

# Mu Phi Epsilon

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL  
MUSIC FRATERNITY

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA ALUMNI CHAPTER

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends

What an exciting kickoff we've had to our centennial year. Our Brown Bag Beginning in September was a great gathering where we were able to catch up on our summer activities and honor our fellow Mu Phi **Marshall Bialosky** with our love and support. In October we heard from the Campus Concerts group sponsored by **Pat Maki** and learned so much about their work and how important it is in helping to motivate and excite children about music and playing an instrument.

Amidst all this excitement, though, I have some sad news to share. Our member **Christie Gail Douglas** passed away from viral pneumonia on October 11, 2002. She was a music teacher in the Palos Verdes School District as well as a talented vocalist and a published author and songwriter. Christie was a member of Gamma Sigma before joining our chapter. I will remember her as someone who attended our meetings and was very interested in our chapter - so much so that she was even going to do a program this year. Services were held on October 19.

Christie was born February 3, 1975, and was just twenty-seven year old, and had accomplished so many things at a very young age. It seems to me a good time to remind ourselves just how fragile life is and never to take anyone or anything for granted. We never know how long we will be blessed to have certain people in our lives. Let us remember to appreciate one another for our talents, time and dedication. Let us share in this unique bond of friendship, harmony and music that makes our fraternity so special. Let us take the time to recognize our special bond together and never be too busy for one another, as life might cut our relationships shorter than we think. Let us live life to the fullest.

In Friendship,

Tamara Chadima



## FOUNDER'S DAY PROGRAM

Sunday, November 3  
3:00 p.m.

Home of Pearl Kim  
6 Roanwood Drive, RHE

Anli Tong, piano, will perform

Recognition of Frances Steiner

Dr. Frances Steiner will be chosen as a new member of ACME (Artists, Composers, Musicologists, Educators).

## COMING EVENTS

The Young Performer's Showcase is set for December 7, at 1:30 p.m. **Please note the time change.** Applications are enclosed.

Musical Mosaic will be on January 31, at Rolling Hills United Methodist Church.

## CINCINNATI IN 2003!!

100th Commemorative  
Mu Phi Epsilon  
Family Reunion Celebration  
August 6-11, 2003

DESTINATION: Luxurious Hyatt Regency Hotel

ACTIVITIES include: Video displays (see yourself), historic memorabilia and artifact displays, concerts, tours, outreach performances - offering a variety of performance opportunities for all.

SIX DAYS CRAMMED WITH EXCITING EVENTS

PARTICIPANTS: All Mu Phis

## DON'T BE THE MISSING FAMILY MEMBER

### HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?

Attend  
Enter Original Composition Contest  
Compose a new Fraternity song  
Order a Centennial History Book  
Become a Performance Delegate

At our october meeting we voted to give a contribution of \$100 to the Centennial Fund. Mu Phi Epsilon is sponsoring a fundraising drive in the form of a raffle. Any donations you wish to make before December 1 can be made in this fashion. Details of the raffle are on Page 3 of the latest *Triangle*.

## NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

At their meeting in August, **Lenita McCallum** was elected to a two year term on the Board of the Mu Phi Epsilon Foundation. Her responsibilities will include overseeing the awarding of Scholarships in the area of Vocal Performance.

Chapter member **Lauren De Jesus** was married on July 20 to Carlos Sanchez. Mr. Sanchez teaches drumline at East L.A. College, Palos Verdes Peninsula High School, Torrance High School, Hamilton High School, Petaluma High School, Fleming Middle School, and is marching percussion director at El Camino College. He is the cofounder of the Latin percussion group "Manito" and has done special percussion lectures at CSUDH for music education students. In his spare time, Carlos enjoys performing in the Kingsmen Percussion Ensemble and teaching private percussion students. Lauren teaches instrumental music at Fleming Middle School.