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Dear Doug:

Please share with the chorus the fact that your concert last evening was the most enthusiastically received of any musical event ever presented here at Stonebridge. Ever! And I do mean Ever!

Given the age range of our residents, I was concerned that many would look askance at having a bunch of self-designated gay men brought for a performance on our stage.

Although some of us tend to be staunchly inclusive in our views and would be expected to attend, it was no certainty that your audience would be not be a bit sparse.

After all, our lifetimes had encompassed the years when intolerance was taken for granted and the gay style viewed as deliberate defiance of the human norm.

But hooray! The turn-out was as numerous as for any musical event and your listeners with you from your first note in wholehearted response.

When you began your finale-- "We are men who love men"--I looked around, expecting that some in the audience would visibly flinch. I was amazed that it turned out to be the number that really brought the house down, as you yourselves could tell.

Afterwards, in the elevators and corridors, there were rave reviews. Needless to say, I was elated that you gentlemen had accomplished a cultural phenomenon.

Thank you for coming to Stonebridge and my best to all of you as you continue to enlighten the world song by song.



Dorothy Beeners