

TO VCDA CHORAL DIRECTORS

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR A FORMER MENTOR/TEACHER

The VMEA Robert Stamback Memorial Honors Choir Scholarship Award is presented to an outstanding Honors Choir Member during the Honors Choir Concert at the VMEA Conference in November. Applications/recommendation forms are available on the VMEA/VCDA website. All choral directors are encouraged to recommend their outstanding seniors. To be selected for the scholarship, the student must have been selected as a member of Honors Choir. The purpose of the award is honor Robert Stamback, an outstanding Virginia choral director who participated in the organization of Honors Choir and also served as President of both VCDA and VMEA. The scholarship provides financial assistance for the selected student's Honors Choir participation fee.

Beginning this spring, the Robert Stamback Honors Choir Scholarship Committee will offer the opportunity for choral directors to contribute to the scholarship fund in honor of a former mentor/teacher. This terrific idea is credited to Sherri Matthews, President of VCDA and has been approved by Michael Erlich, VMEA President, and Moe Turrentine, VMEA State Manager. What a wonderful way to say thank you to the special person who promoted your desire to become a choral music educator!

Your tribute to the former mentor/teacher will be included in the concert program in an appropriate manner, such as:

2009 Special Contributions to the Robert Stamback Honors Choir Scholarship Fund

"Sherri Matthews, (school or division), honors Lee Hanchey, her high school choral director."

Please note that the form asks your permission to print your name in the program.

The amount for contributions is a personal choice. Your thoughtfulness in honoring a former mentor/teacher is far more important than the amount of a contribution.

Should you wish to participate in this opportunity, please fill in the attached form and return either to Sherri Matthews or Betty Tabor, Committee Chair. Contributions must be mailed to Moe Turrentine, State Manager.

(Addresses to be included on form)

ROBERT STAMBACK MEMORIAL HONORS CHOIR SCHOLARSHIP FUND

NAME: _____

SCHOOL: _____ DIVISION _____

I wish to make a contribution to the Robert Stamback Memorial Honors Choir Scholarship Fund

in honor of _____, _____
Name of mentor/teacher position/reason??

(Please list purpose of honor as briefly as possible)

___ I give permission to include my name in the concert program

___ Do not list my name in the concert program, only the mentor/teacher I honor.

Please return this form with contribution (made out to VMEA) by November 1, 2009 to:

Moe Turrentine, State Manager
398 Snow Bird Lane
Swanton, MD 215611