March-April-May 2016



Seniors Presented at WSL Ball

Congratulations to all 52 senior JSL members who were presented at the 2016 Women's Symphony League Ball on March 4th! Their two years of service supporting WSL, ETSO and ETYO was rewarded in grand style thanks to our fabulous Ball chairmen Amy Lively and Kamala Scammahorn! Thank you to Meredith Roberts for planning the very special Senior Dinner at Willow Brook, to Jennifer Deen and Angie Russell for a fun JSL dance, and to Catherine Harrison for teaching our seniors and parents to waltz, bow and walk on stage. It was a magical week that our JSL members will never forget!

It has been my honor to serve as the JSL VP this year, and I have enjoyed the opportunity to work with so many wonderful and talented JSL students and their families. I wish you all the best and hope that wherever life takes you, you will remain committed to volunteerism and supporting the symphony!

Sincerely,

Cici Shelton JSL VP

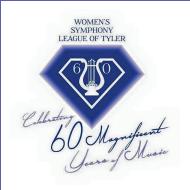












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Hello Ladies,

Spring has sprung and has ushered in more "moments to take our breath away." We began with "BLUE," featuring 52 JSL Seniors, delicious cuisine, gorgeous decorations, and fabulous dancing. Amy Lively, Kamala Scammahorn and their committee worked tirelessly to bring you an evening to remember!

Please support our wonderful East Texas Symphony Orchestra's season finale! On April 30th be prepared for an evening of powerful music with a full Chorus and our wonderful orchestra. The Chorus is made up of East Texas talent and many of our own Women Symphony League members. This is one you do not want to miss!

Join us for a special Spring Fling WSL gathering Thursday, April 19th at 4:30 p.m. in the beautiful home of **Beth Whitney** as we welcome new

members and recognize our faithful 25-year members!

Celebrate the end of our successful WSL year with a "Fresh Approach to the Classics" on Thursday, May 12th at Fresh by Brookshire's. Plan to meet your friends at this wine and cheese event being organized by **Diane Mezayek.**

Watch your mail for membership renewal instructions using our new website! Take this opportunity to select fun and meaningful placement to serve our community, meet and be with friends and help our mission to support and promote the growth of the East Texas Symphony Orchestra and music education in our community.

I want to close by thanking:

- Tammy Pollard, Laura Hyde, Rebecca Davis and Meredith Roberts for their gracious hospitality in opening their beautiful homes for our winter Full Board and General meetings.
- Leigh Ann Bugg, Janet Booth, Shannon Glenney and Jennifer Rippy our Bunko Night/Games Day Committee for two wonderfully successful events.
- **Amy Lively** and **Kamala Scammahorn** along with their diligent committee for a magical WSL Ball and for managing the many aspects of this huge fundraising project with such grace throughout the year.

And importantly, I want to thank YOU for being a part of the arts in our community and ensuring that Tyler is enriched with the sounds of a professional orchestra!

Much love to all,

Linda Rowe

WSL President 2015-2016

Endowment Corner

Endowment forms will be included in your membership renewal packets. *Your generosity is key* to helping the Women's Symphony League meet its fundraising goals. Please consider giving!

A FRESH Approach to the Classics Social/Mixer WSL Spring Fundraiser



Thursday May 12, 2016 6:00-8:00pm "FRESH" by Brookshire's \$45/person \$85/eouple

Wing & heavy hors d'oguvres Entertainment by UT Tyler Jazz Ensemble

Event fulfills a WSL meeting credit AND a fundraising credit
 Bring a guest

Reservations: Your check made out to WSL Spring Fundraiser is your reservation.

Mail to: Diang Mgzayck, 7750 Hollytreg Dr. Tyler, TX 75703

Diane Mezayek, Chairman mezayek@suddenlink.net 903 539.4755

2016-2017 PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS

President – Beth Whitney
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VP Fund Development – Catherine Harrison

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VP JSL Elect – Stephanie Nickel

Junior Coordinators – Lynda Evans and Belle Thomas

JSL Treasurer - Tina Pollard

VP Membership - Leigh Ann Bugg

VP Social – Jennifer Rippy

Ball Chairmen – Meredith Roberts and Laurie Ann Frank

Nominating – Linda Rowe

Endowment – Joyce Hudnall

Membership will vote on the proposed slate at the Spring Fling on April 19 (4:30-6:30 p.m.) at the Home of Beth Whitney

The Orchestra Moves School Concert





UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, April 19 from 4:30 – 6:30 pm	General Meeting (Spring Fling) @ the home of Beth Whitney, 2601 S Chilton
Friday, April 22	TASO Conference, Amarillo, Texas
Friday, April 29 from noon – 1 pm	Noon Notes: Raise Your Voices@ Broadway Square Mall
Saturday, April 30 at 7:30 pm	ETSO Concert: Raise Your Voices@ UT Cowan Center
Thursday, May 12 from 11:30 am – 1 pm	Joint Board Meeting @ the home of Jami Brumfield, 4419 Cascades Shoreline Drive
Thursday, May 12 from 6 – 8 pm	Fundraiser & General Meeting (A Fresh Approach to the Classics) @Fresh by Brookshire's
Thursday, June 9	League of American Orchestras (LAO) Conference, Baltimore, MD

"Music expresses that which cannot be said and on which it is impossible to be silent." -Victor Hugo

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER ADDITIONS AND CHANGES

PLEASE MAKE THESE ADDITIONS TO MEMBERSHIP IN YOUR HANDBOOK:

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Heather Zimmerman

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PLEASE MAKE THESE CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP IN YOUR HANDBOOK:

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JOIN US!

ETSO Season Finale April 30, 7:30 p.m.

The East Texas
Symphony Orchestra
2015/2016 season
comes to a rousing

close on April 30 at the UT Tyler Cowan Center. "Raise Your Voices" is an evening of choral music featuring performances of Brahms's German Requiem and Beethoven's Choral Fantasy for Piano and Chorus. This concert features local talent with guest soloists soprano Sooah Park (faculty member at UT Tyler) and baritone Scott LeGraff (faculty member at Stephen F. Austin State University). Plus you will enjoy The ETSO Chorus, directed by Jim Broussard. This auditioned group is made up of some 60+ local singers.

Also joining the ETSO for this concert is Patrick Pan, grand prize winner of the 2014 Juanita Miller Concerto Competition, sponsored by the Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras. Patrick will

be featured in the Beethoven Choral Fantasy.



Tickets for this concert start at just \$10 and may be purchased through the Cowan Center Box Office (903-566-7424) or online through www.ETSO.org.

LIBERTY HALL SEASON CONCLUDES WITH PIANO FESTIVAL

ETSO@Liberty Hall presentations conclude this season with the annual ETSO Piano Festival. This year the festival includes two evenings of concerts, as well as educational opportunities for students and teachers. Guest soloist for this year is Alex McDonald. The acclaimed Dallas-based pianist was a competitor in the 2013 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Friday night, April 1, the festival presents "Hometown Favorites". Alex will be joined by local musicians Rachel Smith, violin; Shane Almendarez, viola; Alex Blair, double bass; Sarah Roberts, saxophone; and Vicki Conway and Mary Tidwell, piano.

Saturday night, April 2, Alex McDonald is featured in a solo piano recital.

Performances are at 7:30 pm each night. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. Special VIP tickets are available for Saturday night for \$75. This includes a concert ticket and an exclusive post-concert reception with Alex McDonald. You may order tickets through the ETSO office (903-526-3876, ext. 4#) or online through ETSO.org.



Also, check out the full schedule of events at ETSO.org for more information on masterclasses and a special seminar on "Music and the Brain" that are part of the festival.

Honorary chair for the 2016 ETSO Piano Festival is June Shull.



COMING IN APRIL: Look for the announcement of the 2016/2017 ETSO Subscription Series. This is going to be an exciting season of concert that you will not want to miss. As a WSL member you will receive a season brochure in the mail. Or better yet, come to the concert on April 30 and order your season tickets while you are there.

As always, you can learn more about what the East Texas Symphony Orchestra is doing at www.ETSO.org, or like East Texas Symphony Orchestra on Facebook and follow us on Twitter (@ETSymphony).

TASO NEWS

The Texas Association for Symphony Orchestras Conference is being held in Amarillo, Texas from April 11-23rd. All interested members of the Women's Symphony League of Tyler are invited to participate in the Conference.

Outstanding projects from symphony leagues / guilds throughout the state of Texas will be presented by volunteers representing the organizations similar to the Women's Symphony League of Tyler. Sharing new ideas for ongoing projects as well as highlighting new concepts in supporting local symphony orchestras is the goal.

Two projects from Tyler, unique to the state of Texas, were selected for presentation. **Linda Rowe**, will be presenting "Annual Pictorial History" A New Approach to Scrapbooking". This is our beautiful scrapbooks that document our meetings and events. **Joi Smith**, will be presenting the "Annual Jazz Spectacular". The Annual Jazz concert at Liberty Hall has been well received by the community and we are honored it was selected as a winning project.

Others attending the TASO Conference will be Annette Findley, LaVerne Gollob and Laura Hyde.



Congratulations to the 19th Noted
Circle honoree, musician and
educator, Mr. Alex Blair, pictured
here with his wife, Toni.

EAST TEXAS YOUTH ORCHESTRA HOLDS CONCERT EVENT AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Do you want to know more about what's going on in WSL?

The Women's Symphony League of Tyler extends condolences to the family and friends of WSL charter member,

Lillie Belle Etter

Her passion for music was remarkable. Lillie Belle will be missed.

