

# Did you get it right away? I DID

by Tom Kilbride, a fan since 1953, Waco, TX

Maybe it's the crazy year 2020 was, or a result of having too much time for thinking, but I've come to the conclusion that it's time to change the name of our organization (again).

Think about the first time you heard The Four Freshmen. Did you "get it" right away? I did, but there are people who listen and say things like, "They're singing off key," or "That hurts my ears," or "They certainly aren't The Four Coins."

So I'm thinking, why are people not hearing what I'm hearing? What's wrong with them?

Now I know there are those who have to grow into "getting it" by repetitive exposure, and God bless them, but those of us who "got it" on the first try are special. That's why we're as devoted to The Four Freshmen music as we are.

So here's the deal: We are special people because we have a special listening apparatus (two actually) that lets us hear what others cannot. We are fortunate to have come into the world this way. We didn't study for it, we didn't train for it, we were just lucky enough to be born with it. Therefore, I propose that we drop the current organization's name and call ourselves The Lucky Ear Club.

All those in favor, say aye!

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**Due to the current health restrictions, please be sure to keep up with the status of concerts online at [fourfreshmensociety.com](http://fourfreshmensociety.com).**

### July 20, 2021

### Roseburg, OR

Music on the Half Shell, Stewart Park

Show time: 7:00p

Tickets: FREE!

### August 9-10, 2021

### Irvine, CA

Sunset Jazz at Bistango Palm Patio, 19100 Von Karman Ave

Show time: 6:00p-8:30p Tickets: 949-759-5003

### October 21, 2021

### Lawrenceburg, TN

Crockett Theatre, 203 North Military Ave

Show time: 7:00p

Tickets: 961-762-4231

### December 3, 2021

### Kerrville Bay, TX

Kathleen C. Cailloux City Center

for the Performing Arts, 910 Main St

Show time: TBA

Tickets: 830-896-9393

### December 5, 2021

### Horseshoe Bay, TX

Quail Point

Show time: 4:30p

Tickets: TBA

### December 7, 2021

### Fort Myers, FL

Tribby Arts Center, 17821 On Par Blvd

Show time: 7:00p

Tickets: 239-454-2067

### December 31, 2021

### Spring, TX

The Centrum, 6823 Cypresswood Dr

Show time: 7:00p

Tickets: 281-440-4850

## 2022

### January 23, 2022

### Malibu, CA

Lisa Smith Wengler Center for the Arts, 24255 Pacific Coast Hwy

Show time: 2:00p

Tickets: 310-506-4522

## How Bill Martin First Heard of the Four Freshmen

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I thought I had died and gone to Heaven. I bought tickets, and Phyllis and I were there when the doors opened. George Shearing was the first to perform and was a delight to hear in person. Next, the announcer introduced The Four Freshmen. I thought he had made a mistake, as the Kenton Orchestra had not yet come on stage. I did not know that The Four Freshmen could accompany themselves. When they ran on stage with their instruments and hit *Somebody Loves Me*, we were blown away! I didn't know such a big sound could come from four voices and such few instruments.

Needless to say, we became lifelong fans, having attended countless concerts through the years. We attended our first FFS convention in 1990 at Springfield, Ohio, and have missed very few since. Getting to meet The Four Freshmen, their families, and all the great fans has been an indescribable pleasure!