



# Spring 1988

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# 1989 NATIONAL

The 1989 National Convention of the College Band Directors National Association will be held on the campus of the University of Texas, Austin, TX, February 24-25, 1989.

# **Mid-West Minutes**

COLLEGE BAND DIRECTORS NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Board of Directors Meeting December 18, 1987; 8:00 a.m. Hilton Hotel and Towers Chicago, Illinois

J. Julian called the meeting to order. Others present: Richard Strange, Ray Cramer, Don Hunsberger, Richard Floyd, Stanley Hettinger, Frank Wickes, Myron Welch, Gary Hill (representing the Southwest Division in the place of Bob Foster), William Johnson and Keating Johnson.

Divisional Reports

Eastern — The Divisional Conference will take place April 8-10 at the University of New Hampshire/Durham. There will be performances by collegiate and adult ensembles. Premieres will include a new work by Daniel Bukvich.

Southern - New Orleans will be the site of the Divisional Conference. The meeting, in cooperation with NBA, will be held January 21-23. Performances will include collegiate bands, high school bands and

community bands.

Western - The Western Conference will have a "retreat format" in a conference center near Santa Barbara. The goal will be to pull the Western Division into a more cohesive unit. There will be concerts, conducting workshops, repertoire clinics and mini-discussion sessions on several topics of interest.

Southwestern - TCU in Fort Worth will be the site of the Southwestern Division Conference. It will be a combined CBDNA/NBA meeting with numerous concerts and extensive composer involvement. The dates will be

February 4-6.

Northwestern — As a result of various conflicts, new conference dates are being set. Plans call for the sessions to take place at Whitmore College in Spokane. This site has been selected in hopes of attracting more directors from the eastern states in the division.

Northcentral — February 25-27 will be the dates of the Northcentral Divisional Conference. The program will include sessions on the music of Vaughan Williams, a lecture by Warren Benson and various panel discussions.

Commission Project

After extensive discussion, J. Julian asked Richard Strange and Ray Cramer to look into the possibility of seeking two commissions, one immediately accessible commission for 1991 and a long range project to be premiered at the 1993 Convention. A list of composers was submitted for the committee's consideration.

Research Projects

Steve Miller (Case-Western University) recommended that a workshop based on Laban Movement Theory be included in the program for the 1989 National Conference. He also recommended that there be a call for papers from outside the band profession. Topics could include harmoniemusik, ornamentation and anylasis.

The possibility of a study on the availability of rental

music would also be a valuable topic.

Don Hunsberger suggested that, at some meeting. there could be an "on the spot" session that would be a survey on techniques of teaching conducting without requiring a mail survey.

**CBDNA** Report

Gary Corcoran (Pittsburg State University/Report Editor) announced that we are currently mailing 1,000 copies of each issue of the Report. The cost per member is \$2.50 per year for three issues. He suggested that minutes from the National Board meeting be included in the Spring Report and he announced that the next deadline for copy was March 1st.

Gary was recognized for his outstanding work with

the Report.

1989 National Conference

Glenn Richter and Paula Crider (University of Texas/ Austin) outlined plans for the next National Conference, briefed the board on the various facilities available, and gave a preview of social options that exist.

**CBDNA Conducting Symposium** 

Allan McMurray (University of Colorado) presented details regarding a conducting workshop that is scheduled at the U. of Colorado for June 13-19, 1988. The workshop will be structured to meet the needs of the college/university wind band conductor. McMurray requested that the CBDNA Board designate the workshop as a CBDNA project and provide up to \$1,000 in financial support.

Richard Strange recommended that the Board discuss and vote on the proposal at a later time in the

business meeting.

State Chairmen

Robert Spradling (Syracuse University/State Chairman Coordinator) gave the following report on the activities of the State Chairmen:

Efforts have been made to increase areas of communication within each state. Spradling encouraged Divisional Presidents to utilize the services of the State Chairmen. It was also suggested that members of the National Board receive copies of any mailings generated by individual State Chairman.

**CBDNA Journal** 

Jim Arrowood (U. of N. Carolina/Journal Editor) reported that the next edition will begin production in January and should reach the membership by mid-March. He reported that the current practice is to publish only when sufficient quality material is available for another volume. After some discussion it was agreed that CBDNA would stay with AR Editions for at least one more Journal before making a decision about changing printers.

Constitution and By-Laws Revision Committee

Howard Nicar informed the Board that the revisions which were made at the National Conference at Northwestern University were not valid since they were not voted on by the entire membership. The misunderstanding occured because of an inaccurate printing of the Constitution in the *Report* after the 1985 National Conference in Boulder, Colorado.

Nicar also suggested that additional minor revisions would be sent to the Board for their consideration and action prior to the 1989 National Conference in Austin.

Financial Report

Richard Floyd presented the financial report for the 1986-87 fiscal year. The report was reviewed and approved by the Board. Motion: That the Financial Report be approved as presented. Passed 10-0.

New Business

The issue of supporting the Conducting Workshop at the U. of Colorado was again brought up for discussion. Motion: That CBDNA endorse the U. of Colorado Workshop and provide \$500 in support for the project.

After some concern was expressed about the possibility of future commitments to other proposals the motion was withdrawn. Motion: That CBDNA provide \$500 for the U. of Colorado Workshop; that it be designated a CBDNA Conducting Workshop; that participation be limited to CBDNA Members only, with the understanding that an individual may join CBDNA in order to be a participant. Passed 10-0.

It was suggested that information concerning a request for proposals for future workshops be published in the *Report* and other communications.

Richard Strange took the chair so that J. Julian could

attend another meeting.

Don Hunsberger expressed concern about future recording arrangements since Crest Records had

reorganized.

Stan Hettinger commented that he felt there would be a further polarization of directors as the responsibilities of concert conductors, marching band directors, jazz ensemble directors and other disciplines became more specialized.

Richard Strange asked for input concerning the site of the 1991 National Convention and entertained preliminary discussion of plans for the 1991 program.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

# **Conducting Symposium**

The 1988 CBDNA Conducting Symposium for band conductors will be held at the University of Colorado from June 13-17.

H. Robert Reynolds, Director of Bands at the University of Michigan, and host Allan McMurray will be sharing the presentation of six hours per day of intensive exploration of expressive conducting technique, repertoire, rehearsal techniques, analysis and interpretation of scores.

This workshop is intended for the experienced conductor who would like to sharpen skills, expand knowledge of repertoire and stimulate creativity.

Two levels of participation are available:

- The Conductor/Participant will conduct for evaluation in the morning hours and participate in seminars in the afternoon. (Only 25 conductors, selected by earliest postmarked return of application will be accommodated.)
- The Observer/Participant will observe the morning sessions and participate in seminars in the afternoon. This option will be of value not only to the student of conducting, but to teachers of conducting as well.

In addition to the class sessions, a resource room loaded with scores and recordings will be available before and after each day's activities.

Further information and application forms, if not already received, may be obtained by writing to:

CBDNA Conducting Symposium Campus Box 302 College of Music University of Colorado Boulder, CO 80309-0302

# **CBDNA Research News**

Stephen Miller, Case-Western Reserve Univeristy

At a recent meeting of the CBDNA Board, I proposed the following research presentations for the National Convention in Austin, February, 1989:

# A Panel Report on the Use of Laban Movement Theory in Conducting Pedagogy

- A. Neale Bartee, faculty member at Arkansas State University and author of "The Development of a Theoretical Position on Conducting Using Principles of Body Movement as Explicated by Rudolf Laban," will speak on the movement theory of Rudolf Laban and the reasons why the theory may prove beneficial to both conductors and teachers of conducting.
- B. Stephen Miller, who has involved four universities in an experimental research project dealing with the use of Laban Movement Theory in conducting pedagogy, will discuss his research findings.
- C. Gail Poch, faculty member at Temple University, certificate recipient from the Laban/Bartenieff Institute of Movement Studies and author of "Conducting: Movement Analogues Through Effort Shape," will lead those in attendance in a movement workshop designed to relate Laban Movement Theory to conducting performance.

The above panel approach is intended to accomplish three objectives:

- A. Describe the background behind a research theory;
- B. Illustrate an experimental application of that theory in classroom settings;
- C. Provide an opportunity for CBDNA members to personally experience the theory and movement principles of Rudolph Laban in a movement session.

The above concept met with the approval of the Board and will be undertaken for the convention. For those interested in finding out more about Laban Movement Theory before the 1989 Convention, a good place to start is the Bartee dissertation listed below.

In addition to the above project, other research ideas have been suggested by members and are in the planning and consideration stage. They include the following:

- A. A panel report on the "Current Status of Graduate Wind Conducting Curricula" based on a survey of existing programs.
- B. Paper/Presentation sessions based on the results of an international Call for Papers and Presentations in the primary scholarly sources outside the immediate wind band profession.
  - C. A study investigating the degree to which biomechanical feedback can help us learn about the conducting process. This project was proposed by a CBDNA member who is currently undertaking a study with a biomechanics professional.

- D. A study of method for teaching instrumental music education techniques.
- E. An update of publishers' rental lists. This might best be handled by an ongoing committee.
- F. A history of the CBDNA Research Committee.
- G. A study of the accomplishments and contributions of J.J. Richards.

If you would care to be involved with the development of the above or other research projects, or simply have an issue/problem/concept of interest, please contact me and I will help in whatever way I can.

CBDNA is well represented in international research. Three of our members have been invited to present papers at the 8th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Promotion and Investigation of Wind Music in Budapest, Hungary during the summer of 1988. Presentations on the wind music of Vaughan Williams, Holst and Milhaud will be given by Robert Grechesky of Butler University, Jon Mitchell of Carnegie Mellon University and Stephen Miller of Case-Western Reserve University respectively.

Additionally, I would like to bring to your attention material from related publications which may serve as stimulating resources in your research and teaching efforts:

- Bartee, Neale. "The Development of a Theoretical Position on Conducting Using Principles of Body Movement as Explicated by Rudolf Laban." Ph.D. dissertation, University of Illinois, 1977.
- Delano, Alice and David Royse. "Factors Influencing the Decision of College Freshmen To Participate Or Not To Participate in Kent State University Music Ensembles." Contributions to Music Education. 14 (Fall 1987): 9-18.
- Flum, Robert A. "The Use of the Alto, Bass and Contrabass Clarinets in Selected Wind Band Compositions Written Between 1951 and 1972." DMA dissertation, University of Northern Colorado, 1985.
- Goodstein, Richard D. "An Investigation into Leadership Behaviors and Descriptive Characteristics of High School Band Directors in the United States." *Journal* of Research in Music Education. 35 (Spring 1987): 13-25.
- Ostling, Acton Eric. "An Evaluation of Compositions for Wind Band According to Specific Criteria of Serious Artistic Merit." Ph.D. dissertation, The University of Iowa. 1978.
- Russell, Timothy W. and Philip M. Clark. "Preparing for a Career as a Conductor: Advice From the Professionals." Dialogue in Instrumental Music Education. 11 (Fall 1987): 55-61.
- Wilkinson, Christopher. "Starting or Starting Over: Some Thoughts on Initiating a Research Program." Contributions to Music Education. 14 (Fall 1987): 59-63.
- Yarbrough, Cornella. "The Relationship of Behavioral Self-Assessment to the Achievement of Basic Conducting Skills." Journal of Research in Music Education. 35 (Fall 1987): 183-189.

# Southern Division

Frank B. Wickes, President

The CBDNA/NBA Southern Division convention held at the Sheraton Hotel in New Orleans was highly successful with more than 100 active members in attendance. Alumni groups of performing university bands and band parent organizations of high school groups helped to swell the concert audiences.

New Orleans is a marvelous convention city and should be considered as a site for a future national

CBDNA convention.

At this time, a successful financial report is being circulated to the Southern Division membership by

Secretary-Treasurer Jim Sparks.

Nominations for the office of President-Elect for the 1988-1990 biennium are Dennis Zeisler of Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia and Dr. William Gora of Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina.

#### **OUACHITA PARISH HIGH SCHOOL** SYMPHONIC BAND Monroe, Louisiana Donald Gee, Conductor

Occident et orient, Op. 25 Camille Saint-Saëns Prelude and Variations on "Gone Is My Mistris" James Sclater Pictures At An Exhibition Modest Mussorgsky arr., Hindsley

#### DOBYNS-BENNETT HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND

Tyler Fleming, Conductor Perry Elliott, Associate Conductor

Third Suite for Band Fanfare and Intrada Pas de deux Polka Excentrique

Danse Generale

Italian in Algiers Gioacchino Ressini arr., Cailliet

Dr. W.J. Julian, Guest Conductor First Suite in E-flat

III. March Blue Bells of Scotland

Arthur Pryor arr., Pearson

Rick Simerly, Trombone Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night

Elliot Del Borgo

Alfred Reed

#### JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY WIND SYMPHONY John Patrick Rooney, Conductor

Fanfare for the Common Man Circus Overture

Aaron Copland William Schuman arr., Owen **Bruce Broughton** 

**Tuba Concerto** 

Kevin J. Stees, Tuba Quintessence, for five percussion soloists

and concert band Allegro con forza

William Kraft

Colonial Song Symphony No. 1, "Jeremiah" III. Profanation

Percy Grainger Leonard Bernstein arr.. Bencriscutto

#### LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND Lafayette, Louisiana

Patrick W. Finkbeiner, Conductor

Sketches On A Tudor Psalm Saturday Night Waltz from Rodeo

Aaron Copland arr., Bennett/Finkbeiner **Gregory Danner** 

An English Suite

Premiere Performance

Serenade for Wind Band Armenian Dances, Part I Derek Bourgeois Alfred Reed

Fisher Tull

#### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA WIND ENSEMBLE

Jerry F. Junkin, Conductor

Olympische Hymne Wings

Richard Strauss Warren Benson

Lincolnshire Posy\*

Percy Grainger

I. Lisbon

II. Horkstow Grange III. Rufford Park Poachers IV. The Brisk Young Sailor V. Lord Melbourne

VI. Lost Lady Found

\*in honor of the 50th anniversary of the first performances Couleurs de la Cite Celeste Olivier Messiaen

John Mark Harris, piano

Dionysiaques, Op. 62

Florent Schmitt

#### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO WIND ENSEMBLE

John R. Locke, Conductor Aspen Jubilee

Concerto for Piano, Winds and Percussion

Ron Nelson David Maslanka

Arthur R. Rollefson, Piano **Emblems** 

Aaron Copland

Esprit de Corps

Robert Jager

#### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE Thomas V. Fraschillo, Conductor

Mary Ann Stringer, Piano

Wiener Philharmoniker Fanfare Dark Forest

Richard Strauss Luigi Zaninelli George Gershwin

Rhapsody in Blue **Gustav Holst** 

scored, Grofe Samille Saint-Saëns

Marche Militaire Francaise from Suite Algerienne Music for Prague 1968

arr., Hindsley Karel Husa

I. Introduction and Fanfare

II. Aria

III. Interlude IV. Toccata and Chorale

Additional clinic and discussion sessions included the following:

Special Topics In Band Research: "Student Training in Basic Ensemble Rehearsal Technique" - Harry Price (University of Alabama). "Pep Band Activities in the Southeast" — Richard E. Goodstein (Clemson University). "The Influence of College Marching Band Participation on Cognizable Aspects of March Band Directors' Expectations" — H. Dwight Satterwhite, Jr. (University of Georgia). "College Music Students and Attrition" Thomas Goolsby (East Carolina University). "Teaching Jazz Improvisation to the College Musician" - William L. Kennedy (Florida State University).

"Marching Band Film Sessions" - H. Dwight

Satterwhite, Jr. (University of Georgia).

"International Awareness and Directions - An

Opportunity and An Obligation" - James Arrowood (University of North Carolina) presiding.

"The Art of Conducting" - James Paul (Conductor,

Baton Rouge Symphony Orchesta).

"The Music of Joseph Schwantner" - Dennis

Johnson (Murray State University).

Concerts by the New Orleans Concert Band, Peter Dombourian, Conductor; and the McNeese State University Jazz Band, Lake Charles, Louisiana; Rick Condit, Director.

# **North Central Division**

Myron Welch, President

The Division Convention was held with our NBA colleagues at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, February 25-27. As expected, Mark Kelly, Jay Jackson and staff were wonderful hosts and everything ran very smoothly. Warren Benson, our featured speaker and guest, was a delight. As usual, he left us questioning what we do and searching for ways to do everything even better. Although the number of NBA members in attendance was less than hoped for, I believe the combined convention will develop into a rich exchange of ideas at future meetings.

The dates of the next divisional convention have been set for the weekend of February 22-25, 1990. The exact days will be determined later. President-Elect Miles Johnson and Frank Bencriscutto will host the convention

at the University of Minnesota.

There are several exciting projects being undertaken at the state level. These range from a commissioning project in Wisconsin to the IBA Assistance Program for Young and Prospective Teachers in Iowa. The latter was a combined effort of CBDNA and the lowa Bandmasters Association. State chairmen will provide more details of these projects in the next Report.

#### **BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY** SYMPHONIC BAND Mark Kelly, Conductor

Sympony II: "Lost Songs"

Warren Benson

Concerto for Piano and Winds Virginia Marks, piano Fisher Tull

A Passion-Cantata for Winds, Percussion

and Voices

**David Holsinger** 

Andreas Polimenos, baritone

#### WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE William Gilmer, Conductor

The Messenger

C. L. Barnhouse ed., Paynter

Sinfonia Nobilissima Psalm for Band

Robert Jager Vincent Persichetti Percy Grainger

I'm Seventeen Come Sunday Themes from "Green Bushes"

arr., Daehn Percy Grainger arr., Daehn

Sketches On A Tudor Psalm The Hounds of Spring

Fisher Tull Alfred Reed

#### IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE

Joseph Christensen, Conductor

Smetana Fanfare Karel Husa **Fugal Overture** Gustav Holst arr., Phillips Gustav Mahler Four Songs by Friedrich Rückert arr., Phillips Propagula Robert Linn Adagio for Wind Orchestra Joaquin Rodrigo "County Band" March Charles Ives arr., Sinclair

#### ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHAMBER BAND Richard Hansen, Conductor

arr., Grafulla
Josef Gung'l
arr., Barrett
Charles ives
arr., Singleton
Charles Ives
Charles Ives
arr., Elkus
D.W. Reeves
J.S. Bach
arr., Goldman/Leist
Ludwig van Beethoven
Ron Nelson
Richard Strauss
Cuno Count von Moltke
Zo Elliott
Giacomo Puccini
arr., Barrett

#### **CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY** CHAMBER WINDS Howard Meeker, Conductor

Overture in F Major Concertino in C Major for Oboe and Winds	Hyacinthe Jadin C.M. von Weber
Laurie Lubick, oboe	Thomas prominers
Nonet	Fisher Tull
Harmonie in F Major	Franz Krommer
La Creation du Monde	Darius Milhaud

Other lectures and discussions included the following topics: "The Lost Works of Ralph Vaughan Williams" -Robert Grechesky (Butler University) assisted by the Bowling Green State University Concert Band, Jay Jackson, Conductor; and the Bowling Green State University Chorale, Terry Eder, Conductor.

'Toward a More Complete Presentation of Our Program" — Warren Benson (Eastman School of Music). 'Three New Works by Warren Benson: Wings.

Symphony II, Dawn's Early Light" - Warren Benson. 'Guest Conducting: Expectations of the High School Music Educator, the Students, and the Guest Conductor" - Miles Johnson (St. Olaf College), Clifford Chapman (Clarkston, Michigan), William Gilmer (Villa Park, Illinois), Craig Kirchhoff (Ohio State University), John Paynter

(Northwestern University), Vince Polce (Defiance, Ohio),

H. Robert Reynolds (University of Michigan). 'Whither the Band?" - Dr. Robert Thayer, Dean,

College of Musical Arts, Bowling Green State University. "Focusing Your Conducting: The Personal Study Phase With The Score" — Thomas Dvorak (University of

Wisconsin-Milwaukee).

"The Future of School Bands: What Are The Options?" - Gerald Olson (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Mark DeTurk (University of Wisconsin-Madison), H. Robert Reynolds (University of Michigan), Robert Erickson (Whitmer High School, Toledo, Ohio).

# Southwestern Division

Robert Foster, President

The Southwestern Division of CBDNA, combined with the Southwestern Division of the National Band Association, held its meeting at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. Hosts Robert Blanton and Steven Moser did an excellent job on our behalf, and all those who attended appreciated their efforts.

#### GEORGETOWN, TX, HIGH SCHOOL SYMPHONIC BAND

Michael Schaff and Richard Voyles, Conductors

Yorktown's Centennial March

John Philip Sousa arr., Jurrens

James Barnes

Yorkshire Ballad Armenian Dances

Aram Khachaturian

arr., Satz

#### GEORGETOWN, TX, HIGH SCHOOL HONORS BAND

Rodney Klett and Susan Mendel, Conductors

The Hounds of Spring

Alfred Reed George Gershwin

Second Prelude

arr., Krance Johannes Hanssen

Valdres

arr., Bainum Norman Dello Joio

Variants on a Medieval Tune SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

WIND ENSEMBLE Robert Scott and Michael Casey, Conductors

Fanfare for the Fighting French

Walter Piston

Commando March

Samuel Barber

Concerto for Percussion and Wind Ensemble

Karel Husa

Maestoso

Moderato molto

Allegro ma non troppo

California Jubilee Colonial Song Proclamation

Roger Nixon Percy Grainger

John Prescott

#### TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE Robert M. Blanton, Conductor

Allegro Brillante

**Bob Margolis** 

Steven Moser, Conductor

Ingolf Dahl

Sinfonietta

I. Introduction and Rondo

II.Pastoral Nocturne

III. Dance Variations

Rose Variations

Robert Russell Bennett

Intro. The Garden Gate

Theme Carolina (Wild) Rose

Var. II Fran Karl Druschki (White) Rose

Var. III Cinnamon Rose (with hummingbirds)

Var. IV American Beauty (Red) Rose Steve Weger, Trumpet

Fanfare Stadt Luzern

Edgar Howarth

James Jacobsen, Conductor

Commencement

Curtis Wilson, Conductor

Curtis Wilson

Country Band March

Charles Ives arr., Sinclair

#### UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE

Russell Langston, Conductor Steven Pederson, Associate Conductor

Toccata Marziale

Ralph Vaughan Williams

The Armies of the Omnipresent Otserf Pagan Dances\*

David Holsinger James Barnes

I. Ritual

II. Mystics

III. The Master of the Sword

James Barnes, Guest Conductor \*Premiere Performance

Triumph and Tradition Florentiner March

Robert Jager Julius Fucik

#### PLANO EAST HIGH SCHOOL (TX) HONOR BAND

Larry Tucker, Conductor Robin Owens, Assistant Conductor R.J. Winters, Dir. of Performing Arts

In Storm and Sunshine With Sounding Trumpets Sussex Mummer's Christmas Carol

W. Francis McBeth Percy Grainger arr., Goldman

J.C. Heed

The Wind And The Lion

Jerry Goldsmith arr., Davis

The Battle Pavane

Tielman Susato arr., Margolis

Canyonlands Bugler's Holiday

Thomas Root Leroy Anderson arr., Edwards

#### UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON WIND ENSEMBLE

Ray C. Lichtenwalter, Conductor John Carnahan, Assistant Conductor

Tribute The Solitary Dancer

Barbara Barnick, Solo Dancer

Figures Sonores Arlington Concertante

Henk Badings Stephen Dodgson

Mark Camphouse

Warren Benson

Linton Powell, Harpsichord Children's March

Percy Grainger

#### OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE Joseph Missal, Conductor

The Duke of Marlborough Brigg Fair

Percy Grainger Percy Grainger arr., Ballenger

Julie McCoy, Soprano William L. Ballenger, Conductor

Green Bushes

Percy Grainger arr., Daehn Walter Hartley

Concerto for 23 Winds Andante-Allegro non troppo Vivace

Lento

Allegro molto Al Fresco March, Op. 99

Karel Husa Sergei Prokofieff

#### DALLAS WIND SYPHONY Howard Dunn, Conductor

The Wasps

Ralph Vaughan Williams

arr., Vollmers

Concerto in E-flat II. Andante

Johan Nepomuk Hummel

III. Rondo

arr., Ghitalla/Corley

Lyman Brodie, Trumpet

Sheep Shearing Song from Somerset

Sir Eugene Goossens arr., Grainger

Variations on "America"

Charles Ives arr., Schuman/Rhoads

Italian Polka

Sergei Rachmaninoff arr., Goldman John Williams

Selection from "The Cowboys"

arr., Lewis

Hands Across the Sea

John Philip Sousa

#### NORTH TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY 1:00 JAZZ BAND

Neil Slater, Conductor

Update On The Edge Anthropology Zoot I'm Old Fashioned Harlem Nocturne The Fortune Teller Secret Love

Other lectures and discussions included the following topics:

"The Wind Music of Joseph Schwanter" — Cynthia

Folio (Texas Christian University).

'From the Mountains of Colorado to Toadally Awesome" — James A Jacobson (TCU Director of Bands Emeritus).

"Composer's Forum" - David Holsinger (Grand Prairie, TX) and James Barnes (University of Kansas).

Chamber music concerts by the Reunion Brass Quintet and the Baroque Trombone Ensemble.

# Western Division

William Johnson, President

The Western Division is happy to report that its Santa Barbara conference was a success and that CBDNA is alive and well in the west. There are 172 colleges and universities in the Western Division, with 98 paid up members of CBDNA. Of those, 45 members attended our divisional meeting.

President W.J. Julian attended the conference and spoke at the banquet. The Western Division will soon be under the leadership of John Thrasher of Glendale

Community College in Glendale, Arizona.

FINE ARTS BRASS QUINTET Anthony Plog, Trumpet G. Burnette Dillon, Trumpet James Atkinson, Horn James Sawyer, Trombone

J. Alan Johnson, Bass Trombone Georges Delerve Fanfare Michael Praetorius Dance Suite from "Terpsichore" Ballet de Brenoville ed., Dean **Two Courantes** 

Pavane de Spaigne La Bouree Three Bransles Volte

Claude Debussy **Trois Chansons** 

Dieu! qu'il la fait bon regarder Quant j'ai ouy le tambourin Yver, vous n'este: qu'un villain

Quintet in B-flat Robert Sanders

Grave - Allegro Adagio Allegro vivo La Serafina

Pietro Lappi Gioseffo Guami Canzon 6 Pietro Lappi La Alle J.S. Bach from "The Art of Fugue" arr., Sauer

Contrapunctus I Contrapunctus VIII George Gershwin from "Porgy and Bess"

Summertime I Got Plenty of Nothin' It Ain't Necessarily So

#### **UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY** SYMPHONIC BAND George Sparks, Conductor

Torch Dance Symphonic Concert March

James Barnes G. Bonelli arr., Falcone Fisher Tull Antonin Dvorak

arr., Gale

Jargon Carnival

#### SANTA BARBARA CITY COLLEGE/ WESTMONT COLLEGE COMBINED WIND ENSEMBLE Harry Bulow, Conductor

John Rapson, Conductor Gerald Bouma, Conductor

Alfred Reed Centennial! Gioacchino Rossini Tancredi Overture William H. Hill A Norman Rockwell Suite I. The Horseshoe Forging Contest

II. Looking out To Sea

III. Gossips IV. Four Freedoms

Festivo

Vaclay Nelhybel

#### UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA SYMPHONIC WIND ENSEMBLE John Boyd, Conductor

Joseph W. Hermann, Assistant Conductor

Children's Overture Morning Music

Eugene Bozza Richard Rodney Bennett

I. Prelude

II. Ships

III. Towers IV. Domes

V. Theatres VI. Temples

VII. Finale Pictures at an Exhibition

Modest Mussorgsky -arr., Boyd

#### ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY SYMPHONIC BAND Richard E. Strange, Conductor Robert C. Fleming, Conductor

**Tribute** Second Suite in F for Military Band, Op. No. 2

Mark Camphouse **Gustav Holst** 

Song without words, "I'll Love My Love" Song of the Blacksmith

Fantasia on the "Dargason"

Jim Curnow

Partita for Band

John A Thrasher, Conductor

Symphony No. 6

Vincent Persichetti

Adagio — Allegro Adagio sostenuto Allegretto Vivace

Dialogues On "In Dulci Jubilo" Robert C. Fleming, Conductor John Zdechlik

Symphonie Funèbre et Triomphale Oraison Funebre — Adagio non tanto

Apotheose — Allegro non troppo

Hector Berlioz

Steven Gamble, Trombone solo David E. Whitwell, Conductor

Other lectures, workshops and forums were held and included the following:

"Brass Workshop" — Anthony Plog (Fine Arts Brass

"Marketing Strategies for the College and University Band" — William Johnson (California State Polytechnic University).

"The Art of Musical Preparation" — Larry Sutherland

(California State University, Fresno).

"Saxophone Workshop" - Leo Potts (California

State University, Long Beach).

"Instrumental Music Education in America: the 21st Century" — Moderator, Tom Lee (UCLA).

# Oberlin On Record

The Oberlin Conservatory Wind Ensemble and Contemporary Music Ensemble have begun a recording project with Opus One Records, commencing January 1988. The emphasis will be works of American composers not yet recorded. The initial project will involve composers Edward Miller, Nicholas Thorne, and Michael Daugherty.

On May 25, these ensembles conducted by Larry Rachleff will perform at Merkin Concert Hall in New York City. On the program will be "SNAP!," a new work for winds and strings by Michael Daugherty, "Beyond the Wheel," Edward Miller's recent composition for violin solo and wind ensemble, "Points on the Curve to Find" by Luciano Berio, and the New York premiere of Nicholas Thorne's "Three Tales."

# Festival at Fitchburg

This past November the Fitchburg State College Band and Director Frank Patterson hosted an Intercollegiate Band Festival on their campus in northcentral Massachusetts. Other groups participating included the Salem State College Band, John Finnegan, Conductor; Northeastern University Band and Wind Ensemble, Kenneth Ayoob, Conductor; and the Westfield State College Wind Philharmonia.

On December 4, the Harvard University Wind Ensemble, Thomas Everett, Conductor, premiered David Snow's Bakers Tale at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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# **PSU Band Honors Richards**

The Pittsburg State University Concert Band "and Friends" paid tribute to a former resident of Pittsburg, Kansas, who was one of America's foremost march composers in a special concert on Thursday, December 3.

J.J. Richards, known as "Johnny" to his friends in Pittsburg, was a very important musical figure locally throughout much of the 1920s and 1930s. He was widely respected and had a national reputation as well during most of his professional career.

During his years in Pittsburg, Richards taught music in the public schools, conducted the Pittsburg Municipal Band and the Mirza Temple Shrine Band, and owned a

local music store.

Dr. Gary Corcoran, PSU Director of Bands, said that it is important for the city to keep the memory of Johnny Richards alive. "Here is a man whose marches are known to virtually every band conductor in the world. Although he was also known during his lifetime as an outstanding teacher and band conductor, it is through his music that we can continue to pay tribute to the man himself."

Joining with the PSU Concert Band were several other musicians including band alumni, area music teachers, music department faculty, and members of the "Windjammers," an association comprised of fans of

circus band music.

In addition, Gene DeGruson, Special Collections Librarian at PSU's Axe Library, was the featured speaker on the program and provided a historical narrative on the life and music of J.J. Richards.

Richards was born in Wales in 1878, and was brought to this country at the age of 4 by his parents. After living for short periods in Pennsylvania and Indiana, the family settled in the mining community of Litchfield, Kansas, near Pittsburg.

He once attended what was then Kansas State Teachers College in Pittsburg, and later graduated from the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago.

Richards' early musical career was as a cornetist with the Forepaugh-Sells Circus Band and then the Ringling Brothers Circus Band. He later became the bandmaster with the Ringling Brothers Circus, a position he held for seven years.

Leaving the circus life behind, Richards returned to Pittsburg in the early 1920s and taught the school bands and orchestras for several years. His march "Hutchinson Field" commemorates the stadium where the Pittsburg High School football team plays its home football games.

In the late 1920s, he left Pittsburg for Florida, where he had bands in Bradenton and Daytona Beach. Upon returning to Pittsburg, Richards was associated with an organization which provided bands for state fairs, and he himself conducted bands at state fairs in Kansas, Oklahoma, Wisconsin and other midwestern states.

Richards moved to Sterling, Illinois, in 1937. While there he taught music in the schools of Sterling and Rock Falls, and conducted the Sterling Municipal Band as well as the Kable Brothers Printing Company Band at Mount Morris, Illinois.

In 1945, J.J. Richards became the conductor of the famous Long Beach Municipal Band in Long Beach, California. This well supported 36-piece band performed 11 concerts per week year round. Richards retired from

his Long Beach post in 1950 and returned each summer to Mount Morris to conduct the Kable Brothers Concert Band.

In 1954, Richards suffered a stroke from which he did not entirely recover. He died March 16, 1956.

During his lifetime, J.J. Richards wrote over 300 compositions for concert bands and circus bands.

The selections included on the "J.J. Richards Day" Concert program were: "Golden Bear," "Wichita Beacon," "Cadets On Parade," "Triumph of Alexander Overture," "Hutchinson Field," "All-Western Band Review," "Florida," "Speedway Gallop," "The Show World," and "Emblem of Unity."

Corcoran credits Bob Foster, Director of Bands at the University of Kansas, for locating much of the historical data on the composer. In 1977, the K.U. Band released a record album entitled *The Sound Spectrum of J.J.* 

Richards.

Mayor John Lair of Pittsburg presented a proclamation at the concert designating December 3 as

"J.J. Richards Day" in Pittsburg.

Later, the Pittsburg City Commission voted unanimously to name the band shell in Pittsburg's Lincoln Park, the "J.J. Richards Band Shell." The commission has given Corcoran the responsibility of raising through private sources the approximately \$500 needed for mounted lettering which will properly identify the structure.

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