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Thumbtacks not included

You should manage just fine, all the same

Why this flimsy stapled-together appearance?" you may already have asked yourself. "Are we sinking to the depths of shoddy newsletter construction usually plumbed by *certain other* local early-music amateur-instrumentalist societies which may have more members that we have but have *far* less style?"

Of course not! Rather, you are holding in your hands a copy of the special multipurpose February 1999 edition of *Gamba News*. On the reverse of this page you will find a flyer for Julie Jeffrey's SFEMS evening beginning-viol classes.

"But why is *Gamba News* sending me a flyer for the SFEMS evening beginning-viol class?" you ask yourself, preparing in your irritation to consign *Gamba News* to the recycling bin, unread.

Most of the new adult beginners on the viol in this area who did not come from the ranks of early-music regulars came to us via Julie's class. If the Pacifica chapter is to prosper, we must promote this class. However, we have an advertising budget of \$0. So we are asking our members to pitch in.

Please detach this flyer and post it prominently in your local bookstore, grocery, laundromat, massage parlor – anyplace where the general public can get a good look at it. Help keep the pool of local consort players healthily full. It only takes a moment of your time – and a thumbtack.



Oliver Iberien: *My understanding is that Dornenburg at Stanford is going to be on Feb. 6.... What has to be said about it?*

Peter Ballinger: *Just that it is at Stanford, John Dornenburg will direct and arrange the groups (except for preformed groups). There will be an opportunity for soloists and preformed group(s) to perform a prepared piece for John to audit after the lunch break. Please be there by 9:30 AM. Take University Avenue exit from 101, proceed to the campus and turn left onto Campus Drive (East). After about a mile, turn right on Mayfield and park in the large lot near Braun Music Center. From 280, take Sand Hill Road to Santa Cruz Avenue (right) and immediately left on Junipero Sera. Ignore Campus Drive West but fork left on Campus Drive East, turning left on Mayfield, etc. Bring music stands. Lunch at one of several campus eateries. Cost: \$15 for playing members, \$20 for newsletter and non-members. Please return your cards to John Dornenburg, or e-mail him at <jdornbrg@concentric.net>.*



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*As played by
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*For more information, call course instructor Julie Jeffrey at 510-237-8579
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