

SAJSO Minutes for May 2015

On May 13, 2015, the SAJSO held the monthly meeting at Oakwood Restaurant. Gay Reed opened the meeting. She reminded everyone that there were O'Shea chocolate bars for sale.

Members that attended: Beckie Bracken, Natalie Cornez, Becki Dickey, Sam Hanson, Pat Hofscher, Louise Majesky, Dennis McNair, Gay Reed, Eleanor Schrock, Jane Sotomayer, and Jeanne Wagle.

Guests that attended: Don Reed and Paul Cornez

There was no Treasurer's Report due to the absence of Syd.

Dennis reported on the progress of searching for a new conductor for the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra. The search has been narrowed to 5 or 6 persons from the 138 original, worldwide applicants. Three are already scheduled to conduct an individual concert. They will each send three programs that the Program Committee will chose from. The remaining candidates will be asked to schedule a date. It is important that the new conductor makes Johnstown his primary orchestra.

Maestro Jaray was designated Conductor Laureate and he will be the principal guest conductor for the orchestra. Maestro Jaray will continue to rehearse and conduct the Youth Orchestra for another year.

The next concert is the Fourth of July event.

The Mother's Day Concert was a huge success. There were 600 people in attendance and the Somerset Auxiliary collected \$133.00 from sales of candy, shirts, and mugs.

Everyone was reminded of the "Learn to Paint in Watercolors" being taught by Jeanne Wagle. The event is at the Laurel Arts Center in Somerset from 1PM to 4PM. There will be beverages and goodies.

More information will be coming on the meeting at The Georgian Inn where we will be discussing the upcoming June 7th celebration for Maestro Jaray.

Louise is working on the summer golf outing. More information to follow.

The "Taste of the Laurel Highlands" is scheduled for October 14, 2015. Green Gables will be the location of this fundraiser.

Yearly membership dues are currently being collected. The fee is \$20.00.

Submitted by: Sam Hanson