



SYMPHONIC TONES

MARCH 2020

President: Sara Galiger

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Greetings Guild members,

Thank you for making our February meeting a successful one. Members provided a plethora of tasty morsels for the refreshment table, showed enthusiasm over our entertainment, and signed up to bring items and baskets for the Golden Baton's Silent Auction. You are truly appreciated for your generous support!

We are now in the planning stage for the Golden Baton. Susanna Bellafante, event chair, and her committee have been busy planning the various items that go into a successful event. With your assistance, we will accomplish honoring Bob and Marcy Shuck for their outstanding service to the Florida Orchestra.

Keep in mind that our next meeting will be the last regular one for the year. Among other items, we will be electing a new slate of officers for the coming year.

Once again, thank you for your continual support. It takes all of the Guild members working together to keep the music flowing.

Sara Galiger

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS

The following slate of officers for 2020-2021 will be presented for election at the March meeting:

President	Susanna Bellafante
President-elect to be announced	
1 st VP (Ways & Means)	Jan Green
2 nd VP (Membership)	Lois Ancona
3 rd VP (Volunteers)	Rosemary O'Connor
Recordg Secretary	Karen Winiecki
Corresp Secretary	Marci Jacobs
Treasurer	Cathy deHaan
Assistant Treasurer	Charlene Miller

Peggy Grom, Nominating Chair

INSTALLATION LUNCH will be Tuesday, April 28th at St. Petersburg Yacht Club. Peggy will be hosting. Put it on your calendar!

GOLDEN BATON

Tuesday, April 7 6-9pm



By now you will have received your invitation to this annual event. This year we are honoring Marcy and Bob Shuck for their outstanding service to the Florida Orchestra. The event will be held at the Renaissance Vinoy Sunset Ballroom on Snell Isle where there is plenty of parking! Please get your RSVP to Charlene Miller by March 31.

Our Chairman is **Susanna Bellafante**.

Silent Auction Items wanted:

WINE, GIFT CARDS, LOTTO TICKETS, OTHER--PLEASE BRING TO THE MARCH MEETING. ALSO, BRING FINISHED BASKETS, IF POSSIBLE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, TEXT OR PHONE ME AT 727-460-1038.

Sara Galiger

VALENTINE TEA PARTY

Tuesday, February 11 St. Petersburg Yacht Club

Thank you **Joan Jaicks** and her committee for a delightful afternoon tea party. The main speaker was Kay Leonard who gave a briefing about tea etiquette based on her career abroad. There was a display of custom designed Hats by Gigi XO. Many of the participants wore hats (though optional) to this festive event. There were many items on the Silent Auction table. Thanks to all who contributed (and purchased) baskets, etc.

Thank you, **Cathy deHaan** for storing the tea cups and saucers we use each year.

RAVE REVIEWS

We received many favorable comments on our Valentine Tea Party! It couldn't have happened without your support: Sponsors, Donors, Members, Guests, and Silent Auction contributors and participants. We had over 100 attendees, and an outstanding committee to help make it happen. Many thanks for all you do for the Florida Orchestra.

Joan Jaicks, Event Chairman

NEW MEMBER:

Jane Holloway

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WAYS AND MEANS

Please remember to bring jewelry, scarves, and small purses for the Boutique Table.

Please call 727-866-1938 for more information.

Thanks, **Jan Green**

NAME TAGS: If you would like an FOG name tag please contact **Diane Ward** 727-803-6949

PALADIUM CHAMBER PLAYERS under the leadership of FO Concertmaster, Jeffrey Multer present monthly concerts at the Palladium. This program is in its 8th year and continues to increase in popularity as people realize the quality of this excellent series featuring outstanding artists. The following concerts are scheduled:

All concerts are at the Palladium at 7:30pm

Wed Mar 25 – Piano Quartet

Wed Apr 15 - Great String Sextets

MAHAFFEY GUILD TABLE:

To volunteer at any of these concerts, please contact:

Masterwrks(matinee):**Judy Whitney** 727-744-2480

Pops Concert: **Sara Galiger** 727-460-1038

Coffee Concerts: **Cathy deHaan** 727-397-4985

BACKSTAGE: The following dates in February are still open: Sat. Feb 8 (Pops) 1pm, Sat. Feb. 22 (Masterworks)7pm and Sun. Feb. 23 1pm

At the February 17th meeting we enjoyed the presentation by Jeffrey Stephenson with his English Horn. He also plays oboe in the FO.

MEETING, MONDAY, MARCH 16 at Palladium

We will elect officers for the coming year and have a presentation by **DEREK MOSLOFF, PRINCIPAL VIOLA** who joined TFO January 2017.

Originally from: Northwest corner of Minnesota

Previous experience: Most recently a viola fellow at New World Symphony in Miami Beach, he was principal viola with the New England Conservatory Chamber Orchestra and Orchestra of Indian Hill in Massachusetts. He has performed with the Discovery Ensemble in Boston, Atlantic Symphony in Massachusetts and Lincoln Symphony Orchestra. He has been a music fellow at the Tanglewood Music Festival in

Massachusetts and festival violist for the Chelsea Music Festival in New York City.

Education: He received his master’s in viola performance from the New England Conservatory and bachelor’s in viola performance from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Why did you choose to play viola?

I started playing the viola at age 11 in the public school orchestra in my hometown. I actually didn’t have any interest in music up to that point, and ended up joining on a whim. Some friends had joined the orchestra, and they were all really excited about a trip to Minneapolis. Since I didn’t want to be left out, I decided to join in 5th grade. I didn’t know anything about string instruments, and I actually showed up and asked what instrument they would like me to play! They said viola would be a good choice, since the group needed more viola players.

What’s a musical experience that has changed your life?

I became excited about classical music when I finally had my first dedicated private teacher. I began studying with Jonah Sirota of the Chiara String Quartet only two years after I had started in the school system. The Chiara Quartet had come to Grand Forks, North Dakota, (near my hometown) to do a rural residency. Studying with him and seeing what was possible with the viola was incredibly inspiring. I remember one instance, when he played a little of the Bach Chaconne on the viola. I was awestruck at how one string instrument could produce multiple voices at the same time, each part singing its own individual line. Hearing that has stuck with me to this day.

What do you enjoy in your free time?

I enjoy reading, playing keyboard Bach, and taking long walks with my wife and our American Eskimo Dog, Sochi.

What excites you about The Florida Orchestra?

I am so excited to work with such wonderful colleagues, who play at such a high level and have been so friendly and welcoming to me. I’m also very excited to work with Music Director Michael Francis. I enjoyed working with him at the New World Symphony and learned a lot. I’m excited about how much TFO does to reach out to the broader Tampa Bay community and the state of Florida. And I’m excited to get up each day and play some of the best music ever written as my career. I couldn’t ask for more than that.

<p align="center">DATES TO REMEMBER Meetings and Events</p> <p align="center">Monday, March 16 – Palladium Board Meeting: 9:30 am Refreshments: 10:30 am General Meeting 10:45 am</p> <p align="center">Tuesday, April 7 Golden Baton 6-9pm Sunset Ballroom – Snell Isle Tues. April 28 – Annual Meeting & Installation Lunch SPYC</p> <p>Upcoming Concerts at Mahaffey/ St. Petersburg Enjoy and be informed with pre-concert talks 1 hour before each concert.</p> <p align="center">Sat, Mar 7 8pm (Masterworks)Rachmaninoff’ Piano Concerto #3</p> <p>Sun, Mar 22 2pm (Masterworks) Bach’s St. John Passion</p> <p>Thur, Mar 26 11am (Coffee) Bright Side of Beethoven</p> <p>Sat, Mar 28 8pm (Pops) Broadway: Sondheim & Lloyd Webber</p> <p>Sat, April 4 8pm (Masterworks) Vivaldi’s Four Seasons</p>
