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FROM THE PRESIDENT . . .

Hello and happy summer HMEA friends!

I hope that this summer is a time of rest and rejuvenation for each of you. We are excited to present this issue of the "Leka Nū Hou" to insure the communication among our members is as strong as it can be. Please submit your articles and announcements to David Bandy for the 2011-2012 issues in October, January, and April as well.

Again this June, I had the opportunity to represent Hawai`i at the MENC National Leadership Assembly in Washington, D.C. during Music Education Week. During these meetings, I met past, present, and future leadership from states around the U.S. It is clear that many states are struggling with budget and job cuts, much like we are in Hawai`i. Fortunately, MENC has continued to provide professional publications, idea and lesson plan sharing, advocacy resources, alliances with many other organizations (like NAMM, YouTube/Google Symphony Orchestra, VH1, and MPA) and lobbying on Capital Hill to keep funding and legislature for arts education. There will be some more exciting announcements in the coming year from our national office about how they will be able to serve us even better.

On my final day in Washington, D.C., I made appointments at the offices of Hawai`i state Representatives Colleen Hanabusa and Mazie Hirono as well as Senator Dan Inouye to encourage them to support music education in ALL schools for ALL children. As part of each of the meetings, I asked them to maintain the arts as a part of the core curriculum when the Elementary and Secondary Education Act is reauthorized (hopefully soon). I asked them to fund music the way the other core subjects are funded with Title I and Title II money. While these are extremely challenging times for schools around the country, I reminded them that Hawai`i’s children deserve the best opportunities and most comprehensive education. In each of these meetings, it seemed that the leaders are supportive of arts in education and agree that music is (and should remain) part of a well-rounded education. If you want to be a part of grassroots advocacy in Hawai`i, I encourage you to join the opt-in MENC Groundswell community at http://advocacy.menc.org/. MENC staffers will help keep us up-to-date about legislative issues, and you can share ideas with those in our state and around the country. You can easily choose your level of participation and notification. Do it now so you don’t forget!
In September, I will be meeting with the leadership of the Western Division states—Hawaii, California, Arizona, Utah, and Nevada. I'm sure it will once again be an inspiring weekend in Phoenix. Please let me know if there are issues you want me to bring to the table at this meeting.

It was a jam-packed several days in D.C. I am hopeful for the future and look forward to continuing as your president this year. Our president-elect is Dr. Chet-Yeng Loong; secretary is Susie Reismann; treasurer is Camilla Corpuz-Yamamoto; Leka Nū Hou editor is David Bandy. Mahalo to these dedicated and wonderful assets to our organization! If you want to get more involved, please let me know. We welcome your ideas, time, talents, and energy.

I hope to see you in the coming year! Mark your calendars now for the HMEA 2012 In-Service Conference February 18-19, 2012 at Sacred Hearts Academy in Kaimuki.

Aloha,

Amanda Lippert
HMEA President

Sacred Hearts Academy will be the site for the HMEA 2012 In-Service Conference February 18-19, 2012

Mark your calendars now!
"Sol sol la la sol sol mi mi ♩ ♩ ♩"

If you were walking around UH Mānoa’s Music Building during the first couple weeks in June, you might have heard the students from the Kodály Level I Workshop singing and hand signing for hours at a time. Led by our own Dr. Chet-Yeng Loong of UH Mānoa music faculty, Dr. Deorgia Newlin of Adelphi University, and Dr. Brent Gault of Indiana University, the 20+ participants completed 76 contact hours of aural skills & musicianship, pedagogy, materials, conducting, and choral ensemble.

The final two days were spent learning about Asian and Pacific songs, integrating technology, and working with special learners. We analyzed 40+ songs to see which musical skills we could teach with them, and prepared a 20-minute lesson to teach to our classmates, who would each teach one of the skills. We sang and did hand signs in canon with ourselves. We rehearsed and performed a concert of beautiful music. In a master class-like conducting experience, we each selected a piece and conducted each other.

The experience challenged each participant's musicianship, and broadened our understanding of Kodály pedagogy. I think it is fair to say everyone got something wonderful from the course, and is looking forward to greeting Dr. Gault and Dr. Newlin when they return to Hawai`i in the future.

- Contributed by Amanda Lippert
EDITOR’S NOTE: There is no doubt that Zoltán Kodály’s influence in Music Education has had a tremendous effect internationally, but how familiar are you with his contributions as a composer as well? For a comprehensive discography of his recorded works, please visit:

http://www.naxos.com/person/Zoltan_Kodaly_18828/18828.htm

HMEA: an historical perspective with a future

How much do you know, or for that matter, how much do I know, about HMEA? When did we begin? Who was involved? What have they done for music education and for our students throughout the state?

Over the next few issues of the Leka Nū Hou, we’ll examine the birth of the organization and its growth through not just the State of Hawai‘i, but the Territory of Hawai‘i as well. We’ll also examine those dedicated individuals that reached out beyond the schools they taught within, because they believed in the power of music to better a person’s life forever. We’ll also have the opportunity to reach back through time and see some of the events that took place through HMEA and which changed the lives of thousands upon thousands of Hawai‘i school children, as can be seen above on the cover of the 1949 Music Educators Journal (volume 36, number 12) when HMEA and the University of Hawai‘i Music Department, still in its
infant stages, worked closely together to help build a solidified program across the territory.

We'll go even further back, to 1934, when a yearly subscription to the *Music Educators Journal* would cost you a whopping $1.00 a year for six issues, and when the MENC office was located within a single suite (#840 to be exact) at 64 E. Jackson Blvd. in Chicago, Illinois and yes, when Dorothy Kahananui (then at the University of Hawai‘i) became a vital bridge gapping music education from the Territory to the Mainland United States.

Finally, we'll see the progression to where we have evolved today. We'll even ask for your input along the way. What do you remember about your earliest years teaching music here in Hawai‘i and how was HMEA involved with your program and your students at the territorial and/or state level? How would you like to see them involved in the future?

Our Fall 2011 issue will start at the beginning, a very good place to start! We'll begin with a look at the individuals that possessed the foresight to become involved with MENC at the organizational level and what that meant to all of us here in Hawai‘i. We'll also take a look at the University’s MENC Collegiate Chapter from its founding, and the impact it had on those future music educators, some still with us today. I invite all of you to join me on my journey of discovery over the next year, so together, we may learn from the past through “HMEA: an historical perspective with a future.”

David W. Bandy
Editor, Leka Nū Hou

NOTE: If you would like to contribute knowledge, anecdotal stories, or photographs to this series, please contact the author, David W. Bandy, at bandy@hawaii.edu.
In this day of current soon-to-be budget cuts at the national level, and how those cuts may inevitably affect all of us, we would like to offer the following information, which is available through the MENC web site at:

http://www.menc.org/resources/view/the-power-of-music-advocacy-brochure-series

The four sets of brochures seen below can be downloaded in PDF format for you to reproduce copies locally as handouts (with MENC permission), or you may order copies through MENC Publications by visiting http://www.menc.org/gp/menc-store, or by calling 800-828-0229.

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A Guide for Parents

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A Guide for Elementary School Principals
The first web site mentioned at the top of this article lists other brochures and articles as well. Each of these serves as an excellent example for music education advocacy, which is geared directly toward a target population. Let’s not wait until it’s too late. Start on an action plan today.

Sections of the above article and links were provided through the MENC web site at:

Destination Singapore:
Wind bands on the Equator

For several decades, directors from the United States have marveled over Japanese bands such as the Tokyo Kosei Wind Orchestra. Unfortunately, there is limited research available on Asian band activities beyond Japan. The 15th WASBE Conference (World Association for Symphonic Bands and Ensembles) was held in Chiayi City, Taiwan, and included several sessions devoted to the wind band movement and repertoire of Asia. This included presentations on bands from South East Asia, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, and finally from Japan by the legendary Sensei Toshio Akiyama. Each presentation offered great insight, but Singapore represents perhaps the most intriguing area of development and change for wind bands.

The Republic of Singapore and its band movement are both relatively young. Declaring independence in 1965, Singapore is a mix of local and immigrant population, which include a mix of Chinese, Malays, Indians, and Asians of mixed descent. Of the 5 million residents, 2.91 million were born locally and English is one of the national languages. Its geographic position has established Singapore as an international shipping and business epicenter for central and South East Asia. In short, Singapore is a country on the move!
For band members in Singapore, there is no tradition of Interlochen or history of the Midwest clinic. The Frederick Fennell or Alfred Reed of Singapore has yet to emerge or be defined. The Singapore motto of “Onward, Singapore” is displayed through the hard work of both band director and member. My perceptions come from previous visits and observations of Singapore ensembles, but these perceptions have been reinforced through conversation with the many talented Singapore students, composers, and directors.

During the WASBE conference in Taiwan, Dr. Zechariah Goh shared information on the current band situation in Singapore. As a composer and department head at Nanyang Academy of Fine Art, Goh’s music is frequently performed. He has helped train a new and exciting group of composers and he shared several things that have helped their bands develop at a quick pace. First, bands exist as an after-school “club”. Band directors may work with multiple programs and students are extremely committed to the band activity. While performance or contests become the extension of U.S. curriculum, these become the primary objective for the Singapore band. Similar to a sport, band becomes a dominant aspect of the daily life.

In the past decade, participation levels at national contest events have included an average of 44 primary, 132 secondary, and 14 junior college bands. These bands receive tremendous financial support from the Ministry of Education. Goh shared that some schools may receive in excess of $30,000 yearly for instrument purchases, a stark difference from band budgets in the United States. It is common to see two 5.0 octave marimbas in one school, and instrument purchases are always top of the line professional models. It is likely that you will not see a Singapore band use a 1970s bass clarinet that employs duct tape to keep the keys in place. Professionalism is a dominant characteristic in Singapore society, which is thus reflected in instruments used by members.

With large budgets for instrument purchases, many Singapore composers are beginning to expand their palette of instrumentation. These include the use of alto and bass flute, bass saxophone, Eb Contra Alto and BBb contra bass clarinets. Goh explained that these are not for the sake of doubling, that each instrument is utilized as an independent color. It will be interesting to see if this expansion could produce a significant change to wind band music.

While at WASBE, the Singapore Philharmonic Winds performed under the direction of Leonard Tan. This group represents the strong group of community type
concert bands in Singapore. I have seen this group previously and was equally impressed by their outstanding performance. Perhaps my favorite new work was the Philharmonic Winds performance of *Krakatoa* by Wong Kah Chun. This 2010-commissioned piece depicts the devastation and re-growth of an 1883 volcanic eruption of the coast of Java. Listed as grade 5, this work may prove too difficult for the average high school ensemble but please look up other composers from Singapore that include; Kelly Tang, Benjamin Yeo, Phoon Yew Tien, and the presenter for our session, Dr. Zechariah Goh.

Much more appropriate for the school ensemble would be the recent work *Singaporean Folk Song Suite* by Zechariah Goh, [http://zechariahmusic.com/](http://zechariahmusic.com/). This grade 3.5 work incorporates five folk songs including; Lenggang kangkong, Geylang Sipaku Geylangt, Chan Mali Chan, Ikan Kekek, and Nona Nona. The piece ends with an enjoyable interlocking passage for hand drum and could serve as a great tool to explore another culture and band environment.

While there is more detail that could be provided on the band movement in Singapore, this short article seemed like a great introduction. There is much wonderful music being made in the Asian-Pacific region and I hope you will consider looking up some of these names or composers. Comments and questions are invited at scott2@hawaii.edu.

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Scott Courtney and Singapore composer Zechariah Goh, WASBE conference, July 2011.

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The Leka Nū Hou is the official newsletter of the Hawai`i State Music Educator’s Association and is published quarterly. We welcome contributions from all of our members and the community. Contributions may be emailed to the Editor, David Bandy, at bandy@hawaii.edu. The deadline for contributions to be included within the Fall 2011 issue should be submitted no later than October 7. Mahalo.

A Change is on the Way . .

Beginning with the Fall 2011 season, MENC will hence be known as the National Association for Music Education, which will include a new look and many progressive changes. You will learn much more in our Fall 2011 issue.

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