# Mu Phí Epsilon

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL MUSIC FRATERNITY

## PALOS VERDES PENINSULA ALUMNI CHAPTER APRIL 2005

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#### PRESIDENTS' LETTER

Dear Friends:

It is time to think about our officers for next year. Our nominating committee, headed by Pearl Kim and Joanna Nachef, has worked hard and prepared a slate of candidates for the offices. The ballot is enclosed with this newsletter, and please let your voices be heard with your vote at the next meeting.

Carol Clever presented a very enlightening and informative slide show entitled "The Ear and Hearing" on February 28 at Ramona Gifford's home. Carol pointed out that some early signs of hearing loss are: ringing, buzzing or muffled sound in your ears, misunderstanding conversations, asking people to repeat what they said, turning up the volume on TV or radio and undue fatigue and stress at the end of the day. She advised that if you have any of the above symptoms, you should consult your doctor right away as good hearing is important, especially to us musicians.





Mu Phi was proud to sponsor cellist Marek Szpakiewicz, 2003 winner of Mu Phi International Competition, in his March 6 appearance with the South Bay Chamber Orchestra at the Norris Theater. He performed Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rococo Theme, Op. 33. Marek was in the February issue of the Peninsula People magazine and he was also honorably mentioned and given credit at Oscar night for orchestrating and arranging the Oscar-winning music in the movie "Finding Neverland". Watch for the March issue of the Peninsula People magazine with pictures of our Musical Mosaic.

Our very talented pianist, Anli Tong, and violist Gina Warnick presented an inspiring recital with commentary celebrating the genius of Rebecca Clarke (1886-1979) at the March 8 MTAC meeting. The program featured Clarke's Morpheus, Lullaby and Sonata for Viola and Piano. Our next program will be on Sunday, April 24, and

will feature the life and works of fellow Mu Phi member and composer, Adrienne Albert. Please see details in this newsletter and plan to attend!

Loyally yours,

Bee-De Lim and Eunee Yee

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 MEETING 3:00

HOME OF PAT ARAND
5731 Mistridge Drive
Rancho Palos Verdes
(Please note change of location)

The Life and Works of Adrienne Albert Mu Phi Composer

Directions to Pat Arand's home:
From the top of Crenshaw Blvd., turn right on
Crest Rd., then right on Whitley Collins Dr.
Continue to Northbay Rd. Turn right and
continue to where Northbay meets Mistridge.
Pat's house is located at this corner.

Adrienne Albert is the talented president of the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter. We heard her composition *Reflections* performed by Linnea Eades and Eunee Yee at the Musical Mosaic.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

On Saturday evening, May 14th at 6:30 PM, Lenita McCallum will host a wine tasting, hors d'oeuvre sampling and music listening evening at her home. This is a fund raiser to help retire the Fraternity's debt. Tickets will be \$25 per person with a limit of 50. The wine tasting will be presented by Jean-Baptiste, a well known connoisseur of wines. Music will be provided between samplings and finger food will be passed. Put this fun event on your calendar. To reserve a space, call Lenita at 375-8769 or send a check to her.

On May 21 or 22 Gamma Sigma will hold an initiation, which will include some of our special election candidates. Information to follow.

On Saturday June 4, at 6:00, Anli Tong will open her beautiful home for our annual Patron Scholarship dinner. This will be a catered dinner, with details in the next newsletter. Be sure to come to this popular event. This date has been changed several times. Check your calendar!

#### GRANTS TO MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS

Grants in the amount of \$4229.21 have been presented to the following school music teachers. Funds for these grants were raised by the Musical Mosaic presented on February 4.

Pat Maki, Campus Concerts \$1500

Pat Maddaford, Palos Verdes Peninsula High School Riser Carts \$500

Carol Levin, San Pedro High School
Travel expenses for choir concert
in Carnegie Hall \$500

Denise Peykanu, Silver Spur and St. Lawrence Martyr Schools Summer Orff Schulwerk Class \$500

Jean Strickland, Mira Catalina School Choir accompanist \$500

Amy Johnson, Mira Costa High School Cymbals for Band \$500

Eitan Avineri, PVUSD Elementary School Music Program 3 brass mouthpiece pullers \$229.21

Congratulations to these accomplished and hard working music teachers.

#### **ELECTION OF 2005-2006 OFFICERS**

Many thanks to our Nominating Committee (Pearl Kim and Joanna Nachef) who have presented the following nominees for election at the next meeting:

Co-Presidents Eunee Yee Ann Grennan

Co-Vice-Presidents Teddy Greenwald Pat Maki

Treasurer Lenita McCallum

Recording Secretary Maurice Suhre

Corresponding Secretary
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Newsletter Mailing - Tamara
Chadima

Historian Ramona Gifford

Co-Stewards
Janette Moote
Virginia Ludwick

Chorister Lois Tai

Chaplain Tamara Chadima

Past-President, ex Officio Bee-De Lim

### **NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS**

Kris Basua, our member music teacher in Hermosa Beach, received a General Music Educator Award during the state California Music Educator Association conference in Pasadena in March. The award was given by the Peripole-Bergerault Company honoring excellence in general music education. During her tenure of 39 years teaching K - 8, she has produced the school's musical

productions for 25 years. Congratulations, Kris!

**Emily Lacina** is recovering well from her injuries and is navigating on crutches or a wheel chair. Best wishes to her.

Best wishes also to **Dorothy Woodruff** who is moving to Phoenix, where she will be living 5 minutes away from her daughter. Her address will be 2701 E. Utopia Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85050.

#### BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be at the home of Eunee Yee on May 10, at 12:30.

#### **EMAIL NEWSLETTER**

If you would like or are able to receive this newsletter by email, please send your address to Mary Feyk, <maryff@cox.net>.

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