



Lake Conroe Area Republican Women were entertained by members of The Woodlands Show Chorus at February's meeting which was held at Walden Yacht Club.

"Oh the weather outside is frightful, inside it's so delightful. We found the best place to go, Let it Show, let it Show, let it Show, let it Show!"

The Woodlands Show Chorus, that is! Those were the sentiments of all the folks who attended February's Lake Conroe Area Republican Women's Club meeting when we were entertained by The Woodlands Show Chorus. LCARW's Vice-President-Programs Sheri Hummer was correct when she said that we were in for a treat. The Woodlands Show Chorus has been providing an outlet for women to share their passion of music through barbershop chorus and quarter singing since 2011. A little background - the idea to create a group was conceived in the wake of a personal tragedy for Director Betty Clipman while standing in her kitchen with long time friend and fellow singer Sally Ison. "Her husband had just passed away, and I was with her the week after it happened so she wouldn't be alone, and she had obviously been thinking" Ison said. "Sitting in the kitchen, she said, 'What do you think about creating "The Chorus of The Woodlands?"' The pair jumped up and down with excitement at the idea and the chorus met for the first time in the summer of 2011. Since its inception, the group has won first place in its region and, while rehearsing for the performance for LCARW, were once again rehearsing for this year's regional competition that will be held in March.

The Woodlands Show Chorus now consists of 80-plus members who ages range between 15 and 80-plus years. Their professional backgrounds are also varied: from a doctor, nurse, engineer, computer expert and much more. In addition, they enjoy many activities besides singing, such as golf, cycling, swimming, photography and marathons. In other words: Real Women, Real Harmony and Real Fun: Music for our souls! For more information, go to www.thewoodlandsshowchorus.org.