulski 145b; John Bayer 71; Steve Duff 178. Elder Jim Herr offered the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Martha Beverly called the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 344. Leaders: Flarce Creel 475; Henry Schuman and Amber Davis "Happy Birthday" (to celebrate the 89th birthday of Pauline Creel Childers); Amber Davis 192; Charles Wells 38b; Marcia Johnson 436; Hannah Baker 335; Mary List 467; Eloise Clark 480; Greg Creech 127; Ann Jett 496; Henry Schuman 528; Charlotte Wolfe 31t; Danny Creel 498; Pauline Childers and Wayne Murphree 67; members of the Creel family 342; Dennis George 518; Cindy Tanner 198; Ken Tate 73t; Cassie Franklin and Jackie Tanner 477; Ted Mercer 88t.

#### RECESS

Samuel Sommers brought the class to order leading 133. Leaders: Jackie Tanner 298; Clarissa Springfield 76b; Harrison Creel 378b; Regina Bayer, Hans Bayer, and Jubal Bayer 159; Edith Tate and Lucy Heidorn 146, 37b; Jerry Enright and Karen Freund 101t; John Bealle and Eloise Clark 276; Ann Jett and Cassie Franklin 269; Bill Beverly and Martha Beverly 86; Joe Todd and Beth Todd 373; Ted Johnson and Marcia Johnson 222; Jim Herr and Clara Herr 504; Teddy Creel, Cindy Tanner, and Ken Tate 358; Cathryn Baker, Hannah Baker, and Rachel Baker 148; John Bayer and Lorraine Bayer 53; Jim Coppock and Linda Coppock 142.

Announcements were made. Samuel Sommers, Bill Beverly, and Martha Beverly led 62 as the closing song. Elder Jim Herr gave the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Henry Schuman; Vice Chairpersons—Jennifer Hanford and Laurie Schuman; Secretary—Martha Beverly.

## **NORTH CAROLINA SACRED HARP CONVENTION**

**Page Walker Hotel, Cary, North Carolina**

**March 6-7, 2004**

**Saturday, March 6**

The sixteenth annual North Carolina Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Page Walker Hotel, Cary, North Carolina, on the first Sunday and Saturday before in March. Chairman Rich Hammer opened the convention by leading 63. Henry Bizzell offered the morning prayer. Rich Hammer welcomed the class and then led 210.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Rich Hammer; Vice Chairman—Nancy Newell; Secretary—Pat Boyd Ward; Treasurer—Don Ward; Arranging Committee—Lynda Hambourger.

Leaders: Blake Morris 179; Nancy Newell 178; John Feddersen 385b; Henry Bizzell 34b; Lynda Hambourger 142; Suzanne Newton 270; Chris Sepic 350; Mary Wright 421; Pat Temple 475; Blake Morris 474; Nancy Newell 163b; John Feddersen 528; Kevin Dann 276; Don Ward 300; Lynda Hambourger 268; Erin Newton 291, 180.  
RECESS

Rich Hammer called the class to order leading 452. Leaders: Susanne Newton 47b, 282; Pat Ward 45t; Brad Hunnicutt 457, 455; Stephen Holland 217; Chris Sepic 415, 497; Mary Wright 35, 71; Karin Shank 354, 84; Pat Temple 183, 168; Don Ward 448t, 448b.

#### LUNCH

The singing resumed with Rich Hammer leading 159. John Feddersen led 362 and 569b.

A brief New Traditions session was held with Blake Morris leading a new song "Bankes".

Leaders: Nancy Newell 344; Henry Bizzell 127, 503; Kevin Dann 87; Lynda Hambourger 236; Erin Newton 299, 377; Brad Hunnicutt 70b, 146; Chris Sepic 86, 228; Stephen Holland 181, 107; Suzanne Newton 472, 532; Mary Wright 480, 510.  
RECESS

Rich Hammer brought the class to order leading 147. Leaders: Ron Craig 117; Matt Cartmill 47t, 31t; Pat Temple 232, 400; Blake Morris 214, 297; Stephen Holland 99, 288; Chris Sepic 38t, 39t; Kevin Dann 122; Don Ward 198, 313b; John Feddersen 436; Brad Hunnicutt 414; Tom Dillon 446.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Rich Hammer leading 354t. Leaders: Nancy Newell 40; Mary Wright 290; Matt Cartmill 547; Pat Ward 454; Lynda Hambourger 189; Suzanne Newton 192; Stephen Holland 481; Chris Sepic 68t, 287; Ron Craig 38b. Announcements were made. Henry Bizzell dismissed the class with a prayer.

### Sunday, March 7

The Sunday session was called to order by Rich Hammer leading 163b. Leaders: John Feddersen 145, 388; Guy Bankes 77b, 556; Gail Doss 148, 400; Matt Cartmill 201, 228; Pat Ward 217, 126; Don Ward 229, 269; Erin Newton 504, 446; Nancy Newell 300, 46; Pat Temple 27, 81t; Mary Wright 121, 378t; Lynda Hambourger 216, 347.

#### RECESS

Rich Hammer brought the class to order leading 63. Leaders: John Feddersen 254, 112; Suzanne Newton 150, 151; Guy Bankes 174, 39b; Gail Doss 196, 270. Sally Owens conducted the memorial lesson, and Nancy Newell led 209 in memory of the deceased. Those remembered were: Tony Palkovic, John D. MacLeod, Jr., Sadie M. MacLeod, Angela Stapleton, Laury Morse, George O'Hanlon, Linda Wood, Georgia Wood, Mary Kniseley, Harold Hensler, Gertrude Hensler, Nancy N. Daniel, and Dorsey W. Daniel.

Lynda Hambourger led 472 for the sick and shut-ins. Those remembered were: Edwin Pickard, Paul W. Wilson, Reggie Durham, Nancy Keppel, Patty Griffith-Fallaw, John Manzdilla, Richard Garrison Neill, Art Broadus, and Susan Kelley. Henry Bizzell closed the memorial with prayer. Rich Hammer led 210.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Rich Hammer leading 415. Leaders: Matt Cartmill 47t, 47b; Erin Newton 313b, 72b; Pat Ward 383, 56b; Don Ward 81b, 200; Nancy Newell 155, 156; Pat Temple 566, 114; Mary Wright 405, 510; Lynda Hambourger 373, 344; John Feddersen 442, 87; Guy Bankes 440, 441.

#### RECESS



The singing resumed with Rich Hammer leading 289. Leaders: Brad Hunnicutt 81t, 294; Gail Doss 99, 224; Matt Cartmill 327, 497; Margaret Morse 29b, 49b; Brad Hunnicutt 378, 77t, Suzanne Newton 334, 49t; Lynda Hamburger 547; John Feddersen "Sweet Beulah Land". Don Ward gave the Treasurer's Report and stated that enough money had been collected to meet expenses for the convention. Chairman Rick Hammer thanked all who participated in the planning of the singing, and those who brought food for the noon meals.

Announcements were made. Chairman Rick Hammer led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rich Hammer; Vice Chairman—Nancy Newell; Secretary—Pat Boyd Ward.

### **MR. AND MRS. FRANK ROGERS MEMORIAL SINGING** **Ephesus School, Roopville, Georgia** **Sunday, March 7, 2004**

The annual memorial singing for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers was held at Ephesus School in Roopville, Georgia on the first Sunday in March. L.L. Rogers called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. with 101t. The invocation was given by Richard Maudlin. B.M. Smith led 73t; Co-Chairmen Denney Rogers and B.M. Smith led 75.

The class was organized with the following officers duly elected and committees appointed: Co-Chairmen—Denney Rogers and B.M. Smith; Secretary—Karen Rollins; Memorial Committee—Paige Harrod and Sherry Lovvorn; Arranging Committee—Mary Florence Smith.

Denney Rogers, mayor of Ephesus, extended a welcome to everyone.

Leaders: Jimmie Denney 63; Josephine Denney 145b; Evelyn Harris 155; Earlis McGraw 389; Eunice Webb 283; Daphene Causey 222; Felton Denney 387; Jan House 151; Nate Green and Norma Green 206; Shane Wootten 42; Reba Norton 177; Loyd Ivey 176t; Philip Denney 112; Karen Rollins, Karleen Williams, Paige Harrod, Sherry Lovvorn, and Denney Rogers (children of L.L. Rogers) 143; S.T. Reid 43; Phillip Langley 377; Pearl Guier 32t.

#### **RECESS**

The class was reassembled. Leaders: Bobby Jackson 480; Myron House 113; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 171; Sandra Wilkinson 475; Sarah Jenkins 99; Henry Johnson 45b; Milton Oliver 275b; LaRue Allen 299; Tony Hammock 30t; Lela Crowder, Liz Provow, and Steph Provow 106; Bobby Watkins 270; Reba Windom 192; Hobart Ivey 76b; Donna Wootten 88t; Tom McGraw 37b; Hugh McGraw 37t; Ed Thacker 54; Rodney Ivey and Dylan Denney 178, 186; Bud Oliver 39b; Richard Oliver 268; Eloise Wootten 454; Joel Jenkins and Shane Wootten 220; Tokay Shumake 35; Randa Harris, Susan Rice, and Barry Rollins 87; Oscar McGuire 573; Tony Ivey 205; Jeff Sheppard 316; Louis Hughes 498; John Plunkett 500. Louis Hughes offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### **LUNCH**

Denney Rogers led 335 to bring the class back to order. The group that attended the Academy Awards (Oscars) in Los Angeles, California spoke a few words and led 137. The memorial lesson was conducted by Paige Harrod who spoke about the love of the words in Sacred Harp music, and then read the names of the deceased singers and friends.

Rodney Ivey led 122 for the following deceased: Ruth Brown and Gladys Simmons—Alabama; Georgia Foster, Mina Prince, Harold Jackson, and Mozelle Sheppard—Georgia; Betty Haas—Missouri. Charlene Wallace led 570 in memory of Mozelle Sheppard.

Phillip Denney led 27 for the sick and shut-ins which included Beau Caldwell and Mary Ellen Wilkinson. Billy Joe Harris concluded the memorial lesson with prayer. Leaders: Sherry Lovvorn 25; Carlene Griffin 146; Marty Wootten 276; Sylvia Ivey 496; B.J. Harris 503; Sheri Taylor 29t; Lisa Webb 528; Lela Crowder 224; Bill Windom 28b; Joel Jenkins and Sarah Jenkins 282; Nate Green and Norma Green 208; S.T. Reid 329; Ed Thacker 45t; LaRue Allen 434; Eloise Wootten, Hobart Ivey, and Loyd Ivey 424; “Happy Birthday” (to Sandra Wilkinson); John Plunkett 399b; Henry Johnson 425; Richard Maudlin 168; Louis Hughes 142; Shane Wootten 358 (by request); Oscar McGuire 441; Rodney Ivey, Lonnie Rogers, and Tony Ivey 348b; Bobby Watkins 225t; “Happy Birthday” (to Mary Hackney).

Announcements were made. The congregation was thanked for a collection of \$136. Denney Rogers, B.M. Smith, and Karen Rollins led 318 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed with prayer.

Co-Chairmen—Denney Rogers and B.M. Smith; Secretary—Karen Rollins.

**MARTHA HARPER NIX, LEWIS KEETON, AND  
LAVADA MCGOUGH GILMORE MEMORIAL  
New Flatwoods Church, Nauvoo (Walker County), Alabama  
Sunday, March 7, 2004**

The eighty-ninth annual Sacred Harp Memorial singing for Martha Harper Nix, Lewis Keeton and Lavada McGough Gilmore was held at New Flatwoods Church in Nauvoo, Alabama on the first Sunday in March. Travis Keeton called the class to order leading 75. Furman Buckhalter offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 48t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging Committee—Willodean Barton and Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 387 (in memory of his grandfather, Lewis Keeton); Margaret Keeton 39b, 37b; Marlin Beasley 36b, 382 (in memory of Martha Harper Nix); Willodean Barton 290, 460; Mary Ellen Jones 392, 454; Winell Sanders 108t; Corene White 314; Ida Lee Starnes 30t, 111b; Roland Gilmore 378t, 491b (WB); Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton 32t, 34b; Johnny Humber 208, 389; Stella Pratt 147; Huey Jones 306; Alene Woodley 77t, 83t; Ronald Gilmore and Hazel Gilmore 339, 393 (for Timothy Gilmore and Estelle Gilmore, who were sick and unable to attend the singing).

**RECES**

Marlin Beasley called the class to order leading 317. Leaders: Furman Buckhalter 335, 480; Justin Keeton 168, 385b; Ozella Blackmon 112; Gravis Ballinger 300, 49t; Sarah Smith 73t, 61; Wilton Donaldson 348b, 566; Jimmie Gilmore 68b, 137; Earl Ballinger 329, 331; Lena Keeton 146, 498. Marlin Beasley offered prayer for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Travis Keeton brought the afternoon session to order leading 284. Leaders: Clarence McCool 569b, 225t; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Lisa Geist 171, 546; Glenn Keeton 163b, 178; Larry Ballinger 177, 50b; Josie Hyde 43, 234; Ila Ingle 434, 436; Kermit Adams 212, 78; John Van Horn 203 448t; Julietta Haynes 216, 192; Ottis Sides 235, 530; Janet Jones 373, 143; Latrive Bailey 384, 517 (WB); Gwen Cornelius, Lena Keeton, and Glenn Keeton 282, 457; Glenn Keeton, Inez Crow, Justin Craft, Wanda Thompson, and Ashley Thompson 45t; Travis Keeton 196; Cecil Sanders 380, 475.

Travis Keeton led 321 as the closing song. Elder Ronald Gilmore dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Margaret Keeton.

**MISSOURI STATE CONVENTION**  
**St. John's United Church of Christ, Pinckney, Missouri**  
**March 13-14, 2004**

**Saturday, March 13**

The nineteenth annual Missouri State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. at St. John's United Church of Christ by Co-Chairmen Mark Bruns and Jim Hearne leading 99 and 178. Jim Hearne offered the opening prayer. Convention officers were: Co-Chairmen—Mark Bruns and Jim Hearne; Secretary—Dave Ressler; Arranging Committee—Rebecca Browne; Finance Committee—Karen Isbell and Pattie Doss; Memorial Committee—Julie Vea and Penny Kujawinski.

Leaders: Dave Ressler 171; Bill Ellason 59; Gary Gronau 32t; Linda Biggs 479; Pattie Doss 411; Shirley Figura 49b; Karen Isbell 270; Emily Gruber 86; Jo Dell Albi 35; Berkley Moore 157; Julie Vea 269; Dan Brittain 302; Susan Green 474; Jeanette Lowry 192; Lou Kujawinski 182; Ted Johnson 316; Annie Grieshop 146; Paul Figura 66.

**RECESS**

Mark Bruns called the class to order leading 155. Leaders: Rebecca Browne 36b; Charlie Derleth 137; Alice Moran 480; Wayne Smith 566; James Page 2 (MH); Kathleen Thro 421; Jim Solheim "Nomeland"; Melanie Hauff 38 (MH); Dean Slaton 436; Tim Von Engeln 268; Terry Hogg 106; Kathy Kaiser 335.

**RECESS**

Bill Ellason led 63 to call the class together. Leaders: Penny Kujawinski 384; Carla Pepmiller 40; John Seaton 47t; Joe Douglas 503; Lisa Grayson 522; Richard Green 485; Marcia Johnson 163t; Ted Mercer 13 (MH); Judy Hauff 48 (MH); Dorothy Amare 475. Jim Hearne offered the blessing on the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Pattie Doss called the afternoon session to order leading 200. Leaders: Gary Gronau 112; Syd Caldwell 34 (MH) (for Don Bowen and Cheryl Forman); Wendy Hoffman 42; Johanna Fabke 472; Jan Ketelle 54 (MH); Aubrey Hemminger 84; Anita Buswell 496; Bill Caldwell 497; Ann Fox 68b; Janet Fraembs 290; John Ramsey 47b; Ryan Henry 282; Melanie Hauff 216; Julie Vea 430; Lisa Grayson 448t; Dave Ressler 46 (MH).

**RECESS**

The class was brought to order by Paul Figura leading 82t. Leaders: Marcia Johnson 434; Ted Mercer 217; Richard Green and Susan Green 350; Judy Hauff 52 (MH); Rebecca Browne 362; John Seaton 48t; Terry Hogg 212; Karen Isbell 11 (MH); Ted Johnson 419; Dorothy Amare 325; Joe Douglas 29t; Linda Biggs 340; Syd Caldwell 352 (for Wayman Miner); Dean Slaton 361; Dan Brittain 304; Charlie Derleth 348b; Gary Gronau 542; Kenny Hickox 412.

Mark Bruns led 300 as the closing song. Jim Hearne offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, March 14**

The Sunday session of the convention was brought to order by Jim Hearne at 9:30 a.m. leading 49t. Mark Bruns offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mark Bruns 148; Linda Biggs 496; Presley Barker 481; Karen Isbell 142; Bill Ellason 110; Emily Gruber 117; Gary Gronau 23 (MH); Shirley Figura 338; Charlie Derleth 66; Pattie Doss 216; Dave Ressler 67; Paul Figura 99; Jeanette Lowry 475; Penny Kujawinski 224; Berkley Moore 31 (MH); Ann Leckie 11 (MH); Alice Moran 441; Dennis Corcoran 46 (MH).

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Jim Hearne leading 344. Leaders: Julie Vea 280; Don Baker 129; Wendy Hoffman 82b; Bill Caldwell 189; Annie Grieshop 72b; John Ramsey 451; Jim Solheim 454; Johanna Fabke 378b; Syd Caldwell 318; James Page 20 (MH); Lou Kujawinski 510.

#### RECESS

Bill Caldwell called the class back to order with 163b. Leaders: Ann Fox 45t; Ann Leckie and Luc Trusgnach (Belgium) 419; Janet Fraembs 74b.

Penny Kujawinski Julie Vea conducted the memorial lesson. Penny Kujawinski read the list of the sick and shut-ins. Those remembered were: Shelbie Sheppard, Evelyn Harris, and Dick Mauldin—Alabama; Beau Caldwell—Arkansas; Jerry Schreiber—California; Danna Ellis—Florida; I.V. McWhorter, Hugh McGraw, Donnie McGraw, Myrtle Smith, Nancy Allen, and Nick Pender—Georgia; Bill Farr, Suzanne Checchia, Dana Karduck, Ruth White, and Peggy Brayfield—Illinois; Loraine Bayer—Ohio; Mary Ann Wilkinson—Oklahoma; Bill Reynolds—Tennessee; Kelley Beard—Texas; Bob Skorgie, Bob Anderson, and Frances Hough—Wisconsin.

Julie Vea spoke for those recently deceased, read the names of those remembered, and led 368 in their memory. Those remembered were: Ruth Brown, Mozelle Sheppard, Lamar Smith, Harvey Austin, Alpha Black, and Carolyn Denson—Alabama; Mozelle Sheppard and Everett Denny—Georgia; Betty Haas, Mildred Krueger (whose funeral was Saturday), Chester Embeck (father of Marian Peterson), Virginia Bloom, and Ray Bloom—Missouri; Cecilia Hauff—South Dakota; Bruce Ketelle—Tennessee; Marvin Hill—Wisconsin; and the bombing victims in Spain. Julie Vea closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Jan Ketelle 168; Anita Buswell 100; Kathy Kaiser 501; Dan Brittain 428; Aubrey Hemminger 178; Presley Barker 16 (MH). Mark Bruns offered a prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Jo Dell Albi called the afternoon session to order leading 203. Leaders: Pattie Doss 277; Janet Fraembs 532; Dave Ressler 214; Wendy Hoffmann 71; Jan Ketelle 556; Jeanette Lowry 528; Dan Brittain 327; Penny Kujawinski 300; David Lloyd 503; Karen Isbell 436; Julie Vea 385t; Gary Gronau 384; Kathy Kaiser 106; Rebecca Browne 299; Alice Moran 40; Presley Barker 77t; James Page 188; Syd Caldwell 551; Johanna Fabke 209.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order. Leaders: Lou Kujawinski 473; Annie Grieshop 59; Berkley Moore 342; Don Baker 56b; Anita Buswell 448b; John Ramsey 385b; Jim Solheim “Nomeland”; Aubrey Hemminger 155; Bill Caldwell 353; Ann Fox 68b; Kenny Hickox and Dan Brittain 313b; Emily Gruber 191; Charlie Derleth 348b. Announcements were made. Mark Bruns led 347 as the closing song then offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairmen—Mark Bruns and Jim Hearne; Secretary—Dave Ressler.

**WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS SACRED HARP CONVENTION**  
**Center for the Arts, Northampton, Massachusetts**  
**March 13-14, 2004**  
**Saturday, March 13**

The sixth annual Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Bradford West leading 37b. Eric Morgan offered the opening prayer.

Chair Jenna Strizak welcomed everyone and turned the class over to Bradford West who led a singing school. The following songs were sung during the school: 29t, 45t, 155, 171, and 189.

**RECESS**

The class was called to order by Bradford West leading 34t. Leaders: Chair Jenna Strizak 276; Vice Chair Kelsey Wessels 475; Secretary Rosie Wojcik 477; Dan Hertzler 319; Linda Shea 300; Scott DePoy 410t; Inga Knets 99; Kara Morin 178; Bob Mills 160b; Bobbie Goodell 426b; Jill Accetta 131t; Henry Johnson 88t; Sheila Kelley 129; Ronald Bornick 84; Kiri Miller 442; John Brode 57; Marcia Tucker 147t; Paul Butler 218; Alexa Gilmore 270; Ginny Landgraf 26; Ruth Hooke 198; Neely Bruce 263.

**RECESS**

The singing resumed with Elric Elias leading 299. Leaders: Paul Gauthier 542; Charlene Wallace 314; Victoria Bolles 280; Louis Hughes 512; Jessica Holland 474; Bill Holt 352; Sarah Beasley Smith 318; Aldo Ceresa 142; Kim Bahmer 39t; Chris Noren 236; Sally House 31t; Matthew Wojcik 87; John Holbrook 339; Kshama Ananthapura 274t; Aaron Girard 383; Roland Hutchinson 543; Martha Lang 106; Elric Elias 168; Rick Johnston 392. John Plunkett offered prayer for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Kelsey Wessels called the class to order for the afternoon session with 228. Leaders: Laura Timmerman and Kelsey Wessels 550; John Plunkett 549; Laura Clawson and Rodney Ivey 186; Rodney Ivey 430; Richard DeLong 216; Allison Schofield 215; Jerry Enright 370; Mirjana Lausevic 335; Eric Morgan 53; Reba Windom 436; Tim Eriksen 448t; Liz Meitzler 245; Phillip Langley 112; Gina Balestracci 419; Paul Setford 273; Kelly House and Bradford West 347; Jeanette DePoy 566; Peter Irvine and Anna Maria Irvine 67; Lela Crowder 224; Andrew Magee 399b; Lynne deBenedette 376; George Pomfret 489.

**RECESS**

The class was brought to order. Leaders: Katie Mahoney 81t; George Seiler 480; Sam Amidon 48b; Claire Singleton 455; Karen Freund 278t; Tom Padwa 515; Jessica Beer 535; Ginnie Ely 349; Jean Seiler 472; Gerry Hoffman 182; Susan Loucks 454; Chloe Maher 504; Effie Cummings 344; Joanne DeVoe 327; Sally O'Brien 277; Charlie Pilzer 268; Edith Berger 547; Mary Jo Shafer 82t; Brian Collett 254; Carly Goss 114; Margaret Bornick 212; Zara Bode 272.

Jenna Strizak led 282 as the closing song. Sally House offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, March 14**

Chair Jenna Strizak called the class to order for the Sunday session with 89. Louis Hughes offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Vice Chair Kelsey Wessels 171; Secretary Rosie Wojcik 30t; Barbara Swetman 203; Bill Dunn and Kelly House 312b; Charlotte Ehrman 490; Guy Bankes 556; Alice Kast 300; Charles Taylor 456; Renuka Vijayanathan and Bradford West 159; Bob Parr 304; Joanne Bowman 485; Richard Lee 146; Kate Richardson 217;

Seth Holloway 274t; Rebecca Edwards 145t; Katherine Collett 155; Charles Cofone 35; Katie Mahoney 183; David Bliss 66; Patrick Giles 384.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order. Leaders: Peter Irvine 59; Marcia Tucker 551; Nick Edwards 268; Paula Picton 430; Paul Setford 299; Inga Knets 148; Phillip Langley 269; Francis Bliss 84; Claire Singleton 163b; Michael Heyerman 38b; Sally House, Joseph Dunn, and Kelly House 503; Jerry Enright 77t; Michael Ryan 102; Eliza Cavanaugh 350; John Holbrook 47b; Jessica Beer 332; Louis Freilicher 376; Gary Smith 569b; Jean Seiler 217; Gerry Hoffinan 458; Sheila Kelley 306; Margaret Bornick 497; Andrew Magee 215; Chloe Maher 73t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing. Leaders: Kshama Ananthapura 170; Bradford West 532; Bobbie Goodell 108b; Kitty Kagay 302; George Seiler 68b; Carly Goss 192; Paul Butler 565 (for all cancer survivors present); Jeannette DePoy 282; Paul Gauthier 499; Amy Davies and Jessica Beer 107; Louis Hughes 76b.

The memorial lesson was conducted with Inga Knets leading 33b for the following sick and shut-ins: Elsie Beasley and John Hocutt—Alabama; Barbara DePoy and Bobby Jackson—Georgia; Sheila MacLean, Helen Holland, and Tom Cavanaugh, Sr.—Massachusetts; David Bornick, Kim Milling, and Kay Milling—New York; Sharon Nygren—North Carolina; Loraine Bayer—Ohio; Jack Acceta—Pennsylvania; Kelly Beard—Texas.

Laura Timmerman reminded the class that we grieve because we have loved. This is a blessing from God as is this singing community to which we can bring our joy and suffering, struggle, and celebration. Laura led the class in singing 30b remembering the following who have died in the last year: Lamar Smith and Ruth Brown—Alabama; Tim Lull—California; Lee Stewart—Colorado; Laurette Wojcik—Connecticut; Lou Silver and Juliet Greer—Florida; Ben Brady, Robert Kendrick, Mozelle Sheppard, and Mary Bruce—Georgia; Miriam Mahler Wilson Evans—Iowa; Lawrie Wallace, Ruth Bartlett Clark, and Roland Wessels—Maine; Guy Griffen and Linda Sweeting—Maryland; Judy Wagner, Joseph Betko, and Douglas Way—New Hampshire; Ed Dowey—New Jersey; Thomas Savage, Spalding Gray, John Jeannopoulos, and Hugh Anderson—New York; Ruby Neely—North Carolina; Olivia Sole—Ohio; Ruth Pomfret—Pennsylvania; Lois Crump Smith—Tennessee; Dinah Breunig, John Sheldon and Howard Northrup—Vermont; Eugenia Fox and David Moody—Washington. Henry Johnson closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Linda Shea 448b; Dan Hertzler 162; Lela Crowder 440; Kshama Ananthapura 216; Bob Mills 410b; Sarah Beasley Smith 108. Dan Hertzler offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Jenna Strizak called the class back for the afternoon session with 328. Leaders: Tim Eriksen 222; Eric Morgan 142; Susan Mampre 209; Kiri Miller 112; Richard DeLong 41; Matthew Wojcik 189; Allison Schofield 542; Reba Windom 196; John Plunkett 564; Rodney Ivey 172; Eliza Cavanaugh 137; Lynne deBenedette, Karen Freund, and Reba Windom 224; Karen Freund 56b; John Brode 375; Charlene Wallace 481; Laura Clawson 362; Aldo Ceresa 85; Duncan Vinson 229; Ginnie Ely 546; Scott DePoy 480; Henry Johnson 138t; Kara Morin 228; Alexa Gilmore 445. Jenna Strizak opened the business meeting to hear committee reports.

Finance Committee Chairman Paul Butler reported that convention expenses had been met with the donations made by singers over both days of the convention.

Arranging Committee Chair Linda Shea reported that 182 songs had been led so far by 123 leaders, and that 317 people had registered over the two days from 21 states, the United Kingdom, and Germany.

The Resolutions Committee: George Seiler, Kelly Taylor, and Dave Evans thanked everyone who helped with this year's Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention. The business session was closed.

Chair Jenna Strizak announced that the next Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention will take place March 12-13, 2005. Announcements of other singings were made.

#### RECESS

The class was brought back to order. Leaders: Sheila Kelley 186; Aaron Girard 285t; Mirjana Lausevic 29t; Zara Bode and Carly Goss 131t; Rick Johnston 530; Jill Accetta 110; Elric Elias 324; Ginny Landgraf 184; Laura Timmerman 111b; Bill Dunn 37b; Lydia Vernon Jones 347; Louis Freilicher 99; Seth Holloway 145b; Rebecca Edwards 72b; Mary Jo Shafer 410t; Chris Noren 361; Guy Bankes 151; Kelly House 270; Richard Lee and Katie Mahoney 495; Joanne Bowman 191; Bob Parr 492; Charles Taylor 101t; Kate Richardson 138b.

Jenna Strizak, Kelsey Wessels, and Rosie Wojcik led 62 as the closing song. Jenna Strizak offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Jenna Strizak; Vice Chair—Kelsey Wessels; Secretary—Rosie Wojcik.

### **SMITH COUNTY SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)**

**New Harmony Community Center, New Harmony, Texas**

**March 13-14, 2004**

**Saturday, March 13**

The twenty-fourth session of the Smith County Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order by President Cheryl Foreman leading 119. Chaplain Dallas Smith offered the opening prayer.

Cheryl Foreman appointed the following committees: Nominating—Leon Ballinger and Crystal Vizco; Memorial—Gaylon Powell and Myrl Jones.

Leaders: President Cheryl Foreman 171; Vice President Myrl Jones 300; Secretary Sharon Stephenson 450; Treasurer Sue Utz 282; Leon Ballinger 268t; Robert Vaughn 468, 521; Reed Coates 58, 476; Katie Moseley 49t, 511t; Neil Vaught 563, 107t; Terre Schill 522; Bruce Coates 442t, 518; Cissy Moseley 473.

#### RECESS

President Cheryl Foreman called the class to order with 63. Leaders: Gaylon Powell 68t, 441; Mary Bachmann 225t, "Hallelujah, Praise the Lord" (own composition); John Morris 28b, 390; Beverly Coates 99, 168; Richard Smith 406, 285t; Crystal Vizco 488b, 40; Monnie Ross 422b, 108b. Chaplain Dallas Smith welcomed all to our convention and led prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Cheryl Foreman opened the afternoon session with 335. Leaders: Bruce Coates 137; David Rousseau 127, 447t; Azalee Barnett 572, 384; Lawson Smith 142, 270; Emmie Morris 224, 215; A.A. Smith, Jr. 67, 53; Myra Palmer 414; Myrl Jones 183, 189; Melba Sue Utz 475 (for grandson, Richard Hale), 404 (for granddaughter, Krystle Hale); Sharon Stephenson 418, 274 (in honor of her sister, Tina Walston and family).

A business session was called to order by Cheryl Foreman. The Nominating Committee brought their recommendation for the following officers of the convention in 2005: Vice President Myrl Jones move up to President; Vice

President—Robert Vaughn; Secretary—Sharon Stephenson; Treasurer—Melba Sue Utz; Chaplain—Dallas Smith. The recommendation was voted on and carried.

#### RECESS

Cheryl Foreman called the class to order with 52t. Leaders: Thomas Smith 235, 232; Beverly Coates 143; Reed Coates 65; Emmie Morris 220; Bruce Coates 336t; Neil Vaught 159.

Myra Palmer, Lawson Smith, Myrl Jones, and A.A. Smith, Jr. led 491 as the closing song. Chaplain Dallas Smith offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### **Sunday, March 14**

Vice President Myrl Jones opened the Sunday morning session at 9:30 a.m. with 129. Robert Vaughn offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: John Morris 366, 222; Crystal Vizco 35, 276; Richard Smith 282, 87; Owen Stephenson 45t, 388; Katie Moseley 543; Lawson Smith 196, 108b; Robert Vaughn 271b, 562; Terre Schill 112; Cissy Moseley 299, 563; Thomas Smith 136, 189; Azalee Barnett 572, 573.

#### RECESS

President Cheryl Forman brought the class to order with 270. Leaders: Gaylon Powell 154b, 84 (for Ada Fisher); Mary Bachmann 505, 38t; Myrl Jones 332, 571; Melba Sue Utz 507b, 319; Sharon Stephenson 171, 288; Cheryl Foreman 203, 42; Gaylon Powell 196 (request of Dallas Smith), 540 (request of Ferrell Blevins); John Morris 170, 155; Crystal Vizco 128, 146; Richard Smith 348t, 512.

The memorial lesson was conducted. Gaylon Powell led 341 for the following beloved singers that have gone to be with the Lord: Ruth Collins, Mary Craig, Mary Blevins, and Jayne Smith McKnight.

Myrl Jones led 461 for the sick and shut-ins and dedicated this song to all those who are not able to be here: Velma Powell, Ophelia Matthews, Ruth Redmon, Dale Redmon, Jo Redmon, Marcelene Hardy, Curtis Owen, Edith Owen, Leland Owen, Kelly Beard, John Beard, Billy Beard, Earnestine Pipkin, Pauline Willis, Margaret Raunsvall, and Bert Upchurch. The memorial lesson was concluded.

#### LUNCH

President Cheryl Foreman opened the afternoon session with 101t. Leaders: Katie Moseley 68t; Robert Vaughn 539, 466; Thomas Smith 235; Thomas Smith and Myra Palmer 304; Cissy Moseley 293b, 559 (for Jeb and Liz Owen, and their new baby); Azalee Barnett 447t, 500; Gaylon Powell 174; Ada Fisher and Dallas Smith 500, 218; Myrl Jones 277, 442t; Crystal Vizco 59, 508; Melba Sue Utz 406, 85.

Treasurer Melba Sue Utz gave a report that all expenses had been met. President Cheryl Foreman led 62 as the closing song. Chaplain Dallas Smith offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Cheryl Foreman; Vice President—Myrl Jones; Secretary—Sharon Stephenson.

### **OXFORD CITY HALL** **Oxford, Mississippi** **March 14, 2004**

The twenty-fourth annual Sacred Harp singing at Oxford City Hall was called to order by Warren Steel leading 48t. Mark Davis offered the morning prayer. Mark Tew led 108t and 139.

The class was organized by electing or appointing the following officers to serve: Chairman—Warren Steel; Vice Chairman—Mark Tew; Secretary—John Merritt; Arranging Committee—Brenda Merritt and Lisa Geist.



Leaders: John Merritt 294, 426; Sandie Scott 108b, 86; Bridgett Hill 276, 440; Earl Ballinger 430, 283; John Van Horn 29b, 340; Ron Nurnberg 288, 335; Kurt Davis 45t; Elene Stovall 215, 216; Edward Howton 373, 436; Olivia Hill 24b, 99; Flarce Creel 384, 448b.

#### RECESS

Mark Davis called the class together leading 213. Leaders: Natalie Davis 354; David Carlton 56b, 189; Leon Ballinger 195, 269; Lee Wise and Carol Rushing 341, 40; Ken Tate 442, 224; Beth O'Dell 270, 546; Tim Reynolds 107, 547; Danny Creel 182, 222; Lena Keeton 460, 475; Max Berueffy 306, 220; Lisa Geist 327, 528.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Warren Steel leading 176t. Leaders: Andy Davis 379; Eric Schedler 344, 455; Diane Mennella 349, 30t; Dennis George 543, 532; Anne Steel 348b; Dena Holley and Susie Wise 58; Bethanne Hill 39t; Marlin Beasley 408; Larry Ballinger 151; Harrison Creel 498, 530.

A memorial lesson was held for singers and loved ones departed in the past year. Leon Ballinger and Max Berueffy led 424 in memory of: Lavaughn Ballinger, Alonzo Malone, and Bruce Randolph. Mark Tew led 285t in memory of W.T. Wortham and Walter Wade. Earl Ballinger closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Chuck Howell 127; Tobi Peterson 68b; Gravis Ballinger 112; Charles Porter 155; Sarah Tidwell 33b; Amber Davis 196; Bunk Beasley 72b; Henry McGuire 290; Phil Kliewer 318; Mark Davis 282, 236; Hugh Bill McGuire 209, 268; Katie Zukof 410t; Brenda Merritt 142.

Following announcements, the officers led 235 as the closing song, and Elder Charles Porter dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Warren Steel; Vice Chairman—Mark Tew; Secretary—John Merritt.

## **HOBOKEN SCHOOL ALL-DAY SING (COOPER BOOK)**

### **Hoboken, Georgia**

**Saturday, March 20, 2004**

The sing was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by David Lee leading 106. David Lee and Clarke Lee welcomed everyone and led the class in singing the scale. David Lee and Clarke Lee led 68b (walked time). Elder Clarke Lee offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Clarke Lee 165; Julie Lee and Kathy Lee 336b, 180; Don Clark 444t (for Bobby Jackson); Amy Lee 77t; Tina Reddish 53; Dick Levine 518; Marcia Johnson 38t; Aubrey Barfield 522; Ashley Roberts 76b; Michael Kaye and Ginnie Ely 511t; Jo Dell Albi 83t; Louis Hughes, Jr. 395b; Stanley Smith 478; Wayne Jones 225t.

#### RECESS

Clarke Lee and Riley Lee brought the class back to order leading 140. Leaders: Jim Herr 533b; Jenny Steuver 393t; Barbara Swetman 507b; Ken Tivvey 49b; Ed Stevens 282; Amber Davis 54t; Laurie Sommers 330t; Floyd Bennett 451b; Ginnie Ely 344; Bob Meek 270; Bobby Watkins 73t. David Lee made a few remarks in honor of the singers of this area that have gone before, but left an important legacy in this music for us to enjoy, such as: Roxie Chesser, Herschel Herrin, Silas Lee, Melvin Hickox, and many others. "Land of Beulah" was led in their memory, and 99 in memory of Bessie Carter and her love for hearing the bass singers.

#### RECESS

David Lee brought the sing back to order leading 274t. Leaders: Henry Schuman 171; Ann Barnett 203; Gaylon Powell 216; Kiri Miller 112; Michelle Cull 408; Cassie Franklin 567; Tollie Lee 572; Stephanie Steuver 40; Mary Elizabeth Lee 300; Laura Densmore 98; Jesse Roberts 365; Tor Bejnar and Alice Bejnar 208; Clara Herr 32t; Les Singleton 63; Louis Hughes, Sr. 543b; Frank Hataway 507t; David Lee 500.

#### LUNCH

Clarke Lee brought the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 101t. Leaders: Jeff Draughn 573; Lee Bradley 335; Ellen B. Gwynn 122; Morgan Bunch and Sue Bunch 72; Bob Bonnell 358; Glenda Cason and Orville Murray 515; Toby Tenenbaum and Louise Tenenbaum 31t, 508; April Dell 559; Jessica Altman 192; John Gardenour 180; Karen Clark 486; Syble Adams 367; Shane O'Neal and Trevor East 488b; Riley Lee 43.

#### RECESS

David Lee and Stephanie Steuver brought the class back to order leading 505. Leaders: Mike Jones 47b; Eleanor Haase 575; Kathy Williams 222; Loretta Jones 286t; James Goetz 159; Reba Windom 384; Louise Holland 137; Bryant Lee, Amy Lee, and Hannah Highsmith 511b; Roshella Wimberly 131t; Phillip Reeves 283t (walked time); Lynn Batten and Tony Batten 571; Johnny Lee and Jerome Lee 509, 75; Tommy Spurlock 574; Dinah East and friends 388; Job Driggers 107. Announcements were made. David Lee and Clarke Lee led 527 (walked time) as the closing song. Elder Tollie Lee offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairmen—David Lee and Clarke Lee; Arranging Committee—Don Clark; Secretary—Amy Lee.

### **MERCER UNIVERSITY SINGING** **Newton Chapel, Mercer University Campus, Macon, Georgia** **Saturday, March 20, 2004**

The first annual Mercer University Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in March at Newton Chapel on the Campus of Mercer University in Macon, Georgia.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m., Hugh McGraw gave a short lesson on how to sing using shaped notes. He explained the origination of this form of singing and gave some of its history. Following this lesson, Kirby Godsey, President of Mercer welcomed the singers.

Stanley Roberts, faculty member who arranged to hold the singing, welcomed everyone and called for the nomination of officers. The following officers were duly elected and appointed to serve: Chairman—Harry Eskew; Vice Chairman—Stanley Roberts; Secretary—Rita Haley; Chaplain—Bryan Whitfield; Arranging Committee—John Plunkett; Memorial Committee—Helen Bryson and Judy Mincey; Finance Committee—Charlene Wallace.

Hugh Eskew opened with 73b. Prayer was offered by Chaplain Bryan Whitfield. Leaders: Stanley Roberts 159; Rita Haley 63; John Plunkett 155; Helen Bryson 568; Andy Anderson 282; Bill Hogan 480; Charles Woods 410t; Charlene Wallace 347; Tony Hammock 135; Wesley Haley 198; Deborah Grosse 270; Lela Crowder 99; Wallace McKenzie 40; Cathy White 178.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Chairman Harry Eskew leading 59. Hugh McGraw and John Plunkett came forward to pay tribute to Mr. Raymond Hamrick for his contribution to Georgia Sacred Harp. Mr. Hamrick came forward to receive a plaque inscribed with words of appreciation for his music and his dedication to the art. Mr. Hamrick gave his remarks including how he feels Sacred Harp is a "way of life" and stated that as a group "we are family." He thanked the singers for the tribute. John Plunkett led 492 after which he introduced Mr. Hamrick's daughter, Patty Dancy, who was in attendance. A collection of \$235.00 was received.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 273; Jeannette DePoy 217; Sandra Wilkinson 384; John Hollingsworth 460; Mary Brownlee 151; Lee Rogers 218.

The memorial lesson was conducted. Helen Bryson led 340 in memory of the deceased which included: Ruby Anderson, Patricia Wright, Leo Lambert, Grace Lambert Keaton, Mona Durham, Margaret Pauline Hodges, Mozelle Sheppard, Edna "Roxie" Chesser, Ben Brady, and Robert Kendrick—Georgia; Elder Donald Smith, Ruth Brown, and Willie Carolyn Denson—Alabama.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Barbara DePoy, Bobby Jackson, Lonnie Rogers, Jeff Sheppard, Shelbie Sheppard, Bill Green, Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, Violet Thomason, Nancy Allen, and Myrtle Smith. Judy Mincey led 50b in their honor. Chaplain Bryan Whitfield closed the memorial lesson with prayer. Leaders: Loyd Landrum 81; Elise Eskew 55 1; Sharon Hamrick 276.

#### LUNCH

The class was called together by Chairman Harry Eskew leading 47t. Leaders: Don Bowen 569t; Rosemund Watson 94; Scott DePoy 274t; Martha Almond 490; Judy Mincey 571; Richard DeLong 540; Raymond Hamrick 354t; David Grant 75; Ellie Soler 277; David Cole 35; Andy Lane 72; Oscar McGuire 441; Matt Hinton 148; Bill Hogan 143; Wallace McKenzie 284; B.M. Smith 313t; Stanley Roberts 58; Lela Crowder and Erica Hinton 323t; Harry Eskew 236; Oscar McGuire and Katy McGuire 452.

Announcements were made. Stanley Roberts was presented with a signed copy of "The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition." Raymond Hamrick led 62 as the closing song. Chaplain Bryan Whitfield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Harry Eskew; Vice Chairman—Stanley Roberts; Secretary—Rita Haley.

### **STEPHENSON, WALL, AND HOCUTT MEMORIAL Pleasant Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Boldo, Alabama Saturday Night, March 20, 2004**

The annual Stephenson, Wall, and Hocutt Memorial singing was held on Saturday night before the third Sunday in March at Pleasant Gove Primitive Baptist Church in Boldo, Alabama.

Velton Chafin brought the class to order by leading 52t and 32t. Harrison Creel offered the opening prayer. Velton Chafin led 30t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Willodean Barton; Arranging Committee—Wanda Capps.

Leaders: Wanda Capps 142; Ken Tate 145t; Gary Smith 31t; Josie Hyde 224; Marlin Beasley 480; Amanda Denson 27; Chris Bell 475; Sarah Smith 129; Kermit Adams 426; Larry Ballinger 109; Willodean Barton 314; John Hyde 313t; Richard Mauldin and Jim Darden 36b; Faye Donaldson 111t; Leon Ballinger 84; Ivalene Donaldson and Wilton Donaldson 499; Flarce Creel and Ken Tate 229; Travis Keeton 342; Madge McCoy 335; Brenda Merritt 274t; Max Berueffy 316; Ann Jett 339; Tom George 300; Margaret Gowan 141; Dennis George 532; Elsie Moon 456; Julia Poston 166; Ozella Blackmon 167; Ronald Gilmore and Hazel Gilmore 127; Elene Stovall 392; Jim Helke 75, 327; Danny Creel 442; John Merritt and Dennis George "Fyffe" (composed by Dennis George); Harrison Creel 89; Dennis George and Tom George 155; Velton Chafin 76t (in memory of Agnes Hocutt).

Velton Chafin led 494 as the closing song. Brother Ronald Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Willodean Barton.

## **LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN MEMORIAL SINGING**

**Pine Grove Church, Lookout Mountain, near Collinsville, Alabama  
Sunday, March 21, 2004**

The annual Lookout Mountain Memorial Singing was held at Pine Grove Church on Lookout Mountain, near Collinsville, Alabama on the third Sunday in March. Bud Oliver called the class to order leading 82t and 32t. S.T. Reed offered the morning prayer. Rodney Ivey led 88t and 113.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Vice Chairman—Bud Oliver; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard; Arranging Committee—Henry Johnson.

Leaders: Henry Johnson 205, 231; Boyd Scott 68b, 358; Nate Green and Norma Green 410t, 203; Mary L. Smith 283, 300; Stanley Edwards 61, 445; S.T. Reed 289, 275t; Donna Wootten 278b, 56t; LaRue Allen 344, 36b; Lela Crowder, Cheyenne Ivey, and Jessica Ivey 282, 354b.

### **RECESS**

The class was brought back to order by Rodney Ivey leading 123t. Leaders: Robert Walker 480, 452; Teenie Moody 148, 277 (in memory of Mozelle Sheppard); Milton Oliver and Paula Oliver 124, 314; Wayne Hartman 46, 72b; Jackson Harcrow 274t, 35; Carol Hanson 155, 47b; L.B. Wright 59; Kyle Blakeley 76b (in memory of Lamar Smith), 73t; Tom McGraw 91, 138t; Linda Thomas 31t, 131b.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Henry Johnson leading 388. Leaders: B.J. Harris 303, 225t; Randall Smith 384, 137; Betty Wright 565, 569b; Velton Chafin 78; Marty Wootten 164; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 186; Sandra Wilkinson 405, 515; Kathy James 425, 542.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Bud Oliver leading 42. Leaders: Max Berueffy 330b, 215; Lela Crowder 421, 312b; David Light 110, 200; Shelbie Sheppard 484; Elene Stovall 430, 216; Dennis George 513; Allison Ivey 208, 335; Shane Wootten 328; Linda Sides 448t, 270; John Plunkett 271b, 499; Tom George 128; Don Bowen 77b, 347; Alanna Blanks and Bryant Beard 478t (WB); Scot Oliver 143; Jeff Sheppard 120; Richard Ivey 380; Loyd Ivey, Marian Biddle, and Ivey Biddle 100, 97; Hobert Ivey and Sylvia Ivey 39b, 138b; Chita Blakeley 201; Evelyn Harris and Rodney Ivey 47t; Terry Wootten 422; Shane Wootten 228.

Announcements were made. Rodney Ivey and Bud Oliver led 146 as the closing song. Shane Wootten offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Vice Chairman—Bud Oliver; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard.

## **THE GODSEY SISTERS MEMORIAL SINGING**

**Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama  
Sunday, March 21, 2004**

The Godsey Sisters Memorial Singing in honor of Leona Horton, Maude Adams, Delia Watts, and Mina Adams was called to order by Travis Keeton leading 146. Glenn Keeton offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 179.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Dawson Adams; Vice Chairman—Kermit Adams; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde; Secretary—Roma Rice.

Leaders: Dawson Adams 39b; Kermit Adams 78, 300; Roma Rice 517, 354b; Ida Lee Starnes 37b, 378t; Clarence McCool 349, 535; Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton

30t, 59; Leon Ballinger 460, 299; Brenda Merritt 336, 192; Ken Tate and Edith Tate 532; Ken Tate 73t, 318, 319; Chuck Beasley 457, 61 .

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Dawson Adams with 68b. Leaders: Winell Sanders 108t; Richard Mauldin 358 (for Dick Mauldin and Alesha Murray), 77t (in memory of Virginia Easter and Willie Carolyn Denson); Faye Donaldson 430, 270; Jim Helke 283, 569b, 565 (for Gary Smith); Ivalene Donaldson 328, 274t; Chris Rice 99, 384; Lisa Geist 276, 66; Earl Ballinger 176t.

A memorial lesson was held for the following deceased: Oscar Jones, Tolbert Godsey, Bruce Randolph, Willie Carolyn Denson, Virginia Easter, Christal Crocker, and Elvin Guthrie.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Dick Mauldin, Gary Smith, and Gladys Bonds. Roma Rice led 101t for the sick and shut-ins, and in memory of Nell Adams. Kermit Adams led 45t for Oscar Jones. The memorial was concluded.

#### LUNCH

Kermit Adams called the class back to order for the afternoon session with 426t. Leaders: Carla Morris 143, 145b; John Merritt 240, 65; Willodean Barton 454, 480; Harrison Creel 498, 512; Lena Keeton 566, 82t; Chris Ballinger 163b, 84; Jayne Fulmer 155, 273; Larry Ballinger 162, 50b; Amanda Denson 186, 217; Glenn Keeton 503 (in memory of Bruce Randolph), 74b, 448b; Gravis Ballinger 36b, 49t; Flarce Creel 166, 475; L.E. Hannah 310, 523; John Hyde 275b (in memory of Bruce Randolph), 297; Margaret Keeton 104, 410t (in memory of Tolbert Godsey); Clarence McCool 490 (in memory of Dess Loveman); Jim Helke 100; Travis Keeton 441, 290; Josie Hyde 477, 507.

Dawson Adams and Kermit Adams led 408 and 62 as the closing songs. John Merritt offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dawson Adams; Vice Chairman—Kermit Adams; Secretary—Roma Rice.

### HIGHER GROUND SINGING

#### United Ministry Center, Terre Haute, Indiana Saturday, March 27, 2004.

The ninth annual Higher Ground Singing was called to order by David Rust leading 135. Don Bardsley offered the opening prayer.

Officers elected or appointed to serve were: Co-Chairs—Ariel Weinberg and Don Baker; Arranging Committee—Janet Fraembs and Bill Shetter; Chaplain—Don Bardsley; Treasurer—Stephanie Fida; Memorial Committee—Berkley Moore and Janet Fraembs. Leaders: Ariel Weinberg 66; Marlen Rust 52t; Janet Fraembs 168; Stephanie Fida 31t; Bill Shetter 171; Molly Evans 107; Don Baker 129; Joan Aldridge 142 (in memory of Ruth Brown); Presley Barker 481; Paul Figura 84; Claire Outten 61; Berkley Moore 67; Samuel Sommers 426b; Shirley Figura 49b; Don Bardsley 228; David Rust 182; Ariel Weinberg 99; Don Baker 312b; Molly Evans 203. RECESS The class was called to order. Leaders: Bill Shetter 38t (CB); Terry Hogg 43; Marlen Rust 40; Joan Aldridge 276; Presley Barker 28b (MH); Stephanie Fida 49 (NH); Janet Fraembs 512; Paul Figura 11 (MH); Claire Outten 334; Berkley Moore 551; Samuel Sommers 548; Shirley Figura 68b; Don Bardsley 300. Don Bardsley offered the blessing for the noon meal. LUNCH Don Baker led 47b to bring the class together for the afternoon session. Leaders: Gwen King 154; Presley Barker 77t; Stephanie Fida 268; Don Bardsley 269; Bill Shetter 362; Joan Aldridge 282; David Rust 365; Claire Outten 68t; Paul Figura 150 (MH); Ariel Weinberg 200; Berkley Moore 229; Samuel Sommers 518; Shirley Figura 335. RECESS Don Baker brought the class together leading 56b.

Berkley Moore conducted the memorial lesson and led 122 in memory of the deceased. Because the memorial lesson is a tradition, and new groups of singers in the north choose to embrace all traditions, we hereby include this special time in our singing. While singing and singers are not of one religion, gathering as we do is of a religious nature because it draws us together in community. The deceased remembered were: Ruth Brown, Allie Aldridge, Lamar Smith, and Elder Donald Smith—Alabama; and victims of terrorist bombings worldwide. Names of sick and shut-ins known to the group were read by Janet Fraembs: Shelbie Sheppard, Rene Greene (daughter of Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard), and Gary Smith—Alabama; Virginia Evans, Becky Schildman, Ruth White, Dennis Miller, and William Farr—Illinois; Loraine Bayer—Ohio; Jerry Schreiber—California. Among people who couldn't be present is Peggy Brayfield, about to become an official Peace Corps volunteer in South Africa for the next two years. She has taken some music with her. The memorial lesson was closed. Leaders: Molly Evans 504; Marlen Rust 57b (MH); Terry Hogg 318; Presley Barker 313b; Stephanie Fida 86; Don Bardsley 163b. RECASS Ariel Weinberg brought the class to order leading 117. Leaders: Claire Outten 112; David Rust 123b; Joan Aldridge 63; Paul Figura 339; Berkley Moore 101t; Sam Sommers 386; Don Baker 510; Molly Evans 489; Bill Shetter 195; Terry Hogg 503; Marlen Rust 480; Janet Fraembs 218. Announcements were made. Ariel Weinberg led 347 as the closing song. Don Bardsley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Co-Chairs—Ariel Weinberg and Don Baker; Secretary—Marlen Rust.

## **VERMONT STATE SINGING** **Burke Town School Hall, West Burke, Vermont** **Saturday, March 27, 2004**

The singing was called to order by Chairman Brian Keith leading 452. Laura Timmerman offered an opening prayer. Chairman Brian Keith welcomed the class. Leaders: Larry Gordon 272; Ian Smiley 32b; Linda Wells 178; Rick Johnston 172; Dan Hertzler 171; Sheila Kelley 155; Patty Cuyler 217; L.H. Spencer 260; Fred Emigh 228; Wendy Gilchrist 300; Debby Moody 400; Mike McCarthy 461; Jackie Hall 528; Elka Schumann 28t; Paul Setford 40. RECESS

Chairman Brian Keith called the class to order with 523. Leaders: Dave Evans 129; Peter Amidon 77t; Denise Morris 48t; Matt Wojcik 186; Tom Malone 180; Bill Holt 274t; Bruce Kokerno 38t; Bob Parr 542; Larry Gordon 383; Ian Smiley 71; Linda Wells 163b; Eric Hildebrant 551; Robert Stoddard 29t; Sheila Kelley 299; Rick Johnston 145t; Dan Hertzler 384; Patty Cuyler 538; L.H. Spencer 86; Wendy Gilchrist 569b; Fred Emigh 47b; Debby Moody 114; Jackie Hall 503; Paul Setford 273.

Tony Barrand conducted the memorial lesson, and led 288. The following sick and shut-ins remembered were: Gary Smith—Alabama; Kris Kingsbury—Connecticut; Bill Miller-Coulter—New York; Priscilla Baker, Grace Kelley, and Alice Peabody—Vermont.

The deceased remembered were: Laurette Wojcik—Connecticut; Judy Wagner—New Hampshire; Betty Haile—North Carolina; Olivia Sole—Ohio; Richard Fehr and Mildred Ziegler—Pennsylvania; Rachel Tonnes—Rhode Island; Catharine Templeton—Texas; Christine Brown, Bob Fontecha, Effie Hall, Tom Hayes, Ryan Hallegan, Howard Northrup, John Sheldon, and Louis Studer—Vermont; David Moody and Rodger Shepard—Washington; Ada Brochet—Canada; Earnest Coupland—England. The memorial was concluded.

Leaders: Peter Amidon 196; Eric Fellingner 107; Janet Ross 50t; Dave Evans 95b; Matt Wojcik 224. Dan Hertzler offered the blessing on the noon meal.

## LUNCH

Brian Keith called the class to order with 535. Leaders: Bill Holt 236; Bruce Kokerno 209; Larry Gordon 532; Denise Morris 506; Bob Parr 270; Ron Begley 410t; Tom Malone 229; Janet Ross 567; Sheila Kelley 168; Eric Fellingner 282; Rosie Wojcik 475; Peter Amidon 146; L.H. Spencer 218; Patty Cuyler 173; Wendy Gilchrist 56b; Fred Emigh 455; Rick Johnston 337; Debby Moody 457; Dave Evans 215. Announcements were made. Next year's Vermont Singing will be on March 19, 2005 (a change from the usual last Saturday formula, because of Easter).

## RECESS

Ian Smiley recalled the class with song 210. Leaders: Jackie Hall 497; Paul Setford 448t; Peter Amidon "Bainbridge" (by S. Spitzer); Matt Wojcik 189; Elka Schumann 319; Robert Stoddard 203; Paul Gauthier 499; Ron Lucas 268; Dan Hertzler 284; Bill Holt 352; Larry Gordon 269; Denise Morris 454; Eric Fellingner 335; Bob Parr 222; Tom Malone 53; Sheila Kelley 323t.

The Resolutions Committee gave their report, thanking all who helped with the singing.

Dan Hertzler led 159, inviting new singers into the square; led 62 as the closing song, while the class took the parting hand; offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Brian Keith; Vice Chairman—Elka Schumann; Treasurer—Peter Amidon; Secretary—Laura Timmerman.

## **GEORGIA STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION** **Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia** **March 27-28, 2004**

**Saturday, March 27**

The forty-third session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention was held at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church in Carrollton, Georgia on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in March.

The convention was called to order by Richard DeLong leading 27. John Hollingsworth offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Charles Woods 269; Charlene Wallace 197; John Hollingsworth 182; Jesse Roberts 419; Jeannette DePoy 129; Helen Bryson 287; Lela Crowder 283; Andy Anderson 282; Louis Hughes 569t; Don Bowen 59; David Yeager 32b; Gail Doss 107; Tim Cook 55; Edna Phillips 236; B.M. Smith 318; Amber Davis 142.

## RECESS

The class was called together by Jesse Roberts leading 37b. Leaders: Eugene Forbes 208; Arlene Woods 268; Tony Hammond 135; Ruth Wyers 490; Daryl Chesney 492; Eunice Webb 512; Andrew Snyder 77t; Cathy White 384.

A motion was made to go into the business session. Officers elected or appointed to serve were: Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary/Treasurer—Charlene Wallace; Chaplain—Lonnice Rogers; Arranging Committee—Jesse Roberts and John Hollingsworth; Memorial Committee—Scott DePoy and Richard DeLong; Resolutions Committee—David Yeager and Lee Rogers; Finance Committee—Lela Crowder and Don Bowen; Locating Committee—Gayle Denney, Andy Anderson, and Harry Eskew.

Leaders: Nate Green and Norma Green 540; Ashley Roberts 456; Bill Beverly 86.

## RECESS

The class resumed singing with Charles Woods leading 47b. Leaders: Mary Brownlee 556; Curtis Spivey 45t; Jessica Altman 299; Matt Hinton 63; Judy Caudle 385; Shelbie Sheppard 272; Victoria Eastland and Frances Carnell 344; Jeff Sheppard

439; Deborah Jones 348t; Alex Makris 124; Lee Rogers 228; Gaston White 66; Anne Grosse and Debora Grosse 551.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Oscar McGuire leading 145t. Leaders: Henry Johnson 70b; Judy Mincey 475; Scott DePoy 201; Martha Beverly 569b (for Gary Smith); Lonnie Rogers 348b; Karen Rollins 34b; Felton Denney 387; Kathy Williams 306; Harry Eskew 146; Mary L. Smith 171; Reba Windom 542; Nancy Yeager 179; John Redman 57; Jennifer Kerns 479; Mildred Patterson 358; Bernard Denney 222; Frances Carnell 240; Jim Crawford 186; Darlene Dalton 454; Carol Crawford 381.

#### RECESS

Charles Woods brought the class to order leading 143. A special recognition was given to Mr. Preston McClendon who is 99 years of age, and was in attendance on this day. Leaders: Judith Green 117; Elder Bufrey Dean 32t; Liz Bryant and Ernie Eaton 163t; Ellie Soler 177; Richard DeLong 375; Louise Holland 273; Sheri Taylor 528 (for Naomi Sailors); Coy Ivey and Teresa Parker 137; Teenie Moody 217; B.J. Harris 503; Charles Woods 34t (for Bobby Jackson).

Announcements were made. Charles Woods led 108b as the closing song. Elder Bufrey Dean offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, March 28

The convention was called to order by Charles Woods, Carlene Griffin, and Earlis McGraw leading their grandfather's song on page 283. Chaplain Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 171; Charlene Wallace 333; Scott DePoy 566; Lonnie Rogers 389; Lynn Allen 192; Don Bowen 145b; Evelyn Harris 155; Robert Walker 569b (for Gary Smith); Anita Landess 540; Martha Beverly 379; Felton Denney 489; Cathy Williams 506; Reba Windom 216; Gail Doss 288; Andy Anderson 40; Nancy Yeager 565 (Happy Birthday); Jimmie Denney 313t; Shelbie Sheppard 211; Matt Hinton 99; Lee Rogers 188; Gaston White 84; Carol Crawford 232.

#### RECESS

The class was called together with Bud Oliver leading 278b. Leaders: Lela Crowder 71; Rodney Ivey 282; Judith Green 384; John Redman 309; Rita Haley 268; John Plunkett 266; Cindy Tanner 220; Steve Shearon 64; Jackie Tanner 318; Henry Johnson 45b; Judy Mincey 367; Wesley Haley 34b; Sherry Lovvorn 454; Bill Beverly 547; Daphne Causey 306.

Richard DeLong conducted the memorial lesson and led 410t in memory of the deceased: Mozelle Sheppard, Doris Haley, Rev. Lloyd Toney, Barbara Johnson, Ben Brady, and Robert Kendrick—Georgia; Willie Carolyn Denson, Alpha Black, Ruth Brown, Harvey Austin, Lavaughn Ballinger, Virginia Easter, Gladys Simmons, Allie Aldridge, Irene Willoughby, Beulah Reese, Elder Donald Smith, Lamar Smith, and Thomas Futrual—Alabama; Margaret Pauline Hodges—Florida.

Scott DePoy led 179 for the following sick and shut-ins: Violet Thomason, Barbara DePoy, Nancy Allen, Myrtle Smith, Margie Ann Smith (caretaker), Naomi Wilson Sailors, Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, Jan Lewandowski, Bobby Jackson, Estelle Flowers, Donnie McGraw, and Reby Stanford—Georgia; Betty Haas and Mary Ellen Wilkinson—Arkansas; Lera Beckett, Lebron Hinton, Dick Mauldin, Gary Smith, and Lois Stanson—Alabama; Jimmy Cates—Arizona; Jeanne Schaffer—Colorado. Chaplain Lonnie Rogers closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Richard Mauldin 66; Laura Frey 178; Raymond Hamrick 225t; Lisa Webb 276.

#### LUNCH



The afternoon session was called together by Oscar McGuire leading 405. Leaders: Earlis McGraw 284; Floy Wilder 383; Jeff Sheppard 212; Cassie Franklin 440; Louis Hughes 566; Jessica Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 282; Eschol Hughes 460; Amanda Brown, Faith Davis, Kerstin Topf (from Germany), Bernard Munderloh, and Lela Crowder 45t; Jim Crawford 522; David Yeager 240; Jeannette DePoy 87; Lori Goode and daughter 358; Linda Thomas and Jordan Ratliff 47b; Bernard Denney 141; B.J. Harris 303; LaRue Allen 436; Sharon Hamrick 236.

#### RECESS

Charles Woods called the class together with 196.

A motion was made to go into the business session to hear reports from various committees.

The Resolutions Committee (David Yeager and Lee Rogers) submitted the following report.

Each year as spring again brings her glory to Georgia, singers from our sister state of Alabama and from all over the country gather with us at the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention to celebrate the musical heritage we share. Whether we have spent our lives here at the heart of Sacred Harp country or traveled here from distant cities and colder climes; whether we grew up singing fa sol la as our nursery rhymes or first heard this music as adults at some folk festival, we come together at the Georgia State Convention with a sense of coming home, of reuniting with family.

Each year we feel anew the sense of blessing and gratitude toward Almighty God, and to those here who helped make this gathering possible. Therefore, be it resolved by this 43rd session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention that:

We give thanks first to God for the joy we share here. We remember with gratitude the singers who have gone before us and given us this music, as well as those who are unable to join us here today. We extend special thanks to Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church and to the Sacred Harp Museum for their hospitality, and for providing Sacred Harp pilgrims a musical home.

We gratefully recognize the contributions of all the special people who have made the convention possible: the officers, committees, church members, and local supporters who have each fulfilled his/her part to make these two days seem almost effortless to the rest of us. A special thanks to those who prepared the delicious food that sustained our voices.

We warmly thank all the singers from near and far because this convention is both for you and of you. We rededicate ourselves to the tradition, the music, and the community we share, and to the singers we've yet to meet who will carry on this tradition after us. And finally, we resolve, by the grace of God, to meet again in musical fellowship next year in the 44th session of this Convention.

Charlene Wallace gave the Finance Report.

The Locating Committee reported the 2005 session of the Georgia State Sacred Harp Convention would be held at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church in Carrollton, Georgia.

All reports were approved as given, and the business session was closed.

Leaders: Richard DeLong 399b; Laura Akerman 224; Louise Holland 323b; Sandra Wilkinson 300; Russ Hanson 49b; John Hollingsworth 82t.

Announcements were made. Charles Woods, Oscar McGuire, and Charlene Wallace led 62 as the closing song. Chaplain Lonnie Rogers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

**SARDIS ON THE RIVER**  
**Sardis Church, Lynn Park, Alabama**  
**Sunday, March 28, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Sardis Church on the fourth Sunday in March was called to order by Travis Keeton leading 48t. John Merritt offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 321.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Merritt; Arranging Committee—Willodean Barton; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 273; Josie Hyde 43, 137; Willodean Barton 82, 63; Cecil Sanders and Winell Sanders 569b, 460; John Hyde 566, 129 (in memory of Bruce Randolph); Ozella Blackmon 172, 200; Ida Lee Starnes 30t, 335; Bethanne Hill 159, 33t; Ann Jett 496, 495; Corene White 146, 403.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with John Merritt leading 278b and 278t. Leaders: Flarce Creel 270, 291; Wilton Donaldson 317, 32t; Lynn Neel 39t, 274t; Wanda Capps 36b, 144 (for John Hocutt); Becky Briggs 565 (for Gary Smith, who had open heart surgery), 354b; Kermit Adams 78, 99; Lisa Geist 151, 546; Bridgett Hill 276, 440; Edith Tate 37b, 88t; Marlin Beasley 31t (for Gary Smith), 290 (for Sarah Smith); Amber Davis 203, 30t, 224; Larry Ballinger 49t, 158.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Travis Keeton leading 340. Leaders: Ivalene Donaldson 544; Clarence McCool 30b, 111b; Elene Stovall 182, 532; Brenda Merritt 318, 282; Margaret Keeton 212, 402; Ken Tate 119, 73b; Velton Chafin 319, 567; Latrive Bailey 323b, 111t; Nancy Banks and Elene Stovall 503; Ottis Sides 283, 480; Velton Chafin 564 (in honor of John Hocutt).

Travis Keeton and John Merritt led 45b as the closing song. John Merritt offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Merritt; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

**POTOMAC RIVER CONVENTION**

**Pohick Church, Lorton, Virginia; The Grange, Great Falls, Virginia**  
**April 2-4, 2004**

**Friday, April 2**

The fifteenth Potomac River Sacred Harp Convention was held at Pohick Church in Lorton, Virginia on Friday before the first Sunday in April. This portion of the convention is devoted to using songs from other sources, New Traditions Singing.

Tom Tucker called the evening session to order leading 55b (EH).

Leaders: Guy Banks “Lyngham”; Cathy Tucker 92 (EH); Mary Ann Daly “Maryland” (by William Billings); Rosemary Greenaway “Bankes” (by Blake Morris); Aldo Ceresa “The Warning”; Laura Densmore “Minnesota” (by Stanley Smith); Tom Tucker “Conflict.”

**RECESS**

Rosemary Greenaway called the class back to order leading 47b. Leaders: Tom Tucker “Altamont” (by Gerry Hoffman); Mary Ann Daly “The Soldiers Return” (SoH) (arr. Mary Ann Daly); Cathy Tucker “The Angel’s Song” (R. Lowry); Nick Schliapin “New Vision”, “Life”; Laura Densmore “Nearer My God to Thee” (EH); Aldo Ceresa “Ye Shall See Me” (EH); Steven Sabol “Samanthra”, “Converse” (EH); Kat Kinkade “Comforter” (by Blake Morris).

Tom Tucker led “Our Meeting is Over” as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

### **Saturday, April 3**

The convention was called to order by Peter Pate leading 37b. Donna Abrahams offered the opening prayer. Peter Pate made welcoming remarks. Rosemary Greenaway led 171; Tom Tucker led 42.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Rosemary Greenaway; Secretary—Carly Goss; Treasurer—Frank Evans.

Leaders: Gillie Campbell 178; Steven Sabol 201; Craig Baughan 229; Miriam Kilmer 378b; Gail Doss 302; Carly Goss 142; Liz Cusick 86; Tim Slattery 192; Sandra Hack Polaski 148; Donna Abrahams 200; Jim Wantland 112; Virginia Douglas 49b; Don Polaski 384; Carl Edwards 318; Guy Banks 474; Frank Evans 66; Marty DeNys 299; Mark Stotler 81t; Connie Stanton 108t; Peter Pate 163b.

#### **RECESS**

Rosemary Greenaway brought the class back to order leading 47t. Leaders: Ted Stokes 314; Joni Seidenstein 106; Carolyn Cockroft 38b; Lynda Hambourger 455; Hal Kunkel 179; Erin Kelly 481; Pat Temple 220; Tim Slattery 236 (by request); Tom Gibney 147b; Adrian Mariano 183; Cathy Tucker 385b; Lee Schumacher 40; Henry Bizzell 34b; Adriane Wendell 454; Charlie Pilzer 217; Leslie Alperin 268; Meg Larson 84. Steven Bloyd offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### **LUNCH**

Hal Kunkel opened the afternoon session leading 59. Leaders: Bev Oneida 203; Mary Wright 180; Hunter Hale and Suzanne Hale 277; Hannah Polaski 159; Aldo Ceresa 198; Laura Densmore 430; Doron Henkin 282; George Seiler 168; John delRe 300; Peggy Yocom 47b; Mimi Stevens 485; Jean Seiler 315; Kat Kinkade 383.

#### **RECESS**

Donna Abrahams called the class back to order with 496. Leaders: Kelly Macklin 139; Fred Beardsley 532; Mary Ann Daly 77t; Phyllis Gonigam 254; Craig Baughan 347; Liz Cusick 504; Don Polaski 477; Connie Stanton 143; Ted Stokes 48t; Lynda Hambourger 453; Sandra Hack Polaski 479; Erin Kelly 107; Tom Gibney 127; Lee Schumacher 27; Doron Henkin 333; Hunter Hale 87; Adriane Wendell 186; John del Re 207; Jim Strube 209; Mimi Stevens 546; Henry Bizzell 524.

Chair Rosemary Greenaway introduced the Pastor of Pohick Church.

Announcements were made. Rosemary Greenaway led 503 as the closing song. George Seiler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, April 4**

The Sunday session of the convention was held at The Grange in Great Falls, Virginia. The class was called to order by Chair Rosemary Greenaway leading 31b, followed by a welcome to singers. George Seiler offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Adrian Mariano 29t; Hal Kunkel 236; Kat Kinkade 428; Clare Chapin 86; Bev Oneida 213t; Laura Densmore 76b; Cathy Tucker 144; Doron Henkin 179; Charlie Pilzer 49t; Miriam Kilmer 163b; Aldo Ceresa 203; Joni Seidenstein 344; Ted Stokes 65; Rosemary Greenaway 480; Guy Banks 556; Jean Seiler 273; Genevieve Demos 114; Joan Robertson 31t; Pat Temple 335; Steven Sabol 245; Gillie Campbell 345b; Connie Stanton 171; Rosemary Greenaway 74b.

#### **RECESS**

Genevieve Demos and Owen Kelley brought the class back to order with 457.

Leaders: Tom Gibney 501; Carly Goss 445; George Seiler 68b; Meg Larson 350; John delRe 129; Mary Ann Daly 442; Leslie Alperin 228; Tim Slattery 385b.

Tom Tucker conducted the memorial lesson, and offered a reminder to keep in our thoughts those singers and friends who are not able to be with us due to sickness or the need to care for those that are sick, and to remember also those who have died in

the past year. Laura Densmore read the list of the deceased and led 547 in their memory.

Tom Tucker read the list of sick and shut-ins and led 330b in their honor. George Seiler closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Kelly Macklin 69t; Virginia Douglas 155; Frank Evans 284. Guy Bankes offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Meg Larson led 38b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Mary Wright 428; Adrian Mariano 419; Nick Schliapin 229; Virginia Douglas 49b; Mimi Stevens 128; Phyllis Gonigam 455; Hal Kunkel 310; Anne Broome 270; Bev Oneida 351; Laura Densmore 542; Doron Henkin 224; Charlie Pilzer 182; Guy Bankes 45t; Jean Seiler 472; Pat Temple 189; Connie Stanton 448b; George Seiler 473; Leslie Alperin 178; Kelly Macklin 377; Ted Stokes and Oliver Stokes 117; Carly Goss 448t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Tom Tucker leading 30b. Leaders: Frank Evans 200; John Daniel delRe 313b; Susan Brock and Aldo Ceresa 183; Cyann Zoller 312b; John delRe 162; Ray Milefsky and Aldo Ceresa 268; Mary Ann Daly 288; Steven Sabol 324; Genevieve Demos 277; Cathy Tucker 510; Joni Seidenstein 56b; Clare Chapin 276; Rosemary Greenaway 59.

A business session was held for the purpose of hearing reports from committees.

The Secretary reported that over the two days, there were 62 leaders and 148 songs sung.

The Treasurer reported that all expenses had been met. The Resolutions Committee offered thanks to the many diligent workers who made light of the multitude of tasks necessary to the smooth running of the singing.

The class took the "Parting Hand," and was dismissed with a closing prayer.

Chair—Rosemary Greenaway; Secretary—Carly Goss.

### HARRY ESKEW SINGING

#### New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana Saturday, April 3, 2004

The annual Harry Eskew Singing was held at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in the Sellers Music Building on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. Chairman Ed Steele welcomed everyone and led in prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Ed Steele; Secretary—Wanda Gregg.

Leaders: Ed Steele 63, 145; Nancy Van Den Akker 175b, 133; Wanda Gregg 49, 40; Isaac Hallock 68b, 159; Joey Hufschmidt 59, 452.

#### RECESS

Ed Steele called the class to order leading 34b and 81b. Leaders: Nancy Van Den Akker 77t, 347; Wanda Gregg 147t, 28; Isaac Hallock 279, 236; Joey Hufschmidt 128, 45t; Ed Steele 114, 323b; Nancy Van Den Akker 535; 394; Wanda Gregg 408; Joey Hufschmidt 73; Isaac Hallock 397.

Ed Steele thanked everyone for coming, and closed the session with prayer.

Chairman—Ed Steele; Secretary—Wanda Gregg.

### RHODE ISLAND ALL-DAY SINGING

#### Beneficent Congregational Church, Providence, Rhode Island Saturday, April 3, 2004

The first annual Rhode Island All-Day Singing was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Kelly House leading 34b. Joanne Devoe offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Lynne deBenedette 82t; Martha Lang 146; Charles Cofone 66; Bob Parr 142; Laura Timmerman 439; Tom Padwa 56b; Dan Hertzler 298; Bill Dunn 49b; Nicole Edgecomb 208; Jeff Colby 131b; Sue Hanson 299; Ian Smiley 139; Eric Hildebrandt 532; Jenna Strizak 460; Duncan Vinson 100; Linda Shea 300; Matt Wojcik 183; Jerry Enright 168; Dave Evans 95.

#### RECESS

Bradford West called the class back to order leading 39t. Leaders: Chris Noren 408; Allison Schofield 213t; Diane Mennella 68t; Joel Echmalian 107; Katie Mahoney 421; Rick Johnston 392; Laura Clawson 385b; Joanne Devoe 484; Bradford West 444; Ginnie Ely 373; Tom Malone 61; Karen Freund 442; Kitty Kagay 74b; Inga Knets 65.

#### RECESS

The class was called back together by Matt Wojcik leading 52t. Leaders: Bill Holt 542; Nancy Reid 228; Jeff Colby 147t; Kelsey Wessels 186; Peter Irvine 548; Celia Devine 145b; Anne Kazlauskas 365; Paul Gauthier 404; Victoria Bolles 99; Richard Lee 569b; Kate Richardson 329; Rebecca Edwards 114; Martha Lang 480; George Pomfret 203. The Reverend Richard Taylor offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Kelly House opened the afternoon session with 32t. Leaders: Peter Irvine 193; Kelsey Wessels 448t; Jerry Enright 383; Jessica Holland 209; Linda Shea 274t; Karen Freund 411; Bradford West 269; Laura Clawson 215; Allison Schofield 284; Paul Gauthier 282; Jenna Strizak 430; Jeff Colby 512; Kshama Ananthapura 477; Dan Hertzler 270; Kelly House 47b (for Pat Falcon, a local singer who had become seriously ill, and could not be with us); Katie Mahoney 70b; Bill Holt 377; Inga Knets 362; Tom Malone 53; Laura McCarty 163b; Ginnie Ely 454; Ian Smiley 214; Laura Timmerman 182; Rick Johnston 172; Charles Cofone 86 (for Pat Falcon).

#### RECESS

Lynne deBenedette brought the class to order leading 276. Leaders: John Holbrook 339; Alta Hodges and Tom Malone 474; Bill Dunn 155; Rebecca Edwards 102; Kate Richardson 441; Matt Wojcik 340; Martha Lang 312b; Richard Lee 335; Dave Evans 81t; Sue Hanson 110; Nancy Reid 287; Eric Hildebrandt 236; Nicole Edgecomb 47t; Diane Mennella 128; George Pomfret 68b; Chris Noren 445; Victoria Bolles 496; Joel Echmalian 63; Anne Kazlauskas 125; Joanne Devoe 31t; Bob Parr 475; Tom Padwa 71; Kitty Kagay 51; Celia Devine 106; Laura McCarty 344.

A business meeting was called by Chair Kelly House for the purpose of hearing reports from various committees.

The Secretary reported that 87 people registered, and that 59 leaders from 7 states led a total of 102 songs.

The Treasurer reported that all expenses had been met.

The Resolutions Committee thanked the numerous individuals who worked tirelessly to make our first singing such a great success.

Kelly House and Lynne deBenedette led 62 as the closing song. Gwen Howard led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Kelly House; Vice Chair—Lynne deBenedette; Treasurer—Lynn Hughes; Secretary—Martha Lang.

## **JONES MEMORIAL SINGING (COOPER BOOK) Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church, Opp, Alabama Saturday, April 3, 2004**

The annual Jones Memorial Singing was held at Cool Springs Primitive Baptist Church in Opp, Alabama on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. The class was

called to order by Chairman Mike Jones leading 68b. The morning prayer was offered by Tollie Lee.

Leaders: Aubrey Barfield 36b, 300; Bud Oliver 76b; Frank Hattaway 49b, 444t; John Merritt 522; Karen Clark and McKenzie Smith 509; Karen Clark 478; Tollie Lee and John Etheridge 84, 55; Coy Ivey 137, 99; Loretta Jones 406, 282; Rodney Ivey 486; Brenda Merritt 451, 567.

#### RECESS

Mike Jones called the class back to order leading 367. Leaders: Bob Bonnell 340, 285t; S.T. Reeves 541, 138t; Lois Bonnell 505; Tim Jones 38t; Waylon Cravey 563, 500; Velton Chafin 197; Sam Schofield 288; Don Clark 408; Paul King 500; Uel Freeman 388, 127; Darlene Dalton 488, 484; James Gardner 53, 163; Alice Mosley 68b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Mike Jones leading 330. Leaders: Ed Bass 64, 300; Kennon Smith 189, 239; Jewel Rowland 143, 341; Thurman Nall 443, 292b; Royce Crews 367, 348; Brynne Jones and Brittney Jones 139; Joe Nall 171; Christine Gandy 145, 319; Frank Strickland 492, 339; Margaret Spurlock 268t; Ernest Cockroft 422; Mrs. Ed Bass 72; Wilburn Ellison 47t. James Donaldson gave the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Mike Jones leading 76b. Leaders: Lois Bozeman 440b; Glen Powell 449; Linda Westbrook 571; Vickie Aplin 274; Ben Smith 391, 271; Rhonda Harrison 59; Wayne Jones 61; John Etheridge 133; Brian Kelly 559; Jenny Whitfield 324, 92; Eva Padgett 215, 47; Billy Kelly 466; Elsie Moon 406, 497.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Mike Jones leading 225t. Leaders: Bill Aplin 94; Emily Creel and Cassie Franklin 393t, 355; Milton Oliver and Alanna Blanks 54t, 270; Danny Creel 222, 230; Cheryl Foreman 558, 470; Tommy Spurlock 402, 183; Ramona Lee 180; Michael Jones and Olivia Jones 384; Bennett Floyd 451; Russ Schultz 376, 201; Stanley Smith 364, 216; Ford Bulger 491, 411; J.C. Hardin 68t, 74; Ann Jett 515.

Announcements were made. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Tollie Lee, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Mike Jones; Vice Chairman—John Etheridge; Secretary—Faye Jones.

### **BRAZOS RIVER SINGING (COOPER BOOK)**

**Brenham Community Center, Brenham, Texas**

**Saturday, April 3, 2004**

The Brazos River Singing was held in the Brenham Community Center, Brenham, Texas on Saturday before the first Sunday in April. Tom Owen called the class to order leading 331t, followed by the opening prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Tom Owen; Vice Chairman—Greg Economides; Secretary—Amanda Blevins.

Leaders: Tom Owen 101t, 332; Greg Economides 563, 280; Amanda Blevins 148, 288; Barbara Newell 496, 47b; Frank Price 571, 127; Terre Schill 414, 567; Chris Adams 319, 274; Gaylon Powell 282, 408; Sarah Huckaby 416, 331b; Doris Hanks 515, 355; Scott Curran 450, 68t; Ophelia Matthews 507b, 511b; Leon Ballinger 217, 212; Leola Perry 58, 341; Curtis Owen 81, 198.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Tom Owen. Leaders: Terre Schill 536, 239; Frank Price 135, 143; Barbara Newell 508, 128; Tom Owen 68b, 208; Greg Economides 488b, 478; Chris Adams 470, 449; Gaylon Powell 552, 484; Sarah Huckaby 410, 355; Doris Hanks 511t, 39; Scott Curran 384, 200.

#### LUNCH

Greg Economides brought the afternoon session to order. Leaders: Barbara Newell 277, 137; Terre Schill 414, 54; Gaylon Powell 240, 53; Doris Hanks 63, 422; Sarah Huckaby 196, 567; Scott Curran 68b, 225; Curtis Owen 285t, 40; Leon Ballinger 434, 541.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Tom Owen. Leaders: Terre Schill 138b, 497; Chris Adams 39; Sarah Huckaby 319; Doris Hanks 112; Scott Curran 49b; Leon Ballinger 299; Curtis Owen 123t; Amanda Blevins 155; Tom Owen 74b; Greg Economides 505.

Announcements were made, and the class was dismissed with prayer.

Chairman—Tom Owen; Vice Chairman—Greg Economides; Secretary—Amanda Blevins.

### **EDWARDSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH** **Edwardsville, Cleburne County, Alabama** **Sunday, April 4, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Edwardsville Baptist Church on the first Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Chairman Eunice Webb leading 59. Felton Denney offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Eunice Webb 50b; Pearl Guier 40, 127; Jeff Sheppard 129, 124; Lonnie Rogers 186; Glenda Collins 45t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eunice Webb; Vice Chairman—Lonnie Rogers; Secretary/Arranging Committee—Hester Edwards; Memorial Committee—Pearl Guier.

Leaders: Eunice Webb 460, B.M. Smith 222, 68b; Charlene Wallace 425, 155; Stanley Edwards 384, 61; Cheryl Foreman 203, 430; Billy Joe Harris 303, 503; Ruth Daniel 378t, 32t; Oscar McGuire 171, 473; Evelyn Harris 101t, 47t.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Eunice Webb leading 276. Leaders: Josephine Denney 490, 30t; Jan House 168, 178; Michael Turner and Keith Turner 294, 358; Jerry Creason 147b, 569b.

Pearl Guier conducted the memorial lesson. Michael Turner led 490 in memory of Molene Thompson and Reba Warren Norton. Shelbie Sheppard led 418 in memory of: Gladys Simmons, Kenneth Simmons, Irene Willoughby, Ruth Brown, Harvey Austin, Arvie Norton, Mozelle Sheppard, and Linnie Denney.

Myron House led 369 in honor of the sick and shut-ins which included: Barbara Hamby, Mary L. Smith, Jimmy Cates, Rene Greene, Nancy Allen, Alonzo Edwards, and Noel Thompson. Hugh McGraw closed the memorial with prayer.

Rev. Hogan, pastor of the church, welcomed everyone and asked the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class reassembled for the afternoon session with Lonnie Rogers leading 225t. Leaders: Jimmie Denney 63, 313t; Felton Denney 523, 489; Karlene Williams 100, 112; Hugh McGraw 354b, 371; Lou Cotney 172, 218; Cecil Roberts 235, 284; Anne Simpson 46, 445; Nellie Mae White 312b, 119; Frances Jones 334, 335; Corene Laminack 345t, 75; Lewis Norton 208, 146; Reba Norton 270, 441; Cheryl Foreman 317; Jerry Creason 86, 49b.

After announcements were made, Eunice Webb and Lonnie Rogers led 452 as the closing song. Lonnie Rogers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Eunice Webb; Vice Chairman—Lonnie Rogers; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

## **OLD ENON CHURCH** **Lynn, Alabama** **Sunday, April 4, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Old Enon Church in Lynn, Alabama on the first Sunday in April, and was called to order by Wilton Donaldson leading 31b. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer. Wilton Donaldson led 30t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde; Arranging Committee—John Hyde.

Leaders: Wilton Donaldson 503; Debra Wakefield 430, 432; Clarence McCool 349, 348b; Margaret Keeton 282, 384; Amber Davis 35, 217; Faye Donaldson 168, 299; Ida Lee Starnes 378t, 426t; Julia Poston 101t, 108t; Willodean Barton 82t, 111t; Cecil Sanders and Winell Sanders 111b, 480, 475; Ivalene Donaldson and Wilton Donaldson 335.

### **RECESS**

Travis Keeton called the class back to order leading 290 (in memory of Fletcher Sims) and 452. Leaders: Amanda Denson 454, 155; Lisa Geist 428, 280, 91; Josie Hyde 294, 236 (by request); Elene Stovall 426b, 558; Richard Mauldin 84, 276; Chris Ballinger 31b, 410t; Marlin Beasley 340, 569b (for Gary Smith).

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Wilton Donaldson leading 490. Leaders: Ken Tate 53, 47b; Larry Ballinger 75, 162; Max Berueffy 309, 386, 377; Kermit Adams 402, 222; Chuck Beasley 73t, 354b; Latrive Bailey 318, 358; John Hyde 63, 297; Debra Wakefield 394; Josie Hyde 365 (by request); Richard Mauldin 133; Amber Davis 142, 391; Elene Stovall 564; Marlin Beasley 460 (for Elsie Beasley).

Announcements were made. The class thanks the church for paying for the minutes. Wilton Donaldson and Travis Keeton led 566 as the closing song. Ken Tate offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

## **ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH BIRTHDAY SINGING** **South of Tallapoosa, Georgia, on Old 100 Highway** **Friday Night, April 9, 2004**

The twelfth session of the Birthday Singing on Friday night before the second Sunday in April was held at Antioch Baptist Church. The class was called together by Johnny Wright leading 59. Everette Ellis offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Johnny Wright 335; Joyce Benefield Lambert 127; birthday honorees, Mildred Johnson 548 and Homer Benefield 56t; Stanley Edwards 445; Josephine Denney 31b; Lonnie Rogers 225t; Lou Cotney 222; Randy Garrett 274t; Helen Brown 278t; Myron House 191; Felton Denney 489; Pleasance Crawford 34b; Louise Holland 37b; Ginnie Prater 318; David Richardson 370; Jan House 300; Brenda Scott 143; Evelyn Harris 155; Hugh McGraw 369; Margaret Gillander 523; Cecil Roberts 235; Earlis McGraw 148; Elaine Sapp 358; Karleen Williams 137; Charlene Wallace 168; Mildred Patterson and Jacob Patterson 45t.



The class sang “Happy Birthday” to honorees Mildred Johnson (age 95) and Homer Benefield. Johnny Wright led 146, and the class was dismissed with David Ginn, pastor, blessing the food for the evening meal.

Johnny Wright and the “Cross Ties” played and sang during the break, and invited everyone to stay after the singing to listen while they rehearsed for Sunday.

#### RECESS

The class was called together by B.M. Smith leading 475. Leaders: B.J. Harris 503; Jenny Wright 358 (played on the piano, by request); Felton Denney 31t; Helen Brown 500; David Richardson 345; Pleasance Crawford 65; Margaret Gillander 36b; Daphene Ray 294; Mary L. Smith 63; Brenda Scott 100; Myron House 415.

After announcements were made, Johnny Wright led 46 as the closing song. Lonnie Rogers dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Johnny Wright; Vice Chairman—Everette Ellis; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

### **STATE LINE CHURCH Cleburne County, Alabama Saturday, April 10, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at State Line Church, Cleburne County, Alabama, just off U.S. Highway 78 at the Alabama/Georgia state line, was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in April. B.M. Smith called the class to order leading 59. Louis Hughes, Sr. offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 448b; Rodney Ivey 222; Mary L. Smith 99; Bud Oliver 145b; Jimmie Denney 87; Stanley Edwards 129; Milton Oliver 176t; Felton Denney 47t; LaRue Allen 142; Lonnie Rogers 348b; Nate Green and Norma Green 82t; Joyce Lambert 100; Linda Thomas 217; B.J. Harris 303; Cathy White 84; Ed Thacker 402.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by B.M. Smith leading 318.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Mary L. Smith; Arranging Committee—Bud Oliver; Memorial Committee—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: Louis Hughes, Sr. 378b; Dave Richardson 204; Mel Kersey 354t; Mary Elizabeth Lee 192; Stan Jensen 475; Margaret Gillander 228; Phillip Langley 442; Pleasance Crawford 64; Russ Hanson 46; Helen Brown 542; Clarke Lee 344; Sandra Wilkinson 67; Eugene Forbes 155; Tony Hammock 135; Evelyn Harris 47t; Anita Landess 170; Louis Hughes, Jr. 112.

#### RECESS

Rodney Ivey brought the class to order leading 208. Leaders: Don Bowen 218; Karleen Williams 40; Bobby Jackson 558; Kathy Lee 299; Bridgett Hill 383; Mildred Patterson 378t; Ian West 32t; Keith Willard 319.

Helen Bryson conducted the memorial lesson and led 122 for the following deceased: Robert Kendrick and Mozelle Sheppard—Georgia; Ruth Brown, Harvey Austin, Irene Willoughby, Reba Warren Norton; Beulah Reese, Walter C. Gurley, Thomas Futral, Willie Caroline Denson, and Virginia Bruce Easter—Alabama.

Dennis George led 34t for the following sick and shut-ins: Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, Violet Thomason, Barbara DeLong, Katherine Benefield, Myrtle Smith, and Nancy Allen—Georgia; Lebron Hinton, Denson Hinton, Dick Mauldin, and Gary Smith—Alabama; Jean Schaffer—Colorado. Elder Homer Benefield closed the memorial with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Rodney Ivey leading 100. Leaders: Henry Johnson 425; Richard Mauldin 77t; Mattie Townsel 137; Phillip Reeves 146;

Jenny Jensen 448t; Amber Davis 454; Brenda Dean 417; Homer Benefield 56t; Richard DeLong 419; Lou Cotney 384; Aaron Wootten 480; Lee Rogers 163t; Jeannette DePoy 362; Olivia Hill 335; Pam Nunn 528; Audress Gurley 36b; John Plunkett 415; Jenny Willard 392; Joan Aldridge 198; David Lee 39t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 28b. Leaders: Max Berueffy 411; Lela Crowder 215; Bethanne Hill 111b; Elene Stovall 430; Teenie Moody 212; Bufrey Dean 268; Rene Greene 276; Martha Beverly 546; Henry Schuman 426b; Helen Bryson 361; Dennis George 236; Charles Franklin 27; Jerry Creason 569b; Jeff Sheppard and Shelbie Sheppard 556, 436 (for Estelle Flowers and Lois Stanson). Announcements were made. B.M. Smith and Rodney Ivey led 358 (by request). B.M. Smith, Rodney Ivey, and Elder Homer Benefield led 62 as the closing song. Elder Homer Benefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Mary L. Smith.

### **WILLIAM WALKER MEMORIAL SINGING** **Wofford College, Spartanburg, South Carolina** **Saturday, April 10, 2004**

The William Walker Memorial Singing was held at Wofford College in Spartanburg, South Carolina on Saturday before the second Sunday in April. Dr. Harry Eskew called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 49t. Joel Jones offered the opening prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Dr. Harry Eskew; Arranging—Frances Carnell; Secretary—Dan Huger.

Leaders: Dan Huger 49b, 99; Frances Carnell 113, 270; Joel Jones 276, 503; Hugh McGraw 354b; Leon Carnell 481, 117; Mary Baumeister 569b, 56b.

#### RECESS

Holly Corbett called the class back to order leading 178 and 35. Leaders: Bobbi Albert 312b, 225t; Victoria Eastland 145t, 290; Brent Holcombe 77b, 460; John Hollingsworth 77t; Dave Farmer 38t, 267; Dr. Harry Eskew 155, 128; Dan Huger 504; Frances Carnell 284; Hugh McGraw 284; Joel Jones 78; Victoria Eastland 58, 53.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was held from the “Christian Harmony, Carolina Edition.” Dr. Harry Eskew called the class back to order with 117. Leaders: Dan Huger 103b, 105b; Joel Jones 179t.

John Hollingsworth conducted the memorial lesson, and led 76b for the sick and shut-ins: Sarah Gramling, Pauline Margaret Hodges, and Donnie McGraw. Dan Huger closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Mary Baumeister 80b, 254b; Leon Carnell 246, 214; Hugh McGraw 26b; Bill Burns 381t; John Hollingsworth 158; Frances Carnell 171t; Dan Huger 369.

Announcements were made. Thanks were extended to Dr. Gerald Thurman of Wofford College, who gave up vacation time to make this year’s singing possible. The class adjourned to the nearby Magnolia Cemetery, and sang 157 (CH) at the grave of William Walker. Dr. Harry Eskew led the closing prayer of thanks for the life and work of William Walker, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dr. Harry Eskew; Secretary—Dan Huger.

## COUNTY LINE CHURCH

Corner, Alabama

Sunday, April 11, 2004

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at County Line Church on the second Sunday in April was called to order by Danny Creel leading 30t. Prayer was offered by Jerry Ryan.

Leaders: Jackie Tanner 101t; Ken Tate 343; Wilton Donaldson 229; Gordon Wilkinson 475; Martha Beverly 171; Bobby Watkins 282; Learbean Bass 58; Clayton Ezell 64; Lisa Geist 202; Richard Mauldin 168; Ivalene Donaldson 270; Travis Keeton 203; Edd Bass 300; Willodean Barton 498; John Hyde 275b.

RECESS

Cassie Franklin called the class to order leading 56t. Leaders: Jerry Ryan 111t; Gravis Ballinger 384; Christina Smith and Emily Creel 276; Margaret Keeton 78; Milton Oliver 321; Max Berueffy 309; Larry Ballinger 119; Charlotte McCarn 143; Ray Tate and Danny Creel 155; Josie Hyde 361; Linton Ballinger 81t; Pauline Childers 234; Elene Stovall 216; Kermit Adams 402; Ann Jett 327.

RECESS

Cassie Franklin called the class to order leading 82t. Leaders: Henry Schuman 318; Teddy Creel and Danny Creel 358; Lucy Heidorn 192; Clarissa Springfield 76b; Wanda Capps 144; Charles Franklin 496; Emily Creel 217; Amber Davis 224; Edith Tate 532; Paula Springfield 297; Cindy Tanner 436; Flarce Creel and Danny Creel 269; Ann Ballard 129; Cassie Franklin and Harrison Creel 342.

LUNCH

Cassie Franklin called the class to order leading 328. Leaders: Bobby Watkins 348b; Eugene Forbes 299; Ken Tate 503; Velton Chaffin 337; Clayton Ezell 480; Lisa Geist 391; John Hyde 63; Elene Stovall 556; Gordon Wilkinson 200; Martha Beverly 56b; Margaret Keeton 349; Josie Hyde 236; Gravis Ballinger 34b; Jerry Ryan 145t; Edd Bass 49b; Paula Springfield 408; Richard Mauldin 84; Henry Schuman 317; Bridgett Hill 383; Pauline Childers 212; Emily Creel 222; Ray Tate and Danny Creel 53; Clarissa Springfield 59; Linton Ballinger 36b; Edith Tate 73t; Milton Oliver 314; Elsie Moon 494; Amber Davis 454; Ann Ballard 373; Kermit Adams 99; Charles Franklin 401; Harrison Creel, Flarce Creel, Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, Danny Creel, and Cindy Tanner 167.

After announcements were made, Harrison Creel led 111b as the closing song.

Velton Chaffin offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Harrison Creel; Vice Chair—Cassie Franklin; Arranging Committee—Jackie Tanner and Cindy Tanner; Secretary—Lucy Heidorn.

## ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH

Ider, Alabama

Sunday, April 11, 2004

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Antioch Baptist Church on the second Sunday in April was called to order by Aaron Wootten and Dewayne Wootten leading 451. The morning prayer was offered by Marty Wootten.

Leaders: Jeffrey Wootten 542; David Lee 503; Phillip Wootten 106; Louis Hughes, Jr. 201; Ed Thacker and Margaret Thacker 390; Stan Jensen 348; Johnny Lee 566; Thomas Willard 36b; Charles Whitmire 524; Britt Mann 28b; Phil Summerlin 415; Helen Brown 270; Margaret Gillanders 148; Lee Rogers 538; Debbie Kean and Kristie Wootten 163; Jenny Willard 349; Eschol Hughes 426b; Jenny Jensen 499; David Ivey, Rodney Ivey, and Richard Ivey 430.

RECESS

Dewayne Wootten and Aaron Wootten led 274t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Lela Crowder and Mary Elizabeth Lee 222; Shane Wootten and Marlon Wootten 70, 90; Terry Hullett 421; Louis Hughes, Sr. 76b; Clarke Lee 391; Keith Willard 80t; Robert Walker 338; S.T. Reed 123t; Hannah Lee and Kathy Lee 146; Rachel Pike 328; Phillip Reeves 63; Mike Thompson 384; Jennifer Cook, Teresa Saylor, and Susan Pilcher 196, 291; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 171; Jenny Mann 49b; Mel Kersey 47b; Jamie Dalton and Misty Gilbert 361; Julie Lee 82t; Brenda Carroll and Chris Carroll 299, 143; Dave Richardson 278t; Steve Killingsworth 517 (WB).

The memorial lesson was held. Jenny Mann sang "Sweet Beulah Land"; Linda Thomas and Jeffrey Wootten led 321. The deceased remembered were: Elder James Townson, Lamar Smith, Lavaughn Ballinger, Gerlene Gilbert, Ruth Brown, Jolly Edwards, and Ello Harper.

The sick and shut-ins included: Ronnie Meadows, Delorese Lee, Richard Shipman, Lester Shipman, I.V. McWhorter, Jap Walton, and Joyce Walton. Clarke Lee closed the memorial with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The class was reassembled by Dewayne Wootten and Aaron Wootten leading 101t. Leaders: Marty Wootten 546; Charles Mettinger 352; Betty Wright 569b; Don Bowen and Coy Ivey 559 (CB); Buell Cobb 97; children of Antioch Church (Hunter Townson, Raven Townson, Dani Townson, Chase Townson, Logan Townson, Kennedy Wootten, Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 45t (to the tune of "Brown"), 68t, 345b; Terry Wootten 316; John Wolfe and Stan Jensen 369; David Townson, Hunter Townson, Chase Townson, and Logan Townson 59; Neal Anderson and Stan Jensen 277; Syble Adams, Pam Wilkerson, and Rhonda Arnold 505 (CB); Levon Wootten 330t; Aaron Little 560; Donna Wootten 335; Anita Landers 297; Shawn Carroll 155; Pleasance Crawford 178; Aunt Gee Parker, Olivia Moore Allen, and girls 500 (CB), 572 (CB); Jewel Wootten and children 336t (CB); Jean Applonie 159; Jeanette Wolfe and Darlene Dalton 122; Gerald Wootten, Jerry Wootten, Zachary Wootten, and Christina Wootten 235; Drew Smith, Sheila Wootten, and Aaron Wootten 40.

Shane Wootten and Levon Wootten will be Chairmen for next year (2005).

Announcements were made. The closing songs were "Enough for Me" and "Not Made with Hands". The class was dismissed with prayer by Phillip Wootten.

Chairmen—Dewayne Wootten and Aaron Wootten; Secretaries—Lorrie Wootten, Mary Elizabeth, and Julie Lee.

### **NEW YORK STATE ROCHESTER REGIONAL SINGING** **St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Fairport, New York** **Saturday, April 17, 2003**

The sixth Rochester Regional singing was held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Fairport, New York on Saturday before the third Sunday in April, and was called to order by Thom Metzger leading 34b. The invocation was led by Helen Haller.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Thom Metzger; Arranging Committee—Mitzie Collins, Eileen Metzger, and Deanna Anderson; Chaplains—Helen Haller, George Seiler, and Eileen Metzger; Secretary—Nancy Crawford.

Leaders: Chris Haller 106, 267; Janet Shipman 47t, 178; Sue Hengelsberg 474, 31t; Laura Densmore 475, 122; Mitzie Collins 186, 457; Ron Bornick 84, 276; Thom Metzger 277, 148; George Seiler 268, 171; Allen Fannin 460, 312t; Nancy Crawford 497, 344; Barbara Swetman 368, 371.

RECESS

Laura Densmore called the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Guy Bankes 40, 362; Eileen Metzger 383, 306; Lucy Roberts 480, 63; Ernest Blake 107, 70b; Margaret Bornick 228, 117; Jean Seiler 68b, 299; Deanna Anderson 551, 49b; Michael Heyerman 270, 442; Ben Burroughs 200, 66; Shirley Basch 147t, 146; Janet Shipman 198. George Seiler offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Eileen Metzger called the class back to order leading 38t. Leaders: Chris Haller 236; Sue Hengelsberg 504; Laura Densmore 384; Ron Bornick 454; Janet Shipman 254; Thom Metzger 528; George Seiler 217; Allen Fannin 445; Barbara Swetman 415; Nancy Crawford 335; Guy Bankes 327; Ernest Blake 47b; Thom Metzger 282; Eileen Metzger 168; Lucy Roberts 162; Margaret Bornick 334; Jean Seiler 163b; Michael Heyerman 235.

#### RECESS

Chris Haller called the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Ben Burroughs 112; Deanna Anderson 203; Chris Haller 455; Shirley Basch 175; Sue Hengelsberg 127; Laura Densmore 157; Ron Bornick 479; Thom Metzger 29b; George Seiler 183; Allen Fannin 124; Barbara Swetman 481; Guy Bankes 287; Nancy Crawford 229; Chris Haller 324; Lucy Roberts 209; Margaret Bornick 448b; Jean Seiler 142; Shirley Basch 569b; Laura Densmore 29t; Ron Bornick 82t; George Seiler 503; Allen Fannin 59.

Thom Metzger led 347 as the closing song. Eileen Metzger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Thom Metzger; Secretary—Nancy Crawford.

### **SHARON JORDAN LEACH MEMORIAL SINGING Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Arab, Alabama Saturday, April 17, 2004**

The Sharon Jordan Leach Memorial Singing was held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. Elder Matt Jordan called the class to order leading 59 and 72b. The morning prayer was offered by Hershell King.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Elder Matt Jordan; Vice Chairman—Elder J.L. Hopper; Secretary—Irene Jordan; Arranging Committee—Judy Caudle.

Leaders: Elder Matt Jordan 565; J.L. Hopper 369, 434; Irene Jordan 67; Judy Caudle 33b, 177; Marlin Beasley 452 (in memory of his grandson), 31t (for Garry Smith); Kenneth Fannin 114, 172.

#### RECESS

Elder Matt Jordan called the class back to order leading 480 and 569b. Leaders: Hershell King 426t, 460; Jennifer Allred 42, 448t; Robert Walker 63, 68b; Caleb Allred 196, 401; Linda Thomas 45t (in memory of Drennen Aldridge), 345b; Sandra Light 143, 354b; Richard Mauldin 146, 358; Rachel Pike 76b, 436. Prayer was led by Robert Walker.

#### LUNCH

Elder J.L. Hopper called the afternoon session to order leading 295. Leaders: Will Allred 84, 274t; Shelby Sampson 209, 528; Rachel Allred and Emily Holcomb 489, 159; Herby Bailey 120, 503; Carol Fannin 335, 109; David Light 200, 384; Mary Holcomb 278t, 278b; Seth Allred 340, 36b; Jerry Creason 178, 49b; Ramona Light 110, 216; Glenda Hopper 48t, 49t; Judy Caudle 360 (by request of Susan Allred), 192 (by request of Robert Walker), 323b (in memory of Sharon Jordan Leach).

Elder J.L. Hopper led 46 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed with prayer led by Kenneth Fannin.

Chairman—Elder Matt Jordan; Vice Chairman—Elder J.L. Hopper; Secretary—Irene Jordan.

**HARPETH VALLEY-PRIESTLEY MILLER  
MEMORIAL SINGING  
Immanuel Baptist Church Nashville, Tennessee  
Saturday, April 17, 2004**

The forty-third annual Harpeth Valley-Priestley Miller Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman David Carlton leading 59. Darrell Holley offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: David Carlton 56s; Tim Reynolds 84, 278t; Sandie Scott 278b; Clayton Ezell 119, 480; Ron Harper 108b, 277; Fay Thompson 64, 53; Laurens Blankers 155, 236; Darrell Holley 63, 68b.

**RECESS**

David Carlton called the class back to order leading 114. The class went into a business session, and voted to retain the current officers: Chairman—David Carlton; Vice Chairman—Darrell Holley; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett; Chaplain—Hibbard Thatcher.

Leaders: Gordon Wilkinson 217, 434; Hibbard Thatcher 479, 146; Lewis Frost 178, 569b; Marilyn Burchett 335, 36b; Bill Reynolds 45t, 49b; Kenneth Robinson 282; Henry Cobb and Lewis Frost 34b; Eric Wilson 135; Clayton Ezell 225t.

**LUNCH**

David Carlton brought the class back together for the afternoon session leading 148. Leaders: Heidi Nolen 346, 312b; Bob Simmons 125, 198; Ryan Henry and Jason Dyba 47t, 218; Clayton Ezell and Thelma Ezell Elliott 294, 490; Katie Penzer, Eric Penzer, and Sandie Scott 49t, 40; Tim Reynolds 159, 30b; Eric Wilson and David Carlton 380, 297; Lewis Frost 515; Heidi Nolen and David Carlton 300.

After announcements were made, David Carlton led 46 as the closing song. Hibbard Thatcher offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Carlton; Vice Chair—Darrell Holley; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett.

**FASOLA ALL DAY SINGING  
St. Vincent Antiochian Orthodox Church, Omaha, Nebraska  
Saturday, April 17, 2004**

The sixth session of the FaSoLa All Day Singing was held at St. Vincent Antiochian Orthodox Church, Omaha, Nebraska on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. Chair Alice Love called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 46. Sandra Squires offered the morning prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chair—Alice Love; Arrangements—Jim Wood; Treasurer—Sandra Squires; Secretary—Jon Pearson.

Leaders: Jon Pearson 497, 350; Jenni Wallace-Grate 373, 31t; Denise Kania 274t, 171; Paul Wyatt 108b, 53; Henry Schuman 480, 32t; Charles Scudder 28b, 31b; Kathy Kaiser 86, 312b; Gary Gronau 39t, 362; Susan Green 35, 474.

**RECESS**

Jon Pearson brought the class to order leading 40. Leaders: Jim Solheim “Nomeland” (original composition), 112; Annie Grieshop and Dave Gardner 344; Annie Grieshop and Henry Shuman 146; Rex Armstrong 77t, 417; Sue Pearson 276, 472; Aura Lee Furgason 143, 99; Sharla Hulsey 535, 148; Judi Duerr 84, 198; Paul

Wyatt 285t, 319; Alice Love 45. Henry Schuman offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Alice Love and Kathy Wood brought the class to order leading 87. Leaders: Henry Shuman 317, 318; Catherine Pearson 354b.

Sharla Hulsey conducted the memorial lesson and led 72b for the deceased, and 49b for the sick and shut-ins. The deceased remembered were: Timothy Lull, Orville Svingen, Bob Cooper, Sharon Zimmerman Walker, the Peters sisters, Ruth Brown, and Lamar Smith.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Mike Boland, Bob Murley, Chris Myers, Regina Kania, Nick Pender, Mary Agee, Suzanne Chechia, Kelly Beard, and soldiers serving in the military. The memorial lesson concluded with a prayer.

Leaders: Arlie Prokop 313, 147t; Denise Kania 128, 203; Jack Bourdess 268; Susan Green 475, 57; Kathy Wood and Jim Wood 503; Jim Solheim 385, 454; Gary Gronau 384, 385t; Judi Duerr 47b, 282.

#### RECESS

Alice Love brought the class to order leading 63 and 551. Leaders: Jon Pearson 349, 368; Larry Hall 34b, 532; Annie Grieshop 59, 269; Aura Lee Furgason 209, 142; Kathy Kaiser and Dave Gardner 117, 178; Rex Armstrong 332, 299; Charles Scudder 479, 288; Jenni Wallace-Grate 358, 575; Arlie Prokop 102, 496; Kathy Wood 66. Announcements were made. Alice Love led 347 as the closing song, and Sandra Squires dismissed the class with prayer.

Chair—Alice Love; Secretary—Jon Pearson.

### **SOUTHEAST TEXAS SACRED HARP SINGING Fellowship Primitive Baptist Church, Madisonville, Texas Saturday, April 17, 2004**

The Southeast Texas Sacred Harp Singing was held at Fellowship Primitive Baptist Church in Madisonville, Texas on Saturday before the third Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Amanda Blevins leading 40. Tom Owen offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Katie Moseley 146; Sarah Huckaby 503; Bruce Coates 569b, Wendy Laubach 178; Michael Moseley 220; Leola Loveperry 58; Mike Hinton 490; Beverly Coates 318; Leon Ballinger 384; Barbara Newell 49b; Tom Owen 549; Crystal Visco 276; Cissy Moseley 34b; Chris Adams 282; Doris Hanks 112; Billy Huckaby 148; Liz Owen 171; James Moseley 300; Alissa Smith 47b; Reed Coates 34t; Olivia Powell 36b; Jeb Owen 472; Cheryl Foreman 475; Joseph Stang 480; Terre Schill 398; Bruce Coates 313b; Katie Moseley 348b; Mike Hinton 146; Wendy Lauback 404; Michael Moseley 200; Beverly Coates 201; Chris Adams 52t; Barbara Newell 159; Leon Ballinger 203; Sarah Huckaby 236; Alissa Smith 85; Tom Owen 528; Crystal Visco 128; Reed Coates 76b; Doris Hanks 448b; Gaylon Powell 442; Leola Loveperry 164; Billy Huckaby 421. LUNCH

Amanda Blevins called the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 168.

Leaders: Liz Owen 273; Joseph Stang 444; Terre Schill 212; Jeb Owen 224; Alexa Gilmore 445; James Moseley 434; Elric Elias 99; Cheryl Foreman 71; Bruce Coates 150; Katie Moseley 68b; Mike Hinton 436; Cissy Moseley 532; Wendy Lauback 454; Michael Moseley 498; Beverly Coates 377; Chris Adams 277; Barbara Newell 63; Leon Ballinger 195; Olivia Powell 192; Sarah Huckaby 56b; Alissa Smith 35; Tom Owen 133.

#### RECESS

Crystal Visco led 196 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Reed Coates 31t; Doris Hanks 49t; Gaylon Powell 365; Leola Loveperry 82; Billy Huckaby 424; Elric

Elias 270; Joseph Stang 559 (CB); Terre Schill 383; Jeb Owen 179; James Moseley 542; Cheryl Foreman 430; Bruce Coates 48b; Cissy Moseley 39t; Sarah Huckaby 73t. Amanda Blevins led 45t as the closing song. Michael Moseley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Amanda Blevins; Vice Chairman—Katie Moseley; Secretary—Sarah Huckaby.

## **OLD HARMONY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH** **Abernathy, Cleburne County, Alabama** **Sunday, April 18, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Old Harmony Primitive Baptist Church was held on the third Sunday in April. Chairman Billy Joe Harris called the class to order leading 59. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Chairman Billy Joe Harris 303; Vice Chairman B.M. Smith 101t, 81t; Secretary Charlene Wallace 85, 99, 123t; Ruth Daniel 127, 335 (in memory of Harvey Austin), 378t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—B.J. Harris; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Charlene Wallace; Arranging Committee—Ruth Daniel; Memorial Committee—Shelbie Sheppard.

Leaders: Evelyn Harris 155, 30t, 47t; Hugh McGraw 312b, 324; Glenda Collins 124, 45t (in memory of her mother, Gladys Simmons); Sherrell Cleino 100, 159, 143; Stanley Edwards 340, 358 (in memory of his grandfather, Arnold Edwards), 61; Howard McGuire 392, 192; Pearl Guier 32t, 448b, 49t.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 222. Leaders: Felton Denney 445, 489; Oscar McGuire 283, 336, 573; C.W. Garner 337, 176b; Sherry Lovvorn 373, 405, 318; Lou Cotney 218, 384; John Plunkett 385t, 55.

Shelbie Sheppard conducted the memorial lesson and led 47b in memory of the following deceased: Beulah Reese, Alma Warren, Ruth Brown, Irene Willoughby, Harvey Austin, Carrie Garner, Reba Warren Norton, Gladys Simmons, Mozelle Sheppard, and Roger Humphrey.

Charlene Wallace led 146 in honor of the sick and shut-ins: Alice Edwards, Alonza Edwards, Estelle Flowers, I.V. McWhorter, Nancy Allen, Jimmy Cates, and Donnie McGraw. Lonnie Rogers closed the memorial with prayer.

### **LUNCH**

B.M. Smith brought the afternoon session to order with song on 36b. Leaders: Margie Smith 317, 494; Josephine Denney 452, 145b; Reba Norton 136, 480; Lonnie Rogers 33b, 186, 343; Elder Lewis Norton 208, 30b; Carlene Griffin 117; Earlis McGraw 163t, 271t; Jeff Sheppard 388, 436 (for Estelle Flowers), 328; Cecil Sanders 235, 284; Eunice Webb 499, 172; Elder Neil Prichard 204, 341, 566; Anne Simpson 323b, 63; George Garner and Donna Garner Bell 434, 75 (in memory of Carrie Garner); Mildred Patterson 339 (for Elder Homer and Katherine Benefield). Announcements were made. Billy Joe Harris and B.M. Smith led 46 as the closing song. Elder Neil Prichard offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Billy Joe Harris; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.



## **PINE GROVE SINGING**

**Lookout Mountain, near Collinsville, Alabama  
Sunday, April 18, 2004**

The annual spring singing at Pine Grove Church near Collinsville, Alabama was held on the third Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Bud Oliver leading 32t. S.T. Reed offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Bud Oliver 145b; S.T. Reed 82t; Milton Oliver 176t; Randall Smith 76b; Scot Oliver 176b; Henry Johnson 341; Bud Oliver 42; Larry Ballinger 220; Boyd Scott 358; Jarrod George 236; Rachel Pike 551; Jackson Harcrow 35; Sarah Jenkins 340; Chris Green and Pam Green 388; Paula Oliver and Milton Oliver 45t; L.B. Wright 59; Emily Creel 217; Tommy George 300; Aaron Wootten 480; Stuart Ivey and Richard Ivey 200, 137.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Bud Oliver leading 145t. Leaders: Hayden Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Jared Wootten 282; Cheyenne Ivey, Jessica Ivey, Karen Freund, Laura Clawson, and Lynne deBenedette 354b; Louis Hughes 112; Eloise Wootten 212; Ed Thacker 556; Betty Wright 97; Marlin Beasley 192; Nate Green and Norma Green 166; Joel Jenkins 299; Ivalene Donaldson 81t; Frank Hataway 235; Loretta Smith 37b; Robert Walker 338; Flarce Creel 389; Jerry Creason 569b.

### **RECESS**

Henry Johnson brought the class together leading 68b. Leaders: Russ Hanson 47b; Anita Landess 139; Chris Rice 384; Joan Aldridge 454; Alan Pritchett 146; Lorrie Wootten, Donna Wootten, and Lisa Geist 106; Sandra Wilkinson 172; Wilton Donaldson 317; Wanda Capps 430; Travis Keeton 288; Kathy James 542.

### **LUNCH**

Bud Oliver brought the afternoon session to order leading 73t. Leaders: Jerry Enright 77t; David Ivey 376; Lisa Geist 373; Mike Jones 159; Dennis George 196; Cindy Tanner 434; Terry Wootten 411; Karen Freund 383; Coy Ivey 486t (WB); Lynne deBenedette and Coy Ivey 270; Laura Clawson 362; Ken Tate 309, 532; Cassie Franklin 436; Susan Harcrow 280; Harrison Creel 498; Lela Crowder 328; Shane Wootten 442; Judy Caudle 343; Rodney Ivey 440; Amber Davis 380; Elene Stovall 182; Jim Brown 268.

### **RECESS**

Bud Oliver brought the class together leading 47t. Leaders: Danny Creel 269; Loyd Ivey and Marian Biddle 420; Marlon Wootten 383; Kristy Finnley 36b; Hobert Ivey 426t; Scott Ivey 99.

Bud Oliver thanked everyone for coming, and invited each one to come back for the next singing in August. Announcements were made. Bud Oliver led 62 as the closing song. Wayne Reed offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bud Oliver; Secretary—Randall Smith.

## **THOMAS FUTRAL MEMORIAL SINGING**

**Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church, Goodwater, Alabama  
Sunday, April 18, 2004**

The Smyrna Primitive Baptist Church Homecoming singing was held on the third Sunday in April. Chairman Jack Nelson brought the class to order leading 59.

Eugene Forbes offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Virginia Futral.

By order and motion, the class agreed to change the name of this singing to “Thomas Futral Memorial Singing.”

Leaders: Jack Nelson 68b; Eugene Forbes 61, 75; Nell Estes 145b, 354b; Floy Wilder 123t, 186; Audress Gurley 36b, 517 (WB); Jenny Acton 25 (JB), 340; William Futral 341, 147t; Virginia Futral “A Light at the River”, 566; Denise Burleson 358, 300; Edna Ruth Phillips 108t, 480.

RECESS

Preaching services were held.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Chairman Jack Nelson leading 294 and 154. Leaders: Wendy Futral 100, 46; Eugene Forbes 29t, 32t; Nell Estes 40, 313t; Floy Wilder 318, 155; Audress Gurley 37t, 569b; Jenny Acton 112, 405; William Futral 164, 143; Virginia Futral 490; Jack Nelson 332, 39b; Denise Burleson 203, 77t.

Announcements were made. Chairman Jack Nelson led “What a Day That Will Be” as the closing song, and then dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

## OAK GROVE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Alpharetta, Georgia

Saturday, April 24, 2004

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Alpharetta, Georgia was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in April.

Chairman Loy Garrison brought the class together leading 59. Elder Bobby Cagle offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 31b, 30b (for Barbara DePoy); Helen Bryson 490 (for Dorothy Garrison and co-worker, Loretta Cobb’s family), 129, 148; Charles Woods 314, 64, 82t; Eric Tweedy 35, 40, 200; Bobby Cagle 39b, 46, 491.

RECESS

John Plunkett called the class back to order leading 43. Leaders: Ray Richards 73b, 72b; John Hollingsworth 77b, 176t; Dan Huger 38b, 207; Andy Anderson 27, 28t, 347; Tom Malone 53, 61, 155, 544; Sandra Wilkinson 159, 127, 473; Lee Rogers 274b, 369.

LUNCH

Loy Garrison reconvened the class leading 63. Leaders: Judy Mincey 350, 287, 50b; John Plunkett 381b; Helen Bryson 542, 45t (per request of Dorothy Garrison); Charles Woods 213; Eric Tweedy 300; Bobby Cagle 153 (for his mother); Ray Richards 339; Dan Huger 338; Andy Anderson 282; Tom Malone 99, 312b, 163b; Sandra Wilkinson 68b; Judy Mincey 236; Lee Rogers 475; Loy Garrison 498.

A business session was held with the class agreeing to continue with the current officers: Chairman—Loy Garrison; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Dorothy Garrison.

Announcements were made. Loy Garrison led 499 as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Loy Garrison; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Dorothy Garrison.

**OHIO VALLEY SHAPE NOTE SINGING**  
**Harrods Creek Baptist Church, Brownsboro, Kentucky**  
**April 24-25, 2004**  
**Saturday, April 24**

The thirteenth annual Ohio Valley Shape Note Singing was held at Harrods Creek Baptist Church in Brownsboro, Kentucky on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in April. "The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition", "Southern Harmony," and "Cooper Book" were used both days.

The singing was opened by Michele Cull leading 59. Lee Steinmetz offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Brenda Waters 68b; Brenda Merritt 47b; Lee Steinmetz 47t; Wayne Hartman 46; Sandie Scott 28 (SoH); Louis Hughes 56b; Bob Meek 51 1t (CB); Clara Herr 515; Tim Reynolds 303 (SoH); David Carlton 16 (SoH); David Rust 31b (SoH); Hans Bayer 274t; James Page "hand out"; Loraine Bayer 89t (SoH); Liz Meitzler 148; John Merritt "hand out"; Joan Aldridge 217.

**RECESS**

Levi Bainter and his father, Chandler Bainter brought the class back to order leading 392 (CB). Leaders: John Bayer 143 (SoH); Janet Fraembs 143; Greg Howard 336t (CB); Berkley Moore 477 (CB); Jim Herr 383; Greg Creech 159; Steve Duff 488b (CB); Marilyn Burchett 38 (SoH); Jubal Bayer 85; Elizabeth Cusick 178; Elizabeth Waters 572 (CB); Bill Shetter 571 (CB); Chris Domitriou 455; Bud Oliver 39b; Bob Cull 50 (SoH); the Franklins and Bob Meek 505 (CB), 559 (CB).

**LUNCH**

The class resumed singing. Leaders: John Merritt 292 (CB), 393t (CB); Brad Behler 117; Brenda Merritt 448t; Lee Steinmetz 250; Wayne Hartman 35; Sandie Scott 487; Louis Hughes 512; Bob Meek 236; Clara Herr 107; Tim Reynolds 198; David Carlton 496; David Rust 72t (SoH); Hans Bayer 388; James Page 173b (SoH); Loraine Bayer 100; Liz Meitzler 319.

**RECESS**

Michele Cull brought the class back to order leading 318. Leaders: John Merritt "hand out"; Joan Aldridge 84 (CB); Chandler Bainter 45t; John Bayer 300; Bob Meek 25b (SoH) (for Joan Frankel); Janet Fraembs 378b; Greg Howard 38 (CB); Berkley Moore 308 (SoH); Jim Herr 565; Greg Creech 127; Steve Duff 569.

Announcements were made. Michele Cull led 146 as the closing song. Lee Steinmetz offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, April 25**

The Sunday morning session was called to order by Michele Cull leading 236, followed by the morning prayer.

Leaders: Clara Herr 49b; Bill Shetter 304 (CB); Steven Duff 163; Lee Steinmetz 163t; James Page 121 (SoH); Joan Aldridge 515 (CB); Lorraine Bayer 176; John Merritt 539 (CB); Jim Herr 30b; Berkley Moore 63 (SoH); Bud Oliver 563 (CB); Brenda Merritt 522 (CB); Jubal Bayer 87.

**RECESS**

The class was called to order. Buford Parrish, Deacon of Harrods Creek Baptist Church, was recognized, and appreciation was extended to the church for providing their facility for the ninth year for this singing.

Leaders: Joyce Brown 505 (CB); John Bealle led 80t; Elizabeth Cusick 86; Bob Meek 324 (SoH); Louis Hughes 76; Beddie Hall 528; Liz Meitzler 245; John Bayer 490; Hans Bayer 278b; Bob Cull 313b.

The memorial lesson was held. John Merritt led 312 for the sick and shut-ins. Louis Hughes led 153 for the deceased. The memorial was closed with prayer.

Leaders: Michele Cull and Rita (Carol Emerson's sister) 100; Karen Arnett 66; Janet Fraembs 481. Kelly Day offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon of singing began with Michele Cull leading 155. Leaders: Val Dunagan 16 (SoH); Dick Dunagan 322 (SoH); Eloise Clark and guests 540; Clara Herr and Jim Herr 384; Elizabeth Waters and Shyann Carman 393 (CB); Bill Shetter 575 (CB); Steve Duff 511 (CB); Lee Steinmetz 154; Jim Page 188; Joan Aldridge 572 (CB); Loraine Bayer 175; Jim Herr 285t; Berkley Moore 114; John Bealle 417; Elizabeth Cusick 324; Louis Hughes 276; Debbie Hall 362; Liz Meitzler 282; John Bayer 547; Karen Arnett 556; Janet Fraembs 532; Bob Meek and friend; Val Dunagan 350; Dick Dunagan 150 (SoH); Eloise Clark 48; Joyce Brown 299; Jeff Fyffe 50; Bob Cull, Mike Snearly, and John Snearly 38t (CB).

Announcements were made. The Secretary reported that thirteen states were represented at this year's singing.

Officers for the singing which will be held in 2005 were announced: Chairlady—Michele Cull; Vice Chairman—Bob Meek; Secretary—Brenda Waters; Arranging Committee—Chandler Bainter and Tabitha Cook.

Michele Cull led 347 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Michele Cull; Vice Chairman—Bob Meek; Secretary—Brenda Waters.

### **EAST MIDLANDS SACRED HARP CONVENTION** **Kegworth Village Hall, Leicestershire, United Kingdom** **April 24-25, 2004**

**Saturday, April 24**

The East Midlands Sacred Harp Convention was held at the Village Hall in Kegworth, Leicestershire, United Kingdom on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in April. Ian West called the class to order leading 52t. Jim Pfau offered the opening prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Ian West; Vice Chairman—Helen Brown; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders; Arranging Committee—Dave Richardson.

Leaders: Helen Brown 32t; Ruth Steggles 28t; Dave Richardson 303; Margaret Gillanders 336t (CB); Bernard Collard 36t; Megan Jennings 36b; David Moore 155; Judy Whiting 171; Jim Pfau 98 (CB); Rosalind Oldham 508 (CB); Ken Baddley 350; Anna Stadward 159; Hannah Cooper 40; Mick Verrier 106 (CB); Cath Tyler 312b; Chris Brown 277; Mandy Townsend 38t (CB); Phil Tyler 160b; Isabelle Walker 66; Dave Townsend 457; Ros Walker 383; Steve Fletcher 140 (CB).

#### RECESS

Dave Richardson called the class back to order with 30t. Leaders: Ian West 511t (CB) (for the wedding anniversary of Helen and Ted Brown); Ruth Steggles 478 (CB); Margaret Gillanders 563 (CB); Bernard Collard 501; Megan Jennings 542; David Moore 38t; Judy Whiting 505 (CB); Ian Ferguson 128; Rosalind Oldham 573 (CB); Jim Pfau 479 (CB); Anna Stadward 146; Ken Baddley 282; Hannah Cooper 454; Mick Verrier 107; Steve Fletcher 86; Chris Brown 38b; Helen Brown 318. Ruth Steggles offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Phil Tyler brought the class together with 142. Leaders: Mandy Townsend 82t; Isabelle Walker 299; Dave Townsend 236; Ros Walker 178; Alice Metherall 228; Cath Tyler 441; Ian West 54t (CB); Ruth Cooper 198; Margaret Gillanders 559 (CB); Bernard Collard 362; Megan Jennings 218; David Moore 189; Judy Whiting 107 (CB); Rosalind Oldham 410 (CB); Jim Pfau 137 (CB); Ken Baddley 571 (CB).

#### RECESS

Dave Richardson called the class back to order with 378. Leaders: Hannah Cooper 302; Mick Verrier 272; Steve Fletcher 269; Chris Brown 47b; Cath Tyler 68b; Dave Townsend 551; Alice Metherall 488b (CB); Mandy Townsend 480; Tony Singleton 300; Megan Jennings 335; Jim Pfau 319; Isabelle Walker 49t; Bernard Collard 566; Ruth Steggles 479; Ken Baddley 481; Steve Fletcher 315; Judy Whiting 474; Helen Brown 572 (CB); Ian West 64; Megan Jennings 270; Dave Townsend 47t; Mandy Townsend 186.

Helen Brown and Ian West led 56t as the closing song. Ken Baddley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, April 25

Ian West opened the Sunday morning session with 101t. Helen Brown offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Helen Brown 39t; Margaret Gillanders 313b; Dave Richardson 59; Ruth Steggles 288; Mick Verrier 201; Rosalind Oldham 312b; Chris Brown 133 (CB); Hannah Cooper 276; Phil Tyler 338; Ros Walker 106; Cath Tyler 202; Ian Ferguson 324; Gillian White 47t; Tony Singleton 504; Sheila Macadam 217; Ken Baddley 501; Alice Metherall 209; Edwin Macadam 364 (CB); Jim Pfau 225t (CB).

### RECESS

Bernard Collard called the class back to order with 290. Leaders: Judy Whiting 534; Ian West 67; Margaret Gillanders 142; Mick Verrier 163t; Carmel Wood and Vicky Elliot 159; Ruth Steggles 472; Chris Brown 127; Rosalind Oldham 143; Phil Tyler 399b; Hannah Cooper 128; Ros Walker 452; Tony Singleton 496; Steve Fletcher and Jacqui Selby-MacLeod 448b.

Gillian White conducted the memorial lesson. Helen Brown led 344 (CB) in memory of the deceased: Henry Ford, Win Tyler, Louise Johnson, Gordon Summers, and Bob Copper—Sussex; Phyllis Jordan and Darrel Beasley—Georgia; and Olive Anderson.

Cath Tyler led 340 for the sick and house-bound: Mick Whiting, Stan Whiting, Mary Kellaway, James Oss, Arwen Lockley, Gladys Carlin, Peggy Hunsley, Yvonne Earl, Ann-Marie Hulme, Joan Stocks, Alan Fitch, Peter Whitehall, and Gary Smith. Helen Brown closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Dave Richardson 100; Sheila Macadam 535; Ken Baddley 84; Edwin Macadam 198. Gillian White offered prayer for the noon meal.

### LUNCH

Steve Fletcher brought the class back to order with 148. Leaders: Jim Pfau “Minnesota” (composed by Stanley Smith); Alice Metherall 515; Ian Ferguson 29t; Isabelle Walker 47b; Judy Whiting 569b; Gillian White 573 (CB); Mick Verrier 538; Margaret Gillanders 505 (CB); Chris Brown 34b; Carmel Wood and Vicky Elliot 178; Ruth Steggles 200; Ken Baddley 27; Rosalind Oldham 473; Phil Tyler 56b; Hannah Cooper 474; Bernard Collard 454; Ros Walker 155; Edwin Macadam 280; Helen Brown 556.

### RECESS

Ian West called the class back to order with 182. Leaders: Cath Tyler 392 (CB); Tony Singleton 163b; Sheila Macadam 133; Dave Richardson 153; Steve Fletcher 448t; Jim Pfau 203; Gillian White 503; Isabelle Walker 299; Judy Whiting 563 (CB); Carmel Wood and Vicky Elliot 268; Jim Pfau 414.

After announcements, reports and thanks to all who contributed to making this weekend such a success were extended.

Helen Brown and Ian West led “The Christian’s Love” as the closing song. Jim Pfau offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ian West, Vice Chairman—Helen Brown, Secretary—Margaret Gillanders.

## **FRIENDSHIP PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Haleyville, Alabama**

**Sunday, April 25, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing on the fourth Sunday in April at Friendship Primitive Baptist Church was called to order by Chairman Kenneth Tate leading 73b. Harrison Creel offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Chairman Kenneth Tate 101t; Vice Chairman Wilton Donaldson 32t, 30t; Ivalene Donaldson 33b, 61; Secretary Josie Hyde 477, 234; Travis Keeton 388, 48t; Teddy Godsey 196, 168; Vernice Phillips 112, 318; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 59, 378b, 34b, 117; Milton Oliver 222, 224; Amanda Denson 189, 273; Rodney Ivey 30b, 99 (for Delene Bradford); Danny Creel 498, 384; Lucy Heidorn 200.

### **RECESS**

Wilton Donaldson called the class together leading 348b. Leaders: Richard Mauldin 35, 84; Linton Ballinger 144, 146; Amber Davis 276, 192; Warren Steel 148, 428; Hugh B. McGuire 442, 328; Lisa Geist 182 (in memory of Tom and Lola Roberson), 269; Julietta Haynes 216, 430; Clarence McCool 349, 133 (in memory of Lavaughn Ballinger); Harrison Creel 512, 530; Lomax Ballinger 312b, 277.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called to order by Kenneth Tate leading 166 and 111b. Leaders: Chris Ballinger 350, 110; Gravis Ballinger 120; Loyce Bailey 143; Jayne Fulmer 454; Lena Keeton 43; Lena Keeton and Glenn Keeton 497; Edith Tate 137; Marlin Beasley 460, 480 (in honor of John Hocutt); Margaret Keeton and granddaughter, Lauren Allen 45t; Willodean Barton 63; Larry Ballinger 50b; Roma Rice 358 (by request), 482; Kermit Adams 78; Rodney Ivey 240 (for L.E. Hannah); Latrive Bailey 46; John Hyde 297; Christie Allen 31t, 475; Sandra Williams 391; Rodney Ivey 300; Richard Mauldin 66; Harrison Creel and Danny Creel 342; Linton Ballinger 306; Milton Oliver 321; Warren Steel 352; Hugh B. McGuire 40; Clarence McCool 490; Lomax Ballinger 335; Lena Keeton, Glenn Keeton, and Elizabeth Keeton 178; Amanda Denson 319; Amber Davis 142; Lisa Geist, Chris Ballinger, and Larry Ballinger 327; Marlin Beasley 282; Wilton Donaldson and Kenneth Tate 457, 47b.

Thanks were extended to Wilton and Ivalene Donaldson for paying for the minutes.

After announcements were made, Kenneth Tate led 73t as the closing song.

Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kenneth Tate; Vice Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

## **MOUNT MORIAH PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Near Snead Crossroads, Blount County, Alabama**

**Sunday, April 25, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing held at Mount Moriah Primitive Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in April was called to order by Carmon Brothers leading 59. Chris Green offered the morning prayer. Carmon Brothers led 58.

The class was organized and voted to retain the following officers: Chairman—Carmon Brothers; Vice Chairman—Beecher Yancey; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell; Arranging Committee—Ruby Brothers. Leaders: Carmon Brothers 87; Beecher Yancey 32t, 145b; Robert Walker 143; Chris Green 159, 294; Jewel Wootten 124, 176b; Willie Mae Moon 225t, 217; Hershell King 35, 34t; Pam Green 274t, 45t; Nate Green and Norma Green 49t, 61, 425; Judy Caudle 36b, 276.

#### RECESS

Carmon Brothers called the class to order leading 354b, 401, and 275. Leaders: Chris Green “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” (in memory of Dexter Cobbs); Delone Cobbs 77t, 68b; Robert Walker 338; David Light 358, 100, 101t; Paul Pettit 452; Debra Ritch 74b, 290, 385b; Doris Cuzzart 490, 340; Carmon Brothers and Daniel Parrish 87.

#### LUNCH

Carmon Brother called the class back to order for the afternoon session with 146. Leaders: Philip Gilmore 30t, 143 (in memory of Drennen Aldridge); Herby Bailey 34b, 49b; Paula Gilmore and Philip Gilmore 39t, 270; Penina Kane 119, 111t; David Light 112; Hershell King 426t; Beecher Yancey 503; Chris Green 153; Judy Caudle 129; Delone Cobbs 155; Nate Green and Norma Green 312b; Willie Mae Moon 400; Jewel Wootten 108t (in memory of Roie Alexander); Debra Ritch 183.

Carmon Brothers announced the decision to discontinue the singing due to health, a difficult choice, but he felt, along with others, that this was the best thing to do. This little group will rejoice from memories felt here throughout the years past, and all appreciate and love Carmon and Ruby Brothers for their love and support for this singing and for Sacred Harp music.

Carmon Brothers and Philip Gilmore led 62 as the closing song. Philip Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Carmon Brothers; Vice Chairman—Beecher Yancey; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell.

### ALEWINE MEMORIAL

#### **St. Michael Church, north of Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama Sunday, April 25, 2004**

The annual Alewine Memorial was held at St. Michael Church, north of Muscadine, Cleburne County, Alabama on the fourth Sunday in April. The class was called to order by Chairman Cecil Roberts at 9:30 a.m. leading 335. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—George Garner; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace; Memorial Committee—Mary L. Smith; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

Leaders: Cecil Roberts 378t; George Garner 59; Charlene Wallace 79, 101t; Teenie Moody 100, 317; Eunice Webb 30b, 373; Felton Denney 385b, 387; Karleen Williams 63, 40; Stanley Edwards 75, 76b; Corene Laminack 108t, 159; John Plunkett 160t, 50t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Cecil Roberts leading 284. Leaders: Mary L. Smith 313t, 37b; Lonnie Rogers 97, 389; Josephine Denney 147t, 31b; B.M. Smith 475, 222; Hugh McGraw 37t, 358; Charles Woods 163t; Nicholas Pasqual 56b, 178; Ken McElroy 87, 33t; Karleen Williams 203, 146; Lucille McElroy 45t, 323b; Lonnie Rogers 112; Stanley Edwards 32t, 36b; Eunice Webb 480; Felton Denney 155.

Mary L. Smith conducted the memorial lesson. John Plunkett led 285t for the deceased: Estelle Flowers, Barbara DePoy, Pauline Hulsey, Vaughn Dryden, J.R. Hart, Warren Thompson, Arbie Hill, Laverne Williams, Mozelle Sheppard, Harold McElroy, and Carrie Garner. Ken McElroy led 294 in memory of his grandfather, Harold McElroy, Mozelle Sheppard, Elizabeth Hart, and Sam Hart. Charles Woods led 503 in honor of the following sick and shut-ins: Alice Edwards, I.V. McWhorter, Bobby Jackson, Alonzo Edwards, Cleo Owens Myrtle Smith, Nancy Allen, Shirley Coffee, Lucille Shealey, Louise Brown Allen, Donnie McGraw, and Gladys McGraw. Mary L. Smith closed the memorial with prayer, and offered thanks for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Cecil Roberts leading 235. Leaders: George Garner 569b; Teenie Moody 78, 348b; Nicholas Pasqual 453, 61; Charles Woods 147b, 149; Corene Laminack 129, 143; John Plunkett 31t; Stanley Edwards 47b; Mary L. Smith 57, 448b; Charles Woods 381; Charlene Wallace 482.

After announcements were made, Cecil Roberts led 46 as the closing song. Charles Woods offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Vice Chairman—George Garner; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

### HUNTSVILLE SACRED HARP SINGING

#### **Burritt on the Mountain - A Living Museum, Huntsville, Alabama Saturday, May 1, 2004**

The twentieth annual Huntsville Sacred Harp Singing was held in the Old Country Church on the grounds of Burritt on the Mountain, located atop Monte Sano Mountain in Huntsville. The singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. with Chairman Linton Ballinger leading 32t. Buddy Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

The class organized by selecting the following additional officers: Vice Chairman—David Ivey; Secretary—Amanda Ballinger; Arranging Committee—Lomax Ballinger. Leaders: David Ivey 348b (in memory of Estelle Napier, H.A. Godsey, Jim Freyder, and Paul Frederick); Lomax Ballinger 312b; Amanda Ballinger 300; Sam Jones 445; Richard Ivey 135; Alexandra Makris 84; Doyce Bailey 147t; Norma Green and Nate Green 568; Phillip Ballinger 436; Judy Caudle 405; Coy Ivey and Elene Stovall 384; Ivalene Donaldson 343; Phil Summerlin 142; Cheyenne Ivey and Jessica Ivey 146; Henry Johnson 69b; Lela Crowder 100; Charles Meidinger 352; Bill Schrader 143; Donna Wootten 274t; John Hyde 313t; Jackson Harcrow 282; Betty Wright 410t.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Jimmy Ballinger leading 565. Leaders: Mark Brown, Matthew Brown, Andrew Brown, Rachel Ivey, Rachel Shavers, Tiffany Travis, and J.T. Travis 145b, 59; Frances Jones, Donald Jones, and Alan Jones 569b; John Plunkett and Mike Blackwell 377; Everett Blackwood 30b; Sandy Ivey 201; Leon Ballinger 480; Margaret Keeton 52b; Mark Carroll 365; Dan Hopper 451; Linda Sides 328; Ed Thacker 315.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Rodney Ivey leading 81t. Leaders: Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 354t; Gary Leopold 159; Lisa Geist 222; Loyd Ivey 97; Alice Watkin 415; Laura Hale, Ryan Hale, and Adam Hale 192; Jennifer Allred 269; Ashley Brown 47b; Carol Fannin 399b; Hershell King 340; Daphene Causey 174; Joe Berry, Linda Berry, and Lomax Ballinger 45t; David Light 200.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Buddy Ballinger leading 101t. Leaders: Alan Jones 149; Margaret Thacker 452; Stuart Ivey 110; Josie Hyde 355; Charles



McCravy 56t; Sandra Wilkinson 332; Sam Sommers 316; Susan Harcrow 400; Larry Ballinger 224; Rachel Allred 216; Bud Oliver 270; Glenda Hopper 33t; Wilton Donaldson 490; Gaston White 236; Linda Thomas and Shane Wootten 556; Danny Creel 383; Eric Wilson 63; Allison Ivey 273; Max Berueffy 382; Travis Keeton 392; Gravis Ballinger and David Ballinger 99; Tony Ivey and Scott Ivey 528; Elene Stovall 215; Shane Wootten 542; Mary Holcomb 421; J.L. Hopper 361; Karen Ivey, Clay Campbell, and Allison Ivey 137, 475; Ron Harper 358; Bob Simmons 532; Ken Robinson 68b; Wayne Hartman 35; Herby Bailey 347; Kenneth Fannin 49b; Penina Kane 61; Angela Jones and Alan Jones 294; Stephen Shearon 213t.

Following announcements, Chairman Linton Ballinger and Vice Chairman David Ivey led 62 as the closing song. Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

The 2005 session of this singing will meet on Saturday, April 30th at Burritt Museum.

Chairman—Linton Ballinger; Vice Chairman—David Ivey; Secretary—Amanda Ballinger.

## **SHILOH SACRED HARP SINGING** **Shiloh Museum, Springdale, Arkansas** **Saturday, May 1, 2004**

The Shiloh Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May at the Shiloh Museum in Springdale, Arkansas. Syd Caldwell called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. Charles Polstle offered the opening prayer. Syd Caldwell and Charles Polstle led 49b and 63.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Dan Brittain; Vice Chairman/Arranging Committee—Syd Caldwell; Secretary—Alice Moran.

Beverly Coats conducted a class on how to read the shapes of the notes, and the origin of how it got started.

Leaders: Syd Caldwell 328; Bill Caldwell 217, 159; Alice Moran 99, 480; Anita Buswell 524, 32t; Lois Graney 145b, 87; Pattie Doss 171, 112; Becky Browne 236, 203; Presley Baker 107, 47t; Cheryl Foreman 42, 430; Beverly Coats 448t, 168.

### **RECESS**

The class was reassembled by Syd Caldwell leading 34 (MH) and 86. Leaders: Emily Gruber 192, 86; Wayman Minor 379, 200; Shannon Seyler 56, 283; Dan Brittan 278b, 345b; Richard Smith 303, 45t; Cheryl Foreman 532; Alice Moran 441; Syd Caldwell 147.

### **LUNCH**

Syd Caldwell brought the afternoon session to order leading 348b and 496.

A memorial lesson was held and 122 was sung for the deceased: Lamar Smith, Ruth Brown, Beulah Reese, and Willie Carolyn Denson—Alabama; Mozelle Sheppard, Estelle Flowers, and Barbara DePoy—Georgia; Betty Haas and Ray Bloom—Missouri; Lovena Owen—Texas.

Beverly Coats led 176t for the sick and shut-ins: Reby Stanford, I.V. McWhorter, Nancy Allen, Myrtle Smith, Donnie McGraw, Dorothy Garrison, Loy Garrison, Lois Stanson, Dick Mauldin, Bill Reynolds, Kelly Beard, Ernestine Pipkin, Joyce Walton, Jap Walton, Bobby Jackson, Imogene Bradshaw, Opal Wootten, Thomas Smith, Myrl Jones, Lawson Smith, Alexandra Toombs, William Malloy, Shelly Wallace, and the granddaughter of Leon Ballinger. Becky Browne closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Wymon Mion 479, 222; Emily Gruber 26 (MH), 40 (MH); Bill Caldwell 20 (MH), 54 (MH); Pattie Doss 142, 384; Presley Barker 16 (MH), 270; Becky Browne

46 (MH); Anita Buswell 448b; Richard Smith 274t, 282; Syd Caldwell and Jana Stephens 417, 268.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Dan Brittain leading 111t and 111b. Leaders: Beverly Coats 475, 472; Cheryl Foreman 547, 455; Shannon Seyler 388, 504; Syd Caldwell 224, 569.

Announcements were made. Dan Brittain led 323 as the closing song. Charles Polstle offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dan Brittain; Vice Chairman—Syd Caldwell; Secretary—Alice Moran.

### **RE-ENACTMENT SINGING** **Blountsville Historical Park, Blountsville, Alabama** **Saturday, May 1, 2004**

At the invitation of the Blountsville Historical Society, a group of Sacred Harp singers, sponsored by the Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation, Inc., performed at the Civil War Re-enactment at the Blountsville Historical Park on Saturday, May 1, 2004.

The singing was opened by Marlin Beasley leading 40. The opening prayer was offered by Harrison Creel. Leaders: Chris Green 384; Linda Thomas 63; Tim Cook 312b; James Brindley, member of the Blountsville Historical Society, 30t; Pam Green 274t; Ann Beasley Ballard 354b; Caleb Allred 196; Will Allred 87; Judy Caudle 345b; Danny Creel 76b; Emily Creel 217; Harrison Creel 111b; Susan Harcrow 338; Elder J.L. Hopper 503; Lisa Beasley Close 77t; Julianna Jett 88b; Ann Jett 339; Rachel Allred 358; Dorothea McGowan 317; Dennis George 385t; Jackson Harcrow 35; Flarce Creel 448t; Jennifer Allred 399b; Gary Smith 565; Chip Bailey 442; Rodney Ivey 129; Sarah Beasley Smith 318; Tommy George 300; Cindy Tanner 332; Seth Holloway 388; Dustin McGowan 294; Marlin Beasley and a member of the 1st Alabama Volunteers 45t; Judy Caudle 47b; Will Allred and Caleb Allred 401; Harrison Creel 498.

Chris Green led 225t as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer to conclude the singing.

Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Seth Holloway.

### **EMMAUS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH** **Carrollton, Georgia** **Sunday, May 2, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church was held on the first Sunday in May. Bernard Denney called the class to order leading 63 and 100. Philip Denney led 32t. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Philip Denney 84, 120; Shelbie Sheppard 135, 141; Sheri Taylor 56t, 148.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Bernard Denney; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Sheri Taylor; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace; Memorial Committee—Mary L. Smith.

Leaders: Felton Denney 68b, 73b; Jimmie Denney 101t, 155, 313t; Lonnie Rogers 33b, 225t, 318; Stanley Edwards 40, 36b, 76b; Dylan Denney and Philip Denney 178.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Philip Denney leading 145t. Leaders: Lisa Webb 47b, 186, 369; Earlis McGraw 544, 425, 111b; Josephine Denney 405, 340; Cecil

Roberts 489, 503, 335; Teenie Moody 49t, 37b, 145b; B.M. Smith 144, 99, 284; Hugh McGraw 545, 93; Tony Hammock 30t, 314, 303.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Bernard Denney leading 112.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 276, 283, 54; Jeff Sheppard 430, 460 (for Pat Mercer).

Mary L. Smith conducted the memorial lesson. Jeff Sheppard led 436 and 441 for the deceased: Estelle Flowers, Mozelle Sheppard, Irene Willoughby, Barbara DePoy, and Georgia Forster.

Teenie Moody led 146 for the sick and shut-ins: Larry Olszewski, Nancy Allen, Myrtle Smith, Margie Smith, Preston McClendon, Bobby Jackson, Howard Reid, Naomi Sailors, Evelyn Harris, I.V. McWhorter, Alice Edwards, Moena Denney, and Lois Stanson. Cecil Roberts closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 147t, 230, 381; Dylan Denney sang a song he composed for his grandparents, Felton and Josephine Denney; Renita Folds 294, 358, 143; Erin Little 348b, 569b; Laura Frey 528, 163b (for Naomi Sailors); Carlene Griffin 448b, 106; Sherry Lovvorn 373; Sherry Lovvorn and Paige Harrod 222, 45t; Mary L. Smith 326, 325; Charlene Wallace 333, 361.

Announcements were made. Bernard Denney and Philip Denney led 46 as the closing song. Lonnie Rogers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Bernard Denney; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Sheri Taylor.

### **SHADY GROVE (KEETON CEMETERY)**

#### **Walker County, Alabama**

**Sunday, May 2, 2004**

The thirty fourth session of the annual Sacred Harp singing held at Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery) on the first Sunday in May was called to order by Vice Chairman Max Berueffy leading 32t. The morning prayer was offered by Glenn Keeton.

Leaders: Max Berueffy 49b; Glenn Keeton 467, 274t; Josie Hyde 116, 99; Willodean Barton 100; Ila Ingle 87, 61; Elisabeth Keeton 34b, 354t; Vernice Phillips 40, 143; Chug Beasley 235, 457; Ivalene Donaldson 81t, 138b; John Hyde 73t, 297; Cecil Wakefield 282, 206; Ashley Keeton 222, 299; Margaret Keeton 499 (for her mother, who is in the nursing home), 78 (for Kermit Adams, who is in the hospital).

#### RECESS

Travis Keeton called the class back to order with 179 and 343. Leaders: Joshua Keeton 30t, 108; Lisa Geist 171, 386; Wilton Donaldson 317, 348b; Edith Tate 389; Winell Sanders 111b; Leon Ballinger 203, 137; Roma Rice 402, 403; Clarence McCool 45t (in honor of Booty Sanders), 349; Elene Stovall 440, 209; Faye Donaldson 270, 430.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Max Berueffy leading 121 and 309.

Leaders: David Ivey 79, 564; Larry Ballinger 98, 119; Lena Keeton, Glenn Keeton, Gwenn Corneilus, and Arnie Keeton 143, 480, 546; Gravis Ballinger 112, 220; L.H. Gilmore and Estelle Gilmore 175 (in memory of Bruce Randolph), 34t; Alene Woodley 399; Donald Gilmore and Hazel Gilmore 47b, 475; Latrive Bailey 460, 318; Willodean Barton 454; Clarence McCool 535; Leon Ballinger 120; Joshua Keeton 408; Max Berueffy 214; Cecil Wakefield 339; Latrive Bailey 517; David Ivey 90; Ashley Keeton and Chrystal Corneilus 30t, 504; Elene Stovall 527; David Ivey 532 (requested by Edith Tate).

Travis Keeton and Max Berueffy led 48t as the closing song. Donald Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—Max Berueffy; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

**MT. ZION PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH HOMECOMING**  
**Ashland, Alabama**  
**Sunday, May 2, 2004**

The annual singing of the Mt. Zion Primitive Baptist Church Homecoming in Ashland, Alabama was called to order by Chairman Eugene Forbes leading 75. Jack Nelson offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Edna Ruth Phillips.

Leaders: Chairman Eugene Forbes 32t; William Futral 36b, 341; Sheila Cotney 143, 358; Jack Nelson 30t, 566; Pam Anderson 490, 480; Virginia Futral 145b, 339; Krista Baker 45t, 145t; Wendy Futral 100, 46; Audress Gurley 274t, 517 (WB); Nell Estes 40, 313t; Floy Wilder 155, 123t.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Eugene Forbes leading 89. Leaders: Vernelle Amason 373, 189; Lori Hinesley 112, 172; Jenny Acton 25 (JB), 340; Charlotte Bishop 110, 268.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Chairman Eugene Forbes leading 101t. Leaders: William Futral 491; Virginia Futral “A Light at the River”; Eugene Forbes 61, 63; Jack Nelson 294; Nell Estes 84; Vernelle Amason 405, 189; Martha Stanford 138, 300; Audress Gurley 108t; Lori Hinesley 59; Floy Wilder 73; Jenny Acton 288; the class (for the visitors) 45t, 147, 39, 36b, 452, 438, 421, 274t, 73, 47t, 176, 186, 62, 282, and 222.

Announcements were made. Chairman Eugene Forbes led 46 as the closing song. William Futral offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

**DECORATION DAY SINGING**  
**Shady Grove Baptist Church, Dutton, Alabama**  
**Sunday, May 2, 2004**

The annual Decoration Day Singing at Shady Grove Baptist Church, Dutton, Alabama was held on the first Sunday in May. Eddie Brown welcomed the congregation and opened the singing. Leroy Digsby offered the morning prayer. Leaders: Ashley Brown 277; Jason Wilks and Maggie Wilks 30t, 145b; April Carter 448t; Leroy Digsby 36b; Myra Dalton 83t; Darlene Dalton and Charlotte Heard 503; Jim Ellis and Doug Rodgers 48t; Mark Carroll 441; Andrew Brown 87; Rhonda Arnold 63; Loyd Ivey 73t; Shane Wootten 155; Loretta Smith 39t.

**RECESS**

Eddie Brown and Mark Brown called the class back to order with 108. Syble Adams conducted the memorial lesson. Representatives of each family were called to lead a song in memory of their loved ones: the Gilbert family 39b (for Ludie and Billy Gilbert); the Meadows family 348b (for Elder Warren G. Meadows); the Carroll family 129 (for Elder Arlon Carroll); the Wootten family 163t (for Jessie and Beulah Wootten, Amanda and Thomas Wootten); 59 in memory of Delma Brown and Betty Lynn Ellis; 486t (WB) in memory of the Johnson family (Lee, Morelle, Wallace and Pauline, Glen Dale and Erve Wallace); 312t for Carthel and

Billy Kessler; "He'll Hold My Hand" for Theodore Carroll and Evely Brown; the Wootten family 186 (for Chester and Delta Wootten); 162 (for Nancy and Matthew Kay, Jasper and Elisa Norwood); 376 (for Bill Wallace Childers); Syble Adams 559 (CB) for the following families: Smith, Medlock, Williams, Gobelet, Vance, Wymon, Loudennilk, Kemerly, and McKinney.

To remember the sick and shut-ins as well as our country's leaders and the men and women in the military, the children from Shady Grove led 128 and 145. The memorial was closed.

#### LUNCH

Eddie Brown and Mark Brown called the class back to order with 176. Leaders: Tony Ivey 442; Coy Ivey 501 (CB); Alan Pritchett 146; Tim Dalton 270; Bud Oliver 421; Sam Sommers 422; Dewayne Wootten 56t; Charles Mitinger and son 552; Ed Thacker 283; Richard Ivey 203; Jerry Creason 569b; Shawn Carroll 28b; Linda Sides 571 (CB); Karen Travis and Rachel Travis 29t; Levon Wootten and Jimmy Haynes 176; Robin Smith, Claudine Townson, and Olivia Allen 68b; Chuck Isbell and Kimberly Isbell 111t; Judson Latimer 277; David Brown 490; Betty Wright 511b (CB); Brenda Carroll 384; Sandy Ivey 225; Ryan Carter and April Carter 45 (in little book); Phil Cagle 50 (LD); Mark Provenson 406; Alan Posey 448b; Shane Wootten 505; Dena Jean Clingan and sons (Eddie Brown, Mark Brown, and Kevin Brown) 48t; Mark Brown "Sweet Beulah Land"; Syble Adams 99.

Singers whose selections were not recorded include Donna Wootten, Amy Glover, Lela Crowder, Gene Wootten, Scot Ivey, and Christy Blevins.

Announcements were made. Eddie Brown led 45t as the closing song. Elder Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Eddie Brown; Secretary—Darlene Dalton.

### **FURMAN UNIVERSITY SACRED HARP/CHRISTIAN HARMONY SINGING Herring Music Pavilion, Greenville, South Carolina Saturday, May 8, 2004**

The seventh session of the Furman University Singing was called to order by Vice Chairman Dan Huger (acting for Chairman Frances Carnell, who was unable to attend the singing) leading 210t (CH). John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer. Jean Osteen Gaston welcomed the class.

In the opening session, all songs were from the "Christian Harmony." Leaders: Dan Huger 58b; Lee Rogers 21, 51; John Hollingsworth 280t, 162t; Bill Hogan 88, 128t; John Plunkett 323b, 283; Mary Baumeister 80t, 81b; Chip Mays 141b, 249t; Anita Landess 255t, 81t; Bill Burns 293.

#### RECESS

Dan Huger brought the class back to order leading 139b (CH).

The class was organized with the previous year's officers re-elected and committees appointed: Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dan Huger; Secretary—Lee Rogers; Chaplain—John Plunkett; Arranging—Dan Huger; Finance—Bill Hogan; Locating/Hospitality—Jean Osteen Gaston and John Gaston.

The following songs were led from "The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition." Leaders: Chris Berg 178, 267; Diane Eskenasy 155, 200; Steve Walker 71, 107; Becky Walker 61, 480; Sarah Jane Thomas 145t, 59.

#### LUNCH

Dan Huger opened the afternoon session leading "Ten Thousand Charms" (EH2). Leaders: Lee Rogers 270, 424; John Hollingsworth 409, 401; Bill Hogan 47b, 475;

John Plunkett 282, 236; Mary Baumeister 569b, 56b; Chip Mays 344, 474; Anita Landess 164.

#### RECESS

Dan Huger brought the class to order for the final session leading 103b (CH). All songs in the final session were from the "Christian Harmony." Leaders: Diane Eskenasy 339, 198; Steve Walker 217, 281b; Becky Walker 105b, 86; Sarah Jane Thomas 245t, 216b; Lester Good and Dan Huger 78b.

The singing was concluded with 200b led as the closing song. John Plunkett dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Frances Carnell; Vice Chairman—Dan Huger; Secretary—Lee Rogers.

### **KENTUCKY STATE SACRED HARP SINGING** **Pisgah Presbyterian Church, Versailles, Kentucky** **Saturday, May 8, 2004**

The twenty-third session of the Kentucky State Sacred Harp Singing was held at Pisgah Presbyterian Church in Versailles, Kentucky. The class was called to order at 9:12 a.m. by Charles Coulston who welcomed everyone, explained to new-comers the technical aspect of shape note singing, the procedure of the day, and then led 45t. Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Charles Coulston; Organizing Committee—Rafi Finkel, Keith MacAdam, and Ron Pen; Secretary—Mary Brinkman.

Leaders: Don Waggener 182; Rafi Finkel 535; Adam Beekin and Rafi Finkel 457; Deborah Thompson 155; Melissa Bowman 358; Joyce Markle 463; Joy Dunn and Liz Meitzler 47b; Pat Motley-Waggener and Don Waggener 159; Hilary Fiskeaux and Charles Coulston 178.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Charles Coulston leading 209. Leaders: Mary Brinkman 313b; Tina Wagoner 479; Norma Yost and Nikos Pappas 126; Laura Lee Cundiff 383; Charles Coulston 344; Bob Sears and Don Waggener 87; Liz Meitzler 282; Nikos Pappas 171; Jim Thobaben and Rafi Finkel 312b; Kevin Kehrberg and Charles Coulston 277; Rob Coulston 299; Charlie Fiskeaux and Nikos Pappas 142. The memorial lesson was held. Mary Brinkman, Norma Yost, and Pat Waggener remembered Lee Shine, M.D., husband of Faith Shine, who died December 19, 2003; and spoke about his dedication to his patients and great-heartedness as a human being. Don Waggener led 58.

Tina Wagoner spoke about her father-in-law, Elva Carl Wagoner, who died April 29, 2004; and about a student of hers, Bethany Anderson, who died in February, 2004. Rob Coulston led 524.

Pat Waggener remembered Bertha Jane (BJ) Marshal, a good friend and long-time missionary, who died in June of 2003. Liz Meitzler led 117.

Bob French remembered his uncle Joseph Henry Brant, who died in December of 2003, and Bonnie ("Blue") Caldwell who had grown up at the Ramey Children's Home in Kentucky. Bob French led 245 for his uncle and 147b for Bonnie Caldwell. Rob Coulston spoke about his good friend Rachel Sutherland, 18 years old, who died March 6, 2004 as the result of an automobile accident; and for Will Sommer, who died unexpectedly on May 6, 2004 at the age of 23. Rob Coulston led 236.

Bob Meek led 87 for Dave Franklin, a long-time shape note singer from Louisville who died in March of 2004. The memorial lesson was closed.

For the first time at this singing, a session for local/living composers was held.

Leaders/composers were: Rafi Finkel "Lansdowne"; Nikos Pappas "Peace," "Rapture." Hilary Fiskeaux led 146. Bob Meek offered the blessing for the noon meal.

## LUNCH

The class was re-convened by Nikos Pappas leading “The Hand of Justice” (his own composition). Leaders: Don Waggener 268; Phil Cullum 523; Rafi Finkel 269; Rob Coulston 188; Liz Meitzler 282; Deborah Thompson 254; Melissa Bowman and Rob Coulston 65; Joy Dunn and Nikos Pappas 532; Pat Waggener and Rafi Finkel 45; Laura Lee Cundiff 383; Anna Creech 497; Steve Wolfgang 354b; Charles Coulston 99; Michelle Cull 300; Laurel Cornell 84; Liz Meitzler 270; Nikos Pappas 79; Rob Coulston 66; Don Waggener 149; Dr. James Curnow and Don Waggener 85; Anna Creech 334; Michelle Cull 384 (for Coy White).

Nikos Pappas led 267 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charles Coulston; Secretary—Mary Brinkman.

## OLD FLATWOODS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Nauvoo, Alabama

Sunday, May 9, 2004

The annual Decoration Day Sacred Harp Singing at Old Flatwoods Primitive Baptist was held on Mother’s Day, the second Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Joshua Keeton who welcomed everyone and led 59. Earl Warren offered the morning prayer. Joshua Keeton led 32t.

The officers for the singing were as follows: Chair—Pamela Gilmore Baker; Vice Chair—Ashley Keeton; Secretary/Memorial Committee—Jimmie Gilmore; Arranging Committee—Arthur Gilmore.

Leaders: Pamela Baker 35, 34b; Ashley Keeton 112, 425; Mike Hinton 146, 373; Wilton Donaldson 317, 335; John Hyde 124, 297; Bud Oliver 145b, 274t; Amanda Denson, Richard Mauldin, and Mike Hinton 217, 276; Amanda Denson 278b; John Merritt 66; John Merritt and Amanda Denson 65; John Merritt 358; John Merritt and Glenn Keeton “Nothing But The Blood.”

## RECESS

The class resumed singing with Ashley Keeton leading 288 (for her grandmother, Jimmie Gilmore) and 176b. Leaders: Richard Mauldin 143 (in memory of his mother, Tommye Mauldin), 168 (in memory of his aunt, Vera Nunn); Ivalene Donaldson 544; Ricky Beasley 72b, 39b; Gary Smith 31t, 565; L.H. Gilmore and Estelle Gilmore 48t, 318, 275b; Margaret Keeton 387, 313t; Chuck Beasley 61, 33b; Ila Ingle and Josie Hyde 470, 500 (in memory of Tom Harper and Annie Harper), 329 (for Mack Harper).

Jimmie McGough Gilmore and Pamela Gilmore Baker conducted the memorial lesson and led 192 and 45t.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Garnsey McGough, Dick Mauldin, Bo Caldwell, Denson Hinton, John Hocutt, Jap Walton, Joyce Walton, Elsie Beasley, Clarence McCool, and Kermit Adams.

The deceased remembered were: Betty Haas—Arkansas; Ruth Brown, Willie Carolyn Denson, Lebron Hinton, A.C. McGough, Bernice McGough, Bruce Randolph, Clearcy Rutledge, Mavis Price, Flora Otwell, Susan McKathan, Ethel McGough, Lavada Gilmore; the Harpers (Joe, Martha, Grady, Robert, Wallace, Tom, Annie, Mac, and Nervia)—Alabama. The memorial lesson was closed. John Merritt offered the blessing for the noon meal.

## LUNCH

Joshua Keeton brought the class back to order leading 111t and 189. Leaders: Billy Williams 323b, 448; David Beasley 31b, 30b; Josie Hyde 280; Josie Hyde and John Hyde 43; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 34b, 494, 497, 30t; Travis Keeton 290 (for A.C. McGough), 343b; Travis Keeton and Bud Oliver 270; Sarah Smith 480, 111b; John Beasley 81, 340; Lena Keeton 512, 475; Gwen Cornelius and Lena

Keeton 294, 454; Dwight Ingle and Karen Wigginton 445b, 460; Arthur Gilmore, Jimmie Gilmore, and Pamela Baker 491b (WB); Joshua Keeton and John Merritt 484b (CB).

Announcements were made, and an invitation was extended to everyone to come again next year. Pamela Baker led 46 as the closing song. Ricky Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Pamela Gilmore Baker; Vice Chair—Ashley Keeton; Secretary—Jimmie Gilmore.

## **GARDEN STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION**

**Montclair, New Jersey**

**May 14-15, 2004**

**Friday, May 14**

The twelfth annual session of the Garden State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Montclair Friends Meeting House in Montclair, New Jersey on Friday and Saturday before the third Sunday in May. The class was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Gina Balestracci leading 59. Diane Mennella offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Diane Mennella; Vice Chair—Claire Simon; Secretary—Sue Hanson; Treasurer—Dick Levine; Arranging Committee—Laura Densmore; Memorial Committee—Guy Bankes and Richard DeLong; Housing—Susan Bingham. Leaders: Roland Hutchinson 34b; Sue Hanson 49t; Claire Simon 31t; Diane Mennella 300; Susan Bingham 107; Michael Kaye 480; Ron Bornick 178; Donna Abrahams 475; Tom Metzger 350; Laura Timmerman 52t; Ellie Soler 277; Chris Noren 445; Mary Ann Daly 383; George Seiler 183; Margaret Bornick 209; Guy Bankes 352; Patricia Geritz 503; Bill Holt 128; Aldo Ceresa 99; Barbara Swetman 368; Joe Todd 58; Jean Seiler 299; Dan Hertzler 319; Beth Todd 82; Dennis Leipold 186; Bob Parr 318; Eric Hildebrant 551; Laura Densmore 384.

**RECESS**

The singing resumed with Gina Balestracci leading 28t. Leaders: Bill Dunn 37b; Eileen Metzger 379; Diane Mennella 362; Kelly House 442; Roland Hutchinson 515; Michael Kaye 448b; Ann Broome 76b; Susan Bingham 198; Ron Bornick 454; Donna Abrahams 189; Claire Simon 106; Thom Metzger 547; Laura Timmerman 215; Ellie Soler 143; Chris Noren 32t; Mary Ann Daly 36t; George Seiler 168; Margaret Bornick 276.

Announcements were made. Laura Densmore led 228 as the closing song. Susan Bingham offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Saturday, May 15**

Guy Bankes called the class together at 10:00 a.m. leading 350. Claire Simon offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Patricia Geritz 47t; Dennis Leipold 47b; Eileen Metzger 179; Diane Mennella 77b; Claire Simon 472; Sue Hanson 473; Dick Levine 66; Beth Todd 335; Gina Balestracci 29b.

Diane Mennella introduced Richard DeLong to the class. Richard led a singing school which included singing all or part of: 176b, 36b, 36t, 57, 31t, 392, 197, 375, 296, 168, 542, and 318.

**RECESS**

The singing resumed with Thom Metzger leading 34b. Leaders: Inga Knetz 29t; Rick Johnson 172; Shaffiq Welji 217; Molly Sayvetz 501; Dick Levine 84; Gerry



Hoffman 61; Paula Picton 216; George Pomfret 535; Charlotte Ehrman 340; Berk Meitzler 496; Victoria Bolles 112.

Guy Banks conducted the memorial lesson, reminding us of the Quaker teachings that 'God is in every man' and that the Spirit of Christ resides in each of us.

Richard DeLong read the following list of the deceased and led 390 in their memory: Joy Wheeler, Agnes Jeannopoulos, John Jeannopoulos, Stanley Brown, Linda Crump-Stenberg, and Thomas Savage—New York; Terence Pamplin and Bob Cooper—United Kingdom; Donald Lipp—Florida; Helen Snowberg and Earl Homuth—Wisconsin; Jake Jacobson—Connecticut; Judy Wagner—New Hampshire; John Sheldon and Howard Northrup—Vermont; Betty Nikelsky—New Jersey; Ruth Pomfret—Pennsylvania; Wayne Rasmussen—Massachusetts; Mike Nickles, Robert Kendrick, Barbara DePoy, Ben Brady, and Estelle Flowers—Georgia; Jon Eklund and Anne Marie Serio—Virginia; Lee Stewart—Colorado. Guy Banks read the list of the sick and shut-ins and led 70t in their honor: Marilyn Darch—California; Margaret Peckman—Florida; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Susan S. and Jennifer P.—New York; Mado Venier—France; Jane Roman—Maryland; Gihon Jordan—Pennsylvania and Bruce Randall—Massachusetts. Richard DeLong closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Bradford West 245; Karen Snowberg 532; Patrick Giles 319; Hal Kunkel 179. George Seiler offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The singing resumed with Dan Hertzler leading 39t. Leaders: Nicola Collett 455; Frank Evans 87; Doron Henkin 278b; Kitty Kagay 111b; Tom Malone 99; Clarice Kjerulff 358; Richard DeLong 436; Katherine Collett 155; Joe Todd 373; Brenda Pena 229; Bill Holt 377; Kelly House 430; Dan Hertzler 218; Jean Seiler 200; Bob Parr 272; Rick Johnson 203; Molly Sayvetz 49b; Shaffiq Welji 276; Lynne deBenedette 142; Hal Kunkel 47b.

#### RECESS

Bill Dunn called the class together with 34b. Leaders: Barbara Swetman 372; Gerry Hoffman 68t; Anne Broome 312b; George Pomfret 163b; Victoria Bolles 299; Berk Meitzler 426; Gina Balestracci 300; Aldo Ceresa 198; Paula Picton 269.

A business session was held to hear committee reports.

The Secretary reported attendees were from 12 states; and 59 leaders led 120 tunes. The Treasurer reported that expenses had been met with a small surplus to begin planning for next year.

Barbara Swetman gave the Resolutions Committee Report, thanking everyone who made this convention possible.

Announcements were made. The officers led 62 as the closing song, and Diane Mennella dismissed the class with prayer.

Chair—Diane Mennella; Vice Chair—Claire Simon; Secretary—Sue Hanson.

### **LOS ANGELES REGIONAL SINGING** **Angel's Gate Cultural Center, San Pedro, California** **Saturday, May 15, 2004**

The twelfth annual Los Angeles Regional Sacred Harp Singing met on Saturday before the third Sunday in May at Angel's Gate Cultural Center in San Pedro, California. Chairman Beth Webb called the class to order at 10:00 a.m., welcomed everyone and led 49t. Chaplin Steve Lazicki offered the opening prayer. Vice Chair Laura Boyd Russell led 52t; Treasurer Duncan MacLeod led 77t.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Beth Webb; Vice Chair—Pat Keating; Treasurer—Duncan MacLeod;

Secretary—Juanita Heyerman; Arranging Committee—Rick Russell; Resolutions Committee—Jeff Gauthier; Memorial Committee—Jon Rand.

Leaders: Beth Webb 300; Pat Keating 448t; Duncan MacLeod 475; Rick Russell 200; Jon Rand 124; Carolyn Craig 195; Betty Herman 430; John Marr 373; Tom Ostwald 504; Carla Smith 333; Bruce Hayes 497; Ron Huss 446; Dan Vosnick 178; Carroll Lunsford 332.

#### RECESS

Beth Webb called the class back to order leading 46. Leaders: Steve Lazicki 74b; Karen Huss and Betty Herman 454; Jeff Gauthier “Milwaukee” (his own composition); Jerry Schreiber 362; Juanita Heyerman 38t; Mimi Wright 39t; Susanna Ball 40; Norman Gholson 147t; Marilyn Murata 421; Jenny Jensen 353; Amy Ludwig 106; Stan Jensen 217; Pat Keating 377; Duncan MacLeod 442.

Jon Rand conducted the memorial lesson and led 285 in memory of the deceased: Joy Wheeler—Pennsylvania; Edward Ford—California; and Leonie Boyd Erickson. The sick and shut-ins were remembered and 398 sung in their honor: Kay Milling—New York; Karen Huss, Fumie Murata, and Pam Tricket and family—California. The memorial was closed.

Beth Webb led 107 to call the class to prayer and lunch.

#### LUNCH

Betty Herman brought the afternoon session to order leading 28t. Leaders: Laura Boyd Russell 270; Marion Black 53; Tom Ostwald 269; Stan Jensen 348b; Juanita Heyerman 148; Jerry Schreiber 260; Jeff Gauthier 304; Jenny Jensen 532; Anne Friend 86; Carla Smith 172; John Marr 335; Carroll Lunsford 341; Susanna Ball 66; Mimi Wright 81t; Ron Huss 473; Jon Rand 37b; Betty Herman 383; Bruce Hayes 129.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Mike Laube leading 49b. Leaders: Carolyn Craig 268; Polly Henninger 186; Mike Laube 180; Pat Keating 163b; Marion Black 384; Marilyn Murata 492; Steve Lazicki 72b; Anne Friend 277; Norman Gholson 28b; Rick Russell 503.

A business meeting was held for the purpose of hearing reports from various committees.

The Treasurer reported that expenses had been met and thanked all for achieving this goal.

The Secretary reported that 64 songs were sung throughout the day.

The Resolutions Committee thanked everyone who assisted in making this singing possible. Laura Boyd Russell particularly wished to thank Esther Stevens of Angel’s Gate who made sure the missing windows were replaced right before the singing. Announcements were made. Beth Webb led 276 as the closing song as those who wished took the parting hand. Steve Lazicki offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Beth Webb; Vice Chair—Pat Keating; Secretary—Juanita Heyerman.

### **NEWTON COUNTY SINGING Shoal Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Covington, Newton County, Georgia Saturday, May 15, 2004**

The fourth session of the Newton County Singing was held at Shoal Creek Primitive Baptist Church in Covington, Newton County, Georgia on Saturday before the third Sunday in May. Chairman Charles Woods called the class to order leading 31b.

Herman Wilkinson offered the opening prayer. Charles Woods led 31t; Herman Wilkinson 215, 37; Arlene Woods 147t, 479.

In a business session, the class voted to keep the current officers: Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Herman Wilkinson; Secretary—Arlene Woods.

Leaders: Jane Spencer 32t, 312b; Lee Rogers 73t, 274b; John Plunkett 276, 108b; Art Hargrove 159, 49t; Sandra Wilkinson 82t, 288; Myra Hargrove 45t; Charlene Wallace 117, 171.

#### RECESS

Hugh McGraw brought the class back to order leading 289 and 64. Leaders: Mike Spencer 86; Asa Moseley 40, 36b; Marcena Wilkinson 101t, 155; Arlene Woods 354b; Jane Spencer 335; Lee Rogers 390; Asa Moseley 63; John Plunkett 467; Art Hargrove 81t; Carlene Griffin 224.

#### LUNCH

Herman Wilkinson opened the afternoon session leading 30t. Leaders: Sandra Wilkinson 229; Myra Hargrove 452; Charlene Wallace 421; Hugh McGraw 409; Mike Spencer 47b; Arlene Woods 30b; Jane Spencer 282; Marcena Wilkinson 77t; Lee Rogers 347; John Plunkett 123t; Art Hargrove 105; Carlene Griffin 70t; Sandra Wilkinson 345t; Myra Hargrove 146; Charles Woods 283; Hugh McGraw 484; Charles Woods 549, 565; Arlene Woods 77b; Jane Spencer 358.

Announcements were made. Charles Woods led 56t as the closing song. Herman Wilkinson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Herman Wilkinson; Secretary—Arlene Woods/Lee Rogers.

## **OXFORD SACRED HARP SINGING** **Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Oxford, Ohio** **Saturday, May 15, 2004**

The first session of the Oxford Sacred Harp Singing was held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Oxford, Ohio on Saturday before the third Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Cleve Callison with an opening prayer. John Bealle led a short singing school and led 49t and 47b.

Leaders: Cleve Callison 128, 155; Sheryl Pockrose 489, 361; William Shetter 171, 38b; Debbie Hall 147t, 66; David Rust 146, 565; Bob Swope 564, 562; Eloise Clark 95, 300; Samuel Sommers 232, 112.

#### RECESS

John Bealle called the class to order leading 282. Leaders: Michael Hieber 276, 37; Steve Angell 268, 63; Claire Outten 27, 31t; Joan Redd 277, 373; Richard Palmer 72, 148; Linda Smith 40; Mary McWilliams 163; Sandra Ward-Angell 172; Carol Baker 65.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with another short singing school led by John Bealle who led 206 and 45.

Cleve Callison conducted the memorial lesson reading the names of the deceased and the sick and shut-ins. Eloise Clark led 48t for those who were remembered and of whom we were thinking of this day. Grant Barber concluded the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Cleve Callison 198; Steve Duff 49, 569; Michelle Cull 178, 269; David Rust 125; William Shetter 546; Bob Swope 36; Debbie Hall 556; Samuel Sommers 426b; Sheryl Pockrose 73b; Steve Angell 457; Sandra Ward-Angell 87; Richard Palmer 30; Joan Redd 479; Michael Hieber 34b; Claire Outten 383; Steve Duff 547; Michelle Cull 84; Debbie Hall 335.

Announcements were made. Cleve Callison led 62 as the closing song. Samuel Sommers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chair—Cleve Callison; Secretary—Eloise Clark.

**ZION HILL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Douglas, Alabama**  
**Sunday, May 16, 2004**

The annual singing at Zion Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Douglas, Alabama was held on the third Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Susan Harcrow leading 32t. The morning prayer was offered by Butch White. Susan Harcrow then led 63 and 35.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Vice Chairman/Secretary—Susan Harcrow; Arranging Committee—Jackie Tanner. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 59; Robert Walker 143; Butch White 30b, 123t; Travis Peek 282; Sarah Smith 129, 73; Wilton Donaldson 229, 490; Lisa Geist 171, 276; Tommy George 155, 300; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Betty Wright 97, 108t.

**RECESS**

The class was called back together with Blake Sisemore leading 68t. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 215, 224; Judy Caudle 302, 448t; Jarrod George 270, 358; Kathy James 542, 430; Ivalene Donaldson 56t; Danny Creel 196, 182; Donna Wootten 76b, 74b; Marlin Beasley 319, 318; Jennifer Allred 216, 110.

**RECESS**

Blake Sisemore brought the class back to order leading 354. Leaders: Chris Rice 112, 84; Caleb Allred 87, 401; Linda Thomas 391, 39t; S.T. Reed 388, 114; Allison Ivey, Clay Campbell, and Tracy South 49t, 45t; Seth Allred 452, 36b.

**LUNCH**

Blake Sisemore and Travis Peek brought the class back together leading 101t. Leaders: Chris Green and Linda Thomas 406; Amber Davis 546, 454; Henry Johnson 539, 70b; Karen Ivey 187, 532 (for Joel and Sarah Jenkins); Kyle Blakeley 313t, 77t; Rodney Ivey 99, 113; Jackson Harcrow 153, 274t; Stuart Ivey 66, 328; Dennis George 254; Bud Oliver 332, 42; Cheyenne Ivey and Jessica Ivey 47b, 146; Telitha Rosser, Katrina Rosser, and Jackson Harcrow 63; Shane Wootten 440, 330; Douglas Conn 217, 482; Richard Ivey 145t, 336; Reed Greeson 106; David Ivey 267; Seth Holloway 145b, 294; Jackie Tanner 208; Daniel Watts 49b; Susan Harcrow 186; Susan Harcrow and Beecher Hyde 159.

Announcements were made. Blake Sisemore and Susan Harcrow led 46 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Vice Chairman/Secretary—Susan Harcrow.

**CANE CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Cleburne County, near Heflin, Alabama**  
**Sunday, May 16, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church was held on the third Sunday in May. B.M. Smith called the class to order leading 59. Felton Denney offered the morning prayer. B.M. Smith led 101t; Jeff Sheppard 105, 124; Pearl Guier 32t and 63.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Secretary/Arranging Committee—Hester Edwards; Memorial Committee—Pearl Guier.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 123t; Stanley Edwards 496, 497; Lou Cotney 172, 300; George Garner 503; Margie Smith 108t, 335; Howard McGuire 454, 192; Reba Norton 373, 460; Cecil Roberts 285b, 284; Eunice Webb 145t, 271; Felton Denney 73t, 31t.

#### RECESS

Jeff Sheppard brought the class back to order leading 75. Leaders: Josephine Denney 28b, 39b; Winfred Kerr 282, 89; Glenda Collins 45t, 290; Jimmie Denney 155, 61; Donna Bell 87, 119.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 222.

Charles Norton gave a report on the cemetery. Joe Jones asked for information about Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church for a book that he is compiling. Billy Joe Harris led 435 and 303.

Pearl Guier conducted the memorial lesson. Eunice Webb led 138b for the sick and shut-ins: Nancy Allen, Alice Edwards, Alonzo Edwards, Evelyn Harris, Jessie Harlan, Fred Cheatwood, and Louise Allen.

Jeff Sheppard led 112 for the deceased: Ruth Brown, Kenneth Simmons, Gladys Simmons, Harvey Austin, Mozelle Sheppard, Arvie Norton, Irene Willoughby, Reba Warren Norton, Jim Tom Fields, Estelle Flowers, Gene Austin, Jerry Warren, Frankie Owen, and Eric Reaves. Lois Owen led 339 for Frankie Owen. The memorial was closed with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Jeff Sheppard leading 176b. Leaders: Lewis Norton 34t, 30b; Tony Hammock 135, 314; Sylvia Holland 348b, 340; Louise Holland 35, 37b; Corene Laminack 40, 46; Michael Turner and Erica Turner 358; Karen Reaves and Cathy Ewing 410t, 457; Ruth Daniels 127, 378t; Pam Nunn 361, 186; Sherrell Cleino 337, 100; Shelbie Sheppard 277, 142 (in memory of Ruth Brown); Lois Owen and Gail Barker 335; Shelbie Sheppard 147t (by request). Announcements were made. B.M. Smith and Jeff Sheppard led 225t as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

## **ROCKY MOUNT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH HOMECOMING Dadeville, Alabama Sunday, May 16, 2004**

The annual Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church Homecoming was held on the third Sunday in May. Chairman Eugene Forbes brought the class to order leading 75. Leonard Price offered the opening prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Charlotte Bishop and Carla Smith.

Leaders: Eugene Forbes 87; Elder Ben Keeble 490, 59; Nell Estes 40, 145b; Annie Lee Price 111t; Ruby Avery and Nell Estes 560; Audress Gurley 36b, 517 (WB); Mary Jean Payne 99, 480; Eugene Forbes 146, 100; Jenny Acton 25 (JB), 340; Floy Wilder 110, 186; Modie McNeal 68b, 45t; Daphne Causey 212; Leonard Price 290, 335; John Merritt and Brandon Acton 108b, 101t; Carla Smith 274t, 358; Renee Taylor 128, 143 (for Sheila); Charlotte Bishop “A Light at the River”, 551; Sharon Whitehead 112, 294.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Chairman Eugene Forbes leading 123t and 122.

The memorial lesson was held. Floy Wilder led 36b for Walter C. (Dee) Gurley. Charlotte Bishop led 25 (JB) for all the deceased who have passed away since last year, and also years passed; then led 384 for the deceased members of the Annie Lee Price family. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Wendy Futral 100, 46; Virginia Futral 569b, 566 (for Nelda Henry); William Futral 341, 164; Renee Taylor and Carla Smith 143; Carla Smith 168 (for Verlie McDaniel), 196; John Merritt "Talietha Cumi", "Nothing "But the Blood"; William Futral 340; Virginia Futral 496; Wendy Futral 369; John Merritt "Confederate Memorial"; Charlotte Bishop 408.

Announcements were made. Chairman Eugene Forbes led 145t as the closing song. Elder Ben Keeble offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

## **MOUNT PISGAH SINGING SOCIETY (COOPER BOOK)**

**Stroud, Chambers County, Alabama**

**Saturday, May 22, 2004**

The annual all day session of the Mount Pisgah Singing Society was called to order by President Don Clark leading 58. David Lee offered the morning prayer. The day of singing was dedicated to Bobby Jackson who is undergoing cancer treatment and was unable to attend.

Leaders: President Don Clark 300; Vice President John Etheridge 422b; Secretary Karen Clark 336 (for Don Bowen); Jack Nelson 306; Delores Shell 199; Frank Hataway 395b; LaRue Allen 192; Frank Strickland 282; Wilburn Ellison 451; Sandra Wilkinson 54t; Louis Hughes 528b; Floy Wilder 224; Floyd Bennett 488b; Linda Fagan 335.

**RECESS**

The second session was called to order by Vice President John Etheridge leading 145t. Leaders: Mike Jones 76b; Sue Bunch 511t; S.T. Reed 541; Tommie Spurlock 567; Geraldine Rice 217; Paula Fagan 38t; Felton Denney 387; Lee Rogers 444t (for Bobby Jackson); Michael Jones 384; Lonnie Rogers 186; David Lee 502; Morgan Bunch 559; Stanley Smith 45t (in honor of Etta Hall, who will be 100 in December, Mae Prather, Louise Morris, and in memory of J.C. Harden); Herman Wilkinson 406; Ron Crocker 48t; Bill Hogan 516; Vic Whisman 447t.

**RECESS**

The final morning session was called to order by Vice President John Etheridge leading 137. Leaders: Jonathan Blakeley 416t; Karen Rollins 136; Brenda Waters 563; Betty Wright 395b; Don Clark 358 (for Alma Clark, Eleanor Clark, and Jean Lindsey); Greg Howard "Munfordville"; Mark Davis 522; Tim Cook and Mako Cook 478, 291; Josephine Denney 101t; Annie Lee Price 198; Bufrey Dean 77t; Henry Johnson 125.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called to order by President Don Clark leading 520. Leaders: Michelle Cull 574; Charlene Wallace 290 (for Bobby Jackson and Bernice Jackson); Helen Bryson 172; Hugh McGraw 506; Syble Adams 572; Isabelle Green 225t; Lois Stanson 200; Jeff Sheppard 182; Ruth Wyers 442t; Herby Bailey 573; Andy Morse 392; Kate Merritt Davis 171; Phil Slay 408; John Plunkett 95.

**RECESS**

Order was restored for the final session by Vice President John Etheridge. Leaders: Stanley Edwards 76b; Joe Nall 428; Nancy Coeyman and Bill Hogan 143; John Merritt "Talietha Cumi"; Lela Crowder 103; Chita Blakeley 497; Jenny Acton 229;

Liz Bryant 393t; Waylon Blakeley 142; Andy Anderson 268t; Othelia Stickland 334; Audress Gurley 571; Stanley Smith 500 (for Jimmy Ray and Carol Ray). Announcements were made. The officers led 527 as the closing song while those who wished took the parting hand. Tommie Spurlock offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Don L. Clark; Vice President—John Etheridge; Secretary—Karen Clark.

**POPLAR SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**North of Tallapoosa, Georgia, off Hwy. 100**  
**Sunday, May 23, 2004**

The annual all day Sacred Harp singing at Poplar Springs Baptist Church was held on the fourth Sunday in May. The class was called to order by Chairman B.M. Smith leading 59. Cecil Roberts offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 81t; Miranel Swafford 32t, 155; Charlene Wallace 135, 141; Mary L. Smith 48t, 289; Stanley Edwards 425, 410t; Josephine Denney 503, 405; Lonnie Rogers 33b, 225t; Evelyn Harris 47t, 47b; Mark Davis 179, 270; LaRue Allen 277, 299; Reba Norton 101t, 99; Hugh McGraw 567, 448b; Donna Bell 75, 87.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 222. Leaders: Cecil Roberts 282, 284; Floy Wilder 327, 432; Oscar McGuire 276, 336; Karen Rollins 34b, 143; Jeff Sheppard 142, 35; Eunice Webb 283, 480; Felton Denney 489, 387.

Josephine Denney conducted the memorial lesson. Lonnie Rogers led 348b for the deceased: J.C. Harden, Mozelle Sheppard, Estelle Flowers, Gladys Simmons, Harvey Austin, Irene Willoughby, and Kenneth Simmons.

Hugh McGraw led 340 in honor of the sick and shut-ins: I.V. McWhorter, Bobby Jackson, Alice Edwards, Nancy Allen, Myrtle Smith, Bud Jones, Shelbie Sheppard, Reby Stanford, and Alonzo Edwards. Josephine Denney closed the memorial with prayer.

Randall Ward from Poplar Springs Baptist Church welcomed everyone, and Rev. Junior Jones gave the benediction for lunch.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session began with B.M. Smith leading 37b. Leaders: Earlis McGraw 312b, 475; Cynthia Fielder 318, 490; B.J. Harris 303, 63; Carlene Griffin 117, 146; George Garner 112; Inez Chandler and Ceford Woods 569b, 290; Mark Davis 107; LaRue Allen 300; Stanley Edwards 36b; Floy Wilder 187; Oscar McGuire 573; Jeff Sheppard 502; Mildred Patterson 119, 294; Eunice Webb 436; Felton Denney 31t; Karen Rollins 178; Donna Bell 63; Charlene Wallace 274t; Earlis McGraw 132.

Announcements were made. B.M. Smith led 46 as the closing song. Rev. Junior Jones offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Miranel Swafford; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

**GUM POND PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Eva, Morgan County, Alabama**  
**Sunday, May 23, 2004**

The May Decoration Day Sacred Harp Singing held at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday in May was called to order by Chairman Milford Cobbs leading 127. The morning prayer was offered by Elder J.L. Hopper. After welcoming everyone, Milford Cobbs led 46.

Leaders and selections: Judy Caudle 48t, 63; J.L. Hopper 122, 361; Arvid Holmes 460; Robert Walker 34b, 480; John Hyde 566, 297; Corene White 314, 171; Steve

Cobbs 285t, 490; Marilyn Burchett 108b, 49t; Jonathon Thompson 49b, 384; Blake Sisemore 68b, 354b; Sarah Smith 141, 317.

#### RECESS

The singing resumed with Chairman Milford Cobbs leading 75. Leaders and selections: Brandon Thompson 274t, 335; Clayton Ezell 119, 182; David Roberson 146, 340; Sandie Scott 40, 110; David Light 192, 200; Nancy Thompson 101t, 67; Wilton Donaldson 499, 503; Bridgett Hill 134, 383; Travis Peek 59, 282; Marie Guthrie 434, 222; Gordon Wilkinson 436, 475.

#### LUNCH

After enjoying lunch and fellowship, the class was called to order by Milford Cobbs leading 445 in memory of Dexter Cobbs and Clara Cobbs, brother and sister, who passed away in the last year. The memorial lesson continued with Jonathon Thompson and Brandon Thompson leading 448t in memory of: L.E. Hopper, Izella Hopper, Willard Hopper, Marvin Hopper, Pauline Cobbs, and Alta Mae Self. Judy Caudle led 459 in memory of Bera Bradford, a much loved and missed singer from Gum Pond; J.C. Hardin and Darell Beasley, both who passed away in recent months. Judy Caudle led 405 for the people who are sick or shut-ins: Carol Fannin, Patsy Hopper Walden, Herbert Cobbs, Kimmie Holcomb, and Bud Oliver. The memorial was closed.

Marlin Beasley, representing the Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation, presented a plaque of appreciation to Elder J.L. Hopper for his work on the teaching video available through the Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation.

Leaders and selections: Marlin Beasley 358, 343; Rodney Ivey 270 (for Bud Oliver); Amber Davis 73b, 172; Loyd Ivey 89, 225t; Betty Shepherd 299, 159; Travis Keeton 73t, 179; Jennifer Allred 430, 345b; Dennis George 319, 318; Elene Stovall 217, 186; David Carlton 332, 272; Larry Ballinger 57; Glenda Hopper 481, 461; Gary Smith 565, 569b; Daniel Hopper 273, 188; Seth Holloway and Ron Jaeger 79, 388; Ron Jaeger 457 (for Stacy).

Following announcements, Milford Cobbs led 62 as the closing hymn. Prayer was offered by Elder J.L. Hopper, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Milford Cobbs; Vice Chairman—Arvid Holmes; Secretary—Judy Caudle.

## **SOUTHWEST TEXAS SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)**

**Bethel Primitive Baptist Church, McMahan, Texas**

**May 29-30, 2004**

**Saturday, May 29**

The one hundred-fourth annual spring session of the Southwest Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention met at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church in McMahan, Texas on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in May. Chairman Morris Nelms called the class to order at 9:15 a.m. with number 27. Prayer was offered.

Leaders: Chairman Morris Nelms 49t; Vice Chairlady Amanda Owen 84; Secretary Pat Blundell 282; Billy Huckaby 421; Terre Schill 383; Leon Ballinger 507b; Beverly Coates 183; Louis Hughes 76b; Kathy Lee 511t; Don Howard 484; Diane Ross 434; H.P. O'Mary 341; Emmie Morris 215; Gaylon Powell 524; Barbara Moore 229; Keith Willard 416t; Crystal Visco 276; Larry Ballinger 559; Betty Wright 225t; Owen Ross 193; Jenny Willard 563; John Morris 73t; Reed Coates 47b; Anne Moseley 406; Dick Steil 42; LaRue Allen 192.

#### RECESS



Chairman Morris Nelms brought the class back to order with 393. Leaders: Henry Schuman 522; Hope Morrison 270; Mike Moseley 376; Amy Duty 63; Scott Curran 384; Earl Ballinger 217; Laura Densmore 98; Bob Meek 574; Katie Moseley 336; Daphene Causey 500; David Lee 505; Berkley Moore 50t; Cheryl Foreman 140; Tollie Lee 78; Karen Willard 448; Guy Banks 410; Monnie Ross 108b; Amanda Blevins 148; Matt Wells 31t; Donna Hand Sewell 171; Tom Owen 544. Louis Hughes offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class was reassembled, and a business session was held for the purpose of electing officers. Those elected or appointed to serve were: Chairlady—Amanda Owen; Vice Chairman—Leon Ballinger; Secretary—Patricia Baker Blundell. Leaders: Chairlady Amanda Owen 47t; Bruce Coates 571; Liz Owen 99; Richard Ivey 222; Anitra Kaye 369; Alexandra Gilmore 207; Gary Rogan 411; Jessie Simon 348; Allison Schofield 45b; Jeb Owen 132; Vivian Rogan 146; David Ivey 497; Kelsey Wessels, David Duty 159; Jenna Strizak 511b; Sarah Huckaby 196; Matt Wojcik 224; Shannon Smith 31b; Coy Ivey 449; Doris Hanks 422b; Mike Hinton 478 (Mike recognized the WWII vets in attendance); Dale Redmon 514; Elissa Smith 85; Joe Owen 515; Michelle Rogan 110; Rodney Ivey 133; Lori Rodgers 170; David Moseley 67; Janet Morgan 400; Donald Ross 419; Lela Crowder 501; Charlene Wallace 567; Zach Rogan 142; George Jones 558; Anita Landess 297; Barbara Losse 54. Chairlady Amanda Owen led 100 as the closing song. David Lee offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, May 30

Chairlady Amanda Owen called the class to order at 9:15 a.m. with number 553. Prayer was offered by Jeb Owen.

Leaders: Chairlady Amanda Owen 68t; Vice Chairman Leon Ballinger 424; Secretary Pat Blundell 467; Kevin Powell 300; Emmie Morris 324; Owen Howard 400; Cissy Moseley 299; Charles Whitmer 393t; Carol Selleck 154b; Elric Elias 82; Daphene Causey 304; Rodney Ivy 38; Diane Ross 40; Matt Wojcik 39; Lela Crowder 103; Coy Ivey 137; Syble Adams 367; Louis Hughes 543; Anita Landess 58; Don Howard 447t; Jenna Strizak 195; Earl Ballinger 77.

#### RECESS

Amanda Owen called the class back together with 31b. Leaders: Kathy Lee 374; Henry Schuman 572; LaRue Allen 220; Larry Ballinger 112; Jenny Willard 199; H.P. O'Mary 45t; Betty Wright 323b; Dr. Russell Riepe 329; Janet Morgan 32t; Curtis Owen 558; Kelsey Wessels 171; Keith Willard 511; Laura Densmore 191; David Ivy 182; Karen Willard 95; Tollie Lee 180; Anitra Kaye 122.

Mike Hinton conducted the memorial lesson reflecting on those who have passed away in the last year and previous years, the impact that these people has on us to continue the tradition of the memorial lesson, and his definition of a Sacred Harp singer.

Sacred Harp Singers is an inclusive term which includes many people: those who provide food; who support the singings by listening; carry those who have no way to go; and do all the necessary things to make a singing complete.

The reflection continued about the life spans of the people we sing for and the songs we sing which talk about death and heaven. He talked about the recent death of his father who lived to be 91 years old, was ready to embrace death, and how his nearly 5 year old grandson perceived his death. He reminded us all that those who have passed away are in a better place with no disabilities or pain.

Jeb Owen read the names of our singing family members and friends who have passed on.

John Baker read the names of the sick and shut-ins which included: Jerry Schreiber, John Schaffer, Jeanne Schaffer, Kelly Beard, Earnestine Pipkin, Thomas Denson Hinton, Ophelia Matthews, Hazel Schofield, Linda Henthorn, Bill Green, Eldora Moody, Johnny Lee, Delores Lee, Pauline Childers, Bud Oliver, Vaudie O'Mary, Verna Powell, Francis Daniels, Lennie Baker, and Viola Jones. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Matt Wells 163t; Allison Schofield 436b; Guy Banks 575; Lori Rodgers 192; David Lee 539. Prayer for lunch was offered by Gary Rogan.

#### LUNCH

Vice Chairman Leon Ballinger called the afternoon session to order leading 442. Leaders: Barbara Moore 427; Bob Meek 488; Cheryl Foreman 203; Beryl Russell 164; Lynette Howard 47t; Berkley Moore 441; Barbara Losse 222; Richard Ivey 337t; Amanda Blevins 36b; Morris Nelms 365; Michelle Rogan 128; Martha Aiken and Paris Broumley 45b; Crystal Visco 35; Zach Rogan 559; Donald Ross 373; Terre Schill 439; Dale Redmon 540; Billy Huckaby 319; Cassandra Baker 72; John Morris 390; Owen Ross 499; Olivia Powell 235; Eric Morgan 183; Sarah Huckaby 331b; Dick Steil 268t; Alexa Gilmore 76b; Gary Rogan 129; Beverly Coates 294; Gaylon Powell 216.

Chairlady Amanda Owen led 69 as the closing song. Tollie Lee offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Amanda Owen; Vice Chairman—Leon Ballinger; Secretary—Patricia Baker Blundell.

### MIDWEST CONVENTION

**Chicago, Illinois**

**May 29-30, 2003**

**Saturday, May 29**

The nineteenth annual Midwest Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Ida Noyes Hall on the University of Chicago campus, Chicago, Illinois on the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in May.

Co-Chairs Karen Freund and Jerry Enright opened the Saturday morning session at 9:30 a.m. by welcoming singers and then led 354t. Jesse Roberts offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ted Mercer and Lisa Grayson 171; Cathryn Baker 142; Herb Schroeder 128; Randy Neufeld 32t; Debbie Barford 302; Jim Helke 547; Bob Whaley 268; Connie Karduck 498; Violet Stark 474; Bruce Holmes 102; John Seaton 47t (for his mother); Wally Bloch 146; Rachel Adelstein 332; Bill Beverly 162; Ginny Landgraf 383.

#### RECESS

Co-Chairs Karen Freund and Jerry Enright brought the class to order leading 312b.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Co-Chairs—Ted Mercer and Lisa Grayson; Co-Vice Chairs—Marcia Johnson and Ted Johnson; Secretary—Carolyn Deacy; Assistant Secretaries—Kiri Miller and Chris Thorman; Arranging Committee—Connie Karduck, Brad Oglesby, D.J. Hatfield, Natalia Cecire, and Rachel Adelstein; Chaplain—Stephen Parker;

Memorial Committee—Richard DeLong, Jesse Roberts, Cindy Tanner, and Becky Browne; Finance Committee—Randy Neufeld, Don Bowen, Chris Thorman, and John Seaton; Resolutions Committee—Henry Johnson, Steven Schmidgall, and Rosemary Greenaway; Locating Committee—Kenneth Notland, Judy Hauff, Steve Warner, and Jeremy York. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Kathy Kaiser 203; Jeff Gauthier 163; Daryl Chesney 454; Janet Fraembs 556; Sarah Davie 384; Richard Lee 183; Kelly Brest van Kempfen 335; Jeanette

Lowry 168; Ariel Weinberg 522; Stephen Parker 362; Claire Outten 202; Jim Swanson 353; Don Bowen 496.

#### RECESS

Lisa Grayson brought the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Steve Warner 86; Anita Buswell 324; D.J. Hatfield 430; Martha Beverly 546; Gaston White 236; Christine Stevens 542; Shaffiq Welji 276; Jessica Altman and Micah Roberts 217; Nick Pasqual 339; Natalia Cecire 182; Bob Borcharding 189; Emily Gruber 56b; Joe Driggers 106.

At the request of the convention Cassie Franklin sang “Lady Margaret” from the Cold Mountain film CD. Stephen Parker offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Marcia Johnson leading 61. Leaders: Megan Jennings 504; Brad Oglesby 151; Elene Stovall 436; Reba Dell Windom 216; Dave Ressler 298; Cindy Tanner 198; Carolyn Deacy 456; Richard DeLong 224; Becky Browne 304; Linda Thomas 345b; Greg Freemon 376; Kathy Williams 385b; Steven Schmidgall 333; Judy Hauff 448t; Gary Gronau 192; Marcia Johnson 434; Jim Pfau 369; Anne Heider 532.

#### RECESS

Ted Johnson brought the class back to order with 101t. Leaders: Jeremy York “Muhaiyaddeen” (a composition by Chandler York); Marlene Marks 37b; Cassie Franklin 432; Chris Thorman 318; Denise Kania 350; Jan Ketelle 460; Jim Lawrie 91; Melanie Hauff 550; Jesse Roberts 285t; Kiri Miller 442; Henry Johnson 278t; Rosemary Greenaway 480; Lorena Moore 148; James Page 284; Ashley Roberts 327. Lisa Grayson and Ted Mercer led 267 as the closing song. Stephen Parker offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, May 30

The convention opened at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday with Co-Chairs Lisa Grayson and Ted Mercer leading 31t. Stephen Parker offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Marcia Johnson 111b; David Barford 181; Eloise Clark 120; Joan Yeatman 49b; Marjorie Matthews 218; Karen Freund 421; Rebecca Edwards 114; Ann Milziski 30t; Felicia Stephens 551; Teddy Thomas 76b; Cathryn Baker 222; Daryl Chesney 34b; John Bealle 522; Kathy Williams 208; Brad Oglesby 68b; Julie Via 377; Cindy Tanner 220.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Ted Mercer leading 278b. Leaders: Christine Stevens 352; Ted Johnson “Joyful Noise” (a new composition); Jessica Altman and Micah Roberts 112; Scott Schroeder 299; Rosemary Greenaway 384; Sam Farwell 122; Lorena Moore 39t; Jerry Enright 300 (in memory of Barrett Ashley and Lawrence Underwood); Linda Thomas 464; Don Bowen 283; Jeanette Lowry 260; Steven Schmidgall 154.

#### RECESS

The class was brought back to order with Lisa Grayson leading 528. Leaders: D.J. Hatfield 126; Ginny Landgraf 506; Gaston White 40; Kathy Kaiser 86; Rachel Adelstein 538; Richard Lee 129; Anita Buswell 448; Shaffiq Welji 245; Megan Jennings 203.

Richard DeLong, Jesse Roberts, Cindy Tanner, and Becky Browne conducted the memorial lesson.

Becky Browne led 36b, and Richard DeLong led 70t for the sick and shut-ins. Cindy Tanner led 146 for the deceased.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Jap Walton, Joyce Walton, Shelbie Sheppard, Gary Smith, Bud Oliver, and Edith Tate—Alabama; Marjorie Burke—Arizona; Jerry Schreiber—California; Nick Pender, Bobby Jackson, Violet

Thomason, Loy Garrison, Dot Garrison, Ruth Wills, and Nora Roberts—Georgia; Ruth White, Suzanne Checchia, Bernie Grenblatt, and Dixie McGregor—Illinois; Dean Slayton—Indiana; George Myers—Kentucky; Pauline Childers—Michigan; Nancy Affolber—Missouri; Regina Kania and Helen Stevens—Minnesota; Anna Milazzo—New York; R.J. Landgraf—Ohio; Delores Littrell and Christine Anderson—Tennessee; Kelley Beard—Texas; Bob Anderson and Bob Scorgie—Wisconsin; and Roberta Seaton—England.

The deceased remembered were: J.C. Harden, Dick Hinton, Lamar Smith, Mavis Price, Christal Crocker, and Harvey Austin—Alabama; Mildred Segal—California; Patsy Cirkus—Florida; Bev Brady, Robert Kendrick, Estelle Flowers, Mozelle Sheppard, Darrell Beasley, and Everette Denny—Georgia; Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson, Robert Sanders, Anthony Jefferson, Mike Fleischer, Ruth Kellam, Loretta Ernst, Harry Cullins, and Hazel Williams—Illinois; Wilma Furgason—Kentucky; W.T. Wortham—Mississippi; Betty Haas—Missouri; Doug Anthony—Montana; Ed Downey—New Jersey; Kenneth Russell and Elvira Rychlak—Pennsylvania; Cecilia Hauff—South Dakota; Bruce Ketelle—Tennessee; Marvin Hill and Virginia Leuke—Wisconsin; Bob Copper—England. Stephen Parker closed the memorial with a prayer. A blessing for the noon meal was offered by Stephen Parker.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Marcia Johnson leading 155. Leaders: Kiri Miller 455; Martha Beverly 254; Gary Gronau 411; Cassie Franklin 485; Dave Ressler 328; Elene Stovall 142; Samuel Sommers 316; Henry Johnson 70b; Reba Dell Windom 196; Richard DeLong 419; Becky Browne 362; Stephen Parker 99; Suzanne Flandreau 87; Jesse Roberts 291; Sue Kessell 365; Randy Neufeld 29t.

#### RECESS

During the recess, at the request of the convention, Cassie Franklin sang “The Old Grove” and “Song Bird that Was Falling.”

Ted Mercer and Lisa Grayson brought the class back to order leading 282. Leaders: Paul Streeter 515; Ashley Roberts and Micah Roberts 47b; Jan Ketelle 368 (for Dean Slayton); Chris Thorman 73t; Katherine Krug 171; Denise Kania 500; Steve Warner and Ann Heider 471; Jim Pfau 137; Stephanie Fida 178; Orwin Younquist 33t; David Stelch 447; Barbara Meyers and Sarah Letson 268; Natalia Cecire 270; James Page 505; Jeff Gauthier 250; Jim Helke 565 (for Gary Smith).

A business meeting was held for the purpose of hearing reports from various committees.

The Finance Committee reported that expenses had been met and thanked all for helping to achieve this goal.

Connie Karduck reported that over the two days, the convention was attended by people from 22 states.

Steven Schmidgall and Rosemary Greenaway gave the Resolutions Committee Report: “Humble thanks to the Divine Spirit which has blessed us all with the intention to come together to sing songs of praise, hope and joy.” The officers, pitchers, and housing committee were thanked, along with the people who helped with publicity, logistics, the kitchen, registration, and hospitality. Special thanks were extended to the extraordinary cooks. The business session was closed.

Announcements were made. Lisa Grayson, Ted Mercer, and all the officers led 62 as the closing song, while those who wished took the parting hand. Stephen Parker led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairs—Lisa Grayson and Ted Mercer; Co-Vice Chairs—Marcia Johnson and Ted Johnson; Secretary—Carolyn Deacy.

**JACK SMITH MEMORIAL SINGING**  
**Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia**  
**Monday, May 31, 2004**

The Jack Smith Memorial Singing was held at Oakhurst Baptist Church on Monday, Memorial Day. The class was called to order by John Plunkett leading 31b. Joan Durdin offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 63; Joan Durdin 47t, 114; Andy Morse 540, 454; Andy Anderson 45t, 282; Jane Spencer 312b, 32t; Eric Tweedy 87, 301.

**RECESS**

The class was called back to order by John Plunkett leading 145t.

A business session was held with the class voting to retain the following officers: Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chair—Joan Durdin; Secretary—Laura Akerman.

Leaders: Laura Akerman 34t, 434; Tony Hammock 314; Amy Greene 275; Debra Grosse 181, 128; Sandra Wilkinson 289, 388; Bob Goodman 145b, 497; Martha Ann Stegar 276, 34b.

**LUNCH**

John Plunkett called the class back for the afternoon session with 49b. Leaders: David Yeager 490, 344; Susan Firestone 178, 84; Ellie Soler 504, 358; Kate Hauk 268, 155; John Redman 447, 236; John Hollingsworth 409, 408; Erica Hinton 163b, 147t; Malinda Snow 72b, 479; Michael Spencer 86, 47b; Matt Hinton 99, 146; Julie Suess 40; Hermon Wilkinson 159.

John Plunkett led 323t as the closing song. John Hollingsworth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chair—Joan Durdin; Secretary—Laura Akerman.

**NORTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY ALL-DAY SINGING**  
**Berryville, Virginia**  
**Saturday, June 5, 2004**

The eleventh annual Northern Shenandoah Valley All-Day Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in June at Grace Episcopal Parish Hall in Berryville, Virginia. The class was called together at 10:00 a.m. by John delRe leading 81t.

Chaplain Doron Henkin offered the morning prayer. Leyland delRe led 32t; Amanda Denson led 48t.

The class was organized with the following officers and committees elected or appointed to serve: Honorary Chairlady—Amanda Denson; Chairman—Leyland delRe; Vice Chairlady—Kelly Macklin; Secretaries—Bev Oneida, Cathy Tucker, and Carly Goss; Treasurer—Jim Strube; Arranging—Tom Tucker; Memorial—Paula Picton and Ina Henkin.

Leaders: Kelly Macklin 59; Marilyn Estep 327; Bev Oneida 351; Jim Strube 66; Liz Cusick 178; Kevin Moreno 163b; Stephen McMaster 446; Elene Stovall 430; Kiri Miller 112; Doron Henkin 192; D.J. Hatfield 442; Paula Picton 176b; Jim Wantland 504; Cathy Tucker 385b; Pat Temple 475; Laura Densmore 201; Rosemary Greenaway 74b; Kathy Manning 477; Don Polaski 384.

**RECESS**

Kiri Miller called the class together with 37b. Leaders: Adrian Mariano 278b; Mary Ann Daly 474; Mary Wright 457; Diane Mennella 293; Greg Freemon 274t; Joan Aldridge 228; Sue Hanson 473; Max Berueffy 377; Sandra Polaski and William Polaski (age 1 month) 84; Steven Sabol 33t; Miriam Kilmer 378b; Carly Goss 77t; Tim Slattery 344; Kat Kinkade 411; Joni Seidenstein 56b; Erin Kelly 481; John delRe 370; Clare Chapin 276; Evan Duncan 80b; Pat Hilgard 38b.

Paula Picton conducted the memorial lesson and led 430 for the sick and shut-ins: Dean Slaton—Illinois; Jane Roman, Susan Smith, and Debbie Gill—Maryland; Dick Mauldin, Denson Hinton, Jap Walton, Joyce Walton, and Bud Oliver—Alabama. Ina Henkin led 335 for the deceased: Ada Mergus—Ohio; Mike Mickles and Mozelle Sheppard—Georgia; Bill Willingham—Virginia; Lebron Hinton, Carolyn Denson, J.C. Hardin, Jenny Easter, Lamar Smith, and A.A. Malone—Alabama. Paula Picton closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Tom Tucker 448t; Frank Evans 151; Doron Henkin 101t; D.J. Hatfield 269; Pat Temple 189; Gail Doss 196.

#### LUNCH

The class resumed singing with Stephen McMaster leading 34b. Leaders: D.J. Hatfield 61; Leyland delRe 71; John Daniel delRe 313b; Marilyn Estep 547; Liz Cusick 86; Stephen McMaster 454; Elene Stovall 215; Greg Freemon 224; Mary Wright 290; Don Polaski 436; Amanda Denson 216; Max Berueffy 548; Diane Mennella 260; Paula Picton 162; Tim Slattery 168; Bev Oneida 142; Steve Sabol 217; Mary Ann Daly 275t; Greg Carroll 209; Kiri Miller 270; Kevin Moreno 82t; Cathy Tucker 144; Jim Wantland 148; Laura Densmore 302; Leyland delRe 300. Kelly Macklin introduced Amanda Denson as the Honorary Chairlady, who helped our group when started by her example of traditional Sacred Harp singing. Amanda spoke of her grandmother, born in 1861, who taught her the values of life and singing, and then led 436.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order with Leyland delRe leading 127. Leaders: Evan Duncan 222; Kathy Manning 434; Gail Doss 203; Adrian Mariano 419; Sandra Polaski 155; Joan Aldridge 198; Sue Hanson 163t; Kelly Macklin 433; Rosemary Greenaway 282; Frank Evans 410; Carly Goss 472; Jim Strube 117; Leyland delRe 505; Clare Chapin 503; Janine Smith 542; Miriam Kilmer 191; Craig Baughan 27; Erin Kelly 319; Fred Beardsley 532; Joni Seidenstein 183; Kat Kinkade 368; John delRe 171; Greg Freemon; Elene Stovall 182; Max Berueffy 157; Paula Picton 106; Amanda Denson 373.

Announcements were made. Leyland delRe offered resolutions thanking the officers, the committees, and all those who contributed to a wonderful meal.

Leyland delRe led 62 as the closing song. D.J. Hatfield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Leyland delRe; Vice Chairlady—Kelly Macklin; Secretaries—Bev Oneida, Cathy Tucker, and Carly Goss.

### **BRATTLEBORO ALL-DAY SINGING** **First United Methodist Church, Brattleboro, Vermont** **Saturday, June 5, 2004**

Chairman Matthew Wojcik brought the class to order leading 31t. Laura Timmerman offered the opening prayer. Chairman Matthew Wojcik welcomed everyone to the singing and told the class that leaders could call songs from the 4th edition of the “Northern Harmony” as well as “The Sacred Harp.”

Leaders: Dave Evans 81t; Rosie Wojcik 33b; George Seiler 32t, 378t; John Holbrook 37b, 270; Tom Malone 61, 53; Susan Jaster 503, 354t; Paul Gauthier 74b, 34b; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 49t, 48b; Aldo Ceresa 30t, 203; Rick Johnston 209, 36b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Linda Shea leading 300 and 89. Leaders: Jean Seiler 87, 142; Eric Huther 421; Matthew Wojcik 59; Laura Timmerman 68b, 7 (NH); Charles Cofone 35, 66; Rebecca Edwards 101t, 82t; Alice Kast 268, 171.

Paul Gauthier conducted the memorial lesson. Laura Timmerman led 34t for the sick and shuts: Julie Holbrook—Massachusetts; and Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey. Paul Gauthier led 235 in memory of the deceased. Those remembered were: Laurette Wojcik—Connecticut; Judy Wagner—New Hampshire; Olivia Sole—Ohio; David Dellinger, Howard Northrup, and John Sheldon—Vermont. George Seiler closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Sheila Kelley leading 168 and 224. Leaders: Jenna Strizak 146, 434; Kelsey Wessels 29t, 129; Aldo Ceresa 148, 216 (NH).

Matthew Wojcik offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order. Leaders: Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 276, 510; Matthew Wojcik 198; Peter Irvine 195; Tom Malone 358; Susan Jaster 32 (NH); Charles Cofone 569b; Dave Evans 440; Laura Timmerman 396; George Seiler 48t; Paul Gauthier, Linda Jenkins, and Joanna Wiley 38 (NH); Rosie Wojcik 475; Jean Seiler 273; Alice Kast 335; John Holbrook 339; Rebecca Edwards 145t; Rick Johnston 411; Sheila Kelley 180; Jenna Strizak 383; Kelsey Wessels 448b; Peter Irvine 29b.

#### RECESS

Aldo Ceresa brought the class to order leading 448b. Leaders: John Holbrook 384; Bre Ginty and Matthew Wojcik 146 (NH); Matthew Wojcik 130 (NH); Kshama Ananthapura 512; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 377; Alice Kast 40; Dave Evans 77t; Tom Malone 74t; Susan Jaster 16 (NH).

A business session was held. Matthew Wojcik gave the Finance Committee Report. Rosie Wojcik gave the Secretary's Report.

Announcements were made. Chairman Matthew Wojcik thanked all those who had helped prepare for and participated in the day's singing.

Leaders: George Seiler 169; Paul Gauthier and Kathleen Nugent 178; Kshama Ananthapura 216; Dan Hertzler 99.

Matthew Wojcik, Dave Evans, and Rosie Wojcik led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Matthew Wojcik; Vice Chairman—Dave Evans; Secretary—Rosie Wojcik.

## **HOLLY SPRINGS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Near Bremen, Georgia, I-20 and U.S. 27 South**

**June 5-6, 2004**

**Saturday, June 5**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church the first Sunday and Saturday before in June was called to order by Charlene Wallace leading 59. Charles Woods offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Charlene Wallace 453; Carlene Griffin 146, 155; Felton Denney 489, 387; Stanley Edwards 61, 58; S.T. Reed 167, 175; Ed Thacker 517, 460; Richard Ivey 402; Bruce Coates 313b, 147t; Rodney Ivey 234; Helen Bryson 411, 287; Gaston White 66, 40; Beverly Coates 375, 377; Gary Rogan 319, 209.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Vice Chairman—Carlene Griffin; Secretary—Judy Henry; Arranging Committee—Judy Henry and Hugh McGraw; Memorial Committee—Mary Smith, Debra Jiles, and Teenie Moody.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Judy Henry leading 77b. Leaders: Laura Clawson 186; Reed Coates 76b, 373; Arlene Woods 178; Catherine Rogan 442, 323b; Sandra

Wilkinson 229, 274t; Henry Johnson 166, 418; Al Grindon and Tracey Kaminer 49b, 276; Pearl Guier 448b, 303; Reba Windom 192, 216; Eric Tweedy 327, 385b; Josh Rogan 159, 358; Kelly House 379, 475; Bill Dunn 426t, 34b; Sally House 99, 84; Scott DePoy 122; Mary Brownlee 224, 350; Lee Rogers 174, 540; Lela Crowder 171, 430; John Fedderson 448t, 362.

#### LUNCH

The class was called together by Earlis McGraw leading 284 and 545. Leaders: Richard Mauldin 77t, 168 (in memory of Lebron Hinton); Elise Eskew 480; Jewel Wootten 440; Carri Grindon 163b, 497; Willie Mae Moon 470, 568; Karen Rollins 143; Judy Mincey 510; Winston Stephens 225t, 503; Lonnie Rogers 101t, 389; Jeannette DePoy 542; Loyd Landrom 81t; Donna Bell 203, 87; John Hollingsworth 82t; Mollie Andrews 31t (in memory of her parents).

#### RECESS

Don Bowen called the class together with 37b and 39b. Leaders: Kathy Williams 506, 273; Ellie Soler 504, 277; Philip Gilmore 396, 285t; Daphene Causey 434, 436; Matt Hinton 63; John Plunkett 297; Buell Cobb 295; B.M. Smith 384; Jeff Sheppard 103; Louis Hughes 512; Richard DeLong 399b; Sheri Taylor 528, 142.

Announcements were made. Charlene Wallace and Elder Homer Benefield led 56t as the closing song. Elder Homer Benefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, June 6

The class was called to order by Charlene Wallace leading 32t. Rev. Henry Bizzell offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Charlene Wallace 145b; Carlene Griffin 81t; Carol Chapman 148, 384; Debra Grosse 57, 569t; Tokay Shumake 569b, 204; Josephine Denney 75, 100; Tony Hammock 135, 30t; Teenie Moody 49t (for Judith Green); Mary Smith 283, 99; Rev. Henry Bizzell 452; Mildred Patterson 141, 119; Charles Woods 373, 210; Joyce Lambert 111t (for James Jordan); Danny Griffin 318, 471; Don Ward 168, 300; Stanley Edwards 47t, 47b; Avery McWhorter, Carly McWhorter, and Charlene Wallace 354.

#### RECESS

The class was called together by Phillip Langley leading 294 and 182. Leaders: Pat Ward 472, 475; Eunice Webb 512, 499; Andy Anderson 56t, 268.

The memorial lesson was held. Kathy Williams led 340 for the sick and shut-ins which included: I.V. McWhorter, James Jordan, Howard Reid, and Violet Thomason—Georgia; Joyce Walton, Jap Walton, Dick Mauldin, and Denson Hinton—Alabama; Art Cooper and Susan Kelly—North Carolina. Hugh McGraw led 413 for these sick and shut-ins: Tom Murphy, Bobby Jackson, Kelly Beard, and Edmond Golladay.

Charles Woods led 341 in memory of the deceased: Estelle Flowers and Barbara DePoy—Georgia; Carolyn Denson and Lebron Hinton—Alabama. Mary L. Smith and Teenie Moody led 392 and 348b in memory of Mozelle Sheppard. Rev. Henry Bizzell closed the memorial with prayer.

Amanda Denson led 354 and 217.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Earlis McGraw leading 271t and 163t. Leaders: Oscar McGuire 276, 344; Bonnie Flowers 68t; Raymond Hamrick 350, 448b; Preston McClendon 45t; Lisa Webb 72b, 334; Tommy McGraw 225t, 91; Liz Bryant and Bob Goodman 66, 178; Lela Crowder 270, 42 (for Bud Oliver); Sandra Wilkinson 311, 120; Bentley McGuire 282, 335; Don Clark 213; John Fedderson 236; Jeannette DePoy 457; Karen Clark 474, 501 (for Bobby Jackson).

#### RECESS



Judy Henry called the class together with 144. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 142, 140; Louis Hughes 456; Don Bowen 540 (for Judy Mincey); Matt Hinton 186; Martha Ann Stegar 198; John Plunkett 197; Winston Stephens 347; Erica Hinton 163b; Louise Holland 43; Pearl Guier 143; Laura Akerman 549; Junior Robinson and Paul Robinson 569b; Aaron Little 408; Lonnie Rogers 97; Andy Morris 183; Richard DeLong 132.

Announcements were made. Charlene Wallace, Elder Homer Benefield, and Carlene Griffin led 62 as the closing song. Elder Homer Benefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charlene Wallace; Vice Chairman—Carlene Griffin; Secretary—Judy Henry.

## **LIBERTY DECORATION SINGING** **Liberty Church, Henagar, Alabama** **Sunday, June 6, 2004**

The annual Decoration Day Sacred Harp Singing held at Liberty Church was called to order with Chairman David Ivey leading 82t and 74b (in memory of Eulas Ivey). Phil Summerlin offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 30b; Vice Chairman Rodney Ivey 318; Secretary Norma Green 494; Loyd Ivey 460; Hobert Ivey 426t; Donna Wootten 88t; Robert Walker 490; Martha Underwood and Loyd Ivey 424; Blake Sisemore 532; Loretta Smith 37b; Travis Peek 186; Rex Wilks 480; Floyd Peters 68b; Bobby Watkins 436; Kathy James 542; Chris Ballinger 178; Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson 335; Milton Oliver 403; Linda Thomas 52t; Chris Rice 112; Ed Thacker 448t; Gaston White 84; Mike Dunn 551 (in memory of his grandmother, Eula Stallings, and his father, Robert Dunn).

The memorial lesson was held in the cemetery with the class singing 341, 340, 505 (CB), 540 (CB), and 45t.

### **RECESS**

Vice Chairman Rodney Ivey called the class together leading 81t. Leaders: Wayne Wootten 39b; Michael Thompson 270; Marilyn Burchett 29t; Alan Pritchett 146; Alexandra Makris 119 (by request); Zach Rogan 159; Scott Ivey 99; Reed Coates 475; J.T. Shavers 145b; Jessica Ivey, Cheyenne Ivey, and Rodney Ivey 76b; Rachel Ivey, Rachel Shavers, and Tiffany Travis 59; Catherine Rogan 218; J.C. Rutledge 568; Aaron Wootten 282; Rick Johnson 392; Kelly House and Sally House 503 (in memory of Karen House); Betty Wright 569b; Sandie Scott 47b; Charles Stiefel 445; Daphene Causey 291; Gayzelle Parker 276.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called together with Shane Wootten leading 345b. Leaders: Laura Clawson 142; Melvin Stiefel 348b; Stuart Ivey 183; Dennis George 454; Richard Ivey 440; Jarrod George 358; Betty Shepherd and Deborah Morton 216; Larry Ballinger 220; Reba Windom 224; Lisa Geist 269; Bruce Coates 36b; Vivian Rogan 290; Beverly Coates 106; Beth O'Dell 442; Gary Rogan 300; Mattie Townsel, Patsy Gentle, Rick Townsel, Emily Venable, Jennifer Humphrey, and Beverly Venable 137; the Ivey first cousins 384, 486 (WB); Phil Summerlin and Linda Collins 196; Teresa Bethune, Marian Biddle, Martha Underwood, Lindsay Bethune, Ivey Biddle, Lillie Underwood, Loyd Ivey, and Jessica Ivey 501 (CB); Karen Travis 73t; Shane Wootten 492 (WB) (by request).

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Jackie Tanner leading 101t. Leaders: Linton Ballinger and Gravis Ballinger 110 (remembering all the servicemen and servicewomen and former President Ronald Reagan, who passed away yesterday);

Hunter Hale 163b; Judy Caudle 540; Linda Sides 225t; David Light 192; Henry Johnson 111b; Bill Dunn 155; Karen Ivey 208; Tony Ivey 505; Cindy Tanner 434; Bridgett Hill 383; Eloise Wootten 456; Mark Brown "Sweet Beulah Land" (by request); Syble Adams 203; Kelly House 455.

Following announcements, David Ivey led 46 as the closing song. The class was dismissed in prayer by Pastor Tony Ivey.

Chairman—David Ivey; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Norma Latham Green.

## **FELLOWSHIP CHURCH MEMORIAL SINGING** **Cullman County, Alabama** **Sunday, June 6, 2004**

The Fellowship Church Memorial Singing was held on the first Sunday in June. Glenn Keeton called the class to order leading 59. Margaret Keeton offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Corene White 146, 139; Eldagene Roberson 89, 144, 175; Stella Pratt 126, 460, 147; Arvid Holmes 64, 63, 339; John Hyde 314, 297, 124; Kermit Adams 49t, 78, 99; Elizabeth Keeton 34b, 35, 159.

RECESS

The class was called back to order. Leaders: Ozella Blackmon 123t, 73b; Jennifer Allred 76b, 88, 270; Don Robinson 26, 212, 196; Marie Guthrie 434, 220, 192; Margaret Keeton 217, 171, 276; Willodean Barton 82t, 61, 298.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton called the singing back to order leading 46. Leaders: Wilda Homes 384; Travis Keeton 426t, 566, 475; Buell Cobb 200, 73b, 212b, 277.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Glenn Keeton and Josie Hyde leading 378b and 137. Leaders: Flarce Creel 231, 299; Corene White 216; Jennifer Allred 183; Eldagene Roberson 142; Stella Pratt 68b; Ozella Blackmon 123b; Elizabeth Keeton 30t; John Hyde 73t; Kermit Adams 32t; Colman Johnson 335, 445, 491; Marie Guthrie 411; Don Robinson 507; Margaret Keeton 499; Willodean Barton 454; Josie Hyde 269; Harrison Creel 111b, 512; Buell Cobb 268; Travis Keeton 129, 348b; Glenn Keeton 358, 87.

Announcements were made. Everyone was invited back for the 2005 session which will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Josie Hyde and Glenn Keeton led 62 as the closing song and prayer.

Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Josie Hyde; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson.

## **NEW YORK STATE REGIONAL SINGING** **Old Songs Community Arts Center, Voorheesville, New York** **Saturday, June 12, 2004**

The Albany area New York State Regional Singing was called to order by George Seiler leading 31t. David Lockwood offered the opening prayer.

George Seiler welcomed the singers, and also the WMHT-TV crew who had come to film the singing for their "Insight" program.

Leaders: Jean Seiler 47t; Michael Ryan 53, 85; Dennis Leipold 84, 34b; Patricia Geritz 479, 523; Aldo Ceresa 89, 148; Ellen Flanders 28t, 33t; Dan Hertzler 456, 457; Jenna Strizak 300, 29t; Thom Metzger 399, 216; Mary Ann Morrison 178, 66; Linda Shea 171, 330t; Berk Meitzler 426, 496.

RECESS

Dan Hertzler called the class to order leading 37b. Leaders: Denise Morris 566, 344; Margaret Bornick 276, 236; Michael Heyerman 76b, 440; Diane Mennella 486, 475; Eileen Metzger 383, 101t; Christopher Wesolowski 143, 86; Lucy Roberts 59, 268; Ron Bornick 186, 454; Barbara Swetman 368, 484; Jenna Strizak 102, 460; Thom Metzger 70b, 159; Michael Ryan 455, 163b; Ernest Blake 49b; George Seiler 68b. David Lockwood offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Barbara Swetman called the afternoon session to order leading 312b. Leaders: Patricia Geritz 501, 503; Jean Seiler 209, 299; Michael Ryan 192; Linda Shea 217, 270; Berk Meitzler 369, 569b; Lucy Roberts 82t, 46; Denise Morris 354b, 196; Dennis Leipold 195, 189; George Seiler 45t, 480; Diane Mennella 481, 30t; Ellen Flanders 320, 355; Ron Bornick 277, 142; Eileen Metzger 108b, 39t.

#### RECESS

Thom Metzger called the class to order leading 448b. Leaders: Aldo Ceresa 448t, 198; Regina Daly 155; Mary Ann Morrison 40, 269; Michael Heyerman 513, 38b; Margaret Bornick 272, 228; Ernest Blake 49t; Barbara Swetman 35, 542; Dan Hertzler 318, 319; Michael Ryan 47b, 114; Thom Metzger and Patricia Geritz 99; Thom Metzger 282; Patricia Geritz 77b; Dennis Leipold 77t; Lucy Roberts 567; Eileen Metzger 58.

Announcements were made. George Seiler led 168. George Seiler, Jean Seiler, Michael Ryan, and Patricia Geritz led 62 as the closing song as those who wished took the parting hand. Mary Ann Morrison offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—George Seiler; Secretary—Jean Seiler.

### **MAQUOKETA RIVER SINGING Emeline School House, Emeline, Iowa Saturday, June 12, 2004**

The third annual Maquoketa River Singing was held at the Emeline School House in Emeline, Iowa, on Saturday before the second Sunday in June. Chairlady Kathy Kaiser called the class to order leading 171. Dave Gardner offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Kathy Kaiser 547; Michael Moore 31b, 202; Annie Grieshop 72b, 344; Cathryn Baker 142, 318; Henry Schuman 40, 112; Eleanor Haase 71, 352; Bill Beverly 297, 86; Jan Ketelle 168, 220; Jon Pearson 349, 551.

#### RECESS

Henry Schuman brought the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Becky Browne 36b, 300; Peter Bradley and Cathryn Baker 365, 282; Penny Kujawinski 430, 542; Dick Dunagan 66, 45t; Sue Pearson 350, 276; Bill Caldwell 228, 217.

Martha Beverly and Cathryn Baker conducted the memorial lesson. Martha Beverly spoke on behalf of the deceased and led 403 in their memory. The names of the deceased remembered were: Darrel Beasley—Georgia; Anthony Jefferson and Robert Sanders—Illinois; Cecelia Hauff—South Dakota; Bruce Ketelle—Tennessee; and Marvin Hill—Wisconsin.

Cathryn Baker spoke on behalf of the sick and shut-ins and led 472 in their honor. Those remembered were: Bud Oliver, Jeff Sheppard, and Shelbie Sheppard—Alabama; Richard DeLong, Delores Lee, and Nick Pender—Georgia; Dr. and Mrs. John Quinlan—Iowa; Suzanne Checchia, Peggy Fahey, Nick Pasqual, and Violet Stark—Illinois; Dean Slayton—Indiana; Pauline Childers—Michigan; Ruhan Nagra—Missouri; R.J. Landgraf—Ohio; Martha Fagan—Texas; Mary Agee, Bob Anderson, Joyce Anderson, Nick Fabke, and Bob Scorgie—Wisconsin; and Lilia Springer. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Julie Vea 106, 37; Paul Wyatt 42, 53.

#### LUNCH

Kathy Kaiser called the class to order leading 335. Leaders: Charlie Derleth 268, 348b; James Page 284, "Maquoketa New"; Ginny Landgraf 447, 501; Jeanette Lowry 270, 191; Jerry Enright 101b, 399b; Dave Gardner and Kathy Kaiser 163t, 504; Martha Beverly 254, 269; Lou Kujawinski 120, 280; Karen Freund 216, 224; Val Dunagan 475, 474.

#### RECESS

Annie Grieshop called the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Rochelle Lodder 31t, 148; Gary Gronau 436, 214; Alice Moran 480, 99; Henry Schuman 532; Johanna Fabke 83t, 150; Paul Wyatt 203; Eleanor Haase 272; Bill Beverly and Martha Beverly 198.

#### RECESS

Kathy Kaiser called the class to order leading 29t. Leaders: Jon Pearson and Sue Pearson 368; Lou Kujawinski and Penny Kujawinski 180; Becky Browne and Gary Gronau 192; Peter Bradley 87; Karen Freund and Jerry Enright 370; Charlie Derleth 38b; Ginny Landgraf and Rochelle Lodder 505; James Page and Jeremy Phillips 351; Jeanette Lowry 314; Bill Caldwell 189; Alice Moran 107; Julie Vea 218; Johanna Fabke 384; Michael Moore and Steven Metcalf-Conte 296; Henry Schuman 457 (by request).

Chairlady Kathy Kaiser led 347 as the closing song. Dave Gardner offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Kathy Kaiser; Secretary—Henry Schuman.

## HOPEWELL HOMECOMING

Oneonta, Alabama

June 12-13, 2004

Saturday, June 12

The fifty-eighth session of the annual Hopewell Homecoming Sacred Harp singing was called to order at 9:15 a.m. by Terry Hullett leading 129 and 40. Elder Philip Gilmore offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 63; Jewel Wootten, Terry Hullett, and Gene Wootten 203 (in memory of Freeman Wootten, his 83rd birthday); Stanley Edwards 384, 385b; Doug Conn 273, 300; Ed Thacker 204, 205; Willie Mae Moon 224, 225t; S.T. Reed 337, 338; Henry Johnson 138t, 138b; Allison Ivey 425, 285t; Carlene Griffin 155, 448t; Calvin Phillips 406.

#### RECESS

The singing resumed with Terry Hullett leading 37b.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Chris Green; Secretaries—Paula Gilmore and Jewel Wootten; Arranging Committee—Terry Hullett; Memorial Committee—Linda Thomas and Elder Philip Gilmore.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 452; Chris Green 418, 147t; Richard Ivey 168, 32t; Charlene Wallace 217, 441; Shelbie Sheppard 440, 272; Hugh McGraw 37t, 545; Bridgett Hill 101t, 276; David Ivey 93, 98; Elder J.L. Hopper 556, 344; Homer Whitworth and Genora Whitworth 299, 318; Milton Oliver 176t, 176b.

#### RECESS

Chris Green brought the class to order leading 192. Leaders: Herby Bailey 565, 489; Harrison Creel 498, 530; Nate Green, Norma Green, and Ken Green 59, 36b; Judy Caudle 513; Velton Chafin 463, 521; Jeff Sheppard 492, 481; Betty Sue Johnson and Mary Ann Holmes 290 (in memory of their mother, Ruby Phillips), 45t (in memory

of their father, Virgil Phillips), 119; Brenda Merritt 110, 142, 137 (in memory of Virgil Phillips and Ruby Phillips).

#### LUNCH

Terry Hullett brought the afternoon session to order leading 569b and 340. Leaders: Jonathan Blakeley 111b, 29t; Glenda Hopper 313t, 143; John Merritt “Nettie”, 274b; Pam Green 274t, 111t; John Etheridge 51; Elder Philip Gilmore 312b, 213t; Vella Dailey 84, 141; Linda Thomas 39t, 350; Paula Gilmore, Rebecca Gilmore, and Grace Gilmore 145b, 270 (in memory of Roie Alexander); Rev. Jimmy Wadsworth 218.

Announcements were made. Terry Hullett and Chris Green led 48t as the closing song. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, June 13

Terry Hullett brought the class to order at 9:45 a.m. leading 32t. Elder Philip Gilmore offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 68b (for Aubrey Reeves and Audrey Reeves); Chris Green 144, 75, 388; Jewel Wootten 72b, 147b; Doug Conn 35, 67; Willie Mae Moon 225t, 441; Calvin Phillips 490; Stanley Edwards 58, 61; Frank Hattaway 290, 348b; Gene Wootten 448b; Gene Wootten and Rod Ivey 486t (WB) (for Ronnie Meadows); Homer Whitworth and Genora Whitworth 81t, 171.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Chris Green leading 176b. Leaders: Rod Ivey 159, 475; Hershell King 426t, 97; John Etheridge 460; Jarrod George 59, 300; Brenda Merritt 434; Pam Green 79, 87; Nate Green and Norma Green 435, 60, 145b (for Bud Oliver and Sammie Oliver); Harrison Creel 512, 111b; John Merritt “Munfordville”, “Nettie.”

Linda Thomas and Elder Philip Gilmore conducted the memorial lesson. Linda Thomas read the names of the deceased which included: Lamar Smith, Dennis Phillips, J.C. Hardin, Ethel Hill Adams, Zelma Harcrow, and Susan McKathan. Elder Philip Gilmore and Linda Thomas led 47b in their memory. Betty Sue Johnson led 143 in memory of Dennis Phillips, son of Calvin and Annie Phillips, who died on March 3, 2004.

Terry Wootten led 369 for the sick and shut-ins which included: Eldora Green Moody, Bill Green, Buefa Green, Martha Woodard, Flora Phillips, Christine Hill, Aubrey Reeves, Bud Oliver, and Ronnie Meadows. Chris Green closed the memorial with prayer.

#### LUNCH

Terry Hullett brought the afternoon session to order leading 203. Leaders: Lela Crowder and Dana Borrelli 106, 42 (for Bud Oliver); Cindy Tanner and Flarce Creel 389, 269; Paula Gilmore and Philip Gilmore 29t, 39t, 47t, 48t; Jackie Tanner 138t, 89; Jenny Wootten Mann 452, 148; Buell Cobb 303, 131b; Terry Wootten 93, 428, 501 (CB); Katrina Holmes 137 (in memory of Virgil Phillips), 517 (WB); class “Mercy Seat”; Linda Thomas and Jordan Ratliff 282; Amanda Denson and April Watkins (6 weeks old, daughter of Bob and Mercy Watkins), 276, 186; Cassie Holmes 100, 101t; Rodney Ivey 532 (for Edit Tate); John Merritt “Nothing But The Blood”; Jenny Mann “Sweet Beulah Land.”

Announcements were made. Terry Hullett, Chris Green, and Philip Gilmore led 62 as the closing song. Elder Philip Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Terry Hullett; Vice Chairman—Chris Green; Secretaries—Paula Gilmore and Jewel Wootten.

## ALPHARETTA MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Alpharetta, Georgia  
Sunday, June 13, 2004

The one hundred thirty-sixth annual session was held at the Alpharetta Municipal Building in Alpharetta, Georgia on the second Sunday in June. Chairman Richard DeLong brought the class to order leading 65. Reuben Ball offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Chairman Richard DeLong 101t, 72b, 49t, 37b; Janice Paulk 274b, 75, 275b; Reuben Ball 490, 497, 74b; Helen Bryson 68b, 176, 72; Scott DePoy 36b, 339 (in memory of his mother, Barbara DePoy), 102; Laura Ackerman 510, 501, 224.

### RECESS

Richard DeLong called the class to order leading 168. Leaders: Violet Thomason 189, 112, 343; Mike Castleberry 82 (in memory of Dolly Hudgins), 100; Cathy White 503, 270, 148; Martha Ann Stegar 99, 268 (for her daughter Lisa Sipp); Rachael Carlisle 145t, 145b; John Plunkett 144, 43 (in memory Kenneth DeLong and Doris DeLong), 175; Jeannette DePoy 384 (in memory of Horace DeLong), 34t (in memory of Kenneth DeLong), 142.

### LUNCH

Richard DeLong called the afternoon session to order leading 47t and 81t. Leaders: Deborah Gross 448b, 335, 445; Faye Holbrook 67, 380, 45t; Dianne Walls 86, 496, 66; Judy Mincey 448t, 410t, 50b; Lee Rogers 229, 556, 475; Andy Morse 481, 313b, 203.

### RECESS

Janice Paulk called the class to order leading 337. Leaders: Helen Bryson 47b; Lucretia Franklin 153.

Richard DeLong and Jeannette DePoy conducted the memorial lesson. Richard DeLong led 285t for those who have passed away since last year: Robert Kendrick, Ben Brady, Bob Shivers, and Barbara DePoy.

Jeannette DePoy led 565 for the sick and shut-ins which include: Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, and Violet Thomason. John Plunkett closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

A business session was held for the purpose of electing officers for next year's session with the following elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Janice Paulk; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson.

Announcements were made. Helen Bryson led 358 for Ruth Wills. Richard DeLong led 288 as the closing song. Ruth Wills offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—Janice Paulk; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson.

## NEW HOPE MEMORIAL SINGING

East of Villa Rica, Georgia, off U.S. Hwy. 78  
Sunday, June 13, 2004

The New Hope Primitive Baptist Church Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held on the second Sunday in June. The class was called to order by Hugh McGraw leading 32t. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Hugh McGraw 64; Charlene Wallace 59, 87; Cindy Gray 76b, 114; Mary L. Smith 159 (for her granddaughter), 155 (for Teenie Moody); Felton Denney 77t, 47t, 31t; Jimmie Denney 46, 49t, 146; Reba Norton 61, 101t; Eunice Webb 30b, 340, 480; Josephine Denney 52t, 81t, 75.

### RECESS

Hugh McGraw reassembled the class leading 124. Leaders: Earlis McGraw 30t, 111b, 145t (for Gladys McGraw, who was the hospital); Lonnie Rogers 225t, 318; Cecil Roberts 335, 282, 235; Rita Haley 122, 128, 268; Lisa Webb 269, 542, 126; Nick Griffin 127, 164, 551; Oscar McGuire 445 (for Donald Carnes), 371, 171; Timothy Haley 479, 117, 384; Wesley Haley 30b, 49b, 45t.

#### LUNCH

Hugh McGraw called the class together for the afternoon session leading 145b. Leaders: Charlene Wallace 276, 299; Cindy Gray 358, 108b; Sheri Taylor 48t, 27, 85; Eunice Webb 283, 73b (for Alice Edwards, and in memory of Alonzo Edwards); Mary L. Smith 326 (in memory of Mozelle Sheppard), 29t; Rita Haley 460, 63; Oscar McGuire 336, 84; Josephine Denney 503, 405 (in memory of Everette Denney); Cecil Roberts 410t, 284 (for Bobby Jackson).

Announcements were made. Hugh McGraw led 97 as the closing song, and dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Hugh McGraw; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

### ALDRIDGE MEMORIAL

#### **Pleasant Hill (Johnson Schoolhouse), Fayette County, Alabama Sunday, June 13, 2004**

The annual Aldridge Memorial Singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairperson Elene Stovall leading 36b. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer.

Officers were: Chairperson—Elene Stovall; Vice Chairman—Max Berueffy; Secretary—Joan Aldridge; Arranging Committee—Amber Davis.

Leaders: Elene Stovall 217 (in memory of her father, D.M. Aldridge); Max Berueffy 205, 309; Joan Aldridge 388 (in memory of her father, Robert Aldridge), 222; Amber Davis 389, 192; John Hyde 43, 124; Olivia Hill 30t, 335; Wilton Donaldson 229, 490; Marlen Rust 66, 29t; Richard Mauldin 168, 358; Willodean Barton 498, 416; Tom George 300, 155; Elizabeth Keeton 235; Earl Ballinger 500, 530; Bethanne Hill and Esme Hill 101t, 503.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Max Berueffy leading 166. Leaders: Travis Keeton 400, 44; Lena Keeton 200, 434; Fred Killingsworth, Jr. 457; Judy Caudle 227, 177; David Rust 56b, 101b; Allison Davis 436, 270; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Margaret Keeton 97; Gravis Ballinger 112, 91; Sarah Smith 318, 61; Glenn Keeton 504; Glenn Keeton and Toney Smith 278t; Elene Stovall 216 (for all the sick and shut-ins).

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Joan Aldridge leading 189. Leaders: Shirley McRae 155; Larry Ballinger 151, 224; Toney Smith 225t, 475; Johnny Humber 268, 283; Lisa Geist 428, 272; Dennis George 558; Josie Hyde 507; Clarence McCool 203, 349; Beth O'Dell 186, 442; Milton Oliver 314; Bridgett Hill 276, 383; Chris Ballinger 350, 410t; Joyce Hubbert 209, 81; Ottis Sides 480, 144; Kermit Adams 277, 384; David Rust 327, 182; Marlen Rust 313, 133; Steve Rutledge 294.

Announcements were made. Elene Stovall, Max Berueffy, and Joan Aldridge led 46 as the closing song. Fred Killingsworth dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairperson—Elene Stovall; Vice Chairman—Max Berueffy; Secretary—Joan Aldridge.

**NATIONAL SACRED HARP CONVENTION**  
**Trinity United Methodist Church, Birmingham, Alabama**  
**June 17-19, 2004**  
**Thursday, June 17**

The twenty-fifth session of the National Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by Chairman Buell Cobb who greeted everyone and led 52t. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mark Davis 61; Kathy Williams 108t; Berkley Moore 123b; Jesse Roberts 495; Mike Hinton 146; Don Bowen 97; Dan Huger 86; John Redman 236; Sharon Nelson 84; Pat Temple 72b; Cassie Franklin 74t; Judy Mincey 475; Warren Steel 440.

**RECESS**

The class was called together by Mark Davis. Leaders: Helen Brown 203; Alice Gatlin 179; Natalie Davis 354b; Riley Lee 300; Julianna Jett 108b; Mary Elizabeth Lee 192.

A business session was held with the following officers elected and committees appointed: Chairman—Buell Cobb; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Kathy Williams; Chaplain—Elder Jesse Roberts; Arranging Committee—Cassie Franklin, Anne Kazlauskas, Dan Huger, Berkley Moore, Helen Brown, and Rosemary Greenaway; Resolutions Committee—Pat Temple, Janet Fraembs, and Marlin Beasley; Finance Committee—Don Bowen, John Redman, Dennis O'Brien, and Jim Helke; Memorial Committee—Sharon Nelson, Ginnie Ely, and Mike Hinton.

Leaders: Tim and Mako Cook 347; Travis Keeton 129; Stephen Shearon 85; Dave Richardson 204; Judy Caudle 121; Harrison Creel 317; Dennis O'Brien 287.

**RECESS**

The class was brought back together by Kathy Williams with 81t. Leaders: David Rust 291; Bernard Collard 28b; Brenda Dean 417; Bufrey Dean 408; Gary Smith 569b; Henry Bizzell 34b; Henry McGuire 365; Jeff Sheppard 439; Wanda Capps, Ann Jett, and Flarce Creel 299; Kurt Davis 45t; Kathleen Traywick 348b; Uel Freeman 64; Clarence McCool 535; Jim Carnes 436. J.L. Hopper offered the blessing on the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

The class was brought back together by Cassie Franklin leading 89. Leaders: Anne Kazlauskas 207; J.L. Hopper 438; Jim Helke 457; April Dell 49b; Stephen Marini 250; Ginnie Ely 546; Jessica Altman and Micah Roberts 200; Elene Stovall 142; Charlene Wallace 171; Ila Ingle 434; Bob Parr 112; Louise Holland 273; Bridgett Hill 383; Andy Anderson 28t; Shelbie Sheppard 183; Rosemary Greenaway 384; Lela Crowder 430; Martha Beverly 56b; Andrew Snyder 216; Daphene Causey 198.

**RECESS**

The class was called back by Buell Cobb leading 303. Leaders: Mary L. Smith 388; Bobby Watkins 282; Julie Lee 82t; Frank Strickland 339; Anita Buswell 73b; Kennon Smith 268; Lee Rogers 390; Cheryl Foreman 328; Cathryn Baker 222; Anne Chalker 147t; Julietta Haynes 298; Henry Johnson 45b.

Buell Cobb and Mark Davis closed the day of singing with 46 as the final song. The closing prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

**Friday, June 18**

Chairman Buell Cobb led 75 to open Friday's session. The morning prayer was offered by Elder Jesse Roberts.

Leaders: Mark Davis 36b; Kathy Williams 110; Jesse Roberts 316; Cassie Franklin 182; Helen Brown 542; Berkley Moore 378b; Dan Huger 137; Anne Kazlauskas 61; Rosemary Greenaway 503; Janet Fraembs 91; Marlin Beasley 498; Don Bowen 145b;



John Redman 349; Jim Helke 327; Dennis O'Brien 304; Mike Hinton 543; Sharona Nelson 107; Ginnie Ely 196.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with David Ivey leading 129. Leaders: Ivalene Donaldson and Wilton Donaldson 335; Vernelle Amason 143; Marlen Rust 29t; Bill Hogan 171; Robert Stoddard 193; Bill Stewart 480; Shirley Berrey 373; Amber Davis 532; Becky Briggs 460; Charles McCravy 176b; Charles Kitchens 205; Virginia Douglas 49b; Willie Mae Moon 383; Lyra O'Brien 538; Martha Wesley 397; Louis Hughes, Jr. 112; Riley Lee 164; Jennifer Allred 183; Natalie Davis 345t; Mary Elizabeth Lee 300; Marilyn Burchett 108b; Jane Zanichkowsky 362; Sandie Scott 472; Louis Hughes 403; Mary P. Wright 337; Brenda Pena 229; Carroll Lunsford 319; Mattie Townsel 317; Grace Scrimgeour 33b; Jewel Wootten 348b; Hubert Nall 566; Cora Sweatt 81t; Tim Reynolds 492; Danny Creel 269; Victoria Bolles 212; Robert Dove 344. The blessing was offered by Elder Bufrey Dean for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Cassie Franklin led 167 to call the class back to order. Leaders: David Yeager 240; Earl Ballinger 187; Ashley Keeton 186; Richard Ivey 222; Floy Wilder 227; Amanda Denson 142; David Carlton 272; Rodney Ivey 328; Tommie Spurlock 565; Nancy Reid 473; Gaston White 236; Sarah Smith 290; Andrew Snyder 245; Coy Ivey 384; Stanley Smith 273; Andrew Farris 178; Walter Hartley 452; Eugene Forbes 155.

#### RECESS

Buell Cobb led 294 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Lomax Ballinger 168; George Pomfret 163b; April Dell 268; Lance Phillips 358; Phillip Gilmore 68b; Richard Schmeidler 474; Morgan Bunch and Sue Bunch 485; John Plunkett 486; Lou Cotney 218; Eleanor Soler 277; Nancy Van Den Akker 499; Bobbie Goodell 135; Rick Johnston 392; Wanda Gregg 40; Linda Thomas 556; Ann Ballard 408; David Richardson 389.

Mark Davis and Buell Cobb led 323t to close the day's session. Elder Jesse Roberts dismissed the class with prayer.

### **Saturday, June 19**

Saturday's session was opened by Chairman Buell Cobb leading 31b. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Mark Davis 38b; Kathy Williams 208; Jesse Roberts 329; Helen Brown 411; Anne Kazlauskas 280; Rosemary Greenaway 480; Janet Fraembs 74b; Marlin Beasley 47b; Don Bowen 59; Jim Helke 523; Dennis O'Brien 228; Rodney Ivey 282 (for 35 visiting children from Belarus, who stood in the square to hear the song); Ginnie Ely 454; Pat Temple 232; Richard Mauldin 358.

#### RECESS

David Carlton reconvened the class leading 101t. Leaders: Phillip Langley 430; John Merritt 312t; Nell Estes 192; Seth Holloway 274t; Karen Rollins 34b; John Redman 39t; Judy Mincey 50b; Leon Ballinger 99; Evelyn Harris and B.J. Harris 155; Stephen Shearon 213t; Judy Caudle 148; Linton Ballinger 306.

#### RECESS

David Richardson led 88t to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Bernard Collard 362; Gary Smith 565.

Mike Hinton conducted the memorial lesson, and commented that his dad died on May 3rd at the age of 91, after having lived a great life. He loved God, his family, his country, Sacred Harp, and was here at this convention last year. He was a World War II veteran, and was one of 1100 who died on May 3rd. If you know any veterans, thank them for the service they gave this country.

I want to tell you a little story about Sam, our almost 5-year-old grandson. Our daughter and Sam came to Alabama for the celebration we had for Dad. Sam's mom

wanted to prepare him for Grandpa not being in Jasper. So she said, "Grandpa died, and he's in heaven with Jesus and the angels." Sam's reply was, "Can I go see him?" That's all he said. A few days later, Sam and his mom were going to daycare in the car, and Sam was talking about Alabama. He said, "That's where Grandpa lives." His mom said, "Sam, Grandpa died, and he's in heaven now." Sam was quiet for a little bit, and he said, "He can walk now." Then he paused a little longer and said, "Do you think Jesus kissed him?" Do you think Jesus kissed him? What a wonderful, peace-giving thought. The more I think of that question, the more I think that Jesus does receive our dear singers, our family members, and our friends with a kiss. And in that instant, bodies are made well, eyes are clear, hearing is perfect, minds are whole. Isn't that a beautiful thought, and isn't this what we sing about?

I'll now read the names of the singers, family, and friends lost since we last gathered: Susan McKathan, Donald Smith, Virginia Easter, G.L. Hinton, Willie Caroline Denson, A.A. Malone, Elvin Guthrie, Mavis Price, Christal Crocker, Lanie Shelton, Lamar Smith, Erskine Vandegrift, Elsie Sweatt, Oscar Jones, Martha Ellis, and Walter Gurley—Alabama; Betty Haas—Arkansas; Doris Morganson—Connecticut; Darrell Beasley, Robert Kendrick, and Ben Brady—Georgia; Marian Mahler Wilson Evans—Iowa; Anthony Jefferson and Robert Sanders—Illinois; Barbara Kamar—Massachusetts; Alma Alley, W.T. Wortham, Ruth Wortham, and Virgil Wise—Mississippi; Jeanette Soloil—Missouri; Ruth Pomfret—Pennsylvania; Walter Wade—Tennessee; Cecelia Hauff—South Dakota; Jack Whitehead—Texas; Jay Pace—Virginia. Mike Hinton, Ginnie Ely, and Sharona Nelson led 418 for the deceased.

Sharona Nelson led 340 for the sick and shut-ins. Mike Hinton closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Tony Hammock 448b; Jessica Altman 181; Dorothea McCowan 196; Bob Parr 297; Cathryn Baker 318; Louise Holland 144; Lela Crowder 82t; Bobby Watkins 460; Cheryl Foreman 547; Julietta Haynes 218; Bob Goodman 551. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class reconvened with Mark Davis leading 319. Leaders: Henry Johnson 70b; Daphne Causey 426b; Lyra O'Brien 313t; Herby Bailey 347; Linda Thomas 475; Robert Stoddard 53; Wanda Gregg 28b; Andrew Snyder 504; Rick Johnston 530; Bobbie Goodell 42; Nancy Van Den Akker 517; Virgel Campbell 46; Eleanor Soler 143; Carroll Lunsford 426t; Ila Ingle 436; Lou Cotney 222; Ann Ballard 57; Kurt Davis and Dustin McCowan 294.

#### RECESS

Louis Hughes brought the class back to order with 76b. Leaders: Morgan Bunch and Sue Bunch 122; Richard Schmeidler 254; Lance Phillips 445; Kate Merritt Davis 171; George Pomfret 350; Eugene Forbes 400; Larry Ballinger 220; Walter Hartley 24b; Natalie Davis, Micah Roberts, and Rodney Ivey 354b; Leah Commer 159; Gaston White 66; Amanda Denson 300; Mary Wright 145b; Robert Dove 84; Grace Scrimgeour 48t; John Plunkett 398.

A business session was held for the purpose of hearing reports from the committees. The Finance Committee thanked the convention for contributions that were sufficient to cover expenses.

The Resolutions Committee gave the following report. Be it resolved by this, the 25th National Sacred Harp Convention, give thanks unto the Lord, who has so generously provided us with good food and good singing. We thank the following:

- Officers of this convention for all their hard work and devotion to the spirit of Sacred Harp.
- Arranging Committee whose expertise has made the singing flow seamlessly.

- Finance Committee for their tireless efforts to keep this convention afloat financially.
- Memorial Committee for a very moving tribute.
- The wonderful cooks whose talents have nourished our bodies that we might sing to the glory of God.
- Not to be forgotten are all those silent singers whose support behind the scenes is vital to Sacred Harp.

We especially thank the Birmingham Convention and Visitors Bureau for its continued support through the years.

The Secretary gave the following report: 665 people from 27 states, the United Kingdom, Belarus, and Kenya registered during the convention. There were 165 leaders who led 250 songs. The numbers by states and countries: Alabama—590; Georgia—38; Tennessee—24; Massachusetts—13; Mississippi—10; Illinois—6; Texas—5; Florida—5; Virginia—3; Louisiana—3; Arkansas—3; Indiana—3; North Carolina—3; South Carolina—2; New York—2; California—1; Colorado—1; Michigan—1; Maryland—1; Delaware—1; Rhode Island—1; New Jersey—1; Minnesota—1; Oklahoma—1; Maine—1; New Hampshire—1; Missouri—1; United Kingdom—4; Belarus—35; Kenya—1.

A motion was made and carried to accept the reports and add them to the minutes. The business session was closed.

The officers led 62 as the traditional closing song of the convention, and those who wished took the parting hand. Chaplain Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Buell Cobb; Vice Chairman—Mark Davis; Secretary—Kathy Williams.

## **MOORE, GRAVES, AND CALVERT MEMORIAL SINGING** **Addington Chapel, Cullman, Alabama** **Saturday, June 19, 2004**

The annual singing of the Moore, Graves, and Calvert Memorial was held at Addington Chapel in Cullman, Alabama on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. Danny Creel called the class to order leading 30t. Butch White offered the morning prayer. Danny Creel greeted everyone and led 89.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Emily Creel; Arranging Committee—Billy Williams.

Leaders: Warren Steel 131t, 131b; Ivalene Donaldson 129; Hershell King 235, 97; Uel Freeman 388, 64; David Roberson 222, 274t; Martha Beverly 171, 430; Randell Sanderson 108t; Clarence McCool 349, 490; Flarce Creel 475.

### **RECESS**

Harrison Creel called the class to order leading 460. Leaders: Travis Keeton 392; Max Berueffy 470; Elizabeth Keeton 34b; Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton 335; Butch White and Kenny Graves 33b; Ann Jett 327; Jackie Tanner 318; Cassie Franklin 456; Ottis Sides 530; Wanda Capps 36b; Emily Creel 217; Brenda Merritt 542; Corene White 216; Elsie Moon 394, 202; Bridgett Hill 99; Amber Davis 224; Linda Sides 480; Marie Guthrie 220; Eldagene Roberson 215; Brenda Pena 569t; Edith Tate 35; Cindy Tanner 436; Willodean Barton 63; Jennifer Allred 455; Velton Chafin 494.

### **LUNCH**

Danny Creel called the afternoon session to order leading 313t and 76b. Leaders: Rachel Allred 457; Seth Allred 155; Will Allred 196, 401; Martha Beverly 299; Bridgett Hill 276; Amber Davis 47b; Uel Freeman 146; Warren Steel 411; Jennifer Allred, Will Allred, and Rachel Allred 300; Elsie Moon, Flarce Creel, and Marie

Guthrie 77t, 73t; Cassie Franklin 358 (by request); Susan Allred 112, 56t; Will Allred 45t; Emily Creel and Jackie Tanner 172; Butch White 31t; Seth Allred 340; Clarence McCool 565; Cindy Tanner 198; Cindy Tanner and Kenny Graves 434. Announcements were made. Danny Creel led 46 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Emily Creel.

## EXETER SINGING

### Exeter Friends Meetinghouse, Exeter, Berks County, Pennsylvania Saturday, June 19, 2004

The Exeter all day Sacred Harp Singing was held at the Exeter Friends Meetinghouse in Exeter, Berks County, Pennsylvania on Saturday before the third Sunday in June. Chairman Ted Stokes led 46, and then extended a welcome to all the singers. In the manner of Friends, a brief period of silence was observed. Leaders: Laura Densmore 107; Guy Bankes 77b; Molly Sayvetz 171; Roland Hutchinson 28t; Susan Bingham 155; John Puskar 146; Kelly Macklin 26; Doron Henkin 564; Gina Balestracci 28b; John delRe 207; Claire Simon 358; Ina Henkin 71; Leyland delRe 300; Aldo Ceresa 148; Anne Broome 39t; Debbie Barford 142; Ted Stokes 37b; Laura Densmore 344; Guy Bankes 351; Molly Sayvetz 66; Roland Hutchinson 250; Susan Bingham 454.

#### RECESS

The class was reassembled by Leyland delRe leading 50. Leaders: John Puskar 178; Kelly Macklin 291; Erin Kelly 481; Doron Henkin 271 t; Gina Balestracci 29t; John delRe 445; Claire Simon 270; Ina Henkin 162; Leyland delRe 179; Aldo Ceresa 375; Anne Broome 277; Debbie Barford 547; Mairi Quodomine 117; Carly Goss 440; Ted Stokes 48t; Laura Densmore 39t; Guy Bankes 474; Molly Sayvetz 120; Roland Hutchinson 524; Susan Bingham 542. Ted Steinruck offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Susan Munch leading 155. Leaders: Kelly Macklin 468; John Puskar 84; Erin Kelly 68b; Doron Henkin 208; Gina Balestracci 387; John delRe 113; Claire Simon 122; Ina Henkin 385b; Leyland delRe 69t; Aldo Ceresa 335; Anne Broome 106; Debbie Barford 215; Mairi Quodomine 133; Carly Goss 224; Ted Stokes 294; Laura Densmore 201; Guy Bankes 455; Roland Hutchinson 112; Susan Bingham 340; John Puskar 276; Kelly Macklin 444; Erin Kelly 56b.

#### RECESS

Aldo Ceresa called the class to order leading 299. Leaders: Doron Henkin 282; Carol Myers 49t; Gina Balestracci 430; John delRe 144; Claire Simon 504; Ina Henkin 106; Leyland delRe 222; Aldo Ceresa 448t; Anne Broome 457; Debbie Barford 193; Mairi Quodomine 268; Carly Goss 4Tb; Ted Stokes 125; Laura Densmore 89; Guy Bankes 350; Roland Hutchinson 47; Susan Bingham 155; Carol Myers 347. John delRe led 62 as the closing song. In the manner of Friends, the class was dismissed after a brief period of silent prayer. Chairman -Ted Stokes; Secretary—Guy Bankes.

**ZION HILL HOMECOMING (COOER BOOK)**  
**South of Henderson, Texas**  
**Sunday, June 20, 2004**

The Zion Hill Homecoming picnic and Sacred Harp singing was held on the third Sunday in June. John Morris brought the singing to order leading 58. Kyle Ross, pastor of Zion Hill Church, led in prayer.

Leaders: Charlie Vaughn 507b, 513b; Marion Grant 68t,470; Monnie Ross 49t, 335; David Rousseau 82, 59; Ruby Morris 277, 171; Dalton Clanton 395, 47b; Robert Vaughn 418, 81; Joan Smith 176t, 127.

**RECESS**

John Morris brought the singing back to order leading 31t and 491. Leaders: Myrl Jones 571, 491; Sharon Stephenson 274, 45t; Tina Walston 573, 522; John Morris 38t.

The memorial lesson was held. Robert Vaughn led 496t. David Rousseau called out the names of those that were buried in the cemetery in the last year, and also those singers and supporters of Sacred Harp who passed a way in the last year.

**LUNH**

John Morris brought the singing back to order leading 29b. Leaders: Charlie Vaughn 63, 549; Monnie Ross 119, 367; Marion Grant 358, 344; Ruby Morris 572, 515; Dalton Clanton 488b, 449; Robert Vaughn 67, 224.

**RECESS**

John Morris brought the singing back to order leading 108b. Leaders: Joan Smith 61, 507b; Connie Stanton 489, 563; Myrl Jones 332, 300; Sharon Stevenson 502; David Rousseau 282, 283; Tina Walston 497, 127; Emmie Morris and Melodie Bourassa 47t; Emmie Morris 543; Connie Stanton 574. Robert Vaughn closed the singing with prayer.

Chairman—John Morris; Secretary—Emmie Morris.

**HOPEWELL PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Roopville (near Ephesus), Georgia**  
**June 20, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing was held on the third Sunday in June at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Roopville, near Ephesus, Georgia. This singing has been held on this same date for more than 100 years. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Lonnie Rogers leading 75. John Plunkett led 52t and 49t; Jeff Sheppard led 81t and 109. The opening prayer was offered by John Plunkett.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Denney Rogers; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Karen Rollins; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace; Memorial Committee—Sherry Lovvorn, Josephine Denney, and Chuck White.

Leaders: David Richardson 32t, 39t; Felton Denney 387, 523; Karen Rollins 143, 489; Don Bowen 40, 155; Eunice Webb 426t, 426b; Jimmie Denney 101t, 87; Sheri Taylor 349, 440; Tommy McGraw 138t, 475; George Garner 186; Carlene Griffin 70t, 77b; Earlis McGraw 284, 132.

**RECESS**

Philip Denney brought the class back to order leading 27. Leaders: Dylan Denney 178; Melinda Snow 163b, 551; Cecil Roberts 335, 303; Floy Wilder 373, 297; Oscar McGuire 344, 573; Lela Crowder 110, 111b; Bob Parr 288, 546; Lisa Webb and Laura Frey 430, 300; Louis Hughes 176t; Sharona Nelson 384; Donna Bell 142, 192; Rick Johnson 392, 274b; Helen Brown 278t, 556.

Chuck White, Treasurer of the Hopewell Cemetery Committee, gave his report, and stated that the church has two CDs that are for \$22,535.67 and \$40,901.22. The latter is a recent addition from the will of Bennie Traylor Jackson. There are checking accounts at First Georgia Bank that are used for the church and its grounds, and for the cemetery. Glenn Garrett has recently cleaned the cemetery and its tombstones for \$850. The total amount in checking and savings is \$68,738.62. Chuck White thanked Lonnie Rogers for all the work that he had done for the church, and noted that Lonnie has an abiding love for the place. After this report, the singing was dismissed for lunch. Rev. Gerald Rogers gave the prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Chairman Denney Rogers brought the afternoon session to order leading 112 and 100. Kathy Williams led 171 and 318.

The memorial lesson was held. The Lonnie Rogers children (Karen Rollins, Karleen Williams, Paige Harrod, Sherry Lovvorn, and Denney Rogers) led 405 for the deceased: Mozelle Sheppard, Estelle Flowers, Mina Prince, Harold Jackson, and Kate Daniel—Georgia; Alonzo Edwards and Gladys Simmons—Alabama.

The children of N.E. Denney (Felton Denney, Jimmie Denney, Max Denney, and Eris Muse) led 77t for the sick and shut-ins which included: Richard DeLong, Bobby Jackson, Casey Brown, and Dorsey Denney.

Chuck White spoke about how much the deceased meant to us, and he asked that we not forget our roots. He noted the joy he sees in the faces of singers. The memorial lesson was closed with prayer led by Jeff Sheppard.

Leaders: Shelbie Sheppard 29b, 505; Bobby Watkins 76b, 480; Lyra O'Brien 214, 101b; Louis Hughes, Jr. 138b; Nancy Reid 86, 147t; Dennis O'Brien 353, 339; Ann Kazlauskas 201, 228; Josephine Denney and Renita Folds 45t, 358; Seth Denney, Lee Denney, Dylan Denney, and Philip Denney 84, 120; Mildred Patterson 111t, 319; Louise Holland 137, 37b; Charlene Wallace 347.

Announcements were made. Lonnie Rogers, Denney Rogers, and Karen Rollins led 343 as the closing song. Louis Hughes offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Denney Rogers; Vice Chairman—Philip Denney; Secretary—Karen Rollins.

### **MACEDONIA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING**

#### **Section, Alabama**

#### **Sunday, June 20, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp Singing held at Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in June was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Dennis George leading 82t and 59. Dan Haynes offered the morning prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed:

Chairman—Dennis George; Vice Chairman—Jarrod George; Arranging Committee/Secretary—Sandra Jordan.

Leaders: Sandra Jordan and Ruth Haynes "Sing with the Angels", 490; Charles Stiefel 335, 141; Sarah Jenkins 37b, 101t; David Ivey 461,134; Shane Wootten 110,123t; Jackson Harcrow 35, 43; Joel Jenkins 68b, 155; Rodney Ivey 47t, 56t; Bud Oliver 39b; Milton Oliver 176t; Henry Johnson 29b, 539; Ed Thacker 275b, 77b;

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Dennis George leading 81t. Leaders: Kathy James 542, 30b; Donna Wootten 76b, 274t; Elene Stovall 172, 222; Joan Aldridge 200, 546; Bridgett Hill 290, 40; S.T. Reed 103, 64; Dennis George, Sandra Jordan, and Ruth Hancock 45t (in memory of our beloved L.O. Harper who passed away in February,

2004); Marty Wootten 164; Susan Harcrow, David Varner, and Melanie Varner 72b, 63; Pat Temple 481, 27. The blessing on the noon meal was offered by David Varner.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Dennis George leading 32 and 276. Leaders: Mary Wright 71, 114; Loretta Smith 348b, 452; Margaret Thacker 564, 303; Mark Brown 492 (WB), "Sweet Beulah Land"; Dan Haynes "When I've Traveled My Last Mile"; Norma Green and Nate Green 388; Pallie Nix 501 (CB), 491b (WB); Eloise Wootten 448t; Jack Stiefel 36b; Coy Ivey 486t (WB); Tommy George 354, 300; Jimmy Haynes and Russell Varner 159, 480; Rodney Ivey 358; Bridgett Hill 383; Shane Wootten 511 (JB); Ed Thacker 321; Henry Johnson 166; Pat Temple 195; Dennis George and Dan Haynes "I Cannot Find My Way Alone." After announcements were made, S.T. Reed offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dennis George; Vice Chairman—Jarrod George; Secretary—Sandra Jordan.

### **CLIFFORD WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL King School House (Mt. Vernon Baptist Church), Natural Bridge, Alabama Sunday, June 20, 2004**

The ninety-sixth session of the annual Sacred Harp singing was held at Mt. Vernon Baptist Church in Natural Bridge, Alabama on the third Sunday in June. The singing is held as a memorial to Clifford Wakefield. The class was brought to order by Travis Keeton leading 48t. Velton Chafin offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 99.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Hyde; Secretary—Debbie Wakefield; Arranging Committee—Faye Donaldson and Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 127; Faye Donaldson 225t, 138t; Leon Ballinger 313b, 323b, 278t; Debbie Wakefield 430, 426b; Ivalene Donaldson 42, 77t; Ginnie Ely 313t, 389, 328; Kermit Adams 384, 78; Lisa Geist 120, 182, 546; Stella Pratt 318, 137, 75; Ozella Blackmon 282.

#### RECESS

Travis Keeton brought the class back to order leading 499. Leaders: Kathryn Eastburn 45t, 49t; Clarence McCool 503, 569b, 490; Brenda Merritt 319, 163; Linton Ballinger 146, 144; Willodean Barton 498, 314, 480; Velton Chafin 487, 175, 68b; the family of the late Sim and Catherine Wakefield (Cecil Wakefield, Wayne Wakefield, Wendell Wakefield, Larry Wakefield, Nadine Willis, Clara Stults, Julie Poston, Faye Donaldson, Helen Langston, Betty Baccus, Robert Mobley, and Alfie Mobley) 339, 333, 134, 159, 358.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Travis Keeton leading 47t. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 329, 177; Roma Rice 64, 104; Wilton Donaldson 565, 317; Margaret Keeton 297, 517; Larry Ballinger 119, 121; Ila Ingle 500, 530; Warren Steel 201, 209, 206; Latrivi Bailey 354b, 517 (WB); Josie Hyde 43, 477, 507; Cecil Wakefield 79, 153, 294; Betty Baccus 408, 426t; Helen Langston 391, 505 (CB); Wendell Wakefield 421, 108b; Larry Wakefield 282, 37b.

Travis Keeton led 284 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Hyde; Secretary—Debbie Wakefield.

**SALEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama**  
**Saturday, June 26, 2004**

The third session of the annual singing at Salem United Methodist Church in Cedar Bluff, Cherokee County, Alabama was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. Henry Johnson brought the class to order leading 135. Pastor Roger Wilson offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized and voted to retain the following officers: Chairman—Henry Johnson; Vice Chairman—Jeffery Richardson; Secretary—Ceil Morrison; Chaplain—Roger Wilson; Welcoming Committee—Gayle Richardson; Arranging Committee—Jim Morrison.

Leaders: Henry Johnson, Jeffery Richardson, Ceil Morrison 45t; Paul Figura 101t; Shelbie Sheppard 106; Shelbie Sheppard and Reba Windom 216; Samuel Sommers 112, 24b; Shane Wootten 345t, 560; Felton Denny 385b, 387; Reba Windom 171, 182; Linda Sides 192, 76b; Kiri Miller 411, 442; Andy Morse 522, 99; Annie Grieshop 40, 84; Dennis George 558; Shirley Figura 145b, 49b; Bud Oliver 73t, 343.

**RECESS**

Henry Johnson called the class back to order leading 88t. Leaders: Lonnie Rogers 225t, 348b; Margaret Thacker 33b, 426t; Teenie Moody 270, 148; Don Bowen 388, 276; Joanne Bowman 32t, 542; John Plunkett 541; John Plunkett and Christina Linklater 198; Tom George 128, 300; Eunice Webb 318, 30b; Louis Hughes 83t, 201; Nate Green and Norma Green 111b, 209.

Former pastor, Jack Gilbreath, offered prayer to bless the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Henry Johnson called the class back to order leading 570. Leaders: Jimmie Denny 480, 168; Betty Wright 97, 358; Scott DePoy 339, 410t; Cindy Tanner and Cassie Franklin 110, 272; Bridgett Hill 142, 384; B.J. Harris 503, 47t; Sandra Wilkinson 120, 289; Rodney Ivey 564, 354b; Lela Crowder 222; Lela Crowder and Reba Windom 224; Jesse Roberts 481, 33t; Evelyn Harris 155; Floy Wilder 432; S.T. Reed 410t, 123b; Charlene Wallace 392.

**RECESS**

Henry Johnson called the class back to order leading 129. Leaders: Denney Rogers 143; Ed Thacker 417, 456; Mary Smith 107, 186; Jeff Sheppard 299, 301; LaRue Allen 436; Jeanette DePoy 328; Janice Paulk 478, 75; Rachel Carlisle 145t.

Announcements were made. Henry Johnson led 45b as the closing song. Jessie Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Henry Johnson; Vice Chairman—Jeffery Richardson; Secretary—Ceil Morrison.

**ANNUAL OXFORD SACRED HARP SINGING DAY**  
**Seacourt Hall, Botley, Oxford, England**  
**Saturday, June 26, 2004**

The sixth Annual Oxford Sacred Harp Singing Day was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June. Chairman Edwin Macadam called the class to order at 10:15 a.m. leading 155. Bernard Collard offered the opening prayer.



Officers of the singing were: Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Secretary—Sheila Girling Macadam; Chaplains—Bernard Collard and Ken Baddley; Arranging Committee—Steve Fletcher and Margaret Gillanders; Memorial—Bernard Collard, Ken Baddley, and Adrian Bolge; Pitching—Rachel Jordan; Locating/signs—Tony Singleton; Food Co-ordination—Mary Bolge.

Leaders: Sheila Girling Macadam 28b; Tony Singleton 496; Rachel Jordan 474; Phil Tyler 56b; Ruth Steggle 82t; Bernard Collard 171; Catherine Tyler 493; Dave Richardson 75; Mandy Townsend 51; Margaret Gillanders 313b; Mick Verrier 217; Rosalind Oldham 312b; Steve Fletcher 269; Adrian Bolge 147t; Ros Clements 346; Ken Baddley 479; Caroline Edwards 178; Paul Setford 40; Sheila Girling Macadam 142; Edwin Macadam 280; Rachel Jordan 528.

#### RECESS

Tony Singleton called the class back to order leading 504. Leaders: Margaret Gillanders 39t; Bernard Collard 538; Catherine Tyler 430; Rex Armstrong 299; Ruth Steggle 447; Adrian Bolge 515; Mandy Townsend 229; Phil Tyler 436; Ros Clements 327; Dave Richardson 204; Caroline Edwards 48t; Mick Verrier “New England” (own composition); Paul Setford 31b; Steve Fletcher 36b. Ken Baddley led his own setting of Susanna Wesley’s Grace “Father, supply my ev’ry need” as the prayer before lunch.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order with Edwin Macadam leading 350. Leaders: Mick Verrier “Sedna” (own composition); Margaret Gillanders 186; Ruth Steggle 454; Phil Tyler 111b; Rosalind Oldham 66; Tony Singleton “Firm Hope” (own composition).

Bernard Collard conducted the memorial lesson, with Adrian Bolge reading the names of the deceased. Those remembered were: Colin Isted, Bob Copper, Anna Young (earlier the same day), Win Tyler, Wendle Smith, Tina Bowen, Mary Finch, Donald Smith (Alabama), Wynne Cussen, Olive Anderson, and Gladys Reynolds. Mandy Townsend led 490.

The sick and housebound were recalled by Ken Baddley. Those remembered were: James Oss, Hazel Walker, Alan Fitch, Ken Robinson, Joan Stocks, and Dave Swarbrick. Sheila Girling Macadam led 45t. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Rachel Jordan 497; Dave Richardson 473; Catherine Tyler 376; Paul Setford 273; Isabelle Walker 47b; Bernard Collard 228; Ros Clements 272; Adrian Bolge 72b; Caroline Edwards 49b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Ken Baddley leading “Keysoe” (own composition). Leaders: Rex Armstrong 417; Steve Fletcher 196; Phil Tyler 442; Ros Clements 501; Paul Setford 410; Catherine Tyler 318; Adrian Bolge 370; Caroline Edwards 86; Tony Singleton 163b; Mandy Townsend 480; Edwin Macadam 37b.

Announcements were made and invitations extended to other Sacred Harp singing events around the country. Sheila Girling Macadam and Edwin Macadam thanked all the officers, committees, and anyone who helped in any way to make this singing possible.

Sheila Girling Macadam led 347 as the closing song. Adrian Bolge offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Edwin Macadam; Secretary—Sheila Girling Macadam.

**OLD SONGS FOLK FESTIVAL**  
**Altamont, New York**  
**Saturday, June 26, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp book singing at Old Songs Folk Festival was held in the Sheep Barn at the County Fairgrounds on the last Saturday in June. Eric Bean called the class to order leading 48t. George Seiler offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Eric Bean 84; Guy Bankes 120; Ginny Huszagh 276; Michael Kaye 147t; Dick Levine 99; Will Thomas 455; Heather Klein 106; George Seiler 68b; Jim Ulrich 288; Anna Pfau 300; Sheila Kelley 474; Jean Seiler 217; Lucy Roberts 59; Sue Hengelsberg 479; John Redman and Susan Redman 347; Eric Bean 146; Guy Bankes 327; Ginny Huszagh 117; Michael Kaye 340; Deck Levine 49b.

Announcements were made. Chairman Eric Bean thanked the class and led 62 as the closing song. George Seiler led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Eric Bean; Secretary—Ginny Huszagh.

**SHADY GROVE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Winston County, Alabama**  
**June 26-27, 2004**

**Saturday, June 26**

The annual Sacred Harp singing on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in June at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church was called to order by Dawson Adams leading 77t. The morning prayer was led by Rodney Willard. Dawson Adams led 39t.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Dawson Adams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Arranging Committee—Margaret Keeton; Secretary—Roma Rice.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 48t, 57 (for Gladys Bonds); Kermit Adams 47b, 99; John Hyde 297, 313t; Roma Rice 30b, 314; Wilton Donaldson 490, 499; Kathy Vlach 32t, 40; Winell Sanders 225t; Stella Pratt 147t, 37b (for Corene White); Diane Mennella 27, 540; Karen Willard 148, 171; Virginia Douglas 49b, 155.

**RFCESS**

Kermit Adams called the class back to order with 78. Leaders: Stephen Metcalf-Conte 401; Amber Springfield 276, 192; Richard Schmeidler 287, 66; Patricia Mauldin 63, 45t; Jimmie Gilmore 43, 68b, Ivalene Donaldson 343; Arthur Gilmore 56t, 496; Richard Schmeidler 84, 474; Richard Mauldin 168 (in memory of Lebron Hinton and Willie Carolyn Denson), 358 (for his father, Dick Mauldin).

**LUNCH**

Travis Keeton called the class back to order with 129. Leaders: Jennifer Allred 203, 345b; Clarence McCool 569b, 565; Rachael Allred 216, 476; Velton Chaffin 467 (for John Hocutt), 494; Vernice Phillips 222, 112; Ryan Hale 159, 268; Will Allred 480, 87; Adam Ryan 40, 196; Caleb Allred 452, 274t, Seth Allred 36b.

**RECESS**

Dawson Adams called the class back to order with 47t. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 204 (in memory of his father, Belton Beasley), 318; Cecil Wakefield 208, 209; Betty Baccus 373 (for Roxie Keeton), 456; Carol Fannin 136; Mary Holcomb 278b, 421; Susan Allred 384, 434; Kenneth Fannin 170; Josie Hyde 200; Laura Hale 120, 138t. Dawson Adams and Travis Keeton led 75 as the closing song. Cecil Wakefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, June 27**

Chairman Dawson Adams opened the Sunday morning session leading 48t. Chris Bell offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Carla Morris 143, 145b; Nellie Alexander 317, 81t; Loretta Whitman 75, 59, 82t; Justin Keeton 29t, 168, 31b; Bradley Allen 546, 385b, 33b; Chris Bell 384, 282; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 89, 278b, 319, 24.

#### RECESS

Travis Keeton called the class back to order with 73t and 235. Leaders: Viola Young and Barbara Cooksey 155, 61, 517 (WB); Vernice Phillips 40; Emily Jones 388, 288, 83t; John Hyde 566, 43, 129; Azilee Adams 100, 337.

A memorial lesson was held for those who have passed away since last year. Roma Rice led 45t and 101t for the deceased: Oscar Jones, Tolbert Godsey, Ida Godsey (Illinois), Bruce Randolph, Clearcy Rutledge, Mavis Price, Elvin Guthrie, Thomas Whitman, and Danny Pace. The memorial lesson was concluded.

#### LUNCH

Kermit Adams called the class back to order with 309 and 285t. Leaders: Ila Ingle 87, 335; Lera Pollock 146, 175b, 179; Brenda Morris and Paula Morris 145t; Josie Hyde 74b; Christie Allen 47t, 48t; Cecil Wakefield 222, 134, 290; Viola Young and Brenda Cooksey 340, 108t, 294; Margaret Keeton 276, 410t (in memory of Tolbert Godsey); Stephen Metcalf-Conte 277; Dawson Adams and Stephen Metcalf-Conte 68b, 144. Dawson Adams and Travis Keeton led Page 131t and 59 as the closing songs. Chris Bell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Dawson Adams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Roma Rice.

### **DELONG AND ROBERTS MEMORIAL SINGING** **Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church, Dunwoody, Georgia** **Sunday, June 27, 2004**

The annual DeLong and Roberts Memorial Singing was held on the fourth Sunday in June at Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church in Dunwoody, Georgia. The singing was called to order by Chairman Richard DeLong leading 60. Elder Edward Cagle offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Richard DeLong 121; Matt DeLong 329, 111b; Jesse Roberts 149, 201; John Plunkett 200, 52t; Erica Hinton 501, 178; Andy Morse 538, 546; Cathy White 147t, 146; Matt Hinton 99, 163b; Ashley Roberts 47t, 474; Brady DeLong 61, 36b.

#### RECESS

Jesse Roberts called the class to order leading 33b. Leaders: Helen Bryson 456, 568; Reuben Ball 480, 569b; Andy Anderson 282, 31b; Annie Grieshop 72b, 344; Mike Castleberry 401, 515; Joanne Bowman 328, 101b; Ed Thacker 511, 175.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairmen—Jesse Roberts and Matt DeLong; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson.

#### RECESS

Matt DeLong called the class to order with 482. Leaders: Martha Ann Stegar 155, 85; Tony Hammock 303, 314.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Jeannette DePoy with comments on how we are all connected by this music going back 150 years. New Singers aren't connected but over time and with attending singings they too will feel the connection. She then led 387 for the deceased: Robert Kendrick, Barbara DePoy, Ben Brady, and Bob Shivers—Georgia; Joy Wheeler, Ed Lindsay, LeIla Lindsay, Nancy Gilbert, and all military who have died serving our country. Richard DeLong led 285t.

Jesse Roberts led 76b for the sick and shut-ins which include: Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, Violet Thomason, Nora Roberts, Kay Milling, Mildred Allen, and all wounded soldiers. Jesse Roberts closed the memorial with prayer.

Elder Edward Cagle welcomed everyone to Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church.

## LUNCH

Richard DeLong called the class to order with 349. Leaders: Raymond Hamrick 148, 225t; Laura Clausen 278b, 542; Ted Mercer 50t, 362; Jeannette DePoy 112, 411 (for Violet Thomason, who was listening via cell phone); Louis Hughes 384, 189 (for Violet Thomason); Janice Paulk 518, 448b; Micah Roberts 354b; Kiri Miller 376, 430; Henry Johnson 111t, 418; Jessica Altman 101t, 460; Morgan DeLong 73b, 388; Tom Malone 53, 106.

## RECESS

The class was called to order by Jesse Roberts leading 31t. Leaders: Bob Goodman 84, 479; Susan Roberts 45t, 40; Juanita Heyerman 290, 287; Keith Wannamaker 371, 159; Lucregia Franklin 153; Katie Moore 51, 72t; Frances Carnell 486, 195; Faye Holbrook 343, 455; Sandra Wilkinson 229, 274t; Elder Edward Cagle 306 (by request); Matt DeLong and Richard DeLong 34t.

Announcements were made. Richard DeLong, Matt DeLong, and Jesse Roberts led 62 for the closing song. Elder Edward Cagle offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairmen—Matt DeLong and Jesse Roberts; Secretary/Treasurer—Helen Bryson.

## **MT. LEBANON BAPTIST CHURCH Near Fayette, Alabama Sunday, June 27, 2004**

The annual singing held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist church on the fourth Sunday in June was called to order by Larry Ballinger leading 31b. Earl Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Leon Ballinger; Secretary—Johnny Humber; Arranging Committee—Gravis Ballinger and Buddy Ballinger.

Leaders: Larry Ballinger 89; Johnny Humber 208; Buddy Ballinger 176t; Amanda Ballinger 454; Gravis Ballinger 112; Julietta Haynes 200; Ivalene Donaldson 56t; Jimmy Ballinger 565; Charles Humber 480; Sherry Stover 155; David White 401; Bickett Howton 373; Reba Windom 196; Wilton Donaldson 32t; Will Thompson and David Ballinger 84; Edwin Ballinger 110; Coy Ivey 456; Emily West and Jill Ballinger 186; Paul Figura 510; Earl Ballinger 57; Rodney Ivey 382.

## RECESS

Leon Ballinger called the class back to order leading 490. Leaders: Wayne Baines 100; Jerry Jenkins and Jennifer Jenkins 108t; Miranda Gilbreath 441; Clayton Ezell 182; Richard Ivey 215; Albert Humber 176b; Coleman Berueffy 124; Tim Cook 511; Josh Ballinger 82t; Allison Ivey 273; Janet Litton 212; Velton Chafin 463; Lomax Ballinger 300; Amber Ballinger 400; Philip Ballinger 299.

## RECESS

Chris Ballinger and Johnny Mack Cooley called the class back to order with 45t. Leaders: Mike Ballinger, Barbara Cooley, and Diane Anderson 294; Beth O'Dell 216; Carol Robbins and Tory O'Dell 30t; Teresa Guyton 405; Drue Nelson, Anna Litton, and Alana Nelson 108t; Sam Sommers 422; John Merritt 312b; Karen Willard 128, 171; Martha Underwood 137; Max Berueffy 386; Joel Jenkins 101t; Shirley Figura 68b; Clarence McCool 569b; Beverly Nelson 343.

## LUNCH

Brenda Robbins called the afternoon session to order leading 217. Leaders: Brenda Merritt 163b; Dwayne Ballinger 340; Brooks Berueffy 332; Gordon Wilkinson 220; Amber Davis 442; Lela Crowder 272; Carol Lunsford 339; Turner Berueffy 79; Jarrod George 236; Richard Schmeidler 543; Judy Caudle 496; Tommy George 388;

Elene Stovall 436; Nate Green and Norma Green 170; Donna Wootten 76b; Loyd Ivey 424, 438; Cassie Franklin, Dalton Vines, and Ryan Vines 47b; Eloise Wootten 222; Willodean Barton 498; Sarah Jenkins 270; Ann Ballard 284.

## RECESS

Linton Ballinger called the class back to order leading 460. Leaders: Toney Smith 392; Joan Aldridge 475; David Ivey 278t; Dennis George 455; Shane Wootten 145t; Warren Steel 453; Buell Cobb 105; John Beasley 335; Martha Johnson 198; Lisa Geist 528; Martha Johnson 45t; Coy Ivey 384.

Larry Ballinger led 45b as the closing song. Leon Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Leon Ballinger; Secretary—Johnny Humber.

## **CAMP FASOLA** **Camp Lee, Anniston, Alabama** **June 28-July 2, 2004** **Monday, June 28**

7:30 p.m.—Class Singing

Jeff Sheppard opened the second annual session of Camp Fasola leading 32t. David Ivey then welcomed the group and noted that it was exciting to have so many present. There were 107 full-time campers, including counselors and teachers. Of this number, 54 were male and 53 female; there were 61 adults, 45 youth—of whom 29 were boys and 27 were girls—and one baby. Eighteen states and one province of Canada were represented.

Based on feedback from last year's campers, the camp program was changed slightly for 2004. The biggest change was that there were more teachers, who rotated through the classes rather than one teacher assigned to the youth and one assigned to the adults. The adults had also been divided into beginner and experienced classes, with campers choosing which class they wanted to attend. More opportunities for exercise were added, as well as more optional singing classes, and an opportunity for campers to share experiences starting new singings.

The question was asked how much noise a baby is allowed to make, and David replied that babies are a part of Sacred Harp. If a baby is drowning out teaching, maybe leave the room, but children are very much a part of Sacred Harp and should stay whenever possible.

John Plunkett led the first song, commenting that since so many denominations were present, he wanted to start with the most common hymn in the book: 49t.

Leaders: Lela Crowder and Allison Dodson 82t; Jennifer Allred 345b; LaRue Allen 187; Scott DePoy 201; Karen Ivey, Richard Ivey, Stuart Ivey, and David Ivey 217; Tim Eriksen 69b; Shelbie Sheppard 440; Karen Willard 36b; Dennis George, Tommy George, Jarrod George 300; Scott Ivey, Blake Sisemore, Jackson Harcrow, Drew Smith, and Travis Peek 384; Sam Sommers, Camp Chaplain, 316; Max Berueffy, Brooks Berueffy, Coleman Berueffy, and Turner Berueffy 146, Julie Lee, Mary Elizabeth Lee, Riley Lee, and April Dell 144; Cathryn Baker and Rachel Baker 270; Paul Figura and Shirley Figura 510; Annie Grieshop, Katy Moore, Mary Peterson, and Stephen Metcalfe-Conte 40; Don Bowen and Rodney Ivey 101t; Marvin Reeves, Annie Reeves, Amber Reeves, Brian Tanedo, and Blake Tanedo 100; Henry Schuman and B.J. Schnorenberg 354b; Christine Stevens, John Stevens, Felicia Stevens, and Emma Stevens 551; Idy Kiser, Liz Kiser, Andrew Kiser, Tony Kiser, and Caleb Kiser 312b; Thomas Willard, Keith Willard, and Jenny Willard 106; Teenie Moody and Carol Chapman 317; Roy Nelson 274t.

David Ivey ended by saying that we'd had a fine night of singing and he hoped that through the week we'd hear it getting better, and that he hoped we would finish getting around the leaders the following night. He instructed the class that they were going to be singing a lot. Some had been singing over the weekend, most would sing the following weekend, so people should take care of their voices while at camp. The devotional was given by Rev. Mary Peterson from Iowa.

## Tuesday, June 29

9:00 a.m. Rudiments Sessions

After breakfast, several classes were available, all focusing on the Rudiments. David Ivey taught the youth and Richard DeLong taught adult basics.

Tim Eriksen led the morning class for experienced adults. He opened by acknowledging that he'd been teaching Sacred Harp since before he had any remote qualification, and had learned through not knowing much. One of the hardest things is finding ways to phrase things—it's hard to know how to say even things we know well.

Tim went on to say that he is not big on music theory, but he is big on the rudiments, which are, he said, "not music, but they call music to mind." The deepest, most important things about Sacred Harp and music more generally can't be written down, and without the actual sound of what people were doing written down, music doesn't make much sense. This is truer of Sacred Harp than of other kinds of music that try to notate every single thing. Unlike classical musicians, who sometimes work through theory to get to music, in Sacred Harp, theory is subservient to music. We are not working from an abstract piano in the sky, and are not thinking "what does a G sound like?" but "what does a fa sound like?" The rudiments are important because they tell us how high and how long a note should be, but you can't notate why a note is. The singer has to learn that on their own.

Tim led the class in scales and worked on intervals, to get a sense of how thirds and fourths sound. Then he had the class hold notes—one group of people would hold fa (the tonic) while the other would hold the second, third, fourth, etc.

In a time signature, if there's a 2 on the bottom, that represents a half note, but it can be broken up in different ways. Unless there's a 3 on top of a time signature, leading is done by moving the arm down then up in each measure. (Unless you are leading 4 beats to the measure. It's an interesting and important question where and when to do that.)

If there is a rest at the start of the song, the song starts when your arm moves up; if no rest, the song starts on the downbeat. Some songs in compound time are exceptions to this, starting right at the end of a measure, and it can help to beat the entire measure to start. There are many different ways to signal the end of a fermata (or hold or birds-eye), and it can be confusing. Each leader must figure out what works best for them, and observing especially good leaders is a good way to start to figure that out.

Jeannette DePoy asked Tim to talk about accenting. Tim said that he often brings a yo-yo to a singing school, because if you can walk the dog with a yo-yo, that's the "swing" of accenting. It's found in a lot of American music, but they try to teach you out of it in choral music and the like. As with so many things, if you put it in words, it can become another thing. If you say "do it with swing" it becomes A Thing, very much like intervals: There's no such thing as A Third, rather there are hundreds of thirds. The term doesn't mean anything without the feel.

He emphasized again that theory and terminology must be subservient to experience. They are simply ways to describe what we do. You get people who have heard that Sacred Harp is loud, so they just sing loud, but that's not right. Yes, Sacred Harp is loud, but not because we are determined to make it that way.

Similarly, Tim avoided talking about the sixth in minor for years, even if people asked. Words are categories and once you shut down the bars and categorize, you lose nuance. A lot of the notes we sing aren't what you'd hear on a piano. This note sticks out and he's taken to calling it "Sacred Harp minor sixth"; it's been a controversy for a long time, such that he has read that in the nineteenth century some people stopped singing minor songs altogether because of arguments over that note. How the minor sixth goes is not predictable, and that shows that this is a tradition of doing and listening, not talking about. On several songs, including 101b and 86, if you raise the sixth all the way it doesn't sound good or sounds like a type of music other than Sacred Harp. He then had the class sing songs on 24t and 25t, the former showing how melody can turn into harmony.

10:30 a.m. Recreation and Elective Class

After the morning rudiments classes, there was a snack provided by Roy and Louise Nelson, then recreation including the rock slide, canoeing or fishing, and exercise or yoga. Additionally, Jeff Sheppard led an elective class following up on the rudiments with questions and answers.

1:15 p.m. Early Afternoon Lessons

Lunch followed recreation, and then the youth had a class on history and traditions with visiting teacher Jim Carnes, while the adults had rudiments applications. Tim Eriksen taught the basic rudiments applications class.

David Ivey started the experienced adult class with 128. He talked about our responsibilities as class singers. To have the best singing to praise God that we can, we need to be doing our jobs. After 30 minutes, maybe we get hot or tired, but someone still must get the song going by keying and starting the song. A person singing at the end of the day deserves a song that sounds as good as any other person, so everyone needs to sound the pitch and start singing on the first note.

Singers on the front never get to rest, ever. They have to stay with the leader, which isn't always easy and doesn't always mean the same thing. Occasionally, a leader may change the tempo they are marking with their hands so it may be helpful for the front bench to watch the leader's mouth to best follow him/her. Our singing and music is not perfect. We all miss notes and tempos, but it is important to work on both.

It is the responsibility of the leader to clearly indicate repeats and of the class to watch for the leader to do that. The closer you sit to the front, the more responsibility you have.

Karen Willard asked for suggestions on how to rotate onto and off of the front bench during the course of the day. David replied that you should look at who is singing and give people courtesy. There should not be too many inexperienced singers on the front bench at one time.

Dennis George commented that he has been to singings with no men trebles other than him, so that he felt he had to stay on front. David replied that you don't have a real Sacred Harp sound unless you have men singing treble, and that people from elsewhere need to be raising men trebles. Otherwise you may have a sound but it is not the Sacred Harp sound.

Other points raised included that singers on front benches might try to make eye contact with the leader at beginnings of verses and of fugues and that it is the responsibility of the front bench to help keep time, so if they are going to do it, it should be helpful and correct.

David noted that singers now do time changes better than was once the case, when changes were hurried through and the last measures not given proper time; then led 43 as an example.

Jerusalem, page 53, has a half rest at the beginning which doesn't always get observed the second time through that part. Also, when there are tied measures at the end, they must be sung all the way through, including accent; 39b is a good example of this kind of song.

There are some songs with no repeat marked but where it is common for the leader to ask for a repeat. You'd have a hard time stopping a good class from repeating 76b. Shelbie Sheppard brought up songs like 111b, stating that she was taught to sing through the notes twice, for the verse and the chorus, but now that's not as common. David responded by noting that people in the north sometimes think that there's a way Sacred Harp is sung in the south, but even on Sand Mountain you can drive 20 miles from one singing community to another and get a totally different thing, so there's not even a single Sand Mountain way of singing, and they're all good. He grew up not singing the notes on 111b through twice, so that is a regional difference. David noted, with concurrence from Jeff Sheppard and Richard DeLong, the importance of accenting and that it seems to have declined over the years. Other points: If you don't know a song, don't lead it (unless you are a new singer). On 145b, observe the dotted eighth notes, don't just sing like regular eighth notes. On 288, it's "trav'ling" not "tra-ve-ling." On 193, the repeat is internal only, not to be done again at the end. Songs in triple time do not always need to be sung slowly, especially 3/4.

This class was followed by more recreation, including swimming and a ropes course. Additionally, Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard taught an elective class on leading. Jeff began by telling people to be sure to let the class know what you are going to do and to observe the musical notations. Don't try to change the song or the words. If you want different music, write it yourself. Shelbie said that there are a few exceptions that have been handed down, like singing the one part of 143 soft, or doing a tempo change in 183.

Shelbie said that though there are a few opinions on how to start a song, she thinks that the measure is completely full, so you should start at the top and end at the top. The rest is important. At the end, if you're not repeating, hold your hand up. If you want to get rid of your book during your song, don't drop it onto the floor. Hand it to someone.

Shelbie continued, "Don't get up and put on a show. I love dancing but there's a time and a place. The middle of the square is not the place." Leaders should not try to draw attention to themselves—they're there to direct a song. Jeff pointed out that on 143, the eighth rest needs to be observed, as the time doesn't stop until the fermata.

Jeff Sheppard, Richard DeLong, and Karen Ivey all led songs to demonstrate that different people have different styles. Singers should not imitate, but should develop their own styles, though you can fit some aspects of other people's styles in.

At Keith Willard's request, some of the worst habits were described: hip-swiveling, dancing, foot-stomping (there is a difference between patting and stomping), swinging hand way back, jerking or pausing with hand, doing anything but a simple down-down-up in triple time, singing too many verses.

After another snack, the adults had a class on history and traditions with Jim Carnes, while the youth played "Sacred Harp Jeopardy" with Richard DeLong.

Even more recreation followed: crafts, games, horseshoes, and hiking.

7:30 p.m.—Tuesday Evening—Class Singing

David Ivey began the session leading 107. Sam Sommers offered prayer. Leaders: Eugene Forbes 208; Rachel Baker, Rachel Allred, Rachel Shavers, and Rachel Ivey 354b; Virginia Douglas 49b; Idy Kiser 63; Jennifer Allred and Dana Borrelli 84; Alan Pritchett and Frank Strickland 128; Kathy Vlach 441; Richard Schmeidler 66; Laura



Clawson and Jeannette DePoy 176t; Allison Dodson and Lauren Hall 335; Juanita Heyerman 34t; Teenie Moody and Lynn Wilson 282; Julie Lee and Regina Grayson Parham 168; Susan Spillman and Linda Lewis 159; Brooks Berueffy, Coleman Berueffy, and Turner Berueffy 59; David Carlton 89; Alex Makris, Nate Green, and Norma Green 119; Seth Allred and Josh Lingerfelt 452; Paul Wilson, Christine Stevens, and Emma Stevens 81t; Andrew Kiser and Brian Tanedo 88t, Felicia Stevens 122; Jackson Harcrow and Travis Peek 288; Blake Sisemore and Riley Lee 99; Mary Elizabeth Lee and April Dell 155; B.J. Schnorenberg and Henry Schuman 82t; Tommy George and Blake Tanedo 300.

Following the hayride, Jeannette DePoy led the campfire devotional.

### Wednesday, June 30

Richard DeLong taught a class for experienced adults. He focused on accenting, and on a few less familiar songs, including: 36t, 41, 44, 173, 205, 125, 123b, 131t, 292, and 197.

About accent, he said that imitation is second best. Singers should not imitate someone accenting, they should learn to do it. As David has said, you accent speech and should also accent singing appropriately. Accenting should be graceful like a rocking chair. It can be particularly difficult to accent with unfamiliar songs, but it is an important thing to remember to do even then.

There is a reason to the way we do things in Sacred Harp singing; don't change things for the sake of change. Don't sing past 3:00 p.m.; don't lead an anthem after 2:00 p.m. or before 11:00 a.m.

Jeff Sheppard noted that when the front bench tenors ask you what verses you want to lead, they are really saying is "which one or two do you want?" That is to say, you should not answer "all of them." To this, Richard added that when you are asked what song you want to lead, you are being told to move along. He also re-emphasized the point that the front bench singers cannot ever rest. If you want to rest, move back a row or two.

Richard discussed the importance of a good arranging committee, which can make or break a singing. The 1:00-2:00 p.m. hour is the pinnacle of the day, and you need to get things moving along. Don't call someone 10 minutes after they arrive. Pay attention to who's there through the day, and break up your visitors and home folks. Give some preference to your visitors, to recognize their trouble in attending. There's a lot more to arranging than just calling names—if your local singers don't know these things, tell them. Jeff noted that people should check over the minutes at the end of the day to be sure they're readable and contain all required information before submitting them for publication.

The morning class was followed by a snack and recreation. The snack was set up as usual by Roy and Louise Nelson, and recreation included the rock slide, canoeing or fishing, and hiking. John Plunkett, appropriately, led an elective class on new and difficult songs.

In the afternoon, Tim Eriksen told about his experiences working on Cold Mountain and Jeff Sheppard, David Ivey, and Richard DeLong gave a panel discussion on how to pitch.

Naturally there was lots more recreation, and the campers had an elective class discussion on organizing and conducting singings.

### Wednesday Evening—Class Singing

Keith Willard served as the Arranging Committee. Jeff Sheppard began the session leading 72t. Karen Willard offered prayer. Leaders: Nancy Koester and Annie Grieshop 63; Brian Tanedo, Blake Tanedo, Eugene Forbes, and Riley Hinesley 59; Laurie Dempsey and Idy Kiser 49t; Ann Webb and Jeannette DePoy 47t; Dustin Griffin and Max Berueffy 45t; Linda Lewis, Dakota Lewis, Mikaela Lewis, and Mike

Lewis 40; Andrew Kiser, Tony Kiser, Caleb Kiser, and Brian Tanedo 57; Katy Moore, Rachel Baker, and Lauren Hall 80; Alex Makris 84; Corey Griffin and Dianna Knight 49b; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 146; Amber Reeves and Blake Tanedo 144; Minja Lausevic 448b; Liz Kiser and Jackson Harcrow 388; Emma Stevens and Felicia Stevens 155; Brooks Berueffy 332; J.T. Shavers 145b; Allison Dodson 378; Norma Green 313t; B.J. Schnorenberg and Jackson Harcrow 354b; Travis Peek and Blake Sisemore 112; Alan Pritchett 348b; Tommy George 128; Coleman Berueffy, Turner Berueffy, and Thomas Willard 124; Seth Allred 340; Drew Smith 65; Jarrod George and Josh Lingerfelt 503; April Dell 122; Riley Lee 165; Rachel Allred 29t; Rachel Ivey and Rachel Shavers 39t; Mary Elizabeth Lee 299; Rachel Baker 300; John Stevens 178; Brian Tanedo 292; Lauren Hall 186; Jennifer Allred 430; Scott DePoy 410t; Scott Ivey 454; Jackson Harcrow 282. Sam Sommers gave the devotional.

### Thursday, July 1

In the morning, while David Ivey did Rudiments III for youth; Richard DeLong gave the rudiments class for adults, basics; Tim Eriksen gave a class on the voice in Sacred Harp.

In the class that Tim Eriksen taught, he described the class as kind of an experiment; it's a good thing we don't talk too much about music at singings because as we know, talking about music is like dancing about architecture. Things that are important for singing well include having had enough sleep, drinking water, and not being nervous. The voice-box is a muscle, which builds as you use it and gets tired if you overuse it. How do we use our voices to sing this music and what does it mean? You can learn so much from how someone's voice sounds. Every type of music has values about how the voice and music should sound; in Sacred Harp, what's most important is drawing something out that's already there, not cramming something extra in. So many people have been told that they can't sing because they don't sing like Mariah Carey, but if she came to a Sacred Harp singing, she'd have to make some adjustments.

As Kelly House suggested at the Western Massachusetts Sacred Harp Convention a couple years ago, Tim said to imagine a little of your voice coming out of everyone else at the singing. Individual perfection is not the way to get to good Sacred Harp singing. That should feel like riding a wave, buoyed up by the singers around you—you think you're out of voice and then you find yourself back in it.

One of the reasons Sacred Harp may sound exotic to newcomers is precisely because the gap between singing and speaking is smaller than in classical music. It's a less rounded sound that makes the chords lock. And it's not something trite like "we're all beautiful"—it really is important to have old and young and trained and untrained voices mixing. There was also some discussion of breathing and avoiding overly tired voices.

Following the usual plethora of recreation options and ample lunch, the youth worked on making posters about Sacred Harp singing.

At the same time, Jeff and Shelbie Sheppard led a class on Sacred Harp decorum and tradition. Shelbie began by emphasizing that there is not one "southern" way to do things—it used to be that every community had its own singing and there was little travel outside of your area. When different communities came together, they had to learn to compromise to the way others did things. But you can't compromise when you hear it done wrong. "We're protective of it, we've nurtured it, and it gets my bristles up when it is abused. I just want to see you do better."

She went on to say that while some people think she and Jeff are opposed to things like Stamps-Baxter and gospel, it's not true. She did, and still does, new-book singing and many members of her family are very active in that style of singing. People like

to nit-pick things to death, but sometimes, like religion, you just have to step out on faith and enjoy it.

She stated that she was taught that you only sang out of one book at a singing, and commented on the fact that conventions, in their by-laws, stated which book was to be used, and no other songs were to be permitted.

Shelbie listed the order of events as they should occur at a singing and commented on some of the procedures: the chairman opens up with a song, followed by prayer; officers lead; a business session follows to elect officers and appoint committees; the newly elected officers lead; the new arranging committee calls leaders; sing for about one hour; have recess; resume singing; and depending on past sessions, the memorial lesson is just before or just after lunch; lunch, with a blessing on the food, either inside or at the dinner table; lunch time is limited to an hour; singing resumes; and depending on how large the crowd is will determine whether you will have a recess in the afternoon; the singing will end around 2:30 p.m. and no later than 3:00 p.m.; the singing ends with announcements about future singings; a closing song is sung as those who wish take a parting hand; and always dismiss the class with prayer.

Traditionally, when you went to church or a singing, you wore whatever clothes you had that were your best. They might not be the nicest in the world, but they were clean and the best you could do. Women never ever went in pants, and still don't, in some places, and men never went without a tie on, and some still won't.

Karen Ivey noted that it's not a question of dressing to impress other people, but to set an example that we care enough to dress our best for God. What counts as dressing up may change, but you still want to show you care enough.

Regarding conduct, Shelbie went on that you don't talk between leaders or cause commotion, holler, clap hands, and carry on. It's disrespectful and inappropriate—years ago it was not merely frowned upon, but not permitted.

If you're on the front bench, pay attention to how you're sitting and how your clothes are fixed. When you get up to lead, make sure your clothes are in place or the altos will certainly notice.

With all that said, it's not intended to scare you. The Lord didn't intend for you to walk around with a sour face and not have any fun. It's just about keeping your fun respectful.

Recreation followed, and then Bud and Sammie Oliver came to teach how to make lemonade. The lemonade was enjoyed by all. Shelbie Sheppard taught a class on preparing and taking lunch for singings, and provided her famous purple and pink food.

The final classes of Camp Fasola 2004 were youth posters, and otherwise a choice between Sacred Harp Resources, led by Karen Willard, and a panel discussion on organizing and teaching singing schools.

The community singing that night drew many singers from nearby (and not so nearby) communities as well as many members of the staff of Camp Lee.

7:00 p.m. Community Singing

David Ivey welcomed the singers and led 201 to bring the class to order. Sam Sommers offered prayer. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 208; John Plunkett, Scott Ivey, Richard Ivey, and Karen Ivey 192; LaRue Allen, Lela Crowder, and Jennifer Allred 274t; Tim Eriksen and Minja Lausevic 216; Julie Lee, Riley Lee, Mary Elizabeth Lee, and April Dell 300; Dennis George, Jarrod George, Tommy George, and Josh Lingerfelt 155; Brian Tanedo, Blake Tanedo, Amber Reeves, Marvin Reeves, and Annie Reeves 218; Allison Ivey, Dana Borrelli, and Jonathan Taft 354b; Rachel Baker and Cathryn Baker 84; Brooks Berueffy, Travis Peek, and Riley Hinesley 59; Emma Stevens, Felicia Stevens, Christine Stevens, and John Stevens 551; Dalton Vines, Ryan Vines, and Cassie Franklin 47b; Liz Kiser, Katy Moore, and Mary

Elizabeth Lee 159; Mikaela Lewis and Linda Lewis 503; Alex Makris, Nate Green, and Norma Green 63; Allison Dodson, Amber Reeves, and Louis Hughes 145b; Laurie Dempsey and Lynn Wilson 45t; Scott Ivey and Tony Ivey 99; Turner Berueffy and Thomas Willard 36b; Jo Pendleton, Mary Peterson, Annie Grieshop, Ellen Jackson, and Pam Helms 72b; B.J. Schnorenberg 82t; Dakota Lewis and Mike Lewis 312b; Lauren Hall 107; Jackson Harcrow, Travis Peek, and Don Bowen 282; Virginia Douglas and Karen Willard 455; Tony Kiser, Caleb Kiser, and Seth Allred 340; Rachel Ivey and Rachel Shavers 128.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Julie Lee leading 30t. Leaders: Blake Sisemore, Blake Tanedo, Brian Tanedo, Travis Peek, Riley Lee, Jackson Harcrow, and Rodney Ivey 358; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 35; Felicia Stevens 421; Rachel Allred 452; Dianna Knight, Corey Griffin, Dustin Griffin, and Paul Wilson 277; Susan Spillman 127; Juanita Heyerman and Dan Heyerman 24b; Drew Smith, Jarrod George, and Jackson Harcrow 30b; Regina Parham, April Dell, and Mary Elizabeth Lee 148; Alan Pritchett 274t; Laura Clawson, Jeannette DePoy, and Rodney Ivey 430; Paul Figura and Shirley Figura 385b; Ann Webb and Regina Parham 48t; David Carlton 134; Idy Kiser and Andrew Kiser 388; Carol Chapman and Teenie Moody 100; Roy Nelson 283; Bud Oliver 73t; Keith Willard and Jenny Willard 318; Frank Strickland 339; Richard Schmeidler 146; Nancy Koester 479; Kathy Vlach 34b; Eugene Forbes 299; Sam Sommers and Steve Schmidt 176t; Max Berueffy and Julie Lee 70t.

Announcements were made.

David Ivey led 56t as the closing song. Tony Ivey offered the closing prayer.

#### Friday, July 2

9:45 a.m. Parting Hand

Campers had breakfast, packed their gear, and then convened in the Ark, where they were able to visit until the final program. Certificates of participation were presented to each camper. The class, which had enjoyed this memorable time of learning and fellowship, took the parting hand.

Camp Directors—David Ivey and Jeff Sheppard; Secretary—Laura Clawson.

### **PIONEER VALLEY ALL-DAY SINGING** **First Congregational Church, Sunderland, Massachusetts** **Saturday, July 3, 2004**

The fourth session of the Pioneer Valley All-Day Singing was called to order by Chair Linda Shea leading 131b. Eric Morgan offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Peter Irvine 59; Matthew Wojcik 52t; Rachel Speer 89; Ian Smiley 388; George Pomfret 171; Jessica Holland 474 (for Helen Holland and Sheila MacLean); Bob Mills 160b; Greta Holbrook and John Holbrook 339 (for Julie Holbrook and Linda Christian); Bob Parr 391; Katie Mahoney 85; Inga Knets 99; Victoria Bolles 479 (in memory of Ruth Pomfret and Jane D'Allessandro); Aldo Ceresa 384; Sheila Kelley 224; Paul Gauthier 30b; Barbara Swetman 542; Charlie Taylor 183; Anna Maria Irvine 426t; D.J. Hatfield 543.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by George Seiler leading 159 (in memory of Cheryl Doehler). Leaders: Larry Gordon 168; Katherine Collett 122; Jenna Strizak 376; Richard Lee 38b; Jill Accetta 83t (for Jack Accetta, and in memory of Noel Gray); Jesse Karlsberg 107; Anne Kazlauskas 110; Debbie Moody 133; Hannah Schoenberg, Molly Hoenig, and Manann Mays 209; Bill Holt 269; Dan Hertzler 565; Matthew Sellens 74b; Holly Laws 142; Guy Banks 254; Patricia Geritz 268; Brian Collett 218.

## RECESS

The class resumed singing with Kelsey Wessels leading 475. Leaders: Rebecca Edwards 30t; G.C. Waldrep 370; Jean Seiler 236; Andrew Magee 215; Nicola Collett 178; Martha Klasen and Jan Plaut 53; Michael Kaye 163b (in memory of Harry Kaye and Stanley Brown); Kshama Ananthapura 274t; Bill Dunn 155; Alice Kast 448t; Alex Gomez-del-Moral 445; Kara Morin 228; Laura Timmerman 376; Clayton Park 186; Michael Heyerman 191.

Allison Schofield offered prayer before for the noon meal.

## LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Sheila Kelley leading 276. Leaders: Eric Morgan 203; Matthew Wojcik 302; Kiri Miller 383; Allison Schofield 440; Kelly House 192; Bradford West 193; Diane Ross 455; Aaron Girard 112; Dan Hertzler 216; Linda Shea 300; Peter Irvine 217; Ian Smiley 212; Paul Gauthier 282; Rebecca Edwards 114; Aldo Ceresa 148; Kelsey Wessels 442; Kevin Lawrence 163t; John Holbrook 480; Barbara Swetman 196; G.C. Waldrep 347; Katie Mahoney 456; Rick Johnston 395; Charles Peck 68b.

## RECESS

The class resumed singing with Lydia Vernon-Jones leading 34b. Leaders: Eliza Cavanaugh 61; Jean Seiler 200; Dave Evans 129; Larry Gordon 181; Victoria Bolles 198; Bob Parr 201; Inga Knets 102; George Seiler and Jean Seiler 146; Holly Laws 444; George Pomfret 535; Anne Kazlauskas 125; Jesse Karlsberg 49t; Bill Holt 101t; Bob Mills 111b; Sheila Kelley 323t; Diane Ross 299; Charlie Taylor 32t; Matthew Sellens 447; Rachel Speer 567; Eric Morgan 82t.

Linda Shea, Peter Irvine, and Matthew Wojcik led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Linda Shea; Vice Chair—Peter Irvine; Secretary—Matthew Wojcik.

## **HENAGAR-UNION CONVENTION**

**Liberty Church, Henagar, Alabama**

**July 3-4, 2004**

**Saturday, July 3**

The eighty-eighth session of the Henagar-Union Convention was called to order with Chairman David Ivey leading 82t. The morning prayer was offered by Louis Hughes.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Rodney Ivey 142; Secretary Norma Green 473; Loyd Ivey 61. Laura Clawson was appointed to the Arranging Committee and led 107. Leaders: Henry Johnson 131t; Mary L. Smith 441; Milton Oliver 176t; Tony Ivey 88t; Gaston White 40; Linton Ballinger 81t; Daryl Chesney and Mike McClellan 67; Teenie Moody 37b; Don Bowen 283; Louis Hughes 448t; Cathryn Baker 222; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 72b; Scott DePoy 179 (for his grandmother, Lois DePoy); Sarah Smith 290; Bill Beverly 171; Louis Hughes, Jr. 440; Annie Grieshop, Mary Peterson, and Joel Linderman 84; Karen Willard 303.

## RECESS

Richard Ivey and B.J. Schnorenberg brought the class back together leading 354b. Leaders: Hershell King 176b; Dana Borrelli 569b; Daphene Causey 327; Stephen Shearon 58; Alan Pritchett 47b; Floyd Peters 282; John Plunkett 280; Richard Schmeidler 474; Velton Chafin 487; Paul Figura 543; Elsie Moon and Ann Jett 336; Cheryl Foreman 159; Pat Temple 232; Sandie Scott 408; Martha Beverly 284; Wilton Donaldson 229; Cathy Vlach 143.

## RECESS

The class was brought together with Wayne Wootten leading 48t. Leaders: Cindy Tanner, Ann Jett, Wanda Capps, and Danny Creel 198; Tim Eriksen, Minja

Lausevic, Cheryl White, Sharon White Skaggs, Molly Skaggs, and Rachel White 39t; Jo Pendleton and Jonathan Taft 24b; Alexandra Makris 358; Rachel Ivey, Rachel Shavers, Katie Moore, and Liz Kiser 59; Lauren Hall 186; Duncan Vinson 345t; Scott Ivey 424; Allison Dodson 335; Rachel Baker 155; Jackson Harcrow 35; Felicia Stevens 33t; J.T. Shavers 354b; Brooks Berueffy, Dan Heyerman, and Andrew Kiser 146; Aaron Wootten 480; Katie Moseley 56b; Drew Smith 414; Lauren Hall and Tony Kiser 87; Gary Smith 565; Phil Summerlin 270. The lunch blessing was asked by Keith Willard.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was opened with Rodney Ivey leading 166. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard, Shelbie Sheppard, Pam Nunn, and Rene Greene 556; Tom Owen 528; Lisa Geist 273; Richard DeLong 542; Cassie Franklin and Dennis George 442; Reba Windom 216; Lynne deBenedette 192; Karen Ivey, Coy Ivey, and Allison Ivey 475, 384; Larry Ballinger and Lomax Ballinger 224; LaRue Allen 302; Jenny Willard and Keith Willard 434; Karen Freund 383; Samuel Sommers 426b; Bud Oliver 145t; Jeannette DePoy 394; John Etheridge 272; Becky Browne 362; Lela Crowder 29t; Jerry Enright 168; Bridgett Hill 276; Charles Derleth 348b; Syble Adams 49b.

#### RECESS

Tony Ivey, Scott Ivey, and Drew Smith brought the class back together leading 203. Leaders: Claire Singleton 299; Michelle Cull 454; Sandra Wilkinson 400; Mary Wright 121; Christine Stevens 352 (for her mother-in-law, Helen Stevens); Jeanette Lowery 444; Kathy Manning 202; James Moseley 178; John Hollingsworth 36t; Shirley Figura 68b; Terre Schill 218; Gary Gronau 137; Cissy Moseley 532; Daniel Davis 300; Brad Oglesby 503; Linda Sides and Brittany Hanson 225t; Ed Thacker 402; Michael Thompson 436; Elene Stovall 215.

Following announcements, David Ivey led 46 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed in prayer led by Phil Summerlin.

#### Sunday, July 4

The Sunday session was called to order with Chairman David Ivey leading 32t. The morning prayer was given by Joel Jenkins.

Jackie Tanner was appointed to the Arranging Committee. Leaders: Vice Chairman Rodney Ivey 75; Secretary Norma Green 276; Shane Wootten 138t; Sandra Wilkinson 100; Max Berueffy and Coleman Berueffy 84; Pat Temple 481; Mike Hunn 186; John Hollingsworth 236; Kathy Manning 177; Linda Sides 178; Matt Dinton 99; Joan Aldridge 228; Tim Cook 457; Lela Crowder 421; Daniel Davis 148; Cissy Moseley 235; Michael Thompson 384; Christine Stevens, John Stevens, Felicia Stevens, and Emma Stevens 288; Brad Oglesby 192.

#### RECESS

David Ivey called the class together leading 42. Leaders: Phillip Ballinger and Jimmy Ballinger 340; Mary Wright 312t; Joel Jenkins 282 (for his mother, Vereda Jenkins); Gary Gronau 163t; Bridgett Hill 383; James Moseley 137; Ivalene Donaldson and Wilton Donaldson 274t; Charles Franklin 496; Katie Moseley 39t; Stuart Ivey 328; Judy Caudle 460; Drew Smith 30b; Pam Wilkerson 203; Jackson Harcrow and Blake Sisemore 155.

#### RECESS

Rodney Ivey brought the class together leading 88t. Leaders: Beth O'Dell 189; Charles Derleth 36b; Dan Heyerman and Juanita Heyerman 70b; Sarah Jenkins 208; Richard Ivey and Brittany Lea 81t.

The Memorial Committee, Henry Johnson and Ed Thacker, presented the memorial lesson. Henry Johnson gave an inspiring talk about exercising faith and led page 338 for the deceased.

Ed Thacker led 323b for the sick and shut-ins, and the memorial was closed.

Leaders: David Carlton 298; Becky Browne 217; Larry Ballinger 220; Jeannette DePoy 67; Dennis George 101b. Charles Derleth asked the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Shane Wootten brought the afternoon session together leading 278b. Leaders: Samuel Sommers 380; Laura Clawson 269; John Etheridge 73t; Mako Cook 503; Jerry Enright 77t; Allison Ivey and Richard Ivey 209; Henry Johnson 425; Reba Windom and Kathy James 542; Loyd Ivey, Teresa Bethune, Marian Biddle, Martha Underwood, and Lillie Underwood 501 (CB); Susan Harcrow 430; Scott DePoy 133 (in memory of his mother, Barbara DePoy); Karen Freund 205; Tim Eriksen 379; Ruby Wyers 480; Hershell King 389; Lynne deBenedette 182; Bud Oliver 358; Martha Johnson, Johnny Johnson, and Annette Johnson 270; Earl Ballinger 283; Elene Stovall 216; Jeffery Wootten 441; Lisa Geist 120; Karen Ivey, Coy Ivey, and Allison Ivey 559 (CB).

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Henry Johnson and Drew Smith leading 414.

Leaders: Lauren Hall 455; Dana Borrelli 339; Paul Figura 242; Claire Singleton 124; Cindy Tanner and Jackie Tanner 546; Jeanette Lowery 445; Minja Lausevic 29t; Felicia Stevens 213b; Hobert Ivey, Tony Ivey, and Scott Ivey 528; Kathy Vlach 350; Hayden Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Jared Wootten 45t; Darlene Dalton 484 (CB); Shirley Figura 385b; Syble Adams and Shane Wootten 492 (WB); Coy Ivey 486 (WB).

Chairman David Ivey thanked the Arranging Committee of both days for a job well done. Following announcements, David Ivey, Shane Wootten, Rodney Ivey, Tim Eriksen, and Tony Ivey led 62, and those who wished took the parting hand. The convention was dismissed in prayer led by Pastor Tony Ivey.

Chairman—David Ivey; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary—Norma Latham Green.

## **CROSS ROADS BAPTIST CHURCH** **North of Tallapoosa, Georgia** **Sunday, July 4, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Cross Roads Baptist Church was held on the first Sunday in July. Louis Hughes brought the class to order leading 32t, and then offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Louis Hughes; Vice Chairlady—Miranel Swafford; Secretary—Belinda Stansbery; Memorial Committee—Mary L. Smith; Arranging Committee—Louis Hughes, Jr. and Charlene Wallace.

Leaders: Miranel Swafford and Belinda Stansbery 155; Mary L. Smith 318; Louis Hughes, Jr. 31t; Louis Hughes 138b; Milton Oliver 314; Alan Pritchett 162, 37b; Donna Bell 430, 75; Nancy Yeager 49b, 510; Lee Willoman 300, 215; Sandie Scott 457, 176t; LaRue Allen 110, 137; Cecil Roberts 68b, 282; Karen Willard 349, 26; Terre Schill 212, 134.

#### RECESS

Louis Hughes brought the class back to order leading 39t. Leaders: Don Bowen 503; Haley Morris 119; Thomas Willard 106; Allison Dodson 59; John Wall 358; Annie Grieshop 40; Kelsey Campbell and C.W. Garner 127; Daphene Causey 222; Bill Beverly 86; Karen Clark 569t; Keith Willard 112; Michelle Cull 148; Tom Owen 462; Martha Beverly 254.

Mary L. Smith conducted the memorial lesson. B.M. Smith led 340 for the deceased: Gladys Simmons, Kenneth Simmons, Mozelle Sheppard, Mollie Gable, Hannah Ingham, and Estelle Flowers.

Teenie Moody led 72b for the sick and shut-ins which included: Bobby Jackson, I.V. McWhorter, Alice Edwards, Myrtle Smith, Nancy Allen, and Dale Harris. Mary L. Smith led 445. Cecil Roberts closed the memorial with prayer.

The pastor of Cross Roads Baptist Church welcomed and thanked everyone for coming and supporting the singing.

Leaders: Carlene Griffin 146; Tom Ivey 198; Don Clark 99; Chuck Isbell 111t.

#### LUNCH

Louis Hughes brought the afternoon session to order leading 61. Leaders: Charlene Wallace 79; Lonnie Rogers 389; Earlis McGraw 284; James Newman and Elaine Newman 45t; Aaron Little 480; Jeff Sheppard 571; David Yeager 32b; Evelyn Harris 47t; Jeff Oliver 203; Eschol Hughes 36b; Jenny Willard 392; Oscar McGuire 344;. Paige Harrod 186; John Plunkett 187, Kalie Oliver and Kim Isbell 309, 426t; Richard DeLong 470; B.J. Harris 303; George Garner 454; C.W. Garner and Debbie Brown 30t; the A.M. Wood family (Inez Chandler, Ceford Wood, and Uzel Wood) 490; the Gilbert Pope daughters (Miranel Swafford, Cynthia Fielder, and Marlene Garner) 348b; Mildred Patterson 319; Keith Willard and Jenny Willard 426b; Terre Schill 298; Tom Owen 347; Karen Willard, Barbara Willard, and Rodney Willard 128; Martha Beverly and Bill Beverly 269; Michelle Cull, Allison Dodson, and April Waters 145b; Sandie Scott 317; Karen Clark 421; Nancy Yeager and David Yeager 378b; Elizabeth Oliver 147t; Annie Grieshop 312b.

Announcements were made. Louis Hughes and Miranel Swafford led 46 as the closing song. Tom Owen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Louis Hughes; Vice Chairlady—Miranel Swafford; Secretary—Belinda Stansbery.

### **DUTTON, GREEN, AND JACKSON MEMORIAL** **Liberty Grove Primitive Baptist Church** **(New Flatwoods Church), south of Nauvoo, Alabama** **Sunday, July 4, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp Memorial singing for the Duttons, Greens, and Jacksons was held on the first Sunday in July. Travis Keeton brought the class to order leading 56t. Elder Ronald Gilmore offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 68b.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—L.H. Gilmore; Secretary—Margaret Keeton; Arranging Committee—Willodean Barton.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 343 (in memory of Bud Nix); L.H. Gilmore and Estelle Gilmore 112, 318; Margaret Keeton 217, 155; Willodean Barton 82t, 63; Ronald Gilmore and Hazel Gilmore 108t, 495, 490, 145b; Cathryn Baker and Rachel Baker 335, 274t, 270; Anita Naramore and Ronnie Naramore 47b, 142, 348b; John Hyde 297, 566, 73t.

#### RECESS

Travis Keeton called the class back to order leading 119. Leaders: Clarence McCool 49b, 569b, 45t; Richard Schmeidler 474, 84, 146; Mary Ellen Jones 147b, 147t, 392; Aileen Woodley 39b, 131t; Sarah Smith 393, 159.

#### LUNCH

Travis Keeton brought the afternoon session to order leading 319 (in memory of Doc Jackson and Dovy Jackson). Leaders: Kermit Adams 277, 99, 426t; Gary Smith 31t, 503, 565; Marlin Beasley 38b, 406, 475; Janet Jones 373, 101t, 535; Julie Poston



166; Josie Hyde 137, 183, 546; Ila Ingle 61, 87, 434, 436; Richard Schmeidler 66; Cathryn Baker 454.

A special “thanks” is made to Ott Alexander for paying for the minutes. Travis Keeton and L.H. Gilmore led 46 as the closing song. Elder Ronald Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—L.H. Gilmore; Secretary—Margaret Keeton.

## **INDEPENDENCE DAY SINGING** **Muscadine Methodist Church, Muscadine, Alabama** **Monday, July 5, 2004**

The twenty-first session of the Independence Day Singing was held at Muscadine Methodist Church in Muscadine, Alabama on Monday after the first Sunday in July. When the 4th of July falls on either Saturday or Sunday, this singing yields to other singings on that day and holds this singing on Friday or Monday. The regular date is on July 4.

The class was called to order by Jeff Sheppard leading 32t. Tom Owen offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 72t; Mary L. Smith 63; Shelbie Sheppard 110; Henry Johnson 566; LaRue Allen 200; Tom Ivey 163t; Eunice Webb 283; David Carlton 163b; Annie Grieshop 481; Louis Hughes 512; Kathy Vlach 72b; Tony Hammock 112; Shirley Figura 335; David Yeager 240; Rodney Willard and Barbara Willard 128; Terre Schill 396; Ed Thacker 376.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Jeff Sheppard leading 152.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Acting Vice Chairman—Keith Willard; Secretary—Mary Smith; Arranging Committee—Shelbie Sheppard.

Leaders: Roy Nelson 432; Katie Moore 384; Dana Borrelli 87; Coleman Berueffy, Brooks Berueffy, Turner Berueffy, and Max Berueffy 282; Allison Dodson 378t; Thomas Willard 106; Rachel Baker 107; Claire Singleton 86; Phillip Langley 411; Laura Clawson 95; Bridgett Hill 142; Nate Green and Norma Green 103; Lela Crowder 39t; Dennis George 513; Martha Beverly and Bill Beverly 547; Henry Johnson 418; Becky Browne 313t; Tom Owen 500; Karen Clark 501.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Keith Willard leading 100. Leaders: Lonnie Rogers 348b; Earlis McGraw 225t; Jeanette Lowry 168; Louis Hughes, Jr. 569t; Charlie Derleth 565; Gary Gronau 201; Cathryn Baker 542; Samuel Sommers 548; Charlene Wallace 549; Bud Oliver 170; Lynne deBenedette 300; Daniel Davis 344; Sandie Scott 74b; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 401.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Keith Willard leading 32t. Leaders: Paul Figura 146; Elene Stovall 564; John Plunkett 346; Floy Wilder 187; Richard DeLong 447; Karen Willard 550; Richard Schmeidler 475; Bill Windom and Reba Windom 28b; Reba Windom and Daphene Causey 196; Daphene Causey 336; Jenny Willard 530; Eugene Forbes 426b; Nancy Yeager 479; Andy Anderson 535; Lee Rogers 485; Homer Benefield 56t; Sandra Wilkinson 405; Jimmie Denney 61; Rene Greene 454; B.J. Harris and Evelyn Harris 335 (in memory of Harvey Austin); Pam Nunn 269; Lou Cotney 222; Sherrell Cleino and Ruth Daniel 127; Andrew Snyder and George Snyder 551.

Announcements were made. The Secretary reported that 17 states were represented here today. Jeff Sheppard and Keith Willard led 46 as the closing song. Elder Homer Benefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Acting Vice Chairman—Keith Willard; Secretary—Mary Smith.

## **CULLMAN COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION** **Cullman County Courthouse, Cullman, Alabama** **July 10-11, 2004**

**Saturday, July 10**

The annual Cullman County Courthouse Singing Convention was held at the Cullman County Courthouse, second floor courtroom, on the second Sunday and Saturday before in July. Danny Creel called the class to order leading 30t. The morning prayer was given by Marlin Beasley.

Leaders: Danny Creel 155, 313t; Corene White 171; Julianna Jett 59, 88t; Wilton Donaldson 317, 32t; John Hyde 73t, 297; David Roberson 299; Elizabeth Keeton 354b, 34b; Richard Mauldin 35, 36b; Lucy Marie Heidorn 40, 186; Hershell King 176b, 460; Charles McCravey 143, 176t.

**RECESS**

Danny Creel called the class to order leading 335. Leaders: Mike Thompson 436, 82; Margaret Keeton 276; Reddie Powell 269, 280; Travis Keeton 142, 392; Marie Guthrie 411; Glenn Keeton 274, 87; Josie Hyde 200; Herby Bailey 489, 503; Tyler Newman 119, 358; Don Robertson 28b, 441; Aubrey Tyree 434, 298.

**LUNCH**

Danny Creel called the class back to order leading 123t.

A business session was held for the purpose of electing officers. Those elected or appointed to serve were: Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson; Arranging Committee—Billy Williams. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Roscoe Knight 127; Dana Borrelli 107, 84; J.C. Rutledge 569b, 565; Clayton Ezell 490; Gordon Wilkinson 212, 475; Eddie Creel 72b; Nina Kane 61, 129; Richard Mauldin 168; Will Allred 282, 46; Richard Ivey 495, 37b; Juanita Newman and Oleta Stewart 405, 407; Cindy Tanner 137, 157; Marlin Beasley 318, 340; Buell Cobb 74b, 177; John Merritt "Nothing But The Blood"; Wanda Capps 430; Jennifer Allred 203, 216; Brenda Merritt 270; Emily Creel 384, 217; Jackie Tanner 111b, 101t.

**RECESS**

Danny Creel called the class back to order leading 76b. Leaders: Seth Allred 192, 452; Rachel Allred 108t; Amanda Denson 107, 385b; Caleb Allred and Sarah Smith 135; Susan Allred 480, 394; Gary Smith 31t, 68b; Billy Williams 54, 496.

Announcements were made. Danny Creel and Edith Tate led 532 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, July 11**

The Sunday session of the Cullman County Singing Convention was called to order by Danny Creel leading 47t. Chris Green offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Danny Creel 47t; Corene White 146, 403; David Roberson 408, 340; Tyler Newman 343, 30t; Will Allred 87, 45t; Caleb Allred 196, 452; Seth Allred 335, 36b; David Light 200, 318; Sandra Light 143, 354b; Rachel Allred 290, 159; Pam Green 59, 274.

**RECESS**

The class was called back to order by Charles McCravey leading 40 and 84. Leaders: Amanda Denson 137, 217; Dana Borrelli 339, 480; Susan Allred 183, 491; Bud Oliver 73t, 145b; Chris Green 460, 512; Velton Chafin 487, 521; Ramona Light 380, 192; Juanita Newman 406, 108t.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Amanda Denson who spoke about the rich tradition of Sacred Harp, about the memorial lesson, and then led 499. Brenda Merritt read the list of names of the deceased and the sick and shut-ins.

The deceased remembered were: Charlotte Hinkle, Lebron Hinton, Elvin Guthrie, Christal Crocker, Talmage Guthrie, Mavis Price, Florence Doss, Lamar Smith, Alpha Black, Avery Strickland, Carolyn Denson, Betty Haas, Susan McKathan, and Dena Morgan.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Gladys Bonds, Thor Parker, Gurstal Nail, Elsie Beasley, John Hocutt, Sherry Guthery, Henry Guthery, Ruth Tillman, Eartha Slosser, Nattie Elliott, Bo Caldwell, Stephanie Bailey, and Dick Mauldin. Brenda Merritt then led 146. John Merritt closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Billy Williams 403; Jackie Tanner 89, 56t.

#### LUNCH

Danny Creel called the afternoon session to order leading 224. Leaders: Brenda Merritt 204, 430; Jennifer Allred 542, 278b; John Merritt 268, 240; Marie Guthrie 342, 402; Emily Creel 222, 384; Cindy Tanner 327, 198; Reddie Powell 412, 496; Don Robertson 100, 215; Kermit Adams 99, 78; J.C. Rutledge 560; Aubrey Tyree 208, 358; Dana Borrelli 282; Eldagene Roberson 122; Elder J.L. Hopper 457 (by request); Adam Hale 192; Roscoe Knight 451; Ryan Hale 40; Kenneth Fannin 405; Laura Hale, Emily Holcombe, and Christy Holcombe 354, 565; Carol Fannin 136; Oleta Stewart 313t.

Announcements were made. Danny Creel led 46 as the closing song. Charles McCravey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Danny Creel; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson.

### **LAMAR AND PICKENS COUNTY CONVENTION** **Zion Church, Eight Miles North of Gordo, Alabama** **Sunday, July 11, 2004**

The eighty-seventh session of the Lamar and Pickens County Convention was held at Zion Church, north of Gordo, Alabama on the second Sunday in July. Clarence McCool called the class to order leading 101t. Glenn Keeton offered the morning prayer. Clarence McCool led 159.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Clarence McCool; Vice Chairlady—Amber Davis; Arranging Committee—Wayne Baines; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Clarence McCool 36b; Glenn Keeton 47b, 163t; Josie Hyde 198, 151; Travis Keeton 111t, 112; Jarrod George 300, 358; Tim Cook 515, 101b; Gary Smith 503, 565; Sarah Smith 111b, 73t; Elene Stovall 517, 316; Chris Ballinger 282, 270.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Amber Davis leading 215 and 142. Leaders: Tommy George 155, 388; Turner Berueffy 354b, 79; Brooks Berueffy 145t, 424; Coleman Berueffy 84, 63.

Elene Stovall conducted the memorial lesson. The deceased remembered were: A.A. Malone, Lavaughn Ballinger, Dessie Goodman, Bruce Randolph, Clearcy Rutledge, and Donald Smith.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Emma Pugh, Etma Barton, Gladys Bonds, Cecile Cox, and the daughter of Diane Mennella. Leaders and their selections for the

memorial were: Elene Stovall 183; Clarence McCool 490; Larry Ballinger 405; Josie Hyde 82t; and Toney Smith 45t. Hugh Bill McGuire closed the memorial with prayer.

Max Berueffy led 392, 492; Bill Steward led 569b.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Clarence McCool leading 323b. Leaders: Clarissa Springfield 435, 343; Elizabeth Keeton 274t; Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson 30t; Wilton Donaldson 32t; Paula Springfield 546 (in memory of Lois Livingston), 380; Paula Springfield, Amber Davis, Clarissa Springfield, and Elene Stovall 49b; John Hyde 124, 297; Ruth Wyers 176b, 206; Lena Keeton and Glenn Keeton 120, 475; Gravis Ballinger 34b, 220; Hugh Bill McGuire 172; Margaret Keeton 273; John Van Horn 378, 196; Jack Pate 341, 535; John Beasley 348b, 285t; Dennis George 564, 542; Beth O'dell 560, 186; Toney Smith 225t; Lisa Geist 391; Larry Ballinger 224, 50b; Wayne Baines 339, 340; Clarence McCool 349, 45t (by request); Travis Keeton 294 (by request). Clarence McCool and Amber Davis led 62 as the closing song. Dennis George offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Clarence McCool; Vice Chairlady—Amber Davis; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

### **BOILING SPRINGS CONVENTION**

#### **Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Oak Grove Community, Sylacauga, Alabama Sunday, July 11, 2004**

The annual Boiling Springs Convention was held at Oak Grove Primitive Baptist Church in the Oak Grove Community, near Sylacauga, Alabama on the second Sunday in July. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Elder Bufrey Dean; Secretary—Cynthia Dean; Arranging Committee—Daniel Dean.

Leaders: Elder Bufrey Dean 31t; Ed Thacker 47t; Margaret Thacker 569b; Floy Wilder 63; Marlin Beasley 101t; Gene Forbes 100; Jack Nelson 30b; Diane Moncrief 358; Janice Tapley 288 (in memory of her dad, James Foshee); Shelia Rigby 111t; Daniel Dean 77t; Virginia Futral 145b; Wendy Futral 491; William Futral 341; Edna Phillips 143.

#### RECESS

Elder Bufrey Dean brought the class back together leading 313t. Leaders: Kyle Blakeley 270, 82t; Douglas Conn 35, 74b; Brenda Dean 47b, 369; Deborah Ritch 220, 168; Ed Thacker 57, 400; Sylvia Wesson 147, 339; Stormy Britton 188, 490 (in honor of brother, Willard Frederick, and Thomas Futral); Myra Goss 145t, 170; Dana Williford 75, 396.

Elder Bufrey Dean asked that Maudie Frederick be remembered in prayer, having had triple by-pass heart surgery. Elder Bufrey Dean led 45t. Tom Ingram prayed a warm, loving dismissal prayer.

#### LUNCH

Elder Bufrey Dean brought the afternoon session to order leading 47b and 282. Leaders: Tom Ingram 58b, 491; Elder Jonathan Blakeley 81t (in honor of his dad, Waylon Blakeley), 213; Lacey Blakeley 29t, 108b; Floy Wilder 186, 373; Marlin Beasley 34t, 457; Jack Nelson 294, 274t; Diane Moncrief 405 (in memory of her mother), 170; Janice Tapley 340, 108t; Justin Dean 354b, 45t; Daniel Dean 36b, 27 (in memory of Elder Arthur Lee Beckett); Virginia Futral 566 (in honor of Nelda

Henry, and in memory of Betty Forbes), 495 (OSH); William Futral 46, 98; Wendy Futral 496, 25; Lou Cotney 384, 358; Nellie Estes 40, 438; Elder Bufrey Dean 28b (by special request in honor of Lera Beckett).

Announcements were made. Elder Bufrey Dean thanked everyone for coming which indeed helped to bring the Boiling Springs Convention back to life again. Jack Nelson offered the closing prayer. The class sang 45t, and those who desired took the parting hand. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Elder Bufrey Dean; Secretary—Cynthia Dean.

## **QUEBEC SHAPE NOTE CONVENTION** **Waterville and Way's Mills, Quebec, Canada** **July 16-17, 2004**

### **Friday, July 16**

The Friday session of the ninth annual Quebec Convention was held at the Jubilee Hall, Waterville, Quebec. The class was called to order by Cheryl Stroud leading 47t, followed by an opening prayer.

Leaders: Bob Parr 171; Paul Gauthier 34b; Christopher Wesolowski 143; Pleasance Crawford 68b; Chuck Neville 49b; Gaston White 84; Jackie Hall 217; Adrienne Stevenson 504; Sumner Roberts 148; Bobbie Goodell 33b; Cathy Brochet 163t; Bob Parr 276; Paul Gauthier 74b; Christopher Wesolowski 107; Pleasance Crawford 99; Chuck Neville 569b; Gaston White 66; Cheryl Stroud 455.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Cheryl Stroud leading 117. Leaders: Sumner Roberts 135; Adrienne Stevenson 503; Bob Parr 475; Jackie Hall 410t; Gloria Thompson 155; Paul Gauthier 282; Cathy Brochet 547; Bobbie Goodell 198; Christopher Wesolowski 300; Chuck Neville 147t; Pleasance Crawford 178; Gaston White 186; Gloria Thompson 454; Sumner Roberts 287; Cheryl Stroud 183. After announcements were made, David Dutton led the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Saturday, July 17**

The Saturday session was held in the Way's Mills Community Centre. The class was brought to order by Gloria Thompson leading 266. David Dutton offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Adrienne Stevenson 49; Gaston White 40; Gloria Thompson 146; Sumner Roberts 451; Wendy Gilchrist 313b; Pleasance Crawford 524; Diane Holmland 124; Mary Jo Shafer 47b; Roger Geroux 55; Eric Metzler 295; Adrienne Stevenson 288; Scott Luscombe 362; Leonard Spencer 260; Bob Parr 270; Jackie Hall 528; Paul Gauthier 384; Cathy Brochet 86; Cheryl Stroud 107; Bobbie Goodell 171; Christopher Wesolowski 268; Joan Brunskill 452; Gaston White 236; Mary Jo Shafer 319.

Chuck Neville conducted the memorial lesson. The names of the sick and shut-ins were read by Cheryl Stroud, and song on page 347 was led in their honor. Those remembered were: P.J. Dean, Erella Ganon, Priscilla Baker, Grace Kelley, and Beverly Bronson.

The list of the deceased was read and 47b was sung in their memory. Those remembered were: Annie Molnar, Blake Lloyd, Sarah Marie Kinsley, Bettie Massett, Camillus Baker, Myrtle Holmland, Jean Johnson, William Holmland, Heather Fisher, Ada Keys, Dorothy Yeramian, and Mary Logsdon. The memorial was concluded.

Leaders: Sumner Roberts 315; Wendy Gilchrist 565; Gloria Thompson 59; Pleasance Crawford 65; Diane Holmlund 274; Roger Geroux 448b; Eric Metzler 81t. Cheryl Stroud led 180 as Grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Phil Dutton leading 299. Leaders: Adrienne Stevenson 335; Scott Luscombe 532; Coronne Bryant 52b; Leonard Spencer 442; Bob Parr 440; Jackie Hall "Ten Thousand Charms"; Paul Gauthier 89; Bobbie Goodell 228; Christopher Wesolowski 143; John Brunskill 84; Chuck Neville 163b; Gaston White 49b (words from 45t); Mary Jo Shafer 82t; Sumner Roberts 113; Susan Miller-Coulter 410t; Wendy Gilchrist 56b; Gloria Thompson 497; Pleasance Crawford 461; Diane Holmlund 162; Roger Geroux 334; Eric Metzler 159; Cathy Brochet 178.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Phil Dutton leading 66. Leaders: Adrienne Stevenson 480; Scott Luscombe 193; Coronne Bryant 73; Leonard Spencer 218; Bob Parr 556; Elka Schumann 163t; Jackie Hall 344; Paul Gauthier 499; Bobbie Goodell 174; Christopher Wesolowski "Captain Kidd"; Chuck Neville 569b; Gaston White 34b; Mary Jo Shafer 45t; Sumner Roberts 341.

It was reported that there were participants from two Canadian provinces (Ontario and Quebec), and that seven states were represented: Vermont, New Hampshire, New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Ohio, and Alabama. There was also one participant from France. There were 50 registered participants and 24 leaders. Committee members were thanked for their hard work in carrying out their duties. Announcements were made of upcoming singings and conventions. Next year's convention will be held on July 15th and 16th.

Phil Dutton led 62 as the closing song. Chuck Neville offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairpersons—Chuck Neville and Cheryl Stroud; Secretaries—Phil Dutton and Evelyn Rose.

### **MICHIANA SINGING** **New Testament Baptist Church, Goshen Indiana** **Saturday, July 17, 2004**

Matthew Lind opened the seventeenth annual Michiana Singing with 34b. Michael Miller offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: James Nelson Gingerich 47t; Samuel Sommers 85; Ann Miczulski 540; Molly Williams 128; Lori Graber and Joanne Bowman 327; John Bahler and Brad Bahler 117; Loraine Bayer, Hans Bayer, and Jubal Bayer 388; John Fink 49b; Jan Wright 155; John Seaton 48t; Wally Bloch 52t; Shirley Figura 385; William Shetter 28b; Annie Grieshop 344; Mary List 467; Kiri Miller 430; Linda Speck 186; Teresa Kasperick Postellon 178; Warren Steel 411; Jenny Jensen and Stan Jensen 353; Steve Warner and Anne Heider 475; Lisa Cohen 148; Don Keeton 390; Rochelle Lodder 31t; Janet Fraembs 421; Guy Banks 481; Pauline Childers and Henry Schuman 318.

#### RECESS

Kent Beck brought the class back to order leading 40. Leaders: Jan Ketelle 56; Ariel Weinberg 200; Joe Todd 179; Nancy Yeager 535; Koven Smith and Don Keeton 274b; Grace Scrimgeour 33b; James Page "Oldhams Creek"; Sue Probert 547; David Rust 95; Ginny Landgraf 501; Carla Smith and Nancy Huerta 399b; Bill Beverly 86; Melanie Hauff 564; Becky Browne 304; Stephanie Fida 47b; Debbie Barford 269.

Michael Miller conducted the memorial lesson, and spoke about imagery in song and scripture about singing in the hereafter with people who have gone before us. The names of the deceased remembered were: J.C. Hardin, Harvey Austin, Ruth Brown,

and A.A. Malone—Alabama; Darrell Beasley—Georgia; John Erickson, Robert Sanders, and Anthony Jefferson—Illinois; Carl Massanari—Indiana; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Maggie Cayhill and Janice Kerwin—Michigan; Cecelia Hauff—South Dakota; Walter Wade and Bruce Kettle—Tennessee. Michael Miller led 551 for the deceased.

Beth Todd read the list of names of the sick and shut-ins and led 68b in their honor. Those remembered were: Violet Stark and Suzanne Flandreau—Illinois; Dean Slaton—Indiana; Baba Werner—Pennsylvania; Julie Veal, Bob Scorgie, and Bob Anderson—Wisconsin; Roberta Seaton—United Kingdom. Beth Todd closed the memorial lesson. Leaders: Cathryn Baker 192; Ted Mercer 228; John Bayer 300.

#### LUNCH

Rachel Miller Jacobs and Benjamin Jacobs brought the class back for the afternoon session leading 144. Leaders: Roger Williams 173; Regina Bayer 181; David Yeager 240; Anne Steel 348b; Gary Gronau 362; Megan Jennings 222; Rachel Adelstein 352; Lela Crowder 270; David Barford 216; Joan Aldridge 189; Richard DeLong 419; Judy Hauff 565; Jerry Schreiber 532; Reba Windom 142; Karen Freund, Jerry Enright, and Reba Windom 542; Dan Huger 38b; Marcia Johnson 345b; Paul Figura 334; Beth Todd 373; Steve Kasperick Postellon 448b; Martha Beverly 517; Christine Guth 99; Anne Heider 472; Kris Richardson 335; Carla Smith and Jerry Schreiber 333; Henry Schuman 426b; Shirley Figura, Paul Figura, and LaMar Schlabach 510; Regina Bayer 282; Stan Jensen 37b; Annie Grieshop 146; James Page 272; Marcia Johnson, Pauline Childers, Melanie Hauff, and Judy Hauff 288, 290.

Announcements were made. Matthew Lind led 62 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. John Bayer offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Matthew Lind; Treasurer—James Nelson Gingerich; Secretary—Samuel Sommers.

### **MT. OAK METHODIST CHURCH** **Six Miles Northwest of Arab, Alabama** **Saturday, July 17, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Mt. Oak Methodist Church was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. Hershell King called the class to order leading 59. Leonard Hayes offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Hershell King; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell.

Leaders: Hershell King 80b; David Light 100, 294, 334; Sandra Light 119, 354b; Robert Walker 143, 145b, 348b; Dan Hopper 339, 332, 287; Judy Caudle 73b, 73t, 39b; Ramona Light and David Light 441, 192, 318.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by David Light and Katie Sparks leading 358 and 45t. Leaders: Arvid Holmes 40, 64; Leonard Hayes 501 (CB); Wilda Holmes 491b (WB); J.C. Rutledge 43, 87, 105; David Ivey 155, 171, 137.

#### LUNCH

David Light called the afternoon session to order leading 445 and 110. Leaders: Robert Walker 452, 63; Dan Hopper 451, 479; Ramona Light 348; Judy Caudle 76t; Arvid Holmes 460; Hershell King 389, 97; J.C. Rutledge 99, 454; David Ivey 88t, 278b; David Ivey and Rhoda Norris 532; David Light 112.

David Light led 46 as the closing song. Dan Hopper offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Hershell King; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell.

### **SPIVEY HALL SINGING** **Clayton State College and University, Macon, Georgia** **Saturday, July 17, 2004**

The second annual all day Sacred Harp Singing at Spivey Hall was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. Gene Pinion called the class to order leading 303, and then offered the morning payer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Gene Pinion; Vice Chairman—Hugh McGraw; Secretary—Charlene Wallace; Arranging Committee—Scott DePoy and John Plunkett.

Leaders: Hugh McGraw 185; Charlene Wallace 63, 87; Eric Tweedy 89, 200; Ann Ballad 284, 274t; Tony Hammock 274b, 314; Belinda Snow 155, 47b; Scott DePoy 179, 410t; Lee Rogers 34t, 475; Charles Woods 77t, 312b; Earlis McGraw 225t (for Gladys McGraw), 435.

#### **RECESS**

The class was called together by Gene Pinion leading 145b. Leaders: Andy Morse 222, 455; Sandra Wilkinson 177, 277; Oscar McGuire 276, 473; Jeannette DePoy 300, 569b; Charles Walker 268, 209; Kelly Morris 147t, 159; Susan Firestone 178, 84; John Plunkett 86, 278t; Phillip Langley 76b, 442; Jesse Roberts 275b, 151; John Hollingsworth 68b, 176t.

#### **LUNCH**

Gene Pinion called the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 354b. Leaders: Karen Morris 56b, 107; Martha Ann Stegar 66, 40; Hugh McGraw 54; Charlene Wallace 85; Jeannette DePoy and Scott DePoy 318, 283; Tony Hammock 441; Bill Scott 454, 383; Susan Scott 216, 480; Eric Tweedy 142; Ann Ballad 460; Earlis McGraw 544; Charles Woods 271t; Belinda Snow 45t; Andy Morse 168; Charles Walker 273; Sandra Wilkinson 384; Phillip Langley 436; Oscar McGuire 171; Susan Firestone 146; Alice West 504, 515; Kelly Morris 114; Lee Rogers 217; Jesse Roberts 43; Martha Stegar 335; John Plunkett 336.

Announcements were made. Gene Pinion led 123t as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer to dismiss the class.

Chairman—Gene Pinion; Vice Chairman—Hugh McGraw; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

### **“CONNEXION” ALL DAY SINGING** **Boston University College of Fine Arts, Boston, Massachusetts** **Saturday, July 17, 2004**

The first annual “Connexion” All-Day Singing at Boston University was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in July at the College of Fine Arts of Boston University, Room 167. The occasion marked the first year of weekly singings from “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition” held at the University. Chairman Tom Malone offered words of welcome to visitors and singers, and called the class to order with 61.

Leaders: Sean Mannion 45t; D.J. Hatfield 37b; Susan Loucks 480; Charles Cofone 35; Joanna Lampert 34b; Melissa Gnibus 178; Lulu Yang 47t; Ian Smiley 413; Dan Hertzler 128; Leigh Tintle 299; Rania Neocleous 101t; Nicole Edgcomb 106; Robert Dove 535; Joanne DeVoe 484; Sean Mannion 68b.



## RECESS

Tom Malone called the class back to order with 452. Leaders: Tom Padwa 473; Bradford West 542; Carlos Kampff 146; Ken Mattsson 454; Lyra O'Brien 371; Liz Meitzler 245; Sally House 171; Matthew Wojcik 300; Nancy Reid 86; Bill Dunn 155; Kelly House 99; Lynne deBenedette 383; Rebecca Edwards 129; Hal Kunkel 179.

Nicole Edgecomb conducted the memorial lesson for those who have passed away during the last year, and led 163b in their memory. The deceased remembered were: Lisa Maisels, Marie Sidel, Marcelo Burjato, Elizabeth Roberts, Kristen Malone, Corey McFadden, Lynn Snyder, Doris Morganson, Laurette Wojcik, Howard Northrup, and Jennifer Pomfret.

Carlos Kampff led 316 in honor of the sick and shut-ins: Dean Slaton, Lynn Konowitz, Jean Mattson, Jane McGreal, and Carlton Edgecomb. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Tom Malone 170; Sean Mannion 282; Susan Loucks 347. The midday prayer was offered by Dan Hertzler.

## LUNCH

Vice Chair Leigh Tintle called the class to order with 49b. Leaders: Ian Smiley 198; Dan Hertzler 426b; Rosie Wojcik 440; Charles Cofone 66; Hal Kunkel 302; Leigh Tintle 189; Rachel Speer 430; Rebecca Edwards 107; Joanna Lampert 126; Melissa Gnibus 59; Lulu Yang 268; Rania Neocleous 332; Nicole Edgecomb 458; Robert Dove 344; Joanne DeVoe 327; Tom Padwa 569b; Bradford West 142.

## RECESS

Tom Malone called the class back with 493. Leaders: Carlos Kampff 287; Ken Mattsson 504; Lyra O'Brien 553; Liz Meitzler 148; Sally House 448t; Matt Wojcik 428; Nancy Reid 474; Bill Dunn 426t; Kelly House 186; Lynne deBenedette 203; Rebecca Edwards 29t; D.J. Hatfield 34t; Tom Malone 456.

## RECESS

Leigh Tintle called the class back to order with 52t. Leaders: Robert Dove 479; Ian Smiley 429; Rosie Wojcik 460; Bradford West 324; Dan Hertzler 235; Tom Padwa 91; Joanne DeVoe 31t; Rachel Speer 496; Lyra O'Brien 202; Matt Wojcik 30t; Nancy Reid 147; Bill Dunn 448b; Kelly House 76b; Lynne deBenedette 77t.

A business meeting was held. Treasurer Sean Mannion reported to the class that through the generous offerings, all expenses had been met.

All officers were retained and it was agreed to hold the singing again in a year's time, but on the 4th Saturday of July to avoid a conflict with the singing in Quebec. End of business session.

Leaders: Rebecca Edwards 67; D.J. Hatfield 271, Carlos Kampff 47b; Nicole Edgecomb 275t; Lee Tintle 217; Rania Neocleous 379; Joanna Lampert 38b.

Announcements were made. Tom Malone led 528 and 414 as the closing songs.

Nicole Edgecomb offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Malone; Vice Chair—Leigh Tintle; Secretary—Joanna Lampert.

## WALKER COUNTY CONVENTION

### New Hope Primitive Baptist Church, Walker County, Alabama Saturday, July 17, 2004

The ninetieth session of the Walker County Convention was held at New Hope Primitive Baptist Church in Walker County, Alabama on Saturday before the third Sunday in July. Velton Chafin brought the class to order leading 31b and 39b. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Brenda

Merritt; Arranging Committee—Billy Williams; Memorial Committee—Josie Hyde and Marlin Beasley.

Leaders: Velton Chafin 35; Corene White 37b, 379; Mike Jones 400, 332; Gary Smith 503, 565; John Hyde 566, 61; Delone Cobbs 288, 168; Jimmie Gilmore 276, 383; Wilton Donaldson 30t, 32t; Richard Maudlin 147t, 178.

RECESS

Glenn Keeton brought the class to order leading 64 and 47b. Leaders: Cecil Sanders and Winell Sanders 569b; Kenneth Fannin 192, 390; Arthur Gilmore 378t, 491b (WB); Flarce Creel 384; Coy Ivey 137, 222; Sarah Smith 146; Marlin Beasley 176t; Tommie Spurlock 446, 430.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Velton Chafin leading 354b.

Josie Hyde conducted the memorial lesson and led 129 for the deceased. Those remembered were: Bruce Randolph, J.C. Hardin, Clearcy Rutledge, Dessie Goodman, Mavis Price, Crystal Crocker, Elvin Guthrie, A.A. Malone, Lebron Hinton, Willie Carolyn Denson, E.R. Graves, and F.L. Parnell.

Marlin Beasley led 480 for the sick and shut-ins: Gladys Bonds, Elsie Beasley, Cecile Cox, John Hocutt, Cassie Franklin, L.E. Hannah, Ruth Aaron, Vicky Aplin, and Sherry Guthery. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Latrive Bailey 517 (WB); John Etheridge 499, 498; Will Allred 282, 45t; Danny Creel 182.

LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Velton Chafin leading 564. Leaders: Travis Keeton 388, 189; Pam Baker 171, 220; Rachel Allred 421, 300; John Merritt 65 (for Uel Freeman); Richard Mauldin 358; Clarence McCool 349, 428; Jennifer Allred 269; Wilburn Ellison 341, 452; Butch White 30b; Margaret Keeton 327; Elizabeth Keeton 274t; Stanley Smith 302; Caleb Allred 87, 197; Edith Tate 532; Wayne Jones 76b, 36b; Seth Allred 335; Harrison Creel 342; Susan Allred 491; Brenda Merritt 426b; Amber Davis 442; M.O. Sides 144; Josie Hyde 507; Billy Williams 24; Velton Chafin, Howard Denson, III, and David Denson 340.

Announcements were made. Velton Chafin dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Secretary—Brenda Merritt.

## **CHAFIN, HARBINSON, AND HOLLIS MEMORIAL** **New Prospect Church, Cullman County, Alabama** **Sunday, July 18, 2004**

The one hundred-thirty first session of the Chafin, Harbinson, and Hollis Memorial was held at New Prospect Church in Cullman County, Alabama on the third Sunday in July. The class was called to order by Harrison Creel leading 317. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer. Velton Chafin led 225t.

The class was organized with the following officer elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Arranging Committee—Billy Williams; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Velton Chafin 30t; Corene White 391; Mike Jones 31t; Winell Sanders 108t; Tyler Newman 340; Olita Stewart 313t; Juanita Newman 406; Wayne Jones 63; Amanda Denson 274t; Richard Mauldin 32t; Emily Creel 384; Lucy Heidorn 155; Wanda Capps 299; Wilton Donaldson 490; M.O. Sides 480; Sarah Smith 445; Coy Ivey 270.

RECESS

The class resumed singing with Harrison Creel leading 498. Leaders: Wilborn Ellison 28b; Charlotte McCarn 143; Marie Guthrie 280; Freda Bledsoe 87; Clayton

Ezell 300; Clarence McCool 112; Rachel Allred 99; Caleb Allred 196; Will Allred 283; Elene Stovall 430; Lena Keeton and Lisa Geist 497; Josie Hyde 477; Teddy Creel and Danny Creel 59; Travis Keeton 475; Seth Allred 192; Jennifer Allred 214; Glenn Keeton, Elizabeth Keeton, and Peyton Hudson 335; Danny Creel 383.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Velton Chafin leading 35. Leaders: Margaret Keeton 321; Flarce Creel 448b; John Hyde 297; Bud Oliver 42; Ashley Campbell 442; Gravis Ballinger 203; S.T. Reed 428; Gary Smith 565; Ann Jett 546; Marlin Beasley 392; Susan Allred 394; Lisa Geist 327; Linda Sides 328.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Velton Chafin leading 175. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 177; Rodney Ivey 432; John Etheridge 318; Nate Green and Norma Green 65; Larry Ballinger 89; Roma Rice 482; Amber Davis 380; John Merritt and Brenda Merritt 438 (in honor of their anniversary); John Merritt 566 (in memory of Danny Jones); Harrison Creel 512; Edit Tate 532; Willodean Barton 454; Brenda Merritt 336; Ozella Blackmon 459; Butch White 77t; Don Roberson 142; Billy Williams 78; Rodney Ivey 441; Wayne Jones 48t; Will Allred 45t.

Velton Chafin and Harrison Creel led 521 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

### **HILLABEE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Daviston, Alabama** **Sunday, July 18, 2004**

The one hundred thirty-second session of the Hillabee Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church in Daviston, Alabama on the third Sunday in July. Chairman Eugene Forbes brought the class to order leading 39b. Bufrey Dean offered the morning prayer.

The Introductory Lesson was led by Edna Ruth Phillips using songs on pages 335 and 334.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Charlotte Bishop.

Leaders: Eugene Forbes 100, 438; Nell Estes 40, 36b, 313t; Floy Wilder 123t, 47t; Myrline Redmon 452, 569b; Mary Payne 496, 490; Jenny Acton 25 (JB), 143.

#### RECESS

Chairman Eugene Forbes brought the class to order leading 32t. Leaders: Charlotte Bishop 119, 294; Audress Gurley 274t, 517 (WB); Margaret Ray 112, 418; Edna Ruth Phillips 566, 75; Nell Estes 560.

#### LUNCH

The class was reassembled for the afternoon session. A business session was held with the class voting and approving the following:

- The Introductory Lesson is to be led by Mary Jean Payne in 2005.
- The singing is to be held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church until further notice.

The business session was closed.

The memorial lesson was conducted. Jenny Acton led 340 in memory of her dad, Walter C. (Dee) Gurley, and Paul Mastranunzio. Jack Nelson led 490 in memory of Thomas Futral. The memorial lesson was closed.

Leaders: Virginia Futral 145b, 480; Myra Goss 282, 434; Jack Nelson 30b, 117; William Futral 341, 98; Lacy Blakeley 108b, 77t; Chita Blakely 176t, 216; Susan

Bishop 47b, 491; Annie Sue Bishop 148, 127; Nell Estes 186; Floy Wilder 373; Mary Jean Payne 99 (in memory of her mother, Elma Avery); Myrline Redmon 147t; Jack Nelson 489, 122 (by request); Jonathon Blakeley 213; Myra Goss 384; Charlotte Bishop "A Light At The River".

Announcements were made. Chairman Eugene Forbes led 46 as the closing song. Elder Jonathon Blakeley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Eugene Forbes; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

### **KALAMAZOO SINGING** **Wesley Foundation, Kalamazoo, Michigan** **Sunday, July 18, 2004**

The sixth annual Kalamazoo Singing was held at the Wesley Foundation on the campus of Western Michigan University on the third Sunday in July. Chairlady Martha Beverly brought the class to order leading 32t. John Fink offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Martha Beverly 171; Samuel Sommers 477, 24b; Ann Miczulski 30t, 145b; Molly Williams 479, 163; John Fink 236; Bill Venema 63, 40; Idy Kiser 122, 312b; Jan Wright 478, 107; Peter Bradley 365; Pauline Childers 212, 234; Steve Warner 168, 86; Becky Browne 36b, 217.

#### **RECESS**

Samuel Sommers reconvened the class with 277. Leaders: Kiri Miller 383, 348b; Liz Kiser 282; Joan Aldridge 273, 150; David Yeager 148, 64; Annie Grieshop 481, 344; John Fink 254; Cathryn Baker 142, 474; Richard DeLong 396, 399b; Lela Crowder 328, 42 (for Bud Oliver); Dan Huger 146, 569b.

#### **RECESS**

Ann Miczulski brought the class to order leading 84. Leaders: Ann Heider 198, 454; David Rust 48b, 215; Reba Windom 283, 384; Gary Gronau 385t, 112; Judy Hauff and Teddy Thomas 76b, 536; Bill Beverly 297, 120; Martha Beverly 85 (for Grace Flesche and Don Flesche).

#### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Samuel Sommers leading 319.

Leaders: Melanie Hauff 392, 203; Roger Williams 182, 298; Nancy Yeager 147t, 147b; Matthew Lind 29t, 36t; Marcia Johnson 368, 436; Ted Mercer 571, 43; Ginny Landgraf 455, 351; James Page 202, 505; Shirley Figura 354b, 335; Guy Bankes 327, 352; Jan Kettle 296, 550; Paul Figura and Lamar Schlabach 543, 547.

#### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Jan Wright leading 155. Leaders: Mary List 49t, 512; Megan Jennings 218, 101t; Kate Lind 34t; Wally Bloch 133, 82; Susan Probert 47b; Jim Helke 134, 154; Mary Postellon 66, 34b; Grace Scrimgeour 48t.

Announcements were made. Martha Beverly led 46 as the closing song. Samuel Sommers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Martha Beverly; Vice Chairman—Samuel Sommers; Secretary—Henry Schuman.

### **COTACO CONVENTION** **Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church, Gum Pond, Alabama** **Saturday, July 24, 2004**

The one hundred-sixteenth session of the Cotaco Convention was called to order by Chairman Jonathon Thompson leading 45t. The morning prayer was offered by Elder Daniel Hopper.

Leaders: Jonathon Thompson 565, 84; Brandon Thompson 274t, 335; Judy Caudle 121, 202; Nancy Thompson 37b, 48t; Delone Cobbs 235, 32t; Sandra Light 143, 354b; Gordon Wilkinson 318, 384; Corene White 314; J.L. Hopper 503, 407; Wilda Holmes 490, 39b.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Jonathon Thompson leading 313t. Leaders: J.C. Rutledge 569b, 452; Geraldine Watkins 299, 66; Milton Oliver 405, 270; Billy Williams 78; Carol Fannin 399b, 30b; Hershell King 80b, 35; Penina Kane 119, 61; Marlin Beasley 63, 406; David Roberson 99, 97; Margie Lee 72b, 111t; Bud Oliver 343, 345t; Jonathon Thompson 64. Prayer was offered by Hershell King.

#### LUNCH

After enjoying a bountiful lunch and sweet fellowship, the class was reassembled by Jonathon Thompson leading 171, 448t, and 163t.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Jonathon Thompson; Vice Chairman—Brandon Thompson;

Secretary—Judy Caudle.

Chairman Jonathon Thompson opened the floor and gave opportunity for anyone desiring to host the next session of the convention to make their request known.

None were received, so the 117th session of the convention will remain with Gum Pond Church for July, 2005. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Herby Bailey 448b, 489; Ramona Light 380, 180; Kenneth Fannin 111b, 436; Jennifer Allred 418, 88t; David Ivey 267, 385t; Dan Hopper 450, 140; Dana Borrelli 87, 159; Allison Ivey 89, 135; Bridgett Hill 290, 276; Craig Holmes 36b, 369; Corene White 403; Billy Williams 120; J.L. Hopper 81t (by request); Judy Caudle 532 (by request).

Jonathon Thompson led 62 as the closing song, and Elder J.L. Hopper dismissed the class with prayer.

Chairman—Jonathon Thompson; Vice Chairman—Brandon Thompson;

Secretary—Judy Caudle.

## **MARILOU AND DON JOLLY MEMORIAL**

**Poway, California**

**Saturday, July 24, 2004**

Mary Linn Bergstrom opened the eighth annual Marilou and Don Jolly Memorial singing with 52t. Midge Harder offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Anitra Kaye 135; Jerry Schreiber 73t; Susanna Ball 148; Lisa Halverson 40; Midge Harder 510; Carroll Lunsford 204; Ted Mercer 504; Rick Russell and Rodney Willard 128; Juanita Heyerman 347; Marion Black 171; Larry Arnstein 569b; Carla Smith 304; Ron Huss 538.

#### RECESS

Susanna Ball brought the class back to order with 36b. Leaders: John Marr 319; Judy Getrich and Jerry Schreiber 270; Marilyn Murata 353; Bruce Heyes 91; Duncan MacLeod 340; Karen Huss 454; Marcia Tucker 163b; Pat Keating 528; Rick Russell 566; Norman Gholson 479; Laura Russell 320; Ted Mercer 216; Chris Thorman 318; Darlene Dalton 503; Jerry Schreiber 77t, 446; Lisa Halverson 48b.

#### RECESS

Mary Linn Bergstrom brought the class to order with 496. Leaders: Lara Hardin 49t; Mark Halverson 45t, 107; Wendy Wahn 546; Anitra Kaye 56b, 369; Susanna Ball 63, 178. Midge Harder offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Susanna Ball reconvened the class with 31t and 34b. Leaders: Carroll Lunsford 332, 100; Juanita Heyerman 122, 70b; Ted Mercer 123b, 193; Darlene Dalton 309, 33b;

Laura Russell 140, 102; Chris Thorman 473, 162; Rodney Willard 84, 49b; Pat Keating 196, 274; Rick Russell 297, 38b; Duncan MacLeod 168, 475; Karen Huss 236; Larry Arnstein 150, 299; Norman Gholson 86, 66; Ron Huss 549, 157; Marion Black 53, 474.

#### RECESS

Susanna Ball called the class to order with 111t. Leaders: Marcia Tucker 497, 203; John Marr 335, 146; Wendy Wahn 269, 547; Marilyn Murata 195, 282; Bruce Heyes 333, 218; Midge Harder 532, 217; Carla Smith 149, 68b. Announcements were made. Anitra Kaye led 323t to conclude the singing. Midge Harder offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairlady—Anitra Kaye; Vice Chairlady—Susanna Ball; Secretary—Marion Black.

### **MT. ZION MEMORIAL** **Mt. Zion, Georgia (off Hwy. 16)** **July 24-25, 2004**

#### **Saturday, July 24**

The one hundred-twelfth session of the Mt. Zion Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in July. Earlis McGraw called the class to order leading 37b. Rev. David Sanders offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Phillip Langley 29t, 215; Charlene Wallace 121, 207; Rev. David Sanders 63, 128; Judy Henry 74b, 77b (for Reby Stanford); Hugh McGraw 145b; Carlene Griffin 345t, 283; Josephine Denney 72b, 129; Lonnie Rogers 101t, 141; Eunice Webb 436, 426t; Danny Griffin 408; Arlene Woods 108t, 284; Bentley McGuire 354b, 49t; Mildred Patterson 111t, 119.

#### RECESS

The class was called together by Phillip Langley leading 216. Leaders: B.M. Smith 217, 225t; Andy Anderson 28t, 510; Sheri Taylor 114, 126; Charles Woods 377, 107; Preston McClendon (99 years old) 45t; Lela Crowder 272, 300; S.T. Reed 109, 125; Sandra Wilkinson 311, 473; Felton Denney 235, 234; Shelbie Sheppard 368.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Earlis McGraw leading 544. Leaders: Lee Rogers 287, 174; Karleen Williams 124, 137; Stanley Edwards 340, 58; Henry Johnson 341, 535; Lou Cotney 222, 384.

A motion was made to go into the business session. The officers elected or appointed were: Chairman—Earlis McGraw; Vice Chairman—Phillip Langley;

Secretary/Treasurer—Charlene Wallace; Arranging/Memorial Committee—Judy Henry and Carolyn Huckeba.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 573, 344; Lisa Webb 299, 348b; John Plunkett 349, 471; Richard Maudlin 168, 28b; Ed Thacker 556, 546; Jeff Sheppard 41, 152; Dave Farmer 267, 178; Reba Norton 441, 99; Nick Griffin 551; John Wall 117, 479; Dave Farmer 38t; S.T. Reed 278b.

Announcements were made. Earlis McGraw led 46 as the closing song, and Hugh McGraw dismissed the class with prayer.

#### **Sunday, July 25**

The class was called to order by Earlis McGraw leading 435. Rev. David Sanders offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Earlis McGraw 132; Phillip Langley 270, 30t; Rev. David Sanders 45t, 87; Charlene Wallace 383 (for Bernice Jackson and Bobby Jackson); Oscar McGuire 155, 54; Jan House 495, 85; Sharon Hamrick 236, 276; Stanley Edwards 56t, 76b; Bud Oliver 145b, 170; George Garner 480; Charles Woods 149, 82t; B.J. Harris 303,

225t; Myron House 513, 486; Charlene Wallace 159 (for Ricky McGraw, Carly McWhorter, and Avery McWhorter), 401.

#### RECESS

Phillip Langley called the class together leading 318. Leaders: Lisa Webb 455, 454; Milton Oliver 321, 314; Richard DeLong 396, 349; Evelyn Harris 47t; Richard Maudlin 475, 503.

Charles Wood conducted the memorial lesson and led 47b in memory of the deceased: Mozelle Sheppard, G.L. Hinton, Willie Carolyn Denson, and Barbara DePoy.

Charles Wood led 340 for the sick and shut-ins which included: Dick Maudlin, Bobby Jackson, I.V. McWhorter, Naomi Sailors, Alice Edwards, Myrtle Smith, Donnie McGraw, John Hocutt, and Nancy Allen. Rev. David Sanders closed the memorial with prayer.

Judy Henry and Austin Warren led 282; Earlis McGraw led 411 and 59.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Earlis McGraw leading 483. Leaders: B.M. Smith 196, 212; Jeannette DePoy 436, 540 (for Scott DePoy); Louis Hughes 569t, 493; Martha Ann Stegar 117, 81t; Raymond Hamrick 350, 369; Lela Crowder 39t, 278b; Hugh McGraw 175; John Plunkett 176b, 88b; C.W. Garner 89; Cecil Roberts 335, 235; Dana Borrelli 339, 68b; John Wall 74b, 49t; Tony Hammock 441, 348b; Sandra Wilkinson 176t, 77b; Louise Holland 323b, 49b; Carlene Griffin, Earlis McGraw, Carolyn Huckeba, and Judy Henry 333, 345t.

Announcements were made. Earlis McGraw, Phillip Langley, and Rev. David Sanders led 62 as the closing song. Rev. David Sanders offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Earlis McGraw; Vice Chairman—Phillip Langley; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

### CHERRY TREE SINGING

#### James Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Itawamba County, Mississippi Sunday, July 25, 2004

The annual Cherry Tree Singing at James Creek Primitive Baptist Church in Itawamba County, Mississippi was held on the fourth Sunday in July. The class was called to order by John Merritt leading 59. Dale Kennedy offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized for the day with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Dale Kennedy; Vice Chairman—John Merritt; Secretary—Brenda Merritt.

Leaders: John Merritt 73t; John Hyde 124, 297; Ester Mann 171, 32t, 480; Wilton Donaldson 348b, 47b; W.M. Allen 75, 108t; Wayne Baines 155, 146, 373 (in memory of Etma Barton, who passed away on today's date); Julie Propst 145b; Josie Hyde 43, 200; Travis Keeton 179, 544, 235; Hugh Bill McGuire 503, 40.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Dale Kennedy leading 77t and 61. Leaders: Ester Mann 63, 147t; Faye Donaldson 430, 225t; Margaret Keeton 455, 142; Clarence McCool 348b, 349, 535; Earl Ballinger 80b, 109, 331; Betty Baccus 396, 392; Lisa Geist 546, 572; David Beasley and Ruby Steggs 354b, 45t.

#### LUNCH

Dale Kennedy brought the afternoon session to order leading 159. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 89, 101t; Estes Jackson 426t, 68b; Gravis Ballinger 78, 457, 477; John Beasley 72t, 81t, 294; John Hyde 129; Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson 565; Wayne Baines 318; Josie Hyde 405; Travis Keeton 343; Hugh Bill McGuire

344; Faye Donaldson 284; Margaret Keeton 138t; Clarence McCool 569b; Earl Ballinger 144; Betty Baccus 282; David Beasley 33t; Larry Ballinger 36b; Estes Jackson 345b; Gravis Ballinger 99; John Beasley 47t; Brenda Merritt 436. Announcements were made. Dale Kennedy led 63 as the closing song, and then dismissed the class with prayer.  
Chairman—Dale Kennedy; Vice Chairman—John Merritt; Secretary—Brenda Merritt.

## **DAMARISCOTTA REGIONAL SINGING** **Great Salt Bay School, Damariscotta, Maine** **Saturday, July 31, 2004**

The second annual Damariscotta Regional Singing was held at the Great Salt Bay School in Damariscotta, Maine on Saturday before the first Sunday in August, and was called to order by Corrone Bryant leading 59.

Leaders: Laura Timmerman 371, 47t; Michael Colbert and Edith Berger 159, 49t; Alice Kast 40, 448t; Paul Gauthier 39t, 34b; Dan Hertzler 114, 67; Hal Booth 63, 49b; Sumner Roberts 158, 58; Bobbie Goodell 72b, 540; Edith Berger 30b, 448b; Corrone Bryant 32t, 171.

### **RECESS**

Edith Berger called the class to order leading 99. Leaders: Edith Berger 45t (for Chris Holley); Marion Black 68b, 53; Edith Berger 155, 147t (for John Van Sorosin); Julia Plumb 268, 497; Francis Bliss 311, 198; Edith Berger 162, 143 (for Ruth Ann Bryant).

Corrone Bryant and Ruth Ann Bryant conducted the memorial lesson. Corrone Bryant offered prayer. Ruth Ann Bryant spoke of the need to remember those people who have helped the music live on. Corrone Bryant led 347 for the deceased, as well as the sick and shut-ins.

The deceased remembered were: Raymond Grandidge—Rhode Island; Worth Brown—Pennsylvania; Nancy Taillon Schapper—Arizona; Ruth Clark—Maine; Howard Northrup—Vermont; Zilpha Booth and Jennifer Pomfret.

The sick and shut-ins included: Frank Connor and Dorothy Conno—New Hampshire; Bill Zimmerman—Massachusetts. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: David Bliss 66, 569; Laura Timmerman 475, 84; Bobbie Goodell 280, 549; Michael Colbert and Edith Berger 299, 455; Alice Kast 300. Hugh Awalt offered the blessing before for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

Corrone Bryant called the class to order leading 184. Edith Berger gave a short explanation of the shapes and leading customs then led 182.

Leaders: Paul Gauthier 282, 270; Corrone Bryant 38t; Dan Hertzler 81t, 178; Hal Booth 87, 454; Sumner Roberts 332, 340; Joan Sheldon 523, 354b; Edith Berger 236, 319; Edith Berger 476, 542 (for Chris Holley); Marion Black 36b, 474; Edith Berger 220, 188 (for John Van Sorosin).

### **RECESS**

Sumner Roberts called the class to order leading 556. Leaders: Hal Booth 569 (request, for Ruth Ann Bryant); Paul Gauthier 235, 384; Laura Timmerman 65, 414; Michael Colbert and Edith Berger 288, 107; Dan Hertzler 228, 229; Sumner Roberts 136, 154; Edith Berger 163 (for Chris Holley); Marion Black 425; Corrone Bryant 452.

Secretary Edith Berger announced that there were 40 participants from 8 states with 15 leaders. Acknowledgements were made thanking the officers, all committees, and all singers who came to help support this singing.



The Damariscotta Regional Singing for 2005 will be held on Saturday before the first Sunday in August, August 6th.

Corrone Bryant led 62 as the closing song while the class took the parting hand, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Corrone Bryant; Secretary—Edith Berger.

## **CHATTAHOOCHEE CONVENTION** **Wilson's Chapel, Carrollton, Georgia** **July 31-August 1, 2004**

### **Saturday, July 31**

The one hundred fifty-second session of the Chattahoochee Convention was held on the first Sunday and Saturday before in August at Wilson's Chapel, near Carrollton, Georgia. Chairlady Sheri Taylor led 39t and 29t to open the convention. Richard Mauldin offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Sheri Taylor 27; Donna Duke 203, 101t; Lori Goode and Mary Elizabeth Goode "Jesus Loves Me", 198; Charlene Wallace 99, 139; Karen Rollins 225t, 178; B.M. Smith 475, 38t; Lisa Webb 528, 222; Tony Hammock 441, 89; Elise Eskew 107, 384; Jack Nelson 30b, 294; Mary Wright 378, 457; Richard Mauldin 145b, 84.  
**RECESS**

The class resumed singing. Leaders: John Plunkett 33b; Sandra Wilkinson 224, 229; Morgan Bunch 306; Susan Fetcho 547; Ed Thacker 313t; Jeannette DePoy 390; Robert Walker 338.

A motion was made and seconded to go into a business session. The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairlady—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Donna Duke; Chaplain—Lonnie Rogers; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace and Laura Frey (Saturday), Sandra Wilkerson and Lela Crowder (Sunday); Finance Committee—Carlene Griffin and Andy Anderson; Resolutions Committee—Lori Goode and Richard Mauldin; Memorial Committee—Jeannette DePoy and Lisa Webb. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Lee Rogers 218; D.J. Hatfield 456; Sue Bunch 34b; Andy Anderson 146; Megan Jennings 189; Matt Hinton 163b.

### **LUNCH**

Vice Chairman John Plunkett opened the afternoon session leading 47t. Leaders: Kiri Miller 142; John Hollingsworth 82; Lela Crowder 374; Henry Johnson 435; David Fetcho 163t; Joan Durdin 448b; Mickey Edwards 28b; Dana Borrelli 480; Liz Bryant 270; Dan Hawkinson 143; Judy Mincey 347; Don Bowen 47b; Eric Tweedy 131t; Ellie Solar 504; Jessica Ivey and Cheyenne Ivey 282; Gene Duke 81t; Lou Cotney 300; Andrew Snyder 269; Laura Frey 358, 45t; Patricia Temple 232; Kiri Miller 411; Mary Wright 71; David Fetcho 376; D.J. Hatfield 112; Susan Fetcho 56b; Morgan Bunch 485; Henry Johnson 231; Mickey Edwards 38b; Megan Jennings 383; Rodney Ivey, Dana Borrelli, and Richard Ivey 106; Susan Bunch 72b; Oscar McGuire 276; Jeannette DePoy and Rodney Ivey 113; Lee Rogers 64; Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, and Lisa Webb 454.

Chairlady Sheri Taylor and Vice Chairman John Plunkett led 183 as the closing song. Eric Tweedy offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, August 1**

Chairlady Sheri Taylor led 77t and 117 to bring the Sunday morning session to order. Chaplain Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: John Plunkett 52b, 297; Donna Duke 168, 63; Lonnie Rogers 186, 389; Sandra Wilkinson 405, 566; Lela Crowder 32t, 171; Lori Goode 217, 196; Stanley

Edwards 425, 37b; Carlene Griffin 146, 511; Don Bowen 517, 527; Sherry Lovvorn 143, 373; Myron House 131t, 191; Teenie Moody 430, 384; Mickey Edwards 310, 452; Melinda Snow 47b, 475.

#### RECESS

John Plunkett called the class to order leading 49t, followed by Matt Hinton leading 148 and 501.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Jeanette DePoy and Lisa Webb. Lisa Webb read the list of deceased, and led 100 and 399 in their memory: Barbara DePoy, Willie Carolyn Denson, Estelle Flowers, G.L. Hinton, Sushila Peterson, Mark Ayers, Marie Sidel, Mozelle Shepherd, and Lloyd Tony.

Jeannette DePoy read the list of the sick and shut-ins, and Kiri Miller led 34t in their honor: Marcy Brock, Beau Caldwell, Lois DePoy, John Hocutt, Bobby Jackson, Preston McClendon, I.V. McWhorter, Dick Mauldin, Dean Slaton, Vi Stark, and Violet Thomason. Lonnie Rogers closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 573, 344; Mary L. Smith 283, 325; Andrew Snyder 528, 542; Alan Prickett 454, 274t.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Vice Chairman John Plunkett leading 492. Leaders: Gene Duke 80b, 80t; Earlis McGraw 284, 225t; Alan Lambert 288, 294; Kiri Miller 436, 445; Rick Johnson 97, 395; Charlene Wallace, Kay Holley, and Joyce Holley 358, 503; David Fetcho 85, 136; Richard Mauldin 36b, 66; Patricia Temple 400, 335; Mary Wright 180, 324; Richard DeLong 319.

#### RECESS

Sheri Taylor, Laura Frey, and Lisa Webb called the class together leading 178.

Leaders: Megan Jennings 368; D.J. Hatfield 532; Susan Fetcho 203; Liz Bryant 272, 546; Laura Frey 163b, 142; Jeannette DePoy 385; Max Berueffy 386; Tommy McGraw 138t, 91; Lisa Webb 192, 133.

A move was made and seconded to go into a business session for the purpose of hearing various reports.

The Finance Committee reported a collection of \$432; expenses of \$60.00 for minutes; and the remaining funds will be given to Wilson's Chapel.

The Resolutions Committee Report began with the reading of Psalms 96:1-2, "Sing to the Lord a new song; Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day."

We resolve that we have met for the 152nd session of the Chattahoochee Musical Convention on the first Sunday and Saturday before in August, 2004 to sing wonderful songs, hymns, odes, and anthems to our Lord who has richly blessed us with the treasure of Sacred Harp music, and the greatest of all nations that lets us meet without interference to sing and fellowship together. In honor of His greatness we submit the following resolutions:

- To thank God for His divine inspiration to the composers of these tunes, the writers of the poetry, and those who have preserved this music and promoted its existence through their voices and leadership.
- We also thank Matthew Wilson whose love and appreciation of Sacred Harp music gave him vision and foresight, and to the Wilson Family for their continued support of this vision, and the upkeep of the building.
- We would acknowledge all that have given of their time, talents, and efforts to promote and support Sacred Harp music.
- To thank each person in attendance these two special days who came from near and far.
- We would thank those that prepared the bounteous feasts each day; those who came to listen; the officers, the committees, and all supporters.

- To pray for our sick and shut-ins for healing and their swift return to our fellowship and this singing, and we extend our condolences to all those who have lost loved ones.
- Lastly, we enter our continuing resolve to meet again the first Sunday and Saturday before in August, 2005.

This report is respectfully submitted by Lori Goode and Richard Mauldin, Resolutions Committee.

A motion was made and carried that the reports be accepted. The business session was closed.

Announcements were made. Sheri Taylor and John Plunkett led song 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed with prayer led by Chaplain Lonnie Rogers. Chairlady—Sheri Taylor; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Donna Duke.

## **FAYETTE COUNTY CONVENTION** **Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, Fayette, Alabama** **Sunday, August 1, 2004**

The one hundred-fifth session of the Fayette County Convention was held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church in Fayette, Alabama on the first Sunday in August. Gravis Ballinger called the class to order leading 30t. Buddy Ballinger offered the morning prayer.

Following welcoming comments, the class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Gravis Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Johnny Humber; Secretary—Amanda Ballinger; Arranging Committee—Linton Ballinger and Earl Ballinger.

Leaders: Gravis Ballinger 99; Linton Ballinger 144; Amanda Ballinger 212; Edwin Ballinger 122; Jill Ballinger 155; Lomax Ballinger 430; Wilton Donaldson 317; John Hyde 124; Earl Ballinger 171; Jimmy Ballinger 565; Flarce Creel 314; S.T. Reed 312t; Clarence McCool 349; Willodean Barton 460; Teddy Creel 59; Tony Ivey 377; Robert Walker 68b; Amber Ballinger 400.

### **RECESS**

The class was called back together by Johnny Humber leading 200. Leaders: Leon Ballinger 313b; Elizabeth Keeton and Glenn Keeton 159, 163b; Marlon Wootten 49t; Wanda Capps 142; Edward Howton 436; Donna Wootten 88t; Milton Oliver 384; Debra Wakefield 402; Travis Keeton 57; Chris Ballinger 282; Julia Poston 166; Buddy Ballinger 343.

### **RECESS**

The class was called back together by Larry Ballinger leading 133. Leaders: John Merritt 408; Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Hayden Wootten 496; Julietta Haynes 216; Lena Keeton 546; Eloise Wootten 318; Josie Hyde 507; Loyd Ivey 225t; Richard Ivey 472; Toney Smith 218; Lisa Geist 304; Velton Chafin 214; Karen Ivey 192; Cecil Wakefield 333; Brenda Merritt 542; Danny Creel 532; Elene Stovall 293; Marty Wootten 448t; Margaret Keeton 448b.

### **LUNCH**

Gravis Ballinger brought the afternoon session to order leading 300. Leaders: Beth O'Dell 442, 189; Rodney Ivey 110, 564; Shane Wootten 77t, 454; Bud Oliver 39b, 39t; Harrison Creel 498, 530; David Ivey 422, 517; Ivalene Donaldson 138b; Wayne Bain 298, 100; Julie Ballinger 405; Ann Ballard 421, 512; Joyce Hubbert 371, 270; Chuck Beasley 235, 61; John Merritt and Jimmy Ballinger 499; Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, Hayden Wootten, Marty Wootten, and Lorrie Wootten 186; Karen Ivey 153; Travis Keeton 129; Danny Creel 475; Elene Stovall 222; Robert Walker 143; Josie Hyde 477; Loyd Ivey 480; Richard Ivey 182; Leon Ballinger 120.

Announcements were made. Gravis Ballinger led 46 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Gravis Ballinger; Vice Chairman—Johnny Humber; Secretary—Amanda Ballinger.

## **EUGENE SINGING** **Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Eugene, Oregon** **Saturday, August 7, 2004**

The seventh annual Eugene Singing was held in the sanctuary of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on the first Saturday in August. Karen Stingle called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 178. Reed Schilbach gave the invocation.

The slate of officers was announced: Chairperson—Karen Stingle; Secretary/Treasurer—Jane Grant; Arrangements—Jean Murphy, Suzanne Denker, Bruce Rowland, Jessica Beer, Martha Johnson, Leigh Van Sickle, Rachel Foster, and Fran Ross; Memorial Committee—Martha Johnson; Chaplains—Gary Plouff and Reed Schilbach; Registration—David Landazuri and Gary Plouff; Publicity—Jane Grant and Karen Schilbach; Food—Jean Murphy, Tom Payne, Rachel Foster, and Jean Marcotte; Hospitality—Fran Ross, John Bredesen, and Tom Payne. Leaders: Jack Lofton 48; Jim Brock 100; Bruce Rowland 335; Jessica Beer 77t; Scott Kennedy 68b; Martha Johnson 282; Greg Saue 99; Anne Huckins 84; Gary Plouff 328; Dave Tobin 47b; Betty Jones 312b; John Carson 50t; Jane Grant 171; Reed Schilbach 324; Tom Payne 362; Sara Houser 108t; Connie Stanton 143.

### **RECESS**

Fran Ross brought the class back to order leading 455. Leaders: Meg Larson 37b; Rachel Foster 384; Jenn Dolan 131t; Kathy Vlach 145; Jacob Priestly 106; Martie Hoadley 159; Leigh Van Sickle 86; Arcana 122; Jean Marcotte 114.

Martha Johnson conducted the memorial lesson and led 146 in memory of the deceased. Those remembered were: Roy Settlemyer, Chris Gum, Ernie Goertzen, Elbert Little, Craig Miller, Joyce Zemplak, Valerie Poust, Sherrie Schulke, Gene Lander, Mike Christy, Kathy Blago, Leah Polachek, John Hartman, Merritt Herring, and Ira—Oregon; Leona LePenske—Washington; Robert Batchelor and Sterling Dixon Grant—North Carolina; Rhonda Fraser—Central African Republic. Martha Johnson led 510 for the sick and shut-ins. Those remembered were: Frank Gillis, Gladys Morgan, and Everen Lacy Miller—Oregon; Mary Bullock Johnson—Alabama; Laura Raul Jimenez—Ecuador. The memorial was concluded.

Leaders: Tom Gerber 117; David Landazuri 59; Karen Stingle 566; Jack Lofton 198; Greg Saue 31t; Gary Plouff 70b. Reed Schilbach offered prayer for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

Jean Murphy brought the afternoon session to order leading 47t. Leaders: Jim Brock 569b; Bruce Rowland 318; Jessica Beer 383; Scott Kennedy 454; Martha Johnson 270; Anne Huckins 200; Dave Tobin 457; Betty Jones 421; John Carson 361; Zack Bain 183; Jane Grant 277; Reed Schilbach 39t; Tom Payne 236; Sarah Hauser 36b; Connie Stanton 66; Fran Ross 254.

### **RECESS**

Meg Larsen brought the class to order leading 330. Leaders: Suzanne Denker 497; Rachel Foster 128; Jenn Dolan 49b; Kathy Vlach 40; Jacob Priestly 313b, 376; Leigh Van Sickle 35; Arcana 50t; Tom Gerber 108b; Jean Murphy 385b; David Landazuri 373; Jack Lofton 442; Greg Saue 163b; Gary Plouff 67; Jim Brock 350; Jessica Beer 142; Bruce Rowland 426b; Scott Kennedy 347; Anne Huckin 107.

Reports from various committees were given.

Jane Grant gave the Treasurer's Report.

Bruce Rowland offered the Resolutions Report.

Fran Ross and John Bredesen were thanked for hosting the Friday night party. Announcements were made. The class was invited to dinner at the home of Tom Payne. Reed Schilbach led 62 as the closing song, and then offered the closing prayer. The class was dismissed.  
Chairperson—Karen Stingle; Secretary/Treasurer—Jane Grant.

## **UTAH SINGING** **This Is The Place Heritage Park, Salt Lake City, Utah** **Saturday, August 7, 2004**

The morning session of the Utah singing was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Jenny Jensen leading 171.

Leaders: Stan Jensen 565; Stephen Jardine 46; Barbara Losse 99; Wade Kotter 66; Jean Applonie 146; Pam Carson 532; Nathan Rees 269; Bruce Forbes 178; Karen Willard 414; David Wright 142; Gordon Rees 539; Marilyn Murata 106; Jeannette Woolf 122; Ken Hallock 373; Jenny Jensen 448t; Anitra Kaye 448b; Dave Sharp 133.  
RECESS

Karen Willard brought the class back to order leading 56t. Leaders: Larry Rees 183; Neal Anderson 277; Susanna Ball 34b; Lorelee Rees 72b; Marcus Smith 63; Laraine Miner 159; Maurie Bradford 268; Lynn Carson 139; Marilyn Collier 148; Jenny Jensen 353; Stephen Jardine 362; Stu Neal 312b; Barbara Losse 300; Rhonda Griswold 128.

### RECESS

Stephen Jardine brought the class back to order leading 29t. Leaders: Pam Carson 361; Domenick DeCaria 282. Marilyn Murata conducted the memorial lesson and talked about the significance of the connections we share as singers and friends. Karen Willard read the names of the sick and shut-ins and the deceased. The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Fumie Murata, Syd Love, and John Graver—California; Daniel Forbes—Texas; Hannah Wade—Colorado; Raona Hilton—Utah. The deceased remembered were: Neal Borstein and Martyn Stanley—California; Elvira Tippettes—Wyoming; George Anderson and Mercedes Anderson—Florida; Dean May and Linda Ann Snow—Utah. Anitra Kaye led 448b in memory of the deceased, and in honor of the sick and shut-ins. The memorial lesson was closed.

Stan Jensen led 426t.

### LUNCH

Jenny Jensen brought the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 112. Leaders: Nancy Anderson 48t; Stephen Jardine 245; Karen Willard 349; David Wright 384; Wade Kotter 35; Anitra Kaye 288; Nathan Rees 372; Bruce Forbes 551; Barbara Losse 59; Ken Hallock 411; Stan Jensen 434; Susanna Ball 479; Gordon Rees 181; Betty Chamberlin and Jenny Jensen 489; Domenick DeCaria 299.

### RECESS

Barbara Losse brought the class back to order leading 198. Leaders: Larry Rees 33t; Neal Anderson 270; Lorelee Rees 117; Marilyn Murata 538; Maurie Bradford 40; Marilyn Collier 143; Karen Willard 385b; David Wright 454; Bruce Forbes 45t. Announcements were made. Jenny Jensen led 68b for the closing song as the class took the parting hand, then the class was dismissed.

On Saturday evening a social and informal singing from the “Cooper Book” was held at the home of Lynn and Pam Carson.

Co-Chairs—Stan Jensen and Jenny Sterne Jensen.

**EAST TEXAS SACRED HARP  
SINGING CONVENTION (COOPER BOOK)  
Henderson Community Center, Henderson, Texas  
August 7-8, 2004**

**Saturday, August 7**

The one hundred thirty-sixth session of the East Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention met at the Henderson Community Center in Henderson, Texas on the second Sunday and Saturday before in August. The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman John Morris leading 53 and 58. Robert Vaughn offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Emmie Morris 148; Robert Vaughn 50t; Terre Schill 521; Billy Huckaby 424; Doris Hanks 450; Chris Adams 282; Shane Wooten 54; Baron Powers 79; Lynnette Howard 393; Gary Rogan 567.

Buzz Fullen, Mayor of Henderson, Texas, gave welcoming remarks.

**RECESS**

Aubrey Barfield brought the class back to order leading 522. Leaders: Bruce Coates 442; John Plunkett 411; Kiri Miller 224; Donald Ross 134; Amanda Blevins 36b; Don Howard 484b; Gaylon Powell 68t.

**RECESS**

John Morris brought the class back to order leading 59. Leaders: Myrl Jones 183; Zach Rogan 82; Owen Ross 182; Tim McClain 361; Neil Vaught 47b; Myra Palmer 497; Sarah Huckaby 416t; Dick Steil 72; Ryan Ross 297; Rodney Ivey 559; Earl Ballinger 87; Anita Buswell 45t; John Etheridge 98; John Beard 218; Tommie Spurlock 376; Cheryl Foreman 140; Seth Howard 133; Joan Aldridge 84; Diane Ross 168; Amanda Owen 508; Katie Moseley 573; Owen Howard 384; Gaylon Powell 127 (by request). Tom Owen offered the blessing for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

John Morris brought the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Reed Coates 225t; Dale Redmon, Jr. 507b; Vivian Rogan 395b; Tom Owen 374; Scott Curran 203; Leon Ballinger 192; Liz Owen 212; Bob McLemore 78; Catherine Rogan 217; Beverly Coates 505; David Rousseau 179; Monnie Ross 49t; Joan Smith 323; Jeb Owen 421; Sam Craig 145t; Crystal Visco 112; Barbara Newell 447t; Charlie Vaughn 549.

**RECESS**

Owen Howard brought the class back to order leading 408. Leaders: Shane Wooten 444t; Ryan Ross 395t; John Etheridge 552; John Plunkett 457; Tom Owen 299; Chris Adams 274t; Owen Ross 38b; Kiri Miller 383; Rodney Ivey 220; Baron Powers 159; Myra Palmer 414; Earl Ballinger 176t; Anita Buswell 451b; Myrl Jones 142; Tim McClain 440b; Seth Howard 39; Leon Ballinger 358; Joan Aldridge 515; Reed Coates 422b; Amanda Owens 500.

Sam Craig led 558b as the closing song. Owen Ross offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

**Sunday, August 8**

The Sunday morning session was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by John Morris leading 73. Leaders: Sam Craig 100; Amanda Owen 99; Seth Howard 511t; Jeb Owen 138t; Don Howard 553b; Kay Martin 571; Lynette Howard 335; Tommie Spurlock 574; Eva Padgett 270; Rodney Ivey 511b; Owen Howard 76b; Liz Owen 470; Diane Ross 277; Aubrey Barfield 220; Scott Curran 196; Kiri Miller 81; John Etheridge 524; Eddie Huckaby 343; Barbara Newell 63; Myrl Jones 491.

**RECESS**

Earl Ballinger brought the class back to order leading 212. Leaders: Donald Ross 123b; Burl Russell 164; Shane Wootten 398; Catherine Rogan 40; Joan Aldridge 572; Leon Ballinger 182; Reed Coates 65; Ryan Ross 276; Dick Steil 323; Amanda Blevins 171; Owen Ross 383; Gaylon Powell 216; Zach Rogan 358; Myra Palmer 522; Sarah Huckaby 278b; Vivian Rogan 222; Joan Smith 413.

#### RECESS

The Howard brothers brought the class back to order leading 133 in honor of their great-grandfather. Leaders: Jo Redmon and Aubrey Barfield 235; Beverly Coates 168; John Plunkett 267t.

The memorial lesson was conducted. David Rousseau read the names of those deceased in the last year: J.C. Hardin—Alabama; Jack Whitehead, Vernie Barber, Kathleen Allen, Lee Omi Davis, Billy Barlow, Elder O.H. Griffith, Vetta Casey, and Mary Craig—Texas; Betty Haas—Missouri.

Robert Vaughn gave a devotional, reading scriptures from Revelation 14:13 and 7:9-12, then led 285t in memory of the deceased.

Judge Donald Ross gave a moving memorial tribute to Mary Craig of Henderson, Texas who passed away last December, and led 505 in her memory. Mary had been faithful to present inspiring memorial thoughts for many years at the East Texas Sacred Harp Singing Convention.

David Rousseau read the list of names of sick and shut-ins which included: Verna Powell, Ophelia Matthews, Kelly Beard, Ernestine Pipkin, Vicki Aplin, Curtis Owen, Edith Owen, Elder Billy Moseley, Marbie Howard, the staff and patients of Lighthouse Hospice, Azalee Barnett, Marcelene Hardy, Lawson Smith, Junior Smith, Rachel Hankins, Bob Alotta, Joe Harris, Adelaide Vaughn, Billie Beard, Thurman Nall, and Lou Nall. Robert Vaughn led 422b in their honor. The memorial was closed.

A blessing on the noon meal was offered by Gary Rogan.

#### LUNCH

John Morris brought the class back to order leading 32t. Leaders: Chris Adams 61; Billy Huckaby 543; Charlie Vaughn 387; Tom Owen 122; Monnie Ross 108b; Doris Hanks 355; Gary Rogan 319; Cheryl Foreman 272; Dale Redmon, Jr. 514; David Rousseau 341; Terre Schill 386; Bruce Coates 578; Katie Moseley 283b; Robert Vaughn 300; Sarah Huckaby 45; Amanda Owens 47t; Eva Padgett 552; Eddie Huckaby 239; Burl Russell 418; Tommie Spurlock 183; Jeb Owen 98; Diane Ross 434; Liz Owen 144; Aubrey Barfield 306; Scott Curran 137; Myrl Jones 110; Donald Ross 512.

Shane Wootten and John Morris led 62 as the closing song. Tom Owen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairpersons—John Morris and Emmie Morris; Secretary/Treasurer—Marion Grant.

## **FRIENDSHIP PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Haleyville, Alabama**

**Sunday, August 8, 2004**

The fifth session of the Friendship Primitive Baptist Church singing held on the second Sunday in August was called to order by Wilton Donaldson leading 61.

Harrison Creel offered the morning prayer. Wilton Donaldson led 100.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairlady/Arranging Committee—Ivalene Donaldson; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Ivalene Donaldson 31b; Josie Hyde 234, 434; John Hyde 124, 297; Vernice Phillips 112, 155; Parnell Berry 283, 298; Milton Oliver 222, 217; Gary Smith 31t,

565; Emily Creel 76b, 384; Christina Smith 101t; Clayton Ezell 75, 119; Lisa Geist 377, 428; David McGinty 323b, 146; Tim Reynolds 135, 370.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Wilton Donaldson leading 31t. Leaders: Travis Keeton 392, 73t; Lena Keeton 225t, 220; Glenn Keeton 361, 86; Karen Ivey 288, 187; Sarah Smith 72b; Bud Oliver 332, 42; Gordon Wilkinson 200, 475; Elene Stovall 527, 558; Flarce Creel 182, 327; Chris Ballinger 147t, 163b.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Wilton Donaldson leading 47b. Leaders: Brenda Merritt 542, 442; David Ivey 76t, 403; Harrison Creel 512, 498; Marlin Beasley 482, 436; Willodean Barton 454; Richard Maudlin 540, 378t (for his dad, Dick Maudlin); Edith Tate 532; Elizabeth Keeton 35, 274t; Gravis Ballinger 34b, 99; Amanda Denson 78, 276; Max Berueffy 34t, 386; Chuck Beasley 457; Corene White 314; John Merritt 560, 68b; Larry Ballinger 91, 50; Amber Davis 216, 224; Ila Ingle 145b, 87; Clarence McCool 349, 460; Roma Rice 299, 517; David Ivey 282 (by request); Kermit Adams 426t, 426b; Justin Keeton 168, 455; Faye Donaldson 430, 270; Latriva Bailey 300, 318; L.E. Hannah 273.

Due to health reasons, Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson asked that this singing be discontinued. Announcements were made. Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson led 62 as the closing song. The class was dismissed prayer. Steve Adams requested that 401 be sung before the class disassembled, and the request was granted.

Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairlady—Ivalene Donaldson; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

### ELMORE CENTER SINGING

#### Elmore Center United Methodist Church, Near Gordo, Alabama Wednesday, August 11, 2004

The one hundred-sixtieth annual session of the Elmore Center Sacred Harp Singing was held at Elmore Center United Methodist Church near Gordo, Alabama on Wednesday before the third Sunday in August. Clarence McCool brought the class to order leading 36b. The morning prayer was led by David Allison.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Clarence McCool; Vice Chairman—Jack Pate; Secretary—Josie Hyde; Arranging Committee—John Hyde.

Leaders: Clarence McCool 569b; Travis Keeton 44, 348b, 172; John Hyde 63, 73t, 297; Willodean Barton 82t, 101t; John Van Horn 100, 40, 97; Ray O'Mary 46, 75; Faye Donaldson 168, 78; Bill Stewart 452, 145b; Margaret Keeton 144, 177; Ozella Blackmon 282; Josie Hyde 294, 224.

#### RECESS

Clarence McCool called the class back to order with 68b. Leaders: Ivalene Donaldson 544; Wilton Donaldson 335, 229; Julie Poston 166, 343b; Velton Chafin 45t, 47t.

A memorial lesson was held with Toney Smith leading 48t for the deceased: Nathan Aldridge, J.L. Noland, Dock Shirley, Nanne Lou Shirley, Mae Bryan, William Bryan, Gesnee Driver Pate, A.A. Malone, Dessie Goodman, Cathalene Pearson, Etma Barton, Jack Springer, Donald Smith, and Lavaughn Ballinger.

Hugh Bill McGuire led 134 for the sick and shut-ins: John Hocutt, Gladys Bonds, Sherry Guthery, Martha Howell, Mrs. J.L. Pugh, and Edith Tate. Josie Hyde led 59, and the memorial was closed with prayer led by David Allison.

Hugh Bill McGuire led 157; Rachel Richards 317, 235; Wayne Banes 89, 341.

#### LUNCH



The afternoon session was brought to order by Clarence McCool leading 30t. Dan Farley played several songs on the harp. Leaders: Jack Pate 49b, 535; Toney Smith 225t, 57, 278t; Irma Hitt 490, 319; Eddy Pierce 512; Margaret Keeton 276; Willodean Barton 498; Ivalene Donaldson 270; Wilton Donaldson 480; John Van Horn 407, 323b; Patricia Driver 72b; Dan Farley 457; Nellie Brown 147; Clarence McCool 353; Willodean Barton 358; Velton Chafin 120. Clarence McCool led 62 as the closing song. Hugh Bill McGuire offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Clarence McCool; Vice Chairman—Jack Pate; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

**ROCK CREEK-MOUNTAIN HOME  
AND RYAN CREEK CONVENTION  
New Hope Church, Cullman County, Alabama  
Saturday, August 14, 2004**

The one hundred-eighth session of the Rock Creek-Mountain Home and the one hundred-fortieth session of the Ryan Creek Convention was held at New Hope Church in Cullman County, Alabama on Saturday before the third Sunday in August. Billy Williams brought the class to order leading 30b. The morning prayer was offered by Richard Mauldin.

Leaders: Billy Williams 147, 182; Travis Keeton 129, 157; John Hyde 72, 297; Wilton Donaldson 317, 100; David Roberson 101t, 99; Corene White 28b, 39t; Stella Pratt 137, 87; Margie Lee 235, 354b; Kenneth Fannin 405, 403.

**RECESS**

Billy Williams called the convention back to order leading 78.

Elder J. L. Hopper addressed the convention, and spoke about the tradition of Sacred Harp Singing in Morgan and Cullman Counties; gave the devotional reading from 1Corinthians:13-14, and then closed with prayer.

A business session was held to elect officers. The class voted to retain the same officers: Chairman—Billy Williams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson. The business session was closed.

Leaders: Glenda Hopper 84, 145t; Carol Fannin 145b, 32t; Richard Mauldin 66, 155; Mary Holcombe and Emily Holcombe 196, 70b; Judy Caudle 227, 283; Richard Schmeidler 50b, 168; Josie Hyde 43, 77b; Butch White 77t, 31t; Elder J.L. Hopper 33t, 295; Geraldine Crider 47b, 299; Margaret Keeton 212, 273; Eldagene Roberson 143, 313t; Essie Hollingsworth and Geraldine Crider 147b, 421.

**LUNCH**

Travis Keeton called the afternoon session to order leading 82t. Leaders: Sandie Scott 282, 475; Will Allred 452, 300; Marie Guthrie 25 (JB), 491b (WB); Jennifer Allred 97, 503; Velton Chafin 266, 225t; Rachel Allred 430, 76b; Seth Allred 40, 360; Brenda Pena 34t, 325; Caleb Allred 401, 45t; Richard Schmeidler 358; Brenda Pena 457.

Billy Williams led 231 as a memorial lesson for the friends and loved ones who have passed on within the past year, and for the sick and shut-ins.

Announcements were made. The Convention will convene at New Hope Church in 2005.

Billy Williams led 62 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Billy Williams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson.

**CHATTANOOGA AREA SACRED HARP SINGING**  
**Salem Baptist Church, Soddy Daisy, Tennessee**  
**Saturday, August 14, 2004**

The eighth annual Chattanooga Area Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the third Sunday in August at Salem Baptist Church in Soddy Daisy (just north of Chattanooga), Tennessee. Barring the unforeseen, this will also be the site of the 2005 and 2006 singings.

The class was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Phil Summerlin leading 49t. The opening prayer was offered by John Plunkett.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Phil Summerlin; Secretaries—Karen Ivey and Linda Sides; Arranging Committee—Michael Thompson.

Leaders: Linda Sides 81t; Michael Thompson 569b; Daryl Chesney 63; Karen Ivey 171, 101t; Henry Johnson 129, 123t; Stuart Ivey 328, 371; Ed Thacker 280, 510; Nate Green and Norma Green 77b, 155; Sandra Wilkinson 300, 277; Duane Chesney 34b, 146; Coy Ivey 59, 137.

**RECESS**

Linton Ballinger brought the class back to order leading 144 and 32t. Leaders: Phil Summerlin 30t, 299; Mel Kersey 515, 565; Alan Pritchett 47b, 45t; Floyd Peters 82t, 68b; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 77t, 282.

**RECESS**

Bud Oliver brought the class back to order leading 145b and 39b. Leaders: Lena Keeton and Pat Kanaday 143, 475; Don Bowen 66, 178; David Ivey 65, 203; Judy Mincey 28t, 538; John Plunkett 539, 399b; Kevin Barry and Phil Summerlin 457. Linton Ballinger returned thanks for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Linda Sides, Brooke O'Quinn, and Brittany O'Quinn brought the class back to order leading 76b, 274, and 72b. Leaders: Morgan Freuler 57, 28b; Tony Ivey 547, 88t; Scott Ivey and Tony Ivey 528, 426; Sandy Ivey 56t; Henry Johnson 138t; Linton Ballinger 89; John Plunkett 88b; Lena Keeton 480; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 278; Beth Branscomb 277, 270; Mel Kersey 120; Alan Pritchett 162; Coy Ivey, Sandra Wilkinson, and Stuart Ivey 384; Don Bowen and Judy Mincey 50b; Daryl Chesney, Cole Hamilton, Phil Harvey, Mike McClellan, and Todd Willison 335, 45t; Ed Thacker 344; Lydia Kozad, Pat Kanaday, and Elizabeth Keeton 317; Nate Green and Norma Green 135; David Ivey and Karen Ivey 542; Duane Chesney and Nancy Chesney 85; Michael Thompson 436. Announcements were made. Phil Summerlin led 448t as the closing song. Mel Kersey offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Phil Summerlin; Secretaries—Karen Ivey and Linda Sides.

**CENTRAL ONTARIO ALL-DAY SINGING**  
**Toronto, Ontario, Canada**  
**Saturday, August 14, 2004**

The first Central Ontario All-Day Singing was held at the Church of St. Stephen-in-the-Fields (Anglican), Toronto. Pleasance Crawford called the class to order at 10:00 a.m., extended a welcome to the singers, and led 34b. Diane Holmlund offered the opening prayer.

The officers for the singing were: Chair—Pleasance Crawford; Co-Chair—Charles Crawford; Treasurer—Thomas Evers; Secretary—Anne Evers; Chaplain—Diane Holmlund.

Leaders: Pleasance Crawford 59; Gloria Thomson 155; Diane Holmlund 133; Charles Crawford 535; Jo Schultz 300; Gerry Hoffman 128; Anne Evers 178;

Pleasant Crawford 66; Gloria Thomson 45t; Charles Crawford 63; Diane Holmlund 71; Jo Schultz 84; Gerry Hoffman 146; Anne Evers 29t; Pleasant Crawford 282; Gloria Thomson 159; Charles Crawford 147t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Diane Holmlund leading 49b. Leaders: Jo Schultz 299; Gerry Hoffman 56b; Anne Evers 117; Pleasant Crawford 99; Gloria Thomson 276; Charles Crawford 72b; Diane Holmlund 277; Jo Schultz 361; Gerry Hoffman 362; Anne Evers 38t; Pleasant Crawford 448b.

Pleasant Crawford conducted the memorial lesson and led 122 for deceased: Agnes Jeannopoulos and John Jeannopoulos—New York; Linda Sweeting—Maryland; Olga Pavlovsky, Marg Keogh, Matt Dolmage, Barney Keenan, Bettie Liota, Joe Harrison, Pat Lowry, Irene Harrison, Dane Harrison, David Graham, and Dorothy Kuchta. The memorial was closed.

Diane Holmlund offered the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Pleasant Crawford leading 479. Leaders: Gloria Thomson 454; Charles Crawford 143; Diane Holmlund 141; Jo Schultz 198; Gerry Hoffman 209; Anne Evers 82t; Pleasant Crawford 524; Christina Ronzio 567; Charles Crawford 107; Diane Holmlund 106; Jo Schultz 171; Gerry Hoffman 503; Anne Evers and Tom Evers 40; Gloria Thomson 497; Pleasant Crawford 569b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Charles Crawford leading 378t. Leaders: Diane Holmlund 335; Christina Ronzio 49t; Jo Schultz 47b; Gerry Hoffman 236; Anne Evers 36b; Gloria Thomson 268; Pleasant Crawford 86; Christina Ronzio 39t; Charles Crawford 48t; Diane Holmlund 294; Jo Schultz 269; Gerry Hoffman 334; Anne Evers 36b; Gloria Thomson 156; Pleasant Crawford 313b; Christina Ronzio 312b; Charles Crawford 162.

Announcements were made. Twenty-seven singers had attended the singing during the day. Diane Holmlund led a closing prayer; and at 4:00 p.m. the class sang 62, and took the parting hand.

Chair—Pleasant Crawford; Co-Chair—Charles Crawford; Secretary—Anne Evers.

### **CLEBURNE COUNTY CONVENTION** **Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Near Heflin, Alabama** **Sunday, August 15, 2004**

The one hundred-fifteenth session of the Cleburne County Convention met at Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church on the third Sunday in August. Chairman Eunice Webb called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 59. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer. Eunice Webb led 68b; B.M. Smith 101t, 82.

The Introductory Lesson was led by Shelbie Sheppard from a book which was given to the Cleburne County Convention by the family and friends of J.W. Laminack. The book is a 1936 Edition of "The Sacred Harp," which was given to the Convention with the expressed wishes that the book only be used for the "Introductory Lesson" of this Convention. In researching earlier records of the Convention, these lessons ranged from 20 to 45 minutes, depending on the leader. The selections used in the lesson this year were: 49t, 105, and 36b.

Leaders: Pearl Guier 32t, 303; Mary L. Smith 289, 57.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Eunice Webb; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Hester Edwards; Arranging Committee—Pearl Guier; Memorial Committee—Mary L. Smith.

Leaders: Eunice Webb 30b; B.M. Smith 99; Cecil Roberts 335, 503; Stanley Edwards 37b, 56t; Reba Norton 47t, 373; Henry Johnson 166, 288; Charlene Wallace 276, 290 (for Bobby Jackson and Bernice Jackson); Lonnie Rogers 33b, 298; Floy Wilder 123t, 402.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Cecil Roberts leading 282. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 556, 318 (for Louise Allen); Susan Rice 343, 345t; Ed Thacker 313t, 532; Joan Aldridge 208, 217; Bud Oliver 30t, 224; Glenda Collins 124, 81t; George Garner 212; Carlene Griffin 155, 222; Milton Oliver 270, 384; Donna Bell 203, 97.

Mary L. Smith conducted the memorial lesson. Jeff Sheppard led 204 and 436 for the deceased: Estelle Flowers, Mozelle Sheppard, Harvey Austin, Gladys Simmons, Kenneth Simmons, Eric Reaves, Joe Norton, Irene Willoughby, and Alonzo Edwards.

Shelbie Sheppard led 326 and 179 for the sick and shut-ins which included: Alice Edwards, I.V. McWhorter, Reby Stanford, Gladys McGraw, Bobby Jackson, Myrtle Smith, Nancy Allen, Lois Stanson, and Nelda Henry. Cecil Roberts closed the memorial with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Cecil Roberts leading 63. Leaders: Karen Reaves 231; Michael Turner 358, 294; Ruth Daniel 127, 378t; Jimmie Denney 145b, 87; Cecilia Sanders 354b, 40; Tony Hammock 89, 312b; Evelyn Harris 106, 108t; John Plunkett 108b, 74t; Corene Laminack 75; Billy Joe Harris 225t, 147t; Lou Cotney 300, 172; Ann Simpson 45t; Lewis Norton 200, 418; Hester Edwards and Michael Turner 73b, 340 (for Alice Edwards, Louise Owen, and Alma Owen); John Plunkett 361 (request); Jeff Sheppard 225b (request).

A business session was held to see if any other community/church wanted to host the Convention next year. No requests were received, so the Convention will be held at Cane Creek Primitive Baptist Church until such time a request is received.

Announcements were made. Eunice Webb and Cecil Roberts led 46 as the closing song. Elder Lewis Norton offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Eunice Webb; Vice Chairman—Cecil Roberts; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

### **BELTON BEASLEY, EMMA BEASLEY, AND PHILLIP LEE, III MEMORIAL SINGING**

#### **Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama Sunday, August 15, 2004**

The thirty-sixth annual Belton Beasley, Emma Beasley, and Phillip Lee III Memorial Singing was held at Concord Primitive Baptist Church in Winfield, Alabama on the third Sunday in August. Marlin Beasley called the class to order leading 82t and 72b. Danny Creel offered the opening prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde; Secretary—Sandie Scott.

Leaders: Josie Hyde 33t, 288; Travis Keeton 203, 155; Sandie Scott 38b, 128; Richard Schmeidler 474, 120; Becky Beasley Briggs 336, 234; Winell Sanders 569b; James Wagner 45t, 101t; Flarce Creel 475; John Beasley 335; Cora Beasley Sweatt 127, 145b; John Hyde 566, 63.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Marlin Beasley leading 317b. Leaders: David Beasley 31t, 68b; Willodean Barton 416, 314; Wilton Donaldson 129, 32t; Ashley Campbell 143, 47b; Clarence McCool 112, 172; Brenda Merritt 276, 380.

#### RECESS

Marlin Beasley brought the class to order leading 40. Leaders: Kermit Adams 277, 477; Bridgett Hill 37b, 383; Velton Chafin 159; Amanda Denson and Steve Adams 401, 442; Harrison Creel 89, 342; Brenda Pena 480, 490; John Merritt 65; John Merritt and Brenda Merritt 341. Prayer for the noon meal was offered by Danny Creel.

#### LUNCH

Marlin Beasley called the afternoon session to order leading 135. Leaders: Billy Williams 309; Edith Tate 37t; Richard Mauldin and Ivalene Donaldson 50b; Richard Mauldin 43; Elene Stovall 216, 142; Danny Creel 498; Julietta Haynes 222, 298; Larry Ballinger 224; Amber Davis 454, 192; Johnny Humber 389; Sarah Beasley Smith 290; Max Berueffy 196; Gravis Ballinger 110.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Travis Keeton and John L. Keeton leading 348b. Leaders: Gary Smith, Debbie Burton, and Margaret Orem 503, 565; Nancy Banks 39t; Ricky Beasley 30t, 408; Seth Holloway 274t, 388; David (Chug) Beasley 73t, 61; Charles Ballard and Ann Beasley Ballard 512, 460 (for Elsie Beasley); Alvin (Bunk) Beasley and granddaughter, Brook Beasley 72b, 354b; Dorothea McGowan 218, 304. This singing is dedicated to Sandie Scott, with condolences in the loss of her son Mark.

After announcements, Marlin Beasley and Travis Keeton led 146 as the closing song. Ricky Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton, Vice Chairman; Secretary—Sandie Scott.

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL SACRED HARP SINGING

### Santa Cruz Senior Opportunities Building, Santa Cruz, California Sunday, August 15, 2004

The twelfth annual Northern California Regional Sacred Harp Singing was held in Santa Cruz at the Santa Cruz Senior Opportunities Building on the third Sunday in August. Janet Herman called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. with 30t. Chaplain John Brunk offered the opening prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chair—Shelley Phillips; Arranging—Janet Herman; Treasurer—Barry Phillips; Secretary—Tammy Heinsohn.

Leaders: Shelley Phillips 59; Carolyn Deacy 168, 77t; Barry Phillips 84, 56b; Richard DeLong 27, 399b; Carla Smith 165, 410b; Jill Accetta 131t, 100; Rick Russell 276, 302; Norma Ruptier 49t, 63; Arnold Zwicky 99, 373; Betty Herman 501, 500; Natalia Cecire 203, 312b; Jerry Schreiber 274, 367.

#### RECESS

Shelley Phillips called the class back to order with 49b. Leaders: Laura Boyd Russell 450, 506; Susanna Ball 209, 178; Betty Marvin 73b, 145t; Greg Freeman 198, 396; Tammy Heinsohn 31t, 155; Tom Ayres 280, 260; Kathleen Eschen-Pipes 254, 504; Barbara Saxton 192, 86; Janet Herman 207, 142.

#### RECESS

Shelley Phillips called the class back to order with 354b. Leaders: Patrick Treverbaugh 503, 105; Karen Schaffer 71, 273.

John Brunk conducted the memorial lesson. Janet Herman read the names of the sick and shut-ins, and the list of the deceased.

Shelley Phillips led 458 in honor of the sick and shut-ins which included: Peggy Belland, Harry Belland, Graham Downin, Roberta Houstin, Bruce Koball, Mark Miller, Joel Schneider, and Richard Wilson—California; Violet Stark—Illinois; Anne Friend—Louisiana; Peter Minchin—Ontario, Canada; Jack Accetta—Pennsylvania. Shelley Phillips led 420 in memory of the deceased: Brenda Davidson, Leonie Boyd Erickson, Lorraine Forry, Ruth Carolyn Fuhr, Robin London, Mark Rodriguez, Robin Rodriguez, Livia Rodriguez, and Margy Thomas—California; Bonnie Peterson—North Carolina; Noel Gray—Washington. The memorial was closed. Leaders: Peter Ross and Richard DeLong 122, 123b; Iona Singleton 151, 474; Celia Brown and Mary Gallagher 143, 421; Dan Curtis and Arnold Zwicky 569b. John Brunk offered the blessing for the food.

#### LUNCH

Shelley Phillips called the class back to order with 36b. Leaders: Chris Thorman 56t; Mary Rose O'Leary 269; Rick Russell 200; Carolyn Deacy 448b; Richard DeLong 216; Carla Smith 250; Jill Accetta 300; Norma Ruptier 479. Barry Phillips 321; Arnold Zwicky 120; Betty Herman 40; Natalia Cecire 112; Jerry Schreiber 362; Laura Boyd Russell 202; Janet Herman 173; Shelley Phillips 288; Ruth McGurk and Greg Freeman 271t; Susanna Ball 66; Betty Marvin 287; Jill Accetta 330t; Barbara Saxon 114.

#### RECESS

Shelley Phillips called the class back to order with 124. Leaders: Tammy Heinsohn 294; Tom Ayres 126; Patrick Teverbaugh 535; Greg Foreman 224; Mary Rose O'Leary 318; Karen Schaeffer and Richard DeLong 408; John Bird 81t; Chris Thorman 475; Carla Smith 304; Jerry Schreiber 528.

A business session was held to hear reports from committees. Barry Phillips gave the Treasurer's Report.

Patrick Teverbaugh and Barbara Davis gave the Resolutions Report, thanking everyone who made the singing possible.

Announcements were made. Shelley Phillips led 62 as the closing song. John Brunk offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Shelley Phillips; Secretary—Tammy Heinsohn.

### **BEAR CREEK CONVENTION**

#### **Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Winston County, Alabama Saturday, August 21, 2004**

The one hundred-sixth session of the Bear Creek Sacred Harp Singing Convention met at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Winston County, Alabama on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in August. Kermit Adams called the class to order leading 31t. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Arranging

Committee—Margaret Keeton; Secretary—Roma Rice.

Leaders: Kermit Adams 37b; Corene White 146, 379; John Hyde 73t, 39b; Dawson Adams 39t, 61; Wilton Donaldson 348b, 490; Winell Sanders 225t, Kenneth Robinson 565, 282; Stella Pratt 137, 384; Julie Poston 100 (for Mae Conwill); Travis Keeton 480, 343; Cecil Sanders 380, 123t, 294.

#### RECESS

Travis Keeton called the class back to order with 206. Leaders: Steve Adams and Roma Rice 401, 101t (in memory of Nell Adams); Clarence McCool 111t, 111b;

Sarah Smith 406 (in memory of her mother), 274t; Chris Bell 546, 385b; Richard Mauldin and Dick Mauldin 378t, 63; Gary Smith 503, 81t; Emily Jones 74t, 337.

#### LUNCH

Kermit Adams called the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 99. Leaders: Amber Springfield 35, 269, 276; Lorene Gray 30t, 32t; Roma Rice 34t (in memory of her father and mother), 97, 452; Josie Hyde 155, 297, 224; Ivalene Donaldson 129; Winell Sanders and Cecil Sanders 569b; Marlin Beasley 270, 460, 144; Kenneth Robinson 68b, 335; Clarence McCool 45t; Richard Mauldin 299, 358 (for his father); Richard Mauldin and Ruby Dale Mauldin 36b; Corene White 70b; Chris Bell 168; Amber Springfield 49b; Margaret Keeton 187, 212 (for Ora Lee Fannin); John Hyde 313t; Travis Keeton 417. Kermit Adams led 78 as the closing song. Chris Bell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Roma Rice.

### **LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN CONVENTION** **Pine Grove Church, Near Collinsville, Alabama** **August 21-22, 2004**

**Saturday, August 21**

The one hundred-first session of the Lookout Mountain Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in August at Pine Grove Church, near Collinsville, Alabama. Bud Oliver called the class to order leading 32t and 36b. Harrison Creel offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Milton Oliver 270; Max Berueffy 330b; Ed Thacker and Margaret Thacker 43; Charles Woods 171; Loyd Ivey 204; Ron Harper 117; Mattie Townsel 317; Boyd Scott 58; Mary Wright 114; Hershell King 460; Flarce Creel 403; Brad Bahler 354b; Linton Ballinger 306; Bill Beverly 86; Lee Rogers 454; Joseph Norris 176t; Wanda Capps 448b.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Bud Oliver leading 82t.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Bud Oliver; Vice Chairman—S.T. Reed; Secretary—Randall Smith; Arranging Committee—Max Berueffy; Memorial Committee—Henry Johnson and Doyle Ashley.

Leaders: S.T. Reed 35; Drew Smith 328; David Carlton 148; Doyle Ashley 192; Judy Mincey 571; Blake Sisemore 155; L.B. Wright 59; Paula Oliver and Milton Oliver 124; Tommie Spurlock 442; Lena Keeton 480; Doug Conn 383; Lomax Ballinger and Jimmy Ballinger 565; Ian Smiley 413; Charlene Wallace 392; Aubrey Barfield 475.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with S.T. Reed leading 45t. Leaders: Louis Hughes 512; Andy Morse 481; Lonnie Rogers 225t; Terre Schill 436; J.L. Hopper 438; Denney Rogers 143; Sandra Wilkinson 67; Karen Ivey 187; Sandie Scott 477; Emmie Morris 142; Bobby Watkins and Mercy Watkins 282; Tim Russell 31t; Martha Beverly 344; Pat Temple 195; Laura Clawson 328; Allison Ivey and Richard Ivey 440; Dan Hopper 515; Karen Freund 182; Don Bowen 492.

#### LUNCH

Shane Wootten and Rod Ivey brought the class to order for the afternoon session leading 129. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 556; LaRue Allen 200; Harrison Creel 530; Joan Aldridge 150; Lauren Hall 455; Lynne deBenedette 189; Daphene Causey 222; Jerry Enright 300; Pam Nunn 224; Amanda Denson 250; John Etheridge 542; Jennifer Allred 269; Elene Stovall and Linda Thomas 430; Linda Shea 203; Reba Windom

528; Lisa Geist 327; Shelbie Sheppard 183; John Morris 163t; Larry Ballinger 151; Bridgett Hill 168; Michael Thompson 213; Cindy Tanner 217; Hubert Nall 452.

#### RECESS

Wayne Reed led 108b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Judy Caudle 376; Phil Summerlin 278t; Mary Ruth Stiefel and Melvin Stiefel 348b; Alanna Blanks, Eric Blanks, Cheryl Beard, Arleigh Beard, and Scot Oliver 405; Floy Wilder 382; Tony Ivey 547.

Announcements were made. Bud Oliver led 62 as the closing song. Wayne Reed offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, August 22

Bud Oliver called the class to order leading 39b. Wayne Reed offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Bud Oliver 47t; S.T. Reed 428; Jerry Enright 77t; Reba Norton 480; Lauren Hall 107; Bill Beverly 191; Linda Sides 192; Wilton Donaldson 100; Bridgett Hill 290; Tommy George 159; Mary Wright 106; Drew Smith 160b; Ed Thacker 274b; Mattie Townsel 137; Hubert Nall 99; Michael Thompson 436; Jennifer Allred 216; Jarrod George 300; Amber Davis 224; Blake Sisemore and Travis Peek 186; Jackson Harcrow 282.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Randall Smith and Lansley Whitaker leading 76b. Leaders: Coy Ivey and Don Bowen 384; Don Bowen 283; Hershell King 340; Paula Oliver and Milton Oliver 354b; Cheryl Beard, Arleigh Beard, Bryant Beard, Alanna Blanks, Eric Blanks, and Milton Oliver 511 (CB); Pat Temple 72t; Shawn Carroll, McKinzey Carroll, and Brenda Carroll 163t; Chris Green, Pam Green, Hannah Green, and Mary Grace Green 274t; Bobby Watkins and Mercy Watkins 204; Nancy Banks 565; John Hyde 566; Wayne Wootten 276; Jim Carnes 440; Marlin Beasley 318; Richard Ivey 200; Travis Keeton 203.

#### RECESS

Rodney Ivey and Drew Smith brought the class to order leading 30b. Leaders: Joan Aldridge 540; Willie Mae Moon 441; Allison Ivey 53; Richard Mauldin 299; Susan Harcrow 269; John Plunkett 271b; Cassie Franklin 432; Larry Ballinger 220; Dennis George 197; David Ivey 45b; Floyd Peters 82; Jeannette DePoy 67; Betty Wright 149; James Wagner 108t; Martha Beverly 56b; Josie Hyde 507; Jewel Wootten 47b.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Bud Oliver leading 270. Leaders: L.B. Wright and Trey Reed 59; Judy Caudle 345b; Margaret Keeton 401; Laura Clawson 362; Elene Stovall 273; Karen Freund 278b; B.M. Smith 448b; Linda Shea 495; Ian Smiley 532; Max Berueffy 319; Jeff Sheppard 316; Richard DeLong 296; Reba Windom 434.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Henry Johnson and Doyle Ashley. Doyle Ashley and S.T. Reed led 285t for the deceased: Betty Haas—Missouri; Paul Greeson, G.L. Hinton, Charley Wright, Willie Carolyn Denson, Edna Betts, Virginia Easter, and Etma Barton—Alabama.

Randall Smith and Charles Stiefel led 45t for the military personnel overseas. Henry Johnson led 472 for the sick and shut-ins which included: Bo Santos and Marcy Block—Arkansas; Kelly Beard—Texas; Myrtle Smith and Nancy Allen—Georgia; John Hocutt, Dick Mauldin, Ronnie Meadows, Edith Tate, and Patsy Crump—Alabama. Chris Green closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

Leaders: Amanda Denson 448t; Shelbie Sheppard and Bill Windom 28b; Gravis Ballinger 112.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Bud Oliver leading 73t. Leaders: Lisa Geist 84; Lynne deBenedette 445; Christy Finley 63; Henry Johnson 111b; Eschol Hughes



454; Larry Brasher 385b; Verlon Stiefel, Mary Stiefel, and Melvin Stiefel 420; Kermit Adams 426t; Eunice Webb 271t; Kyle Blakeley 123t; Wayne Reed 108b; Billy Williams 334.

Announcements were made. The convention wishes to thank all who helped in any way to make the singing possible, and extend an invitation to come back again next year.

Bud Oliver, S.T. Reed, and Wayne Reed led 146 as the closing song, and all who wished took the parting hand. Wayne Reed offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bud Oliver; Vice Chairman—S.T. Reed; Secretary—Randall Smith.

## **MISSISSIPPI STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Antioch Primitive Baptist Church, Scott County, Mississippi** **August 21-22, 2004**

**Saturday, August 21**

The Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention convened at Antioch Primitive Baptist Church for the seventy-six session on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in August. President Mark Davis called the class to order, thanked the members of Antioch Church for hosting the Convention, and led 37b. Chaplin Arlon Gardner led in prayer. Mark Davis led 47b. Mr. Alfred Bailey welcomed everyone.

Various committees were appointed through-out the proceedings: Arranging Committee—Junie McNeil and Nancy Van Den Akker; Business Committee—Hugh McGuire, Tim Gray, and T.J. Funderburk; Memorial Committee—John Hollingsworth and Ester Mann; Location Committee—Henry McGuire, W.M. Allen, and Arlon Gardner.

Leaders: President Mark Davis 209; Vice President John Van Horn 201, 189; Secretary Jean Gray 63, 31t; Chaplain W.M. Allen 59, 108t; Chaplain Arlon Gardner 65, 448b; Tim Cook 73b (CH), 322 (CH); Andrew Albers 496t (CB), 269; John Merritt 261b (CH), 386 (CB); Wanda Gregg 40, 460.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with President Mark Davis leading 160b. Leaders: Hugh Bill McGuire, Henry McGuire, Hugh McGuire, and Drew McGuire 200, 198; Nancy Van Den Akker 37(CH), 133; Mike McNeil 522 (CB), 573; Warren Steel 428, 53b (CB); Linda Funderburk 128, 373; Joe Cobb 28b, 38b. Chaplain W.M. Allen returned thanks for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by President Mark Davis leading 291. Leaders: Eric Schedler 86, 455; Ann Fox 45t, 123b; Anne Steel 122, 318; Tim Gray 182, 220; Mako Cook 51 (CH), 30b; John Hollingsworth and Hugh Bill McGuire 236; Ester Mann 127, 171; Natalie Davis 572; Junie McNeil 43 (CH), 64; Hugh McGuire 67, 505 (CB); Darlene Reynolds 355 (CH); Darlene Reynolds and John Hollingsworth 184.

A business session was held to elect officers. A motion was made and seconded to retain the same officers: President—Mark Davis; Vice President—John Van Horn; Secretary—Jean Gray; Chaplains—W.M. Allen and Arlon Gardner.

President Mark Davis led 240 in memory of Durward Scarborough.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Vice President John Van Horn leading 137. Leaders: Hannah Albers and Andrew Albers 87 (CB), 145b; Bobby Caldwell and Hugh McGuire 281 (CH), 216; Katie Zukof and Eric Schedler 504, 372 (CH); John

Plunkett 139 (CH), 67b; Henry McGuire 183, 442; Eric Schedler 196 (by request); Alfred Bailey 117 (CH) (by request).

After announcements were made, President Mark Davis led “The Drone” as the closing song. W.M. Allen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, August 22

President Mark Davis opened the Sunday morning session with 30t. Chaplain W.M. Allen offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: President Mark Davis 123t, 129; Vice President John Van Horn 120, 106, 203; Secretary Jean Gray 418, 297; Chaplain W.M. Allen 75, 282; Chaplain Arlon Gardner 39t, 316 (CH), 155 (CH); Junie McNeil 147t, 179, 145t; Andrew Albers 318 (CB), 268b (CB), 472 (CB).

### RECESS

Vice President John Van Horn brought the class to order with 119. Leaders: Natalie Davis 354b, 345t; Drew McGuire 114, 40, 155; Terre Schill 32t, 168, 224; Hannah Albers and Rhoda Albers 444, 180 (CB); Kurt Davis 45t, 274t, 126. Chaplain Arlon Gardner returned thanks for the noon meal.

### LUNCH

President Mark Davis brought the afternoon session to order leading 61. Leaders: Hugh McGuire 53, 82t, 83b; John Hollingsworth 138t, 506 (CB); Bobby Caldwell 36b, 68b, 565; Ester Mann 59, 355, 480; Henry McGuire 78, 300, 269; Darlene Reynolds 188t (CH), 264 (CH), 128t (CH); Hugh Bill McGuire 393t (CB), 344 (CB), 563 (CB).

The 2:00 p.m. committee reports were given.

The Memorial Committee, John Hollingsworth and Ester Mann, led 127 and 117 (CH) in memory of Alma Allen of Enon Church in Chickasaw County, Mississippi; and in honor of Martha Sellers of Collins, Mississippi who is sick and shut-in. Arlon Gardner closed the memorial with prayer.

The Business and Credentials Committee, Hugh McGuire, Colvin Mann, and Tim Gray, submitted their report: Several counties and states are represented at the convention with delegates and visitors. We find a quorum present. We recommend \$200.00 be given to Antioch Church to offset expenses.

The Resolutions Committee, Andrew Albers and Alice McGuire, submitted their report: We, the Mississippi State Sacred Harp Convention hereby resolve to thank:

- Our God and Savior for the opportunity to sing His praises once again and enjoy the fellowship arising there-from;
- Our Chairman and all other officers for their labors on behalf of the convention;
- All who worked to make this singing a success, with special thanks to those who furnished the delicious meals both days;
- Antioch Primitive Baptist Church for hosting the convention again this year, with special thanks to Mr. Alfred Bailey and other members of the Church and community for their hospitality and kindness.

The Location Committee, Henry McGuire, W.M. Allen, and Arlon Gardner, submitted their report: We recommend that next year’s 77th Mississippi State Sacred Harp Singing Convention be held at Enon Primitive Baptist Church, near Houston, Mississippi.

A move was made and seconded to accept all reports.

### RECESS

The class resumed singing with President Mark Davis leading 175b. Leaders: Vice President John Van Horn 49 (CH); Secretary Jean Gray and Hugh McGuire 408; Chaplain W.M. Allen 490; Chaplain Arlon Gardner 278t; Terre Schill 121t, Andrew Albers 209 (CB); Ester Mann 258 (CH).

A motion was made to adjourn. Announcements were made, and special thanks were extended to Alfred Bailey and Antioch Primitive Baptist Church.

President Mark Davis led 46 as the closing song. Chaplain W.M. Allen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

President—Mark Davis; Vice President—John Van Horn; Secretary—Jean Gray.

## **YOUNG PEOPLE'S SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Old Fuller Cemetery Church, Ider, Alabama** **Saturday, August 28, 2004**

The Young People's Sacred Harp Singing Convention met on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in August at Old Fuller Cemetery Church in Ider, Alabama. The singing was called to order by Chairman Shane Wootten at 9:30 a.m. leading 32t, and then extended a warm welcome and appreciation to all. Richard Ivey offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 82t; Vice Chairman Jackson Harcrow 88t; Sarah Jenkins 37b; Laura Clawson 29t; Jennifer Allred 336; Margaret Thacker 480; Norma Green 479; Don Bowen 99; John Plunkett 285t; Alex Makris 222; Henry Johnson 69t; Rodney Ivey 47t; Betty Wright 410t; Devan Jackson 159; Ed Thacker 425; Bud Oliver 42; LaRue Allen 142; Daphene Causey 170; Louis Hughes 335.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jackson Harcrow; Vice Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Secretary—Jennifer Allred; Locating Committee—Stuart Ivey and Riley Lee; Finance Committee—Travis Peek; Arranging Committee—Laura Clawson.

### **RECESS**

Vice Chairman Blake Sisemore and Chairman Jackson Harcrow called the class back to order leading 101t. Leaders: Clarke Lee 139; Mike Thompson 112; Elise Eskew 551; Stephen Eastland 168; Ashley Brown 448t; Shane O'Neil 452; Will Allred 45t; Travis Peek and Jackson Harcrow 282; Katie Mahoney 53; Debra Jones and Kristin Doring 454; Susan Allred 394; Jeff Adcock and Reba Windom 35.

### **RECESS**

Vice Chairman Blake Sisemore called the class back together leading 49t. Leaders: Frances Carnell 543; James Conner 388; Caleb Allred 196; Micah Roberts and Rodney Ivey 354b; April Dell 28b; Jenna Strizak 105; Victoria Eastland 344; Riley Lee 165; Rachel Allred 216; Blake Sisemore 358; Liz Kiser 277; April Charron 350; Judy Caudle 163t; Idy Kiser 122; Kathy James 542.

### **LUNCH**

Chairman Jackson Harcrow and Vice Chairman Blake Sisemore called the class back together for the afternoon session with 76b. Leaders: Aaron Wootten 270; Mary Elizabeth Lee 192; Stuart Ivey 171; Lela Crowder 430; Lauren Hall 455; Scott Ivey 426t; Chris Carnell 68t; Dana Borrelli 339; Matthew Wojcik 384; Richard Ivey 436; Phillip Langley 411; Jessica Altman 203; Kelsey Wessels 300; Seth Allred 36b; Jared Wootten, Jamey Wootten, and Hayden Wootten 496; Eric Charron 566; Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd 299; Jerry Enright 131t; Shelbie Sheppard 106; Cheryl Foreman 328; Karen Freund 215; Susan Harcrow 218; Jesse Roberts 498; Lynn deBenedette 428; Bridgett Hill 383; Jeff Sheppard and Reba Windom 473; Dennis George 532; the youth who attended "Camp Fasola-2004" 155 (by request).

A business session was held. The Finance Committee reported that \$272.83 was received.

The Locating Committee announced that the Young People's Convention will be held at Shady Grove Baptist Church in Dutton, Jackson County, Alabama on Saturday, July 30, 2005. The business session was closed.

Announcements were made. Chairman Jackson Harcrow thanked Bud and Sammie Oliver for the wonderful lemonade they provided for the singing. Chairman Jackson Harcrow, Vice Chairman Blake Sisemore, and Secretary Jennifer Allred led 62 as the closing song while those who wished took the parting hand. Shane Wootten dismissed the class with prayer. Chairman—Jackson Harcrow; Vice Chairman—Blake Sisemore; Secretary—Jennifer Allred.

## **LACY MEMORIAL SINGING** **Fuller Cemetery, Ider, Alabama** **August 29, 2004**

The annual Lacy Memorial Singing held on the first fifth Sunday following July 4th was called to order with Chair Reba Windom leading 82t. The morning prayer was led by Joel Jenkins.

Reba Windom led 172. Laura Clawson was appointed as the Arranging Committee. Leaders: Betty Shepherd 101t, 159; Norma Green 389; Laura Clawson 318; Loyd Ivey 337; Milton Oliver 314; Loretta Smith and Amy Smith 551; Dennis George 319; Gaston White 40; Johnny Lee 166; Bridgett Hill 171; Seth Allred 224; Idy Kiser 312b; S.T. Reed 313t; Lela Crowder 421; Eloise Wootten 426b; Jackson Harcrow 153; B.M. Smith 273; Sandy Ivey 201; Aaron Wootten and Jackson Harcrow 282; Riley Lee 300.

### **RECESS**

Rodney Ivey and Will Allred brought the class back together leading 30b. Leaders: Blake Sisemore 99; Clarke Lee 569b; Liz Kiser 335; Jackie Tanner 477; Mary Elizabeth Lee 178; Betty Wright 68b; Lauren Hall 110; Kelsey Wessels 475; Cindy Tanner 336; April Dell 48t; Joan Aldridge 546; Jerry Enright 95 (in memory of Margie Lacy); Caleb Allred 196.

### **RECESS**

The singing resumed with David Ivey leading 186. Leaders: Will Allred 87; Shane O'Neal 49b; Russ Hanson 36b; Tony Ivey 377; Eschol Hughes 454; Sandra Wilkinson 297; Coy Ivey 486t (WB), 384; Henry Johnson 385t; Travis Peek and Blake Sisemore 47b; Joel Jenkins 142; Matthew Wojcik 442; Rachel Allred 542; Bobby Watkins 217; Lynne deBenedette 222; Scott Ivey 424; Ed Thacker 378t; James Wagner 354b. Louis Hughes asked the blessing for the noon meal.

### **LUNCH**

Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd brought the afternoon session to order leading 155. Leaders: Shane Wootten 349 (in memory of Woodie Walker); Jeff Sheppard 322; Daphene Causey 391; Richard DeLong 411; Jenna Strizak 456; Rodney Ivey 182; Kathy James 430; Jennifer Allred 269; LaRue Allen 436; David Ivey 540; Linton Ballinger 212; Wayne Wootten 137; Max Berueffy 157; Katie Mahoney 183; Sarah Jenkins and Jerry Enright 77t; Phillip Langley 440; Karen Freund 101b; Louis Hughes 274t; Phil Summerlin 270; Susan Harcrow 434; Shelbie Sheppard 464; Judy Caudle 272; Bud Oliver 332; Donna Wootten 76b; Hobert Ivey 47t (in memory of Lamar Smith); Marian Biddle and Ivey Biddle 64; Betty Shepherd, Sherwyn Kelley, and Reba Windom 216; Reba Windom and Louis Hughes 348b; Sharon DuPriest 189; Liz Kiser and Jackson Harcrow 112; Rodney Ivey 225t (for Lonnie Rogers); Caleb Allred 452; Matthew Wojcik, Katie Mahoney, Kelsey Wessels, Jenna Strizak, and Rosie Wojcik 323t.

Following announcements, Reba Windom and Betty Shepherd led 59 (by request) and 146. The class was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Verlon Stiefel.  
Chair—Reba Windom; Vice Chair—Betty Shepherd; Secretary—Norma Latham Green.

**MOON AND GUTHRIE MEMORIAL SINGING**  
**Liberty Church (McCormick), Jefferson County, Alabama**  
**Sunday, August 29, 2004**

The thirtieth session of the Moon and Guthrie Memorial Singing was held at Liberty Church (McCormick) on the fifth Sunday in August. Velton Chafin called the class to order leading 59. The morning prayer was offered by Harrison Creel. A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson; Arranging Committee—Brenda Merritt and Willodean Barton. It was announced that Elvin Guthrie's name will be included in the list of names for this Memorial Singing.

Leaders: Velton Chafin 82t, 42; John Hyde 43, 61; Wilton Donaldson 348, 229; Eugene Forbes 340, 155; Corene White 171, 403; Ivalene Donaldson 39b; David Roberson 99, 100; Winell Sanders 408; Travis Keeton 142, 183; Amanda Denson 201, 89; Willodean Barton 290, 63.

**RECESS**

Harrison Creel called the class back to order leading 335.

Leaders: Richard Mauldin 45t, 129; Ellis Shipp 108b, 358; Josie Hyde 40, 349; Butch White 30b, 74b; Earl Ballinger 75, 76b; Kermit Adams 187, 111b; Bill Stewart 569b, 452; John Merritt 240, 274t; Ann Jett 426t, 546; Amber Davis 276, 530; Marie Guthrie 192, 434; Edith Tate 73t, 532; Nancy Banks 147t, 39t; Larry Ballinger 50b, 49t; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 385b, 225t, 378b; Velton Chafin 118.

**LUNCH**

Velton Chafin called the afternoon session to order leading 266 in memory of Elvin Guthrie. Leaders: Danny Creel 182; Emily Creel 384, 269; Amanda Denson 401; Steve Adams 101t; Eldagene Roberson 215, 196; Wanda Capps 203, 216; Harrison Creel 498, 512; Brenda Merritt 380, 460, 312t (for Cecil Sanders); Marie Guthrie 179; David Roberson 220; Butch White 77t; Earl Ballinger 270; Wilton Donaldson 32t; Richard Mauldin and Amanda Denson 122, 217; Eugene Forbes 566; Corene White and Glenn Keeton 58 (for Sherry Guthery); Ellis Shipp 45t; Edith Tate 146; Larry Ballinger 418; Josie Hyde 189.

Announcements were made. Velton Chafin led song 159 as the closing song.

Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Eldagene Roberson.

**OBERLIN SACRED HARP SINGING**  
**Christ Episcopal Church, Oberlin, Ohio**  
**Saturday, September 4, 2004**

The seventh annual Sacred Harp Singing in Oberlin, Ohio was held at Christ Episcopal Church on Saturday before the first Sunday in September. Charles Wells called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. leading 49t. Jane Wells offered the morning prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Charles Wells; Arrangements—Joe Todd and Charles Wells; Secretaries—Beth Todd and Kay Huener.

Songs used from the Oberlin Harmony are indicated with (OH). Leaders: Joe Todd 312b, 317; Will Reilly 36 (OH), 566; Gerry Hoffman 31b, 272; Key Huener 313b, 269; Beth Todd 284, 66; Brian How 155, 114; Jane Wells 52t, 146; Charles Wells 49b, 148.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Beth Huener leading 547 and 200. Leaders: Joe Todd 217, 39t; Will Reilly "From the Depths We Cry to Thee" (his own composition), 569b; Gerry Hoffman 192, 203; Kay Huener 147t, 551; Beth Todd 225t, 10 (OH); Brian How 178, 84; Jane Wells 179, 75 (OH). Jane Wells led the class in thanksgiving for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Charles Wells leading 34b and 1b (OH). Leaders: Andrew MacGregor 186; Beth Huener 56b, 454; Will Reilly 324, 47b; Joe Todd 282, 142; Gary Hoffman 168, 297; Brian How 107, 106; Jane Wells 455, 503; Kay Huener 126, 117; Sarah Pilzer 270, 504.

#### RECESS

Beth Todd brought the class to order leading 112 and 436. Leaders: Avery Book 497, 131t; Beth Huener 535, 344; Charles Wells 159 (by request); Sarah Pilzer 44 (OH); Charles Wells 81 (OH) (by request); Jane Wells 80 (OH) (by request), 60 (OH); Beth Todd 16 (OH) (by request). Announcements were made. Charles Wells led 35 (OH) as the closing song. Beth Huener offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charles Wells; Secretaries—Beth Todd and Kay Huener.

## **MULBERRY RIVER CONVENTION** **Liberty Church (McCormick), Jefferson County, Alabama** **Saturday, September 4, 2004**

The ninety-ninth session of the Mulberry River Convention was held at Liberty Church (McCormick) in Jefferson County, Alabama on Saturday before the first Sunday in September. Velton Chafin called the class to order leading 34b. Danny Creek offered the morning prayer. Velton Chafin led 31b, 30t, and 35.

The class was organized with the following officers retained: Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Edith Tate; Acting Secretary—Willodean Barton; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Corene White 73t, 379; Winell Sanders and Cecil Sanders 569b, 68b, 225t; John Hyde 124, 279; Eldagene Roberson 40, 29t; Bill Stewart 36b, 49b; Ivalene Donaldson 61, 81t; Billy Williams 96, 334; Ozella Blackmon 335, 495; Wilton Donaldson 490, 499 (in memory of Gladys Bonds).

#### RECESS

Velton Chafin brought the class to order leading 47b. Leaders: Amanda Denson 75, 415; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 56b, 401; Lera Pollock 146, 147t; David Roberson 282, 275b; Rachael Allred 222, 268; Travis Keeton 400, 343; Flarce Creel 402, 475; Will Allred 480, 196.

#### LUNCH

Velton Chafin and Larry Harris brought the afternoon session to order with 45t. Leaders: Margaret Keeton 120, 572; Richard Mauldin and his father, Dick Mauldin 538, 143 (in memory of Tommie Mauldin); Jennifer Allred 51, 390; Harrison Creel 111b, 498; Marie Guthrie 411, 220; Danny Creel 24b, 269; Elene Stovall 172, 397; Seth Allred 37b, 300; Latrivi Bailey 46, 384; Edith Tate 338; Max Berueffy 532, 403; Lucy Heidorn 87, 217 (in memory of D.M. Aldridge, Marie Aldridge, the Creel family, and the Reid family); Susan Allred 319, 105; Lisa Davis 276, 391; Willodean Barton 418; Nancy Banks 39t; Josie Hyde 507.

Announcements were made. Velton Chafin led 521 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Velton Chafin; Vice Chairman—Harrison Creel; Secretary—Edith Tate; Acting Secretary—Willodean Barton.

## **MAIDENCREEK ALL DAY SINGING**

### **Maidencreek Meeting House, near Leesport, Pennsylvania Saturday, September 4, 2004**

The Berks County Sacred Harp Singers hosted the ninth annual Maidencreek All Day Singing which was held on Saturday before Labor Day at Maidencreek Meeting House near Leesport, Pennsylvania.

Guy Bankes called the class to order leading 120. Eileen Metzger offered the opening prayer.

Officers and Committees for the day were: Chairman—Guy Bankes; Treasurer—Ruth Shaffer; Arranging Committee—Laura Densmore; Secretary—Doron Henkin; Chaplains—Eileen Metzger and George Seiler; Resolutions—Aldo Ceresa; Keying—Paula Picton, Jean Seiler, and Dennis Leipold.

Leaders: Guy Bankes 171; Laura Densmore 228; Betty Hanf 147; Ted Stokes 216; Molly Sayvetz 99; Lamar Matthew 163b; Carol Myers 496; Doron Henkin 179; Donna Abrahams 282; Roland Hutchinson 524; Cathy Tucker 335; Dennis Leipold 348b; Joan Aldridge 189; Aldo Ceresa 474.

#### **RECESS**

Chloe Maher called the class back to order with 40. Leaders: Sally O'Brien 504; Victoria Bolles 327; Tom Tucker 442; Thom Metzger 383; Lucy Roberts 82; Jean Seiler 217; Louise Lugar 143; George Pomfret 155; Guy Bankes 344; Nicola Collett 455; Claire Simon 122; George Seiler 480; Anne Broome 300; Barbara Swetman 368; Chloe Maher 73; Kevin Moreno 276.

#### **RECESS**

Gina Balestracci led 71b to call the class back to order. Leaders: Nancy Tkacs 66; Eileen Metzger 201; Ernest Blake 48.

Cathy Tucker introduced the memorial lesson, describing how we all very easily become a family.

Tom Tucker conducted the lesson for the sick and shut-ins and led 330b in their honor. Those remembered were: Roxanne Mennella and Marie Hanss—New York; Marilyn Darch—California; Margaret Peckman—Florida; Jane Roman—Maryland; Richard Carrico—Delaware; Ruth Ulvog—Minnesota; Elizabeth Benefeld—North Dakota. Cathy Tucker conducted the memorial lesson for the deceased and led 503 in their memory. Those remembered were: Cheryl Doehler, Joan Hill, and A.J. May—New Jersey; John Pomfret and Joy Wheeler—New York; J.C. Hardin—Alabama; Elizabeth Werner, Thomas L. Miller, Jr., Archie Wasson, Evelyn Wasson, Ruth Hohenstein, Horace Taylor, and Catharine Elder—Pennsylvania; Mike Nickles—Georgia; Glenn Ruby—Virginia; Jeff Wise and Capt. Andy Houghton—Texas; Nancy Mulenex—Washington, D.C.; Jennifer Pomfret—Indiana; Althea Forman—Maryland. Eileen Metzger closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Peter Pate 269; Gina Balestracci 430; Carly Goss 142; Jim Wantland 34b. The blessing for the meal was offered by George Seiler.

#### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session began with Carly Goss leading 129. Leaders: Paula Picton 286; Sue Hanson 299; John Hewes 178; Kim Moreno 270; Mary Ann Daly 372; Marion McKenzie 528; Charles Collett 410; Walter Smith 113; Kathy Collett 47b.

Ruth Shaffer introduced the German language shape-note tradition of the region. Roland Hutchinson led the class in singing one of these bilingual tunes, singing on the notes and then in English and German.

Leaders: Joan Aldridge 198; Dennis Leipold 203.

#### RECESS

Dennis Leipold called the class back to order leading 128. Leaders: Eileen Metzger 101b; George Pomfret 68b; Anne Broome 376; Ernest Blake 386; Sally O'Brien 277; Peter Pate 436; Victoria Bolles 200; George Seiler 347; Barbara Swetman 475; Jean Seiler 273; Thom Metzger 274; Cathy Tucker 144; Lucy Roberts 551; Tom Tucker 445; Donna Abrahams 496; John Hewes 254; Kathy Collett 497; Kevin Moreno 162; Nicola Collett 245; Gina Balestracci 532. Aldo Ceresa presented the Resolutions Committee Report.

George Seiler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Guy Bankes; Secretary—Doron Henkin.

### **SHILOH-LITTLE VINE SINGING** **Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church,** **South of Tallapoosa, Georgia (Off Hwy. 100)** **Sunday, September 5, 2004**

The annual all day Shiloh-Little Vine Sacred Harp Singing was held at Shiloh Primitive Baptist Church, near Tallapoosa (just off hwy. 100), Georgia on the first Sunday in September. Charles Woods called the class together leading 31b. Felton Denney offered the morning prayer. Charles Woods led 141; Charlene Wallace 135, 117 (for Carlene Griffin); Felton Denney 31t, 387.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Charlene Wallace; Arranging Committee—Judy Henry and Miranel Swafford; Memorial Committee—Josephine Denney and Joyce Lambert.

Leaders: Stanley Edwards 56t, 35; Judy Henry 59 (for Nick Griffin, who is in the hospital), 225t; Josephine Denney 490, 452; Lonnie Rogers 33b, 348b; Katherine Benefield 373; Arlene Woods 147t, 147b; B.J. Harris 303, 503.

#### RECESS

Stanley Edwards brought the class back to order with 37b. Leaders: Earlis McGraw 201, 385b; Mildred Patterson 167, 146; Jeff Sheppard 322, 319; Reba Windom 76b, 171; Evelyn Harris 155, 47t; Johnny Wright 284, 84; Ruth Daniels 335, 378t; Oscar McGuire 276, 283; Cecil Roberts 354b, 81t; Karleen Williams 203, 136.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together by Charles Woods leading 133. Hugh McGraw led 124 and 323b.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Joyce Lambert. Homer Benefield led 45t and 406 in honor of the sick and shut-ins which included: Jethicea Brooks, Nick Griffin, Gladys McGraw, Reby Stanford, Tom Murphy, Shirley Roberts, I.V. McWhorter, Alice Edwards, Lois Stanson, Cliffie Robinson Windom (92 years of age), and Mildred Johnson.

Shelbie Sheppard led 48t for the deceased: Mozelle Sheppard, Estelle Flowers, Gladys Simmons, Alonza Edwards, Ota Mae Murphy, and Roice Daniel.

Shelbie Sheppard led 164 and 551 for Nick Griffin who is seriously ill in the hospital. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Miranel Swafford 32t; Robert Chambless 75; Joyce Lambert 111t, 127; Judy Chambless 47b; Bill Windom 271t, 28b; Ray Holley, Joyce Holley, and Bonnie



Gentry 405, 120; Ellen Waters 68b; Reba Windom 36b; Oscar McGuire 441; Jeff Sheppard 556; Stanley Edwards 340; Cecil Roberts 284, 235; Ray Holley 282. Announcements were made. Charles Woods and Stanley Edwards led 46 as the closing song. Elder Homer Benefield offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Charles Woods; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

**CLEAR CREEK CONVENTION WEST**  
**Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson School House),**  
**Fayette County, Alabama**  
**Sunday, September 5, 2004**

The Clear Creek Convention West Sacred Harp singing was held at Pleasant Hill Church (Johnson School House) on the first Sunday in September. The class was called to order by Max Berueffy leading 32t. Danny Creel offered the morning prayer. Max Berueffy led 36b.

The class was organized and voted to retain the following officers: Chairman—Max Berueffy; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Arranging Committee—Elene Stovall; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 129, 348b; Elene Stovall 216, 316 (in memory of D.M. Aldridge and Marie Aldridge); John Hyde 63, 544; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Ivalene Donaldson 56t; Kermit Adams 43; S.T. Reed 379, 337; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 133, 56b; Wilton Donaldson 229, 47b; Willodean Barton 82, 498; Flarce Creel 546.

**RECESS**

Max Berueffy brought the class back to order with 147t. Leaders: Tim Cook 175, 374; Carla Morris 145t, 145b; Johnny Humber 59, 426b; Beth O'Dell 222, 186; Bud Oliver 73t (for Edith Tate), 29t; Amanda Denson 224, 272; Earl Ballinger 171, 177; Josie Hyde 470, 477; Velton Chaffin 564,136; Marlin Beasley 318, 408; Margaret Keeton 543; Richard Mauldin 84, 540.

Robin Oliver and Chris Prichard, reporters from "The Birmingham Post Herald," were present to cover the day of singing and led 282 with Max Berueffy.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Max Berueffy leading 382. Leaders: Debra Wakefield 432, 187; Gravis Ballinger 142, 78; Lisa Geist 273, 532; Danny Creel 383, 384; Amber Davis, Hannah Tate, and Emily O'Dell 30t, 354b; Harrison Creel 530, 342; Larry Ballinger 91, 300; Charles Franklin 496, 445; Ken Tate 389, 503 (for Edith Tate); Larry Harris 45t; Fred Killingsworth 457, 475; Steve Adams 401,153; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 358 (by request); Max Berueffy 551 (by request). Since the convention is a moveable convention, Elene Stovall asked if anyone would like to host it for next year. There was no request, so Willa Rush asked that it be held here again in 2005.

We would also like to thank Willa Rush for donating the cost of the minutes.

Max Berueffy, Elene Stovall, and Travis Keeton led 46 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Max Berueffy; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

**LABOR DAY SINGING**  
**Shoal Creek Church, Cleburne County, Alabama**  
**Monday, September 6, 2004**

The annual Labor Day Singing was held at Shoal Creek Church in the Talladega National Forest, Cleburne County, near Heflin, Alabama on the first Monday in

September. Jeff Sheppard called the class to order leading 37b. Henry Johnson offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—Richard DeLong; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard; Arranging Committee—Hester Edwards.

Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 142; Richard DeLong 27, 67; Shelbie Sheppard 334, 202; Henry Johnson 467, 418; Jimmie Denney 101t, 276; Glenda Collins 282, 290; LaRue Allen 112, 556; Les Scott, Tom Zuiderveld, Pam Duncan, and Myka Stephens 147t, 117; Lou Cotney 300, 172; Reba Windom 373, 186; B.M. Smith 475, 28b; Oscar Brown 335, 460; Louise Brown Allen 318.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Jeff Sheppard leading 155. Leaders: Ed Thacker 422, 351; Tony Hammock 89, 312b; Sandra Lutters and James Marshall 479, 268; Dennis George 352; Dennis George, LaRue Allen, and Reba Windom 358 (for Daphene Causey); Bridgett Hill 99, 440; B.J. Harris 535, 503; Sonja Randall 87, 45t.

Joe Jones, son of Leo and grandson of George O. Jones, paid tribute to Louise Jones Brown Allen. Louise (96 years old) is the youngest of 10 children born to George O. Jones who was one of the community workers who helped erect the present log cabin church in the mid 1890's. Church services were disbanded in 1914, and the only regularly scheduled service at the church is the Sacred Harp Singing, held annually, for the past half century on Labor Day.

Leaders: Earlis McGraw 545, 284; Joan Durdin 77t, 31b; Rodney Ivey 39t, 419; Reba Norton 177; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 324, 277; Winfred Kerr 146, 339.

#### LUNCH

The class resumed singing with Richard DeLong leading 399b. Leaders: John Plunkett 399t, 564; Corene Laminack 345t, 345b; Donna Bell 203, 97; Ann Simpson 46, 323b; Ivalene Donaldson 343; Wilton Donaldson 348b, 47b; Ray Holley, Joyce Holley, and Bonnie Gentry 405, 49b; Charlene Wallace 371, 448b (for Carlene Griffin); Evelyn Harris 39b, 47t; Debora Grosse 569t, 299; Elise Eskew 384, 40; Robert Chambliss 274t; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 401.

Announcements were made. Jeff Sheppard and Richard DeLong led 46 as the closing song. B.J. Harris offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—Richard DeLong; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard.

## RIVANNA RIVER ALL DAY SINGING

### Charlottesville, Virginia

### Saturday, September 11, 2004

The second Rivanna All Day Singing was called to order by John Alexander leading 171. Chaplain Hank Schutz offered the morning prayer.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—John Alexander; Vice Chair—Kat Kinkade; Secretary—Beverly Oneida; Treasurer—Frances Schutz.

Leaders: Kat Kinkade 112; Beverly Oneida 86; Frances Schutz 178; Kevin Moreno 270; Tom Tucker 38b; Cathy Tucker 350; Stephen McMaster 32t; Blake Morris 148; Hank Schutz 503; Gail Doss 504; Beverly Oneida 192; Kevin Moreno 480; Kim Moreno 319; Kathy Manning 126; Leyland delRe 473; Kat Kinkade 383; Shayn Smulyan 421.

#### RECESS

The singing resumed with Diane Ober leading 213. Leaders: Carol Myers 282; Hal Kunkel 528; Craig Baughn 66; Kelly Macklin 569t; John delRe 68b; Tim Slattery 415; John Alexander 47b; Diane Ober 288; Kate Galloway 340; Carly Goss 131b;

Stephen McMaster 77b; Blake Morris 228; Hank Schutz 163b; Gail Doss 163t; Tom Tucker 441; Cathy Tucker 386.

#### RECESS

The singing resumed with Bev Oneida leading 142. Leaders: Kevin Moreno 189; Kim Moreno 335; Kathy Manning 556; Hal Kunkel 49t; Leyland delRe 151; Kat Kinkade 368; Shayn Smulyan 332; Craig Baughn 566.

Gail Doss conducted the memorial lesson and led 326 in honor of the sick and shut-ins, and 176t in memory of the deceased.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Dianne Knippers, Mary DeNys, Carole Vance, Lynn, Elizabeth, Mary, and Ward—Virginia.

The deceased remembered were: Katherine Elder—Pennsylvania; Carin Pomeroy and Rosemary Johnson—Virginia; Mac Tarrou—Florida; Nancy Mulenex—Washington, D.C.; Capt. Andy Houghton and Gene Magee—Texas; Perley Langley and Joseph Talbot—Maine.

A special tribute was made for those who died in the terrorist attacks on 9/11/2001, and for their families and loved ones. Gail Doss led 107 in their memory and honor.

The memorial lesson was closed with prayer offered by Hank Schutz.

Leaders: Gillie Campbell 34b; Kelly Macklin 408 (by request); Tim Slattery 344; Carol Myers 235; Fred Beardsley 532; Mary Chris Harrison 71; Steven Sabol 133; John Alexander 49b; Kate Galloway 315; Carly Goss 29t; Blake Morris 73t; Hank Schutz 299; Gail Doss 135; Tom Tucker 430; Cathy Tucker 236; Bev Oneida 362; Kevin Moreno 276; Kim Moreno 448b; Kathy Manning 394; Leyland delRe 436; Kat Kinkade 131; Shayn Smulyan 384; Leyland delRe 160; Kelly Macklin 399t; John delRe 410t; Bev Oneida 454 (by request); Tim Slattery 300; Carol Myers 40; Fred Beardsley 513; Mary Chris Harrison 419; Steven Sabol 215; John Alexander 122; Blake Morris 179; Hank Schutz 313b; Gail Doss 540; Tom Tucker 448t; Cathy Tucker 144; Bev Oneida 351; Kevin Moreno 48t; Kim Moreno 497; Kathy Manning 196; Leyland delRe 317; Kat Kinkade 481.

John delRe gave resolutions thanking all officers, pitchers, and committees for their hard work.

John Alexander led 62 as the closing song. A closing prayer was offered by Hank Schutz, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—John Alexander; Vice Chair—Kat Kinkade; Secretary—Beverly Oneida—Secretary.

## **UNITED SACRED HARP MUSICAL ASSOCIATION Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church, Dunwoody, Georgia September 11-12, 2004**

### **Saturday, September 11**

The one hundred-first session of the United Sacred Harp Musical Association met at Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church in Dunwoody, Georgia on the second Sunday and Saturday before in September. Susan Harcrow called the class to order leading 32t. Ron Harper offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Susan Harcrow 46; Secretary Nora Parker 36b; Lela Crowder 283; Don Bowen 541 (in memory of Kenneth DeLong); Helen Bryson 522; Oscar McGuire 441; Al Grindon 218; Sandra Wilkinson 384; Alan Pritchett 146; Mary Wright 121; Bob Simmons 313t; Katharine Hough 480; Stephen Metcalf-Conte 56b; Kathy James 30b; Michael Thompson 82t; Virginia Douglas 268; Charles Walker 155; Cassie Franklin 418; Andy Morse 542; Pat Temple 535.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Susan Harcrow leading 142.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary (Permanent)—Nora Parker; Assistant Secretary—Cindy Tanner; Chaplains—Jesse Roberts and Louis Hughes; Arranging Committee—Jeannette DePoy, Lynne deBenedette, and Karen Freund; Memorial Committee—Henry Johnson, Scott DePoy, and Lee Rogers; Resolutions Committee—Ted Mercer and Judy Mincey; Locating Committee—Rodney Ivey and David Carlton; Finance Committee—Lela Crowder, Don Bowen, and Andy Morse. End of business session. Leaders: Richard DeLong 168; Jerry Schreiber 446; Janice Paulk 478; Malinda Snow 455; David Carlton 377; Phillip Langley 383; Elise Eskew 72b; Ron Harper 344; Judy Mincey 571; Charlene Wallace 548; Judy Caudle 451.

#### RECESS

John Plunkett, Ellen Jackson, and Pam Helms brought the class to order leading 388. Leaders: Lee Rogers 547; Barbara Swetman 203; Ed Thacker 494; Kiri Miller 430; Junie Wooten 503; Henry Schuman 528; Elsie Moon 436; Micah Roberts 354b; Rosemary Greenaway 475; Louis Hughes 512; Ellie Soler 38b; Jeff Sheppard 35; Laura Timmerman 546; Martha Ann Stegar 198; Carroll Lunsford 332.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Richard DeLong leading 316. Leaders: Ted Mercer 216; Carolyn Deacy 501; Cindy Tanner 182; Scott DePoy 74b; Lynne deBenedette 192; Loy Garrison 498; Rodney Ivey 564; Shelbie Sheppard 211; Jerry Enright 176t; Henry Johnson 375; Sarah Jenkins 110; Dennis George 536; Reba Windom 172; Jeannette DePoy 340; David Ivey 328; Jessica Altman 217; Carla Smith 202; Jesse Roberts 189; Laura Boyd Russell 400; Rich Russell 200; Karen Freund 385b; Matt Hinton 163b; Laura Akerman 532.

#### RECESS

The class was reassembled with John Plunkett leading 52t. Leaders: Russ Hanson 282; Dr. William “Bill” Reynolds 81t; Tim Reynolds 107; Debora Grosse 106; Tony Hammock 312b; Carol Hanson 186; James Wagner 108t.

Richard DeLong led 47b as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, September 12**

The Sunday session was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Richard DeLong leading 43. Louis Hughes offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Richard DeLong 60; John Plunkett 492; Nora Parker 394; Ellie Soler 143; Matt Hinton 63; Frances Mary D’Andrea 280; Steven Metcalf-Conte 159; Lee Rogers 474; Alan Pritchett 145b; Don Bowen 283; Janice Paulk 222; James Wagner 354b; Martha Ann Stegar 155; Oscar McGuire 573; Virginia Douglas 49b; Tony Hammock 148; Judy Mincey 475; Danny Creel 269; Cindy Tanner 434; Micah Roberts and Susan Roberts 45t; Mary L. Smith 383; Susan Posey 107; Joel Jenkins 101t; Nate Green and Norma Green 289.

#### RECESS

The class was reassembled by John Plunkett leading 435. Leaders: Harrison Creel 512; Rick Russell 349; Elsie Moon 292; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 282; Pat Temple 162; Emily Creel 384; Louis Hughes 181; Teenie Moody 270; Carla Smith 319; Carroll Lunsford 204; Laura Timmerman 27; Jeff Sheppard 540; David Ivey 90; Raymond Hamrick 136; Mary Wright 154; Katharine Hough 372.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Richard DeLong leading 371. Leaders: Laura Boyd Russell 228; Shelbie Sheppard 481.

The memorial lesson was conducted by Henry Johnson, Scott DePoy, and Lee Rogers. Henry Johnson spoke, read the names of the deceased, and then led 339. Those remembered included: Mavis Price, Christal Crocker, Elvin Guthrie, and Paul Greeson—Alabama; Laura Collins—Tennessee; Mozelle Sheppard, Barbara DePoy, and Estelle Flowers—Georgia; the victims of 9-11; all those in the military, and those who have lost their lives in the war; all deceased members of the DeLong family and other singing friends who are buried in the cemetery at Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church. Jeannette DePoy led 229 in memory of the DeLong family.

Scott DePoy spoke, read the names of the sick and shut-ins, and led 65 in their honor: Bobby Jackson, Jetha Brooks, Brenda Field, Nick Griffin, Kelly Beard, Dean Slaton, Steven Hough, Kay Smith, Larry Olszewski, Edith Tate, Loy Garrison, Dorothy Garrison, March Block, Gertie DeLong, Violet Thomason, Anne Friend, Myrtle Smith, Lois Stanson, Nancy Allen, Terry Wootten, Alice Edwards, Ronnie Meadows, and Eunice Webb.

Lee Rogers spoke about the uncertainty of life. We are not promised another tomorrow, but we should be ready to go if called home. Lee Rogers led 70t, and Elder Edward Cagle closed the memorial with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Richard DeLong leading 333. Leaders: Karen Freund 205; Lela Crowder 42 (for Bud Oliver); Kiri Miller 112; Bridgett Hill 440; Rodney Ivey and Micah Roberts 225t; “Happy Birthday” to Micah Roberts; Jessica Altman 215; Jerry Enright 77t; Judy Caudle 421; B.M. Smith 560; Carolyn Deacy 456; Jesse Roberts 442; Reba Windom 224; Ted Mercer 88t; Marty Wootten and Lorrie Wootten 430; Henry Johnson 166; Jerry Schreiber 473; Cassie Franklin 196; Rosemary Greenaway 496; Dennis George 542; Lynne deBenedette and Richard DeLong 411; Henry Schuman 429 (for Pauline Childers); Mike Castleberry 515; Barbara Swetman 472.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by John Plunkett leading 208. Leaders: Andy Morse 313b; Kathy James 76b; Ed Thacker 497; Sandra Wilkinson 170; Lucrease Franklin 153; Dr. William “Bill” Reynolds 128; Tim Reynolds 492.

A business session was held to hear reports from various committees.

The Finance Committee Report was given by Nora Parker. The balance brought forward was \$1,211.63. The total expenses for the convention were \$381.91.

Collections received were \$507.00. A balance of \$1,336.72 is carried forward. A total of thirteen states were represented during the two days of singing.

The Resolutions Committee Report was presented by Ted Mercer and Judy Mincey. At a time of belated recognition of Sacred Harp Singing as a national treasure, from Harvard Yard to Hollywood, from the Library of Congress to The National Cathedral, it is distressing that Sacred Harp may be endangered in its historic heartland. Let the cord of affection that has bound singers and churches together in the past be renewed.

We urge that the memory of those out on the hillside and in the cemeteries in other Southern communities be honored by continuing the tradition they began.

We, the United Sacred Harp Musical Association, met in the fourth year of our second century and hereby resolve to offer to Almighty God:

- All honor and praise for His merciful goodness to us and our forbearers in this tradition;
- The songs he has bestowed upon the composers and the voices lifted through the years to sing;

- For the ties of family and love that flow throughout this convention, and the fellowship we have with others.

We want to thank:

- Ebenezer Primitive Baptist church and Elder Edward Cagle for the use of this wonderful sounding church, and the generous hospitality extended to us;
- All officers, both outgoing and new, for your hard work which made the convention run smoothly and seem effortless;
- Those who prepared and brought the bountiful, delicious meals;
- Mike Castleberry and Louis Jones Funeral Home for providing the registration tent.

We resolve to continue to seek the old paths and walk therein. We will endeavor to encourage new singers and singings, and to make a joyful noise unto the Lord all our remaining days, returning to the United Convention wherever it may be held.

Rodney Ivey and David Carlton, Locating Committee, reported that the 102nd session of the United Sacred Harp Musical Association will meet at the Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the reports and to adjourn the business session.

Richard DeLong led 543. Announcements were made. Richard DeLong and John Plunkett led 146 as the closing song. Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Richard DeLong; Vice Chairman—John Plunkett; Secretary—Nora Parker; Assistant Secretary—Cindy Franklin.

**UNITED KINGDOM SACRED HARP CONVENTION**  
**Letchworth Free Church, Letchworth Garden City, United Kingdom**  
**September 11-12, 2004**  
**Saturday, September 11**

The ninth United Kingdom Sacred Harp Convention was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman Ken Baddley, who extended a warm welcome to everyone. Ken Baddley, Edwin Macadam, and Sheila Girling Macadam led 34b. Alan Weeks offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Ken Baddley 490; Helen Brown 39t; Alan Weeks 479; Steve Fletcher 48t; Judy Whiting 68b; Tony Singleton 496; Ruth Steggles 159; Emily Verrier and her father, Mick Verrier 146; Sophie McDougall 276; Chris Thorman 475; Hannah Cooper 86; Carmel Wood 47b; Dave Townsend 454; Isabelle Walker and Corrie Farquhar 299; Claire Simon 40; Dennis O'Brien 480; Mandy Townsend 203; Claire Singleton 270; Chris Brown 127; Lyra O'Brien 538; Mick Verrier 163t; Phil Tyler 278b; Charlotte Ehrman 66; Adrian Bolge 370.

**RECESS**

Helen Brown called the class back to order leading 47t. Leaders: Ian Ferguson 457; Paul Setford 319; Cath Tyler 189; Arwen Lockley 448t; Bernard Collard 362; Sheila Girling Macadam 142; Edwin Macadam 280; Tony Singleton 312b; Alan Weeks 344; Chris Thorman 229; Steve Fletcher 196; Judy Whiting 212; Sophie McDougall 300; Carmel Wood 163b; Isabelle Walker 474; Dave Townsend 112; Dennis O'Brien 287; Phil Tyler 440. Bernard Collard offered the blessing on the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Mandy Townsend called the class to order for the afternoon session leading 84. Leaders: Claire Singleton 155; Margaret Gillanders 228; Lyra O'Brien 426b; Mick Verrier 107; Ros Clements 183; Ruth Steggles 447; Chris Brown 38b; Charlotte Ehrman 504; Hannah Cooper 198; Bernard Collard 501; Claire Simon 551; Paul Setford 37b; Cath Tyler 556; Ken Baddley 27; Steve Fletcher 318; Dave Townsend

49b; Isabelle Walker 515; Chris Thorman 350; Sophie McDougall 268; Edwin Macadam 236; Carmel Wood 178; Helen Brown 546; Adrian Bolge 34b.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Tony Singleton leading 277. Leaders: Dennis O'Brien 304; Val Wallace and Helen Brown 38t; Sheila Girling Macadam 186; Corrin Bramley 117; Alan Weeks 473; Judy Whiting 72b; Chris Thorman 271t; Margaret Gillanders 99; Claire Simon 106; Chris Brown 267; Ros Clements 340; Charlotte Ehrman 147t; Mandy Townsend 33b; Paul Setford 273; Lyra O'Brien 162; Hannah Cooper 30t; Phil Tyler 534; Claire Singleton 124; Ruth Steggles 143. Ken Baddley led 347 as the closing song. Ros Clements offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, September 12

The Sunday session was called to order by Chairman Ken Baddley leading 34b. Ruth Steggles offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Bernard Collard 217; Margaret Gillanders 171; Mick Verrier 201; Rachel Jordan 501; Dave Richardson 75; Cath Tyler 59; Mandy Townsend 148; Helen Brown 430; Chris Brown 128; Ros Clements 77b; Ian Ferguson 324; Judy Whiting and Sophie McDougall 503; Carmel Wood 268; Dennis O'Brien 73t; Hannah Cooper 302; Charlotte Ehrman 569b; Alan Weeks 84; Isabelle Walker 47b; Lyra O'Brien 371; Sheila Girling Macadam 288.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Steve Fletcher leading 36b. Leaders: Ruth Steggles 441; Phil Tyler 495; Arwen Lockley 335; Dave Townsend 220; Claire Singleton 209; Edwin Barton and Jean Barton 547; Clare Simon and Dennis O'Brien 195; Paul Setford 410t; Emily Verrier (age, 6) 146; Adrian Bolge 156; Tony Singleton 300; Bernard Collard 63; Margaret Gillanders 142; Ros Clements 180; Cath Tyler 65; Mick Verrier 49b; Judy Whiting 33b.

Ken Baddley conducted the memorial lesson for the deceased, and led 49b in their memory. He talked about singing friends, acquaintances, and the victims of terrorist around the world, including: the 9-11-1 attack on the World Trade Center in New York; decades of killing in Ireland; victims in Sudan; and Russian schoolchildren. He then read short passages from Apocrypha to give emphasis in remembering the: famous, rulers, instructors, everyday common folks and their descendants, the brave, and the honorable. The deceased remembered were: Ron Hamlin, Margaret McLeod, Dennis Brown, George Sadler, Mary Finch, Jack Leonard, Gladys Reynolds, Anna Maria Wheeler, Win Tyler, John Claxton, Wayne Cussen, John Davidson, Derek Lamprell, Sheila Lamprell, Yvonne Earle, and John Mason—United Kingdom; Father Mychal Judge, Cheryl Doehler, and Doris Morganson—United States of America; Schoolchildren, Beslan, Russia; and the victims of Darfur, Sudan.

Rob Mahoney conducted the sick and housebound lesson, and led 474 in their honor. Those remembered were: Jane Weedon, Jim Singleton, Joan Stocks, Barbara Meddoms, Hazel Walker, Mary Kellaway, Stan Whiting, Mike Whiting, Donna Lock, Tracy Jameson, Mark Jones, Betty Paton, James Oss and Mary (wife and loving caregiver); Ian West's mother-in-law (and for Ian and Gill).

Alan Weeks gave the celebration lesson, rejoicing in the news of Cameron, a grandson; Steve's new job; Joanne Hoover's 70th birthday; Sophie and Stuart McDougall's 10th wedding anniversary; a good harvest; Hannah's 2:2 degree, new job, and leading 350. The memorial and celebrations were concluded.

Rachel Jordan led 269.

#### LUNCH

Ken Baddley called the afternoon session to order leading 135. Leaders: Sophie McDougall 40; Mandy Townsend 318; Anna Stadward and John Baldini 86; Helen Brown 436; Dennis O'Brien 353; Hannah Cooper 454; Charlotte Ehrman 448b; Isabelle Walker 299; Dave Townsend 504; Lyra O'Brien 214; Sheila Girling Macadam 365; Phil Tyler 29b; Steve Fletcher "New Invention" (by Mick Verrier); Ruth Steggles 163b; Claire Singleton 344; Chris Brown 282; Claire Simon 122; Edwin Macadam 189.

#### RECESS

Cath Tyler called the class back to order leading 107. Leaders: Paul Setford 452; Carmel Wood 159; Mick Verrier Firm "Hope" (by Tony Singleton); Charlotte Ehrman 523; Dave Townsend "Walpole"; Claire Simon 28b; Tony Singleton "New England" (by Mick Verrier); Lyra O'Brien 94; Claire Singleton 385b; Dennis O'Brien 339; Rachel Jordan 155.

Ken Baddley led 62 as the closing song. Alan Weeks offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ken Baddley; Treasurer—Ted Brown; Arranging Committee—Steve Fletcher; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders.

### **CALHOUN COUNTY CONVENTION**

**Mount Moriah Primitive Baptist Church, between Anniston and  
Jacksonville (Four Mile Community), Alabama**

**September 18-19, 2004**

**Saturday, September 18**

The ninetieth session of the Calhoun County Convention was held at Mount Moriah Primitive Baptist Church in the Four Mile Community, between Anniston and Jacksonville, Alabama on the third Sunday and Saturday before in September. B.J. Harris and B.M. Smith called the class to order leading 82t. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: B.J. Harris and B.M. Smith 101t; Charlene Wallace 283, 299; Mary L. Smith 318, 171 (in memory of Alan Fannin, and in honor of Nick Griffin); Lou Cotney 222, 384; Pam Nunn 63; Milton Oliver 176t, 321; Teenie Moody 440, 441; Margie Smith 393, 225t; S.T. Reed 224, 388; Ruth Daniel 335, 378t; Tom George 300, 354b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 87. Leaders: Stanley Edwards 35, 37b; Nate Green and Norma Green 46, 57.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—B.J. Harris; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard; Arranging Committee—Pam Nunn; Memorial Committee—Jeff Sheppard.

A discussion was held on the merits of making this convention a one day singing or leaving it as two days. The class voted to table the decision until the end of the day.

Leaders: LaRue Allen 273, 36b; Donna Bell 503; Henry Johnson 354t, 147b; Lela Crowder 278b, 336; Reba Norton 280, 282; Anita Landess 564, 569t; Bud Oliver 426t, 426b; Eunice Webb 434, 284; Robert Walker 34b, 143.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by B.M. Smith leading 319. Leaders: Ed Thacker 399b, 481; Daphene Causey and Sharon DuPriest 203, 542; Dennis George 227, 502; Shelbie Sheppard 505, 418; Richard Mauldin 43, 540; Evelyn Harris 47t, 155; John Plunkett 154, 467; Rene Greene 291, 151; Jeff Sheppard 150, 556; Bridgett Hill 186, 276; Judy Chambless 49t, 49b; Sharon DuPriest 189, 212; Robert Chambless 159, 50b; Pam Nunn 200, 269.



Announcements were made. A motion was made and seconded to go into a business session for the purpose of voting on the tabled motion from the morning session. The class voted to make the singing a one day event beginning in 2005, and to be held on Saturday before the third Sunday in September.

B.J. Harris and B.M. Smith led 45t as the closing song. Ed Thacker offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, September 19**

B.J. Harris called the class to order leading 59. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: B.J. Harris 32t; B.M. Smith 68b, 99; Shelbie Sheppard 123t, 332; Pam Nunn 313t, 155; Evelyn Harris 63, 108t; Milton Oliver 270, 314; Sharon DuPriest 36b, 460; Robert Chambless 154, 333; Lou Cotney 189, 172; Margie Smith 31b, 512.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with B.J. Harris leading 303. Leaders: Bud Oliver 274t, 61; Sherry Lovvorn 146, 143; Judy Chambless 47t, 55; Lonnie Rogers 141, 222; Daphene Causey 56b, 77t; Stanley Edwards 75, 496; Jeff Sheppard 439, 121; Hugh McGraw 289, 319; Charlene Wallace 124, 290; LaRue Allen 106, 373; Ann Simmons 323b, 47b; Rene Greene 480, 276.

Jeff Sheppard conducted the memorial lesson. Charlene Wallace led 285t for the deceased: Irene Willoughby, Gladys Simmons, and Alonzo Edwards. Jeff Sheppard led 122 in memory of Ruth Brown.

Hugh McGraw led 420 for the sick and shut-ins including: Nick Griffin, Gladys McGraw, Danny Griffin, Reby Stanford, Bobby Jackson, Alice Edwards, Ruth Daniel, Jap Walton, and Nancy Allen. Lonnie Rogers closed the memorial with prayer.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by B.M. Smith leading 212. Leaders: Bud Oliver 39b; Lonnie Rogers 225t; Charlene Wallace 81t; Stanley Edwards 58; LaRue Allen 224; Lou Cotney 497; Milton Oliver 85; Hugh McGraw 96; Rene Greene 217; Ann Simmons 147t; Margie Smith 317; Sharon DuPriest 318; Evelyn Harris 405; Robert Chambless 28b; Sherry Lovvorn 100; Jeff Sheppard 487; Judy Chambless 274b; Pam Nunn 186.

Announcements were mad. B.J. Harris and B.M. Smith led 46 as the closing song. Lonnie Rogers offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—B.J. Harris; Vice Chairman—B.M. Smith; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard.

## **ILLINOIS STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION**

### **Decatur, Illinois**

**September 18-19, 2004**

**Saturday, September 18**

The twentieth annual session of the Illinois State Sacred Harp Convention was opened by Berkley Moore leading 276. Don Baker offered the morning prayer, and then led 282.

The following officers and committees were previously elected and appointed: Chairman—Berkley Moore; Co-Chairman—Don Baker; Secretary—Janet Fraembs; Treasurer—Barbara A. Moore; Arranging—Barbara A. Moore, Berkley Moore, Pete Ellertsen, and James Page; Finance—Mark Graber; Food—Lori Graber; Memorial—Becky Browne and Lee Steinmetz; Resolutions—Marlen Rust; Steering Committee—Berkley Moore, Don Baker, Janet Fraembs, Becky Schildman, and Terry Hogg.

Leaders: Lori Graber 48; James Page 284; Pete Ellertsen 32t; David Rust 146; Joan Aldridge 222; Grace Scrimgeour 547; Penny Kujawinski 472; Ted Mercer 208; Samuel Sommers 386; Paul Figura 37t (MH); Lou Kujawinski 510; Shirley Figura 209; Dave Ressler 189; Megan Jennings 430; Marcia Johnson 218; Melanie Hauff 444; Ted Johnson 392; Judy Hauff 172; Ginny Landgraf 447.

#### RECESS

Lori Graber brought the class back to order leading 540. Leaders: Janet Fraembs 532; Lee Steinmetz 68b; Terry Hogg 455; Berkley Moore 378b; Don Baker 82t; Lori Graber 330t; James Page “Berkley” (his own composition, with words by Berkley Moore); Dean Slaton 434; Grace Scrimgeour 287; Ted Mercer 215; Megan Jennings 542; Marcia Johnson 436; Melanie Hauff 216; Ted Johnson 419; Judy Hauff 368; David Rust 33b; Joan Aldridge 150; Penny Kujawinski 180; Samuel Sommers 112. Janet Fraembs asked the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Berkley Moore brought the class back together for the afternoon session leading 229. Leaders: Paul Figura 57b (MH); Lou Kujawinski 217; Teddy Thomas 76b; Shirley Figura 95; Dave Ressler 46b (MH); Ginny Landgraf 292; Lee Steinmetz 163b; Terry Hogg 454; Don Baker 312b; Lori Graber 228; James Page 45 (MH); Pete Ellertsen 89; Anne Sieck 324; Dean Slaton 211; Grace Scrimgeour 31t; Ted Mercer 81 (MH); Megan Jennings 480; Marcia Johnson 440.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Samuel Sommers leading 319. Leaders: Ted Johnson 383; David Rust 268; Melanie Hauff 105 (MH); Terry Cunningham 85; Judy Hauff 411; Joan Aldridge 142; Penny Kujawinski 384; Sam Sommers 316; Paul Figura 100 (MH); Lou Kujawinski 297; Shirley Figura 84; Dave Ressler 67; Ginny Landgraf 63t (MH); Lee Steinmetz 163b; Terry Hogg 361.

#### RECESS

Ted Mercer led 150 (MH) to bring the class to order. Leaders: Megan Jennings 36b; Ted Johnson 536; Melanie Hauff 75 (MH); Teddy Thomas 146; Dean Slaton 460; Pete Ellertsen 179.

Berkley Moore led 62 as the closing song. Mark Graber offering the benediction, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, September 19**

The Sunday session was called to order by Chair Berkley Moore leading 52t. Don Baker offered the morning prayer, then led 569.

Leaders: Janet Fraembs 421; Lori Graber 299; James Page 273; Dick Dunagan 36b; Terry Hogg 523; Presley Barker 116 (MH); Gary Gronau 283; Becky Browne 181; Val Dunagan 350; Karen Isbell 95 (MH); Don Bardsley 120; Ginny Landgraf 428; Lee Steinmetz 149; Samuel Sommers 422.

#### RECESS

Presley Barker brought the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Joan Aldridge 474; Dave Ressler 300; David Rust 35; Shirley Figura 335; Lou Kujawinski 53; Paul Figura 339; Penny Kujawinski 77t; Berkley Moore 146 (MH); Don Baker 56b; Lori Graber 71; James Page 57b (MH); Dick Dunagan 49b; Terry Hogg 43; Presley Barker 28b (MH); Gary Gronau 377; Becky Browne 192.

#### RECESS

Chair Berkley Moore brought the class back in session leading 31t.

Becky Browne conducted the memorial lesson and led 348b for the deceased. She reminded us of the legacy we honor as we sing the memorial lesson and name the singers we have lost during the year. We are respecting the tradition and the entire Sacred Harp community as we carry on for them. Those remembered were: Lt. Col. John Henry Stein (son of Hazel Henry) and John E. Erickson—Illinois; Teresa

Russell—Michigan; Allen Fannin—New York; Mildred Segal—California; David Hotaling—Washington; Arthur Burtis and Robert Martin—New Jersey; and the victims of the hurricanes in Florida.

Lee Steinmetz spoke for the sick and shut-ins, and then led 452 for: Bob Scorgie and Bob Anderson—Wisconsin; Ruth White, Vi Stark, Karen Hojnacki, and Dennis Miller—Illinois. Samuel Sommers closed the memorial lesson with prayer.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with James Page leading 151. Leaders: Val Dunagan 475; Don Bardsley 373; Janet Fraembs and Dixie McGregor 143; Karen Isbell 216; Ginny Landgraf 351; Lissa Blood 82t; Lee Steinmetz 242; Samuel Sommers 24b; Joan Aldridge 540; Dave Ressler 448t; David Rust 327; Shirley Figura 503; Penny Kujawinski 217; Lou Kujawinski 477; Berkley Moore 114; Mike Veech 277; Lori Graber 504; James Page 148b (MH).

#### RECESS

Presley Barker brought the class back to order leading 171. Leaders: Terry Hogg 212; Paul Figura 47b; Gary Gronau 496; Don Bardsley 268; Karen Isbell 270; Ginny Landgraf 564; Lissa Blood 145t; Samuel Sommers 548; Becky Browne 100 (MH); Lee Steinmetz 513; Joan Aldridge 198; Dave Ressler 86; David Rust 267; Shirley Figura 282; Penny Kujawinski and Lou Kujawinski 473.

#### RECES

The class resumed singing with Don Bardsley leading 99. Leaders: Gary Gronau 29t; Presley Barker 472.

The Resolutions Committee Report was presented by Marlen Rust.

The Resolutions Committee resolves to:

- Honor all those who began this Illinois State Convention 19 years ago, some of whom are here singing today;
- Express our gratitude to all who have traveled from far and near to raise their voices in this place;
- Thank all who have worked behind the scenes to make these 2 days a big event; for all the generous hospitality at the Saturday night social; Terry's Hogg's most helpful signs; and a special thanks to Lori and Mark Graber for their energies devoted to this occasion;
- Be thankful to the Prime Mover who hungers and feasts with us, who more closely forms us into a family, for bringing us together to sing.

Following announcements, the class sang 347, and the class was dismissed with prayer by Don Baker.

Chair—Berkley Moore; Co-Chair—Don Baker; Secretary—Janet Fraembs.

### **THE ORIGINAL B.F. WHITE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION (J.L. WHITE 1911 EDITION) Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church, Decatur, Georgia Sunday, September 19, 2004**

The annual singing of The Original B.F. White Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at Hardeman Primitive Baptist Church in Decatur Georgia on the third Sunday in September. Chairman John Plunkett brought the class to order leading 59. The opening prayer was offered by Henry Johnson.

Leaders: John Plunkett 38t (in memory of Allen Fannin of New York, who recently died in an automobile accident); Sandra Wilkinson 316, 496t; Malinda Snow 138b, 492; Martha Ann Stegar 519, 517; Sharon Hamrick 306, 276; Tony Hammock 177, 76t; Lee Rogers 132, 389t; Bob Goodman 60, 478t; Nate Green and Norma Green 475, 373.

## RECESS

Chairman John Plunkett called the class to order leading 88b then appointed the following committees: Arranging Committee—Sandra Wilkinson; Memorial Committee—Lee Rogers.

Leaders: Anita Landess 474, 480b; Tom Hanson 512, 299; Phillip Langley 330t, 215; John Hollingsworth 544t, 543t; Rita Haley 63, 239; Douglas Faith 526, 26 (in back of book); Donna Bell 75, 87; Russell Hanson 186, 61; Judy Mincey 55t, 54t. John Hollingsworth offered the blessing for the noon meal.

## LUNCH

Chairman John Plunkett brought the class to order leading 525 and 301. Leaders: Wesley Haley 45t; Carol Hanson 155, 47b; Henry Johnson 499t, 487b; Mary Brownlee 521; Oscar McGuire 522; Richard DeLong 95t, 286b; Leslie Hanson 494, 388; Elise Eskew 540, 274t; Raymond Hamrick 490b; Lela Crowder 491b, 222.

Lee Rogers conducted the memorial and led 122, stating that this song always seemed to comfort and encourage her in times of trouble and need.

Tom Hanson led 447t and 513 for the deceased: Floyd Faith, J.J. Sills, Ruth Hitchcock, Estelle Flowers, Carolyn Snow, Barbara DePoy, Mary Sorrells, Charles Crawford, and Paul Greeson—Georgia; Allen Fannin—New York.

Mary Brownlee led 496b for the sick and shut-ins which include: Violet Thomason, Quentin Watts, Bill Green, Beufa Green, Bobby Jackson, and Eldora Moody. The memorial was concluded with prayer led by Elder Jesse Roberts.

## RECESS

The singing resumed with Chairman John Plunkett leading 303t. Leaders: Andy Anderson and Jo Twilley 547t, 287; Debora Grosse 485b, 545t; Jesse Roberts 157, 44; David Grant 491t; Helen Bryson 217 (in memory of William Henry Nash), 418; Andy Morse 138t, 527; Micah Roberts 354; Alice West 380t, 317b, 358; Rebecca Higgins 408, 40. Carol Hanson, Russ Hanson, Sandra Wilkinson, and Jesse Roberts sang 488b as a quartette in memory of Larry Wilkinson and Sadie Wilkinson, parents of Carol Hanson and Sandra Wilkinson.

Following announcements, John Plunkett led 62 as the closing song. Elder Jesse Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairman—Rodney Ivey; Secretary/Treasurer—Sandra Wilkinson.

## **CORNELIUS BENJAMIN (BENNIE) KEETON MEMORIAL Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery), Walker County, Alabama Sunday, September 19, 2004**

The thirty-third session of the Cornelius Benjamin (Bennie) Keeton Memorial singing was held at Shady Grove (Keeton Cemetery) in Walker County, Alabama on the third Sunday in September. Travis Keeton called the class to order leading 129. Velton Chafin offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 47t; Glenn Keeton led 30b.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde; Arranging Committee—Willodean Barton.

Leaders: Glenn Keeton 330t; Amanda Denson 334, 155; Bill Stewart 569b, 147t; Bridgett Hill 37b, 134; John Hyde 39b, 43; Corene White 146, 544; Margaret Keeton 276, 78; Lena Keeton 34b, 82t; Wilton Donaldson 32t, 100; Elizabeth Keeton 35, 159; Richard Mauldin 378t, 503; Ozella Blackmon 192.

## RECESS

Travis Keeton brought the class back to order with 179. Leaders: Winell Sanders and Cecil Sanders 225t; Cecil Sanders 380, 475; Velton Chafin 318, 494; Julietta

Haynes 200, 269; Gravis Ballinger 77t, 112; Elene Stovall 208, 182; Marlin Beasley 285t, 460; Lisa Geist 546, 447; Max Berueffy 287, 193.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Glenn Keeton leading 46. Leaders: Roma Rice 189, 157; Kermit Adams 426t, 99; Ivalene Donaldson 335; Larry Ballinger 345t, 119 (in memory of Myrtle Bynum); Josie Hyde 355, 234; Harrison Creel 317; Clarence McCool 349; Gary Smith 31t, 565; Justin Allen 480, 455; Estelle Gilmore and Lewis Gilmore 428, 48t, 337; Sarah Smith 290, 73t; Willodean Barton 498; Bunk Beasley 72b, 81t; Steve Adams 401, 101t; Willodean Barton 282. Glenn Keeton, Travis Keeton, and Frank Williams led 62 as the closing song. Marlin Beasley offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Glenn Keeton; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

### **SMYRNA PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH SINGING**

#### **Goodwater, Alabama**

**Sunday, September 19, 2004**

Chairman Jack Nelson called the class to order leading 32t. Eugene Forbes offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized for the day with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jack Nelson; Secretary—Jenny Acton; Arranging Committee—Virginia Futral.

Leaders: Chairman Jack Nelson 30b; Richard Ivey 37b, 81t; Eugene Forbes 100, 317; Stuart Ivey 59, 73t; William Futral 341, 36b; Jenny Acton 340, 143; Edna Ruth Phillips 490, 480; Wendy Futral 358, 491; Tommy Futral 49b (for his mother, Opal Futral), 300; Virginia Futral 146, 566 (in memory of Nelda Henry); Deborah Rich 200, 168.

#### RECESS

Preaching services were held.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Chairman Jack Nelson leading 276 and 294.

Leaders: Karen Ivey 99, 270; David Ivey 388, 155; James Wagner 354b, 108t; Elder Bufrey Dean 77t, 268; Brenda Dean 47b, 417; Daniel Dean 39t, 39b; Jack Nelson 165; Richard Ivey 171; Eugene Forbes 208; Stuart Ivey 182; William Futral 164; Wendy Futral 101t; Tommy Futral 147t; Jenny Acton 25 (JB); Virginia Futral 569b; Karen Ivey 74b; David Ivey 129; James Wagner 310; Elder Bufrey Dean 408; Brenda Dean 369; Daniel Dean 159 (for his dad); Jack Nelson 175 (by request); Deborah Rich 385b; Audress Gurley 517 (WB).

Announcements were made. Chairman Jack Nelson led 348b (by request) and 28b.

Elder Bufrey Dean offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jack Nelson; Secretary—Jenny Acton.

### **MULE DAY SINGING**

#### **Pastime Theatre, Winfield, Alabama**

**Saturday, September 25, 2004**

At the invitation of the Winfield Main Street, a group of singers, sponsored by the Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation, Inc., performed at the Pastime Theatre in Winfield, Alabama, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September.

The singing opened with David (Chug) Beasley, Sarah Beasley Smith, John Beasley, Marlin Beasley, Cora Beasley Sweatt, Alvin (Bunk) Beasley, Ann Beasley Ballard, and Becky Beasley Briggs leading 72b.

Leaders: Caleb Allred 282; Jennifer Allred 142; Emily Creel 384; Danny Creel 269; Ann Jett 327; Brenda Merritt, 163b; Larry Ballinger 224; Max Berueffy 84; Harrison Creel 498; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 64, 354b; John Merritt 358; Elene Stovall 63; Rachel Allred 216; Susan Allred 105; J.L. Hopper 198; John Hyde 73t; Travis Keeton 343; Judy Caudle 528; Chris Ballinger 350; Seth Allred 112; Will Allred 480.

#### RECESS

Richard Mauldin led 43 to bring the class back to order. Leaders: Wilton Donaldson 47b; Cassie Franklin 378b; Gary Smith 569b; Earl Ballinger 299; Beth O'Dell 442; Lisa Geist 273; Becky Briggs 460; Josie Hyde 507; Harrison Creel, Emily Creel, and Cassie Franklin 342; Will Allred 45t; Cindy Tanner 76b.  
Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Secretary—Seth Holloway.

### **MINNESOTA STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Plymouth Congregational Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota;** **Town Hall, Murphy's Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota** **September 25-26, 2004**

**Saturday, September 25**

The fifteenth Minnesota State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held at the Plymouth Congregational Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota on Saturday; and the Sunday sessions were held in the Town Hall at Murphy's Landing in Shakopee, Minnesota.

The class was called to order on Saturday by Co-Chairs Paul Wyatt and Stacey Berkheimer leading 276. Rev. Elli Elliot offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Cathy Lutz 441; Denise Kania 291; Eleanor Haase 352; Mark Ellenberger 107; Johanna Fabke 52t; Jim Goetz 312b; Lisa Grayson 411; Kathy Kaiser 203; Lou Kujawinski 28t; Bill Waddington 362; Jeanette Nelson 143; Paul Figura 183; Anita Buswell 479; Ted Johnson 142; Paul Landskroener 523; Jeff Bell 30t.

#### RECESS

Steven Levine brought the class back to order leading 87. Leaders: Jim Parsons 100; Steve Warner 86; Laura Densmore 384; Claudia Englehoff 77b; Robin Fox 535; Allison Dodson 89; Jenna Strizak 460; Francis Gurtz 313b; Meg Parsons 217; Chris Brown 128; Martha Henderson 448t; Charlie Obert 430; Stephanie Fida 547; Mirjana Lausevic 274t; Steve Luttinen 67; Laura Clawson 542; Gordon Olsen 503; James Page 538.

#### RECESS

Midge Olsen brought the class back to order leading 171. Leaders: Bob Dixon 163b; Matt Wells 106; Steven Schmidgall 496; Kim Bahmer 99; Jim Helke 532.

A business meeting was held for the purpose of electing the Chair for our February, 2005 Cooper Book Convention. Steven Schmidgall was elected. Co-chairs for next year's convention were then nominated and elected: Donna Gunderson-Rogers and Paul Wilson.

Michael Moore offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Cathy Lutz leading 52t. Leaders: Julie Vea 216; Cheryl Foreman 328; Anne Heider 528; Louis Hughes 76b; Judy Whiting 318; Penny Kujawinski 102; Reba Windom 192; Midge Olsen 269; Darlene Dalton 77t; Paul Wyatt 284; Carol Crawford 495; Stephen Parker 454; Val Eng 280; Steven Levine 350; Aubrey Hemminger 84; Carol Buche 504; Tim Eriksen 229; Christine Stevens 159.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Matt Wells leading 40. Leaders: John Seaton 178; Michael Moore 187; Judy Hauff 442; Jenny Willard 349; Jenn Blaire 186; Shirley Figura 385b; Paul Wilson 565; Doug Donley 424; Kathy Wallace 315; Collette Miller 436; Louis Hughes 270; Judy Whiting 474; Reba Windham 222; Laura Densmore 157; Cheryl Foreman 475; Laura Clawson 81t; Anita Buswell 515; Darlene Dalton 277; Lisa Grayson 201.

After announcements were made, Stacey Berkheimer and Paul Wyatt led 323t as the closing song. Gordon Olsen offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, September 26

The singing on Sunday was held in the Town Hall at Murphy's Landing, Shakopee, Minnesota. Co-Chairs Stacey Berkheimer and Paul Wyatt brought the class to order leading 171. The opening prayer was offered by Darlene Dalton.

Leaders: Matt Wells 39t; Martha Henderson 455; Gordon Olsen 497; Michael Moore 464; Steve Luttinen 271t; Jim Helke 29b; Chris Brown 38b; Meg Parsons 209; Joan Yeatman 373; Cathy Lutz 344; Laura Densmore 542; Julie Vea 377; Louis Hughes 181; Ted Mercer 93.

### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Jim Pfau leading 36b. Leaders: Midge Olsen, "Minnesota" (by Stanley Smith); Kim Bahmer 37b; John Seaton 47t; Scott Schroeder 40; Val Eng 528; Penny Kujawinski 473; John Pearson 368; Ann Heider 268; Christine Stevens 277; Shirley Figura 145b; Lisa Grayson 383; Walt Graff 49b; Carol Buche 143; Allison Dodson 335; James Page 273; Jenny Willard 426b; Paul Wilson 388.

### RECESS

Denise Kania reconvened the class with 34b.

Kim Bahmer and Cheryl Foreman conducted the memorial lesson. Kim Bahmer spoke of coming to the singing for musical reasons four years ago and being captured by the sense of connection and remembrance she found in the memorial lesson she heard at her first convention in this building. The list of those who have died included: Willie Carolyn Denson—Alabama; Bill Burke—Arizona; Betty Haase—Arkansas; Nick Pender and Mozelle Sheppard—Georgia; Sharon Rogers—Illinois; Barbara Taylor—Indiana; Roland Kirk, Waldo Bunge, Irene Wobschall Austin, Hilmer Iverson, and Verna Carr—Minnesota; Doug Anthony—Montana; Allen Fannin, Abraham Kaufman, and Tomislav Podreka—New York; Betty Rudolph, Cindy McKee, and Robert Langston—Pennsylvania; Sue Ann Cowen—Virginia; Christine Lipo and Dave Egelhoff—Wisconsin; Dick Haase—Texas; Roberta George Seaton—United Kingdom; the victims of hurricanes in the Southeastern United States; the victims of war; and the people killed in the school seizure at Beslan, Russia. Kim Bahmer and Cheryl Foreman led 235 in memory of those deceased.

The list of the sick or shut-ins included: Jeff Sheppard, Shelbie Sheppard, Joyce Walton, Jap Walton, Ronnie Meadows and his caretakers (his mother and sister)—Alabama; Mary Ellen Wilkinson and Beau Caldwell—Arkansas; Marilyn Darch—California; Margaret Peckman—Florida; Nick Griffin—Georgia; Suzanne Checchia, Vi Stark, and Cathryn Baker—Illinois; Max Figura—Iowa; David Rice Gardner—Maryland; Liz Spolyar, Deidre Druk, Regina Kania, Helen Stevens, John Warden, and Tom Kreck—Minnesota; Jim Wood—Nebraska; Marjorie Parker Burke—North Dakota; Kelly Beard and Ernestine Pipkin—Texas; Bob Scorgie, Bob Anderson, and Mary Agee—Wisconsin; Bonnie Brassler and Lewis Wilson—Canada; Mary Kellaway—United Kingdom. Cheryl Foreman and Kim Bahmer led 70t in honor of the sick and shut-ins. Walter Graff closed the memorial with prayer. Leaders: Darlene Dalton 312t; Jeanette Nelson 472.

Louis Hughes offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Steven Levine leading 270. Leaders: Jim Parsons 189; Felicia Stevens 142; Johanna Fabke 236; Minja Lausevic 68b; Stephanie Fida 65; Ted Johnson 419; Steve Schmidgall 154; Judy Hauff 392; Reba Windom 216; Steve Warner 475; Laura Clawson 556; Keith Willard 112; Lou Kujawinski 477; Shelley Robbins 299; Kathy Kaiser 485; Jim Pfau 218; Carol Crawford 569t; Robin Fox and Mary Rose O'Reilly 203; Tim Eriksen 204; Claudia Egelhoff 210.

The afghan crocheted by Eloise Jerome was raffled, and won by Steve Schmidgall.

#### RECESS

Judy Hauff reconvened the class leading 290. Leaders: Paul Figura 543; Jeff Bell 337; Denise Kana 217; Judy Whiting 480; Eleanor Haase 300; Kit Pfau 159; Stephen Parker 32t; Steven Levine 200; Cheryl Foreman 546; Ted Mercer 202; Paul Wyatt 176t; Anne Heider 501; Christine Stevens 352; Penny Kujawinski 146; Matt Wells 282.

A business was held to hear reports from various committees.

The Resolutions Committee, Jeanette Nelson and Kathy Kaiser, offered an eloquent and gracious resolution of thanks for glorious weather, wonderful food, and to all those who had a hand in organizing this year's convention. Jeanette spoke from her heart in appreciation of all those who come from so far to enrich the square.

The Treasurer reported that we met our expenses.

The Arranging Committee reported that all leaders were called and that we had 82 leaders on Saturday and 74 on Sunday. The roll of states was taken, showing singers from 13 states: Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Minnesota, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Wisconsin; one Canadian province (Manitoba); and the United Kingdom.

Jeanette Nelson and Kathy Kaiser led 212. Co-Chairs Stacey Berkheimer and Paul Wyatt led 62 as the closing song while singers took the parting hand. Keith Willard offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairs—Stacey Berkheimer and Paul Wyatt; Corresponding Secretary—Jim Pfau; Recording Secretary—Stephen Parker; Treasurer—Matt Wells.

## **ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SACRED HARP CONVENTION** **Albuquerque, New Mexico** **September 25-26, 2004** **Saturday, September 25th**

The fifteenth session of the Rocky Mountain High Sacred Harp Convention was called to order by John Schaffer leading 150. Daniel Davis offered the opening prayer. Songs led from the "High Desert Harmony" will be noted with (HDH). Leaders: Harlan Van Camp 46; Sharon Kermiet 48t; Jeanne Schaffer 66; Kay Sirco 143; Eric Morgan 67; Ed Stevens 194; Carol Selleck 319; Rosie Wojcik 477; Berk Meitzler 70b; Marilyn Murata 421; Chris Noren 384; Sally Gwyllan 106; Donna Sewell 171; Sandy Klein 180; Lee Stephenson 59; Claire Singleton 350; Kelsey Wessels 179; Carter Clary 452; Joslene Schlaefli 47b;

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by David McPherson leading 128. Leaders: Daniel Davis 46 (HDH); Janet Morgan 105; Gaylon Powell 442; Nancy Nortz 71; Leon Ballinger 195; Ginnie Ely 475; Nona Church 155; Matthew Wojcik 198; Don Klein 540; Cary Stickney 47t; Nancy Costea 146; Allan Stavely 479; Larry Matlock 323b; Kay Sirco 551; John Schaffer 38b; Carol Selleck 217; Eric Morgan 142; Rosie



Wojcik 48b; Berk Meitzler 49b; Marilyn Murata 492; Chris Noren 236; Donna Sewell 63; Claire Singleton 18 (HDH); Kelsey Wessels 31t.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by David McPherson leading 312b.

Leaders: Sandy Klein 117; Jeanne Schaffer 87; Gerald Hand 89; Carter Clary 515; Joslene Schaepli 107; Daniel Davis 344; Ed Stevens 457; Sharon Kermiet 549; Janet Morgan 82; Gaylon Powell 86; Lee Stephenson 268; Leon Ballinger 269; Ginnie Ely 546; Nona Church 45t; Harlan Van Camp 547; Matthew Wojcik 430; Don Klein 556; Cary Stickney 40; Nancy Costea 440; Allan Stavely 58; David McPherson 300; Larry Matlock "La Bahada" (HDH); Sandy Klein 209; John Schaffer 163b; Carol Selleck 70t; Eric Morgan 245; Rosie Wojcik 77t; Berk Meitzler 496; Marilyn Murata 456; Chris Noren 410t; Claire Singleton 299; Kelsey Wessels 448t; Jeanne Schaffer 454; Gerald Hand 274t; Carter Clary 313b; Anita Sanders 528; Joslene Schlaefli 480; Nancy Nortz 65; Daniel Davis 216; Ed Stevens 68; Sharon Kermiet 29t; Janet Morgan 35; Gaylon Powell 542; Norma Ruptier 84.

David McPherson led 267 as the closing song. Daniel Davis gave the benediction, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, September 26

The Sunday morning session was called together by David McPherson leading 148.

Daniel Davis offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Norma Ruptier 63; Martina Mesmer and Gaylon Powell 496; Lee Stephenson 159; Kay Sirco 99; Allan Stavely 196; Sandy Klein and Lee Stephenson 117; Matthew Wojcik 313t; Nona Church 345b; Ginnie Ely 454; Sally Gwylan 61; Leon Ballinger 490; David McPherson 341; Berk Meitzler 426t; Marilyn Murata 448b; Chris Noren 32t; Kelsey Wessels 475; Donna Sewell 146; Rosie Wojcik 30t.

#### RECESS

David McPherson brought the class back to order leading 168. Leaders: John Schaffer 174; Daniel Davis "Sangre de Cristo" (his composition); Eric Morgan 300; Ed Stevens 504; Carol Selleck 497; Carter Clary 535; Sharon Kermiet 373.

Carol Selleck conducted the memorial lesson, speaking of the continuity of Sacred Harp through the generations. Claire Singleton read the names of the sick and those not able to attend.

Eric Morgan led 303 in memory of those who died within the past year. Prayer was offered, and the memorial lesson was closed.

Leaders: Gaylon Powell 64 (HDH); Janet Morgan 335 (dedicated to family in Florida); Joslene Schaepli 282; Jeanne Schaffer 361; Claire Singleton 270; Leon Ballinger 327; Ginnie Ely 349; Matthew Wojcik 260; Norma Ruptier 40; Don Klein 139; Berk Meitzler 378t; Chris Noren 65 (HDH); Donna Sewell 235; Gaylon Powell 47b (for Nona Church).

#### LUNCH

The class was called back together by David McPherson leading 135. Leaders: Sally Gwylan 87; Paul Lindholm 131; Jeanne Schaffer 569b; Daniel Davis 35 (HDH); Eric Morgan 110; Carol Selleck 553; Sandy Klein and Don Klein 523; Sharon Kermiet 383; Marilyn Murata 218; Gerald Hand 31t; Don Klein 564; Kelsey Wessels 186; Claire Singleton 455; Gaylon Powell 240; Carter Clary 491; David McPherson 183; Janet Morgan 401; Ginnie Ely 34b; Betty Marvin 130; John Schaffer 120; Rosie Wojcik 441; Joslene Schaepli 445; Robert LeCompte 45t; Matthew Wojcik 532; Berk Meitzler 34t; Norma Ruptier 333; Chris Noren 474; Nona Church 155; Donna Sewell 332. Announcements were made and sincere thanks were given to Matthew Wojcik for coming all the way from Vermont to teach our singing school; and to all who had a hand in arranging for this year's convention. The generous donations met the expenses.

The Rocky Mountain Sacred Harp Convention will be held in Colorado next year, with the exact date, time and location being announced later.

David McPherson led 62 as the closing song. Daniel Davis offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David McPherson; Secretary—Kay Sirco.

## **GUM POND PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH**

**Morgan County, Alabama**

**Sunday, September 26, 2004**

The September Sacred Harp singing held at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Milford Cobbs who welcomed everyone and led songs on pages 46 and 75. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Judy Caudle 85, 345b; J.L. Hopper 295, 180; Wilda Holmes 358, 145b; Corene White 146, 379; Lomax Ballinger 277, 565; Brandon Thompson 274t, 335; Sandra Light 143, 354b; Carmon Brothers 340, 341; S.T. Reed 27, 37b; Athelia Gibbs 47t, 569b.

### **RECESS**

The class was reassembled by Milford Cobbs leading 127. Leaders: Clayton Ezell 231, 390; Nancy Thompson 32t, 30t; David Light 200, 112; Marilyn Burchett 385b, 36b; Robert Walker 338, 68b; Carol Newman 373, 378t; Bud Oliver 345t, 343b; Gordon Wilkinson 498, 436; Gerald Holmes 203, 268; Ramona Light 172, 192; Judy Caudle 216 (for Betty Shepherd).

### **LUNCH**

After enjoying a bountiful lunch and sweet fellowship, the class was called back to order for the afternoon session by Milford Cobbs leading 381 in memory of Dexter Cobbs. Judy Caudle led 459 in memory of Bera Bradford, and 285t for the sick and shut-ins: Marie Guthrie, Kimmie Holcomb, Herbert Cobbs, Sherrie Guthery, Ella Ruth Chamblee, Omalean Hopper, Edna Cobbs, and Judy Cobbs.

Leaders: Delone Cobbs 33b, 67; Elene Stovall 217, 76b; Glenda Hopper 33t, 81t; Sandie Scott 317, 318; Daniel Hopper 91, 273; Rhoda Norris 137; S.T. Reed 135; Judy Caudle 460 (for Arvid Holmes), 532 (for Robert Walker); J.L. Hopper 158; Marilyn Burchett 159; Brandon Thompson 448t.

Milford Cobbs led 127 as the closing hymn. Prayer was offered by Elder Daniel Hopper, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Milford Cobbs; Vice Chairman—Arvid Holmes; Secretary—Judy Caudle.

## **WINSTON COUNTY CONVENTION**

**Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church, Double Springs, Alabama**

**Sunday, September 26, 2004**

The Winston County Convention was held at Shady Grove Primitive Baptist Church in Double Springs, Alabama on the fourth Sunday in September. Kermit Adams welcomed everyone and led 31b. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized for the day with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Dawson Adams; Arranging Committee—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Margaret Keeton.

Leaders: Kermit Adams 32t; Justin Keeton 128, 546; Cecil Wakefield 480, 339; Stella Pratt 318, 319; John Hyde 297, 566; Roma Rice 499 (in memory of Gladys

Bonds), 338; Jennifer Allred 426t, 33b; Richard Mauldin 503; Richard Mauldin and Dick Mauldin 378t; Wilton Donaldson 37b, 30t; Debra Wakefield 477, 432.

#### RECESS

Dawson Adams called the class back to order with 68b and 77t. Leaders: Carla Morris 183, 146; Gravis Ballinger 36b, 91; Ivalene Donaldson 544; Lucy Heidorn 40, 155; Parnell Berry 283, 177; L.E. Hannah 498, 523; Ozella Blackmon 282; Amber Davis 276, 380; Willodean Barton 391, 460; Clarence McCool 132, 349; Lisa Geist 180, 532 (for Edith Tate).

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Kermit Adams leading 99. Leaders: Marlin Beasley 101t, 111b; Amanda Denson and Lisa Geist 404, 58; Earl Ballinger 331, 204; Julia Poston 100 (in memory of Kitty Foster); Josie Hyde 298, 200; Larry Ballinger 98, 79; Edith Tate 35; David (Chug) Beasley 457, 235; Lauren Allen and Margaret Keeton 45t, 345t; Christie Allen 129, 475; Sandra Williams 126, 78; Travis Keeton 321, 284; Cecil Wakefield 159; Travis Keeton 212.

Announcements were made. Kermit Adams led 371 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Kermit Adams; Vice Chairman—Dawson Adams; Secretary—Margaret Keeton.

## NEW ENGLAND SACRED HARP CONVENTION

Newbury, Vermont

October 1-2, 2004

Friday, October 1

The twenty-ninth session of the New England Sacred Harp Convention was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Dan Hertzler leading 47t. Mary Huessy offered the opening prayer. Vice Chair Laura Timmerman led 371. Dan Hertzler welcomed everyone to the singing and made announcements, including notification of a vote in Saturday's business meeting on the future scheduling of the Convention.

Officers and committees were: Chair—Dan Hertzler; Vice Chair—Laura Timmerman; Secretary—Rosie Wojcik; Treasurer—Peter Amidon; Arranging Committee—Linda Shea and Matthew Wojcik; Locating—Larry Gordon; food—Laura Nancy Kilgore; website—Charles Cofone; local contact—Eleanor Longfellow. Leaders: Rosie Wojcik 129; Paul Gauthier 34b; Robert Dove 473; Fred Emigh 276; Edith Berger 39t; Ian Smiley 272; David Rust 34t; Victoria Bolles 228; Peter Amidon 528; Joanne Hoover 72b; John Holbrook 339; Paul Setford 31b; Scott Luscombe 532; Laura McCarty and Ian Smiley 163b; George Seiler 480; George Pomfret 235; Sarah Beasley Smith 318; Guy Bankes 352; Peter Amidon 31t; David Bliss 86.

#### RECESS

Matthew Wojcik brought the class to order leading 59. Leaders: Bob Parr 353; Ba Wheeler 268; Marlen Rust 133; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 99; Judy Whiting 441; Kitty Kagay 383; Larry Gordon 193; Sheila Kelley 440; Bob Mills 160b; Neely Bruce 298; Gary Smith 569b; Bobbie Goodell 496; Debbie Moody 139; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 486; Francis Bliss 300; Sue Ulrich 347; L.H. Spencer 240; Corrone Bryant 171; Susan Jaster 94; Job Driggers 131t; John Ulrich 551; Anne Kazlauskas 70b. Chair Dan Hertzler led 503 as the closing song. Mary Huessy offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Saturday, October 2

The Saturday session was called to order by Dan Hertzler leading 33b. The opening prayer was given by Mary Huessy.

Leaders: Laura Timmerman 77b; Rosie Wojcik 441; Katie Mahoney 371; Aldo Ceresa 228; Jean Seiler 142; Rebecca Edwards 114; Ed White 504; Matthew Wojcik 105; George Pomfret 484; Sue Ulrich 191; Jackie Hall 217; John Holbrook 475; Elka Schumann 47t; Bill Holt 224; Susan Loucks 480; L.H. Spencer 42; Dave Evans 95; Effie Cummings 344; Bruce Randall 297; Anne Johnston 268; Seth Holloway 274t; Rachel Speer 417; Nancy Kilgore 143.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Linda Shea leading 168. Leaders: Robert Stoddard 29t; Bobbie Goodell 481; Tom Malone 240; Rick Johnston 436; Jim Ulrich 299; Edith Berger 290; Chuck Neville 163b; Ishmael Stefanov-Wagner 368; Victoria Bolles 137; Peter Amidon 209.

A business meeting was opened. Chair Dan Hertzler proposed that in future the hosts of the New England Convention each year should be able to choose whether to hold a Friday Evening and Saturday All-Day Convention or a Saturday and Sunday All-Day Convention. A vote was taken, a clear majority were in favor; the motion passed.

Leaders: Bob Mills 90; Debbie Moody 84; Dana Borrelli 106; Job Driggers 146; Laura McCarty 107; Charles Cofone 66; Marlen Rust 71; Susan Jaster 485; Cathy Brochet 178; Fred Emigh 497.

Paul Gauthier conducted the memorial lesson. He talked of how with the memorial lesson we honor, and grieve for those who are not with us, and celebrate the richness they have added to our lives. Even if we do not know them we have a direct connection to every person named on the lists through the singers present, and in the continuing Sacred Harp community through time, and around the world. Paul Gauthier read the names of the deceased, and led 70t in their memory. Those remembered were: J.C. Hardin—Alabama; Ishwer Ojha—California; Laurette Wojcik—Connecticut; Thomas Moore—Illinois; Jennifer Pomfret—Indiana; Charlene Cain, Ken Meyer, and Nick Tucker—Maine; Harold Johnson, Lawrence Pearlman, Daniel Pentlarge, and Sharon Powers—Massachusetts; Gloria Neill—Mississippi; Jane Brownlow—New Hampshire; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Allen Fannin, John Pomfret, and Lillian Wesolowski—New York; Herbert White—North Carolina; Olivia Sole—Ohio; Victor Barreda, David Dellinger, Ryan Hallegan, Frank Heinriech, Virgil McCarty, Howard Northrup, Alice Peabody, and Sue Wanner—Vermont; Annie Furlotte—Canada; Venice Manley and Gladys Reynolds—England; the children of Beslan, Russia.

Bob Mills read the names of the sick and shut-ins, and led 276 in their honor. Those remembered were: Elsie Beasley and John Hocutt—Alabama; Dan Brittain—Arkansas; Mary Seiler Kneeland, Steve Silvia, and Taria Singh—California; Phyllis Bruce—Connecticut; Hazel Schofield—Georgia; Gail Birch—Maine; Rebecca Garland, Julie Holbrook, Hellen Holland, Sheila Maclean, and Becky Webber—Massachusetts; Frank Conner and Jerri Longfellow—New Hampshire; Mary Ann Morrison and Lisa Shelby—New York; Ray Hollis—North Carolina; Rich Bartlett, Eliza Cavanaugh, Nita Simpson, and Voula Zervakis—Vermont; Phil, Kevin, John, Jamie, Huffen, Hazard, Ray, Don, and Eric from the Northeast Correctional Facility—Vermont; Erik Thorbjornsen—Wisconsin; Mary Kellaway and Hazel Walker—United Kingdom. Allison Schofield closed the memorial with prayer. Tony Barrand offered prayer to grace the noon meal, and asked Peter Amidon to lead 180.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Jean Seiler leading 87. Leaders: Bob Parr 542; Judy Whiting 318; Laura Clawson 328; Anne Kazlauskas 61; Larry Gordon 183; Kelly House 70b; George Seiler 269; Allison Schofield 300; Paul Gauthier 499;

Linda Shea 270; Eric Hildebrandt 551; Paul Setford 273; Kelsey Wessels 186; Ian Smiley 203; Kitty Kagay 545; Sarah Beasley Smith 145b; Guy Bankes 151; Naomi Morse 272; Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg 430; Neely Bruce 553.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Katie Mahoney leading 426. Leaders: Joanne Hoover 477; Robert Dove 535; Charlotte Rutz and Matt Wojcik 86; David Rust 327; Peter Irvine 399; Eric Fellinger 198; Corrone Bryant 452; Janet Ross Snyder 50t; Sheila Kelley 347; Bill Dunn 155; David Bliss 474; Aldo Ceresa 148; Rebecca Edwards 383; Bill Holt 454; Dana Borrelli 159.

A business meeting was held to hear committee reports. Treasurer Peter Amidon reported expenses had been covered, and any excess money would be passed to the hosts of next year's convention.

The Secretary reported that 216 singers had registered, and 79 leaders had led 132 songs.

George Seiler offered the Resolutions Report, thanking all who made the convention possible this year.

It was announced that in 2005, the New England Convention will be held in the Boston area of Massachusetts, on either Friday and Saturday, or Saturday and Sunday before Monday, October 3rd. There is now a website for this convention where further information should be available nearer the time:

<http://www.neconvention.net/>

Dan Hertzler, Larry Gordon, Nancy Kilgore, Charles Cofone, and Eleanor Longfellow led 340. Dan Hertzler and Laura Timmerman led 323t.

The officers of the Convention led 62 as the closing song. Nancy Kilgore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Dan Hertzler; Vice Chair—Laura Timmerman; Secretary—Rosie Wojcik.

### **SANTA BARBARA REGIONAL SINGING** **Montecito, California** **Saturday, October 2, 2004**

The ninth meeting of the Santa Barbara Regional Singing was held on the first Saturday of October in Wallin Studio in the hills above Montecito. Tom Ostwald called the class to order leading 31b.

Leaders: Carroll Lunsford 111t; Midge Harder 315; Anitra Kaye 515; Rick Russell 52t; Juanita Heyerman 228; Norman Gholson 89; Laura Boyd Russell 229; Mimi Wright 129; Larry Arnstein 299; Susanna Ball 84; Tom Ostwald 269; Carroll Lunsford 175; Midge Harder 532; Anitra Kaye 168; Rick Russell 162; Juanita Heyerman 135; Norman Gholson 28t; Laura Boyd Russell 411.

#### RECESS

Mimi Wright brought the class back to order leading 31t. Leaders: Larry Arnstein 195; Susanna Ball 297; Tom Ostwald 117; Carroll Lunsford 319; Midge Harder 424; Anitra Kaye 339; Rick Russell 349; Juanita Heyerman 46; Norman Gholson 401; Carolyn Craig 55; Laura Boyd Russell 138t; Mimi Wright 39t; Larry Arnstein 150; Susanna Ball 148.

#### LUNCH

Jean Olsen brought the afternoon session to order leading 128. Leaders: Carroll Lunsford 100; Midge Harder 528; Anitra Kaye 146; Rick Russell 99; Juanita Heyerman 330t; Norman Gholson 452; Carolyn Craig 504; Laura Boyd Russell 436; Mimi Wright 37b; Larry Arnstein 66; Susanna Ball 178; Tom Ostwald 267; Carroll Lunsford 204.

#### RECESS

Midge Harder brought the class back to order leading 211. Leaders: Anitra Kaye 347; Rick Russell 566; Juanita Heyerman 71; Norman Gholson 474; Carolyn Craig 182; Laura Boyd Russell 428; Mimi Wright 267; Larry Arnstein 36b; Susanna Ball 362; Tom Ostwald 198; Carroll Lunsford 60.

Following announcements, Tom Ostwald led 260 as the closing song, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Tom Ostwald.

## **COOPER BOOK SINGING** **Shady Grove Baptist Church, Dutton, Alabama** **Saturday, October 2, 2004**

The annual Shady Grove Cooper Book Singing was held on Saturday before the first Sunday in October at Shady Grove Baptist Church, Dutton, Alabama. Mark Brown served as Chairman and opened the singing with 461. The morning prayer was offered by Louis Hughes.

Leaders: Mark Brown 47t; Mark Brown, Andrew Brown, and Matthew Brown 268t; Rex Wilks 47b, 53; Aaron Wootten 101t; Blake Sisemore 99; Drew Smith 30b; S.T. Reed 532, 544; Ashley Brown 311, 73t; Gene Wootten 507b; Hershell King 572; Louis Hughes 138t, 528b; Milton Oliver 54t, 505; Rhonda Arnold 559; Pam Wilkerson 541; Darlene Dalton 449; Nate Green and Norma Green 432, 336t.

### **RECESS**

Rodney Ivey brought the class back to order with 183. Leaders: Ed Thacker 78, 393t; Cassie Franklin 355, 98; Henry Johnson 447b, 336b; Robert Walker 72; Mike Jones 76b, 384; Anita Landess 500; Frank Strickland 442t, 288; Myra Dalton 478, 567; Joan Aldridge 84, 515.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Mark Brown leading 511b. Leaders: Floyd Benson 451, 127; Michael Thompson 422, 282; Tim Dalton 543; Betty Wright 225t, 199. The memorial lesson was held. The congregation was asked to name any deceased or sick and shut-ins that they would like to have remembered during the memorial. Several names were given, and Syble Adams led 574 in memory of the deceased, and in honor of the sick and shut-ins. The memorial was closed.

### **LUNCH**

Mark Brown called the class together for the afternoon session with 571. Leaders: Loyd Ivey 116; Loyd Ivey and Margaret Thacker 540, 491; Karen Clark 486, 286b; Tony Ivey 295, 398b; Don Clark 70t, 171; Eddie Brown 285t, 283b; Hobert Ivey and Sandy Ivey 47t; John Etheridge 156, 552; Dianna Knight 229; Charlotte Heard, Jean Clingon, and Syble Adams 59 (Denson Book, to a newer tune); Rodney Ivey and Myra Dalton 133 (dedicated to Ronnie Meadows, Myra Dalton's brother); Rodney Ivey and Pam Wilkerson 140; Loretta Smith 440t; Louis Hughes 395b; Frank Strickland 388; Mike Jones 435; John Etheridge 497; Karen Clark 55; Blake Sisemore 358; Darlene Dalton 488b; John Etheridge "Mercy Seat"; Mark Brown 540 (WB); Robert Walker 501; Aaron Wootten 45 (to the tune of 511t); Drew Smith 558b; Michael Thompson 81; Syble Adams 486t (WB); Mark Brown "Sweet Beulah Land."

Following announcements, Henry Johnson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Mark Brown; Secretary—Syble Adams.

**TOM HARPER AND GANUS WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL**  
**Old Sardis Church, County Road 17, Near Lynn, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 3, 2004**

This forty-sixth session of the Tom Harper and Ganus Wakefield Memorial was held at Old Sardis Church on the first Sunday in October. Travis Keeton brought the class to order leading 48t. Bryan Hutcheson offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 203.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Steve Miles; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde; Arranging Committee—Margaret Keeton and Willodean Barton.

Leaders: Steve Miles 234, 235; John Hyde 124, 297; Willodean Barton 454, 290; Justin Keeton 168, 455; Winell Sanders 317; Stella Pratt 63, 335; Gravis Ballinger 49t, 410t; Wilton Donaldson 145b, 146; Ila Ingle 470, 500; Julia Poston 108t, 166; Elizabeth Keeton 354b, 274t; Jeannette Tidwell 336, 163t (In memory of her father and mother); Ivalene Donaldson 129.

**RECESS**

Travis Keeton called the class back to order leading 382. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 273, 171; Beth Mobley 36b, 385b; Linton Ballinger 144, 142; Faye Donaldson 430, 138t; Thyra Ballentine 480, 39b; Cecil Sanders 530 (In memory of Tom Harper), 475 (In honor of John Hocutt); Lisa Geist 394, 120; Marlin Beasley 318 (In memory of Tom Harper and Annie Harper), 460 (In honor of Elsie Beasley and John Hocutt, who are both in the nursing home).

The pastor of the church, Bryan Hutcheson, welcomed everyone and asked Bill Jones to offer prayer for the noon meal.

**LUNCH**

Steve Miles called the afternoon session to order leading 143 and 59 (in memory of Minnie Farris). Leaders: Glenn Keeton 163b, 373; Larry Ballinger 50b, 425; Clarence McCool 68b, 490; Amber Davis 532, 192; Joyce Hubbert 298, 299; Daniel Miles 294; Homer Miles 147t; Richard Mauldin 43, 358; Amanda Denson 360, 429; Brenda Mathews 569; Ken Tate 378b, 33b; Christie Allen 432, 527; Kermit Adams 220, 212; Carla Morris 145t, 183; Cecil Wakefield 208, 282; Bradley Allen 546, 47b; Steve Adams 401, 101t; Josie Hyde 477, 426t, 507.

Steve Miles Led 61 in memory of Minnie Farris, and as the closing song. Homer Miles offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Steve Miles; Vice Chairman—Travis Keeton; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

**ALEXANDER, HULLETT, LOWE, BROTHERS, HYATT,**  
**PUTMAN, AND WOOTTEN MEMORIAL**  
**Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church, Oneonta, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 3, 2004**

The thirty-eighth session of the Alexander, Hullett, Lowe, Brothers, Hyatt, Putman, and Wootten Memorial was held at Hopewell Primitive Baptist Church in Oneonta, Alabama on the first Sunday in October. Terry Hullett called the class to order leading 59. Doyle Alexander offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Terry Hullett 87, 101t; Dole Alexander 68b, 129; Philip Gilmore 48t, 47b; Jewel Wootten 49b, 74b; Ernest Phillips 75; Willie Mae Moon 68b, 225t; Bob Watkins 460, 318; Milton Oliver 403, 270; B.M. Smith 222, 276; Bud Oliver 278b, 145b; Carmon Brothers 97, 480; Nate Green and Norma Green 40, 312b, 317.

**RECESS**

Terry Hullett called the class back to order leading 189 and 441. Leaders: Anita Landess 170, 475; Gene Wootten and Jewel Wootten 28b (in memory of Freeman

Wootten); David Light 200, 192; Donna Wootten 56t, 76b; Ed Thacker 532, 154; Eloise Wootten 234, 224; Cindy Tanner 335, 167; Linda Thomas 123t, 63; Shane Wootten 37b, 345b; Jackie Tanner 36b, 89; Pam Green 87, 274t; Rodney Ivey 278t, 277.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Philip Gilmore leading 47t. Leaders: Philip Gilmore and Paula Gilmore 39t, 348b (in memory of Roie Alexander); Chris Green 543, 418; Betty Wright 565, 569b; Ginny Whitworth 145b, 338; Mary Ruth Stiefel 275b, 322; Nancy Banks 30b, 30t; Verlon Stiefel 490; Kyle Blakeley 77t, 108b; Rev. Jimmy Wadsworth 218; Shane Wootten 240; the class 486t (WB), 517 (WB), 501 (CB); Terry Hullett 144 (in memory of his grandfather, John Alexander). Terry Hullett, Doyle Alexander, and Philip Gilmore led 45t as the closing song. Rev. Jimmy Wadsworth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairmen—Terry Hullett, Richard Hullett, Doyle Alexander, and Philip Gilmore; Secretaries—Jewel Wootten and Paula Gilmore.

### **LOUISIANA STATE SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana** **Saturday, October 9, 2004**

The fifteenth annual session of the Louisiana State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was held on Saturday, October 9, 2004 at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in the Sellers Music Building. Chairman Dr. Ed Steele opened the class with prayer.

Leaders: Robert Walker 63, 68; Dr. Ed Steele 73b, 49t; Nancy Van Den Akker 347, 515; Wanda Gregg 40, 28b; Bryan Highland 45t, 72b; Adrian Scriber 452, 34b; Renato Costa 159, 354b; Barbara Dawkins 59, 323b; Ester Mann 171, 143; Regina Marshall 312b, 81; Robert Walker 480; Dr. Ed Steele 85; Nancy Van Den Akker 535; Wanda Gregg 222; Bryan Highland 223; Adrian Scriber 162; Renato Costa 126; Barbara Dawkins 457; Ester Mann 358; Regina Marshall 82t. Wanda Gregg offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Robert Walker brought the class back together with 145b and 569b. Leaders: Dr. Ed Steele 268, 133; Nancy Van Den Akker 192, 361; Barbara Dawkins 147t, 147b; Ester Mann 137, 155; Adrian Scriber 236, 532; Regina Marshall 38b, 39t; Wanda Gregg 408, 460; Robert Walker 490.

Dr. Ed Steele led 62 as the closing song, thanked everyone for coming, and closed with prayer.

Chairman—Dr. Ed Steele; Secretary—Wanda Gregg.

### **TENNESSEE STATE CONVENTION** **Second Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Near Five Points, Tennessee** **October 9-10, 2004** **Saturday, October 9**

The tenth annual session of the Tennessee State Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Tim Reynolds leading 47t. Elder J.L. Hopper offered the opening prayer. Selections of songs are from "The B.F. White Sacred Harp, 1992 Revised Cooper Edition."

Leaders: Tim Reynolds 268t; Sandie Scott 137, 507t; David Carlton 411, 175; Vella B. Gillespie 408, 358; Bob Meek 511t, 367; Gordon Wilkinson 491, 217; Diane Ezell 168, 112.

#### RECESS



Clayton Ezell brought the class back to order leading 293b. Leaders: Tony Gordy 45t, 63; Glenda Hopper 120; Earl Ballinger 563, 292b; Flarce Creel 422b; Elsie Moon 54t, 404 (for Edith Tate); Gary Smith 336t, 553; Ann Jett 515, 503; David Beasley 343b; Emily Creel 222, 142; Elder J.L. Hopper 403, 410; Debbie Sides 508, 49b; Henry Schuman 478, 571; Wanda Capps 505, 575; Danny Creel 559; Sarah Smith 288, 540; Harrison Creel 355; Doris Littrell 40; Margie Norwood 405. Tim Reynolds led 447t as the closing song. Rev. Royce Creekmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### **Sunday, October 10**

“The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition” was used during the Sunday session of the Convention.

Tim Reynolds called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. and led 59. Henry Schuman offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: Tim Reynolds 159; Clayton Ezell 119; Kerene Box 405, 84; Clay Mattox 124, 341; Teddy Creel 72b, 358; Paige Hunter 535; Margie Norwood 147t, 452.

#### **RECESS**

Gordon Wilkinson brought the class back to order leading 112 and 475. Leaders: Marcia Edmondson 45t; John Edmondson 49t, 85.

A business session was held. The current officers were re-elected to serve: Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—Gordon Wilkinson; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett; Arranging—Clayton Ezell.

Leaders: Doris Littrell 490, 143; Larry Ballinger 101t; Alicia Williams 63, 168; Henry Schuman 426b, 318 (for Pauline Creel Childers); Elsie Moon 434, 177; Flarce Creel 384.

#### **RECESS**

David Carlton brought the class back to order leading 76b, 77t, and 174. Leaders: Wanda Capps 203; Roy Turrentine 49b, 35; Ivalene Donaldson 274t; Harrison Creel 498; Sarah Smith 340, 129; Linton Ballinger 32t.

#### **LUNCH**

Clayton Ezell brought the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 578 (OSH). Leaders: Tim Reynolds 148; Julietta Haynes 216, 222; Earl Ballinger 430, 329; Emily Creel 383, 269.

The memorial lesson was held. David Carlton led 163b for the deceased: Howard Cherry, Donald Durham, and Tom Watson—Tennessee; Darrell Beasley, Gladys Bonds, Christal Crocker, Elvin Guthrie, and Mavis Price—Alabama; Mark Ayers—South Carolina.

Paige Hunter led 340 for the sick and shut-ins: Frances Mattox, Estelle Davenport, and Grady Davenport—Tennessee; Elsie Beasley, Sherry Guthery, Marie Guthrie, John Hocutt, and Edith Tate—Alabama. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Bob Meek 236; Ann Jett 546, 327; Gary Smith 503, 31t; Lucy Heidorn 200; Seth Holloway 145b, 30t; Amber Davis 224, 142; Danny Creel 196; Danny Creel, Ann Jett, and Wanda Capps 342; Jayne Fulmer 454; David Beasley and Ruby Staggs 354b, 33b; Sandie Scott 472, 282; Laurens Blankers 122, 339; Wilton Donaldson 47b.

Announcements were made. Clayton Ezell, Kerene Box, Thelma Elliott, Vella B. Gillespie, Iris Jean Durham, Reva Lee, and Laris Ezell led 294 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Timothy J. Reynolds; Vice Chairman—Gordon Wilkinson; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett.

**WALKER CATES AND HERBERT BROWN MEMORIAL**  
**Muscadine Methodist Church, Muscadine, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 10, 2004**

The annual singing in memory of Walker Cates and Herbert Brown was held on the second Sunday in October at Muscadine Methodist Church. Jeff Sheppard brought the class to order leading 82t. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer. Jeff Sheppard led 177; Shelbie Sheppard 556; Pearl Guier 45t, 40.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard; Arranging Committee—Pearl Guier, Hester Edwards, and Sammie Oliver.

Leaders: Stanley Edwards 340, 61; Bud Oliver 30t, 145b; Lela Crowder 99, 81t; Mike Hinton 490, 373 (in memory of his dad, Lebron Hinton); Cecil Roberts 335, 503; Mary L. Smith 309, 421; Lonnie Rogers 225t, 222; Teenie Moody 187, 411; Richard Mauldin 168 (in memory of Vera Nunn), 43 (in memory of Willie Carolyn Denson).

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Stanley Edwards leading 59. Leaders: George Garner 112, 172; Charlene Wallace 302, 349; Hugh McGraw 37t; Reba Norton 182, 460; S.T. Reed 472, 477; Josephine Denney and Felton Denney 100, 101t; Andy Anderson 47t, 347 (in memory of his mother, Ruby Anderson); Susan Rice 343, 345t; Jimmie Denney 313t, 46; Jeannette DePoy 420 (in memory of her mother, Anne Block, and Barbara DePoy), 171; Virginia Dyer 532, 436 (in memory of Ray Hutcheson, who is being buried today); Louise Allen 318.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Jeff Sheppard leading 124. Leaders: John Plunkett 425, 76t; Pam Nunn 365, 269; Richard DeLong 410b, 132; Fallon Dyer 63, 146; Tony Hammock 218, 312b; Shelbie Sheppard 454, 202; Nate Green 544; Evelyn Harris 155, 475; Oscar McGuire 441, 573; Judy Chambless 49t, 49b; B.J. Harris 303, 535; Rene Greene and Andrew Greene 200, 273; Bobby Jackson 499, 290; Robert Chambless 154.

Announcements were made. Jeff Sheppard and Stanley Edwards led 75 as the closing song. Donald Payne offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Jeff Sheppard; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Shelbie Sheppard.

**CHESTNUT GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
**Ider, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 10, 2004**

The seventy-eighth session of the annual Chestnut Grove Sacred Harp singing was held on the second Sunday in October. The singing is held in memory of its founder, Elder C.G. (Uncle Tobe) Keith, and long time singing school teacher in this area, Henry Ott. Co-Chairs Loretta Smith and Amy Smith called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Steve Lea offered the morning prayer.

Loretta Smith and Amy Smith led 37b and 39b. Leaders: Billy Thompson 278b, 535; Ed Thacker 456, 344; Carla York 43; Kathy James 30b, 542; Brenda Carroll 28b, 155; Linda Sides 32t, 328; Drew Smith 229, 38b; Shawn Carroll 48t, 163t; Milton Oliver 54 (CB), 503 (CB); Betty Wright 49b; Aaron Wootten 480, 101t.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Jeffrey Wootten leading 276 and 76b. Leaders: Michael Thompson 436; Michael Thompson and Floyd Peters 82t, “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”; Eschol Hughes 146, 135; Henry Johnson 29b, 70b. Loretta Smith and Amy Smith conducted the memorial lesson and led 452, 505 (CB), and 457 for the sick and shut-ins and for the deceased. The memorial lesson was closed.

#### LUNCH

Drew Smith brought the afternoon session to order leading 45t. Leaders: Drew Smith and Aaron Wootten 393 (CB); Lauren Hall 300; Jared Wootten, Hayden Wootten, and Jamey Wootten 171, 511 (CB); Dennis George 317, 316; Eloise Wootten 426b; Stuart Ivey 336; Karen Ivey 187; Charles Stiefel and Shane Wootten 445, 343; Shelia Wootten 492 (WB); Verlon Stiefel and Marlon Wootten 572 (CB); Chris Green and Pam Green 129, 274t; Jackie Tanner 47t; Marty Wootten 182; Norma Green and Alex Makris 388; Mary Ruth Stiefel 274b; Lavon Wootten 421; Margaret Thacker 34b; Donna Wootten 335; Hobert Ivey 511 (CB); Sylvia Ivey and Jared Wootten 282; Terry Wootten 571 (CB); David Ivey, Winnie Blevins, and Rodney Ivey 58 (in memory of Vester Jones), 136; David Ivey and Rodney Ivey 99 (by request); Rodney Ivey 540 (CB) (for Joyce Bryant); Coy Ivey 486t (WB). Following announcements, Loretta Smith and Amy Smith led 62 as the closing song. Chris Green offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Co-Chairs—Loretta Smith and Amy Smith; Secretary—Amy Smith.

### HARPER MEMORIAL SINGING

#### Old Flatwoods Primitive Baptist Church, Nauvoo, Alabama Sunday, October 10, 2004

The annual Harper Memorial Sacred Harp Singing was held at Old Flatwoods Primitive Baptist Church on the second Sunday in October. The class was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Jimmie Gilmore who extended greetings to everyone, and then led 36b. Chairman Joshua Keeton led 30b. Glenn Keeton offered the morning prayer.

Officers for the singing were: Chairman—Joshua Keeton; Vice Chairlady/Secretary—Jimmie Gilmore; Arranging Committee—Arthur Gilmore; Memorial—Jimmie Gilmore.

Leaders: Joshua Keeton 108t; Lisa Geist 350, 205; Margaret Keeton 129, 155; Clarence McCool 68b, 569b; Josie Hyde 171, 172; Travis Keeton 496, 73t, 82t; Elizabeth Keeton 354b, 274t; Elder Garnsey McGough 283; John Hyde 275b, 544; Ila Ingle 63, 87.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Joshua Keeton leading 59. Leaders: Glenn Keeton 378b, 385b, 343; James Wagner 294, 72b, 348b; Pam Gilmore 389, 200. Jimmie Gilmore conducted the memorial lesson, and led 235 and 382 in memory of the deceased: Gladys Bonds, Sidney McMunn, Ruby McMunn, Kitty Foster, Bruce Randolph, Clearcie Rutledge, Roxie Hart, and all the Harper family. The memorial lesson was closed. James Wagner offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Joshua Keeton leading 285t. Leaders: Pam Gilmore 327, 282 (by request); Jimmie Gilmore 288, 383; Kermit Adams 384, 187, 212; Latriva Bailey 300, 318, 460; James Wagner 388; Steve Adams and Margaret Keeton 401, 101t; Arthur Gilmore 39b, 33b; Clarence McCool 559 (CB), 565; Lisa Geist 349; Glenn Keeton 178; Ila Ingle 500, 436; Travis Keeton 284; Josie Hyde 224; Elizabeth Keeton 34b; John Hyde 75; Arthur Gilmore, Jimmie Gilmore, and Pam Gilmore 45t; James Wagner 310.

Announcements were made. Joshua Keeton extended an invitation to come back here again next year; then led 62 as the closing song while those who wished took the parting hand. Arthur Gilmore offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Joshua Keeton; Vice Chairlady/Secretary—Jimmie Gilmore.

### **MCWHORTER MEMORIAL**

#### **Mars Hill Primitive Baptist Church, Cleburne County, Alabama Saturday, October 16, 2004**

The annual McWhorter Memorial Sacred Harp singing was held at Mars Hill Primitive Baptist Church in Cleburne County, Alabama on Saturday before the third Sunday in October. Mary L. Smith brought the class to order leading 59 and 37b. Teenie Moody led 101t and 171.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairlady/Arranging Committee—Mary L. Smith; Vice Chairlady/Secretary—Teenie Moody; Assistant Secretary—Donna Bell.

Leaders: Josephine Denney and Felton Denney 489, 503; Mary L. Smith 45t (in honor of her son, Robert, and in memory of her parents); Cecil Roberts 81t, 111t; Tom McGraw 33b, 91; Stanley Edwards 340, 384; Ed Thacker 478, 479; Reba Norton 327, 136; Richard Mauldin 163b (in memory of Virginia Easter), 147t (in memory of Lebron Hinton and Willie Carolyn Denson); Donna Bell 56t, 224.

#### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Tom McGraw leading 30t and 176b. Leaders: Aaron Little 480, 569b; LaRue Allen 299, 300; Jeff Sheppard 124, 204; Karleen Williams 313t (in honor of Louise Holland, who fell and broke her hip), 318; Robert Chambless 462, 274b; Floy Wilder 382, 343; Henry Johnson 435, 111b; Eugene Forbes 203, 495.

#### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session began with Mary L. Smith leading 277. Leaders: Eunice Webb 283, 284; Shelbie Sheppard 82b, 448b; George Garner 186; Corene Laminack 129; B.M. Smith 34t, 222; Lou Cotney 212, 497; Virginia Dyer 28b, 137; Carol Chapman 542, 317; Judy Chambless 29b, 30b; Cecil Roberts 335; Richard Mauldin 66 (in honor of his father, Dick Mauldin); Donna Bell 440; Ed Thacker 456; LaRue Allen 454; Aaron Little 460; Henry Johnson 313b; Eugene Forbes 172 (in memory of his father); Shelbie Sheppard 118; Eunice Webb 455; Robert Chambless 358.

After announcements were made, Mary L. Smith and Teenie Moody led 46 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairlady—Mary L. Smith; Vice Chairlady/Secretary—Teenie Moody; Assistant Secretary—Donna Bell.

### **COLUMBIA SINGING**

#### **Trinity Presbyterian Church, Columbia, Missouri Saturday, October 16, 2004**

The tenth annual Columbia Singing was held at the Trinity Presbyterian Church in Columbia, Missouri on Saturday before the third Sunday in October. Lou Kujawinski called the class to order leading 34, followed by prayer.

The class was organized with the election or appointment of the following officers: Chairman—Lou Kujawinski; Secretary—Cindy Stone; Arranging Committee—Penny Kujawinski and Mary Barile; Treasurer—Cindy Pepmiller; Chaplains—Cherry Hinderberger and Kathy Schubert; Hospitality Committee—Carla Pepmiller and Catharine Pepmiller.

Leaders: Wendy Hofmann 148; Cindy Stone 371; Carla Pepmiller 40; Mary Barile and Wendy Hofmann 79; Penny Kujawinski 171; Susan Green 474; Kathy Schubert 535; Jeanette Lowry 29t; Anita Buswell 354b; Karen Isbell 348b (in memory of Laura Van Gorp of Missouri, sister of Dave Ressler); Jan Ketelle 36b; Joan Aldridge 150; Jon Pearson 349; Shirley Figura 540; Becky Browne 217; Cherry Hinderberger 128. Lou Kujawinski recognized Susan Green and Wendy Hofmann for starting this singing 10 years ago, originally located in Arrow Rock, Missouri.

#### RECESS

Presley Barker called the class back to order leading 155. Leaders: Cindy Pepmiller 159; Joe Cosad 454; Paul Figura 11 (MH); Sue Pearson 344; Gary Gronau 203; Joe Douglas 503; Rex Armstrong 378b; Charlie Derleth 66; Cindy Stone 504; Joan Aldridge 575; Carla Pepmiller 164; Jan Ketelle 54 (MH); Jeanette Lowry 13 (MH). Cherry Hinderberger offered prayer before the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Susan Green called the class back to order leading 335. Leaders: Penny Kujawinski 542; Becky Browne 218 (for Dave Ressler, in memory of his sister, Laura Van Gorp); Karen Isbell and Gary Gronau 496; Joe Cosad 299; Anita Buswell 31t; Rex Armstrong 56b; Paul Figura 452.

Karen Isbell spoke on the progress of printing the Missouri Harmony in hard back for the first time since the mid 1850's. She thanked Dan Brittain and Emily Gruber for work on resetting some of the songs and also acknowledged the help of Presley Barker, Ann Leckie, Dave Ressler, and Paul Figura. The book will contain old and new songs, and will be published soon.

Leaders: Wendy Hofmann 312; Sue Pearson 472; Lou Kujawinski 497; Jan Ketelle 168; Presley Barker 77t; Jon Pearson 29 (MH); Joan Aldridge 270; Charlie Derleth 137; Joe Douglas 47b.

#### RECESS

Elliot Ribner called the class back to order leading 494. Leaders: Susan Green 200; Melody Von Engeln and Penny Kujawinski 178; Kathy Schubert 107; Shirley Figura 145b; Jeanette Lowry 142; Becky Browne 215; Anita Buswell 32t; Joe Cosad 377; Charley Derleth 441; Rex Armstrong 417; Joan Aldridge 282; Jan Ketelle 436; Gary Gronau 112.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Cindy Pepmiller.

Lou Kujawinski gave thanks to the following:

- Everyone who attended, especially those who traveled from Alabama, Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska, Wisconsin, and from various parts of Missouri;
- Reverend Massey for use of the church;
- Those who prepared the food;
- Gary Gronau, Wendy Hofmann, and Jon Pearson for sharing in the pitching of songs.

Announcements were made. Lou Kujawinski led 347 as the closing song, and those who wished took the parting hand. Kathy Schubert offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Lou Kujawinski; Secretary—Cindy Stone.

## **NEW YORK STATE SACRED HARP CONVENTION**

**Unity Hall, Barneveld, New York**

**October 16-17, 2004**

**Saturday, October 16**

The sixteenth annual New York State Sacred Harp Convention was held in Unity Hall, Barneveld, New York, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in October.

Barbara Swetman called the class to order at 10:00 a.m. with 312b. Eileen Metzger offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Margaret Bornick 448b; Dennis Leipold 378t; George Pomfret 171; Chris Haller 497; Juanita Heyerman 523; Sue Hengelsberg 452; John Redman 362; Nancy Nortz 479; Guy Bankes 352; Ginnie Ely 228; Pleasance Crawford 100; Gerry Hoffman 142; Anne Kazlauskas 280; George Seiler 183; Victoria Bolles 551; Ed Stevens 66; Bill Holt 344; Laura Akerman 304; Nicola Collett 547; Michael Kaye 501; Bart Brush and children of Jefferson Elementary School 45t.

#### RECESS

Margaret Bornick called the class back to order leading 212. Leaders: Kathy Collett 47b; Robert Wheeler 38b; Sue Ulrich 347; Michael Heyerman 440; Brian Collett 474; Jerusha Wheeler 299; Ernest Blake 193; Lucy Roberts 59; Fred Henson 63; Hal Kunkel and Molly Kunkel 495; Eileen Metzger 383; Helen Haller 306; Deanna Anderson 49b; Patricia Geritz 34; Juanita Heyerman 269; Bob Parr 335; Scott Luscombe 532; Bill Holt 419; Ginnie Ely 196; Pleasance Crawford 99; Anne Kazlauskas 365. George Seiler offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Guy Bankes brought the class back to order leading 65. Leaders: Ed Stevens 294; Jean Seiler 200; Dan Hertzler 105; Ron Bornick 454; Laura Densmore 430; Thom Metzger 282; Jim Ulrich 273; Barbara Swetman 417; Margaret Bornick 236; Dennis Leipold 475; Ron Bornick 178; George Pomfret 350; Chris Haller 351; Nancy Nortz 135; Cindy Sadler 217; George Seiler 68b; Gerry Hofmann 68t; Laura Akerman 518.

#### RECESS

Scott Luscombe called the class back to order leading 209. Leaders: Sue Hengelsberg 504; Michael Heyerman 481; Victoria Bolles 84; Nicola Collett 245; Guy Bankes 327; Sue Ulrich 569; Kathy Collett 155; Robert Wheeler 40; John Redman 349; Hal Kunkel and Molly Kunkel 333; Brian Collett 254; Jerusha Wheeler 107; Dan Hertzler 277; Eileen Metzger 101t.

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Ginnie Ely leading 313t. Leaders: Jean Seiler 124; Laura Densmore 201; Jim Ulrich 191; Bob Parr 260; Lucy Roberts 162; Scott Luscombe 455; Thom Metzger 270; Ernest Blake 268; Fred Henson 276; Patricia Geritz 47t; Deanna Anderson 148; Ron Bornick 198; Michael Kaye 46; Nancy Nortz 71; Ed Stevens 384; Barbara Swetman 457; Juanita Heyerman 70b; Bill Holt 376. Barbara Swetman led 146 as the closing song. Dennis Leipold offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

### Sunday, October 17

Barbara Swetman called the class to order leading 34b. Leaders: Margaret Bornick 86; Pleasance Crawford 524; Sue Ulrich 479; Chris Haller 324; Jean Seiler 87; Laura Akerman 192; Ernest Blake 84; Dennis Leipold 85; Denise Morris 100; George Pomfret and Victoria Bolles 147; Ginnie Ely 300; Cindy Sadler 442; Dan Hertzler 32; Thom Metzger 216; Juanita Heyerman 287; Guy Bankes 481 (for Dan Brittain); John Redman 143; Susan Bingham 340; Laura Densmore 157.

#### RECESS

Victoria Bolles called the class back to order leading 146. Leaders: Mary Ann Morrison 178; Eileen Metzger 379; Hal Kunkel and Molly Kunkel 186; Fred Henson 107; Ginny Huszagh 66; Bob Parr 348b; Gerry Hoffman 473; Eric Bean 285t; Lucy Roberts 319; Ron Bornick 40; George Seiler 485; Michael Heyerman 168; Scott Luscombe 362.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Dan Hertzler and Eric Bean leading 39t. Leaders: Patricia Geritz 268; Michael Kaye 547; Ron Bornick 480.

Laura Densmore and Guy Bankes conducted the memorial lesson. Guy Bankes spoke for the sick and shut-ins, and led 566 in their honor. Those remembered were: Shelley Storch, Karen Radziewicz, Steve Silvia, Dan Brittain, Roxanna Mennella, Diana Mennella (at home caring for her daughter), Marie Hauss, Mado Venier, Jerri Longfellow, Hugh McGraw, Donnie McGraw, Bill Reis, Paul Wexelblat, Lydia Crutchley, Peter Parene, and Eugene Jornov.

Laura Densmore led 267 for the deceased. Those remembered were: Allen Fannin, Stanley Brown, Helen Sadler, David Sadler, Ione Collins, Jamie Drummer, George Moore, Linda Crump-Stenberg, Agnes Jeannopoulos, John Jeannopoulos, Barbara Quirk, and Albert Ciampi—New York; Joy Wheeler—Pennsylvania; Charlene Cain—Maine; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Jeff Robinson—California; Linda Sweeting—Maryland; Howard Northrup—Vermont; Bothilda Mahler Cleveland—Iowa; J.C. Hardin—Alabama.

Barbara Swetman spoke about Allen Fannin and led 445. Ginny Huszagh spoke about Joy Wheeler and led 72b. Eileen Metzger closed the memorial with prayer. Leaders: Hal Kunkel and Molly Kunkel 124; Thom Metzger 73t. George Seiler offered prayer before lunch.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session began with Barbara Swetman leading 148. Leaders: George Pomfret 515; Margaret Bornick 334; Ginnie Ely 546; Jean Seiler 299; Thom Metzger 274t; Susan Bingham 454; Laura Densmore 542; Nicola Collett 347; Dan Hertzler 89; Scott Luscombe 306; Pleasance Crawford 535; Eileen Metzger 421; Eric Bean 335; Chris Haller 313; Laura Akerman 224; Michael Kaye 163; Kathy Collett 122; Ernest Blake 49b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Lucy Roberts leading 49t. Leaders: Dennis Leipold 477; Denise Morris 196; Guy Bankes 510; Juanita Heyerman 290; John Redman 397; Gerry Hoffman 271t; Cindy Sadler 76b; Ginny Huszagh 474; Michael Heyerman 29b; Bob Parr 112; George Seiler and all 8 people who have been at all New York State Conventions (16 years) 31t; Lucy Roberts 288; Patricia Geritz 38t; Barbara Swetman 383.

Barbara Swetman, Ron Bornick, and Margaret Bornick led 62 as the closing song. Eileen Metzger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Co-Chairmen—Barbara Swetman and Margaret Bornick; Vice Chairman/Treasurer—Ron Bornick; Secretary—Brian Collett; Assistant Secretaries—Juanita Heyerman and Kathy Collett.

## **PACIFIC NORTHWEST CONVENTION - OREGON** **Mississippi Rising Ballroom, Portland, Oregon** **October 16-17, 2004** **Saturday, October 16**

The twelfth annual session of the Oregon portion of the Pacific Northwest Convention was held at Mississippi Rising Ballroom in Portland, Oregon on the third Sunday and Saturday before in October. Chairman Matthew Sellens called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 448b, then welcomed all present. Chaplain Gary Plouff offered the opening prayer.

A brief business meeting was held. Singing teacher, Kelly House, and her husband and children were introduced. Kelly House opened the class with an explanation of the basics of Sacred Harp singing. She discussed scales, parts, shapes, and harmony. We sang all four parts of 171 separately and then in harmony. She emphasized the importance of listening to each other and asked us first to sing as though our voices were coming through the person next to us, and then through all the members of the

square. She said “it’s not necessary to have a religious belief to sing Sacred Harp, but if the words of the songs mean nothing to you, then you aren’t singing Sacred Harp.”

#### RECESS

The class was brought to order by Kelly House leading 47t. She shared her personal story of how she became involved in Sacred Harp; and ended with a moving tribute to her sister, Karen House, who died in the year 2000 at an early age. She led 68b and the class stood on the second verse in honor of her sister.

Gary Plouff offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Katharine Hough opened the afternoon session with 34b. Leaders: Matthew Sellens 442; Jill Accetta 216; Sally House 99; Jessica Beer 192; Cobb Breedlove 106; David Wright 269; Caleb Hardy 56b; Connie Stanton 143; Anne Huckins 316; Meg Larson 497; Tom Gerber 47b; David Hough 384; Arcana 81t; Kathy Vlach 565; Bill Dunn 300; Carolyn Gilkey 504; Nina Narelle and Jessica Beer 178; Martha Johnson 270; Reed Shilbach 146; Jean Murphy 107; Tamara Harris and Tom Gerber 117.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Lucinda Saue leading 163b. Leaders: Jack Lofton 475; Ken Cofield 324; Greg Saue 31t; Ethan Hardy 163t; Cathy Tucker 144; Janet Bridges 268; Dan Thoma 528; Richard Lee 203; Kelly House 376; Tom Tucker 480; Bernice Harvey 176b; Rebecca Edwards 501; Katharine Hough 196; David Tobin 457; John Carson 40; Shelby Sampson 30b; Scott Kennedy 454; Bruce Rowland 282; Eric Holt 34t; Susan Helf 112; Molly Whedbee 547; Gary Plouff 318; David Jensen 86; Jenn Dolan 284; Fran Ross 198. Announcements were made. Marie Brandis led 383 as the closing song. Chaplain Gary Plouff offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

A social and informal singing was held on Saturday evening at the home of Marie Brandis and David Zaworski.

### Sunday, October 17

Chairman Matthew Sellens called the class to order at 9:30 a.m. leading 30t. Pastor David Zaworski offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Greg Saue 63; Dan Thoma 455; Kelly House 318; Jack Lofton 319; Kay Mueller 142; Katharine Hough 408; Mary McDonald-Lewis 206; David Zaworski 344; Anne Huckins 200; Jill Accetta 52t; Cathy Tucker 385b; Richard Lee 436; Ken Cofield 61; Shelby Sampson 378t; Bill Dunn and Elizabeth Dunn 155; Gary Plouff 70b; Susan Helf 496; Fran Ross 183; Linda Laing 84; Rebecca Edwards 148; Jessica Beer 478; Kathy Vlach 228; Bernice Harvey 290; Tom Tucker 430; Sarah Hauser 274t.

#### RECESS

The class was called back to order by Matthew Sellens leading 505. Leaders: David Wright 225b; Tamara Harris 454; Eric Holt 229; Bruce Rowland 426b; Tom Gerber 108b; David Hough 282; Molly Whedbee 48t; Nancy Ostergaard and Jessica Beer 288; Carolyn Gilkey 503; John Carson 71.

Connie Stanton conducted the memorial lesson. She opened with these words: “Sometimes in stillness, sometimes in a murmur, sometimes in a roar.” She spoke of the deep stream of tradition that runs through the Sacred Harp community, binding us together wherever and whoever we are. She read the words of song 450—“Gently glides the stream of life,” read the names of those who have died this past year, and led song on page 303 in their memory. The list included: Allen Fannin—New York; Nancy Mullenex—Washington, D.C.; Lois Jancaitis and Malcom Morrison—Virginia; Mary Palmer—Illinois; Barbara Lewis, Ford Lewis, and Sharon Smenk—California; Leslie Moynan, Noel Gray, Virginia Keeting, and Livija Verzemnieks—



Washington; Roy Settlemyer, Marge Perry, Fred Franguero, Sebastian Garrido, Merritt Herring, and Sarah Bishop—Oregon.

Meg Larson asked us to remember those in our circle who are sick and shut-ins. She quoted from the song on page 295, then led 70t to honor them: Sharon Nygren—North Carolina; Jack Accetta—Pennsylvania; Tom Helf—Minnesota; Evemen Lacy Miller—Wisconsin; Steven Hough—California; Kay Rutherford—Washington; Lillian Imbeau, Cindy Zaraycki, River Kennedy, Jim Brock, and Pat Nida—Oregon. Martha Johnson led 532, and the memorial was closed. Leaders: Matthew Sellens and David Wright 456; Jenn Dolan 566; Jean Murphy 273; Reed Shilbach 171; Arcana 240; Scott Kennedy 235; Cobb Breedlove 312b. Gary Plouff offered grace for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Marie Brandis brought the class back to order leading 542. Leaders: Sally House 347; Jean Murphy 189; Rebecca Edwards 192; Julie Strayer Thoma and Dan Thoma 448t; Edd Boddy 360; Reed Shilbach 122; Martha Johnson 328; Tom Tucker 445; Bernice Harvey 335; Kathy Vlach 361; Ronald Harvey, Sr. 137; David Hough 53; Shelby Sampson 497; Katharine Hough 569b.

Chairman Matthew Sellens conducted the business meeting, and announced that 115 people had attended the convention, and 109 songs had been led so far. Eight states were represented including guest of honor, Bernice Harvey from Ozark, Alabama.

Molly Whedbee presented the Resolutions. Thanks were given to:

- Everyone who traveled to attend;
- All who helped with the arrangements of the convention—the officers and committee persons, and especially to Dan Thoma who always arrived early and stayed late, taking care of us;
- The new people brave enough to join us and to all the singers in Portland whose generosity and joy in singing conspire to make this community so welcoming;
- Special thanks were offered to our singing teacher Kelly House and her family—her husband Bill Dunn, her mother Sally House, and her children Joseph and Elizabeth. A beautiful quilt made by Carolyn Gilkey, and specialty chocolates made by David Beer were given to Kelly House in thanks and appreciation for her outstanding teaching;
- Gracious thanks were also given to Jack Lofton and David Wright for their tireless pitching.

The Treasurer reported that the expenses of the convention were met, and a generous donation was given to help singers travel to other conventions. The business meeting was closed.

Leaders: Katharine Hough 236; Bill Dunn 276; Fran Ross 254; Tom Hardy and Marie Brandis 107; David Wright 220; Richard Lee 484; Gary Plouff 567; Cathy Tucker 480; Jill Accetta 278t; Anne Huckins 186; Molly Whedbee 131t; Jack Lofton 168.

#### RECESS

Marie Brandis brought the class back to order leading 277. Leaders: Meg Larson 549; Ken Cofield 178; Connie Stanton 108t; Bruce Rowland 270; Mary McDonald-Lewis 300; Jenn Dolan 86; Jessica Beer 383; Kelly House 72b.

Announcements of singings and other conventions were made. Matthew Sellens led 36b as the closing song while singers took the parting hand. Gary Plouff offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Matthew Sellens; Secretary—Sarah Hauser.

**REID MEMORIAL**  
**County Line Church, Corner, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 17, 2004**

The eighty-fifth session of the Reid Memorial was called to order by Harrison Creel leading 30t. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer.

The singing is permanently organized with the following officers: Chairman—Harrison Creel; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner; Secretary—Lucy Heidorn. Leaders: Cassie Franklin 276; Lucy Heidorn 146; Ed Thacker 505; Wilton Donaldson and Ivalene Donaldson 145b; S.T. Reed 144; Teddy Creel 59; Velton Chaffin 564; Gary Smith 565; John Hyde 275b; Willodean Barton 498; Jerry Ryan 145t; Bridgett Hill 171; Dick Mauldin and Richard Mauldin 378t; Clarence McCool 569b; Pauline Childers 384; Gordon Wilkinson 490; Ben Green 84; Beth O'Dell 542.

**RECESS**

The class was called to order by Harrison Creel leading 111b. Leaders: Steve Adams and Richard Mauldin 401; Martha Beverly 430; James Parker 45t; Ken Tate 74t; LaRue Allen 192; Jerry Enright 216; Elene Stovall and Lucy Heidorn 436; Sarah Smith 318; Milton Oliver 172; Ann Webb 155; Bobby Watkins and Mercy Watkins 220; Amber Davis 142; Emily Creel and Jen Burnett 217; Travis Keeton 341; Daphene Causey and Rodney Ivey 196; Clayton Ezell 300.

**RECESS**

The class was called to order by Cassie Franklin leading 477. Leaders: Linda Thomas 299; Karen Freund 215; Gravis Ballinger 120; Elsie Moon 395; Eugene Forbes 426b; Edith Tate and Ken Tate 532; Marlin Beasley 340; Faye Donaldson 124; Bud Oliver 345t; Lloyd Bricken 63; Paula Springfield 389; Chris Ballinger 163b; Jim Carnes 207; Earl Ballinger 204.

**LUNCH**

The class was called to order by Harrison Creel leading 89. Leaders: Dennis George 280; Henry Johnson 166; Lisa Geist 377; Danny Creel 383; Josie Hyde 507; Charlotte McCarn and Teddy Creel 143; Henry Schuman 528; Max Berueffy 396; Jackie Tanner 112; Larry Ballinger 182; Ann Jett 327; Rodney Ivey 328; Phillip Gilmore 201; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 512, 497; Edie Richardson, Veronica Richardson, and Edith Tate 159; Colin Neel 47b; Flarce Creel 475; Kermit Adams 99; Chris Green and Ben Green 170; Bradley Allen 546; Wanda Capps 517 (WB); Olivia Hill 30t; Christie Allen 398; Ila Engle 442; Virginia Watts 274t; Beth Ann Hill 335; David Heidorn, Lucy Heidorn, and Jerry Ryan 72b; Amber Davis and Lauren Allen 45t; Cindy Tanner 198; Cassie Franklin 186; Harrison Creel 530. After announcements were made, Harrison Creel led 342 as the closing song. Clayton Ezell offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed. Chairman—Harrison Creel; Arranging Committee—Cindy Tanner; Secretary—Lucy Heidorn.

**COY PUTNAM MEMORIAL**  
**Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church, Arab, Alabama**  
**Saturday, October 23, 2004**

The Coy Putnam Memorial singing was held at Rocky Mount Primitive Baptist Church in Arab, Alabama on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October. David Light led 274t to call the class to order. Hershell King offered the morning prayer. A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Hershell King; Arranging Committee—Judy Caudle; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell.

Leaders: David Light 100, 101t; Hershell King 97; Judy Caudle 33t, 47t; Marlin Beasley 47b, 319; Sarah Smith 290, 129; Sandra Light 143, 354b; J.C. Rutledge 145t, 39b; Becky Briggs 384, 480.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with David Light leading 110. Leaders: Richard Mauldin 36b, 77t, 81b; Gary Smith 523, 503; Jo Ann Devoe 31t, 77b; Glenda Hopper 81t, 81b; Butch White 123t, 30b; Rhoda Norris 434, 177; Richard Mauldin and Dick Mauldin 358.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by David Light leading 312 and 318. Leaders: Myrtle Ann Ballard 277, 421; Elder J.L. Hopper 80t; Tom Padwa 515, 473; Ramona Light 189; David Light and Ramona Light 192; Herby Bailey 489, 569b; Jack Jordan 329 (in memory of his dad), 196; Joann Devoe 162, 327; Tom Padwa 59, 34b; Dean Williamson 335 (in memory of J.P. Hawk); Elder J.L. Hopper 150; Hershell King 387.

J.C. Rutledge offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Light; Vice Chairman—Hershell King; Secretary—Eunice Kimbrell.

### **SEED AND FEED SACRED HARP SINGING Embry Hills Methodist Church, Atlanta, Georgia Saturday, October 23, 2004**

The twenty-eighth annual Seed and Feed Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October at Embry Hills Methodist Church in Atlanta, Georgia. The class was called to order by David Yeager leading 68t. John Plunkett led the opening prayer. David Yeager led 40; Cathy White 31t, 66; Laura Akerman 99; John Plunkett 49b, 70t.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chair—Cathy White; Vice Chair—Debora Grosse; Secretary—Laura Akerman; Arranging Committee—Kelly Morris and John Plunkett; Finance Committee—Andy Morse; Memorial Committee—Helen Bryson.

Leaders: Cathy White 34b; Debora Grosse and Kim Newsom 198, 159; Ellie Soler and Ann Doemland 143, 277; Helen Bryson 100, 112; Elise Eskew 480, 146; David Hokanson 128, 117; Nancy Yeager 71, 178.

#### RECESS

Cathy White brought the class back to order with 84. Leaders: Andy Morse 410t, 280; Margie Dietz 77t, 81t; Malinda Snow 474, 497; Susan Scott 300, 532; Dan Huger 209, 101t; Sandra Wilkinson 171, 82t. John Plunkett gave the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class was called to order for the afternoon session.

Helen Bryson conducted the memorial lesson and led 380 for the sick and shut-ins: Violet Thomason, Jetha Brooks, Tom Wolfgang, John Hocutt, Bobby Jackson, Nick Griffin, and Ray Petty.

Helen Bryson led 568 in memory of the deceased: Robert Kendrick, Carolyn Snow, and Barbara DePoy. The memorial was closed.

Leaders: Martha Ann Stegar 268, 350; Bill Scott 383, 59; Frances Mary D'Andrea 106, 384; John Whittemore 318, 479; Judy Mincey 571, 540; Chris Pyron 38b, 70b; Laura Akerman 240.

Announcements were made. Next year's singing will be held at a different location, Emory Presbyterian Church in Atlanta.

Cathy White led 347 as the closing song. John Plunkett offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chair—Cathy White; Vice Chair—Debora Grosse; Secretary—Laura Akerman.

**JORDAN'S CHAPEL METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Newell, Randolph County, Alabama**  
**Sunday, October 24, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Jordan's Chapel Methodist Church was held on the fourth Sunday in October. The class was called to order by Lonnie Rogers leading 101t. Rodney Ivey led 56t and 47t. Henry Johnson offered the morning prayer. Rodney Ivey led 129.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Lonnie Rogers; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Mary L. Smith; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace; Memorial Committee—Sherry Lovvorn and Henry Johnson.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 225t, 318; Stanley Edwards 378t, 340; Teenie Moody 373, 391; Milton Oliver 321, 314; Sherry Lovvorn 196, 143; Cecil Roberts 81t, 335; Mary L. Smith 141, 313t; George Garner 436; Evelyn Harris 108t, 155.

Rev. Julian Murphy, pastor of the church, welcomed everyone and asked that his wife, who is to have surgery in the coming week, be remembered in prayer. He expressed his gratitude that singers from far and near had come to sing praises unto the Lord, and then offered prayer.

Leaders: Robert Chambless 142, 319; Ruth Daniel 127, 45t; B.J. Harris 503, 303.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Stanley Edwards leading 37b. Leaders: LaRue Allen 299, 222; Jeff Sheppard 540, 121; Donna Bell 358 (by request), 440; Reba Norton 441, 208; Hugh McGraw 507; Shelbie Sheppard 543; Ed Thacker 517, 492; Floy Wilder 186, 187; Eunice Webb 392, 30b; Henry Johnson 482, 493.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Lonnie Rogers leading 389. Leaders: Charlene Wallace 276, 297; Brittany Lea 63; Betty Wright 499, 97; Oscar McGuire 336, 573.

Sherry Lovvorn and Henry Johnson conducted the memorial lesson. Sherry Lovvorn read the names of the deceased, and Stanley Edwards led 159 in their memory. Those remembered were: David Cosper, Louise Haynes, Willie Mae Argo, Mozelle Sheppard, Gladys Simmons, Irene Willoughby, Ronnie Meadows, Walter Gurley, Clarice Reaves Hitchcock, and Alonza Edwards.

Frank Bell Reeves spoke of his grandfather, Frank Bell, who helped organize this singing, and what singing and this church meant to him and his family. Frank Bell Reeves and members of the Bell family led 354b and 274t in memory of the family. Henry Johnson gave an inspiring talk about remembering the sick and shut-ins and led 515 in their honor. Those remembered were: Laura Williams, Richard Shipman, Lester Shipman, Amanda Denson, Nick Griffin, Louise Holland, Violet Thomason, and Bobby Jackson (who was able to be with us today). Bill Joe Harris closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Richard Ivey 402, 345t; Allison Ivey 168, 200; Eugene Forbes and Mary Frances Forbes 144, 61; Bridgett Hill 99, 384; Carol Chapman 542, 317; Bobby Jackson 47b, 34t; John Plunkett 34b, 485; Karen Ivey 171, 273; David Ivey 472, 461; Judy Chambless 82t, 28t; Rodney Ivey 271, 278t; B.M. Smith 475; Rodney Ivey and Lonnie Rogers 341.

After announcements were made, Lonnie Rogers and Stanley Edwards led 298 as the closing song. Rev. Theron

Williams offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Lonnie Rogers; Vice Chairman—Stanley Edwards; Secretary—Mary L. Smith.

**MR. AND MRS. JOE MYERS AND W.A. PARKER MEMORIAL  
New Hope Primitive Baptist Church, Walker County, Alabama  
Sunday, October 24, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing held in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myers and W.A. Parker was held at New Hope Primitive Baptist Church in Walker County, Alabama on the fourth Sunday in October. Marlin Beasley call the class to order leading 327. Harrison Creel offered the morning prayer. Marlin Beasley welcomed everyone and led 31b.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Nora Parker; Arranging Committee—Sarah Smith.

Leaders: Marlin Beasley 87; Richard Mauldin 50b, 30t; Sarah Smith 75, 108t; Tom Padwa 145b, 71; Becky Briggs 336, 318; John Hyde 313t, 297; Joanne Devoe Padwa 47t, 146; Wilton Donaldson 229, 348b; Corene White 379, 403; Ottis Sides 378t, 480; Willodean Barton 145t; Clarence McCool 349, 68b.

**RECESS**

The class reassembled with Marlin Beasley leading 317. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 316, 151; Linda Sides 328, 225t; Ivalene Donaldson 270; Ozella Blackmon 282, 72b (for John Hocutt, who is ill); Travis Keeton 76b, 426b; the class sang “Happy Birthday” for Travis Keeton, whose birthday is today; Josie Hyde 200, 361; Margaret Keeton 144, 365; Harrison Creel 498, 512; Amber Davis 402, 380; Ann Jett 141, 496; Ann Ballard 57, 421; Billy Williams 334, 189.

**LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Richard Mauldin leading 276 and 235 (for Amanda Denson and other members of the Denson family). Leaders: Lisa Geist 384, 394; Judy Caudle 140, 272.

A memorial lesson was held with Nora Parker leading 36b and 299 in memory of W.A. Parker. She then asked Harrison Creel to lead 45t in memory of Ellen Parker Johnston. Marlice Ray led in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myers. Jack Crocker led 345t and 454 in memory of Mr. F.L. Parnell who passed away in March of this year. Marlin Beasley led 318 in memory of Martha Myers Frederick, and for Elsie Beasley, who was not able to attend this singing. Latriva Bailey led 517 (WB).

Leaders: Elene Stovall 215, 430 (for John Hocutt); Will Allred 358, 196; Rachel Allred 428, 37b; Marie Guthrie 411, 220; “Happy Birthday” was sung for Marie Guthrie; Dorothea McCowan 460, 218 (for Elsie Beasley); Max Berueffy 532, 391; Caleb Allred 300, 335; Jennifer Allred 186, 214; Ila Ingle 436, 434; Susan Allred 319, 391; Danny Creel 322, 269; Gary Smith 565; Marlin Beasley 340 (in memory of F.L. Parnell, by request of his wife).

Marlin Beasley and Richard Mauldin led 475 as the closing song. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Marlin Beasley; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Nora Parker.

**BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA ALL DAY SINGING**  
**Friends' Meetinghouse, Moore's Pike, Bloomington, Indiana**  
**Saturday, October 30, 2004**

The day of singing began with Bill Shetter leading 34b, followed by a moment of silence for the morning prayer.

Officers and committees for the singing were: Chairman—Bill Shetter; Arranging—Ariel Weinberg; Treasurer—Stephanie Fida; Pitching—David Rust; Secretary—Marlen Rust.

Leaders: Ariel Weinberg 36b; Marlen Rust 84; David Rust 135; Stephanie Fida 39t; Paul Figura 480 (in honor of the composer, John Hocutt); Janet Fraembs 475; Jim Helke 353; Lee Steinmetz 28b; Samuel Sommers 121; Shirley Figura 335; Brad Bahler 354b; Joan Aldridge 350; Bill Shetter 569b; Ariel Weinberg 200; Marlen Rust 74b; David Rust 141; Stephanie Fida 547; Paul Figura 11 (MH); Janet Fraembs 512; Jim Helke 341 (in memory of Ruth Brown); Samuel Sommers 518; Rochelle Lodder 31t; Lee Steinmetz 163b.

**RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Shirley Figura leading 282. Leaders: Bob Meek 511 (CB); Michele Cull and infant daughter, Annaliza Jane, 168; Brad Bahler 117; Bill Shetter 286 (for Dorothy Glanzer); Joan Aldridge 559 (CB); Liz Meitzler 319; David Rust 299; Janet Fraembs 146 (for Ruth White); Jim Helke 505 (CB) (for Vi Stark); Stephanie Fida 546; Paul Figura 13 (MH); Marlen Rust 2 (MH); Samuel Sommers 422; Shirley Figura 179 (for Cathryn Baker); Rochelle Lodder 146; Bob Meek 571 (CB); Joan Aldridge 84 (CB); Lee Steinmetz 563; Brad Bahler 163t.

**LUNCH**

Bill Shetter brought the class back together for the afternoon session leading 373. Leaders: Ariel Weinberg 209; Liz Meitzler 245; Michele Cull 155; Clare Cardy 142; David Rust 298; Janet Fraembs 217; Jim Helke 108t; Stephanie Fida 349; Paul Figura 367 (CB); Marlen Rust 81b; Samuel Sommers 412; Shirley Figura 145b; Rochelle Lodder 378b; Bob Meek 574 (CB); Joan Aldridge 572 (CB); Lee Steinmetz 154; Brad Bahler 488b (CB); Liz Meitzler 162; Michele Cull 318.

**RECESS**

Ariel Weinberg brought the class together leading 332. Leaders: Bill Shetter 336t (CB); Clare Cardy 128; David Rust 528; Janet Fraembs 481; Jim Helke 77t; Paul Figura 46 (MH); Joan Aldridge 150; Samuel Sommers 112; Liz Meitzler 47b; Shirley Figura 68b; Marlen Rust 29t; Bob Meek 268; Stephanie Fida 198; Lee Steinmetz 565; Brad Bahler 551; Clare Cardy 302; Janet Fraembs 385b.

Announcements were made. Members of the Friends' Meetinghouse were thanked for their contributions to meal preparation and cleanup. Bill Shetter announced that there were singers from 7 states present. Bob Meek put forward the recommendation that this singing be held again next year, and there were many seconds to this.

Bill Shetter led 347 as the closing song, followed by a moment of silence for the closing prayer, and then the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Bill Shetter; Secretary—Marlen Rust.

**UNION MUSICAL CONVENTION**  
**Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Alpharetta, Georgia**  
**October 30-31, 2004**

**Saturday, October 30**

The one hundred thirty-sixth session of the Union Musical Convention was held at Big Creek Primitive Baptist Church in Alpharetta, Georgia. Chairperson Lela

Crowder brought the class to order leading 171. Jesse Roberts offered the morning prayer. Lela Crowder led 32t. Vice Chair John Plunkett led 33b and 76t. Judy Mincey led the Introductory Lesson: 48t, 30t, 31t, 68b, 155, 108, 71, and 28t. Leaders: Phillip Langley 270, 217; Andy Anderson 282, 31b; Reuben Ball 318, 425; Malinda Snow 299, 86; Charlene Wallace 186, 187.

#### RECESS

Lela Crowder called the class back to order leading 421.

A business session was held with the following officers elected and committees appointed: Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chairperson—Judy Mincey; Acting Secretary—Lela Crowder; Chaplains—Jesse Roberts and John Hollingsworth; Memorial Committee—Richard DeLong; Finance Committee—Don Bowen; Resolutions Committee—Andy Anderson; Arranging Committee—Lee Rogers and Sandra Wilkinson.

Leaders: John Plunkett 300; Andy Morse 474, 349; Arlene Woods 30b, 81; Don Bowen 99, 503; Jessica Altman 101t, 112 (for Violet Thomason); Loy Garrison 83t, 50b; Charles Woods 91, 268; Martha Ann Stegar 275t, 276.

#### LUNCH

Judy Mincey called the afternoon session to order leading 277. Leaders: Lee Rogers 332, 151; Micah Roberts 354b; James Wagner and James Sumner Wagner 388, 294; Floyd Bennett 452, “Happy Birthday” (for wife Patricia); Debora Grosse 494, 312b; Ed Thacker 77b, 407; Susan Posey 497, 198; Jesse Roberts 346, 352; Sandra Wilkinson 67, 274t, Phil Summerlin 61, 399b; Henry Johnson 235, 288; Frances Mary D’Andrea 148, 189; Tony Hammock 89, 303; John Hollingsworth 290; Matt Hinton 63, 501; Richard DeLong 88t, 173.

Announcements were made. John Plunkett and Judy Mincey led 323 as the closing song, and Jesse Roberts dismissed the class with prayer.

#### Sunday, October 31

John Plunkett called the class to order for the Sunday morning session leading 467 and 59. Leaders: Judy Mincey 186, 479; Lela Crowder 101t, 99; John Hollingsworth 36b, 37b; Don Bowen 34b, 66; Richard DeLong 123b (in memory of Uncle Jack Corley), 395; Andy Anderson 159, 45t; Sandra Wilkinson 448t, 300; Faye Holbrook 67, 532.

#### RECESS

Judy Mincey brought the class back to order leading 76b. Leaders: Matt Hinton 163b, 168; Phillip Langley 224, 142; Vaudie Shearer 143, 460; Lucretia Franklin 354b, 40; Chris Thorman 473, 73t.

Richard DeLong conducted the memorial lesson. He reminded us that small acts can have great impact and that we shouldn’t forget to give roses to those who still live. He read the list of the deceased, and the shut-ins; then led 271t for the deceased, and 146 for the sick and shut-ins.

The deceased remembered included: Marshall Avery, Reynaldo Blalock, and Carolyn Snow.

The list of sick and shut-ins included: Helen Hunt, Geneva Prichard, Nora Roberts, and Violet Thomason. John Hollingsworth closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Martha Ann Stegar 155, 277; Teddy Creel 72b, 63.

#### LUNCH

John Plunkett called the class back to order for the afternoon session leading 131b. Leaders: Malinda Snow 324, 551; Emily Creel 217, 269; James Wagner and James Sumner Wagner 108t, 47b; Oscar McGuire 129, 276; Danny Creel 475, 498; Ellie Soler 472, 378b; Lela Crowder 166b; Matt Hinton, Milton Cochran, Patrice Johnson 148; Phillip Langley 411; Martha Ann Stegar 47t; Teddy Creel 358; Don

Bowen 378t (for Bobby Jackson); Lucretia Franklin 153; Vaudie Shearer 480; Andy Anderson 39t; Chris Thorman 313b; Emily Creel 383.

#### RECESS

Judy Mincey brought the class back to order leading 464.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 441; Danny Creel 123; Malinda Snow 448b.

The business session reconvened for the purpose of hearing reports. Chairman John Plunkett announced that expenses had been met and updated the class on the Convention's accounts. He also notified the class that this convention rotates from year to year. Next year, Camp Creek will host the convention at Sweetwater Chapel on the first fifth Sunday and Saturday before after Labor Day, October 29th and 30th, 2005.

Andy Anderson read the Resolutions Report, and it was accepted by the convention. The business session was closed.

Richard DeLong informed the class that the Ebenezer Primitive Baptist Church, which hosts the DeLong-Roberts Memorial on the fourth Sunday in June, may be unavailable after 2005.

Leaders: Ellie Soler 361; Faye Holbrook 380; James Wagner and James Sumner Wagner 494; Richard DeLong 82 (in memory of his grandmother, Miss Dollie Hudgins).

Announcements were made. John Plunkett and Judy Mincey led 62 as the closing song. John Hollingsworth offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Plunkett; Vice Chair—Judy Mincey; Acting Secretary—Lela Crowder.

### DENNEY MEMORIAL

#### Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, Carrollton, Georgia Saturday, November 6, 2004

The Denney Memorial singing was held at Emmaus Primitive Baptist Church, south of Carrollton, Georgia on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. The class was called to order with prayer led by Felton Denney.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve:

Chairman—Philip Denney; Vice Chairman—Bernard Denney; Secretary—Mary L. Smith; Arranging Committee—Charlene Wallace.

Leaders: Philip Denney 40, 28b; Bernard Denney 75, 145b; Mary L. Smith 108t, 77t; Charlene Wallace 141, 313t; Felton Denney and Josephine Denney 147t, 146; Trevor Lanier and Philip Denney 117, 63; Jimmie Denney 101t, 87; Judy Chambless 36b, 55; Andy Morris 105, 145t.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Bernard Denney leading 164 for Nick Griffith, and 405 in memory of Everette Denney. Leaders: Lonnie Rogers 225t, 186; Teenie Moody 144, 126; Cecil Roberts 354b, 335; Lisa Webb 222, 30b; Robert Chambless 31b, 303; Karen Rollins 143 (in memory of her mother, Vivian Rogers), 34b; B.M. Smith 448b, 318; Jeff Sheppard 402, 301. Bernard Denney asked the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Philip Denney leading 120. Leaders: Philip Denney and his grandchildren 358; Bobby Jackson 47b, 480; John Wall 38b, 268; Lou Cotney 300, 384; Joe Douglas 503, 159; John Plunkett 158, 207; Laura Frey 155, 178; Jarred Ball 45t (in memory of Everette Denney).

Moena Denney, wife of Everette Denney, conducted a memorial lesson. She spoke of what this singing, which was formerly held at Bethel in Heard County, had meant to Everette and her, and how pleased she was that the singing had been named in his



memory. She stated that Everette would be so pleased that their grandson had led a lesson today.

Philip Denney spoke about the condition of Emmaus Church regarding the finances, up-keep of the church, and the cemetery. He urged all relatives to tell others about things that needed to be taken care of here at the church in the near future.

Felton Denney and Josephine Denney led 489 in memory of Howard Reed.

Leaders: Oscar McGuire 276, 283 (in memory of Marshall Avery); Jerry Creason 569b, 47t; Donna Bell 203, 440; Renita Folds 87, 294; Sherri Taylor 168, 312b; Caroline Folds 56t; Ray Holley and Joyce Holley 59.

Announcements were made. Lonnie Rogers, Felton Denney, Josephine Denney, and Bernard Denney led 100 as the closing song. Cecil Roberts offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Philip Denney; Vice Chairman—Bernard Denney; Secretary—Mary L. Smith.

### **B.I. WOOD AND ALVIS BROTHERS MEMORIAL SINGING Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church, Attalla, Alabama Saturday, November 6, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp Memorial Singing for B.I. Wood and Alvis Brothers was held at Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church in Attalla, Alabama on Saturday before the first Sunday in November. Ron Crocker called the class to order leading 108t. Othie Chamblee offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Ron Crocker; Secretary—Gloria Hutchens; Arranging Committee—Billie Dean Hornsby.

Leaders: Elder J.L. Hopper 33t, 91, 503, 180; Glenda Hopper 63, 28b, 72b; Andrew Crocker 77t, 104; Danielle Crocker 45t, 49t; Carmon Brothers 49b, 48t, 75, 274t, 172; Judy Caudle 74t, 77b.

#### **RECESS**

Ron Crocker brought the class back to order leading 74b. Leaders: Robert Walker 490, 480, 560; Herby Bailey 30t, 489; Ernest Phillips 39b, 144; Billie Dean Hornsby, Doris Brown, and Joycie Wooten 68b, 323b, 119; Gloria Hutchens 348b, 566.

#### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was called to order by Ron Crocker leading 31t.

A memorial lesson was held with Ernest Phillips leading 86 and 134 (from the church hymnal) for Ovada Phillips Carr. Carmon Brothers led 358 and 445 in memory of B.I. and Oma Wood and Alvis Brothers.

Carmon Brothers and his wife, Ruby, led 112 in celebration of their 63rd anniversary.

Leaders: Elder J.L. Hopper 158; Glenda Hopper 32t; Andrew Crocker 159; Carmon Brothers 145b; Judy Caudle 121; Robert Walker 143; Herby Bailey 34b; Ernest Phillips 288; Billie Dean Hornsby and Gloria Hutchens 290, 170; Andrew Crocker 171.

Ron Crocker led 146 as the closing song. Elder Talmadge Simmons offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Ron Crocker; Secretary—Gloria Hutchens.

## UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO/HYDE PARK ANNIVERSARY SINGING

Quaker House, Chicago, Illinois  
Saturday, November 6, 2004

The twentieth Annual Hyde Park/University of Chicago Singing was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Vice Chairman Jim Helke leading 565, followed by a welcome to the singers. Chaplain Jim Swanson gave the invocation prayer with 26.

Leaders: Steve Warner 475; James Page 272; Martha Beverly 171; Ann Miczulski 145t; Rachel Adelstein 373; Berkley Moore 123t; Samuel Sommers 174; Sam Farwell 81t.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chairlady—Cathryn Baker; Secretary—Clare Cardy; Arranging—Ginny Landgraf; Finance—Megan Jennings; Chaplain—Ted Mercer; Memorial—Martha Beverly and Sam Sommers.

Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 344; Megan Jennings 203; Cathryn Baker 222; Lisa Cohen 148; Jim Swanson 197; Ted Johnson 39t; Steve Warner 63; James Page “Berkley”; Martha Beverly 187.

### RECESS

The class was called together by Cathryn Baker leading 270. Leaders: Jim Helke “Talietha Cumi”; Anne Missavage 362; Peter Bradley 365; Bob Whaley 178; Judy Hauff 196; Johanna Fabke 441; Nick Pasqual 179; Melanie Hauff 277; Marta Knickrehm 496; Ted Mercer 202; Clare Cardy 142; Ann Miczulski 300; Rachel Adelstein 229; Berkley Moore 278b; Sam Sommers 553. The lunch blessing was offered by Chaplain Ted Mercer.

### LUNCH

Sam Farwell called the class to order for the afternoon session with 186. Leaders: Ginny Landgraf 315; Ted Johnson “A Doleful Sound”; Megan Jennings 72b; Cathryn Baker 468; Lisa Cohen 504; Jim Swanson 377; Johanna Fabke 122.

The memorial lesson was held. Martha Beverly read the names of the deceased and led 500 in their memory: Betty Dickey—Illinois; David Van Allen Hotaling—Washington; Robert Martin and Arthur Burtis—New Jersey; Marshall Avery, Bob Conner, and Marie Conner—Georgia; Kenneth Russell—Pennsylvania.

Sam Sommers read the list of names of the sick and shut-ins, and led 176t in their honor: Violet Stark—Illinois; Delores Littrell—Tennessee; Bob Scorgie and Bob Anderson—Wisconsin.

Leaders: Jim Helke 538; Ann Missavage 47t; Bob Whaley 49b; Judy Hauff 411; Nick Pasqual 73t; Melanie Hauff 212.

### RECESS

Peter Bradley led 547 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Marta Knickrehm 551; Ted Mercer 328; Clare Cardy 302; Suzie Kauffman 40; James Page 505; Martha Beverly 442; Ann Miczulski 569b; Rachel Adelstein 181; Berkley Moore 385t; Sam Sommers 422; Johanna Fabke 474; Sam Farwell 31t; Ted Johnson 213b; Megan Jennings 436; Cathryn Baker 216; Peter Bradley 163b.

Reports from various committees were given.

Megan Jennings, Finance Committee Chair, reported that the donations received covered our expenses.

Johanna Fabke presented the Resolutions Report, thanking Quaker House for the venue, and the participants for coming.

The Secretary reported there were 26 leaders from 4 states present with a total of 66 songs led.

After announcements were made and reports given, Jim Helke and Cathryn Baker led 347 for the closing song while the class took the parting hand. Chaplain Ted Mercer offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairman—Jim Helke; Vice Chair—Cathryn Baker; Secretary—Clare Cardy.

## **HOLLY SPRINGS PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH MEMORIAL** **South of Bremen, Georgia, off Highway 27 and I-20** **Sunday, November 7, 2004**

The annual all-day Sacred Harp Memorial singing at Holly Springs Primitive Baptist Church on the first Sunday in November was called to order by Charlene Wallace at 9:30 a.m. leading 75 and 99. Eric Tweedy offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Hugh McGraw 32t, 35; John Wall 421; Earlis McGraw 148, 284; Robert Chambless 94, 452; Tony Hammock 441, 425; Diane Avery 299, 59; Sharon DuPriest 212, 189; Judy Chambless 49t, 49b; Kathy James 430, 30b; Stanley Edwards 100, 76b; Donna Bell 87, 56t; Daphene Causey 91, 291.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with Carlene Griffin leading 117 and 143. Leaders: Sheri Taylor 435, 512 (in memory of Henry Wilson, and for her grandmother); Joe Douglas 181, 547; Lela Crowder 110, 440; Lee Bradley 358, 40; Judy Mincey 28t, 571; Jeff Sheppard 542, 442; Bobby Jackson 34t, 112; Glenda Collins 124, 282; Phillip Langley 428, 216; Andy Anderson 31b, 335; Cecil Roberts 81t, 235; Henry Johnson 111t, 570; Shelbie Sheppard 211, 183; B.M. Smith 475, 222.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Tommy McGraw leading 138t and 45t. Leaders: Kelly Morris 114, 535; Ed Thacker 151, 350; Eric Tweedy 292, 131t; Reba Windom 192, 224; LaRue Allen 215, 220; Richard DeLong 95 (in memory of Noah and Margie Lacy), 349 (in memory Allen Fannin); Rodney Ivey 283, 382; John Plunkett 381, 485; Joyce Lambert 82t, 127 (for her mother, Katherine Benefield); Mildred Patterson 340, 294 (in memory of her parents); Don Bowen 472, 521 (for Syd Caldwell); Reba Norton 280, 177; Bob Simmons 569b, 532.

### **RECESS**

The class was brought back to order by Johnny Wright leading 274t and 300. Leaders: Lonnie Rogers 318, 389; Karen Rollins 178, 489; Aaron Little 499; Amanda Denson 454, 288; Howard Brady and Garrett Brady 294, 122; Matt Hinton, Efosa L. Aghedo, and Mark Bernard 47b, 63; Felton Denney and Josephine Denney 503, 410t; Virginia Dyer 193; John Redman 481 (for Dan Brittain), 447; Lori Goode 383, 275b; Lisa Webb 142, 448b.

Announcements were made. Charlene Wallace and Elder Homer Benefield led 551 as the closing song, and for Nick Griffin, who is at home after an extended stay in the hospital. Elder Homer offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.  
Chairlady—Charlene Wallace; Vice Chairlady—Carlene Griffin; Arranging Committee/Secretary—Hugh McGraw and Judy Henry.

## **MT. EBRON CHURCH MEMORIAL SINGING** **Near Double Springs, Alabama** **Sunday, November 7, 2004**

The ninety-ninth session of the Mt. Ebron Church Memorial Singing was held on the first Sunday in November. Wilton Donaldson called the class to order leading 30t. Richard Mauldin offered the morning prayer.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde; Secretary—Jayne Fulmer.

Chairman Wilton Donaldson led 75. Leaders: Richard Mauldin 59, 32t; Cecil Wakefield 134, 290; Ivalene Donaldson 138b; Doyle Bailey 147t; Corene White 37b, 146; Winell Sanders 317; Gary Smith 68b, 565; Betty Briggs (for her sister, Ann) 145t, 569b; Kermit Adams 192, 99; Sharon Spangler 124, 408; Earl Ballinger 135, 139; Sarah Smith 323b, 137.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order by Richard Mauldin leading 129. Leaders: Gravis Ballinger 78, 300; Donna Robbins and Haley Hill 294; Marlin Beasley 76b, 176t; Ozella Blackmon 76b, 282; Bridgett Hill 373, 276; Travis Keeton 157; Lisa Geist 546, 120; Julietta Haynes 209, 309. Ronnie Hodges, pastor of the church, welcomed everyone.

#### LUNCH

The class was called to order for the afternoon session by Wilton Donaldson and Willodean Barton leading 480. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 119, 50b; Brenda Merritt 217, 336, 460; John Hyde 544, 313t; Margaret Keeton 349 (for Clarence McCool), 440; Steve Adams and Richard Mauldin 401, 153, 101t; Elizabeth Keeton 34b, 274t; John Merritt 51, 68b; Jayne Fulmer 454, 216; Glenn Keeton 117 (in memory of Gene Wakefield); Willodean Barton 482, 566; Edith Tate 35; Carla Morris 143, 145b; Nellie Alexander 176b, 81; Harrison Creel 111b, 498; Amber Davis 142; Josie Hyde 477, 45t.

Announcements were made. Wilton Donaldson and Richard Mauldin led 490 for the closing song, and for Clarence McCool. Harrison Creel offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Wilton Donaldson; Vice Chairman—Richard Mauldin; Secretary—Jayne Fulmer.

### **SOUTH GEORGIA SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION** **Lebanon Primitive Baptist Church, Cordele, Georgia** **Sunday, November 7, 2004**

The eighty-fifth session of the South Georgia Sacred Harp Singing Convention was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chairman David Grant leading 32t. Tim Meeks offered the opening prayer.

Leaders: David Grant 85; Martha Harrell 74b, 77t; Tim Meeks 235, 452; Mary Brownlee 47b, 84; Jon Robinson 196, 157; Rita Haley 63, 59; Wesley Haley 45t, 47t; Otis Hester 384, 542, 460, 480.

Raymond Hamrick and Wesley Haley were appointed as the Nominating Committee. Mary Brownlee and Jon Robinson were appointed as the Memorial Committee.

#### RECESS

Oscar McGuire brought the class to order leading 145t and 473.

A business session was held, and the following officers were duly elected to serve for the coming year. President—Oscar McGuire; Vice President—Tim Meeks; Secretary/Treasurer—Mary Brownlee; Assistant Secretary/Treasurer—Rita Haley; Chaplain—Jon Robinson. Mary Brownlee gave the Treasurer's Report, and it was accepted as presented. Further business was to be discussed after lunch.

Leaders: Steve Meeks 569b, 274; Bob Meeks 73b, 323b; Myrtice Meeks 129, 490.

#### LUNCH

David Grant called the afternoon session together leading 503. Leaders: Raymond Hamrick 354t, 510; John Hollingsworth 68b, 339; Brittany Rewis 354b, 46; Jon

Robinson 72b, 340; Bonnie Rewis 31t, 36b; Marjorie Robinson 373; 491; Kay Robinson 282; Sharon Hamrick 306, 276.

A memorial lesson followed with Jon Robinson leading 34b in memory of Alline Robinson and Charles Crawford, who passed away in 2004.

Mary Brownlee led 350 for the sick and shut-ins which included: Richard Johnson, Ruth Johnson, Martha Johnson, Myra Smith, and Runelle Crawford.

Leaders: Polly Hester and Otis Hester 143, 81t, 498; LuAnne Turner 515, 147t; Wesley Haley 75 (a special request).

#### RECESS

Oscar McGuire brought the class together leading 278.

The business session was resumed. The singings for 2004 were review and a new location was given for the former Mercer University singing which is held in March. The singing will now be known as the Middle Georgia Sacred Harp Singing, to be held at Vineville Methodist Church, Macon, Georgia on Saturday before the third Sunday in March. The Pilgrim's Rest Primitive Baptist Church singing which was held on the third Sunday in March will be omitted. All other singings were renewed for the coming year.

Sacred Harp singers were invited to sing at Knoxville Courthouse on November 13, 2004 in commemoration of Old Knoxville Days. This singing may become an annual singing.

David Grant made a motion that the South Georgia Sacred Harp Convention be moved to the first Sunday in October, to be held at Sandy Creek Primitive Baptist Church, Flovilla, Georgia, in order to have a more central location for the Convention. The singing at Lebanon Primitive Baptist Church will be continued on the first Sunday in November as an annual singing only. After discussion, this motion was seconded and passed. The business session was duly adjourned.

After announcements were made, Oscar McGuire led 62 as the closing song. Jon Robinson offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—David Grant; Vice Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Mary Brownlee.

## OLD KNOXVILLE DAYS

Knoxville, Georgia

Saturday, November 13, 2004

The first annual all-day Sacred Harp singing for Old Knoxville Days was called to order by Oscar McGuire leading 33b. Louis Hughes offered the morning prayer. Oscar McGuire led 59.

The class was organized for the day with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

Leaders: Wesley Haley 34b, 45t; Faye Hollis 99, 186; Sharon Hamrick 460, 276; Stanley Edwards 37b, 36b; Lela Crowder 32t, 101t.

Hugh McGraw talked about the history and method of Sacred Harp singing, and then led 448b. Leaders: Sandra Wilkinson 300, 274t; Andy Anderson 107, 535.

#### RECESS

The class began singing with Oscar McGuire leading 49b. Leaders: Helen Bryson 542, 287; Louis Hughes 378b, 61; Carlene Griffin 81t, 155; Bentley McGuire 282, 47t; Mott Harrell 178, 120; Timothy Haley 384, 117; Charlene Wallace 171; 299.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called together with Oscar McGuire leading 31t. Leaders: Mary Brownlee 497, 481; Rita Haley 268, 344; John Plunkett 345t, 52t; Sandra Wilkinson 229; Helen Bryson 380; Stanley Edwards 340; Charlene Wallace 192.

Frank Holmes welcomed everyone on behalf of the Crawford County Historical Society.

Leaders: Raymond Hamrick 182; Andy Anderson 105; Lela Crowder and Mary Crowder 68b; Louis Hughes 270; Sharon Hamrick 236; Hugh McGraw 231; Mott Harrell 198; Wesley Haley 122; David Grant 546; Faye Hollis 168; Rita Haley 269; Mary Brownlee 556; Raymond Hamrick 350, 510 (by special request).

After announcements were made, Oscar McGuire led 56t as the closing song. Louis Hughes offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Oscar McGuire; Secretary—Charlene Wallace.

## SOUTHERN WISCONSIN SINGING

### Plum Grove Church, Folklore Village Farm, Dodgeville, Wisconsin Saturday, November 13, 2004

The eighteenth annual Southern Wisconsin Sacred Harp Singing was held on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was called to order by Jim Crawford and Carol Crawford leading 52t. Johanna Fabke offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Julie Vea 200; Dick Dunagan 59; Martha Beverly 171; Cathryn Baker 318; Barbara Myer 270; Ann Micaulski 350; Penny Kujawinski 542; Janet Fraembs 150; Christine Stevens 159; Val Dunagan 474; Virginia Warren 146; Becky Browne 362; Jeanette Nelson 216; Lisa Cohen 148; James Page 272; Michael Moore 88b; Jeanette Lowry 445; John Seaton 47b; Jeff Bell 290; Rachel Adelstein 351.

A business meeting was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairlady—Jan Ketelle; Chaplain—Johanna Fabke; Arranging Committee—James Page; Memorial Committee—Rachel Adelstein and Marcia Johnson; Secretary—Val Dunagan.

Leaders: Jan Ketelle and Kathy Kaiser 36b.

#### RECESS

Dick Dunagan called the class back to order leading 145. Leaders: Eleanor Haase 99; Bill Beverly 547; Joan Yeatman 496; Ted Johnson “A Doleful Sound”; Lou Kujawinski 120; Peter Bradley 282; Martha Henderson 456; Grace Scrimgeour 33b; Colette Miller 436.

A memorial lesson was held with Rachel Adelstein leading 499b for the deceased: Bill Holt—Florida; Ben Ayers and Dick Haase—Texas; Mr. Nichols, Hazel Williamson, and Bertha Hoeflin—Illinois; Mildred Segal—California; Phyllis Flandreau—New York; Betty Rudolph and Cindy McKeel—Pennsylvania; Sue Ann Cowen—Virginia; Roberta Seaton—United Kingdom; Laura Van Gorp—Missouri; Nick Pender—Georgia; David Van Allen Hotaling—Washington; Robert Martin and Arthur Burtis—New Jersey; Bill “Tony” Blodgett—Minnesota.

Marcia Johnson led 179 for the sick and shut-ins: Nora Allred, Harry Allred (6 weeks)—Michigan; Robin Schecter, Al Frank, Violet Stark, Elizabeth Fagan, Ruth White, Mrs. Hogg (Terry’s mom), and Suzanne Checchia—Illinois; Dean Slaton—Indiana; John Hocutt and Edith Tate—Alabama; Stacy Stokke, Keo Walker, and Nancy Henderson—Minnesota; Bob Scorgie, Bob Anderson, Joyce Anderson, Barbara Brothers, Mary Agee, and Marjorie Handrick—Wisconsin; Kelly Beard—Texas; Sonia Matlick—Florida. Johanna Fabke offered prayer to close the memorial lesson, and to ask a blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

James Page called the class to order for the afternoon session leading 133. Leaders: Melanie Hauff 392; Gary Gronau 192; Johanna Fabke 378b; Ted Mercer 212; Kim Bahmer 107; Marjorie Matthews 218; Francis Gurtz 539; Sam Farwell 273; Kathy

Kaiser 142; Keith Willard 112; Camilla Hansen and Jim Page 162; Judy Hauff 163t; Ginny Landgraf 447.

#### RECESS

Judy Hauff and Johanna Gorman-Baer brought the class to order leading 209. Leaders: Marcia Johnson 504; Paul Wyatt 168; Megan Jennings 269; Carol Crawford 193; Lisa Grayson 222; Jim Helke 186; Jan Ketelle 296; Cathryn Baker 454; Penny Kujawinski 352; Lora Holt and Marcia Johnson 28b; Janet Fraembs 385t; Jeanette Lowry 448t; Jim Crawford 86.

#### RECESS

James Page called the class back to order leading 40. Leaders: Eleanor Haase 327; Bill Beverly 56b; Martha Henderson 326; Becky Browne 276; Francis Gurtz 501; Grace Scrimgeour 287; Ann Micaulski 384; Jeanette Nelson 143; Ted Mercer 217; Lou Kujawinski 473. Following announcements and thanks, Jan Ketelle and Kathy Kaiser led 62 as the closing song. Ted Mercer dismissed the class with prayer. Chairlady—Jan Ketelle; Secretary—Val Dunagan.

### **IMMANUEL BAPTIST CHURCH** **Nashville, Tennessee** **Saturday, November 13, 2004**

At 9:30 a.m., in the absence of the Chairman, Vice Chairman David Carlton led 49t to call the twentieth annual Sacred Harp singing at Immanuel Baptist Church to order. Darrell Holley offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: David Carlton 34b; Clayton Ezell 390, 300; Elder J.L. Hopper 503, 543; Gordon Wilkinson 217, 460; Sarah Smith 129, 75; Glenda Hopper 461, 81b; Sandie Scott 235, 282; Hibbard Thatcher 49b, 146.

#### RECESS

David Carlton called the class back to order leading 276.

The class went into a business session with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Tim Reynolds; Vice Chairman—David Carlton; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett; Chaplain—Sandie Scott.

Leaders: Gary Smith 31t, 565; Darrell Holley 59, 569b; Eric Wilson 30t, 168; Seth Holloway 145b, 388; Marilyn Burchett 551, 34t; Roy Turrentine, Spencer Turrentine, and Tim Hetrick 148, 99; Lewis Frost 86, 178; Heidi Nolen 457, 312b.

#### LUNCH

David Carlton brought the class back together for the afternoon session leading 278b. Leaders: Laurens Blankers 159; Gordon Wilkinson 434; Clayton Ezell 231; Seth Holloway 274t; Elder J.L. Hopper 275t; Sarah Smith 73t; Hibbard Thatcher 268; Gary Smith 73b; Lewis Frost 452; Glenda Hopper 273; Darrell Holley 81t; Eric Wilson 72b; Sandie Scott, Anna Laura Reeve, and Erin Reeve 225t; Marilyn Burchett 64; Heidi Nolen 448t; David Carlton 47b; Lewis Frost 547; Clayton Ezell 358; Laurens Blankers 334.

After announcements were made, David Carlton led 347 as the closing song, and in memory of Allen Fannin. The class was dismissed.

Chairman—Timothy J. Reynolds; Secretary—Marilyn Burchett.

### **DALLAS COUNTY SINGING** **First Primitive Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas** **Saturday, November 13, 2004**

The Dallas County annual Sacred Harp Singing was held at the First Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday before the second Sunday in November. The class was

called to order by Gary Rogan leading 48t and 46t. Tom Owen offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Cheryl Foreman 52t; Reed Coates 86; Billy Huckaby 217; Stephanie Turney 480; Bruce Rye 200; Waymon Minor 440; Esther Huckaby 270; Ryan Ross 406; Liz Owen 273; Leon Ballinger 195; Ben Brown 146; Emmie Morris 475; Scott Curran 455; Diane Ross 543; H.P. O'Mary 408; Sarah Huckaby 454; Gaylon Powell 377; Vivian Rogan 178; Chris Adams 288.

#### RECESS

Gary Rogan called the class back to order leading 99. Leaders: Tim McClain 143; Cissy Moseley 198; Donald Ross 546; Gracie Rhyne 63; Tom Owen 163t; Myra Palmer 436; Owen Ross 344; Catherine Rogan 215; Beverly Coates 448t; Josh McClain 39b; Katie Moseley 31t; John Beard 282; Terre Schill 383; Donn Howard 147t; Amanda Owen 39t.

Robert Vaughn conducted the memorial lesson, and read the names of the deceased: Essie Arnold, Billie Beard, and Jack Whitehead—Texas.

The names of the sick and shut-ins remembered were: Kelly Beard, Ernestine Pipkin, Curtis Owen, Edith Owen, Leland Owen, Ophelia Matthews, and Verna Powell. Robert Vaughn led 34t and closed the memorial.

Leaders: Jeb Owen 278; Mike Moseley 326; Bruce Coates 503; Myrl Jones 142; Avon Miller 187; Esther Huckaby 358; Robert Vaughn 230. Elder Bill Moseley offered prayer for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Bruce Coates called the class to order for the afternoon session leading 34b. Leaders: Mary Jane Butler 159; Leon Ballinger 168; Michelle Rogan 196; Junior Smith 332; Megan McLemore 47b; Gary Rogan 285t; Reed Coates 442; Waymon Minor 84; Ryan Ross 384; Emmie Morris 220; Scott Curran 203; Diane Ross 497; Chris Adams 276; Billy Huckaby 319; Stephanie Turney 547; Ben Brown 40; Liz Owen 328; Tim McClain 32t; Sarah Huckaby 176; Gaylon Powell 528.

#### RECESS

Mike Moseley led 532 to call the class back to order. Leaders: Josh McClain 329; Tom Owen 542; Myrl Jones 430; H.P. O'Mary 73b; Terre Schill 102; John Beard 58; Catherine Rogan 240; Donald Ross 499; Bruce Rye 56b; Amanda Owen 535; Owen Ross 225t; Vivian Rogan 82t; Avon Miller 302; Beverly Coates 362; Jeb Owen 472; Katie Moseley 68b; Robert Vaughn 387; Michelle Rogan 110; Cheryl Foreman 229.

Bruce Coates led 549 as the closing song. Gary Rogan offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Gary Rogan; Vice Chairman—Bruce Coates; Secretary—Cheryl Foreman.

### **STAPLEFORD SACRED HARP SINGING** **Stapleford, Nottingham, United Kingdom** **Saturday, November 13, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp Singing in Stapleford was called to order at 10.30 a.m. by Helen Brown leading 171. Ruth Steggle offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Ruth Steggle 47t; Dave Richardson 48t; Alice Metherall 47b; Rosalind Oldham 511t (CB); Jim Pfau 516 (CB); Judy Whiting 563 (CB); Hannah Cooper 68b; Ian West 32t; Carmel Wood 33b; Margaret Gillanders 573 (CB); Chris Brown 503 (CB); Sheila Girling Macadam 49b; Cath Tyler 390; Edwin Macadam 547; Phil Tyler 74b.

#### RECESS



Dave Richardson called the class to order leading 129. Leaders: Helen Brown 142; Alice Metherall 542 (CB); Jim Pfau 183 (CB); Rosalind Oldham 66; Judy Whiting 505 (CB); Hannah Cooper 454; Ian West 98 (CB); Carmel Wood 163b; Margaret Gillanders 544 (CB).

A memorial lesson was held. Helen Brown led 318 for the following deceased: Ken Robinson, David Spencer, Trevor, Gladys Reynolds, John Peel, June Colclough, Henry Ford, Margaret Page, Annie Brown, and Angie Payne; Allen Fannin—New York.

Jim Pfau led 155 (CB) for the following sick and housebound: Benjamin Kirkland, Mary Kellaway, Stan Whiting, Mick Whiting, Ivy Moore, Rick Kelley, James Oss, Eddie Thompson, Doon O'Riordan, Hazel Walker, and Zena; John Hocutt—Alabama.

Leaders: Phil Tyler 274t; Sheila Girling Macadam 488b (CB); Cath Tyler 522 (CB). Helen Brown offered thanks for the meal.

#### LUNCH

Ruth Steggles brought the afternoon session together leading 114. Leaders: Alice Metherall 189; Rosalind Oldham 575 (CB); Jim Pfau 480; Hannah Cooper 574 (CB); Chris Brown 159; Jill Thompson 504; Edwin Macadam 528; Judy Whiting 38t (CB); Carmel Wood 107; Margaret Gillanders 559 (CB); Ian West 411 (CB); Sheila Girling Macadam 365; Cath Tyler 477; Phil Tyler 442; Hannah Cooper 276; Ruth Steggles 106 (CB); Helen Brown 542; Alice Metherall 146; Chris Brown 38b.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Edwin Macadam leading 198. Leaders: Judy Whiting 373; Jim Pfau 186; Jill Thompson 99; Ian West 29t; Alice Metherall 209; Margaret Gillanders 478 (CB); Carmel Wood 86; Phil Tyler 340; Sheila Girling Macadam 148; Cath Tyler 373 (CB); Chris Brown 319; Hannah Cooper 133; Ruth Steggles 54t (CB); Dave Richardson 153.

Announcements were made. Helen Brown led 347 as the closing song. Simon White offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Helen Brown; Arranging Committee—Dave Richardson; Secretary—Margaret Gillanders.

## **JAMES RIVER CONVENTION** **Varina Masonic Lodge, Richmond, Virginia** **November 13-14, 2004**

**Saturday, November 13**

The thirteenth annual James River Convention was held on the second Sunday and Saturday before in November at the Varina Masonic Lodge in Richmond, Virginia. Chairman Gail Doss brought the class to order, welcomed everyone, and led 145b. Jim North offered the morning prayer. Blake Morris led 300; Lois Badey 34b; Mary Wright 290.

A business session was held with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—Blake Morris; Vice Chairman—Pat Temple; Treasurer—Lois Badey; Secretary—Mary Wright; Chaplains—Craig Baughan, Sandra Hack Polaski, and Jim North; Memorial—Craig Baughan; Arrangements—Lois Badey; Resolutions—Laura Densmore; Pitching—Blake Morris, Doron Henkin, John delRe, Paula Picton, and John Feddersen; Kitchen—Pat Temple, Stephen McMaster, Mary Langley, Laura Densmore, Jim North, and Judy North; Forms/flyers—Judy North; Registration—Norma Morris.

Leaders: Blake Morris 291; Kim Moreno 270; Joan Aldridge 276; Kevin Moreno 344; Gail Doss 148; Ernest Blake 49b; Craig Baughan 178; Lucy Roberts 288; Stephen McMaster 318.

Gail Doss introduced a representative from the “Voice of America” who received permission to record and conduct interviews.

Leaders: Erin Kelly 368; Jim Wantland 497; Laura Densmore 142; John delRe 70, 448t (by request); Liz Cusick 496; Nora Dunn 319; Pat Temple 473; Cathy Tucker 144; Don Polaski 454; Mary Ann Daly 474; Paula Picton 39t; Tom Tucker 331.

#### RECESS

The class was called together by Blake Morris leading 32t. Leaders: Doron Henkin 430; Kat Kinkade 528; Leyland delRe 157; Sandra Hack Polaski 192; Bev Oneida 440; Jim Strube 217; Mary Chris Harrison 71; Kim Moreno 448b; Frank Evans 66; Joan Aldridge 189; Kevin Moreno 31t; Gail Doss 38b; Ernest Blake 38t; Craig Baughan 347; Lucy Roberts 183; Stephen McMaster 269; Erin Kelly 481; Jim Wantland 254; Laura Densmore 29t; John delRe 30b Liz Cusick 168. Craig Baughan offered the blessing for the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

Blake Morris called the afternoon session together with 73b. Leaders: Nora Dunn 106; Pat Temple 282; Cathy Tucker 61; Kelly Macklin 240; Don Polaski 436; Mary Ann Daly 441; Paula Picton 573; Tom Tucker 480; Doron Henkin 193; Leyland delRe 151; Sandra Hack Polaski 268; Bev Oneida 362; Jim Strube 354b; Mary Chris Harrison 128; Fred Beardsley 81t.

#### RECESS

The session resumed with Stephen McMaster leading 63. Leaders: Mary Wright 303; Kim Moreno 179; Joan Aldridge 280; Frank Evans 64; Kevin Moreno 245; Lucy Roberts 82t; Lamar Matthew 317; Ernest Blake 84; Erin Kelly 111b; Jim Wantland 48b; Laura Densmore 236; Blake Morris 141; John delRe 272; Nora Dunn; Cathy Tucker 385; Doron Henkin 275; Blake Morris 56t.

A late afternoon session organized by Blake Morris featured new music and music from sources other than “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition.”

### Sunday, November 14

The Sunday session was called to order by Blake Morris leading 474. The opening prayer was offered by Jim North.

Leaders: Pat Temple 33t; Mary Wright 335; John Fedderson 385; Joan Aldridge 150; Ernest Blake 228; Lucy Roberts 198; Guy Banks 54; Erin Kelly 68b; Laura Densmore 53; Cathy Tucker 332; Don Polaski 300; Lynda Hambourger 453; Doron Henkin 564; Craig Baughan 569; Barbara Hohenstein 504; Tom Tucker 426; Clare Chapin 86.

#### RECESS

Blake Morris brought the class together leading 45t. Leaders: Miriam Kilmer 178; Tim Slattery 344; Peter Pate 475; Stephen McMaster 77b; Frank Evans 501; Sandra Hack Polaski 455; John Fedderson 192; Joan Aldridge 540; Ernest Blake 382; Lucy Roberts 209; Guy Banks 481; Pat Temple 373; Erin Kelly 553; Laura Densmore 542; Cathy Tucker 391; Don Polaski 446; Lynda Hambourger 318; Mary Wright 390; Lois Badey 47t.

Craig Baughan conducted the memorial lesson, stating that death was a division of trust and doubt, and we must trust in God. He reminded us that being cold from within may hinder us from ministering to those who are sick, and then led 122.

The deceased remembered were: Allan Fannin and Joyce Wheeler—New York; Nancy Mullenex and Mary Ann Williamson—Washington, D.C.; Hermon Lasyone—Louisiana; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Margaret Rennie and Jay Pace—Virginia; Art Broadus—North Carolina; Ada Mergus—Ohio; J.C. Hardin—Alabama.

The sick and shut-ins remember were: Marilyn Darch—California; Margaret Peckman—Florida; Carol Myers and Jean Richards—Pennsylvania; Carole Vance—

Virginia; Roxanna Mennella and Bronwyn Densmore—New York; Renita Mayes—Georgia; Susan Kelly—North Carolina; John Hocutt and Amanda Denson—Alabama. Craig Baughan concluded the memorial with prayer.  
Leaders: Tom Tucker 100; Clare Chapin 503. Jim North gave the blessing for lunch.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought together by Stephen McMaster leading 146.  
Leaders: Miriam Kilmer 378b; Guy Banks 352; Joan Aldridge 273; Peter Pate 346; Lucy Roberts 59; Tim Slattery 52; John Fedderson “Omagh”; Cathy Tucker 350; Hannah Polaski 299; Lynda Hambourger 448t; Laura Densmore 384; Barbara Hohenstein 457; Ernest Blake 448b; Frank Evans 315; Craig Baughan 324; Don Polaski 408; Pat Temple 400; Tom Tucker 215; Clare Chapin 484; Sandra Hack Polaski 112.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order. Leaders: Peter Pate 37b; Guy Banks 151; Miriam Kilmer 163; Joan Aldridge 269; Lucy Roberts 551; John Fedderson 306; Lynda Hambourger 189; Laura Densmore 83t.

The Treasurer expressed thanks for the financial support that enabled the convention to meet its expenses.

Laura Densmore gave the Resolutions Report thanking all of those without whom the convention would not have been a success: all officers and committee; those who cooked, brought food, and worked in the kitchen; those who handled the registration, forms, and flyers; and those who opened their homes to visitors. Thanks were given to God for the good weather, fine fellowship, and glorious music.

Leaders: Ernest Blake 203; Peter Pate 197; Tom Tucker 369; Tim Slattery 415; Cathy Tucker 510; Blake Morris 510, 62. A prayer of dismissal by Jim North concluded the convention.

The James River Convention will meet next year on the second Sunday and Saturday before in November, November 12-13, 2005.

Chairman—Blake Morris; Vice Chairman—Pat Temple; Secretary—Mary Wright.

## **OAK HILL BAPTIST CHURCH** **Oxford, Alabama** **Sunday, November 14, 2004**

The annual Sacred Harp singing at Oak Hill Baptist Church was held on the second Sunday in November. Billy Joe Harris called the class to order leading 33b and 503. Lonnie Rogers offered the morning prayer.

The class was organized with the following officers elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Billy Joe Harris; Secretary—Hester Edwards; Arranging Committee—Pearl Guier.

Leaders: B.M. Smith 123t, 73b; Pearl Guier 59, 127; Henry Johnson 205, 88t; LaRue Allen 314, 277; Stanley Edwards 425 (in memory of his grandfather, Arnold Edwards, and Lessie Cates); Floy Wilder 120, 432; Bud Oliver 145b, 39b; Daphene Causey 306,327; Richard Mauldin 276 (for Amanda Denson), 358 (for his father, Dick Mauldin).

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with B.M. Smith leading 222. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 571, 428 (for Otis Hester and Polly Hester); Louis Hughes 217, 201; Teenie Moody 203,384; Lonnie Rogers 225t, 318; Charlene Wallace 392,446 (for Amanda Denson); S.T. Reed 393,229; Betty Wright 565, 410t; Milton Oliver 270, 403.

#### RECESS

B.M. Smith led 136 to bring the class back to order.. Leaders: John Plunkett 137, 38t; Paige Harrod 112,192; Ed Thacker 291,431; Donna Wootten 56t, 74b; Rodney

Ivey 376, 411; Donna Bell 75, 97; Judy Chambless 378b, 81 b; Eugene Forbes 328, 496.

#### LUNCH

B.M. Smith brought the afternoon session to order leading 212. Leaders: Reba Windom 171, 186; James Wagoner and Rachel Wagoner 480, 354b; Elene Stovall 172, 436 (for Josie Hyde, Clarence McCool, and John Hocutt); Shelbie Sheppard 368, 142 (in memory of Ruth Brown); Robert Chambless 72b, 94; Louise Owen 143, 332; Cheyenne Ivey, Jessica Ivey, Paige Gilbert, and Savannah Ross 76b, 101t; Lou Cotney 300, 497; Evelyn Harris 155, 47t; Eunice Webb 475, 460; Jerry Creason 49b, 178; Sharon DuPriest and Rodney Ivey 196, 542; the class 294 (by request); Bill Windom and Reba Windom 358 (by request), 28b.

After announcements were made, Billy Joe Harris led 146 as the closing song. Louis Hughes offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—B.M. Smith; Vice Chairman—Billy Joe Harris; Secretary—Hester Edwards.

### **WEST YORKSHIRE SACRED HARP DAY**

#### **West Lane Methodist Church, Haworth, United Kingdom Saturday, November 20, 2004**

The second West Yorkshire Sacred Harp Day singing began at 10:00 a.m. with a singing class taught by Cath Tyler in which she led 33b and 107.

#### RECESS

The class was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Chris Brown leading 159. John Hopkinson offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Judy Whiting 503; Mick Verrier 49t; Ruth Steggles 171; Edwin Macadam 287; Margaret Gillanders 228; Hannah Cooper 49b; Paul Gailiunas 163b (for Jill Thompson); Helen Brown 39t; Isabelle Walker 84; Anna Stadward 299; Ros Oldham 473; Phil Tyler 300; David Stow 350; Sheila Girling Macadam 65; Cath Tyler 70b.

The memorial lesson was led by Sheila Girling Macadam, who read the names of the deceased, and led 146 in their memory: Gladys Reynolds, John Peel, Ron Walmsley, Eddie Thomson, Irene Land, Mark Tindall, Trevor Withall, Elizabeth Mary Phillips, David Spencer, Margaret Jackman, E. Wahlman, Venice Manley, Fred Greenwood, Marian Irvine, and Allen Fannin.

Phil Tyler spoke for the sick and housebound, read the list of names, and led 101t in their honor: Hazel Walker, Mary Kellaway, Stan Whiting, Mick Whiting, John Birmingham, James Oss, Rick Kelley, Constance Fishwick, Gladwys Carlin, Nora Hirschel, David Aizelwood, Jonathon Hayward, and John Powell. The memorial was closed. Judy Whiting led 68b.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was brought to order by Chris Brown leading 128 and 127.

Leaders: Ruth Steggles 476, 447; Mick Verrier 201, 383; Benny Ross 143; Edwin Macadam 186, 497; Margaret Gillanders 313b, 142; Hannah Cooper 40, 312b; Paul Gailiunas 196, 178; Judy Whiting 448b, 318.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Cath Tyler leading 34b and 532. Leaders: Helen Brown 47t, 556; Chris Brown "Forster 40" (Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music Part the Second), 277; Anna Stadward 107, 86; David Stow 354b, 452; Isabelle Walker 504, 272; Phil Tyler 37b, 454; Sheila Girling Macadam 198, 474.

A business meeting held in which it was decided to reconvene on the third Saturday of November, 2005.

Cath Tyler led 347 as the closing song. Helen Brown offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Secretary—Chris Brown.

## **WAKEFIELD MEMORIAL (GANUS, WILFORD, CLIFFORD, AND GENE)**

**Mt. Vernon Church (King School House), Natural Bridge, Alabama  
Sunday, November 21, 2004**

The thirty-fourth session of the Wakefield Memorial, in memory of Ganus, Wilford, Clifford, and Gene Wakefield, was held at Mt. Vernon Church in Natural Bridge on the third Sunday in November. Travis Keeton led 48t to bring the class to order. Marlin Beasley offered the morning prayer. Travis Keeton led 82t.

A business session was held with the class voting to retain the following officers: Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Hyde; Secretary—Josie Hyde; Arranging Committee—Faye Donaldson.

Leaders: Travis Keeton 129; John Hyde 73t, 297, 124; Sarah Smith 159, 317; Wilton Donaldson 100, 348t; Willodean Barton 63, 101t, 68b; Leon Ballinger 313b, 99, 112; Ivalene Donaldson 343; Velton Chafin 152, 225t; Marlin Beasley 378t, 512.

### **RECESS**

The class was brought back to order by John Hyde leading 61. Leaders: Margaret Keeton 499, 73b; Corene White 171, 403; Gary Smith 347, 565; Amber Davis 35 (for Edith Tate), 144 (for John Hocutt), 276 (for Margaret Keeton); Carla Morris 145t, 146; Earl Ballinger 120, 123t; Bridgett Hill 37b, 290, 475 (for John Hocutt); Ila Ingle 434, 436; Gravis Ballinger 49t, 78.

### **LUNCH**

The afternoon session was brought to order by Travis Keeton leading 111b. Leaders: Cecil Wakefield, Wayne Wakefield, Wendell Wakefield, Larry Wakefield, Nadine Willis, Clara Stults, Betty Baccus, Julie Poston, Helen Langston, Faye Donaldson, and Debra Wakefield 333, 134, 288 (in memory of the Wakefield family); Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 274t, 74b; Josie Hyde 426t, 477, 507 (for Hazel Wakefield, who was ill and unable to attend); Lisa Geist 428, 272; Linda Sides 454, 448t; Richard Mauldin 84 (for John Hocutt, Amanda Denson, and Clarence McCool, who are all on the sick list), 168 (for his dad, Dick Mauldin); Chris Ballinger 110, 270; Latrive Bailey 46, 143; Larry Ballinger 182, 282; Ottis Sides 97, 530; Steve Miles 480, 268; Debra Wakefield 546, 442; Ozella Blackmon 460, 172; Bridgett Hill 142; Leon Ballinger 424; Amber Davis 192; Glenn Keeton 45t; Richard Mauldin 43; Earl Ballinger 122; Steve Miles 234; Cecil Wakefield 496; Marlin Beasley 336; Linda sides 76b.

Travis Keeton and John Hyde led 566 as the closing song. Earl Ballinger offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Travis Keeton; Vice Chairman—John Hyde; Secretary—Josie Hyde.

## **ELDER AND MRS. JASON DAVIS MEMORIAL Harmony Primitive Baptist Church, Calhoun, Georgia Sunday, November 21, 2004**

The annual singing at Harmony Primitive Baptist Church in memory of Elder and Mrs. Jason Davis was called to order by Chairman Judy Mincey leading 59. John Hollingsworth offered the opening prayer. Chairman Judy Mincey led 47t.

Leaders: Ed Smith 379, 182; Lee Rogers 70t, 475; Jeannette DePoy 300, 171; Don Bowen 37b, 145b; Jennifer Kearns 358, 273; Tony Hammock 205, 89; Floyd Peters

and Mike Thompson 68b, 82t; Mike Thomson 81t, 384; Alan Pritchett 47b, 146; Bob Goodman 569b, 551.

In a business session, the class voted to retain the same officers, and then committee appointments were made: Chairman—Judy Mincey; Vice Chairman—Ed Smith; Secretary—Lee Rogers; Arranging Committee—Jeannette DePoy; Finance Committee—Don Bowen.

#### RECESS

Chairman Judy Mincey brought the class to order leading 467. Leaders: Andy Anderson 105, 49t; John Hollingsworth 49b, 36b; Floyd Bennett 503; Bob Mitchell 39b, 75; Scott DePoy 510 (in memory of his mother, Lois DePoy); Lela Crowder 166, 381; Phillip Langley 163, 222 (for his aunt, Geneva Prichard); B.M. Smith 346, 73b; Sandra Wilkinson 100 (for her father), 313t (for her mother); John Plunkett 313b, 133; Richard DeLong 74t, 44.

#### LUNCH

Judy Mincey opened the afternoon session leading 121. Leaders: Liz Bryant 546, 547; Laura Akerman 170, 385t; Sandra Wilkinson 186; John Plunkett 297; Phillip Langley 203; David Yeager 147t, 77b; Coy Coggins 274t; Lela Crowder 270; Richard DeLong 399b; Mike Thomson 532; Jennifer Kearns 479; Don Bowen and Tom Hawkins 45t; Andy Anderson 268; Bob Goodman 497; Alan Pritchett 490; Tony Hammock 148; Floyd Peters and Mike Thomson “Leaning on the Everlasting Arm”; Bob Mitchell 235; Jimmy Williams 163b; Gene Callan 282.

Chairman Judy Mincey and Vice Chairman Ed Smith led 323t as the closing song. Ed Smith offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Judy Mincey; Vice Chairman—Ed Smith; Secretary—Lee Rogers.

### **ALABAMA SACRED HARP MUSICAL CONVENTION** **Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church,** **Birmingham, Alabama** **November 27-28, 2004** **Saturday, November 27**

The one hundred-fifth session of the Alabama State Sacred Harp Musical Convention met at Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday and Saturday before in November. Chairman Henry Johnson called the class to order at 9:00 a.m. leading 61, extended a welcome to everyone, and then led 338. Ron Harper offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Max Berueffy 138t; Elene Stovall and Linda Thomas 186; Bud Oliver and Cassie Franklin 73t; Shelbie Sheppard and Richard DeLong 202; Rodney Ivey and Don Bowen 389; Richard Mauldin 144 (for John Hocutt); Samuel Sommers 112; Linton Ballinger 306; Margaret Keeton 276; Ron Harper 40; Josie Hyde 477; Earl Ballinger 460; Herby Bailey 347; Terry Hullett 63; Seth Holloway 388; Corene White 314; Edward Howton 436; Kelly Macklin 291; Arlon Gardner 457.

#### RECESS

Henry Johnson brought the class to order leading 147b. Leaders: Jeff Sheppard 454; Mike Thompson 82; Daryl Chesney 569b; John Plunkett 569t; Faye Donaldson 430; Lou Cotney 218; B.M. Smith 373; Debbie Wakefield 432; Stanley Smith 532 (for Edith Tate); Tim Cook 531; Will Allred 340; Alex Makris 358; Coleman Berueffy 84; Caleb Allred 300; T.J. Willard 36b; Rachael Allred 192; Brooks Berueffy 332; Seth Allred 37b.

#### RECESS

Max Berueffy led 157 to bring the class to order. Leaders: Tim Reynolds 492; Judy Caudle 528; Syd Caldwell 224; Linda Sides 328; Leon Ballinger 299; Ashley Keeton and Pamela Baker 171; J.L. Hopper 461; Jenny Willard 318; George Seiler 183; Leyland delRe 151; Louis Hughes 348b; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 335; Milton Oliver 270; Rene Greene 200; Ernest Phillips 434; Hershell King and Rodney Ivey 410t; Donna Bell 87; Frank Strickland 339; Kermit Adams 99; Bobby Watkins, Mercy Watkins, and April Watkins 76b; Jean Seiler 217; Bill Stewart 480; Kenneth Fannin and Carol Fannin 290. Sam Sommers offered the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class was brought together for the afternoon session by Bud Oliver leading 145b. Leaders: Larry Ballinger 182; Allison Ivey and Richard Ivey 187; Jerry Enright 183; Henry Johnson 138b.

It was moved and seconded to go into a business session for the purpose of electing officers. The following officers were elected and committees appointed: Chairman—Max Berueffy; Vice Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Secretaries—Linda Thomas and Elene Stovall; Arranging Committee—Allison Ivey, Bud Oliver, Linton Ballinger, and Cassie Franklin; Memorial Committee—Shelbie Sheppard and Keith Willard; Finance Committee—Rodney Ivey and Don Bowen; Resolutions Committee—John Plunkett and Bridgett Hill; Chaplain—George Seiler.

A move was made and seconded to close the business session.

Leaders: Cindy Tanner 198; Coy Ivey 384; Lynne deBenedette 442; Daphene Causey and Sharon DuPriest 402; LaRue Allen 142; Laura Clawson 542; Ted Mercer 93; Joan Aldridge 228; Cheryl Foreman 546; Floy Wilder 535; Keith Willard 441; Reba Dell Windom 216; Karen Freund 385b; Amber Davis 380; John delRe 296; Jennifer Allred 269; Bridgett Hill 168; Bob Meek 236; Lisa Geist 273.

#### RECESS

The class resumed singing with Vice Chairman Larry Ballinger leading 57. Leaders: Pam Nunn 137; John Hyde 43; John Redmon 445; Lela Crowder 166; David Yeager 240; Stephen McMaster 77b; Judy Mincey 571; Penny Kujawinski 352; Marilyn Burchett 108b; Jeannette DePoy and Sarah Leflar 566; William Shetter 547; Lou Kujawinski 32t; Travis Keeton 203; Scott Swanton 108t; Lee Rogers 540.

Announcements were made. Chairman Max Berueffy led 56t for the closing song. Chaplain George Seiler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

#### Sunday, November 28

The Sunday morning session began at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Max Berueffy leading 34b. Chaplain George Seiler offered the morning prayer.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Larry Ballinger 136; Secretaries Linda Thomas and Elene Stovall 345b; Bud Oliver, Allison Ivey, and Linton Ballinger 146; Rodney Ivey and Don Bowen 283; John Plunkett and Bridgett Hill 37b; Shelbie Sheppard and Keith Willard 106; Chaplain George Seiler 68b; Jackie Tanner 111b; Hubert Nall 135; Nate Green and Norma Green 539; Ila Ingle 436; Eugene Forbes 155; Gary Smith 31t; Julietta Haynes 192; James Wagner, Rachel Wagner, and Marie Wagner 480; Liz Meitzler 49b; Sarah Beasley Smith 129; Doron Henkin 564; J.C. Rutledge 569b; Dennis George 318.

#### RECESS

Cassie Franklin brought the class together leading 222. Leaders: Kenneth Tate 498; Jewel Wootten 460; Wayne Jones 30t; John Etheridge 500; John Daniel delRe 313b; Ron Farris 282; Willie Mae Moon 225t; Edith Tate and Kenneth Tate 73t; Nora Parker 394; Marlin Beasley 512; Tommy George 300; Paul Wilson 284; Kyle Blakeley 313t; Jackson Harcrow 35; Ed Thacker 486; Loyd Ivey 424.

#### RECESS

The class was brought together by David Ivey leading 371. Leaders: Marlon Wootten 426; Becky Briggs 234; Syd Caldwell 353; Joel Jenkins, Sarah Jenkins, Richard Ivey, and Brittany Lea 171; Judy Caudle 254; Louis Hughes 448; Carla Morris 143; Steve Adams 401; Leon Ballinger and Gravis Ballinger 99; Wanda Capps and Sharon DuPriest 212.

Keith Willard and Shelbie Sheppard conducted the memorial lesson. Keith Willard read the words from Phillips Farwell, song on page 549. Keith Willard and Shelbie Sheppard led 547 for the deceased and 312t for the sick and shut-ins.

The deceased remembered were: G.L. Hinton, Virginia Easter, Elvin Guthrie, Gladys Simmons, Christal Crocker, Mavis Price, Ovada Phillips Carr, Ronnie Meadows and J.C. Hardin—Alabama; Rev. Loyd Toney, Marshall Avery, Estelle Flowers, and Barbara DePoy—Georgia; Mary Craig—Texas; Allen Fannin—New York; Betty Haas—Arkansas; Cheryl Doehler—New Jersey; Lois DePoy and Tom DePoy—Indiana; Harriett Freeman and Geneva Jackson—Massachusetts.

The sick and shut-ins remembered included: Clarence McCool, Amanda Denson, John Hocutt, Gladys McGraw, Reby Stanford, Nick Griffin, Alice Edwards, Sherry Guthery, Daphene Causey, Tommie Spurlock, Flarce Creel, Harrison Creel, Lois Stanson, Terry Wootten, Sheila Wootten, Beau Caldwell, Dan Brittann, Kelly Beard, Ernestine Pipkins, Richard Shipman, Lester Shipman, Willie Mae Gilmore, Violet Thomason, Hugh McGraw, Donnie McGraw, Elsie Beasley, I.V. McWhorter, Floyd Massey, and Fay Thompson. Richard Mauldin closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Shane Wootten 393; Judy Mincey 475; Glenn Keeton, Elizabeth Keeton, and Ashley Keeton 215; Alex Makris 405; John Hyde and Travis Keeton 297; Jean Seiler 315. George Seiler offered the blessing on the noon meal.

#### LUNCH

The class was brought back together for the afternoon session by Chairman Max Berueffly leading 330b. Leaders: Jerry Enright and Karen Freund 77; Cindy Tanner 391; Susan Harcrow 426b; Lisa Geist 327; Samuel Sommers 422; Daphene Causey 434; Jennifer Allred and Lela Crowder 442; David Light 200; Reba Dell Windom 196; Amber Davis 224; Laura Clawson and Lynn deBenedette 430; Joan Aldridge 189; Richard DeLong 411; LaRue Allen 302; Ted Mercer 195; Jenny Willard 392; Henry Johnson 70b; Cheryl Foreman 272; Stephen McMaster 319; Lou Kujawinski and Penny Kujawinski 53.

#### RECESS

The class was brought together by Richard Mauldin and Bridgett Hill leading 378t. Leaders: Bob Meek 137; John Redman 503; David Yeager and Nancy Yeager 489; Bill Shetter 474; Kelly Macklin, John delRe, and Leyland delRe 419; Jeff Sheppard and Shelbie Sheppard 29b; Adrian Nall 358; Lee Rogers 138; Josie Hyde 507; Phil Summerlin 97; Marilyn Burchett 29; Kermit Adams and Emily Jones 294.

A motion was made and seconded to go into a business session for the purpose of hearing reports from committees.

The Resolutions Committee, John Plunkett and Bridgett Hill, submitted their report. James 1:17 states, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights..." So, with this in mind, we resolve to thank first our Father God for His grace and traveling mercies.

We thank each officer, each committee member, and each volunteer who have worked tirelessly in order to assure the success of this convention.

We thank Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church for its open doors. And finally, we thank each of you for lending your voice for this occasion.

A special Resolution was presented by Jerry Enright. Be it resolved that the Alabama State Sacred Harp Convention wishes to express its deep gratitude to Walter and



Nora Parker for their many years of dedicated service for 25 editions of the Minute Book; and propose that we have a plaque made to state this.

A motion was made and seconded to the resolution, and unanimously approved.

The Finance Committee Report was presented by Linda Thomas. A balance of \$3,195.66 was brought forward; a collection for two days was received in the amount of \$1,493.65, for a total of \$4,689.31. Expenses were: supplies and food \$934.40; gifts to the church \$250.00; cleaning of church \$75.00; minutes \$60.00. Total expenses \$1,319.40. The balance after expenses is \$3,369.91.

Elene Stovall presented the Secretaries Report stating that there were: 183 persons registered from 21 states; there were 115 leaders who led 105 songs on Saturday; and 111 leaders led 89 songs on Sunday; for a total of 226 leaders leading 194 songs. A moved was made and seconded to approve the reports as given and to adjourn the business session.

Announcements were made. Max Berueffy and Larry Ballinger led 62 as the closing song as those who wished took the parting hand. George Seiler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Max Berueffy; Vice Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Secretaries—Linda Thomas and Elene Stovall.

## **SACRED HARP MUSICAL HERITAGE ASSOCIATION** **Annual Meeting** **Saturday, November 27, 2004**

The annual meeting of the Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association (SHMHA) was held at Mount Pleasant Home Primitive Baptist Church on Saturday, November 27th. Approximately 50 members were present. President Jeff Sheppard called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., welcomed the assembly, and thanked the members for their support this past year. Secretary David Ivey provided the following report to the assembly.

The Sacred Harp Musical Heritage Association was delegated the responsibility for the publication, printing, and distribution of the Directory and Minutes of Sacred Harp Singings by the Alabama State Sacred Harp Convention in 1999. Minutes for 213 singings/conventions were submitted for publication in the 2003/2004 Directory and Minutes book. A total of 257 boxes (containing ten books each) were provided to the singings/conventions for distribution. The number of books distributed in 2004 was approximately 3,000.

Several sections have been added to the Directory and Minutes book through the years, including a very important addition in the 2003/2004 book. The “Historical Memorial” section lists the names of deceased singers, places of burial, and their dates of birth and death. We encourage you to submit this information for deceased singers who are not presently included.

The secretaries of singings and conventions were thanked for their work in recording minutes and submitting them on time. Secretaries were requested to limit the length of descriptions of resolutions reports and memorial lesson reports so that the overall length of the “Directory and Minutes” book would not become too large. It was noted that the electronic submittals have been a large help in reducing data entry.

The first Camp Fasola was held on June 29—July 3, 2003 at Camp Lee near Anniston, Alabama. A total of 73 full time campers from 18 states were represented. Of those 73 campers, 22 were youth. The second Camp Fasola was held in 2004 on June 28—July 2. A total of 115 campers and teachers attended. Of the 115 campers, 42 were 18 years of age and under; and eight were between the ages of 19 and 30.

The curriculum ranged from basics/rudiments through advanced topics of Sacred Harp music; leading; history; keying; decorum; arts and crafts; recreation; lemonade-

making; purple/pink food and packing lunches to carry to a singing; and lots of singing, fellowship, and food! The attendance of so many youth at this year's camp was very rewarding and encouraging. It is especially thrilling to have so many of these young people attending singings, leading, and even carrying out the duties of leadership at singings.

The third annual camp will be held at Camp Lee in 2005 on June 27th—July 1st. For more information, <http://fasola.org/camp>

Thanks was expressed to the organizations and individuals who have made contributions in support of SHMHA and Camp Fasola over the past five years: Alabama State Council on the Arts; the Joe Beasley Memorial Foundation; the Sacred Harp Publishing Company; memorial gifts; and donations from many individuals. Janet Herman and Jane Hancock were acknowledged for contributing "In Sweetest Union Join" CD sets in 2000 as a major fundraiser. Keith and Jenny Willard were acknowledged for contributing Alabama State Convention tapes. Bethanne Hill, Max Berueffy, and Elene Stovall were acknowledged for their support to SHMHA through sales of Bethanne's beautiful print "Pleasant Hill." Susan Harcrow, John Plunkett, Rodney Ivey, and Joyce Walton were acknowledged for assembling a valuable historical record of the United Sacred Harp Musical Association and making these available for contributions to SHMHA. The grandchildren of George Pullen Jackson: Pam Helms, Jo Pendleton, Ellen Jackson, and Susan Martin, were acknowledged for their contributions of multiple copies of three of Dr. Jackson's out-of-print books. These will be offered for sale as a fundraiser in the coming months.

The 2004 financial report was presented with handouts provided to all members present. All receipts and expenses were itemized. Shelbie Sheppard presented an overview of the financial status of SHMHA. The report recognized contributors and a grant from the Alabama State Council on the Arts.

Several members made positive and encouraging remarks about the activities and projects of SHMHA, including Mr. Richard Mauldin and Mr. George Seiler. President Jeff Sheppard made concluding remarks and adjourned the meeting. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Sam Sommers.

SHMHA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, incorporated in Alabama, whose purpose is the perpetuation and preservation of Sacred Harp singing and its traditions. SHMHA's interests include singing schools, singings/conventions, traditional singing practices, and the history and traditions of Sacred Harp. We encourage you to help SHMHA with your time, talents, and financial support. All contributions are tax deductible. Without your support, SHMHA projects would not be possible.

President—Jeff Sheppard; Secretary—David Ivey.

**FLORIDA STATE CONVENTION**  
**Holiday Inn, Panama City, Florida**  
**December 4-5, 2004**  
**Saturday, December 4**

The thirty-seventh session of the Florida State Convention was held at the Holiday Inn in Panama City, Florida on the first Sunday and Saturday before in December. Chairman Larry Ballinger brought the class to order leading 119. The opening prayer was offered by Harrison Creel.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Russ Scholz 82; Secretary Jewell Rowland 143; Victoria Aplin 122; Aubrey Barfield 220; Jeff Sheppard 497; Lisa Geist 192; Ford Bulger 225t; Sarah Smith 32t; Bob Bonnell 285t; Margaret Spurlock 268t; Billy Kelley 505; Mary Ellen Schrock 500; Linton Ballinger 306. The memorial committee was appointed.

## RECESS

The singing resumed with Max Berueffy leading 88t. Leaders: Wilton Donaldson 335; Daphene Causey 137; Gary Smith 336; Nate Green and Norma Green 244; Judy Caudle 98; Frank Hataway 395b; Reba Windom 559; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 89; Leon Ballinger 507b; Lois Bonnell 63; Tommie Spurlock 146; Shelbie Sheppard 290; Frank Strickland 508; Eva Padgett 47b.

## RECESS

John Etheridge called the class back together leading 86. Leaders: Coy Ivey 449; Liz Sheppard 87; Bobby Watkins, Mercy Watkins, and April Watkins 348t; Bill Aplin 68t; Sue Bunch 229; Paul King 100; Flarce Creel 345; Ernest Cockcroft 77t; Elsie Moon 414; Marlin Beasley 276; Ellen Gwynn 282; Gravis Ballinger 270; Genny Whitworth 91; Morgan Bunch 384; Wanda Capps 142; Joe Nall 186. Chairman Larry Ballinger led 369, and Harrison Creel asked the blessing on the food.

## LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by Larry Ballinger leading 572. Leaders: Harrison Creel 54t; Ann Jett 515; John Etheridge 96; Wayne Jones 70b; Max Berueffy 156; Uel Freeman 571; Bill Farris 401; Loretta Jones 292b; Bill Hogan 567; Juanita Hill 84; Agnes Farris 378t; Russ Scholz 179.

## RECESS

The class was called to order with Aubrey Barfield leading 358 (for Pauline Pruett). Leaders: Nellie Alexander 101t; Becky Briggs 111b; Margaret Keeton 359; Morgan Bunch 30t; Jeff Sheppard 225b (by request); Lisa Geist 224; Ford Bulger 558; Sarah Smith 519b; Ellen Gwynn 49b; Joe Nall 272; Eva Padgett 120; Frank Hataway 138t; Frank Strickland 367; Genny Whitworth 436.

Announcements were made. Chairman Larry Ballinger led 323 as the closing song. Russ Scholz offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

## Sunday, December 5

The convention was called to order by Chairman Larry Ballinger leading 49t. The opening prayer was led by Russ Scholz.

Leaders: Vice Chairman Russ Scholz 575; Secretary Jewell Rowland 341; Victoria Aplin 270; Aubrey Barfield 140 (for Stanley Smith); Bob Bonnell 478; Linton Ballinger 340; Reba Windom 573; Sue Bunch 511; Coy Ivey 505, 137; Tommie Spurlock 183; Flarce Creel 559; Paul King 168; Lisa Geist 222; Marlin Beasley 393; Elsie Moon 404; Morgan Bunch 171.

## RECESS

Larry Ballinger brought the class to order leading 39; Harrison Creel led 355; and Lois Bonnell led 82.

The memorial lesson was conducted by the Memorial Committee. Marlin Beasley reminded us that this a time we set aside to sing in memory of our friends that we have loved, cherished, and sung with over the years. We remember the sparkle in their eyes and the influence they had on us and Sacred Harp music. They are singing with perfection in a better land.

The Memorial Committee led 45t in memory of the deceased and 134 in honor of the sick and shut-ins. The deceased remembered were: J.C. Harden, Ruth Tindall, Abby Chesser, Horace Nall, James Slaughter, Estelle Flowers, Kay White, Christal Crocker, and Mavis Price.

The sick and shut-ins remembered were: Pauline Pruett, Lois Stanson, Kennon Smith, Kelly Beard, Ernestine Pipkin, Edith Tate, Bill Green, Buefa Green, Faye Jones, Eldora Moody, John Hocutt, Clarence McCool, Elsie Beasley, Mamie Riley, Joyce Walton, Jap Walton, and Cliffie Windom. Bill Aplin closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Leon Ballinger 280; Wanda Capps 200; Jeff Sheppard 57; Mark Banschback 334; Marvin Reeves 31t; Judy Caudle 410; Max Berueffy 540; Tim Jones 276; Glenn Keeton and Elizabeth Keeton 274; Gravis Ballinger 112; Nate Green and Norma Green 433; Joyce Randall 573; Mary Ellen Schrock 505; Bobby Watkins 36b. The class sang 369, and Harrison Creel asked the blessing on the food.

#### LUNCH

The afternoon session was called to order by John Etheridge leading 133. Leaders: Wayne Jones 313; Gary Smith 501; Bill Aplin 466; Loretta Jones 144; John Etheridge 450; Ann Jett 516; Becky Briggs 179; Sarah Smith 323; Juanita Hill 81; Margaret Spurlock 108b; Bob Bonnell 75; Sue Bunch 63; Paul King 47b; Mary Ellen Schrock 500; Marlin Beasley 199.

New officers were appointed for next year: Chairman—Russ Scholz; First Vice Chairman—Mike Jones; Second Vice Chairman—John Etheridge.

Announcements were made. The officers led 527 for the closing song. Tommie Spurlock offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—Larry Ballinger; Vice Chairman Russ Scholz; Secretary—Jewell Rowland.

## **JOE BEASLEY MEMORIAL SINGING** **Concord Primitive Baptist Church, Winfield, Alabama** **December 11-12, 2004** **Saturday, December 11**

The tenth annual Joe Beasley Memorial Singing was called to order by Marlin Beasley leading 32t. The morning prayer was offered by Elder J.L. Hopper.

Marlin Beasley explained the order of singing for the day: the first session would be from “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition”; the second session from “The B.F. White Sacred Harp, 1992 Revised Cooper Edition”; the third session from the “Christian Harmony”; and the fourth session from the “Lloyd Hymnal”; closing with “The Sacred Harp, 1991 Edition” as time allowed. Marlin Beasley then led 40t.

The following officers were elected or appointed to serve: Chairman—John Beasley; Vice Chairman—Richard Schmeidler; Secretary—Sandie Scott; Arranging Committee—Josie Hyde.

Leaders: John Beasley 33b; Richard Schmeidler 66; Sandie Scott 282; Loretta Whitman 106, 124; Ivalene Donaldson and Wilton Donaldson 145b; Brenda Merritt 142; Tim Reynolds 81b; Nellie Reynolds 81t; Lee Bradley 35; Cathryn Baker and Marlin Beasley 270; Travis Keeton 75, 129; Charlotte Ehrman 448b; Jim Helke 212; Julietta Haynes 200, 216; Tim Cook 152.

#### RECESS

“The B.F. White Sacred Harp, 1992 Revised Cooper Edition” was used in the second session. Leaders: John Merritt 386; Sarah Beasley Smith 519b; Gary Smith 507b; Jimmie Gilmore and Pam Baker 505; George Seiler 488; Becky Beasley Briggs and David (Chug) Beasley 571; Elder J.L. Hopper 149; Judy Caudle 98; John Redman 303, 196 (LD); Glenda Hopper 410. The blessing for lunch was offered by Elder J.L. Hopper.

#### LUNCH

The “Christian Harmony, Alabama Edition” was used in this session. Marlin Beasley called the class to order leading 216. Leaders: Mako Cook 70b, 67b; Roy Turrentine 59t; Brenda Merritt 131; Elder J.L. Hopper, Glenda Hopper, and Judy Caudle 172; Velton Chafin 59b, 117; Dorothea McGowan 248; Josie Hyde and John Hyde 77; Tim Cook 36t, 322; Mako Cook 82b.

#### RECESS

The “Lloyd’s Hymnal” was used for the final session. Leaders: Jimmie Gilmore and Pam Baker 333; Jim Helke 305; Marlin Beasley 424, 382, 440; Elder J.L. Hopper 6; Ann Beasley Ballard 380; Cora Beasley Sweatt 151 (NHC); Jean Seiler 217 (SH); John Beasley and Richard Schmeidler 46 (SH).

After announcements were made, Elder J.L. Hopper dismissed the class with prayer.

### **Sunday, December 12**

Richard Schmeidler called the class to order leading 34b. The morning prayer was offered by Danny Creel. Leaders: Sandie Scott 176t; Josie Hyde 475; Wilton Donaldson 229; Becky Beasley Briggs 460; Robert Chambless 63; Cathryn Baker 186; James Wagner and sons (James and John) 79, 480; Amanda Denson 142; David Carlton 134; Brenda Pena 99; John Hyde 124; Virginia Douglas 268; Lee Bradley 334; Elizabeth Keeton 335; Max Berueffy 517; Charlotte Ehrman 344; Jim Helke 532; Emily Creel 384; John Plunkett 225b; Faye Donaldson 406; Guy Bankes 54; Jean Seiler 273; John Merritt 196; Bridgette Hill 383; Ricky Beasley 39t.

### **RECESS**

The class resumed singing with John Beasley leading 67. Leaders: Danny Creel 222; Judy Chambless 55; George Seiler 159; Brenda Merritt 192; John Redman 57; Jayne Fulmar 300; Richard Mauldin and Ruby Mauldin 358; Sarah Beasley Smith 129; Glenn Keeton 285t; Julietta Haynes 172; David Beasley 47b; Travis Keeton 392; Richard Schmeidler 254; Marlin Beasley 498. The blessing for the noon meal was offered by George Seiler.

### **LUNCH**

Travis Keeton brought the afternoon session to order leading 343. Leaders: Earl Ballinger 270; Dorothea McGowan 218; David (Chug) Beasley 61; Amber Davis 440; Larry Ballinger 223.

The memorial lesson was held with Sarah Smith speaking for the deceased, and Jim Helke leading 235 in their memory.

Gary Smith spoke for the sick and shut-ins, and John Plunkett led 330b in their honor. Amanda Denson led 385b, by special request. Danny Creel closed the memorial with prayer.

Leaders: Warren Steel 376; Cora Beasley Sweatt 127; Ila Ingle 145b; Alvin (Bunk) Beasley 81t; Lisa Geist 546; Dustin McGowan and James Wagner, Jr. 354b; Nellie Alexander 340; Loretta Whitman 143; Gary Smith and his father (Floyd Smith) 565; Ann Beasley Ballard 318; Juanita Beasley and Marlin Beasley 152; Seth Holloway 388.

After announcements were made, John Beasley and Richard Schmeidler led 146 as the closing song. George Seiler offered the closing prayer, and the class was dismissed.

Chairman—John Beasley; Vice Chairman—Richard Schmeidler; Secretary—Sandie Scott.



# SACRED HARP SINGERS

## HISTORICAL MEMORIAL PROJECT

This is the first version of an ongoing project to document the names of prominent, lifelong Sacred Harp singers and supporters with their dates of birth and death and location of burial. We plan to continue to print this listing in future years. Please send your contributions to Shelbie at: [minutes@fasola.org](mailto:minutes@fasola.org). (Please note that this historical project is not extended to family members and friends who are not Sacred Harp singers and supporters.)

### A

**Rev. Everetta Aaron**

d. May 17, 1978  
New Hope Cemetery  
Walker County, Alabama

**J.L. Abrams**

b. January 9, 1905  
d. January 10, 1997  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Leslie Abrams**

b. April 7, 1908  
d. September 19, 1964  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Andrew W. Adams**

b. December 3, 1884  
d. October 30, 1965  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**E. Elcaney Adams**

b. January 14, 1863  
d. November 15, 1934  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Jamima Adams**

b. September 8, 1859  
d. December 20, 1939  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Jessie A. Adams**

b. October 1, 1890  
d. December 7, 1973  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Maude Godsey Adams**

b. April 8, 1896  
d. May 24, 1985  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Merrell B Adams**

b. October 8, 1924  
d. August 4, 1944  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Mina Godsey Adams**

b. October 11, 1886  
d. November 11, 1967  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Ralph Adams**

b. September 8, 1922  
d. August 4, 1988  
Shady Grove P.B.Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**W.E. Adams**

b. October 18, 1882  
d. May 26, 1961  
Rock Creek Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Grady Albright**

d. November 17, 1994  
Muscadine Cemetery  
Muscadine, Alabama

**Matthew Lane Albritton**

b. January 26, 1924  
d. December 25, 2001  
Bethlehem P.B.C. Cemtery  
Chicora, Florida

**Allie Mae Aldridge**

b. 1909  
d. May 14, 2003  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**D.M. Aldridge**

b. August 17, 1901  
d. July 28, 1986  
Johnson School House  
Fayette Co., Alabama

**Marie Creel Aldridge**

b. March 22, 1917  
d. August 6, 2000  
Tri-Cities Mem. Garden  
Florence, Alabama

**Alvin Alexander**

b. May 26, 1911  
d. September 23, 1990  
Weaver Family Cemetery  
(Escambia Co.)  
East Brewton, Alabama

**Della Blakeley Alexander**

b. April 29, 1884  
d. April 25, 1967  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**J.B. Alexander**

b. January 14, 1862  
d. September 11, 1894  
Moodys Chapel Cemetery  
Etowah County, Alabama

**John Monroe Alexander**

b. October 4, 1882  
d. June 29, 1966  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Maudine Daniel Alexander**

b. May 12, 1926  
d. October 3, 1989  
Oakhill Cemetery  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Roie Alexander**

b. July 31, 1923  
d. September 19, 2001  
Oakhill Cemetery  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Savannah Harris Alexander**

b. January 28, 1863  
d. July 18, 1944  
Moody's Chapel Cemetery  
Etowah County, Alabama

**Colbie Allen**

d. November 26, 1995  
Alabama

**Maudie Anderson**

b. July 15, 1904  
d. November 20, 1974  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Conola (Okie) Austin**

b. May 30, 1924  
d. November 8, 2001  
Pleasant Ridge B.C.  
Whiteplains, Calhoun Co.,  
Alabama

**Harvey E. Austin**

b. May 11, 1925  
d. September 5, 2003  
Pleasant Ridge B.C.  
Whiteplains, Calhoun Co.,  
Alabama

**Ben Avery**

1916-1988  
Bacon Level (Randolph Co.)  
Roanoke, Alabama

**Bill Avery**

1912-1974  
College Park, Georgia

**Elder H.R. (Roy) Avery**

1906-1999  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**Elder Marshall Douglas Avery**

b. April 30, 1918  
d. October 29, 2004  
Meadow Garden  
LaGrange, Georgia

**Elma Duck Avery**

1910-2003  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**J.A. (Jim) Ayers**

b. February 28, 1905  
d. December 3, 1987  
City Cemetery  
Bowdon, Georgia

**Lilly Belle Ayers**

b. January 12, 1906  
d. January 25, 2001  
City Cemetery  
Bowdon, Georgia

**B****Basha Baines**

b. August 17, 1903  
d. March 28, 1963  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Charlie W. Baines**

1898-1992  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**John T. Baines**

b. December 22, 1894  
d. August 20, 1973  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Marion Baines**

b. October 23, 2896  
d. 1957  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Suley A. Baldy**

b. December 21, 1891  
d. December 25, 1958  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Troy Dan Baldy**

b. July 22, 1915  
d. December 25, 1986  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**William D. Baldy**

b. August 13, 1888  
d. March 24, 1967  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**James Lavaughn Ballinger**

b. January 25, 1928  
d. April 22, 2003  
Bethel Baptist Church  
Fayette, Alabama

**Etma Barton**

b. October 23, 1903  
d. July 25, 2004  
Poplar Springs Primitive  
Baptist Church  
Lamar Co. (near Millport),  
Alabama

**Lydia Phillips Baswell**

b. June 10, 1916  
d. November 29, 2001  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Fred Cecil Battles**

b. April 12, 1909  
d. November 16, 1989  
Bethlehem B.C. Cemetery  
Gallant, Alabama

**Hettie Brothers Battles**

b. April 24, 1910  
d. November 11, 1977  
Bethlehem B.C. Cemetery  
Gallant, Alabama

**Emma Keeton Beasley**

b. July 9, 1909  
d. August 12, 1967  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**J. Belton Beasley**

b. February 17, 1902  
d. January 20, 1977  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**Joseph (Joe) Beasley**

b. March 15, 1929  
d. October 5, 1995  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**J.T. (Tom) Bell**

Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Hattie Berry**

b. February 5, 1900  
d. June 7, 1988  
Winston Memorial  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Willie Berry**

b. October 7, 1896  
d. May 10, 1968  
Winston Memorial  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Wynelle Morris Birchfield**

1930-1992  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama



**Ms. Jessie Lee Bishop**  
1893-1977  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**Alpha Ophelia Black**  
b. 1912  
d. July 25, 2003  
Liberty Cemetery  
Helicon, Alabama

**Dura C. Blackmon**  
b. February 8, 1902  
d. October 4, 1994  
Holly Springs PBC  
Near Bremen, Georgia

**Fannie Blackmon**  
b. August 16, 1886  
d. April 7, 1981  
Holly Springs PBC  
Near Bremen, Georgia

**H. Martin Blackmon**  
b. December 23, 1888  
d. February 24, 1996  
Holly Springs PBC  
Near Bremen, Georgia

**Newton D. Blackmon**  
b. May 2, 1886  
d. September 10, 1958  
Holly Springs PBC  
Near Bremen, Georgia

**Bura Phillips Blackwood**  
b. December 21, 1908  
d. April 13, 1983  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Robert M. Blackwood**  
b. September 30, 1904  
d. January 16, 1994  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Catherine Cornelius  
Blakeley**  
b. April 1, 1859  
d. December 11, 1933  
Antioch Methodist Church  
Oneonta, Alabama

**John Blakeley**  
b. March 4, 1867  
d. March 16, 1930  
Antioch Methodist Church  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Gedie Blaylock**  
1881-1976  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Ruth Dorris Blaylock**  
1896-1976  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Gladys Bonds**  
b. April 14, 1921  
d. August 25, 2004  
Shady Grove Primitive  
Baptist Church  
Double Springs (Winston  
Co.), Alabama

**Ezra C. Bowen**  
b. May 25, 1905  
d. July 9, 1993  
Napeolon Church of Christ  
Woodland, Alabama

**Lawrence Boyd**  
1877-1952  
Antioch Methodist Church  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Jencie Barker Boyd**  
b. June 18, 1890  
d. February 20, 1958  
Antioch Methodist Church  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Mollie Obera Bradford**  
b. March 13, 1896  
d. January 28, 1976  
Gum Pond Church Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Myrtle Alexander Brothers**  
b. February 21, 1907  
d. July 1, 1987  
Bethlehem P.B. Church  
(Etowah Co.)  
Gallant, Alabama

**Virgil Brothers**  
b. November 2, 1901  
d. October 9, 1991  
Bethlehem P.B. Church  
(Etowah Co.)  
Gallant, Alabama

**Joe Thomas Brower**  
b. March 7, 1890  
d. October 12, 1966  
Memorial Park  
Ada (Pontotoc Co.),  
Oklahoma

**John Sanders Brower**  
b. April 3, 1838  
d. September 14, 1923  
Hopewell Cemetery  
Pinevalley (Yalobusha Co.),  
Mississippi

**Leman B. Brown**  
b. May 16, 1907  
d. May 27, 1992  
Hillcrest Cemetery  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Ruth Burnham Brown**  
b. August 4, 1910  
d. May 20, 2003  
Hillcrest Cemetery  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Mary Lou Jackson Burks**  
b. February 28, 1900  
d. December 18, 1990  
New Harmony Cemetery  
Lomax, Alabama

**Jerry M. Burnes**  
b. September 23, 1887  
d. March 27, 1967  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Frank Burns**  
b. October 1, 1876  
d. January 28, 1968  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Hattie Burns**  
b. October 6, 1897  
d. October 27, 1981  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Nannie J. Burnham**  
b. June 23, 1873  
d. June 7, 1952  
Hillcrest Cemetery  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Robert H. "Uncle Bob"  
Burnham**  
b. May 3, 1870  
d. July 14, 1964  
Hillcrest Cemetery  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Agnes Beasley Burns**  
b. May 17, 1905  
d. May 5, 1992  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**John Henry Busby**  
b. 1914  
d. February 26, 2003  
Concord Cemetery  
Henagar, Alabama

## C

**Alfred Marcus Cagle**  
b. October 5, 1884  
d. December 19, 1968  
New Georgia Church  
Cemetery  
near Villa Rica (Pauling Co.),  
Georgia

**Hazel Morris Cagle**  
1928-1996  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

**Inez Lee (2nd wife of A.M.)  
Cagle**  
New Georgia Church  
Cemetery  
near Villa Rica (Pauling Co.),  
Georgia

**John Manuel Cagle**  
b. September 20, 1900  
d. April 25, 1988  
Rock Creek Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Maggie Denson Cagle**  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**W. K. (Kim) Cagle**  
1921-1998  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

**OVADA PHILLIPS (daughter of  
George) Carr**  
b. June 13, 1925  
d. October 28, 2004  
Crestview Cemetery  
East Gadsden, Alabama

**Willie Mae Carroll**  
b. May 25, 1908  
d. October 31, 1971  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Lessie Albright Cates**  
b. January 8, 1913  
d. February 11, 1995  
Muscadine Cemetery  
Muscadine, Alabama

**Walker B. Cates**  
b. February 11, 1908  
d. February 23, 1984  
Muscadine Cemetery  
Muscadine, Alabama

**Jimmy Causey**  
b. September 13, 1925  
d. February 18, 1997  
Hillview Memorial Park  
Alexander City, Alabama

**Elder J.C. Champion**  
1855-1930  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**Annie Chandler**  
b. January 3, 1902  
d. May 15, 1981  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**J.E. Chandler**  
b. February 19, 1895  
d. April 4, 1982  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Edna "Roxie" Chesser**  
b. 1908  
d. October 30, 2003  
Sardis Cemetery  
Chesser Island, Okefenokee  
Swamp, Georgia

**Susie L. Harmon Christian**  
b. January 29, 1878  
d. October 13, 1955  
Macedonia P.B.C.  
Chambers Co., Alabama

**Andrew Alexander Clay**  
b. March 16, 1902  
d. January 26, 1971  
Oak Grove Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Odell Cleveland**  
b. 1912  
d. December 13, 1995  
Evergreen Cemetery  
Sylacauga, Alabama

**Clellan Cobb Cobb**  
Alabama

**Forney Cobb**  
d. June 1, 1995  
Alabama

**Pauline Hopper Cobbs**  
b. December 18, 1919  
d. March 19, 1990  
Gum Pond Church Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**George Elliot Cox**  
b. August 23, 1921  
d. January 31, 2002  
Memorial Hill Gardens  
Cemetery  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**Mary Caig**  
d. December 3, 2003  
Henderson, Texas

**Charlie Oliver Creel**  
b. October 1, 1890  
d. June 26, 1981  
Alabama

**Thomas Hayden Creel**  
b. June 15, 1930  
d. March 6, 1998  
Oakwood Cemetery  
(Masonic section)  
Gardendale, Alabama

**Aver Crider**  
d. October 31, 1995  
Alabama

**Lindsey Crider**  
d. October 31, 1994  
Alabama

**Silas Curtis**  
b. December 29, 1899  
d. January 1, 2002  
Union Grove Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

## D

**Lillian Ruth Northcutt  
Daffron**  
b. May 26, 1916  
d. August 8, 2002  
Tuscaloosa Memorial Park  
Cem.  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**Floyd Davis**  
1896-1978  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Wilma Keeton Davis**  
b. January 13, 1907  
d. April 30, 1971  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Ananias Davisson**

b. February 2, 1780  
d. October 21, 1857  
Massanutten Cross Keys  
Cemetery  
Cross Keys (Rockingham  
Co.), Virginia

**Ann Deason**

d. October 17, 2003  
Centerville, Alabama

**J.C. Deason**

b. December 25, 1910  
d. February 11, 1992  
Little Hope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**John Deason**

b. December 30, 1905  
d. July 30, 1975  
Old Pleasant Hill Cumberland  
Presbyterian Church  
Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Mary Sovella Elam Deason**

b. September 9, 1884  
d. November 19, 1968  
Little Hope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Wiley Ezra Deason**

b. March 9, 1879  
d. September 24, 1962  
Little Hope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Lewis Everette Denney**

b. November 1, 1915  
d. December 29, 2002  
Carroll Memory Garden  
Carrollton, Georgia

**Amanda Burdette (1st wife  
of T.J.) Denson**

b. January 7, 1861  
d. September 19, 1910  
Fairview M.B. Church  
Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Colonel Paine Denson**

b. October 8, 1882  
d. January 30, 1955  
Fairview M.B. Church  
Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Howard Denson**

b. August 4, 1897  
d. July 17, 1950  
Fairview M.B. Church  
Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**James M. (brother of Levi)  
Denson**

b. 1816  
d. 1850's  
Louisiana

**Levi Phillip Denson**

b. 1819  
d. December 22, 1889  
Arbacooshee  
Arbacooshee, Alabama

**Lola Mahalia Akers (2nd  
wife of T.J.) Denson**

b. May 29, 1878  
d. September 17, 1971  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**Owell W. Denson**

b. December 6, 1912  
d. January 24, 1969  
Nesmith Methodist Church  
Winston County, Alabama

**Robert E. "Bob" Denson**

b. August 12, 1892  
d. August 30, 1983  
Pisgah Church Cemetery  
Addison (Winston Co.),  
Alabama

**S. Whitt Denson**

b. February 25, 1890  
d. May 17, 1964  
Nesmith Methodist Church  
Winston County, Alabama

**Seaborn McDaniel (son of  
Levi) Denson**

b. April 9, 1854  
d. March 19, 1935  
Mt. Pisgah (Winston Co.)  
near Nesmith, Alabama

**Sydney Burdette (wife of  
S.M.) Denson**

b. October 11, 1853  
d. May 2, 1928  
Mt. Pisgah (Winston Co.)  
near Nesmith, Alabama

**Thomas Jackson (son of  
Levi) Denson**

b. January 20, 1863  
d. September 14, 1935  
Fairview M.B. Church  
Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Lois Dodson**

b. November 21, 1891  
d. April 27, 1981  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**Bessie Donaldson**

b. October 24, 1907  
d. May 30, 1943  
Liberty Grove Missionary  
Baptist Church  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Wiley Donaldson**

b. April 9, 1905  
d. September 24, 1975  
Liberty Grove Missionary  
Baptist Church  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Adeline E.B. Dorris**

b. February 13, 1855  
d. January 1, 1923  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Rev. W.M. Dorris**

b. June 1, 1863  
d. March 27, 1920  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Lazarus "Lay" Dowling**

b. February 27, 1829  
d. February 17, 1919  
High Bluff Church Cemetery  
Big Creek (Brantley Co.),  
Georgia

**Jesse Franklin Dryden**

b. September 23, 1895  
d. October 10, 1969  
Muscadine Cemetery  
Muscadine, Alabama

**Joseph Vaughn Dryden**

b. 1948  
d. July 4, 2003  
Muscadine Cemetery  
Muscadine, Alabama

**Roxie Haney Duffey**  
b. August 18, 1958  
d. January 18, 1999  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Harry Dumas**  
d. November 3, 1994  
Georgia

**C.C. Dyer**  
b. June 1, 1900  
d. November 21, 1990  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Carrie Lee Dyer**  
b. October 16, 1895  
d. April 29, 1927  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Esther G. Dyer**  
b. January 24, 1907  
d. May 26, 1964  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**W.A. Dyer**  
b. October 6, 1893  
d. June 28, 1969  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

## E

**Virginia Myers Easter**  
b. November 27, 1940  
d. January 15, 2004  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**Cecil Edwards**  
b. July 23, 1912  
d. February 21, 2001  
Pine Grove Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Ruth Denson Edwards**  
b. July 3, 1893  
d. April 25, 1978  
Fairview M.B. Church  
Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Joseph W. Elder**  
b. March 22, 1831  
d. November 8, 1913  
Union Cemetery  
Cheaha Mountain (Clay Co.),  
Alabama

**Rosa Ann Elizabeth  
DeLoach Hill Elder**  
b. November 12, 1844  
d. May 24, 1917  
Union Cemetery  
Cheaha Mountain (Clay Co.),  
Alabama

**Sarah Jane Manning Elder**  
b. April 1, 1834  
d. August 12, 1886  
Union Cemetery  
Cheaha Mountain (Clay Co.),  
Alabama

**Elder Vernon Estes**  
1934-2000  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

## F

**Myrtice Mann Faircloth**  
1926-2000  
Columbus, Georgia

**Allen Fannin Fannin**  
b. November 1, 1939  
d. September 12, 2004  
Body was Cremated  
New York

**Colonel Franklin Fannin**  
b. March 10, 1868  
d. June 28, 1954  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Harvey Lee Fannin**  
b. September 18, 1900  
d. July 14, 1979  
Colombia, Tennessee

**Lougaina Adams Fannin**  
b. November 18, 1888  
d. October 6, 1981  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Raymond Otis Fannin**  
b. May 1, 1912  
d. November 21, 2000  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Robert Misseldine Fannin**  
b. April 2, 1902  
d. August 28, 1997  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Sara L. Fannin**  
b. September 25, 1875  
d. January 7, 1918  
Pleasant Ridge P.B.C.  
Russellville, Alabama

**Clinton Faulkner**  
1915-1998  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Hazel Estelle Sheppard  
Flowers**  
b. April 28, 1916  
d. April 22, 2004  
Pleasant Grove Cemetery  
Moultrie, Georgia

**Annie Wallace Forbes**  
1893-1960  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Betty Rosser Forbes**  
1936-2000  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Byron Forbes**  
1924-1968  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Chester Forbes**  
1890-1975  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Foy Federick**  
b. January 16, 1906  
d. July 6, 1974  
New Hope Cemetery  
Sipsey, Alabama

**Martha Myers Frederick**  
b. August 30, 1919  
d. January 19, 2003  
New Hope Cemetery  
Sipsey, Alabama

**Paul Frederick**  
b. July 8, 1922  
d. April 20, 2002  
Maple Hill Cemetery  
Huntsville, Alabama

**Thomas LaFayette Futural**  
b. November 28, 1921  
d. November 16, 2003  
Smyrna Cemetery  
Goodwater, Alabama

## G

**Alice Merritt Gant**  
b. January 15, 1904  
d. May 19, 2003  
Woodlawn Cemeter  
Nashville, Tennessee

**Carrie Pope Garner**  
b. December 26, 1907  
d. May 14, 2003  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Lola Akers Denson Gibbs**  
1878-1971  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**Ruby Sheppard Gibson**  
b. April 19, 1913  
d. October 14, 1995  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

**T.A. (Thurman) Gibson**  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

**Will Gifford**  
Mountain Home Cemetery  
Henagar, Alabama

**Lavada McGough Gilmore**  
b. June 6, 1940  
d. January 21, 1994  
New Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Runie Glover**  
b. October 24, 1901  
d. January 13, 1994  
Mabson Methodist Church  
Ozark, Alabama

**Ada Fannin Godsey**  
b. December 12, 1907  
d. September 16, 1998  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Clinton L. Godsey**  
b. December 4, 1907  
d. February 15, 1993  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Emley J. Godsey**  
b. October 25, 1863  
d. January 28, 1919  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Era T. Godsey**  
b. June 17, 1897  
d. February 14, 1986  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**George Ann Godsey**  
b. May 6, 1878  
d. October 4, 1934  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Herbert H. Godsey**  
b. May 22, 1908  
d. January 14, 1981  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Howard H. Godsey**  
b. December 16, 1909  
d. March 2, 1991  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Jasper Godsey**  
1883-1948  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Joseph Acey Godsey**  
b. March 20, 1901  
d. January 23, 1974  
Pleasant Hill B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Levi W. Godsey**  
b. November 25, 1884  
d. September 9, 1974  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Louis Godsey**  
b. November 26, 1875  
d. August 9, 1941  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Lucretia Adams Godsey**  
b. September 12, 1886  
d. July 4, 1965  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Martha J. Fannin Godsey**  
b. November 12, 1905  
d. June 23, 1968  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Palmer Godsey**  
b. September 11, 1898  
d. August 17, 1983  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Robert W. Godsey**  
b. May 2, 1865  
d. May 3, 1932  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Ruthie E. Godsey**  
1889-1974  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Ted Godsey**  
d. February 15, 1995  
Alabama

**Ira W. Gray**  
b. August 21, 1896  
d. January 9, 1981  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Herbert Chester Green**  
b. November 17, 1894  
d. April 19, 1960  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Lois Majorie Green**  
b. May 8, 1929  
d. February 18, 1995  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Nettie Alcedora Phillips Green**  
b. June 9, 1897  
d. November 12, 1984  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Rev. William David Green**  
b. September 14, 1872  
d. June 1, 1964  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

## H

**Ada (wife of John Newton) Hamrick**  
b. July 2, 1893  
d. February 3, 1975  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Eldora P. (wife of Isaas T.) Hamrick**  
b. July 24, 1916  
d. December 2, 1997  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Horace C. Hamrick**  
b. October 18, 1912  
d. September 24, 1993  
Sardis Church Cemetery  
Macon, Georgia

**Isaac T. Hamrick**  
b. April 12, 1912  
d. November 29, 1965  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**John Newton Hamrick**  
b. July 30, 1886  
d. August 25, 1972  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Willa Mae Lacy Haney**  
b. March 31, 1934  
d. June 23, 1997  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**J.C. Harden**  
b. February 3, 1906  
d. May 20, 2004  
Ramah Baptist Church  
Banks, Alabama

**Annie Harper**  
b. September 27, 1905  
d. July 4, 1989  
Elmwood Cemetery  
Birmingham, Alabama

**Arthur M. (Mack) Harper**  
b. October 22, 1901  
d. September 27, 1984  
Winston Mem. Cemetery  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Grady Harper**  
b. July 22, 1915  
d. August 13, 1971  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Joe Harper**  
b. April 13, 1895  
d. March, 1949  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Martha Keeton Harper**  
b. January 9, 1889  
d. March 4, 1962  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Minervia Harper**  
b. September 1, 1901  
d. April 29, 1996  
Winston Mem. Cemetery  
Haleyville, Alabama

**Tom Harper**  
b. September 1, 1903  
d. November 21, 1996  
Elmwood Cemetery  
Birmingham, Alabama

**Cleo Cook Hawkins**  
b. March 5, 1907  
d. August 21, 1998  
Bruce Cemetery  
Bruce, Mississippi

**Lydia Avery Hawkins**  
b. November 30, 1907  
d. December 7, 2002  
Wehadkee Cemetery  
Rock Mills, Alabama

**Ralph Heath**  
b. January 22, 1914  
d. June 19, 1999  
Mabson Methodist Church  
Ozark, Alabama

**Kizzie Beasley Henderson**  
b. February 1, 1895  
d. August 18, 1987  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

**Nelda Henry**  
b. April 12, 1936  
d. September 4, 2004  
Hillview Memorial Park  
Alexander City, Alabama

**Bertha Parker Henson**  
b. July 29, 1904  
d. June 4, 1995  
Walker Memorial Gardens  
Jasper, Alabama

**Jack Hicks**

**Viola Hicks**  
d. April 11, 1994

**Eddie Hill**  
b. July 12, 1911  
d. January 3, 2002  
Macedonia M.B. Church  
Webster County, Mississippi

**Grove Lebron Hinton**  
b. 1913  
d. May 3, 2004  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**Violet Denson Hinton**  
b. February 13, 1915  
d. August 7, 1989  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

**Carlton Hitchcock**  
d. December 1, 1994  
Georgia

**Vena Holley**  
b. 1906  
Rabbittown Baptist Church  
Rabbittown (Calhoun Co.),  
Alabama

**Annice Hyatt Holmes**  
b. April 18, 1904  
d. June 14, 1963  
Bethel Methodist Church  
Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Buddy Holt**  
1880-1953  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Della Holt**  
1883-1974  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Izella Nickles Hopper**  
b. September 5, 1901  
d. April 26, 1978  
Bethel Methodist Church  
Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Lama E. Hopper**  
b. July 14, 1894  
d. November 26, 1985  
Bethel Methodist Church  
Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Marvin W. Hopper**  
b. March 16, 1922  
d. May 17, 1989  
Bethel Methodist Church  
Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Willard O. Hopper**

b. September 15, 1927  
d. May 19, 2000  
Gum Pond Church Cemetery  
Eva, Alabama

**Lona Godsey Horton**

b. March 19, 1894  
d. August 12, 1984  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Robert J. Horton**

b. June 10, 1890  
d. November 5, 1965  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Karen E. House**

b. March 18, 1968  
d. June 12, 2000  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Dr. James Levert Howell**

b. June 16, 1917  
d. May 23, 2002  
Tuscaloosa Memorial Park  
Cem.  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**Dollie Corley DeLong****Hudgins**

b. June 6, 1918  
d. November 28, 1999  
Ebenezer PBC Cemetery  
Dunwoody, Georgia

**J.C. Hughes**

b. December 3, 1909  
d. December 2, 1990  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Kathleen Hughes**

b. July 10, 1915  
d. March 17, 1993  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**J.C. (Jimmy) Hullett**

b. February 7, 1922  
d. October 5, 1974  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Arville Hyatt**

b. November 19, 1927  
d. January 2, 1995  
Bethlehem P.B. Church  
(Etowah Co.)  
Gallant, Alabama

**I****Andrew Ivey**

b. June 1, 1903  
d. August 10, 1987  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Eulas Ivey**

b. January 7, 1907  
d. February 23, 1981  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Helen Ivey**

b. January 14, 1906  
d. March 19, 1995  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**J****Carl Jackson**

b. August 30, 1899  
d. January 7, 1965  
Ephesus Church Cemetery  
New Site, Alabama

**Dana Jackson**

d. March 15, 1994  
Georgia

**Elizabeth Gammill Jackson**

b. November 27, 1936  
d. July 11, 1901  
Columbia Co., Arkansas

**Henry (Doc) Jackson**

d. June, 1995  
Alabama

**John Andrew Jackson**

b. April 9, 1818  
d. February 2, 1860  
Columbia Co., Arkansas

**L.D. "Dovy" Jackson**

b. 1905  
d. July 17, 2002  
Shady Grove (Keeton  
Cemetery)  
Winston County, Alabama

**Pearl Jackson**

b. March 10, 1901  
d. June 20, 1993  
Ephesus Church Cemetery  
New Site, Alabama

**Thomas Jefferson Jackson**

b. December 24, 1863  
d. January 2, 1931  
New Harmony Cemetery  
Lomax, Alabama

**Ira James****Joseph S. James, Jr.****Joseph Stephen James**

b. March 20, 1849  
d. 1931

**Eula Smith Johnson**

b. March 20, 1910  
d. September 20, 2001  
Anniston Memorial Gardens  
Anniston, Alabama

**Erma Mann Jones**

b. 1906  
d. January 14, 1995  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**George W. Jones**

b. January 4, 1898  
d. April 3, 1977  
Heflin Cemetery  
Heflin, Alabama

**William Lee Jones**

b. June 3, 1915  
d. October 23, 1987  
Lower Cane Creek Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Addie Junkin**

b. September 2, 1887  
d. July 19, 1948  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Arthur Junkin**

b. May 15, 1888  
d. November 21, 1969  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Lucille Sudduth Junkin**

b. October 22, 1914  
d. March 16, 2003  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Mattie T. Junkin**

b. March 19, 1882  
d. October 29, 1977  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Milton Junkin**  
b. January 15, 1883  
d. August 22, 1954  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

## K

**Ben Keeton**  
b. December 25, 1901  
d. July 26, 1993  
Keeton Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Mary E. Keeton**  
b. August 15, 1876  
d. September 20, 1955  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Simeon A. Keeton**  
b. June 26, 1873  
d. August 7, 1932  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Colonel Gipson (Uncle Tobe) Keith**  
b. June 4, 1852  
d. December 5, 1926  
Mountain Home Cemetery  
Sand Mountain (DeKalb Co.),  
Alabama

**Andrew J. "Uncle Jack" Kerr**  
b. August 24, 1872  
d. March 23, 1970  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Henry Kerr**  
b. May 12, 1896  
d. March 30, 1994  
Upper Cane Creek M. Cem.  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Elias L. King**  
1828-1876  
Columbia, Georgia

**Joel King**  
1809-1871  
Columbia, Georgia

**Edna Mae Knowles**  
Rest Haven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

## L

**John M. Lacy**  
b. November 10, 1869  
d. January 24, 1958  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**L.C. (Lindbergh) Lacy, Jr.**  
b. August 29, 1932  
d. July 9, 1999  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Leonard C. Lacy**  
b. October 25, 1902  
d. February 3, 1993  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Margie Peek Lacy**  
b. August 20, 1911  
d. October 8, 1993  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Maude Lacy**  
New Home Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Noah Lacy**  
b. April 11, 1908  
d. July 12, 1993  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Nora Ivey Lacy**  
b. March 21, 1905  
d. September 11, 1967  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Wallace Lacy**  
New Home Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Harrison Newton Lambert**  
b. June 21, 1878  
d. October 15, 1967  
Holly Springs Cemetery  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Homer N. Lambert**  
b. August 24, 1900  
d. October 17, 1959  
Holly Springs Cemetery  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Ludie McWhorter Lambert**  
b. December 21, 1898  
d. May 13, 1976  
Holly Springs Cemetery  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Maggie H. Lambert**  
b. December 30, 1882  
d. May 22, 1953  
Holly Springs Cemetery  
near Bremen, Georgia

**James T. (Jimmy) Little**  
b. February 3, 1910  
d. February 18, 1980  
Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Oxford, Alabama

**Willie E. (Bill) Little**  
b. January 15, 1908  
d. February 16, 1990  
Bethlehem Baptist Church  
Oxford, Alabama

**Cora Tee Livingston**  
b. December 17, 1913  
d. October 20, 1993  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Lois S. Livingston**  
b. August 12, 1908  
d. April 21, 1982  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Murry L. Livingston**  
b. June 9, 1908  
d. January 13, 1985  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**M.W. Lovvorn**  
b. September 7, 1881  
d. May 31, 1982  
City Cemetery  
Carrollton, Georgia

**Oscar Lowe**  
b. January 8, 1901  
d. October 14, 1984  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Vera Alexander Lowe**  
b. October 23, 1904  
d. October 24, 1976  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama



## M

### **Alonzo A. Malone**

b. December 6, 1915  
d. September 23, 2003  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Evie W. Malone**

b. June 15, 1901  
d. January 21, 1984  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Jones R. Malone**

b. November 25, 1873  
d. February 13, 1964  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **W.D. Malone**

b. September 24, 1899  
d. March 4, 1982  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Annie Mann**

1892-1990  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

### **Hoyt Mann**

1918-1979  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

### **J.B. "Tobe" Mann**

1861-1962  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

### **Moses Lee Mann**

1888-1982  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

### **Maxine Mann Marlett**

1922-2002  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

### **James F. Martin**

b. June 29, 1890  
d. June 2, 1979  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

### **James Verble Martin**

b. August 3, 1914  
d. March 8, 1993  
Pleasant Hill B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

### **John Homer Martin**

b. February, 1880  
d. April 17, 1963  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

### **Mary Evie Martin**

b. June 26, 1893  
d. June 16, 1976  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

### **Mary Jane Martin**

b. March 13, 1850  
d. July 17, 1943  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

### **Oneal Mathis**

1910-1991  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **W.B (Bill) Matthews**

Pauling Co. between  
Dallas & Villa Rica, Georgia

### **Tommye Denson Mauldin**

b. August 6, 1916  
d. September 6, 2001  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

### **Iris Mann Mayfield**

1921-1969  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

### **Evie Lee Sheppard May**

b. May 21, 1910  
d. August 15, 1945  
Pleasant Grove Cemetery  
Moultrie, Georgia

### **Martha Beasley Mays**

b. December 12, 1893  
d. December 3, 1982  
Winfield City Cemetery  
Winfield, Alabama

### **Elder J.W. McCool**

b. December 18, 1885  
d. October 14, 1957  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Elizabeth McCool**

b. March 3, 1849  
d. February 24, 1913  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **F.M. McCool**

b. October 10, 1844  
d. August 15, 1922  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Lizzie McCool**

b. September 17, 1886  
d. November 9, 1940  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Lyda Abrams McCool**

b. December 24, 1891  
d. April 21, 1975  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **M. Ida McCool**

b. June 7, 1879  
d. May 22, 1972  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Mabel E. McCool**

b. February 6, 1909  
d. July 15, 1990  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Robert L. McCool**

b. September 29, 1906  
d. May 12, 1970  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Sarah Springer McCool**

b. June 21, 1913  
d. June 28, 1999  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

### **Thomas Floyd McCool**

b. March 3, 1909  
d. July 16, 1989  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Walker McCool**  
b. October 30, 1893  
d. February 6, 1942  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Will N. McCool**  
b. December 10, 1880  
d. October 9, 1962  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Zelma Dyer McCool**  
b. December 30, 1901  
d. April 1, 1936  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Dewey McCullar**  
b. June 11, 1898  
d. December 28, 1970  
New Hope Cemetery  
Sipsey, Alabama

**Ellen McGarity**  
b. August 8, 1906  
d. February 27, 1995  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Henry McGarity**  
b. January 22, 1900  
d. October 1, 1970  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Ila Mann McGhee**  
1903-1998  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**A.C. McGough**  
b. February 20, 1927  
d. January 8, 2001  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Ethel Harper McGough**  
b. March 9, 1924  
d. January 20, 2002  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Buford McGraw**  
Mt. Zion Methodist Church  
Mt. Zion, Georgia

**Henry Newton (Bud) McGraw**  
b. November 18, 1884  
d. January 27, 1969  
Mt. Zion Methodist Church  
Mt. Zion, Georgia

**Octavia Bishop (wife of T.B.) McGraw**  
West View Cemetery  
Atlanta, Georgia

**Thomas Beatrice (Tom) McGraw**  
b. July 15, 1892  
d. November 13, 1970  
West View Cemetery  
Atlanta, Georgia

**Ellen Lorene Ayers McGuire**  
b. February 13, 1910  
d. May 25, 1976  
City Cemetery  
Bowdon, Georgia

**Euckled Ivy McGuire**  
b. March 17, 1901  
d. May 18, 1981  
City Cemetery  
Bowdon, Georgia

**Amma McLendon McWhorter**  
b. May 28, 1899  
d. May 5, 1990  
Stripling Chapel  
Carrollton, Georgia

**Jessie Pearl Groover McWhorter**  
b. August 30, 1903  
d. November 6, 1990  
Antioch Cemetery  
Abernathy, Alabama

**John Clyde McWhorter**  
b. September 8, 1887  
d. December 16, 1954  
Buttram Family Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Luther McWhorter**  
1908-1965  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Martha Jane McWhorter**  
b. March 14, 1861  
d. October 3, 1931  
Mt. Paran Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Millard F. McWhorter**  
b. July 5, 1902  
d. April 21, 1981  
Antioch Cemetery  
Abernathy, Alabama

**Millard Filmore McWhorter**  
b. November 21, 1858  
d. March 16, 1946  
Mt. Paran Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Carrie Wakiefield (daughter of J.J.) Mobley**  
b. September 9, 1891  
d. November 11, 1969  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Camilla Yates Morris**  
1889-1977  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**Elder Arnslow W. Morris**  
1908-1985  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

**Elvin Deason Morris**  
b. July 31, 1913  
d. September 20, 2003  
Memorial Hill Gardens  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**Janie Yates Morris**  
1882-1948  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**Kenneth L. Morris**  
1915-1978  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

**Lon Morris**  
1931-1884  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**Sinie F. Morris**  
1917-1980  
Resthaven Mem. Gardens  
Lanett, Alabama

**Robert (Willie Bob) Morrison**  
b. April 19, 1918  
d. April 17, 1978  
Green Hill Memorial  
Gardens  
Childersberg, Alabama

**Rodger Morrison**  
b. September 15, 1943  
d. January 5, 1997  
Pratville Cemetery  
Prattville, Alabama

**Joe Myers**  
b. March 10, 1887  
d. November 19, 1965  
New Hope Cemetery  
Sipsey, Alabama

## N

**Bud Nix**  
b. September 16, 1893  
d. August 24, 1985  
Old Flatwoods Cemetery  
Nauvoo, Alabama

**Arneis Webb Norton**  
d. June 9, 1995

**Arvie M. Norton**  
b. December 13, 1915  
d. October 12, 2003  
Forestlawn Gardens  
Mausoleum  
Anniston, Alabama

**Garnett Norton**  
b. October 7, 1914  
d. May, 1983  
Forestlawn Gardens  
Anniston, Alabama

**Vera Denson Nunn**  
b. October 17, 1913  
d. June, 1989  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Jasper, Alabama

## O

**Emma Oliver**  
b. November 11, 1871  
d. April 3, 1966  
New Bethel  
Near Collinsville (Cherokee  
Co.), Alabama

**Laura Oliver**  
b. August 6, 1894  
d. March 24, 1960  
New Bethel  
Near Collinsville (Cherokee  
Co.), Alabama

**W.A. Oliver**  
b. May 28, 1893  
d. February 20, 1962  
New Bethel  
Near Collinsville (Cherokee  
Co.), Alabama

**W.S. Oliver**  
b. June 24, 1866  
d. October 18, 1948  
New Bethel  
Near Collinsville (Cherokee  
Co.), Alabama

## P

**Alvin Parker**  
b. November 22, 1908  
d. August 14, 1997  
Fellowship Cemetery  
Cullman Co., Alabama

**Asberry Parker**  
b. September 2, 1897  
d. January 16, 1969  
Odom Memorial Cemetery  
Parrish, Alabama

**Charles D. Parker**  
b. January 20, 1881  
d. April 2, 1978  
Elmwood Cemetery  
Birmingham, Alabama

**Irene Kitchens Parker**  
b. May 30, 1924  
d. March 23, 1987  
Odom Memorial Cemetery  
Parrish, Alabama

**Leldon Parker**  
b. April 3, 1913  
d. April 1, 1987  
Fellowship Cemetery  
Cullman Co., Alabama

**Luther Parker**  
b. November 25, 1900  
d. May 11, 1992  
Fellowship Cemetery  
Cullman Co., Alabama

**Nathaniel (Nat) Parker**  
b. October 21, 1880  
d. December 3, 1965  
Brushy Pond Cemetery  
Cullman Co., Alabama

**W.A. Parker**  
b. October 3, 1889  
d. April 1, 1991  
Elmwood Cemetery  
Birmingham, Alabama

**Elder Ira M. Patty**  
b. November 23, 1924  
d. October 21, 1967  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**Earl David Pelfrey**  
b. August 12, 1907  
d. January 14, 1985  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Artie Brothers Phillips**  
b. January 12, 1889  
d. November 5, 1968  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**George D. Phillips**  
b. December 7, 1887  
d. July 6, 1970  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Jane Peoples Phillips**  
b. February 17, 1932  
d. September 5, 2003  
Oak Hill Cemetery  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Ruby Phillips**  
b. February 22, 1919  
d. August 16, 2000  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Virgil Phillips**  
b. August 10, 1916  
d. March 29, 2000  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Bessie Pearl Fannin Pinkard**  
b. August 31, 1894  
d. June 29, 1960  
Russellville, Alabama

**E.A. "Gus" Pope**  
b. August 3, 1881  
d. January, 1957  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Etta Pope**  
b. May 1, 1884  
d. February, 1967  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Gilbert Pope**

b. September 28, 1910  
d. November 16, 1966  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
near Tallapoosa, Georgia

**Mattie Lou Pope**

b. June 2, 1915  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
near Tallapoosa, Georgia

**Jonie L. Pugh**

b. March 2, 1904  
d. April 19, 1985  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Eula Shaddix Pulliam**

b. June 23, 1894  
d. May 1, 1983  
Mt. Ebron Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Ola Hicks (wife of J.T.)  
Pruitt**

b. September 11, 1908  
d. January 15, 1996  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**J.T. Pruitt**

b. September 15, 1903  
d. March 25, 1986  
Mars Hill Cemetery  
Cleburne Co., Alabama

**R****Emmie Wallace Ray**

1896-1974  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Ida Dorris Ray**

Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Lloyd Redding**

b. October 13, 1915  
d. November 13, 1985  
Holly Springs PBC  
near Bremen, Georgia

**J.D. Reed**

b. October 31, 1891  
d. July 23, 1963  
Rocky Mount  
Near Collinsville (DeKalb  
Co.), Alabama

**Martha Reed**

b. 1866  
d. December 25, 1938  
Rocky Mount  
Near Collinsville (DeKalb  
Co.), Alabama

**W.T. Reed**

b. 1862  
d. November, 1950  
Rocky Mount  
Near Collinsville (DeKalb  
Co.), Alabama

**Beulah Reese**

b. 1908  
d. July 29, 2003  
Anniston Memorial Gardens  
Anniston, Alabama

**Hoyt Renfroe**

d. July 24, 1995  
Alabama

**Gaines W. Rice**

b. December 6, 1881  
d. October 29, 1967  
Orange Baptist Church  
Russellville, Alabama

**Velma H. Sheppard  
Richardson**

b. July 10, 1926  
d. December 17, 1998  
Rome, Georgia

**Vivian Denney Rogers**

b. July 15, 1917  
d. December 12, 2002  
Ephesus Cemetery  
Ephesus, Georgia

**T.J. Ross**

d. May 29, 1994  
Florida

**Ina Wallace Rosser**

1913-1995  
Garden Hills Cemetery  
Opelika, Alabama

**S****Ola Maria Jackson Scott**

b. April 28, 1891  
d. December 25, 1910  
Chilton Co., Alabama

**Alta Mae Hopper Self**

b. May 23, 1935  
d. October 3, 1998  
Hartselle Memory Gardens  
Hartselle, Alabama

**Alton Smith Shaddix**

b. January 20, 1910  
d. February 28, 1983  
Mt. Ebron Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Andrew Clinton Shaddix**

b. December 3, 1888  
d. November 15, 1953  
Mt. Ebron Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Mary Patricia Shaddix**

b. January 29, 1943  
d. August 22, 1996  
Mt. Ebron Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Ranzy Shaddix**

b. April 3, 1887  
d. April 7, 1954  
Mt. Ebron Cemetery  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Carrie Ellen Henley  
Sheppard**

b. April 14, 1890  
d. December 31, 1941  
Pleasant Grove Cemetery  
Moultrie, Georgia

**George Frank Sheppard**

b. March 1, 1885  
d. September 21, 1942  
Pleasant Grove Cemetery  
Moultrie, Georgia

**Jerry Franklin Sheppard**

b. April 4, 1922  
d. June 19, 1998  
Roanoke Memorial Gardens  
Roanoke, Alabama

**Mozelle McWhorter  
Sheppard**

b. May 31, 1924  
d. February 26, 2004  
Forest Lawn Memorial Park  
Bremen, Georgia

**William James Shirey**

b. November 17, 1863  
d. October 30, 1950  
Fairview Cemetery  
Albertville (Marshall Co.),  
Alabama

**Gladys Johnson Simmons**

b. May 31, 1913  
d. December 9, 2003  
Lower Cane Creek Cemetery  
Heflin, Alabama

**Flora Leona Skinner**

b. August 20, 1908  
d. August 10, 2002  
City Cemetery  
Heflin, Alabama

**Clara Deason Smith**

b. May 11, 1908  
d. August 19, 2003  
LittleHope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Elder Donald Smith**

b. January 16, 1936  
d. July 2, 2003  
LittleHope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Elder Virgil C. Smith**

b. September 4, 1911  
d. May 29, 1986  
LittleHope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**James Lamar Smith**

b. August 22, 1918  
d. June 24, 2003  
Mt. Pleasant Church  
near Crossville, Alabama

**Leola Green Bailey Smith**

b. January 9, 1915  
d. January 23, 2003  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Mattie L. Harmon Smith**

b. November 15, 1882  
d. January 2, 1952  
Macedonia P.B.C.  
Chambers Co., Alabama

**Rev. A.J. Snider**

b. October 14, 1905  
d. February 5, 1959  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Dr. J. Sam Snoddy**

b. March 15, 1899  
d. April 30, 1964  
Fairview Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Era Lillian Snow**

b. April 8, 1903  
d. November 1, 1958  
City Cemetery  
Carrollton, Georgia

**Forrest Stallings**

Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Margie Ivey Stallings**

b. March 27, 1895  
d. April 30, 1981  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Alice Estella Smith Sudduth**

b. February 4, 1879  
d. August 26, 1961  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Alvin Lee Sudduth**

b. January 10, 1917  
d. October 26, 1973  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Everett L. Sudduth**

b. November 24, 1910  
d. March 13, 1974  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Icie M. Sudduth**

b. January 18, 1910  
d. March 5, 1988  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**J.P. "Bud" Sudduth**

b. April 17, 1901  
d. March 12, 1978  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**J.W. Sudduth**

b. December 1, 1905  
d. June 4, 1971  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Jarrett Sudduth**

b. January 5, 1884  
d. July 13, 1956  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Julia Sudduth**

b. August 17, 1883  
d. April 1, 1960  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Liza Sudduth**

1886-1968  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Monroe Sudduth**

1882-1950  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Mose O. Sudduth**

1880-1952  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Ovella Sudduth**

b. April 27, 1908  
d. October 9, 1991  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**W.J. Sudduth**

b. February 29, 1878  
d. January 24, 1947  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**T****Boyd Tanner**

Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Inez Wallace Thomaston**

1911-1996  
Moultrie, Georgia

**Bertha Lee Jackson****Traywick**

b. February 14, 1896  
d. February 23, 1913  
Chilton Co., Alabama

**Mattie Eliz Jackson****Traywick**

b. January 8, 1890  
d. March 17, 1935  
Chilton Co., Alabama

**Florence (Dude) W. Turner**

b. January 14, 1914  
d. February 13, 1965  
Holly Springs PBC  
near Bremen, Georgia

## V

**Erskine Vandegrift, Jr.**  
b. 1921  
d. October 22, 2003  
Birmingham, Alabama

## W

**Betty Fayrene Hogan Wakefield**  
b. December 22, 1934  
d. March 31, 2000  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Eugene (Gene) Wakefield**  
b. April 17, 1930  
d. September 12, 2000  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Henry Clifford Wakefield**  
b. July 2, 1935  
d. April 26, 1998  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Lyaid Cathrine Ward (wife of Sim) Wakefield**  
b. May 15, 1905  
d. July 7, 1979  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Rev. Ganua (son of Walter) Wakefield**  
b. March 3, 1924  
d. March 3, 1973  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Rev. J.J. Wakefield**  
b. August 30, 1859  
d. February 11, 1928  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Julie Moon (wife of Rev. J.J.) Wakefield**  
b. May 11, 1865  
d. July 3, 1957  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Luther Andrew (son of Rev. J.J.) Wakefield**  
b. May 18, 1895  
d. February 19, 1956  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Martha J. Ward (wife of Walter) Wakefield**  
b. June, 1897  
d. October, 1965  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Mary J. Ward (wife of Luther) Wakefield**  
b. December 9, 1897  
d. November 21, 1980  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Simion (Sim) Lee (son of Rev. J.J.) Wakefield**  
b. August 16, 1898  
d. August 22, 1983  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Walter J. (son of Rev. J.J.) Wakefield**  
b. February 26, 1889  
d. April, 1965  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Wilford Lee Wakefield**  
b. September 14, 1928  
d. August 10, 1994  
Mt. Vernon Baptist Church  
(King School House)  
Natural Bridge, Alabama

**Effie M. Walker**  
b. August 17, 1919  
d. October 20, 1993  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Woodie Lacy Busby Walker**  
b. August 25, 1911  
d. December 17, 2000  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Alton Wallace**  
1905-1975  
Dadeville, Alabama

**Bartow Wallace**  
1903-1987  
Big Springs Baptist Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Clanton Wallace**  
1921-1976  
Dadeville, Alabama

**Marshall Wallace**  
1901-1959  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Mary Wallace**  
1876-1933  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Maude H. Wallace**  
b. November 18, 1888  
d. February 20, 1975  
Holly Springs PBC  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Melton Wallace**  
1919-1996  
Hillcrest Cemetery  
Jacksonville, Alabama

**Mitchell B. Wallace**  
1871-1954  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**Virgil Wallace**  
1897-1954  
Mt. Zion P.B. Church  
Ashland, Alabama

**W. Manuel Wallace**  
1892-1969  
Holly Springs PBC  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Walter E. Wallace**  
b. April 27, 1881  
d. October 5, 1969  
Holly Springs PBC  
near Bremen, Georgia

**Angie Jackson Walters**  
b. November 7, 1901  
d. June 6, 1996  
Macedonia P.B.C.  
Chambers Co., Alabama

**Alice Estella Smith Warren**  
b. June 3, 1904  
d. May 30, 1982  
Old Harmony Cemetery  
Abernathy, Alabama

**Louella Warren**

b. May 11, 1910  
d. August 2, 1991  
Forestlawn Gardens  
Anniston, Alabama

**Spencer Preston Warren**

b. May 4, 1906  
d. February 16, 1985  
Forestlawn Gardens  
Anniston, Alabama

**William Chester Warren**

b. November 24, 1900  
d. August 4, 1952  
Old Harmony Cemetery  
Abernathy, Alabama

**Eloise Lowe Watkins**

b. March 2, 1932  
d. January 3, 2001  
Hopewell P.B.C.  
Oneonta, Alabama

**Delia Godsey Watts**

b. September 18, 1891  
d. January 29, 1970  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Milford Watts**

b. February 11, 1915  
d. April 13, 2002  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Arlin W. Webb**

1900-1978  
Forestlawn Garden &  
Mausoleum  
Anniston, Alabama

**Dula Webb**

b. 1902  
d. August 6, 1995  
Forestlaw Gardens &  
Mausoleum  
Anniston, Alabama

**Hardy B. Welborn**

1865-1951  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**Martha A. Welborn**

b. January 16, 1867  
d. February 5, 1948  
Shady Grove P.B. Church  
Double Springs, Alabama

**B.T. Wheat**

b. December 15, 1852  
d. August 17, 1935  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**J.G. Wheat**

b. June 7, 1892  
d. May 13, 1985  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Mamie Wheat**

b. May 13, 1900  
d. February 1, 1991  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Naomi Wheat**

b. January 20, 1896  
d. March 20, 1995  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Nelson Wheat**

b. July 7, 1897  
d. September 29, 1967  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**S.B. Wheat**

b. January 17, 1852  
d. May 18, 1930  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**T.L. Wheat**

b. November 24, 1889  
d. February 17, 1965  
Zion P.B. Church  
Kennedy (Pickens Co.),  
Alabama

**Joy Wheeler**

d. April 17, 2004  
New York

**Benjamin Franklin White**

b. September 20, 1800  
d. December 3, 1879  
Oakland Cemetery  
Atlanta, Georgia

**Elijah Wilks**

b. December 23, 1882  
d. March 17, 1969  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**J. Bonard Wilks**

b. February 20, 1907  
d. September 10, 1973  
Liberty Baptist Church  
Henagar, Alabama

**Dewey Williams**

d. November 11, 1995  
Ozark, Alabama

**Revy D. Wallace Williamson**

b. January 20, 1916  
d. November 7, 2002  
Carroll Memory Gardens  
Carrollton, Georgia

**Irene Mitchell Willoughby**

b. 1916  
d. March 12, 2004  
Waco Cemetery  
Waco, Georgia

**Shannon Wilson**

1958-2000  
Rocky Mt. P.B. Church  
Daviston, Alabama

**A.M. "Monroe" Wood**

b. May 1, 1889  
d. November 15, 1966  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Azilee Wood**

b. December 27, 1893  
d. January 3, 1975  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Carlton Freeman Wood**

b. April 20, 1922  
d. December 8, 1993  
Cross Roads Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Florence Wood**

b. January 18, 1932  
d. April 6, 1999  
Poplar Springs Baptist Church  
Tallapoosa (Harlson Co.),  
Georgia

**Chester D. Wootten**

b. July 22, 1910  
d. April 2, 1988  
Shady Grove Baptist Church  
Dutton, Alabama

**Freeman Wootten**

b. June 12, 1921  
d. November 7, 2001  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Ider, Alabama

**James Carnice Wootten**

b. February 18, 1918  
d. May 10, 1986  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Ider, Alabama

**Jesse M. Wootten**

b. May 1, 1888  
d. June 20, 1971  
Shady Grove Baptist Church  
Dutton, Alabama

**Postell Wootten**

b. July 8, 1913  
d. January 14, 1979  
Antioch Baptist Church  
Ider, Alabama

**Thomas MacDonald  
"Mack" Wootten**

b. August 22, 1915  
d. July 8, 1988  
Green Haven Memorial  
Gardens  
Henagar, Alabama

**Walter T. Wyers**

b. July 23, 1928  
d. March 23, 2000  
LittleHope PBC Cemetery  
Eoline, Alabama

**Y****William Yates**

1876-1941  
Langdale Cemetery  
Valley, Alabama



## 2003 AND 2004 DEATHS

This list is compiled from the names submitted for the Memorial Lessons in the 2003 and 2004 minutes. We have listed the date of death when known. It is not our intention to omit any name or date. If you can supply these dates, we would appreciate it if you would share them with us. We realize that some names may be spelled wrong or listed in the wrong state, but this was not intentional.

### DEATHS 2003

Names submitted from Memorial Lessons in 2003 minutes.

#### Listed by Date

01-07-03	Myrtle Meek	Kentucky
01-19-03	Martha Frederick	Alabama
01-25-03	Leola Smith	Alabama
02-26-03	John Henry Busby	Alabama
03-09-03	Bernard Swafford	Georgia
03-10-03	Dinah Breunig	Vermont
03-16-03	Lucille Sudduth Junkin	Alabama
04-07-03	Clarence Lambert	Georgia
04-22-03	Lavaughn Ballinger	Alabama
05-05-03	Madeline B. Faulkner	Kentucky
05-14-03	Allie Aldridge	Alabama
05-14-03	Carrie Garner	Georgia
05-19-03	Alice Gant	Tennessee
05-20-03	Ruth Brown	Alabama
05-30-03	Jewell Lea	Alabama
06-24-03	Lamar Smith	Alabama
07-02-03	Elder Donald Smith	Alabama
07-04-03	Vaughan Dryden	Alabama
07-13-03	Hugh Pease Anderson	New York
07-18-03	Cecelia Hauff	South Dakota
07-24-03	Zelma Harcrow	Alabama
07-25-03	Alpha Ophelia Black	Alabama
07-29-03	Beulah Reese	Alabama
08-19-03	Clara Deason Smith	Alabama
08-00-03	Gordon Ashman	United Kingdom
09-05-03	Jane Phillips	Alabama
09-05-03	Harvey Austin	Alabama
09-16-03	Thomas L. Futral	Alabama
09-20-03	Elvin Deason Morris	Alabama
09-23-03	A.A. Malone	Alabama
10-12-03	Arvie M. Norton	Alabama
10-17-03	Ann Deason	Alabama
10-21-03	Willie Carolyn Denson	Alabama
10-22-03	Erskine Vandegrift, Jr.	Alabama
10-30-03	Edna "Roxie" Chesser	Georgia
11-02-03	J.J. Sills	Georgia
11-29-03	Elvin Guthrie	Alabama

12-03-03	Mary Craig	Texas
12-09-03	Gladys Simmons	Alabama
12-23-03	Christal Crocker	Alabama
12-00-03	Rev. Loyd Tony	Georgia

**Listed by State (\* — see above list for date)**

***Alabama***

\*Allie Aldridge  
 \*Harvey Austin  
 Elma Avery  
 Alta Baker  
 \*Lavaughn Ballinger  
 Lena Barker  
 Dessie Huff Bennett  
 \*Alpha Ophelia Black  
 (91)  
 Bera Bradford  
 Arie Epperson Brown  
 \*Ruth Brown  
 Mamie Buckelew  
 Leon Burgess  
 Lucille Burkes  
 \*John Henry Busby  
 Vivian Carlson  
 Iva Cleghorn  
 Kenneth Conn  
 \*Christal Crocker  
 \*Ann Deason  
 \*Willie Carolyn  
 Denson  
 Hazel Denson  
 Libby Drury  
 \*Vaughan Dryden  
 M.G. Edwards  
 \*Martha Frederick  
 \*Thomas L. Futral  
 Virginia Glasgow  
 Dessie Goodman  
 Elmer Graves  
 Rummon Graves  
 \*Elvin Guthrie  
 Clara Bell Hall  
 \*Zelma Harcrow  
 Alvin Hill  
 Charlotte Hinkle  
 \*Lucille Sudduth  
 Junkin  
 Boyd King  
 \*Jewell Lea  
 Danny Lester  
 \*A.A. Malone

Sidney McMunn  
 Talmadge Meadows  
 \*Elvin Deason  
 Morris  
 Leon Murphy  
 Mavery Murphy  
 \*Arive M. Norton  
 Flora Otwell  
 Gladys Paris  
 Clark Phillips  
 \*Jane Phillips  
 Coy Rasco  
 \*Beulah Reese (95)  
 Albert Ryals  
 Henry C. Sherer  
 \*Gladys Simmons  
 Imogene Singleton  
 \*Clara Deason Smith  
 \*Elder Donald Smith  
 Etoile Smith  
 Johnny Smith  
 \*Lamar Smith  
 \*Leola Smith  
 Wayne Smith  
 Rose Altha Taylor  
 Grace Tolleson  
 James Townsel  
 Pauline Tyree  
 Samuel Tyree  
 \*Erskine Vandegrift,  
 Jr.  
 X.L. Walker  
 E.M. Watson  
 Irene Watson  
 Bell Woodard

***Arkansas***

Jim Dancer  
 Dr. James Frock

***Arizona***

Howard Hoover  
 Rissa Miller  
 Chelsea Tyndall

***California***

Polly Ann Baxter

Howard Bodger  
 Dwight Cannon  
 Loren Dick  
 Kay Eiko  
 Freyda Epstein  
 Leonie Erickson  
 Sheila Horton  
 Linda Hoxie-Brown  
 Dianne Jones  
 Jessie Lee  
 Timothy Lull  
 Gretchen Marble  
 Guillermo Mimiaga  
 Ron Mortimore  
 Lora Pistoiresi  
 Robert Plunkett  
 Stephen Radley  
 Reid Sanders  
 Lee Schiff  
 Alan Shempe  
 Tom Sullivan  
 Jacques Transue  
 LaVelle Ure  
 Robert "Bob"  
 Warner  
 Martin  
 Zanichkowsky

***Colorado***

James Bludworth  
 Elaine Cullor  
 Arnie Newton  
 Kenneth Rebman  
 Lee Stewart

***Connecticut***

Ann Morgan  
 Richard Morganson  
 Miki Woodbridge  
 Michael Wowk

***D.C., Washington***

Jonathan Eberhard

***Florida***

Dan Blake  
 Gary Blake

Matthew Ettinger  
Juliet Greer  
Mary Hackney  
Dorothy Henry  
Crofford Macklin  
Lou Silver

### **Georgia**

Ruby Adams  
Ruby Anderson  
Rockell Austin  
Mary Bruce  
Alma Brumbelow  
Julie Burns  
Fred Butler  
Hazel Camp  
Mose Cheatwood  
Edna "Roxie" Chesser  
Mona Durham  
Gladys Woods  
Enterkin  
Georgia Foster  
Martha Jean  
Bracknell Frost  
\*Carrie Garner  
Mr. and Mrs. Wilson  
Green  
Doris Haley  
Thomas Hauk  
Margaret Hodges  
Harold Jackson  
Mrs. Bennie Jackson  
Grace Keaton  
Willard King  
\*Clarence Lambert  
Leo Lambert  
David Levin  
Chuck Lunsford  
Doyle Madden  
Bobby Maxwell  
Frances McDaniel  
Mildred McWhorter  
Mina Prince  
James Robinson  
Cramer Rogers  
Irene Sanders  
\*J.J. Sills  
Dr. John Slade  
\*Bernard Swafford  
\*Rev. Loyd Tony  
Tillman White  
Patricia Wright

### **Hawaii**

Daniel Levey

### **Illinois**

Flora Bingham  
Helen Block  
Carl "Bud" Hamilton  
Dolorous Higgins  
Robert "Max"  
Higgins  
Steve Higgins  
Harry Hutton  
Anthony Jefferson  
Janet Keller  
Richard Kimmel  
Evan McCombs  
Bruce Qualls  
Robert Sanders  
Michael Wadham

### **Indiana**

Sue McCloud  
Evan Thompson  
Howard Warren

### **Iowa**

John Beal  
Miriam Evans  
Anthony Jeffries  
Howard Marty  
Anna Wiedmann

### **Kentucky**

Joseph Henry Brant  
Bonnie Caldwell  
\*Madeline B.  
Faulkner  
Bertha Jane Marshal  
\*Myrtle Meek  
Lee Shine  
Jim Zehm

### **Maine**

Buddy Bryant  
Chip Bryant  
Randy Bryant  
Ruth Clark  
Lawrie Wallace  
Roland Wessels

### **Maryland**

Gina Grazier  
Guy Griffen

Allen Henkin  
Robin Monford  
Ed Poole  
Linda Sweeting

### **Massachusetts**

Esther Ammann  
Amy Anderson  
Rolf Anderson  
Mildred Baldwin  
Johnny Cunningham  
Judy Goddard  
Ann Graham  
Melinda Kennedy  
Maria Maraggia  
Grace McCreary  
Lillian Meitzler  
Muriel Plouff  
Elizabeth Russ  
Julie Thompson  
Bruce Wenger

### **Minnesota**

Zell Deverell  
David Erceg  
Nancy Hargrave  
Helen Stevens  
Marij Ellen Storms

### **Mississippi**

Carl Ledlow  
Katie Wilson

### **Missouri**

Ray Bloom  
Virginia Bloom  
Christopher Dugan  
Mary Margaret Hill  
Grimmet  
Ruth Hall  
Ruth Marion  
Naomi West

### **Montana**

Blanche Hull  
Jim Pelkey

### **Nebraska**

Ruby Neely  
Barbara Scudder

### **New Hampshire**

Joseph Betko  
Guy Wagner

Douglas Way

**New Jersey**

Buddy Adtal  
Ed Dewey  
(Dowey/Downey)  
Mario Erranti  
David Frisch  
Dorothy Katz  
Sally Tottenfrost  
Bill Turnbull  
Manya Unger

**New Mexico**

Charles Lewis

**New York**

\*Hugh Pease  
Anderson  
Jean Close  
Ken Coleman  
Roddie Duel  
Jamie Lynn Drummer  
Bill Everts  
Jack Everts  
Franklin Gracer  
Marjorie Graves  
Spalding Gray  
Matt Hall  
Andrea Most Herman  
John Jeannopoulos  
Ethel Jones  
Matt Jones  
Kert Lundell  
David Luscombe  
Ruth McDonald  
John Moore  
Dorothy Ross  
Thomas Savage  
Glen Steinnfast  
Flora Wallace  
Joseph Woodrow  
Weigberg  
Karin Wennstrom  
Hostella Yaple

**North Carolina**

Dorsey Daniel  
Nancy Daniel  
Betty Haile  
Gertrude Hensler  
Harold Hensler  
Allen Huggins

Mary Kniseley  
John MacLeod  
Sadie MacLeod  
Laury Morse  
George O'Hanlon  
Tony Palkovic  
Marvin Speck  
Angela Stapleton  
Georgia Wood  
Linda Wood

**Ohio**

Mary Louise Bates  
Delia Conley  
Richard DeArmond  
Jennie Levey  
Olivia Sole  
Frances Stuckey

**Oregon**

Kathy Blago  
David Carter  
Croyn Daschbach  
Margaret Haven  
Dan Hendrickson  
Judy Hogg  
Herbert Howard  
Bill Keasby  
Norabel Miller  
Ray Pesek  
Karen Von Riesen  
India Scott  
Emory Vea  
Pat Virostko

**Pennsylvania**

Virginia Bell  
Charles Coleman  
Richard Fehr  
Tim Geritz  
Bob Metz  
Ruth Pomfret  
Mildred Zeigler

**Rhode Island**

Virginia Grandidge

**South Dakota**

\*Cecelia Hauff  
Ellen Klein  
Rachel Tonnes

**Tennessee**

Jack Chadwell

Dr. Richard Enochs  
\*Alice Gant (99 years  
old)

Roberta Grimes  
Bruce Ketelle  
Mabel Hartman  
Lois C. Smith  
Catharine Templeton  
Walter Wade  
Thelma Watson

**Texas**

Mary Blevins  
Ruth Collins  
\*Mary Craig  
Nora Fowler  
O.H. Griffen  
Jayne Smith  
McKnight  
Billie Perkins  
James C. Smith  
Claudine Snyder

**Utah**

Shirley Huckins

**Vermont**

Christine Brown  
\*Dinah Breunig  
Bob Fontecha  
Effie Hall  
Ryan Hallegan  
Thomas Lee Hayes  
Decla Lyons  
Howard Northrup  
Frank Shaffer  
John Sheldon  
Gary Snyder  
Louis Studer

**Virginia**

Bill DeFotis  
Rob Ingram  
Rosemary Johnson  
\*Joe O'Hern  
Ruth B. Turner

**Washington**

Ann App  
Floyd L. O'Banion  
David Moody  
Rodger Shepherd  
Skippy Slivinski

Stan Slivinski

***West Virginia***

Lois Jancaitis

***Wisconsin***

Vern Handrick

Marvin Hill

Sister Pat Iggulden

Vernon Sell

***State Unknown***

Ruby Driskoll

Dean Fitzgerald

Harvey Ford

James French

Irma Glacy

Allan Hjgapg

Henry Kalcow

Bill Kushel

B.L. McCollum

Jack Phillips

Mabel Reed

Elaine Dean Valenti

***Canada***

Dorothy Blake

Ada Brochet

Edgar Byrd

Valera Byrd

Eldon Cheater

George Clements

Laurie Doyle

Elizabeth Edds

Ira Hescocock

Mark Khouri

Ken Madokoro

Bettle Masset

David McLaughlan

George Pugh

Isabelle Pugh

Marguerite Ross

Robert Taylor

Ginger Tootill

William Tootill

***United Kingdom***

\*Gordon Ashman

Will Atkinson

Alan Bates

Jim Bundell

Jack Bower

Ken Burton

Roy Cavie

Earnest Coupland

Frederick Cramp

Mary Dalton

Jane Darnell

Sarah Day

Enid Griffin

Colin Gunton

Wendy Lawrinson

Mark Lawrence

Roger Lewis

Arwen Lockley

Barbara Lockley

Roger March

Tom Mattock

Bob Merrett

Rosalind Oldham

Gordon Sibthorpe

Dennis Southwell

Stan Stokes

Will Thomas

Tara Tierney

Rosie Whiffen

Chris White

Peter Wright

## DEATHS 2004

Names submitted from Memorial Lessons in 2004 minutes.

### Listed by Date

01-15-04	Virginia Myers Easter	Alabama
01-26-04	Ben Brady	Georgia
02-26-04	Mozelle McWhorter Sheppard	Georgia
03-03-04	Dennis Phillips	Alabama
03-12-04	Irene Mitchell Willoughby	Alabama
03-00-04	Dave Franklin	Kentucky
04-17-04	Joy Wheeler	New York
04-22-04	Estelle Sheppard Flowers	Georgia
04-22-04	Barbara DePoy	Georgia
04-23-04	Mavis Price	Alabama
05-03-04	Grover Lebron Hinton	Alabama
05-20-04	J.C. Hardin (98)	Alabama
05-24-04	Alonzo Edwards	Alabama
07-25-04	Etma Barton	Alabama
08-25-04	Gladys Bonds	Alabama
09-04-04	Nelda Henry	Alabama
09-10-04	Billie Beard	Texas
09-12-04	Allen Fannin	New York
10-20-04	Ronnie Meadows	Alabama
10-28-04	Ovada Phillips Carr	Alabama
10-29-04	Elder Marshall Avery	Georgia

### Listed by State (\* — see above list for date)

<i>Alabama</i>	E.R. Graves	F.L. Parnell
Ethel Hill Adams	Paul Greeson	Gesnee Driver Pate
Nathan Aldridge	Walter Gurley	Cathalene Pearson
Willie Mae Argo	Talmage Guthrie	*Dennis Phillips
*Etma Barton	*J.C. Hardin	*Mavis Price
Edna Betts	L.O. Harper	Bruce Randolph
*Gladys Bonds	J.R. Hart	Clearcy Rutledge
Mae Bryan	Roxie Hart	Lanie Shelton
William Bryan	Louise Haynes	Dock Shirley
*Ovada Phillips Carr	*Nelda Henry	Nanne Lou Shirley
Clara Cobbs	Arbie Hill	Kenneth Simmons
Dexter Cobbs	*Grover Lebron	Jack Springer
David Cospier	Hinton	Avery Strickland
Florence Doss	Pauline Hulsey	Elsie Sweatt
*Virginia Myers	Roger Humphrey	Molene Thompson
Easter	Oscar Jones	Warren Thompson
*Alonzo Edwards	Paul Mastranzunzio	Alma Warren
Jolly Edwards	Susan McKathan	Thomas Whitman
Martha Ellis	Ruby McMunn	Laverne Williams
Kitty Foster	*Ronnie Meadows	*Irene Mitchell
Thomas Futrual	Dena Morgan	Willoughby
Gerlene Gilbert	J.L. Noland	Charley Wright
Tolbert Godsey	Reba Warren Norton	
	Danny Pace	

**Arkansas**

Betty Haas

**Arizona**

Bill Burke

Nancy Schapper

**California**

Neal Borstein

Edward Ford

Lorraine Forry

Ruth Carolyn Fuhr

Brenda Davidson

Barbara Lewis

Ford Lewis

Robin London

Ishwer Ojha

Jeff Robinson

Livia Rodriguez

Mark Rodriguez

Robin Rodriguez

Mildred Segal

Sharon Smenk

Martyn Stanley

Margy Thomas

**Connecticut**

Jake Jacobson

Doris Morganson

Laurette Wojcik

**Florida**

Patsy Cirkus

Margaret Hodges

Bill Holt

Donald Lipp

Mac Tarrou

**Georgia**

George Anderson

Mercedes Anderson

\*Elder Marshall

Avery

Darrel Beasley

Reynaldo Blalock

\*Ben Brady

Bob Conner

Marie Conner

Charles Crawford

Kate Daniel

Floyd Faith

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