Minutes - Fall Meeting 1984

Approximately 46 librarians attended the fall meeting of the New York State/Ontario MLA, held jointly with the New York State/St. Lawrence Chapter of the American Musicological Society October 15-16 at the University of Toronto.

The morning session began with a discussion of three major automated systems. Joan Colquhoun (National Library of Canada) presented DOBIS, the Dortmund Bibliothekssystem, used by NLc; Joan Swanekamp (Eastman School of Music) gave an overview of OCLC; and Mary Magrega described the University of Toronto's UTLAS. The presentations focused on the applications of these systems for music and sound recordings cataloguing and retrieval. Joan Evans (Toronto) concluded the morning session with a lively description of the Hans Rosbaud papers at Washington State University, Pullman. Rosbaud conducted the premiers of several Boulez and Schoenberg works; his papers include correspondence with many contemporary composers.

Following lunch, Ross Wood (Eastman) conducted a brief business meeting. Officers for 1983/84 are Carolyn Hunter (Cornell), president; Donald Green (Eastman), programme coordinator; and Nancy Bren (SUNY Buffalo), secretary/treasurer.

The afternoon session highlighted Jean Philippe Rameau in papers by Thomas Green (Toronto), Graham Sadler (University of Hull, England), and Jerome de la Gorce (Centre National de Recherches Scientifiques). Mr. Sadler's report on the new Rameau edition was of particular interest to the librarians present. A reception hosted by the Faculty of Music and Watleys Ltd. followed the afternoon session; a concert by the New York Baroque Dance Company and Concert Royal and a reception hosted by Grand Marnier concluded the day's activities.

Sundays's papers covered a variety of topics: "Substitutes for the Benedicamus domino versicle in the Notre Dame repertory of conductus" (James Grier, University of Waterloo); "The impact of French dancing on Spanish society during the 18th century" (Maurice Esses, University of Toronto); "Structural coherence in Varèse's Amériques" (Gail Dixon,
University of Western Ontario); and "Peter Maxwell Davies and the plainsong influence" (Peter Hardwick, University of Guelph). A performance by Tafelmusik of Rameau's Pièces de clavecin ended the two-day meeting. Many thanks are due Suzanne Meyer Sawa (University of Toronto) for her fine job of coordinating the programme and taking care of local arrangements.

CORRECTION

The last issue of the Newsletter should have been numbered "No. 9, September 1983" rather than "No. 8, September 1982". (the editor)

Treasurer's Report

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- Nancy Bren
SUNY Buffalo
MUSIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
NEW YORK STATE / ONTARIO CHAPTER
Spring Meeting, May 12, 1984
Vassar College
Poughkeepsie, New York

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

9:30 AM ..... Registration -- Coffee -- Donuts -- Tours of the Facilities
10:00 AM .... Poughkeepsie's Musical Heritage: Resources in Local Music History -- Barbara Biszick, New York University
10:30 AM .... Women in Music
   The Bibliographic View: Resources and Search Strategies on Women in Music -- Joan Swanekamp; presented by Donald Green, Eastman School of Music
   The Ethnological View: The Role of Women in the Music of the Arab Middle East -- Suzanne Meyers Sawa, University of Toronto
   The Practitioner's View: The Woman Composer -- Edith Borroff, SUNY Binghamton
12:30 PM .... Luncheon -- Alumnae House, Vassar College
2:00 PM ..... Business Meeting
2:15 PM ..... Music Libraries and Resources in Germany: Current Conditions -- Diane Parr Walker, SUNY Buffalo
3:00 PM ..... The Albany Connection: Music Libraries and the State of New York -- Barbara Van Nortwick, Legislative Assistant to Senator Hugh Farley
4:30 PM ..... Reception -- Hosted by Vassar College

All programme events except the luncheon will take place in Skinner Hall of Music
Hotels / Motels in the Vassar area:

1. **Vassar College Alumnae House** (914-485-3700). It is no. 1 on the campus map. There is nothing available for rooms on Friday night due to a meeting of the Trustees. There will be rooms available for Saturday night. Rates:
   - Single with bath .................. $35.00 and tax
   - Double with bath ................. $40.00 and tax
   - Ladies wing single............... $20.00 and tax
     (Bath on corridor)
   - Single rooms...................... $10.00 and tax
     (Bath on corridor. These rooms are called cubicles)

The Alumnae House has much charm and is recommended for anyone interested in that sort of thing. MC and Visa only.

2. **Binders Motel**, 62 Haight Ave. (914-454-1010). This is within walking distance although it will be a long walk to the Music building on the other side of the campus. Rates:
   - Single (1 double bed)............ $39.00 and tax
   - Double (2 double beds) .......... $48.00 and tax
   - Each additional person ........ $4.00 each

Binders is a very typical motel. They take MC, VISA, Amer. Ex., and Diners Club.

There is a **Holiday Inn** on Route 9 in Poughkeepsie (914-473-1151). Also there is the **Poughkeepsie Motor Hotel** on Route 9 (914-562-6170). These are fairly close to the campus, but the first two listed are recommended. If there are problems getting rooms, please call Sabrina Weiss at Vassar.

Amtrak does go through Poughkeepsie and is a very pleasant trip if the train is on time. There is a $3-4 taxi fare from the station to Vassar, about a 7 or 8 minute drive.
If you are interested in a no-host dinner at a local Poughkeepsie restaurant after the chapter meeting on May 12th, please contact Sabrina Weiss at Vassar College in advance so that she might arrange reservations.

1984 Fall Chapter Meeting

In deference to our Canadian members (who may find Poughkeepsie a bit far to travel to a meeting), and because the Chapter has not met there in recent memory (if ever), and because of the kind and gracious willingness of Helmut Hallmann (Head of the Music Division, National Library of Canada) and Alison Hall (current GAML President and Music Librarian, Carleton University), we plan to hold the Fall MLA NYS/Ontario Chapter Meeting in Ottawa!! The exact date is yet to be chosen, but we anticipate a two day meeting in October with opportunities to tour the National Library, the Canadian National Archives, and perhaps the National Arts Centre, and sufficient time for a brief tour of the Canadian capital.

If you have specific or even general programme ideas or suggestions, please relay them to Programme Coordinator, Sibley Music Library, Eastman School of Music. In addition to the above mentioned, we also anticipate sessions devoted to Canadiana music and perhaps even a special recital.

Start saving your pennies now.

- Donald Green
# REGISTRATION FORM

**MLA NYS / Ontario Chapter Meeting**  
Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

May 12, 1984

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### Name:  

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### Institution:  

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### Registration Fee:  

$2.00 U.S.

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### Luncheon

Luncheon will be held at the Vassar College Alumnae House. There is a choice of:

- Prime rib sandwich on hard roll, lettuce and tomato ... $8.00
- Broccoli quiche, vegetable and tossed salad ........... $8.75

The price includes rolls and butter, coffee, tea, or sanka, and a dessert of Vassar Devil (a luscious concoction of devil's food cake, vanilla ice cream, hot fudge sauce, whipped cream, etc.), tax, and tip.

Please indicate your choice below.

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### Registration

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### Luncheon

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### Total

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Checks may be made payable to **NYS/Ontario Chapter, MLA**. May be included with your registration or paid in person. Please remit in U.S. funds.

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Please return completed registration form to:

Sabrina Weiss  
George Sherman Dickinson Music Library  
Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12601  
(914-452-7000)

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Please complete and return form by May 5, 1984.
Members who have not yet paid their 1983/84 dues should do so now. This covers membership for the period from September 1983 through August 1984. Please return the form below to:

Nancy Bren
Secretary/Treasurer, NYS/O MLA
Music Library
Baird Hall
SUNY Buffalo
Buffalo, NY 14260

Reminder - please remit checks for dues and registration fees in American funds. The bank charges a dollar to cash each personal check drawn on a Canadian bank; our Canadian members should send money orders to prevent our already low dues from being gobbled up by the exchange rate and bank fees. Thank you!

1983/84
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
NEW YORK STATE/ONTARIO MUSIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Name__________________________________________________
Mailing address_________________________________________

Please check here if your address has changed since our last mailing.

Dues are $4.00 per year, payable in American funds to the New York State/Ontario Music Library Association. This small fee entitles you to vote at business meetings or on official ballots, to serve as a Chapter officer or committee member, and to receive all publications of the Chapter.

Canadian members, willing to receive chapter mail at their business address, will save the chapter the cost of postage if their library is served by I U T S (Inter-University Transit System)