COPW NEWSNOTES

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"Enriching Lives through Music"

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SAVE THE DATE

March 25, LAPA Presidents /Coordinators meeting, 9:30a.m. Volunteer Cottage

April 9, COPW Executive Committee meeting 11:30 a.m. Becky Novy's Home

April 13, Toyota Symphony for Youth, WDCH 11:00a.m., Mussorgsky, *Pictures at an Exhibition*

April 16, Encore Program at Chen Gallery, 10:00a.m., Torrance

April 20, Toyota Symphony for Youth, WDCH 11:00a.m. Mussorgsky, Pictures at an Exhibition

April 22, LAPA Presidents/Coordinators meeting, 9:30a.m. Volunteers Cottage

May 2, COPW Board Meeting , 12:00 noon, Music Center, fourth floor board room

May 25, COPW Gala Installation, 11:00 a.m. Casa Del Mar Hotel, Santa Monica

May 29, LAPA Spring Celebration, 10:00a.m., Dorothy Chandler Pavilion

June 10, LAPA In'n'Out Board Luncheon Volunteer Cottage

June 15, COPW In'n'Out Luncheon

June 29, LAPA Sunset Cruise, 5:30 p.m.

July 3, Affiliates Night at the Hollywood Bowl

August 9-11, COPW trip to Santa Barbara

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT BECKY NOVY



It seems that personal time to pursue one's interests is a luxury now days. Retirees find their time is in great demand for the plethora of volunteer opportunities, and they have to carefully choose when and where to volunteer. Persons still actively engaged in their chosen professions are finding life to be busier and more demanding. Membership in a special interest group such as COPW can be a luxury and a favor you do for yourself. Attending events and sharing a love of music with your peers can lead to an enriching, rewarding journey filled with laughter, good food, interesting venues, fantastic music, and a myriad of friendships.

With membership in COPW one becomes a member of the LA Philharmonic Affiliate family, and with that many musical opportunities are available. Upcoming Affiliate events: May 29th Spring Celebration, June 29th All Affiliate Fundraiser Sunset cruise, and July 3rd Affiliate Night at the Hollywood Bowl.

P.2 BRAILLE CHILDREN'S CHOIR PERFORMS AT COPW PARTY

On March 16, the 20 child chorus from the LA and Orange county Braille Foundation performed for the members of COPW at St.Bede's Episcopal Church. An additional treat was hearing the new "young men's chorus" of early teen boys at their inaugural concert. The performance was lovely, with the well trained youngsters singing songs from the Sound of Music, songs by Johnny Mercer – their founder, and an inspirational German folk song "Music alone shall live. The chorus truly demonstrated that blindness or disability doesn't have to stand in the way of your dreams. Ranked in the top 10% of children's choirs nationwide, there was not a dry eye in the audience when they sang "You Raise Me Up."

The LA Phil Affiliates and COPW have a special relationship with the Braille Institute donating tickets for students to attend concerts at Walt Disney Concert Hall. A number of people attended the concert from other affiliate groups, including Aida Gaona, our Affiliate President.

Following the concert, the event CO-Chairs, Annette Colfax and Rea Crane had arranged a lovely buffet luncheon with wine and tables decorated in a St. Patrick's theme including Shamrocks. Individual lunches were served for the children and their guides. A jolly time was had at the party and special thanks were given to our excellent hostesses Annette and Rea.



Young Men's Braille Chorus



Co-Chairs, Annette Colfax & Rea Crane



Braille Children's Choir



Enjoying our lunch and camaraderie

P.3 COPW SANTA BARBARA TRIP



Once again, COPW member Cheryl Hall is graciously chairing a three day trip for COPW to Santa Barbara. On August 9-11, 2013 COPW will sojourn to the beautiful beach community and enjoy music, great food, and the company of good friends.

Arrangements have been made for attendance at a Horn Master class, a tour of the historic and picturesque Academy of Music, a possible presentation by a Master Class teacher and a concert performance by the Festival Orchestra.

Dining will include an elegant picnic dinner concert (a highlight from last year) and a dinner at the renown Bouchon restaurant in downtown Santa Barbara. Cheryl has made arrangements for a special rate at the Montecito Inn, but hotel choices are up to each attendee.

The total cost for the package is \$350 per person which includes all tickets and meals. Hotels are not included.

Judy Hirsch is coordinating reservations and payment and should be contacted for information. (818) 998-5773.

TRANSITIONS

Pamela Ernst, COPW vice-President will be moving back east with her husband this spring. Pam, a past treasurer, and six year board member will be missed by all.

Helen Lamm, a long time member of COPW passed away peacefully at her home in Westwood, on January 18, 2013 at the age of 97. Helen was a member and supporter of COPW since 1965. In her later years when she was unable to attend events, she always contributed and sent a check to the event planners. She was a friend of the LA Philharmonic and a person who actively helped the arts throughout her life.

Elaine Berman, COPW Board member and past President, has had a second surgery and is recovering nicely at home. She hopes to be at a COPW event in the near future.

Nitzan Haroz joined the Phil as principal trombone

Thomas Hooten is now the principal trumpet

Michael Larco joined the viola section of the Phil.

Elise Shope joined the Phil as second flute

Gregory Roosa joined the Phil as second horn

Richard Kelly is retiring as a bassist after 58 years!

BURBANK CHORALE

COPW Board member Joyce Mallean advises that there will be a terrific concert on April 27, 2013 at 7:30 pm at the first United Methodist Church in Burbank.

The spring concert "FROM RUSSIA WITH LOVE", Russian and American composer and includes selections from "Fiddler on the Roof". Special guest performers are the Colburn School Children's Choir and the Burbank Chorale Instrumental Ensemble. \$20 general admission, \$15 for seniors and children.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS WELCOMED AT ANNUAL MEETING

On January 12, COPW unanimously elected seven members to serve on the COPW board of Directors. Serving a first time three year term will be Dr. Rosalyn Bloch, Martha Curtis, Kathy Ensell, Kathy Forsman, Julie Mairs, Tom Munsell, and Carlie Rogers. Terms begin June 1, 2013.

Four COPW members were elected to serve a second three year term. Those members are: Bee Campbell, Annette Colfax, Cheryl Hall, and Hermini Popovici. All COPW members and guests at the event were very pleased by the willingness of the new Board members to serve the organization.

In addition to the election, there was a lovely program of Asian Music followed by a scrumptious buffet and wine. Chair Rea crane did an excellent job organizing the event, and Colleen Robertson found a very interesting musician to play a traditional Asian string instrument.



Our artist



Terrific food!



Rea Crane and Mary Tower working at the event



Ann Kligman, Annette Colfax, Cheryl Hall, and a dear COPW friend enjoy the day.

COPW WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Recently, COPW accepted three membership applications from women who will be wonderful additions to our organization.

Cec Schulman is a teacher for LAUSD and also works as a travel agent. Living in Pacific Palisades, Cec looks forward to volunteering at children's concerts and meeting new people who are interested in music. She is a subscriber to the LA Phil.

Kathy Crandall is returning to COPW after a brief hiatus. Kathy has just retired as an Assistant Principal at Golden Valley High School in Santa Clarita. She wants to have fun with COPW, enjoy friendships and support the LA Phil!

Susan John is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and works as a clinician. Our membership chair, Bee Campbell, brought Susan into membership in COPW. Susan is an LA Phil subscriber and looks forward to more involvement in the music world.

WELCOME! WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT AN UPCOMING EVENT.



What do you get if Johann Sebastian Bach fell off a horse, but had the courage to remount and resume riding?

"Bach in the Saddle again!"



Last year COPW members donated over \$16,000 to the LA Phil's Friends campaign. Out donation goal this year is even higher. To reach this new level we need your help.

Music organizations across the country are folding due to lack of participation from subscribers and support from donors. Los Angeles has the great honor of having one of the finest orchestras in the world; we are truly blessed! And the LA Phil needs our continued support and generosity. Through COPW events, we have the thrill of hearing an orchestra member present a program for us to enjoy. The small setting is so much more intimate, and being able to talk to the artists is exciting; this makes the event even more special.

So far this year 25 COPW members have donated a little over \$8,000. Bravo! Thank you if you have already contributed. If you haven't sent in your check yet, we need your help as we are less than half way to our goal. So please take the time now and send a check to the LA Phil's Friends Campaign. Those members who haven't yet contributed should have recently received a mailing from the LA Phil. So please fill out the form and send it in today.

With appreciation!

Tom Munsell, COPW Campaign Chair

P.6 COPW VOLUNTEERING At Toyota Symphonies for Youth.

There are eight TSFY concerts each year. Sandy Beckley, the COPW volunteer coordinator works diligently and effectively to recruit members for each concert. There are 2,300 children and parents at each concert and a full hour of pre-concert activities in six areas run by the Affiliate volunteers including COPW. It's always an exhilarating day.



Adrienne Bass working the "Dance Circle."



Jane Goichman & Nan Flette, in arts & crafts



Nancy Howard, Rita, & Stephanie Klopfleisch doing volunteer registration/assignment at WDCH



Mary Tower helping a Mom and young patron



Lots of youngster doing art in Broad Hall

COPW ELECTS OFFICERS



Board meeting at the music center offices

At the Board meeting of March 7th, 2013, the COPW Board of directors approved a slate of nominees recommended by the nominating committee. Meredith Taylor, Ellen Johnston, and Lenore Rodah were on the committee chaired by past President, Stephanie Klopfleisch.

Unanimously elected to office for 2013-14 were:

Becky Novy, serving a second term as President

Rea Crane, Vice-President

Annette Colfax, second term as Treasurer

Bee Campbell, Secretary.

ANNUAL GALA INSTALLATION

On May 25th, 2013, COPW will celebrate its newly elected officers at a gala celebration at the Casa Del Mar Hotel in Santa Monica. This famous hotel is located on the beach and has hosted celebrities and movie stars since its inception in the 1920's.

Our day will feature no host cocktails on a deck with an ocean view, followed by a sumptuous lunch, and some fun activities planned by event chair, Colleen Robertson. Casa Del Mar is located across the street from Shutters Hotel (another celebrity watering hole) and it is very interesting and beautiful in design and decoration. There will be a woodwind trio to entertain us. Convenient valet parking will be available for \$10.00.

Don't miss this opportunity to visit a southern California landmark and catch up with friends from COPW at this festive event!

Your newsletter editor needs help with pictures and articles for the COPW Newsnotes. If you want to write an opinion article, or a "letter to the editor" ... GREAT! It will be published. Just contact Stephanie Klopfleisch (323)465-0498 or sklopflei@aol.com.

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