

SOMERSET AUXILIARY
of the
JOHNSTOWN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Somerset Auxiliary of the JSO met on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 4pm at the Pine Grill, Somerset. Those present were Belinda Baker, Michael Cascio, Leslie Custer, Mindy Forry, Robert Hanson, Sam Hanson, Annie Hayes, Gary Hofmaster, Ruth Hofmaster, Pat Hofscher, Daryl Jones, Louise Majesky, Janice McGreehan, Sue Menser, Kathy Picking, Beth Pile, Don Reed, Gay Reed and Eleanor Schrock. It was a pleasure to see the new faces in our membership!

Gay Reed thanked everyone for coming to this meeting. A sign-up sheet for the Sunshine Basket was circulated. Newly printed tickets to the Taste of the Laurel Highlands were distributed to members. A numbered list was made up of tickets given to each member to sell. Fliers for the fund-raiser will be forthcoming at the next meeting. Pat Hofscher offered to provide ad content to Johnstown Magazine. Ruth Hofmaster will do the same for Somerset Magazine and Laurel Arts Newsletter. Pat Hofscher will also obtain a license for us to have wine in gift baskets. Three restaurants have already agreed to participate and one is donating a gift certificate.

Gay Reed is in the process of updating the SAJSO Directory with names and information on new members. Additional member name tags also will be produced. Bob Hanson designed business/calling cards which are being printed for member use. Pat Hofscher reviewed the local musical backgrounds of the newest members and expressed her excitement over all these new connections with the JSO!

Bob Hanson, our new treasurer, spoke about the benefits of electronic banking and Pay Pal, which he is expertly administering for our auxiliary. Donations to the Auxiliary will be tax deductible electronically. The account signatories will be changed from Syd Bowersox and Jane Sotomayor to Bob Hanson and Gay Reed. Bob will set up a link to Pay Pal through which Auxiliary members can pay their dues and buy "Taste" tickets. Pay Pal does a full accounting on Auxiliary business that goes through it, issuing receipts and getting invoices. He concluded that Pay Pal provides good protection and is very convenient. Thank you Bob for your experience and hard work!

Our next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 12:30pm. The setting will be Crazy Alice's in Somerset in their downstairs banquet room.

Respectfully, Ruth Hofmaster, Recording Secretary