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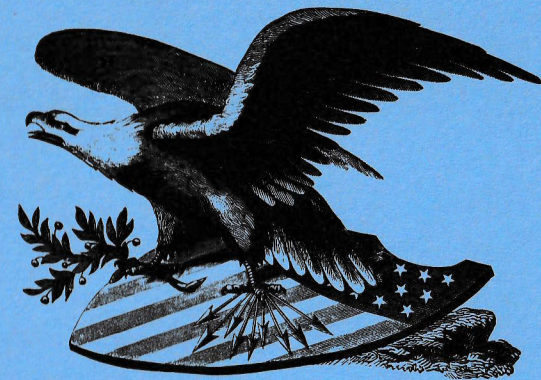
The Compton Heights Concert Band

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor

24th Annual *Memorial Day Tribute Concert*

Featuring
Robert Ellison, Baritone

Special Guests:
The Spirit of St. Louis Barbershop Chorus, James Raspberry, Music Director



COMPTON HEIGHTS
CONCERT BAND
OF SAINT LOUIS

Tower Grove Park
Monday, May 28, 2001
3:00 PM

The Compton Heights Concert Band

Highlights:

- 1976 Band Formed in living room in Compton Heights neighborhood
- 1977 First Concert in Tower Grove Park
- 1979 First Holiday Pops Concert
- 1980 *TuneFul Tuesdays* now *Musical Mondays* summer concert series in Tower Grove Park
- 1983 VP Fair-audience of 1 million, band bus ends in river!
- 1984 Band charity bingo begins
- 1986 *Sunday Serenades* concert series in Francis Park begins
- 1988 Band hosts Association of Concert Bands Convention
- 1989 First Tour to St. Joseph and Omaha
- 1992 First indoor series - Band on Grand
- 1992 First Missouri Arts Council tour - Hermann, MO
- 1998 First Powell Symphony Hall Concert
- 2000 "Sunrise Serenades" TV Show Begins -- Saturdays at 5:30 AM, KMOV, Channel 4, CBS

The driving force behind the Compton Heights Concert Band is a preservationist philosophy determined to promote the American Concert Band, the unique American art form created by Patrick Gilmore in the 1860's and perfected by John Philip Sousa at the turn of the last century, and to play the fine concert band literature of yesteryear. As with jazz, another unique American art form, concert bands and concert band literature are undergoing a resurgence in America as we embark on a new millennium. Sousa's concerts were dubbed "the world's greatest pops concerts". In this tradition, a Compton Heights Concert Band concert features programming appealing to all ages and musical tastes; "something for everyone".

From its modest beginning in the Compton Heights neighborhood livingroom of band organizer, President and Executive Director, **Harry F. Swanger**, in 1976, the Band quickly became a metropolitan St. Louis area tradition, attracting over 50,000 listeners annually to its famed dual summer series, *Sunday Serenades* in Francis Park and *Musical Mondays* in Tower Grove Park. In addition, the Band performs at annual holiday concerts and metro area events such as the Old Courthouse. Featured artists include: Hugh Smith, tenor; Arturo Sandoval, jazz/classical trumpet wizard; Sukay, "Music of the Andes"; Alex Klein, Chicago Symphony's principal oboist; BNFL Brass Band; Jerry Robinson & Sax-O-Peel, The Lennon Brothers; William Warfield, Baritone; Debbye Turner, marimba; Ricardo Morales, Metropolitan Opera principal clarinet; Nuclear Whales Saxophone Orchestra; Myron Floren, accordion; Stephanie Williams; Jean Kittrell & The St. Louis Rivermen, Keith Brion, Sousa portrayer; The Legend Singers; The St. Louis County Community Chorus; and our own vocal duo of Robert Ellison and Beverly Stewart-Anderson.

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor, is the orchestra and opera conductor at the University of Missouri, Columbia, and conducts the Alton Symphony Orchestra, Alton, Ill. Appointed conductor of the Compton Heights Concert Band in September, 1998, he is also an accomplished oboe and English Horn player. The announcer is Lucy Schroeder, wife of band vice-president and tubist Jon Schroeder. Lucy injects a lively sense of humor and aids the audience appreciation of the music.

In addition to weekly Band rehearsals, members devote thousands of volunteer hours at its charity bingo at the Band operated bingo hall, Bandwagon Hall, 6245 Lemay Ferry Road, 845-1877. The Band is also supported by Catherine Manley Gaylord Foundation, Clifford Willard Gaylord Foundation, Commerce Bank, Missouri Arts Council, Regional Arts Commission, Southwest Bank, St. Louis Philanthropic Organization, St. Louis Parks & Recreation Department, and The Whitaker Foundation.

To make a tax-deductible donation mail to Compton Heights Band, 2335 So. Grand, St. Louis, Mo. 63104 or call (314) 776-2227. Web site: www.chband.org

Calling All Hugh Smith, Tenor Fans!

Join our fun group tour to Detroit, Toronto & Niagra Falls!

The Compton Heights Band is planning an **exciting** group tour to Detroit, Toronto & Niagra Falls for the opening night performance of Detroit Opera's production of *Carmen*, featuring Hugh Smith, tenor on Saturday, October 13, 2001. (Approximate travel dates October 12 through October 18, 2001.) Groups went to Paris, Amsterdam & Hamburg previously for Hugh Smith opening night performances! These fun-filled tours have delighted many tour goers each year! If you are interested in joining, call the Band office at (314) 776-2227 or contact us at the Band office, 2335 So. Grand, St. Louis, Missouri, 63104. Please let us know if you are interested! Ole!

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The Band's concession crew will be happy to serve you!

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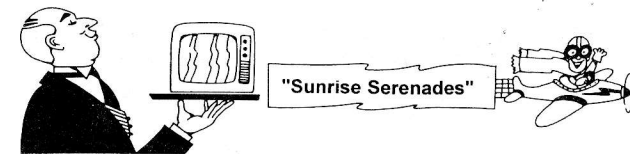
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"TV or not TV", that is the Question!
And the **Compton Heights Concert Band** has chosen TV!



Tune in for the Compton Heights Concert Band's new, fun-filled half-hour television production, **Sunrise Serenades**, on Channel 4 KMOV (CBS) on **Saturday at 5:30 AM**. Yep, that's AM, as in early morning!

The first several **Sunrise Serenades** shows highlighted excerpts from the July 24 and 25 performances of *Sunday Serenades* at Francis Park and *Musical Mondays* at Tower Grove Park. Some shows have featured Hugh Smith at the Band's 1998, 1999 and 2000 Holiday Pops Concerts at Powell Symphony Hall. The *Porgy & Bess* in-concert performance has also been featured, as well as, the Band's Old Courthouse holiday concerts.

The host for the show is the Band's founder and Executive Director, Harry Swanger; occasional cameo appearances are made by the Band's Maestro, Edward Dolbashian, and special guests. In addition to the fine music from this Summer's concerts, **Sunrise Serenades** includes appearances by Moosic, the Band's new mascot, and a short segment from "Kitty's Kitchen". Kitty Swanger features recipes from the Band's cookbook, "Cooking to Beat the Band" (available for purchase at our promotional products table).

If you're usually in bed at 5:30 AM, tape it and call us at 776-2227 to let us know what you thought of the show. If you really like the show, call Channel 4 at 621-4444 and let them know just how much you enjoyed it!

We are also interested in sponsors for our show which regularly reaches 22,000 homes and 55,000 viewers. Call the band office!

Sunrise Serenades

Channel 4 KMOV (CBS)

Saturdays at 5:30 AM

The Compton Heights Concert Band Memorial Day Concert

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor
Lucy Schroeder, Announcer
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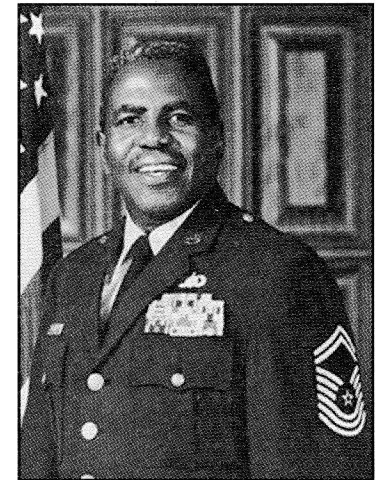
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Program

Washington Post	John Philip Sousa
March On March On America	Monico/Hoover
American Salute	Morton Gould
The Ballad of the Green Berets God Bless the USA Robert Ellison, Baritone	Barry Sadler and Robin Moore Greenwood, Arr. By Holmes
This Land Is Your Land	Woody Guthrie
In the Good Old Summertime/Sweet Adeline America The Beautiful / This Is My Country	The Spirit of St. Louis Barbershop Chorus
Colonel Bogey	Kenneth J. Alford
Chimes of Liberty	Edwin Franko Goldman
Intermission	
U.S. Field Artillery	John Philip Sousa
Over There	Arr. By M.L. Lake
Battle Hymn of the Republic God Bless America Robert Ellison, Baritone	Peter J. Wilhousky Irving Berlin
Eternal Father Strong To Save	Claude T. Smith
Yankee Doodle Dandy/Grand Old Flag He's Got The Whole World In His Hands	The Spirit of St. Louis Barbershop Chorus
The Homefront	Arr. James Christensen
Armed Forces Salute	Arr. By Bob Lowden

Backstage Bio

Robert Ellison, baritone vocalist, has thrilled audiences worldwide. Retired from the USAF, he resides in O'Fallon, Illinois. In addition to many appearances with the Compton Heights Concert Band, including last year's production of *Porgy & Bess*, Ellison has performed as a guest soloist with the St. Louis and Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestras and has sung in productions of *Showboat*, *Two Gentleman of Verona*, and *Godspell*.



Robert Ellison, Baritone

Bob is a perennial favorite of Compton

The Compton Heights Concert Band's Sunday Serenades & Musical Mondays

Sundays in Francis Park - 7:30 PM
Mondays in Tower Grove Park - 7:30 PM

Dates:	Featured Guest Artist(s):
June 24/25	Butch Wax & The Hollywoods Free Blue Bunny Ice Cream!
July 1/2	Robert Ellison, <i>Overture 1812</i> with Cannons St. Louis Hills Chorus, guests
July 8/9	Sukay, Music of the Andes
July 15/16	Disney Night! James Christensen, Conductor Julie Kavanaugh, Vocal Soloist
July 22/23	Larry Ludwig, Sitar & George Grant, Tabla
July 29/30	Hugh Smith, Tenor

All concerts are Free!

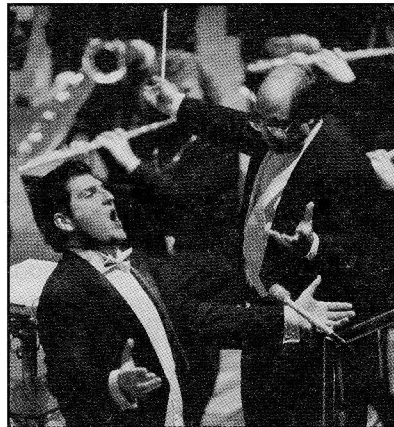
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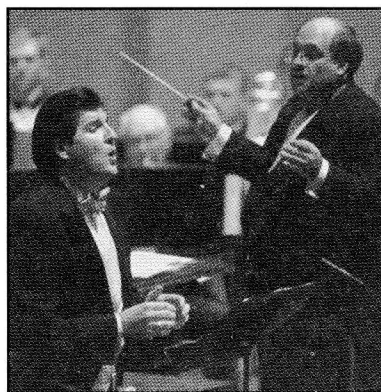


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Thank you,
Harry F. Swanger, Executive Director



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Flute

Catherine Green
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Jaci Lett
Carol Marsh
Kristen Marsh
Elizabeth Watt

Flute/Piccolo

Carol Marsh

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Harry Swanger

Oboe

Diane Lieser
Leigh O'Mara

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John Kennedy
Bryan Kirchoff
Shawn Mullen
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Catherine Reitz
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David Thompson

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Morgan Clough

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Brad Long

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Kevin O'Connor

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Lisa Blackmore
Mark Blackmore
Ryan Bolinger
Paul Florek
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Robert Souza

George Stroud
Ken Tiefenbrunn
Mary Weber
French Horn
Jennifer Blankenship
Paul Thomas
Brian Werner

Euphonium

Ryan Ross
Greg Wieland

Trombone

Lindsay Barth
Tim Powers
Ed Redmond
Steve Stenzhorn
Rick Wallace

Percussion

Jennifer Watt
Wm. Shane Williams

Tuba

Thomas Klug
Jon Schroeder

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor

Edward Dolbashian was appointed Music Director & Conductor of the Compton Heights Concert Band in September 1998. He is also Music Director of the Missouri University Philharmonic in Columbia, Missouri, a post he has held since 1984, and Music Director of the Alton Symphony Orchestra, in Alton, Illinois, to which he was appointed in 1993. Mr. Dolbashian began his musical training as a student at New York's famed High School of the Performing Arts. Upon graduation, Mr. Dolbashian entered the Hartt College of Music, in Hartford Connecticut, where he earned his degrees in oboe performance.



Mr. Dolbashian's conducting career began when he accepted the directorship of the Holyoke Symphony Orchestra in Holyoke, Massachusetts. His orchestral conducting studies took him to the prestigious Pierre Monteaux School of Orchestra Conducting in Maine, studying under Charles Bruck; and to Yale University, where he served as student conducting assistant to Otto Werner-Mueller en route to earning a Master of Musical Arts degree in Orchestral Conducting. Further studies took place at the Tanglewood Institute, with Leonard Bernstein, Seiji Ozawa, Andre Previn, and Gustav Meier, and the Boris Goldovsky Opera Conducting Seminar.

Before coming to Missouri, Mr. Dolbashian was a member of the Hartford Symphony for 11 years and was principal oboe of the Hartford Chamber Orchestra, the Goldovsky Opera Company, and the Hudson Valley Philharmonic. He made his solo oboe debut in Town Hall, NY, NY, 1969.

In addition to his duties as Music Director of the University Philharmonic, Alton Symphony, and the Compton Heights Concert Band, Mr. Dolbashian also maintains an active guest conducting schedule, including the St. Louis Philharmonic. He has also appeared as guest conductor of the "1998 International Festival of Music Orchestra" in Belem, Brazil, and as guest conductor of the Londrina Symphony in Londrina, Brazil.