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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING

Wed., April 12, 5:30-8:00

Host: Sharon Kasica

Program:

GSYO Honors Quartet

Hospitality Chairs:

Joan Stevenson, Rhonda Barrett



Save the Date

MAY 17

General Luncheon
Meeting

Greensboro Country Club

Save the Date

Faircloth, Hamilton, Littrell to Lead 2017 Symphony Presentation Ball



Faircloth

The Greensboro Symphony Guild has named Mrs. Alpheus Keith Faircloth (Deborah) to Chair the 40th annual Symphony Presentation Ball. Mrs. David Lee Hamilton (Peggy) has been chosen as the Honorary Chair, and the Master of Ceremonies will be Mr. Mark Leslie Littrell.

Deborah Goodson Faircloth

Deborah Goodson Faircloth grew up in Jacksonville, NC, where she graduated as valedictorian of White Oak High School. An honors student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, she received degrees in journalism and history and has enjoyed a career in corporate public relations, health care consulting, and freelance journalism for more than 30 years. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority.

Since moving to Greensboro in 1997, she has volunteered with a variety of organizations including the Guild of Family Service, the Junior League, the Sternberger, Kiser and Grimsley PTAs, the American Diabetes Association, the UNC Parents Council, the Ivy League Home and Garden Club, and Christ United Methodist Church. She joined the Greensboro Symphony Guild in 2005 and has served as Marketing Council Vice President and as Membership Chair. In 2009 she received the BRAVO award for service.

Debbie and husband Keith are the parents of Sarah (husband Travis), a former Symphony debutante, and Andrew (wife Sara). She enjoys reading, gardening, boating, Bible Study Fellowship, attending UNC sporting events and visiting national parks.

Peggy Moad Hamilton

A native of Kansas City, Missouri, Peggy Moad Hamilton received her education from the University of Missouri and worked as a French teacher and in the reinsurance business before moving to Greensboro with husband David.

Since joining the Greensboro Symphony Guild more than 30 years ago, Peggy has been a tireless volunteer, serving as Guild President, Chair of the Presentation Ball, and as an Executive Board member of the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra. She is a recipient of both the Golden Note and Barbara Cone awards for service and continues to work with the website and social media functions of the Guild. She has also served as Guardian ad Litem and has volunteered with the Leukemia Society.

Peggy's family includes daughter Sara, a former Symphony debutante, son-in-law Jeremy, and granddaughter Millie. An avid skier, she also enjoys gardening, family activities and traveling, with her most memorable trip being a safari in the African Serengeti.

Mark Leslie Littrell

A native of Pikeville, Kentucky, Mark Leslie Littrell graduated from Vanderbilt University, where he was a four-year member of the Commodore football team and participated in the 1982 Hall of Fame Bowl.



Hamilton



Littrell

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Note from the President



Sharon Kasica

Spring has sprung! It's hard to believe there are only two months remaining in our 2016-2017 year. In early March, our **Elementary School Concerts, An Outdoor Overture**, was a great success. Co-chairs **Lori Holt** and **Laura Wolf**, with the help of **Vanessa Skenes**, did an outstanding job utilizing Sign-up Genius to enlist volunteers for all five days. For the first time this year, we displayed the Guild Community Relations slideshow at all the concerts, which provided teachers and students a wealth of information about the Guild and the important work we do to support music education in our community.

On March 17th, Guild members and guests celebrated Saint Patrick's Day at **Let's Get Shamrocked!** Contemporary Co-chairs, **Ashley and John Nosek** and **Kim and John Riley** planned a super fun event with lots of "green" ambiance at the Greensboro History Museum. Members and guests enjoyed great beer provided by Pig Pounder Brewery and delicious food provided by the Traveled Farmer Restaurant. Attendees got into the Irish spirit with performances by Bagpipers, Walter Kasica and Tim Carpenter, the Welsh Kelley School of Irish dancers, and vocals by our very own Guild member, **Betsy Craft**. What a fun night! Last but not least, the raffle for the gorgeous David Yurman black onyx and diamond cuff bracelet was a huge success. Fink's Jewelers has been such a generous Corporate Sponsor this year, making three significant donations of jewelry to raise funds for music education.

Looking ahead, we still have some exciting and fun events for the remainder of the year. Please mark your calendars! On April 12th, the **General Membership Meeting** will be held at my home with a special performance by the talented **Greensboro Symphony Youth Honors Quartet**. On April 20th, the second **Guild Gals Simply Social**, hosted by **Kim Jones, Kathie Amato** and **Andrea Alemanni** will be held at Wine Styles, where members and their guests will enjoy a free wine tasting. On April 21st, the **Guild Guys Simply Social**, hosted by **John Nosek, Bill Richardson, Bob Jones**, and **Keith Faircloth**, will be held at the First National Bank Field, where members and their guests will enjoy socializing while watching a Greensboro Grasshoppers game and fireworks. Be sure to bring guests to our Simply Socials. Everyone is welcome to attend.

On May 4th, the third annual **Love & Music** tennis tournament, luncheon and fashion show will be held at Starmount Forest Country Club. Chair, **Sherri Hill** and Vice-Chair, **Brenda Macfadden** have planned an extra special event this year, which includes a raffle item. Gia's has donated a private cocktail dinner party in your home, valued at \$1,800. Event tickets and raffle tickets are available on our website or you may mail your check with a request for tickets to the Guild's P.O. Box. Last but not least, on May 17th, this year's final **General Membership Luncheon**, coordinated by Chair **Dianne Pusch** and Vice-Chairs, **Peggy Lowe, Renay Pugh** and **Linda Baker**, will be held at the Greensboro Country Club, with special guest speaker Garson Rice, Chairman of the Greensboro Symphony Board of Directors. All members should try to attend to show our support for Garson's leadership this year. We will honor our Golden Note Award winner and recognize the Guild's 2017-2018 President, **Linda Hiatt**, who I know has planned another spectacular year for the Greensboro Symphony Guild.

Warmest Regards,
Sharon Kasica

(Littrell cont. from page 1)

A realtor with Team Littrell Real Estate, an Allen Tate affiliate, Mark has enjoyed a distinguished business and civic career. He has worked for Sears, Roebuck and Co. Romac Financial Services, IntelliRisk Management Corp., and Afni, Inc. In 2008, he and wife Kimberly founded Source Receivables Management (Source RM). He is a past Board member for the NC Collectors Association and served the American Collectors Association as a Certified Instructor for three years. He has been recognized within this industry with his Fellows Degree from ACA International and is a former winner of the prestigious Kurt Swerskie Award for Leadership in the Collection Industry. Mark is a past president of Starmount Forest Country Club and a supporter and participant of the Guild Gents.

Mark's wife Kim is a past Symphony Guild President. Collectively, they have three daughters: Leslie Allyson (husband Adam), Sara Abigail, and Lindsey Elizabeth, as well as grandson Franklin. Both Allye and Lindsey were Symphony debutantes.

Debutante Season

The Debutante Season begins in April and culminates with the Symphony Presentation Ball, which will take place on Thursday, December 28 at the Imperial Ballroom of the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons.

During the season, the Debutantes are honored at a number of events hosted by the Presentation Ball Committee. These events include a Spring Luncheon, a Family Covered-Dish Picnic, and a Holiday Tea, as well as parties hosted by individual families.



Golden Note Award Nominations Now Open

The Nominations Committee is now accepting nominations for the Guild's Golden Note Award. This award is presented to a Guild member who has made an outstanding service contribution to the Guild and to the community. The award is not necessarily presented each year. If given, the award will be presented at the May luncheon.

For a list of previous winners, please consult the yearbook. Nominations may be submitted to Nominations Chair **Melissa Tankersley** prior to the April 1 deadline. You may contact Melissa by phone or email.

—GIFTS—

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Brown Summit, NC



Celebrate Spring

WITH LOCAL MUSIC EDUCATORS & ARTS LEADERS

Please join us for
Guild Gals Simply Social Wine Tasting
April 20, 5:30 p.m.
at Wine Styles at The Shops at Friendly
3326 West Friendly Ave., #141

This informal gathering is the perfect setting to mingle with friends, sharing delightful pairings of wines and hors d'oeuvres.

In addition, you will have the opportunity to speak with invited guests from our local arts education and arts leadership communities.

We hope to see you there!

Kim Jones, Kathie Amato, Andrea Alemanni



GUILD GUYS SIMPLY SOCIAL

Greensboro Grasshoppers vs. Augusta

Fanominal Fireworks, presented by Lincoln Financial

Hosted by: John Nosek, Keith Faircloth, Bob Jones and Bill Richardson

DATE: April 21, 2017

Time: 7pm

LOCATION: First National Bank Field, 408 Bellemeade St.

RESERVED: Premium Seats behind home plate

TICKETS: \$11.00



GSYO Performances Thrill the Audience

A fantastic Winter Concert was performed at Dana Auditorium on Sunday, March 12th by the three divisions of the Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra—the Youth Camerata, Youth Philharmonic and Youth Orchestra. A large audience enthusiastically applauded all groups and gave the Youth Orchestra a standing ovation with two curtain calls.

What does it take to produce this concert? For starters, dedicated leaders such as Nate Beversluis, Music Director; Peter Zlotnick, Education Manager; Colleen Chenail and Lee Ritchie, Youth Philharmonic Conductors; and Rachel Watson, Youth Camerata Conductor. All, with the exception of Rachel, are members of Greensboro Symphony Orchestra. Rachel is a high school teacher who recently participated in the Guild's high school mentorship program. In addition, ten instrument specific sectional rehearsal coaches were involved, along with three ensemble rehearsal conductors. Many of these very talented people are also members of the GSO. As well, there are three people on the production staff for the actual concerts.

The Guild is one of the proud sponsors for this wonderful program, and **Dorrie Tooke** is the Guild's GSYO Liaison.

Music at Midday

Music at Midday, an education program sponsored by Greensboro Symphony Orchestra, sends small ensembles out to perform at community venues. These concerts take place each Spring and include woodwind, brass, string and percussion groups. Audience members can enjoy the music, meet musicians and ask questions. Guild members and others are welcome to attend these concerts. Nearly a dozen venues were scheduled for the month of March 2017. There might still be time to catch a concert scheduled for the latter part of the month:

String	Mar. 23	10:45	Twin Lakes, 100 Wade Coble Dr., Burlington
String	Mar. 23	12:30	Moses Cone Hospital, Main Lobby, Northwood Street, Greensboro
Brass	Mar. 27	10:45	Heritage Greens, 801 Meadowood Street, Greensboro
Brass	Mar. 27	12:30	Adult Center for Enrichment, 2701 Henry St., Greensboro
Woodwind	Mar. 28	9:45	Wellspring, 4100 Wellspring Dr., Greensboro (<i>enter at main entrance and security guard will direct you to Health Care Entrance and Assisted Living Auditorium</i>)
Woodwind	Mar. 28	11:00	Abbotswood at Irving Park, 3504 Flint St., Greensboro
Percussion	Mar. 31	10:45	Friends Homes West, 6100 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro
Percussion	Mar. 31	12:30	Novant Health Kernersville, 1750 Kernersville Medical Pkwy., Kernersville

**You're Invited
to play in**



You are invited to play in Love 'n Music Tennis Tournament. Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 4th, and plan to play in the Guild Love 'n Music Tennis Classic at Starmount Forest Country Club. The event will begin at 8:30 with a continental breakfast, registration and warm-up. Doubles round robin play will be from 9:00 to 11:30 followed by a luncheon in the Starmount Clubhouse.

We'll have a fabulous raffle and auction items! The cost to play in the event is only \$50! If you are not a tennis player, plan to watch and attend the luncheon for \$30.

The luncheon will include shopping at our Grand Slam and Champion sponsor tables, numerous door prizes and a fashion show by Simply Meg's. Sponsorships are available for this event. Grand Slam Sponsors (\$500) receive sponsor table at luncheon, two spots in the tennis round robin and luncheon, signage at the event, and logo placement on all event marketing materials and on the Guild website, with a link to their company website. Champion Sponsors (\$250) receive sponsor table at the luncheon, one spot in the tennis round robin and luncheon, logo on all marketing materials and on the Guild website. Ace sponsors (\$50) receive logo placement in the program.

If you would like to be a sponsor or participate in the tennis event, please contact **Sherri Hill**. Spots are limited for the lunch and tennis round robin so sign up early!

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FORE-CHESTRA CAPTURES STUDENTS' ATTENTION



HATS OFF TO CONCERT VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you!

A heartfelt thank you to volunteers who helped staff FIVE days of Elementary School Concerts entitled **Fore-chestra**. As always, the program was excellent and each of you helped to make each day run smoothly.

There were 60 volunteers on board and many of them worked multiple days for our committee. Approximately 7,000 students in third and fourth grade from public and private schools across Guilford County were exposed to music relating to the weather and the outdoors including Tchaikovsky's Waltz of the Snowflakes. Hats off to all of the volunteers, and thank you for your wonderful support.

With gratitude,

Lori Holt & Laura Wolf



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Music Matters!

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APRIL 2017 CALENDAR

- 1** **Deadline** for submitting Golden Note Award nominations.
- 5** **Executive Board Meeting**, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. at Stearns Financial Services, Executive Board Room, 324 W. Wendover Ave, Suite 204, Greensboro, NC 27408
- 5** **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
- 6** **Tanger Outlets Masterworks Concert**, Thursday, 8:00 p.m. at Dana Auditorium. "German Giants" features Lucas Debargue on piano performing Schumann Overture, Scherzo & Finale, Piano Concerto No. 2 and Mendelssohn Symphony No. 5 "Reformation".
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- 7** **Deadline** for submitting items for May/June Guild Horn.
- 8** **Rice Toyota Sitkovetsky & Friends Chamber Concert**, Saturday, 8:00 p.m. at UNCG School of Music, Theatre and Dance Recital Hall. Fourth Prize Winner - 2015 Tchaikovsky Competition, Lucas Debargue on piano performing Mozart Sonata for violin & piano K.380 E flat Major and Tchaikovsky Piano Trio.
- 12** **General Membership Meeting**, Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Hosted by Sharon Kasica. Program: GSYO Honors Quartet. Hospitality Chair, Joan Stevenson; Vice Chair, Rhonda Barrett.
- 20** **Guild Gal's Simply Social**, Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Wine Styles, 3326 West Friendly Ave., #141. An informal gathering for a free wine tasting and socializing. Hosted by Kim Jones, Kathie Amato and Andrea Alemanni.
- 21** **Guild Guy's Simply Social**, Friday, 6:30 p.m., First National Bank Field-Greensboro Grasshoppers, 1211 Battleground Ave., for an informal gathering enjoying "Baseball and Beer".
- 29** **Greensboro Symphony Pops**, Saturday, 8:00 p.m., at Westover Church. "The Symphony Strikes Back." Take an epic journey to a galaxy far, far away as Nate Beversluis and the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra guide you through space and time.