



Georgia Newsletter

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I begin my term as president of the Georgia ACDA it is immediately apparent that the organization is stronger than ever, the involvement and support the greatest it has been. Under the leadership of John Haberlen, his board members have done an excellent job in implementing creative directions for our organization. They have provided new ideas and activities that stimulate the intellect and sooth our need for making good, aesthetically relevant music.

We, as a member of a larger organization, are demonstrating ideas that stand as excellent examples to the rest of the division as to the vital importance to our professional colleagues of a support mechanism. That mechanism designed to sustain the positive attitude and fresh inspiration needed by all members in order to continue to provide quality musical instruction in our schools, communities and churches.

It concerns me, however, that at a time when so many things are improving, that music in our public schools seems to be suffering from an inadvertent "squeezing out" of elective courses due to new emphasis on improving academic instruction. We are facing a renewed swing away from the arts that must be addressed by music colleagues on every level if we are to eradicate this reactionary swing of public educational.

There are, at this time, professional organizations (including this one) actively working to eliminate this problem through structuring and directing the efforts of groups of interested parents, teachers and friends. It seems that we are at a time when those people directly responsible for the school curricula must be informed as to the desire of parents that music continue to exist in our schools. The function of once again stressing music as an important element in the development of the "complete human being" should arise in the forefront of our priorities if we are to insure our very existence.

I think the thing that concerns me more than the problem itself, is the seemingly noncommittal attitude of so many music teachers. I sense that the feeling of "it will correct itself" is the primary plan of dealing with this situation. Believe me, it won't just go away. We all must take an active role in the efforts to solve this imbalance. This includes not only public school teachers but also college, church and professional musicians. I would surmise that the church will be in a position to offer one of the greatest support functions in the interim period, keeping the young musician involved and providing an outlet for quality musical activities.

If you are finding it difficult determining a "plan of action" please write me and I will be glad to send you information that has already been

compiled and ideas that have already been implemented as possible solutions to the problem. Or, write Jim McRaney, GMEA President-Elect. He too is most willing to be of assistance.

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President ACDA
1458 Camelot Lane
Tucker, GA 30084

Jim McRaney
President-Elect GMEA
2636 Whiteleigh Court, NE
Atlanta, GA 30345

Please get involved in your ACDA chapter in the coming months. We, as your elected officers, are here to help you. Without your input and your involvement it becomes an impossible task trying to anticipate your needs and desires. Working together as a unified organization of choral directors, we can continue to build a positive "mechanism" from which we all can benefit and through which many thousands of music students all over the state will continue to grow.

Michael Anderson
President

FROM THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

November 23, 1985 has tentatively been set as the date for the annual Georgia ACDA convention. Plans for the convention include three reading sessions; one on middle school-junior literature, one on high school literature and one for church choir anthems. There will be several interest sessions. One will address the decline of choral music enrollment due to new requirements and how to combat the problem. There will be at least three very diverse concerts. We will close the convention with a dinner. Please plan to attend and stay the

entire day, especially for the dining and socializing. It's good to spend time together, getting to know each other better.

All the plans for the convention are not yet final. If you have an idea or suggestion, please call or send it immediately to:

Beth Brown
President-Elect
1510 Cedar Bluff Trail
Marietta, Georgia 30062
(404) 426-6104

I look forward to seeing you at the convention!

Beth Brown
President-Elect

FROM THE PAST-PRESIDENT

The three year term is over and I can say that it has been with pride that I have served as your president. It has been a joy working with our Georgia ACDA Board and Newsletter Editor, Ted Mathews. Ted deserves special accolades for the extensive outlay of time he has devoted to the preparation and mailing of our State Newsletter. Our board has served our state in an outstanding manner. Please note their names as board members and chairpersons of their respective areas.

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Sylvia Ross

YOUTH AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Mary Legler

We are closing in on the 300 membership goal which was set in 1983. Our membership has increased by ca. 35% in the last three years. Our 1985 Intercollegiate Choral Festival, hosted by Agnus Scott College, featured the following six choirs:

AGNUS SCOTT COLLEGE GLEE CLUB
Dr. Theodore Mathews, Director

NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE SINGERS
Dr. David Barnett, Director

OGLETHORPE UNIVERSITY SINGERS
Mr. Eugene Brasher, Director

ATLANTA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE CHOIR
Mr. Rodney A. Sturtz, Director

GA. STATE UNIV. CHAMBER CHOIR
Dr. John Haberlen, Director

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA WOMEN'S
GLEE CLUB

Mr. Mark Jessie, Director

Our state conventions are well established and offer ACDA members a novel opportunity for new learning, listening, and communicating with colleagues each fall.

Recently President Larry Wyatt wrote saying that the Southern Division membership had elected me President-Elect commencing July 1, 1985. Having been a life member for 18 of the 25 year history of ACDA I have been fortunate to serve our organization in many ways; assisting with conventions, 12 years on the Editorial Board, 8 years on the Publications and Research Committee and as your State President for the past three years. I have been thrilled with the numerous accomplishments of ACDA. I never entertained the thought that at some point of time I would have the opportunity to serve at such a high level. What an awesome responsibility. But it is comforting to know that so many Georgia ACDAers will be available to offer sound advice and support to ACDA activities on the Division level.

Your new state President, Michael Anderson and Beth Brown, President-Elect are dedicated to strengthening our chapter. A new board of chairpersons has been selected and invited to serve with the new administration. Give each of them your support. Now is the time to make sure they know what you want them to accomplish over the next several years. Then, do your part to help make those ideas realities.

John Haberlen
Vice-President

DATES TO REMEMBER

- July 28 & 30, 1985.....Hinshaw Reading Session
Grace United Methodist Church
Bob McBain, Local Organizer
[Call for information]
[876-2678]
- July 30, 1985 2:00 p.m.....Board Meeting
All members welcome
- November 23, 1985.....Georgia ACDA State Convention
9:00 a.m.
Location TBA
- February 20-22, 1986.....Southern Division Convention
Hyatt Hotel
Nashville, TN

(Grace United Methodist church is located approximately one mile east of Peachtree street (downtown Atlanta) on Ponce de Leon Ave.)

WHAT IS ACDA?

The American Choral Directors Association is a non-profit professional organization of choral directors with active membership composed of directors from schools, colleges, universities, community and industrial organizations, churches and professional choral groups. Associate members include students and other interested individuals, institutions, music publishers and manufacturing firms. If you are an active member, share ACDA with a friend. If you're not, we invite you to join this nearly 12,000 member organization now.

Activities and services of the ACDA include National, Divisional and State Conventions, THE CHORAL JOURNAL, (the finest magazine of its kind with articles for you the choral director), a Tape Bank of seldom recorded works, the sponsoring of contemporary organizations. State groups sponsor an increasing number of reading clinics, festivals, workshops and other choral director related activities.

Interested persons should forward the attached form, as indicated on the form. Start now to become involved in America's leading choral director's organization. If you are a member, invite a friend to share ACDA!

[Borrowed from Pennsylvania State Newsletter, Douglas Miller, Editor]

Application for Membership in American Choral Directors Association

Please accept my application for membership in ACDA as indicated below:

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|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Active | \$25.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate | \$25.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student | \$10.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Retired | \$7.50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign | \$40.00 | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributing | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | \$75.00 | | or more |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Institution | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> *Life | \$500.00 (payable in annual installments of \$50.00 or more.) | | |

- Areas of primary activity: Children Jr HS
 Sr HS Coll-Univ. Comm. Church
 Other _____

Applicant's Name _____
TYPE OR PRINT

Title and Position _____

Institution _____

Institutional Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Preferred Mailing Address _____
STREET

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

* Include a brief resume of career, if available, for your personal file.

Make check or money order payable to: American Choral Directors Association

Mail to: Gene Brooks
 Executive Secretary, ACDA
 P.O. Box 6310, Lawton OK 73506

NOTICE: In an effort to better communicate with our membership, we are trying to organize members according to PRIMARY AREAS OF WORK in choral music. If your name is on the list below, this indicates that we do not have this information for you. Please fill out the attached form and return immediately to:

Michael Anderson
1458 Camelot Lane
Tucker, GA 30084

NAME: _____

PRIMARY AREA OF WORK: _____
(i.e. college, high school, church, etc.)

LAST	FIRST	CITY		LAST	FIRST	CITY
Aikens	Gary A.	Warner Robins		Huxford	Vicki	East Point
Anderson	David L.	Decatur		Jenkins	Elizabeth	Columbus
Bailey	Alvin J.	Hinesville		Johnson	Linda M.	Dunwoody
Baker	John	Americus		Jones	David A.	Athens
Baxter	Jeffrey W.	Newnan		Kegley	Steven W.	Brunswick
Benson	Reed	East Point		Kicklighter	T.	Savannah
Boesenberg	Nancy	Roswell		Laberge	Nellie J.	Concord
Bolton	Roxanne	Norcross		Lewis	Barbara	Cleveland
Born	Roger L.	St. Simons Island		Mankin	Angie	Griffin
Bradberry	Linda L.	Augusta		Matherly	Virginia	Vidalia
Bridges	Robin	Fitzgerald		McElroy	Ann	Macon
Brock III	Hugh D.	Atlanta		Metts	James F.	Decatur
Carter	Paula Dee	Albany		Moffitt	Michael	Athens
Casey	Mildred T.	Atlanta		Moore	Dana	Lagrange
Cook	Paul	Forest Park		Myers	Linda C.	Savannah
Cook	Kathy Anne	Norcross		Nelson	Beth P.	Macon
Cook	Kathy D.	Palmetto		Painter	Patricia	Norcross
Cooper	Timothy	Athens		Pate	Suzanne E.	Atlanta
Corbin	Carrilynn	Atlanta		Patterson	Theresa M.	Forsyth
Cross	Randall R.	Hartwell		Patton	Mary A.	Roswell
Daniel	Robert E.	Waycross		Pride	Glenn E.	Dalton
Draper	Ellen	Alpharetta		Pylant	Stanley	Americus
Elrod	Randall G.	Ringgold		Reese	David C.	Atlanta
Faglier	Marsha Lynn	Forsyth		Sellers	Kenneth L.	Port Wentworth
Fisher	Mark	Atlanta		Shannon	Edie	Alpharetta
Fuller	Rebecca G.	Ellijay		Shannon	D. Michael	Smyrna
Garvey	Jamie C.	Augusta		Sides	Jim	Toccoa
Gerace	Deborah C.	Marietta		Spence	Valerie H.	Norcross
Goodwin	Marilyn	Jonesboro		Stevens	Tharon	Savannah
Green	Dr. Edward T.	Statesboro		Taylor	Terry D.	Atlanta
Green	Bill R.	Stone Mountain		Tyson	Henry	Fitzgerald
Gunter	Joyce R.	Dunwoody		Ward	Vicki Lynn	Marietta
Haney	Douglas	Buford		Wheeler	James M.	Macon
Harwelleleanor	Anne	Rome		Williams	K.R.	Roswell
Hettler	Miriam A.	Atlanta		Willson	Nana	Atlanta
Holley	John	Smyrna				