

INTRODUCTION

For members who received the first issue of CAML's newsletter, it will doubtless come as a shock to finally receive the second number of the newsletter. A shuffle in the membership of the board, other editorial commitments of the editor, and my own great procrastinatory tendencies contributed to the great tardiness in the appearance of this second issue. In fact it has become volume 2, number 1.

It is my great pleasure at this time to announce the appointment of two new co-editors for the newsletter: Merwin Lewis, who will be responsible for the English language material, and Claude Beaudry, who will be responsible for the French language material. Members may now look forward to the regular and frequent appearance of a vital, bilingual newsletter. However, please bear in mind that two people alone cannot produce the newsletter. Many persons are required to develop a flourishing publication fully representative of all the membership. So, please come to the assistance of Merwin and Claude when they call for your contributions.

You will doubtless notice that the attendance at annual meetings has been rather low. It is frankly of some surprise to the executive, in view of the healthy institutional membership in the Association. It was decided to hold annual general meetings concurrently with the annual conferences of the Canadian Library Association so that members could attend both sets of meetings, a positive bargaining factor for individuals appealing to institutions for support for attendance at conferences. It was expected in any case that institutions would send a representative to the meeting. In the future, we hope to avoid some of the conflicts with CLA meetings by changing our day of meeting. However, please start thinking now about attending the 1974 annual general meeting in Winnipeg. If you cannot attend, please see that someone represents your institution.

Another concern of the executive is the paucity of activity at the local level. As yet, there are no official regional or provincial chapters established. However, that does not mean that members and non-members cannot get together to become acquainted with one another, to exchange information and to discuss mutual concerns and activities. If you are a university music librarian, you should know your counterpart at the public library, the conservatory, the orchestra, and, where applicable, the CBC, and vice versa. Those of us who have organized workshops in Ontario and Quebec have found that most people prefer to get together in a large city which naturally has many attractions and, more practically, a decent set of transportation links. So, please, personal and institutional members in Halifax, Winnipeg, Regina, Edmonton and Vancouver, try to initiate some activity among the music librarians and/or persons concerned with music in your province or region and recruit new members for the Association. Sooner or later the annual general meeting will be held in your city!