101611 Fundraising Committee Report

**Pampered Chef** – Sunday, September 25, 2011, Bar 704, 704 N. 3rd St., Hbg

The Pampered Chef party was held with few in attendance. We collected approx. $290 from total sales on that day and expect more through online sales. A check is on its way and should be to us soon. We are not expecting any net proceeds due to the expenses incurred in this endeavor. Robb will have a full report and receipts for this showl

I want to thank Michael Tindell for all his hard work putting this show together for the Chorus. Also want to thank Robb Papapietro, Bob and Joyce Nease for their assistance during the day. Also want to thank those Board and Chorus members that showed up for the event.

**Farm Show**

Due to a late start, I’ve asked Bob Nease to contact the Farm Show for available dates for October through February 2012. Bob has submitted the following request with the Farm Show:

**Oct. 13-22, 2011 PA Horse Show** - some evenings and weekends (no Mondays)

**Nov. 19, 2011 Bull Ride Mania**

**Nov. 21-30th, 2011 Christmas Show** - working the first week evenings, possible days (again no Mondays) along with the first weekend.

**Jan. 7-14th, 2012 Farm Show -** we hope to be able to work the entire show

**Feb. 4-12, 2012 Eastern Sportsman Show** - working the first weekend and evenings (again no Mondays)

This all is the same as last report. Will let you know what shows are approved on the Farm Show’s end.

**Boscov’s Community Day** – Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Will talk with Boscov’s to make sure that we are not out of the loop for next year’s event.

**Tea Dance** – Sunday, October 9, 2011, Bar 704

A great time was had by all who came to the event! The bar owners were especially impressed with the job the committee did with the execution of the event. Once again I want to thank Chuck Atwell for the lighting and sales of 50/50 raffles tickets, Robb Papapietro for donating his time and equipment while disc jockeying and Ted Reese who also helped sell 50/50 tickets. I also want to thank Keith Van Fleet, Bar 704 bar back, who designed the in-bar posters and cards that advertised the event.

I also want to thank Bob Fellman who donated 70’s albums, including a mint copy of Michael Jackson’s Thriller which went for $100! The other albums collectively went for close to another $100. Robb will have better details as to income. Receipts will be gathered and given to Robb for this event as well. Though a profit will not be realized, this is definitely a fundraiser that we should do again---perhaps in April.

Both the Pampered Chef party and the Tea Dance had Chorus brochures available for patrons. A mailing list was also available and names were accumulated.

The committee requests the Finance committee to consider sponsorship status for Bob Fellman based on the amount his donation raised for the Chorus. I also ask that the finance committee revisit the sponsorship level for Bar 704 due to what it would take if we had to rent space and purchase alcohol for our events at another venue---amenities for which, at present, we do not have to pay.

**Oscar Party** – Sunday, February 26, 2012 at Bar 704

Plans are currently underway for this event. The committee is currently working on the theme: A Night of Glamour.

Both fundraisers have disseminated information about HMC. Certificates for complimentary tickets for one concert (of the winner’s choice) in our 25th season were given as door prizes. I am concerned, however, about the lack of attendance by Chorus and Board members at both events. It is the committee’s intention to conduct fun events that they can attend and bring people so as to 1) maximize information regarding the Chorus (maybe we could pick up another singer) 2) to have a presence in the community outside of our signing venues (maybe we can find a financial supporter or sponsor) and 3) to bring in much needed revenue for HMC.

The committee has worked hard on both events and, on a personal note, I am pleased and proud to work with such a dedicated group of people. It’s unfortunate that due to the low turnout by Chorus members at our Pampered Chef show, the fundraising committee has lost our only non-Chorus committee member. I can’t stress enough the importance of having more choral members come to these events, even if it is only for a few minutes. It’s not only good PR for the organization, but a shot in the arm for those who work so hard on these events that show ultimately make money for the chorus.

The committee is now setting its sights on the Oscar show and will solicit the assistance of all its members so as to make this annual event bigger and better than inaugural effort! We’ll be in touch with what will be needed from our singers and Board members.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Selvey, Chair