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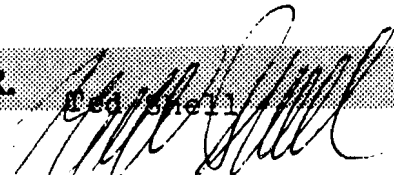
Dear members:

Our president emeritus had promised to write one more letter, but due to the illness of his beloved Jean, he had to decline. I shall not attempt to emulate his artistry. Flowery and excellent letter-writing. We, meaning I, have appointed an executive committee and have had our first meeting. The meeting was successful, all appointees having accepted the assignments. Do come the meeting this coming Saturday night at 8:30 and hear of our plans. Yours truly has been appointed to render the program and something you may not have heard such as the Duke and Billy duet at a Paris rehearsal playing "Tonk". We request as a stimulus to our future presenters to try to be on time. During the intermission, we will hold a short meeting to acquaint you with our plans and of course we will have our usual refreshments. Our new committee will guarantee this repast at all of our future meetings. Our annual Xmas party is to be held at the January meeting date at the Frat House and at our February meeting we will have something special- A good friend of Terrell and mine has offered his home and panoramic sound with 60 inch screen for us to present his and my collection of Ducal video discs and video tapes. More later. WE will be asking for volunteers for presentation for the December meeting- possibly our past president will honor us with tidbits from his vast collection- such as unpublished Jimmy Lunceford's rendition of the Duke's music.

Well, so long until Saturday,

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-----NEWSLETTER-----

November 28, 1992

Post season greetings!! Our between holiday meeting will of course be held on December 5, at 8 o'clock sharp. Please be on time to hear a program delivered by our vice president Dr. Theodore Hudson; Those of us who heard his presentation at the annual Duke Ellington Conference in Washington know we are in for an excellent time.

We hope to have a first reading of our new constitution which was ably put together by Ted Hudson.

Our Christmas party will be held on our regular meeting date on Saturday, January 2, 1993 at the fraternity house; you will be hearing more from our co-chairmen oops!! chairladies Angela Grimmer and Marion Shell very soon.

The February meeting has been finalized and will be held at the home of a dear friend of Terrell and yours truly. It will feature an all-video Ellington presentation from our collections. His address is 1711 Kalmia Road Northwest. Dr. Charles Bland is our gracious host. Parking is plentiful and of course we wish you would be on ~~at~~ time for we will not have a continuous showing. Drive by in the day-time so that you find it more easily that night.

SEE YOU ON SATURDAY NITE!

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*Society Thanks
so much for the help
Nathan & I wish you
happy holidays!*

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DECEMBER 21, 1992

A MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF US. HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY HOUSE ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 1993. MUSIC ALL OVER THE HOUSE COURTESY OF JACK TOWERS: FOOD APLENTY COURTESY OF ALL OF US: BEVERAGES COURTESY OF THE SOCIETY: AND DON'T FORGET THE LOW CALORIE EGG-NOG COURTESY OF OUR PRESIDENT EMERITUS TERRELL. REMEMBER EACH MEMBER MAY BRING A COUPLE AS GUESTS,

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ENCLOSED FIND A COPY OF A LETTER SENT TO ME BY OUR GOOD MEMBER PAT WILLARD AS A PROTEST AGAINST YOUR PRESIDENTS HAVING COMMITTED A FAUX PAS IN A PREVIOUS NEWSLETTER. AS SHE REQUESTED, HER LETTER IS INCLUDED. I HAVE ALSO WRITTEN HER A SINCERE APOLOGY FOR MY ACTION.

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OUR NEXT MEETING, REMEMBER WILL BE HELD AT THE HOME OF A FRIEND, JAZZ ENTHUSIAST, PEDIATRICIAN DR. CHARLES BLAND. OUR PROGRAM WILL BE VISUAL ELLINGTON FROM HIS AND MY VIDEO COLLECTIONS THE ADDRESS, 1711 KALMIA ROAD NORTHWEST. FEBRUARY 6TH!!

OUR MARCH MEETING WILL BE GIVEN BY US, YOU OUR MEMBERS. YOU WILL EACH BE ASKED TO PRESENT YOUR FAVORITE SELECTIONS OF ELLINGTONIA ON "CD". MORE LATER ABOUT THE LENGTH OR TIME ALLOWED EACH PRESENTATION.

REMEMBER-- DUES ARE DUE FOR THE NEW YEAR- COME PREPARED TO PAY- ANGELA GRIMMER, OUR SECRETARY WILL BE APPROACHING YOU AT THE

NEXT MEETING. WE NEED THE MONEY-- THE DUKE ELLINGTON SOCIETY CHAPTER 90 IS A BARGAIN -- KEEP UP THE SUPPORT.

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OUR NEW CONSTITUTION WHICH WAS SO ABLY COMPOUNDED BY TED HUDSON HAS BEEN PASSED OUT TO OUR MEMBERS - IF YOU DID NOT GET A COPY LET US KNOW- AT OUR MARCH MEETING WE HOPE TO RATIFY IT SO READ IT AND BE PREPARED TO VOTE IT IN.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE A VOLUNTEER FOR THE PRESENTATION AT OUR APRIL MEETING. LET US KNOW

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OUR MAY MEETING HAS BEEN SPOKEN FOR: OUR WATCHCARE MEMBER FROM SCANDINAVIA, WALTER VAN LEHR, WHO IS INTERNING AT THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE STUDYING ELLINGTONIA. WE LOOK FORWARD WITH ANTICIPATION HIS PRESENTATION OF PREVIOUSLY UNPUBLISHED ELLINGTON.

AGAING VERY, VERY, VERY HAPPY HOLIDAYS

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T.A.S.

ADDENDA

THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS, HELEN FRAZIER 387-7071 AND MARION SHELL 363-2446 STATE THAY HAVE HAD DIFFICULTY IN REACHING SOME OF THE MEMBERS REGARDING REFRESHMENTS FROM THEM. EACH MEMBER IS SUPPOSED TO BRING A DISH OF FOOD BE PLACED ON THE REFRESHMENT TABLE. TAKE TIME TO CALL ONE OF THEM ABOUT YOUR DONATION.

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