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Wonderful Washington Weekend

By Christian Rank FFS historian

The Freshmen headlined the Lynden Music Festival in Lynden, Washington. This nice little town, nestled in the NW corner of the state was the perfect setting for this intimate festival. It was the perfect opportunity to experience all that the Pacific North West has to offer. It was great to see familiar faces like Kathy Feese, Gil Peterson, Kay & Bob Boynton and meet new ones like Jake's, parents Sara and Bob Baldwin.

The boys did two fantastic shows Friday and Saturday nights as well as holding a master class for local music students from nearby Blaine and Ferndale districts. It was inspiring to see The Freshmen teach these students some of the finer details of vocal harmony, something that these already talented youngsters would only benefit from.

The two shows were full of nice surprises like a great new swinging arrangement of the standard *I Could Write a Book*, an impromptu *Night and Day* from Tommy and Jake, Ryan's catchy new original *Floating and Benny's (Pennies) From Heaven*, Jake's homage to vocalese pioneer Eddie Jefferson. Once again the talents of these four are limitless! Everytime I see them, I'm in for a new musical adventure!

Dimitri Matheny's tribute to Henry Mancini and Netherlands based trumpeter, sax, and vocalist Folkert-Hans Tolsma were just a few of the other musical acts we enjoyed over the week along with The Swing Connection, the big band that backed the Frosh on Friday.

Many thanks to Mark Schlichting for his excellent job coordinating this event. Bravo Mark! Job well done!

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The average cost would be about \$2,500, however it's hard to tell you what will always be the cost. So many variables go into each issue. The ArtDpartmen's cost always stays the same. Mark Advertising is the variable. How many pages, how much color, how many printed and how many mailed. It very seldom goes down unless we lose members. In that case it's how many are printed and how many are mailed.

We can control cost if we start doing black and white and control the pages. Sometimes the news and photos are so good we feel color is necessary to show all this better. One problem- if you just put one word or sentence in color, you pay for a page of color. After this one I will start doing a little experimenting to see how I can save.

Also, we won't always be on time because I'm not getting that many articles anymore and there are no more conventions. So please bear with me.

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The days are getting shorter as we get closer to the busy holiday season. I love the colors of Fall in Ohio as the leaves change and the air is clean and crisp. The music of choice here on Saturday afternoon comes from The Ohio State University Marching Band halftime shows and pep rallies as I watch my Buckeyes play football.

We all love the unique sound of our Freshmen, but most of us appreciate and listen to some variety of musicians along with the music of The Four Freshmen. We are blessed to have access to several ways to hear a large number of artists today. Have you been following The Freshmen on Facebook? They have posted some really great music videos lately! Wonderful exposure for them along with the recent Lynden Music Festival.

The Four Freshmen Society is thankful and appreciate the members and friends who have sent contributions to help keep the *Fresh News* going and to enable us to support the Freshmen in small ways. We have received more than \$2,000 in donations since our last issue of *Fresh News*. Our editor, Barb Meyers, has written a brief description of the cost to publish and deliver our quarterly newsletter so you can be informed about our obligations there. Our dues don't cover those bills, so keep the donations coming! Send them to Chaz Cone (address on Board of Directors page) or go to the FFS web page.

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