

SOMERSET AUXILIARY
Of the
JOHNSTOWN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

The Somerset Auxiliary of the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra (SAJSO) met on Thursday, **February 4, 2016** at 12:30 pm at **Kings and Queens Restaurant** in Stoystown. There were 21 present: Wanda Byrne (Gay's guest), Leslie Custer, Mindy Forry, Bob Hanson, Pat Hofscher, Rob Hudson, Monica Kozak (Johnstown Auxiliary Recording Secretary), Louise Majesky, Teresa Marafino, Janice McGreehan, Dennis McNair, Sue Menser, Monica Morrill, Kathy Picking, Beth Pile, Don Reed, Gay Reed, Sharyn Spinelli (Johnstown Auxiliary President), Jeanne Wagle, Bob Wagle, (Jeanne's guest) and Gratian Yatsevitch.

Gay Reed opened the meeting at 12:45 pm by introducing her guest Wanda Byrne. Gay asked everyone to introduce themselves by saying their name and where they live. A motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting as emailed was made and seconded. Gay told the group that Paul Cornez was very appreciative of the money we donated to the JSO in Natalie's name.

Treasurer Bob Hanson gave his monthly report. We have money in the Somerset Trust account. There is nothing in Paypal and no outstanding bills or receivables. \$61 was collected for candy bars thanks to the Reeds and the staff at Green Gables.

Beth Pile reported on the "Da Capo" committee meeting on January 14th at Eat 'n Park. There were 12 in attendance: Leslie Custer, Kathy Picking, Beth Pile, Mindy Forry, Gay Reed, Ruth Hofmaster, Gary Hofmaster, Louise Majesky, Sam Hanson, Bob Hanson, Teresa Marafino, and Eleanor Schrock. Ideas were discussed as replacement for "Da Capo". Two were deemed worthy of more investigation: "Hats and Handbags" or a walk at the mall. It was decided that because the SAJSO is doing a golf tournament in May, we should put our energies into that event now. The committee felt that the addition of a winter event would be best if we continue to do the Taste of the Laurel Highlands in the fall and the golf tournament in the spring. Beth will look into the possibility of the walk at the mall.

Pat Hofscher reported that the JSO staff is still unpacking and getting settled into their new offices at the Galleria mall. Gay, who had visited, reported that the new space was very nice. There is a glass sign in the window which used to be part of a glass door at Johnstown Bank & Trust, now First National Bank, where the JSO used to have its office (closet). Denis McNair added that there is a nice conference room now where the Board can meet. Zamias has been very good to the JSO and CTC donated a lot of the office cubical materials.

Teresa Marafino reminded everyone of her project for the Johnstown Auxiliary, calendar lottery tickets. She encouraged the members to sell them. If all are sold, the auxiliary will make \$3,000. There are 500 to sell and they can be sold until noon on March 1.

Rob Hudson, Executive Director of the JSO, encouraged the members to stop in at the Galleria office. He is working on a marquis sign. James Blachly will be here in March conducting the JSO. Members should come to the performance and bring a friend, perhaps someone who has not been before. He reported on progress being made on the golf tournament. It is scheduled for May 13 at Indian Lake Golf Club. He has received \$500 from 1st Team who will also provide a foursome for the tournament. There is no material to hand out yet for the golf tournament, it is still being put together. The website is up. 1st Team set it up, transferring everything from the old site. Word Press is the platform. Beth and Rob manage it now.

The Sunshine Basket was provided by Sam Hanson and was won by Sharyn Spinelli. \$19 was collected. Next month the basket will be provided by Teresa Marafino.

Gay encouraged the group to eat at restaurants that participated in the Taste of the Laurel Highlands (THL) and to let them know you appreciate that they were there. Dennis McNair said he went to the Darlington Inn for dinner and told the waitress that he had heard about them through the TLH. They were very excited.

The next meeting will be held on March 3rd at laurel Mountain Inn.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Submitted by

Beth Pile, Vice President (in the absence of Ruth Hofmaster, Recording Secretary)