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Coming next year...

Musicale Sundays

An exciting new activity is in store for us next year! We're pleased to introduce the Guild to Musicale Sundays – an event for all Guild members, spouses and friends. These late afternoon Sunday gatherings will be held in the pavilion at Greensboro Country Club and will feature a short musical performance by a small GSO ensemble and time for socializing with friends. Ably chaired by **Brenda Glenn**, **Mitzie Weatherly** and **Gayle Koonce**, these new additions to our Guild events will give us an opportunity to get to know some of our musicians in a more casual atmosphere and to hear some great music in particular themes of jazz, swing and more! Please look for this fun, new offering in November and April and plan to join us for a wonderful afternoon of music, light hors d'oeuvres and great company!

It was a very good year

... and it poured sweet and clear—Frank Sinatra

The Guild's 50th Anniversary year ended with balloons, ribbons, birthday cake and President **Rebecca Schlosser** proudly presenting a \$51,500 check to Lisa Crawford, President of Greensboro Symphony Orchestra. But that's not all! Thanks to the dedication and hard work of many, including Vice President of Fund Raising **Sharon Kasica**, Sharon's fund raising Chairs and countless Guild members, who gave their time and talents to benefit music education, the total contribution came to \$82,000. This includes the following gifts:

GSO Education Programs, \$17,500

Elementary and Middle School Concerts, High School Partnership, Music at Midday, Preludes

GSYO Support, \$7,000

Production Assistant, Coaches Program, Needs Based Tuition, Scholarships, Conductor's Award

50th Anniversary Education Scholarships, \$5,000

An additional High School Partnership, two Additional GSYO Needs Based Tuitions, four 50th Anniversary Scholarships, a Libby Gabriel Scholarship

GSO Endowment, \$1000

Grand Total: \$82,000

Annual Education Campaign



Let's increase education impact & momentum

We all love being advocates for music education and appreciation, or we would not be members of the Guild. And, we put this love for music education into action every day, as we volunteer in the many and varied programs of the Guild. We are excited to have a new opportunity over the upcoming year to increase this emphasis on education and make an even greater difference in the lives of children and adults, through the new Annual Education Campaign.

Needs escalate

Rising costs and increased demand have created pressure on our ability to fund all the education needs identified by

the GSO. Through the recently announced Annual Education Campaign, we plan to raise the additional monies required to support these unmet education needs and increase programming for our student and adult populations. Funds will go to support a range of activities, including scholarships, tuition, summer music camp, private music lessons, the second high school partnership program, and other needs as they arise. Activities funded through the Annual Education Campaign will be selected by Guild leadership, with all monies raised going directly to meet those specified areas of need.

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Note from the President



Schlosser

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity and privilege of serving as your President this year. It has been an absolute pleasure and I thank everyone for their hard work and dedication during our 50th Anniversary year.

I extend a special thanks to my superb Executive Committee and Board of Directors.

The Fresh Market Wine Tasting was a tremendous success with 160 in attendance. Many thanks to Chairs **Brenda Glenn, Gayle Koonce and Mitzie Weatherly**.

The Elementary School Concerts were very exciting this year, featuring the Symphony Orchestra and "Cirque de la Symphonie". Special thanks to Chairs **Sandy Weston, Suzy Walker and Kathy Joyce** for the extensive planning in seating the 11,000 plus school children.

The General Meeting was held at my home on April 22nd with a special "thank you" theme paying tribute to the Guild's wonderful group of dedicated women.

The Strings & Swings Golf and Tennis Tournament on May 4th was most successful thanks to Golf Chairs: **Kathy and David Gleeson** and Tennis Chairs: **Sherri Hill and Olivia Gillespie**.

On Sunday, May 3rd, the Champions Dinner was absolutely delightful with the Honorary Chair, Jim Dodson, speaking and sharing golf stories. Thanks to Chairs **Kim and Mark Littrell** for designing such a special evening.

We gathered again for our last Guild Gents event "Backyard Barbecue Bash" at the home of **Brenda and Jack Glenn** on May 8th. Fun and fellowship were enjoyed by all as we listened to music played by the GSYO ensemble.

A special thanks to **Nancy Bogard and Dorry Tooke** for attending coaching sessions for the High School Partnership Programs at Northwest Guilford and Western Guilford. They were also present for the final GSYO Concert at Aycock.

The General Luncheon on May 20th was at Greensboro Country Club. The Golden Note Award was presented to **Fray Metcalfe**, we had the installation of new officers and a check was given to the GSO. Our program included flutists, Linda Cykert and Debra Reuter-Pivetta. Afterwards Hope and Honour An Carter, ages 8 and 9 played "I Believe" and "Happy Birthday" on their violins. The two little girls helped me blow out candles on our beautiful four-tiered Greensboro Symphony Birthday Cake.

What an appropriate way to end our year long celebration of 50 years supporting music education and appreciation within the community.

Warmest regards,

Rebecca Schlosser, 2014-2015 President



2015-2016 Officers installed at May 20th General Luncheon (left to right): VP Operations, Laura Green; VP Marketing, Ann Mueller; VP Fund Raising, Lori Holt; Past President, Rebecca Schlosser; President, Andrea Knupp; Treasurer, Cindy Stark; VP Education, Nancy Bogard; President-Elect, Sharon Kasica. Absent: Secretary, Brenda Macfadden.

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You can help

Starting with Guild membership renewal this spring, all members will have the opportunity to make a donation to this fund. Our goal is to have participation by all Guild members. There is no set contribution amount—please give as you feel moved to do so. Please know that no amount is too large or too small, as it will be the combined efforts of us all that will make this campaign successful. The Guild Membership Renewal Form has a special section where you may indicate your desired contribution and, if you desire, designate your donation as either an honorarium or memorial gift.

Please consider being a part of this exciting new campaign to increase the impact and momentum of our education programs. Together, we can make this a huge success. Contact **Frances Vinoski** fvinoski@triad.rr.com or **Kathie Amato** kmamato@duke.edu with any additional questions. Thank you for your participation!

GSYO Spring Concert gets glowing review

The Greensboro Youth Symphony Orchestra's Spring Concert opened with "Fanfare for the Common Man", composed by Aaron Copeland. This thrilling brass and percussion piece was executed with style. It was followed by "A Pilgrimage", a breathtaking composition by Scott Shea, winner of the 2014 young composers competition. Shea was present to receive well deserved accolades for his fabulous piece. Next Fall he will head to North Carolina School of the Arts to study composition.

Opus One, a lively, fun group of younger orchestra students, some whose feet barely touch the floor, performed next, led by Stephanie Ezerman. They played several selections including "Spring", by Vivaldi, which was very well done. Honour An and Hope Carter-Davis, who played at our May General luncheon, are part of this group.

An arrangement by James Mcleod, of the "Barber of Seville", was the chosen selection of the Camerata group, led by Wendy Rawls. The is a mostly mid-

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dle school, early high school age group. They did a super job on this well known piece, which is often heard as background in Bugs Bunny cartoons.

Karen Collins capably led the Youth Philharmonic, a mostly high school age group, in several selections. A favorite, "The Waltz from Coppelia", was beautifully performed just before intermission.

After intermission, both the Flute Ensemble and Honors Brass Ensemble performed. These are groups of older high school students. The Flute Ensemble was conducted by Linda Cykert, who also performed at our May luncheon.

And then the incredible gorgeous finale by the Youth Orchestra itself! Nate Beversluis conducted while playing "Rhapsody in Blue" on piano. It was absolutely exquisite!

Mark your calendars for next season's concerts: November 22, February 21 and May 22. They are free to Guild members and are a wonderful way to support these talented dedicated young people and their excellent teachers!

Schlosser awards scholarships

Following the phenomenal concert, President Rebecca Schlosser attended a GSYO banquet and presented the scholarships funded by the Guild, including our special 50th year scholarships. The 50th Anniversary Gala, Past President and Guild member donations funded four, \$500 scholarships for summer music camp/private instruction. The winners were: Kate Wenger (Horn); Henry Nachman (Cello); Katie Bracewell (Viola); and Thomas Benson (Oboe/English Horn).

Katherine Wyrick (Bass), Youth Philharmonic was awarded a \$550 scholarship for summer music festival/private lessons, in memory of Libby Gabriel.

Claire Hendrickson (trumpet) received the Jean Trimble Sullivan Scholarship (\$500) and will attend DePaul University next fall to pursue music performance.

Devin Porter (cello) won the Conductor's Award (\$400) and will attend University of Maryland, College Park, to major in cello performance.

Congratulations to all the talented winners!

Metcalf receives Golden Note Award

Fray Metcalfe was presented the 2015 Golden Note Award at the Guild's General Luncheon on May 20th. The award was established in 1979 to honor Guild members who have made an outstanding service contribution to the Guild and to the community. Frances Vinoski, who presented the award, read the following statement:

This year's recipient is the quiet force that just makes things happen and is optimistic and enthusiastic about always just getting the job done. She is forever the person that says yes to the great things this guild can do....and always supports our efforts.

She conveys the belief that one should always act with the conviction that you are indeed making a difference, because when you do, you are. Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence and determination. The attributes of knowledge, persistence, drive, courage, and optimism buoy her own spirits as much as those of others. The recipient stimulates and inspires others.

In 2003 when she joined the Guild, she worked on all the opportunities offered such as Super Sale, Homes Tour, Music in the Middle, Elementary School Concerts, and even baking.....until she found her niche.

In 2008, the recipient was elected to the position of Recording Secretary and has been writing for the Guild ever since. Starting in 2009, she became the editor of The Guild Horn newsletter. She's been editing the newsletter since then with one year as Assistant Editor. With her amazing organizational skills, we're all on track with getting our articles submitted in a timely manner. This year, she is not only The Guild Horn Editor, but also Vice President of Operations and Chair of Membership Development.

Her background in volunteerism and outstanding community service has produced a woman with a rare combination of qualities, which together produce results that were thought impossible! She has spent thousands of hours over decades volunteering at Moses Cone Hospital as President of the Volunteer Board, Lay Chaplain and Neuro Surgical Desk coordinator. She has designed and made fiber art wall hangings for the Chapels at Moses Cone and Wesley Long Hospitals.

Our Golden Note recipient also volunteers at West Market Street Methodist Church on their Art Team. She's also involved with Leadership Greensboro Seniors and coordinated a day-long seminar on the arts in Greensboro, for one of their classes.

Lastly, this remarkable woman is thoughtful, thorough and always willing to do what needs to be done to support the Greensboro Symphony Guild. She is one of our best and brightest! We are proud to present this year's Golden Note Award to Fray Metcalfe.



Fray and Jimmy Metcalfe

Bravo Award Nominations Open

The Nominations Committee is now accepting nominations for the Guild's Bravo Award. This award was established in 2004, the Bravo Award recognizes a member in good standing who has been in the Guild five years or less and has given extensive volunteer service. The award will be presented at our September 2015 luncheon at Greensboro Country Club. The deadline for submitting nominations for this award is June 1, 2015. You may make nominations by contacting Frances Vinoski (Nominations Chair) at fvinoski@triad.rr.com or call 286-2796.

Gift to the Guild—

An anonymous gift has been given in honor of **Peggy Hamilton** and the new website.



Greensboro Symphony Guild

Names Debutantes



The Greensboro Symphony Guild has announced the names of 24 young women who will make their debuts at the 38th annual Presentation Ball to be held December 28.

The Symphony Guild Presentation Ball honors young women, with connections to the Greensboro area, who have made significant contributions to the communities in which they live. Mrs. Patrick Eugene Glenn Wright, junior will serve as chair, and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton Milton will serve as honorary chair.

Guild sponsored activities include a Spring Mother's Wine and Cheese, Mother-Daughter Luncheon, Deb Informal, Marshals' Tuxedo Fitting Evening, Family Picnic, Fall Tea, Holiday Tea, and Waltz Evening. The debutantes and their families will also enjoy "A Night at the Symphony" on September 26.

This year's debutantes are:

ELLYN CARTER ADKINS, daughter of Nancee and Joe Adkins; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

MARGARET LACY APPLE, daughter of Wendy and Jon Apple; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

KARSON SHAW BANKHEAD, daughter of Kelly and Scott Bankhead; student at the University of Georgia

JESSICA LYNN BARKER, daughter of Jennifer and Troy Ball and Scott Barker; student at Appalachian State University

EMILY WALKER BOHRER, daughter of Carol and Jason Bohrer; student at Wofford College

MORGAN ELIZABETH BOWLING, daughter of Angela and Ken Bowling; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

CAROLINE MILLER BYERLY, daughter of Katharine and John Byerly; student at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte

SARAH MICHELLE DAHLINGHAUS, daughter of Ruthy and John Dahlinghaus; student at the University of Alabama

CHRISTINE MARIA DUDKIEWICZ, daughter of Julie and Duane Dudkiewicz; student at East Carolina University

CLAIRE IVEY ELLISON, daughter of Dale and Larry Stoehr and Steve Ellison; student at North Carolina State University

LAUREN HOPE FRONEBERGER, daughter of Amy and Stan Froneberger; student at the University of South Carolina

HALEY THOMSON HARRILL, daughter of Kelly and Kelly Harrill; student at Appalachian State University

SYDNEY MARIE HARRIS, daughter of Stacey and Jeff Harris; student at the College of Charleston

KATHRYN OLIVIA LEE, daughter of Allison and Kevin Lee; student at East Carolina University

SARAH LINDSAY LIEBKEMANN, daughter of Carmen and Walt Liebkemann; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

CHRISTINE CURTIS MCCLEMENT, daughter of Jodie and Jim McClement; student at Wofford College

ASHLEY ELIZABETH MCCURRY, daughter of Donna and Todd McCurry; student at Duke University

MOLLY CLAIRE PHARR, daughter of AnnaDell and Walt Pharr; student at Presbyterian College

ANNE MARIE REGEIS, daughter of Renee and Chris Regeis; student at North Carolina State University

ELIZABETH LEONORA REYNOLDS, daughter of Janet and Danny Priddy, junior; student at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro

MADISON ELIZABETH ROBBINS, daughter of Deborah and Council Robbins; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

CLAIRE ELIZABETH SIMONS, daughter of Suzanne and Al Simons; student at the University of North Carolina at Asheville

LAUREN MICHELLE SMIR, daughter of Kim and Bassam Smir; student at the University of Georgia

ALLISON ELIZABETH YATES, daughter of Brenda and Greg Yates; student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill





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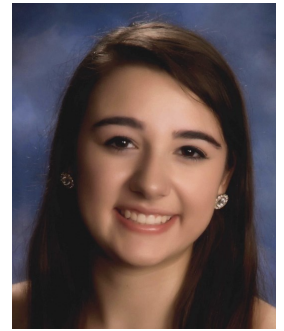
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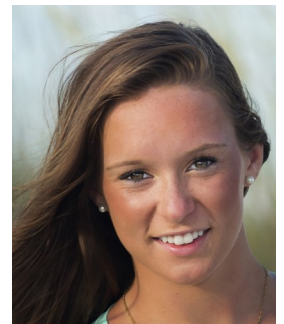
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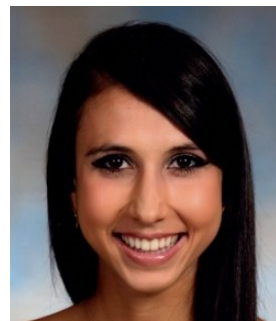
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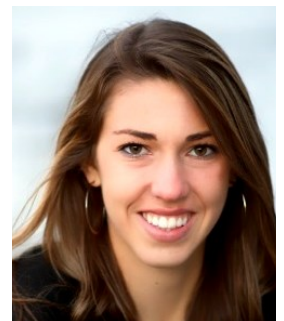
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Super Sale 2016—

Help make it happen!

Last year the Guild dug through boxes, bags and armfuls of some amazing clothes, whole sets of beautiful china and living rooms of furniture. The colorful history of people's lives unfolded at Bill Black's former showroom on Bessemer Avenue. Volunteers hung hand embroidered linens and arranged approximations of elegant dining rooms.

"I worked on the clothes; a Gap's worth of jeans, prom gowns and a well represented Chico's display," said **Nancy Beaver**, Super Sale Chair. "I snagged two barely used, recently dry cleaned Cashmere sweaters from Saks Fifth Avenue." You get the picture, you and your home refreshed at bargain prices.

This highly anticipated sale doesn't just happen. It takes lots of work - your work - but it's loads of fun. Lunch sometimes arrives, yummy snacks are served, and music is piped in as volunteers talk about each others' lives, children, ideas.

"Next April, 2016, we can ditto this and add new features and other surprises for the party," Nancy added. "We will need your much loved mini-skirts, barely worn winter coats and that Cuisinart that hasn't seen active duty for years. Oh, and we need you to bring fresh ideas, donate your treasures and work on creating the best pop-up department store in Greensboro."

Mark your calendars for April 23, 2016 — you will be needed! Contact **Nancy Beaver** at nancybeaver11@gmail.com or **Andrea Knupp** at aknupp5421@gmail.com for more information and to join the fun!

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BIG BAND, BOURBON & BLANDWOOD

October 10, 2015



Pre-Sale Host and Patron's Packages are now available for **Big Band, Bourbon & Blandwood** this October. Host Packages are \$240/Couple and \$120/Single. For one price, you get your event tickets, have exclusive "Host Status" on our invitation and program, enjoy one complimentary 3-shot bourbon tasting per person, and will be entered into our Host Bounty Raffle for three fantastic prizes open to Pre-Sale Package purchasers only!

Don't miss out—packages are available until July 30, but prices increase on July 1 so it pays to buy early! Details are available and packages may be purchased at www.gsoguild.org (convenience fee will apply) or mail a check to **Mitzie Weatherly**, 206 Wentworth Drive, Greensboro, NC 27408

Speakers Bureau offers Power Point program

The Guild's Community Relations Co-Chairs are pleased to announce the creation of a "Speaker's Bureau" Power Point production, available for presentation to community organizations.

If you have suggestions for presentation opportunities, please contact: **Josie Gibboney** (336) 272-2438 or **Andrea Alemanni** (336) 580-5447.



Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who joined the Guild team to expedite the seating of close to 13,000 third and fourth graders at the Cirque de la Symphonies concerts. The concerts were magical and the kids were captivated, enthralled and more than enthusiastic. It was a terrific event.

Kudos to the following for giving their time, smiles and support. We couldn't have done it without you...Andrea Alemanni, Libby Alsbaugh, Nancy Beaver, Nancy Bogard, Maureen Burns, Barbara Carter, Phyllis Citron, Kathy Gleeson, Laura Green, Sherry and Bob Harris, Donna Hodgman, Judy Jolly, Sharon Kasica, Jo and Jerry Kennedy, Andrea Knupp, Georgia Lineback, Kim Littrell, Brenda Macfadden, Fray Metcalfe, Suellen Milton, Mimi Morton, Ginny Nelson, Renay Pugh, Dianne Pusch, Rosemary Reed, Rebecca Schlosser, Kristie Smith, Cindy Stark, Dale Stoehr, Ronda Szymanski, Dorry Tooke, Burnadette Trinidad, Kay Trout, Julene Valitutto, Frances Vinoski, Judy Weiss and Nancy J. R. Wells.

—Kathy Joyce, Suzy Walker and Sandy Weston

Strings & Swings Golf & Tennis Classic Exceeds Expectations



The Strings and Swings Golf and Tennis Classic, the second major Guild fundraiser for the year, was officially kicked-off by "The Champions Dinner" on Sunday May 3rd at Starmount Forest Country Club with Jim Dodson as speaker and Honorary Chair. 51 sponsors, players, and Guild members attended the dinner. **Mark and Kim Littrell** planned this exceptional dinner and Mark was the Master of Ceremonies. Jim Dodson took guests back to the time of golf's finest era, with stories of Master's champions Sam Snead, Ben Hogan, and Byron Nelson. The evening also featured a performance by the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra string quartet as well as drawings for Jim Dodson's books and a variety of door prizes. The grand prize package of a \$50 gift certificate to B. Christopher's, four Pops concert tickets, and three hours of limo service was won by **Laura Green**!

On Monday, May 4th, 32 sponsors and players enjoyed a continental breakfast and played in the tennis round robin at the Starmount courts. Following the round robin, 52 tennis players and guild members enjoyed a luncheon and fashion show at the Starmount Club House. Drawings were held for numerous exciting door prizes. A raffle for an overnight stay at the O'Henry was won by **Linda Guard** and a designer tennis dress



donated by Katie Rossabi was won by Leigh Sudbrink. A good time was had by all!

The Golf Classic began at 12:15 on Monday with a golf clinic. The shotgun start followed at 1:00 with 48 golfers participating in the event. The awards reception concluded the event where prizes were given to all who played. **Peggy Hamilton** won the raffle for the Arnold Palmer signed driver!

Results are still being calculated, but a preliminary estimate is that \$15,000 in net proceeds (\$10,000 from golf and \$5,000 from tennis) was generated.

Thank you to all committee members who worked countless hours on this event:

Golf Committee:

David and **Kathleen Gleeson**, Mark and **Kim Littrell**, **Josie Gibboney** and George Beckerdite, Bob and **Sherry Harris**, **Jo Kennedy**, Bob and **Ann Kroupa**, Bob and **Susan Mackey**, **Carole Lineberry Moore**, David and **April Parker**, **Betsy Ridenhour**, **Leigh Ann Safrit**, **Lin Shropshire**, **Mary Ann Vinson**, **Debbie Faircloth**, **Peggy Hamilton**, **Pam Smith**.

Tennis Committee:

Sherri Hill, **Olivia Gillespie**, **Debbie Faircloth**, **Karen Jacobs**, **Kim Jones**, **Joanne Lahey**, **Brenda Macfadden**, **Pam Smith**, **Joan Stevenson**.



Music Matters!

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High School Partnership

PAST ✦ PRESENT ✦ FUTURE

In 2008, the Guild developed the new High School Partnership Program. Under the direction of **Connie Saul**, VP of Education, and Guild President, **Frances Vinoski**, the *News & Record* made a commitment to work with the Guild and Greensboro Symphony Orchestra to financially support the first school in this new program at a cost of \$2,000. The Guild has continued to budget and raise funds to support a new school each year. To date, we have been able to support 10 high schools in this program.

Extra gifts

As we celebrated our 50th year in 2014, the 50th Anniversary Gala created a Past President's package, which gave an opportunity to donate directly to the music education fund. Several Guild members also gave to this special fund allowing us to raise an additional \$5,050 for music education. This money was used to fund an additional High School Partnership Program, two additional needs based Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra tuitions, four new GSYO summer scholarships and one new GSYO scholarship in memory of Past President, Libby Gabriel.

Students learn from GSO musicians

The two schools selected for 2014-2015 by GSO Education Manager, Peter Zlotnick were Northwest Guilford High School; Rachel Watson, conductor and Western Guilford High School; Kiyoshi D. Carter, conductor. Five GSO musicians were chosen to work with these students. Each year, the program begins with in-school presentations, coaching sessions and discussions with

the musicians. The program culminates when the high school ensemble performs on stage prior to a Greensboro Symphony Masterworks concert. These students also had the privilege of having their GSO mentors play alongside them at their final concert. The high school musicians and their families are invited to stay for the Masterworks concert and hear their mentors perform.

Many thanks to these musicians; Scott Rawls (Viola), Wendy Rawls (Violin), Andrew Emmett (Violin), John Spuller (Bass) and Lee Richey (Cello). Their commitment and time to this program is gratefully acknowledged by the Guild.

Ultimate goal

We have worked to develop this program and are pleased to announce we will continue to support two schools each year in this program at a cost of \$2,000 per school. We have 16 high schools in Guilford County, so if we can ultimately support up to four schools, we could reach every high school orchestra student at least once during their four year high school experience.

The concerts given May 17 at Aycock Auditorium by these young high school students were a tremendous success and showed how their dedication and our commitment to mentor these young students pays off for everyone. To see their smiles and hear the applause at the end of the concert tells us we're doing a good thing with our commitment to this program. Congratulations to this year's participants for a job well done!

—Nancy Bogard
VP Education