



## Stars Hall of Fame the Unknown Induction

by Autie Goodman

Bob, Kenny, Dennis, and myself were inducted into the stars Hall of Fame in Orlando Florida in 1980. None of our fans know about it. We didn't have a newsletter at the time and Bob never mentioned it. He was not a person to brag about the induction. I thought our older fans would like to know of that honor. Ed Townsend started our first newsletter in 1980 in Dallas Texas.

### A Side note from Terry Goodman.

*Dad had his 90th birthday on the 4th of August and shows no signs of slowing down. Truthfully I'm having a hard time keeping up with him! Thank you for all you are doing... I hope all is well, cheers!*

## Music Mart Change

by Barbara Emerson

This is just to announce a change to the music mart ordering. Up to now if you printed the order for off the web site you paid \$1 per CD for shipping (\$5 for overseas orders). If you used the order form in the Newsletter, you were asked to pay \$1 for credit card orders. Needless to say that was inconsistent. To make them consistent, we're changing the order form in the newsletter to match the one on the web site except that we've change the expected cost for overseas orders to \$7 (as has the web site sheet).

In actuality we will charge the actual shipping cost for all orders (but not more than \$1 per CD) so the amount on the form is more of a guideline. The only complication we haven't yet ironed out is those who send us a check. A single CD can have shipping costs that range from \$0.93 to \$1.32. It is probably too cumbersome to start issuing refund checks for \$0.07 if you order a CD and include \$1 and it only cost \$0.93. We could be more standardized if all the CD's came in the same packaging but jewel cases are disappearing and the newer ones are lighter and cheaper to mail.

## The Four Freshmen at the Dirty Dog, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI

by Ed Nussel

You might have had mental images about a place called "The Dirty Dog Jazz Café" but these quickly change when you enter this cozy, intimate establishment. Located in a tree lined suburban Detroit shopping area called Grosse Pointe Farms the Dirty Dog has been an annual three day stop for the Freshmen over a nine year period. The venue is excellent because the audience is comfortably close to the performers. The place has only 15 tables with a small bar toward the back.

The show opened with *Day In - Day Out* and followed by a variety of old and new favorites. The Freshmen are even doing acappella including *Here's That Rainy Day* while Curtis Calderon provided plenty of pace with his trumpet solos. They played several selections from their newest CD which also demonstrated a wide range of selections including *So Dance Samba*, *Moonglow*, *The Girl from Ipanema*, and of course, *It's a Blue World*. In the end a total of 19 selections were performed in a show which lasted over an hour.

Afterwards, we had an opportunity to visit with Tommy Boynton, the newest Freshman. We found him very approachable and cordial. My wife and I both commented to him how well he has fit into the organization. He accepted the compliment very graciously.

Another successful visit to the Dirty Dog by the Four Freshmen.



Photo by George Nosky



## Same Show - Different point of View.

by Ellie and George Nosky

We saw the Freshmen July 23rd at the Dirty Dog Jazz Café in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan. It was our first time to hear the new group and we thought they were wonderful. The Dirty Dog is an intimate venue with great food. Because of its size the guys do two performances a night for four nights. All performances were sold out. This was their 9th year there so you know they have formed a special relationship with the owner.

The new guy, Tommy, has really settled in within a very short time. There seemed to be a renewed energy in the group which transferred itself into the music. Curtis is doing a wonderful job of arranging. Their acappella version of a new song, John Coltrane's *Central Park West* is beautiful and was well received by the audience. Curtis did the arrangement AND wrote the lyrics.

Besides all the beautiful standards of the Freshmen, this group has added some other songs. We felt they are great additions.

If you haven't heard them, you will be in for a wonderful treat at the Convention. Also their new CD, *The Four Freshmen & Friends*, recorded live at the Newport Jazz Party is a must for your collection.