CAF MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE IN 1988

It has been years since members of the California Arboretum Foundation experienced an increase in their annual membership dues. However, it became necessary in 1988 to raise the cost of annual memberships because of the escalating costs faced by the Foundation.

Joan Malafronte, Office Manager for the Foundation Office. reported that virtually all operating expenses have risen dramatically from just five years ago. "In order to continue to provide quality service and programs for our members, we must increase the cost of our annual memberships." The new rates have been

in effect since January 1, 1988 and are reflected in our members' 1988 renewal notices.

There have also been new membership categories added along with the changes in the benefits which CAF members enjoy. A new Senior Citizen category has been added which includes special rates for members 62 and older.

1988 celebrates the Foundation's Fortieth Anniversary. We hope you will continue to support the Arboretum by renewing your CAF membership. Our membership categories and corresponding benefits are listed below.

Individual Couple \$30 \$40

Family \$50

Sr. Citizen Individual Couple

Free admission to the Arboretum

One year's subscription to Garden Magazine

10% discount in the Arboretum Gift Shop on most items

Special rates for special presentations and lectures at the Arboretum

Sustaining Member — \$100 All benefits listed above plus:

 4 GARDEN EXPRESS CARD that provides free admission to the four gardens maintained by the Department of Arboreta and Botanic Gardens: Arboretum, Descanso Gardens, South Coast Botanic Garden, and one free admission per year by reservation only to the Virginia Robinson Garden; 10% discount in all Gift Shops

Private docent-guided tour of the Arboretum

Sponsor Member — \$250. All benefits listed above plus:

- Two free tickets to the Baldwin Bonanza Preview
- VIP tickets to special presentations and lectures

Affiliate Member — \$500. All benefits listed above plus:

- Invitation to a private tour of the annual Los Angeles Garden Show
- Reserved parking during the Baldwin Bonanza

Benefactor — \$1,000. All benefits listed above plus:

- Two complimentary tickets to the annual Benefactor Party
- Your name inscribed on a handsome Benefactors' plaque in the Arboretum's Rotunda Entry way.

CAF SETS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL TABLE

Las Voluntarias of the California Arboretum Foundation were given the "Most Beautiful-First" award at the St. Edmund's Table Fashions Tea held at the San Marino Woman's Club. "Happy Ruby Anniversary" was the title of the prize winning table design which complemented the theme of "Forty Years of Fun and Fancy."

Las Voluntarias member, Joan Fagan, created an elegant table setting by combining the colors of : ruby, pink and white. Mrs. Fagan has participated in the St. Edmund's Tea for many years, and this year was assisted by her daughter, and Eva Shepard, a Las Voluntarias member.

LET CAF HELP YOU . . .

When you need to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, a graduation or another special occasion for a relative, friend, or business acqaintance, give a gift that will bring an entire year of continuing education and pleasure.

A California Arboretum Foundation gift membership will open a new "window of discovery and exploration" of the botanical collections and historical buildings found at the Los Angeles Arboretum. A beautiful card will be sent to inform the recipient of the gift. Please call the Membership Office at 818/447-8207 to find out how to give the special gift of an Arboretum Foundation Membership.

For someone who is already a member, consider a gift in his or her name to the Arboretum's Capital Campaign. A memorial fund, a lasting tribute that honors the memory of friends or family members, can also be established. For additional information, please call the Development Office at 818/447-0184.



"Happy Ruby Anniversary," the prize-winning table designed by Las Voluntarias, received the "Most Beautiful-First" award.



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