

THE

# GILBERT & SULLIVAN

SOCIETY OF AUSTIN

NOVEMBER 1998 NEWSLETTER

• Next Meeting - Our monthly Musicale •

• Monday November 2, 1998 at 7:30 pm at  
Paula Tyler's • 4400 Balcones Drive • 459-4639.

On the corner of Shinoak and Balcones  
between 35th Street and Perry Lane (45th Street)

Paula and Libby Weed are arranging the program and  
promise interesting variety. Please bring munchies.

COMING

**Christmas and Hanukkah**  
**Singing, Tree Trimming, Wassail**  
**Families Welcome**

Come and go  
Monday, December 7th, 7 to 9 pm  
at  
Paula Tyler's

WANTED

A small apartment or large room and bath  
to house our Visiting Stage Director Ralph MacPhail Jr.  
May 20 through June 20, 1999  
when he comes for rehearsals and the run of our production  
of *Patience*

He will also need the use of a car during that period. Be a  
Solid Citizen, a Good Samaritan, a Great Benefactor, and  
help the Gilbert & Sullivan Society out! Call the Society  
Office at 472-4772. All offers welcome!

Goodbye to Office Manager Arthur DiBianca  
who has taken a full-time job. But we are pleased to  
announce that he will be joining us on the Executive  
Board as a member-at-large.

And Hello to our new Office Manager: Lara  
Mardiros. Lara will be in the office on Tuesdays,  
Thursdays, and Fridays from 1 to 5 pm.

Musical Tribute Gala to Jess and Emma Walters

Reba Gillman, Secretary

It was a fabulous party and everyone had a good time. Love and happiness radiated from the audience and hung in the air over Jess and Emma. The informal proceedings were interrupted now and again by that wonderful voice, as Jess put in his two cents. The program, planned and supervised by the amazing Robert Mellin, started and ended with Gilbert and Sullivan, performed by familiar folks: the chorus and Amy Baker Stinson and Dan Girardot from our recent *Mikado*; Frank Delvy and Janette Jones with bits from *Patience* and *Ruddigore*; and the finale - Jess Walters and Ensemble singing "When I, good friends, was called to the bar" from *Trial by Jury*. In between Jess sang some of his favorites, and there were loving tributes from Jess's colleagues Gilda Cruz-Romo, Leonard Johnson, William Rhodes, and Rose Taylor, and our own Russell Gregory. Bob Wall did the honors at the piano for all the G&S, Jeffrey Jones-Ragona directed the choral sequences, other accompanists were Danielle Martin, Stephen Burnaman, Don Crandall, Eldon Little and Ann Whitworth. The evening began with moving remarks from eminent persons, and ended with a delicious spread and flowing wine. The warm afterglow lingers on. Jess and Emma, we love you!

G&S is STILL LOOKING  
for  
an EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Please send application and resumé to:  
President Libby Weed  
11822 Eubank Drive  
Austin, Texas 78758

or call our office for information: 472-4772

CONGRATULATIONS  
to  
RUSSELL GREGORY

I read it in the paper! "Russell Gregory of Prudential Insurance Co. of America has been named a life member of the Million Dollard Round Table. This designation means Gregory has excelled in customer sales and service. The Round Table is an independent association of more than 19,000 life insurance agents and is internationally recognized." (Way to go!!!)

## New or renewal membership form

Please check your membership level on the top of the mailing label. If you are in the "Development" category, you will receive three complimentary newsletters. We encourage you to join our society. If you are a member, please check your membership renewal date on the top right corner of the mailing label. If expired or near expiration, your membership needs to be updated! To correct your address, renew your membership, or become a member, complete this form, and mail it to us at:

The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin  
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- ☐ I'm interested in becoming a business sponsor. Please call me.

## The Gilbert & Sullivan Society of Austin

SINCE 1976, WE HAVE BEEN DEDICATED  
TO SPREADING THE JOYS OF GILBERT & SULLIVAN  
THROUGH PERFORMANCES AND IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMS.

### WHAT WE DO

**Annual Grand Production**  
**School Outreach Concerts**  
**Free Monthly Musicales**  
**Musical Scholarships**  
**Monthly Newsletter**  
**Holiday Season Show**

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