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GREETINGS FROM THE MRA PRESIDENT

Clarence Brock
President, Michigan Reading Association



Dear MRA Members,

As we look back on 1977, we have many things that we can be proud of in the Michigan Reading Association. Some of our successes of the past year include:

- completion of a revision of the state reading objectives
- revision and preparation of a draft of a new assessment test in reading for grades four, seven and ten
- establishment and organization of five new reading councils
- sponsorship and organization of a special reading conference - **READING EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT DILEMMAS**
- maintenance of an effective MRA Hot Line Consultant Services for our members
- an increase in our state membership
- an increase in Michigan members of the International Reading Association organization and planning of another great spring conference in 1978
- refunding of Section 43 and the State Aid Act

- improved relationship and cooperation with the Michigan Department of Education
- an expanded **MICHIGAN READING JOURNAL**

The challenges of 1978 that confront us include:

- expansion of legislation in reading
- expansion of MRA and IRA membership
- development of our Young Authors publications
- organization of Parents and Reading Committee activities
- development of a plan for Administrators and Reading project
- mounting of a Public Relations campaign for reading and MRA

Finally, again this year MRA will sponsor the biggest and best MRA conference yet in Grand Rapids, April 2-4, 1978.

I'll see you there!