

WEST VIRGINIA SYMPHONY LEAGUE
Fall General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2009
West Virginia Governor's Mansion, Charleston, WV
Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Shelia Neal, President, called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

She thanked Governor Joe Manchin, First Lady, Gayle Manchin for hosting the Fall General Meeting of the Symphony League, and expressed appreciation to Sheree' Kessler, Director of Operations and Events for the Governor's Mansion, the Hospitality Committee of the WVSL, and to Beth Norman for providing music during the social hour.

WVSO PRESIDENT'S/MAESTRO'S REPORT: David Gross

His remarks included Maestro, Grant Cooper's report.

. He announced the WVSL Staff, including changes: Marketing, Scott Dodson; Operations/Education, Betty King; Development, Penny Fioravante; Finance, Rebecca Gillespie; WVSO Chorus, David Castleberry, director and David Donathon, accompanist. He reviewed the Symphony schedule and announced the theme for Symphony Sunday as the "Wizard of Oz". David said that out of town musicians were being hosted in Charleston homes and invited participation by League members He commended the Symphony on their consistent artistic performances.

SECRETARY: Helen Epps

Minutes of the May General Meeting were distributed for review and correction..

TREASURER: Ruth Joseck

The net profit from memberships as of June 30, 2009 is \$103,909.46. The payment to the WVSO was\$100,000. The projected profit for 09-10 year is \$101,000: The pledge to the WVSO for 09-10 is \$75,000.

PRESIDENT-ELECT: JoEllen Zacks

Shelia Neal reported for JoEllen and thanked Barbara Warren for her extensive work on the new roster and to Mike Neal for printing the roster. The new roster's are available for pick-up.

PRESIDENT: Shelia Neal

Yolanda Tam will be chairwoman of the Nominating Committee. Guests were introduced including Natalie Tennant, WV Secretary of State and guests of attending members.

GOVERNOR, JOE MANCHIN welcomed League members and guests.

VP COMMUNITY SERVICE/PUBLIC RELATIONS; Madhu Chaturved

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT: Fall schedule: November 17-18

MEMBERSHIP: There was no report.

WEBMASTER: Barbara Warren announced the website for the League
www.wvsl.org/private.htm

SCORE: Jeanne Moore. SCORE will be published on website .

HOSPITALITY: League members were reminded that RSVPs are necessary

NETWORKING/MAILING: This committee has been combined.

VP FUND RAISING: Beth Bloch

Beth commended each chairman and committee members for their outstanding work.

MELONIOUS: Linda Jernigan. Encouraged the gifting of Melonious items to family/friends.

HOLLS CHOCOLATES: Sallie McClaugherty Chocolates sold at concerts are also made by :Linda's of Buchanon. The yearly profit is \$900.00-\$1,000.00. Area high school students have been used as sellers under the direction of a League member.

KROGER CARDS; Kelly George. New Kroger cards are available.

SYMPHONY GALA: Belle Manjong announced that the Gala would be held October 23, 2009 and will honor Dr. Dan Foster. A reception will be at the Governor's Mansion prior to the Gala at the Clay Center.

FASHION SHOW: Helen Lodge. The Fashion Show will be held at the Clay Center on Tuesday, November 10, 2009.

TEDDY BEAR TEA: Ilene Beckett. The Tea will be Sunday, December 6 . 2:00pm- 3:30pm at the Embassy Suites Hotel. Each ticket is \$25.00.

DANCING WITH THE STARS: Patti Carnemolla. The event is scheduled for April 23rd at the Embassy Suites. DVD's of 2009 event are available for \$15.00..

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Dee Rumbaugh. Dee announced that the tournament will be the end of April. She thanked Ann Vincent Urling and past workers for their help. Angel Moore Riggs will be assuming chairmanship of the committee.

SYMPHONY SUNDAY: Teresa Figueroa. This year's theme is 'Somewhere Over The Rainbow' Friday night's party is named "Wicked": Liz Stevens is chair-person for the children's events. Helen Lodge said that the Saturday night dinner theme will be "Under The Rainbow". Diana Amores is planning the menu. Sallie McClaugherty encouraged attendance at the Sunday Brunch which is scheduled between 11:00am an 1:00pm.

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE REPORTS;

AUCTIONS; Teresa Figueroa: Announced she would help coordinate any auctions by committees of the League.

CELLO ENDOWMENTS:: Helen Lodge. The goal of the endowment is \$100,000. Contributions are encouraged for special events, honoring family/friends.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD: Iris Riggs: No report.
HISTORIAN: Deborah Davis: Deborah asks for photos of League events.
PARLIMENTARIAN: Kelley George No report
PAST PRESIDENTS ADVISORY: Iris Riggs. No report
SIGNAGE: Melissa Marland League members will work with Scott Dodson
for marketing of events and publicity.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Barbara Warren asked for homes to host out of town musicians for the concerts.
Yolanda Tam proposed having 2-3 informal recitals a year in homes with local
talent or guests artists from the Symphony as a source for additional
revenue.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 12:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen Epps, Secretary