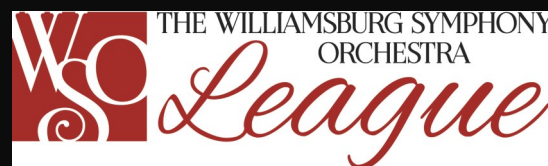


WSO LEAGUE HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING AND BRUNCH

The Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra League held its annual meeting and brunch on Sunday, June 12, 2022, at Two Rivers Country Club. Members convened to enjoy a delicious buffet brunch with an excellent view of the Chickahominy River. President Ken Mitchell opened the meeting and welcomed new members in attendance: Dan Dutcher and David and Claudia Frantz. Ken, who is finishing his fourth year as League president, provided an overview of the past year, tallying up the variety of ways the League provides support to the Williamsburg Symphony Orchestra. League members provided office support, served as ushers during concerts, provided transportation and flowers for guest artists, provided seat signage, and greeted patrons at the League table at all concerts. In addition, volunteers planned and organized the Gala and Encore Affairs events. *Volunteer hours typically exceed 3000 hours annually.* The League raised more than \$100,000 during FY 2021-2022 including an anonymous gift of \$50,000. Funds of \$80,000 have been contributed to the symphony this year.

Other highlights: The Encore Affairs committee did excellent work this year, planning four outstanding events despite the pandemic, and is making plans for several more events during the upcoming concert season. The Own Your Own Orchestra campaign is on track to set a record this year.



The League Newsletter is receiving rave reviews with each new issue. The annual Gala, after being postponed three times in a year and half, was held November 7, 2021, and raised over \$40,000. This year's Gala is fast approaching and will be held October 16, 2022, at Two Rivers Country Club. And, last but not least, League membership reached an all-time high with a record 202 members. Many thanks to all who contributed to the success of the League this year!

The nominating committee presented the slate of candidates for election to the Board. Debbie Monark and Eloise Branden were elected to second terms of three years, while Nancy T. Norton was elected to a first term of three years. The Board will elect officers at their next meeting.

Paul Try and Ken Mitchell were recognized for their long service to the Board. We thank them both for their dedication to the mission of the League in support of the symphony.

In recognition of their \$1,000 donation to the Own Your Own Orchestra campaign, a conductor's baton was presented to Wilma and Marc Sharp and will receive a personal meeting with new Music Director Michael Buttermann.

