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Musical Social

Friday, March 17
6 p.m.-10 p.m.
Watch for Details



2017-2018 Executive Slate Announced

The January general membership meeting was held Wednesday, January 11th at the home of Rebecca Schlosser. At that time, the Nominations/Awards Committee presented the proposed Executive Slate of Officers for 2017-2018: President, **Linda Hiatt**; President-Elect, **Laura Green**; VP Education, **Kristie Smith**; VP Fund Raising, **Betsy Craft**; VP Marketing, **Pam Smith**; VP Operations, **Ronda Szymanski**; Secretary, **Vanessa Skenes**; Treasurer, **Cindy Stark**; Past President, **Sharon Kasica**.

The general membership will vote on this slate of officers at the February General Membership Luncheon. Each nominee has strong leadership qualities and brings many talents to this Executive Committee. Thanks to each of them for their willingness to volunteer their time and talents to these leadership roles.

Above, left to right, are Sharon Kasica, Vanessa Skenes, Laura Green, Pam Smith, Kristie Smith, Ronda Szymanski. Absent: Linda Hiatt, Betsy Craft and Cindy Stark.

Debs Collect and Donate Music Instruments

The debutantes may have started a new tradition this year. For their community service project they collected new and used music instruments and donated them to the symphony's Education Special Program schools, Peck Elementary and Jones Elementary.

Isabel Seifert and Allison Tice, assisted by **Laura Wolf**, Symphony Ball Chair, delivered the collection to Peter Zlotnick. Peter is Education Manager for the symphony and was thrilled to receive the instruments. In expressing his appreciation, he said it had been a pleasure working with the debutantes. He added, "We look forward to the years ahead."



Note from the President



Sharon Kasica

Happy 2017! It is hard to believe the Holidays are already behind us! Boy, the year flies when you are having fun!

The Guild's fall was full of wonderful and memorable events. In October we enjoyed a fabulous General Membership and New Member Social at **Pam Stearns'** beautiful home. In November we enjoyed hearing from member and Corporate Sponsor, **Carolyn Woodruff**, at our General Membership Meeting. We also enjoyed **Swaying to the Music** at Fred Astaire Studios and a fabulous Night at Fink's for some early holiday shopping.

In December, **Patrice Newman** and 30 Guild volunteers provided the Greensboro Symphony musicians a delicious home cooked meal prior to the community Holiday concert. Last, but certainly not least, the Presentation Ball closed out 2016 in customary Guild fashion, honoring our 20 beautiful Symphony Debutantes with more than 400 guests in attendance. Ball Chair **Laura Wolf**, Honorary Chair **Sylvia Vanore**, and Master of Ceremonies Richard Gabriel were wonderful representatives for the Guild.

On January 11th our General Membership Meeting and second New Member Social was held at **Rebecca Schlosser's** home. The evening featured cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and a special performance by GSYO students, Kearston and Kendall Gonzales. Tickets were available for **An Elevated Evening, A Tasting of Wine, Beer and Art**, to be held on February 4th at the magnificent Center Pointe Ballroom. If you haven't purchased yours, they are also available on our website, www.gsoguild.org. Event Co-chairs **Gayle Koonce**, **Mitzie Weatherly**, **Brenda Glenn** and **Brenda Frizzell** have planned a very special night for all!

Thank you. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming 2017 events.

Warmest Regards,

Sharon Kasica

An Elevated Evening *A Tasting of Wine, Beer and Art*

RSVP by January 23

Join the Greensboro Symphony Guild for An Elevated Evening—*A Tasting of Wine, Beer, and Art*, on Saturday, February 4, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Ballroom at Center Pointe, 201 N. Elm Street. This fun-filled evening will begin with a silent auction of fabulous artwork by local artists. Guests can enjoy a tasting of wines provided by Zeto Wine and Cheese Shop, beer provided by Pig Pounder NC Craft Brewery and heavy hors d'oeuvres catered by B. Christopher's. The Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra's Honors Ensemble will perform during the evening.

Event tickets are \$75 and may be purchased on the Guild website at www.gsoguild.org. Parking is available at the Bellemeade Garage on the corner of Bellemeade and Elm Streets. For more information, contact the Guild at greensborosymphonyguild@gmail.com.

All proceeds from the event will help support the music education programs of Greensboro Symphony Orchestra. These programs reach over 50,000 children and adults in Greensboro and surrounding areas.

Co-Chairs of the event are: **Gayle Koonce**, **Mitzie Weatherly**, **Brenda Glenn** and **Brenda Frizzell**.

Classics Luncheon You'll not want to miss it!

Classics are invited to a luncheon on Thursday, January 26th at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Enjoy wine, conversation and entertainment by Jorge Rodriguez Ochoa, violinist with the GSO. Cost of lunch is \$7.50. Please RSVP by email or phone to: **Judy Jolly** or **Peggy Follin**.

Help needed for Elementary Concerts!

Guild-supported Elementary School concerts are just around the corner: Monday, March 6 - Thursday, March 9, and possibly Friday, March 10. "*Weather Fore-chestra!*" is the theme this year, and you may have guessed—it will be about weather and the outdoors and includes Tchaikovsky's Waltz of the Snowflakes, from the Nutcracker. This promises to be a fun and interesting concert for the students as well as the volunteers who give their time to assist with seating.

Concerts will again be at Grimsley High School. Parking is easy and students enter through fewer doors, resulting in an efficient process and a very manageable volunteer experience. The time commitment is from 8:45 a.m. to noon. Please check your calendars and plan to help us at least one morning. If you didn't sign up at the January membership meeting, be on the lookout for SignUp Genius as another way to sign up. Or you may contact **Lori Holt**.

NEW MEMBER

Gail S. Williams

Greensboro, NC



—GIFTS—

Sylvia and Richard Vanore



Gail S. Williams

In Honor of Karen W. Jacobs, Laura Wolf and Sylvia Vanore



Here we go again



After several years of very successful Super Sale events, we are once again in the early stages of gathering items for next year's Sale! Under our next year's President, Linda Hiatt, we will be looking forward with great anticipation to **Super Sale 2018** as one of our major fundraisers.

During the next year, we will be collecting all donated items including clothing, furniture, accessories, rugs, lamps, linens etc., as we begin to prepare for another great event. Several storage facilities are available, so storing your treasures is not a problem. For delivery or pickup of any items you wish to donate, contact:

Andrea Knupp

Please spread the word to your neighbors and friends who might be moving, down sizing or cleaning out attics and garages. All donations cheerfully accepted!

Join the fun and be a part of this great bi-annual fundraiser!

GSYO Concerts Offer a Wonderful Experience

Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra gave their fall concert at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 20 at Greensboro Day School. The Youth Orchestra, Youth Philharmonic, and Youth Camerata groups all performed brilliantly. Each year the performances are more stylish and better!

This fall, Nate Beversluis was on leave and the Youth Orchestra was ably conducted by Dr. MacLeod, professor of music at UNCG. She did a fabulous job with this group. The students are sure to have benefitted from her excellent musical background.

Our president **Sharon Kasica**, gave a brief presentation about the Guild and invited any interested audience members to join our group. She also explained how the Guild helps to support the GSYO.

Spring Concert

The next GSYO concert will be at 4:00 p.m. on March 20th at Dana Auditorium. The concert will be conducted by Nate Beversluis and promises again to be a wonderful musical experience. Please come out and support these terrific youngsters and their very dedicated teachers. As always these concerts are free of charge.

Thank you! Symphony Holiday Dinner Volunteers

These wonderful volunteers made a fabulous dinner for orchestra members with a lot of attention to detail in their cooking and special recipes and all the donations necessary to have made the evening special. Greensboro knows how wonderful these volunteers are to the Symphony! Thank you to each and every one!

Melissa Tankersley, Kim Littrell, Vanessa Skenes, Lynne Alexander, Joanne Lahey, Sharon Kasica, Peggy Hamilton, Dana Turner, Sarah Hearn-Von-Foerester, Linda Hiatt, Lucia DeRatmiroff, Laura Wolf, Kelly Seymour, Leslie Scher, Fay Hoggard, Karen Hundgen, Dianne Pusch, Julene Valitutto, Nancy Wells, Brenda Mcfadden, Kim Riley, Polly Cornelius, Dale Stoehr, Laura Green, Brenda Yates, Ronda Szymanski, Shirley Trager

—Patrice Newman, Chair



Music Matters!

The Greensboro Symphony Guild General Luncheon Meeting

Greensboro Country Club

Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 11:30 AM

• Program: With continuing support of the Greensboro Arts community, we will have a feature from The Greensboro Ballet. They will present an excerpt from their ballet "Mozartiana Dances" which is performed to Tchaikovsky's "Mozartiana".

Choice of Entree: Poulet Provencale; seared chicken with capers, tomato, shallots, garlic, basil & white wine. Includes herb roasted potatoes & seasonal vegetables.

Or Quiche Lorraine with bacon, caramelized onion and swiss cheese with seasonal vegetables.

Both entrees include tea, coffee, assorted rolls and dessert.

Price is \$24.00 per person - guests welcome

(Please be sure to include their name)

Cash wine bar for \$6.00 per glass

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE:

Friday, February 3, 2017

Remember to give us your entree choice!

Please make your payment on-line

at www.gsoguild.org or send a check to:

Linda Baker -C/O GSO Guild

P.O. Box 10408

Greensboro, NC 27404



39th Anniversary Symphony Presentation Ball

The Sheraton Four Seasons Imperial Ballroom was the setting for the 39th Anniversary Symphony Presentation Ball on December 28. Twenty beautiful young women, ambassadors of our symphony orchestra during their debutante season, took their traditional bow to **Sylvia Vanore**, our 2016 Honorary Chair.

Volunteers worked tirelessly to create a set featuring lovely column and drape designs sprinkled with holiday trees. Clusters of poinsettias, in our signature peach color accented and dotted the set and ballroom. This beautiful setting was the backdrop as the Debutantes were presented to more than 300 family, friends, and Guild members. Mr. Richard Gabriel served as Master of Ceremonies and Mrs. Gary Robert Wolf was the 2016 Symphony Presentation Ball Chair. The musicians from the GSO and Youth Orchestra provided ensemble music during the cocktail hour and Presentation. The evening was capped off with dinner and dancing to the music of the U.B.U. Band.

The Selection Committee of the 2017 Ball will soon be extending invitations to young ladies who are currently college freshmen. If you wish to recommend a potential 2017 Debutante, please contact **Lori Holt**.



A Fabulous Season

The events of the season and the extraordinary 2016 Symphony Presentation Ball would not have been possible without the dedication of the members of the Presentation Ball Committee. I extend my sincere thanks to the following Guild members who made the events and the Ball exceptional in every way. Please know that you made unforgettable memories for 20 very fortunate young ladies!

*Gratefully yours,
Laura Wolf, Chair*

2016 Symphony Presentation Ball Committee

Ms. Andrea Alemanni
Mrs. Thomas Hamilton Milton
Mrs. John Alan Byerly
Mrs. Stephen John Mueller
Mrs. Mitchell Glen Camp
Mrs. David Harold Newman
Mrs. Carl Citron, junior
Mrs. John Stanley Nosek
Mrs. Jeffrey Clark Claypool
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Mrs. Peter Robert Ennever
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Mrs. Michael Andrew Schlosser
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Mrs. Mark Edward Holt
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Mrs. Benjamin Tappan Hoxworth
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2016 Annual Education Campaign Update

Guild Members Raise \$5200 for Music Education Unmet Needs!

The Annual Education Campaign has come to an end and through the generous donations of many Guild members we've exceeded our budgeted projections and raised \$5200 this year. Your efforts have made the difference and will allow the Guild to help with the unmet needs of the GSO education projects. A committee has met to consider the GSO wish list and will present their recommendations to the Executive and full Board for their approval. A check will be presented to Peter Zlotnick, GSO Education Manager at the February luncheon. A final report of how these funds were allocated will be reported in the next newsletter. Listed below are the names of those members who have participated in this year's campaign.

Rhonda Barrett

Nancy Bogard

Barbara Carter,

In Honor of Hal B. Phillips

Martha Chandler,

In Honor of Stephanie Cordick

Louann Clark,

In Memory of Joy Morrison

Elizabeth Craft,

In Honor of Tim Hucks

Joan Dilworth

Pam Duncan,

In Honor of Molly Duncan

Debbie Faircloth,

In Honor of Laura Wolf,

Presentation Ball Chair 2016

Peggy Follin

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In Memory of Louella & Harry Wagner

Carolyn Gribnau,

In Memory of

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Dean Gibnau

Laura Green

Peggy Hamilton

Jill Hare,

In Memory of Pearl McKelvey

Sherry Harris,

In Memory of Joy Morrison

Donna Hodgeman,

In Memory of Jim Morton

Lori Holt,

In Honor of all my education friends

Karen Hundgen

Kim Jones,

In Memory of Gordon Thomas Jones

Lynn Jones

Kathy Joyce

Sharon Kasica

Andrea Knupp

Kim Littrell

Brenda Macfadden

Fray Metcalfe

Judy Mincher

Ann Mueller,

In appreciation for the mentorship of

Debbie Faircloth

Anne Osborne,

In Memory of Marie B. Baker

Alice Pearce

Dianne Pusch

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Kitty Robison,

In Memory of Barry Frank

Barbara Sanders

Vanessa Skenes,

In Memory of Gerhard Heidfeld

Pam Smith

Cindy Stark

Vicki Steck,

In Honor of Andrea Knupp

Ronda Szymanski

Melissa Tankersley,

In Memory of Cathy Kennedy

Dorry Tooke

Frances Vinoski

Suzy Walker

Ann Warrick,

In Memory of Katharine Bales

Nancy Wells,

In Honor of Vera Leone Wells

B.J. Williams

Linda Wilson,

In Honor of Nancy Bogard, Andrea Knupp,

& Fray Metcalfe

Darlene Young

Money Given at September Luncheon &
October General Meeting

Many thanks for your participation and generous donations this year. This shows what we can accomplish when we work together for a great cause.

Frances Vinoski and Nancy Bogard



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FEBRUARY 2017 CALENDAR

- 1 **Executive Board Meeting**, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. Stearns Financial Services, Executive Board Room, 324 W. Wendover Ave, Suite 204, Greensboro, NC 27408
- 1 **Full Board Meeting**, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. (**BACH's LUNCH**) at Stearns Financial Services, General Board Room, 324 W. Wendover Ave, Suite 140, Greensboro, NC 27408
- 4 **Musicale Social: "An Elevated Evening"**, *A Tasting of Wine, Beer and Art*. Saturday, 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. at Roy and Vanessa Carroll's Center Pointe Ballroom. Co-Chairs: Gayle Koonce, Brenda Glenn, Brenda Frizzell, and Mitzie Weatherly
- 7 **Deadline** for submitting items for March Guild Horn.
- 8 **General Luncheon Meeting**, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. at Greensboro Country Club. Program: Maryhelen Mayfield will provide a brief history of the Greensboro Ballet, followed by a short performance by members of the Greensboro Ballet; Barbara Cone Award; election of 2017-2018 Guild officers. Chair, Dianne Pusch; Vice Chairs: April Parker, Peggy Lowe and Renay Pugh.
- 14 **Greensboro Symphony Pops**, Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. at Westover Church. "Dave Bennett" from the King of Swing to Rock and Roll! Spend Valentines Day with the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra and the multi-talented, Dave Bennett.
- 18 **Name That Tune: Casino Royale!** Greensboro Symphony's annual fundraiser, Saturday, 7:00 p.m. at Greensboro Country Club.
- 23 **Tanger Outlets Masterworks Concert**, Thursday, 8:00 p.m. at Dana Auditorium. "The One Tenor Concert" features Tenor Rene Barbera performing Arias and Songs by Rossini, Donizetti, Verdi, Puccini, Mascagni, Bizet and Tosti.
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