

SOUTHAMPTON COMMUNITY BAND

News & Notes

November 2013

Welcome back

to our friends and subscribers to the 2013-2014 season of music and excitement. This year marks the 16th anniversary of the Southampton Community Band. While sixteen may seem like a long time, we are actually a relatively new community band in the area. But with your support, we plan on being around for a long, long time.

Our theme for this season's initial concert is "We Give Thanks". This theme allows us to extend our appreciation to all those who work and volunteer in our community, as well as those whose dedication and commitment make Southampton a wonderful area in which to reside. We extend extra appreciation to the Southampton Police and Fire with special musical selections.

As we approach the Thanksgiving season, we can reflect on those blessings afforded us and collectively show our gratitude to special people who protect us, who enrich our lives and allow us freedom and security in our community.

We could not let the moment pass without a musical tribute to President Kennedy on the 50th anniversary of his assassination. More about that in the article to the right.



We look forward to seeing you at this special program.

*Principle Conductor,
Marvin Feld*

Fifty years ago, on November 22, 1963, a bullet let loose by Lee Harvey Oswald firing a rifle from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building in Dallas entered the brain of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy and so ended the life of the 35th President of the United States of America. Barely three years prior,, the young senator from Massachusetts took the oath of office as President of the United States and exhorted us to



“...ask not what
your country can do for you,
ask what you can do for your country.”

A few of us still argue incessantly and futilely about the who, the why, and the how of the assassination that caused the loss of our naivete. Who amongst us is perfect? But with all of his imperfections, this young dreamer soared and took us with him on his flight to Camelot. Could we not benefit from a little bit of Camelot today? What would be if we only paid attention to his simple, thoughtful and altruistic dictum: Ask not:

Ask Not is a musical memoir of the life and times of President Kennedy; a small glimpse into his early life, excerpts from speeches, and an opportunity to reflect back, through imagination for those too young to have lived the tragedy, and for those of us who are old enough to remember the tragic events that took place fifty years and one day ago.

The music is accompanied by a short narrative as explanation for parts of JFK's life and time. We are honored and pleased to have our Congressman, the Honorable Michael Fitzpatrick narrate this piece of music.

Congressman Michael Fitzpatrick

Congressman Fitzpatrick is a lifelong resident of Bucks County. A graduate of Bishop Egan High School, he earned his bachelor's degree from St. Thomas University in Miami and went on to receive a law degree from Penn State's Dickinson School of Law. In 1998, Mike was on the Bucks County Board of Commissioners where he served for ten years. He was a member of the 109th Congress and returned to Congress in 2011 after practicing law in Bucks County.



He and his wife, Kathy have been married for twenty-four years and have six children. An Eagle Scout, Mike has remained active in Scouting and is a past-president of the Bucks County Council of the Boy Scouts.

The Band Is Going GREEN!

We are now offering interested subscribers the option of receiving newsletters and membership information by e-mail. This will afford you the opportunity to promptly receive our information. No need to wait for the mailman to deliver a printed copy, no searching for information amidst stacks of papers.

It is simple to initiate. Merely send a note to the following e-mail address: EileenInolan@gmail.com. Inform Eileen that you are interested in going green. That's it!

We hope many subscribers will join us in this initiative.

Southampton Community Band 2013-14 Season

Welcome to this, our sixteenth season, of making wonderful music to share with you and the community. The band continues to grow both musically and in numbers. With the talent of our band members, the efforts of our volunteers, and your support, we look forward to our best season ever! Your membership card entitles you to admission for all concerts listed below.

Upcoming Concerts:

- ▶ November 23, 2013

We Give Thanks

- ▶ January 18, 2014

Scholarship Fund Concert

- ▶ March 22, 2014

Imagine

- ▶ May 17, 2014

*A Salute to the
Armed Forces*

Doors open at 7:30 pm
for concerts at

Klinger Middle School

1415 Second Street Pike,
Southampton PA

❄️ What if it SNOWS? ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️ ❄️

If Centennial School District closes its facilities, we would need to cancel the program.

Centennial's school closing number is 753.

If it is determined that roads are difficult and weather will be a problem, a call will be made by 6 pm to radio and TV stations. **A notice will be posted on the band website: www.southamptonband.org**

If the program cannot be presented on the scheduled date, it will be canceled.

If you are unsure about the program's status, call **215-364-3180**.



Don't Miss a Concert, *Become a Subscription Member!*

Your subscription membership card saves you money and time at the door. Help us give back to the community through our scholarships, mentoring program, and FREE outdoor community concerts while saving money on concert tickets.

Cost of Membership: Family: \$40. Senior Citizen Couple: \$35.
Single Adult: \$25. each Single Senior Citizen: \$20. each
Single Student: \$20. each

Benefactors Wanted & Appreciated!

Our band, just as all other musical groups, cannot survive on just ticket sales and dues. Generous donations have sustained us in the past, and we hope they will continue in the future. Donations are always appreciated in any amount and are used to support our resident composers, to train our young apprentices and interns, to fund musical grants, and to support the construction of the future Southampton Cultural Arts Center. The names of benefactors are listed in all four season programs. We are a non-profit, tax-deductible organization.

Benefactor levels:

John Philip Sousa\$500+ Band of Angels\$100+ Enrico Caruso.....\$50+
Louis Armstrong\$250+ George Gershwin\$75+ Vincent Persichetti.....\$30+
Patron\$10+

Please send the attached slip with your check payable to:

Southampton Community Band, P.O. Box 415, Southampton, PA 18966-0415

Visit us on the web: www.southamptonband.org

▲ CUT ON DOTTED LINE AND RETURN TODAY ▲

YES! I want to be a Subscription Member.

- Family – \$40 Senior Citizen Couple – \$35 each
 Single Adult – \$25 each Student/Sr. Citizen – \$20 each

*If you are already a member,
please pass this membership form to a friend.*

Name _____
Title (Mr., Mrs. Ms.) First Last

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

- I want to 'go green' — please email me the newsletter.
 Please remove me from your mailing list.

*Members who want to contribute
additional money, please fill in the information on the
left & check the amount you wish to contribute below.*

YES! My tax-deductible donation is enclosed.

- John Philip Sousa\$500+
 Louis Armstrong.....\$250+
 Band of Angels\$100+
 George Gershwin\$75+
 Enrico Caruso\$50+
 Vincent Persichetti\$30+
 Patron.....\$10+
 Building Fund (*specify amount*) _____
 Scholarship Fund (*specify amount*) _____

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Southampton Community Band November 2013 Update



1ST SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT

We Give Thanks

Saturday, November 23, 2013

8:00 p.m. ■ Klinger Middle School

*The following music will be presented
for your listening pleasure:*

Selections from *The Music Man*
.....Meredith Willson

And the Fire RagedTed Ricketts

In the Presence of Heroes.....
.....James Swearingen

A Tribute to Marvin Hamlisch
.....Arr. Michael Brown

Ask Not (A Musical Tribute to the
Life of JFK)James Swearingen

and more...

Principal Conductor:
Marvin Feld



Associate Conductor:
Michael Regosch



Dr. Gil Guglielmi, Conductor
Emeritus and Co-founder, of the
Southampton Community Band

We Give Thanks



8:00 pm Doors open 7:30 pm, \$15. Adult, \$10. Student/Senior Citizen
Klinger Middle School 1415 Second Street Pike, Southampton