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**Please Attend the Next
Guild General Membership Meeting**

Wednesday, March 31, 2010
6:30 - 8:45 PM
Sahara West Library
9600 W. Sahara Ave
RSVP: 399-1026

President's Message

Upcoming Election—Board of Directors

Already on my street, I hear birds chirping in the morning and the re-birth of spring has begun. With our next meeting the last day of March, spring will have officially arrived. Considering re-birth, so to speak, a new Board of Directors will be elected at the annual meeting. Plans are developing for a smooth transition after the June election.

Nominating Chair, Clark Trapp with committee members, June Bramble and Harriet Hayward, have worked hard to secure candidates; therefore you will note more than one candidate in some positions. We await responses from other candidates who did not reply prior to this newsletter publication. Remember we also will recognize nominations from the floor at our June meeting should you want to be considered as well.

Pursuant to our bylaws, we are announcing the following slate of candidates. Each candidate has been asked to take a few moments to introduce themselves at our next General Membership meeting.

- President To Be Announced
- Vice President Kathy Jones
- Secretary Edie Cardiff, Alvida Lane
- Treasurer Harriet Hayward
- Volunteer Director..... Jean Borre
- Membership Director.... Gordon Ball, Kathy Hussey
- Director at Large Peter Boghassian

Garage Sale Items

Please consider bringing any items you care to donate for our Sun City Summerlin table at the April 24th garage sale to the General meeting. The sooner you donate them, the better prepared we will be to set up categories and an enticing display. If you have a large item or large quantity, we can arrange a pick up the week of the sale. "Many hands make light work", so join us before and/or during the sale, as your assistance will be much appreciated. You can sign up at the General Membership meeting.

Office Organization

During the course of the year I have been transporting all Guild materials to the main office at 1412 Jones Blvd, however before the new officers take over, I need some help organizing the files and general storage of materials. Please call me if you have some time to assist with his most important project.

I look forward to seeing you at our concerts, Martini Monday Musicales, Membership meeting and Spring Luncheon.

In Harmony,
Juliana McRae, President

*And the night shall be filled with music,
And the cares that infest the day
Shall fold their tents like the Arabs
And as silently steal away.*

~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, *The Day Is Done*

Vice President Visions

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers who greeted attendees at our recent California Pizza Day event. As a pilot program this year, we will review the effectiveness of this type of fundraising activity. Knowing exactly what will entice members to participate in new projects continues to be evaluated by the Guild Board. With our desire to offer various opportunities, the time and effort mixed with success will always be a yardstick of progress.

We have learned that the Martini Monday Musicales are consistently successful so look forward to your attendance at “Swing Into Spring” on March 22nd. The Las Vegas Academy Jazz combo, led by the Philharmonic’s Pat Bowen,

will surely set the tone for a lively event at the home of Judge Ken & Phyllis Resnik, see the flyer for more details.

I am excited about our “Make Memories With Us” luncheon at Maggiano’s on May 18th. With an outdoor terrace to meet and mingle and family atmosphere, the Guild will present memories of the past seven years and a look forward to the next season. Our surprise raffle item will be announced at the March 31st meeting.

Thank you for your continued desire to assist and offer ideas.

Sondra Lynch

Volunteer Corner

To continue with our theme of honoring a Volunteer of the Quarter, I would like to let everyone know all about Dolores (Dee) Gillette.

Dee has been a Las Vegas resident since the late 1990’s. Before coming to our city, she spent her youth on the east coast, working and studying for a vocal profession in the Washington, D.C. area. She was an avid volunteer, performing for the USO, her church, and weddings. She even performed at one of the balls for Harry Truman’s inauguration as President of the United States.

In later years, she moved to Los Angeles and had the good fortune of making friends with a husband and wife team involved with Desilu Studios. As a result, she was able to pursue her voice career as she continued to sing for her church and study her craft. It was here that she first did volunteer work for a professional orchestra — the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Dee is now known in Philharmonic circles as “The Bag Lady” since she has worked as a volunteer backstage at every Philharmonic concert over the past 8 years watching over the purses and personal possessions of the orchestra members while they perform on stage. Dee also orchestrated the cookie baking last year for the Youth Competition. She and her daughter, along with several other volunteers, made dozens of delicious cookies, which she brought to the competition to help the young student musicians overcome their stage fright.

Dee is truly grateful for all of her years of service with the Philharmonic, for she has treasured all of the friendships she has made among the musicians and fellow Guild members. She says of her experience, “It is truly a blessing to me.” No Dee, we are the ones who are blessed with your dedication and service.

Jean Borre & June Bramble
Volunteer Chair and Co-Chair

Telephone Committee

I would like to acknowledge the pleasure it has been to hold this “chair.” Many members who formerly received telephone calls to reserve attendance at the general meetings are instead being reminded by e-mail. While this will continue, we will also continue to call those who prefer that personal touch.

Remember – you need only respond if you will attend, so the Guild can plan for your presence, which we anticipate with pleasure.

Rosemary Sport
Telephone Committee Chair

Membership

Spring is on its way, and the Membership Committee is looking forward to finding more music lovers in the Las Vegas Valley to join the Guild and support the fabulous Las Vegas Philharmonic. We would like to welcome Thomas Maatta, our newest member!

As always please contact Edie Cardiff at cardiff42@mac.com, or any of the other members of the Membership Committee, if you know of anyone who might be interested in Guild membership, know of an organization or place where we could distribute membership flyers, or have other ideas to attract more supporters to the Guild.

Many members picked up their new 2010 Membership Directory during either the January 26th Guild meeting or the February 27th Las Vegas Philharmonic concert. These directories are not mailed out to members, to save the cost of postage, so if you have not yet received your copy, please contact me to make arrangements to receive yours.

Happy Spring, and we look forward to seeing you at the next General Membership Meeting!

Edie Cardiff
Membership Chair

Upcoming Events

The Guild Brings Literature to Life

On Wednesday, March 31, at 1:30 PM, the Guild, with Philharmonic's Maestro, David Itkin and musicians, Patrick Bowen, Tina Hadley and Lisa Ratigan from the Philharmonic, will visit The Shade Tree Women and Children's Shelter on a two-fold mission: to inspire an appreciation of literature, and spark a love of music in the hearts of youngsters residing at the shelter. Children in grades K - 4 will hear Itkin read, The Remarkable Farkle McBride, a children's book written by actor/author, John Lithgow. During the reading, musicians will step forward to play the instruments featured in the text in a demonstration for the listeners. Children who might otherwise never have the opportunity, will see live musicians, and hear the unique sounds of violin, flute, trombone and percussion. The story progresses to the best possible conclusion for young *Farkle McBride*, and for the children at The Shade Tree. Itkin and musicians will answer questions from the children, as the youngsters see the components of an orchestra come together. After the children become familiar with the

featured instruments, it's off for cookies and juice. Copies of the book have been donated to the shelter by Barnes & Noble through the efforts of Brooke Jensen, Mgr. Guild board members are looking forward to this new community outreach, with the hope that it is the beginning of yet another aspect of the Guild's many activities.

Martini Monday Musicale - "Swing Into Spring"

March 22, 2010 at 5:30 PM, at the home of Judge Kenneth & Phyllis Resnik. See flyer for details.

Martini Monday Musicale - "Luau"

May 3, 2010 at 5:30pm, at the home of Jean Borre & Peter Girard. Details to follow.

Spring Luncheon - "Make Memories With Us"

May 18, 2010 at 11:30 AM, at Maggiano's Restaurant. See flyer for details.


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Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild

Our Mission Statement

“The Las Vegas Philharmonic Guild will support the orchestra in its musical performances and educational initiatives throughout the Las Vegas Valley. Its members, through volunteer service, will raise funds, assist at performances, and develop such other projects as will further the goals of the orchestra.”

Upcoming Philharmonic Events

Masterworks IV - Saturday, April 3, 2010 at 8pm

Ham Concert Hall- UNLV

Presenting works of Debussy, Chopin & Greig

Valentina Lisitsa, Piano

“Diamonds Are Forever” Gala - Saturday, April 10, 2010

The M Resort Spa & Casino

Call Nancy Miller at 258-5438 ext. 221
for more information



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