



Far Western District

Hall of Fame

Deane Scoville - 2003

Our Hall of Fame winner grew up in a family that gathered around the piano every Sunday afternoon and sang together. His father seemed to know the words to an endless number of songs. During his junior and senior years in high school, the glee club director encouraged him to sing in a barbershop octet. They earned an "A" rating in the State Contest both years.

World War II saw our honoree serving as a U. S. Marine -- still harmonizing whenever he had the chance and could find three "good men."

After the war, he was busy earning a living and supporting his family. His singing was limited to his church choir and Sundays "round the piano."

In 1976, he joined the South Bay Chapter and almost immediately, he was in his first registered quartet, "The Editorial Staff." That was the first of seven quartets that our Hall Of Famer enjoyed. A later foursome, "The Rusty Roosters" were the first Far Western District Super-Senior Quartet Champions in 1996. When the "Roosters" retired to the barn, our honoree decided to switch from baritone to lead (more fitting for a president). He's still bending the chords with "ALL THE PRESIDENTS MEN."

He has held membership in three chapters: South Bay, Santa Fe Springs and Fullerton, serving as President in South Bay and Fullerton. He has received the Barbershopper of the Year Award as well as being named the Barbershopper of the Eighties -- but we don't know if that was for activities in that decade or his age.

He has received the FWD President's Award twice, the second this weekend which included his wife for their combined contributions. On the district level, he has served an Area Counselor, Youth Activities Committee member, Events Committee member, District Vice President, District Music Educator, District President and Immediate Past President.

Our Hall of Famer continues to give of his time and talents and is currently serving the Far Western District as Chairman of the Nominating Committee. Our Hall of Fame winner has done much to foster, improve and maintain the membership's enjoyment of our district's events and musical weekends. Today, our conventions and educational seminars are still the best attended in the Society. His successes over these many years, aided by his attention to detail and devotion to the basic principles of harmony, have made him the obvious selection for the Far Western District Hall of Fame. Ladies and gentlemen, our Hall of Fame winner for 2003, Mr. **Deane Scoville!**