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Moment in History

Tennis played a main role in the ticket campaign of 1979-80 when the theme was "Get into the Music Racquet". That year the Symphonettes were featured in their tennis outfits, singing appropriate songs to whip up enthusiasm for the ticket campaign. Anybody who sold a minimum of six season tickets was invited to a tennis exhibition and party, with a view of the countryside, at the former home of **Peggy and Phil Johnson**.

The first "serious" tennis fundraiser was held in May 1980. It was envisaged as strictly a "fun doubles tournament for the average player". The fun began with a "Get-Set" cocktail buffet on April 27th at Sally and Steve Millikin's. The finals were played at Peggy and Phil Johnson's on Brookhaven Mill Rd. on May 4th, 1980. Courtside refreshments and awards followed. The next year, 1981, the awards were accompanied by a fabulous covered-dish supper. The women of the Guild have always known how to have fun—even when competing!

Barbara Cone Award goes to Margaret Faison

Long time Guild member Margaret Faison was presented the prestigious Barbara Cone Award at the Guild's General Luncheon on February 25th, at Greensboro Country Club. The award was presented by Barbara Cone herself, the Guild's first president. It was established in 1984 to honor individuals for distinguished service in the advancement of music in the community and the promotion of the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra.

Faison beautifully exemplifies the award criteria. She has generously shared her knowledge, talents and time and has been a faithful and truly unique symphony supporter

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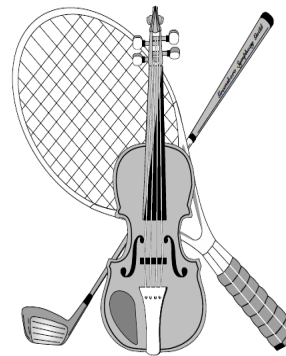


Margaret Faison and Barbara Cone

Preparations for golf & tennis event in full swing

Jim Dodson, our Honorary Chair, invites you to join us for the Strings & Swings Golf Classic on May 4th at historic Starmount Forest Country Club, site of the first GGO in 1938. Dodson is the 2011 winner of the prestigious Donald Ross Award, Editor and Publisher of Greensboro's O. Henry Magazine and a critically-acclaimed author.

This year's event will include a Champions Dinner on Sunday, May 3rd at the Starmount Clubhouse. The theme will focus around "the beginning of the modern golf era", with the arrival of Sam Snead, Ben Hogan, and Byron Nelson. Dodson will be the featured speaker. He will speak for about 30 minutes and then open the floor for Q&A. After dinner, he will have signed books that guests can purchase, or they may bring their own copies of his books to have signed by the author. The event is limited to sponsors and players, after which tickets will be opened to Guild members for purchase.



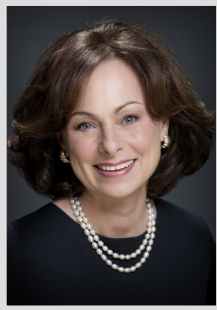
Strings & SWINGS

Kathy and David Gleeson, co-chairs of the golf event, are excited about the resumption of the golf tournament. "We are so happy to have Jim Dodson as our honorary chair for this great event." They have put together a couples golf committee that includes past GSO Board Presidents and Guild Presidents and are working to secure sponsorships.

Sponsorships for the golf tournament are available at the following levels; Snead (\$2900), Hogan (\$1900), Nelson (\$900). Individuals are invited to play at the Palmer Level (\$250). If you are interested in a sponsorship or would like to work on the tournament please contact Kathy Gleeson at 336-834-0055 or email her at loveyla52@yahoo.com. Where else can you have a great time swinging your clubs while making a real impact on music education?

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Note from the President



Schlosser

I am so proud of the Symphony Guild this year as we continue to promote music education and appreciation within our community through fundraising and our many exciting activities.

Mark your calendars to attend the Symphony Guild's first Fresh Market Wine Tasting event Thursday, March 5th, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., 3712 Lawndale Drive, chaired by **Brenda Glenn, Gayle Koonce and Mitzie Weatherly**.

Congratulations to the 2015 Barbara Cone Award winner, **Margaret Faison**, a long time Guild member since 1974 who has given many years of dedicated volunteer service. Also, we were thrilled to have **Barbara Cone** herself present this distinguished award that was established in her honor.

We look forward to the Classics Wine and Cheese event on Wednesday, March 18th, 5:00 p.m. at the home of **Ellen Taft**, 600 Waycross Drive.

The Elementary School Concerts are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, April 13th and 14th, 9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., at the Greensboro Coliseum, chaired by **Sandy Weston, Suzy Walker and Kathy Joyce**. This is a great opportunity to volunteer and be part of the wonderful school concert.

The exciting Strings & Swings Golf and Tennis Tournament will be May 4th at the historic Starmount Forest Country Club. Special thanks to Golf Chairs **Kathy and David Gleeson**; Tennis Chairs **Sherri Hill and Olivia Gillespie**. On Sunday, May 3rd the Champions Dinner will be in the Ballroom at Starmount Forest Country Club, chaired by **Kim and Mark Littrell**. We are excited to have James Dodson serving as Honorary Chair of the Strings & Swings Tournament.

You will not want to miss the upcoming Guild Gents Couples/Singles Social "Down Home Carolina BBQ" that has been rescheduled for Friday, May 8th, 6:30 p.m. at the home of **Brenda and Jack Glenn**, 102 East Greenway North. Come and enjoy a night of fun and fellowship.

Our next General Membership Meeting will be Wednesday evening, April 22nd, 5:30 p.m., at the home of **Ellen Kavanaugh**, 315 Meadowbrook Terrace, chaired by **Joan Stevenson and Rhonda Barrett**. We will be treated to a special performance by Abigail Bracewill, our 2014 Violin Concerto Scholarship winner.

I extend a sincere "thank you" to everyone for all of your extra work and dedication during this Guild year.

Warmest regards,
Rebecca Schlosser, President
Greensboro Symphony Guild

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in her years of commitment and dedication. The Greensboro Symphony and the city of Greensboro have been advanced and enriched by her efforts.

Here is Faison's story. In 1964, she was asked to join the Guild, but was working on her Masters degree at UNCG. Then, in 1972, she joined the Guild and

shortly after, became co-chair of membership. In 1975, she became General Manager of the GSO and remained in that position for eight years. During her tenure with the GSO, she initiated fund raising and received grants from local and national foundations. She and Maestro Peter Paul Fuchs, along with the leadership of Guild President, Judy Jolly, arranged the first

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You Are invited to play in the Strings & Swings Tennis Classic

Mark your calendars for Monday, May 4th, and plan to play in the Guild Strings and Swings 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. At the luncheon, there will be a fashion show featuring the latest in tennis apparel and tennis jewelry as well as a vendor fair, door prizes, and cash bar. The cost to play in the event is only \$50! If you are not a tennis player, plan to come watch and attend the luncheon for \$25.

Sponsorships are available for the tennis event. Grand Slam Sponsors (\$500) receive 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 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 on sponsor signage at the event and in the program.

To date, the Strings and Swings Tennis Committee is excited to report they have received commitments from the following for sponsorships:

Grand Slam Sponsors:

GIA

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Sherri Hill, Real Estate Broker

Champion Sponsors:

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If you would like to be a sponsor or participate in the tennis event, please contact **Sherri Hill** (336-209-8482 or snicholas2@triad.rr.com). Spots are limited for the tennis round robin, so sign up early!

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concerts for the orchestra into our schools! Additionally, her leadership led the orchestra from a “community orchestra” to that of a “metropolitan orchestra”; categories set by the American Symphony Orchestra League. Her involvement in The American Symphony Orchestra League further led to the founding of The Association of Symphony Orchestras of North Carolina, forerunner of SOVA, to which our Guild belongs. She was a founding member of SERMOM (Southeastern Regional and Metropolitan Orchestra Managers).

Her legacy of dedication and activities continued for the next 20 years. For example, she served as Chair of Playbill Advertising, Vice President of Operations, Chair of “The Malina Brothers Evening” fundraiser and Guild President in 1998-1999. From 2004 until 2010, she served as the Guild's Administrative Assistant and worked tirelessly as Board Secretary on the GSO Executive Committee. She was also an outstanding member of the GSO Board for many years.

In 2007, The Golden Note Award was given to Faison, along with her husband, Walter. And, she still continues to serve! For the past 2 ½ years, she has impacted the greater community by using her administrative and personal talents to help with the survival of Greensboro Opera Board and Opera Company, until it could once again produce a full scale grand opera performance, as it did in January 2015.

The Guild was honored to present the 2015 Barbara Cone Award to Margaret Faison for her 40-plus years of dedicated service to the Greensboro Symphony, the Greensboro Symphony Guild and its education programs, and the music and arts culture of the entire Greensboro community.

Guild Members:

If you know of someone who would appreciate a "thinking of you" card, be sure to contact Kim Jones.

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2015-2016 Officers Elected



Guild Officers for 2015-2016 were elected at the February 25th General Luncheon meeting at Greensboro Country Club. They are (left to right): Laura Green, VP Operations; Ann Mueller, VP Marketing; Cindy Stark, Treasurer; Nancy Bogard, VP Education; Brenda Macfadden, Secretary; Lori Holt, VP Fundraising; Sharon Kasica, President Elect; and Andrea Knupp, President.

Classics, save the date!

Classics Spring Wine & Cheese Social



Wednesday, March 18th

5:00 p.m.

at the home of

Ellen Taft

600 Waycross Drive

(Starmount/Hamilton Lakes area)

If you are 60ish (*more or less*) and a Guild member for at least 10 years, you can be a CLASSIC. Invitations for the party will follow soon. Please come!

Enjoy friendships and hear an update of Guild activities.

For more information, or if you do not receive an invitation and would like to come, contact **Judy Jolly** at 336-202-1508 or jollyjudy1@gmail.com

Golden Note Award Nominations to be accepted until April 1

The Nominations & Awards Committee is now accepting nominations for the Guild's Golden Note Award. This Award, established in 1979, is presented to those Guild members who have made an outstanding service contribution to the Guild and to the community. This award is not necessarily given every year, but if it is, it is presented at our May luncheon.

For a list of previous winners, please see your yearbook. Nominations may be submitted to Nominations Chair:

Frances Vinoski
fvinoski@triad.rr.com
or 336-286-2796.

The deadline for nominations is April 1.

Cirque du Soleil, a fun volunteer opportunity

Greensboro Symphony, Cirque du Soleil, and our elementary school children—*what could be more fun!*

This year's Elementary School Concerts on April 13 & 14 at Greensboro Coliseum promise to be the best ever. Join us for the adventure by volunteering your morning.

If you haven't already signed up, you may do so by contacting **Sandy Weston, Suzy Walker or Kathy Joyce**. This is going to be the experience of a lifetime!

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.

Guild Members:

Let's show our appreciation to our generous corporate sponsor

The Fresh Market

by attending the Wine Tasting Event on March 5th (see details below)

This event is a fundraiser

—All proceeds from ticket sales go to the Guild—



Please Join

**THE GREENSBORO
SYMPHONY GUILD**

and

THE FRESH MARKET

for a

WINE TASTING EVENT

with fabulous food

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

7:30 PM TO 9:30 PM

at

THE FRESH MARKET
3712 LAWNDAL DRIVE

Tickets: \$25 per person

RSVP by February 20, 2015 by paying online at www.gsoguild.org
or mail your check payable to Greensboro Symphony Guild to
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—Gifts—

The Guild gratefully
acknowledges the generous
support of members and friends

Joan Stevenson



Alice Pearce

In memory of Gretchen Wyatt



Gifts to the Guild help provide
educational programs for
students throughout the
Greater Greensboro area

Save the date!

Wednesday, April 22

General Membership Meeting
5:30 p.m. at home of
Ellen Kavanagh
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Friday, May 8

Guild Gents
Couples/Singles Social
"Down Home Carolina BBQ"
6:30 p.m. at home of
Brenda and Jack Glenn

Applications being accepted for Symphony Presentation Ball 2015

The selection committee is currently accepting and reviewing applications for the 2015 Debutante Ball. We anticipate Bid delivery to be Mid-March.

If you are interested in serving on one of the many committees to honor these families, please contact Deb Ball Chair, **Beverly Brown Wright**.

The purpose of the Symphony Presentation Ball is to recognize outstanding young women in the greater Greensboro area, and to make an annual contribution, honoring the Symphony Debutantes, to the Greensboro Symphony Guild in support of music education.

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MARCH CALENDAR

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Couples/Singles Social
hosted by
Fink's Jewelers
and First Citizens Bank
was postponed in
February due to weather

New date:

Tuesday, March 10th
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Fink's Jewelers at
1951 Battleground Ave.

Join us for a fun and
exciting evening!

Frances Vinoski, Chair

- 2** **Executive Board Meeting**, Monday, 11:30 a.m. at Lucky 32, 1421 Westover Terrace.
- 4** **Full Board Meeting**, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. at the home of **Linda Wilson**, 3303 Madison Avenue.
- 5** **Fresh Market Wine and Cheese**, Thursday, 8:00 p.m., 3712 Lawndale Drive, **Gayle Koonce, Brenda Glenn and Mitzie Weatherly**, Chairs.
- 7** **Deadline** for submitting items for April Guild Horn.
- 10** **Fink's Jewelers and First Citizens Bank Couples/Singles Social**, Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Fink's Jewelers, 1951 Battleground Avenue. **Frances Vinoski**, Chair.
- 18** **Classics Wine and Cheese**, Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. at the home of **Ellen Taft**, 600 Waycross Drive (Starmount, Hamilton Lakes area).

Coming next month: date and location of Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra's final concert, news of Super Sale 2016!