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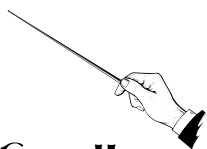
KEEPING YOU IN TUNE WITH THE ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS OF THE CENTRAL COAST SECTION OF CMEA

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From the
Podium
of Willow Manspeaker
CCS President



WE'RE ALMOST THERE! I know how busy the last several months of the school year can be, but just remember, summer is almost here! Take some time in between rehearsals, concerts, and festivals to breathe and look ahead to more relaxing days that are just around the corner.

It was so wonderful to see so many of you at the 2006 CMEA Conference in Sacramento. At CMEA we are always looking for suggestions from our members regarding the conference. Please feel free to share any ideas for sessions for next year or comments that you had regarding this year's conference with me. I will be attending the CMEA State Board Meeting at the end of this month and I would be happy to pass your feedback along.

There are several upcoming events that I would like to remind you about. For choral directors, there is the CCS Choral Festival on Tuesday, May 16th at the Santa Cruz Bible Church. At this point, the festival is nearly full, so if you are interested in bringing a group to this festival, please send me your application as soon as possible (applications are available on our website: www.ccs-music.org). Also, I'd like to invite you all to attend our annual Spring Banquet and General Meeting. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the Board Members, fellow music teachers, and to reconnect with old friends. The Banquet will be on Saturday, June 3rd at the Green Valley Grill in Watsonville beginning at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to me by May 31st.

You will find in this edition of *The Sonata*, election ballots for the open CCS Board positions. Please take the time to review the ballot and return it to Theresa Hruby by May 31st. Results of these elections will be announced at the General Meeting. If you or someone you know is interested in either being on the CCS Board or helping

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MENC National Conference

Submitted by Theresa Hruby

From April 19 until April 23, the national MENC conference was held in Salt Lake City, Utah. CCS was well represented by Steve Ettinger, Eugene Smith and myself. The conference offered an in-depth variety of helpful classes as well as incredible concerts.

Highlights included classes with the master of improvisation, Jamey Aebersold, Standard of Excellence composer Dean Sorenson, and many other nationally and internationally known teachers and artists. The confer-

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ence was very well organized, offering a variety of opportunities that would enhance the education and skills of all attendees.

The weather was cooperative and in fact far better than the cold and rain we've had recently in California. Multitudes of flowers were in bloom all over down town, especially at Temple Square.

Concerts included the United States Army Band "Persings Own," a "battle of the bands" between the Boston Brass and the Army Band Brass Quintets (boy was THAT fun!) the Utah Symphony Orchestra, and of course the Mormon Tabernacle Choir. The latter (no pun intended) was the most memorable. The concert (deemed the "Spirit of America") was held in the Church of the Latter Day Saints' Conference Auditorium, which seated 21,000 (and all seats were full, too)! This concert included the choir, the Army Herald Trumpets, the Orchestra at Temple Square, the "Expressions of Silence" student group from the

Montana school for the Deaf and Blind, and the Oak Ridge Boys! What an experience to join the Mormon Tabernacle Choir in singing our National Anthem as well as "America, the Beautiful"! WOW! There wasn't a dry eye in the house. Music once again reigned as the all-encompassing expression of beauty and spirit. The experience reminded us all that we are indeed in the most noble of professions.

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in any capacity, please contact me and let me know. Each member of the CCS Board is a full time music teacher who volunteers extra hours to make the section events run smoothly. We welcome and encourage any additional help that you have to offer.

Good luck with the remainder of the school year. I hope to see you all at the Spring Banquet and General Meeting so that I may wish you a long and restful summer.

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2005 Honor Band Music Sale

The Central Coast Section has music from the 2005 High School Honor band to sell. Cost will be 50% of the listed retail of the music. If interested, contact the CCS secretary, Brad Gronroos at North Salinas High School, 831-796-7544.

3 sets of In Joyful Celebration by William Owens. Grade 3 \$25.00

2 sets of Near Woodstock Town by Percy Grainger, Arr. Ray Cramer \$25.00

1 set of Near Woodstock Town, score missing
\$15.00 (replacement score available)

2 sets of Pastime with Good Company by Henry VIII, arr. Philip Sparks \$47.00

1 set of Pastime with Good Company. missing score \$30.00
(replacement score available)

CCS Calendar 2005-2006

Date	Event	Location	Time
Sept. 14	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Stevenson School	4:30 pm
Sept. 24	CCS General Meeting & Dinner	Green Valley Grill	6:30 pm
Oct. 12	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Soquel H. S.	4:30 pm
Nov. 5	HS Honor Band/Orch Listening*	Seaside H. S.	9:00 am
Nov. 7	HS Honor Choir Auditions	Soquel H. S.	TBA
Nov. 8	HS Honor Choir Auditions	York School	TBA
Nov. 9	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	E. A. Hall	4:30 pm
Dec. 3	MS Honor Band/Orch. Listening*	Seaside H. S.	9:00 am
Dec. 7	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Salinas H. S.	4:30 pm
Jan. 11	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	New Brighton M. S.	4:30 pm
Jan. 13-14	Bay Section Conference	San Jose State University	Two Days
Jan. 26-28	CCS H. S. Honors Event	Golden State Theater, Monterey	Three Days
Feb. 8	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Carmel H. S.	4:30 pm
Feb. 9-11	CCS MS/JH Honors Event	Pacific Grove Middle School	Three Days
Mar. 4	CCS Jazz Festival	Monterey	TBA
Mar. 9-11	CMEA Coference	Sacramento	Three Days
Mar. 15	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	North Salinas H. S.	4:30 pm
Apr. 1	Solo Ensemble • South	Seaside H. S.	TBA
Apr. 8	Solo/Ensemble • North	New Brighton M. S.	TBA
Apr. 19	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	York School	4:30 pm
Apr. 28	Large Group Inst. Festival	Hartnell College	TBA
May 10	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Seaside H. S.	4:30 pm
May 13	State Solo/Ensemble Festival	Sacramento	TBA
May 16	CCS Choral Festival	Santa Cruz Bible Church	TBA
Jun. 3	<i>CCS Board Meeting</i>	Green Valley Grill	5:00 pm
Jun. 3	CCS General Meeting & Dinner	Green Valley Grill	6:30 pm

* Drop off and mailing information for honor group audition tapes or CD's will be included with the materials you receive in the mail from the event chairs, or posted on our website • www.ccs-music.org



CMEA-CCS Ballot 2006-2008



PRESIDENT ELECT

(Vote for one)

- Eugene Smith
 Write-in _____

SECRETARY

(Vote for one)

- Brad Gronroos
 Joe Johnson
 Write-in _____

TREASURER

(Vote for one)

- Mark Bidelman
 Write-in _____

BOARD MEMBER

(Vote for three)

- Barbara Priest
 Victoria Zieber
 Glenda Bernhardt
 Steve Ettinger
 Write-in _____

This Ballot must be received by May 31, 2006, to be valid.

Please send to: Theresa Hruby
Seaside High School
2200 Noche Buena Ave
Seaside, CA 93955

Or email your vote to: maestrahruby@aol.com

Remember to include your MENC membership number

MENC # _____ Exp. date _____

Help CCS stay current...Update Your information

Keeping all of our information current requires diligence and persistence. The CCS Board and the chairs of our events are working at the ongoing task of keeping our contact information current. We want to ensure that our mailings are sent to the correct set of people for each event.

Thank you. Jon Christian, CCS Data Base Manager

**WE NEED A SEPARATE RECORD FOR EACH SCHOOL WHERE YOU TEACH.
PLEASE FILL IN THE DOTS FOR SCHOOL LEVEL AND SUBJECTS TAUGHT**

Once you have updated your information below, mail it to:
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Recapitulation	April 24, 2006	May 1, 2006	May 3, 2006	May 5, 2006

The Music Man ♦♦♦ Joe Ostenson

By Danielle Smith/Staff Writer, Hollister Free Lance

(This is a reprint of the article published in the Hollister Free Lance on March 31, 2006.)

If the gift of music is one of the greatest you can give a child, Joe Ostenson is a generous man indeed. Three generations of band and choir students were present Wednesday night as Ostenson was surprised with the Central Coast Section of the California Association for Music Education's Lifetime Achievement Award.

"This was all a very pleasant surprise," said Ostenson. "It means a lot that my colleagues and students are proud of the work I'm doing."

The Lifetime Achievement Award is bestowed each year to music teachers who have made a career out of going above and beyond the call of duty for their students.

"We want to honor someone who has given a lot of service to the Central Coast," said Association President Willow Manspeaker. "Joe got his first teaching job in Hollister in 1965 and he never left. To see a program as alive as his after all this time is fantastic."

When he's not teaching, Ostenson plays in the Watsonville Community Band, and it was during a concert in the Rancho San Justo gym that he was presented with the award. Ostenson was then asked to conduct "Amparita Roca," his favorite march.

"It was so neat to watch him," said former student Bobbie Jo Chapa, whose mother, sister and, as of next year, daughter will have all been Ostenson's students. "The minute he got up there to conduct he just took charge, and that's how he is as a teacher. He's a master."

Ostenson, 64, was first introduced to music at the age of 11 when he learned how to play the trumpet, which is still his weapon of choice today. The choice to move into music education after college only seemed a natural one, he says.

"Music is my life," he said. "And I always wanted to work with young people. I was just lucky enough to be able to do what I love. I don't really know how it happened."

Ostenson directs the band program for both

Rancho San Justo and Marguerite Maze middle schools and Rancho's choir program. He works with more than 130 sixth, seventh and eighth graders every day.

"When I think of how many kids I've worked with in my life, my head spins," he said. "If I'm walking around town in Gilroy, Salinas or Monterey, someone almost always comes up to me and says 'Hey Mr. O, remember me? I was in your band 10 years ago.' I get phone calls at Christmas from former students in Kansas and Colorado who just want to let me know they remember me. It's truly wonderful."

Over the years, Ostenson has become something of a Hollister institution, teaching the children and grandchildren of his former students. Tajni Diller began her love affair with music playing clarinet in Ostenson's band - now she's the music director of Rolling Hills Church and has put two sons through Ostenson's program.

"He has all these panoramic pictures up on the walls of his classroom, of each and every band he's ever taught - I'm in three of them, and my kids look up on the walls and try to find me during practice," she said. "Music can be so important to a kid, and you use it all your life. When I'm stressed, I play. When I'm bored, I play. And I'm glad my kids can have that."

It is that sentiment that Ostenson says has kept him teaching in Hollister for 41 years.

"When you make an impression on someone so that they bring back their own children when they've grown up, that's incredible," he said. "What better compliment could you ask for?"

Despite a impressive career, Ostenson says he has no plans to retire just yet.

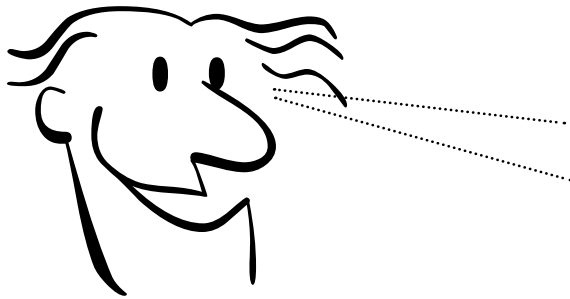
"There is nothing else I'd rather do - if I had the chance, I would turn around and do it again for another 41 years," he said. "And this is what I want to do every day until it isn't fun anymore, or they don't let me."

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CCS MS/JH. Honor Choir	Glenda Bernhardt	831-646-0633	831-624-2785 x401
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CCS Jazz Festival	Joe Johnson	831-757-7347	831-796-7400
CCS Large Group Inst. Festival	Theresa Hruby-Percell	831-663-5979	831-899-7028 x234
CCS Solo/Ens Festival-North	Gail Black	831-662-2464	831-464-5660 x1110
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GENERAL MEETING
AND DINNER

June 3, 2006

- \$30 or less per person
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Green Valley Grill
40 Penny Lane
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Board Meeting at 5:00 pm
Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails at 6:30 pm
Dinner and General Meeting at 7:00 pm

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