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When I was at State, the women's glee club (Treble Clef) was most instrumental in my life. I was chosen (the first freshman ever) to be included in the quartet. What an honor!! The difficulty was that Treble Clef and the quartet were very popular and frequently in demand.

Five weeks after school began, I was put into a class taught by Professor Tolbert called "Elements of Merchandizing". (It took 3 weeks longer to locate a book about the subject!) Freshman English was over-run by upper class people who needed that credit to graduate. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - sometime as the class - were when the music department was asked for entertainment. It so happened that I missed every mid-term and the final exam and as a consequence failed that course.

Music has always been a part of my life. My Mother was a professional musician and both my sisters and brother were singers.

I married in 1940, had one daughter in 1941 and waited out the war years as a divorcee. Re-married in 1952, moved to Chicago where we (husband too) were very active in music activities.

The return to San Diego in 1974 and a re-union with all my family and friends was still a musical life for me. I sing in the choir - sometimes as soloist - at 1st Baptist Church. Lately most of my other associations have been with friends from High School (S.D. High) and SDSU. I have an Allen theater organ and often play for company where we sing and remember songs of "our era".

I have 3 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren and have enjoyed participating in several Pre-50s reunions.

I was a secretary in an insurance office for a number
of years and then in the Safe Deposit Dept at S.D.
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Retired in 1985 - Now I garden - and enjoy life.
I am a member of ZLAC Rowing Club, Crew 8. and
do keep busy!