GAMBA NEWS

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Mary Springfels Workshop

As we announced in the April Newsletter, Mary's workshop will take place on Saturday, June 17 at Arroyo High School, San Leandro (see map and directions below). We shall assemble, socialize and tune from 9:00 to 9:30, when Mary will begin by introducing two six-part pieces to be played during the day by the entire group. She will use these to illustrate her talk on Music and Rhetoric. At 11:00 we shall break up into small groups (existing playing groups will be able to play together), with Mary as circulating coach. Lunch will double as Reception, with a short announcement of the results of the election of officers, and will last from 12:00 to 1:30. Please bring your own (substantial) lunch: coffee, iced tea, pot luck dessert will be provided (volunteers?). At 1:30 there will be time (not more than 75 minutes) for up to three groups each to perform a short pre-rehearsed piece for Mary to critique. The remainder of the afternoon, will be devoted to more small coached playing, concluding with large ensemble playing of the two six-part pieces under Mary's direction. The workshop will conclude at Cost: \$25 for non-and 4:30 pm. Newsletter only members; \$20 for playing members.

If you wish to attend, please complete the enclosed postcard, which must reach us not later than June 3, because Peter Brown, to whom we owe a debt of gratitude for obtaining use of his school for this workshop, must notify the authorities in advance of the expected attendance. In addition, because of the school's insistence on waiving its liability for personal injury, it will be necessary for everyone attending the workshop to sign a release agreement. If you are the reporting person for a pre-existing group that wishes to play for Mary, please give the name of the group (if any), its members, and the title of the piece

you wish to play. There will be time for only three such groups, so a selection by the board may have to be made.

Election of Officers

This process, which seems to have taken most of the year to complete, has resulted in the nomination of Lee McRae, Peter Brown and Dalton Cantey for president, secretary and treasurer respecively; Alvin Roper, Lois Nisbet, Luciana Lombardi, John Mark and Jane Johnson for members-at-large. The bylaws require that either 6 or 8 members-at-large be elected. All playing members are requested to return their postcards checked to indicate concurrence or abstinence in the election of each of the nominees. Write-in candidates are also acceptable.

Summer / Fall Arrangements

Perhaps too pretentious a heading, because your board has only planned the first meeting so far: it will be held on September 9th, venue to be arranged. Notice to new and continuing board members: next meeting August 21 - a very important planning meeting. Summer activities may include, apart from attendance at the Dominican and Stanford Workshops, the Conclave, or other large group activity, the getting together of small ensembles. To facilitate this, we include the mailing list of our membership in this issue, together with the instrument(s) played.

North-South Meet

This was attended by over 30 viol players, who had a good musical experience. We were expertly coached by Hazelle Miloradovitch and Shirley Marcus. /Pacifica members present included John

Mark, Alvin Roper, Julie Jeffrey, Anita Axford, Carolyn Coolidge, Natalie Sera, Pamela Dallas, Betty Nichols, Mary Lois Rundles, Todd Wetherwax, and your editor, who hopes he did not omit any names. We agreed to give early attention to the request from the /West members that our group organize the 1990 meet. This proposal was endorsed unanimously by your board at its last meeting, held May 18. Pearl Winter will continue to be the Fresno contact person; our job will include publicity, record keeping, engaging of coaches etc.

President's Message

One of our members recently inquired about instrument insurance. The best advice we can give is to become a member of Early Music America. Membership entitles you to a low-cost group rate musical instrument insurance policy. For information call Lee McRae (after June 21) or write to EMA directly at 250 West 54th Street, Suite 300, New York, NY 10019 (212 307-1919). Armed with such a policy, those of you who have an unused instrument are encouraged to make it available to the SFEMS summer workshops. With the professional assistance of Judith Brown (Peter Brown's wife), we have put together a lender-borrower agreement which should take care of forseeable problems. Please call your editor (phone number in the membership listing), and Anna Carol Dudley at 415 527-3748 so she can plan the introductory viol group(s).

I would like to express my appreciation for the many hours of discussion which went into the planning for this past year by the following: Peter Ballinger, for a superb job of editing and sending out our Newsletter; Julie Jeffrey and Todd Wetherwax, music co-directors; Lois Nisbet, treasurer; John Mark, Alvin Roper, Peter Brown, Dalton Cantey, and the framers of the bylaws and the group that discussed the education project.

The list of /Pacifica members is to encourage you to meet in small groups over the summer. We'll be having our first meeting in September with an exciting menu for the coming year. We look forward to seeing you then! — Lee McRae.

Recent Activities

Nymphs of the Rhine (Diana Dallmann and Julie Jeffrey) with guest artist Roland Hutchinson, gave a recital of music for 1–3 viols at Davis and at MusicSources on May 19 and 22. Among music by the famous composers for viol, including Marais, Nicolai and Gibbons, were included contemporary pieces by Rachel Archibald and your editor, wearing another hat. The standard of playing was high, and the audiences were appreciative.

Several of our members donned 'other hats' and appeared at the Point Bonita Recorder Workshop, that same weekend. The resulting collective exhalations into recorders stimulated the wind almost to gale force, but the days were sunny, as were the spirits of the participants.

Forthcoming Activities

50th Anniversary of ARS concert, June 3 at 2:00: Palo Alto Cultural Center, 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto. Contact Frederic Palmer, 415 881-3115 (day), 591-3648 (eve.)

SFEMS Summer Workshops: call Anna Carol Dudley, 415 527-3748 for information.

Stanford University Workshops in Baroque Dance (July 3-14) and Baroque Music (July 10-14) with Wendy Hilton (dance), Marion Verbruggen, Mary Springfels and Mitzi Meyersen Beginners through (harpsichord). advanced for Dance, intermediate to advanced only for Recorder, Viol and Harpsichord. Tuition \$420: limited scholarships available. Call Barbara Hernandez (415 723-3811) for information. Introductory Baroque Dance Classes (June 2-5) with Wendy Hilton: call Anne Witherell (415 322-8241.

Wanted

Tenor Viol. Rosamund Mandell (415 961-7404).

Advertisements: \$5 per issue for 35 words or less. We welcome your letters, comments, news of concerts, other viol-related activities for publication.

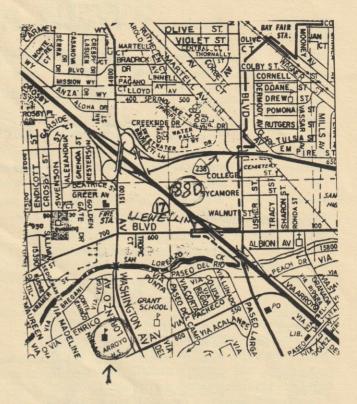
Directions / Map for June 17

From North: Exit from Nimitz (880 S.) at Washington Street, merge onto Washington (still going S.): turn right at the second light, left at the next stop, then next right.

From South or Peninsula: From 880 N. exit at Washington Street, curve back to point south on Washington, then as above.

From East via 580: Coming south on 580, exit at 150th Avenue (southwest direction), merge onto Hesperian to Llewelling, take a right, left at Washington, overpass the 880 and continue as above. Coming west on 580, take 238 to Washington exit (last before 238 joins 880): left on Washington overpassing 880, then as above.

The adjacent map may be helpful.



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We have included members of the VdGSA who receive complimentary copies of the Newsletter, as some of you may be travelling in their area(s) this summer. If there are any errors or omissions, please let me know; Peter Ballinger, 963 Peralta Avenue, Albany CA 94706 (415 526-0722) Tr Te Ba — my name is not on the list as I don't want to send a newsletter to myself!