## THE BRUCE & CONNIE MORE CHORAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

An internationally acclaimed choral conductor, **Bruce More** has for 35 years been a major contributor to the musical life of Victoria. Founder of the Music Department of College, summer Malaspina choral programme of the Courtenay Youth Music Camp, Vancouver Island Opera Society (now Pacific Opera), the Prima Choir, and the UVic Chamber Singers, conductor of the Victoria Choral Society, and frequent guest conductor of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra. In 2006, he received the Herbert Drost award for lifetime service to choral music in BC.

Connie Foss More is the Founding Artistic Director of Victoria's VIVA Choirs: singers aged 6-16 who love worldwide folk and art repertoire. Advanced groups have earned international as well as local praise, plus many VIVA singers have "graduated" to Bruce's choirs. She's been a teacher since 1969, with students of all ages in childcare centres, public schools, universities and at the Victoria Conservatory of Music. This year her career was honoured by the BC Choral Federation, and she is the current President of the Kodály Society of Canada - an organization which continues to fuel her desire to bring the power of meaningful music into everyone's lives.

YES! I wish to participate in establishing a lasting tribute to honour Bruce and Connie More's 35 years of contributions to the University of Victoria Chamber Singers, the Prima Choir, the VIVA Choir members, and to choral musicians and audiences here at home and around the world, with my gift of:

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## Thank you so much for your support!

**To donate** please return the pledge from in the envelope provided or forward directly to the University of Victoria, PO Box 3060, STN CSC, Victoria V8W 3R4.

For assistance contact Karen Walker, Development Officer for Fine Arts at 721-6305 or via email at kmwalker@uvic.ca

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The academic year 2007-2008 marks the thirty-fifth anniversary of our widely acclaimed choir, *The University of Victoria Chamber Singers*, as well as the official retirement of Bruce More, professor, director, and the choir's founder. Bruce and his wife, Connie, are both vital and incredibly productive members of the Victoria choral scene, as many of you will know from first-hand experience. Locally, provincially, nationally and internationally, this dynamic couple have contributed to choral music for more than thirty-five richly creative and hard-working years.

To say an official and enduring "thank-you" to Bruce and Connie, the University of Victoria has established in their honour "The Bruce and Connie More Choral Music Scholarship Fund". Their choice is to have an award to a student who has made a significant contribution to a UVic chamber choir &or studies choral conducting, and our goal is to reach a total of \$50,000 to be invested permanently. This amount would result in about \$1,000/year forever to remember and continue the contributions of this wonderful couple, and to support the best students in these categories each year to continue developing their talents.

Please join us in creating a lasting legacy by making your contribution to this fund. With donations large or small from each of the many friends, colleagues, and audience members, the *Bruce and Connie More Choral Music Scholarship Fund* will grow into a meaningful award.

In this way, the lives, the talent and the hard work of two generous and dedicated people, Bruce and Connie More, will continue - forever - to sow seeds of musical inspiration in Victoria, in Canada, and beyond.

