THE BALBOA BAY CLUB

by Jack Crosthwait, Huntington Beach, CA

Friday evening, August 10th, The Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach was where is was happening for The Four Freshmen and 200 plus, appreciative fans. Hosted mainly by Curtis Calderon, the two set, ninety minute performance, coming just five days after the rousing Four Freshmen convention in Portland, was warmly received by the crowd.

In addition, the program was also enjoyed by passing sailboats, launches and cruisers slowing down to hear the rich tones of the Freshmen flow over the waters of Balboa Bay.

Introduced by Bob Flanigan, the programs first set of fifteen songs started with "Something's Gotta Give" and concluded with "After You've Gone." Highlighted were three songs -"Angel Eyes," "Somebody Loves Me" & "Mem'selle" - from the original Four Freshmen and 5 Trombones album, as the sun set into the Pacific and loud jetliners climbed west out of Orange County's John Wayne Airport.

After intermission, the upbeat of "Route 66" opened the second set, half of which featured "one mike" and concluded with "And So It's Over." And so it was and it was grand, as Bob Ferreira noted that "Helicopter 7" also joined in their finale.

Come join us next year as there is no better setting to marvel to the melodies of these fine young men celebrating some of the classics of the original Four Freshmen.

From Yas Ichiura (Japan)

Dear Friends.

Thanks to 2007 FFS Convention Portland committee, we had another great FFS get-together early this month. I would like to share some pictures from the event with those people who could be there and who could not be there, unfortunately. Please visit the following site when you have time.

http://web.mac.com/yasichiura/2007 FFS Portland/Welcome.htmi

My wife and I had a lucky chance to go to workshop and concert at Edmonds Community College on the next Monday after the Convention. We were lucky to talk to Kirk Marcy, an ex-Freshmen, who recommended his student, Bob Ferreira, to the Freshmen. It was so nice to see young music majored students were enthusiastic to the Freshmen sound. I had never been within the audience of mostly such a young generation

We continued our trip to British Columbia for about 10 days, experiencing great Canadian views, culture, food and many meetings with nice people.

Fresh Regards, Yas

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