

# A Song with Three Claws

by ALAKI, Yutaka (Japan)

For many years, I have been charmed, captivated and caught by the magic arrangements of the Frosh. Like sinister Sirens, their music has forced me to spend many hours making transcriptions and/or analyzing the arrangements. Although they may seem to be somewhat of a burden, the Frosh charts are also a sort of nectar with extremely sweet taste. As a fanatic of the Frosh, I always accept almost all of songs even if they have never been performed, if they are performed by the Frosh and are arranged in the manner of the Frosh. My ears don't refuse them.

Nine years ago, at a show in Tokyo, I was captivated by one song with three claws as per usual. The three claws included the usual taste of the Frosh and the song's title, *Something's Gotta Give*. And the third was a sense of *deja vu*.

The usual taste of the Frosh is self evident. The other claw, the title, was the problem. English is not my mother tongue, and my knowledge of English is only based on the lessons from my POOR school days. Unlike you, native English-speaking FFSers, I am not able to understand the delicate, usual or complex expression. As you know, frogs in the well do talk to each other with a few words. In understanding (continued on page 11)



## Fresh CORRECTION

In the last issue we published Dr. Brown's incorrect address. His correct address is:  
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**July 10, 2013**

**Newport Beach, CA**

Newport Beach Summer Jazz Series, Newport Beach Marriott Grand Ballroom

Showtimes: 6:00p and 7:30p

Ticket info: 949 759 5003

**July 11, 2013**

**Moorpark, CA**

High Street Arts Center, 45 East High Street

Showtime: 7:30p

Tickets: 805-529-8700

**July 12, 2013**

**Newport Beach, CA**

Balboa Bay Resort, 1221 West Coast Highway

Showtime: 6:30p

Tickets: 949-645-5000

**July 24-27, 2013**

**Grosse Pointe Farms, MI**

The Dirty Dog Café, 97 Kercheval Ave

Showtime(s): TBA

Reservations: 313-882-5299

**August 15, 2013**

**Rockport, MA**

Rockport Music Hall, 37 Main Street

Showtime: 8:00p

Reservations: 987-546-7391

**August 16, 2013**

**Natick, MA**

The Center for Arts in Natick, 14 Summer Street

Showtime: 8:00p

Reservations: 508-647-0097

**August 17, 2013**

**Old Saybrook, CT**

Katherine Hepburn Cultural Arts Center, 300 Main Street

Showtime: 8:00p

Reservations: 860-510-0473 / 800-510-0473

**August 31, 2013**

**Detroit, MI**

Detroit Jazz Festival with Toledo Jazz Orchestra and a tribute to Stan Kenton

Venue: Main Stage

Showtime: 3:15-4:30p

Tickets: Free!

**September 5-7, 2013**

**Fort Wayne, IN**

65th Anniversary Four Freshmen Society Convention/Reunion

Grand Wayne Convention Center, 1020 South Calhoun Street

Info: 260-432-6330

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**September 14, 2013**

**Godfrey, IL**

Anne Whitney Olin Theatre, Lewis & Clark Community College

5800 Godfrey Rd

Showtime: 7:30p

Tickets: 618-468-4222

**September 28, 2013**

**Heathsville, VA**

Northumberland High School, 201 Academic Ln

Showtime: 7:30p

Tickets: 804-472-3396

**September 29, 2013**

**Reading, PA**

Miller Center for the Arts with the Reading Pops Orchestra,

4 North Second Street

Showtime: 3:00p

Tickets: 610-607-6270

**October 5, 2013**

**Newark, NJ**

New Jersey Performing Arts Center, 1 Center Street

NJPAC Gala featuring Naturally 7, Four Freshmen, Pointer Sisters

Showtime: TBA

Tickets: 1-888-466-5722