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New responsibilities; new line-up, VP candidates

by Russ Seely, Chair, Nominating Committee

Pioneer's transition team opted for the newly developed list of district vice presidents as in the Society's restructuring manual. At least for now, our old line up of division vice presidents has been eliminated.

Our newly elected vp's will have new and specifically defined areas of responsibility, relevant to their elected office.

President Larry Parker and Executive Vice President Dave Cole will be serving the remainder of their two year terms. The Executive VP position has been combined with the office of VP Member Services.

The rest of the Slate:

Secretary (Incumbent) Jack Schneider
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The election of Pioneer District officers for 1997 will be held at the House of Delegates meeting, 2:00 pm, Friday, October 18, 1996.

Dick Shaw coming to Pioneer convention

Adapted from an article by Cline Clary in the Harmonizer

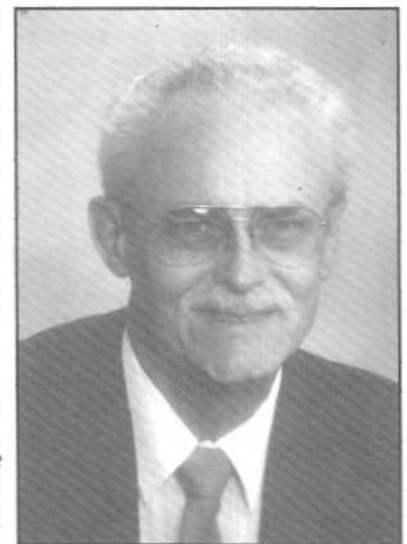
Immediate past International President Dick Shaw will represent the Society at our fall convention in Lansing, October 18-20.

A lifelong Florida resident, except for service in the navy, Dick joined the Polk County Chapter shortly after its formation in 1963. He first sang lead with the *Citrus Capital Chorus*, and was soon singing lead with his first registered quartet, the *Merry Macs*.

Switching to baritone, he sang with the *Sunshine Association*, 1973 Sunshine District quartet champs and international quarterfinalist in 1973, 1974 and 1975. He has since sang baritone with at least six more registered quartets and is currently active with the *Echoes*.

The Polk County chapter benefitted from his service in most chapter offices and on many committees. He edited the chapter bulletin, and as show ticket chairman he devised a more orderly reserved seat system. Dick Shaw was the chapters Barbershopper of the Year for 1973.

At district level Dick was area counselor, division vice president, and was the Sunshine District president in 1984 and 1985. In 1986 he was honored as the district Barbershopper of the Year. In 1993 Dick was inducted into the Sunshine District Hall of Fame, one of only 15 so
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Dr. Richard M. Shaw



Pioneer District Fall Convention

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Presidents Position

by President Larry Parker

Let the transition begin

Early in 1995, the Society's Management Study Team, made up of several very knowledgeable men, prepared a multi page document entitled, "Final Report and Recommendations to the International Board of Directors." The contents of that document contained the meat and potatoes of a major restructuring of our Society's management.



Since its adoption by the Society Board at the 1995 convention in Miami, many pages within the document have been revised or rewritten. The document will be further scrutinized as the restructuring

mechanism moves forward. Now the process begins.

We start with the nomination and election procedure of officers at the Chapter, District and Society levels. Even before the elections, selected District officer nominees were asked to attend a September weekend training session in Milwaukee. After the elections, training continues as the District President and the seven newly elected Vice Presidents travel to Racine, Wisconsin to attend a weekend Leadership Forum.

The 1996 training culminates the weekend of December 7-8 when the Pioneer District holds its annual Chapter Officer Training Seminar (COTS) at the Kellogg Biological Station, Gull Lake, in Hickory Corners, MI. Every newly elected chapter officer is expected to attend, as COTS training has been revamped to reflect the new way of doing business.

As we move forward in the transition process, the Pioneer District's primary function is to implement Society-wide policies and programs at the chapter level through hands-on contact. The District is to have a Mission Statement that is unique to their needs, at the same time, fulfills the overall Society objectives.

As you can plainly see, there is still plenty to do in 1996, and even more to do as we move into 1997. It's a big undertaking and we need the commitment of every chapter to make it possible.



Society Synopsis

by SBM Russell Seely

A tribute to *all* volunteers

Past International President, Dick Shaw will represent the Society at our fall convention. In addition to being our keynote speaker at the House of Delegates, he will assist me as MC/presenter Friday night for the quartet prelims. And he will create a ton of goodwill, woodshedding a purty-dern-nice-bari.

Is this newsworthy? Well maybe his bio would suffice, but I'd like to let you know "the rest of the story."

What you won't read in the bio is that Dick will be away from his Florida home when he will be only hours away from a critical election day following

a hard fought campaign to become a part of his local school board. We offered to pinch-hit for him so he could be at home to ensure his election and serve his community.

But of course, he'll be here. When you see Dick, sing a tag, tell him a joke or offer a simple smile, just to let him know you appreciate his dedication to our Society.

On that topic: When is the last time you bothered to thank any of our volunteers for their efforts. Whether at the chapter, district or Society level, without volunteers we would cease to exist.

This line of thought brings me to an issue I'm just a tad concerned about.

When President Parker appointed me to chair the nominating committee, I knew it would be a new experience, with new procedures.

Pioneer's transition team adopted the newly developed list of VP's as in the restructuring manual. To conform to the new procedures, the nominating committee must submit a resume of each "likely candidate" to the committee chairman who oversees that office at Society level. By my interpretation this means our district nominating committee *maybe can't judge our own volunteer candidates.*

Pioneer's nominating committee consists of the three most recent past presidents plus our current president. Kinda makes one wonder; don't you think we *might* be in a better position to know and evaluate our own volunteer

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The Executive Pitch

by David Cole, Executive V.P.

My son, the man

A boy I know grew up and became a man today. I'm sure this isn't the first time in the history of modern man for such an event to happen, but this time, it happened to me.

While the experience of taking your child off to college is not as traumatic as marriage, there are still many emotions which run through ones mind. Believe it or not, this message is actually about membership and barbershopping.



Several years ago, I had the pleasure of getting my son involved in barbershopping. As he was a young teenager at the time, I really wasn't sure if he was being forced into joining, or if he actually wanted to join. None-the-less, he

joined and sang on both the contest and show stage. At the time, I was proud to have the youngest member of the Pioneer District as my son.

Time passes too quickly sometimes. I've used him as a reference for inspirational speeches at several meetings -- he was a very successful wrestler. But I was never sure if anything I threw at him ever stuck -- that is, until we were taking him to college.

We listened to several styles of music during the four hour drive. What really surprised me was when he took it upon himself to pull out a barbershop CD to put into the car stereo. I thought for sure that he had forgotten all about our style of music. Then I realized as he sang along with the tenor of "Gas House Gang" that he truly enjoys this hobby which I hold so dearly to my heart.

I realized then, that the barbershop style of music still has something to offer to people of all ages and walks of life. I cannot put into words how I felt when this seemingly simple act happened. As your Membership V.P., I would strongly recommend that you continue to recruit people of all ages and walks of life into this hobby which we all love so dearly. The rewards may take several years to materialize, but when they do, they will be priceless.

Pioneer has proven to the entire Society that we have the ability to recruit new members. Now, let's all get on the bandwagon and find some new members who can become part of the Pioneer Family.

Harrisville Harmony Weekend successful; will remain on Labor Day weekend next year.

by Craig Pollard

We enjoyed excellent weather and outstanding attendance at the annual Harmony Labor Day weekend in Harrisville. 186 families signed the book for a total of 490 people; an increase of 120 in attendance.

Two golf outings raised \$668; the Harrisville Arts Council donated \$300 and the show at Maria Hall earned an additional \$201 for a total of \$1168 for the kids at Heartspring.

21 quartets and choruses entertained the locals and barbershoppers on Saturday night at Maria Hall and at the Harbor Show on Sunday afternoon.

The original Harrisville quartets, the *4 Fits* and *Aire Males*, with Jim Pollard at lead, returned for this 35th anniversary outing and enjoyed the reunion with old friends and with Harrisville. Our thanks is extended to all the quartet members, some who traveled far to attend and perform.

The event will remain on the Labor day weekend next year, a change from our earlier plans, as before reported.

The city has assured availability of overflow camping and motel rooms for all who wish to attend. Earlier problems have been resolved and the city will support and aid us in every manner possible.

But, *importantly*, if you wish to camp at the state park it is essential to make your reservations with the state central DNR office *early*.

Again, my sincere thanks to all who take the time to make Harrisville a success. We look forward to even bigger and better Harmony Weekend's in 1997 and beyond.

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honored to that date.

Dick served as international board member in 1988 and 1989 and was elected an international vice president in 1992. He most capably served as our International Society president last year, adopting as his motto, "Barbershop Harmony is Something to Cheer About."

He holds a doctorate in education from the University of Florida and has been a guidance counselor at Polk Community College for 25 years.

Dick and his very supportive wife, Nancy, live in Winter Haven. They have two grown daughters, Amy and Melissa.

He sings in the Chancel Choir and is a deacon at Calvary Baptist Church in Winter Haven.

take note

by Fred Kienitz,
Director of Music Education

I have had a myriad of Pioneer members, lately, stop and ask how I'm feeling. At first I was flattered that we have such a sensitive singing brothers who would go out of their way just to say "hi, how're you doing." Later, I began to wonder and so I asked several of them why they were concerned about my health, and I found that most inquires had heard I was not going to continue as DME in '97 "due to illness."



I think I need to make an official statement which would, hopefully, end all your concerns.

"The rumors of my severe illness and impending death have been grossly exaggerated!"

Actually I have two extremely good reasons for turning the reigns over to

someone else. First, I think my successor will be a bright, energetic young man who has been on my staff from "day one" and has given of his time and talents whenever and wherever he had been asked. Further I will stay on as a member of this committee. Second, I have been asked by the Pioneer staff to serve in a new capacity, created by the International office, as V.P. in charge of chorus & chorus director development. I would like you all to know that it has been an honor and a privilege to serve as you DME these past years. My staff and I have been lucky to upgrade the quality of our teaching faculty and the guest quarters for Harmony Roundup weekends.

Conversely, I have made mistakes along the line and have only taken a very few lumps for my stupidity. But, it was my bride of 35 years who put it all into perspective for me when she said that most people who never make mistakes are those who don't do anything.

One of the activities we as a DME staff have been trying to promote and upgrade is the Joe Barbershop Chorus which sings at both Convention weekends as the opening chorus prior to the Saturday chorus contest. We now have the winning Pioneer Chorus champion director, lead the J.B.C. the following spring. Thus Jamie Carey will be your director in April 97. The director for this October contest will be a young man who had International directing experience and jumped at the invite to be the latest JB director. You may not know him by his stage name which is "Mike Slamka" but I'm sure

you will have an unforgettable, wonderful time.

Because we are upgrading our JBC performance we are asking those of you who plan to sing to wear your chorus uniform or shirt, tie and jacket while performing.

And, now the question "what songs are we singing?" Mike has asked me to inform all of you that you will be singing two very sweet songs, namely Sweet Roses of Morn and Sweet and Lovely.

Remember, I'm old and not dead. So..... I will sing a tag if you ask me.

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candidates?

To top it off, although we were the first district to send credentials of our "likely candidates" last spring, we have elicited response from just over half the committees responsible. This may be an indication that just maybe those guys aren't too comfortable with the process either.

The responses we did receive were interesting and thought provoking. You might ask Roger Lewis about *his* evaluation.

(*Ed Note:* The slate of candidates is published on page one of this issue.)

I would like to now offer my sincere thanks to Dave Anderson, Ed Fritzen, Dick Plaisted, Bill Woodbeck, Paul Smith and Larry King for their volunteer service as division vice presidents, who's offices will be eliminated by the new line up. And last but not least, after many years of administrative as well as C & J chair service, a tip of the hat to fellow past president, Mike O'Donnell.

Directory change

Joel Mills, page six, has moved. New address:
6617 Vintage Drive, Hudsonville, MI 49426.
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Business telephone (616) 532-7744

Black Swamp Chapter moved to JAD

by Larry Parker

Both districts and the Society board approved a request by the Black Swamp Chapter (formerly Monroe) to transfer to the Johnny Appleseed District. Most of the members live near Toledo and the chapter has been meeting in Toledo for some time.

As you well know, our Michigan forefathers traded Toledo for the Upper Peninsula. If we can reverse that deal, we can get the chapter back.

All kidding aside, we send our best wishes to the chapter with hope they prosper in their new district.

Ed Notes – A most delightful, cooling breeze off Little Traverse Bay welcomed Marg and I as we drove into Petoskey about noon, August 10. At Stafford's Perry Hotel, headquarters for the **Boyne City Bush League Contest and Show**, we were told our room wasn't ready yet. But it didn't matter for long, for as we stood at the desk we heard the familiar and wonderful sound of barbershop from upstairs.

Moving quickly up a short flight of stairs and around a corner, we found Boyne City barbershoppers in the throes of harmony. A gracious greeting ushered us into nearly twelve hours of barbershop bliss, beginning with the afternoon, annual Loton Wilson Bush League Contest.

The *River Town Revue* from Grand Rapids, earned the fifty-first annual Bush League championship with an outstanding performance. The *Northern Express* of Cadillac and Boyne City was declared runner's-up.



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River Town quarteters are Dave Back, tenor; Tom Weidner, lead; Lynn Sommerfield, bass and Jerry Koning,

bari. Steve Marks sings tenor for the *Northern Express*, with Bill Woodbeck at lead; Dale Wells, bass and Steve Piowowarki, bari.

Those two quartets, with last years Bush League champs, *Four Ever Yours*, of Traverse City, Boyne City's *Snowbelt Chorus*, and *Harmony Jubilee*, an outstanding Sweet Ad quartet from Williamston, well entertained a too small an audience at the chapter's annual show in the early evening.

The unique and totally fun afterglow became to me, a most outstanding event. It was different because there was no apparent emcee, but as we enjoyed each others company, a drink and buffet, quartets seated at various tables sang spontaneously and beautifully.

After lunch each quartet performed more formally, with the spokesman for each introducing the following foursome.

The closing of the afterglow and the days events included a few remarks by Bill Woodbeck, Division IV vice president and director of the Snow Belt Chorus. Bill then led the entire assembly in a rousing gang-sing. It felt and sounded *good!*

I am convinced there is nothing "bush" about the annual event. The only disappointment was the small turnout, and I feel bad about that. The advance publicity in the *Troub* ought to have been more prominent. It will be, next time. Do yourself a favor, bring your quartet next year.

Pioneer rep' quartets express appreciation; raffle winners announced

by Jeff Marks

The members of the *Firepower!*, *Genuine Blend*, and *Onyx* quartets wish to thank everyone who attended the benefit "Command Performance" in Lansing prior to our trip to the International contest. We also appreciate the support offered by your purchase of benefit raffle tickets at the event.

Raleigh Bloch of the Kalamazoo Chapter won a performance by the *Genuine Blend*. He said he will donate the performance to his chapter for a future fund raising event.

The *Firepower!* performance was won by Shirley Gatesman of the Water Wonderland Sweet Adelines. Shirley donated the prize to her chapter for its annual show. The event will be April 13, 1997 at the Wharton Center on the campus of Michigan State University.

Finally, the *Onyx* performance was awarded to John Nolte of the Motor City Metro Chapter. John hasn't yet decided what to do with his winnings, but we have heard rumors of a Nolte family reunion in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Have fun guys, eh?

Pioneer District and *Chicago Nights*, to the rescue

by Milt Zoschke, Benton Harbor Chapter

Less than a week before the August 14th performance of the *American Ballet Theatre* in Benton Harbor's Mendell Center, barbershoppers networking saved the day.

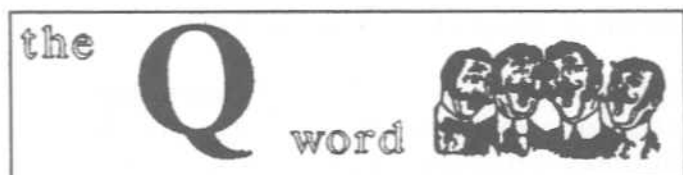
The ballets performance includes a barbershop quartet who sing seven selections as dancers perform the lighthearted S P E B S Q S A onstage. But suddenly the group was without a barbershop quartet.

Roger Valentine, music director of the Battle Creek Chapter, suggested contacting the South Bend Chapter. Jim Debussman at the Society offices provided the names of contacts in South Bend.

Music Director Gaylord Miller of South Bend called Scott Skidmore who sings with the *Chicago Nights* quartet.

They accepted the challenge on short notice. The *Chicago Nights* sang from the orchestra pit as the four dancers performed. It turned out to be a show stopper.

Been looking for space to welcome Bill Tobias, former *Troub* editor, as our new, (since May) proof reader. Found it!



Newly registered quartet in Battle Creek

by Frank Manwaring

The *Open Fifth* was formed almost two years ago by two long-time barbershoppers, Bob Dininny of Albion and this reporter, from Battle Creek. Bob sings bass, and I, baritone. Dave Arevigian, lead and Larry Rabbitt, tenor, round out the foursome.

We have been fortunate to have performed a couple dozen times - free and paid - in venues from Eastern Kalamazoo County to Albion and Olivet.

We've sang at trade shows, recurring holiday gigs at Clara's in Battle Creek, the VA Hospital, chapter Singing Valentines, Cascarelli's in Albion, Battle Creek Library, Battle Creek Central High School, United Arts Council events, Peoples Choice awards at Victory Park in Albion - the list goes on and on.

Our two younger singers are seasoned barbershoppers, one is self employed, the other, a motel manager. Us old guys are retired - one from management, the other, a PhD chemistry professor from Albion College.

Please be advised our quartet name in *not* derived from W. C. Fields' passion for alcohol; rather "Open Fifth" is a legitimate musical term, referring to a chord lacking a fifth, which would not please this baritone.

Chorus of Champions to perform at district fall convention

by Bill Wickstrom, QCA President

A call has gone out to all eligible members of the recently formed Pioneer District *Quartet Champions Association* (QCA) To attend the group's annual get together at the district fall convention. A letter and music has been sent to upwards of 60 quartet champion members requesting their attendance at a *Chorus of Champions* special rehearsal on Sunday, September 22 in Grand Ledge.

An anticipated fall convention highlight again this year will be the second appearance of the Chorus of Champions following the Saturday night quartet contest finals. (Who can forget this groups thrilling debut performance last year?)

Other QCA convention activities include a Saturday morning Breakfast of Champions business meeting, election of officers, informal roast of retiring champions Firepower!, and a brief, final chorus rehearsal. Association members will also participate in the new district quartet champion award ceremonies Saturday as a way of welcoming the winning foursome into their ranks.

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Convention to host ninth annual Seniors Quartet Contest

by Bill Wickstrom, Contest Chairman

The Pioneer District's annual Seniors Quartet Contest, one of the more popular fall convention events, will be Saturday, October 19, at 4:00 pm in the Royale Ballroom of the Lansing Sheraton Hotel. The event gives our ever growing senior membership a chance to compete in an informal and less stressful setting, and perhaps shows the old way may be the best way after all, or at least worth reliving and preserving.

All competitors must be at least 55 years of age by the contest date, and the age total for the quartet must be at least 240 years. All singers must be dues paid members, but the quartet need not be registered with the Society. No more than two members of a quartet may have been members of the same previous district seniors champion quartet.

Each foursome will sing two songs and scoring will be according to official Society quartet contest rules. Uniforms will be optional and will not be judged. Official scoring summaries will be published but there will be no A&R session.

Members of the winning quartet will be presented with the district seniors championship travelling trophy, plus individual trophies. They will be invited to sing following the Saturday night district quartet finals.

The official entry form is below. All eligible quartets are asked to register early, but since the emphasis is on participation and encouragement, newly formed quartets are invited to compete. Therefore, late entries will be accepted until 3:30 pm the date of the contest. The drawing for singing positions will be held immediately thereafter.

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM NINTH ANNUAL PIONEER DISTRICT SENIOR QUARTET CONTEST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1996, 4:00 PM - ROYALE BALLROOM, LANSING SHERATON HOTEL

We attest the following men are paid-up members of the Pioneer District and the International Society S P E B S Q S A Inc., and are eligible to compete in this contest. Quartet registration with the International Society is not required.

NAME OF QUARTET _____

CONTACT _____ TELEPHONE () _____

NUMBER AND STREET _____

CITY AND STATE/PROVINCE _____ ZIP _____

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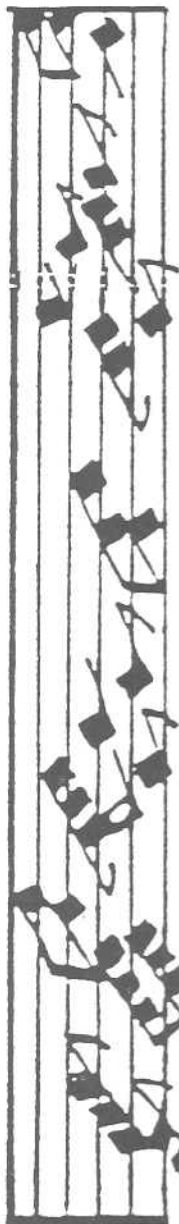
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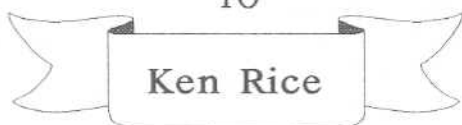




PIONEER CHAPTERS IN ACTION



A TROUBADOUR SALUTE
TO



His was the first chapter copy received for this edition. *Early copy helps, a lot!* Ken writes for the Flint Chapter. Thanks too, to all contributors. There could be no *Troub* without you! The next copy, photo and advertising deadline is **November 15**.

Flint Chapter

by Ken Rice, Publicity Chair

Just how much summer barbershopping is "too much?" According to some of our wives, the *Arrowhead Chorus* put that question to the test this year. The calendar was jam-packed with singing activities all season.

First came our participation, along with choruses from Pontiac, Saginaw-Bay City, and Swan Valley, in a highly successful show in Mayville, Michigan designed to raise funds for the renovation of that community's high school auditorium. Working with the Mayville Lions Club, we collectively made a very favorable impression for barbershop singing on the entire town.

The annual gathering of the same four choruses at the Dead Creek Saloon in Frankenmuth on June 25 was well attended, and provided a showcase for choruses, quartets, and a lot of instances of "four guys in a corner rendering polecat songs." Ron Gillies served as MC for the evening. Organizer and host, John Voss, cooked all the bratwurst. This event is always a highlight of the summer months.

On Sunday, June 30 we made the first of three scheduled appearances as the featured entertainment on the Genesee Belle, the excursion/riverboat sailing on Mott Lake out of Crossroads Village, Genesee County's leading tourist attraction. The one-hour boat trip is a wonderful family experience, made more so, we hope, by our performance. We followed that with additional appearances on August 18 and September 15.

Membership co-chair Don Wills and his wife Francis are gluttons for punishment. They invited us, for the second year in a row, to hold our July 16 Tuesday evening session at their Ortonville home, and to do our singing aboard pontoon boats while cruising the waters of the local lake, entertaining the landlubbers as we drifted by. After returning to land we

gathered in Don's back yard for -- what else? -- bratwurst and sauerkraut. Is that the official SPEBSQSA meal, or what?

On Tuesday, July 23, a chartered bus carried 37 Arrowhead choristers and wives to Stratford, Ontario for the matinee performance of "The Music Man", with dinner in Port Huron on the return trip. Of course, we sang all the way over and all the way back, and we attracted an audience of about 200 when we sang in the parking lot while waiting for the time to enter the theater. We were even joined by one Montreal barbershopper.

As I write this at least eight of our members and their wives are basking in the campground atmosphere at Harrisville, with more set to join them as the Labor Day weekend progresses. Last year Flint missed the attendance award by just one person, so this year we're going all out. We could have won last year if they'd just let us count Fred Kienitz as two people.

Sandwiched around these events have been the individual participation of chapter members in District and International activities such as the send-off parties and the International Convention itself. Flint is always well represented.

Officially the Arrowhead Chorus was shut down for the month of July -- summer vacation. No Tuesday night rehearsals. But, golly, it seemed like we did a lot of singing. How much barbershopping was too much? I'll let you know right after my wife lets me out of the doghouse.

Holland Chapter

by Art Lane, BE and PR Officer

Send the Holland Chapter back to the Netherlands? Well, it's being discussed. The singers in the wooden shoes are considering a visit to our Dutch brother chapter in 1998. The trip would include some sing-outs and a chance to greet the members of Whale City Sound of Zaanstad, Netherlands.

Tag Contest Champs

Lots of great singing was accomplished Aug. 3 at the 11th annual Chester P. Oonk Memorial Tag Contest. The winner in the professional category was the quartet *Vince, Meet Pi*. It included the two Oonk brothers, Jack and Mike, of the Holland Chapter, and two singers from Inside Track, the Cardinal District's third place quartet, namely Vince Winans and Ken Limerick. Winner of the novice class was *The Tagamets*, composed of Sue, Nancy, Mary and Betsy Lucas.

The tag contest crowd gave a birthday salute to longtime barbershopper Don Lucas, lead of the *Extension Chords*. His quartet went to *Continued*, next page

Holland Chapter, continued

International from Grand Rapids four times in the glory days of barbershopping. Don is master of ceremonies for many shows of the Holland *Windmill Chorus* and cooks the chili and roasts the pigs for the chapter's tag contests. The surviving members of the Extension Chords, Don Lucas, Cal Verduin and Sid Helder, plus Don's brother, Myke Lucas, sang one of the quartet's favorites, "Goodbye, Old Dixie."

Hear That Whistle?

Fifty-one members and guests of the Holland Chapter boarded the paddlewheel riverboat "Grand Lady" on Aug. 20 for a dinner cruise on the Grand River. The Ladies Night event, organized by Dale Bekker, featured dancing on the upper deck as the wooded banks of the river passed by.

Survey says...

The Holland Chapter is taking steps to conduct its weekly meetings in the manner desired by those who responded recently to a chapter survey.

President Dick Plaisted designed the survey, which was returned by 20 of 55 participants.

Some key results: All favored using learning tapes for new songs and 95 per cent said they'd like sectional practices also.

--89 per cent would like to compete at the district level and 84 per cent would like to represent the district in International chorus competition.

--83 per cent would like to take a trip to Europe, most likely the Netherlands, in 1998 or 1999.

--90 per cent would like to sing in a chorus of 50 or more.

--Meeting time should be 75 per cent on the risers, 25 per cent in chairs.

In keeping with other results the chapter is putting a greater emphasis on warming up, revisiting old songs and taking time for recreational singing.

Barbershoppers named

Our cheerful and efficient president, Dick Plaisted, was chosen Barbershopper of the Month for May.

In addition to designing the chapter survey, Dick helps organize shows, scouts for quartets to perform and serves as vice president of Division III of the Pioneer District. A couple of years ago, when we needed tenors, Dick converted from baritone.

Named Barbershopper for April was Art Lane, editor of the chapter's bulletin, *The Windmill Blade*.

The Windmill Blade, named the top bulletin in the Pioneer District for 1995, tied for 22nd place among all the Society's bulletins in the contest at the International convention in Salt Lake City. However, the *Blade* came in first among all the competing Society bulletins in the category of Grammar and Style.

Gaylord Chapter

by Hank Hedges, Music Director

The *Harmonie Meisters Chorus*, with the *Four Ever Yours* quartet from Traverse City were featured at the nationally known Gaylord Alpinefest July 18. We sang before a happy, applauding audience of over 500. The cities festival committee was most pleased with the performance, stating that was the largest drawing feature in the last five years.

The chorus sang for the R.S.V.P. awards dinner in September. We also joined with the districts division VI chapters at a mass Heartspring benefit show in September.

In October the chorus will sing at the season opening game of the Gaylord "Grizzlies", our new semi-pro hockey team, managed by Gordy Howe's son. The team will compete in their new multi-million dollar home, the Gaylord Sportsplex.

A heavy Christmas season of singing will end a very busy first year for the district's newest chorus.

The Harmonie Meisters wish to thank all the barbershoppers of the district for the constant support and visits during the year, and welcome you all to come "bust a chord."

Gratiot County Chapter

by Joel Todd, President

Hello again from the Gratiot County Midstatesmen. It's been awhile since you have heard from us. We are celebrating our 50th anniversary this year... and we are very proud to have been here all those years, having a great time together and singing to our hearts content.

We have had singouts, camping trips, and a very succesful (and fun) party for *Firepower!* Sadly, we were unable to attend the party for the new Gaylord Chapter, but both parties were on the same night. Some members of our chapter can't wait to see the tuxedos we gave the new chorus. We were really glad they could use them. We wish Gaylord the same success we've had for 50 years.

Our fall show is coming soon, on October 12 at Alma High School. If you like to laugh and have a good time... we have the show for you. This year we will present "The Midstatesmen's Magic Kingdom," and have learned a lot of new songs for the show.

Two great quartets will be featured. They are *Swing Street*, who are the Queens of Harmony of the Sweet Adelines, and *Firepower!*, Pioneer District Champs.

The evening will include a guest appearance by Miss Michigan. Need I say more? See you there.

We are also lining up our slate of officers due October 15, and are looking forward to seeing all of you at the convention in Lansing.

Battle Creek Chapter

by Frank Manwaring, President and BE

Ed Fritzen, Division II VP, is the new music director of the *Cereal City Chorus*, albeit on a temporary basis. His kind deed will enable us to compete once again, after a years hiatus. We will have 19 on stage October 19.

That's not all... *Every* man on stage with our chorus will compete Friday night in a quartet. Roger Lewis, who conceived this, believes this will be a first: All chorus members also competing in a quartet.

We can't all finish first, but we will start and finish. As the late Mell Allen was wont to say, "how 'bout that!"

To also quote Steve Allen, "This could be the start of something big!"

We here in Battle Creek certainly hope so. This is our renaissance.

Macomb County Chapter

by Roy Gurney, Music VP

I'm really sorry I missed the last issue because we are having another dinner show on October 13. This time it will be held at the Elks Club, 179 Main Street in Mt. Clemens. We will have the same fine catered meal, but there will also be a cash bar available. The facility is a little larger so we will sell 300 tickets and not be cramped like the last time.

The chorus has learned some new songs for the event. Our three guest quartets will be *Endeavor* from Rochester, *Grand Prix*, Sweet Adeline champs, and our own *Power Play*.

Since this is a Sunday affair, the hours will be earlier. The doors and bar will open at 4:30 pm and dinner will be served at 5:30. The show will follow dinner, and the price is still \$15 for everything.

We look forward to a great time and tickets are available from any chapter member, or you may call me at (810) 228-7148.

That will lead us right into the fall convention and contest, which we all look forward to. There is nothing like seeing all of our old friends again.

I would like to congratulate Ann Jarchow on her appointment as the new director of the *Great Lakes Chorus*. We all look forward to seeing you, Ann.

Plans are also underway for our regular show on March 22. We have selected the theme and have started to learn the music. Committee assignments have been made and we're on our way. The show will be at the Warren Woods High School. We also fully intend to start our "Quarter Quartet Quontests" again, maybe in November. We'll let you know.

Mike Slapinski came back to sing with us for the summer. He got together with Dave

Anderson, David Walker and Barry Catherines and worked up some religious songs. They sang at a number of churches throughout the summer, filling in for choirs that had taken the summer off. Thanks for being around Mike.

As we go into the elections of officers we are a little confused but challenged by the change in the makeup of the board of directors. COTS should be especially interesting this year. We'll all be there, ready to learn.

Detroit-Oakland Chapter

by Tom Uicker, Bulletin Editor

It is fall again and another summer has rushed by without hesitating long enough for us to get a good coat of sun-screen on the old limbs. (Maybe that is why so many of our group head to Florida in the winter.) Of course, Detroit-Oakland has been busy all summer, learning new songs for our February show. This year we will have *Marquis* (1995 champs) and *Cornerstone* (the 1995 winners of the Buckeye Invitational). So mark February 14 & 15 on your 1997 calendars, and check the December/January issue of the *Troubadour* for our flyer.

A sad note to report for those few that have not heard already. Detroit-Oakland Chapter had to say good-bye to one of its stalwarts last month when Cy Pelican, after battling cerebral palsy all his life, succumbed to a heart attack and died in his sleep. Cy and his wife Mary were over in Ireland for the month of August, visiting their daughter Susan and her family. He died on August 26 at the age of 77. Cy had just started his 35th year of barbershopping, and was looking forward to receiving his "Golden Oldie" pin. A member of the original Rochester chapter before it folded, Cy then joined Oakland County Chapter which is now part of Detroit-Oakland. But Cy was known and liked throughout the district. This reporter used to travel with him to district conventions when Mary was unable to attend. It seemed that everyone knew Cy. It was not his walk that slowed us down, but all the people who had to stop and chat. Adieu, old friend; you were truly a Golden Oldie.

On a happier note, Detroit-Oakland Chapter is again holding a mini-chorus contest as part of its Canadian Night bash. The "Old Oakland Bucket" is up for grabs. Having been won six times in a row by mini-choruses from the Lansing chapter, it was snatched from their grasp last year by a group from Motor City Metro. So who will be the big winners this year? Come down and see. We experimented last year with moving Canadian Night to the end of September in hopes of somehow attracting more Canadians. It didn't happen. So we are going back to the first Friday in November; that's November first. We will hold it at St. Aidan's hall,
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Detroit-Oakland Chapter, continued

on Farmington Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, in Livonia, starting about 8:30. So start lining up your mini-choruses and come join us for a super night, especially you Canadians.

Lansing Chapter

by Brian Dunckel, Membership VP

The summer of '96 was a busy one, but we wouldn't have it any other way.

We started by chartering a bus to the Windsor Send-off. What a great time. Our *Capital City Chordsmen* then had the chance to sing on "Go West Young Man", a fund-raiser for Pioneer's three quartet representatives to Salt Lake City.

Local festivals included Yankee Doodle Days in Grand Ledge, the Saint Johns Mint Festival, the Dewitt Ox Roast and the Ingham County Fair.

The *Sunday Singers* inspired and entertained at six area churches. Thanks to Larry Parker who directed us, and to Stan Williams. Stan authored our program that interspersed biblical passages, and background history of the hymns. The program also included a little humor to praise God and to convey our love of music and Heartspring to the church-goers. The congregations gave a combined nearly \$1500 in good-will offerings for Heartspring, this year.

But the main event was September 7 and 8 as we held our first ever chorus retreat at the Kettunan Center in Tustin. Joel Mills coached our whole chorus. Sectional and choreography sessions were very beneficial to all.

It wasn't all hard work though, as we began Saturday night by going into town to sing in the front yard of an uncle of one of our members. Neighbors were soon out to listen as well. But the highlight was the impromptu performance at Matt and Melissa's wedding. We had no idea who they were but what a story to tell.

Then we returned to the center for a Krazy Quartet Kontest. The cards continued to be dealt and the chords rang late into the night.

A golf outing Sunday night concluded the weekend, for what should become an annual event.

Wayne Chapter

by Gary Simon

Our warm, pleasant summer was overshadowed by the death of our chapter patriarch, Al Fricker. Al joined the chapter 42 years ago and contributed much to our chapter, the Pioneer District and barbershopping in general. Perhaps his most remarkable feat was earning more than 40 Man of Note awards.

We will miss his strong commitment, his enduring friendship, and his warm smile.

Our MVP, Jerry Beamish, has planned a chapter open house, Tuesday, October 22. We'd like to continue the momentum gained from "Operation Harold Hill." So far this year we've added seven new members.

If you're looking for a chapter to bust a chord with on some Tuesday evening, we rehearse at Newburg United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Trail (1/2 mile East of Newburgh Rd.) in Livonia. As we're learning new songs for our show next March, we'll show (sing?) you our "Irish."

Rochester Chapter

by Frank Mirasola, PR-VP

When preparations for our Fall Show get real intense it's a sure sign that Summer is over. And a busy Summer it has been. The Chorus got off to a quick start in May with a surprise guest appearance at Hazel Park High School in their Spring show. We blew the audience away, and had a great time with the kids.

We had a Memorial Day double-header as the chorus participated in the Rochester wreath-laying ceremonies at Mount Avon Cemetery in the morning and performed for the Lake Orion Veteran's Memorial ground-breaking ceremonies an hour later.

After a one-year absence we returned on June 19, to perform at the Orchard Lake Seminary's Founder's Day Fund-raiser. It is a monstrous all day affair that attracts thousands and is a whole lot of fun.

The rain gods were kind to us in July while we performed at Lake Orion in their Concert in the Park Series. A day-long rain stopped for our one hour show and resumed immediately after it ended. The Rochester Art and Apples Festival in September which attracts over one hundred thousand visitors had a drenching rain on Saturday but had absolutely gorgeous weather Sunday when we performed. We have two more appearances scheduled in September; on the 14th it's the Troy Daze Festival and on the 28th it's the Meadowbrook Art Festival. Obviously Chorus Manager George Schmidt gets the credit for the bookings and the weather.

Not to be outdone two of our quartets have also put in a busy Summer. "The Uncalled Four" (Garry Glomstead, Tenor; Don Reddy Lead; Dave Percy, Bari and Wayne Andrews, Bass, started in June at the Leonard Strawberry Festival when they entertained from the front door of the town Barber Shop! Their Summer continued with performances for the Daughters of the Eastern Star in Madison Heights; Sheepshearing Day at Rochester's Van Hoosen Farm Museum and a huge birthday celebration at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Rochester.

The *Chordmeisters* (Bob McCaffrey, Tenor; Dan Bajorek, Lead; Kurt Keisling, Bari and Al Fisk *Continued*, next page

Rochester Chapter, continued

Bass) began the summer performing at the Rochester Heritage Village Festival on Memorial Weekend. The Summer schedule included performances at the Jewish Seniors Home in Oak Park; the annual Indian Village Homes Tour in Detroit and the Shelby Nursing Center in Shelby Township. To date it has been a busy year for all.

Chapter Secretary Don Lewis again hosted a Board of Directors meeting aboard his 38' sailboat *Repose*. As usual the agenda was completed in record time after President Dan Bajorek called the meeting to order. Treasurer Scott Young steered the ship down the Clinton River and into Lake St. Clair while Lewis and Music VP Wes Tomlinson handled the sails. Member-at-large George Schmidt provided and dispensed the refreshments and PR-VP Frank Mirasola kept the minutes. As you might expect a few songs were sung. The cruise, which ended around 11:00 pm went without incident except for the land-lubber who set his briefcase down in four feet of water!

It was a great night of singing when an eighteen member contingent from the DOC's *Gentlemen Songsters* returned the Jug on September 5th to our chapter. We had over fifty voices including a three man delegation from the Sarnia, Ontario Chapter and sang long into the evening.

It's time to plug our Fall Show, "Rochester Does Berlin," an extraordinary evening of musical and comedy entertainment. The comedy will be provided by *Expanded Sound* and by the University of Michigan *Friars*, the Berlin music will be provided by the *Heart of the Hills Chorus*. It all takes place on Saturday, October 26th at Rochester High School on Walton and Livernois Boulevards in Rochester Hills. There is a matinee performance at 4:00 pm and the evening show at 8:00 pm. Tickets for the matinee, are \$10 General Admission; \$8 for Students and Seniors. Tickets for the evening performance are \$12 for reserved and \$10 General Admission. Tickets can be ordered by phone at (810) 524-2669 or purchased at the box office. It promises to be a very entertaining evening, come and join us.

We would like to pass our condolences along to the family of Cy Pelican and to the members of the Detroit Oakland Chapter on the passing of this lifelong barbershopper. Cy, whose cheerful smile and upbeat spirit made him a friend to all he met, was a frequent visitor at our rehearsal, performances, and shows. He was an inspirational person and will be sorely missed. Here's one last tag for you Cy!

Grosse Pointe Chapter

by Mike Sullivan

Look for the hallways and hospitality rooms to be awash with blue and white as Grosse Pointe hosts the Pioneer 1996 fall convention. There won't be a man among us who won't be happy to sing a tag or song with a fellow barbershopper. Just ask. You couldn't quiet us down if you wanted to. Make sure you visit our hospitality room. All are welcome.

Our Michigan "thumber", Eric Ernst, was kind enough to provide his residence at Port Austin for our annual chapter picnic. His prime rib was *tuto bene*. We had numerous olympic events - toss the dead chicken, kick the shoe off the foot, etc., overseen by our own Linus Scrimmage (Jim Grogan). Togas were optional.

The following weekend saw numerous, hardy chapter campers at Harmony Woods with members of Sarnia, London, and even Windsor chapters. The quartet contest pitted combination chapter quartets against each other. We would never cry foul, but for the second year in a row an all-Canada chapter won. Hmmm? The statement of choice around the campfire was, "I *didn't* sing in a quartet with John Wearing." Even being on stage four times wasn't enough to win. Wait 'til next year.

Our annual Poker Run on the Great Lakes was ably commanded by "Captains" Ed Heinrich, Dale Petrosky, and newly appointed "Admiral" Hank De Mars. Amazingly, Russ Seely didn't hold the winning hand this year. A stop at the various yacht clubs rounded out the afternoon.

Harrisville 1996 saw a rebirth of the *Four Fits*, with Russ Seely, Ray McCalpin, Marv Burke and John Wearing, performing their district winning arrangements. There's still life in that old quartet.

There's lots of planning to still do for the fall convention. Make sure you go to convene, and while you're at it, compete if you like.

Wally

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Ed note - Marg said I had better wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving. So here 'tis, from the two of us, and all the Pioneers.

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Friday

- *Registration, 11 am, lobby, Sheraton Hotel, will move to Waverly H.S. box office one hour before each event.
- *District Board of Directors meeting, 9 a.m.-12 noon.
- *District House of Delegates meeting, 2 p.m.
- *Barbershop Shop - all hours except during contests.
- *Raffle, Associated Charities, lobby, Sheraton Hotel.
- *Concessions, lobby, Waverly High School, before and during contests.
- *Trolley Shuttle, Sheraton - Waverly H.S., \$2.00 all events or \$1.00 each event, at registration desk only.
- *Quartet Contest Preliminary, Waverly H.S. 8:00 p.m.

Saturday

- *Registration, 9 am, lobby, Sheraton Hotel, will move to Waverly H.S. box office one hour before each event.
- *Joe Barbershopper Chorus rehearsal, Waverly High School gym, 10:30 am, on photo risers.
- *Joe Barbershopper Chorus followed immediately by District Chorus Contest, Waverly High, 12 noon.
- *Senior's Quartet Contest, Royale Ballroom, 4 pm.
- *Buffet, Sheraton Pool-side, 4 - 7:30 p.m.
- *Quartet Contest Finals, Waverly High, 8:00 p.m., followed by District Quartet Champions Chorus.
- *Afterglow, Sheraton Pool-side, following contest.
- *Hospitality rooms for all hotels/motels will be posted in Sheraton lobby. Chapters - notify Roger Lewis.

Sunday

- *Sunday morning worship service/gospel sing, 9:15-10:00

This schedule is as correct and complete as may be determined on the date of publication. Please consult the convention program for possible revisions.