



NEWSLETTER



President's Message

Greetings to you all on this extremely warm and humid August day as our summer is gradually slipping away and we are looking ahead, eagerly or reluctantly, to the fall and a change of pace. For those of you who are retired, perhaps one season means little difference than another in the demands upon your time and you actually have the leisure to “smell the roses” or chrysanthemums, or whatever other flowers share their glory in the fall. Or, like so many, perhaps retirement means as busy a schedule as ever and the change from summer to fall has little impact upon your responsibilities and activities. For those of us who are still actively teaching or performing, or both, the fall generally means a definite increase in the work load and commitments to necessary projects. But hopefully for everyone, these past couple of months have provided some relaxation and time to reflect and re-charge.

Our Mu Phi Chapter has certainly not laid dormant these summer months. The Board has continued to meet each month to take care of the regular, ongoing business and to lay the foundation for the variety of interesting, inspiring, engaging programs our chapter will present during this next year. Although some

CALENDAR

AUGUST 21th – 10 AM
Board Meeting
At Pat Maki's

SEPTEMBER 23rd – 5:30 PM
Fall Potluck
Please RSVP to Darlene

Home of **Beth and Brent Howell**

SEPTEMBER 18th – 10 AM
Board Meeting

events will remain the same, such as our highly successful Musical Mosaic and Musica Primavera, we have new events to entice us, such as the District Conference in November with its array of presentations, the beginning of our 50th Anniversary Celebration with performances by International Competition winner, pianist Yukiko Sekino. Also, we are planning a Twelfth Night Party in January for all the Chapter members plus special functions geared to attract collegiate members and non-affiliated Mu Phi's living in our area. We plan to reach out and include, invite and engage those who would like to belong to a chapter and those who have not been previously involved with our wonderful Fraternity.

So, to get started with this exciting new Mu Phi year, please mark your calendars for our **September 23** Potluck. It will be a perfect time to enjoy one another's company, catch up on summer adventures and share the enjoyment of great music, not to mention savoring all the delicious food everyone generously contributes for the dinner.

President's message cont.

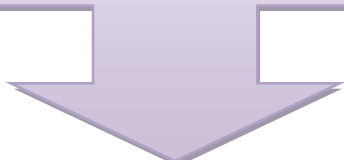
A grateful thank you to all those of you who have said "yes" when asked to serve as a hostess, chair a committee, or be part of a team effort for one of our activities.

Looking forward to seeing you in September!

Musingly yours,
Darlene



Please **pay your dues** promptly by **Sept. 1** to be listed in our yearbook. If there are any changes to your personal contact information, please send them immediately to j-dvlasek@cox.net.



Dues are due!!

The deadline for Alumni Dues to the chapter is September 1st. Respond promptly to the invoice sent to you by our treasurer David Champion so your name can be included in the chapter directory for this year.

Included in your dues are member dues forwarded to the international Mu Phi Epsilon office in early September. Late payment of dues creates extra paper work for both the local chapter and the international office, so please don't be late!

David Champion

SEPTEMBER 23rd

Fall Potluck

We will arrange the potluck contributions according to the first letter of your last name.

A, B, C, and D (Salad)
E and F (Appetizers)
G, H, J, K and L (Main Dish)
M, N and P (Bread)
S, T, V and Y (Dessert)

Please **RSVP** to **Darlene**
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