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A Silver Celebration Anniversary Homes Tour

When my husband and I moved to Greensboro 26 years ago, I had no idea that I would be lucky enough to chair the Homes Tour during this important year in the life of the Guild.

A lot has happened to the Guild in the past 25 years, but our focus has always been on the children of Guilford County. To that end we encourage *all* of you to support the Homes Tour this year in any way you can. Volunteers are *really* needed for this 25th anniversary tour to be a success, so give **Mitzi Weatherly** at 273-5735 or **Patrice Newman** at 282-5789 a call and volunteer for a shift, or two! Sign up with a friend!

The tour homes will be open on Saturday, November 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday, November 8 from 12 noon until 5 p.m. Anne Sprock has opened her lovely home for the Gala on Saturday, November 7 at 7 p.m. Once again, our auction committee has been hard at work and there will be some terrific items to help fill up your holiday shopping bag!

Six different and delightful homes will appeal to a wide variety of people this year. The home of Kasey Stone Stamey at 106 Northridge Street in Lindley Park is a delightful mix of depression style and bungalow charm. Caroline Faison's Irving



Eat well, chat with Greensboro's most interesting people, pick up great deals, support great music in an enchanting home, and not have to clean up? How? Please join us on Saturday night, November 7th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. as we celebrate this year's Homes Tour Gala. This year's gala will be at the beautiful home of Ann Sprock, 815 Woodland Drive (*above*), with catering by Alan Thigpen of Catering Carolina. Live and silent auctions will be part of the evening. Tickets are \$75.00 and will be available in your Homes Tour Packets. See you there!

—Brenda Glenn, Frances Vinoski, Gala Co-Chairs



Robin and Connie Saul's home will feature backyard living and construction by Homes Tour platinum sponsor AKR Builders.

Park home at 106 Woodland Drive is a wonderful example of Jeffersonian style while the kitchen is the highlight of the Hunter and Lara Stamey Colonial home at 1902 Tiffany Place in New Irving Park.

European charm fills the large family home of Jody and Lynda Gordon in Lake Jeanette at 1004 Northern Shores Lane. Out in Summerfield, Rich and Kathy Dumas have opened up their Low Plantation home in The Vineyards.

We are offering something new this year. Robin and **Connie Saul**, 8 Sunfish Point, have graciously opened up their Lake Jeanette backyard for the tour. Their builder is a platinum sponsor this year. AKR Builders has agreed to support the Greensboro Symphony Guild by donating a percentage of all earnings from any building or renovation jobs the company contracts from the tour. As a result of this generosity, prospective AKR clients not only will receive a fair price on contracted jobs, the educational programs of the Greensboro Symphony Guild will be enhanced as well.

In addition to our platinum sponsor, we have Guilford Orthopedic and Sports Medicine Center and The Kitchen Studio, Inc. as silver sponsors. Bronze sponsors are: Piedmont Wholesale Engineered Products, Guilford Pools, The Pink Door Design Studio, Distinctive Designs, Smart'n Up Wallcoverings, A Breath of Spring, Buff Natural Nail Bar, SSI Design Group, Inc. and Dolce Dimora.

So, ladies, call a friend and sign up to work a shift or two and help us make this tour truly a Silver Celebration! We are counting on *you*!

*Ann Warrick, 2009 Homes Tour Chair
Peggy Hamilton, Homes Tour Vice-Chair*

A Note From Our President



October gives us the opportunity to enjoy the wonder of nature, marvel at its color, and reflect on what we hold dear. It also allows me time to reflect on your talents, hard work, and just how special you all are.

Congratulations to **Debbie Faircloth** on winning the 2009 Bravo Award which recognizes members for their outstanding volunteer service. Debbie is this year's VP of Marketing and Publicity and has been an outstanding contributor since joining the Guild. Debbie, we salute and thank you for all that you have done and continue to do on our behalf. You are a most deserving Bravo recipient.



And, thank you, **Peggy Johnson**, for arranging this special program. It was such a treat to hear Youth Orchestra winners play for us. Additionally, we all enjoyed hearing **Elizabeth King** play the piano as we arrived. Thank you so much. We also appreciate **Cam Current, Chris Marshall and Kim Jones** for making the luncheon run so smoothly.

Just a few days after our luncheon, members enjoyed mingling with one another, their spouses, and special guests at a kick-off party at the beautiful home of **Barbara and Eugene Sanders. Ann Daniels, Ann Kroupa, Cotten Moring, Ellen Sanders, Martha Ford, and Mary Rogg** contributed their time and talents to make this a perfect birthday party!

This is a special time for many of us as we help out at the WMA Middle School Concerts. Thank you to **Sandy Weston, chair and Cindy Booth, vice-chair** for organizing this two day event. We appreciate all our volunteers and the Guild Gents who help make everything run smoothly.

The Greensboro Masterworks will perform a concert on **Thursday, Oct. 29th** and Saturday, Oct. 31st. Please plan to attend the Thursday night concert sponsored by **GSG**, which is each of you. It would be a thrill to see all of you stand in recognition that night.

We are also looking forward to the Silver Celebration of the 2009 Homes Tour. **Ann Warrick, chair and Peggy Hamilton, vice-chair, Sher Coromilas, booklet & website chair, Nancy Beavers, auction chair, each one of the committee members, President Elect, Mary Klappa and VP of Fund Raising, Lex Kulman** have been working very hard to make this another successful event. Each one of you is the key to making this a successful event. If you are unable to attend, please consider the purchase of the two Homes Tour tickets and giving them to a friend or neighbor. We thank you for your help and support.

As nature teaches us this month, it takes each leaf to make a tree truly spectacular and a wonder. Just as it takes each one of you to make the **GSG** the wonderful organization it is! We hope to see you at the next general membership meeting, Oct. 21st at 5:30 p.m. at the lovely home of **Judy Jolly**.

Fondly,

Connie Saul

"Gents of the Guild"

On Thursday, September 3, "Gents of the Guild" (husbands of Guild members) held their initial gathering for the 2009-10 year. The gathering was held at the Lake Jeanette Marina pavilion and included leisurely rides on two pontoon boats, brief updates on volunteer opportunities from the Guild ladies, followed by a dinner of barbecue, cold slaw, baked beans, hush puppies, brownies and chocolate-chip cookies.

'Captains' Jerry Kennedy and Don Bogard took the 20 attendees on a sunset cruise prior to being joined by President **Connie Saul**, President-Elect **Mary Klappa**, VP of Fund Raising **Lex Kulman**, Homes Tour Chair **Ann Warrick**, Presentation Ball Chair **Jo Kennedy**, Super Sale Co-Chairs **Lindsay Nail & Leigh Ann Safrit**, Elementary Concert Chair **Olivia Gillespie**, and the Middle School Concert Chair was represented by Ralph Knupp. These Guild ladies (and Ralph) shared the dates of upcoming events and identified volunteer roles the men could sign-up for participation.

The event was organized by Robin Saul and Jerry Kennedy.

Food Lion Shop and Share

The GSO has enrolled in Food Lion's Shop and Share program. During the 2009-2010 season, each time you shop at Food Lion and use your MVP card, a portion of your total purchase will be donated to the GSYO 2010 European Tour. Please help the GSYO by linking your MVP card and shopping at Food Lion. You may link your MVP card by either completing the MVP customer sign-up form and returning to the GSO, 200 North Davie Street, Box 10, Greensboro, NC 27401 or visiting the website at www.foodlion.com.

Remember to shop Food Lion and scan your MVP card. This does not interfere with MVP discounts and no MVP product has to be purchased to participate. Thank you for your continued support of the GSYO.

Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra

Andrea Knupp—

Auditions have recently been completed for the upcoming season of the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra. For five days, over 180 talented young people auditioned for a place in one of the several Youth Orchestra ensembles. Our thanks to the several Guild volunteers who willingly donated their time to make the audition process flow smoothly – **Wimberly Jessup, Andrea Knupp, Lucia and Gregor DeRatmiroff, Julie Welsford, Gail Payne, Rosemary Reed, Carla Robinson and Deborah Hunt.** It was a wonderful experience to be able to interact with these exceptional young musicians! Please join the GSYO at their first concert on November 22 at the Greensboro Day School, 7:00 p.m.

Music In The Middle

Sandy Weston—

Don't forget to sign-up to work at the Coliseum for our Music In The Middle concerts on October 6 & 7. All-American Music is our theme and our new principal guest conductor will be leading the orchestra. Call Cindy Booth, 288-8801 or Sandy Weston, 605-9302 to volunteer.

Welcome new members:

Betty M. Baxter

3024 Lake Forest Drive, 27408
288-9234, 210-2520 (cell)

Nancy Briggs

103 Battle Road, 27410
854-2244, 337-3158 (cell)

Kristi Planas

6969 Brandi Wood Circle
Summerfield, N.C. 27358
298-4470

If you have a friend, neighbor, or colleague to introduce to the Guild, please call or e-mail her name and address to the Membership Chair, **Frances Vinoski**, 286-2796 or fvinoski@triad.rr.com



BRAVO! **Debbie Faircloth**

Suzy Walker—

The Bravo Award, established in 2004, recognizes a member in good standing who has been in the Guild five years or less and has given extensive volunteer service. The recipient is elected by the Nominations/Awards Committee from names submitted by the membership.

This year's award winner is **Debbie Faircloth**. Since joining the Guild in 2005, Debbie has been active in all aspects of the Guild. This year she is our Vice President of Marketing and Publicity having moved up from Publicity Chair in 2008/2009. With a professional expertise in all forms of media advertising and public relations, she has handled the promotion of all Guild fundraisers – Homes Tour, Presentation Ball, the Golf Classic, and our cookbook "Recipes of Note" for the past several years. She has expanded and improved the Guild media coverage and Guild relationships within the Greensboro community, always highlighting our education projects.

In addition, she has been active with Presentation Ball. Having been the mother of a Deb in 2006, she became a Deb assistant in 2008. We have truly come to rely on Debbie's many abilities.

Debbie, we congratulate you and thank you for all you have given to the Guild!

GSG Appreciates these Generous Gifts

ENDOWMENT FUND, by **Jo Kennedy** in memory of Amanda Matteson, sister of GSG members **Jane Matteson and Kate Schlosser.**

EDUCATION FUND, by **Shelley Segal** in honor of Margaret Faison.

PARDON OUR ERROR

We have noted an error in the By-law revision that Guild members voted on at the May, 2009 luncheon. Extra words were included. The words that need to be deleted are in boldface type in the following paragraph. The Board approved this change on September 9, 2009. We will ask for your vote to amend this paragraph at the general meeting on October 21, 2009. Thank you for your patience

ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

Section 2, Paragraph 2 as voted on May 20, 2009:

The Nominating Committee shall present a single slate of officers to the membership at **least one month prior to the (annual)** January general meeting; and the election of the officers shall be held at the (annual) February meeting, when nominations may be made from the floor. An officer shall be deemed elected upon receipt of a majority of the votes cast for a particular office; and in the event no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, there shall be a run-off between the two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes. The officers shall be installed at a final general membership meeting. The nominating Committee is responsible for the selection of Guild Awards.

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OCTOBER 2009 CALENDAR

- 6/7 Music In The Middle for Guilford County Middle Schools, 9:45 and 11:00 a.m., War Memorial Auditorium, **Sandy Weston.**, Chair, **Cindy Booth** Vice Chair.
- 13 GSG Executive Committee Meeting, 9:30/10:00 a.m., **Margaret Faison**, 1-A Fountain View Circle.
- 14 GSG Board Meeting, 9:30/10:00 a.m., **Olivia Gillespie**, 3604 Camden Falls Circle.
- 21 General Membership Meeting, 5:30 p.m., at the home of **Judy Jolly**, 502 Parkmont Drive, Program: David Holley, Director of UNCG Opera Theatre will sing selections from opera and musical theatre. **Josie Gibboney**, Chair; **Barbara Braswell** and **Susan Bohn**, Vice Chairs.
- 29 "Tchaikovsky Spectacular," Masterworks Concert, 7:30 p.m., WMA, Dmitry Sitkovetsky, Conductor, All Orchestra Concert. Concert sponsored by the Greensboro Symphony Guild.
- 30 SOVA Conference, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Starmount Country Club. Lunch included, **Frances Vinoski** and **Suzy Walker**, Chairs.
- 30 Rice Toyota Sitkovetsky and Friends, Chamber Concert, 8:00 p.m., UNCG School of Music Recital Hall. Degas Quartet.
- 31 "Tchaikovsky Spectacular," Masterworks Concert, repeat performance, 8:00 p.m., Dana Auditorium, Guilford College.

Registration still open for October 30th SOVA Conference

Frances Vinoski—

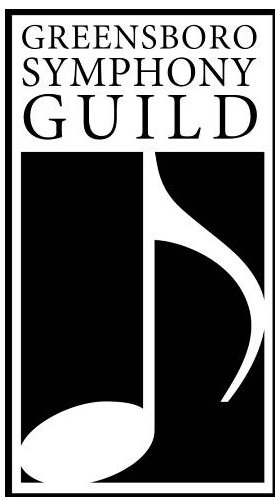
It's not too late to be a part of this year's SOVA Roundtable hosted by our Guild at Starmount Forest Country Club on Friday, October 30th from 9 am to 4 pm. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch.

The day will focus on presentations and roundtable discussions vital to orchestra support organizations as we join other orchestra volunteers from throughout the Southeast. The conference is quite valuable to all Guild members and especially those interested in Guild leadership.

ALSO, please note that Vice President **Debbie Faircloth** will be presenting ideas on marketing and publicity.

For registration forms and more information please see **Frances Vinoski** or **Suzy Walker**.

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