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Rea Crane, **COPW** President

Special points of interest:

- COPW Members go to La Jolla Music Society Summer-FEST
- LA Phil Opening Night Gala
- COPW Members attend the Ojai Music Festival
- Friends Campaign – We all are winners!

President's Message

Well here we go with the exciting 2015-2016 LA Philharmonic Season. But before I get into that I want to acknowledge those who chaired and otherwise assisted with our Summer activities; the day trip to the Ojai Music Festival, the weekend trip to the La Jolla Music Festival and Museum of Making Music in Carlsbad, as well as our In and Out Board Meeting. You all did a great job that was enjoyed by all. Read about these events separately elsewhere in the News Notes.

I'm looking forward to a

Kudos to Members who joined in the 80's

We extend our deep appreciation for the countless hours contributed by these members over the years as officers, board members, committee and event chairs. Your loyalty to COPW and the Los Angeles Philharmonic is commendable and has served as a model for those who have followed in your footsteps. Those members and positions are as follows:

vital year of activities with COPW and the Affiliates. You recently received the Calendar for the year showing everything that is currently known but we will be adding even more as the year unfolds so be watchful for additional volunteer opportunities and fun events.

As this season's theme is Immortal Beethoven, I will close with this quote.

Music is the mediator between the spiritual and the sensual life.

~Ludwig van Beethoven

Sandy Beckley

Sona Boyd - President 2004-05

Regina Burhenn - President 1989-90

Margaret Evans - President 2005-06

Roberta Laidlaw

Victoria Pushee President 1988-89

Christine Upton - President 1993-94 Carolyn Zigler-Davenport

- President 1995-96

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La Jolla Music Society SUMMERFEST



Friday Evening

25 COPW members and guests enjoyed a lovely weekend in La Jolla and Carlsbad. The trip began on Friday evening with a wonderful dinner on the ocean view terrace at Georges at the Cove. Dinner was followed by a program of 3 chamber quintets with music by Granados, Dvorak and Franck.



COPW Members at Georges at the Cove



Our great tour guide, George

Saturday Morning

Our hotel provided full breakfasts and Sat morning was free. Groups revisited La Jolla, hiked Torrey Pines, visited the new state of the art library in San Diego and a bird sanctuary near the border; to name just a few of the varied interests of our group.

Saturday Afternoon

On Saturday afternoon we met at the Museum of Making Music in Carlsbad. They generously hosted a wine and cheese reception followed by a tour that everyone really enjoyed. George was our tour guide; his presentation was both informative and heart-felt.



(I to r) Joe Zell, Christine Upton, LeRoy Graymer, Rea Crane, and Karen Scharre

Saturday Evening

After another very tasty meal at Bistro West we returned to the Museum for a private jazz concert with champagne! The jazz music preformed was wonderfully played and very much enjoyed. They really treated us like royalty. Everyone really enjoyed the great evening.



Co-chairs Annette Colfax and Rea Crane with Open House Host BJ Peterson

Sunday Morning

On Sunday we checked out and headed north with a lovely stop along the way in Laguna for an Open house hosted by BJ Peterson. BJ was a wonderful hostess, she presented her lovely home to all of us and made us feel very welcome. Thanks, BJ!



In and Out Board Meeting

As is our custom, the incoming and outgoing Board members got together for a potluck luncheon at Ellen Johnston's home in August. Her lovely backyard provided the perfect ambiance and everybody brought outstanding culinary offerings. We talked about some possible events that might be held in the future. We also discussed issues that concerned some of the Board members present for the event. It was good to get together and chat.



Ellen Johnston (Host), Tom Munsell, Adrienne Bass, Bee Campbell, Elaine Berman

2015-16 Opening Night Gala for the LA Phil Season

On September 29th 24 COPW members and their guests donned their finery and attended the opening night Gala at Disney Concert Hall presented by the Los Angeles Philharmonic. We heard the LA Phil joined by the Simon Bolivar Orchestra and the Master Choral performing an All Beethoven concert conducted by our magnificent music director, Gustavo Dudamel. The finale for the program was the Ode to Joy from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. The soloists, orchestra and master chorale were magnificent. After the concert, we met in the Founders Room for an elegant three course meal interspersed with wonderful conversations. COPW members were seated at two tables; the meal was delightful and the conversations enjoyable.



The COPW Contingent at the LA Phil Opening Night Gala

New Member Picnic at the Hollywood Bowl

Marion Joy and Carli Rogers cochaired this year's New Member event, a picnic at the Hollywood Bowl Volunteer's Cottage with a tour of the Hollywood Bowl Museum. A staff member from the Museum gave us a very interesting tour. Many of us will return to the museum to spend more time enjoying the materials there. Our tour was followed by a box lunch and short introduction to COPW for our prospective New Members.



Co Chairs Marion Joy (in white hat) and Carli Rogers (in black hat) with L to R Bonnie Butler, Lenore Rodah, Adrienne Bass and Ratna Jones





COPW takes on the Ojai Festival, Members enjoy a meal

Christine Upton organized an outing of COPW members to the Ojai Music Festival. The

ride up to

the Ojai Festival was beautiful. We were surrounded by beautiful trees and sunshine.

Ojai Music Festival

Some people picnicked on the grass. The music presented was by Bizet and Ravel and performed by two well know artists. The musicians performed elegantly. As I listened to the music I looked around and saw so many of our COPW friends smiling and enjoying the music. The whole experience was satisfying. I loved meeting new friends and being with so many of our COPW friends made the experience very special.

Joey Hynes

New Members

With each edition of News Notes, the Membership chair will give us a few interesting tidbits about our excited new members:



Reiko Sakata

Reiko Sakata, Ph.D., is a retired businesswoman, University professor, Financial services executive, and managing director for a multinational corporation. Her work life was filled with wonderful opportunities and experiences in diverse areas. Favorite activities in retirement are international travel, photography and movies. She is also a crafter, a creative coach, and a lover of classical music.

Babs Rubens

I'm delighted to be joining COPW is a group that coincides with my love of the L.A. Philharmonic and music in general. I look forward to meeting everyone and participating in future activities.

Michele Royalty

I am happy to join COPW. I love music and the LA Phil. I live in Mammoth Lakes, but can make the big trip on occasion. Hello everyone.

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Philharmonic Friends Campaign 2014-2015

COPW is a winner! LA Phil Friends is an annual membership program that focuses specifically on Affiliates and their friends. Contributions provide much needed support for the general operations of the LA Phil, which include artistic programming, community outreach, and educational initiatives.

The campaign year that began October 1, 2014 ended September 30, 2015, and the GREAT NEWS is that COPW met and exceeded the goal of \$16,000 established by the LA Phil Development Department by raising \$17,556. Many, many thanks to all our donors with thanks to Tom Munsell for chairing the campaign and a special commendation to Becky Novy for her challenge grant for matching donations, truly a significant factor in reaching the goal!

The campaign goal for all committees was \$225,000. There were 655 gifts totaling \$227,060—101% of the Affiliates goal! To celebrate this success, the annual Philharmonic Friends Awards luncheon was held October 14, 2015 at the Dorothy Chandler pavilion where COPW was honored to receive an award certificate plus a case of wine! Nan Flette

COPW President, Rea Crane

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I had the pleasure of taking over the Friends Campaign when Chuck Rubin left the Board. Now Nan Flette is taking over the Friends Campaign from me. We wish her the best! Please dig deep when she asks. Tom Munsell

Stephanie Klopfleisch retires from News Notes

Stephanie Klopfleisch presided over our News Notes for a total of 6 years, even taking on the job during her own Presidency. While she maintains her membership in COPW as well as the Business and Professions committees, she also currently serves as the YOLA Liaison to the Affiliates, is the Special Events Chair for Encore (Past Affiliate Committee Presidents organization), and continues with Speakers Bureau gigs. We all want to give Stephanie our heart felt thanks for all the years of making News Notes great.



Stephanie Klopfleisch, former New Notes Editor/Publisher

Rea asked me if I would take over News Notes from Stephanie. I agreed but with her help. Rea will deliver to me the articles and pictures, etc; I will create and publish the newsletter. What you are reading here is the first edition. I hope you all enjoy the new format! Tom Munsell



2015-2016 Calendar of Upcoming Events

Nov. 11 Affiliate New Member Orientation Dec. 3 Affiliate Invitational Rehearsal Jan.12 Symphony for Schools Orientation Jan 16 **COPW** Annual Meeting Feb. 2-5 Symphonies for Schools Feb. 9 Affiliate Membership Workshop Feb. 27 All Affiliate Fund Raiser - Magic Castle Feb. 28 **COPW** Spring Event Apr. 12 Affiliate Fund Raising Workshop May COPW Installation Meeting - Date TBA May 19 Affiliates Spring Celebration July 3 Affiliates Night at the Bowl (Tentative)

COPW's Mission

The mission of the Committee of Professional Women is to encourage women and men in business and the professions to support the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. By attending concerts and exploring cultural and educational events sponsored by the committee, we seek to further our appreciation and understanding of symphonic music and the arts in the greater

COPW's Events

COPW hosts four events each year, held at private homes and venues throughout the Los Angeles area. Cost for attending these musical and cultural events is kept at a reasonable price and include a meal or tea, as well as live performances and lectures. In addition, COPW arranges a long summer weekend of music for members and their friends at various music festivals in Southern California.

COPW's Volunteers

Volunteerism is another cornerstone of our mission to support the Los Angeles Philharmonic. Rewarding and fun volunteer opportunities abound, appealing to a wide variety of interests and can accommodate the busiest of schedules. We invite all to consider volunteering in support of the LA Phil. COPW members typically contribute an average of 300 hours each year.

Rea Crane, President
Annette Colfax, Vice-president
Cec Schulman, Secretary

COPW Board of Directors

Michelle Dennis, Treasurer

Becky Novy , Past President

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