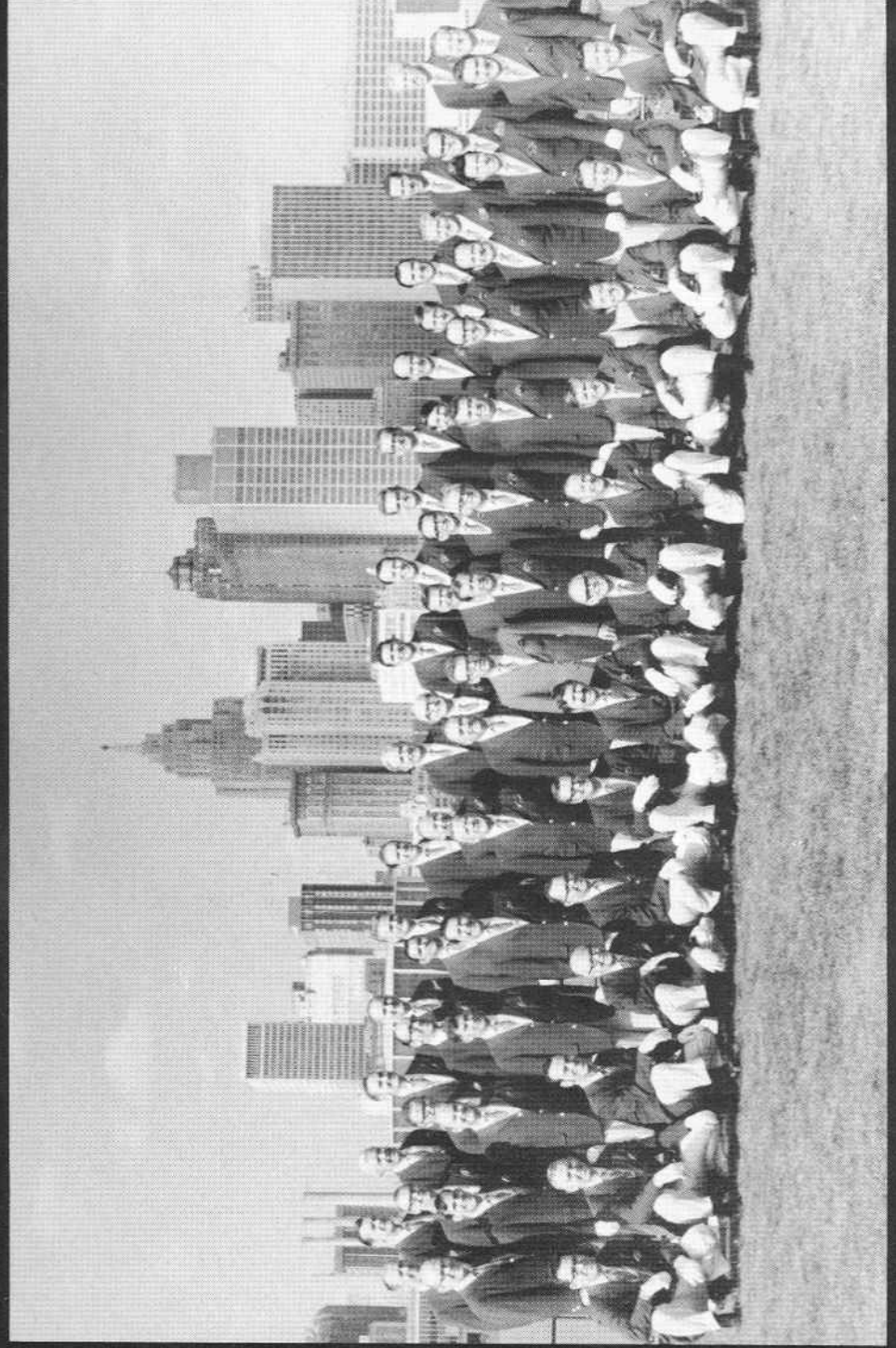


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TROUBADOUR



NOVEMBER, 1970





Another fall, another Windsor, another great Convention. . . .
 "Let Us Be Thankful," proclaimed the sign on the Holiday Inn in Windsor. It was Canada's Thanksgiving Day, and it helped to remind us of all we have to be thankful for just to be barbershoppers. As Saginaw-Bay's Frank Bateson put it, "If there ever was a convention to bring a prospective member to, this was the one."

The Windsor Chapter (who admittedly has had much practice at it) seemingly had a well oiled machine running, and the activities and festivities fairly purred with precision. The contests came off without a hitch; 17 quartets and 8 choruses (results elsewhere), and the magnificent evening show that featured the best of everything the GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT, who really won it big - - the WOLVERINE CHORUS from C.C.C. (on the Cover) who won the afternoon contest and the right to represent the District at New Orleans next summer in International Competition - - the NUTONES (14th place Int'l) as, of all things - mike testers, and the outgoing Champs - The VAGABONDS who had the entire auditorium literally soggy with tears as they took us thru "their year" in song and verse, and then left the stage amid a sustained, standing ovation the likes of which we have never seen. It was one of the truly great conventions of recent memory, and it kind of makes you wonder how Traverse City will be able to follow it in the spring (but we're giving odds that they'll be equal to the task).

Windsor . . . a tip of our collective, proverbial straw hats is yours again.

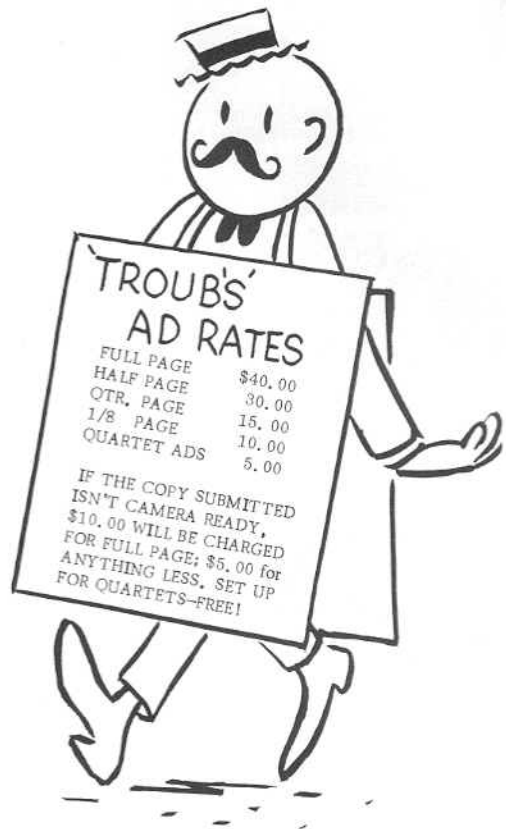
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chapter news

GRAND RAPIDS

by Dick Williams

What a great success the Windsor Convention was. We all from Grand Rapids have nothing but praise for the way everything was handled. To the Windsor Chapter, we salute you.

Congratulations to the Wolverine Chorus and the Gentlemen's Agreement for their fine showing in Windsor.

And a very special salute to the Vagabonds for what I considered one of the very finest evening shows I'd ever seen in barbershopping and all of us here in Grand Rapids agree.

Since the contest the chorus has done two package shows, one for the Veterans here in Grand Rapids and one in Saugatuck, both a smashing success.

On Nov. 6th we are holding our annual HOB0 night and everyone is invited to come. This is one of our highlights of the year.

The Village-Aires, a new quartet of only a couple of months entered the contest and unbelievably won the Novice award. No one can say Grand Rapids doesn't have gutsy quartets. Yep, those boys have true grit. Ken and Rick Nagle, Bernie Poelman, and Al Van Iwaarden.

We also have a new quartet in the chapter called the Experimentals. They are still experimenting with there sound but I'm sure they'll find it one day. Dave and Phil Wright, Bob Buff and Larry "the wonder" Humphry.

But before I close just a note about the Steamboat Runners. They played at the Benton Harbor Show and from the raves they got, from each other, they were a big hit.

TRAVERSE CITY

by Dean Fischer

Wasn't Windsor Great ?

Congratulations to the winners and more good luck in "Spring 71."

I would like to say many thanks to all of the groups that hit our hospitality room. Traverse City guys loved every minute of it. THANK YOU.

We were lucky enough to hear the Gentlemen's Agreement again, on our local Sweet Ad's Show. The crowd loved em.

Congratulations Windsor on a great convention. Our short experience says it was the best yet.

Had 28 of our people at Lansing for the Thoroughbreds Great Show Guys. Lansing really treated us tops.

Had rows of good seats reserved at both the show and their terrific after glow. None of us were home till daylight but it was worth every moment of it.

Special thanks to Ken Gibson. We are sure he had something to do with it.

Hope all you people went away from Windsor with the thought of competing next April.

Competing is the ONLY WAY to improve. Look what it did to us north woods hicks. Get working you guys. See ya.

"71 Spring Convention and International Prelims" In The Great North - Traverse City.

LES CHENEAUX

by Chas. Wagner

With the summer months behind us and a good outlook for the future with a new slate of officers for the coming year our Les Cheneaux chapter is ready to face the winter months and to prepare for more performances of good barbershop harmony. Our group has found that when we work together we enjoy singing and the fellowship much more. With a new slate of officers the club is expecting more from everyone and our past experiences have taught us much in preparation for a better organization.

Much luck goes to this new slate of officers:

President, Bill Murphy; 1st V.P. Gerald Gable; 2nd V.P. Chas Wagner; Secretary, Bob Slater; Treasurer, Lyle Ames. Directors, Dave Mac Lean, Dale Farers, Bob Landis, and John Duncan.

Bob Tracy will remain our director and we hope that this next year will produce a better chorus that will go into competition with hopes of taking home the honors.

**DON'T FORGET
C.O.T.S. DEC. 6TH!**

FLINT

Les Lang

The AUDITIONS for ADMISSIONS program ran by our chapter on Sept. 22, and Sept. 29 produced: Sept. 22-26, Sept. 29-6, Oct. 6-6 or a total of 36 and other guests have been coming in since, which has resulted in 12 new members so far and of course, due to the G.M. strike, there are some more who are waiting to get back to work before they sign up.

We have been averaging 35 at chorus practice the last 4 weeks and these new guys are mostly experienced singers and our chorus sure sounds the best in years, proving that this program works.

We held elections on Oct. 13 with the following results:

President: Bill Shannon, 14298 N. Dixie Hwy, Clio, Mich. 48420 - 686-9211

Adm. V.P.: Jack Lyons, 720 Church St., Lapeer, Mich. 48446 - 664-3830

Program V.P.: Dr. William Griffin, 11448 N. Saginaw, Mt. Morris, Mich. 686-4070

Secretary: Harold McGlothlin, 1421 W. 3rd. Ave. Apt. # 101, Flint, Mich. 48504 - 767-7021

Treasurer: Les Lang, 2405 Winiford Dr., Flint, Mich. 48506 - 234-9526

Directors: Robert Murphy, Fred Kienitz, and Ron Sawdon

Imm. Past Pres.: Neil Norman

The above slate will be installed some time in January, date to be announced later.

Fred Kienitz is the Chapter Chorus Director, Assistant Directors are: Ron Sawdon, Jack Lyons, and Bill Griffin.

Looks like Flint will have an active winter.

SAGINAW BAY

by Bob Melton

Our chapter wishes to thank the Windsor Chapter for the fine job they did with the convention and also for the kindness extended to our boys attending the convention. We also want to congratulate the winning quartet, the GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT on winning the contest.

On Oct. 15th at the Boy's Club

in Bay City the TIMBERLAND CHORDSMEN held their annual Election of Officers for the up-coming year of 1971. Frank Bateson, who formerly sang tenor with the EVERSHARPS was elected to the office of president. Serving with Frank, as Adm. V.P. will be Dick Mueller of the RING MASTERS, along with Jim Gross who is also with the EVERSHARPS serving as Program V.P. Rick Mel-drum was elected to the job as the Recording Secretary along with Al Hulbert who will be the Correspondence Secretary. Ed Hardy will be the Treasurer along with the two new board members Bill Dolezel and Don Ferguson.

LANSING

by Mike Strause

Sorry our chapter wasn't at Windsor to compete but we decided to forgo it to better prepare for our show the following weekend. I'm sorry I was bedridden that weekend and thus missed the festivities. I would like to congratulate the Gentlemen's Agreement and say that we now know why they were fourth place Internationally in June. They are truly district champs. And as far as the Wolverine Chorus is concerned, I heard they did a typical great job of their own.

Our show was a great success. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed it, highlighted by the THOROUGHBREDS. I might add the Thoroughbreds enjoyed our own Joe Dean the most, during his intermission act. They found out he was as funny as we told them. He had them in stitches just before they sang. A special thanks to Monte Bates for his great job as MC and show chairman. Also Don Funk did a great job at the afterglow which was a full house also. One of the pleasant surprises of the afterglow was the Herr-Raisers from Warren which consist of three seventeen year old high school students and their music teacher. A great job fellows keep it up.

Since our last report, the chapter was visited by Chet Fox from International. He gave us some helpful hints on how to improve the chapter. We are now putting into action some of his ideas and feel that they not only will improve the chapter but the Society.

For a little inter-chapter fun Nov. 2 has been set aside for our five

Quartets to compete against each other in hopes of dethroning the current champs who won the title this summer. It should be a real dogfight as many of the quartets have really been working hard.

WAYNE

by Morrie Giles

Once again the "Wayne Wonderland Chorus" humbly bows to the mighty "Wolverine Chorus", did I say humbly? Perhaps I should say proudly, because it took a super sound to beat us. Anyone that good will have to place in the top 5 at New Orleans. So - go to it, Wolverines, and the rest of the district will back you up in any way necessary. In fact, as alternate chorus, Wayne would even consider taking your place should you all decide you're too busy to go. Ha.

Hey, did you notice the snappy new outfits the "Wonderful Wayne Wives" wore at Windsor? If moral support could win a contest we'd never lose. Maybe they love us.

On Oct. 2, although not a regular meeting night, Wayne was visited by the Jackson chapter en masse. Highlights of the evening were the appearance of those perennial nuts "The 4 Tune Tellers", "The Invoices", "Interlochens" and others. Everybody doesn't like somebody, but nobody doesn't like the Jackson Chapter.

All you Tenors take heed. As was reported in the Sept. issue, Wayne sent nine men to H.E.P. school this summer where they learned enough to keep the whole chapter hopping for the next year. But, - here's the rub. They came back with the horrible discovery that if the lead, baritone, and bass sing their parts properly the overtones will automatically carry the tenor part. Do you suppose there could be a 3 part conspiracy afoot to eliminate tenors from the Society? Well, whoever heard of a 3 part quartet winning a contest?

For the present, at least, the Wonderland Chorus intends to keep tenors around to fill in the spaces, and/or untill the leads, baris, and basses learn to sing their parts properly.

If this report doesn't get me killed I'll have another in December.

Before closing I believe it must appropriate that mention be made of the fine calibre of quartets competing for district honors. We are extremely proud of ours as I'm sure you are of yours.

KALAMAZOO

Carroll Strander

Our Chapter was alarmed to receive the news that Charlie Buxton, our Program V.P., and a good, reliable Lead in the chorus, had suffered a heart attack while doing some work, at his summer home at Pine Lake. Glad to report he is recuperating okey now. Let's get with it Charlie, we need that lead, and that ("in the moonlight") lead solo you slip in on us.

Tony Scoros told us, while visiting the chapter a month ago, that he'd have a surprise for us the following week. Boy. did he deliver. The Vagabonds entertained us royally, then took one competing quartet aside for man to man coaching, then came back for more singing 'til the wee hours. Real Grand Champs.

Herm Dykema surprised us at Windsor singing Tenor with the MILLIONAIRES quartet from Battle Creek, we knew Herm had it, but not that much (money that is).

Our Chorus and quartet have licked our wounds and vow to retaliate at Traverse City in April, but after chorus practice tomorrow night, we may have fresh wounds to lick. That'll be the first meeting with our director Dick Peterson, since Windsor.

Windsor convention gave some of our "Gourmets" an opportunity to re-visit the Tunnel Bar-B-Que and partake of those excellent ribs. (This correspondent included) I hear it was visited and revisited by some of our group. I've heard of Belly-Masons so guess you could call them Belly-Barbershoppers.

We are now getting back to our show music for our Parade of Quartets which will be held March 20, 1971 at Western Mich. Univ. Auditorium. The Headliner Quartets are, ORIOLE FOUR, the NUBBINS, & THE HARMONY HOUNDS.

mark your calendars. It's got the makin's of a great show. You're all chordially invited.

THREE RIVERS by George Dieffendorfer

The Three Rivers Chapter just celebrated its 25th birthday party on Sept. 28 and what a party.

There were over 80 people in attendance. One former member drove 170 miles to be here.

The Hum Bums from Kazoo entertained and did a fine job singing and keeping everybody laughing.

Then just as the party broke up the Hi Lites from Niles came walking in. Boy what a sound.

They should finish some place near the top at Windsor.

Our chapter wants to make a few changes as we start our next 25 years.

We would like to change our name as we are planning a county wide chapter. Also we have moved our show to Sturgis which has a larger auditorium.

Things look good in the Three Rivers Chapter and with a lot of work we will make them even better.

MILFORD

Don Sheridan

Friday, Sept. 25th the chords rang out loud and clear as milford held its 4th annual Minni-Chorus Contest. The night found a 109 men gathered at the American Legion Hall in Milford representing six chapters including members from Pontiac, Lansing, Oakland County, Detroit, Grosse Pointe and the Milford Chapters.

Five choruses competed for the top honors with Detroit taking 1st prize trophies as John Seeman directed, Oakland County choruses placed 2nd and 3rd with Grosse Pointe coming in 4th only to be followed by the gracious hosts, Milford. A mix-up in signals prohibited the Gentlemen's Agreement from judging, but a great deal of thanks goes to the judges, Gordy Dubrul (Bari from the Car-Tunes), Ken Gibson (Tenor from the Vagabonds), Bob Fangert (Bass from the Chord Reporters) and Ray Guerin (from Pontiac), who came to our rescue when they were needed.

Quartets for the night featured the Vagabonds, the Car-Tunes and Chord Reporters with some great singing from these three, some fine food and beverage plus good barbershopping companionship, I'm sure these men and choruses will be back next year and we hope others will make the ranks swell to double its size.

Milford congratulates the Oakland County Chorus under Carl Dalhke for their championship performance in taking 1st place in Windsor and to all the other choruses who came in ahead of us (which included all the other choruses) for their great job of singing which took many months of practice. The Milford Chapter would also like to thank the quartets who came to our hospitality room following the quartet finals. First our thanks and congratulations go to the Gentlemen's Agreement both on being champs and also for coming to our hospitality room, also thanks to the Vagabonds, the Chord Dusters and Nu-Tones from Ohio, the Bean Town-4, the Village-Aires the Hi-Lites and last but not least the four lovely ladies, the Song Pipers who were on their way to Boston . . . lots of luck to all these quartets and thanks again for your visit to Milford (the room with the cheese) Hospitality Room.

WINDSOR

by Ted Verwe

Thanks all you wonderful barbershoppers for making our recent Pioneer District Convention a successful one by your attendance.

If you-all had "a ball", we are pleased, and let me assure you Windsor Chapter members had "a ball" also. To host a District Convention is a great experience and if your chapter has not tried it, I can highly recommend it.

HAIL to "The Gentlemen's Agreement", our new district champs, with a "champion" sound & style. Congratulations also to 2nd place "Invoices" and 3rd place "Harmony Hounds"; "Twi-Lighters", Junior Champs and "Village-Aires", Novice Champs. Also to the Wolverine Chorus. Thanks fellows (all of you) for a marvelous job well done. Same to all the other competing choruses and quartets. It is your enthusiasm that made the convention and competitions click.

Special thanks to our retiring district champs: The Vagabonds. Your rendition on the Sat. Night's Show was a most suitable crowning to a year of marvelous performances and fellowship.

Windsor Chapter members were saddened on Oct. 8, 1970 to pay final respects to Andrew McCort, age 72. Andy has, during his 23 years as a devoted barbershopper, held several offices in the Windsor chapter, the last eight as Treasurer. Funeral took place on the Saturday of our convention, Monday the 12th being Thanksgiving Holiday. May the heavenly harmony be enriched by his bass notes.

BOYNE CITY CHAPTER by Loton V. Willson

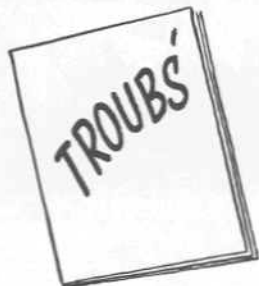
Greetings from the Boyne City Bush League Chapter. Although we were not too active during the summer season, due to company and vacations, etc. we are again forging ahead with full steam. Our new Officers are Pres. Dick Wheeler, Membership V.P. Dr. Tollas, Program V.P. Dr. Heaton, Sec. Roy Kindy, Tres. Ted Speltz, Board Members, Will Roisen, Ed Thurston, and Karl Mueller. Chorus Director Loton Willson, and due to the death of Imm. Past Pres. Jay Shuring, Augie Stolt will fill his place on the Board. Dick Wheeler is busy formulating plans for the year and in particular our big event "The 25th Annual Bush League Contest and Variety Show." Make it a MUST on your calendar for May 1st, 1971. Our judges will include the old masters Ed Smith, John Hill, Joe Jones, Ed Gaikema and our Dist. Chairman of C. & J. Merle Clayton. It is rumored that an effort will be made to have all Past Bush League "KINGS" attend with their heavy Badges around their necks. As plans progress we will report any new developments.

I might mention that the Chorus sang for 2 Conventions at the famous Boyne Mountain and from these efforts \$75.00 was donated to the Logopedics. Also Mrs. Jay Shuring turned over a check for \$125.00 to the Logopedics. This sum was left over from money donated in the honor of our Past President's memory for the Library projects.

I had the Honor of Judging the Cardinal District Contest at Lafayette, Ind., and along with seeing many good friends, and making new ones, it was interesting

to see how other Districts conduct their events. Our new President Dick Wheeler went with me and spelled me with the long drive. He also was our Delegate at Windsor last weekend and I am sure that event will be covered by the other chapters in this issue.

If any of you readers who have been involved in a 25th year celebration, have any suggestions, feel free to advance them as our aim is to have the best celebration possible. Any of you that haven't been to a "Bush League", ain't been nowhere.



LOGOPEDIC'S BENEFIT

We're stealing a page from the diary of the Kasual-D's, and you are invited to participate.

Two months ago, the "D's" sponsored a "Dinner - Show" to benefit Logopedics and it was socially and financially successful, so the Troub is going to try the same thing. We have selected January 9th as the date and the Gentlemen's Agreement, The Vagabonds, The Kasual D's, and The Sweet-Ad's. The Keepsakes have all accepted invitations to "sing for their supper" so to speak.

The site of the dinner will be the Executive Inn in Warren (yet to be confirmed) and the tickets will be in the neighborhood of \$7.50 per person. Where else can you get such great entertainment, good food, and cocktails for so little.

Watch the Troub for availability of tickets.

MAC HUFFS' SCHEDULE

November 30, 1970	Sault Ste. Marie
December 1, 1970	Traverse City
December 2, 1970	Gratiot County
December 3, 1970	Flint
December 4, 1970	Oakland County
December 5, 1970	Open
December 6, 1970	Open
December 7, 1970	Muskegon
December 8, 1970	Kalamazoo
December 9, 1970	Pontiac
December 10, 1970	Monroe
December 11, 1970	Windsor

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Congratulations and best wishes to Pat and Don Rimes on their recent marriage.

A speedy recovery is wished for Hank Weichman who was hospitalized after a fall.

Norma and Albert Escott are making their home in Fla., a few miles from the Lou Wally's and Mark Robert's. Their address, The Gardens of Beacon Square, 3408 Woodsville Dr. New Port Richey, Fla. 33552

Get well wishes go to Joe Wolf who recently underwent surgery.

Polly and Duane Mosier celebrated their 53rd Wedding Aniv. at the convention in Windsor.

Harold and Jessie Bauer visited their daughter in Maine recently, also Frankie and Carrol Adams of Mt. Piellier Vermont.

Detroit Chapter (Motor City Chorus) wives enjoyed a social night and dessert with the wives of former Dearborn Chapter members at the home of (Pat) Jean Ryan.

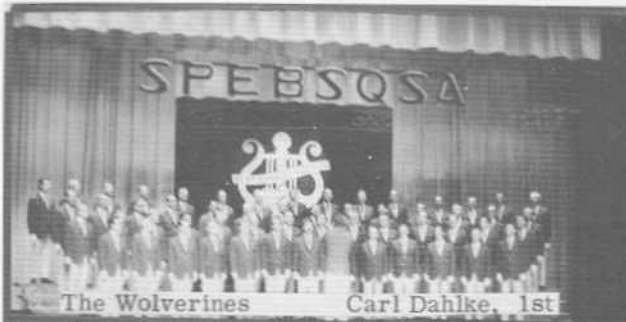
Holly - Fenton chapter recently held a "Box Lunch" social which turned out to be a delightful evening, good eating and profitable for the chapter.

Good to see Tom Kinjorski up and going again after being hospitalized, he fell 2 1/2 stories at his work.

Mr. & Mrs Wm. Favinger recently enjoyed a trip to Alaska.

The Pioneer District Quartet and Chorus Contest held in Windsor Canada recently, was great; Chapter members wives worked at the registration desk, and also had a room where coffee and donuts were served. Windsor Sweet Adelines served as ushers and the ticket takers at Cleary Auditorium were Muriel Humphries and Vie Tuck, all were dressed in evening length gowns, sequined pink and white, with long gloves and silver shoes, sure added a touch of glamour to the affair. Chorus members wives cheered for their favorites in the contest, and some were costumed alike and waving pom poms & etc. An afterglow followed the evening show and hospitality rooms were nicely decorated by various chapters, more singing and goodies were enjoyed by all.

WINDSOR CONVENTION



The Wolverines Carl Dahlke, 1st



Wonderland Chorus Gord Limburg, 2nd



Motor City Bill Butler, 3rd



Lakeshore Russ Seeley, 4th



The Intermission Audience



HOW THEY STACKED UP



The Judges



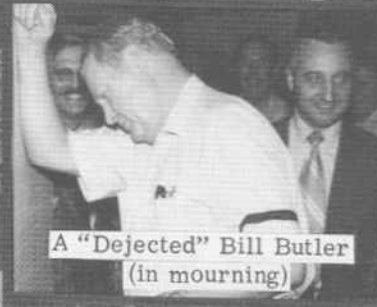
The view from Cleary Auditorium



Part of the audience



Former Dist. Sec'y Lou Harrington



A "Dejected" Bill Butler (in mourning)



A Happy Baritone



The Nutones



Mr. & Mrs. Carleton Scott

FOLLOWING the CHAMPS

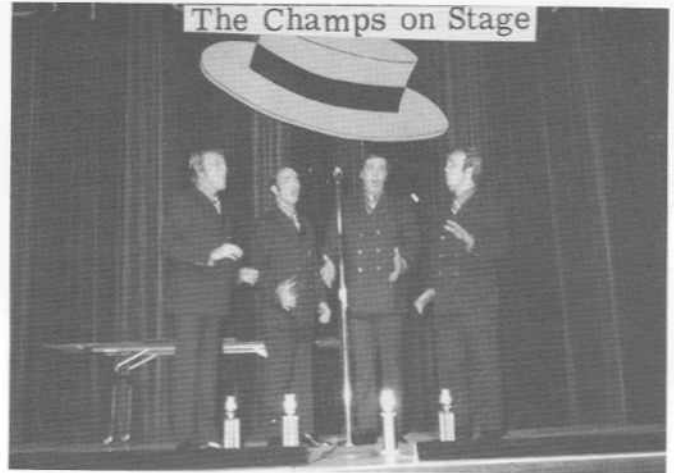


"THE GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT" 1970

The GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT were expected to win, of course. Everyone knew they would win it big. No quartet could go from 4th place International to anything less. But that didn't make it any less exciting. They were a smooth, confident, precision unit as they crooned their way thru four songs, and won handily in every category. They "belted 'em" when they had to, and their softs were almost inaudible. Their stage presence was nearly perfect. In short, they were great; and if advance bookings is any indication, they'll be around for a long time. They have engagements lined up way

into 1972 across the country from Hartford, Conn. to Des Moines Iowa.

Locally, they'll be in Grand Rapids in December, and headlining the Troub's Logopedics benefit in January. We'll be printing the schedule every month so you can follow their adventures.



Drayton Justus - lead, Bob Whitledge - bass and contact man, (both from the Monroe Chapter) Al Rehkop - tenor, and Glen Van Tassell (both Detroit # 1 members) make up the Gentlemen's Agreement, but you already know that.

Whitledge's phone number is (313) 242-7975.





Make Believe 152-142-139-162
 Let Me Sing And I'm Happy 149-147-145-161
 Dixie 143-154-151-164
 Sweetest Story Ever Told 141-152-152-165
Total - 3019

GENTLEMEN'S AGREEMENT



Head Over Heels In Love 136-120-122-125
 I'd Give A Million Tomorrows 139-116-125-125
 Every Step Of The Way 126-121-132-127
 Song And Dance Man 128-120-128-120
Total - 2543

INVOICES



Sunbonnet Sue medley 136-117-122-116
 Heart Of A Clown 134-120-126-134
 Little Pal 121-108-116-128
 Nellie 109-124-122-117
Total - 2519

HARMONY HOUNDS



Baby Shoes 119-112-120-132
 Sweet Little Heaven Back Home 127-104-118-131
 Mr. Touchdown U.S.A. 97-119-106-120
 You Gotta Be A Football Hero 96-106-105-122
Total - 2348

CHORD REPORTERS

CAR TUNES

You Only Want Me When You're Lonely
 117-109-124-121
 Roll On You Mississippi
 116-106-116-126
 Alone By The Telephone
 100-102-105-107
 Sing Me A Rock-A-Bye Baby Song
 100-114-105-112

Total - 2218

TWI LIGHTERS

For Me & My Gal
 107-99-116-126
 Mighty Lah A Rose
 116-106-119-125
 Last Night On The Back Porch
 104-96-105-93
 Kentucky Babe
 103-94-109-110

Total - 2143

SOUNDSATIONS

When I Was The Kid Next Door
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 Evening Songs
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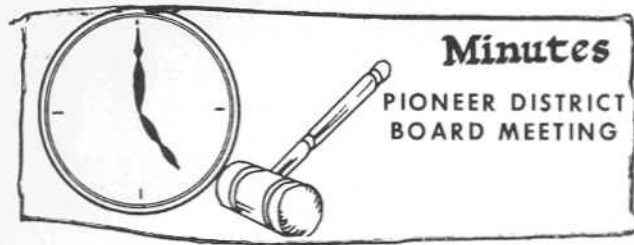
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SPESOSA OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY
 PIO. QUARTET CONTEST & INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY CHORUS CONTEST
 WINDSOR, ONTARIO PIONEER DISTRICT Oct. 10, 1970

JUDGES: VE-Willson (PIO), Seegert (LOL) ARR-Fruhner (MAD), Gentl (JAD)
 HA-Reid (ONT), Juneau (L/L) B&B-Bell (JAD), Margison (ONT)
 SP-Falls (PIO), Ingraham (L/L) SEC. - Duplaga (JAD)
 SEC. PP-Gaikema (PIO) CHAN-Clayton (PIO)
 TIMERS: George Foreman, Don Humphries

SONG NO.	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	SUB TOTAL	NET TOTAL
PLACE	QUARTET	VE	ARR	HA	B&B	SP	PEN.			
							PTS			
PRELIMINARY ROUND										
8. Hi-Lites	111	104	115	106	114	109	104	103	237	1103
9. Million Aires	103	98	97	90	102	93	111	108	224	1026
10. Interlochs	103	98	101	97	98	101	107	103	194	1002
11. Ring Masters	93	99	99	92	98	98	107	110	185	981
12. Dutch Masters	92	91	89	86	97	94	102	105	206	962
13. Burrill Bros.	87	92	94	88	91	89	93	99	203	936
14. Village Aires	84	78	81	80	87	88	83	89	150	820
15. Hum Bums	71	86	80	83	74	85	81	81	168	789

CHORUS CONTEST										
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	SUB TOTAL	NET TOTAL	
1. Wolverine	149	150	144	142	148	142	153	156	312	1496
2. Wayne Wondrind	145	144	137	133	142	134	143	150	272	1402
3. Motor City	143	133	132	133	126	129	140	141	295	1372
4. Lakeshore	117	115	111	100	119	102	109	105	237	1115
5. Great Lakes	111	116	103	107	111	116	115	115	215	1109
6. Floral City	110	100	112	110	108	108	112	120	210	1090
7. Small City Ch.	95	101	104	102	105	108	103	108	197	1023
8. Huron Valley	87	92	85	96	85	83	93	98	147	866



A meeting of the Pioneer District Board of Directors, held on Friday, October 9, 1970 at Holiday Inn in Windsor, Ontario, was called to order by President Tom Damm at 7:35 P.M. All district officers, except Vice President Cliff MacLean, were present.

minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Secretary Warner reported on the compilation of points for the 1969 achievement awards which showed Oakland County Chapter winning the Gold Division and Saginaw-Bay Chapter winning the Silver Division.

District President's expenses to date were approved.

A discussion was held concerning the Incorporation of Canadian chapters. Hugh Ingram was asked to pursue the matter again at International Headquarters to see what progress had been made there.

It was suggested that Michigan chapters be advised to retain the same Resident Agent for their chapters year after year (so long as the man is a member in good standing) to avoid the payment of an unnecessary fee.

The use of International COTS faculty was again discussed as well as availability of International COTS materials. It was MOVED by Don Funk that Pioneer District send three representatives, to be appointed by the President, to the Johnny Appleseed District COTS in November as observers since J.A. District is using International COTS. Seconded by Ron Gillies. Motion carried.

President Damm advised that inasmuch as there are several questions the Traverse City Chapter has regarding the Spring convention that the District Board reconvene Sunday, Oct. 11, 1970 at 9:30 A.M. to meet with representatives of that chapter to answer any questions they might have.

A letter from the Grand Rapids chapter submitting a bid for the 1971 Fall Convention, to be held in Grand Rapids on October 8, 9, and 10 was read and the bid was accepted.

A letter from Howard Mescher, International C & J Chairman regarding the new Interpretation category was read and discussed. Further information regarding the category is to be made available at no expense to the district.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

The Pioneer District Board reconvened on Sunday morning, October 11, 1970 and was called to order by President Tom Damm at 9:45 A.M. All officers except Cliff MacLean were present.

President Tom Damm appointed Ron Gillies, Gene Gillem, and Cliff MacLean to a committee to study the possibility of re-zoning the District. The committee will report at the next Board meeting.

President Damm appointed Don Funk, Ron Gillies and Bill Warner to attend the Johnny Appleseed COT School at Columbus, Ohio.

It was suggested that the Troubadour should indicate that those who plan to arrive at East Lansing on December 5th for attendance at COIS on 12-6-70 must make their own reservations for rooms.

Tom Pollard suggested we use MacHuff for a quartet coaches school on Saturday, Dec. 5th at East Lansing. Zone VP's are to check each chapter to determine possible attendance and report back to Ron Gillies on or before 10-31-70

A delegation from the Traverse City Chapter that included Max Carter, Harold Potter and Dean Fischer were present and discussed plans for the forth coming Spring convention. Park Place Hotel has been designated as the headquarters hotel with the St. Francis Auditorium to be used for competition. Paul Eberwein of the Windsor Chapter offered several helpful suggestions from his experience of the week-end.

It was moved by E.E. "Pat" Ryan that the Traverse City Chapter be given the Board's approval to broadcast the competition over a local station. Seconded by Dick Simpson. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the possibility of holding the quartet prelims on Friday night with the delegates meeting either Saturday or Sunday A.M. This will be pursued and discussed further at the December meeting.

The next Board meeting was set for Saturday, December 5, 1970 at 3:00 P.M. at Inn America in East Lansing.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Warner
District Secretary

CHAPTER OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL



Keep America Singing



By now, your chapter has had its' election of officers for the coming year, and we'd like to remind you that the Chapter Officers' Training School is in East Lansing on the 6th of December. Plan now to attend, if you would like to take advantage of new ideas and ways to help your chapter grow. All incoming officers should attend.

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Detroit, now the second largest chapter in the Society due to its' merger with Dearborn has decided they will shoot for the top.

They head "September's Heros" with seven new members for the month. (The first seven listed.) They now number around 140 and climbing.

Don Frazer and Tom Pollard should also receive our thanks for numbers 7 & 6 respectively.

Here is September's list:

Stephen	Masters	1
E. E.	Ryan	2
A. L.	Mix	1
Lawrence	King	3
Robert W.	Wisdom	1
Wm. C.	Warner	2
William J.	Taylor	1
Bob	Tubergln	1
Dale	Van Langeveld	3
Leo	Rudloff	2
Mervin	Kidd	2
John W.	Fynmore	1
James	Fryfogle	1
Martin	Chirgwin	4
Donald	Fraser	7
Tom	Pollard	6
Kenneth C.	Johns	1

Coming Events

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William C. Warner
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Nov. 7	Detroit #1 Parade
Feb. 6, 1971	Monroe Parade
Feb. 13	Niles-Buchanan Parade
Feb. 27	Oakland County Parade
March 20	Kalamazoo Parade
March 27	Battle Creek Parade
April 17	Great Lakes Invitational-Grand Rapids
April 23-25	District Convention and Contest- Traverse City
May 1	Bush League Contest-Boyer City