

President's Welcome

I hope those of you who have braved the northeast this winter have enjoyed the unexpected warmer weather, and welcome back to our snowbirds.



Vanguard has had an exciting year thus far. With your generous support, our committee with assistance from Barry Richman, an ASO board member, planned and carried out a major event to help raise money for our symphony. Evening in Vienna was an amazing night of Viennese music with dancers on stage and a reception at the Art Center. We have had so many positive comments from those who attended, and it was truly a night enjoyed by all. *A special thank you to the committee: Judy Ciccio, Kathy DeWeese, Marilyn Hunter, Barry Richman, Mary Rodriguez, Reese Satin, and Julia Smart.*

We have three more events to look forward to. Hope to see you there.

Maureen Geis

The **Fundraising Committee** has three upcoming events planned.

On May 7th we will host a **Spring Luncheon and Fashion Show** at the Albany Country Club. *Chicos/Stuyvesant Plaza* will provide a look at the newest Spring fashions and trends. The committee will be looking for folks to model. The luncheon is always a fun time and a great way to celebrate the arrival of bright skies and warmer weather. Mark your calendars and plan to attend! Please register on the website, vanguard-aso.org. Members may send checks, payable to Vanguard-ASO, along with their selected luncheon entree, to Kathy DeWeese, 524 Old Best Road, West Sand Lake, NY 12196. The invitation will have specifics. We look forward to seeing you there!



Sparkle and Shine will return on July 17th at *Glennpeter Jewelers*, Albany. There will be silent auction items to consider while enjoying friends, light fare and wine. There is no cost for admission or food. All proceeds from the bar go directly to Vanguard. A terrific way to spend a soft summer evening!

The **Fall Jazz Brunch** at *June Farms* will be returning on October 19th.



More information on all three events will be forthcoming. There are many enjoyable ways to support Vanguard and the Albany Symphony. Thanks to all who make these events successful!

Kathy Deweese Julia Smart



Quilt Project

Our anniversary quilt is still at the conservator's. She had a couple of very intricate pieces which have taken a great deal more time than she had thought. In an email conversation on Feb. 11, Gwen assured me that she would begin work shortly. We are still looking for a permanent home to display it and welcome any ideas you might have.

Judy Ciccio





Save the Date for the Annual Mtg

Thursday June 26, 2025

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