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THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dr. Theodore M. Klinka

A most cordial "Welcome" to all new Illinois State ACDA members, and a most cordial "Welcome Back" to all of you ACDA "old-timers."

I enter the office of President of our state organization with enthusiasm and am looking forward to meeting and corresponding with as many of you as possible because I know that we can grow professionally and personally through our contact with each other.

As in most jobs, there is the "Good News" and the "Bad News." The Good News is that we are having our Second State Convention in **Peoria** on Friday evening, Oct. 14, and Saturday, Oct. 15. This is not a "good news" convention — this is a GREAT NEWS convention! Look at the program and you will see that there are outstanding groups and personalities from both within and outside the state who will be present.

We are extremely fortunate to have Marcel Couraud, internationally renowned conductor of the *Groupe Vocale de France*, present a lecture/demonstration on Friday evening. In addition, Margaret Hawkins, Director of the Milwaukee Symphony Chorus and Director of Performance at Wisconsin Conservatory, will present a lecture/ demonstration on "Literature: The Search and the Solution" on Saturday morning.

We have tried to cover all areas of performance and have really been fortunate in obtaining junior high, high school, and university groups that will inspire you for the remainder of the year!

Chuck Stark with his Singing Knights (70 boys!!) will give you many ideas for recruiting and working with boys. And who doesn't need that kind of information?

The University Chorale, University of Illinois, conducted by Harold Decker and Leonard Rumery, will present several unique multiple choir selections accompanied by instruments. John Davis, assisted by his Bradley University Madrigal Singers and an excellent panel, will provide an exciting and practical exchange of music and ideas regarding madrigal dinners.

Two of our truly exceptional high school choirs, the Moline Senior High School Choir, conducted by Calvin B. Hedegaard, and the Concert Choir and Towne Criers from Forest View High School in Arlington Heights, conducted by Jerome Swanson, will present an excellent variety of literature and helpful ideas.

The Sine Nomine Singers, a unique vocal ensemble of music teachers and active professionals from the Carpentersville area, conducted by Peter Van der Honert, will perform at the Saturday luncheon.

Finally, we have one of the finest junior high school groups in the country giving a concert/demonstration on Saturday afternoon. This choral ensemble is from Washington Junior High School in Kenosha, Wisconsin, and is directed by Kim Deal. They have performed for the 1971 National ACDA, the 1973 and 1976 Wisconsin Music Educators Conference, the 1975 North Central MENC convention, and will be featured at the 1978 National MENC convention in Chicago! Kim Deal will talk about all aspects of the junior high vocal program. This event will certainly be one of the highlights of the convention.

Now—do yourself a favor and plan to be there! Now do others a favor and "spread the word." Especially tell the junior high school choral directors because they do not receive a direct mailing.

Oh, I almost forgot! The "Bad News" (for you) will be if we don't see you in Peoria on October 14 and 15. Till then . . .

CONVENTION PROGRAM

Friday Evening 7:00 – 10:15

- WELCOME Theodore M. Klinka
President, Illinois ACDA
- CONCERT "Music for Multiple Choirs"
University Chorale, University of Illinois
Harold A. Decker and
Leonard Rumery, Conductors
- CONCERT "Music for Boys' Voices"
Singing Knights
Lincolnway Community High School
New Lenox, IL
Charles Stark, Conductor
- LECTURE/DEMONSTRATION
"French Choral Music"
Marcel Couraud
Internationally renowned conductor of
the Group Vocale de France

PANEL:

- Bradley University
Madrigal Singers
John Davis, Conductor
- Steve Rosolack
Director of Liturgical Music
Diocese of Peoria
- Harry Spell
Director of Collegium Musicum
Bradley University, Peoria, IL
- Pamela Speer
Director of Choral Music
Metamora High School, Metamora, IL
- CONCERT/DEMONSTRATION
"Junior High Choral Music"
Selected Ensemble from
Washington Jr. High Mixed Chorus
Kenosha, WI
Kim Deal, Conductor
- CONCERT "Senior High Choral Music"
Concert Choir & Towne Criers
Forest View High School
Arlington Heights, IL
Jerome Swanson, Conductor

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Saturday Morning 9:00–Noon

- CHORAL READING SEASON
Carl Fischer, Inc., N.Y.
Don Razey, Clinician
- CONCERT "Music for Senior High School Choirs"
Moline Sr. High School Choir, Moline, IL
Calvin B. Hedegaard, Conductor
- LECTURE "Literature: The Search and the Solution"
Margaret Hawkins, Lecturer
Director of Performance
Wisconsin Conservatory of Music
and Director of Milwaukee
Symphony Chorus, Milwaukee, WI
- LUNCHEON/CONCERT
Sine Nomine Singers
Carpentersville, IL
Peter Van der Honert

Saturday Afternoon 1:15–4:00

- CONCERT/PANEL DISCUSSION
"The Madrigal Dinner"

GUEST CLINICIANS

Marcel Couraud will present a session on the music of selected French classicists (Lalande, Rameau, Lully) and Poulenc. His session will center around French music neglected in this country that is performable by high school as well as college and church choirs. In order to utilize his expertise to the fullest, a conductors' chorus will be formed to work directly under Mr. Couraud. You won't want to miss this enlightening and inspiring experience.

Margaret Hawkins will present a session on quality literature suitable at the high school level. Distinguished for her excellent work with high school and university choirs, Ms. Hawkins combines years of practical experience with impeccable taste. As Chairperson for ACDA's High School Standards and Repertoire Committee, she recently published a monograph entitled "An Annotated Inventory of Distinguished Choral Literature for Performance at the High School Level." If you believe in presenting our finest art to our young people, you will find Ms. Hawkins' session to be invaluable.

CLIP AND MAIL



REGISTRATION FORM

Second Illinois ACDA State Convention October 14-15, 1977

Name _____
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City _____ Zip _____

Please check

ACDA member (with luncheon) \$10 _____
(without luncheon) \$ 5 _____

Non-member* (with luncheon) \$15 _____
(without luncheon) \$10 _____

Student (with luncheon) \$10 _____
(without luncheon) \$ 5 _____

Additional Luncheon \$6.50 _____

Total Amount Enclosed _____

To anticipate voice parts and facilitate planning for a balanced group to work under Mr. Couraud, please circle your voice part if you would like to participate in the conductors' chorus.

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Mail to: Convention Registrar
Patricia Densford
1017 59th Street
Lisle, IL 60532

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Illinois ACDA

*Non-members may join ACDA at the Convention.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 14-15** - ACDA State Convention II, Continental Regency Hotel, Peoria
- October 21-22** - University of Illinois Vocal-Choral Clinic
- January 19-21** - IMEA Conference, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago
- February 9-10** - ACDA North Central Division Convention, Hotel Radisson, Minneapolis
- February 18** - Tenth Annual Illinois ACDA Invitational College Choir Festival, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
- April 12-15** - MENC National Convention, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago
- April 22** - Ninth Annual Illinois ACDA Invitational Junior College Choir Festival, Illinois Central College, Peoria
- March 8-10, 1979** - ACDA National Convention, Kansas City



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() STUDENT (INDIVIDUAL) \$7.50

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE

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(For STUDENT CHAPTER MEMBERS ONLY)

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STUDENT CHAPTER MEMBERS will receive Membership cards and the Choral Journal in group mailing to their teacher-sponsor (ACDA members) or Chapter President.

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YEAR IN SCHOOL

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(Type or Print)

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