

**Re: (fourfreshmen)
My First Time
Sally Cook (OK)**

I fell in love with the Four Freshmen when I was a Freshman at the U. of OK in 1956. I was pinned to an Alpha Tau Omega, and they planned a (very special) party at Lake Murray Lodge (halfway between OKC and Dallas) featuring the FF. That would have been Group 3, with Bob, Don, Ross and Ken Albers.

After that, I didn't hear anything about the FF until I was in Honolulu on my (second) honeymoon in 1977. (By then I had worn out the few FF albums that I possessed.) The Freshmen were in Honolulu and we found them in the entertainment section of the newspaper. We went to see them and were fortunate enough to spend a fabulous fifteen minutes alone with Bob Flanigan out back, taking a break! For me, it was the highlight of the honeymoon, not to mention my entire second marriage. (I am now on husband 3!) Still no new FF albums!

Moving right along! By the next time I heard about the Freshmen, I had raised 2 daughters, had 3 grandchildren and was a Flight Attendant for Delta Airlines. My daughter, Victoria, was living in San Antonio, working at a restaurant. It was 1991. One night my daughter overheard 2 gentlemen say that the FF would be appearing in that restaurant! In the middle of taking their order, she very abruptly said, "The Four Freshmen are coming HERE? My mother loves the FF. I grew up listening to the FF. When, etc., etc." The night of the performance I sat at ringside, next to the Mayor of San Antonio and Victoria fell in love with Bob Ferreira! It was Group 18. That night I bought several CDs and discovered (via the info sheet inside one of them) The Four Freshmen Society, which I promptly joined.

In the years since, my husband, Ken, and I have seen the guys a number of times, including on board 2 Cruises, which were absolutely heaven. We hope to attend our first Convention in August. I now listen to THE FOUR FRESHMEN in every room, every car, on the deck, by the pool, even in the barn! (We raise our baby horses on the Freshmen.) I am listening to them right now, The "Four Freshmen Collectors Series" with Hal, Don, Ross and Bob on the cover. Also, I don't know how I survived before I had the Mosaic Set. It was a gift from my husband, Ken. Think I'll keep this one!!!

OK, that's my story. What's yours? Great idea! Much more fun than mud throwing.

**GEORGETOWN, TEXAS
Four Freshmen to Kick Off
First Annual Headliner Series for
Georgetown Area Community
Foundation
by Norm Peters**

DOWNBEAT MAGAZINE'S Years 2001 number one vocal jazz group, The Four Freshmen, have been selected to kick off the Georgetown Area Community Foundation's first annual Headliner Series, a benefit scheduled November 10th in this Central Texas community located 25 miles north of Austin.

The foundation's Board of Directors recently voted to co-host an annual headliner speaker/concert fund-raising event with other area nonprofit organizations. The Year 2002 inaugural event will be co-hosted by The Medical, Eye & Dental International Care Organization, Inc., an independent nonprofit humanitarian group based in Georgetown.

Four Freshmen Society member, Norm Peters, who serves on the boards of both host organizations, is coordinating the event. Peters, a financial consultant and former musician, has enlisted parents and students from the highly acclaimed vocal music department at Georgetown High School in the selling of tickets, with a percentage of sales going to their music program. "I especially want our young people to be exposed to the Four Freshmen who, in my opinion, are superb role models as successful musicians. Our kids and Central Texas Four Freshmen fans are in for a real treat and I appreciate the guys working us into their busy schedule." stated Peters.

The 3 PM concert will be held in the new 1200-seat High School Center for the Performing Arts. General admission tickets will soon be available at \$25. A limited number of front/center seats will be reserved at \$50. FRESHMEN SOCIETY members should watch the Four Freshmen web site for ticket information as ticket sales will begin October.

Information regarding the two nonprofit organizations can be reviewed at their web sites: **www.gacf.org** and **www.medico.org**. Peters can be reached at telephone 512-863-8217 or at **www.petersinvestments.com**.