CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS 1974-1980



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Carmi League Of Arts

Formed

November 17, 1974

The Southern Illinois Community Arts Association is a new organization designed to bring about extensive development of the cultural arts in communities throughout the Southern Illinois area. In conjunction with this group there will be an organizational meeting this Sunday in order to form a cultural society in Carmi for the furtherance of all the arts - drama, music, art.

This meeting will be held in the chapel of the Wabash Christian Retirement Center at 3:30 this Sunday, November 17.

As a lover of the arts, you have been selected to attend this meeting. Please come if you can and bring anyone you think might also be interested.

League Of Arts

Forms In Carmi

The Carmi League of Arts was born and christened Sunday, Nov. 17, with 31 interested local people attending the organizational meeting.

Heading up the new organization are the following officers, elected at the 3:30 meeting at the Wabash Christian Retirement Center: Mary McRoy, president; Vivian McClellan, vice president; Marge Courtnage, secretary; Imogene Ferren, treasurer; Judy Jackson, publicity chairman.

Clif Callahan, project director for the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association sponsored by seven Southern Illinois community colleges explained the program's aims

The Carmi League of Arts is nonprofit and open to any and all interested persons. The new group will provide an opportunity for participants and patrons of all art forms to socialize while planning new ways to stimulate the arts within the community. It will also participate with other communities in an exchange of art events such as concerts, musicals, plays, art exhibits, etc.

The league will conduct its affairs through officers, a board of directors and the open membership. Specific community action will tolow with the board's appointment and the next general membership meeting, which all interested are urged to attend.

NOV. 17, 1973

Arts League Chooses Officers

The newly formed Carmi League of Arts selected its board of directors in officers' meetings held in December and January respectively, according to the organization's president, Mary McRoy.

Those serving three-year terms are Lois Renfrow and J. Robert Smith of Carmi and John Brown, Enfield. Serving two-year terms are Henry Maddox, Kent Boeger and Paul Hayse. Dorothy Mann, Betty Brown and Bill Brickman will fill the posts for one year. Ther terms of office were drawn by lots, and each board member may succeed himself.

Various committees were also formed in these officers' meetings to help get the new organization "off the ground." The membership committee consists of Lois Renfrow, chairman, Darrell Lower and Vivian McClellan. Betty Brown and Henry Maddox will serve on the by-laws committee. Heading the publicity committee is Judy Jackson, working with Bob

Meskill and Barry Cleveland. The financial committee is headed by Imogene Ferren, with members Rose Poore and W. Herbert Bayley.

A kickoff meeting is being planned for Sunday, Jan. 19, at 2:30 p.m. in the basement meeting room of Carmi's First Baptist Church. Those interested in any art form theatre, art and photography music (vocal or instrumental) and dance or literary—are urged to attend this meeting so that interest groups may be formed among the members and programs and events hit the planning board.

Dues for the League are \$3 annually and may be brought to the first meeting or payable to any of the membership committee or following officers: Mary McRoy, president; Vivian McClellan, vice president: Marge Courtnage, secretary: Imogene Ferren, treasurer: Judy Jackson, publicity chairman.

Arts Group Grows

Fifteen Southern Illinois communities have formed arts associations and eight others are in the process of doing so, Clif Callahan, director of the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association, Olney, has announced.

Cities which have formed community arts groups include Carmi (League of Arts), Grayville (Community Arts Association), Eldorado (Arts Association) and Fairfield (Friends of the Arts), among others.

All participating associations have dual purposes—to encourage local arts programming and to stir interest in intercommunity sharing of events and talent, Callahan said.

The Southern Illinois association has become one of the largest organizations of its kind in the nation in recent months but has still been denied funding (for the second successvie quarter) by the Illinois Arts Council, Callahan said

Area Arts Groups Meet Saturday At Mt. Vernon

Delegations from arts organizations in 18 Southern Illinois communities will convene Saturday at Mt. Vernon to shape the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association and to launch a massive, cooperative effort to develop the arts throughout the area.

The delegations will assemble at the Mitchell Art Museum at 1 p.m. a d will represent newly formed groups from Cairo, Carlisle, Carmi, Eldorado, Fairfield, Flora, Grayville, Harrisburg, Lawrenceville, Marion, Metropolis, Murphysboro, Olney and Salem. They will be joined by established groups of long standing from Centralia, Greenville, Mt. Carmel and Mt. Vernon.

Special guests Terry Bruce, state senator from the 54th District; Kenneth Miller, executive vice president of the Mitchell Foundation; and James Seed, executive director of Southern Illinois, Inc., will provide opening remarks. Proceedings will be conducted by Clif Callahon, director of the Community Arts Association, and John Monroe, coordinator of the Southern Illinois Community College Public Service Consortium. The seven-college consortium is sponsoring the Association's development as a public service.

The conference agenda will include introductions of community delegations, structuring the Association for control by community representation, adoption of the first annual goals, establishment of a Southern Illinois Community Arts Foundation and the planning of a community arts convention. The Association hopes to adopt a program with special provisions to meet the differing needs of communities of varying sizes.

All Southern Illinois communities are invited to inquire about future participation in the Association. Address inquiries to Clif Callahan, Director, 233 E. Chestnut St., Olney, Ill., 62450, or call 618-393-2982.



Paintings Displayed—
Several of the works of the late Inez Dwight Rice Adkinson Hale, a noted artist and mother of Mrs. Max (Margaret) Chapman, Carmi, were displayed Sunday at the monthly meeting of the Carmi League of Arts. See story in Tuesday's TIMES.

Arts League Sees Mrs. Hale's Work

The life story of a memorable artist who spent her last years in Carmi was told at Sunday's meeting of the Carmi League of Arts, held in the basement of the First Baptist Church.

Kent F. P. Boeger detailed the life of Mrs. Inez D. R. A. Hale, mother of Mrs. Max Chapman of Carmi, who died here in 1967 after a lifetime in the arts. He illustrated his talk with a stage full of Mrs. Hale's paintings.

The league split into its interest groups—art, music and drama—after Boeger's address, and a board meeting followed these sessions. The league will meet again March 9 at the church.

Mrs. Hale was born in 1875 in Chicago and earned a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Chicago. Her first husband, Henry M. Adkinson was a mining engineer, and they went to live in Utah and Colorado, witnessing the growth of the mining country.

There she raised her family, and there she continued to live after her husband died in 1923. Early in the '30s, however, she met an old friend from "back home," a widower named H. J. Hale, and they married. His work took them to Canada, where they enjoyed the arts and the outdoor life.

The Hales returned later to California to enjoy retirement, but death claimed him in 1939 and she returned to Chicago to live with her daughter and family. There she encouraged her grandchildren in the arts, just as she had been encouraged.

During the war years she served as assistant curator of the Palm Springs Desert Museum in California. Later, she moved to Colorado to care for her ailing sister, who died in 1955. Three years later, she fell, broke her hip and returned to Evanston after a hospital stay. There she resumed "dabbling" in her old love—painting.

Resting the 18-by-24-inch canvas board on the arms of her wheelchair, the 84-year-old Mrs. Hale painted landscapes, seascapes, animals, children, flowers—sometimes a picture a day.

Soon her son-in-law and daughter retired, and he, a member of an old White County family, returned to Carmi and built a new home. They brought Mrs. Hale with them. There she lived until 1967, when, in Boeger's words, "she gathered her paints and brushes and checked out of this life."

CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS Carmi, Illinois

CONSTITUTION

Article I. NAME.

The name of this organization shall be CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS of Carmi, Illinois.

Article II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this non-profit organization is to plan, encourage, participate in, and promote the cultural arts in the community and to share cultural activities with participating communities in Southern Illinois.

Article III. MEMBERSHIP

Any persons, including children and teen-agers, who are interested in cultural arts activities are eligible for membership.

Article IV. OFFICERS

The officers of this organization shall be a president, vicepresident, secretary, treasurer, and publicity chairman whose election
shall take place annually, a majority vote of those present required to
elect. Officers shall be nominated by a committee appointed by the
president with approval of the Executive Board. The term of office
shall be for one year or until a successor is elected. Officers may be
re-elected. No person not a member of the organization shall be
eligible to hold office. Vacancies occurring during the year shall be
filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired term.

Article V. EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board shall be composed of nine members serving three year rotating terms whose election shall take place annually, a majority vote of those present required to elect. Board members will serve a three year term or until a successor is elected. Board members may be re-elected. Nomination of Board members shall be by a committee appointed by the president with approval of the present Board. No person who is not a member of the organization shall be eligible to be a Board member. Vacancies occuring during the year shall be filled by the Executive Board for the unexpired term.

Feb. 6, 1925

Arts League's Story Told To Kiwanians

After only two meetings, the Carmi League of Arts has 57 members and ambitious plans for the future.

So said Betty Brown in speaking Thursday at the luncheon meeting of the Carmi Kiwanis Club in the American Legion Home dining room.

Mrs. Brown spoke following a fried chicken dinner prepared and served by members of Unit 224, American Legion Auxiliary, but not without an introduction that indicated the type of relationship she enjoys with her minister husband.

Kiwanian Frank Brown, minister of the First Christian Church, was handed the assignment by program chairman Frank Barbre of presenting the speaker, and he did it with the proper amount of humor.

Brown, who has a hobby of keeping horses and antique farm plements, spoke, with tongue in cheek, of his marital difficulties, describing Betty as "half Scotch . . . and a little soda."

Carrying on the gag, he told of going to Dr. Harrison "Buddy" Peyton for counseling, adding he was advised to "be the boss." He tried it by ordering dinner at 7:30 and declaring what suit he would wear. But when it came to donning a bow tie, he asked his wife if she knew who was going to tie the tie.

"Yes," he said Betty answered, "Joyce Campbell at the Donald Campbell Funeral

Mrs. Brown, who described herself as one opposed to the ERA (Equal Rights Amendment) but a "women's libber," related how the Brown family had fallen in love with Carmi on visits here from Danville, and the minister's desire to succeed Dannie Martin upon his resignation.

Not thinking what Carmi could do for them, the Browns quickly became involved in community activities, including the children's roles at school. But Betty remarked she had an empty space that is gettin filled a statement to which Frank

interjected an unexpected "amen."

"I live with a super Kiwanian who believes in letting me do my own thing," she quipped, then followed with her acquaintance with the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association and a subsequent meeting here attended by Cliff Callahan of SICAA.

"When asked if I would like to become involved, I answered 'hot ziggidy," Betty said.

The movement started in mid-September at Olney and soon 11 communities were participating, including the Carmi League of Arts. Another is established at Grayville. In Callahan's last report, he said 18 communities had organized groups.

Over 30 attended the initial meeting here and Mary McRoy was elected president. Nine, including Mrs. Brown, are directors. Dues are \$3 per year and she invited Kiwanians to join.

The League is divided into four groups—drama, music, arts and literature.

A "sampler" is tentatively set for April 13.

"We have a good time," Betty continued. "We plan to include

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(Continued from page 1) children and teenagers."

In pointing to future activities, she informed the audience a big bicentennial production is planned.

As a parting shot, Betty stated: "I wish you would schedule Frank as a speaker sometime. I and his dummy, Herman, have certificates of appreciation, but he doesn't have any."

Don White, chairman of Kiwanis Pancake Day, passed out tickets and exhorted members to take additional ducats to the Saturday, March 1, affair in the Washington (Middle School) cafeteria. Pancakes, sausage and coffee will be served from 6 a.m. until 7 p.m. Persons planning to attend can save 50 per cent by purchasing tickets in advance.

Guests at the meeting were Harold Meriwether, with Elmo Jones; Alan George and Ed Williams, Carterville, and Jerry Coulter, Gorham, bank examiners, with Jim David; Barry Cleveland, with Larry Prench; and the Rev. John Pereboom, new minister of the Pirst Presbyterian Church, with Ivan A. Elliott Jr.

League Of Arts To Meet Sunday

Chairman Mike Croghan's music group will kick off the Sunday meeting of the Carmi League of Arts on a lively note. The business meeting and program will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church meeting room. The division into literature, theatre, music, and art interest groups will follow.

Officers and board members will meet following the general meeting to further formulate April kick-off plans for the group.

President, Mary McRoy, stressed, "It isn't too late. Anyone interested may attend and join the League at any time."

March 9,1975

League Of Arts To Present 'Sampler'

Carmi League of Arts members were entertained by a local chorus at their meeting Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist Church basement.

The league's music section presented a medley of four songs from "My Fair Lady" and added "Edelweiss" from "The Sound of Music."

Following the program, a short business meeting was conducted. It was announced that paid membership now numbers 63, and others are welcome to join at any time.

President Mary McRoy said the league's by-laws have been drawn up and approved by its board.

A "sampler," featuring presentations by the music, art and drama sections of the league, was tentatively scheduled for April 13. The public will be welcome to attend the "sampler" free of charge.

Each interest group then adjourned for its separate meeting, and a board meeting followed.

Mrs. McRoy Speaks To Beta Nu Chapter

Beta Nu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority met Monday evening in the home of Mrs. Charles Schanzle, with 13 members attending.

The business meeting was presided over by the president, following the opening ritual. Letters from the International office and an invitation to the Beta Sigma Phi Founders Daybanquet in Evansville, Ind. were read and committee reports, concerning the upcoming house tour set for May 18, were given.

For the lesson "Art," Mrs. Robert Gaddy invited Mrs. Lee McRoy, president of the Carmi League of Arts, to give a presentation of the organization and its activities.

Mrs. Mel Smith asked Mrs. Schanzle to show slides of a Colorado trip for her lesson entitled "Nature."

Following the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Schanzle and Mrs. Childress

Arts Director Recives Grant

The Southern Illinois Community College Public Service Consortium has received a grant totaling \$4,100 for its community arts project.

The consortium is composed of Lincoln Trail College, Olney Central College, Wabash Valley College, Kaskaskia College, John A. Logan College, Shawnee College and Southeastern Illinois College.

The consortium has been involved in a regional project to help communities in Southern Illinois acquire the organization and expertise necessary to develop activities in the arts in their communities. The project has proceeded under the direction of Clif Callahan since June 1974, and in February 1975 the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association was formed.

At present there are 19 communities involved in the association, including Carmi, Fairfield, Flora, Grayville, Lawrenceville, Mt. Carmel and Olney.

The Illinois Arts Council grant is to help cover salary and expenses for the arts association director through Aug 31.

Arts group plans 'sampler' Sunday

It's only a sampling of what the Carmi League of Arts can and will do in the future . . . but Sunday the public can "put it all together."

At 2:30, in the Baptist Church basement meeting room, each existing interest group in the League will present its own segment of an afternoon of free entertainment open to the public.

"Just Us Girls," a one act comedy written by Gordon will be presented in readers' theatre form. The "girls" will be read by Hazel Burns, Adamae Roosevelt, Paulene Hughes, and Mary McRoy. Darrell Lower has assisted and directed the group.

Mike Croghan's music group will swing forth with selections from "My Fair Lady" and Edelweiss." His is a relatively large group but open for those more interested in the field of music.

The art interest group, with chairman, Kent Boeger, will host a showing of art by White County artists. For this special "open house" on the coming Sunday, non League and Guild members, grade and high school students, and other budding artists are encouraged to show. Boeger stressed that the League is not responsible for art work left for the display. He urges that all work in any medium which is to

be shown be brought to the church basement by using the parking lot entrance between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p.m. Work is to be picked up between 4 and 4:30 p.m.

It's free . . . it's fun . . . everyone can come. Membership is not a requirement, but many \$3.00 memberships are still available for those who wish to participate with the League each month. This is just a "Sampler!"

Arts group says area shortchanged

Illinois. Southern Community Arts Association (SICAA) reports that results of a recent analysis of the grants awarded by the Illinois Arts Council on March 12 reveals a continued serious shortage of funding throughout a 35-county Southern Illinois area in which it s working.

It includes all counties south of Interstate 70, and several adjacent and north-central of that area. While approving grants totaling more than \$239,000 throughout the state, only about \$7,000 was awarded to area sources. The extreme northern part of Illinois was awarded about \$147,000, while approximately \$130,000 of this amount was earmarked for the Chicago vicinity.

The SICAA is working toward

the development of the arts throughout the Southern Illinois area, and presently has a participating membership of 19 area communities, with several additional communities expected to join the effort soon. Most are developing new comprehensive arts organizations.

The IAC awarded a grant of \$4,100 for the continuance of the association's development. This represents an amount about \$2,000 less than that requested and needed for the period extending from March to August of '75. The request for the grant was made by the association, and by the seven-member Southern Illinois Community Public Service College Consortium, which has provided sponsorship inclusive of approximately \$10,500 since June of 1974. Application for assistance was initially made in August of 1974, and repeated each quarter.

The SICAA believes that the IAC is in need of immediate major policy changes in order to serve the needs of Southern Illinois communities. The most immediate need is for more extensive work throughout the Southern Illinois area by IAC representatives in assisting local arts organizations in the preparation of proposals. The

association has invited the IAC grants officer, Robert Salisbury, to tour the area and to disseminate the necessary information.

IAC grants officer in southern Illinois

Bob Salisbury, grants officer for the Illinois Arts Council, is in Southern Illinois this week, through April 30. Salisbury will explain Illinois Arts Council grant applications to aid local arts groups in applying for

tinancial assistance. The Illinois Arts Council, which granted \$117,000 in the southern one-third of the state this year, seeks to encourage organizations here to apply for funds and programs. Not-forprofit arts organizations which have been in existence for one year are eligible for funds. The next grant deadline is May 1st. For further information contact the IAC Grants-Office (312) 793-

April 13, 1975

League of Arts presents sampler

A crowd of around 50 people attended Sunday's Carmi League of Arts "sampler," held at the First Baptist Church in Carmi.

Just Us Girls," a one-act play, was performed by four members of the league's literature and drama group; a medley of songs from "My Fair Lady," plus "Edelweiss" from "The Sound of Music," was performed by a choir of music group members; and a number of paintings and drawings were displayed by members of the league's visual arts group.

Members of the public were invited to attend the event, free of

The final meeting of the spring will be held May 11 at the church.

From First United Methodist Church

COMMUNITY ARTS ASSOCIATION

Dr. Peyton has received a letter inviting him and his congregation to attend the first annual Southern Illinois Community Arts Convention to be held on the campus of Kaskaskia College in Centralia on May 9 and 10. This historic event is open to the public, and is sponsored by the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association, a family of 19 area communities working together to develop the arts through personal and community participation.

This innovative program is designed to be of value to various community elements, such as churches, arts organizations, clubs, schools, and others. It will include an art exhibit, performances, special guests, workshops and other items designed to provide a challenging experience. There will be a workshop of special interest entitled "THE ARTS IM THE CHURCH.

May 9-10, 1975

Community arts meeting scheduled for early May

The Southern Illinois area will have its first annual Community Arts Convention at Kaskaskia College in Centralia May 9-10.

This event is open to the public and is sponsored by the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association, a family of 19 area communities working together to develop the arts through personal and community participation.

and community participation. The program is being planned to provide a stimulus to the planning of arts events by arts organizations, churches, clubs, schools, etc. It will include workshops in: community bluegrass, country and western music, dance, theater, visual arts, vocal and instrumental music, arts fund raising and membership drives, arts publicity, how to apply for an arts grant, how to form a community arts organization, the arts in the church and the arts in the school.

The convention will open with registration and an informal social at the college at 8 p.m. Friday, May 9. Saturday's events will include an art exhibit by some of Southern Illinois's finest artists, and will conclude with a "Home Town" variety show featuring acts from many communities.

For information, write the association at 233 E. Chestnut, Olney, Ill., or telephone 618-393-2982.

May 4, 1975

League of Arts to meet Sunday

"Theatre is the thing" at the last scheduled spring meeting of the Carmi League of Arts to be held Sunday, May 4, in the basement meeting room of Carmi's First Baptist Church at 2:30 p.m. The regularly scheduled date was changed to avoid the conflicts of Mother's Day

The constitution for the group is now official, and president of the organization, Mary McRoy, would like to stress the following points: the purpose of the nonprofit organization is to plan, encourage, participate in and promote the cultural arts in the community and to share cultural activities with participating communities in Southern Illinois. Dues are \$3 annually, and members or non-members may become patrons of the organization with a donation of no less than \$10 annually which entitles them to free admission to

all League sponsored events of the year.

It was also stressed that any persons, including children and teen-agers, who are interested in cultural arts activities are eligible and encouraged to join. "Especially," Mrs. McRoy stressed, "come for the last meeting before summer adjournment."

Centralia to host Arts Convention

A "first" . . . the Southern Illinois Community Arts Convention is to be held Friday and Saturday, May 9 and 10 at Kaskaskia College on Shattuc Road in Centralia.

This exciting new event is a first in the history of Southern Illinois. It is sponsored by the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association, a family of 19 area communities working together to develop the arts through personal and community participation. The public is invited to attend.

Friday, after the board of directors meeting, from 8-11 a.m. is registration and "get acquainted" social. Saturday's activities will include meetings with partner communities, guest speakers, workshops in 10 areas, a tech rehearsal, and "Home Town" variety show.

Also, throughout Saturday, there will be an ongoing exhibit of works of art by some of Southern Illinois' leading artists.

For convention information, contact Clif Callahan, director, SICAA Office, 233 East Chestnut Street, Olney, Illinois. Telephone 618-393-2982.

Grayville Community Arts Association
Presents
"The Night of January 16th"
APRIL 18, 1975 8:00 P. M.

Grayville High School Gymnasium

League of Arts

holds last meeting

The last meeting of Carmi's League of Arts was opened by drama chairman, Violet Barbre. who read a Biblical quotation on a mother who feareth God." In this way she introduced a variety of poems and readings in honor of

Mothers' Day

Katherine Bohleber selected a group of light poems by Ogden Nash. She was followed by Ruth Moore's reading of "The Apron String" written by Laura Richards. James Whitcomb Riley's, "A Boy's Mother" and an Erma Brombeck specialty on families who travel together and the "400 mile 'get Mama game' or the self-destruction of Mom" followed and was presented by Mary McRoy

The beautiful legend of "The White Magnolia Tree" written by Helen Dutch was read by Blanch Heathcock. Pauline Hughes presented three readings by Helen Lowery Marshall. They were 'Five, Ten, Fifteen, Twenty,' 'They Will Never Know,' and 'Grandmother's.' She followed with an original poem written by Vivian Mc-Clellan, "My Thoughts of Home

Between each reading Violet Barbre gave quips and quotes on

and Mother.

mothers and concluded the program with "A Song of Life." Mary McRoy opened the short business meeting by announcing that this May 4 get together was the last of the year and the group will meet again in September. There are 72 paid members. She added that anyone interested in attending the Southern Illinois Community Arts Convention next weekend could obtain applications from her.

Joint choral concert Sunday night in Carmi

Choir members from churches throughout the community will participate in a joint concert Sunday evening in a Carmi League of Arts-sponsored Bicentennial celebration.

The public is invited to attend the choral concert, to begin at

8:15 p.m. in St. Polycarp Catholic Church.

Ten numbers will be performed by the group, which will be

aided by four accompanists and eight directors.

Mrs. Kent Boeger will play the prelude, and the first portion of the program will include "Fanfare with Alleluia," "Lift up Your Heads" (soprano solo by Mrs. Frank Brown), "Sine Nomine," "God So Loved the World" and "Psalm 150.".

The second portion of the program will feature "Sweet, Sweet Spirit," "Reach Out and Touch," "In Remebrance" and

"O Thou to Whose All Searching Sight."

Wilhousky's stirring version of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," with a trumpet trio in accompaniment, will con-

clude the program.

Choir members from the St. Polycarp, First and Emmanuel Methodist, First Christian, First Baptist and First United Presbyterian churches will participate. Organists, pianists and accompanists will include Mrs. Harold Karger, Mrs. Gordon Lantrip, Mrs. Larry Bryant and Mrs. Cliff Newcomb.

Choir directors will be Mrs. Charles Hortin, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. C. William Fechtig, Mrs. Richard Williams, Mrs. W. Herbert Bayley, Mrs. Henry Lewis, Michael F. Croghan and

Bicentennial concert to be given Sunday

A joint choral concert by choir members from throughout the community will be presented Sunday evening, June 1, at 8:18 p.m. in St. Polycarp Catholic Church.

The concert is a Carmi League of Arts-sponsored Bicentennial event and the public is invited and urged to attend. Churches choir participating members are St. Polycarp, the First and Emmanual Methodists, First Christian, First Baptist, and First United Presbyterian.

Choir directors are Mrs. Charles Hortin, Mrs. Frank Brown, Mrs. C. William Fechtig, Mrs. Richard Williams, Mrs. W. Herbert Bayley, Mrs. Henry Lewis, Michael F. Croghan, and

John Brown.

COMBINED CHURCH CHOIR CONCERT June 1, 1975 - 8:18 p.m. Sponsored by the LEAGUE OF ARTS of Carmi, Illinois

Prelude

Mrs. Kent Boeger

"Fanfare With Alleluias"
"Lift Up Your Heads"
"Sine Nonime"
"God So Loved The World"
"Psalm 150"

Soprano Solo

Mrs. Frank Brown

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"
"Reach Out and Touch"
"In Remembrance"
"O Thou, To Whose All Searching Sight"

III "Battle Hymn Of The Republic"

Trumpets

Gary Barbre Kevin Chastain Roger Winter

CHURCH CHOIRS PARTICIPATING

St. Polycarp Catholic Emmanuel Methodist First Methodist First Christian First Baptist First Presbyterian

ACCOMPANISTS

Mrs. Harold Karger Mrs. Larry Bryant Mrs. Gordon Lantrip Mrs. Cliff Newcomb

DIREC TORS

Mrs. Frank Brown
Mrs. Charles Hortin
Mrs. Richard Williams
Mrs. C. W. Fechtig
Mrs. W. Herbert Bayley
Mrs. Henry Lewis
Mr. M. F. Croghan
Mr. John Brown

Choral effort draws big crowd

An overflow crowd of about 300 persons attended a Bicentennial Carmi League of Arts choral concert Sunday evening in St. Polycarp Church in Carmi.

Choirs of six Carmi churches, together with accompanists and directors, combined for a 40-minute musical program featuring seven numbers.

The 70-voice choir concluded with Wilhousky's stirring rendition of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," made famous when recorded in the 1950s by the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

The League plans a joint choral effort next spring on Handel's "Messiah."

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In our opinion . . .

Cheers for the community

We applaud six local churches and the Carmi League of Arts for their respective parts in Sunday's choral concert here.

The community needs this sort of thing; people in White County have too few opportunities to join together in song, in worship or in simple socializing.

Community spirit—certainly the most important factor in building a progressive community—is not something borne of mere geographic proximity. Community spirit and cooperation demand people of different faiths, beliefs, backgrounds, working together for the common good.

White County has been designated a Bicentennial community. For many, this means looking again at our past, remembering and recreating our county's rich history and tradition.

Let us, however, make more than this of our celebration: let us create an even richer future; let us mold a county-wide, community-wide spirit, and let us act in concert with that spirit.

We are only a small community of 17,000 neighbors in a state of 12 million, a nation of 220 million. Yet, we have much in common with each other; we are a community.

Let us remember that, and join together more often in community-wide celebrations and festivals, during this Bicentennial era and beyond.

Community Arts to hold **Bluegrass Music Fest**

The Southern Illinois Community Arts Association announces that two outstanding bluegrass bands, The "Piney Ridge Boys" of Jacksonville and The "Adams Family Bluegrass 'n Honey' of Mt. Carmel have contracted to perform for the first annual Bluegrass Music Festival of Southern Illinois scheduled for August 8, 9 and 10 at the Pampered Camper Campground in Carlyle.

The "Piney Ridge Boys" have received top billing at major bluegrass festivals in Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Kansas, and sponsor their annual festival Jacksonville. The group recently appeared, as a featured band, with Grand Ole Opry stars Carl Story, James Monroe, and Lonzo & Oscar at the festival in Grassy, Mo. sponsored by Don Brown and the Ozark Mountain Trio. They also received top billing at one of the nation's finest festivals, the Jefferson County Annual Blue Grass Music Festival held at Hillsboro, Mo., and sponsored by Dub Crouch (of the Bluegrass Rounders).

The "Adams Family Bluegrass " Honey" have performed at festivals and fairs in Illinois, Indiana, and Missouri, including the Illinois State Fair, the

DuQuoin State Fair, and the Indiana State Fair. They have appeared on the W.S.M. Midnight Jamboree from Nashville, Tenn., and have performed on programs with Grand Ole Opry Stars Roy Acuff, Jimmy C. Newman, Jim and Jesse, Charley Walker, Merle Haggard, Bonnie Owens, and others. The group is a family unit that performs together, and builds hand-crafted instruments which are used in concert.

The event is co-sponsored by the 19 area communities in the SICAA.

Dr. Richey nominated

A Grayville man has been recommended for membership on the Illinois Arts Council and Community Arts Council Panel.

Dr. Robert Richey, Grayville physician, is one of seven Southern Illinoisans whose names were submitted for consideration for the boards of the two statewide

organizations.

A. Clifton Callahan, executive director of the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association, submitted the seven names to Bruce Sagan of Chicago, chairman of the Illinois Arts Council. Callahan noted that Southern Illinois has not been well represented on state arts councils recently and urged Sagan to work for the appointment of representatives from this area.

Richey, Callahan said, is a founder and current president of the Grayville Community Arts Association, one of the most active of the Southern Illinois

groups.

Other names submitted included Mrs. Joan Ferrell, Raleigh; John Coleman. Greenville, the Rev. Norris Price, Fairfield; Dr. Stanley Timm, Flora; John Monroe, Olney; and Mrs. Florence Lurie, Metropolis.

Arts council awards \$105,775; turns down area applications

The Illinois Arts Council has awarded 28 grants totaling \$105,775 to Southern Illinois arts organizations, but has refused to fund projects proposed by the regional arts council.

The IAC announced the grants Tuesday, following what it called the largest grant-making session in its history. A total of \$750,652 was awarded statewide by the council.

While many area projects were funded by the IAC, four applications from the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association—whose members include the arts groups in Carmi and Grayville—were rejected.

The four applications requested a total of \$76,000, more money than has ever been given any grantee, anywhere in the state. Bruce Sagan, chairman of the Arts Council, said that the proposals were unrealistic and violated many of the council's policies.

Said Sagon, "We explained the council's policies very carefully to Clifton Callahan, director of the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association. For some reason, he chose to totally disregard what he had been told, and he made proposals which we cannot fund. Callahan seems to prefer claiming we refuse to fund him, rather than to submit

PLAY TRYOUTS CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS will be held in room 200 at Washington School Thursday, September 25, and Friday, September 26 at 3:30 p.m. All young people grades 7 through 12 are encouraged to tryout for this children's production. If interested and unable to attend, call 382-7032 after 1 p.m.

reasonable proposals."

The Southern Illinois Community Arts Association is presently operating on a grant of \$4,100, which the Arts Council made to it last spring. The Council refused to renew the grant at its recent meeting.

The largest single grant approved was \$50,000 to the

Mississippi River Festival at Southern Illinois University.

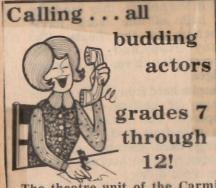
Among the other organizations funded in this area where the Eldorado Arts Association (\$500 for profesional personnel and promotion of a community theater production); Wabash Valley College at Mt. Carmel

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(\$2,000 for a community arts program, music performances and woodwind workshops); and Olney Arts Council (\$950 for a director's fee, theater production and general promotion of arts programs).

Other grants went to groups in East St. Louis, Centralia, Carbondale, Cairo, Effingham, Alton, Collinsville, Danville, Grand Tower, Madison, Mascoutah, Mt. Vernon, Murphysboro, Vandalia and Venice.

Monday Sept 22, 1975



The theatre unit of the Carmi League of Arts will present the children's play, "Alladin and the Wonderful Lamp," in November. We need actors, actresses . . even a camel! Tryouts will be held at 3:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 25 and 26 in room 200 at Washington Middle School.

If interested, but unable to be at tryouts, call 382-7032 (Judy Jackson) or 382-8521 (Mary McRoy).

"Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" children's production to be presented this weekend



Several of the cast members and technical aides of the Carmi Artists' Guild children's production "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" to be presented Friday and Saturday at the First Baptist Church.

One Bicentennial special feature is this weekend's production "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp." The play under the auspice of the Carmi League of Arts is being directed by two members, Mary McRoy and Judy Jackson, featuring a cast of young people for an audience of children, their parents, and all who are "young at heart!" Donations to the production are appreciated and acceptable to support our minimal expenses. Several organizations have already made contributions.

"Aladdin" is the first presentation in this category celebrating the Bicentennial year. . . an effort by the school students assisted by volunteer workers in the community. The enthusiasm shown by these young people is heartwarming. It is the feeling of the production

staff that the enthusiasm and dedication toward the arts and the theatre is a project that can be well supported by Carmi.

Adult assistants who gave freely of their time and talents assistants, Frances Fechtig, Anita Peyton, Rose Poore and Vivian McClellan; costumes, Janet Rice, Becky Stanley, Marti Stephens, Ruby Lewis, Lillian Pool and Marilyn Childers; makeup Marilyn Childers and Marti Stephens; tickets, Rose Poore; programs, Anita Peyton; technical crew, Greg Talley, Lisa Emery, Jamie Jackson.

Cast members include Scheherazade, Angie Inman; Aladdin, Jeff Cozart; Aladdin's mother, Patti Russell; Nuphsed (the camel), Richard Townsend and Cary Brown; magician, Buddy Peyton; princess, Amy Fechtig; wazier, Greg Baker; slave of the lamp, Greg Talley; ladies in waiting, Jeannie Jackson, Esther Gibbs, Suzanne Karger, Tammy Poore, Debbie Halfacre; peasants Cindy Hays and Cary Brown; merchants, Mark Lies and Jim Inman; soldiers Wayne Sutton and Jim

Inman. Student prompters are Gailya Balding and Lin Hayes, and hostesses will be Paula Brinkley and Michelle Land.

A special thanks from the production staff for their contributions are extended Mary Jane Stanhouse and her art class, Carol and Don Peel, The Carmi Times and the First Baptist Church for their kind cooperation and use of Church and its facilities.

Although this is purely a non-profit, non-moneymaking effort, tickets are being distributed by Girl Scout members prior to school at Lincoln and Jefferson Schools, by cast members and directors, and at Ball-Matsel Drugs and the L. Haas Store. It is requested that you make a donation upon obtaining a ticket as these funds will pay for costumes, sets, paint, and miscellaneous costs of the play production.

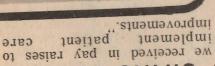
Let's all support our local youth and their efforts along with the efforts of the Carmi League of Arts and volunteer workers. Make it a point to see "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" Friday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 15 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. presented in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church.

"Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" in Carmi today and tomorrow



Getting ready to perform...no easy task, but a fun one!







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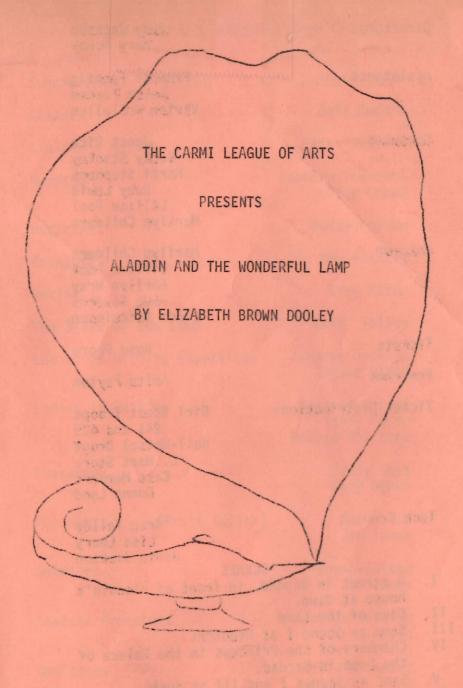
"The people of this state are spending enough for education," the governor said. "We must provide quality education for our children, but at the same time we must not increase state taxes, we must not increase property faxes."

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provide \$115 million education.

Walker made the remarks in a five-minute televised address Thursday. The Illinois House already has voted to override the

Walker says the state "will have a budget deficit, will be over the brink and will be confronted with a tax increase" if the Illinois Senate votes to override his veto of an aid to education bill.



Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French of New York

THE CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS
presents
"ALADIN & HIS WONDERFUL LAMP"

FRIDAY, November 14,1975.....8:00 PM

SATURDAY, November 15......2:00 PM 8:00 PM

in the Lower Auditorium of the First Baptist Church

.50¢ Donation

More than 300 see 'Aladdin'

Over 300 persons attended the children's play "Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" during the three performances this past weekend at the First Baptist Church in Carmi.

The play was non profit and the first theatre attempt sponsored by the Carmi League of Arts. Performers and technical assistants were from Washington Middle School and Carmi Community High School.

The League was assisted by interested volunteers in the community, and all counted it a

"super success."

Community Choir Christmas Concert to be held Sunday, Dec. 7



Presbyterian choir director,

Lewis, warms up with organist, Rachel Newcomb, and choir members on one of the 10 songs to

be presented in the Community Christmas Concert Sunday at the First Baptist Church.



Ann Hortin gives last minute instructions to choirs from the First Baptist and St. Polycarp Churches during last rehearsal before the Sunday concert.

Carmi choirs present concert here Sunday

A second concert, by the music division of the Carmi League of Arts, will be held at 8:18 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church.

The Christmas concert, to be presented by members of the choirs of six Carmi churches, will include some ten traditional selections typical of the holiday season.

Eight directors, six instrumentalists, two soloists and approximately 75 choir members will be taking part in this program, which is open to the public.

PROGRAM

O Come All Ye Faithful—Ann Hortin, director; Alice Bryant, Barbara Karger, pianist; organist

Noel-Steve Bell, director;

Shirley Lantrip, pianist;

A Thousand Stars-Pat Lewis, Leah McIntosh, director; Barbara Karger, organist.

I wonder as I Wander-Pat Lewis, director; Leah McIntosh, pianist; Barbara Karger, organist; Betty Brown, solist.

Westminister Carol-Ella Williams, director; Alice Bryant, pianist; Barbara Karger,

organist.

Gesu Bambino-Ann Hortin, director; Alice Bryant, pianist; Marjorie Wade, organist; Paul Hayse, soloist.

Mary Had a Baby—John Brown, director; Barbara Whybark, pianist; Marjorie

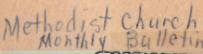
Wade, organist.

Joy to the World-Iva Jean Bayley, director; Barbara Whybark, pianist; Marjorie

Wade, organist.

Good Christiam Men, Rejoice-Betty Brown, director; Shirley Lantrip, pianist; Marjorie Wade.

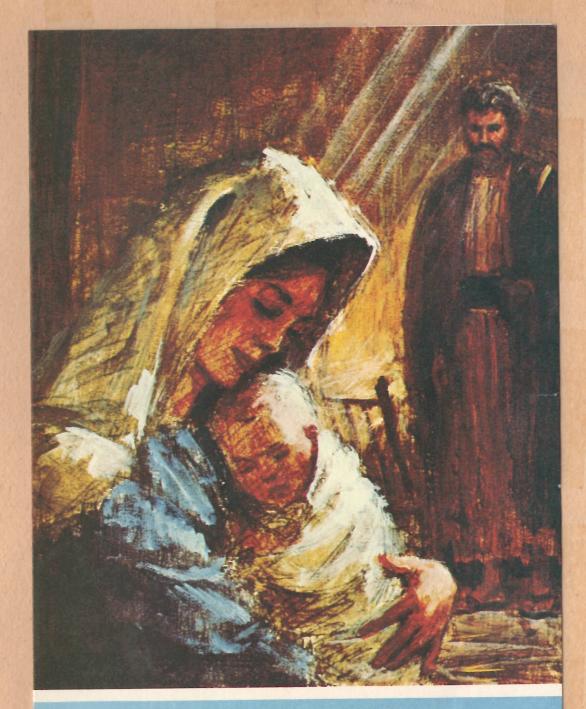
Gloria-Michael Croghan, director; Shirley pianist; Marjorie Wade, organist





THE CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS is sponsoring a Christmas Concert Sunday, December 7 at 8:18 p.m. in the auditorium of the First Baptist

Our choir, along with choirs from various other churches in the community, will combine to bring us the most beautiful music of the Christmas season. This promises to be one of the highlights of the year and everyone is invited to attend.



The Savior, Christ the Lord

Concert draws audience of 600

"A lovely way to spend an evening". Sunday listening to the sounds of Christmas as presented by the Community Choir under sponsorship of the

Carmi League of Arts.

Six hundred persons enjoyed the traditional seasonal selections in this second concert presented yb the League music division. Directing the Dec. 7 concert were Ann Hortin, Pat Lewis, Ella Williams, Betty Brown, Iva Jean Bayley and

Michael Croghan.

The concert which began by giving everyone present "gooseflesh" as the choir invited "Oh Come, All Ye Faithful," ended with a standing ovation for the performers, directors and accompanists following "Gloria," and the true Christmas spirit was carried by the audience to their respective homes.

CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS—Short general meeting Sunday, Dec. 14 at 3:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church. Officers will be elected. All members, officers and board of directors are urged to attend.

New Editions appear at League of Arts

The Carmi League of Arts will hold its first meeting of Sunday, Jan. 11, 1976 at 2 p.m. with the program furnished by The New Editions from the Carmi Community High School.

The League will meet in the lower auditorium of the First Baptist Church, and all previous members and prospective members are urged to attend. Chairpersons of the various interest groups will be appointed at this time. The three dollar annual dues may also be paid.

League president, Betty Brown, stressed that many Bicentennial celebration activities are being planned including an April 4 presentation of "The Messiah". She also welcomes any suggestions by members and the public as to ideas that might be incorporated into the calendar year.

League of Arts elects officers and directors

At a short meeting Sunday the Carmi League of Arts elected officers for the coming year and new directors to serve on the board.

President for 1976 will be Betty Brown; vice president, Frances Fechtig; secretary, Marge Courtnage; treasurer, Imogene Ferren; publicity, Judy Jackson.

New to the board of directors are Barry Cleveland, Mary Jane Stanhouse, Barbara Karger, Mary McRoy and Vivian Mc-Clellan.

A short run-down of the league's first year of activities was given by Mrs. McClellan, who told of the two combined church choral concerts, the children's play and the numerous programs presented during the monthly meetings.

The first meeting of the new year will be held Jan. 11, at which time new chairmen of the various interest groups will be appointed.

SICAA gets \$2,000

The Illinois Arts Council has announced the award of \$2,000 to the Southern Illinois Community Arts Association.

The council awarded a total of \$46,899 to Illinois arts groups. The award to SICAA, which includes the Grayville Community Arts Association and Carmi League of Arts, will be used for partial support for its arts development program throughout southeastern Illinois.

'Messiah' practices held each Sunday!

Persons interested in participating in this spring's local presentation of Handel's "Messiah" are reminded that practice for the April 11 event has begun.

Practices are held each Sunday afternoon at 2 at the First United Presbyterian Church on First Street in Carmi. The event is being sponsored by the Carmi League of Arts, but singers from throughout the White County area are invited to participate. The program will be presented April 11 at Carmi high school.

THE WHITE COUNTY BICENTENNIAL CHORUS

presents

THE MESSIAH

a Sacred Oratorio

by

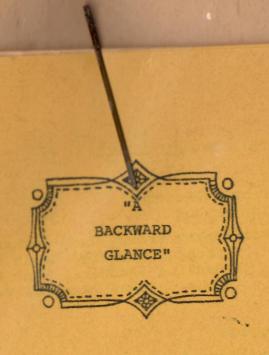
George Frederick Handel

Sunday, April 11, 1976

7:30 p.m.

CARMI HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM





WRITTEN BY: Vivian McClellan

A BICENTENNIAL EFFORT OF
"The Carmi League of Arts"
Carmi, Illinois
Saturday, July 10, 1976
8:00 PM
White County Fairgrounds

by Vivian McClellan

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Readies set-Work has begun on Carmi's big Fourth of July celebration. Here, Judy Jackson is shown painting a set that will be used in

the Carmi League of Arts presentation of a historical pageant about Carmi at 8 p.m. July 3 on the stage in front of the White County Fairgrounds grandstand. -Photo by Steven Eckhoff

Here Saturday night. . .

Pageant recalls local history

A locally-written, locally-produced pageant celebrating Carmi's 160 years of existence will be presented Saturday night at the White County Fairgrounds.

Show time for "A Backward Glance" will be 8 p.m., in front of the grandstand. The public is welcome, and there will be no admission charge.

The script for the pageant was written by Vivian McClellan of Carmi and will be narrated by Martha Endicott. With the assistance of the Carmi Gun Club. Carmi Saddle Club, Carmi high school band, Carmi Square-em-up Square Dance Club, White County Historical Society and Ray O'Dell's antique cars, the historical highlights of Carmi will be relived before the audience's eyes.

The program will close with a "grand finale," a presentation of 15 people who figured prominently in White County history. Aming those who will be "returning" for the occasion are Daniel Bain

(portrayed by Bud Maurer), Leonard White (John Mitchell), John Hanna (Richard Travis), Dr. Josiah Stewart (Norman Fechtig), the Rev. John C. Slocumb (the Rev. Dennis Doane), Sen John M. Robinson (John Bratton), Chief Justice William E. Wilson (Ivan A. Elliott Jr.), Col. Everton Conger (Ernest Fechtig), Col. John M. Crebs (Joe Basinger);

James R. Williams (Don Burris), Mrs. Lizzie Barnes (Wave Jamerson), Dr. Mary Meade (Vivian McClellan) and Abraham Lincoln (Charles Nolan).

Ivan A. Elliott Sr. will portray himself.

Scene directors for the pageant will be Betty Brown, Judy Jackson, Mary McRoy, Frances Fechtig, Donna Land, Imogene Ferren, Mike Croghan, Pauline Saunders and Kent Boeger.

Following the finale, the entire cast and the audience will rise and sing a rousing verse of "God Bless America '

Carmi League of Arts presents 'Infanta'



"Infanta", a one act drama from an adaptation of an Oscar Wilde story, will be given by the theatre interest group Sunday at 2 p.m. in the lower auditorium of the First Baptist Church.

The cast of characters include Mary McRoy as Infanta, a princess of the Royal Spanish Court; Esther Botsch as Dorothea, a servant in sympathy with the Duchess; Vivian Mc-Clellan as Le Bossu, a hunchbacked dwarf with a poetic soul; Pauline Hughes as the Duchess of Albuquerque, the Infanta's aunt who is harshly domineering; and Levert Weaver as Lord Seoere de Compiegne, a French nobleman, cruel and

unprincipaled.

Directing the drama is Vivian McClellan. Assisting her is Mertice Pyle. Lois Renfrow is in charge of costuming and acts as prompter.

Members of the League and cast of 'Infanta' invite the public to this special presentation.



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"THE SEVEN LAST WORDS"

The Community Choir, under the auspices of the Carmi League of Arts, will present DuBois' "Seven Last Words" at the First Baptist Church on Good Friday evening, April 8, at 8:15. Pre-program music will begin at 8:00 PM with the actual concert beginning at 8:15 in order for businesses to close and business people to be able to attend.

Practice will begin on Sunday, March 6, at 8:00 PM at The First Christian Church and each Sunday evening following in the First Baptist Church. If you have a score, please bring it with you.

MARCH 13 MEETING

Jim Bass of the Carmi Times will be presenting a program on "Photography" and some of its facets at the regular League meeting on March 13, at 2:00 PM, at the First Baptist Church. Plan to come whether you are a photography buff or not. You'll enjoy it! Bring some friends along.

THE 1977 LEAGUE OFFICERS

President Betty Brown
Vice President. Frances Fechtig
Secretary......Leah McIntosh
Treasurer.....Imogene Ferren
PublicityJudy Jackson
New Board Members....Ron Lamp,
Mike Croghan
Pat Lewis
Linda Hayes

Co-chairmen -Music Work Group...Ann Hortin & Barbara Karger

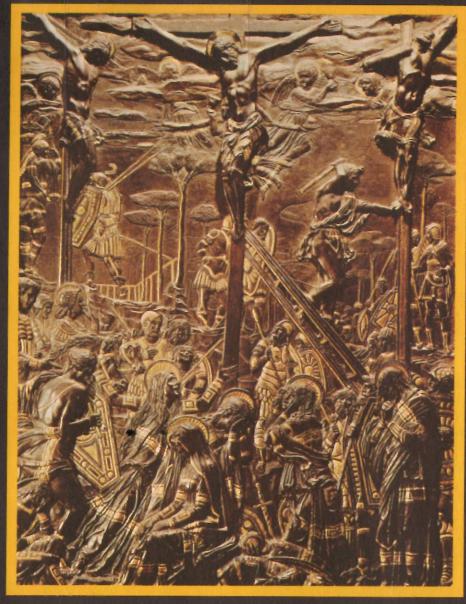
Chairman -Literature & Drama Work Group.. Levert Weaver

"SAMPLER" TO BE PRESENTED

The Music, Literature & Drama, and Art sections of the Carmi League of Arts will present a program on Sunday, April 24, at 2:00 P.M. at the First Baptist Church.

Each group will give a sampling of their talents. The program is open to the public and there is no admission charge.

please read on



the Seven Last Words

Father, forgive them;

for they know not what they do. • Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise. • Woman, behold, thy son! Behold, thy mother! • My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? • I thirst. • It is finished. • Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.

the evidence."

--A credible witness has told potential information about House investigators that he met Cuban Syliva Odio. The CIA had no Oswald in Dallas shortly before commented by the time we went swore that Oswald was in the company of a CIA agent whom the wit-

from two "independent" and "reliable" sources. The commission's general counsel, J. Lee Rankin, took this up with the late categorically denied any relationship between Oswald and the FBI. Reports the memo: "The Warren Commission decided that rather than embarrase J. Edgar Hoover and the FBI they would not pursue

, and in this fight there is work to d all of us."

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Footnote: FBI Director Clarence Kelley has fold us that all 69 summaries were provided to the commission. Kelley also said the mission. Kelley also said the bureau furnished the commission about potential informants, including the Cuban Syliva Odio. The CIA had not commented by the time we went to print, vrisuom a usual said.

my position...before any steps are taken by me or anyone else." The memo suggests that the mysterious Hunt might be Watergate's E Howard Hunt, who had worked closely with anti-Castro Cubans.

Duc 3,1977 'Festival of Christmas' Sunday

"Festival of Christmas" by Roger Wilson will be presented by the Carmi League Arts Community Choir at 8:15 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church.

Featured soloists in this Christmas cantata are Sheila Floyd, Sandra Spence, Paul Hayse and Michael Croghan. A mixed quartette of Frances Fechtig, Niki Winter, Roger Winter and Ed Finch, as well as Niki Winter, flutist, will appear on the program.

Pat Lewis will be directing the choir, with Barbar Karger as the organist and Alice Bryant as the

The program will be found on page 4 of today's issue of Carmi Times.

In other activities of this organization, it was announced that auditions for parts in "The

Music Man", a musical that is scheduled to be presented in the high school auditorium, March 31, April 1 and 2, will be held in the high school music room from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 5,6 and 8.

A spokesperson for the Carmi League of Arts indicated that there are parts for eight men, six women, two boys, three girls, a men's quartette, young people for the band and dancers and several townspeople.

Jim King, Mary Jane Stanhouse and Michael Croghan will serve on the selection committee to hear those wishing to audition.

Reading materials for the roles will be furnished by the committee. Persons auditioning for singing parts are encouraged to bring their own selections.

Let's get

Mrs. Frank (Betty) Brown. president of the CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS, has announced that the League will present a dramatic play, "Our Town", and a musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." These two productions replace "The Music Man" that had previously been planned.

Jim King has been named director and casting has been done.

Rehearsals will begin in early February for both shows. "Our Town" will be presented March 31, April 1 and 2 in the Carmi High School auditorium. "Charlie Brown" will be given in mid-April with exact dates and place to be announced later.

Priefs

Gregg Drone

receives invitation

Gregg Drone, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Drone of Carmi, played at the late Senator Hubert Humphrey's funeral in the Marine Corps Band.

Band members played at the funeral upon receiving a special invitation.

Carmi League of Arts announce productions

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Jim King, director of "our town"



A scene from the upcoming play "OUR TOWN" The Gibbs Family

Jim King, a graduate of Oakland City College with a major in English, is the Director of the Carmi League of Arts production of Thorton Wilder's play, "Our Town".

While in college King appeared in such plays as "The Madwoman of Chaillot", "Antigone", "Wuthering Heights", "The Miracle Worker", "The Crucible", "Macbeth", and "The Four Poster". He received awards in acting for his protrayals in "Wuthering Heights", "The Miracle Worker", "The Crucible", "Macbeth", and "The Four Poster".

King's wife, Dianne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Hampton of Ridgeway, received the Best Acting Award for her protrayal of Annie Sullivan in "The Miracle Worker". She also received an award in acting for her role in "The Four Poster". Dianne graduated from Oakland City College with a major in English, and is currently

Left to right: Mrs. Gibbs: Francis Fechtig, George Gibbs: Kevin French, Mr. Gibbs: Bill Fechtig and Rebecca Gibbs: Marjorie Elliott

playing Emily in the League's production of "Our Town".

King's theatrical career continued after college. He has directed and or designed for thirteen other plays including "The Mouse that Roared", "Dracula Baby" a musical, and "Harlequin's Hilarious Holiday" at Southern Illinois University where he is currently working on his Masters degree in Theatre.

This is the second time King has directed "Our Town". The first, being at Loogootee High School in Loogootee, Ind. He also designed lighting and makeup for "Our Town" when it was produced at Oakland City College.

The Carmi League of Arts production of "Our Town" will be March 31st, April 1st and 2nd at the Carmi Township High School Auditorium. Tickets may soon be purchased at Ball-Matsel Drug Store and Harold's Dollar Store.



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ANNOUNGING

"THE MUSIC MAN" SPECIAL INTEREST MEETING, SUNDAY, JAN 8,1978, 2:00 PM Lower-Auditorium - First Baptist Church

The Carmi League of Arts and Director Jim King are appreciative to all those who auditioned earlier for "The Music Man." However, there were not enough persons to fill the cast. Many have expressed desire to help with the show, so we are calling a special meeting for this coming Sunday afternoon.

Below is a list of the cast and a sign-up sheet is on the back page. Please £111 out the sheet and bring it with you Sunday. If you cannot attend the meeting, mail the sheet IMMEDIATELY TO Box 30, Carmi, Il. 62821.

Even if you did audition earlier, you will want to also attend this meeting.

- CAST -

Travelling Salesmen - 5 men (non-singing) Charlie Cowell, a salesman (non-singing) Conductor (non-singing) Herold Hill, baritone, male lead Mayor Shinn, mayor of River City Ewart Dunlop Oliver Hix

non singing Jucey Squires Ola Britt - Men's quartette, school board members Mercellus Washburn, ex-salesman, Harold's friend, medium voice Trany Djilas teenager, singing part Marian Paros - soprano, female lead, town librarian Mrs. Paroo - Marian's mother, medium voice Asseyllis - young girl, singing part, must play piano Winthrop Paroo, young boy, Marian's brother, singing part Fu alie Mackecknie Shinn, mayor's wife, singing part Gracie Shinn, Zaneeta Shinn, mayor's daughters, teenagers Alma Hix Mand Dunlop Ethel Toffelmier Mrs Squires - friends of Mrs Shinn, singing parts Constable Locke (non-singing) River City Townspeople and Kids - chorus

The Illinois Arts Council has offered us a grant of \$500 to be used for this so we need to have this final meeting to decide if enough interest is shown to go ahead with production.

Charlie Brown cast named

The second theatrical show produced by the Carmi League of Arts this season is the musical "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" by Clark Gesner. The musical is based on the comic strip "Peanuts" created by Charles M. Schulz and carries as much charm and humor as the comic strip.

Playing the title role is Ron Lamp of Route 4, Carmi. Ron did some acting while in high school and has sung in various singing

groups in the county.

The role of Lucy, Charlie Brown's favorite agitator, is played by Ms. Carol Wilkins, of Eldorado. Though not in this area, Carol has appeared in other shows such as "Our Town", "The Diary of Ann Frank", "Music Man", "Annie Get Your Gun", and "South Pacific". She holds an A.A. is music from Central Michigan University and was a member of the Mendelsoln Choir of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Lucy's brother, Linus, will be played by Matt Matsel. Matt lives on Griffith Drive in Carmi and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mattsel. "Charlie Brown" is Matt's first big musical production.

MS. Barbara C. Wilkins, who lives on Oakland St. in Carmi will play Patty. Barbara wrote a Christmas play that was produced at Shawneetown High School where she attended and has appeared in

several "5 O'clock" theatre plays at Eastern Illinois University.

The boy prodigy, Schroeder, who loves Beethoven and hates girls, will be played by Steve Vaupel who lives on Oak St. here in Carmi. Steve recently appeared in the one act Christmas play "A By-Line for Saint Luke" and has appeared in high school plays and sings with the gospel group "People N.O.W."

Last, but not least, is Snoopy, Charlie Brown's lovable dog. This character is being played by Greg Goebel who lives on Burrell Road. Greg has appeared in various concerts at the high school and seems to enjoy fighting the Red Baron.

The other half of any musical is the band and a combo of fine musicians have been assembled for "Charlie Brown". On the piano will be Leah McIntosh of Enfield. Niki Winter will be playing flute for "Charlie Brown". She lives on 4th St. in Carmi. Niki has played in pit orchestras for several musicals presented in high school and college. Percussion will be handled by Gary Barbre who is the band director at Crossville High School. The bass will be played by Gary White.

Executive producer for "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" is Ms. Betty Brown and Jim King will direct the show. Tickets will soon be available at Ball-Matsel Drugs and Harold's Dollar Store. The performance dates are April 13, 14, 15, and 16 in the basement of the Farm Bureau building. Curtain time is at 8:00 p.m. and 2:30 for Sunday afternoon the 16th.

League of Arts to stage play



It's a land of make believe and pretend where it's okay for children to get mad, glad and sad when the Carmi League of Arts presents "Magic Theatre" Saturday.

Jim King is director for the

children's play to be presented at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in Washington Middle School cafeteria.

From the top of pyramid to bottom, Mary McRoy, Lydia Russell, Lori Brown, Greg Goebel, Steve Vapuel and Mark Anselment put imagination to the ideas and thoughts of children which create a magical land where anything can come true.

Admission is free.

Thursday, Oct. 19, 1978



THE MAGIC THEATER was magic indeed for dozens of local youngsters, entranced by the antics of Steve Vaupel (above) and his fellow performers.

'MOUSE THAT ROARED' TO BE PERFORMED IN CARMI "The Mouse that Roared" will be presented Nov. 30, Dec. 1 & 2 in the Carmi high school auditorium by the Carmi League of Arts. Jim King will be the director for the comedy, which features the follow-Vanessa Brown Smith, Keving cast: Tami Russell, Paula Schumaker, Mary Paynter, Lori Brown, Yvonne in Williams, Groves, Mary McRoy, Sam Taylor, Pris Scruby, Sam raylor, Pris Scruby, Sam
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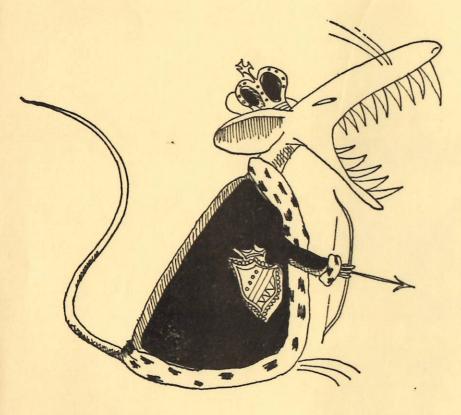
"The Mouse that Roared" will be presented by the Carmi League of Arts in the Carmi high school auditorium, Nov. 30, and Dec. 1 and 2.

A cast of 33 persons, announced to do this comedy by Jim King, director, features Vanessa Smith as Gloriana, The Twelfth (sovereign of Grand Fenwick), and Kevin Williams in the role of Tully Bascom (forest ranger of Grand Fenwick).

Other presentations, sponsored by this organization, include the Christmas portion of "The Messiah" in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Sunday evening, Dec. 10.

Mrs. Henry (Pat) Lewis, director, announced that practice for this choral production will begin at 3 p.m. Sunday at the church.

The Carmi League of Arts presents



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in the Carmi High School auditorium

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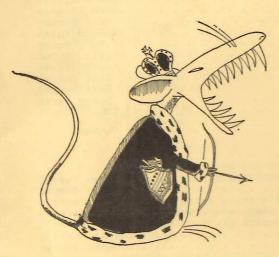
Dec. 1st & 2nd - - 8:00 P. M.

Dec. 3rd - - 2:30 P. M.

TICKETS - \$1.00 Students

\$2.00 Adults

The Carmi League of Arts presents



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ADAPTED BY CHRISTOPHER SERGEL FROM THE BOOK BY LEONARD WIBBERLEY

Produced by arrangement with DRAMATIC PUBLISHING COMPANY

Carmi Community High School Auditorium December 1, 2, 3 1978

DIRECTOR, JIM KING
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, LOMA RUSSELL
EXECUTIVE PRODUCER, BETTY BROWN

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Freestyle ...

Give Steve Vaupel and Lanny Stocke an "A" for ad-libbing.

The two were members of the cast of "The Mouse that Roared" last weekend in Carmi, and during one performance the chair in which Vaupel was sitting onstage fell over, dumping Steve.

Whereupon he got up, in view of scores of shocked but amused spectators, and ad-libbed to Stocke (who was playing a professor), "Professor, you've got to do something about this lab."

Stocke, equally shocked at the diversion from the script, nevertheless managed to reply, "I'm doing all I can with the money they give me," and the show went on!



'The Mouse That Roared' The Carmi League of Arts will be presenting "The Mouse That Roared" Dec. 1, 2 and 3 in the Carmi high school auditorium.

Shown rehearsing are (standing) Lydia Russell, Connie

Stocke, Karen Williams, Pris Scruby, Rob Endicott, Chuck Russell and Lannie Stocke.

Seated are Mark Frances, Vanessa Smith and Sam Endicott. —Staff photo by Maria Sinley.

'Messiah' to be given

The Carmi Community Choir will present its annual Christmas concert Sun., Dec. 10, at 8:15 p.m. in the First Baptist Church.

The program will consist of the Christmas portions of Handel's "Messiah."

Mrs. Henry Lewis will conduct the group for this concert.

This will be the third year the Community Choir has presented a Christmas concert and the second year that they have sung selec-

tions from the "Messiah."

Rehearsals for the concert will begin on Sun., Nov. 5, at 3 p.m., at the First Baptist Church.

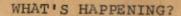
Any one who would be interested in singing may attend the rehearsals and are asked to bring their own copies of the music.

For further information, Mrs. Lewis may be contacted at 382-9223 in the evening.

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FIDDLER CON THE ROOF

The selection committee for a spring musical was comprised of Jim King, Buck Russell, and Frances Fechtig. They chose the musical "Fiddler on the Roof". Auditions were held on four dates and the selection committee made up of Jim King, Barbara Karger, Vivian McClellan, and Sam Endicott selected the cast. The dates for the show are March 16, 17, and 18 in the high school auditorium pending action by the school board for the Sunday afternoon performance of the 18th.

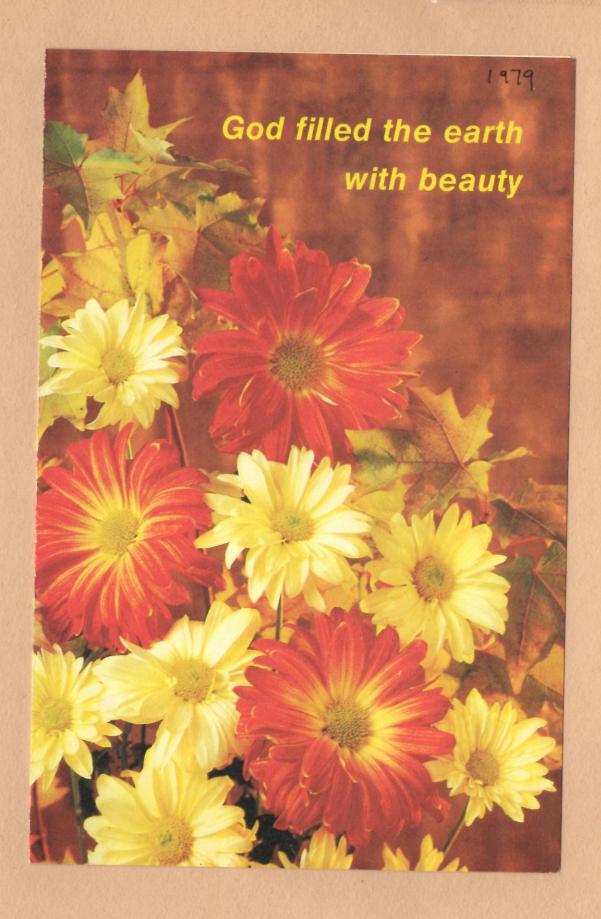
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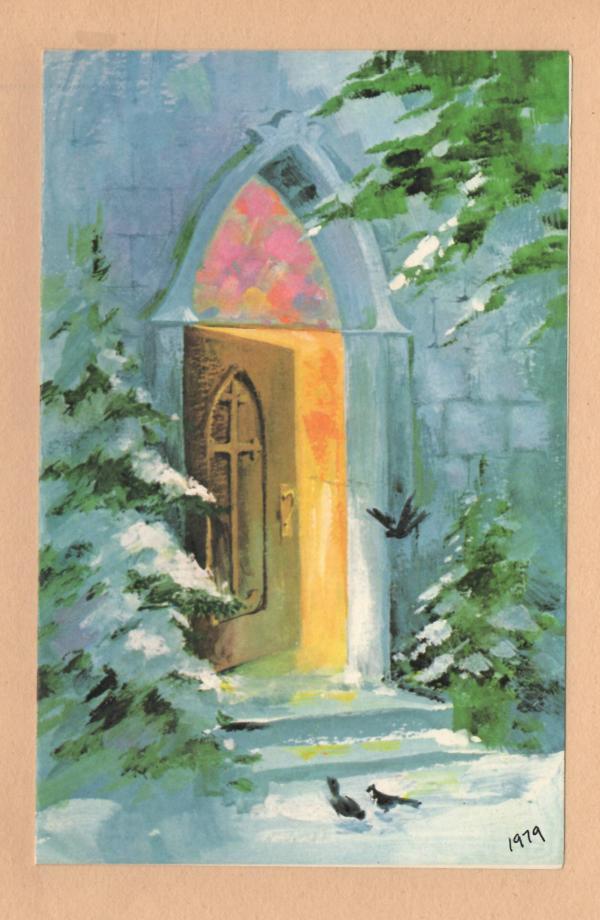
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DIRECTOR.......Darrell Lower

Carmi League of Arts members entertained youngsters with "The Lion Who Wouldn"









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THE SOUND OF MUSIC

BY Richard Rodgers & Oscar Hammerstein II

Carmi High School Auditorium

MARCH 7 at 8:00 P.M. MARCH 8 at 8:00 P.M. MARCH 9 at 2:30 P.M. PRODUCER: Sam Endicott
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ORCHESTRA DIRECTOR: Mike Croghan
DIRECTOR: Charles "Buck" Russell
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EXTRAS..... Mary Drone, Cathy Allen, Phil Mitchell,

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Tickets on sale!

Tickets for the upcoming Carmi League of Arts production "The Sound of Music" went on sale Monday at three downtown stores.

Tickets for the March 7-9 musical, priced at \$1.50 for students and \$3 for adults, are available at Ball-Matsel Drugs, Sutton's Shoe Store and Harold's Store, as well as from cast members.

Those wishing to see the production are advised to buy their tickets in advance at one of these locations or by contacting Mrs. Noah Rhein. Tickets will also be available at the door.

The production is set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights and 2:30 p.m. Sunday afternoon.

The show opened on Broadway, with Mary Martin playing "Maria," and then Julie Andrews starred in that role in the movie version. League of Arts spokesmen say the theater

production will b ly different from movie version, bu promise "one of t and most elaborat ever presented" h

'Sound of Music' planned in Carmi

The Carmi League of Arts has selected "The Sound of Music" for presentation in early March of 1980.

This popular musical wi-11 feature a large cast with parts for children and teenagers as well as parts for men and women of all ages.

Auditions will be held in the sanctuary of the First Presbyterian Church on Thursday, Dec. 13 at 7:30 p. m.; Sunday, Dec. 16 at 3 p.m.; and Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested in becoming a part of this production is invited to come to one of the auditions. Each person is asked to bring his own music. An accompanist will be provided.

Members of the audition committee are Mike Croghan, Diane King, Jim King, Buck Russell and Kevin Williams.

Persons who are interest-

ed in playing in the orchestra or in helping with any other phase of production are asked to come to one of the auditions and fill out a card indicating his or her area of interest.

Anyone who would like to try out but cannot be there at any of the specified times may call Mrs. Henry Lewis at 382-9223 and arrange for a special audition.



Sound of Music Rehearsal Director Charles W. "Buck" Russell, left, and Loma Russell, right, coach Ginny Browning and Betty Brown on stage positions during a rehearsal of the upcoming production of "The Sound of Music," sponsored by the Carmi League of Arts.

The musical will be presented March 7, 8 and 9 in the Carmi high school auditorium. Staff photo by Debbie Haley.

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'Sound of Music' presented three times next weekend

this Friday evening with the scenery and costumes and curtain going up at 8 p.m. on rich with the music of Rothe stage at Carmi high sch-001.

The performance will be followed by one on Saturday evening at 8 p.m. and a Sunday matinee at 2:30. Tickets are now on sale at Harold's Store, Sutton's Shoe Store, Ball-Matsel Drugs and Mr. Kent's.

Tickets are \$3.00 for adults, \$1.50 for grade and high school students, and may also be obtained from cast members as well as at the door.

The long-awaited musical

"The Sound of Music" opens promises to be lavish in gers and Hammerstein. The Carmi League of Arts has gone all out to make this Rehersals have been in pro- will be a sell-out.

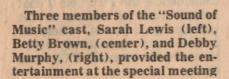
gress for weeks and now the final"spit and polish" is being applied.

Sam Endicott, producer, recommends early purchase of tickets because from all the best production of all. indications, the production



BUCK RUSSELL, director of the upcoming Carmi League of Arts production "The Sound of Music," blocks a scene with Maria and the Von Trapp children. Left to right are Susan Murphy, Russell, Sandy Spence, Elizabeth Paynter, Krista Finch, Edie Spence, David Peters and Debbie Murphy.







Local entertainment of the Carmi Kiwanis Club, held Thursday noon. The numbers done by the soloists were "Me," by Lewis; "Impossible Dream," by Brown; and "Many a New Day,"



by Murphy. They were accompanied by Alice Bryant. Charles "Buck" Russell, program chairman, introduced the guests. Staff photo by Charles L. Hortin.

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Tryouts
Francis Fechtig (left) sings
over the shoulder of pianist Judy
Pereboom during tryouts for "The

Sound of Music," to be presented by the Carmi League of Arts in the spring. Staff photo by Greg Absher.



Production lead

Sandy Spence of Carn cast as Maria in the Car of Arts upcoming prof"The Sound of Music," I and 9 in the Carmi hi auditorium.

Sandy lives on Route

husband, David, and son.



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Sound of Music orchestra

The League of Arts orchestra played an important role in the recent overall success of "Sound of Music", presented Fri., Sat., and Sunday in Carmi. The League of Arts orchestra was under the direction of Michael Croghan. Staff photo by Mike Bryant.

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TICKETS \$1.50 Student \$3.00 Adult March 7, 8 March 9 8:00 PM 2:30 PM

Carmi Community High School Auditorium

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Music by RICHARD RODGERS

Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II

Book by HOWARD LINDSAY and RUSSEL CROUSE

Suggested by "The Trapp Family Singers" by MARIA AUGUSTA TRAPP

MARCH 7,8,9 1980

CARMI HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM CARMI, ILLINOIS

DIRECTOR: Charles "Buck" Russell

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER: Sam Endicott

PRESIDENT CARMI LEAGUE OF ARTS:

Frances Fechtig













League of Arts hears Rodgers music

It was a fifth birthday celebration when the Carmi League of Arts met on Sunday, Feb. 17. The League was organized in January 1975.

Mrs. Frances Fechtig, newly elected president, presided at the meeting and heard reports of standing committees. A membership drive is underway headed by Mrs. Parkie Elliott. She stated that the League now has 15 patron members as well as 67 regular members. The League sponsored Community Choir plans a spring contata. Sam Endicott, producer of the spring musical, "The Sound of Music," reported on the progress of the show which is to be presented Mar. 7,8, & 9 in the high school auditorium.

Buck Russell, director introduced cast members of the show who presented a "Tribute to Richard Rodgers" to a large audience of show lovers. The program included: "It's a Grand Night For Singing" by the cast, "With A Song In My Heart" by Betty Brown, Stan Leavell sang "Getting To Know You, "Kathy St. Ledger entertained with "Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair," followed by Amy Fechtig and Tim Bayley singing "Sixteen Going On Seventeen." Gi-

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Rodgers tribute here Sunday

A tribute to Richard Rodgers, performed by members of the cast of "The Sound of Music," will highlight Sunday's February meeting of the Carmi League of Arts.

The meeting begins at 2:30 p.m. in the lower auditorium of the First Baptist Church of Carmi.

Among the songs to be offered are "It's a Grand

Night for Singing," "O
What a Beautiful Morning," "If I Love You" and
"Getting to Know You,"
plus music from "The Sound
of Music," which the League will stage next month.

Members are the public who would like to join the League are welcome to attend. Dues for 1980 are now due and a membership drive is underway.

'Sound of Music' draws good crowds

About 1,750 people turned out over the weekend to view the Carmi League of Arts production "The Sound of Music."

The musical was staged Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon at the Carmi high school auditorium; and director Charles W. "Buck" Russell put attendance at about 450, 640 and 660.

"We're very, very happy, absolutely thrilled at this kind of support—which will enable us to come back again with another quality production," he added.

The cast and crew celebrated with a party following the Sunday matinee performance and came in for praise from League officials.

League president Frances Fechtic said Monday the league board will meet in the near future to discuss future presentations, which may include a drama in the fall, Corn Day children's theater, Christmas concert, perhaps a spring concert and another musical next spring.

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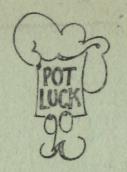
by Barry Clevelano

Don't tell me spring isn't around the corner!
Tell several hundred geese I saw flying north late Sunday afternoon.

And tell scores of grade and high school athletes about to turn their attention to spring track and baseball!

And though it wasn't a bad winter, as winters go--I'm ready for a little sunshine--how about you?

Congratulations to the Carmi League of Arts for



WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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Members of the Carmi League of Arts, their families, and friends are invited to a pot-luck at 6:30 PM at the Emmanuel Methodist Church on Thursday, April 24, for the final meeting of the season. Meat and bread will be furnished. You are asked to bring vegetables, salads, and desserts and your own table service.

A program of music and drama is being prepared by Pat Lewis and Jim King, and Darrell Lower in gathering photography and art displays. Contact him if you have something or know of someone who would like to display work. Please plan to come and spend an enjoyable evening with your friends of the arts.

"THE SOUND OF MUSIC" GREATEST SUCCESS YET!

A WORD FROM THE PRODUCER:
Something like 120 people worked directly on the SOUND OF MUSIC - people in the cast, the crew, and administration, and everyone deserves a big "Thanks". I can't think of an endeavor where it is so important that all the parts fit together - and I commend all of those that gave of their time and talent.

The LEAGUE does have a problem! The community places a great deal of confidence in the organization and they have come to expect quality productions. Can we continue to produce? I expect we can. Again, my thanks to all of you - and my congratulations to the League.

Sam Endicott, Executive Producer

A WORD FROM THE DIRECTOR:

It was a great pleasure to have been a part of "The Sound of Music".

The League, the cast, crew, and orchestra can take a great deal of pride in an outstanding production. I was impressed by the hard work and dedication of so many people, between committees, between cast and crew. This is the way it is supposed to work. The result was a magnificient production. To all who gave so much time, talent, and effort, my sincere thanks and congratulations. I hope this success stimulates you to new and greater heights.

Buck Russell, Director

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Congratulations to us! In case I haven't talked to each of you who
contributed your time and talent to the successful production of "The
Sound of Music", let me say thanks now.

Congratulations are certainly in order for our directors, Buck and Loma Russell; our producer, Sam Endicott; our orchestra conductor, Mike Croghan; our vocal directors, Pat Lewis & Betty Brown; and all the

Auditions this week

Auditions for the Carmi League of Arts production. "You Can't Take It With You," will be held in the Community Room of the King City Federal Building on Thursday, Aug. 7 and Friday, Aug. 8 from 7-9 p.m.

The show is scheduled to be presented in the Carmi High School Auditorium on Oct. 3, 4, 5 and will be directed by Jim King. There are parts for 18 aduits. For further information call 384-3911.

Fall production planned

Casting has been completed and rehearsals are in full swing for the Carmi League of Arts' fall production of "You Can't Take It With You."

This popular comedy will be under the direction of Jim King, with Sandy Spence serving as assistant director and Betty Brown as producer.

Appearing in the cast will be Diane King, Mary McRoy, Paula Pierson, Joe Mitchell, Bud Brinkley, Steve Vaupel, Jim Whetstone, Lanny Stocke, Teena Williams, Alex Monroe, Mark Anselment, Robby King, Kathy St. Ledger, Ivan Elliott Jr., Maxine Mitchell, Lauralynn Elliott, Frank Brown, Gary Finch and Art Saun-

Performances are scheduled for October 3, 4 and 5 in the high school auditorium.

Auditions set for production

Auditions for the Carmi League of Arts production, "You Can't Take It With You," will be held in the Community Room of the King City Federal Building on Thursday, Aug. 7, and Friday, Aug. 8 from 7-9 p.m.

The show is scheduled to be presented in the Carmi High School Auditorium on Oct. 3,4,5 and will be directed by Jim King. There are parts for 18 adults.

For further information call 384-

League of Arts plans coming year

The Executive Board of the Carmi League of Arts met recently with President Frances Fechtig presiding. Plans were made for the coming year.

Tentative dates of Oct. 3,4,5, 1980 and Feb. 27, 28 and Mar. 1, 1981 for use of the high school auditorium were approved.

The comedy, "You Can't Take It With You," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman will be direc-

ted by Jim King and presented in October. Auditions will be held the first week of August.

The group decided not to present a children's play for Corn Day. A selection committee for a spring musical was appointed by Mrs.

Revisions to the constitution and by-laws were read to the board and will be voted on at the general meeting to be held Sept. 14.

Tickets now

Tickets are now on sale for the Carmi League of Arts production of "You Can't Take It With You"

They may be purchased at Harold's Store, Ball-Matsel Drugs and Paul's Pharmacy. Also, all cast members and members of the production crew have tickets available.

The cost of the tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students.

Jim King is the director and Mrs. Frank (Betty) Brown is the executive producer.

The comedy will be given Oct. 3, 4, and 5 at the Carmi High School Auditorium.

Comedy on schedule

The Executive Board of the Carmi League of Arts met Sept. 7. Betty Brown and Jim King reported that progress on the comedy, "You Can't Take It With You" is right on schedule.

Tickets for the show, which is to be presented in the Carmi Community High School auditorium on Oct. 3, 4, and 5, will go on sale Sept. 15.

It was announced that the Carmi Community Choir will start practice Sept. 21 for a conceet to be given Oct. 19.

The selection committee for a spring musical will make a report on its choice by Oct. 1.

Buck Russell, chairman of the constitution and by-laws committee, read the amendments which will be voted on at the regular meeting.

The group is interested in finding a building for their use and it was reported that one building was under consideration.

Fechtig. Mrs. Frances president, asked that any person who would be interested in directing the spring musical should send a resume to Box 30, Carmi, IL 62821 by Oct. 1 and they would be considered by the board.

Mrs. Fechtig also announced that the regular meeting of the League would be Sunday, Sept. 14, at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Chur-

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Practicing for the play...

Three performances set...

New faces grace production

The upcoming production of You Can't Take It With You" by e Carmi League of Arts will ing some new faces to the local ge on Oct. 3, 4, and 5 in the high pool auditorium.

Making her debut as the romantic lead in the role of Alice, the younger daughter in the zany Sycamore family, will be Teena Vinson Williams. Teena recently moved to Carmi from Wyoming,

where she had lived for the past five years. She is no stranger to Carmi, however, having spent her school years here, during which time she gained some acting experience by appearing in several school plays.

Another who will be making her first appearance in a League production is Maxine (Mrs. James) Mitchell. Mrs. Mitchell will be seen playing the role of Mrs. Kirby, Alice's prospective mother-in-law. Although this will be Maxine's first time on stage, she is demonstrating a natural flair for comedy as she b-

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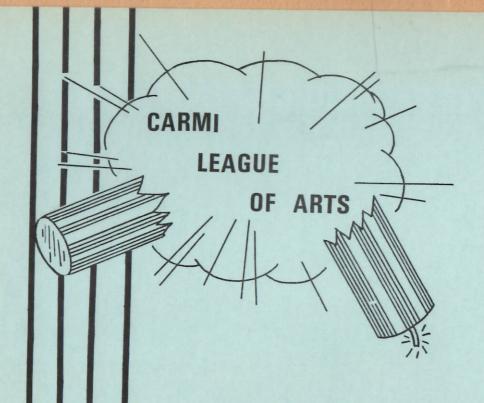
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Production crews, committees named

While the cast is hard at work with rehearsals of the Carmi League of Arts production of "You Can't Take it With You", the production crews and committees are also gearing into action to perform the many behind-the-scene jobs essential to a successful per-

Mrs. Frank (Betty) Brown is serving as the producer and she has announced the committee heads producing the play. Sandy Spence is serving as assistant director and Leon Groves as stage manager. Sam and Martha Endicott are doing the publicity while Imogene Ferren heads up a committee responnsible for the sale and distribution of tickets.

Cindy Underwood has taken the all-important job of assesmbling the costumes and Carol Groves will be in charge of property. Darrell Lower will be chairman of the House Committee and Ed a committee in charge of make-

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director.

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cial to THE TIMES

smell of grease paint is in and excitement is running the Carmi League of Arts final preparations for this performance of "You Can't

Take It With You," under the

direction of Jim King.

Appearing on stage in the Carmi high school auditorium will be several veteran performers whom audiences will recognize from previous League productions.

Diane King, who will be remembered for her poignant portrayal of Emily in "Our Town" will have a complete change of pace in the current show. This time she will create the role of Penny Sycamore, a madcap middle-aged matron who keeps her household on a continual merrygo-round.

Appearing as Penny's husband Paul Sycamore will be Joe Mitchell. Joe is fresh from his performance as Baron Von Trapp in "The Sound of Music." Lanny Stocke, previously seen in "The Mouse That Roared" and "Fiddler on the Roof," has the role of Grandpa, an eccentric but wise old gentleman who teaches his family that life is best when lived freely and fully.

Mark Anselment will play the part of Tony Kirby, who is in love with the Sycamores' younger daughter. Tony's father, a stuffy businessman, will be played by Ivan A. Elliott Jr., the rabbi in "Fiddler" and the undertaker in "Our Town." Lauralynn Elliott (the lady who "loved a lovely wedding" in "Our Town") will appear as Olga, a Russian duchess.

Other veteran performers are Mary McRoy and Steve Vaupel, who will play the Sycamores' daughter and son-in-law; Bud Brinkley, who builds fireworks displays in the Sycamores' basement; Kathy St. Ledger, an aging actress who attaches herself to the Sycamore household: and Frank Brown, a G-man.

Performances will be given Friday and Saturday nigh 3, Oct. 3 and 4, at 8 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 5, at 2:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

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re now underway.

According to a League release, he play, which is being directed by Jim King, is a comedy about a amily who believes one should enoy doing the things one likes to do

The show will be presented in the Carmi Community High School auditorium on Oct. 3 and 4 at 8 p.m. and on Oct. 5 at 2:30 p.m.

The cast is as follows: Penelope Sycamore (the mother), Diane King; Essie (her daughter), Mary McRoy; Rheba (the maid), Paula Pierson; Paul Sycamore (Penny's husband), Joe Mitchell; Mr. De Pinna, Bud Brinkley; Ed (Essie's husband), Steve Vaupel;

Donald (the handyman), Jim Whetstone; Martin Vanderhof (Penny's younger daughter) Teena Williams; Henderson (IRS man), Alex Monroe; Tony Kirby (Alice's boyfriend), Mark Anselment; Boris Kolenkhov (a Russian), Robby King;

Gay Wellington (an actress), Kathy St. Ledger; Mr. Kirby (Tony's father), Johnnie Elliott; Mrs. Kirby (Tony's mother), Maxine Mitchell; Three men, Frank Brown, Gary Finch and Art Saunders; and Olga (a Russian duchess), Parkie Elliott.

Anyone interested in working on any committees or the production crew should contact Betty Brown or Jim King.

Pat Lewis has announced plans for this year's Carmi League of Arts Community Choir.

A Variety Concert comprised of new songs, old songs, pop music and religious music will be presenat the First Baptist Church.

Rehearsals will begin Sept. 21 at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church and will continue each Sunday until the concert.

On Dec. 7, the choir will present "The Messiah" with orchestra ac-companiment. DuBois' "Seven Last Words of Christ" is planned for sometime near Easter.

The Board of the League of Arts will meet Sunday, Sept. 7 at 2:30 p.m. at Bill Fechtig's office. Amendments to the constitution and by-laws will be discussed and voted on by the board.

The entire League will meet in the First Baptist Church lower auditorium Sunday, Sept. 14 at

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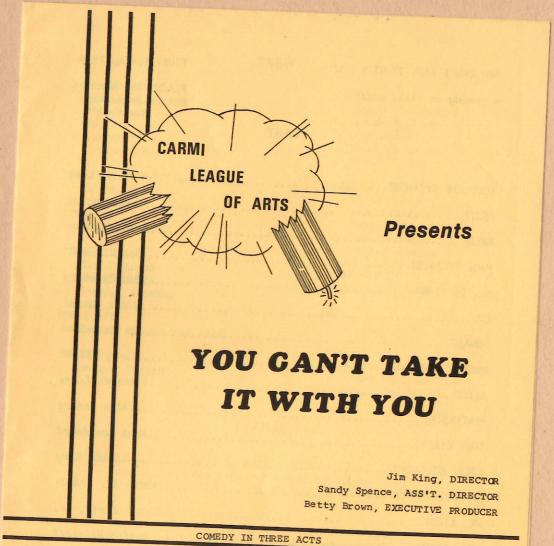


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