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# SPOTLIGHT

MΦΕ 2014 CONVENTION, SACRAMENTO, CA

## 2014 Convention - Music, Learning, Memories!

The 2014 Mu Phi Epsilon convention is now history, and what a wonderful one it was. Through fabulous performances, informative workshops, celebratory meals, and much more, participants made memories and friendships to last a lifetime. Enjoy these photos and look for many more - with complete convention coverage - in the fall *Triangle*.



Photo by Paula Palotay (Denver Alumni)

# Applause & Encore news about members and chapters

In July, **Rachel Barham** (*Delta Nu, Washington D.C. Alumni*) sang in the Wolf Trap choir for the National Symphony Orchestra's performance of the score from *2001: A Space Odyssey*. She also performed J.S. Bach's *Magnificat*, with one singer per part, in a local music series.



**Kelli Jo Lair** (*Zeta Lambda, Minneapolis-St. Paul Alumni*) will blog her experiences from her year-long job teaching music in Guyana, South America. Follow her adventures at [teachmusicguyana.blogspot.com](http://teachmusicguyana.blogspot.com).

*I'm Sick of Mustn'ts* by **Russell Nadel** (*Phi Gamma, Washington D.C. Alumni*) was premiered in June at the ACDA/Georgia annual conference at Clayton State University's Spivey Hall. Nadel's work, a humorous treatment of the "do and don't" admonitions heard by every young person while growing up, was clearly the audience favorite on a program that also included Vivaldi, concert folk songs from Canada and China, and modern classics.

**Kristin Jónína Taylor** (*Alpha Kappa, Minneapolis-St. Paul Alumni*) was a music delegate at the Sacramento convention. Her new publishing company Homo Ludens has issued its first publication, *The Complete Solo Piano Works of Porkell Sigurbjörnsson* (to be reviewed in a future *Triangle*). Kristin has recorded some of this Icelandic composer's music. Visit [homoludenspublishing.webs.com](http://homoludenspublishing.webs.com).



**Sara Zeigler** (*Alpha Delta, Sacramento Alumni*) sings with The Voices of Sacramento. Their August concert "Opera Potpourri" included choruses, duets, trios, sextets and solos from various operas.

Members of **Zeta Zeta** worked with the Elon University NafME chapter to produce "Music in the Village" each Sunday of the 2013-14 academic year. The project delivered music lessons to K-8 students in the local public schools and produced end-of-semester performances. The NafME chapter received a 2014 service award for the project.

## More Convention Photos



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Photos above, from left: INEST **Jenny Maeda** in her purple-accented tiara; collegiates and alumni enjoy the awards dinner; Foundation President **Nancy Hawkins** gives the convention a thumbs-up.

Photos on page 1, clockwise from upper left: Music delegate **Julie Bees** performs at the piano; **Rachel Brandwein** is named International Competition winner; International President **Rosemary Ames** (left) presents the Award of

Distinction to outgoing 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President/Alumni Advisor **Lenita McCallum**; Convention chorus; **Maquette Kuper** (left) is inducted as a new ACME honoree by ACME co-chair **Arietha Lockhart**.

Cover photo by **Katherine Pfeiffer** (*Ann Arbor Alumni*).

Read the convention program and daily convention newsletters at [muphiepsilon.org/2014-international-convention](http://muphiepsilon.org/2014-international-convention).

# Final Notes

## **Shirley Louise Boettner**

*Mu Gamma*, October 18, 1942  
*Washington DC Alumni*

Died May 31, 2014

Pianist, music educator, church musician. Shirley taught piano for 74 years.



## **Dorothy Aileen Fouch**

*Phi Mu*, June 16, 1946  
*San Jose Alumni*

Died February 14, 2014

Flutist, educator. Dorothy taught first and second grade. She was a member of California Pioneers and California Retired Teachers Association.

## **Ruth Ellen Brenner Freeman**

*Epsilon Delta*, May 15, 1967  
*Portland Alumni*

Died May 16, 2012

Pianist, music educator. Ruth taught piano privately for more than 60 years and performed in her community.

## **Mary Joe Edwards Godwin-Zenor**

*Phi Xi*, October 29, 1950

Died May 17, 2012

Vocalist, pianist. Mary Joe sang in church choirs and the Masterworks Chorale of Arizona.

## **Emily Marie Hilliard**

*Phi Omega*, November 19, 2012

Died March 6, 2014

Saxophonist, music education major. Emily was active with the Pennsylvania Collegiate Music Educators

Association and was preparing to graduate in May 2014 when a tragic automobile accident took her life.



## **Carol Koehn Hillman**

*Epsilon Xi*, May 10, 1957  
*Urbana Champaign Alumni*

Died April 22, 2014

Flutist, music educator. Carol taught music in public schools and played flute in a community band. She later taught in College for Kids programs

and for Elderhostel at the University of Illinois. She served her alumni chapter as president and was a delegate to two national conventions. She received a 1990 MENC National Music Educator award.



## **Virginia Moore Mendenhall**

*Mu Alpha*, January 2, 1938  
*Palos Verdes Alumni*

Died May 14, 2014

Pianist, organist, church musician. Virginia began teaching piano at age 14 and had her own radio program while in college.

Her studio included an old organ. A member of MTNA-California, her teaching specialty was composition.



## **Ruth J. Huddleston**

*Kappa*, February 14, 1937

Died June 16, 2012

## **Carolyn Elizabeth Roxberg Jordan**

*Mu Gamma*, April 26, 1953

*Lawrence Alumni*

Died March 7, 1953

Cellist, educator, church musician. Carolyn was a teacher, handbells director, and choral singer. She was a past president of her alumni chapter and a member of Kappa Delta and PEO.

## **Grace A. Brewer Krejci**

*Phi Omicron*, January 25, 1941

*Cleveland Alumni*

Died May 6, 2014

Music educator, church musician.

Grace sang as a member of the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus, taught choirs at the secondary level, and was active in ACDA. She was chair for local events at the 1972 MΦE convention and was a member for 73 years.

## **Janeth Auer Levitt**

*Xi*, May 15, 1958

Died April 8, 2014

Pianist, music educator. Janeth performed as a pianist, taught elementary and middle school vocal music, directed full-scale musical theater productions, and later went into special education.

## **Jeanne C. Sholtz Margen**

*Phi Nu*, November 21, 1943

*Berkeley Alumni*

Died April 2014

Pianist, harpsichordist, music therapist.

## **Patricia Margaret Haglund Nielsen**

*Phi Nu*, May 16, 1954

Died February 7, 2009

Music educator, church musician. Pat taught music for elementary teachers and to young children.

## **Ann Dickson Shafer**

*Phi Omicron*, May 17, 1970

*Cleveland Heights Alumni*

Died June 27, 2012

Pianist, vocalist. Ann taught piano, voice, composition, and dance privately and at the university level. She sang in the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus and composed many works over 40 years.

## **Marlys Hilmer Strand**

*Epsilon Alpha*, December 1, 1982

*Minneapolis-St Paul Alumni*

Died May 7, 2014

Pianist. Marlys was a public school English teacher and taught piano for 25 years. She died at age 103.

## **Betty Jean Sneyd Werner**

*Mu Chi*, January 4, 1943

*Kansas City Alumni*

Died May 25, 2014

Pianist, music educator. Betty taught public school music and private piano. A member of many professional music and music education organizations, she was Kansas MTA's 1988 Outstanding Music Teacher of the Year and received the Distinguished Teacher Service Award in 2004. She served as president of Kansas City MTA and in numerous capacities for MTNA including the National Executive Board.



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