

## Applauding These Special Memberships

### Life Members:

Bill & Sylvia Ackermann, Matt Adams, John & Trudy Armer, Marie Baker, Richard & Marilyn Balch, Paul & Paddy Batchelder, John & Peggy Bower, Barbara Boynton, Michael & Annie Brayer, Charlotte Burnett, Betty Clark, Jim Coleman, Alan & Janet Coleman, Phil & Fran Conley, Martin & Betty Covington, Betty Darling, Charles & Margaret DePrima, Don Donaldson, Richard & Marie Duncan, Dr. & Mrs. J. O. Edmunds, Rich & Robin Edwards, Robert L. Elder, Nancy Fairhurst, Margaret Feldstein, Owen & Mary Ann Fiore, Dave & Kathleen Fulenwider, Shelly Gerstein, Vivian Green, Wally Haehl, Patrick & Marcia Haworth, Merit & Kim Herman, Ronald & Carolyn Herman, Rosemarie Hocker, Frederic & Barbara Ilfeld Jr., Bob Rutemoeller & Mary Sue Ittner, Frank & Susan Jackson, Elaine Jacob, Jim & Donna Yates-Johnson, Bruce & Sharon Jones, Jim & Joan Jordan, Donald & Françoise Kemp, Frank & Helen Klembeck, Don & Carrie Krieger, Jim Littlejohn, Nick & Barbara Makris, Dennis & Nancy Marks, Don & Pat McAdam, Steve & Nancy McLaughlin, Karel Metcalf, Peter B. Mohr, Bryan Morse & Tara Burkhardt, Mike & Joan Mortensson, Manfred & Patricia Mundelius, Bob & Pam Nelson, Betty O'Neil, Randy Owings, Richard & Fionna Perkins, Bill Perry & Dorothy Ruef, Iner A. Peterson, Ted & Beth Peterson, James Powell, Warren & Georgia Radford, Bill & Mary Retzer, David Robertson & Margaret Crosby, Jack & Lee Rye, Barry & Wo Schiffman, Richard Skidmore & Mark Pierce, Janann Strand, James & Mary Suhr, Robert & Roberta Sundstrom, David Moessinger & Jeri Taylor, Ruth Thomas, R.C. & Tina Vasavada, Kent Wallace, Barry & Kathryn Weiss, Clay & Laura Yale, Emma Jo York, and Dorothy King Young.

### Patron-level Membership:

Howard & Sue Blair, Brennie Brackett, Ben & Wilma Klagenberg, and Scott & Toni Matthews.

### Sponsor-level Membership:

Bill Apton & Holly Stiel, Derek & Roz Bray, Molly Buckley & Don Kurtz, Walt & Nancy Custer, Dale Elliot & Chris Mengarelli, Len & Sharon Hiles, Mana Hobson & Sabina Walla, Barbara B. Hoover & Laura L. Senteny, Edward & Mary Jane Sargent, Bill & Joanne Somerville.

## Membership Chair Change

Five years ago Annie Brayer volunteered for the demanding job of managing memberships for Gualala Arts. At that time, when someone joined the organization there were no perks in place to show appreciation to the new members. The committee decided that coupons for discounts on performance tickets, and merchandise discounts would be a useful way to thank people. In addition, new members receive discounts on workshops and show entry fees that can, in a year, mount up to more than the cost of the basic membership. The program is extremely successful and it is rewarding to hear new members express their delight in the gifts. Each member, no matter how far away they live, receives *Sketches* to keep them informed of the many activities.

For the members who join at higher levels, such as Life- Patron- and Supporter-level membership, their names are published in *Sketches* as above. For Life- and Patron-level memberships there is an annual gourmet dinner with special entertainment.

This year Annie Brayer will be turning the job of chairing the membership committee over to Betsi Carey. Betsi will want to assemble a new team as soon as possible, so if you can help, call her at 785-2890; she needs you.

A special thanks to Annie Brayer and her committee for all they have accomplished these last five years. Thanks, also to Lee Kosso who has been writing all those thank-you notes and sending out the coupons for the last several years.

## Giving at Many Levels

Rosemarie Hocker retired from her career as a school principal when she and her husband Bob moved to the Redwood Coast in 1996. Initially they joined Gualala Arts because it seemed a good way for them to meet their new neighbors. However their memberships rapidly became much more than a social connection, when in 2002, her late husband, Bob, became President of Gualala Arts.

Rosemarie has continued her close association with Gualala Arts, first by maintaining a strong interest in the Chamber Music concert series, and by working as volunteer at many of the ongoing activities at the Arts Center. She is also an amateur photographer who converts her own photographs into greeting cards for sale at the Dolphin.

Rosemarie Hocker has a strong interest in sustaining the future of the Arts Center, and has named Gualala Arts as a beneficiary in a life insurance policy in order to be sure that it is financially secure for future generations of our community.

