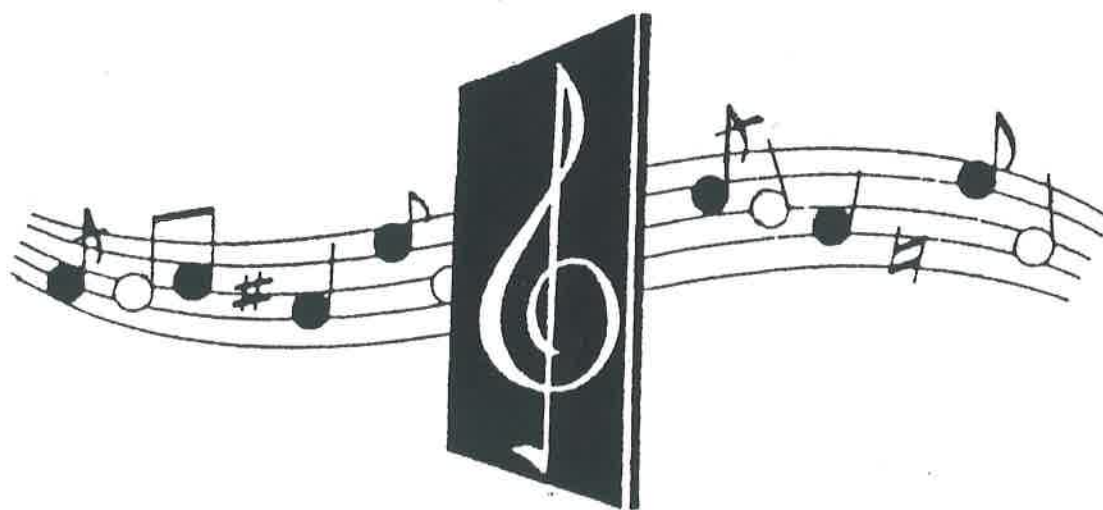

*THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL
SUBURBAN EAST CONFERENCE
MUSIC FESTIVAL*

GRAND FINALE
CONCERT



Stillwater Area High School
Monday, February 4, 2002
7:30 p.m.

Welcome to the Suburban East Conference Music Festival

On behalf of our eight member schools, welcome to the fifteenth annual Suburban East Conference Music Festival. Our concert bands, choruses, and orchestras have been working hard today with three nationally renowned music clinicians, polishing and perfecting their own musical skills and listening to their peers perform. Tonight we conclude this wonderful day with a concert featuring each school's finest vocal and instrumental musicians in their respective all-conference groups.

This festival is one of several activities hosted by the Suburban East Conference that promote the fine arts in a variety of ways. Our schools are united in the feeling that fine arts are an integral part of our educational programs and our Music Festival is one piece of evidence to support that position.

Stillwater and White Bear Lake Area High Schools are pleased and proud to be able to host this year's festival. Enjoy the performance of some of the very best high school musicians in the Upper Midwest.

**Audrey L. Buss, Principal
White Bear Lake Area High School
South Campus**

**Dr. Jill Thelen, Principal
White Bear Lake Area High School
North Campus**

**Dr. Lyle Koski, Principal
Stillwater High School**

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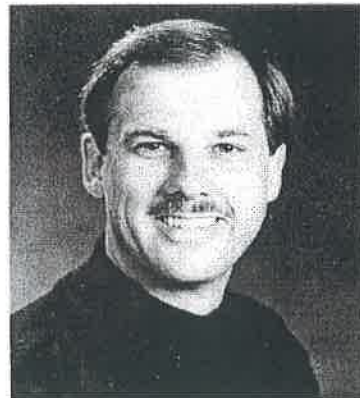
About the Festival

The Suburban East Conference was established for the development of athletic schedules and to promote fine arts programming and aggressively pursue opportunities for students in the fine arts. During the last five years the SEC has budgeted money to finance a fine arts program that involves on-site school workshops and performances in the area of Band, Choir, Orchestra, Theater, Speech, Debate and Student Council.

Today's Festival is comprised of two parts: the day concerts and the evening Grand Finale Concert. Day concerts are presented by the individual schools' Bands, Choirs and Orchestras. After the groups conclude their performances, they are able to work with their clinician for the remainder of their time period. During the day concert schedule, when students are not performing they are encouraged to listen to as many performing ensembles as possible throughout the courses of the day and to complete critique sheets on every group they hear.

The second and concluding portion of the Festival is the Grand Finale Concert. Tonight's concert presents the three Suburban East All-Conference Performing ensembles. The All Conference Orchestra, Band and Choir were selected by recommendations of the directors to represent the finest music students in our eight school conference.

The traditional finale for tonight's concert is a joint performance featuring the All-Conference Choir, All-Conference Orchestra and the All-Conference Band in a dramatic arrangement of "America the Beautiful."



René Clausen - Choir

René Clausen has been the conductor of the Concordia Choir of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota for 16 years. He also serves as artistic director for the award-winning Concordia Christmas Concerts.

A well-known composer, Clausen's compositional style is varied and eclectic, and ranges from works appropriate for high school and church choirs to more technically demanding compositions for college and professional choirs. His additional compositional interests include often-commissioned works for stage; solo voice; film and video composition; choral and orchestral compositions and arrangements; and orchestra and wind ensembles. He also serves nationally as a frequent guest conductor and composer-in-residence.

Clausen has established two new publishing series in the Mark Foster Series of Shawnee Press, including the Ars NovAntiqua series dedicated to scholarly and practical editions of early music, and the Cantus Novus series featuring new works for advanced choirs. All of Clausen's choral compositions and arrangements are published exclusively through Mark Foster/Shawnee Press in the René Clausen Choral Series.

In addition to choral conducting, Clausen's work is becoming increasingly well known and he is in demand as a guest conductor of major choral and orchestral literature and for orchestral conducting. At Carnegie Hall, he has guest conducted the Brahms *Ein deutsches Requiem*, Mozart *Requiem and Mass in C Minor*, together with the New York premiere of three of his own works: *Gloria* (in three movements); *Whispers of Heavenly Death*, with text by Walt Whitman; and *Communion*, with text by George Macdonald. Clausen has also conducted the Poulenc *Gloria*, Vaughan Williams *Hodie*, Beethoven *Mass in C Major* and *Choral Fantasy*, and Fauré *Requiem*.

Clausen graduated from St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN and received his Master of Music and Doctor of Musical Arts degrees from the University of Illinois, Urbana.



Stephen J. Ramsey - Orchestra

Stephen J. Ramsey is in his 16th season as the founding music director/conductor of the Dakota Valley Symphony where he conducts the Symphony, the Symphony Chorus, and the Summer Pops Orchestra and Chorale. He is in his eighth season as music director/conductor of the Austin Symphony of Austin, MN and his fifth season as the adult choir director at the church of St. John the Baptist in Excelsior, MN.

Ramsey earned his master of music degree in orchestral conductor from the University of Missouri-Kansas City Conservatory of Music. He has studied with Glenn Block, Leonard Slatkin, Bill McGlaughlin, Max Rudolph, Maurice Jones, Samuel Jones, Harold Farberman, Kirk Muspratt, Eph Ehly, James Sample, and Lee Humphries.

A well-known conductor in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, Stephen Ramsey has led performances at many area colleges, concert halls and churches. He has served as music director and conductor for the Minneapolis Jewish Community Center's Chamber Orchestra, mixed and women's choruses and their Genesis Theater Company, Chimera Theater, Lakeshore Players, Anoka-Ramsey Community College, Community Theater of Burnsville (now Applause Community Theater). He has also been the director of ensembles for Hamline University and the Conducting Associate of the St. Paul Civic Symphony.

As an active guest conductor Stephen Ramsey has led the Bloomington Symphony, the Health Sciences Orchestra at the University of Minnesota, the Minnesota Youth Symphonies, the St. Paul Jewish Community Center Orchestra, the Kenwood Chamber Orchestra, the Linden Hills Chamber Orchestra, the Central Chamber Orchestra and the Austin High School Orchestra.



Dennis Glocke - Band

Dennis Glocke was appointed Director of Concert Bands at the Pennsylvania State University in 1996. He earned degrees in conducting from Northwestern University, where he studied with John P. Paynter, and in music education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where his principal teachers were H. Robert Reynolds and Eugene Migliaro Corporon.

Prior to joining the Penn State faculty, Mr. Glocke was Associate Director of bands at the University of Michigan, Director of Bands at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, and a band director in the Oconomowoc (WI) Public Schools.

Mr. Glocke is frequently invited to serve as a guest conductor and clinician throughout the United States. He has also conducted and taught at the Michigan All-State Program at Interlochen, the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Summer Music Camp, the Point Music Camp of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, the Band Conductor's Art conducting workshop of the University of Michigan and Summer Music at Penn State.

Program

All-Conference Orchestra Stephen J. Ramsey, Conductor

Light Cavalry Overture Franz V. Suppe

Lincoln Portrait Aaron Copland
Sam Shepard Narrator

All-Conference Choir Dr. René Clausen, Conductor

Resonet in Laudibus Z. Randall Stroepe

Rise Up, My Love, My Fair One James McCray
Sung by the Women of the All-Conference Choir

How Can I Keep From Singing? arr. Matthew Culloton

A Capital Ship arr. Mike Richardson
Sung by the Men of the All Conference Choir

Sigh No More Ladies René Clausen

All-Conference Band Dennis Glocke, Conductor

Canzona Peter Mennin

O Sacred Head Now Wounded William Latham

Courtly Airs and Dances Ron Nelson

Americans We Henry Fillmore

Grand Finale Dennis Glocke, Conductor

America, the Beautiful arr. Carmen Dragon

Twin Cities Suburban Conference Music Staff

School

Forest Lake
Hastings
Mounds View
Park/Cottage Grove
Roseville
Stillwater

White Bear Lake
Woodbury

Band

Rich Hahn
Bob Casperson
Wendy Schuh
Chris Tank
Pat Moriarty
Wayne Feller
Dennis Lindsay
Bob Rantanen
John Bina

Choir

Jim Lindstrom
Lin Warren
Amy Rossow
Chris Russell
Tim McMillin
Erik Christiansen

Marie Dymit
Daryl Timmers

Orchestra

Dave Livermore
Andrea Olijnek
John Madura

Karen Schmidt
James D. Hainlen

All - Conference Orchestra

First Violin

Ellen Anderson MV
Ned Branigan R
Nichia Chitphadkithai R
Steven Hainlen S
Marit Johnson MV
Yukako Karato R
Lindsay Kempenich FL
Nathan Kerestes H
Val Kramlinger MV
Karen Krueger R
Jaejoon Kwon MV
Bethany Lindorfer FL
Katie McMullen S
Bridget Nelson S
Jeanna Reinardy H

Second Violin

Ashley Beissel H
Kate Bergquist R
Anna Berget-Mingo S
Denise Guelker MV
Kelly Hansen H

(Second Violin)

Heather Hanson FL
Michelle LaBerge MV
Maura Malwitz MV
Devan Moran S
Andera Okenson FL
Jason Smith H
Matt Toso R
Aly Wallberg S

Viola

Kelly Bibeau FL
Jason Botterill FL
Melissa Chial S
Zoe Condon S
Megan Flod S
Kim Haglund H
Mustin Hsung MV
Jenny Johnson MV
Ken Krueger MV
Katie Mareck MV
Kelsey Plucker H
Katie Stalland S

(Viola)

Chris Yauch MV

Cello

David Barnes MV
Matt Buhaug R
Rachel Cox H
Abby Hansen S
Laura Joachin FL
Anne Kellin MV
Alex Kisselburg S
Casey Mathern FL
Joe Petersen MV
Hannah Shepard S
Amanda Teeter H
Katie Young R

Bass

Johanna Halvorsen MV
Adam Johnston FL
Alexander Keilty FL
Andy Mills MV
Matt Miller R
Emily Resch MV

Flute

Kristin Kummet W
Caitlan McLoon R
Beth Piermantier S
Katie Roth WBL

Clarinet

Erik Nimlos WBL
Nancy Taff R

Bass Clarinet

Samantha Friesen FL

Oboe

Jenny Jackson MV
Annelisa Steeber WBL

Bassoon

Jane Fiegen R
Amy Jauch R

Trumpet

Justin Miller FL
Stephanie Ryan W
John Schmidt S

French Horn

Laila Akhter MV
Erin Gray FL
Darin Sleiter S
Ashley Riles H

Trombone

Michael Binkowsky S
Jordan Helmberger R
Katie Max H

Tuba

Jeffrey Partyka FL

Percussion

John Choiniere S
Jenny Dippel WBL
Arick Rondeau S
Grant Thompson S
Josh Wahlstrom H

All - Conference Band

Flute

Cassie Bigelow H
Katie Cannien WBL
Leah DeBruycker R
Jenny Hoel W
Elizabeth Peake P
Beth Permantier S
Leah Schwartz P

Oboe

Peter Ooten R
Megan Taylor W

Bassoon

Angela Johnson MV
Carla Pinski R

Clarinet

Katie Beutel S
Tammi Drake W
Lizzie Hatheway W
Diana Roen S
Gabby Otis S
Becky Palermo MV
Alexander Penel FL
Amber Porvaznik H
Nick Sands W
Chelsea Sapa FL
Colleen White R

Bass Clarinet

Sarise Bullough P
Sara Cobb S
Leah Gangl R
Hannah Nelson FL
Becky Palermo MV
Lindsey Sailer P

Alto Saxophone

Stephanie Anderson S
Jordan Fabyanske WBL
Devon Francke MV
Beau Moriarty W
Caitlin Pellerite W
Joe Weinzettel H

Tenor Saxophone

Mandy Minion R
Josh Koopmeiners MV
Christa Mims WBL

Baritone Saxophone

Jessup Schiks FL

Trumpet

Jason Allen WBL
Ryan Ernst H

Trumpet

Jeff Langford W
Hannah Mersch P
Anna Morrison WBL
Krissy Nockleby R
Marie Olson MV
Julie Severson R
Rick Sletten MV
Todd Wedekind H
Nathan Woltering P

French Horn

David Engel WBL
Rachel Hughes FL
Maggie James W
Ben Pepin S
Sarah Roemer MV
Darin Sleiter S
Keely Smith WBL
Luke Warren H

Trombone

Josh Allen WBL
Mike Elzinga WBL
Jesse Farrell R
Denton Hanson H
Andrew Lee P
Esther Neu FL
Dan Obst MV

(Trombone)

David Taylor MV
Zach Yzermans P

Baritone

Laura Clapper MV
Martin Grasse W

Euphonium

Justin Ellis S
Nicholas Swanlund P

Tuba

Mike Anderson WBL
Nick Cmiel R
Ted Morrison H
Matt White P
DJ Woeltge MV

Percussion

Christopher Carson P
Steve Lund R
Amy Norgard MV
Arick Rondeau S
David Saunders H
Chiaki Uyama W

All - Conference Choir

Soprano

Hilary Anderson H
Nicole Bachman R
Allison Buivid R
Emily Carlson FL
Jen Delano MV
Brianna Dyer MV
Nikki Edwards P
Candy Emberly S
Amy Grovender W
Stephanie Hartje W
Jackie Hitchingham R
Carrie Joines W
Katie Lust MV
Tara Menge MV
Maren Ness H
Katherine Olson P
Aja Pridgen P
Thea Rasmussen
Carise M. Rotach FL
Jen Reuben S
Melissa Sneen R
Debbie Thiels W
Maria Torning S
Nancy Waldoch FL

Tenor

Tim Davis R
Matt Dziuk S
Jeff Foels S
Andrew Groth H
Roland Hawkins II R
Eric Hjelmgren S
Rob Jarrett W
Mike Kulju H
Tim Lindberg R
Gabriel Ly P
Josh Mathews W
Kiran Mehra S
Nick Peterson FL
Adam Rosman FL
Adam Ross R
Kevin Rottinghaus W
Brad Schaack P
Brent Strom P
Mike Teeter H

Alto

Maggie Alexander H
Lindsey Anderson W
Carmen Aslesen H
Jennifer Baird FL
Melissa Briggs P
Amanda Duncan P
Marie Flagstad R
Janelle Flay MV
Robin Freed MV
Crystal Gaalaas FL
Sara Hoffman R
Emily Jordan S
Emmy Kegler R
Emily Naylon FL
Jil Riley S
Stephanie Roberts P
Josie Shern S
Anna Thomas MV
Ashley Utecht H
Alissa Vik W
Jessica Volger W
Amy Welshons H

Bass

Noah Bindman H
Brian Bowman R
Eric Bruce R
Tony Czech MV
Dan Getschel P
Adam Hoffman H
Jeff Holtz P
Mark Kieffer R
Eric Larson S
Jose Lightfoot FL
Justin Lockrem W
Matt Midthun MV
Blake Molmen H
Henry Narigon MV
Andrew Nelson P
Robert Pilgrim S
Jason Prairie P
Cory Regnier FL
Ryan Rydlund FL
Nick Saetre S
Josh Whiting W

Suburban East Conference Principals

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Stillwater Senior High
Mounds View Senior High
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All of the parents and friends who have shown their support for the arts and for our music programs by attending this day's event.

Mr. Tom Langford from WEZU Radio our host/announcer for the evening.

Haas Instruments will provide any instrument service during the day.

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