

# GAMBA NEWS

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## December Meeting

Our December meeting with **Lyn Elder's** Consort of Voyces was enjoyed by all. As usual, we played in small groups as arranged by our tireless **Julie Jeffrey**, who also provided music suitable for each group. We thank her for putting her energy to this task which makes our consort sessions work so well. We joined with the singers, led by **Suzanne Elder**, in the afternoon in Gibbons's *This is the Record of John* — so appropriate for the Advent season. We may be arranging another session with the singers in the Spring.

## Quotation of the Month

*Of all the instruments that are,  
None can with the Viol compare:  
Mark how the strings their order keep  
With a whet, whet, whet & a sweep, sweep, sweep.  
But above it all still abounds  
With a zingle, zingle, zing & a zit, zan, zounds.*

(Words to a round composed by Henry Purcell and presented to John Gostling, singer at Canterbury and performer on the viol.)

## January Meeting

A reminder! This meeting will be at MusicSources, 1000 The Alameda (at Marin Avenue), on January 21 (Sunday), beginning at 9 AM. We shall play in our small groups as usual until 11:15, then break for lunch. There will be just 45 minutes for lunch since the Workshop begins at 12 noon. (Be prepared to brown-bag it).

Five groups will be playing for members of the **Sett of Vyalls** consort, who include some of the finest gambists in the USA: **Margriet Tindemans** (University of Washington), **Mary Springfels**

(University of Chicago), **Wendy Gillespie** (Early Music Institute, University of Indiana), and **Carol Herman** (with a number of affiliations). Groups participating include **John Mark**, **Julie Jeffrey**, **Cecilia Doris**; **Al Roper**, **Bill Wright**, **Alan Gump**; **Julie Jeffrey**, **Beth Michael**, **George Shotts**, **Bill Wright**; **Judy Frankel** (voice), **Lee McRae**, **Andrea MacIntosh**, **Todd Wetherwax**; **Glenna Houle**, **Patty Halverson**, **Valerie Sterk** and **Sue Kimber**. We are glad to see so many Board members listed! We hope that members who come for the morning session will become Auditors (fee: \$10.00) in order to hear some excellent coaching by these stellar gambists in the afternoon. At the conclusion of the Workshop, Chapter members and participants are welcome to stay for a large group play-in until 4:15.

Participants: /Pacifica and SFEMS members \$15.00; non-members \$20.00. Please return the enclosed reply card as soon as possible.

## North-South Meet

The /Pacifica Board has chosen our faculty for the next North-South Meet (April 27-29): **Hazelle Miloradovitch**, who has taught at many a Meet, and **Patty Halverson** who will be new to many of us. She received her doctoral degree (D.M.A.) in music at Stanford, and spent the last year studying gamba in The Hague with **Wieland Kuijken** and **Anneke Pols**. Owing to the illness of **Pearl Winter**, **Kathy Bumpass** will be the Fresno coordinator. We thank her for stepping in, and wish **Pearl** a speedy recovery.

## Forthcoming Events

January 20: SFEMS presents Elizabethan and Jacobean Music performed by **Judith Nelson** with A Sett of Vyalls (personnel

**February 24: Ensemble Sans Souci**  
presents a benefit concert for the SFEMS  
Baroque Workshop. Music of Telemann,  
F. Couperin, Hotteterre and Froberger.  
Bob Andrews, baroque flute, Dennis Clark,  
harpsichord, Jean Harris, baroque violin  
and Julie Jeffrey, viola da gamba.  
Shepherd of the Hills Church, 401 Grizzly  
Peak Boulevard (at Spruce), Berkeley. 8  
PM. Donation \$8.00. Information: 415  
621-3085

***Best wishes for 1990 to all our members and readers!***

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