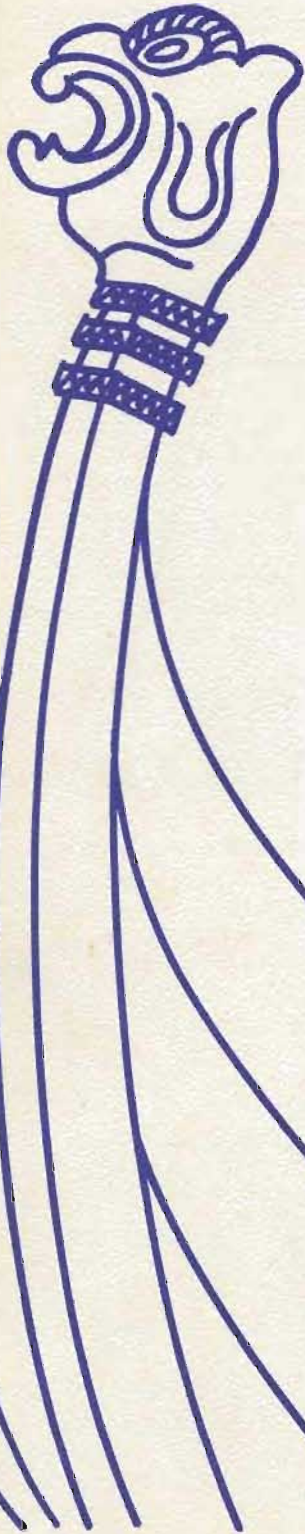
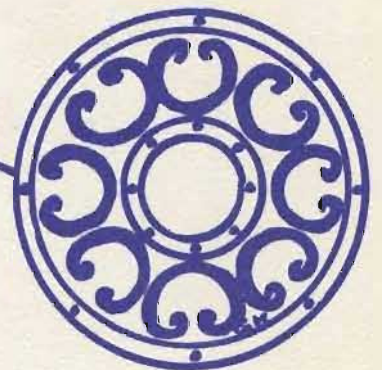


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SANGERFEST



OAKLAND - CALIFORNIA  
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## SINCE 1903

### *Historical Sketch of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association*

SONG AND MUSIC are a birthright which have been entrusted to all nations in a greater or lesser degree.

That such a birthright has been richly entrusted to the Norwegian Nation is a well known fact. As music lovers, composers and performers the Norwegians have always been in the foremost ranks. Singing, and then in particular male chorus singing, has a very broad place in the daily musical life of the country. Virtually every little community has its singing societies which contribute much towards keeping the high standard of patriotism and love. Everybody takes part and the great Sangerfests with massed choruses numbering 5000 to 6000 men are realities.

Immortal composers like Grieg, Sinding, Svendsen, Ole Olsen, Kjerulf and numerous others have given us male chorus compositions of lasting beauty, compositions that rightfully belong among the finest the world has produced in this form of music.

The Norwegian sons and daughters who have emigrated to America have brought with them this great love for song and music, and have contributed honorably to make this country an outstanding musical nation. For over sixty years Norwegian singing societies have existed on the Pacific Coast, and in 1902, chiefly through the efforts of Mr. F. A. Tomte, Portland, Oregon, the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association was organized in Seattle, Washington. The first officers were John Norman (Everett), President; A. J. Thuland (Seattle), Secretary; Dr. O. A. Loe (Seattle), Treasurer, and Dr. Carlo A. Sperati, Director-in-Chief. The original founders of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association are as follows: Norwegian Glee Club, Portland, Oregon, organized November 6, 1886; Normanna Male Chorus, Tacoma, Washington, organized October 15, 1888; Norwegian Male Chorus, Seattle, Washington, organized December 6, 1889; Norden Sangforening, Ballard, Washington, organized in 1901; Everett Norwegian Male Chorus, Everett, Washington, organized August 5, 1902; Norwegian Male Chorus, Vancouver, British Columbia, organized September 14, 1927.

The first Sangerfest was held in Everett, Washington, August 1, 2 and 3, 1903. Since then Sangerfests have been held and celebrated in the principal cities of the Pacific Coast.



# PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION

## ROSTER OF CHORUSES

Oakland, California	Normanna Glee Club
Bellingham, Washington	The Bellingham Male Chorus
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Salem, Oregon	Norwegian Male Chorus



## DIRECTORS-IN-CHIEF

Carlo A. Sperati	1902-1916
Rudolph Moller	1916-1935
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Henry Ringman	1957-1959
August Werner	1959-1974
Gunnar J. Malmin	1975--

## RECORD OF CONCERTS

Place	Year	Place	Year	Place	Year
1. Everett	1903	24. Astoria	1929	48. Vancouver, B.C.	1957
2. Seattle	1904	25. Grays Harbor	1931	49. Everett	1958
3. Portland	1905	26. Everett	1933	50. Eugene	1959
4. Tacoma	1906	27. Vancouver	1934	51. Seattle	1960
5. Astoria	1907	28. Bellingham	1935	52. San Francisco	1961
6. Seattle	1909	29. Seattle	1936	53. Salt Lake City	1962
7. Eureka	1910	30. Portland	1937	54. Tacoma	1963
8. Everett	1912	31. San Francisco	1939	55. Portland	1964
9. Spokane	1913	32. Tacoma	1940	56. Oakland	1965
10. San Francisco	1915	33. Grays Harbor	1941	57. Bellingham	1966
11. Bellingham	1916	34. Everett	1942	58. Eugene	1967
12. Seattle	1917	35. Seattle	1944	59. Everett	1968
13. Portland	1918	36. Tacoma	1945	60. Santa Monica-	1969
14. Tacoma	1919	37. Portland	1946	Los Angeles	
15. Grays Harbor	1920	38. Vancouver, B.C.	1947	61. Seattle	1970
16. Astoria	1921	39. Los Angeles	1948	62. Tacoma	1971
17. Everett	1922	40. Everett	1949	63. San Francisco	1972
18. Edison-Bellingham	1923	41. Oakland	1950	64. Vancouver, B.C.	1973
19. Seattle	1924	42. Seattle	1951	65. Oakland	1974
20. Portland	1925	43. Spokane	1952	66. Seattle	1975
21. Tacoma	1926	44. Tacoma	1953	67. Eugene	1976
22. Vancouver	1927	45. Portland	1954	68. Everett	1977
23. San Francisco	1928	46. Bellingham	1955	69. Oakland	1978
		47. Los Angeles	1956		

# Welcome to the



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## GREETINGS!

On behalf of Normanna Glee Club and our Ladies Auxiliary, we welcome you to Oakland and the 69th Annual Sangerfest.

We are all looking forward to a Sangerfest filled with the "Sangerspirit" which we have become so accustomed to, and extend a very special welcome to those of you who are attending for the first time.

The Normanna Glee Club of Oakland is celebrating its 55th Anniversary this year, so please feel free to have an extra "Skal" or two on our behalf.

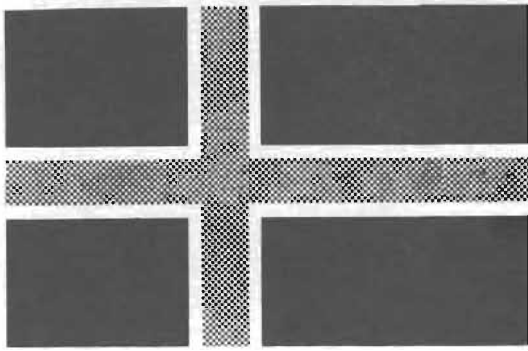
May your stay in Oakland be a pleasant one and may you all go home with pleasant memories.

MED SANGERHILSEN

Olav Laxo  
Sangerfest Chairman

Bjorn Ravenstad  
President, Normanna Glee Club





# Greetings from the Consul General of Norway

Dear Delegates to the 69th Annual Sangerfest!


It is indeed a great honor for me to welcome you in the city of Oakland for your 69th Annual Sangerfest.

I feel certain that the traditional and warm hospitality of The Bay Area will contribute to making your visit pleasant and agreeable.

Your "Sangerfest" represents an important cultural event that I hope many will be able to attend and enjoy.

I am convinced that your "Sangerfest" will be a major contribution towards an increased understanding of Norwegian culture and tradition.

Please accept my warm greetings and best wishes for your 69th Sangerfest.

Yours sincerely,  
  
Per C. Prøitz  
Consul General of Norway



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TO: PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS

GREETINGS!

As Mayor of the City of Oakland, I am most pleased to extend cordial greetings and welcome you as you convene for your 69th Annual Sangerfest at the Oakland Hilton Inn, June 30 through July 2, 1978.

Oakland is indeed proud to serve as Host City for this very special occasion and commends your organization for your many years of pleasant, inspiring and cultural contributions to our society.

We hope that time will permit those of you who are new in our area to visit some of the many points of interest that we have to offer in our community.

On behalf of the official City family, I offer all best wishes for a most successful and enjoyable Sangerfest.

Sincerely,

*Lionel J. Wilson*  
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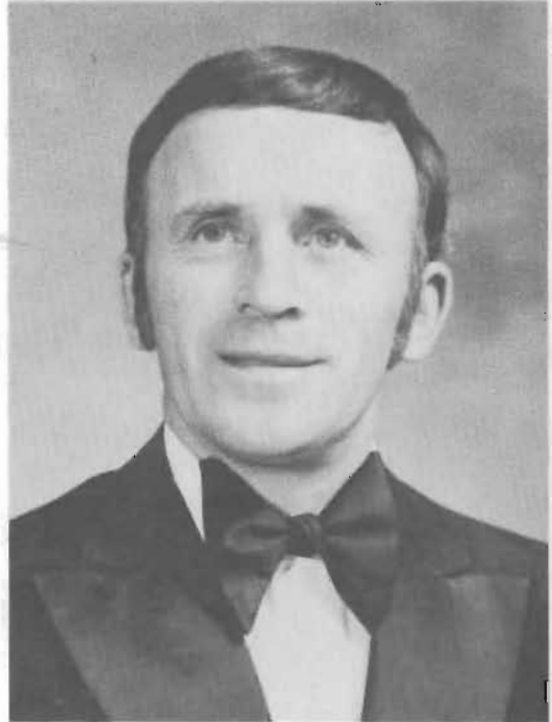
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### 69th SANGERFEST DIRECTORS

August Werner  
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Kaare Klykken  
Host Chorus Director



## **RICHARD MEYER**

A native of La Crosse, Wisconsin, received his Master's degree in music from Northwestern University in 1953. After two years in the service he came to Oakland.

He has been a teacher at Hamilton Junior High School for 22 years. He holds the Silver Beaver in Scouting and has been a music assistant with the San Francisco Boy's Chorus for 15 years.

He has appeared as soloist with the San Francisco Municipal Chorus, U.C. Extension Chorus, Harvard Glee Club, Northwestern University a cappella Choir, La Crosse Civic Opera, Woodminster Light Opera and many others.

Dick is a member of Normanna Glee Club.



## **SHARON KLYKKEN**

Assistant director and accompanist of Normanna Glee Club of Oakland, has performed in musical productions since the age of four. She has played violin with the Bakersfield Philharmonic.

Sharon has taught piano, plays various musical instruments. She sings with and is Vice President of The Oakland Distaff Singers.

She is currently teaching in the Mount Diablo School District.



**BERNARD CHEVALIER** is a native of San Francisco and holds Bachelors and Masters degrees from San Francisco State University. Though just 27 years old, he has been a member of the San Francisco Symphony for eight years, performing under Josef Krips and Seiji Ozawa.

He has an extensive record of solo performances throughout California and Arizona, and has been a frequent participant in Colorado's Aspen Music Festival.

He won his first prize, a violin, at the age of ten. His many subsequent honors include the highest award of the Pacific Musical Society, several opportunities to perform as soloist with the San Francisco Symphony and other orchestras, and a scholarship for study at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.



**MARSHA CHEVALIER** holds Bachelors and Masters degrees from San Francisco State University where she studied under Carlo Busotti, concert pianist and long-time accompanist of famed violinist, Joseph Szigeti. In addition to playing with Bernard in his frequent Bay Area solo appearances, she also teaches privately in their Oakland home.



Bernard Chevalier



Marsha Chevalier

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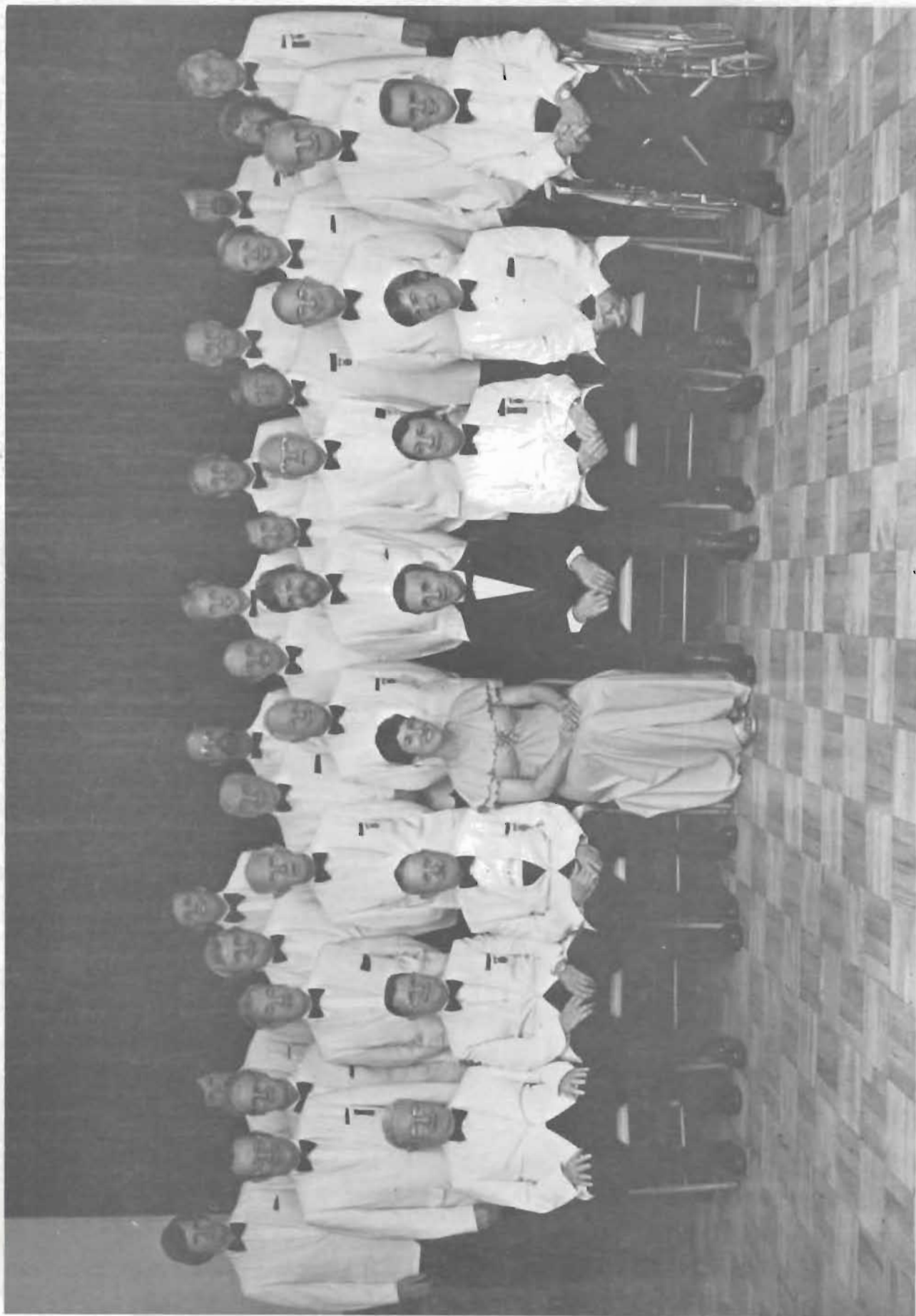
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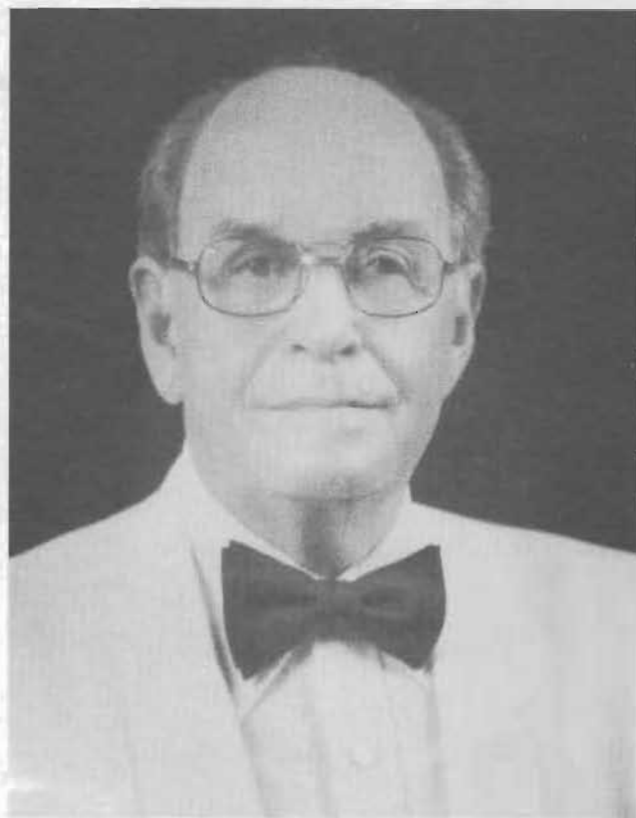
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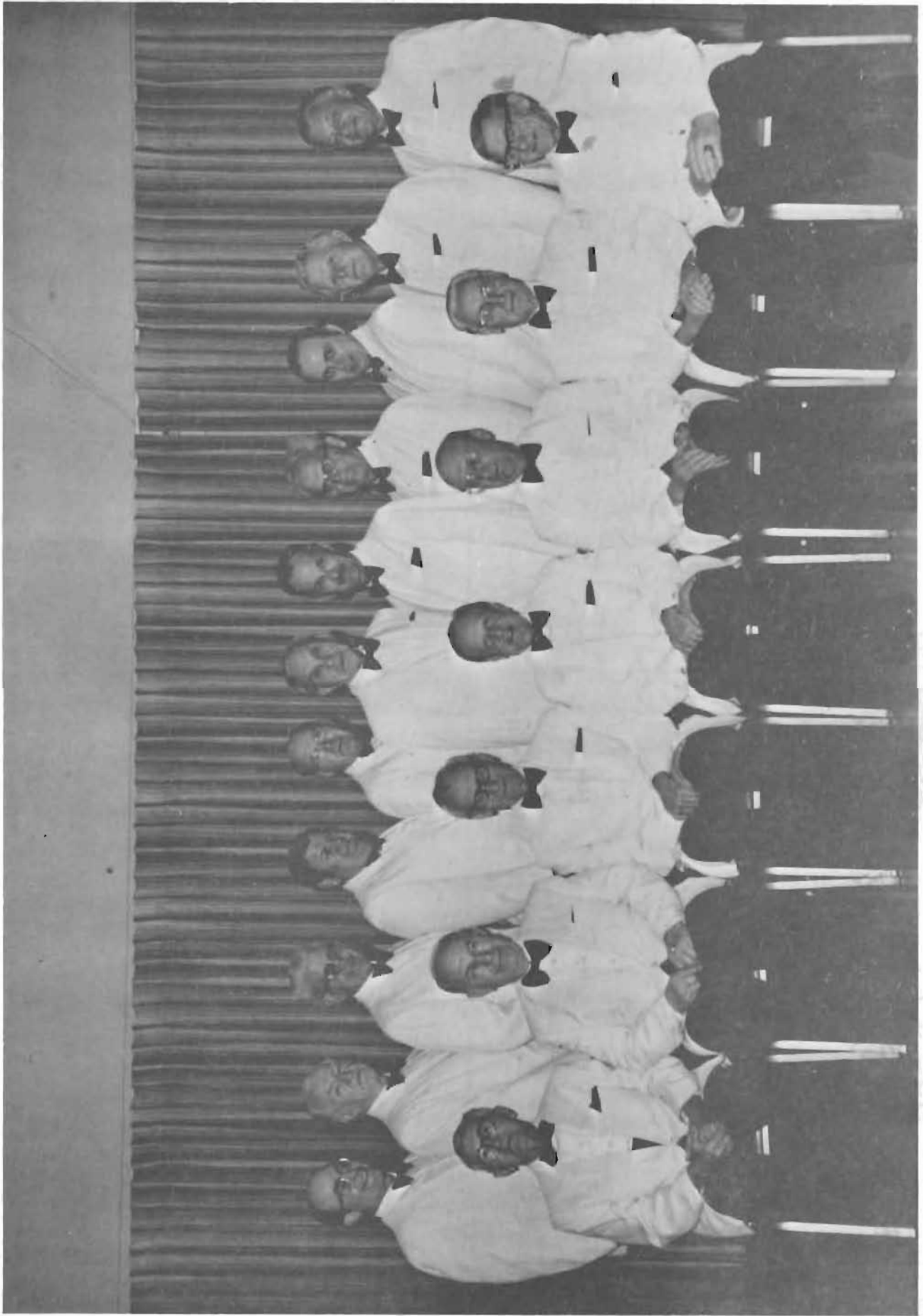
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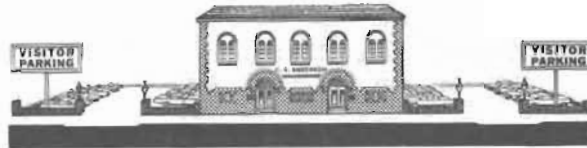
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Richard Meyer, Soloist  
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### BERNARD CHEVALIER

Mr. Chevalier's selections will include:

CHANSON ARABE ..... N. Rimsky Korsakoff  
Tune from Scheherazade ..... arr. Kreisler  
NORDIC SONG ..... Ole Bull  
ANITRA'S DANCE ..... Greig  
REVERIE ..... Debussy  
LA VIDA BREVE ..... DeFalla

Marsha Chevalier, Accompanist

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SLAA RING UM NORIG ..... Haarklou  
KAARE KLYKKEN, Director Host Chorus

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FRAM SANGER NU FRAM ..... R. Moller  
KLARA STJERNA (Serenad) ..... H. Metterling  
DEAR LAND OF HOME (Finlandia) ..... J. Sebelius  
NOW LET EVERY TONGUE ADORE THEE ..... J. S. BACH

ALF KNUDSEN, Assistant Director in chief  
Sharon Klykken, Accompanist

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### BERNARD CHEVALIER

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HUNGARIAN DANCE #5 ..... Brahms  
MEDITATION (Thais) ..... Massenet  
LIEBESFREUD ..... Kreisler  
Selections from RAGTIME for violin ..... Joplin

Marsha Chevalier, Accompanist

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HAV ..... Oscar Borg  
AUGUST WERNER, Director in Chief Emeritus

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VIKINGSONNER ..... R. Moller  
KENTUCKY BABE ..... Geibel  
BADN-LAT (Norwegian humorous song) ..... Grieg  
LANDKJENNING ..... Grieg

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## PROGRAM NOTES

### **VISIONS**

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### **KLARA STJERNA**

A song to the shining star that glimmers in the heavens.

### **HAV**

Hey, you flying seagull, carry me on your white wings over the ocean where the skies are blue and the sea is clear.

### **VIKINGSONNER**

Sons of Vikings.

### **BADN-LAT**

The cat is beating a drum and four mice are dancing so that the whole earth is shaking.

### **LANDKJENNING**

(Landsighting) Olav Trygvason, as a prince, was forced to flee the country with his mother because of intrigue and dissention. This song tells of his dramatic return to Norway.

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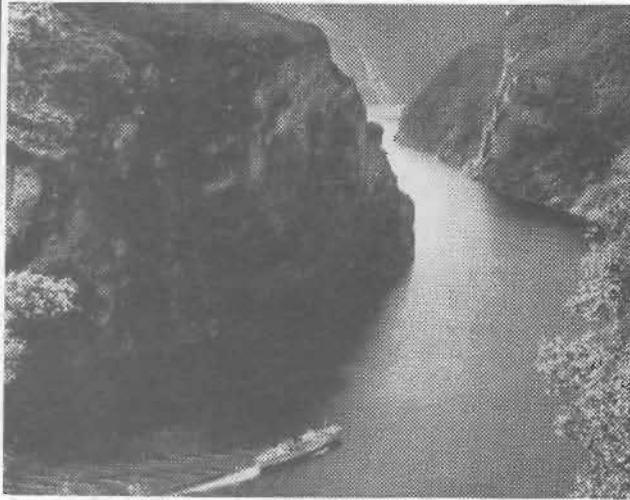


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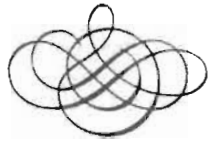


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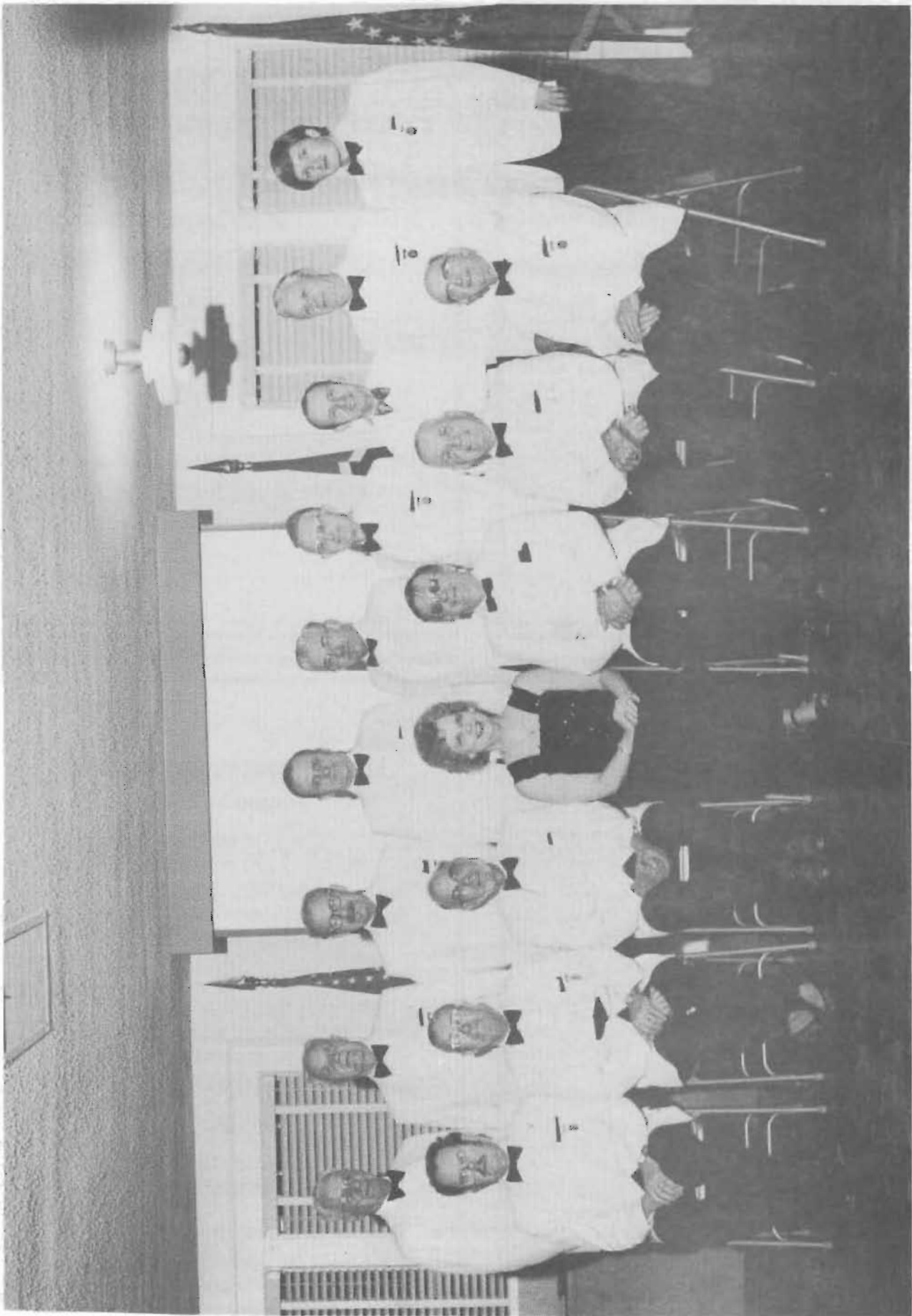


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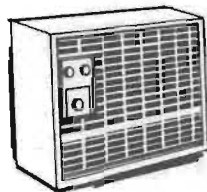
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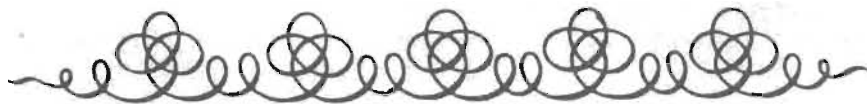
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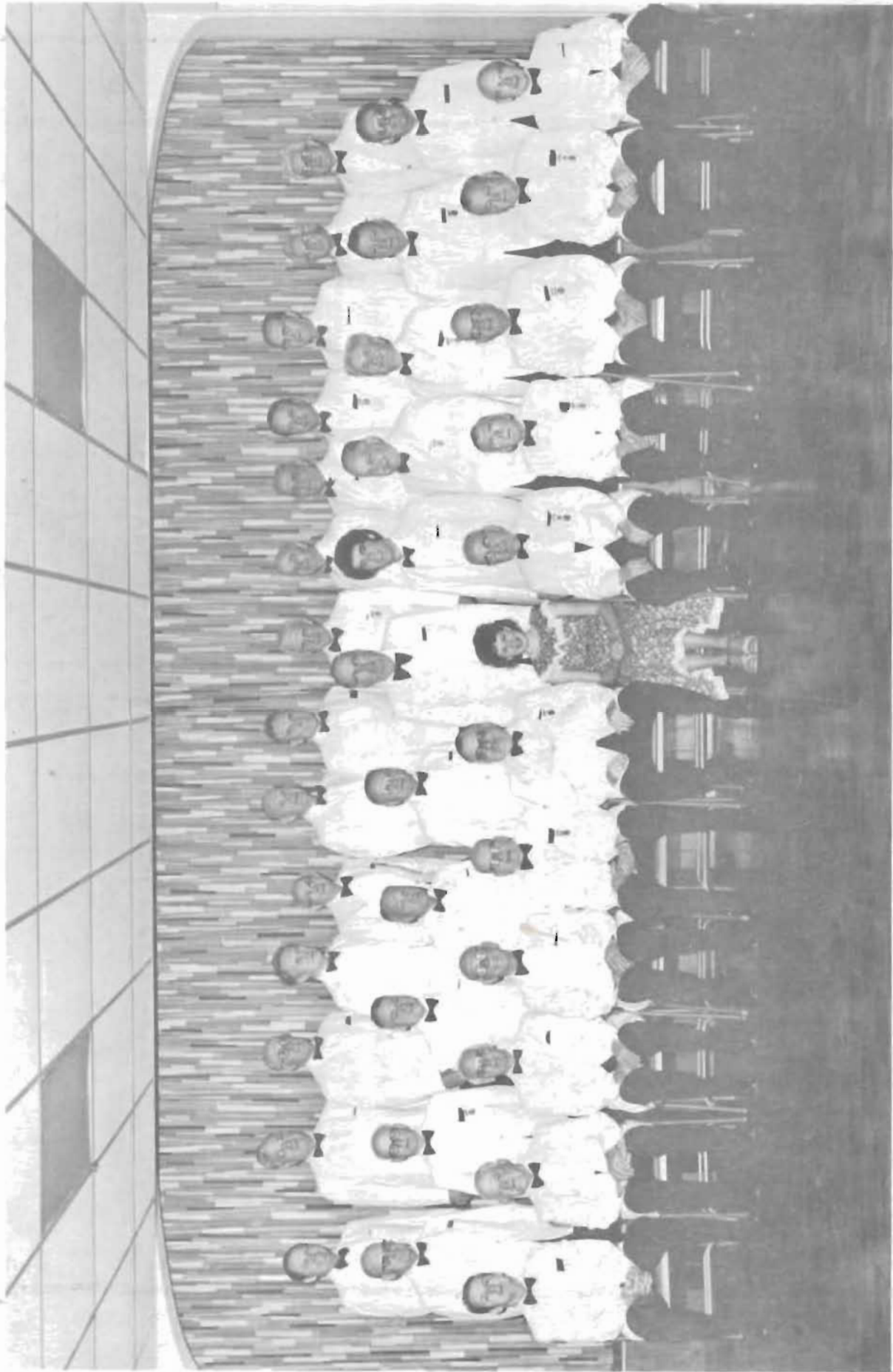
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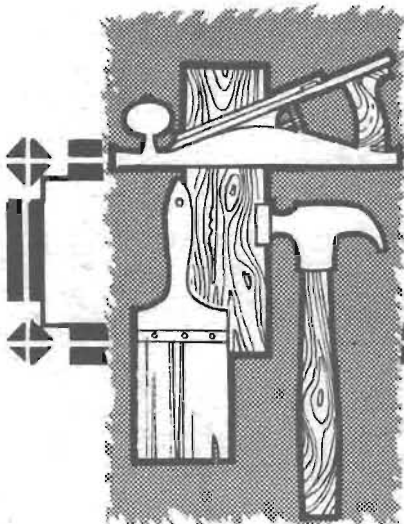
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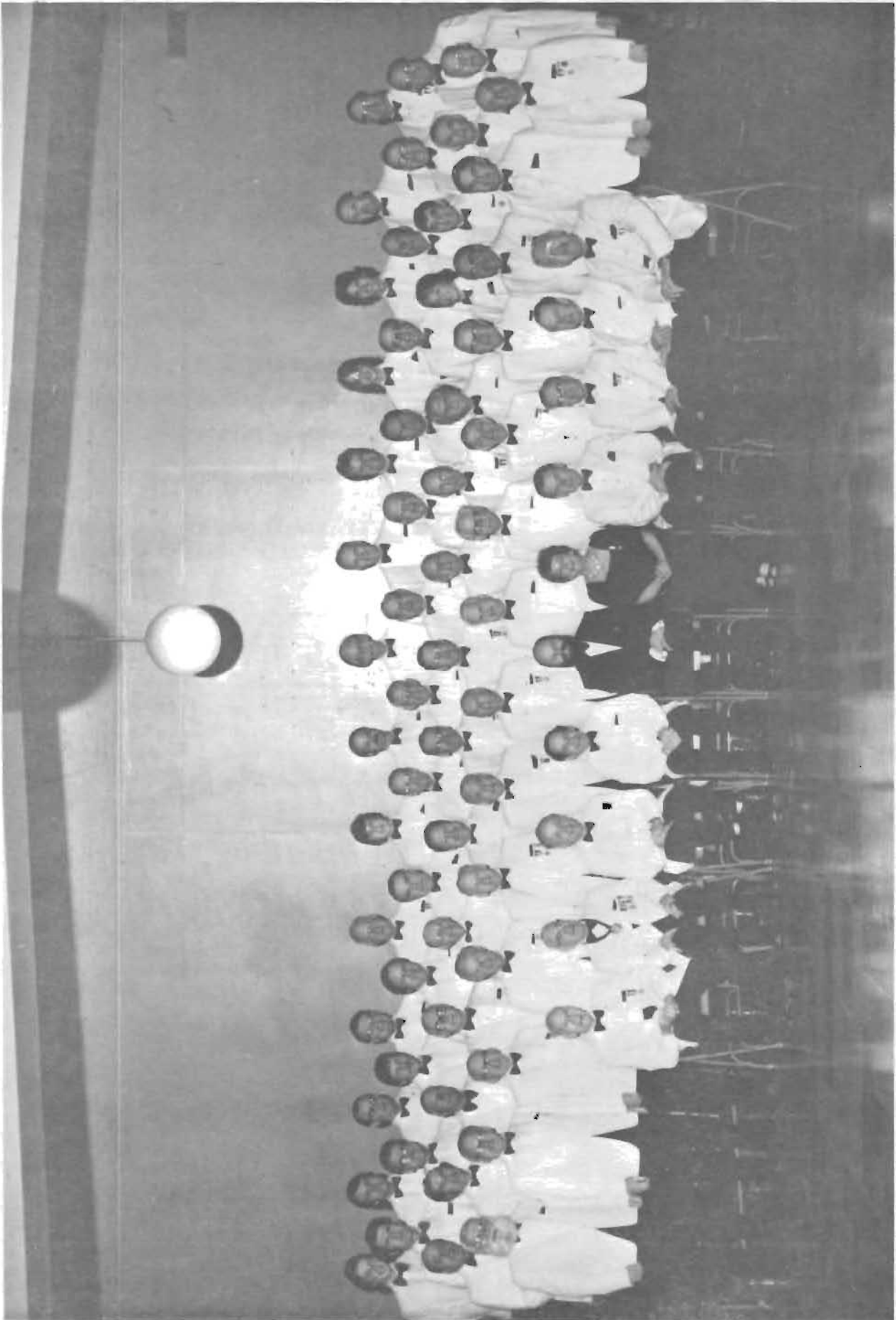
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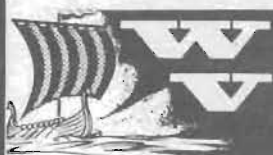


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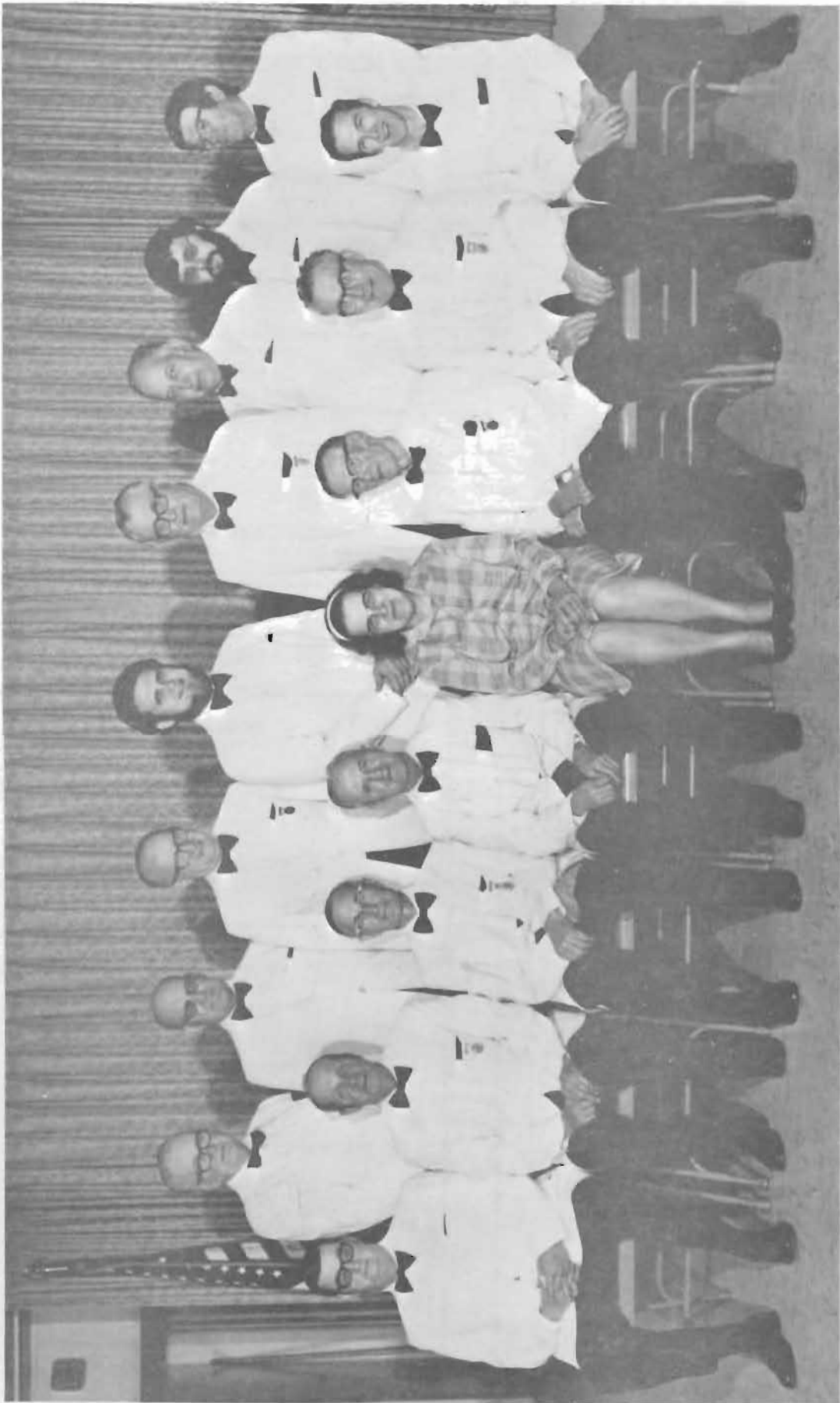


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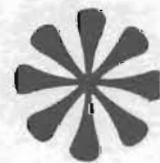
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- 6:30 p.m.....No Host Cocktails (Grand Ballroom)
- 7:30 p.m. ....Dinner Show (Grand Ballroom)

### Friday • June 30

- 10:00 a.m.....Grand Chorus Rehearsal (Grand Ballroom)
- 10:30 a.m.....Departure for Ladies Luncheon (Goodman Hall)
- 12:00-Noon.....Singers' Luncheon (Francesco's)
- 1:00 p.m.....Grand Chorus Rehearsal (Skyline High School)
- 6:45 p.m.....Bus Leaves for Concert
- 8:00 p.m.....GRAND CONCERT (Skyline High School)

### Saturday • July 1

- 10:00 a.m.....Annual Business Meeting (Grand Ballroom)
- 6:30 p.m.....No Host Cocktails (Grand Ballroom)
- 7:30 p.m.....Grand Banquet & Ball (Grand Ballroom)



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