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Hollywood 28, California
July 31, 1963

Mrs. Gregor Piatigorsky
c/o Steiner Chess Club
8801 Cashio Street
Los Angeles 35, California

Dear Mrs. Piatigorsky:

How proud, pleased and thrilled you must have been last night. The culminating dinner for the Chess Tournament was a very lovely affair--a really fitting climax to the Tournament itself.

First of all, I do want to thank you for permitting me to help and then also to be your guest at the dinner. Having been secretary to Mr. Bisno for so many years, I have always felt quite close to Chess because of the many letters written to the many people connected with Chess, (even though, strangely enough, I know nothing of the game). Am sorry that my organizational work kept me from helping as much as I would have liked to,-- it was like "old home week" for me, and I enjoyed every moment of it.

I am well aware of the magnitude of your undertaking and also what it has meant to Chess and at this time want to compliment you for the manner and great dignity with which the Tournament was conducted. I do not feel there were enough accolades heaped for all you did, for your munificence, the anxiety entailed during the entire time, and the amount of work involved.

Once again, "Thank You" for letting me be part of this great and wonderful project of yours which will hold an important spot in the history of Chess. It was most exciting!

Kindest regards to you and your wonderful husband.

Sincerely,

Betty Kalish

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