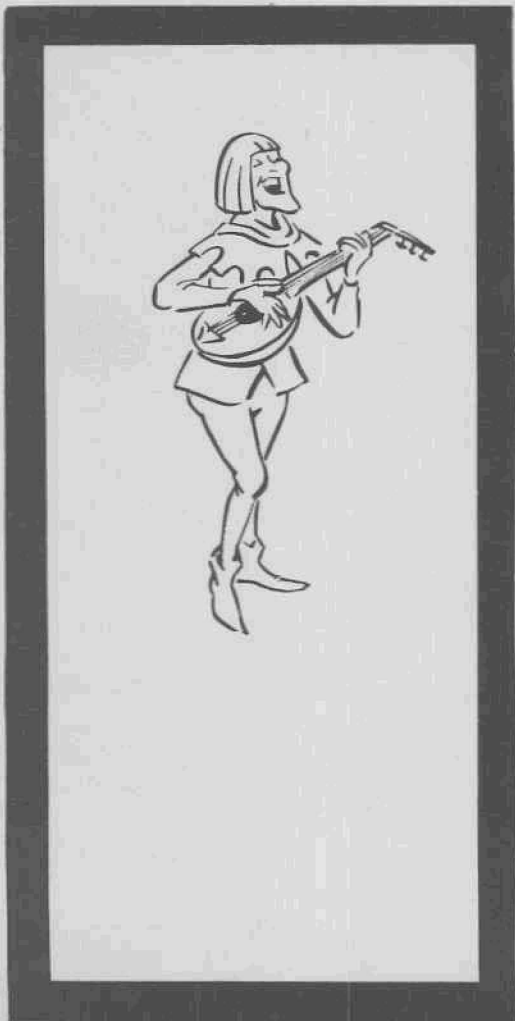


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rules for writers

(The following "Rules for Writers" is the work of Douglas Chapman, LOL District PROBE Chairman and Bulletin Editor of the Greater St. Paul Area Chapter. We thought that those of you who write an occasional article, or who serve as a reporter or Chapter Bulletin Editor might wish to follow some the guidance herein.)

It is absolutely MADATORY and IMPERTITIVE that you follow these rules IMPLISSITELY most of the time, insofar as it may seem convenient and practical for you to do so.

1. Take all necessary, and appropriate steps, measures and countermeasures to shun and avoid the employment or utilization of every possible, practicable waste of unnecessary, superfluous, supererogatory, unessential excess or extra words.
2. Make sure all your sentences are full and complete. If possible.
3. At all costs, avoid cliches as you would the plague.
4. Take panes to spel, and punctuate: correclly
5. BE consistent.
6. Do not approximate. Always be more or less precise.
7. ~~Seduloisly-eschew-obfuscatory-hyperverboisity-prelix-~~
7. Seduloisly eschew obfuscatory hyperverboisity, prolixity, and pedantically sesquipedalian pseudointectualism.
8. What we are trying to get across to you roughly, is that we have pretty nearly made up our minds that it would be a kind of preferable situation if you said what you meant and meant what you said and at least this seems to be a vaguely gathered consensus of our present thinking at the present time and we also presently believe that your writing would be more presentable if you would present it essentially as free of repetitions as it is presently possible. At the present. And do not express more than one thought at a time.
9. And, finally, as a summation at the conclusion, we wish to close by saying, in all written expression--if not, certainly not or less than--at least definitely secondary then, the importance, of whenever possibly trying so that when, except where it cannot be avoided and/or in further necessary development it becomes imperative to omit, yet, keep economical and remember without fail (for this must not be underestimated, underemphasized, slighted of underscorement nor, especially overlooked) of being brief and clear. This is vital. And one last final point to remember is the ~~extreme~~ extreme importance of always being very neat and careful and workmanlike in everything you do

Congratulations and best wishes to John and Maria (Anderson) McClinchy on their recent marriage. Detroit Chapter held their chapter picnic at beautiful Camp Dearborn. Early risers were there for breakfast cook outs and more meals and stayed all day. A real family get-together was enjoyed with various games for children and adults, siming and plenty of singing. We hope Jim Philan, member of Grosse Pointe chapter, is well on the mend after suffering injuries in a fall. Detroit chapter wives are hostessing a get-together with Grosse Pointe ladies Auxiliary Nov. 8 at the home of Inger (John) Neighorn. The Detroit Chapter ladies are also having a Pot Luck supper and a silent auction on donated articles by chapter members, held at the chorus rehearsal hall Dec. 8, V.F.W. Hall, Maple St. in Dearborn. Congratulations to Stan Salter taking on the duties of chorus director for Pontiac chapter. Pontiac Chapter members and wives are having a costume Halloween Ball at the Metropolitan Club Oct. 28, band music for dancing, prizes for the best costume, guest quartet will be the Four Fits quartet, beverages will be served along with food prepared by chapter members wives. Oakland County Chapter Pal-Tal gals recently held a successful rummage sale. The Chapter picnic held at Bolin Park in Troy for the families was a great day for all. Norm Hoemke was chef on the corn roast. Each family brought their own food. Happy congratulations on the marriage engagement of Bob Maile to Barbara Fox, Bob an OCC member. Our sincere sympathy goes to the Morrie Lagrou family on the loss of his wife. Our condolences go to the Kenneth Smith family on the recent loss of his wife Marilyn. Ken is a Grosse Pointe Chapter member. Detroit Chapter is having their 33rd "Annual Parade of Harmony" at the Henry Edsel Ford Auditorium on Nov. 4 featuring these quartets: Golden Staters, 1972 International Champs, Gentlemens Agreement 1971 Int. Champs, Harmony Hounds, Int'l quarter finalists, Sharplifters 1972 Int'l quarter finalists, and the Motor City Chorus, Pioneer District champions who will represent the District in International competition in Portland, Oregon in July 1973. Harrisville weekend was one of the highlights of the season often referred to as Harrisville U.S.A. A great time was had by all the folks and children that attended, plenty of food, beverages, games for all and plenty of singing. Congratulations to the new addition (bari) Tom Hine, who has joined singing with the Four Fits quartet. Tom formerly sang with the Midnight Oilers quartet. Ken Gibson and Denny Gore visited Harmony Hall in Kenosha recently, both on different trips. They said it was most impressive and more barbershoppers should make a visit. The Fall convention held in Flint recently was well attended. The Headquarters Hotel was the Durant and the contest was held at Whiting Auditorium.

Flint chorus chapter members' wives helped with many chores that involve a convention. Many hospitality rooms were open serving beverages and goodies and celebrating. Pontiac Chapter hospitality room was known to have served good coffee and rolls and Saturday morning, chapter members wives helped with this chore.

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There they are, our 1972-73 District Champs - - The Northern Hi-Lites - - Bob Demchak, Tenor; Dave "Doc" Caldwell, Lead; Clint Bostick, Baritone; and Lee Hanson, Bass. They took an early lead - - then just didn't let go - - even the judges in the pit agreed that 1st place was where they belonged.

Their scoring:

HA	B&B	INT	SP	ARR
117 123	117 122	136 139	289 -7	0 1036
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ROGER'S RAMBLINGS

by Roger J. Lewis, Editor

This is, without a doubt, the toughest editorial I've had to write. Can't say that I know exactly where to start, so I'll just sort of put it to you the way that it all comes to mind, and if it comes out a little mixed up, maybe it's because that's the way my mind works. (Thought I'd toss that in before someone like Tom Damm or Tony Scoroos did).

First off, I feel that each of you, as members of the Pioneer District, deserve an explanation and apology for the spasmodic irregularity of this publication. The fault has been entirely mine, and the problem has been a little thing called "time". Before I started on the Troub, someone once said that when Jim Davenport was editor, he and his wife spent about 40 hours per month on the Troub, and I thought "that sounds awfully high, it really couldn't take that long". But, you know what??? I don't think that way any more. And I'll bet that Dick Van Dyke and a few others would concur, too. Since last summer, it's been darn near impossible for me to devote the time to the Troub that you and I know that it needs. Moving to a new place in the country, and it's demands; a number of new and big projects at work, plus an increased travel schedule; a part change in the Harmony Hounds; and then trying to devote some time to the family have simply proven that it can't be done, and the Troub has been only one of the areas to suffer.

Every effort and every change that's been made to try to improve the situation just hasn't worked out, either. Wish I knew what the answer is. I don't.

(Since all this will be bounced off the District Board before you read this, we may already be in the process of change.)

To get out the last two issues you've received, I've taken time off work, which I really can't afford to do, especially on "volunteer" editorial work. (Both my boss and I agree that shouldn't continue).

Never in my life have I tackled a job - - said I'd do something, and then not been able to keep my promise and I don't think that's really happening now either, but I'll very quickly admit I've made some mistakes. (Last summer I tendered my resignation as Idioter of the Troub, then agreed to try it for another year). (Larry Swan would say, "that was dumb, Roger").

One more thing, and then I'll let you get on with the rest of the rag. There's a real ironic part to it all. I really enjoy working on the Troub. (Even more when I'm not so far in arrears). There's a lot of room yet for improvement, for ideas, and for lots of fun - - and generally, I think we've got something we can be proud of. But I just can't make the clock stand still - - and sure wish I could.

Although there may already be some changes in the wind as you read this, I'm sure that any ideas would be welcomed, both by myself, and the District Board. Sure, reckon that I, at least, would like to qualify that to read "constructive criticism", cause we can already think of plenty of the other kind. (that's like saying, "make sure you don't live in a glass house before you start throwing rocks." Isn't it"). But if you do have some thoughts, please do drop a line to Bill Warner or myself, O. K. ??? O. K.

Roger

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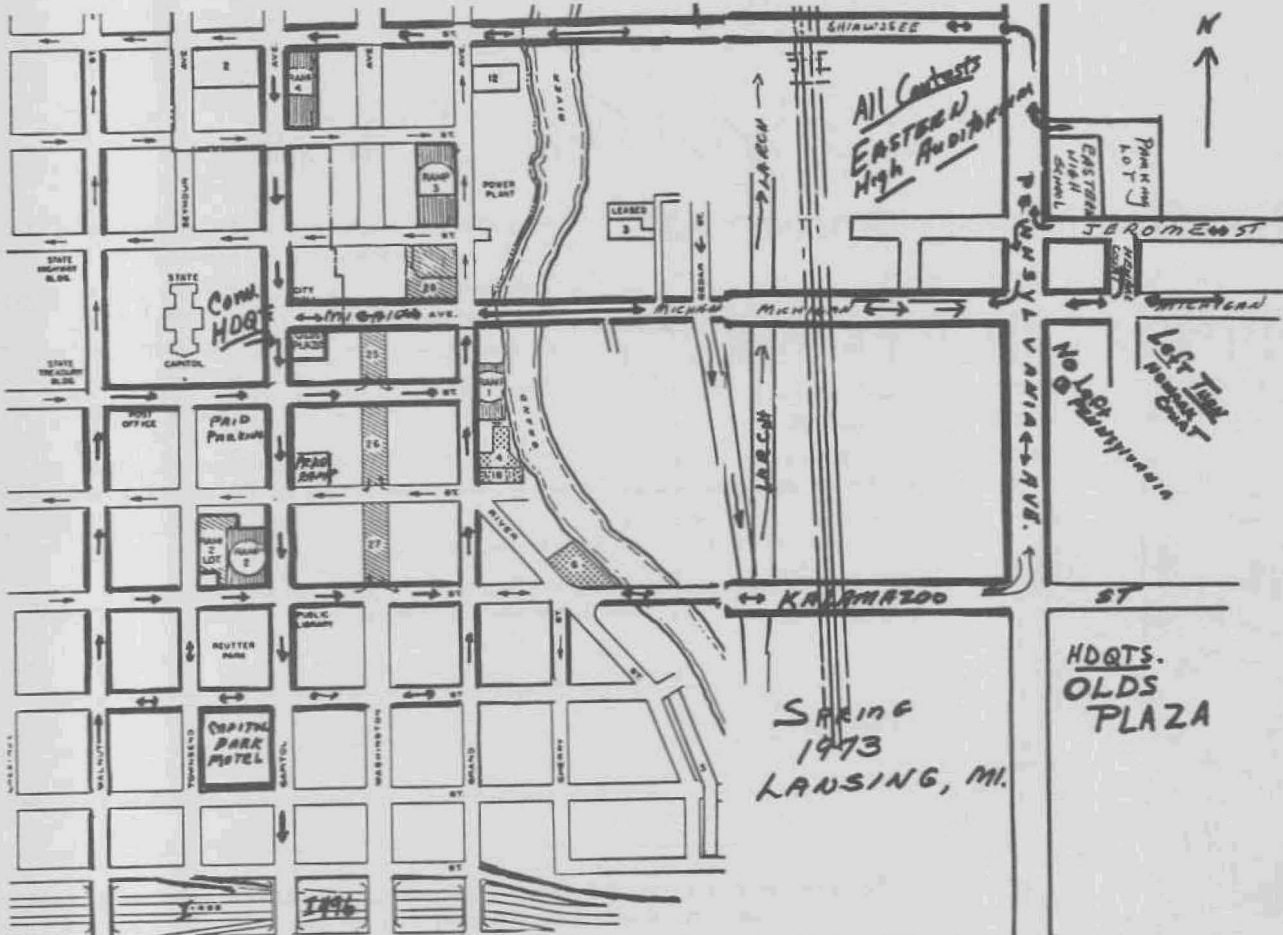


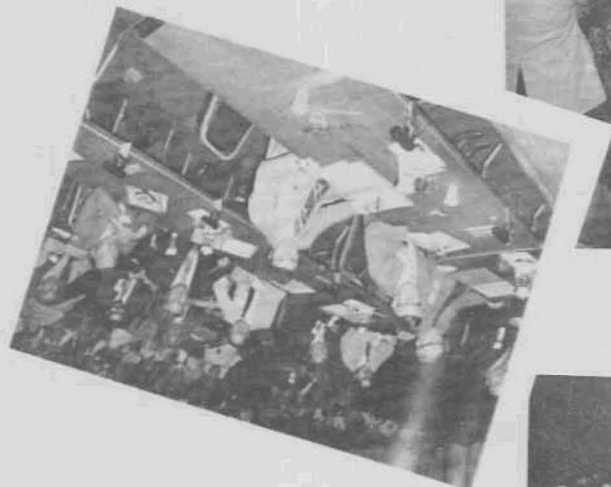
LANSING

Tag of the month . . . COME ON OVER TO LANSING

Come on o- ver to Lan- sing for a
 Good Old Bar-ber-shop Heres Where you meet a friend
 sing-in' will nev-er end Good Old Bar- ber shop

Ball





FALL CONVENTION



ROLLING
TONES

HA	B&B	INT	SP	ARR	PREV. PTS.	TOTAL
119	119	106	111	134	134	289
5	-3					1014
116	125	113	113	128	143	298
-5	-3					1014
						2042



LATEST
EDITION

118	117	107	108	115	118	249	-2	-3		927
119	116	117	117	131	131	259	4	2	927	1923

RING
MASTERS



130	125	101	98	121	117	280	0	-11		961
117	121	107	112	110	113	265	-5	-4	961	1897



GALAXIES

124	111	103	99	112	112	267	-2	9		935
120	117	101	102	119	116	257	0	-4	935	1863



PHIDAVONICS

122	100	108	98	114	114	256	-4	-4		904
114	96	110	112	120	112	263	-6	0	904	1825



VOICE
QUAD

95	107	101	101	101	111	250	-3	1		864
125	120	108	104	103	104	237	5	4	864	1774

RANGE
FINDERS



101	93	106	105	110	107	257	-2	-14		863
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VOCAL
GENTRY

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TRAVEL

CHORDS

88 104 100 110 101 125 232 -8 -8 844



BURRILL

BROTHERS

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LATEST

DIMENSION



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GONE

CONCLUSION

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OAKLAND

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101 98 80 81 93 94 229 0 2 778



SMALL

TOWNERS

103 99 87 89 80 90 228 -8 -3 765

SMORGASCHORDS



82 82 99 94 92 93 205 -4 -17 726



HERR-

RAZORS

89 96 87 92 78 70 160 0 -4 678

ORIGINAL CHOICE HANGS UP PITCHPIPE

The Original Choice quartet regretfully announces that it has disbanded. Our last job was Nov. 5 in Union City, Indiana.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our many good friends in the Pioneer District who have been so hospitable. Our year as District Champions was truly a memorable one which none of us will soon forget.

You will probably be seeing us around the District listening and looking for a chance to be part of a quartet again.

Thanks again for everything.

THE ORIGINAL CHOICE



L. TO R.

BILL GRUMBLEY, tenor
BUD CARPENTER, lead
LEN JOHNSON, bass
JIM GROSS, baritone

QUARTET



KORNER

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NORTHERN HI-LITES
Lee C. Hanson
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Birmingham, MI 48009
(Grosse Pointe-Oakland Co.
Detroit #1)

RICOCHETS
Jerry Wolven
999 Iowa St.
Alma, MI 48801
(Gratiot Co.)

OAKLAND COUNTS
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216 W. Lawrence
Royal Oak, MI 48073
(Oakland Co.)

HERR-RAZORS
Jack Herr
29272 Lund
Warren, MI 48093
(Oakland Co.)

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Traverse City, MI 49684
(Traverse City)

KEEPERS OF THE KEY
James A. McLane, Jr.
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(Wayne)

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Bill Van Bogelen
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Grand Haven, MI 49417

UNRENEWED QUARTETS

KHORD BENDERS
Gratiot Co., MI

UPPER FLATS
Wayne & Ann Arbor, MI

MINUTES OF PIONEER DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
Holiday Inn - Grayling, Michigan
September 16, 1972

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Warner at 1:00 P.M. All officers were present except Vice Presidents Dick Simpson, Max Carter and Noel "Bud" Carpenter. (Bud joined the meeting at 1:55 P.M.) Also in attendance were Merle Clayton, District C & J Chairman, and John Noteware, Au Sable Valley Chapter Chorus Director.

The minutes of the meeting of June 25, 1972 were approved as read.

The District financial report for the eight months ended August 31, 1972, showing total District assets of \$8861.29 was presented by Treasurer King. He also presented a final accounting of the 1972 International Send-off Show, showing a carryover balance of \$1,534.61 (included in total district assets above). Both reports were accepted as read.

President Bill Warner reported that Detroit No. 1 Chapter had accepted the District's request to host the 1973 International Send-off Show. The show will be held at Ford Auditorium on June 23, 1973. President Bill stated that he would soon appoint a committee to plan this event.

Tom Damm reported on the results of the Atlanta charter flight. The flight was very successful financially, resulting in refunds to passengers of \$729.00 and a carryover to the 1973 District Charter Contingency Fund of \$195.69.

A District C & J report was rendered by Merle Clayton. He presented the tentative roster of judges for our Fall 1972 Convention.

At his time (1:55 P.M.) International Field Representative Lloyd Steinkamp joined the meeting.

Merle continued his report, now as assistant to Troubadour Editor Roger Lewis, reporting on the publication's problems. He stated that it was his understanding that an issue would be published before the Fall contest.

Each of the Zone Vice Presidents in attendance reported on the chapter activities in his respective area. V.P. Tom Pollard also reported on the successful Harrisville weekend.

Executive V.P. Don Funk reported on International Music Services Assistant Mac Huff's forthcoming District visit.

E.V.P. Funk was requested to check out the possibility of arranging a Mac Huff quartet and coaches clinic in Grand Rapids on October 21, 1972 at the Hotel Pantlind. If such a meeting can be arranged, then direct mailings will be made to District Quartets advising them of the clinic.

A discussion ensued regarding our Pioneer District COT school to be held in Lansing on November 11 and 12 by an International faculty. President Warner stated that he would send out a mailing to all chapter presidents regarding COTS, in addition to any mailings by International Headquarters. International Representative Lloyd Steinkamp reported on his Pioneer District Chapter visits during the past week.

An I.B.M. report was rendered by Tom Damm. He covered the new International Board ruling that the sale of records or other items at Chapter and District functions is prohibited unless prior clearance has been granted under rules established by that District. It was agreed that in the Pioneer District, the rule would be that such sales are permitted at Chapter and District functions, provided that prior permission is received from the host chapter board, or in the case of District activities, the District Board.

President Warner requested a report from the International Send-off funds distribution and Convention Manual Committees that he appointed at the last board meeting. Neither committee had a report to render at this time.

A report of the District Nominating Committee was given by committee Chairman Tom Damm. The report was accepted as given.

It was moved and passed that Cliff Douglas be named 1971 Area Counselor of the Year, and therefore recipient of the Chase Sanborn Area Counselor Award.

Bill Warner announced the results of the 1971 Chapter Achievement contest. The Gold Award was won by Oakland County Chapter, and the Silver Award by Pontiac Chapter.

The next meeting will be held Friday evening, October 13, in Flint.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

John T. Gillespie
District Secretary



HARRISVILLE HAPPENINGS 1972

1. Jim Andrews of Flint Chapter caused quite a stir as his likeness to Pres. Nixon was recognized around the State Park.
2. The "Sweet Adeline" mass chorus warming up for the Sunday afternoon public show.
3. The Recovery Station operated by Jack and Judy Clark did a flourishing business.
4. The horseshoe contest, skillfully organized by Norm Schram, who furnished small pony shoes from his trip to Mexico, was won by 'Perpetual Motion' Joe Kiley-OCC, and his partner 'Lucky Me' Mike Burgoin-Wayne. Runners up: Jim Gross-Sag. Bay, and Dick Liddicoat-OCC. First ringer: Del Badgley-OCC. Six ringers: Joe Kiley.
5. A nice hand painted plaque, donated by the Park View Restaurant, was given to the eldest barbershopper in attendance, Bill Berry, now of Florida. Accepting the award is Wally Joure, runner up.
6. Part of the sun bathed crowd enjoying the Sunday afternoon show in front of the music shell.
7. The "Small Towners" of Flint after performing.
8. Darl Wiley, OCC member transplanted to Omaha, Neb. is happily accepting the trophy given to the member who traveled the farthest to attend. Bill Pascher, Pontiac, who makes a new trophy each year, is congratulating Wiley.
9. Distinguished guest quartet, the "Chord Dusters", Canton, Ohio, Johnnie Applesseed District Champs.
10. Sweet Ad Regional Champs, "The Notations" of Midland.
11. The "Voice Quad" of Detroit, in action.
12. The "Northern Hi-Lites of OCC -Det -Gr. Pte., are happy with their performance.

Bill Pascher--Pho-tog

Chapter News

Oakland County

- by Jack Clarke

It may be a long, long time from May to December, but from August to October flew by as quickly as a rock group's popularity.

Just about the day before yesterday, over 130 Oakland County members, wives, and offspring of varying sizes were firmly entrenched at Harrisville for one of the most memorable and successful Harmony Weekends, which for most of us was a nine-day weekend.

In addition to adding to our stockpile of Harrisville memories, we returned with something a little more substantive, in excess of \$600 for the Institute of Logopedics. Included in that was \$200 from the children's matinee at the Alco Theater, courtesy of owner Gary Pine; \$310 from Marge Freiderich in proceeds from our September chapter meeting (a blinger, if you missed it) in her hostelry; \$14 raised by OCC children at their playground carnival, and \$87 contributed by various barbershoppers interested in the advancement of medical science who visited the OCC "Recovery Station."

Bob McDermott, aided by Rae McIntosh, was in charge of OCC activities for the week which also included the traditional ghost walk, horseshoe tournament, and golf tournament, plus new innovation of a children's and adult treasure hunts.

September activities included our annual visit to Milford for another fine Mini-Chorus Contest with the unit from the Wolverine Chorus again coming out on top.

We opened October with our annual family picnic and followed it up on October 2 with an Auditions for Admission program held at the regular rehearsal site. The October 6 chapter meeting, organized by Norm Schram, featured presentations by impromptu chapter quartets and octets to guests from the previous Monday APA session.

In addition, 1973 officers were elected at the October chapter meeting. They are: Jim St. Amand, President; Art Linde, Administrative Vice President; Don Cline, Program Vice President; Larry Chubet, Corresponding Secretary; Chuck Egan, Recording Secretary; Bob Rehe, Treasurer; John Mills, Assistant Treasurer; Jack Clarke, Jim Fryfogle, and Gene Harrington, Directors; and Fran Durham, John McClinchy, and Bob Sage, Chapter Delegates.

On October 11, a 30-man chorus sang at the Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital Medical Center's annual Recognition Dinner at the Raleigh House in Southfield.

It's probably not too early to put in a plug for the annual OCC show, scheduled for March 9 and March 10 at Warren Fitzgerald High School. In addition to the Wolverine Chorus, which will be singing music from Broadway and the movies, headliners will include the Vagabonds and the Club House Four.

Grosse Pointe

- by Bill Herman

Our biggest change of pace was a Tuesday rehearsal at Tiger Stadium featuring the Tigers vs Yankees. JOHN POLLARD, owner of our Allard House, arranged a fantastic evening for us. He had one of those old double-deck busses drive us out to his Lincoln Motor Inn on the West Side for dinner and then to Tiger Stadium. We arrived just in time--as soon as we sat down the Tigers hit three straight home runs!

Our thanks to Oakland Chapter for our June visit with them for the big send-off to Atlanta. We enjoyed hearing the VAGABONDS AND SHARPLIFTERS and a good evening of fellowship and song. We were proud to accept the Detroit Chapter's invitation to sing with them on their annual moonlight cruise. This was the first time I'd been to Bob-Lo. Besides hearing the choruses and a Sweet Adeline group, our own VILLAGAIRES and CAR-TUNES entertained the crowd. A special treat was the appearance of the 4 FITS with TOM HINE at the helm (baritone). Although the weather was threatening, the evening was a big hit with everyone.

We did have some jobs too this summer. My personal thanks to the LAKESHORE CHORUS for coming out to the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church for our ice cream social. Although

the crowd was sparse due to the lousy weather, everyone enjoyed hearing our group and I was very proud of the job we did. DON ADAMS invited our chorus out to Harsons Island again in September and we really made a day of it - spent the day there and then sang for the St. Isaac Jogues Octoberfest later on in the evening. We sang for them last year and I understand the man in charge spent all year trying to find out who we were so he could ask us again this year. I'm glad he kept looking because that German beer and sauerkraut are really good.

Our nominating committee is proud to present the following prospective slate of officers for the October elections:

President	-Ray Starrette
Vice Presidents:	
Administrative	-John Wearing
Program	-John Wade
Assistant Program	-Pat Yacques
Treasurer	-Bill Brower
Secretary	-Hank DeMars

Lansing

The Lansing Chapter has experienced one of the better summer seasons in our existence. Attendance has been beyond our expectations. This has helped the chapter and chorus continue at a high level of interest. Things seem to be moving ahead here in the capitol city.

We failed to mention earlier that the Mayor of Lansing, Gerald Graves, proclaimed "Harmony Week" for us in Lansing in conjunction with "National Harmony Week" in April.

Our chorus has changed its name in favor of one that better describes where we are from. The new name will be "Capitol City Chordsmen". The chorus is busy learning new music for the fall contest and our big annual show on Oct. 29. Our show chairman, Reese Olger, has engaged the great "Roarin' 20's" and our own super "Vagabonds". What a thrilling lineup. Plan to see and hear these two great quartets in action. The Front Office Four, Range Finders and our own fabulous "Capitol City Chordsmen" chorus will round out your evening.

Our chorus had a wonderful experience in July. We sang for a group of approximately 100 retired people in their high rise apartment complex here in Lansing. It was a thrill to receive a fine response. We have some new friends.

We held our second Auditions of the year on Sept. 7 and 8. We auditioned eight new guests and hope to add a good percentage of these gentlemen to the chapter. The chorus and Range Finders entertained on the first night. The crowning touch came on Friday as our chorus and the fantastic "Vagabonds" thrilled the shopping mall audience. The Vagabonds tore them up and received a burst of applause. These great gentlemen made our auditions complete. The Society is very fortunate to be represented by four such devoted men who comprise the Vagabonds. Once again, thank you, gentlemen. Just a tip--get them to sing the new one that Ken arranged. [Ed: I heard it and it is right on.]

Our own Range Finders have been busier than ever. One recent appearance was on the Motor Wheel Corporation's float in the Olds anniversary parade here in Lansing on Aug. 19. They sang the theme song of the parade, "Come Away With Me, Lucile" in barbershop arrangement.

The "Galaxies", from Grand Rapids Chapter, visited us on July 24 and once again performed superbly. The Galaxies are also one of our favorite quartets and we wish to thank them again for their time and effort. We really enjoyed them.

New quartet activity is also stirring in the Lansing Chapter. We hope to have two more foursomes in competition before long. After all, that's the name of the game.

We also wish to remind you that the spring Convention is just around the corner. As you know, all roads will be leading into Lansing. Make your plans now. It really is not too early. Don Funk is our convention chairman and he will have details available very soon. Don reports the Convention Headquarters Hotel will be the Olds Plaza, right across from the Capitol Building.

Would also like to report that Bill Buss is our new chapter Secretary. He took over this important job when we needed

him most. A Fine gentleman with a flair for doing things in a proper manner. He also sings a solid baritone in our chorus.

Lansing was also very lucky to be able to entertain Dave Stevens on June 5. It's a great pleasure to meet and hear this guy. Once you hear him, your knowledge of barbershop harmony will mean something to you.

In closing, the Lansing Chapter wishes to send congratulations to the Vagabonds for their fine ninth place finish and to the "Sharp-lifters" for their superb representation of the Pioneer District at International.

Wayne

By Morrie Giles

The big thing around our tiny little group right now is the annual pitch pipe parade the first Saturday in March. Whereas for several years past we have held this colossal affair at Henry Ford High School in Detroit, this year we have secured the brand new Lady of Sorrows Auditorium in Farmington, which will hold a few more people.

You already know, of course, that the main attraction will be the greatest champions of all time, "The Gentlemen's Agreement", so we urge you to obtain your tickets from any Wayne member as soon as possible to avoid the inevitable sell-out we have experienced the past four years.

Wayne's new chapter officers greet you with the invitation to come visit us any third Friday at the Rosdale Gardens Civic Assn. Club House on Hubbard near West Chicago in Livonia. The 1973 officers are as follows:

President.....Bill Hitt
Admin. V.P.....Pete Anderson
Program V.P.....Hil Andrews
Secretaries.....Tom Fisher and Jim Freeman
Treasurer.....Jim Swisher
Sgt. at Arms.....Al Fricker and Roy Hewitt

Of course, Gordy Limburg remains as chorus director and Marv Skupski, assistant director.

On Nov. 17 the Wayne wives joined their loving husbands for an evening of dancing and refreshment at our meeting hall. May I take this opportunity to thank our 1972 chapter officers for the tremendous effort exerted by them the past 12 months, and offer a hearty "well done" in behalf of the entire Wayne Chapter.

Milford

- by Don Sheridan

Milford's Minni-Chorus seemed to be enjoyed by the 80 plus Barbershoppers who took time out from their busy schedules to ring a few chords. Top prize went again to Oakland County under the fine direction of Carl Dahlke; also competing were Pontiac Chorus 2nd, Milford 3rd and Wayne 4th. If we gave an award for pride I think it would have to go to Wayne for singing with the 11 or 12 guys who showed. I still think they had a good time and Milford appreciates the efforts showed by all who attended.

I would like to thank the judges for helping us out at the last minute, so THANKS to Bill Shannon, (Rolling Tones OCC) Clay Jones (After Shaves, Wayne) and Carl Elwing (Ex-Director, Milford). Thanks again for getting me off the hook!

Milford, although small, has been fairly active with two auditions for admission, The Minni-Chorus, preparation for contest, and for our upcoming Ladies Nite Nov. 11. Our gratitude goes to the After Shaves from Wayne (George Main-schein, Mike Burgoin, Clay Jones and Bruce Wanger) for helping us with our audition at the Brighton Mall. We managed to get a few prospects and one Bona Fide member. Our chapter was proud to welcome Jim O'Connor (good bass our gain).

I would like to again touch on the subject of our ladies nite Nov. 11th. We feel we have a good program with the Air Males, the Galaxies, and the Final Touch. I think if you're a barbershopper you know these quartets always do a great job. November 11th is no exception. Looking forward for a good time that nite.

Speaking of quartets we heard another good one at the Minni-Chorus in the form of the newly formed Northern Hi-Lites. It should be interesting to see them progress because I don't believe there will be any stopping these guys when they get into competition. So to Bob Demchak, Doc Caldwell, Clint Bostick, and Lee Hansen goes our best wishes and our thanks/ for coming out to the Minni-Chorus.

Milford had the pleasure (thanks to Bill Warner) of meeting with the Society's trouble shooter Lloyd Steinkamp. It was an evening of enlightenment for our board members as it amounted to a lot of logic which has been put to little use

by most small choruses.

At this time it looks like Milford will sing at Flint. However we won't be judged due to lack of singers. This will be a first for many of us in Milford and I certainly hope it will not be the last. Marty Zurn, our director, has worked hard and deserves better and it's not like we are asking for a 50 man chorus. We just want 20 to 25 men who truly want to sing and who will take pride in the sound Marty can get out of us. The board made the decision that we are dealing with grown men who shouldn't have to be told when to come to sing. Sink or swim. That's the way it looks from Milford.

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Au Sable Valley

NEWS RELEASE - Au Sable Valley Barbershop Chorus

Director John Noteware announced that the following officers have been elected for 1973 for the Au Sable Valley Chapter, Grayling, Michigan: President Gene Ellis; Membership Vice President Larry Du Vall; Program Vice President Dick Moran; Treasurer Earnest Williams; Secretary Jim Hilliard; Directors Earl Whaley, Jim Whaley, Bill Greene, Russ Lockwood and out-going President Don Jackman.

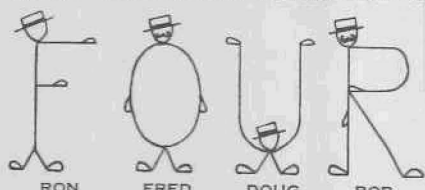
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The Au Sable Valley Chapter received its Charter on September 16, 1972, with doings at the Chief Shoppenagon Hotel, Grayling, Michigan. Tune-up time began at six o'clock, dinner at seven. Tom Damm of Muskegon Chapter MC'd the program which naturally featured the Au Sable Valley Barbershop Chorus under the direction of John Noteware. Guest quartets included Traverse City's Vocal Gentry, Lansing's Range Finders, Tri-City-Flint's Original Choice, and Detroit's Sharp-lifters. Appreciation was extended to Director John Noteware, and the sponsoring chapter, Traverse City.



Au Sable Valley Chapter receives its Charter. Bill Warner (left) Pioneer District President, has passed the charter to Dick Moran in front of microphone, who shakes hands with Don Jackman, Au Sable Valley Chapter President. Continuing left is Program Vice President Paul Weber, Traverse City Chapter President Jack Drew, Secretary-Treasurer Earl Whaley, Bill Greene and Dick Manley.

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JULY 1972 MEN OF NOTE

ARTHUR	RUTZ	1
ROBERT H	ORTH	1
WALTER J	CROSS	2
MICHAEL	TRACY	1
GERRY	GABEL	3
JERRY	SCHUTZ	1
ROLLAND	DOW	3
WILLIAM	BUSS	2
WILLIAM	DUPLISSIS	1
ROBERT	MC DERMOTT	9
THOMAS	FOX	1
DONALD	JORSLEY	1
FRANK	ROSS	1
ELMER	WALLING	2
FRAN	SANBORN	2
ROBERT J	WILLIAMS	2

AUGUST 1972 MEN OF NOTE

ROBERT H	ORTH	2
EARL G	WHALEY	1
JAMES	HILLIARD	1
GRANT	COLTHORP	5
CLINTON	HOWE JR.	1
RICHARD	CREW	1
J	POIRIER	1
THOMAS	LINDSAY	1
JERRY	SCHUTE	2
SAM	CUSHMAN	4
RUSSELL	BAILEY	1
MELVIN	GEE	1
MAX	CARTER	12
PETER	ANDERSON	9
DAN	SHELLES	5

SEPTEMBER 1972 MEN OF NOTE

BERNARD P	SACKETT	2
WENDELL	ASPLIN	4
STEVE	RABINOVITZ	1
DAN	LA BUMBARD	1
DUANE	MOSE	1
DAVE	FRESHEL	1
ED	CONN	1
JOHN	WEARING	1
DON	ADAMS	2
HAROLD	POLHAMUS	1
MARTY	ZURN	1
ERNEST S	MARLOW	4
FRANCIS	DURHAM	5
JACK	CLARKE	1
GENE	HARRINGTON	2
LEONARD	BARNES	2
JACK	EDWARDS	1
JOE	WILLIAMS	1
ANDY	MC CANN	5
DICK	TUTTLE	2
DONALD	SCHROEDER	10



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