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Crosstowners



The Cherry Capitol Chorus



"ARE YOU LISTENING?"

INSTITUTE OF LOGOPEDICS

...MORE THAN TALK



George Van DeVelde 6155 Maybee Rd. Clarkston, MI 48016 (313) 625 - 5167

"Boy," what a month May was, we sent in \$2,735.93 to Logopedics and April was also good at \$2,551.02. The total amount through May 31 is \$5,286.95. This amount represents a gain of \$2,478.64 over the very same period last year. CONGRATULATIONS!

I really have to thank all of you guys out there for the fine job you are doing, but we still have a great distance to go. Please keep up the present momentum and the \$20,000 goal will really happen.

The real encouraging thing is that all the chapters could receive the Bronze Award for 1986. To date, we have six chapters getting the Bronze (Alpena, Boyne City, Coldwater, St. Joe Valley, Swan Valley and Wayne Chapters). Last year we had only two for the same period. I would like to give special thanks to the Boyne City Chapter because last year they contributed "O" dollars... thanks guys!

Again I have to congratulate Swan Valley and Wayne Chapters because they are well on their way to receiving the Silver Award again in '86 as they did in '85. Swan Valley at \$18.86 per man and Wayne at \$21.98 per man. With the drive that you two chapters have going on, you both could get the Gold Award. This would be a first for the District.

The following chapters donated in April and May: Boyne City; Coldwater; Grand Rapids; Grosse Pointe; Jackson; Lansing; Muskegon; Port Huron; St. Joe Valley; Swan Valley; and, finally, Wayne. You chapters out there who haven't as yet contributed, please make it a special point to do so and not wait until December. Avoiding the rush at the end of the year would make my job a little bit easier.

One thing, I am a little disappointed about the quartet contributions being down. Come on guys, we badly need your help! Only two

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quartets have contributed so far in 1986. These are the IVY LEAGUE and TODAY'S SPECIAL from the Oakland County Chapter.

I hope that I have some better news to report in the next issue. Together, as one big team, we can make it happen.

On behalf of the kids at the Institute and myself, I thank you all.

George

P.S. Keep sending in those Campbell Soup labels for the Institute Education Program.

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THE PRESIDENT'S

CORNE



33,000 feet in the air is not a bad place to write a message to all of our Pioneer District Barbershoppers. Really, what I am telling you is that I am on my way home from Salt Lake City (and still on "cloud nine", literally speaking), and my thoughts are really on you members in the District who could not attend our 48th International Convention. Describing this great event would take pages, in my opinion, but I will only take a column.

I was truly proud of our Pioneer District contestants. I can understand the consternation of the Great Lakes Chorus, finishing in the last place. However, they should remember that they are 16th out of approximately 500 choruses Societywide who started last fall, and 16th out of 500 is a real accomplishment. Having been there before myself, I was extremely proud of their singing performance, in every aspect. Thanks, Great Lakes, you represented us well!

I'm proud of you, and especially how you handled the Hospitality Room at the Marriott Hotel. That was the best afterglow this District has had in years. Thank you, Grand Rapids, for making my convention a proud one, and I tip my hat to Ron Thomet, Jim Horton, Bob Goldschmeding and the rest of the Chapter for the PR jobs they did at the convention.

THE RITZ and the IVY LEAGUE were exciting and entertaining. THE RITZ, finishing 13th, moved up two notches, and the IVY LEAGUE, finishing 24th, proved they are "comers" considering they were first time competitors. Yours truly and other Pioneer members in attendance were extremely proud of both of these quartets. Keep up the good work, guys, and we may have another championship quartet on our hands in the next few years. Guess who?

In my estimation, we must have had at least 100 or more additional Pioneer District Barbershoppers and their wives in attendance at this convention, and this added to our fun and comaraderie. With this kind of representation at the

International, it is almost mandatory that we continue sponsoring a "Hospitality Room" at the International Conventions as we did this one. You, as members of the Pioneer District, will always know you have a "home" away from home at whatever place the convention is held.

One idea which has been used by other Districts at this convention is to have a rally dinner for the competing chorus and quartets, usually earlier in the week (Wednesday or Thursday), and this seems an excellent way to feast our competitors, as well as to garner all of our Pioneer District compatriots into a cohesive group. We've got a great District, so let's prove it to the rest of the Society. (If you think this is a good idea, let me or your District officers know.)

For you members who were unable to attend this convention, plan now on attending at Hartford, Connecticut next year. You'll never hear finer Barbershop singing in the world.

> Yours In Harmony, Bob

Unless carrying a by-line, all articles herein are by the editor, and do not necessarily reflect the views of the District. Some articles carrying a by-line are also by the editor and do not reflect the views of the credited author, either! Some non-credited articles have been stolen by the editor and reflect the views of the anonymous denor. Many articles reflect nothing at all. Take your pick.



As THE RITZ and the IVY LEAGUE are aware, your editor does take a fair amount of pictures at the Spring and Fall Conventions. After the TROUBADOUR is put together I have pictures that could be aware to competing quartets and choruses that could be used for promotional purposes.

The District pays for the film and the developing, so it would not make any sense to help our quartets by adding a further charge. HOWEVER, your editor is in constant search for District-related copy, and we have not been used too often by our Pioneer quartets to advertise.

SO, HERE IT IS SPORTS FANS: Your editor would be willing to supply each competing quartet or chorus with promotional pictures (Assistance could be needed, as there often are six or seven rolls of thirty-six exposure film negatives to go through). Quartets will be provided pictures in exchange for a PAID guartet card-sized ad for the TROUBADOUR. Choruses, the only charge is for someone in your organization to make a contribution to the "NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT" column. Quartets are also invited to make a contribution to the seldom used "OUARTET CORNER" that has appeared in all too few of our past issues.

It is a shame that quartets and choruses have to be bribed to contribute articles and cards that could end up helping them. You can all be witness to the success or failure of a wonderful idea within the next few issues of your District bulletin.

MY THANKS TO THE RITZ

These showmen came through like champs for the Traverse City Chapter/Cherry Capitol Chorus and their annual "June Night of Harmony." It seems as though one of the headliners had a last minute personnel change (THE MUSIC MART), and could not appear.

This talented foursome performed at the show last year, and someone in the Chapter explained the situation, and they agreed to help. It was going to be tight as they had made prior arrangements to fly outside the District to an afternoon coaching session. You can be assured that the perspiration level of the men of the show committee was high, but they made it to their session and the performance with a few minutes to spare. (I had seen these guys perform at the District Send-Off in Windsor the night before, so they were operating on nerves.)

It gives me great pleasure to let everyone know in the District what fine people they are. (I can also remember a PARADE OF BARBERSHOP QUARTETS AND CHORUSES in which the IVY LEAGUE did some fast footwork!) Let us all give thanks for such talent and dedication to our wonderful mutual hobby.

It should be said that those who could not attend the T.C. Chapter's show really missed quite an event. Our 1986 Silver Division Champions sung their best, as did our District's International Quartet Representatives, THE RITZ and the IVY LEAGUE. It truly was an evening to remember!

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GREAT LAKES CHORUS, THE RITZ, AND THE IVY LEAGUE: YOU HAVE MADE ME PROUD TO BE A BARBERSHOPPER!

PIONEER DISTRICT S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., INC. MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS Friday, April 25, 1986

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting held in the Michigan Room at the Florentine Motel, Saginaw, Michigan was called to order at 1:10 PM by President McDermott. DME Stephens directed "The Old Songs".

ATTENDANCE:

Officers in attendance were: President Bob McDermott, EVP Earl Berry, DVP Clay Jones, DVP Bob Huntley, DVP Mike O'Donnell, DVP Don Bazely, Treasurer Fran Jones, IBM Jim Gougeon, DME Jim Stephans and Secretary Jack Schneider.

Committee Chairmen present were: Bob Dixon, George Dyer, John Gillespie, Art Schulze, Bill Tobias, George Vander Velde and Bill Warner.

Others in attendance were: Curly Davis, Jack Drennen, Gene Haines, Ernie Marlow, Deon Moore, Russ Seeley, Glen Van Tassell and Ed Wracan.

MINUTES:

Motion by DVP Huntley to approve minutes was seconded by DVP Jones and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Showing a balance of \$16,721.84 was presented by Treasurer Jones. DVP Jones made a motion to approve and seconded by DVP Huntley which was unanimously approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Treasurer Jones moved and EVP Berry seconded the approval of the Consent Calendar with the exception of the Troubadour editor's report.

Approved unanimously.

OCTOBER CONVENTION:

Ed Wracan presented budget figures for the Flint Convention which was on higher registration Treas. Jones moved, charges. Secretary Schneider seconded that we adopt an advance registration of \$12.00, late registration of \$15.00 and a single event charge of \$6.00 for conventions commending with the in Flint. Fall. Convention Unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Music Leadership Class to be held at COTS staffed by International Representative.

Ron Rockwell's letter regarding the Pioneer District work plan indicates we have had 827 men join the Pioneer District since 1980 with a net loss of 19 members during the period. International has personnel to assist chapters that are losing members and we should seek assistance from people like Morrie Jennings coordinating through Bob Dixon.

LADIES AUXILIARIES:

Activity should be treated just as any chapter activity and reported and recorded by Chapter Treasurers and Chapter Secretaries unless incorporated separately.

LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Premiums are now \$164.00 for U.S. Chapters and \$62 for Canadian up from 1985 premiums of \$70.00 and \$39.00 respectively, however it is 300% less than attempting to obtain locally.

The \$1,000.00 each person medical payment to members for chapter members and annual shows is no longer offered.

Legal liquor liability has been added where required by State law.

OLD BUSINESS:

PERMANENT CONVENTION SITE:

EVP Berry indicated that an announcement would be made at the conclusion of this convention.

FUND RAISER FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES:

Don Adams will be chairman of the show to be held at an unknown site on an unknown date.

SENIOR MEMBER RECOGNITION AWARDS:

Ron Yahrmatter was to chair the committee and will be providing a report at the Fall Convention in Flint.

NEW BUSINESS:

CHORUS COACHING SEMINAR PACKAGE

Jack Drennens proposed to reimburse 50% of coaching expenses to non-competing choruses after they compete the first time, from convention proceeds was presented. IBM Gougeon moved that the Pioneer District accept on a trial basis for two years the coaching concept submitted by Jack Drennen, Seconded by DVP O'Donnell. Unanimously approved.

Coaches will be trained and assigned by the DME Committee.

HARMONY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Glenn VanTassell promoted a program of holding joint shows with high schools and colleges or other organizations to expose younger people to Barbershop harmony.

President McDermott appointed a committee consisting of Chairman VanTassell, Seely, hill, Andrews, and DVP Clay Jones to establish a program and guidelines for the implementation of the program with a report due by the Fall Convention.

DISTRICT BULLETIN EDITOR

Proposed a petty cash fund for quantity purechases of supplies for the Troubadour Editor was turned down. The prices can be discussed with Don Funk. All Troubadour advertising statements are billed by John Gillespie and turned over to Treasurer Fran Jones.

DISTRICT CONVENTION AND SPECIAL EVENTS PLANNING MANAGER

Adding a position to the Board to assume some of the responsibilities of the EVP for conventions and special events was proposed. Although no copy was presented those attending, it was agreed that it would be presented to the delegates, however only a unanimous vote wqould effect the change as no notice had been given to the Board.

A motion was made by DVP O'Donnell, second by DVP Jones that the Board recommend to the House of Delegates that the proposal be adopted.

A motion to postpone action on this motion was made by IBM Gougeon seconded by EVP Berry. Passed unanimously.

THREE FOR ONE DUES WAIVER

A motion was made by IBM Gougeon supported by DVP Huntley to extend the waiver for District dues for 1986. Unanimously approved.

DISTRICT CONVENTION AND SPECIAL EVENTS PLANNING MANAGER

No copy of the proposal was located, therefore the earlier motion to recommend adoption of the proposal to add the position to the Board was unanimously defeated.

PARLIAMENTARIAN

A recommendation was made to ask Bill Lane to serve as Parliamentarian and Laws & Regulation Chairman was made and was to be pursued by President McDermott as Bill is retired and is an attorney.

INTERNATIONAL EXPENSES

A motion was made by Earl Berry, supported by DVP O'Donnell that the District President and IBM be allowed 5 days lodging rather than the (continued next page) BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES (continued)

current 3 days and an honorarium of \$15.00 per day for the five days. Motion defeated.

MACOMB COUNTY APPLICATION FOR CHARTER LICENSE

Application was submitted containing 21 names.

LOGOPEDICS RAFFLE GIFT

No suggestions were received by George VanderVelde.

14 DAY RULE

A motion was made by IBM Gougeon and seconded by DVP O'Donnell that we adopt the same regulations for our District Chorus Contests as is required for the International Preliminary Quartet and Chorus Contest. Unanimously approved.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TRAVEL

Motion by IBM Gougeon, supported by DVP O'Donnell that the Board return to its policy of paying 2½¢ per mile round trip per man from the Travel Fund for representative quartets, chorus and Master of Ceremonies plus the all events registration beginning with the Salt Lake City Convention in 1986. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Past President Warner presented the audit report for the year 1985 to the Board with the recommendation that the approval procedures be strictly adhered to.

AREA COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

The 3 past presidents listed in the directory beginning with the year 1986 be the Selection Committee for the AC of the Year Award. Evaluation forms will be completed at the COTS School by each DVP for his AC's.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made at 3:23 pm by DVP Huntley supported by DVP Bazely. DME Stephens directed "Keep the Whole World Singing."

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Schneider Pioneer District Secretary PIONEER DISTRICT
HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING
APRIL 26, 1986
SAGINAW, MICHIGAN

CALL TO ORDER: President McDermott called the meeting to order at 9:07 am in the Michigan Room of the Florentine Hotel.

The invocation was given by Past President Bill Warner and DME Jim Stephens directed "The Old Songs."

ATTENDANCE: Credentials Chairman George Dyer reported a quorum present as evidenced by the sign-in sheets. There were 51 present which represents 70%. Special guest was Pete Hughes, Ontario District DME.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Nels Gregerson and supported by Bill Butler that the minutes of the Fall House of Delegates meeting, which were published in the Troubadour, and also were contained in the Consent Calendar be accepted. The motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Jones presented the updated report showing a General Fund balance of \$10,935.01 and a Travel Fund balance of \$5,786.83.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Officer and Committee Chairmen reports were all presented as part of the Consent Calendar. No reports were removed. A motion by Jim Horton supported by Membership Chairman Bob Dixon was unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was received from Ron Rockwell indicating a new class would be initiated at COTS school for the Music Leadership Team of the chapter similar to the one held in Pioneer last December. A seven member team from International Headquarters amd seven additional members will form the faculty.

RETENTION: Another letter was received from Ron Rockwell indicating that we have had 827 men join the District since 1980, however we have lost 846 pointing out the need to retain members.

LADIES AUXILIARES: A letter from Frank Santerelli indicated that all receipts and disbursements of an auxiliary should be run through the chapter books. They are generally an extension of the chapter, as it is assumed they are authorized by the Chapter Board of Directors unless they are incorporated separately.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Permanent Convention Site: EVP Earl Berry indicated that the committee will meet following the close of the convention to make its final decision on the permanent site.

Past President Don Funk thanked the committee for the time and effort expended as many hours were spent in reaching its decision.

HALL OF FAME: The committee will meet to select an inductee into the Hall to be announced at the Fall Convention. The committee was incorrectly listed in the 1986 District Directory. It consists of: Bill Pascher, 1 year term; Doran McTaggart, 2 year term; and, finally, Larry King, 3 year term.

COTS SCHOOL: EVP Berry encouraged attendance at the District COTS School.

FUND RAISER SHOW: Don Adams will chair the show which will be held in the Fall with the actual date and site being determined at the scheduled May 22nd meeting.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION BID: A bid will be entered to hold the 1992 International Convention in Detroit.

LOGOPEDICS GOLF TOURNAMENT: Oakland County is holding the 1st Annual Logopedics Golf Tournament on June 21.

SENIOR MEMBER RECOGNITION AWARD: The committee report will be delayed until the Fall Convention. The committee consists of Ron Yahrmatter, Bill Pascher and Pete Rutherford.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The new chorus coaching seminar for non-competing choruses, proposed by Jack Drennan, as accepted by the Board of Directors was explained to the delegates.

The joint shows to be held with colleges, high school and other civic groups was explained by Glenn VanTassell. The committee asked for input from any member to develop the guidelines for the program. The committee consists of Chairman VanTassell, Seely, Hill Andrews and Clay Jones.

TRAVEL FUND: President McDermott informed the Delegates that the Board of Directors reinstated the policy of paying 2½¢ per mile round trip to the site of the International contest for all competing members, chorus representatives and the District Representative as M.C. in addition to the all events registration beginning with the Salt Lake City Convention.

The announcement was made of the increase in ticket prices for the Fall convention in Flint and future conventions of pre-registration \$12.00, late registration \$15.00 and single event tickets at \$6.00. (continued next page)

HOUSE OF DELEGATES MINUTES (continued)

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer Fran Jones presented the Budget for 1986. Motion was made and seconded for approval of the budget as submitted. It was unanimously approved.

14 DAY RULE: All quartets and choruses must be notified of a contest 45 days prior to contest. The entries must be postmarked 14 days prior to the contest. They must be sent to the DACJC. The District Board voted to approve the policy to make all contest procedures conform with those from International.

The motion was made by Sullie Mazur that the words "Director of Convention Planning and Special Events" be inserted between the words "Director of Music Education" and "Secretary" in Section 7.01 of Article 7 of the by-laws. The motion also included the insertion of the words "Director of Convention Planning and Special Events" between "Director of Music Education" and "Secretary" in Section 8.01 and 8.04 of Article 7. The motion was seconded by William Juchartz. It was explained that if it was not unanimously approved it would not be enacted due to the late notification. The motion was defeated.

THREE FOR ONE DUES WAIVER: District Board extended the dues waiver for 1986.

AWARDS:

The Pioneer District Bulletin Editor of the Year was President McDermott (editor of the Gentlemen's Songster, the written voice of the Oakland County Chapter).

Mike O'Donnell was elected Area Counselor of the Year.

The Gold Achievement Award was won by the Grand Rapids Chapter.

Silver Achievement Award was won by the Kalamazoo Chapter.

ONTARIO DISTRICT PRESIDENT Grant Goodfellow was introduced as President McDermott's guest.

INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE Jim Gougeon announced that John Gillespie has been nominated as a Trustee of the Harmony Foundation, as well as returning to the International Board as Immediate Past President.

"ARE YOU LISTENING?" - is the theme for 1986. We should use the International Representatives to improve our singing, use our District officers, area counselors and all other available talent to improve our abilities and retain more members.

ADJOURNMENT: Dick Campbell moved and Dave Allen seconded a motion to adjourn. Pete Hughes directed "Keep The Whole World Singing".

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Schneider Secretary Pioneer District

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING G. CABOTO HALL WINDSOR, ONTARIO, CANADA June 13, 1986

CALL TO ORDER: President McDermott called the meeting to order at 8:44 pm.

ATTENDANCE: President McDermott, EVP Berry, DVP Jones, DVP O'Donnell, DVP Yahrmatter, Treasurer Jones, DME Stephens and Secretary Schneider.

DETROIT-OAKLAND CHAPTER: After considerable discussion, EVP Berry presented the motion: It is moved that the Pioneer District Board of Directors hereby approve the merger of the Oakland County Chapter (I30) and the Detroit #1 Chapter (I08) into one chapter, with the Oakland County Chapter surrendering its Charter. The newly merged chapter will be called the "Detroit-Oakland" Chapter.

The motion was seconded by DVP Jones and was unanimously passed.

The combined chapter will be in Division I.

MISCELLANEOUS:

The Saginaw Convention was discussed and it was determined that a partial settlement should be made and no District Officer accounts should enter into the convention settlement. Earl Berry was to contact Jim Steiner.

Hudson Chapter now has no members and we will have to take action at the Fall Convention to revoke the Charter.

990 Forms: It appears all chapters have now filed their 990 forms which are to be filed by May 15.

Each chapter should file a copy each year even though they are below the \$25,000 limit.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by IBM Gougeon and seconded by EVP Berry.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Schneider
Acting Secretary
Pioneer District

IN THIS PUBLICATION,
PLEASE CONSIDER
THAT THEY ARE THERE
FOR A PURPOSE. WE
PUBLISH SOMETHING
FOR EVERYONE, AND
SOME PEOPLE ARE
ALWAYS LOOKING
FOR MISTAKES!!!

We Get Letters...



1311 Northlawn N.E. Grand Rapids, June 24, 1986

49505

Dear Bill,

I would like to respond to the Muskegon Chapter article in the May/June Troubadour requesting chorus names be included in the District Directory.

I also have felt that the chorus names should appear in the District Directory.

I have compiled most of the chorus names to be included in 1987, however, I do not have the names of the AuSable, Boyne City, Coldwater, Dearborn, Detroit-Oakland, Hudson, Jackson and St. Joseph Chapters.

I would appreciate the assistance of anyone who can provide me with the chorus names.

The chorus directors' name already appears in the directory under the names of the Chapter officers.

I again would like to appeal to all the bulletin editors to send me a copy of each bulletin to enable me to award points in the District Achievement Contest.

Chord-ially,

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Jack Schneider District Secretary

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-WITH OUR QUARTETS-

THE HARMONEERS-FROM SAUCT ST. MARIE CANADA

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DEADLINE FOR MOTEL REGISTRATION IS SEPT. 20

S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. Inc. Convention Hosted By: Flint Arrowhead Chorus October 17-18, 1986

Reservation requests MUST BE RECEIVED BY the Filint Convention & Visitors Bureau no later than September 20, 1986. Any change in arrival or departure dates, name changes, cancellations, or deposits to guarantee reservations for later arrival, must be made directly with the hotel/motel after confirmation is received. RESERVATIONS must be ACCOMPANIED BY DEPOSIT OR AN ACCEPTED CREDIT CARD AND SIGNATURE. Rooms have been blocked at the following hotel/motel facilities. Please check 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice.

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A LITTLE ABOUT OUR COVER

Within the past few months your editor has received a number of calls from a number of District chorus and quartet members wanting to know who selects the pictures for the montages (the picture pages). Since my very first issue of the Troubadour, I have entrusted the selection to our very capable printer (and Barbershopper, member of the Grosse Pointe Chapter) Dale Barber.

It seems as though the CROSSTOWNERS, members of the Swan Valley Chapter, have been omitted from the past two conventions and the Quartet Coaching Clinic. After this record it is quite difficult to prove that the editor does not have a dislike for them. With their picture on our cover also goes an apology.

The chorus gracing our cover is the Cherry Capitol Chorus. Being a member of this fine organization I was a little bit curious as to why our Silver Division Champions (and second place chorus) was omitted from the picture page. Needless to say, I received a lot of "inquiries" the rehearsal after they received their bulletins.

Hopefully, beginning with the Fall convention issue, we will try to furnish the names of the various quartets and choruses. This may prove to be a difficult task as the developer doesn't return the prints in any order. Your editor is open to any suggestions!



HARRISVILLE HARMONY WEEKEND

by Tom Pollard Wayne Chapter

Now that summer is here, can Labor Day be far ahead? Most everyone hates to see summer end. Unless, of course, you're a Barbershopper that greets the farewell to those long hot summer days at the Harmony Weekend in Harrisville Labor Day weekend. If you have never attended, you are missing one of the richest singing experiences of your life.

Singers and their families gather every year to enjoy the Northern Michigan outdoors and four part harmony coming from behind every tree. If your family enjoys camping, boating, swimming, or just plain sunning on the hot sands of Lake Huron, then Harrisville is the place for you this Labor Day.

Every year over 1,000 Barbershoppers and Sweet Adelines bring their families to this "Harmony Haven" and hear the best quartets and choruses the Pioneer District and Michigan has to offer and IT'S FREE! If you are looking for talent for next year's show, this is the place to scout the best.

There are planned singing activities on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights along with church services Sunday morning followed by a singing parade featuring over 20 quartets and choruses! By the way, the new stage has been completed and it overlooks the beautiful harbor. Come on up and help us christen it this year of 1986.

The real winners of the weekend are the kids from the Institute of Logopedics as the townspeople and merchants donate over \$1,000 every year to our great charity. Thank you Harrisville!



July 14, 1986

From: Hugh A. Ingraham, CAE, Executive Director

Sugject: Salt Lake City Convention Highlights

The 48th annual International convention returned to Salt Lake City, Utah for the second time. The 1986 gathering was as much of a success as the 1980 version. More than 8,900 Barbershoppers and their families enjoyed a sunny week and the warm hospitality of the Salt Lake City host chapter, the Beehive Statesmen.

Two European quartets competed in the quartet contest for the first time. The HAPPY NITE QUARTET from the Society of Nordic Barbershop Singers (S.N.O.B.S.) and the GILT EDGE from the British Association of Barbershop Singers (B.A.B.S.) were warmly welcomed both during the contest and at other convention activities.

CONTEST RESULTS

Singing from the Salt Palace Arena stage were 50 quartets and 16 choruses. The RURAL ROUTE 4 (Central States District) from Kansas City, Missouri took the gold. They placed fifth in 1985. This was the eighth time the quartet sang on an International contest stage since their first competition in 1976. This is the first time the gold medal quartet and the current International president are from the same district, city and chapter.

The INTERSTATE RIVALS and VAUDEVILLE exchanged their 1985 standings with VAUDEVILLE (Mid-Atlantic District) placing third and the INTERSTATE RIVALS (Cardinal District) taking second. THE CINCINATTI KIDS (Johnny Appleseed District) placed fourth, moving from eight place in 1985. The fifth place medal went to the CHIEFS OF STAFF (Illinois District) who also competed in 1985 when they finished twelfth.

Scott Werner, lead of VAUDEVILLE, had a busy Saturday. Finishing third with the quartet was the icing on the cake after he directed the Alexandria, Virginia Harmonizers to their win as chorus champion. This is the Harmonizers first gold medal.

Another duel for second place was fought by the West Towns Chorus from Lombard, Illinois and the Southern Gateway Chorus from Western Hills (Cincinatti), Ohio. They tied making it necessary to break the tie by the Sound score. This placed Lombard in second and Western Hills in third place. Dr. Greg Lyne, West Towns director, found himself facing director Jim Miller for a second time in three years. Miller retired as director of the Lousiville Thoroughbreds, 1984 chorus champion, but agreed to direct Western Hills after their 1985 director, Dave Smotzer of the RAPSCALLIONS, moved to Toledo.

The Phoenicians of Phoenix, Arizona were directed by Lou Laurel and took fourthplace. Rudy Partin led the General Assembly Chorus of Research Triangle Park, North Carolina to a fifth place finish.

INTERNATIONAL BOARD ACTION

International President, Gil Lefholz, led the International Board of Directors through their Wednesday meeting agenda.

International Officers who will serve during 1987 were elected:

President: Darryl Flynn,
North Canton, Ohio

Immediate Past Gil Lefholz, President: Kansas City, Missouri

International James Warner, Vice-President Memphis, Tennessee

International Dr. Jim Richards
Vice-President/
Treasurer Minneapolis, Minn.
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INTERNATIONAL BOARD ACTION (continued)

International Morey Jennings, Vice-President Marion, Indiana

Convention sites for 1990 were selected. San Fransisco, California will host the Internaional Convention and Tucson, Arizona will welcome those attending the Mid-Winter Convention.

The International Board approved a recommendation that the Laws and Regulations Committee draft the language to change the Society's bylaws to include the position of Music Vice-President for each chapter. Dyson Pinhey, International Board Member from the Ontario District, requested consideration of this additional office.

Decisions related to contests centered on the chorus competitions. An International chorus contest super-finals was approved. The chorus contest will be divided into two rounds. The first round will involve the 16 district choruses on Friday afternoon. Six chorus finalists will be selected and they will compete on Saturday night in conjunction with, and prior to, the quartet finals. The scores from the two rounds will be combined to select the winner. This format will be used for the first time during the 1987 Hartford convention. The use of a universal entry form for chorus and quartet contests was also approved. This will standardize the entry procedures for all Society contests.

CONVENTION HAPPENINGS

Barbershop harmony was the featured activity in Salt Lake City during convention week. Media coverage was excellent for the entire convention.

The Association of International Champions (A.I.C.) Show featured the INNSIDERS (1976), BLUEGRASS STUDENT UNION (1978), THE RAPSCALLIONS (1984), SIDE STREET RAMBLERS (1983), THE CLASSIC COLLECTION (1982), and THE NEW TRADITION (1985). The MOST HAPPY FELLOWS (1977) sang their swan song and received a certificate from the Society for their many accomplishments. The quartet is well known for their "Wizard of Oz" routine which was recently filmed for a special television program about the Institute of Logopedics.

The Society presented honorary life memberships to the Osmund Brothers - Alan, Wayne, Merrill, and Jay. The Osmunds began their careers as a quartet singing Barbershop harmony with Society member Dr. Val Kicks writing many of their early arrangements and acting as their coach.

Art Merrill, 1955-56 International President, received a special award for his years of service to the Society. Art was founder and president of the Schenectady, New York Chapter, served as an officer of the Northeastern District, and was a member of the International Board and Executive Committee prior to being elected President.

A.I.C. sponsored the "Sing With the Champs" booth for the second year. Barbershoppers were able to sing with seven championship quartets on Friday and Saturday mornings. A.I.C. contributed \$2,000 to the Institute of Logopedics from the proceeds raised by the event.

The special "Light of Liberty Show" was a very popular event on the Fourth of July. Organized by the Osmund Brothers, the annual event is staged at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. More than 4,000 Barbershoppers and their families were transported to Provo by 100 buses. The show and fire works display attracted 50,000 to the B.Y.U. stadium. The Barbershoppers attending the show were part of the program, singing a number of favorite Barbershop songs.

Convention week ended with the joint Sunday morning concert presented by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Vocal Majority of Dallas, Texas. The Tabernacle was filled to overflowing. Barbershoppers stood in the doorways; others viewed the concert in a nearby assembly hall on closed circuit television. The concert was also broadcast throughout the Temple Square grounds. The choir and chorus presented a program of devotional and inspirational music.

During the week the Presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints welcomed the executive committee to Salt Lake City. LDS President Ezra Taft Benson; First Counselor Gordon B. Hinckley; and Second Counselor Thomas S. Monson met with the committee in the church office and President Benson then sang a song with the group. The Presidency also attended the Vocal Majority-Mormon Tabernacle Choir concert on Sunday.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Beehive Statesmen and their ladies auxiliary, the Queen Bees, deserve a big thank you for organizing a fun-filled convention. Convention chairman, George Beagley led a hard working team through their second successful International convention.

DISCOVER

Barbershopping

We Get Letters...



Ben Jerzyk
Editor - The Riser
Battle Creek Chapter
21412 Bedford Road
Battle Creek, MI 49017
June 13, 1986

Dear Bill.

Special Request. As you may have heard, Battle Creek won the right to host the District conventions 1987-89. Because of the great chance that interest will be shown in regards to Barbershopping in general, the local library has requested any information available they can have on the subject.

I thought one thing nice would be to have the District publication sent there, so I am enclosing a \$3.50 check to cover a year subscription. Please send the issues, along with any available information to: Willard Library, c/o Jo Emerson; 7 West VanBuren; Battle Creek, MI 49016.

Thanks for your help. Keep up the good work on the Troub!



GREATER BATTLE CREEK/CALHOUN COUNTY
VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU
172 W. Van Buren Street
Battle Creek, Michigan 49017
(616)962-2240

Dear Members of the S.P.E.B.S.O.S.A.:

The Greater Battle Creek/Calhoun County Visitor and Convention Bureau and the City of Battle Creek are delighted to extend a most cordial welcome and thank you for choosing our city as the site for your conventions for the next three years beginning in April of 1987.

Battle Creek has come alive and many changes have taken place that make our convention facilities some of the (continued next page) Battle Creek/Calhoun County Visitors and Convention Bureau welcome letter (continued)

finest in the state.

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What do you have? Battle Creek, Michigan...Stouffer Hotel, McCamly Place and the Greater Battle Creek/ Calhoun County Convention and Visitors Bureau...a sparkling combination.

We look forward to April, 1987 and the harmony of the Barbershop guartets echoing through streets, restaurants, Battle Creek! halls and stores in

SINCEREALTY.

BONNIE K. TELDER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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755 Fifth Line East Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada P6a 5K7

Dear Bill,

Please be informed that the annual show of the Northland Chorus of the Sault Ste. Marie Chapter is scheduled for:

Saturday, November 1, 1986 8:00 PM White Pines Collegiate Auditorium Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada

This will be our 25th anniversary show. Would you please include this information in the "Calendar of Events" in the next issues of the Troubadour.
Yours in harmony,
Peter J. McLarty
1986 Show Chairman

(Please note: Only events cleared by the District Secretary may be printed on the back page. I hope that this might help...Ed.)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



NEW HAPPENINGS AT CLINTON VALLEY

Many have asked, "What's new at Clinton Valley?" Well, we can say without reservation, "Plenty is NEW here at C.V.", and we'd like every-body in the Pioneer District to hear about it.

First, we have moved our meeting place from the Shelby Community Center in Utica to the American Legion Hall in Rochester (corner of Walnut and Third). For all of you Barbershoppers out there who want to join in a little four-part harmony, come on down and visit with us on MONDAY nights. This is the second thing that is new at C.V. Our Board of Directors determined that it wasn't practical to compete with all the church choirs on Wednesday evenings. Also, we could recruit from those same choirs.

The next thing that is NEW is the Director. We have been fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. Al Fisk. Al has been working with us now since the first of the year, and has accomplished much with the chorus in the short time he has been with us. Working with a NEW Music Committee and introducing NEW vocal training methods, Al has instilled a NEW desire to sing into the members and a NEW aura of excitement has been generated in the chorus. Watch for us at contest time this fall, for after a brief hiatus, the Clinton Valley Chorus is coming out strong and we are going to surprise a lot of judges with out NEW sound!

Because of some recent resignations, we have elected a new slate of officers and they have been very active forming NEW plans and ideas (One of those plans is to select a NEW chorus name). Many other NEW ideas have been proposed in order to increase our membership and to generate a NEW camaraderie, tune in to the Clinton Valley channel and watch us grow!

> Bob Biallas Program V.P.

P.S. In order for all you other chapters in the Pioneer District to bring your directories up to date, here is a listing of our current officers:

President Marlyn Byrd 853-3465 Secretary Fred Verse 651-1391 Treasurer William Taggart 391-1254 Perry Ballard M.V.P. 463-2677 P.V.P. Robert Biallas 375-0876 P.R.V.P. Bayard Lawes 651-7460 Al Fisk Music Dir. 373-9252

DETROIT-OAKLAND NEWS

The Detroit-Oakland Chapter merger has now been finalized, and the newly merged chapter can now get down to the business at hand, and that includes good singing, camaraderie, and

New officers elected to lead the Chapter through 1987 include: Bill Fanfalone, President; Ben Leone, Program V.P.; Don Lussier, Membership V.P.; G.B. Work, Music V.P.; Don Dawson, Corresponding Secretary; and Bob Kirby, Treasurer. The selection of a mutual meeting site and a new chorus name are the first items on their agenda at their first meeting slated for July 17th.

Weather hampered the Boblo Moonlight Cruise on July 11, 1986, but it still was a success. More than 750 people were aboard when the boat left the dock, but the showmanship and great singing of our choruses and quartets made them all go home afterwards smiling and feeling good. Music overcomes adversity everytime! Next year we'll double that number on board.

In addition to the Pioneer District Logopedics Golf Tournament sponsored by Detroit-Oakland on June 21, the "Return of the Jug" night on June 6th proved to be real successes. Coming up is the "Mystery Bus" trip sche-duled for August 1st with the Windsor Chapter. Looks like a lot of fun for wherever we're going.

More news next month. Have a good August.

Bob McDermott

GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER

Humbug! Is there life after Salt Lake? Well, after the smoke cleared and like I mention above, we were lucky to get out of there with our clothes and skin on - just barely -we gave it our best shot (too bad our gun wasn't loaded). Wait until next year, right? Wrong - we are in the process of regrouping, etc., so you may or may not see us this fall - go Wayne.

I would like to thank the IVY LEAGUE for stopping by our warm up room and wishing us good luck and for their support there and in the audience. Even "the Captain" (Clay Schumard, former director of the Great Lakes Chorus) stopped by and said hello. (continued next page)

NEW FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT (continued)

Speaking of "the Captain", THE RITZ, and THE IVY LEAGUE, they sure did a bang-up job. We all were proud of them as I'm sure all of the Pioneer District was as well. Hartford had better look out because they can both be in the "Top Ten" or better. Super job guys!

Now a special thanks to a very special person, one who has given the Pioneer District many a laugh and good time. This person is now giving back to us all the love we gave him as a quartet man. Battle Creek stand tall, because he's your own Roger Lewis. Roger worked with us about 2 months before Salt Lake and also during the week we were there.

In fact, Roger Lewis went above and beyond the call of duty, in my estimation anyway, by staying right with us Saturday morning (from 7:45 am) until we went on stage at approximately 2:00 pm (foregoing the first three choruses, which I'm sure he'd have liked to have seen). I think that I can speak for the chorus by telling you Roger that our hearts and door are always open to you. We really do appreciate all you have done for us. It was a great pleasure having you with us. Thanks!

Thank you Pioneer District for all of your support, we sure appreciate it. It was an honor and a privilege to represent you. Thank you!

Maybe by October I can tell you what our plans are and "who's got the guts."

Dick Williams

MUSKEGON CHAPTER

A funny thing happened on the way to the District Convention...we had lost one of our finest members to that Great Barbershop Chorus in the sky; several members had moved out of the State; several more had jobrelated difficulties; and the "competition" chorus dwindled from the 30's to the 20's. Still, we went and sang our best anyhow, and because we did---understanding the circumstances---our members came back "pumped up" from the experience of being with other Barbershoppers.

Our optimistic president, HERB RADALA, sensed this surge of support and had some special badges made for each member. The badges, worn at each meeting, bear the initials, "P.M.S.C." (which translates to "Positive Muskegon Shoreline Chorus"). Which also translates to "Express positive words about the

Shoreline Chorus in particular and the Muskegon Chapter in general--- OR ELSE! It has been encouraging to notice the friendly, positive atmosphere at our meetings. Members have been quick to reflect on what they have to say for the good of the chapter.

Following the Convention, a funny thing happened on the way to our Annual Muskegon Chapter Show...if the members were unhappy with the mild state of unpreparedness, they failed to show it. Instead, they agreed to double the rehearsal nights; took home tapes of the chorus music; improved on their stage presence; and on the night of Saturday, May 31, at the Muskegon Frauenthal Theater, they pulled off one of the finest shows I've seen in Muskegon for more than a few years.

The opening segment of a fast-paced hour presented the SHORELINE CHORUS, its quartets (the SHORELINE FOUR, LUMBERTOWN CHORDSMEN, and the TRICITIES FOUR), and the Windsor Chapter's Master of Ceremonies (and I do mean "MASTER"), DORAN MC TAGGART, who tied it all together. Then, without stopping the action, Doran presented our optimistic president, HERB RADALA, the Chapter's Barbershopper of the Year Award (He was astonished, believe it or not, but he took it anyhow!).

No sooner than the dust settled from the award presentation, Grand Rapids' own TOUCH OF CLASH appeared on stage to keep the audience in its seats But, that wasn't all! When the CLASH exited at one side of the stage, the INTERSTATE RIVALS entered from the other! As they finished their superb performance, the curtains opened again, and the SHORELINE CHORUS--with narration by Doran--sang a three song tribute to the Statue of Liberty.... complete with the lowering of the Flag and fireworks (approved bangbangs!). It is no wonder we sang the "We Sing-Keep" Finale to a standing ovation! Were we proud of ourselves? Of course we were--and are.

Then, a funny thing happened on the way to the Afterglow...but with all the enthusiasm generated in this column so far, I'm afraid you might not be able to stand my telling you much more.

So...see you next time.

"Webb" Scrivnor

CHERRY CAPITOL CHORUS
TRAVERSE CITY CHAPTER

Under the direction of Mr. Matt Coombs, the Cherry Capitol Chorus performed before a sold-out audience (in fact, sold out one month prior) June 14th at Corson Auditorium in Interlochen, Michigan. The many hours of practice and rehearsal resulted in the best show ever performed by the chorus, which was also the 20th Anniversary Show.

Our sincere thanks to two of Pioneer's best quartets, THE RITZ and the IVY LEAGUE for their fantastic performances. If you've never had the privilege to host these quartets on your chapter show, you've really missed some great entertainment. We also had a chapter quartet, performing publicly for the first time, which chose to call themselves the "INTERLOCHEN FLEDGELING FOUR." Like they say, though, what's in a name! They did a great job and the chorus applauds them too.

We're all looking forward to the Fall Convention and the good times that go along with all our conventions. The Cherry Capitol Chorus will have a Hospitality Room at the Sheraton Headquarters, and ALL of you are invited. The room number is 500, or just ask at the front desk for our Hospitality Room number.

"Keep a smile on your face and a song in your heart. We'll see you in the Fall and sing some four part."

For Cherry Capitol Chorus information, please contact Wayne Campbell (616) 263-7203.

Wayne Campbell



John W. Mulkin, PROTY CHAIRMAN, SPEBSQSA 106 Jeffrey Drive Carterville, III. 62918 July 15, 1986

To Editor Bill Tobias:

Attached is an article (starting next page) that I hope that you will find space for in your next issue. I know that you are crowded for space, so I have made the story as consise as I felt I could and still tell this vitally important story.

It is an announcement of the winners of the 1985 Public Relations of the Year Contest. Except for Mid-Atlantic, the story has no local angle for your District. It is about a part of our Society, however, that is of special concern to you and I and other PROBE (Public Relations Officers and Bulletin Editors) people.

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John W. Mulkin, PROTY Chairman (continued)

contest is designed to recognize those men who are doing great work in public relations for Chapter, District, their Society. The contest is now two years old and we are working on the third year...but...some of you might not even know about it. And, if you did, you probably didn't know much about the details. The reason is because we haven't been able to get the message out and we tried a lot of ways. I think it is now time to get back to basics. My hope and expectation is that the District Bulletin Editors will support the efforts of PROBE and the Contest Committee and maybe some of your chapter bulletins will pick it up from you and carry the cause further.

All that I hope to achieve is to make certain that every public relations officer knows that recognize that a great amount of good work is going on throughout the Society and that we want to give it the honor and praise to which it is

Please do what you can to help the cause.



SPECIAL TO DISTRICT BULLETINS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

This year's Public Relations Officer of the Year Award is being shared by two men. The winners were announced and trophies presented at the Annual PROBE meeting in Salt Lake City on July 4.

Receiving the trophies are Morris (Kutch) Mayers of Princeton, N.J. and Sylvester Buszta of Pottstown, PA. Mayers emphasized radio and television programming while Buszta made extensive use of news releases, special printed matter and public appearances.

The awards were presented for programs conducted during 1985 this was the second year for the award. John Mulkin, Illinois District, made the presentation with Dee Paris, MAD, PROBE V.P. for

Public Relations. Contest judges were Paris, Dick Girvin, FWD and PROBE President; and Robb Ollett, Society Director of Communications.

Mulkin pointed out at the presentations that only a few entires have been received in the contest and that many more are needed to truly represent the P.R. work being done and to recognize the men who are making this vital contribution to the Society.

"Now is the time." Mulkin said. "for our Chapter P.R. men to begin putting together the material they will need to enter the competition for the 1986 awards. It is usally a difficult job to compile clippings, tapes and other documentary materials to be submitted for the contest unless the job is done throughout the year as the events take place." He encouraged all P.R. officers to begin now to He encouraged prepare their entries.

Entries should be submitted to each District's Public Relations Communications Chairman (William D. Lang; 262 Pennbrook Trail; Battle Creek, MI 49017 for the Pioneer District) shortly after the first of the year. Each District should notify chapters of the respective Judging will be entry deadlines. made at the District level and winners announced at the District Spring Convention. The winners are then forwarded to the Public Relations Officer of the Year Committee for the International Society Awards.

Any District or Chapter P.R. officer interested in more details regarding entries for the contest may contact Mulkin by letter (address printed at the beginning of the last article) or call him at 618-985-6618.

Logopedic's Golf Open

The 1st Annual Logopedics Men's Golf Open at the Arrowhead Golf Club on June 21st turned out to be a rousing success. Twenty-eight golfers were there to vie for the honors under ideal weather conditions, and \$150 ended up in the Logopedics coffers as well.

The results are as follows: GROSS - Mike Liddicoatt - \$30 NET - Al Hatt - \$30* A1 Hatt -CLOSEST TO PIN -(#3)- Len Schweitzer \$10

CLOSEST TO PIN (#11) - Bob Drabik-\$10 FEWEST PUTTS -28-Wayne Brumm - \$22 *LOW NET tie broken by score on 1st handicap hole - w/G.B. Work

The Logopedics contribution was increased by \$10 additional contributions by Mike Liddicoatt & Jack Barry We are hoping next year's tournament will draw even more participants from around the District to increase our Logopedics contribution even higher. This tournament was sponsored by the Detroit-Oakland Chapter, and was very well run by chairman Bob Drabik. Thanks Bob, for giving so much time to this worthwhile effort.

> Bob McDermott, Editor Gentlemen's Songster



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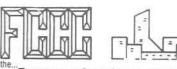


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~	Minneapolis Commodores			-	Sec. 50	-				-	1000	101	2.10	
10	East Aurora, NY		223	217	556	67	100	186	17	13	1351	1.1.1	167	85
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11	Denver, CO	518	208	240	232	59	182	189	6	7	1341	128	151	75
	Denver Mile Hi Chorus													
12	Black Hawk Metro, IA	555	215	205	210	61	201	508	6	1	1330	148	109	54
	The Proud Image													
13	Ottawa, ONT	206	206	222	220	63	184	188	25	10	1321	115	132	87
-	Capital City Chorus													
6.4	Eugene, OR	220	227	220	215	51	180	101	-1	6	1319	100	129	85
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	Cascade Chorus	280			-	-			2	55			200	7222V
15	Terre Haute, IN	511	505	214	217	56	175	180	0	16	1271	147	141	75
	Banks of the Wabash													
16	Grand Rapids, MI	197	194	189	505	51	170	172	16	5	1196	186	132	60
	Great Lakes Chorus													
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1 F	Rural Route 4	256	246	278	274	79	214	211	3	3	1564	3196	4760	163	195
2 1	Interstate Rivals	258	249	269	256	70	217	219	-2	7	1543	3142	4685	167	145
3 \	/audeville	237	243	274	276	79	219	213	11	1	1553	3048	4601	187	172
4 0	Cincinnati Kids	247	233	253	256	74	216	230	1	6	1516	3001	4517	191	164
5 (Chiefs of Staff	252	246	249	251	71	211	211	-4	15	1502	2940	4442	176	155
6 1	39th Street Quartet	237	235	259	261	85	216	214	4	-1	1510	2918	4428	127	159
7 8	Remember When	237	231	236	236	64	201	198	6	0	1409	2896	4305	177	161
8 1	(nudsen Brothers	242	227	253	238	63	199	195	4	13	1434	2869	4303	165	152
9 8	Sidekicks	240	245	237	246	70	187	192	12	-3	1426	2806	4232	149	117
10 F	Pros 'N' Cons	212	200	232	550	61	190	211	2	-18	1310	2781	4091	182	108

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5 Chiefs of Staff	229 236	247 240	79 224 218	1	3 1477	1463	2940	118 150
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6 139th Street Quartet 7 Remember When	248 239 242 237	256 249 252 245	61 203 198 65 209 208		-5 1450 14 1488	1468 1408	2918	106 159 191 137
8 Knudsen Brothers	235 237	249 249	68 200 202	1	1 1442	1427	2869	155 132
9 Sidekicks	231 231	249 241	62 196 194		-9 1389	1417	2806	122 109
10 Pros 'N' Cons	215 205	251 236	62 200 192	-9	9 1361	1420	2781	165 144
11 Basin Street Quartet	243 236	248 243	61 194 190	14	9 1438	1327	2765	144 140
12 Benchmarks	530 558	232 228 234	61 180 191	20	12 1382	1371	2753 2735	152 145 169 128
13 The Ritz 14 Act IV	235 229 238 235	246 248	63 186 186 57 189 186	5	0 1404	1329	2733	133 176
15 His Masters Voice	229 224	251 242	58 189 194	-2	5 1390	1338	2728	157 142
16 Missouri Valley Music Co		236 227	51 191 188	4	-1 1356	1339	2695	146 125
17 Inn's-N-Outt's 18 HarmonyWorks	232 238	238 243	62 176 179 60 192 193	-3 13	-3 1362 7 1335	1330	2692	111 139 177 131
19 K.C. Connection	228 223	234 233	60 193 192	8	-2 1369	1311	2680	153 154
20 Northeast Extension	220 225	229 240	53 178 178	5	-1 1327	1352	2679	117 164
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1 Rural Route 4	251 247	273 272	80 558 553	- 5	3 1583		1583	114 166
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21 Four Under Par	166 169	245 259	64 202 209	-18	12		1308	150 177
22 Celebration! 23 Northern Comfort	208 211	227 235 230 227	57 172 189 43 180 172	8	-1 28		1306	180 131 148 120
→ 24 The Ivy League	205 194	230 233		-8	5		1293	145 157
25 Harmonic Tremors	225 207	234 219	48 174 179	7	-4		1289	103 126
26 Yesterday Bound	212 206	245 238	48 168 161	7	-i		1004	100 (50
27 Copyright '86			43 174 167		-3		1284	129 152 186 75
28 Special Touch			45 172 186	-1	11		1280	118 196
29 Cheerful Noise			55 175 166	10	2		1278	136 185
30 Rumors	212 210	503 508	50 187 182	9	7		1274	123 100
31 The Four of Us	210 209	230 218	49 171 171	5	-1		1262	187 124
32 Royal Chordsmen	195 196			5	-2		1251	104 192
33 Northern Union			47 157 175				1242	143 101
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CHAPTER NAME:								
MEMBER NAME:		(WIFE)						
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	TENOR	LEAD	BARITONE	BASS				
CHORUS AND/OR	QUARTET	NAME:			******			
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Directory Changes/update

Please make the following corrections to your District Directory:

Page 3. The 1987 International Preliminaries will be scheduled for April 10-12, 1987 in Battle Creek.

Page 6. The telephone of Don Bazely at his residence is 705-759-0958. Don is listed under District officers.

Page 7. John T. Gillespie's business telephone number is 616-345-4077. Please make the changes on page 13 and twice on page 14.

Page 15. Under Hall of Fame Committee, please delete Bill Butler and add Larry King.

Page 16. Delete Bob Goldschmeding and add Mike O'Donnell as the Division III Coordinator on the Membership and Extension Committee.

Page 19. M.V.P. William J. Smith's address should be 167 Heather Dr.; Marshall, MI 49068.

Page 20. The telephone number of Vlinton Valley's P.V.P. Bob McGookey should be 647-4126.

Page 22. Grand Rapids Chapter should have the telephone number of Great Lakes Harmony Halla as 616-361-8480.

Page 23. Grand Rapids' Treasurer Lloyd Bovee's zip code should be 49506 and Chapter Secretary Bob Cordes' telephone number should be 616-243-0143.

Page 27. Monroe's President George Henning's address should be 5800 Newbury; Carlton, MI 48117.

Page 31. Traverse City's Music Director Matt Coombs' address and telephone number should read: P.O. Box #473, St. Mary's Ave.; Suttons Bay, MI 49682. 616-271-3970.

If there are any further corrections for the District Directory, please send notification of the change to:

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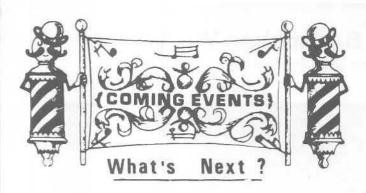
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5-7	HARMONY ROUND-UP & COACHING CLINIC - E.M.U.
27	GRATIOT COUNTY SHOW
27	DISTRICT IV LOGOPEDICS SPECTACULAR - CHEBOYGAN
27	SWAN VALLEY CHAPTER SHOW

OCTOBER

11	JACK!	SON	CHAPTER	SI	WOH
17-19	FALL	CO	NVENTION	-	FLINT

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MAY, 1987

COLDWATER CHAPTER SHOW



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> ASCAP/BMI Rate Per Concert Highest Price of Admission (Exclusive of Tax)

Seating Cap.	\$0-\$3	\$3.01-\$6	\$6.01-\$9	\$9.01-\$12	
0-750	\$ 33	\$ 39	\$ 46	\$ 58	
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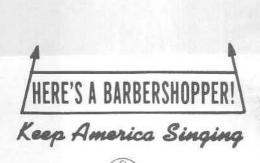
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