

## Ever Closer to Pittsburgh 2006

Bob Baker, Convention Chairman

You will simply have to be here to be part of what is shaping up to be one of the truly memorable FRESHMEN EXPERIENCES. Our prime objective...Society Members Entertained and Happy. Our Task-Force is doing everything possible to ensure that end. Members from all over have enthusiastically responded with ideas, advice and personal resources. We are further motivated by your excitement. If you haven't made your plans, do so promptly! That is the way to get the best seating available, plus become eligible for some event prizes.

### Entertainment

The Convention is centered around our beloved group, and the Frosh remain the object of our attention. Three wonderful evenings of entertainment are nicely complimented by some truly accomplished artists.

#### **Thursday (August 24th) 7:30 PM**

##### **JAM SESSION...Hilton's King's Garden**

Hosted by former Freshmen great Ray Brown, things kick-off with Pittsburgh's own Harold Betters Jazz Quartet (see photo & biography). The night will come alive with talented Society musicians and vocalists, plus some surprise performers, as usual Ray will delight with his piano and vocal offerings. Don't miss this free-wheeling musical treat.

#### **Friday (August 25th) 6:45 PM**

##### **SOCIETY DINNER CONCERT...Hilton Ballroom I**

Following dinner, the Harold Better's Quartet will open the festivities with a short jazz set. The stage then belongs to lovely songstress, Sue Raney, accompanied by the great Donn Trenner and the Betters' rhythm section. Be prepared to be mesmerized by Ms. Raney.

As part of an interesting intermission, the beloved Ross Barbour, will highlight an entertaining tribute to a Society Legend. Then on come the Freshmen for their Society Set to cap this very special night. Stick around for the After Glow...cool drinks, cooler conversation with all the entertainers.

#### **Saturday (August 26th) 6:45 PM**

##### **SOCIETY DINNER/PUBLIC CONCERT...Hilton Ballroom I and II**

Master of Ceremonies, Bill Hillgrove...voice of our beloved Steelers, will get the festivities underway about 8:30PM as only "Billy" can. The Betters Quartet will warm things up with some great post-dinner sounds...and then, the night belongs to the Freshmen...two eagerly awaited sets to satisfy Society souls! On to the After Glow for more memories.

The Task-Force will add more Convention magic as we go! Arrive early and stay late. Check Chaz Cone's website and the next issue of Fresh News for continuing updates. We cordially invite you to Pittsburgh this August for a real Freshmen party.