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## Special Musicale

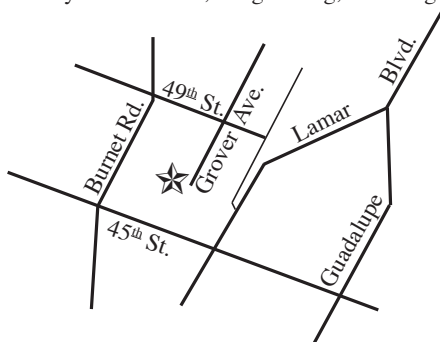
**Ralph MacPhail, Jr.**

### *The Mikado:* **Red, Hot, and Swing!**

7:30 pm Monday February 28, 2005  
First Unitarian Universalist Church of Austin  
4700 Grover Ave.

Please bring munchies

Rafe is the world's leading authority on *The Mikado*, and we are proud and happy to draw on his expertise. Moreover, his presentations are always informative, enlightening, and delightful.



Directions to the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Austin: Turn east on 49th St. from Burnet Rd. Turn south on Grover, and go to the parking lot at the end. Enter the patio door at the back left of the front open area. Follow the corridor to the left to room 13.

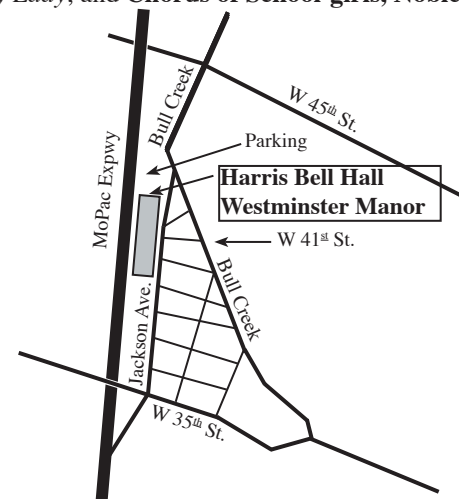
## AUDITIONS

for *The Mikado*

to be presented June 16-July 3, 2005

Auditions will be held by Rafe MacPhail, Stage Director & Choreographer, and Jeffrey Jones-Ragona, Music Director, on **Saturday February 26** (10AM-6PM) and **Sunday February 27** (2-6PM; with callbacks that evening) in **Harris Bell Hall at Westminster Manor, 4100 Jackson Ave.** For an appointment, please call **Chuck Antonie** at **733-1006**. It will be a wonderful experience whether as a principal or in the chorus.

Characters include: **The Mikado**; **Nanki-Poo**, his Son; **Ko-Ko**, Lord High Executioner; **Pooh-Bah**, Lord High Everything Else; **Pish-Tush**, a Noble Lord; **Yum-Yum**, **Pitti-Sing**, & **Peep-Bo**, Three Sisters; **Katisha**, an Elderly Lady; and **Chorus of School-girls**, Nobles, etc.



## From Your President

Dear Friends:

It was good to see so many of you at our January meeting. The key items of business were amending the by-laws and electing a new Board of 11 Directors. Directors leaving the Board are Libby Weed, Paula Tyler, Chris Buggé, and Kristin Burritt. New Board members are Byron Arnason, Ann Coltman, Allan Longacre, Nancy McQueen, Larry Shepley, and Jean Smootz. See the full list of Directors on the last page of this Newsletter.

Your new Board met the next week to get organized. The duties were divided up as follows: Bill (me) is again President, Dave Wieckowski is again Treasurer, Jean Smootz is Executive Vice-President, Nancy McQueen is the Secretary, and Ann Coltman is the Historian. These are all wonderful civic-minded people who love the music and verse which is focus of our unique organization. It is also a group with good background which will permit good continuity.

Many others of you are no doubt thinking that you really should "pitch in" in the future by serving on the Board! It's so hard for our Nominating Committee to know whom to call on. Please find an opportunity to bring your interest to the attention of a Board member in the coming months. In the meantime, best wishes, and I look forward to seeing you on February 28 at Rafe's talk.

*Bill Hatcher*

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## Member of the Month

All dues-paying members are eligible to be our "Member of the Month" (who is randomly selected). The Member of the Month is entitled to receive a CD of our 1998 *Mikado*. The Member of the Month for February is:

### Robert & Leslie Gompf

Congratulations! Please call our office (472-4772) to let us know where we should send your CD.

## Randalls Good Neighbor Program

Please register your Randalls Remarkable Card — Randalls will donate 1% of your bill to us (and up to two other charitable groups, if you wish). To register, visit the customer counter and use our name and number:

### Gilbert and Sullivan Society 10090

This is an easy way to help us out, and it won't cost you anything!

## Please support *The Mikado*

Ticket sales cannot entirely pay for a good production, even though we have a carefully trimmed budget. We thank the many people who have already contributed, and we hope many more will follow with their tax-deductible gifts.



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