

Theta Phi Epsilon

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MUSIC FRATERNITY



Palos Verdes Peninsula Alumni Chapter

November-December 1997 Newsletter

Dear Members, Patrons, and Friends,

THIRD SPIN-OFF: **Distaff Spins in Armenia and Russia**

Date: **Friday November 7, 1997 at 7:30 P.M.**

Place: Home of Joanna **Nachef**, **549 Via del Monte, PVE**
(From Malaga Cove, past library, 11th house on right, at via Corta)
Hostesses: Virginia Ludwick and Lenita McCallum

Program: **Angela Cholakian** will play Tchaikovsky, Armenian composer Babadjanian, and George Gershwin.

We will have a Founder's Day ritual. We hope to see you all there. I have included in this newsletter pictures from our first two meetings.

ARE YOU IN THE PICTURE?

DID YOU KNOW?

We have **57** members.

Thyra Snyder, Treasurer, is happily reporting that nearly everyone has paid their dues and many patrons have given their donations.

The **White Elephant Sale** in October contributed \$30 to our treasury. Next sale will be at the January meeting.

Virginia Bennett non-resident Gem, writes from Colorado, congratulating new members, and especially thanking **Joanna Nachef** for her leadership of Los Cancioneros, which started in the little Hollywood Riviera neighborhood, where Virginia lived.

Virginia Mendenhall received her 60-year membership certificate at the October meeting.

Pearl Kim and Virginia Ludwick are celebrating 50-year memberships this year.

Lenita McCallum, Distric Director, officially met with all of our officers in October.

Teddy Greenwald is watching for her mailperson. Applications for the **Young Performers Showcase** are due November 16. She will verify receipt of applications soon after that date. If you haven't heard by November 25, please contact Teddy.

In order to stay with the original goals of the Young Performers' Showcase, which is: **to encourage intermediate level performers**, we are asking teachers to adhere to the suggested Certificate of Merit levels of: Piano 5-8; Winds 5-7; Strings 5-7; Voice 2-5. If the level of the piece on the application is beyond those levels, you will be called to discuss the matter. Please read the application form carefully.

We realize these guidelines have been stretched in recent years, but we would like to return to "showcasing" these INTERMEDIATE LEVEL performers. If the wish of the chapter is to alter these goals, the matter may be brought up for discussion at a subsequent general meeting.

Frances Steiner's talk, "From Prodigy to Pioneer", gave us an intimate look at her experiences throughout her career.

Deborah Aitken Glowacki and husband **Michael** are enjoying the wedding gift presented by Mu Phi at the September meeting.

The role of hostess is a very important part of our Mu Phi bond of friendship. Our members take turns in graciously serving refreshments at meetings. This means: say "Yes" when called by the Steward. Dates can always be adjusted later, if need be. Coordinate with fellow hostesses and the home hostess about what to bring. Sometimes this means bringing an extra coffee pot, coffee cream, paper goods, etc.

The words to **Our Triangle** have changed. Instead of the original words "Briars tangle around our feet, lives strewn with flowers, sweet perfume," the new words are: "Our lives are filled with power." Please see the Yearbook.

The Board is recommending that a contribution be made to the Mu Phi Epsilon Excellence/Centennial Fund 2003. We will be discussing this at our meeting.

Holiday programs abound.

Los Cancioneros Holiday Concert, Sunday December 14, 7:30 p.m. at the James Armstrong Theatre

Mu Phi Young Performer's Showcase, Saturday, December 6, 1997, 3:00 p.m. at the Pacific Unitarian Church

Hostesses: Teddy Greenwald, Joann Harrison and Carol Clever

WE HOPE YOU'LL BE IN THE PICTURE!

Rosanne Gifford, Co-president