

Minnesota Music Hall of Fame Inductee



Leo “Pinky” Schroepfer (1904 – ?) Inducted in 1992

Leo “Pinky” Schroepfer is a composer, arranger, director and accomplished clarinetist. For 25 years, he was the director of the state champion Sleepy Eye Drum and Bugle Corps. Under his director, the cops placed first in state competition from 1947 to 1959. He arranged and composed music and designed the choreography for the cops. Army bands in World War II played one of the Schroepfer’s marches, “Jubilesta”, published in 1941, extensively. He has also composed polkas and leandlers for dance bands. The Whoopee John Band has recorded several of his tunes. Schroepfer was a member of the Whoopee John Band in the 1920’s.

