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The Newsletter and Calendar of The Friends of the New Cumberland Town Band Foundation

Season in Review

The 65th season of the New Cumberland Town Band began somewhat earlier this year. In mid-April the band joined the community of Shiremanstown in celebration for their **Fireman's Day Parade**. Although not actually doing any marching, the band served as an entertaining end point for those in attendance.

In May we continued the parade phase of our season at the New Cumberland Memorial Day parade. Here we joined with other borough residents in honoring those deceased veterans who have served their country.

June found us in Borough Park in the combined West Shore Youth Band, directed by Larry Vittone, and the New Cumberland Town Band concert. Although it was held a week earlier than the traditional Father's Day date, it remains a community favorite. This year, the intergenerational band performed Jerry Burns' **Americana**.

Somehow, the band managed to continue through the particularly soggy summer and play three July concerts. The first, our annual July Fourth concert, was held at the New Cumberland Public Library. The ever popular John Philip Sousa marches were interspersed among some new pieces such as **Ashokan Farewell** and **Theme & Variations**. This latter piece, an original composition by our conductor, John Bugosh, featured an alto saxophone solo by our assistant conductor, Donna Deaven.

Our next concert, at Anna & Bailey Streets, had a particularly international sound. Among those pieces performed were **March Slav**, **Marches des Parachutistes Belges**, and **Le Regiment Sambre-et-Meuse**. This concert showcased our

trumpet section. The tune, **Schubert Serenade**, was performed by Vince Chiarella. Later, the song, **Wonderland by Night**, featured George Young. Several trumpeters, Dan Newhouser, Dave Rutman and George Young, displayed their talent as they played **Macarena**.

At Schaffner Park in Hummelstown, the band entertained an audience who braved threatening weather. Their perseverance was rewarded as they heard **A Falcon's Flight, Third Suite** and **The Syncopated Clock**. The band also performed a song, **March Grandiose**, composed by a Glen Rock native, Roland Seitz. Our audience was also entertained by our vocalist Lynn Kloski as she performed **As Time Goes By**, a tune made famous in the movie, **Casablanca**.

In August, our luck finally ran out. The first concert of the month, scheduled at Fort Hunter, was cancelled due to rain. We later suffered the same fate at Adams Ricci Park in Enola. The latter concert, however, was eventually rescheduled for late September. The day after our cancelled Apple Festival, the Adams Ricci crowd listened as the band performed two new numbers. The first was **Chant and Jubilo** by W. Francis McBeth. The second, **Grande Serenade for an Awful Lot of Wind and Percussion**, was a rather slapstick number featuring some unusual instrumentation.

The December Christmas concerts are rapidly approaching. We look forward to these culminating performances as they round out the year. We thank all those who faithfully support the band by attending in many locations and any weather.

The Friends of the New Cumberland Town Band Foundation

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NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

by Bob Romako (with profound apologies to Clement C. Moore and Charles Dickens)

'Twas Christmas Eve 2030 in New Cumberland
No music was stirring, for there was no town band.
The children were nestled all snug in their beds
While synthesized tunes danced in their heads.
And mama in her kerchief and I in my cap
Had just settled down to a silent night's nap.
When what to my wondering ears should I hear
But the sound of a trumpet and flute, blowing clear!
Playing a tune, so lively and quick
I knew in a moment - it hit like a brick
For I recalled the music: heard it long, long ago
Played by the town band - 'twas then quite a show.
But now there were just two - where were the rest?
The drums, the horns, the trombones I liked best?
As I thought in my head, staring out at the lawn,
About the fate of the band, and where good music had gone
Down the chimney John Bugosh came with a bound!
He was dressed all in rags, from his head to his toes
And then he explained about the band, and its woes.
"We could not go on - 'twas financial, you see -
With fewer donations, and the poor economy.
So all of our players left for other towns' bands
It couldn't be helped - it was out of my hands.
And now all we have left are only these two,
So whatever they play, it will just have to do."
And then I remembered - it came to my brain
The band and its Musical Legacy campaign
How they wanted to fund future bands to perform
For me and my children, and children not born.
But I hadn't signed up - the band could wait
And now, I had the displeasure of learning its fate.
If only I had remembered the band in my will
With a Legacy gift, to help foot the bill.
Oh, if only I had acted, and had not delayed

My grandkids could hear good music, well played.
As I bemoaned these affairs - how the band had gone broke -
My eyes flew open, and I suddenly awoke!
It was only a dream - it's still 2011
And the clock on the wall says it's quarter to seven.
Still time to act - I must do what I can
To keep good band music in New Cumberland.
I'll write the band in my will - phone my attorney today
And call the Legacy contact - Bob Romako, CPA!
He'll advise me about the things I can do
To help fund the band, and get a tax deduction, too.
Won't you join in? It's easy - you'll see -
To leave your very own musical legacy!
And to those who have given, and to those who still might,
"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night!"

The New Cumberland Town Band thanks all those who have made a designation in their wills to the Band's Leave a Musical Legacy campaign, the Band's effort to establish a permanent endowment fund to keep the Band on firm financial footing. Please contact Bob Romako, CPA at 774-3047 to discuss your options and to answer any questions you might have.

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