

## Columnist Misses the Four Freshmen

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In the July 21 Pittsburgh Post Gazette, columnist Barbara Cloud responded to a letter I wrote her a couple of months ago when she mentioned in a column that she really missed the Four Freshmen sound. I sent her a copy of Fresh News and informed her that the sound is alive and well. I also mentioned that they had appeared during the opening week of Dowe's on Ninth Street and they were better than ever. I am enclosing the column in the hope this lets many more former Fresh fans know what a fabulous group we still have performing for us. I listen to Jack Bogut's show each morning at my office primarily to hear the Freshmen. Bill Cardille who follows Bogut's show also plays the Freshmen.

**\*Excerpts from Barbara Cloud's column in the July 21st edition of The Pittsburgh Post Gazette:**

**Four Freshmen:** Some time ago, I mentioned how much I liked the Four Freshmen, stating it in the past tense, as a group long gone. Not so. A reader informed me with a Four Freshmen Society newsletter that the sound goes on. The vocal quartet, known for its open harmony, has been emulated by Manhattan Transfer, The Lettermen and the Hi-Lo's, among others. The Four Freshmen of today are considered a credit to the legacy of the original group, and I have to admit, I am not sure I would know when I am listening to the earlier four musicians or the current ones. The newsletter points out that the younger group is managed by original Freshman Bob Flanigan. The "Freshmen sound" is still with us, thank goodness.'

**Jack Bogut:** The WJAS morning man's sign-off song has long been by the Four Freshmen, and it's so good I sometimes can't wait for its harmony-to-perfection to begin as the clock nears 10 a.m. I like all the interim tunes Bogut selects, but I like the oldies the best. Why are you not surprised?

## THANKS TO ALL

by John Bangs

During the hectic first 10 days of July your Music Mart was able to process and ship some 340 CD's and/or cassettes. Along with those many orders, salutations of varying degrees were received. They ranged from a mere THANKS to lengthy notes and cards, phone calls and the like.

I must thank all those that took the extra time to do so. Their names follow, and if I missed you, I am sorry. Many of you are regulars and your purchases have kept the Society and the Freshmen in business. Had you bought all our CD offerings you would have over 40 (according to Chris Rank.) HERE'S TO YOU!

### Cards & Thoughts of Thanks received with CD Orders:

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