

Symphony Tea Will Be Held At The Hopkins' Home

By Barbara Smith

Members and guests of the Tucson Woman's Symphony Assn. are in for a treat next Saturday when they attend the annual membership tea opening the fall season. It will be held in the charming home of the Richard Hopkins, 7810 Sendero de Juana, in Cobo Hills.

The Hopkins have been coming to Tucson on visits for the past 10 years and have just recently become residents. Both are originally from Massachusetts—"But we wouldn't go back to that snow and ice for anything! We love it here."

Their spacious, L-shaped home is designed for comfort and convenience. Each of the three bedrooms and the guest room has its own dressing area and private bath. One bedroom has been turned into a den. In the dressing area Mrs. Hopkins simply pulled out the drawers and lined the shelves with books, turning it into a miniature library.

Nearly all of one side of the broad, bedroom-wing hallway features built-in drawers and cupboards. Large windows above them flood the hall with light. The closets and cabinets in the kitchen too, are enough to make one sigh with envy!

The dining alcove is open to the living room, but there's a distinct feeling of separation. All attention focuses on a stunning, copper-hooded fireplace in the living area.

The elegant Traditional sofa and matching chairs arranged in front of the hearth have two faces. One consists of quilted chintz covers in a blue and green flower design; under them is ivory-colored damask upholstery.

"We cover up everything because of the children," laughed Mrs. Hopkins in explanation. Their son, Richard Francis Jr., is 3½; his sister, Elizabeth Moy, is 2.

Ivory shades are used for wall decor throughout most of the house. Wall-to-wall carpeting is desert rose.

The paved patio consists of the covered terrace area along the inside of the L-shaped house and a swimming pool and sunning area a few steps below. Entertaining is especially easy with an outdoor barbeque-rotisserie and sink. Both units are built into an L-shaped counter area located along the wall adjoining the regular kitchen.

Set this attractive house down in the midst of rolling desert foothills, nearly at the base of the Catalinas, and you have the Hopkins' home: solid, comfortable, convenient and utterly charming.