## 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!







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 Ciraolo & 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 Flanigan can pop as many buttons as he chooses.