



The Saturday evening Dinner/Show at the WECU Pavilion began with Co-Chair Doug Broersma giving a lively introduction of the student groups who had participated in Thursday's Master Class and were chosen to perform prior to The Four Freshmen taking the stage. (The name of the first performing group was "The Four Seniors...Almost.")

It should be noted that the attendance at both the Friday and Saturday shows were comparable to the attendance at several of the past Four Freshmen Convention concerts. There were more than 200 in attendance on Friday, and well over 300 on Saturday with the pre-concert dinners having been sold out! At the end of each show the audience was immediately on their feet, shouting for more, and the boys would always come through!

Four Freshmen Society members came from far and wide to join the locals at these concerts, and there were no less than two dozen who logged onto my "Four Freshmen Society Sign-In Sheet," and probably a few more who slipped through the cracks. Barney Biggs and his wife came down from White Rock and Surrey, British Columbia to attend both concerts, and they were vehement about wanting to have The Four Freshmen return to the area on a yearly basis. Society member Robert Peterson flew up from Reno, Nevada, for both of the evening events, and he very much wants the boys to headline similar festivals in the Reno area! ("Hey! Call Dina!")



Among the special people attending not already mentioned were Rick and Kathy Feese (daughter of original Freshman Ross Barbour), with Phoebe Shalev and Hayden Byrne (grandson of Chaz Cone, the FF Society Webmaster and Publicist), and Jake with his parents, Bob and Sara Baldwin. All came from afar to enjoy the amazing talent of The **Four Freshmen!**

A family affair: I am flanked by my daughter, Alison with husband Ken, who drove up from Puyallup, and my son Andrew, our videographer, with wife Jessica, Ferndale Choir.



Sunday:

The last day of the 5-day festival offered one final performance at 2:00 pm by an original member of **The Imperials**, Sherman Andrus, but the boys couldn't take part because they needed to rise early and hit the road to make their flights.

Still, everyone in the Lynden community was very "jazzed" that the famous Four Freshmen had come to town! There were many smiles up and down Front Street!

In a closing note: There was a concern that, because the performing venues were in several different locations and away from hotel accommodations, there would be transportation issues, especially for out-of-towners. The LMF Committee was prepared with shuttles, which were readily available but were, surprisingly, seldom used! (Leave it to the FF Society folks to be able to figure things out!)



"Need a lift from here to there? Just ask!"