

FROM THE PRESIDENT

This column is preoccupied with "thanksgiving": thanks to the many CAML members who give unstintingly of their time and expertise to nourish our organization.

Thanks to our departing Board members: Bryan Gooch, Daniel Noël, Debbie Begg, and Bill Sgrazzutti. During the past year on the Board I have appreciated the unique contributions made by each of you. Thanks also to our new and continuing Board members: Debbie Rosen, Karin Lavoie, Tim Maloney, Kirsten Walsh, Jana Wyber, Cheryl Martin, and last but certainly not least, our editor, Kathleen McMorrow.

CAML conferences, even when held with the Learned Societies, require dedication and organization from the Program Committee and the Local Arrangements Committee. Kathleen McMorrow, Peter Higham, and Suzanne Meyers Sawa and their volunteers deserve a vote of thanks from all of us for a successful conference, full of interesting sessions and conviviality. I would like to particularly thank Peter Higham for organizing the final day at Mount Allison University, and especially for the lobster boil, which was apparently sublime!

CAML's Constitution has been approved by the Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. Our name change is now official: Canadian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres / Association canadienne des bibliothèques,

archives et centres de documentation musicaux. The acronym CAML/ACBM will continue to be used on unofficial documents; changing the acronym would have involved another request to the Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. We are especially grateful to Cheryl Osborne and Stephen Willis for completing this project.

A new Procedures Manual is in process to complement the new Constitution. It will incorporate a conference planning guide as well as detailed procedures for various board positions.

On the topic of conferences, although our site for 1993 is as yet not officially confirmed, I can assure you at least that it will be in Ontario. Please send any ideas for topics, speakers, research reports, etc. to the Program Chair for 1993, Rob van der Bliet at York University Library. Planning also continues for our meeting with IAML in 1994. Alison Hall, Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee, would very much welcome offers of assistance.

Investigating funding sources is one of my objectives as President. Over the next Year, we will be talking to SSHRCC regarding funding for our conferences, and to Revenue Canada regarding charitable status. I owe a debt of thanks to Stephen Willis for taking the initiative in this regard.

