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*Kentucky chapter of the
American Choral Directors Association*

President's Message

By John Campbell

As we complete another school year, I hope that each of you have had a great year and that we all will be able to take some time this summer to regroup and refresh ourselves for another eventful year. One of the best ways to prepare is by attending our Annual Summer Conference. John Campbell our President-Elect has planned a super conference with Dr. Randall

Stroope as our guest clinician and a number of our local state leaders to inspire and teach us. You won't want to miss this great time of learning and fellowship. Please note the change in venue this summer. We will be in Lexington at the Radisson Hotel, Sunday July 15-Tuesday July 17, 2007. You will find all the information in this newsletter and on our web site kyacdaonline.org I encourage you to attend and bring a friend that is not a member of ACDA. Every choral director in our state should be a member of this organization and take advantage of all the offerings at the state, divisional and national level.

As I come to the close of my term as your state President, please allow me to say a very special **Thank-You** to some folks that have served as our R&S Chairs for the past two years. These folks have given many hours of their time to help promote **excellence** in choral music in our state. When you see them around please express your thanks to them for a job well done! Shelia Miller-Treasurer, Bradley Almquist -Newsletter Editor, Steve Bolster-Vice-President, Don Scott Carpenter- Boy Choirs, Terri Foster-Children's Choir, Paul Hondorp-College/University, Gary Anderson-Community Choirs, Kent Hatttegerg-Ethnic/Multicultural Perspectives, Matt Hinz & Dawn Durham-Junior High/Middle School Choirs, Jeff Johnson-Male Choirs, C J Hunter-Senior High School Choirs, Heather McCormick-Two Year College Choirs, Justin Durham-Women's Choir, Lori Hetzel-Youth/Student Activities, Ronnie Oliver-Music and Worship, and Adam Denison-Web Master. These fine directors have played a major role in the success of numerous events as well as the addition to two new events this past year. In addition to our annual fall Elementary and Junior High Honor Choirs and the Winter All-Collegiate Choir, we added two new events. We celebrated our first Music and Worship service last summer to begin our summer conference and under the leadership of Heather McCormick the first Honor Choir festival for Two-Year and Community Choirs was held in November. I hope that each of you will continue to support all of our events by giving your singers the opportunity to participate in one or more of these excellent programs.

I want to thank everyone for your support these past two years as I have served as your state President. It has been my joy and honor to serve you! I hope that you are making plans to attend our Southern Division meeting which will be held in Louisville in 2008. I look forward to seeing all of you this summer at our summer conference in Lexington.

Art DeWeese

2007 KyACDA Summer In-Service

The 2007 KY-ACDA Summer Workshop is *the* event of the summer for Kentucky choral directors. Our headliner clinician is **Dr. Z. Randall Stroope**, Director of Choral Studies at the Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey. At the national ACDA convention in Miami several of his compositions were performed. His catalog includes both sacred and secular works that are regularly lovely, sensitive settings of worthwhile texts. If you don't know his music—and many of you already do—you'll have an introduction at a reading session that he will lead. He will also rehearse a Director's Chorus so that we can learn from him in action as a choral conductor, and he will lead topical sessions on choral tone and working with adolescent male voices.

Dr. Joy Berger will help us recover perspective amid the flurry of activity that is the norm for a choral director. Joy is a gifted musician who can speak to musicians about the things that are—or should be—most important to us, even including our jobs. Some of you may have been in her session at the National Orff Convention in Louisville a couple of years ago. Her book, *Music of the Soul: Composing Life Out of Loss*, came out last September.

Scott P. Burress will lead a session intended to give middle school directors ideas for where to find music they can do. He is the Director of Choirs for the LaRue County Schools. There he directs five choirs including an Advanced Middle School Girls Chorale and an Advanced High School Girls Chorale. He has been on staff in LaRue County for six years. Scott also is active in the Hardin County arts community by participating and serving as music director for their annual fall musical. He is a soloist for the Mid-Kentucky Arts community choir in Springfield, KY, and a past member of Voces Novae, a community choral group in Louisville. He resides in Elizabethtown, KY, with his cat Cogsworth.

Dr. Gary Anderson is Director of Choral Ensembles at Transylvania University. Not long ago he went to Sweden while on sabbatical to study the choral scene there. Alongside the very contemporary sounds often heard at ACDA conventions, Swedish choirs also have a rich tradition of folk song arrangements and Lutheran church music. His session will include accessible music that your choir may be able to use.

Dr. Randy Pennington is the Director of Choral Studies at Northern Kentucky University, and also Director of Music Ministries at Madeira-Silverwood Presbyterian Church. He will lead a reading session of Christmas music in a wide range of styles. Hey, in July you'll be thinking about December holiday music, right? (Doesn't every choral director?) It will be fun, especially with Randy leading.

This year's workshop will be in **Lexington** at the **Radisson Plaza Hotel**. You can reserve your room by calling (859) 231-9000. We have a special conference rate of \$99 until June 22. My plan is to return the workshop to Louisville in 2008, and see if alternating the site between the two cities will make the workshop accessible to more Kentucky choral directors.

You'll find the registration form online at <<http://www.kyacdaonline.org>>. Student members of ACDA and first-time workshop participants will not have a registration charge. Please let your colleagues, students and acquaintances know of this opportunity to discover ACDA!

I look forward to seeing you at the 2007 KY-ACDA Summer Workshop! And bring a friend!

Dr. John W. Campbell
President-Elect, KY-ACDA

*2007 Summer Workshop Schedule***Sunday, July 15**

7:00 p.m.	Music and Worship Service (Site TBA)
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Monday, July 16

8:00-11:45 a.m.	Registration open, Radisson Plaza mezzanine
8:00-9:00	Continental breakfast (included in registration fee)
9:00	"Core, Color and Canopy" (Randall Stroope)
10:15	Break
10:30	Conductor's Chorus (Dr. Stroope)
11:45	Lunch break
1:15	"Music of the Soul: Composing Life in the Midst of Stress" (Joy Berger)
2:45	Reading session (Dr. Stroope)
4:00	Break
4:15 Simultaneous sessions	"Finding Music for the Middle School Choir" (Scott Burrell) "Finding Music for the College/University Choir" (roundtable discussion)
5:30	Adjourn for the evening
7:00	Officers dinner with Dr. Stroope, board meeting to follow as needed

Tuesday, July 17

8:00-9:00	Continental breakfast (included in registration fee)
9:00	"Sonically Swedish: Songs for American Choirs" (Gary Anderson)
10:15	Break
10:25	KY-ACDA business meeting
10:45	Conductor's Chorus (Dr. Stroope)
12:00	Lunch break
1:15	"Christmas in July" reading session (Randy Pennington)
2:30	"Teaching Head Voice to Young Adolescent Males" (Dr. Stroope)
3:45	Break
4:00	All-State Choirs music reading session
5:00	Conference adjournment

Dr. Z. Randall Stroope

Z. Randall Stroope (b. 1953) is widely known as a conductor, lecturer, and composer. He is the Artistic Director of a summer music festival in England, and frequently conducts in Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Washington National Cathedral and other well-known venues in the United States.

Dr. Stroope conducted choral/orchestral concerts in Vienna and Salzburg last season as part of those cities' 250th Celebration of Mozart's birth. Additional guest conducting has included the American School in Singapore and choir festivals in New York, Texas, Florida, Utah, Illinois, Oregon, Kansas, California, Michigan, and Virginia. Choral groups under his direction have taken 35 national tours and 15 international tours, including China, Japan, Russia, Sweden, the Baltics, Finland, central Europe, England, Canada and South Africa.

He is constantly sought after as a lecturer and guest conductor, headlining summer ACDA conventions in 12 states and conducting 20 All-State choirs.

Dr. Stroope had performing groups on the 1999 ACDA National Convention in Chicago, and the International Society of Music Education in Pretoria, South Africa in 1998. The University of Nebraska Concert Choir under his direction performed on the North Central ACDA Regional Convention in 2004.

Dr. Stroope studied composition with Cecil Effinger and Normand Lockwood, both students of Nadia Boulanger (who was a student of Gabriel Fauré). Stroope has published 80 musical works, and has sold over a million and a half copies of music. He was the ACDA Raymond Brock commissioned composer for 2004, and his commission - "We Beheld Once Again the Stars" was performed at all of the ACDA Regional Conventions in 2004. Of his twelve recorded compact discs - two are of his own music, titled *Passages I & II: The Choral Music of Z. Randall Stroope*.

Z. Randall Stroope is Director of Choral Studies at the prestigious Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey, where he directs the RU Concert Choir, Women's Chorus, choral arranging, and conducting. His wife, Cheryl, is a middle school choral music teacher in the area.

Southern Division ACDA 2008
March 5-8, 2008
Louisville, KY
Plan to attend now!

*KY-ACDA Summer Workshop 2007
July 15-17 in Lexington
Registration Form*

Name _____

Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email address _____

ACDA Membership # _____ Expiration Date _____
(Located on the label of your copy of *Choral Journal*)

Name of school/church/institution _____

_____ This conference will be part of my Professional Development Plan

Early registration (postmarked by June 15)

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$95	ACDA member
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$180	non-member (includes ACDA membership)
<input type="checkbox"/>	FREE	Student ACDA member
<input type="checkbox"/>	FREE	First-time KY-ACDA Workshop registrant

Late registration (postmarked after June 15; reading packets *not* guaranteed)

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$115	ACDA member
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$200	non-member (includes ACDA membership)
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$20	Student ACDA member/First-time registrant

At the door (reading packets *not* guaranteed)

<input type="checkbox"/>	\$120	ACDA member
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$185	non-member (includes ACDA membership)
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25	Student ACDA member/First-time registrant
<input type="checkbox"/>	\$65	Single-day registration

Parking pass (if not a guest of the Radisson Plaza Hotel)

_____ \$8 (\$4/day, in the Radisson parking garage)

Please make checks payable to KY-ACDA and mark them "2007 Summer Workshop." We CANNOT accept purchase orders.

Send this form and your check to: Dr. John W. Campbell
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Georgetown, KY 40324

Registration includes reading session music and hotel continental breakfast both Monday and Tuesday. Host hotel and site of the Monday and Tuesday sessions is the Radisson Plaza Hotel. We have a block of rooms reserved at a rate of \$99/night (single or double) with a cut-off date of June 22. (After June 22 the rate goes to \$129.) Call (859) 231-9000 to make your reservation.



*Phyllis Vincent Elected
Kentucky ACDA
President-Elect*

Congratulations Phyllis!

**Seeking Nominees for the 2007
Robert K. Baar Choral Excellence Award**

This award was named in honor of Robert K. Baar, outstanding master musician, retired from Murray State University, who developed KY-ACDA's Summer Workshop. Previous recipients (not eligible to receive the award again) are:

1994: Robert K. Baar	2001: David Brown
1995: Marilyn Schraeder	2002: Stephen Bolster
1996: Gary Anderson	2003: Shelia Miller
1997: Shirley Wilkinson	2004: Bradley Almquist
1998: Robert Ellis	2005: Arthur DeWeese
1999: Carl Smith	2006: John Stegner
2000: Frank Heller	

Nomination/Selection Process:

Any member of KY-ACDA is eligible to nominate a candidate for the award by submitting a letter of nomination to the current Vice President of KY-ACDA (Steve Bolster) by May 1.

Each year after the nomination deadline, the Past Presidents, current President, and President-Elect of KY-ACDA will select the most outstanding candidate from the nominees submitted by the membership. The award is presented annually at the Summer Choral Workshop.

Criteria

The following criteria are used to determine eligible honorees.

- a) must have a minimum of fifteen years of musical experience in the choral art
- b) must be a current member of ACDA
- c) must be an active participant in KY-ACDA/ACDA activities and conventions
- d) must be dedicated to promoting music education in the State of Kentucky

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Congratulations Brad!

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