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The Compton Heights Concert Band

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director/Conductor Harry F. Swanger, President/Executive Director

Presents its

25th Anniversary Season Sunday Serenades **Musical Mondays**



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Sunday Serenades

Sundays - June 27; July 4, 11, 18, 25 and August 1 Francis Park, Eichelberger & Donovan, 7:30 PM

Musical Mondays

Mondays - June 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26 and August 2 Tower Grove Park, Grand & Magnolia, 7:30 PM

Free!

















The Compton Heights Concert Band

- 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 and First Missouri Arts Council tour Hermann, MO
- 1998 First Powell Symphony Hall Concert
- 2000 "Sunrise Serenades" TV Show Aired for 18 months on Saturdays, KMOV, Channel 4, CBS
- 2001 Band celebrates its 25th Anniversary!
- * 2004 Band celebrates 25th Anniversary of summer concert series!

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. The Band performs at annual holiday concerts and metro area events such as the Old Courthouse. Featured artists include: Hugh Smith, tenor; Peter Nero, piano; Arturo Sandoval, jazz/classical trumpet wizard; Sukay, "Music of the Andes"; Alex Klein, Chicago Symphony's principal oboist; James Christensen, former Music Director, Walt Disney World; BNFL Brass Band; Butchwax & The Hollywoods with Johnnie Johnson and Billy Peek; Jerry Robinson & Sax-O-Peel, The Lennon Brothers; the late William Warfield, Baritone; Debbye Turner, marimba; Ricardo Morales, Metropolitan Opera principal clarinet; Myron Floren, accordion; Keith Brion, Sousa portrayer; The Legend Singers; and our own vocal duo of Robert Ellison and Beverly Stewart-Anderson. The Band also tours in Missouri under the auspices of the State Missouri Arts Council.

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor, is the orchestra and opera conductor at the University of Missouri, Columbia, the Clayton Symphony, and the Alton Symphony Orchestra, Alton, Ill. Appointed conductor of the Compton Heights Concert Band in September, 1998, he is also a professional oboe and English Horn player. The announcer is Lucy Schroeder, wife of band vice-president and tubist Jon Schroeder, who is an original member of the Compton Heights Band!

In addition to weekly Band rehearsals, members devote thousands of volunteer hours at its charity bingos at Bandwagon Hall, 6245 Lemay Ferry Road. The Band is also financially supported by Catherine Manley Gaylord Foundation, Clifford Willard Gaylord Foundation, Arts & Education Council, Missouri Arts Council, The Regional Arts Commission, Foot and Ankle Associates, IcelandAir, Hoffmeister Morturaries, Southwest Bank, St. Louis Philanthropic Organization, the St. Louis Parks & Recreation Department, Friends of Tower Grove Park and Bandwagon Members. To make a tax-deductible donation mail to Compton Heights Band, 2335 So. Grand, St Louis, Mo. 63104 or call (314) 776-2227. Web: www.chband.org

The Compton Heights Concert Band's 2004

Sunday Serenades & Musical Mondays

25th Anniversary Concert Season!



Sundays in Francis Park Mondays in Tower Grove Park 7:30 PM FREE!



The Season Starts with Butchwax & the Hollywoods! Featuring Billy Peek, Guitar

June 27/28 Celebrate our Anniversary with Free Blue Bunny Ice
Cream! It's a Musical Blast - Butchwax & the Hollywoods!
Enjoy the dazzling virtuosity of Rod Stewart's former guitarist,
Billy Peek!

July 4/5

A 4th Barnburner! Robert Ellison's booming baritone voice and the thunderous Civil War cannons in Overture 1812 Finale!

Make it a Musical 4th with this star-spangled patriotic tour-deforce!

July 11/12 Hail to the St. Louis 1904 Olympics! Winner of the World Olympics of Whistling, David Morris, returns from England to perform highlights from his latest CD!
Calling all John Williams Fans! Olympic Fanfares and More!

July 18/19 Mr. Sousa Comes to St. Louis, Circa 1904!
World Famous Sousa Portrayer, Keith Brion, recreates Sousa's 1904 St. Louis World's Fair Magic.
Sensational Icelandic Soprano, Sigrun Hjalmtysdottir, aka Diddú, will steal your heart!

July 25/26 Custer's Last Band! World renowned musicologist and keyed bugle virtuoso, Steve Charpie, puts on show of 1800's Band music no one has heard in 150 years! Final Salute to St. Louis 2004!

Aug. 1/2 Fantastic Finale with Amazing Tenor Hugh Smith!

This acclaimed tenor always wows his legions of St. Louis fans.

Join Hugh and The Band for Auld Lang Syne to 25 fabulous years!

The Compton Heights Concert Band

Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor Harry F. Swanger, President & Executive Director Lucy Schroeder, Announcer

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Mignon Been
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Michelle Hangge
Carol Marsh
Kristen Marsh
Sarah Parr
Lisa Tipton

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Tenor Saxophone Shelly Layton

Baritone Saxophone Bruce Devens

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Ed Redmond
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Electric Bass Paul Thomas

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Tuba Jeff Hoard Jon Schroeder J.D. Tolman

On Leave - Military Service Douglas Sharp

Edward Dolbashian, Conductor



Photo by Mary Butkus

Edward Dolbashian has been Music Director of the Missouri University Philharmonic in Columbia, Missouri, since 1984; Music Director of the Alton Symphony Orchestra, in Alton, Illinois, since 1993; and the Compton Heights Concert Band since September 1998. He is also the conductor of the Clayton Symphony.

Mr. Dolbashian began his musical training as a student at New York's famed High School of the Performing Arts. He earned his degrees in oboe performance at the Hartt College of Music, Hartford, CT. His conducting career began as director of the Holyoke Symphony Orchestra in Holyoke, MA. He studied conducting at the prestigious Pierre Monteaux School of Orchestra Conducting in Maine, under Charles Bruck; and at Yale University as student conducting assistant to Otto Werner-Mueller leading to 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. 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 debuted as oboe soloist in Town Hall, NY, NY, 1969.

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The Compton Heights Concert Band

June 27/28, 2004
Edward Dolbashian, Music Director & Conductor
Harry F. Swanger, President & Executive Director
Lucy Schroeder, Announcer

Butchwax & The Hollywoods and Billy Peek, Guitar Soloist

Program

The Thunderer March

John Philip Sousa

Abduction from the Seraglio Overture

W.A. Mozart / Arr. Merle J. Isaac

Country Western

Harold L. Walters

ButchWax & The Hollywoods - Selections

Brigadoon

Frederick Loewe/ Arr. Erik Leidzen

From Maine To Oregon March

John Philip Sousa

Intermission

The Mad Major March

K.J. Alford

Pirates of the Caribbean

Klaus Badelt/ Arr. John Wasson

ButchWax & The Hollywoods - Selections

Saint Louis Blues March

W.C. Handy

Lambada Hot

Victor Lopez

Hands Across the Sea March

John Philip Sousa

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ButchWax & The Hollywoods

ButchWax & The Hollywoods, is a 10-piece band from St. Louis, Missouri. The band features 2 female singers and a horn section. Butch Wax & The Hollywoods have been Main Stage performers for nearly 20 years now, sharing the stage and working in the studio with artists like Johnny Rivers, Johnnie Johnson, John Sebastian, Chuck Berry,



Lou Rawls, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, The Rascals, The Association, The Romantics, The Guess Who, The Kentucky Headhunters, The Kingsmen, and countless others. Butch Wax & The Hollywoods are regular performers at corporate events, festivals, and fairs, wineries, and private parties and continue to bring their good time dance music to sold out crowds throughout the Midwest.

The past 4 years they have been the featured band at the St. Louis Cardinals Home Opener Celebration and Rally with KEZK-102 Radio, playing before thousands at Kiener Plaza. Butch Wax & The Hollywoods has also been the featured band for the past 3 years for the St. Louis Rams Football games with KTRS-550 Radio at the Edward Jones Dome prior to each home game. Butch Wax wrote and recorded the Rams Super Bowl Anthem "Gotta Go To Work" in 1999 (with pal Smash on vocals) and performed it at all of the Rams Rallies and Games during that magical Super Bowl season. Butch Wax & The Hollywoods also wrote and recorded the Cardinals rally song "Pennant Fever/Déjà vu 82" and the Hockey Blues song "Let's Go Blues".

The band is currently in the studio working on a new Butch Wax CD that will be released in June 2004. The CD titled "Down at the House of Blues" includes 15 new recordings from the band. The title track, written by Johnny Rivers (who the band recorded with in 2003) features Danny Liston from Mama's Pride on lead vocals. Other songs on the disc include "Slip Away," "Respect," "Knock on Wood," "Let's Stay Together," "Higher and Higher," "Why Get Up," "Bad Girls," "Stagger Lee," and more. Butch Wax & The Hollywoods are also featured throughout Rock & Roll Hall of Famer Johnnie Johnson's new CD on tracks with Bonnie Raitt, Johnny Rivers, Bruce Hornsby, and John Sebastian. A release date for the CD is pending. Tonight, Butchwax & The Hollywoods are joined by St. Louis' favorite, Billy Peek, solo guitarist. Billy was a stallwart member of Rod Stewart's band for many years.

Gene Ackmann Keyboards & Vocals
Bob Hammett Guitar & Vocals
Mike Tate Bass & Vocals
Brenda Boehmer Vocals
Michele Eise Vocals
Mark Kersten Percussion & Drums
Doc Holliday Drums & Percussion
Elliot Simpson Trumpet & Vocals
Larry Smith Sax & Vocals
Sonny McGraw Sax & Vocals

Billy Peek, Guitar Featured Tonight

The Bandwagon

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Contact us today! Join The Band!

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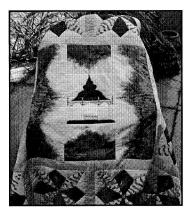
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Quilt by Association



One of the interesting aspects of the Band's fundraising projects is that it will do or sell practically anything (within reason and legal!) to earn those dollars that the Band requires every year to present its free concerts in Tower Grove and Francis Parks. This year we have a very special fundraiser - a handmade quilt designed and quilted by a very special 85- year old woman - Arlene Bilinski. Arlene is mother-in-law of Harry Swanger, founder and President of the Compton Heights

Band, and mother of Kitty Swanger. She moved to St. Louis from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania ten years ago and spends more time these days on quilting than she does on gardening.

Arlene has been quilting for a relatively short period of time, but during those years, she has specially designed a quilt for five of her seven great-grandchildren and also sews patchwork quilts with a group of women for St. Mark's Lutheran Church. The quilt for the benefit of the Band is the result of some "encouragement" from Harry, of course!

The center of the quilt (72" x 78") depicts the Henry Show Bandstand in Tower Grove Park. Dominant colors are green, gold and dark red, with several fabrics of a musical motif. A predominant pattern is known in the quilting circles as "sky rocket".

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