



## Celebrating Outgoing President Phyllis Avidan Louke President Emeritus and Lifelong Membership



**It is with deep and enduring gratitude that we honor Phyllis Avidan Louke's contribution to the Greater Portland Flute Society by gifting her the "no work attached to it" title of President Emeritus along with a free Lifetime Membership to GPFS.**

Since 1991, Phyllis Avidan Louke, has served the Greater Portland Flute Society in many officer and committee appointment roles, including several of those years as President or Vice-President. Enough cannot be said about the positive and enduring influence she has had on GPFS. She and her fellow board members through the years, can be credited with creating a regional flute society that is known nationally for its quality and consistent programming. She contributed to a culture of strong and loyal member contribution and engagement as well as fiscal stability. Last, but not least, she worked to make GPFS accessible to all ages and playing levels. The GPFS you know today is easily made up of three-quarter cup of Phyllis and on this day we look forward to the 23-24 season because of her foundational and going work. We all can participate in any event going forward and be reminded of her vision, inspiration and dedication.

Some may not know the depth and range of Phyllis' musical and professional life. In addition to her contributions to the early and ongoing development of GPFS, for forty plus years and counting, she has been a professional flutist, music educator, composer. She is the author of pedagogy series, has been a Board Member of National Flute Association along with other roles on their behalf, and serves as the musical director of the Rose City Flute Choir, principal flute of the Tilikum Chamber Orchestra, and member of Oregon Symphonic Band.

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