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Hi gang,

Today's rehearsal went well, considering we were missing a couple key players and we haven't gathered or played our instruments in a while. I wanted to inform those who were not present about a couple topics that were discussed.

1. **The FPGBB "California Grand March" CD.** It is time to get serious about producing the CD. At rehearsal today we pick out 20 tunes to record with another 16 "Maybe" tunes. We have been playing most of these tunes for years now and can do so with proficiency. Doug will soon send out a list of these tunes.

The following dates are ones that we have scheduled performances and rehearsals. I have also marked in "**Bold**" the dates that everyone has informed me will work into their calendar to record. **Mark your calendars.** Two of the following dates will be used to record, while the other dates will be used to rehearse or perform. **We will record at two of the three recording dates.** The two exact dates will be determined by when we can secure a site to record (Marty, can you check into the availability of the Chico site?). Please make sure that you attend the potential **Recording dates.**

- a. August 7th – Rehearsal in Davis
- b. August 21st – Rehearsal in Davis *at Fort Point*
- c. September 4th and 5th – Performance in Virginia City, NV
- d. September 18th and/or 19th – **Rehearse and or Record**
- e. October 2nd and 3rd – Performance in Fresno
- f. October 16th – Performance in Concord (Book Signing)
- g. October 23rd and/or 24th – **Rehearse and or Record**
- h. October 30th – Rehearsal in Davis
- i. November 14th – **Record**

I know that this is a big commitment and I hope that you too feel that this commitment will be well worth the effort. It would be great to have this project completed prior to Christmas (for gifts) as well as the 2011 season.

2. **Civil War Book Signing Gig October 16th.** We were originally scheduled to play at Alcatraz this weekend, but that event has been canceled. I have been invited to perform at a Book Signing in Concord, CA that is expected to have 150-200 people attend. The book author has spent the last 3 years writing a book on her G-G-Grandfather's letters from the Civil War. I shared this with band members today and everyone thought that this would be a good opportunity for our band to get exposure as well as rehearse.

I look forward to your input and response.