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Hi Guys! The fall season is upon us, and so is the closing season for Logopedics. Each year a lot rides on our performance in the last three months. It also is the biggest time for monies coming in.

As of 9/30/86 we had received \$9,746.24. For the same period last year, we received \$5,463.64. At this time we have something to be excited about as we were \$4,282.60 over what we were a year ago. Also listed are the chapters who have donated and those who haven't. If we all do our fair share, we can really see our goal happen by the end of the year.

I would like to thank the following chapters for their contributions to Logopedics during the months of August and September (we will be printing the end-of-the-year figures in the next issue): AuSable Valley; Benton Harbor/St. Joe; Coldwater; Grand Rapids; Grosse Pointe; Holland; Huron Valley; Lansing; Oakland County-Detroit; Swan Valley; Wayne; and, finally, Dearborn.

By the time you are reading this, it will probably be December. I am sure with the momentum we have now, we will do a fine job. I love to receive those receipts from the Harmony Foundation that tells me how well we are doing.

The Logopedics contributions as to how are District is doing, according to chapter, will be printed later on in this issue of the Troubadour.

Thank you for helping the kids at the Institute.

George

P.S. It's Campbell Soup time again, so please keep those labels flowing!



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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER



All good things come to an end, and my Presidency of the finest District in the Society has to end also. As I look back, there is a lot of nostalgia, because of the many fine events I've been able to attend in our District. Most of all, I have enjoyed meeting the many fine people of our District over the two years I have served as President. We, the District Board, have tried to serve you well during that time, and although we were not able to attain all of our objectives that we had planned on, we feel we had a few successes.

Some of the things we did accomplish during our tenure will have a lasting effect on our District. One of the major changes is the fact that we will be holding our next six District Conventions in Battle Creek. This decision took almost two years from its original conception to its fruition as a viable working plan at the April House of Delegates meeting, based on the Illinois District experience. In essence, it is going to save you and I as average Joe Barbershoppers, a lot of money in terms of room rates, etc. Hotels and Convention Bureaus are willing to bend a lot when they know they can lock in a convention such as ours for a long period of time.

Another major change is the elimination of the Gold and Silver Awards in the Pioneer District Chorus competition. We have replaced that with a plateau structure which will enable chapters of comparable size to compete with each other rather than always taking a back seat to the big choruses in the District. In this way, we will have five winners in the chorus competition in the spring in Battle Creek instead of just two. We will still have an overall winner, of course, but the nice thing about it is the winner of each plateau is declared the winner based on total score, not ranking. This means that a chapter chorus, with 15 members singing, can still

win their plateau because of score, even though they will be disqualified in the ranking of the total contest results. The objective, of course, is to get all of our chapter choruses on stage singing, and isn't this what we are all about? This will not apply, of course, to the District International Prelims in the fall which selects our chorus representative to the next year's International Contest.

I also feel that the revitalization of the S.M.A.C. organization (Southeastern Michigan Association of Chapters) was a major accomplishment. Our emphasis in presenting a bid for the 1991 International Convention to be held in Detroit is extremely viable. The Executive Board of the Society narrowed the selection to three sites on October 30, with Detroit being one of the three selected, the other two being Louisville, Kentucky and Calgary, Saskatchewan, Canada. The final decision will be made in Sarasota, Florida, during the last week of January, 1987, by the entire International Board at the Mid-Winter Convention. Hopefully, we will be selected at that time to bring the International Convention to our District in 1991. We will do everything in our power to convince the Board to vote for Detroit!

Although we have not made any great strides in membership, we have held our own, and it is felt this is the one area that needs to be addressed fervently in the future. Our survival as a Barbershop Society depends on it!

Musically, Jom Stephens, our DME, has done a superb job! Our HEP schools have been outstanding, and the only losers are those who did not participate. Success in this category is only judged by the fine quartets and choruses we have put on stage in our contests. Have you ever heard such beautiful Barbershop music? Credit Jim! Give Jem Duffin all the support you can in the future, as he will have the reins, and you will benefit by it.

Finally, I want to publicly thank my EVP Earl Berry, the IBM Jim Gougeon, Treasurer Fran Jones, and my ever faithful Secretary Jack Schneider. With these fellows on your team and the rest of the fine District Board which I was fortunate to work with, you can't go wrong. Thanks fellows!

To each and every member of the Pioneer District, I want to thank you also in making my two years as your President a success. I'll still be around, and will do my utmost to help

my successor, Earl Berry, to continue keeping this District the finest in the Society. God bless you all!

Yours in Harmony,
Bob McDermott

From the Editor



As editor of our District publication, I would like to thank Bob McDermott for his many glowing articles. The tone of his articles often altered the tone of the article that was next to follow. I know that Bob will continue to be an asset to the District, and I am thankful as Earl Berry, our new Pioneer District President, has assured me that he will be starting right where Bob left off (as far as cooperating with the Troubadour staff).

A DIFFERENT NOTE

Your Troubadour has been delayed more than once because authors of very important articles were late in getting their copy in to be included. I sincerely hope that with the new year, those wishing to continue to contribute to this publication will take a longer look at the deadline for the appropriate issue. Your editor refuses to put out a four or a five page District bulletin, and will be a lot happier when we can put out a timely quality publication.

HEY, LOOK ME OVER!



A friend from the Windsor Chapter thought it was time to let the other members of our wonderful District see what your editor looks like at most of our functions. I try to provide those who could not attend an opportunity to see something of what went on. Being your editor is still very much an honor, and I am proud to serve you in this capacity.
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FROM THE EDITOR (continued)

MY APOLOGIES

It seems as though all of the pictures taken at the Fall Convention in Flint were developed. That is, all the pictures except those taken of the chorus competition. The studio who develops our pictures has apologized, but are unable to tell me what happened. Please enjoy the pictures that we can share, and we hope that the same thing will not happen in the spring.

MY CHRISTMAS CARD TO YOU ALL

I wish to convey to all of you my wishes for a happy and safe holiday season. May your hearts be filled with the warmth of the season, the spirit of giving (of yourself, which is the greatest present one can give to another), and, of course, may there be harmony in your life and in the world around us.

Thank you for allowing me the honor of being your editor.

In Harmony,
Bill Tobias

B.E.T.Y. ?

WHAT THE HECK IS A B.E.T.Y.?

No, it's not a misspelling of former-President Ford's wife's name. It stands for Bulletin Editor of the Year, and the contest to determine the winner from the Pioneer District will be run from December 1st to the 31st. This contest offers you hard-working, seldom-appreciated Chapter Editors a chance to see how your bulletin measures up against others in your own District. Additionally, if your bulletin is one of the two judged best in the District, it will be sent on to the International B.E.T.Y. Contest to be judged against the best of the 15 other Districts.

In each contest, your bulletin will be judged on Content (1,000 possible points); Layout & Reproduction (600 points); and, Grammar & Style (400 points). The tangible rewards are a framed certificate for each contest and a small trophy if you win the International.

In addition, you get some very valuable written critiques from some very knowledgeable judges. These are solely intended to help you improve your communication efforts.

If you are interested, and you should be, here are the rules:

1. Only bulletins published in 1986 are eligible.
2. Editors must have published at least six issues to be eligible for the District Contest; to be eligible for the International Bulletin Editors' Contest, at least ten issues must have been published.
3. Editors must submit six copies each of three consecutive issues. Two copies of each issue must be run-of-the-press original production copies; the remaining can be photocopies, although originals are preferred.
4. All entries must be mailed to the Contest Chairman, postmarked no later than 12/31/86.

Mail your entries to:
Rusty Ruegsegger
2185 Princeton
Berkley, MI 48072

Late entries will not be accepted, so
DO IT NOW!

Winners of the District Contest will be announced at the Spring Convention in Battle Creek. Winners of the International Contest will be announced at the PROBE meeting during the International Convention in Hartford, Connecticut next summer.

Thank you,
"Rusty" Ruegsegger

(Please Note: These rules for the Bulletin Editor's Contest came very close to being printed in the JAN/FEB '87 issue of the Troubadour. Late entries are always allowed for our more important articles.)

THE EDITOR'S PRAYER

oh Lord,
help my
WORDS TO BE
GRACIOUS & TENDER
TODAY, FOR TOMORROW
I MAY HAVE TO EAT
THEM.

amen

A TRIBUTE TO A VERY SPECIAL LADY

Ann Sutton is known as the "Sweet Cookie" of the Traverse City Cherry Capitol Chorus. During the two and a half years that the chorus has rehearsed at All Saints' Lutheran Church just outside of Traverse City, she has continuously supplied the members of the chorus with cookies for their break times. During that period of time, Ann figures that she has baked 987½ dozen cookies (that's

11,850 cookies) for those Barbershoppers. She has yet to hear a single word of complaint outside of when she happens to miss a rehearsal (husband Bob hears those complaints, as he sings lead with the chorus).

Her favorite recipe is for chocolate chip cookies, but just for variety she has been known to bake coconut, coconut-pecan, peanut butter, Reese's peanut butter chip, Ozark honey oatmeal, sugar, chocolate coconut, chocolate black walnut with chocolate icing, oatmeal, and oatmeal-raisin with M & M's.

What really makes this woman special is the fact that she is diabetic and cannot even sample her own cookies. This is aside the fact that Bob is only slightly overweight and bears no resemblance to your editor whatsoever.

It should be noted that the cookies are not seriously attacked until the formal portion of the rehearsal is over. The Barbershoppers themselves, by the way, always have an ample supply of fresh regular and decaffeinated coffee on hand to go with Ann's cookies.

It should also be noted that the members of this chapter really do appreciate their windfall. Last year they awarded Ann with their "Sweet Cookie of the Year" award in the form of a beautifully mounted African butterfly mounted in a shadow box. That work was done by Eli Beery, a Botanist member of the chorus, and Mother Nature.

Ann says that she is a true-blue Barbershop fan and is extremely proud of her husband's participation in the chapter and the Society. She does not sing, but she feels that by baking the cookies that she is making her own unique contribution to Barbershopping. Besides, baking the cookies also gives her a reason to shop.

Every member of the Traverse City Chapter and chorus appreciates her contributions and have offered this tribute to a very special lady.

"Thank-you, Ann, for being the 'Sweet Cookie' that you are!"



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FOR 1987

On October 18, 1986, Pioneer District's House of Delegates elected the following as our officers for the coming year. Congratulations to each and every one of them, and may we all show them our support all through 1987.

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The names and addresses of your 1987 Pioneer District officers will again appear next month on the inside-front cover of the next Troubadour.



SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF
PIONEER DISTRICT S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETINGS
OCTOBER 17, and 18, 1986

REPORTS

Secretary minutes, Treasurer's report and Consent Calendar reports were all approved unanimously.

BOARD ACTIONS

Moved and seconded that only a synopsis of Board and House of Delegates minutes be published in the Troubadour. Carried.

Moved and seconded that all proposed amendments to By-laws be recommended for approval by the House of Delegates with minor amendments. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the host chapter or chapters share \$1,000 per contest under the new format for the 1987 conventions. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the District pay the registration fees for COTS for all licensed chapters' officers. Carried.

Moved and seconded that Bill Pascher be reimbursed \$50.00 for the expense of having our new District logo printed. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Convention Committee make a determination as to whether credit card purchases would be permitted at the Barbershoppers' Shop at future conventions.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES
ACTIONS

Reports from the Secretary and the Treasurer were both unanimously approved along with the reports on the Consent Calendar.

Moved and seconded that the proposed amendments to Sections 7.01, 8.01 and 8.04 of the By-laws presented by the Grosse Pointe Chapter be adopted as presented. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the proposed amendments to Article VIII of the By-laws by the Grand Rapids Chapter be adopted after inserting "District-sponsored" in the second paragraph of article 8.11. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the proposed amendment to Article 16.07 (a) of the By-laws presented by the Grand Rapids Chapter be adopted after striking the words "\$1,000.00 to the host chapter/chapters". Carried.

Moved and seconded that the proposed replacement of the first paragraph of Article 17.03 presented by the

Grand Rapids Chapter be adopted after replacing the word "ranking" with the word "scoring". Carried.

Moved and seconded that the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote be cast for the slate of officers proposed by the Nominating Committee. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Schneider

Jack Schneider, Secretary,
Pioneer District

City Of Harrisville

BOX 278

Harrisville, Michigan 48740

September 16, 1986

To The Editor:

Please allow the City of Harrisville to make use of the wide distribution of your newsletter to express our appreciation to the Barbershoppers and Sweet Adelines.

Dear Harmony Weekend Participants,

On behalf of the residents of the City of Harrisville, the members of the City Council wish to let you know that your music has brought a great deal of pleasure and enjoyment to our community.

For the 24 years of gathering here, you have indeed "kept Harrisville singing"!

We hope that you consider the new pavillion an improved atmosphere for your concerts.

We are looking forward to 1987 and the Silver Anniversary of Harmony Weekend.

Thank you,

Mary Lou Webb
Mary Lou Webb,
City Clerk



NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT



BATTLE CREEK NEWS:

Everything is up to date in the Cereal City. Our chapter had an extremely busy summer with good attendance at rehearsals and singouts. Definitely good chapter vital signs. Included among our singing engagements were the World's Longest Breakfast Table, the Japanese-American Baseball Series and the Stan Musial World Series.

I'm sure that our chapter experiences the same symptoms as most chapters, especially growing pains in the numbers game, but our present diagnosis looks good. The prognosis is even better as the chapter prepares for its Spring show in March featuring the BLUEGRASS STUDENT UNION, and then being the host city and chapter for the Spring Convention the following month. In fact, I'm sure everyone in the District knows by now, Battle Creek will be the host city for the years 1987 - 1989. Just what the doctor ordered to lift our spirits and pride, and to get everyone active and participating in this great hobby that we love. An active chapter is a healthy chapter!

At this writing, the Fall Contest is just a week away with 20 choruses scheduled to compete. Not bragging or complaining, but this will be our sixth consecutive contest which, I believe, bodes well for our chapter. With the next six contests in our fair city, we have no excuse not to make it twelve in a row.

We were to sing third on competition day, and it would be nice therapy for the chorus to finish high up there with the "big boys". However, every contest we seem to have some disagreement with Sound and Stage Presence Judges. This time around, we took some funds from our fine jug to buy the SP Judge better glasses and the Sound Judge a hearing aid. We didn't have enough funds to "pay off the judges" this time! No matter what, contest time is always a fun time and a good learning experience because there are no real "losers". Though not a wonder drug, just the chance to sing Barbershop harmony seems always to be a good prescription for those melancholy blues.

Got to close and get ready for C.O.T.S. For some strange reason, the chapter took up a collection to send this "poor" bulletin editor back to school. I'm still not sure what they meant by all their charity as I thought I knew everything regarding bulletins...especially the

"bull" part. Anyway, I'm going to surprise them and graduate magnum come loud!

From down in the cornflake country, Seasons Greetings to you all, and may you all make a New Years resolution to come to Battle Creek for the Spring Show or for the Spring and Fall Conventions.

Siong-cerely,
Ben Jerzyk

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DETROIT-OAKLAND CHAPTER NEWS

By the time you read this article, we will already have had one of our two planned shows on November 22nd at Orchestra Hall, with the second one set for February 13-14, 1987, at Birmingham Seaholm High School. In effect, that's telling you that the Detroit-Oakland Chapter is enthusiastic and is really on a roll.

December 12th is our annual Ladies' Night, and features the HARMONY UNLIMITED along with some other super quartets. The presentation of the annual Charley DeLong Award (Barbershopper of the Year) and the 2nd annual Hal Bauer Award will be the highlights of the evening.

The new year bodes to be a good one for Detroit-Oakland. All of our Chapter officers will be attending C.O.T.S. in Ypsilanti, and plans are already underway for a lot of planned events for next year along with a massive membership drive.

Bob McDermott

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GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER

WOW! What an exciting Fall convention. It was really great to see and hear all the fine choruses and quartets!

How about that chorus from Wayne, what's their names? Anyway, they did an outstanding job and will do well in Hartford, Connecticut next July. We will be pulling for them!

I guess we will have to work a little harder for next fall, and to keep up with those guys. Seriously though, our congratulations to the Renaissance Chorus. We will be seeing you all again on the contest stage come this fall!

Speaking of the Chorus Contest, it was exciting to see that many choruses competing. Is that great, or

what? I guess we all know where the fun and action is!

Grand Rapids wishes to complement every chorus there, large or small for the outstanding quality and excellence of your performance. The level of singing has reached some new and exciting heights. We feel fortunate to have finished second.

Because you all were simply great, we look forward to giving away the trophy to one of you in the Spring in Battle Creek. That contest should be fantastic!

How about that Quartet Contest? I think that a few surprises came out of that. That is not an overstatement...don't you agree?

Congratulations goes again to the Wayne Chapter, but to our Novice Quartet Champions, CHORDINARY GUYS, nice job guys!

So finally, out of the din and the glare, fresh from the Orient Express, came THE TOUCH OF CLASH! Those four fun-loving, crazy and wild guys whose singing expertise and youthful exuberance walked away as our new Pioneer District Quartet Champions. Never a doubt, right guys? Heck, that's the way I had them picked, didn't everyone?

In all fairness to you and the CLASH, their lead Mart Latinga got sick after Friday night's performance and remained so through the contest Saturday evening. This accounts for the somewhat less than perfect performance Saturday evening. I can assure you this would not have happened if Mart had been 100%. That just goes to prove that if you win while you are at your worst, you are champions. Nice job guys, we are very PROUD of you!

Since the contest some really neat and exciting things have been happening, and are going to happen here at HQ for the Great Lakes Tide at Harmony Hall. You will all know, hopefully by the next Troub.

Dick Williams

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MUSKEGON CHAPTER

For some reason, I keep calling one of our chapter quartets by the wrong name! When I originally wrote about them, they did not even have an officially registered name. Then, after they did have one, I kept using the wrong ones. I knew they weren't the SHORELINE FOUR, but I couldn't
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NEWS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT (continued)

remember who they were. I knew too that they weren't the FOUR SURE MEN---I was sure of that! Finally, I remembered, they were registered as the FOUR SHOREMEN. Its members are IMRE BRYANT (lead), DWAYNE BOES (bass), DICK WARNER (baritone), and BOB WINGETT (tenor). Please remember their quartet's name is the FOUR SHOREMEN. (I know that I am going to try!)

The big news in the Muskegon Chapter is the new rehearsal hall. We have moved to the Hilt Building which is part of the Frauenthal Center for the Performing Arts which used to be the Michigan Theater in downtown Muskegon. The theater is on the corner of Third and Western Streets, but the Hilt Building entrance is down one-third of a block down Western. Our rehearsal room is acoustically designed and is purposely built to have the same floor as the Frauenthal stage. If you visit us, we meet Tuesday nights from 7:45 until 10:00 pm.

During a summer "sale", the Muskegon Chapter purchased six sections of new chorus risers. For the first time, the SHORELINE CHORUS is able to practice on risers at each rehearsal. I don't have to tell you how much it helps the performance and stage presence techniques.

Officers elected for 1987 are HERB RADALA (President), ROBERT L. WINGETT (Membership Vice-President), DAVID MALOLEY (Program Vice-President), RICHARD WARNER (Secretary), DWAYNE BOES (Treasurer). Elected to the Chapter Board as Members-at-Large are IMRE BRYANT, JERRY COLSON (Chapter Librarian), TIM KOEPPE (a "refugee" from Battle Creek), MONTE ROGERS, and ROBERT F. WINGETT (Co-Chairman MVP).

Wilbur "Webb" Scrivnor

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TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CAPITOL CHORUS

Hello to Willie, the Editor, and to everyone.

We are happy to announce that we will be publishing our monthly CHORISTER again. After a long delay, we have found an editor for our monthly paper. He is Dr. Mike Winkler of Traverse City. It takes a busy man to get things done, and we can look for good things to come from Mike. Nice goin', guy.

We have had a great year under the direction of Matt Coombs. In the spring in Saginaw, we won the Silver Division and were second overall.

Our June show was a success. We had standing room only in the Corson Auditorium (1,000 capacity). THE RITZ and the IVY LEAGUE were fantastic, and everyone went home happy.

This summer our group performed at the Traverse City Cherry Festival and were a featured act at the Heritage Hall where the Miss Cherry Queen is selected. We had many sing-outs during the summer. That meant fun, fun, fun and a few bucks, too!

We placed 7th in the Fall Convention in Flint. Our Hospitality Room was well received and well attended by some super friends and some super-duper quartets. A great time!

On November 28, the Cherry Capitol Chorus will help Traverse City open its Christmas Season downtown when we sing at the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Last year, we got some TV exposure. This year? Make my day, Santa!

All in all, it has been a very enjoyable, fun-loving and learning year. Five of our guys went to Harmony College, and what a week that was! It's very probable that the same five, and possibly more, will return next year. We are hoping to repeat or better our performance next year.

Incidentally, if any of you readers visit Traverse City, we invite you to visit us on Tuesday nights, 7:30 pm, at All Saints Lutheran Church (two-tenths of a mile from the intersection of highways 37 and 31).

Ernie Richmond has been our President for the past two years and has done an outstanding job. We have grown to 42 members under his leadership. We had a great deal of help from Wayne Campbell on publicity as well as a lot of work done by Bob Sutton and Ken Forbeck. Not enough can be said of the efforts of Matt Coombs. We were fortunate enough to have him and we are a better chorus because he's there.

Dan Decker (It's sure tough to spend money with him around. He is a tight-wad who loves saying "NO!" to spending) does keep accurate records. He is our Treasurer and we love him!

We could go on and on naming guys who made contributions this year. John Meyers with Program Vice-President, Charlie Mersino with Logopedics, Pete Nelson with Choreography, Elbert Ford with his Show Committee. Everyone contributed to what we all consider to have been a successful year, and everyone in the chapter is to be congratulated on that success.

Now, permit us to introduce our officers for 1987:

President:	Ken Forbeck
M.V.P.	Wayne Campbell
P.V.P.	Eli Beery
Secretary	Bob Sutton
Treasurer	Dan Decker
Members-at-Large	Charlie Eisenheimer
	Dave Wiley
	Art Amidon
Logopedics	Charlie Mersino

As noted, everyone in the chapter contributes. There is one guy who has yet to be mentioned, but hasn't. That is Dean Fischer, our Assistant Director, who is one of those people who is always there when he is needed. He surely is another reason for the successes we've had in Traverse City.

Co-authors: Ken Forbeck
Bob Sutton

NOTE: If you are going to be travelling in the Traverse City area and have been thinking about taking your wife along, please do, Ann Sutton (T.C.'s "Sweet Cookie") is often listening to the sounds coming from the rehearsal area. To be safe, please give Bob or Ann a call at 616-275-7253. One visit will have you looking forward to your next time through!

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CADILLAC MOVES REHEARSAL NIGHT

Monday evening is truly a night of harmony in the Cadillac area. With the movement of the Cadillac Chorus from Zion Lutheran to the Music Room of Cadillac High School, we have almost joined forces with the Sweet Adelines. They've been meeting for quite some time in the Music Room of the Middle School, adjacent to the High School. Come north and join in the fun!

Our membership has been bolstered recently by two members of the AuSable Chapter, who have informed us that a few more might be coming as they've decided to disband. We have also been fortunate to meet Bob Bothe, Secretary of the Society's Woodshedders (we just might be successful in getting him to be a part of the Pioneer as he lives here in Cadillac and teaches at Ferris State College). We even attracted a former member of the Greenville Chorus who now resides in our area (nicknamed "Dutch" he used to sing with the Hansen's and Fran Jones).

We would like to come and join us! If your wife is a Sweet Adeline she will also have a place to go. For more information, please call Bill Tobias evenings at 616-775-1422, or Jim Carey, our director, at 616-775-9950.

OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY
PIONEER DISTRICT, S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A., Inc.
Flint, Michigan, October 18, 1986

THE PANEL OF JUDGES

CHAIRMAN	Larry King	Farmington Hills, MI	Pioneer
SOUND	Joe Masotti	Deerfield, IL	Illinois
	Bill Rashleigh	Omaha, NE	Central States
INTERPRETATION	Tom Schlunkert	Lilburn, GA	Dixie
	Wilbur Sparks	Arlington, VA	Mid-Atlantic
STAGE PRESENCE	Jerome J. Andersen	Kingston, NY	Northeastern
	William A. Dorow	Franklin, WI	Land O' Lakes
ARRANGEMENT	Lloyd B. Steinkamp	Phoenix, AZ	Far Western
	David Wright	St. Louis, MO	Central States
SECRETARY	John T. Gillespie	Kalamazoo, MI	Pioneer
TIMEKEEPERS	William C. Warner	Oak Park, MI	Pioneer
	D. William FitzGerald	Kenosha, WI	Land O' Lakes

DISTRICT CHORUS CONTEST	SND	INT	SP		ARR	NET	SECONDS		
			NSS	1 2			TOTAL	1 2	MEN
1 Wayne	149 145	159 162	47	135 147	8 4	956	141 107	70	
The Renaissance Chorus									
2 Grand Rapids	138 136	146 145	42	123 122	5 12	869	130 181	51	
Great Lakes Chorus									
3 Detroit-Oakland	128 128	133 144	42	125 125	7 0	832	110 121	54	
Gentlemen Songsters									
4 Lansing	116 112	130 135	32	94 103	1 6	729	126 127	45	
Capital City Chordsmen									
5 Gratiot County	111 111	117 127	40	103 107	5 7	728	155 113	31	
Midstatesmen									
6 Grosse Pointe	111 111	124 121	32	108 99	3 -2	707	100 162	54	
Lakeshore Chorus									
7 Traverse City	124 122	121 119	29	91 92	3 3	704	220 128	32	
Cherry Capital Chorus									
8 Huron Valley	108 112	113 115	34	110 94	6 10	702	118 177	24	
Huron Valley Chorus									
9 Flint	121 117	110 121	34	94 90	1 4	692	116 116	30	
Arrowhead Chorus									
10 Battle Creek	109 105	122 129	28	88 88	5 8	682	97 135	32	
Cereal City Chorus									
11 Windsor	104 102	113 108	35	84 78	3 8	635	125 101	32	
Sun Parlour Chorus									
12 Monroe	102 100	112 115	34	92 80	-14 5	626	108 172	41	
Stateline Chorus									
13 Holland	100 101	111 110	30	82 78	0 2	614	133 112	20	
Windmill Chorus									
14 Swan Valley	93 87	110 110	29	78 67	2 5	581	138 147	25	
The Soundmen									
15 Milford	91 86	102 109	28	65 65	9 3	558	165 131	22	
Mill Valley Chorus									
16 Benton Harbor-St. Joseph	98 97	94 95	33	70 65	-1 5	556	155 116	21	
Fruitbelt Chorus									

Ineligible Chorus - Article 6d of Official Chorus Contest Rules

Kalamazoo	88 77	94 85	26	65 63	1 4	503	154 133	16	
Mall City Chorus									

The Wayne Renaissance Chorus will represent Pioneer District in the 1987 International Chorus Contest to be held in July, 1987 in Hartford, CT.

DISTRICT QUARTET CONTEST FINALS	SND	INT	SP		ARR	SUB	PREV	TOTAL	SECONDS	
			NSS	1 2					TOTAL	PTS. SCORE
1 Touch of Clash!	119 105	138 140	38	118 117	-1 -8	766	833	1599	118 117	
2 The Family Forum	134 125	143 140	39	109 109	-3 4	800	780	1580	135 162	
3 Harmony Rendezvous	123 130	145 142	37	122 123	-3 0	819	746	1565	166 170	
4 Blue Ribbon Coalition	129 127	144 144	34	113 107	-1 3	800	754	1554	121 171	
5 The Sound Ambassadors	119 114	128 127	34	104 108	-6 9	737	709	1446	146 140	
6 Chordinary Guys	111 110	126 125	31	99 89	-5 -2	684	673	1357	136 112	
7 The Four Part Formula	116 117	126 132	27	93 93	-1 5	708	639	1347	162 144	
8 Yesterday Once More	108 110	114 120	33	87 97	-2 -8	659	662	1321	148 192	

SEMI-FINALS

1 Touch of Clash!	129 126	149 144	36	128 117	0 4	833		833	142 134	
2 The Family Forum	135 138	128 133	39	107 94	2 4	780		780	165 182	
3 Blue Ribbon Coalition	123 124	121 136	35	104 99	4 8	754		754	176 122	
4 Harmony Rendezvous	121 117	139 137	37	91 101	-3 6	746		746	190 111	
5 The Sound Ambassadors	107 102	126 125	34	104 99	6 6	709		709	174 175	
6 Chordinary Guys	119 117	123 122	27	84 82	2 -3	673		673	118 169	
7 Yesterday Once More	106 100	118 119	36	95 93	-5 0	662		662	166 143	
8 The Four Part Formula	106 111	113 115	27	80 82	-1 6	639		639	125 143	
9 Crosstowners	101 98	104 102	22	82 70	3 3	585		585	134 181	
10 The Lumbertown Chordsmen	82 76	89 86	28	70 62	2 3	498		498	112 130	
11 The Four Shoremen	77 70	83 80	24	61 56	-12 -8	431		431	169 126	

Touch of Clash! is the Pioneer District Quartet Champion.

Blue Ribbon Coalition is the Pioneer District Junior Quartet Champion.

Chordinary Guys is the Pioneer District Novice Quartet Champion.



What's Next ?

DECEMBER

6-7 CHAPTER OFFICERS TRAINING
SCHOOL - E.M.U.

JANUARY, 1987

26-31 MID-WINTER CONVENTION
SARASOTA, FLORIDA
31 MACOMB COUNTY CHAPTER SHOW

FEBRUARY

13-14 DETROIT-OAKLAND CHAPTER SHOW
21 KALAMAZOO CHAPTER SHOW
28 LANSING CHAPTER SHOW
28 PORT HURON CHAPTER SHOW

MARCH

6-7 WAYNE CHAPTER SHOW
21 BATTLE CREEK CHAPTER SHOW

APRIL

4 GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER SHOW
11 ST. JOSEPH VALLEY CHAPTER
SHOW
24-26 SPRING CONVENTION
BATTLE CREEK
25 ST. JOSEPH VALLEY CHAPTER
SHOW

MAY, 1987

1 & 2 GROSSE POINTE CHAPTER SHOW
2 BOYNE CITY CHAPTER SHOW
(BUSH LEAGUE)
9 COLDWATER CHAPTER SHOW
9 MILFORD CHAPTER SHOW
15 HOLLAND CHAPTER SHOW
29 BENTON HARBOR/ST. JOSEPH
CHAPTER SHOW

ATTENTION ALL SHOW CHAIRMEN:

Broadcast Music Incorporated (BMI) has informed us that Society chapters and quartets are singing their songs on annual shows and we haven't paid for a license! Granted, chapters pay an ASCAP (CAPAC in Canada) license fee, but now the United States chapters must incorporate the BMI license fees. Here are the rates for a joint ASCAP/BMI license fee:

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
751-1500	38	45	55	67
1501-2500	55	65	75	90
2501-4000	85	95	105	122
4001-5000	95	105	118	135
5001-5500	113	123	136	153
5501-7500	123	136	153	221

This new license fee was effective August 1, 1984.

NOTE:

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