

Newsnotes April 2023

Dear COPW members,

This missive is to brief you on all the fun events coming up for COPW members in the next few months. We are all lucky to be celebrating spring with a number of activities centered on music and our affiliation with the LA Phil. Hopefully you can attend and enjoy a happy time with other members of COPW.

Stephanie Klopfleisch, Editor  
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**Our biggest event is our general meeting and installation** Cec Schulman just sent us all a lovely e-mail reminder today about the party which will be held at La Puglia in Santa Monica on May 20 at 10:30am to 2:30pm. We will enjoy a fine musical performance by a singer and her accompanist, gourmet Italian food, a fun silent auction, and most important we will honor our new Officers who will be installed then and begin their leadership service for our committee. Don't miss this - it's going to be terrific. Joyce Mallean has worked hard on this!

**About our incoming President. Bee Campbell** Bee is a busy person and she brings a lot of experience to her new job as our president. She was raised in Texas during World War II and attended American University in Washington DC. At her graduation, President John F. Kennedy spoke and announced his international nuclear war ban. Bee trained for the Peace Corps at Columbia University (and was there on Nov. 22 when President Kennedy was assassinated. ) Bee is being interviewed by Columbia University now for a work that is being developed about the tragic event and its impact on citizens. Bee flew to Nigeria on New Year's Eve and spent two years there teaching English and geography. She met her future husband while in Nigeria. She returned to the USA and undertook a master's program at Claremont Graduate School in California. She followed up with graduate studies at UCLA in Public Policy. The City of Los Angeles recruited Bee and she spent 32 years there with a career in urban programs. She is the proud mother of a lovely young woman who sings with the LA Opera. Bee has been a member of COPW for 15 years and is looking forward to leading our committee. One of her first initiatives will be guiding our COPW revitalization project with Liz Shafer, facilitator.

**Revitalizing COPW study** will give all COPW members an opportunity to have input into the future of COPW. "What do we like, what would we like to change, what should our impact be on music and youth, etc." Liz Shafer, currently the President of the LA Phil speakers bureau has agreed to be our facilitator. Liz previously was the coordinator of volunteer activities for the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, and the LA Phil staff coordinator for volunteer activities before the opening of the WDCH. Our study will commence in either August or September of 2023 and take several months to complete.

**Joyce Mallean and Maria Moore** are doing a little informal research on big affiliate committees and their successful programs. Hopefully they will find areas applicable to COPW. They are going to start with the Foothill committee and then perhaps the Peninsula Committee. Good luck ladies!

**Showcase House is open through May 21.** The large (12,000 square feet) mansion in South Pasadena has beautiful gardens, fun boutiques, two restaurants, and of course sumptuous redecorated rooms to tour. Parking is at the Santa Anita Race track and is free and features shuttle service to the house. All proceeds from this event benefit musical projects in our southern California area. The Showcase house has a web site and Mary Helen Ewan of COPW is our liaison. If you wish to volunteer at the house Mary Helen can make the arrangements. COPW will make \$40 for every volunteer who works four hours. If COPW members are not able to volunteer, a \$40 donation to the COPW volunteer fund would be appreciated. The money is used to buy 120 TSFY tickets for youth from group homes.

**Regina Alden Andrews Burhenn remembered** Regina was a member of COPW since 1982. She died peacefully on March 7, 2023. She was a third generation California who grew up in Sierra Madre. In 1950 she entered UC Berkeley where she graduated in 1954 having been a member of the swim team and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She married and moved to Arcadia to raise her family. She return to school and received her Juris Doctorate in 1976. She practiced law for more than 30 years specializing in medical malpractice defense.

In retirement Regina was a devoted volunteer at the Huntington Library and Botanical library and she was active with the LA Phil Committee of Professional Women. Regina is survived by her daughter Carolyn Burhenn and son Thomas Burhenn. In her last years, Regina always spoke pleasantly about her early years helping COPW and the music programs.

**Friends Donation start new campaign** The new campaign for 2023 and 2024 will begin shortly. Although the contribution period is somewhat confusing, our COPW chair Cec Schulman is on top of the time frames and can answer your questions. We hope every one can donate something. These contributions are partly how COPW is awarded LA Phil musicians for performances throughout the year.

**In n Out Luncheon** For officers and directors and committee chairs who served last year or who will serve this coming year will be June 12, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. at the Bowl volunteer cottage. More information will be forthcoming. Save the date... this is always a fun low key event to be with COPW friends , reflect on our accomplishments and enjoy a meal in the setting of the Hollywood Bowl.

Ratna Jones is trying to determine if COPW members would like) to go to the Musaïc (?Festival in late July. For information or to register interest please call Ratna at (818)245-6001 or [rjjones145@yahoo.com](mailto:rjjones145@yahoo.com)

See you all at an upcoming event 😊 ...