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**14th Annual  
Minnesota Community  
Band Festival**

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Saturday, April 27, 1997  
1:30 PM

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Landmark Center, Saint Paul

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- 1:30** West Wind Concert Band  
Dan Bates, Conductor
- 2:00** South Washington County Community Band  
Paul Stern, Conductor
- 2:30** Inver Hills Symphonic Band  
Hermilio Diaz, Conductor
- 3:00** Macalester College Symphonic Band  
Eduard Farnet, Conductor
- 3:30** Century College Concert Band  
John Zdechlik, Conductor



In honor of **Dr. John P. Zdechlick**

John Zdechlik is a native of Minneapolis, Minnesota. During his high school years he studied trumpet and began writing arrangements for local jazz groups. He attended the University of Minnesota and taught for two years at the high school level. In 1962 he entered graduate school at the University of Minnesota where he studied composition with Paul Fetter and was assistant to Frank Benicicutto. He received his Ph.D. in composition and music theory in 1970.

Since 1979 he has taught theory, directed the concert and jazz ensembles, and chaired the Music Department at Lakewood Community College in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. During this time he has written numerous compositions and has over 25 works published. His works are performed by high school, college, and community bands in the United States, Europe, and in Japan. Zdechlik is active as a guest conductor at colleges, high schools, and all-state groups throughout the country. John Zdechlik is also a jazz pianist and in the summer of 1990 he lead a two-week State Department sponsored tour of Paraguay and Uruguay, South America, with his seventeen-piece big band.

John Zdechlik is a member of the College Band Directors National Association, Minnesota Music Educators Association, and in 1989 was elected to membership in the American Band Masters Association.

The Community Band Festival this year is given in honor of his work, his retirement and his future!

*A Note From the Sponsors...*

Since April of 1984, the Minnesota Community Band Festival has been a performing show-case for Community Bands from Saint Paul, Minneapolis, greater Minnesota and, in recent years, nearby states. We are grateful for the enthusiastic support of players and audience alike which makes the continuation of this project possible.

A special note of appreciation goes to the staff of the Landmark Center for making all necessary special arrangements and taking the interest and added time to make this Festival possible. A grateful note of thanks must also be given to Don Bates and the West Wind Concert Band for the kind loan of equipment.

And finally, a very special thank you to all participating bands for helping to make this 13th Annual Minnesota Community Band Festival a success!!

Dr. Herminio Diaz,  
Edouard Forner,  
Co-sponsors

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS, PLEASE!**

**The 14th Annual Community Band Festival**  
Sunday Afternoon, April 27, 1997  
The Landmark Center, Saint Paul