



FOUR FRESHMEN SOCIETY 2013 CONVENTION

SEPTEMBER 5 - 7, 2013, FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

If you attended one or all twenty-five of the Four Freshmen Society's conventions, then you already know what a great time we have meeting and renewing friendships and hearing the fabulous Four Freshmen live in concert. We will not only celebrate the **twenty-sixth year of The Four Freshmen Society's Annual International Convention**, but also the **65th Anniversary of The Four Freshmen uninterrupted**.

We will go "**Back To The 113 Club**," at the Grand Wayne Convention Center located on the very site where four young men, The Four Freshmen, made their first one week long professional appearance at the club. Now, 65 years later, we will have an opportunity to join with the current fabulous Four Freshmen in celebration of this memorable anniversary and of their legacy. Don't miss this great celebration!

Breaking News! - The rooms at the Hilton are nearly full. We have made arrangements for overflow with the Courtyard by Marriott across the street from the Grand Wayne Convention Center via a skywalk. First try making your reservation at the Hilton by calling direct to Angie at 260-422-4002. *Do not call the 800 number.* If the Hilton is full she will direct you to call the Marriott.

When calling the Marriott, call direct to Aimee at 260-579-9225 to avoid any confusion. You may use the same code TFF at the Marriott. The rates until August 12 will remain the same as the Hilton, \$109/night with free parking.

Dan de la Torre has designed a great logo for the **65th Anniversary Commemorative shirt**. The shirt is a collared shirt in Mediterranean Blue and available in both Ladies and Men's sizes.

"**Fresh Memories**" was a winner last year and once again we will meet to share and enjoy memories of the past. Neil Lantz will be our host with former Four Freshmen members Bill Comstock, Rod Henley, Greg Stegman, Kirk Marcy and others, along with Betty Kratzsch and Sue Barbour sharing their memories from 1948 and beyond.

Plan to arrive on Thursday. Meet & greet Candy and Jim Bell, Indiana state representatives in the **113 Club/Hospitality/Music Mart/Silent Auction Area**. The **Wannabees** will meet on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoon led by Bill Martin, Yas Ichiura and others. We will be singing those great tunes that have been sung and performed by the Four Freshmen for the past 65 years.

Silent Auction - **More items are needed than received.** Whether or not you are able to come to the Convention, we need your help. One of the traditions of the conventions is a **Silent Auction** of Four Freshmen and similar memorabilia i.e. music and non-musical items, art work, jewelry, photos, etc. If you have anything to donate please email or call Jim Owen at 260-471-1752 or jimandsue3@comcast.net



Thursday evening is the traditional Jam Session anchored by The Jim Steele Quartet and we encourage you to sit in without instrument or voice. This is a great evening of fun and always with some surprises. This year we will enjoy a surprise from Bill Comstock and family.

Friday night will be a very special celebration, taking us back to memories and memorabilia of the 113 Club, Fort Wayne, Indiana. The theme "Back To the 113 Club" will open with dinner music by Jim Steele, jazz pianist and Brad Kuhns,

string bass, followed by The New Millennium Jazz Orchestra performing a tribute to Stan Kenton. The fabulous Four Freshmen will close out the evening's celebration.

Saturday night we will enjoy dinner music followed by a concert by The Four Freshmen backed by members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic string orchestra under the direction of former Four Freshmen member Dr. Rod Henley of Las Vegas, Nevada.

