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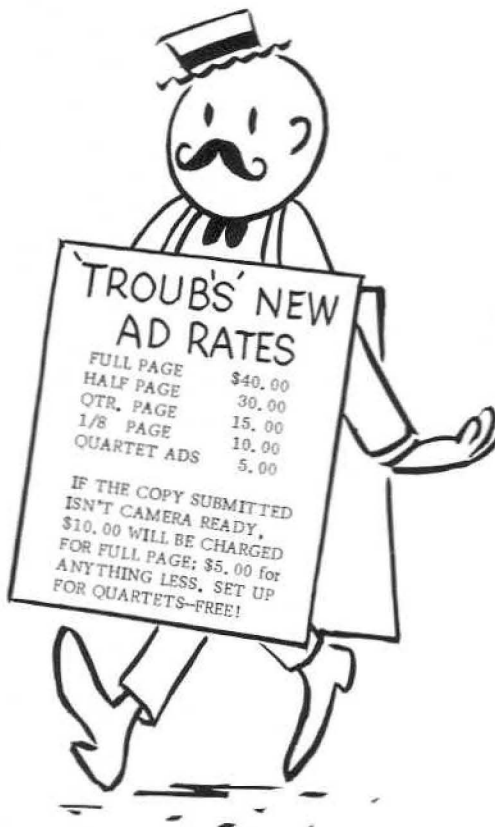
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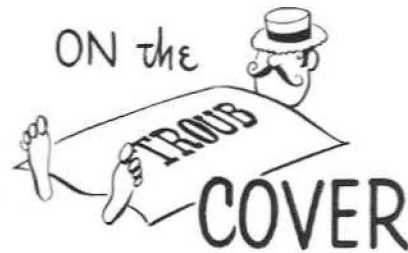
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Thrills, at a Pioneer District Convention, are easy to come by. Seemingly, every corner has a tag in it, just waiting for four to bust it wide open into that sweet, indiscribable ring that seems to invade your very pores. What greater thrill?? Who knows. We haven't tried everything the world has to offer, so we're simply not qualified to say, but so far. . . singing in a foursome tops the list.

The Muskegon Chapter is to be commended for their usual fine Convention. It must be "second nature" for those guys to do everything right. (Even if it had been a bad convention, have you ever sung in a finer auditorium than the Michigan Theatre?) We look forward to Muskegon's next Convention bid.

Depicted on the cover is the 1970-71 Pioneer District Champion Chorus - The Wolverines, and the two quartets who will represent us "on the Boardwalk" at the annual International contests in June - The Sharplifters from Detroit and O.C.C., and the Gentlemen's Agreement from Dearborn and Monroe. It will be the first time for the Gentlemen's Agreement as a quartet although some of its personnel have been there before. The Sharplifters, of course, are "repeaters" at the International level. They previously attained 11th place.

The Wolverine Chorus of O.C.C., under the direction of Carl Dahlke, will also represent the Pioneer District at International this June. It's the Chorus' third "shot" at it. They previously finished 10th and 13th in the 15 chorus competition.

(Afterthought: How would you like to have been a judge at Muskegon and have to eliminate 11 choruses and 11 quartets from the competition? A monumental undertaking, but the panel of judges was equal to the task.)

CHAPTER REPORTS

GRATIOT COUNTY by Maynard & Fred

The Gratiot County Chapter thoroughly enjoyed an evening with the Lansing Chapter on April 6th. It was an inspiration as usual to sing with Bob Johnson, and for many of the 22 members we had present, it was their first experience. . . . So where do you suppose the Lansing Chapter went on their mystery bus trip??? They visited us on the 13th of April, of course. We had a real singing experience together along with listening to Lansing's FOWLER FOUR and the IMPURAIREs and the GAY NINETIES of Gratiot Co.

On April 23rd we sang a 20 minute program for a Cub Scout benefit at West Intermediate School in Mt. Pleasant, Mich. There was a large, appreciative audience, and we were pleasantly surprised by being invited to stay for refreshments.

Our next project is to build a float for the big parade at the Highland Festival in Alma on May 23rd. Work is starting now under the direction of Carl Mitchell. We need the cooperation of all of us to make this parade a success. And to top it all off, we are learning a new song written especially for the Festival by a long time barbershopper, Jerry Guimond and arranged by Ray Tomlin.

And that's the top of the news from the middle o' Michigan.

DETROIT

Larry King



The Detroit Chapter honored its' Past Presidents at the April 17 meeting. Each of them made a few comments to the members present on the history of the Chapter and on some of the problems of today. The first and third presidents had particularly interesting remarks. Pictured below are, (back row)*Bill Warner, Larry King, Bill Butler, (Traverse City), Joe Wolff, Pat Ryan(Current), Bert West, Wally Joure and Earl Sanders(Grosse Pointe); (front row) Bill Taylor(Downriver), Art Schultz, Mel Larginess,(Dearborn).



*Past Detroit Presidents unless otherwise indicated

SAULT STE MARIE by Bruce Martin

The seventh annual "Hi-Lites in Harmony" held on April 11 is gone, but not forgotten. Thanks to all barbershoppers

who helped to make it an evening to remember. Special thanks to the FOR-TUNE TELLERS of Manchester, the DUNE TONES of Grand Haven, and the Les Cheneaux Chorus for a great job of entertaining. The close harmony of the Dune Tones, the comedy of the For-Tune Tellers, and Dick Tracy and the new Cheneaux Chorus drew the applause of a full house.

Captain Cliff McLean of the Cheneaux Chorus emceed the Afterglow in the Blue Line Room of the PeeWee Arena where the chords were kept ringing for at least two hours. A special guest at the show was Bob Markey of Lewiston where they are talking about forming a Chapter. Best wishes in your efforts, Bob.

Joe Rogers, Ed Cloutier, Gerry Clowes, Gord Saxby and all the rest of the gang deserve a big bouquet for making our 7th the best show yet. To Don Bazely, our director, BRAVO for your patient and great leadership.

The group of fellows that travelled down to the Boyne City Bush League Contest all report a great time, and from their comments re: the quality of the quartets participating the Pioneer District's future looks good.

On April 6th the Chorus went to City Hall where President Colin Donaghue read a Proclamation making the Mayor and Members of the Council "Honorary Men-of-Note" for Harmony Week, after which we sang "It's Good to Know You're Welcome in Your Own Home Town". Wednesday the Chorus sang in Plummer Hospital, and Friday in the General Hospital. Sing outs for next week are planned for the Retarded Adults of Soogoma Industries, and for the P.T.A. of St. Theresa School. May 10th the Chorus sings at a concert of the Allied Arts Council.

In the meantime, Director Don Bazely has started some new songs. Hope we can learn them before too long, Don.

WAYNE

by Morrie Giles

Wayne started off with a visit from "musicman" Bob Johnson, an affair well attended by Wayne and other surrounding chapters. Can't see anyone not having an ego boost after a session with this man. Without a doubt, he is the greatest "Ambassador" International could send.

On April 3rd we visited the Oakland County Chapter, something we have done far too seldom in the past. They are a great bunch of guys.

April 17th our sneaky Program V.P. had a real doozy of a mystery bus trip planned for us. The bus left Westland Shopping Center at 7:30 and went directly to Dearborn which proved not to be the final destination. From there we proceeded south on I-75 to the Holliday Inn at Monroe. But this was still not the end of the line. Back to I-75 and south to a point "south of the border" where we were welcomed by the Toledo Chapter, the pride of JAD. Both the Toledo and Wayne Choruses plus several very good quartets were heard from.

By the time this goes to print the contest will be over, and all of the contestants will have had a good time and gained a lot of valuable experience, regardless of the outcome.

Since the Troub. Editor has warned us to keep our reports short, I'll sign off until the June issue.

P.S. We've just been informed that Wayne's make-up artist, King Page (who recently underwent heart surgery) is out of intensive care and receiving visitors at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

HOLLAND

by Jack Essenburg

The Holland Chapter wishes to extend sincere "thanks" to the Boyne City Chapter and all of the people of Boyne City for the hospitality shown at the annual Bush League



contest. As a Chapter, we congratulate the SOUNDSTATIONS for winning and commend all of the participating quartets for a job well done. We are sure that those in attendance could not help but notice the representation from Holland as most of the 24 were tagging until the wee, wee hours. We were very happy to have Bart Tillet and Don Lucas come down from the cold country to join us in a hot time.

"Of course, (as Bart always says)" the big one for us after the contest in Muskegon is our Tulip Time Show. Don't forget, it's May 15th at the Holland Civic Center.

HOLLY-FENTON

Grant Wright

At this writing we are very busy with last minute preparations for our annual show scheduled for May 2nd. We have welcomed several interested visitors at recent Chapter meetings who came in response to a classified ad placed in our local and neighboring news papers. The ad stated the time and place of our meetings, and invited interested men to join us. Those who answered the ad seem enthusiastic and may very well turn out to be new member prospects.

FLINT

Les Lang

April has been a big month for the Flint Chapter. Our show on the 11th of April was a sell out (even standing room was crowded). This is the first to be a sell out. Oh, we have always had good crowds, but there were always seats vacant, but not this time. The Afterglo was equally successful. We also had some good meetings and took in the Grand Rapids Invitational which is a real good show and with the best talent in the world it should be. Those SALT FLATS are something else.

May promises to be an active month-
2nd Holly Fenton Show
8th Quad Chapter at Bay City
22nd International Night at Sarnia.

Plus regular meetings; it looks like an active spring.

MONROE

Rawleigh L. Gregory

On March 14th, Monroe Chapter joined with Toledo (JAD) to put on a benefit show for Monroe H.S. Band. The band was invited to make a trip to France by Mr. Paul Peletier who had been an exchange Principal at M.H.S. for five months last fall. While in Monroe, Peletier attended Monroe Chapter several times and accompanied us on inter-chapter visitation, where he made a hit by singing lead to an old barbershop standard (in French) while the other parts hummed the harmony.

As much for Paul as for the band, Monroe Chorus, Toledo Chorus, The BROTHERS THREE AND ME, The PATRIOTS, The HITS AND MISSES (Seaway Sweet Ads), The TWILIGHTERS, and the GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT put on a two and a half hour show and raised over \$1000 for the band. Toledo Chorus received a standing ovation for their patriotic songs routine.

On Friday, April 10th, Monroe hosted their ladies at the Holiday Inn. A buffet supper was served, and the Twilighters, Invoices, and Gentlemen's Agreement entertained. Those who missed out, really did.

Plans are in the mill for a picnic at the North Cape Yacht Club with the ladies this summer, guests of Art Lusty; and a "steak out" at the Butler Farm.

Welcome to new member Armand Arce, bass . . . he's already working out with a quartet.

Chord y'all regards to barbershoppers everywhere.

PONTIAC

by Terry Ermonian

Greetings from Pontiac, the Chapter on the move in the '70's.

Pontiac is really proud of it's performance in 1970, and it is all due to a lot of hard work by it's members. . . . Dick Guerin deserves a special "thanks" for his tremendous meetings of the past few months. It's men like Dick that are creating the contagious atmosphere at Pontiac, and the results are mushrooming. . .

Pontiac's woodshed meeting was a huge success with 75 men present. . . .

Pontiac's last meeting corraled 75 men for a fun filled which included a visitation from the Maumee Valley Chapter. Co-emcees doing a great job were Fred Kienitz and Norm Schram. Quartets on hand were the BEAN TOWN FOUR, the FOUR TOWNSMEN, and the CHORD REPORTERS. . . .

Pontiac's Merry Motormen Chorus is rehearsing for a Chapter commitment for the Comm-Arts Council in Pontiac. We are meeting at the Catalina Lounge in Gingelville Monday nights at 7:30 P.M. Last rehearsal brought out 25 enthusiastic barbershoppers raring to go. Anyone who prefers singing in a chorus, here's your opportunity to get involved.

Pontiac is switching from Zone 1 to Zone 4. We feel that this move will be a definate asset to the growth of the Pontiac Chapter.

Pontiac has signed up 8 new members since the first of the year, and that's just the beginning.

Pontiac opens it's door twice a month (first Wed. and third

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY QUARTET CONTEST and CHORUS CONTEST

APRIL 25, 1970

POS.	QUARTET									SUB			
		V. E.	ARR.	H. A.	B. & B.	S. P.	TOT.	PREV	TOTAL				
1.	Gentlemen's Agreement	139	147	137	148	135	133	130	141	293	1403	1380	2783
2.	Sharplifters	137	138	134	128	130	128	127	117	295	1334	1375	2709
3.	Vagabonds	122	121	138	142	128	125	119	120	277	1292	1332	2624
4.	Eversharps	127	117	135	124	121	107	123	113	161	1229	1219	2448
5.	Kasual D's	103	99	116	122	117	121	110	108	249	1145	1205	2350
6.	Nile-Laters	106	100	113	110	104	100	108	102	243	1086	1141	2227
7.	Soundsations	91	96	106	101	100	95	103	101	215	1008	1045	2053
1.	Gentlemen's agreement	140	140	139	146	135	137	124	122	297			1380
2.	Sharplifters	146	144	135	138	127	126	127	136	296			1375
3.	Vagabonds	132	135	116	132	129	128	132	133	295			1332
4.	Eversharps	134	123	114	115	117	104	123	125	264			1219
5.	Kasual D's	109	120	120	125	123	123	116	126	243			1205
6.	Nile-Laters	102	102	112	120	117	117	115	117	239			1141
7.	Soundsations	102	107	110	102	108	105	100	101	210			1045
8.	Tune Tailors	111	99	117	94	105	100	99	97	231			1045
9.	Royal Coachmen	95	81	113	75	98	96	113	97	226			994
10.	Ring Masters	99	95	98	98	93	97	98	95	224			994
11.	Interlochens	105	108	102	76	85	97	90	86	218			967
12.	AdjustiChords	88	88	89	83	86	70	87	83	221			895
1.	Wolverines	142	146	140	143	142	143	137	139	293			1425
2.	Wonderland	125	147	120	114	126	133	120	120	256	(Time -15)		1246
3.	Great Lakes	129	126	116	123	124	127	118	117	219			1199
4.	Traverse City	114	114	112	105	110	97	112	113	239			1116
5.	Timberland Chordsmen	106	104	123	107	111	112	112	110	222			1107
6.	Lakeshore	129	125	107	100	110	94	112	108	210			1095
7.	Mall City	98	103	113	111	110	110	114	113	216			1088
8.	Gateway	101	101	103	97	120	120	115	114	202			1073
9.	Capitolaires	84	86	106	110	112	114	102	103	250			1067
10.	Windmill	109	111	95	103	109	108	100	100	222			1057
11.	Sun Parlour	90	86	98	104	87	90	91	98	221			965
12.	Cadillac	61	63	80	77	80	82	75	76	162			756

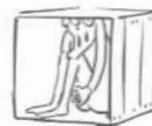
JUDGES

V. E. - WILLSON and SEEGERT
 H. A. - LOCSE and REID
 S. P. - CUTSINGER and MULLIGAN
 ARR - GENTIL and SZABO
 B&B - MOORE and G'BRIEN
 SECRETARY - DUPLAGA
 CHAIRMAN - CLAYTON
 SECRETARY PP - GAIKEMA

TIMERS - CRUM and PLANTENGA

DAVE STEVEN'S SCHEDULE

May 11th LES CHENEAX
 May 12th CADILLAC
 May 13th SAGINAW-BAY
 May 14th BATTLE CREEK
 May 15th GROSSE POINTE
 May 16th ARRANGERS SCHOOL IN THE DETROIT AREA - LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED
 May 18th DETROIT
 May 19th TECUMSEH
 May 20th NILES BUCHANAN
 May 21st HOLLAND
 May 22nd JACKSON



MY QUARTET LOST

MUSKEGON

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2. The Sharplifters sing a
3. Pioneer District Board
4. Bob Gall presents a 100
Fruit Belt Chapter.
5. The panel of judges

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16. The Ring Masters, after
17. Chorus wives(?) cheeri
18. The Interlochens in thei
19. Bud Carpenter, Area C
20. The Tune Tailors, after



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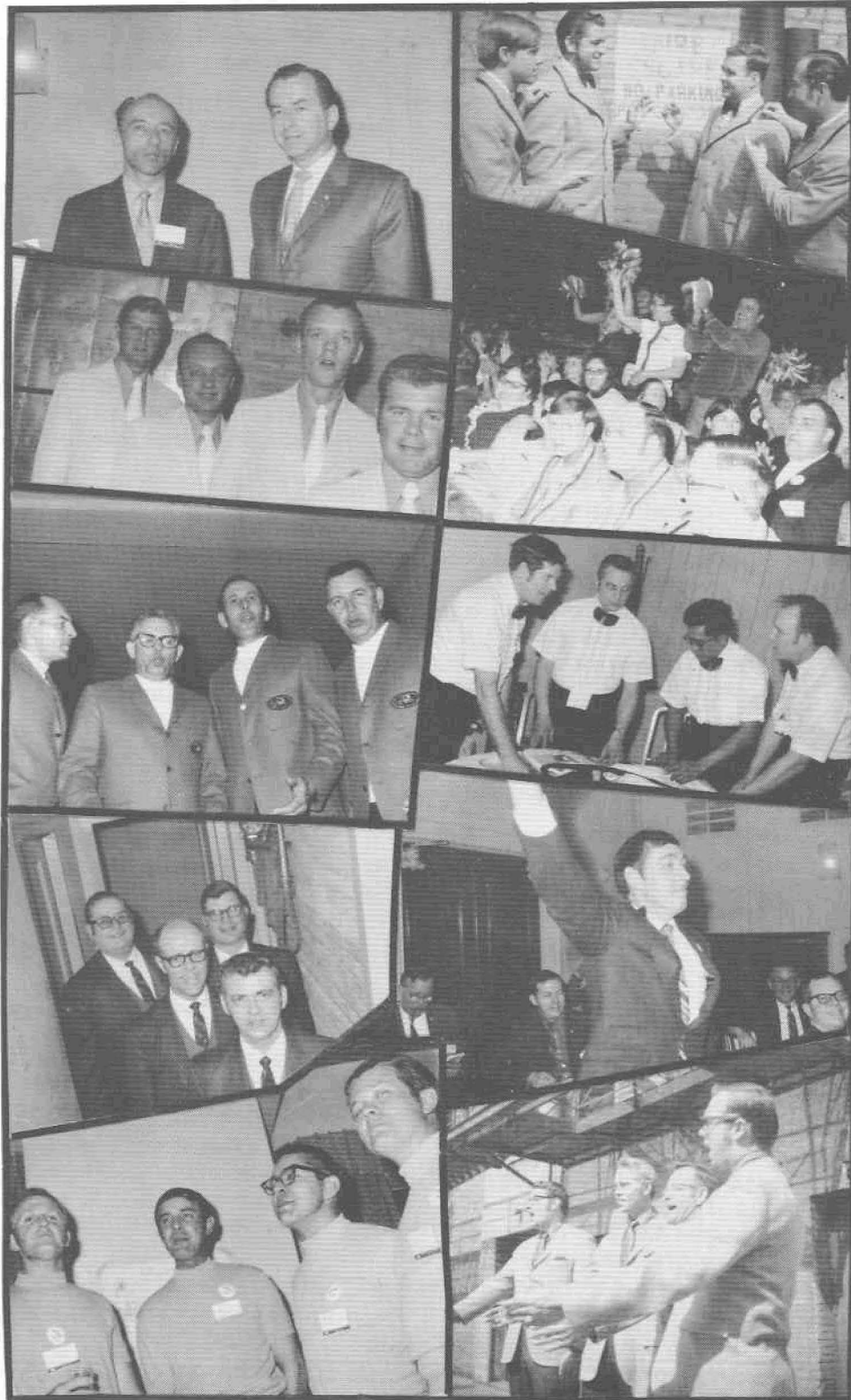
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"THE DRESSING ROOM IS ALWAYS PACKED."

Friday) to all singing barbershoppers who enjoy a fun-filled evening. Come visit with us and we promise an extended hand to welcome you and a full evening of singing and activities.

OAKLAND COUNTY

by Bob Drabik

Right off the top, I want to thank MAYNARD AND FRED for mentioning the jug. In addition to providing funds for our International Reps, it was designed to promote fun and fellowship through chapter visitations, and it looks as if it is accomplishing both goals. Don't forget, it's due back on June 5th.

April saw the Wayne Chapter visiting us with 22 of the finest guys you've ever met. (I can't praise these guys enough) They give 100% and that's what it's all about. On top of that, there were 6 from Detroit, 7 from Pontiac, and one each from Monroe and Redford. You can imagine what a blast it was with the INVOICES, the INTERLOCHENS, the ADJUSTACHORDS, WONDERLAND CHORUS, WOLVERINE CHORUS, and all the boondoggling you could ask for. Sounds like a convention, doesn't it??

And, speaking of conventions, I want to congratulate the SHARPLIFTERS and the GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT. The Pioneer District is going to have great representation in Atlantic City, this year. It's a shame, though, that everyone cannot win.

One of our more stalwart members, Norm Schram, challenged Jim Lekander to an octet contest a lil while ago. The results were full participation for 16 men, improvement of the chorus as a whole, and an awful lot of fun for the entire group. The showdown, judged by the Chorus at a rehearsal, saw Lekander's Laddies come out on top (?) - (We still think it was fixed) but it made for good times and you may want to try it. It could also work at the quartet level.

Bob Johnson at Wayne was another inspiring nite, and our P.A.L. T.A.L.S.' Boardwalk Ball was an unqualified success - thanx a million, girls. That beauty contest was something else - ever see a guy in his wife's bikini???

Our immediate future calls for a benefit for the South Macomb Hospital on May 15 & 16, return of the Brown Jug on the 5th of June (join us) the Lansing fish fry on June 12, and a visitation to Detroit on June 19. Sound busy(?) it's the only way to really enjoy it so - c'mon in and see us.

TRAVERSE CITY

Dean Fisher

By the time this printing gets out, we will have done our thing at Muskegon and hopefully, scared the sox off a few chapters. . . . We will also have just completed what we call WLDR - Barbershop Day (on WLDR-FM). Our great Chapter guys sold radio spots to local merchants, made tapes of them, and took them over to the radio station on the Saturday ending National Harmony Week, and played records, did live commercials, made a little coin, and generally had a whale of a time. I wanna tell you, people in this area know about barbershopping now.

Bush League was great . . . Loton and the guys are to be commended for the fine job they did. The TIMBRE-BARONS took a fast second place, and had a great time.

Show time coming up, June 13th with our fabulous over

forty Chorus plus the great RENEGADES, the fabuluous GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT, plus our own BAY TONES, plus others. Come on up to God's Country and hear some great barbershop. Anyone desiring tickets or reservations for the weekend should contact me at 420 Munson, Travers City, 49684. (See this month's ad elsewhere in this issue) And, man do we put on great afterglows.

The guys have really been working for our first time out Director - Marty Chirgwin. Our sound is getting great.

Glad to see Al Hubschneider out of the hospital after a bout with pneumonia.

So far this year has been a great year up north, and things are looking better as time goes on.

We were blessed with a visit from Gene Gillem and Cap McClean who both offered great encouragement.

Remember - SPRING '71 CONVENTION IN TRAVERSE CITY

SAGINAW-BAY

by Bob Melton

Our congratulations to the new Bush League Champs - the SOUNDSATIONS, and the runners up - the TIMBRE BARONS, the "C" FARERS, and our own RING MASTERS (with Randy Meldrum replacing Tom Roozenberg on bari).

Our Past President - Moe Weaver - is trying to start a new chapter in Roscommon, Mio, Houghton Lake, and several other area towns. 15 Saginaw-Bay Chapter members went up to help him on the 11th of April. This is the type of cooperation that builds barbershopping.

We had a heckuva guest night April 7th. with about 20 members and 12 guests. We started out with the original EVER-SHARPS (with Bill Dezill) and progressed thru the years to the current quartet with Bill Bischoff singing tenor. We also had two variations of the RING MASTERS, and the best of the TIMBERLAND CHORDSMEN divided into several quartets that provided the best in harmony as only the Chordsmen can do it. Along toward morning, we had a guest quartet - The VAGABONDS. Talk about a lot of harmony W O W

CADILLAC

Chester J. Polega

Hello, hello from the Cadillac Chapter.

True. In fact, I always say that the best thing about barbershopping is that it isn't compulsory. However, I must say that I owe the Chapter a great favor. Here's my story:

Accept my apologies PLEASE for omitting a report from the April issue of the Troub. It was unintentional and purely a mishap.

Our Ladies night chairman - Kenneth Gaunt - did a great job in providing an evening of pleasure at the Elks Lodge in Cadillac on April 18th, and included a contingent of the newly organized Sweet Adelines

On March 23rd we were visited by 20 members of the Gratiot County Chapter and 9 more from Big Rapids.

'Twas truly a great evening of fellowship and harmony. We thank both chapters for their eventful and unforgettable visit.

Congratulations are in order for the HUM-DINGERS (Paul Zagers - Lead, Kenneth Gaunt - Bari, Dawson Watson -

Tenor, and Joe Serafano - Bass) for their first competition in Boyne City.

Warren Marsh, our Chorus Director, benefited greatly from the knowledge he gleaned from our great guy Bob Johnson at the Director's School in Boyne City. Warren even dreams in his sleep of great things for us to do. We appreciate your interest, Warren, and recognize your ability more than ever.

A special visit has been scheduled for our Chapter on May 11th. All neighboring chapters are invited to this sing-ding.

Our heartiest congratulations to the winners of the District Competition - choruses and quartets alike.

CONVENTION NEWS

INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT INFORMATION

As of this writing, there are openings still available. Based on a full plane of 89, the fare would amount to \$63 per person, right to your hotel and back. Commercial planes, by the way, only fly to Philadelphia, 60 miles away (and cost over \$100)

Each person will be restricted to 40 pounds of luggage with a limit of two bags. Just imagine . . . All the way to Atlantic City with your International Representatives - wot a blast.

Contact: Bob Drabik
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Birmingham, Michigan, 48008
Phone (313) 646-6598

Wayne's Kingsley Page was recently hospitalized; a speedy recovery, King . . . Sincere condolences go to Detroit's Don Rimes and family for the loss of his mother . . . Milford's Ladies night, emceed by Ed Nealor, featured the BEAN TOWN FOUR, the INVOICES, the HARMONY HOUNDS, the Harmonica Men (from the Detroit area) and the HURON VALLEY CHORUS under the direction of Carl Elwing . . . 30,(as they say in printalk) . . .

ZONE 3

by Ardy Jeltema

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Gratiot County, Lansing, Big Rapids,
Grand Rapids, Grand Haven, Holland,
Muskegon

Another month of barbershopping gone by - April, the busiest of them all . . . First Boyne City - with it's competition, entertainment, and great hospitality(try it some time) . . . next - the Great Lakes Invitational, and the name fits . . . it was great; it started with a dance type preglow(featuring the "big band "sound with all of it's nostalgia) and nostalgia) on Friday night, and ran to the wee hours at the Saturday night afterglow. The talent packed show at the Civic Auditorium was sandwiched inbetween; all in all, a great weekend . . . Lansing's newly formed Ladies Auxilliary is helping their guys - serving food for special occasions (Bob Johnson's meeting, for example), and dreaming up fund raising ideas . . . Grand Rapids' ladies Auxilliary - the Barber-Belles - held a successful rumm rummage sale, decorated the club for the pre-glow, and ready to go again when needed . . .

ZONE 4

by Janet Carpenter

2244 W. CARO ROAD
CARO, MICHIGAN
48273

Boyne City, Traverse City, Cadillac,
Les Cheneaux, Sault Ste. Marie, Holly-
Fenton, Saginaw, Flint

Congratulations to Doug and Carlene Beaver - a new baby boy on Mar. 23rd named Bryan Wayne . . .Swannie Szutkowski, wife of RING MASTER'S tenor, Dave, is recovering from foot surgery . . . theTIMBRE BARONS wives were in Boyne City to cheer their husbands to a second place finish . . . Flint Chapter's show, another success, saw Frank and Marcia Bateson, Gene and Doris Gillem, and Jack and Judy Stephan attending from out-of-town; Jack sang with the VAGABONDS and the BEAN TOWN FOUR; Patsy Bischoff enjoyed husband (new tenor)Bill of the afterglo, guest appearing EVERSCHARPS; a great big "THANKS" to Joan (Mrs. Fred) Kienitz for a great time at the after-after glow. . .



ZONE 1

by Dora Vogel

309 BELANGER ROAD
GROSSE PTE., MICH.
48236



Grosse Pointe, Dearborn, Detroit,
Redford, O.C.C., Windsor, Wayne,
AnnArbor, Monroe, Milford, Pontiac

Happy Anniversary wishes (April 15) go to Flint's Mick & Marlene Boggs . . . Congratulations to newlyweds Louis and Madelyne Harrington - they honeymooned in Florida & points south . . . Detroit's George Acree is out of the hospital and on the mend . . . Our sympathies to Carl Restivo and his family for the loss of his brother . . .



FOLLOWING the CHAMPS 1969



the VAGABONDS

Our Champs "Fared well" at the Muskegon Convention, but unfortunately, only two quartets get to go to International, and they finished third in the face of some of the keenest competition we've seen in a long time. They get right back into it in May, as true champions would.

Here's the line-up for May:

- May 1st Dondero H.S. (barbershop P.R.)
 O.C.C. Chapter Meeting
- May 2nd Detroit Yacht Club
- May 8th Channel 7 Morning Show
 Sweet Adelines Convention
- May 9th Somerset Mall in Troy (Mother's Day)
- May 15th Holland Show
- May 22nd Jackson Chapter Visitation
- May 26th Royal Oak Mason's Ladies Night

The only thing they have scheduled for the next couple of months is the Atlantic City Convention, and tenor Ken Gibson's tonsillectomy in July. That'll lay up the quartet for the entire month, but they promise they'll be back in August. Good luck, Ken.



TRAVERSE CITY CHAPTER

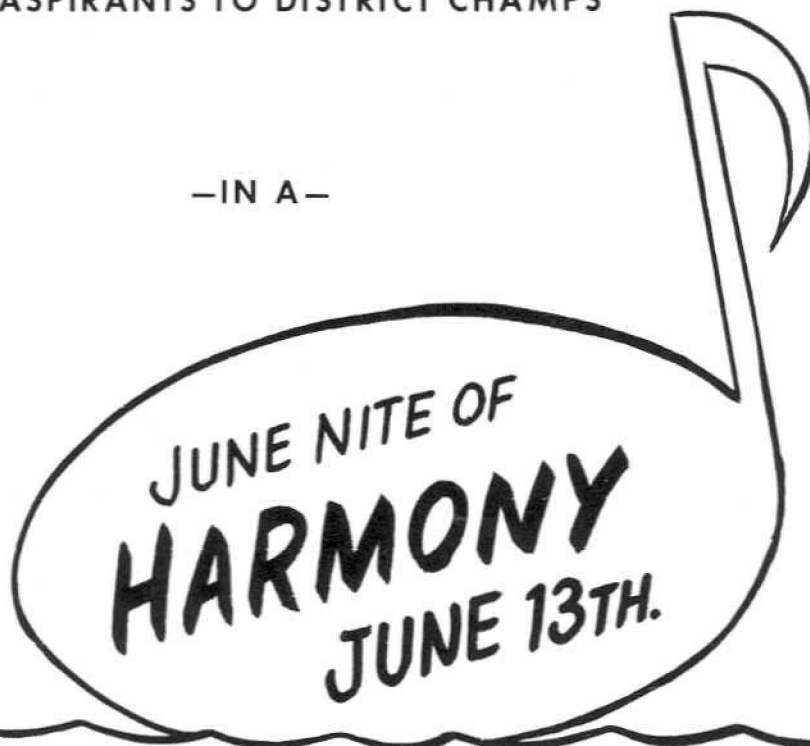
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men of
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The Traverse City Chapter must be mentioned (perhaps Chapter of note?) for their man-of-note efforts. They inducted six new men last month (and it showed up in Muskegon as T.C. took fourth place in the chorus Competition). The chapter hero is Max Carter with his sixth new man, and he is joined by Marty Chirgwin, Harold Petter, Fran Sanborn, Michael Ouwerkerk, and Dean Fisher. Here's the complete list:

Irving Martin	1
Tom Ferega	1
Walter Pfunk	1
Arthur Capper	1
Reynold Peterson	3
William McCurdy	1
Bernie Ulrich	2
John Longstreath	1
Clifford Douglas	3
Martin Chirgwin	2
Harold Petter	2
Max Carter	6
Fran Sanborn	1
Michael Ouwerkerk	3
Dean Fisher	2
Lee Shelton	5
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