Appendix C

International Preliminary Contests

Numbers indicate Society contest placement*

Note: The District wasn't founded until October 1946. "Bonanza Four" was selected at large to attend the 1946 Society Summer Contest. In 1947 and 1948 the District and Int'l Prelims were combined into one contest.

* Placement? In the early days, scores were released 30 days after the contest and then only to the participants. Only the top 5 places were made public. One of the "Four Staters" remembered their placement in the 1948 contest. As far as the public was concerned, any quartet not in the top 15 "tied for 16th". Quartets in the top 15 that didn't make the top 5 were "tied for 6th". The FWD's Reedie Wright had a hand in changing this policy.

Long Beach, 4/25/47

1. Bonanza Four (*)

San Francisco, 5/1/48

- 1. Four Staters (22)
- 2. Wranglers ()

Long Beach, 4/12/49

- 1. Crown City Four (33)
- 2. Rondeleers (27)

Long Beach, 4/22/50

- 1. Westernaires (38)
- 2. Bonanza Four (26)

Los Angeles, 428/51

- 1. San Diego Serenaders (7)
- 2. Uncalled Four (32)

Whittier, 4/26/52

- 1. San Diego Serenaders (4) Far Western District's first medalist quartet!
- 2. Travelaires (16)

Long Beach, 4/25/53

- 1. (Tie) Statesmen (5)
- 1. (Tie) San Diego Serenaders (8)

San Jose, 5/1/54

- 1. (Tie) Statesmen (5)
- 1. (Tie) Travelaires (14)

Los Angeles, 4/30/55

- 1. Travelaires (17)
- 2. Verdugo Dons (24)

Sacramento, 5/12/56

- 1. West Coasters (8)
- 2. Wizards of Ahs (23)
- 3. Verdugo Dons (Semi-finalists)

Berkeley, 5/4/57

- 1. Evans Quartet (16)
- 2. West Coasters (2)
- 3. Sharpshooters (33)

Sacramento, 4/26/58

- 1. West Coasters (4)
- 2. Evans Quartet (5)
- 3. Desert Knights (25)

Pasadena, 4/25/59

- 1. Evans Quartet (2)
- 2. Bay Town Four (9)
- 3. Gala Lads (17)

Salt Lake City, 4/23/60

- 1. Evans Quartets (1)
- 2. Bay Town Four (4)
- 3. Mystics(13)
- 4. Saints (5)

Fresno, 5/6/61

- 1. Bay Town Four (4)
- 2. Forte-Niners (26)
- 3. Saints (5)
- 4. Gala Lads (6)

San Gabriel, 4/28/62

- 1. Gala Lads (1)
- 2. Sidewinders (5)
- 3. Forte Niners (11)
- 4. Mystics (17)

San Jose, 3/11/63

- 1. Sidewinders (3)
- 2. 2. Forte Niners (21)
- 3. Bay Town Four (11)
- 4. Coastliners (13)



Salt Lake City, 4/25/64

- 1. Sidewinders (1)
- 2. Golden Staters (7)
- 3. Coastliners (11)
- 4. Bay Town Four (10)

Pasadena, 4/24/65

- 1. Golden Staters (6)
- 2. Western Continentals (8)
- 3. Coastliners (17)
- 4. Fresnotes (29)

Reseda, 3/16/66

- 1. Golden Staters (4)
- 2. Western Continentals (21)
- 3. Far Westerners (10)
- 4. Pacesetters (12)

Riverside, 3/18/67

- 1. Golden Staters (5)
- 2. Western Continentals (2)
- 3. Far Westerners (9)
- 4. Thermalaires (37)

Salt Lake City, 3/23/68

- 1. Western Continentals (1)
- 2. Golden Staters (3)
- 3. Far Westerners (9)
- 4. Salt Flats (23)

San Diego, 3/22/69

- 1. Golden Staters (2)
- 2. Pacificaires (8)
- 3. Far Westerners (6)
- 4. Gaslight Harmony Four (16)

Sacramento, 3/21/70

- 1. Pacificaires (3)
- 2. Far Westerners (6)
- 3. Gas Light HarmonyFour (15)
- 4. Crown City Good Time Music Co. (21)

Fullerton, 3/20/71

- 1. Pacificaires (4)
- 2. Golden Staters (3)
- 3. Far Westerners (5)
- 4. Crown City Good Time Music Co. (15)

Riverside, 3/18/72

- 1. Golden Staters (1)
- 2. Far Westerners. (4)
- 3. Pacificaires (2)
- 4. Crown City Good Time Music Co. (11)

Tucson, 3/18/73

- 1. Pacificaires (2)
- 2. Crown City Good Time Music Co. (13)
- 3. Far Westerners (5)
- 4. Stage Four (34)

San Diego, 3/17/74

- 1. Pacificaires (2)
- 2. Command Performance (8)
- 3. Crown City Good Time Music Co. (13)
- 4. The Great Stage Robbery (15)

Ventura, 3/16/75

- 1. Command Performance (7)
- 2. San Francisco Storm Door and Whale Oil Co. (25)
- 3. Great Stage Robbery
- 4. Occidentals (19)
- 5. Sound Committee (38)

Fullerton, 3/20/76

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (10)
- 2. Occidentals (15)
- 3. San Francisco Storm Door and Whale Oil Co. (30)
- 4. Gentlemen Songsters (24)

Tucson, 3/19/77

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (2)
- 2. San Francisco Storm Door & Whale Oil Co. (21)
- 3. Sound Committee (11)
- 4. Occidentals (16)

Fresno, 3/18/78

- 1. 139th Street Quartet
- 2. Occidentals (11)
- 3. San Francisco Storm Door & Whale Oil Co. (22)
- 4. Gentlemen Songsters (26)
- 5. Nostalgia (24)

Sacramento, 3/17/79

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (5)
- 2. Occidentals (11)
- 3. Grand Tradition (10)
- 4. Gentlemen Songsters (12)

Oakland, 3/15/80

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (6)
- 2. Occidentals (8)
- 3. Grand Tradition (4)
- 4. Gentlemen Songsters (17)
- 5. Remember When (11)

Sacramento, 3/15/81

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (7)
- 2. Remember When (8)
- 3. Occidentals
- 4. California Fever (12)
- 8.* Main Street Review (27)

* When Occidentals had to drop out of the Society contest in Detroit at the last minute the 5th, 6th and 7th place quartets (Grand Tradition, Gentlemen Songsters and 4 Points West) were unable to get away for various reasons but Main Street Review did make it and placed 27th out of 48.

Fresno, 3/20/82

- 1. Grand Tradition (4)
- 2. 139th Street Quartet. (8)
- 3. Remember When (13)
- 4. California Fever (12)

Long Beach, 3/19/83

(Headquartered on the Queen Mary)

- 1. Grand Tradition (4)
- 2. Remember When (8)
- 3. 139th Street Quartet (7)
- 4. Special Request (22)
- 5. San Francisco Storm Door & Whale Oil Co. (34)

San Jose, 3/17/84

- 1. Knudsen Bros. (8)
- 2. New Tradition (7)
- 3. Remember When (13)
- 4. 139th Street Quartet (10)

Fresno, 3/16/85

- 1. The New Tradition (1)
- 2. 139th Street Quartet (9)
- 3. Special Request (8)
- 4. Remember When (7)

Sacramento, 3/15/86

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (6)
- 2. Remember When (7)
- 3. Knudsen Bros. (8)
- 4. San Francisco Storm Door & Whale Oil Co. (42)

Anaheim, 3/21/87

- 1. Remember When (8)
- 2. Great Western Timbre Co. (23)
- 3. 139th Street Quartet (4)
- 4. Kidder &Sons, Inc. (17)

Anaheim, 3/19/88

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (6)
- 2. Remember When (10)
- 3. Great Western Timbre Co. (15)
- 4. Kidder & Sons, Inc. (28)
- 5. Musician's Choice (23)

San Jose, 3/18/89

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (3)
- 2. Remember When (11)
- 3. Nightlife (Didn't go)
- 4. Harmony Spectrum (17)
- 5. Musician's Choice (22)

Pomona, 3/17/90

- 1. Remember When (10)
- 2. 139th Street Quartet (2)
- 3. Special Feature (14)
- 4. Western Union (13)
- 5. L. A. Tymes (18)
- 6. Harmony Spectrum (15)
- 7. Musician's Choice (31)

Sacramento, 3/16/91

- 1. 139th Street Quartet (5)
- 2. Special Feature (7)
- 3. Harmony Spectrum (22)
- 4. Standing Room Only (25)
- 5. Western Union (30)
- 6. California Gentry (12)
- 7. Swingtime (39)

8. Nightlife (31)

- San Bernardino, 3/21/92
 - 1. 139th Street Quartet (4)
 - 2. Special Feature (7)
 - 3. Nightlife (11)
 - 4. Western Union (23)
 - 5. Knudsen Brothers (9)
 - 6. Standing Room Only (12)
 - 7. Rhythm and Rhyme (18)

Las Vegas, 3/20/93

- 1. Special Feature (5)
- 2. 139th Street Quartet (6)
- 3. Nightlife (4)
- 4. Standing Room Only (7)
- 5. Western Union (19)
- 6. Rhythm & Rhyme (15)
- 7. Knudsen Bros.(Didn't go)
- 8. California Forte (41)

Oxnard, 3/19/94

- 1. Nightlife (2)
- 2. Standing Room Only (5)
- 3. Rhythm & Rhyme (16)
- 4. 139th Street Quartet (12)
- 5. Special Feature (9)
- 6. Western Union (Didn't go)
- 7. California Forte (27)
- 8. Metropolis (25)
- 2. (In RMD contest) Rad Dads (46)

Fresno, 3/18/95

- 1. Nightlife (3)
- 2. Standing Room Only (4)
- 3. 139th St. Quartet (Didn't go)
- 4. Rhythm & Rhyme (14)
- 5. Western Union (Didn't go)
- 6. Vintage Blend (31)
- 7. California Forte (Didn't go)

Standing Room Only (3)

139th Street Quartet (25)

Special Feature (8)

4. Rhythm & Rhyme (16)

Vintage Blend (26)

Revival (15)

- 8. Metropolis (Didn't go)
- 9. Brass Ring (34)

Reno, 3/16/96

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1. Nightlife (1)