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...MORE THAN TALK

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"What's new with Logopedics," you say? Well, here are a few items that will bring you up to speed and give you something to talk about.

Dr. Frank Kleffner and the population at the Institute are celebrating their 50th Anniversary Year. This leading facility, the focus of our Unified Service Project, is certainly far better off because of the Barbershopping influence. The Harmony Foundation, in honor of those 50 years, has created a new Gold Division Award for . . . O.K., so you're way ahead of me, it's \$50 a man per capita. Would you believe that 16 Chapters hit the big 50 last year, even before the Award was created? You would? They did!

As a matter of fact, 138 Chapters in our Society met or exceeded the Silver level last year. That's about 1/6 of our guys. We had two Silvers each of the last two years, but we have not yet achieved 100% Chapter participation here in Pioneer. But, you just wait! It's no secret that we're changin' and we don't like chokin' on anyone else's exhaust fumes. Just you hang onta' those white hats 'cause the good guys are fired up and comin' on strong.

What else is new? The Campbells Label Program is renewed for another year (through FEB. '85), and the Society members blew the doors right off '82 last year. We collected (are you ready for this?) 513,800 various acceptable labels in '83, doubling the previous year. That guy, David, in Wichita, who handles the label traffic, is a candidate for a rubber room. But, don't stop now when we are on a roll. The rewards for the kids are far too great.

They have received outdoor play and playground equipment, record players, Carousel projectors, T.I. learning computers, a cassette tape duplicator, cassette recorders, toys and games, sports equipment and you-name-it, it's going to them.

To make the current campaign really "sing", follow these simple instructions: Send the FRONTS only, bundle in lots of 50, 75 or 100, mark the count on each bundle, indicate Chapter and District, and get 'em rollin'. This is really an opportunity to benefit from something usually thrown away. Other label names include V-8, Franco American, Swanson, Prego, and Recipe dog food. Give it a shot! Bury David!

Oh yeah, keep this in mind -- The RIGHT goal for Pioneer Logopedics in '84 is a five-digit number with a 2 leading off. You Pioneer guys and



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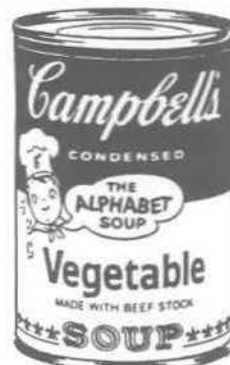
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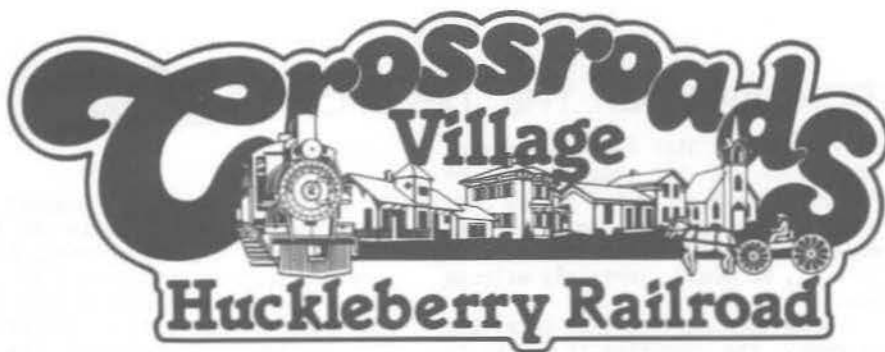
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## **"A Barbershop Happening"**

Saturday, June 16, 1984



### **HAPPENING SCHEDULE**

- 11:00 a.m. Village Opens
- 1:00 p.m. Mass Sing on the Village Streets
- 1:20 p.m. Flint Arrowhead Chorus — Opera House
- 2:20 p.m. Swan Valley Songmen — Opera House  
*District's newest Chapter*
- 3:20 p.m. Port Huron Bluewater Chorus — Opera House  
*1984 Silver Medalist — District Competition*
- 4:20 p.m. The Ivy League — Barbershop Quartet  
*1984 Bush League Champions*

### **RATES**

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- Children (4-12): \$3.95

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## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



### BENTON HARBOR - ST. JOSEPH CHAPTER

The Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Chapter is off to a very good start for 1984.

We have not only an extremely active and dedicated board, but an all-new and revitalized music committee. It just happens that the board and music committee are composed mostly of the same personnel; however, we are trying to segregate the purposes of the two, yet make them work together. So far, we think we have been quite successful.

The main highlight of this quarter was the fantastic turnout we had for our membership night on March 12. In response to a news article and several radio spots on the two local stations, we had 8 (count 'em, EIGHT) area men waiting at the door that night! And those men have returned twice, a few ready to join, and a couple have even brought their own guests! We had an interesting program for the membership night, and this writer, being the MC for the evening, appreciates the cooperation of our Director, Roger Valentine, and the general membership. Let's keep it up, guys!

We also have given free performances at four area nursing homes in the past three months; we've viewed the Seattle Convention film, and also had a real treat in Mid-March as chapter member Bob Bame, Music Director at Michigan Lutheran High School, brought up his mixed a cappella Festival Singers. We really enjoyed their singing.

I'd like to take this opportunity to announce that on SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 1984, The Fruit Belt Chorus will host the: **THIRD ANNUAL**

#### QUARTET AND CHORUS JAMBOREE

The past two years, we have held this event in Mid-June. However, it has been rescheduled for August 18 to coincide with the SESQUICENTENIAL (150th Birthday) CELEBRATION OF THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH. Our chapter has been very much a part of the Twin Cities for the past 36 years. We wish to show our appreciation by this contribution to the celebration and we would like your help.

The Jamboree will begin at 1:00 pm on August 18. It will be held either at the John E.N. Howard Bandshell, or at the Pavilion. We invite as many quartets as can come to show up to do one or two songs, with possible encores later. We also would like to have as many chapters as possible try to arrive with a chorus to participate.

Additionally, there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony and dedication of the newly-constructed Pavilion at 10:00 am. At the end of the ceremony, a "Birthday Cake" and donuts and coffee will be served. Our chorus has been asked to open the cere-

mony with the "Star Spangled Banner" and, later in the ceremony, to do "America The Beautiful." If any choruses and/or quartets would care to work on these numbers and be here to join us, we would certainly welcome you.

I have been advised that after the ceremony, the committee is hoping to have some activities planned for children, but this has not yet been confirmed.

Those of you who have visited St. Joseph know the beauty of our Lake Bluff Park, and its size. The Bandshell is at the north end, and the new Pavilion will be in the center, about two blocks away. There are many large shade trees, and a number of park benches. Although there are a number of restaurants in St. Joseph, you might want to bring the family and a blanket and picnic lunch in a cooler. This will solve the problem of where to eat and what to do in between times.

Gentlemen, we would like very much to invite your participation in this event. It will be a big "shot in the arm" for Barbershopping in southwestern Michigan, and be a fun day for you and your family.

Ray and I would appreciate it very much if you would talk this up in your chorus and/or your quartet. Then send a list of what quartets could reasonably be expected to be there for the Jamboree and, additionally, whether your chorus, or even an act, would be singing.

If we could have these numbers in our hands by early in June, it would greatly assist us in planning and publicity. Please let us know.

So, let's make it a fun Barbershop Day at St. Joseph on August 18, either at 1:00 for the Jamboree, or come in the morning and make a day of it. Bring the family, bring a lunch, and have a ball.

"Sing"-cerely,

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P.S. We would like to emphasize that this is not in any way intended to be a contest of any kind! Just come and enjoy!

### HURON VALLEY

Another membership renewal quarter passed by last month and I must admit I was a bit concerned. As Secretary of the Chapter, I am privy to a lot of information that is not common knowledge to a greater part of the chapter population. The first quarter happens to be the quarter in which a large percentage of our membership must renew. The men of Huron Valley gave me a great scare because most of them waited until the last minute to renew. As it turned out, all but one did renew and he had not attended a meeting in well over a year, so we lost one member. We did, however, sign up two new members in the persons of Bob McCarger and Dick Bauman for a net gain of one, and a chapter total of 57. Both Bob and Dick came to us after attending our recent annual show and decided they would like to join the fun. Bob sings lead, lives in Ann Arbor, and works down the pike in Detroit for a medical supply firm. Dick sings baritone, also lives in Ann Arbor, and is employed at U. of M. as a pharmacist. Welcome to the group, guys. You're in for a great experience!

It seems that it has become impossible to write this column without mentioning the IVY LEAGUE. These four guys have been working so hard and getting so popular that they have become a real class act. To demonstrate this, let me explain that they were recently one of nearly 100 entertainment acts that auditioned for the Kelley & Co. talent show, to be held on Channel 7 on the morning of May 4, at the premier Center. From those 100 acts, they picked just six to appear on the show. Yep, the kids made it. We will all be watching and rooting for our Huron Valley brothers as they dazzle John and Marilyn and their huge TV audience. Congratulations, guys. We are very proud of you!

Speaking of pride --- The Huron Valley Chapter certainly left its mark on the total proceedings at Spring Convention this year. The Chorus made its best finish ever with a 2nd place finish AND the Gold Division Award. This to go alongside the Silver Division Award won in the Spring of 1980. The Chapter also received awards for Logopedics participation and the Achievement Award for Plateau #4. We also take great pride in the fact that all three of the Chapter quartets were in the Quartet Finals. When all the points were counted, CENTER STAGE was 1st, IVY LEAGUE was 6th, and the SOUND AMBASSADORS was 7th, in a very tough competition. It was indeed a very successful weekend for the Huron Valley Chapter. We certainly are thankful we have been blessed with

**A Whale  
Of An Idea**







## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



the services of so good a man as our Director, JIM STEPHENS. Our chorus achievements most certainly reflect the time, effort and talents of this fine gentleman. The men of Huron Valley obviously recognize the value of Jim because they elected him the Chapter Barbershopper of the Year for 1983, and so honored him at the Chapter Officer Installation Dinner last January. Congratulations, Jim, from all of us.

Another happy event of the weekend was the drawing of our MVP, Pete Theisen's name, as the winner of the mini-TV set, given away in the Logopedics Raffle. Wow, Pete, some guys have all the luck!

Roger Waltz

### MUSKEGON CHAPTER

Last month, we wrote about our increased activity in the Muskegon Chapter, and I mentioned that our group bears some resemblance to the Phoenix Bird that rose from the ashes. Part of our success in the past year has been because members got up off their ashes and did something constructive. They realized that the parent Society had been in business long enough to know what works and what doesn't. That's why a primary effort was made to recruit new members on a one-to-one basis. Recently, the Chapter held an A for A and members were astonished by the positive results. The A for A was held in the enclosed Muskegon Mall, and, although guests had been invited, our MVP, Chet Nerheim, walked among the audience and invited men to sing with us. The Shoreline Chorus acted as the nucleus as Pole Cat Kits were distributed. We made the acquaintance of 20 new singers, some of whom have attended our rehearsals and several have joined the Chapter. Lynn Sommerfield, our Chapter President, is continuing to inform the membership about the various ways of increasing chapter size through Society-tested programs. Although our goal is 50 members (we struggled with only 11, two years ago), we have no objections to a larger number.

Alan and I mentioned in the last issue that the members want to make sure that the "work" of preparing for contests and shows did not drive away the "fun" of Barbershopping. Dave Abbigy, our PVP, has made a serious effort to provide a variety of activities at the Shoreline Chorus rehearsals. Sometimes, we invite a guest quartet or a chapter quartet to sing for us during the break. At other times, we have an octet perform. In addition, the Chapter has periodic "fun nites" at the Doo-Drop Inn. We invite new members, former members, prospective members, mem-

bers from other chapters, -- anyone we can think of. There is lots of quartet singing, octet singing, and group singing. Breaks are provided for woodshedding. There is a very strong feeling in the Muskegon Chapter that this type of meeting is a must if the organization is to survive. (The Chapter does not really want to be a Phoenix Bird and return to the ashes again!). The next "fun nite" is June 7, and you're invited.

Meanwhile, the Shoreline Chorus continues to grow in popularity. They have been invited to participate in the community's celebration of National Music Week (May 10), and they will sing twice in Spring Lake on the 16th; 1st at the Village Hall and then at the Country Club. Also, we are presenting our Annual Show on

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### BATTLE CREEK CHAPTER

Spring Contest, 1984, is now history, but we want to send a special thanks to the Wayne Chapter on a job well done -- especially considering the 'last minute' change of sites for the contest. Also, a bug 'thank you' to Lew Ayres, who was our delightful host, chaperone and guide on contest day, April 28. Good Weather, good singing and fun were enjoyed by all.

Our Cereal City Chorus was glad to be back on the contest stage again after recent absences, and, although we didn't do quite as well as we had hoped and thought, we were still proud to have taken part, and to have put 54 men on stage -- the largest group of men of all 14 participating choruses. Disappointed, yes, but no excuses. We gave our best and got our feet wet with our new Director. We are looking for better things this fall and next spring, knowing our quality can improve as our quantity has increased.

The months of March and April have kept the chorus busy with not only the contest numbers, but also seven show songs, so singout appearances have been limited. But with these 9 new songs in tow, we have an excellent performance package for spreading Barbershop Harmony throughout the Battle Creek area. Also, our two active quartets, the HARMONY HOUNDS and the RETREADS, continue to keep busy performing for local groups and representing the chapter in fine style.

In March, the HARMONY HOUNDS performed at the Battle Creek United Arts Council fund drive, held at the Stouffer Hotel. The Chapter had a display booth there with Barbershop material, brochures, etc. -- and, of course, live singing. (Incidentally,

the new Stouffer Hotel will be the Headquarters Hotel for the Fall Convention, to be held here in the Cereal City. The Hotel is just ONE BLOCK from Kellogg Auditorium -- the contest site!)

Also, the Chapter is proud of our HARMONY HOUNDS for their fine showing at the Spring Contest. They were selected as Mike Testers for the Quartet Finals. Great Job, as always, fellas!

These first several months as the new Chapter Secretary have been educating, challenging and rewarding. Being the Chapter correspondent, answer man, and performing the usual secretarial functions has been educating and challenging, but the most rewarding part has been watching the growth of the Chapter since the 1st of the year and seeing all the lovely letters and packages from International. In 1983, this Chapter was designated, by membership, as being in Plateau II. At the end of 1983, our roster membership was 43, which put us in Plateau III for 1984. We lost 3 of those members due to job situations and moving, but since January 1, 1984, we have added 33 new members for a present membership of 73, as of May 1, 1984. Two more members will put us past Plateau IV and into Plateau V. Would you believe I'm BOTH bragging AND complaining!!? Complaining because this rookie secretary has to do all the paperwork and send it in to the International Office. Bragging, because I've never seen anything quite like this in my 14 years as a member of this Chapter or have I found anything in our recorded history that this Chapter has ever been so large. If we can keep up the good work, the positive spirit --- work hard but still have fun --- I know that Plateau V is within our reach.

Because of all that has happened in our Chapter, I feel the following men should be recognized for their hard work, their effort and the time spent volunteering their services to help better our Chapter.

First of all, our Chorus Director, Giff Richards, who has given us a new singing spirit and music awareness since joining us in August. Our President, Bill Lang, Program V.P., Bill Smith and P.R. man, Carl Proch, each of whom has worked diligently and enthusiastically and have taken on many responsibilities. Also a special recognition to the following men: Dick Campbell, Carl Proch, Bill Lang and Roger Lewis, each of whom have just received their Display Frames for 5 Man-of-Note Awards. And a special congratulations to Ray Sikkenga on receiving a "Big 10" Award Plaque for his pins. And, before closing, I want to make mention of one final individual who has

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## LEO FOBART Dies in Kenosha

LEO FOBART, Editor of the Society's magazine, Harmonizer, for more than 140 issues, died in his sleep April 2, at the age of 61.

LEO joined the Society in 1953 and was actively involved at chapter and district levels. He organized and was a charter member of the Steven's Point, Wisconsin Chapter. He served as chapter president and area counselor. He was Land O' Lakes District Treasurer for many years before becoming District President in 1961.

He came to the International Office in December of 1961 and picked up the reins of the International magazine. As editor, he also served as PROBE Secretary-Treasurer from 1963 until 1980.

Memorial services were attended by many, including Land O' Lakes District President, John Bauer. The Schmidt Brothers, 1951 International Quartet Champions, sang at the services.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to his wife, Mary, at 7818 23rd Ave, Kenosha, WI 53140. Memorials may be given to the Institute of Logopedics through the Harmony Foundation, c/o Ruth Marks, 6315 3rd Ave, Kenosha, WI 53140-5199.



LEO FOBART, in Seattle, July 1983.  
(from WESTUNES, R.A. Girvin, Editor)

MUSKEGON News continued.....

Saturday, June 2, at the Frauenthal Center (former Michigan Theater), 407 W. Western. In addition to the Chorus and our local Chapter talent, we will be featuring the DUTCH MASTERS (Holland), & the FOUR FLUSHERS and MUSIC MART (Terre Haute).

Spring Convention is now history. I hope you enjoyed it as much as the 28 of us who competed with the Shoreline Chorus. In any event, the summer looks like a great time to sing a little Barbershop Harmony and charcoal a few steaks, and sing a little Barbershop and do some sailing, and sing a little Barbershop...

Webb Scrivnor

## S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc. PIONEER DISTRICT Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting Friday, April 27, 1984



The meeting, held at the Briarwood Hilton Inn, Ann Arbor, Michigan, was called to order by President Gougeon at 1:00 PM.

### PRESENT: All Directors were present.

Also present were: Byron C. Davis, Robert Dixon, George Dyer, James Horton, Larry G. King, Paul Lehmkuhle, William P. Panchar, Robert Rehe, Art Schulze, Bill Tobias and William C. Warner.

Director of Music Education opened the meeting by leading the singing of "The Old Songs."

The MINUTES of the meetings held on October 14, 1983, and December 3, 1983, were approved as distributed and published.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Schneider submitted the Treasurer's Report, dated March 31, 1984, showing a balance of \$6,221.08 as of that date.

OFFICERS' REPORTS: Upon motion duly made and seconded and the unanimous vote of the Board, the Officers' Reports as previously distributed were accepted in accordance with the "Consent Calendar" adopted by the Board of Directors in its meeting of April 23, 1983. Copies of these reports will be on file in the Secretary's office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Written reports were received from the chairman of the following committees: A.I.C. Scholarship, Auditing, District Conventions, Ethics, Hall of Fame, Historian, International Send-Off, Logopedics, Membership & Extension, Music Education and Public Relations. Copies of these reports will be on file in the Secretary's office.

Supplemental COMMITTEE REPORTS were made as follows:

### District Conventions

Chairman McDermott distributed copies of the manual, dated December 4, 1983, entitled "Regulations Covering the Bidding Procedure for Pioneer District Conventions for Spring and Fall Contests." Upon motion by Director Goldschmeding, seconded by Director Schneider, by unanimous vote the Board adopted the Regulations as submitted.

### Convention Schedule

1984 Fall: October 19-21	Battle Creek Chapter
1985 Spring: April 26-28	Grosse Pointe Chapter
Headquarters: Midway Motor Lodge, Warren, MI	
Contest site: Warren Fitzgerald High School	
1985 Fall: October 18-20	Traverse City
1986 Spring: April 25-27	Swan Valley Chapter <u>bid red.</u>
Headquarters: Radisson Inn, Saginaw, MI	
Contest site: Heritage Theatre	
1986 Fall: October 17-19	Flint Chapter
Contest site: Whiting Auditorium	
1987 Spring: April 24-26	Open for bids
1987 Fall: October 16-18	Open for bids

There followed a discussion of the convention schedule. The Board again stressed the requirement stated in the Regulations manual that "All Chapters submitting bids for contests and conventions must consult with the District Convention Planning Manager before the bid is submitted." The Board also emphasized the importance of the host chapters' having signed contracts with headquarters hotels and contest sites.

Grosse Pointe - Spring 1985: In a letter, dated February 14, 1984, to EVP McDermott the Grosse Pointe Chapter requested an advance of \$950.00 as a deposit on the auditorium because of a "critical cash flow."

In the discussion which followed certain pertinences were mentioned: that the District's Convention Manual provides "Cash advance for working capital is available from the District Treasurer if needed;" that the Grosse Pointe Chapter's 1984 show had provided that chapter with a good profit, most of which profit, according to the Chapter President, had been earmarked for the chapter's uniform fund; that some of the District Board members felt that care must be taken about setting precedents in granting cash advance requests; that when cash advances are made, the possibility of assessing interest on them might be considered.



Director Jones then moved, with Director Yahmutter providing the second, that the cash advance of \$950.00 requested by the Grosse Pointe Chapter be approved, with the advance taking the form of a deposit directly to the auditorium, payable in September 1984.

The motion was disfavored by a majority vote.

**Traverse City - Fall 1985:** The Board re-examined the matter of the Traverse City Chapter's hosting the 1985 Fall convention, which was awarded to that chapter by the House of Delegates in its meeting of April 23, 1983. The Board's reconsideration was occasioned by the disclosure by Marty Chirgwin, Vice President of Division IV and a member of the Traverse City Chapter, that that chapter is having administrative, financial and membership problems which might affect its capabilities of sponsoring a convention at that time. At the request of the Board, for a report at the October 1984 meeting Mr. Chirgwin undertook to re-evaluate the situation, including the possibility of other chapters in the Traverse City area cooperating with the Traverse City Chapter in sponsoring the convention.

**Swan Valley - Spring 1986:** Considering the bid of the Swan Valley Chapter to host the 1986 Spring convention, because of some question about the suitability of the auditorium accommodations, the Board voted to table action on the bid until its October 1984 meeting.

#### Contest & Judging:

Chairman King stated that he could not attend the Society's International Convention in St. Louis in July 1984. He recommended that Mr. Don Lang be delegated to attend for the Contest & Judging Committee. For his attendance Mr. Lang would be reimbursed for three nights' lodging and round-trip transportation.

#### Troubadour Editor:

President Gougeon reported briefly for the Troubadour Editor.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** President Gougeon passed to the District Secretary for handling a letter dated April 5, 1984, from the International Office re ordering District Quartet lapel pins.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**REQUEST OF HOST CHAPTER 1983 FALL CONVENTION:** President Gougeon reported that Oakland County Chapter has withdrawn its request, made in the meeting held on October 14, 1983, that the District split the cost of the Chordatorium for the 1983 Fall convention.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**AREA COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR:** EVP McDermott proposed the name of Ron Breidinger for consideration as Area Counselor of the Year for 1983. Director Teubert moved and Director Berry seconded that Ron Breidinger be so named. There being no further nominations, Mr. Ron Breidinger was declared unanimously elected Area Counselor of the Year for 1983.

The meeting ADJOURNED at 3:30 PM



Respectfully submitted

*Jack W. Teubert*  
JACK W. TEUBERT  
Secretary  
Pioneer District



**WANTED**



**MEN WHO LOVE TO SING**

FRED WARING VOTED HONORARY MEMBER...

Fred Waring - composer, publisher, and conductor of the world-renowned Pennsylvanians, and an avid Barber-shopper, was accorded an honorary lifetime membership in our Society by the International Board of Directors during their Mid-Winter Convention deliberations in Hawaii.

Proposed for this elite honor by Robb Ollett, Director of Communications, Waring rounds out a quartet of dignitaries that include Arthur Godfrey (1960), Irving Berlin (1959) and Meredith Wilson (1959).



FRED AND VIRGINIA WARING

Listed below are some of Waring's many accomplishments:

- \*Two Broadway musicals.
- \*Two motion picture appearances.
- \*Began radio shows in 1933.
- \*Designed music workshops to teach choral singing in 1947.
- \*Founded Shawnee Press in 1949.
- \*Entertained numerous Heads of State and U.S. Presidents.
- \*Recognized as nation's leading music educator.
- Honored by Association of Professional Music Ensembles.
- Honored by National Music Educators.
- Honored by American Choral Directors Association.

Then Ollett added: "With these credentials, Mr. Waring is deserving of our Society's honorary membership for his love of music, involvement in music leadership, and support of our music style in his road show." (He recently added male and female quartet singing in his road show, using Barbershop Harmony arrangements.)

Will he retire? Waring says, "Why should I retire? That's like asking a great doctor to quit healing. If you have something to give, give it."

We agree that this is a fitting tribute to a great gentleman of Music. Fred Waring will accept his honorary membership at our 46th International Convention in St. Louis.

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OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY  
Pioneer District, S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc.  
International Quartet Preliminary Contest  
Held at Ann Arbor, Michigan - April 27-28, 1984

Category:

Song No:

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FINALS													
1.		Center Stage	164	171	164	173	307	-2	+3	980	1,821	2,001	136 164
2.		Tri-County Connection	147	154	154	155	244	-5	+6	855	841	1,696	139 143
3.		Saturday Nite Feature	152	158	145	145	213	+2	+8	823	832	1,655	124 143
4.		Heirloom	148	141	140	139	248	-1	+9	824	787	1,611	126 124
5.		Dutch Masters	141	137	139	139	214	+1	0	771	794	1,565	162 153
6.		Ivy League	128	126	142	135	235	+6	+7	779	750	1,529	142 119
7.		The Sound Ambassadors	131	136	135	135	206	-2	-2	739	751	1,490	125 133
8.		The Very Idea	127	125	130	128	188	+6	-1	703	710	1,413	130 148

First three ranked quartets represent Pioneer at Int'l; Fourth ranked is Alternate.

9.	Harmony Hounds	123	123	120	130	181	+6	+6			689	183 165
10.	Touch of Clash	120	118	123	120	211	-8	-6			678	167 151
11.	First Endeavour	123	117	122	115	169	+4	+1			651	127 118
12.	O! Time Harmony	98	107	120	119	172	-4	+3			615	122 146
13.	Sound Junction	104	103	112	106	149	+1	+1			576	131 142

(a) Time penalty - 40 points (5 seconds @ 8 pts./Sec.)

The Panel of Judges

Chairman.....	Larry King, Farmington Hills, MI
Sound.....	Don Lang, St. Joseph, MI
Interpretation.....	Joe Masotti, Oak Creek, WI
.....	Nick Hodnett, Rye, N.Y.
.....	George Peters, Wheaton, IL
Stage Presence.....	Richard Leighton, Cedar Rapids, IA
.....	John Sommer, Columbus, OH
Arrangement.....	Jack Baird, Oak Lawn, IL
.....	Walter Latako, Blooming Grove, N.Y.
Secretary.....	John T. Gillespie, Kalamazoo, MI
Ass't Secretary.....	Herm Dykema, Kalamazoo, MI
Timers.....	William C. Warner, Oak Park, MI
.....	Charles Watson, Worthington, OH

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District Chorus Contest

Held at Ann Arbor, Michigan - April 28, 1984

Category:

Song No:

Category:		SND		INT		SP	ARR		SINGING	ON	DIV	
Song No:		1	2	1	2		1	2	TOTAL	STAGE		
RANK	CONTESTANT											
1.	Grosse Pointe Lakeshore Chorus	151	155	142	147	227	+4	+10	836	140 122	53	G
2.	Huron Valley Huron Valley Chorus	140	133	145	150	216	+8	+13	805	124 187	33	G
3.	Port Huron Huron Harmony Chorus	136	132	146	145	224	+3	+1	787	135 116	32	G
4.	Detroit #1 Motor City Chorus	133	125	132	133	215	+2	0	740	169 161	49	G
5.	Gratiot County Midstatesmen	131	131	131	136	197	+9	+1	736	150 154	26	G
6.	Oakland County Wolverine Chorus	120	124	136	131	173	+5	+8	697	127 143	38	G
7.	Battle Creek Cereal City Chorus	123	118	133	132	176	+5	+5	692	161 168	54	G
8.	Windsor Sun Parlour Chorus	118	108	132	131	184	+5	+6	684	136 125	32	G
9.	Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Fruit Belt Chorus	126	136	123	132	155	0	+9	681	129 154	23	G
10.	Muskegon Shoreline Chorus	126	133	113	119	155	+3	+1	650	137 149	28	G
11.	Flint Flint Arrowhead Chorus	106	110	109	110	165	+2	+3	605	150 127	25	G
12.	Milford Mill Valley Chorus	110	109	115	109	139	+2	-9	575	143 127	24	G
13.	Swan Valley Swan Valley Soundmen	83	85	85	86	121	-5	-9	446	117 133	20	G

Ineligible Contestant (per Article 6(d) of Chorus Contest Rules)

Clinton Valley Clinton Valley Chorus	107	106	117	116	159	+3	0	608	144 148	19	G
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G - Gold Division  
S - Silver Division

Grosse Pointe Lakeshore Chorus is the 1984 District Chorus Champion.

Huron Valley Chorus is the 1984 Gold Division Chorus Champion.

Port Huron, Huron Harmony Chorus is the 1984 Silver Division Chorus Champion.

extra! extra!

## PRELIMS PROPAGATIONS

All the International Preliminaries are now complete, and here are the quartets which will be going to St. Louis:

In the Evergreen District, PACIFIC PRIDE, the CASCADE CONNECTION, and the SOUTH SOUNDERS will all be returning to the International stage again this year. In Seattle, they were 17th, 44th and 27th respectively.

Dropping down to the Far Western District, the four qualifying quartets are 1) the KNUDSEN BROTHERS, 2) NEW TRADITION, 3) REMEMBER WHEN and 4) 139th STREET. This was a tough contest with the top 4 finishers being separated by only 17 points - each having earned a score that would have placed them in the top 5 at Seattle. Three former FWD Champions did not make it to the coveted top 4 plateau. The KNUDSEN BROTHERS are new to FWD having joined the Phoenix Chapter in a transfer from the Rocky Mtn. District. They were 38th in Seattle, and moved up to take it all in San Jose - a much improved group! REMEMBER WHEN (8th in '83) is also from the Phoenix Chapter. NEW TRADITION is a "new" group made up of tenor, John Sherburn (Crown City Good Time Music Co. - Dist. Champs & Internat'l competitors and 5 years with the Dapper Dons of Disneyland), lead, Dan Jordan (Grand Tradition - 4th at Internat'l in '80, '82 and '83), bari, Bob Gray, Jr. (also Grand Tradition), and bass, John Miller (Grandma's Boys, '79 Champs). The FWD Convention featured such unique things as a ROBOT for an MC! And, with the money they saved from his pay, FREE convention T-Shirts!

Speaking of Rocky Mountain District, their quartets will be the DUKE CITY QUARTET (44th in '81), and PARTNERSHIP (45th in '83).

In the Southwestern District, two of the three qualifying quartets are new names. The much-heralded GATSBY won the contest, followed by BASIN STREET QUARTET (37th in '83) and RARE BLEND. Waiting in the wings as the Alternate is STANDING ROOM ONLY (15th in '83).

In the Central States District, RURAL ROUTE 4 will be returning as will the NEW ST. LOUIS VOCAL BAND, current District Champions, and SPECIAL TOUCH. Word is that the appropriately-named VOCAL BAND took second with a brand-new tenor, Rich Knight, who replaced Jim Flowers.

Land O' Lakes District is entitled to send four quartets. They will be DOWNSTATE EXPRESS (24th in '83), CLASS REUNION (28th in '83), TALK OF THE TOWN (35th in '82), and ROADRUN- (continued on next page...)



more....

## PRELIMS PROPAGATIONS

ners. A quartet named RAGTIME actually won the 4th spot but could not make the trip so the alternate quartet, the ROADRUNNERS will go.

Do you remember my reporting, a few months back, that the BENCHMARKS (21st in '83) were losing Dave Boo, their bass? Well they must have found a good replacement because they won the Illinois District Contest. Also earning the right to go to St. Louis was HEART OF CHICAGO, and AT EASE. The FOUR HENCHMEN is the alternate 4-some.

The Johnny Appleseed District will be represented by the RAPSCALLIONS, CINCINNATI KIDS and NEW REGIME.

If the Cardinal District could send 3 quartets instead of just 2, it still would not have made any difference -- they would ALL have come from the Louisville Chapter! The INTERSTATE RIVALS and the HARRINGTON BROTHERS will be making the trip, while the CLASS OF '84 will be standing by - all part of that THOROUGHbred gang!

In the Seneca Land District, the EMPIRE EXPRESS is still chugging along, followed by the ESQUIRES, who just nosed out the NICKEL CITY HARMONY (40th in '82) by 4 points.

The Northeastern District will send three quartets this year. YES-TERDAY BOUND was 1st, with ANYTHING GOES, the current District Champs, 2nd and FORTYFIVE FOUR - 3rd. FANFARE is the alternate. I understand that those "four ol' guys," the TIMBRE JACKS, are reconstituted and singing again and would, perhaps, have won the contest but, for some reason, were not eligible to compete.

I almost skipped over the Ontario District where NORTHERN UNION and the REGAL ROGUES were the winners.

Dropping down to the Mid-Atlantic District, VAUDEVILLE (3rd in '83) led a group of seasoned competitors composed of SOUND REVIVAL (19th in '83), 4 UNDER PAR (29th in '83), the PROS 'N' CONS (13th in '83), ALEXANDRIA'S RAGTIME BAND, and the NEW YORKERS (16th in '83). Both VAUDEVILLE and the BAND are from the Alexandria Chapter.

In the Dixie District, MIDNIGHT EXPRESS won the contest, followed by the STACKED DECK (27th in '82). A group with the interesting name of THE CRACKERLAND CHORD COMPANY is the alternate 4-some.

In the Sunshine District, GRAND CENTRAL (20th in '83) scored a convincing victory over TENTH PRECINCT. Down here it was the SUNSHINE CHORD COMPANY picked as the alternates. All these "companys" are just not making it - must be "Reaganomics!"

And talking about convincing victories - you can see by the score

sheets that our CENTER STAGE were just that - convincing! The 'kids from Wayne,' the TRI-COUNTY CONNECTION, our current District Champs, will be making their first trip to International, while a new SATURDAY NITE FEATURE will be returning for another go.

Well, that's about it for the quartets. There will be just 47 this year, since neither GRAND TRADITION nor the ROARING 20's will be returning.

Just a couple of notes about the choruses -- in Pioneer, the LAKE-SHORE CHORUS of the Grosse Pointe Chapter won their very first Championship - of ANY kind - and they're all walking on air! Congratulations, men. Well Done!

In M-AD, the BIG APPLE CHORUS, performing at the Prelims, had 110 men on stage. They stopped their presentation to ask the audience if they would mind if another 28 more men, qualified but not yet in uniform, could join them. They are planning to have 140 men on the risers in St. Louis.

In SWD, the Small Chorus Contest was won by the SINGING PLAINSMEN of the Lubbock TX Chapter. One of the 29 men in the chorus was an exchange student from Sweden. We're truly becoming more International all the time!

Meanwhile, the winner of the SWD A.I.C. Scholarship this year was a young man named Todd Wilson, of the Dallas Metro Chapter. He's the son of Harlan Wilson, baritone of the SUNTONES - '61 Champions.

And finally, it's just about time to leave for chapter meeting....suppose you had a drive of SIX HOURS to look forward to? Robert W. Taylor lives in Henderson, Nevada, 270 mi. from Phoenix, and he's a member of the PHOENICIANS. "A part-timer," you say? Not at all! He has a 100% attendance record -- not only for regular chapter meetings but also for special show rehearsals. Now there's a man who's committed - or should be!



GROSSE POINTE'S LAKESHORE CHORUS 1st

Dick Barber

The Grosse Pointe Chapter is still stunned at seeing what "Gold" looks like up close for the first time since its origin in 1945.

The excitement, enthusiasm and electricity that accompanies these contests leaves little doubt that this one had to be a great head-to-head competition of the "also rans." With the Wayne and Grand Rapids

Chapters not competing, it left the gates wide open for us and a few others who have been struggling to reach the top for so many years.

This was the year when quartets and choruses ignited the audience with exciting Sound and Stage Presence, and whether you came to enjoy the Harmony or be entertained, you saw and heard some great Barbershop singing. It took a lot of singing to get our Lakeshore Chorus a first place spot in a year when every chorus came charged and ready for combat.

Russell Seely, our energetic Director, should be given all the credit for bringing the chorus this far after so many disappointments. Had it not been for his devotion and determination, we would never have made it. True, he had help through the years from other directors, but nobody could get as much out of our men as Russ did. He has also been the backbone of our recent shows which have been real "crowd pleasers."

We have always been regarded as a "fun" chapter, but now the guys want more and they are thinking about representing the District at an International Competition - soon! We are hoping to enlarge our chorus by about half by next fall, which is a bigger task than we have ever attempted before.

Grosse Pointe first became a Century Chapter in the early 70's when we engulfed the old chapter that met at the Boat Club on Belle Isle, and since that time we've stayed quite near that mark. Each time a new chapter was formed nearby, we would lose a few, but now the guys are determined to go over the mark!

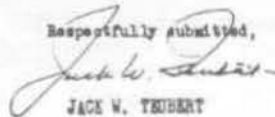
Grosse Pointe has contributed various parts to name quartets throughout the years and has continued to dominate the inter-chapter quartet contests we've had around the District, so a couple of years ago, we decided to venture outside the District and schedule a contest with the Maumee Chapter of Johnny Appleseed. Our third meeting is coming up on June 15 -- the series is even.

Grosse Pointe is also noted for its Father-and-Son combinations. We now have five: Russ and Matt Seely, George and Jerry VanDeVelde, Richard and Dale Barber, Jack and Mike Slamka, and Ron and Scott Houghton. Others from past years were: the Phe-lans, the Yacques and the the Reeds.

When Mark Roberts established this chapter, he had no idea it would make such a mark in the District's history.

When the 4-FITS were the District Champs, they vowed to visit every chapter in the District - and they did -- much to the pleasure of all concerned. They also represented Pioneer in Indianapolis, in 1975.

I guess we're kinda proud of our accomplishments at Grosse Pointe!

Respectfully submitted,  
  
JACK W. THUBERT  
Secretary  
Pioneer District



## RECORD REVIEW

by Don Richardson, Phoenix Chapter

(DON RICHARDSON, a barbershopper since 1965 and a Society member since 1969, has been recording "Close Harmony," a weekly half-hour of barbershop music in stereo since 1972. He alone is responsible for choosing the records to be reviewed in this column, and the opinions expressed are solely his.)

The meeting, held at the Briarwood Hilton Inn, Ann Arbor, Michigan, was called to order by President Gougeon at 9:08 AM.

Sergeant at Arms Dyer declared a QUORUM present. Mr. John T. Gillespie, International President of the Society, was present as a guest of the House.

Director of Music Education Stephens opened the meeting by leading the singing of "The Old Songs." Past President Warner gave the invocation.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the MINUTES of the meeting held on October 15, 1983, were approved as distributed and published.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Schneider submitted the Treasurer's Report, dated March 31, 1984, showing a balance of \$6,221.08 as of that date. Treasurer Schneider also submitted and explained a proposed Pioneer District 1984 BUDGET which, upon motion duly made and seconded, was approved by the House with no dissenting vote.

OFFICERS' REPORTS: Upon motion duly made and seconded and an affirmative vote of the House, the Officers' Reports as previously distributed were accepted in accordance with the "Consent Calendar" concept adopted by the House of Delegates in its meeting of October 15, 1983. Copies of these reports will be on file in the Secretary's office.

(At this point President Gougeon had to leave the meeting. The rest of the meeting was chaired by EVP McDermott.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS: It was stated that written reports from committee chairmen had been made to the Board of Directors at its meeting on April 27, 1984, and that copies of those reports will be on file in the Secretary's office. Supplemental comments on their reports were made to the House by the chairmen of the following committees: Historian, International Send-Off, Membership & Extension, Public Relations and Troubadour Editor.

### District Conventions - EVP Robert T. McDermott

In its meeting of December 3, 1983, the District Board of Directors recommended to the House of Delegates that the bid of the Flint Chapter to host the District's 1986 Fall convention, October 17-19, 1986, be accepted by the House. Upon motion by William P. Pascher, seconded by Eugene Hanover, the House voted to accept the bid of the Flint Chapter.

Chairman McDermott reported that in a letter to him, dated February 14, 1984, the Grosse Pointe Chapter, as host for the 1985 Spring convention, had requested an advance of \$950.00 as a deposit on the auditorium because of a "Critical cash flow," and that the request had been disfavored by the Board of Directors in its meeting of April 27, 1984.

Mr. Harvey R. Burr, President of the Grosse Pointe Chapter, then explained the background for the request. The House suggested that the Grosse Pointe Chapter re-submit its request for the advance for consideration by the Board of Directors at its Fall 1984 meeting if the chapter still feels there is a need at that time.

Area Counselor David Anderson suggested that the District re-examine that section of the Convention Manual in view of increasing expenses.

## AWARDS

AWARDS were presented:

AREA COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR: The Board of Directors, in its meeting of April 27, 1984, selected RON BREIDINGER as Area Counselor of the Year for 1983.

PIONEER DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS FOR 1983: Gold Division - Grand Rapids Chapter; Silver Division - Muskegon Chapter.

DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS FOR 1983 AS COMPILED BY INTERNATIONAL: Plateau I - Milford; Plateau II - Muskegon; Plateau III - Benton Harbor-St. Joseph; Plateau IV - Huron Valley; Plateau V - Wayne.

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: Mr. John T. Gillespie, International President, S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc., addressed the meeting.

With the singing of "Keep the Whole World Singing" directed by Mr. Gillespie, the meeting ADJOURNED at 10:22 AM.

The Fresno Chapter was born April 14, 1958; to celebrate twenty-five years of harmony, Gold Note Chorus has released a record - "Do You Remember When..." featuring the chorus and eight chapter quartets. For a good bit of variety and enthusiasm (while helping a good cause), you should consider buying this record. One of the strongest selling points of "Do You Remember When..." is the variety. Six of the fourteen selections are performed by the Fresno Gold Note Chorus under the direction of Ron Black. The other songs are performed by eight of the chapter's quartets: Great Western Timbre Company, A Tonic Explosion, Gold West Four, Down from the Attic, Classic Rendition, Music Break, Finishing Touch, and Sierra Chord Express. (The Fresno Chapter earned the highest level in the Far Western District in the Society's Achievement Program during 1982; the quartets contributed to this success.) Even though some of the quartets are better than others, there aren't any bad ones.

The order of the songs on the record is well calculated to cause you to put it on the turntable and let it play, because the quartet songs are interspersed nicely between the chorus songs. There are contest songs from the Gold Note Chorus including, "If I Had My Way," "Do You Remember When," and the "Whippoorwill Medley," and a spiritual - "Let There Be Peace." The quartet selections include "Frog Kissin'," "A Child's Prayer," "From The First Hello," "Melancholy Baby," and others.

Another advantage of this record is enthusiasm. One of the problems at International and sometimes District contests is that the audience becomes quite bored by all the same songs sung by the almost interchangeable groups. The difference often-times is enthusiasm. That's why the International quartet-finals sometimes can be more exciting than the finals -- the quarterfinalists don't all know they're supposed to be boring. All of that is to say there are no boring groups here. A couple of songs could be interpreted more satisfyingly, I imagine, but the overall feeling provoked in me is that of a group of men who are all enjoying what they're doing.

There is one more point that I must make, however; that is that every group on the record is mediocre. If you're a member of Nostalgia,

(continued on next page...)

# MUSIC COMMITTEE

Jim Stephens, DME

What a great contest we just had! All the quartets and choruses did themselves proud! Wayne put on a well-organized, smooth-running event despite the adversities that seemed to keep popping up to taunt them.

Now, we need to start thinking about the fall. Right after Labor Day, things start to buzz. Contest planning for October is well underway. And what better time could there be to give ourselves a Barbershop "shot-in-the-arm" than the 1st weekend in September?

Plan to attend our district "HARMONY ROUND-UP" at the HOYT CONFERENCE CENTER, in Ypsilanti, on September 7, 8 & 9. Bob Johnson, the inspiring "Mr. Barbershop," will be there to headline our weekend school for all Pioneer District members. He will be teaching BASIC CRAFT (a must for ALL Barbershoppers), and he will be offering his words of wisdom at each of the General Sessions, as well.

SEND IN YOUR APPLICATION FOR THIS SCHOOL NOW! DON'T DELAY -- DO IT TODAY!



## RECORD REVIEW (continued)

that's not a criticism, but for other Barbershoppers, it may be. Although it consistently wins first place in its division, the Gold Note Chorus has never won the Far Western District contest. None of the quartets has ever won the District Contest, either. So, if you're looking for the whisper-soft to shouting-loud dynamics of the 115 man chorus or the smooth error-free execution of an International Champion quartet, forget about buying this record. But if you're still a member of O.C. Cash's Society for the average, everyday, mediocre singer, then this is a record I think you should buy. There are probably few men on this record who sing much better than you or I sing, but then they don't sing any worse, either. This is really just a middle-of-the-road, Funky Winkerbean kind of product aimed at those of us who don't have to apologize for not being the best in the world.

The good cause of this record is that all of the profits will be donated to our International Service Project, the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita, Kansas. So, if you need to know that your money won't be frittered away, that should reassure you.

To order "Do You Remember When..." send \$7 to: Fresno Chapter  
P.O. Box 508  
Clovis, CA 93613

(from WESTUNES, R.A. Girvin, Editor)

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HARMONY ROUND-UP and QUARTET CLINIC September 7-9

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ADDRESS					
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In the last issue, we covered the chorus line-up for this International-

al Contest, and we mentioned that the Wayne Wonderland Chorus would be The Pioneer District representatives for 1984. District Historian, Art Schulze, has put together a listing of all the representatives from this District over the years. He calls it

....A THIRTY YEAR TRACK RECORD of our DISTRICT CHORUSES at INTERNATIONAL....

YEAR	CHORUS and CHAPTER	FINISHED	CONVENTION SITE
1953	Great Lakes from Grand Rapids (Winners of the FIRST International Chorus Contest)	1st	Detroit, MI
1954	Windmill from Holland and Precisionaires from Detroit (23 Choruses competing)	14th 20th	Washington, D.C.
1955	The District was not represented (Great Lakes from Grand Rapids was unable to attend)	--	Miami, FL
1956	Great Lakes from Grand Rapids	6th	Minneapolis, MN
1957	The District was not represented (Great Lakes from Grand Rapids was unable to attend)	--	Los Angeles, CA
1958	Great Lakes from Grand Rapids	10th	Columbus, OH
1959	Port City from Muskegon	4th	Chicago, IL
1960	Port City from Muskegon	10th	Dallas, TX
1961	Port City from Muskegon	4th	Philadelphia, PA
1962	Gateway Chorus from Niles-Buchanan	8th	Kansas City, MO
1963	Chord-O-Matics from Dearborn	10th	Toronto, ONT
1964	Port City from Muskegon	14th	San Antonio, TX
1965	Motor City from Detroit	15th	Boston, MA
1966	Port City from Muskegon	15th	Chicago, IL
1967	Motor City from Detroit	12th	Los Angeles, CA
1968	Wolverine from Oakland County	10th	Cincinnati, OH
1969	Wolverine from Oakland County	13th	St. Louis, MO
1970	Wolverine from Oakland County	9th	Atlantic City, NJ
1971	Wolverine from Oakland County	12th	New Orleans, LA
1972	Wolverine from Oakland County	15th	Atlanta, GA
1973	Motor City from Detroit	12th	Portland, OR
1974	Motor City from Detroit	14th	Kansas City, MO
1975	Wonderland from Wayne	14th	Indianapolis, IN
1976	Motor City from Detroit	7th	San Francisco, CA
1977	Motor City from Detroit	9th	Philadelphia, PA
1978	Motor City from Detroit	10th	Cincinnati, OH
1979	Wonderland from Wayne	12th	Minneapolis, MN
1980	Wonderland from Wayne	14th	Salt Lake City, UT
1981	Great Lakes from Grand Rapids	13th	Detroit, MI
1982	Motor City from Detroit	13th	Pittsburgh, PA
1983	Great Lakes from Grand Rapids	13th	Seattle, WA

Note: In the early years of competition, there was no District Travel Fund as we have today to help defray some of the expenses of a competing chorus.





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# 1984 PIONEER DISTRICT CONVENTION

BATTLE CREEK  
OCTOBER 19, 20, 21, 1984

## CONVENTION REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Wife: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tenor \_\_\_\_\_ Lead \_\_\_\_\_ Baritone \_\_\_\_\_ Bass \_\_\_\_\_  
Competing? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
CHORUS AND/OR QUARTET NAME(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Fee Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ Persons @ \$10.00 each. (After October 4, fee is \$13.00 each.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

REFUNDS BY WRITTEN REQUEST ONLY TO CONVENTION REGISTRATION CHAIRMAN. NO REFUNDS AFTER 2:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON OF CONVENTION WEEKEND

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MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A.

## S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. CONVENTION

HOTEL/MOTEL RESERVATION  
October 19-21, 1984



Reservation requests **MUST BE RECEIVED** by the Greater Battle Creek/Calhoun County Visitor and Convention Bureau no later than **SEPTEMBER 21, 1984**. THE CONVENTION BUREAU WILL NOT ACCEPT RESERVATIONS AFTER THIS DATE. Any changes in arrival or departure date, name changes or cancellations must be made directly with the hotel after confirmation is received. Rooms have been blocked at the following hotel/motels and sample rates are listed. **Do NOT SEND ROOM DEPOSITS TO THE CONVENTION BUREAU - THIS IS TO BE HANDLED DIRECTLY WITH THE HOTEL/MOTEL. THE HOTEL'S DEPOSIT AND CANCELLATION POLICIES SHOULD APPEAR ON THE CONFIRMATION.**

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VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU  
172 West Van Buren Street  
Battle Creek, Michigan 49017

To reserve hotel accommodations, please indicate your 1st, 2nd and 3rd preferences in the space provided to the left of the hotel's name. In the event you only select ONE CHOICE and that is NOT AVAILABLE, your form WILL NOT BE PROCESSED, IT WILL BE RETURNED.

### NO PHONE REQUESTS WILL BE ACCEPTED

For Hospitality rooms .....Contact Lodging Site!!!!

### HOTEL/MOTEL SELECTIONS AND RATES

(Rates do not include tax)

Choice #	Hotel/Motel	(1 person-1 bed)	(2 people-1 bed)	(2 people-2 beds)
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_____	Comfort Inn (2)	\$26.95	\$29.95	\$31.95
_____	Howard Johnson's (3)	\$33.00	\$33.00	\$41.00
_____	Knights Inn (4)	\$24.00	\$29.50	\$30.00
_____	Holiday Inn (5)	\$33.00	\$39.00	\$39.00

Name(s) of occupant(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ \*HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

One reservation form per room. This form may be duplicated if additional forms are needed.



On behalf of the Greater Battle Creek/Calhoun County Visitor & Convention Bureau, we look forward to hosting the S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. 1984 Fall Convention.

Battle Creek is centrally located in the state with easy access from East-West I-94 or North-South I-69.

Battle Creek is known for its hospitality. Area businesses offer "top notch" personnel eager to welcome visitors to the city. We have many unique and fun-filled activities available in and around the Battle Creek area. One of our most visited attractions is the Kellogg Company - home of "Tony the Tiger." Binder Park Zoo, Kingman Museum, Kimball House and the Kellogg Bird Sanctuary are just a few other family attractions just waiting for you to visit. The Lakeview Square Mall offers shopping to meet anyone's taste.

We will see you October 19-21 in Battle Creek for the Convention. Also, we invite you to visit us again July 19-21, 1985, for the 7th World Hot-Air Balloon Championships.

Bonnie K Telder  
Executive Director



### BATTLE CREEK News continued

been the spark-plug of the membership drive in our Chapter. That is our M.V.P., Randy Campbell. This is not a paid political announcement (Although I could use the money, considering the Secretary's salary I receive!). In fact, Randy may never speak to me again when he reads this because it's not his style to boast about such things. But I believe when a guy in our Chapter deserves recognition, I'm going to see that he gets it. Randy has worked unendingly this year to help increase our membership - mostly personal contact on a one-to-one basis. He also organized our January A for A, our Ladies Auxiliary, reinstated our Barbershopper-of-the-Month Award, set up the U.A.C. Booth, all the while performing his regular M.V.P. duties. He was our overwhelming choice for Barbershopper-of-the-Month, in January, and, get this, fellas, since January 1, 1984, he has sponsored 10 new members! And he says he's just getting started! Randy, we are proud of you and glad you're on our team.

We invite you to come visit us on your summer vacation. Come see our growing chapter. If you can't, have a great summer, anyway.

Ben Jerzyk



## MAY

4 Battle Creek Chapter Show  
4 Boyne City Chapter Show

TO: All District Directors  
Area Counselors  
Committee Chairmen  
District Chapters

Please note that the dates of the District's 1984 Chapter Officers Training School (C.O.T.S.) are DECEMBER 8-9, 1984.

The dates for the 1984 C.O.T.S. printed in the District Directory are not correct.

JACK TEUBERT  
Secretary  
Pioneer Dist.

## NOTE:

Dates shown on this page are for activities which have been cleared through the District Secretary and for which ASCAP fees have been paid. Please **DO NOT** send show date reservation notices to me.

Please notify: JACK TEUBERT  
3818 Dukeshire  
Royal Oak, MI 48072

## JUNE

2 Muskegon Chapter Show  
8 International Send-Off Show  
(in Windsor)  
16 Traverse City Show

## JULY

1-8 International Convention -  
St. Louis, MO.

## AUGUST

5-12 Harmony College, St. Joseph, MO

## SEPTEMBER

7-9 Fall Harmony Round-Up, Ypsilanti

## OCTOBER

19-21 Fall Convention - Battle Creek  
27 Gratiot County Chapter Show  
27 Sault Ste. Marie Chapter Show

## NOVEMBER

3 Swan Valley Chapter Show  
17 Detroit #1 Chapter Show

## DECEMBER

8-9 C.O.T.School - E.M.U., Ypsilanti

## JANUARY - 1985

28 - Mid-Winter Convention -  
San Antonio, Texas

## MARCH

15-17 Quartet & Coaching Clinic  
E.M.U., Ypsilanti

## APRIL

13 Kalamazoo Chapter Show  
20 Grand Rapids Chapter Show  
26-28 Spring Convention -  
Grosse Pointe Chap.

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