A European Report

by Palle Christensen, FFS Europe

Thank you!

First a big thank you for all those nice comments the Amsterdam convention group has received. It was a pleasure making this event and we are glad that so many showed up and made the first European Four Freshmen convention such a success.

Fire Fyrer (Four guys)

After participating in the 50th Four Freshmen anniversary a group of Norwegian guys decided to make their own vocal quartet. They rehearsed and did a few songs in the Norwegian television. But this November they did their first whole show with the Four Freshmen song book and a big band. The group call themselves Fire Fyrer (=Four Guys) and the members are Dag Eriksen, Johan Bergli, Terje Fjaern and Kristian Lindeman. Kristian may be known as the gentleman who gave Bob Flanigan and The Freshmen the Ode to The Four Freshmen on stage in Las Vegas in 1998.

The groups song list included In This Whole Wide World, Somebody Loves Me, A Beautiful Friendship, Day by Day, Blue World, Happy Talk, The Freshmen Year, Their Hearts Were Full of Spring, Route 66, Polka Dots and Moonbeams, Unforgettable, There Will Never Be Another You and And So It's Over.

The next day the critics in the newspapers were overwhelmed with headlines such as - Unforgettable Concert. The concert with the Ski big band and the Fire Fyrer blew heads off the audience. The Ski big band was formed in 1976 and it's among the best in Norway. At this concert the band had the pleasure to perform with Fire Fyrer who are inspired by the Four Freshmen. The article quotes Kristian Lindeman for these words: The Four Freshmen vocal group is the father of all vocal groups and they have done a lot of good songs. Very well done guys.

Vielen dank (Thank you)

"Gute abend meine damen und herrer." Yes, that's the way it sounded in a german radio program during the year of 2005. Good evening ladies and gentlemen was the entry to different Four Freshmen programs. The broadcasts had titles of 50 years with the Four Freshmen and The Four Freshmen Story and the broadcasts lasted for almost 4 hours. The 50 years title was guided by Goertz Alsmann and The Four Freshmen story by Lutz Adam, and this was all very good publicity for The Freshmen. I got this information and a copy of these broadcasts from my FFS friend Hellmuth Grassmeyer in Munich Thank you Hellmuth.

E-mail address

I would like to ask all the EUROPEAN members to send me an e-mail with their e-mail address. This would speed up our correspondence and also make it more inexpensive. Please send an e-mail to p.ch@get2net.dk Thank you!



Convention participants in the Holiday Inn Hotel



Fire Fyrer = Four Guys0

POST PITT CALL!

Dick Baldwin, FFS President

FFS members with annual convention proposal packages should forward that information directly to Convention Committee Selection Chair Jack Morrison. Plans are starting to form for "reunion" convos for 2007 and beyond. Mr. Morrison's committee anticipates announcing the next site at Pittsburgh.

Thanks!

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