

Kodály Educators of Iowa



September 2007

Welcome Back!

The school year has just begun, and KEI has great things planned for 2007-08!



Our year is off to a great start with our sharing that was held Saturday, September 8 at Terrace in Ankeny. Many thanks to Kris Versteegt for hosting and for faci-

tating the technology portion of the day. We had a jam-packed morning with 18 in attendance, including eleven non-members and one first-year teacher! Many great ideas for improvisation were shared. Thanks to board members and to Kris VerSteegt for providing the delicious lunch, and thanks to Mary Phelps for sharing about the IKS Symposium. A chapter meeting was held after the workshop, and six members were in attendance. Topics included IMEA, our spring event, a chapter website and boutique sales.

KEI at IMEA

KEI has been invited to present again at the state convention in November. Our session is entitled *“Do you hear what I hear? Listening Lessons for Music Literacy”*, and presenters will be Mary Phelps, Kris VerSteegt, Grant Hobin, Shelley Droe and Sonia Johnson. Our session is on Friday November 16 at 1:15pm. Hope to see you there!

Spring Workshop

Mark your calendars for February 23 at ISU for our second event of the year. Mary Price will present *“Orff in the Kodály Classroom”*. The workshop will be from 9am-3pm, and lunch will be provided. Session fees are \$25 for non-members, \$20 for members, \$5 for non-ISU students and free for ISU students. Mary holds Level III Kodály certification from Wichita State and has completed two levels of Orff. She teaches special topics at Wichita State’s summer Kodály program. Spread the word about this great workshop!

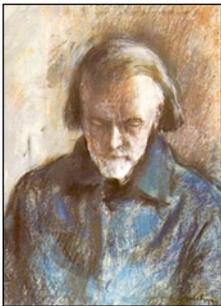
John Feierabend at Simpson September 15

John Feierabend presents *First Steps in Music: Becoming Tuneful, Beautiful and Artful*. The session will include a demonstration with children. Fee is \$30. Call Dr. Michael Patterson at (515) 961-1582 to register.

OAKE 2008 in Colorado

The Western division invites you to attend the 2008 nation convention in Denver March 27-29. Come be a part of Kodály in Colorado: Music with Altitude!

Quotes from Kodály



“Teach music and singing at school in such a way that it is not a torture but a joy for the pupil; instill a thirst for finer music in him, a thirst that will last a lifetime.”

[...] “...a good folk song is a perfect masterpiece in itself.”

“A child should not collect concepts and definitions but the treasures of music. There will be plenty of time to evaluate, arrange and review them later.”

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