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Lead Voice

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Curtis Calderon
2nd Voice



Vince Johnson
Baritone Voice



Bob Ferreira
Bass Voice

Indianapolis Reunion

August 22, 2008



Yas Ichiura (left), Ross Barbour (center) and Jim Greenslate (right).

Yasushi Ichiura, Jim Greenslate, and Ross Barbour (Bill Martin was at the piano).

They had me playing drums. We were leading 60 or 70 wannabees, and smiling a lot!

Ross Barbour

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Tony Leone
Harlo Donelson

Washington, PA
Memphis, MO

Sunny California

What a beautiful place, and what made it even more so? Our boys were there, I was visiting my son and this really made my vacation even better.

They were appearing at the beautiful Anneberg Theater in Palm Springs. Curtis seems to be the spokesman of the group, and he does a great job. His trumpet is a crowd favorite also.

The group was well received by the crowd, each one showing their specialty, and in my opinion they never sounded better. Starting out with Somethings Gotta Give, You Stepped Out Of A Dream, Young And Foolish, You've Got Me Crying Again, Angel Eyes (one of my favorites), plus I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus, along with most of the favorites.

Then it was time to close, I always hate to see the end of the show.

I have a suggestion, when you are traveling, check the computer and see where the Four Freshmen are appearing. It makes an added pleasure to your vacation!

Doris Marzick
NE Ohio Representative for FFS

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Friday,
Saturday,
Sunday
January 2-4
South Point Casino & Spa
9777 Las Vegas Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89183
7:30 PM Shows (Fri. - Sun.)
702-796-7111
www.southpointcasino.com

Sunday
January 25
Largo Cultural Arts Center
105 Central Park Drive
Largo, FL 33779
2:00 PM Show
727-857-6796
www.largoarts.com

Monday
January 26
Indian River Community College
McAlpin Fine Arts Center
3209 Virginia Ave.
Ft. Pierce, FL 33450
8:00 PM Show
800-220-9915
www.ircc.edu

FEBRUARY 2009

Sunday
February 7
Polk Community College
Fine Arts Theatre
999 Avenue H NE
Winter Haven, FL 33881
SOLD OUT

Wednesday
February 11
Umpqua Community College
1140 Umpqua College Rd.
Roseburg, OR 97470
7:30 PM Show
541-440-4691
www.umpqua.org

Saturday
February 14
Torrance Cultural Arts Center
James R. Armstrong Theatre
3330 Civic Center Dr.
8 PM Show with Leslie Gore
Torrance, CA 90503
310-781-7171
www.ci.torrance.ca.us

Friday
February 20
Bayfront Auditorium
5319 St. Andrews Dr.
Corpus Christi, TX 78401
7:30 PM Show
361-980-1949

MARCH 2009

Friday
March 20
Tilles Center for The Performing Arts
720 Northern Blvd.
Greenvale, NY 11548-1300
7:30 PM Show
516-299-3100
www.tillescenter.org

JULY 2009

Tuesday
July 28
The Forum - Hayes Auditorium
Lees McRae College
191 Main Street
PO Box 128
Banner Elk, NC 28604
7:30 PM Show
825-898-8748
www.lmc.edu/web/advancement/forum

AUGUST 2009

Thursday
August 20
through
Saturday
August 22
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Shall We Grow the Fan Base?

This article is for those of us wanting to explore *some way, some day* to grow and keep on growing the fan base and ensure the perpetuation of THE "sound". . . for generations to come. . . so *We'll Be Together Again* and again and again. . . !

The Problem: According to Ross, "most" performances by '50's - 60's 4F were before general college audiences. Below data, taken from prior Fresh News (all but April - June '04 issue), show 4F performance venues. May not be entirely accurate but at least a place to start. As % School-related, as best this researcher can figure to be school related, the trend is encouraging but 16 - 25% is certainly not "most" by anyone's definition.

	<u>School-related*</u>	<u>Total Venues</u>	<u>% School-related</u>
2002	8	46	17
2003	12	50	24
2004*	5	36	14
2005	10	62	16
2006	14	65	22
2007	15	60	25

The Goal: Shall we strive for "most"? Is "most" doing maybe 40 out of 60 venues/yr, 2/3rds, that are not just school-related but are "colleges with jazz/ a cappella programs"?

The Plan: Call someone we just might know at a college/university having a jazz studies/a cappella program that is the decision-maker for scheduling performances by jazz/vocal artists. Student answering may/may not have such authority. http://www.jazztimes.com/guides/education_guide/search is great for contact info. Scroll to "jazz guides", click on "Jazz Schools & Education Programs/Collegiate Jazz Programs" and search either alphabetical or by state. You'll also see "international" locations. Universities or large colleges may be the best bet. Likewise, there is a directory geared to singing <http://www.collegiate-acappella.com>

Very important to keep these points in mind as we proceed:

1. Ideally, the prospective contact is someone with whom we already have a personal relationship. If not, don't be shy about calling a perfect stranger.
2. Best to make a telephone appointment so contact can be at computer and we go to www.fourfreshmensociety.com
3. Selling Point - As we talk our prospect through FFS web site and click the videos, etc., emphasize that the current crop is clearly not a bunch of aging boomers Doo-Wopping public television station fund drives. "As you can plainly see", jazz/vocal college audiences can easily bond with the 4F who could be available to do Q & A at performance break. If prospect agrees 4F is of interest, find out when the school sets its schedule of such performances and when dates open. If none, ask if OK to keep in touch on annual basis prior to such.

Please call 415-986-6006 (PST) or email singbone@gmail.com with "FFS" in subject line. Simply state in message body that you have identified someone that qualifies as a "lead" as well as your comments, etc.

This is Step One. Step Two will be my reporting the results of our efforts in the very next issue of Fresh News. This gives us approximately 90 days to determine a number of things such as whether we go on to Step Three, e.g., do as an ongoing project & IVI telling us at FFS Convention status of these leads, etc.

Thanks for reading this, good luck and stay "Fresh".

Bart Miller

Thanks to THE FRESHIES
Dick Baldwin

Back in the day. . . there were 2 young teenagers who somehow became Lifelong Freshmen Fans, must be something in the water supply in Pennsylvania!



Babs



Dot

In many respects, Babs and Dot are like HALL OF FAMERS! So in addition to their splendid support of The Four Freshmen, I would like to nominate them to the FFS Corporate Board of Directors. According to FFS procedures we will need the approval of a majority of the current board of directors with their membership to be effective immediately.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE FOUR FRESHMEN

By Dick and Carolyn Baldwin (on the road)

The annual Holiday Season sounded good just north of "Ski Country" in New York State. Friday evening (Dec. 12) the Frosh filled the bill at Fredonia State College (SUNY system)

The King Concert Hall in The Rockefeller Arts Center on campus was nearly packed on the final day of semester classes - finals the next week. The music theme, "Christmas With The Four Freshmen" was 26 tunes perfect. Group #22 was excellent and in the spirit of the season with good humor and song selection, including four selections from the latest *Snowfall* CD.

The Stage setting was a winter wonderland, constructed expertly by Manager Jefferson Westwood and staff. The King Hall sound was Five Stars.

Amidst 26 Freshmen standards, 13 around a short break, was holiday humor, back and forth with Santa in the front section. Brian asked if his whiskers itched and if he would put a new electronic music box for his daughter Marisa on his Christmas list. Mrs. Santa enjoyed the chit chat and backed her other half.

The Four Freshmen didn't spring anything new on the well-behaved audience, exuberant and thankful for every Freshmen delivery. The talented FF nailed every tune and areas tight-knit as ever. Reports for an earlier show December 6 at Slippery Rock State (PA) campus was similar.

The Four Freshmen are a show in or out of snow country!

SHORT TAKES:

Sally & Dick Crino from the FFS were instrumental in securing the date in Fredonia Pop Series.

King Concert Hall was dressed for the season - a beautiful arrangement by the excellent staff. It's a beautiful match when the FF play college campuses. Everything fits. Thank you IVI!

Curtis carries his two horns everywhere. His flugelhorn is melting and upholds all of those ballads on the song sheet. His mute also plays a part, now, a la Henry Busse.

Pete Ciralo & Gayle drove to campus with a large storm to our East. Pete has his own 18-piece big band and could easily play the Stan Kenton part on a date in the area.

The Four Freshmen are **rolling** and Flanagan can pop as many buttons as he chooses.

**THE FRESHMEN RETURN TO ROSEBURG, OREGON FEBRUARY 11, 2009 FOR
JAZZ IN JACOBY AT UMPQUA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

by Gil Peterson

Before I give you the details of the upcoming concert, let me take just a moment or two to say a few words about the Indianapolis FF Convention. Neil, Sara Lou, and the entire Indianapolis convention committee deserve a huge round of applause for a beautifully orchestrated convention. I know first hand the dedication that is required to put such an event together. I am sure I speak for all the FFS members attending the convention by saying that it was virtually flawless in every way. I suppose the only way to express our appreciation is to simply say THANK YOU -----IT WAS WONDERFUL!!!!!!!

Now let me give you the details of the concert. Roseburg is a rather small rural community of approximately 25,000 residents. However, one of the tremendous assets we have is Umpqua Community College. The Chairman of the Performing Arts Department at the college is Dr. Jason Heald. Dr. Heald happens to be one of the most creative individuals I have ever known and is a huge fan of the Freshmen. Each year in February, Dr. Heald has a music event called Jazz in Jacoby. All of the area schools come together with their modern jazz vocal groups to perform in Jacoby Auditorium. It is a marvelous event and each year Dr. Heald has a celebrity individual or group to present a workshop to these young musicians. The Freshmen have done this before and will once again be the celebrity workshop hosts. This is a fabulous opportunity for the Freshmen to gather a whole new young fan base to keep the sound we love alive.

The Wednesday night concert will be at 7:30 PM in Jacoby Auditorium and the tickets will be \$15.00 and may be purchased online at www.tickets.umpqua.edu or by calling 541-440-4691. We have arranged for special seating for FFS members. As in the past, we are recommending the Windmill Inn for accommodations. Their local number is 1-541-673-0901. When you call, identify yourself as an FFS member and ask for the group rate.

After the concert, I am in the process of arranging a private room for us at Elmer's, which is next door to the Windmill Inn, for an afterglow together. I am sure the boys will join us for a few adult beverages and fun.

The workshop will be Thursday the 12th and all FFS members are invited to attend this event. I think you will be impressed!!

If anyone should have any problems with arrangements or tickets, please contact me at 1-541-672-0937 and I will be very happy to assist you.

We are very excited to once again have the number one jazz vocal harmony group in the history of the music industry here in Roseburg. We love having them here and when I spoke to them in Indianapolis, they seemed genuinely excited about coming back.

It is going to be a fabulous evening of music and memories. PLEASE JOIN US!!!!

FOUR FRESHMEN SOCIETY ANNUAL EXECUTIVE MEETING
Thursday, August 21, 2008
3:00 - 5:00 PM
Sheraton Hotel - Indianapolis, IN

Excerpts form Donna Gallaway report

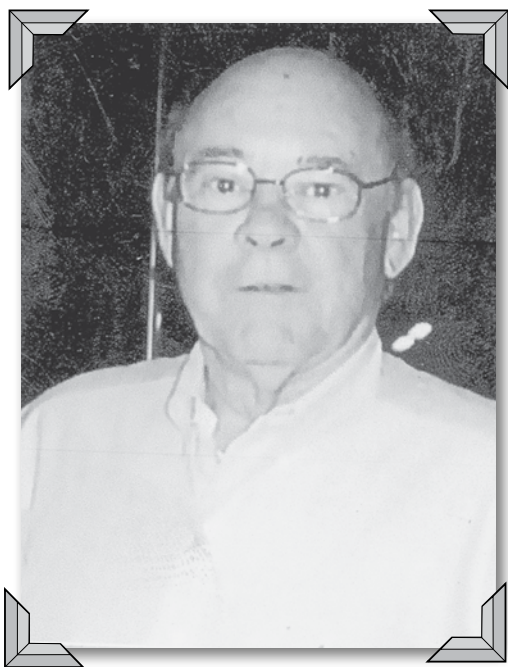
- 1.) FFS President opened the meeting reminding attendees of the projects and accomplishments of The Four Freshmen and our FFS volunteers.
- 2.) Introduction of Gordon Shaw to FFS Regional Director for Southwest USA
- 3.) Treasurer's Report (Jim Whitmire) - including fiscal record of FFS and general "State of the Society" information.
- 4.) Corporate Chairman's report (Tom Purvis)
- 5.) Brief reports from Regional Directors Wayne Corey, Barbara Dana, Mel Meyers, and IVI (from the FF Management firm - Dina Sheets-Roth)
- 6.) FFS Data Base Director, Chaz Cone discussed internet posting of our FreshNews quarterly and the possibility of designing a more economical process for dissemination. Chaz reported that just prior to Indianapolis "Reunion" the Freshmen Convention team added some new members but we lost at least that many from our previous data base.
- 7.) The future FFS Convention must be carefully planned and "Fresh Work" well managed.
- 8.) Sirius XM Radio - The IVI firm arranged a promotional advertisement for The Fabulous Four Freshmen - broadcasting started around the first of September
- 9.) Palle Christiansen has recently arranged for International credit card usage for FFS members.
- 10.) Corporate Board of Directors: Meets tomorrow (August 22, 2008)



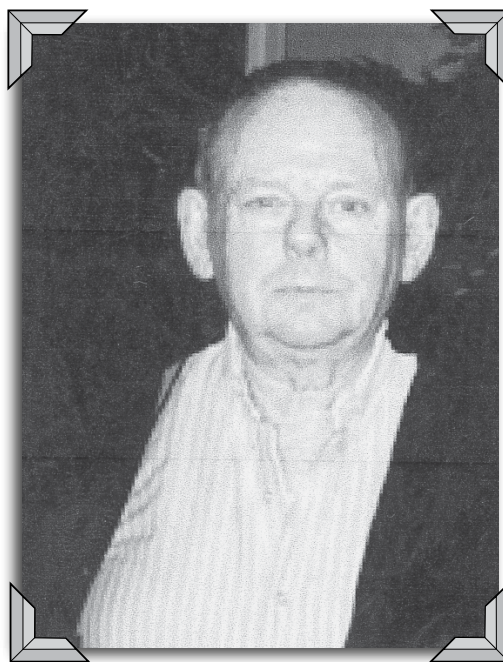
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As Of:	9/30/08 3:44 AM	Jan-08	Feb-08	Mar-08	Apr-08	May-08	Jun-08	Jul-08	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	YTD 2008
Income														
Dues	2,930.00	3,744.00	1,342.00	2,842.00	3,152.94	2,043.00	3,022.00	1,835.00	3,012.00					23,922.94
Music Mart	2,358.40	90.00	1,600.54	1,218.00	868.00	1,407.00		5,678.00	315.50					13,535.44
Interest earned on CD's								301.22						418.82
Contributions		39.00			100.00					105.00				244.00
Convention Income										25,000.00				25,000.00
Total Income	5,288.40	3,873.00	2,942.54	4,177.60	4,120.94	3,450.00	3,323.22	7,513.00	28,432.50					63,121.20
Expenses														
Postage and Shipping	596.37	347.73	230.92	701.57	231.78	193.03	37.20	168.64	243.83					2,751.07
Stamps.com service							1,646.97							1,646.97
Telephone and Fax	71.69	60.67	174.09	61.10	62.10	67.96	62.76	62.14	142.17					764.68
Printing and Copying							86.46							86.46
Posters			12.80				12.88							25.68
Office Supplies/Convention Supplies	320.90	265.81	125.99	11.32	197.32	37.74	54.60		44.61					1,058.29
New Member Pacs			22.20		75.48	53.60	38.44							189.72
Storage for Music Mart	209.98		104.99	209.98		209.98			104.99	104.99				944.91
Credit Card Merchant Charges	147.30	584.32	182.46	390.08	89.19	492.14	111.86		221.73	229.65				2,448.73
Software for Credit Card Processing														
Web Site Expenses				54.44		34.99								89.43
Dues Refund		10.00												10.00
Bank of America charges							17.86							17.86
Flowers							150.00							150.00
Merchandise for Resale				974.72			258.00		1,000.00	150.00				2,382.72
Transfer to CD										20,000.00				20,000.00
Convention Expenses									47.80	908.86				956.66
State Representative Expenses									413.60	180.00				593.60
American Federation of Jazz Societies	150.00							1,000.00						1,000.00
Contribution to funeral expenses/Beisner														
Music Clearances for DVD										1,606.25				1,606.25
FFS/Purvis "Remembering Ken" CD Expenses										61.50				1,801.50
2007 "Snowfall" CD Expenses					1,000.00				1,000.00					2,000.00
Butler University Archives Project									100.00					100.00
Kentucky State Income Tax						45.00								45.00
Kentucky State Corporation Fees														
Accounting Fees (Tax Preparation)			825.00											825.00
Insurance & Bonds	740.00													740.00
"Lost Soul" split with Curtis Calderon														
Newsletter (Fresh News)	3,149.39				3,661.40			3,939.35						10,750.14
Total Expenses	5,385.63	1,268.53	1,678.45	6,064.61	1,655.87	1,147.32	9,143.50	3,118.90	23,671.86					53,134.67
CONVENTION														
Convention 2008 Credit Card Receipts	12,966.00	4,038.00	7,248.00	501.00	9,363.00	1,111.00	4,050.00	636.00	350.00					40,263.00
Collected funds to the 2008 Committee														39,277.00
Net Funds due to 2008 Committee									39,277.00					986.00
Seed money for Atlanta 2009 convention					5,000.00									5,000.00
SUMMARY														
Cash Balance from Prior Month End	44,089.67	56,958.44	43,600.91	52,113.00	50,726.99	57,555.06	60,968.74	59,218.46	24,971.56					
Face Value of CD's	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	40,000.00					
Receipts	18,254.40	7,911.00	10,190.54	4,678.60	8,483.94	4,561.00	7,373.22	8,149.00	28,782.50					
Expenses and Distributions	5,385.63	1,268.53	1,678.45	6,064.61	1,655.87	1,147.32	9,143.50	42,395.90	23,671.86					
BALANCE	56,958.44	63,600.91	52,113.00	50,726.99	57,555.06	60,968.74	59,198.46	24,971.56	30,082.20					
BALANCE AT BANK OF AMERICA AT MONTH END	56,959.44	63,600.91	72,113.00	50,726.99	57,555.06	60,968.74	59,218.46	24,971.56	30,082.20					
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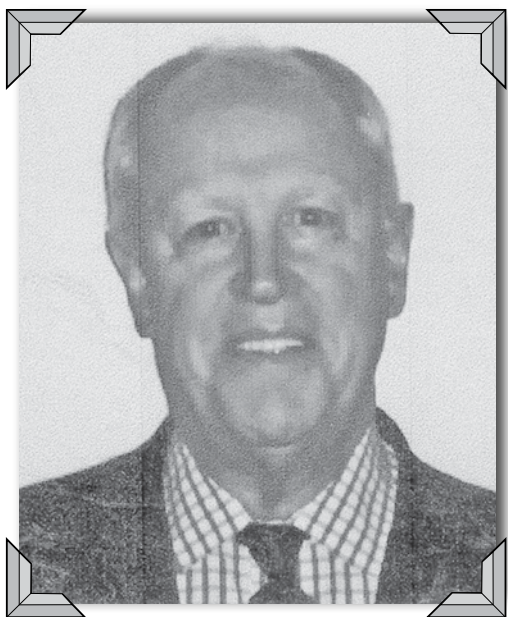
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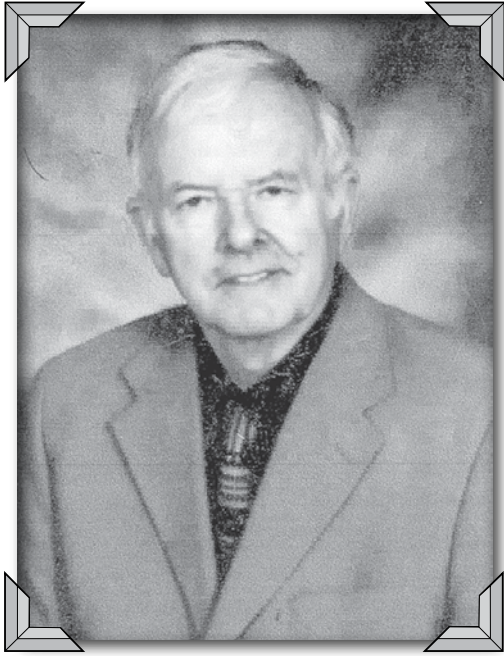
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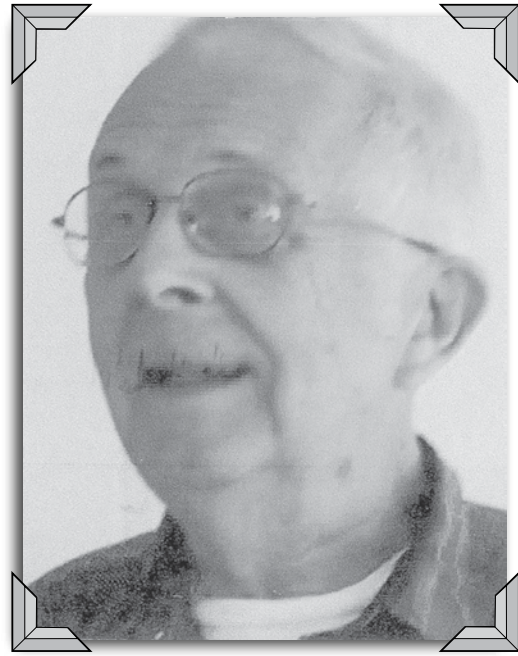
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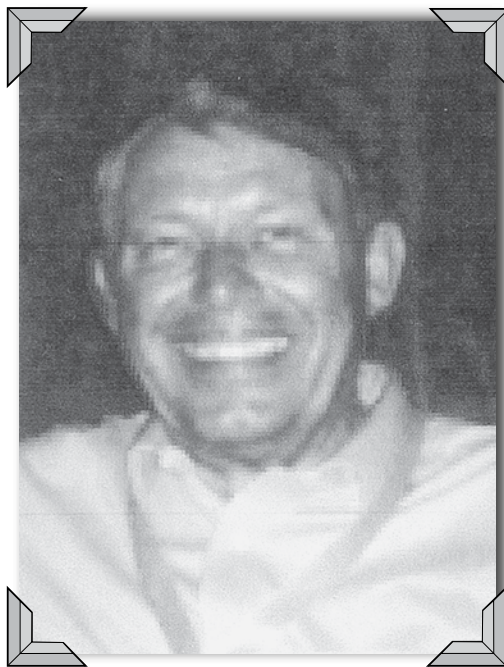
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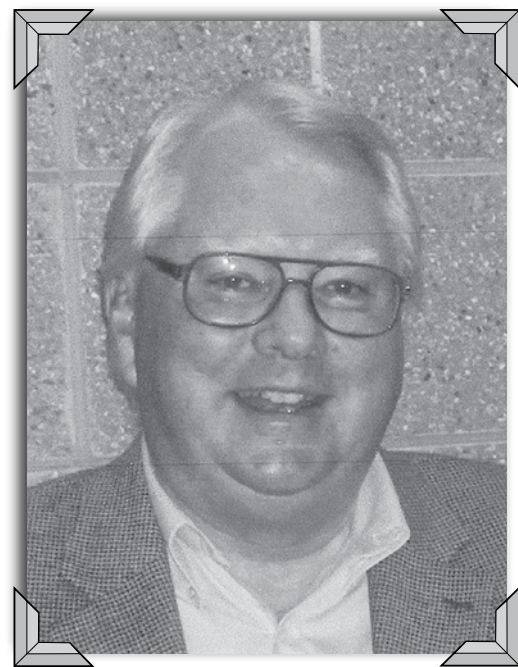
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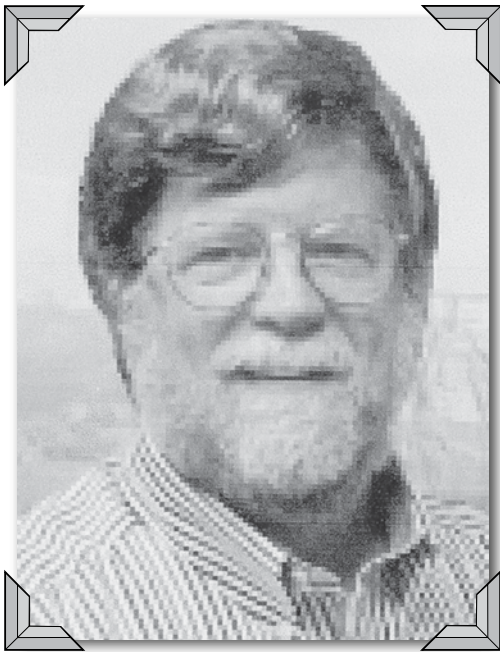
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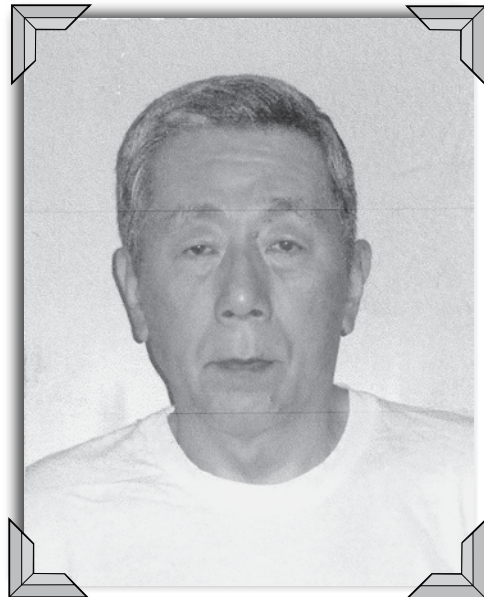
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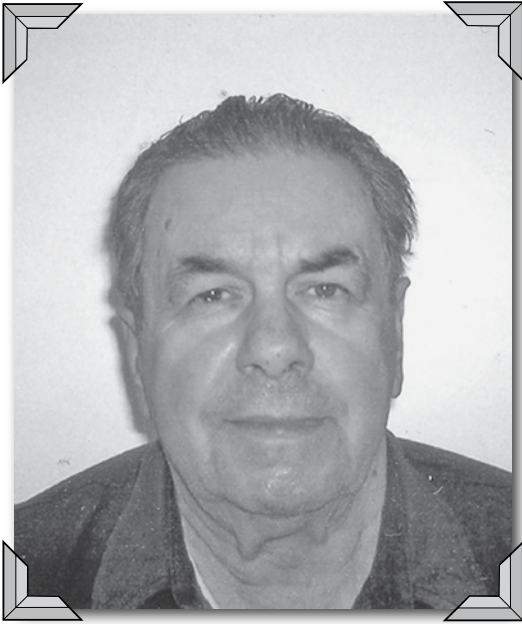
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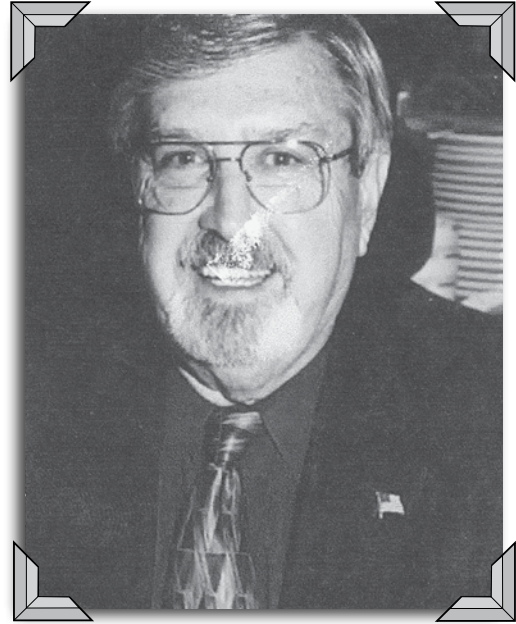
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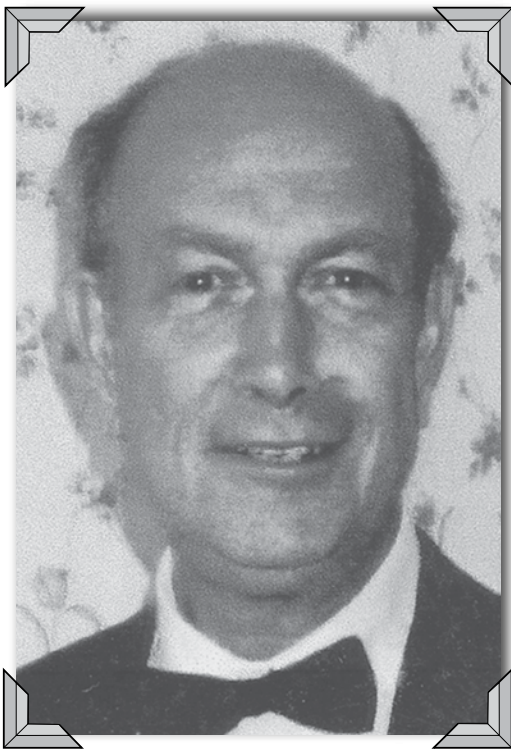
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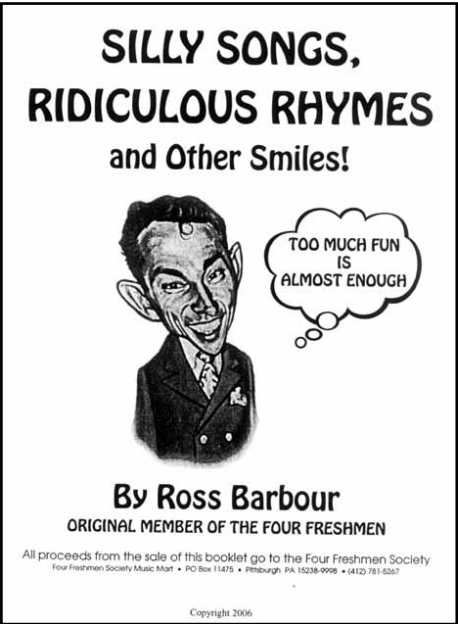
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Four Freshmen Society Convention 2009 Atlanta, Georgia August 20 – 22, 2009

Boy! Are we gonna have *fun*!!

If you've been to one or more of the preceding *twenty* Four Freshmen Conventions, you know what a great time everyone has. If you haven't been to one (and *why on earth* haven't you?), you really need to join us in Atlanta and find out what all the buzz is about.

For us, the Convention is all about two things:

- 1) hearing the great music of the Four Freshmen performed by arguably the best FF group – ever, and
- 2) visiting with a few hundred like-minded fans.

We've planned this Convention to maximize both of those wishes.



Atlanta is a great town for the FFS convention. For one thing, just about every airplane comes through Atlanta on its way to somewhere so getting a reasonably priced ticket is a snap. And if you don't fly, three different Interstate highways converge here.

We have lots going on to entertain you (beyond the music). Atlanta is home to the world's largest aquarium and we've organized a pair of tours that include visiting the Georgia Aquarium and either The World of Coke (Coca-Cola's world headquarters is here) or behind-the-scenes at the Cable News Network (CNN).

In addition to meeting and listening to the performing Freshmen, Bob Flanigan, Ross Barbour and more FF alumni will be here adding to the joy.



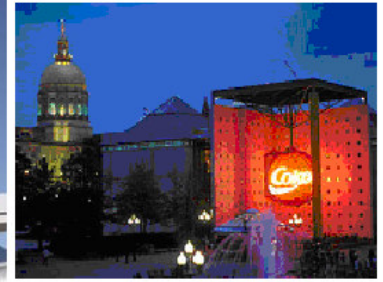
We're fortunate to have the Crowne Plaza at Ravinia Hotel as our host hotel. Not only is it a beautiful facility with a historically low room rate and free parking, but it's located on the North side of Atlanta across the street from the 173-store Perimeter Mall. And it's only a \$2.25 rapid transit ride from the Airport!

We've designed a really great-looking collared commemorative shirt in black with the convention logo. Shirts are 100% Pima Cotton pique. Men's and Ladies' sizes are available to order along when you register; they'll be waiting for you when you arrive in Atlanta.



Plan to arrive on Thursday, August 20th if you can. We'll have a number of Freshmen-related activities including the "113 Club" where you can load up on FF memorabilia and recordings, and the "FF Wannabee" room where we'll be singing FF charts together. If you've never heard scores of voices singing "It's a Blue World" using the FF charts led by Ross Barbour – well, it's got to be experienced! Thursday evening is our traditional Jam Session, anchored by the Greg McLean Jazz Quartet where FreshFans and FF alumni can sit in on instruments and voices. The Jam Session is always great fun.

Friday there are other FF activities and the tours mentioned above. The optional tours are scheduled so as not to conflict with any FFS sessions so you won't miss anything. Tour A is the Georgia Aquarium and The World of Coke; Tour B is the Georgia Aquarium and CNN.



Friday night's dinner will be followed by a concert starring the Four Freshmen backed by the outstanding GPC Jazz Ensemble:



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Saturday will have more FFS activities including the FFS Membership meeting where you'll get an update on the FFS and plans for the future. Saturday night's dinner music will be provided by the Greg McLean Jazz Quartet and will lead into the second Four Freshmen concert of the weekend.



Don Kennedy, host of the nationally syndicated radio show “Big Band Jump” will act as Master of Ceremonies for both Friday and Saturday night. If it’s about the Big Band era, Don knows *all* about it! Check him out (and catch his show) at www.bigbandjump.com and visit with him in the “113 Club” at the Convention.

It’s going to be a wonderful three days of fun with our favorite singing group. The hotel has graciously extended the low room rate three days before and three days after the convention so you can spend more quality time in Atlanta. There’s lots to do here and we’ve already put in our order for low temperature and zero humidity!

What should I do now?

Fill out and mail in your Registration Form found here in FreshNews. If you don’t find the form, call us at 770 394 2663 and we’ll get you another. Table assignments are made on a first come, first served basis so you want to get your registration in pronto. If there are FreshFans you want to share your table with, be sure to put their names on your form – and get them to send in *their* form pronto, too. Remember that the rate changes May 1st so be sure to take advantage of this early registration opportunity! If you prefer to register online, you can do that, too. Just go to www.ffs2009.com and follow the instructions. Got friends who aren’t FFS members? They can come, too, by joining the FFS at a special convention rate; what a wonderful introduction to the Freshmen!

Call the Crowne Plaza reservations line at **800-381-9553**, use the Event Group Code “**FFS**” and make your hotel reservations. Do it now!

Plan your travel and be here in August!

The latest information is always on the FFS 2009 Convention website www.ffs2009.com so check there often for the latest news. Questions? Email us at info@ffs2009.com or give us a ring at 770 394 2663.

See you August 20-22nd!!

Chaz and Gael Cone
2009 FFS Convention Co-chairs

Freshmen Fans Exchange

The following members are interested in helping others who may need to buy or sell Freshmen LP's, 45's, memorabilia, etc. Send a note or call. If you're looking to buy an album or more enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to expedite communication.

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More "Barbour-isms"

Refined: What! Another traffic ticket?

Peanut Gallery: Art show that sticks to the roof of your mouth.

Bear cats: What mama kitties do.

Required: Different people to sing in church.

Mistake: Vegetarians do that.

A FRESHMEN LP FOR THE ANTIQUE ROADSHOW?

Last October, while searching through a stack of records in a Paso Robles, CA antique shop, I came across "The Four Freshmen in Person", the one they recorded live at Junior College in 1958. But there was something different about it. The entire back side of the jacket was all in Japanese except that the song titles in parentheses were in English. The album carried the number 2LP-99 (T1-1008, The Capitol #). And both on the disc and on the jacket it said "Mfg. by Tokyo Shibaura Electric Co. Ltd in Japan".

The original price sticker says \$2.25. On the front is a picture of the fellows, Ross, Bob, Don and Ken Albers on the bass (left to right). Other logos appearing on the sleeve say: Capitol Records, High Fidelity, and in a box in the upper right hand corner it says "Ever Clean Records".

If your collection of Freshmen LP's would be more complete with this one, let me know what it may be worth to you.

My address is as follows:

Jim Healey
527 Santa Margurita Dr.
Aptos, CA 95003

A special gift for the Four Freshmen Society from The Four Freshmen

When the Freshmen went into the studio in the summer of 2007 to create their very successful "Snowfall" CD, they invited a videographer. The plan was to produce (at their expense) a "Making of" video as a gift to the FFS.

It's taken a while to get it prepared and much of that delay, sadly, I'm responsible for.

But it's done now and it's up on the FFS website. Yes, it's after Christmas now, but the video works all year 'round. So here y'go:

www.fourfreshmensociety.com/makingofsnowfall.htm

ReFRESHingly,

Chaz Cone FFS Membership Director

FFS New Member/or Renewal Form

Name _____

Spouse _____

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(9 digit zip please)

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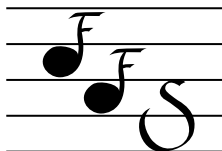
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Please mail form and correct fee to:

Chaz Cone
FFS Membership Dept.
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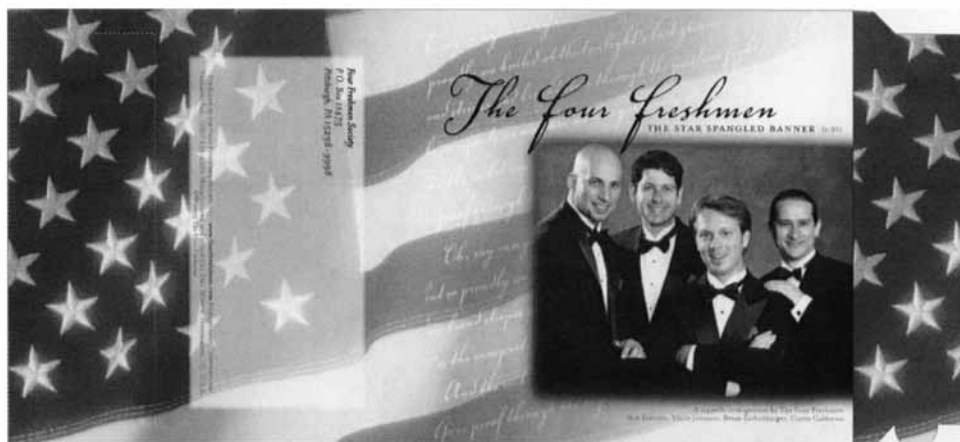
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Atlanta GA August 20 - 22, 2009

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(770) 394-2663

A. REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Telephone # (_____) _____ email _____

B. TABLE ASSIGNMENT: Tables of 10. List names of those you want at your table. **Seating is arranged by postmark date of registration.** Be sure your whole table mails in on the same day.

C. HOTEL INFORMATION:

Have you made your Crowne Plaza Ravinia hotel reservation? _____ yes _____ no

D. COMMEMORATIVE SHIRTS:

I would like to order FFS Convention 2009 Commemorative Shirt(s) at **\$35 each to be included with registration payment.**

Men: (____ small) (____ med) (____ large) (____ XL) (____ XXL) (____ XXXL)

Women: (____ small) (____ med) (____ large) (____ XL) (____ XXL)

E. TOUR: GA Aquarium/World of Coke/CNN tours available on Friday during times when no other convention events are taking place. Departs hotel at 9:30 am and returns to hotel at 1:30 p.m. **Cost for each tour s \$95/person, payment to be included with registration payment.** Choose: Tour A (Coke & Aquarium) _____ Tour B (CNN & Aquarium) _____

F. JAM SESSION: Will you play or sing at the Thursday night Jam Session? _____ yes (everyone invited!) _____ no

G. MENU SELECTIONS:

Will you need vegetarian meals? How many? Friday _____ Saturday _____

H. REGISTRATION FEE:

\$175 per person if registration is postmarked on or before May 1, 2009.

\$195 PER PERSON IF REGISTRATION IS POSTMARKED AFTER MAY 1, 2009.

Cancellation policy: Full refund will be made prior to July 1. Between July 1 & July 31 refund minus \$25 processing fee.

NO REFUNDS can be made after July 31, 2009.

Payment by check is encouraged. Please make checks payable to **FFS Convention 2009.** Visa, MC, or Am.Ex may be used.

I. PAYMENT SUMMARY:

REGISTRATION: (\$175 or \$195 after May 1) _____ people @ \$ _____ each = \$ _____

COMMEMORATIVE SHIRTS: _____ shirts @ \$35 each = \$ _____

MOTOR COACH TOUR : _____ people @ \$95 each = \$ _____

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2009 FFS CONVENTION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

(These details give further information in regard to the Registration Form)

A. REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Please provide all requested information, including both first and last names.

B. TABLE ASSIGNMENTS: Dinner seating will be at tables of ten. To ensure that you will receive assigned seating with others you want at your table, please provide all names. Encourage your preferred tablemates to mail in their registrations early and on the same day as seating will be arranged by date of postmark.

C. HOTEL INFORMATION: We recommended that you make your hotel reservation early. Rooms at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia Hotel will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Rates for the convention are guaranteed at \$109 plus tax per night for 2 double beds or a king, double occupancy. These rates will also be available for three days before and three days after the official convention dates of August 20-22 – subject to space availability. TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM, CALL Crowne Plaza Reservations at (800) 381-9553 and be sure to use the Group Code: **FFS**

D. SHIRTS: Shirts run pretty true to size. The shirts are black with an embroidered convention logo. The women's shirts are collared with a V neck and are 100% Pima cotton. Men's shirts are 100% Pima cotton collared golf shirts. There will be only a few shirts available at the convention. If you want a shirt, it's best to order it with your registration.

E. TOUR: Capacity for the Georgia Aquarium/World of Coke/CNN tour is limited to the first 220, so be sure to make your reservation and payment with your convention registration. See this newsletter for details of the tour.

F. JAM SESSION: Thursday night's open jam session promises to be a great evening of jazz, and Society members are encouraged to participate. While a talented local quartet will anchor the evening's festivities past and current Freshmen and convention attendees are most welcome (and encouraged) to join in.

G. MENU SELECTION: Be sure to specify if you require vegetarian dinners. Entree choices will be made later.

H. REGISTRATION FEES: Early registration (prior to May 1) is encouraged and must be accompanied by payment. Every effort will be made to accommodate late registrations but tour reservations and priority dinner seating cannot be guaranteed.

I. PAYMENT SUMMARY: Please complete all information on the Registration Form and forward your payment as appropriate. While checks are preferred, you may charge your fees. However, the 3-digit security number on the back of the card or the 4-digit number on the front of American Express card must be included. ONLY members of the Four Freshmen Society may attend this convention; non-members will be allowed to join for a special fee of only \$10 (single or couple-please indicate) if submitted with a convention registration. Feel free to duplicate the registration form for your non-member friends who may be interested.

J. TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL: Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit (MARTA) only \$2.25 per person (hotel station is only two blocks from hotel with complimentary pickup), or taxi (approximately \$30 to \$40). We heartily recommend MARTA!

HOTEL PARKING: Garage is part of the Hotel – and parking is **FREE!**