Mu Phí Epsilon

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MUSIC FRATERNITY

PALOS VERDES PENINSULA ALUMNI CHAPTER OCTOBER 2004



FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Dear Friends:

The long hot summer is finally over and we can have some relief at last! School has started and most of us are back from our summer vacation with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

We kicked off our season with a potluck dinner on a sunny Sunday afternoon on September 12. The buffet spread peppered with gourmet dishes international flavor. The entrees included Chinese noodles and dumplings, Polish sausage and pierogi, Mexican enchiladas and nachos with quacamole, Japanese edamame, Swedish meatballs, Spanish saffron rice, German chocolate bread and an assortment of salads and desserts - a feast fit for kings and queens! Among the royalties in attendance were our esteemed International Executive Vice President, our honored patrons, our loyal members (new, old, visiting and prospective) and their friends and families. Everyone had a grand time.

Our next event will be a Conductors' Workshop given by none other than our own Dr. Frances Steiner on Saturday, October 23, at Miraleste Intermediate School. Please see details in this newsletter and mark your calendar.

See you all again at our next rendezvous!

In friendship,

Bee-De Lim
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Co-Presidents

CONDUCTORS WORKSHOP with Dr. Frances Steiner

Saturday, October 23 11:00 a.m.

Miraleste Intermediate School Choral Room 29323 Palos Verdes Dr. East Rancho Palos Verdes

Friends and colleagues invited

The enclosed flyer describes the Conductor's Workshop with Dr. Frances Steiner. Both instrumental and choral techniques will be discussed.

NOVEMBER MEETING

Our November meeting (Saturday, November 13, 3:00 p.m.) will be a Founder's Day Celebration at the home of Annette Smith. Deborah Aitken will give us a piano performance remembering this year's theme of <u>Global Harmony</u>.

YOUNG PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE

Mu Phi teachers and parents, be thinking ahead of the Young Performer's Showcase on Saturday, December 4. Registration forms will be in the next newsletter. The goal of the Showcase is to encourage intermediate and advanced level performers. Suggested Certificate of Merit levels are: Piano 5 or above, strings 5 or above, voice 2 or above. For information, call Kathy Kerstein, 310-831-1944.

NASM MEETING

The National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) is meeting in San Diego November 20-23. Shirley Weaver, President of the San Diego Mu Phi Alumni Chapter, tells us that there will be an all-fraternity luncheon at the convention on November 22. Dr. Frances Irwin, our National President, will be attending the convention, and any of our members who will be at the convention are invited to come to the luncheon. Contact Fran Irwin for more information. (314-752-2585 or Muphiip@aol.com)

VISITING FINNISH GROUP

RHYTHMS OF LIFE - OCEANS OF VOICES is the theme of the 38th National Conference of the American Orff Schulwerk Assocation being held this year in the Long Beach Convention Center November 10-14. Music and movement teachers (over 2000), 200 clinicians, and children's performing groups will attending. Mu Phi members Emily Lacina, Debra Shrader, Jean Strickland and Ramona Gifford are committee chairmen for the conference, staffing registration, college credit, audio-visual and fund-raising duties for the sponsoring L.A. Chapter. Kris Basua is making cross stitch items for the boutique. Pat Maddaford's high school choir members will be hosting a young Finnish percussion group called "Groove". Isn't this a great way to promote our chapter's theme, GLOBAL HARMONY? Our SERV hours will be counted!

Mu Phi members who would llike to contribute musical theme items to the boutique, which benefits music teacher scholarships, please contact Ramona or bring to the October meeting. If you'd like to attend the conference, room monitors are needed also.

Ramona Gifford

NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome the following new or returning members:

Verna Balch will be returning to active membership this year. She is a flutist and longtime active member of our community.

Trevor Berens is a composer and pianist who will soon be initiated into our chapter.

Helen Freeborn, Sigma, is a life member. 4170 Elm Ave. No. 116 Long Beach, CA 90807-6906 562-424-0836

Please add her name to your yearbook.

Linnea Eades is a Visiting Member who recently moved to our area. She is the former president of the San Fernando Valley Alumni Chapter.

Our apologies to **Patricia Maddaford**, whose name was spelled incorrectly in the last newsletter, but is listed correctly in the new yearbook

NOTE FROM TEDDY

A special thank you and sincere appreciation to Palos Verdes Alumni Chapter for the donation made to Mu Phi Epsilon Foundation in memory of my mother, Adele Morosco. All your kind words, phone calls and cards have been a great comfort during a very sad time for me and my family.

Sincerely, Teddy Greenwald

BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be at Lenita McCallum's house at 12:30 on Tuesday, November 2.