

## Atlantic Pops NEWS!



# Spring-Summer 2011





Middle School Musicians from EHT and Linwood with Guest Conductor Dr. Pastin & Music Director Mr. Kadetsky after the concert



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## Annual Side-by-Side Concert a HERO-ic Accomplishment!

The 2011 HERO Concert drew over 350 people to the EHT Community Center on May 8<sup>th</sup>. In addition to bringing awareness and proceeds to the HERO campaign, 14 middle and high school students had their debut with The Pops as Side-by-Side Guests! We were also proud to acknowledge 2007 "SBS" alumni Justin Ebert, Marlee Ernst, Ryan Keen and Dan Sullivan. They are headed to college after 5 years and nearly a dozen concerts with the APCB.

For the second consecutive year, retired US Navy Lt. Commander Dr. John Pastin led the band in its patriotic finale and tribute to Ensign John Elliot and the HERO Campaign.

EHTHS Senior Dan Sullivan was this year's student conductor and did an outstanding job rehearsing and directing the ensemble in Richard Saucedo's *Into the Clouds*!



## More Artistic Collaborations on the Horizon!

The Atlantic Pops continues to broaden its artistic scope!

In the Winter, we were joined by the Cygnus Contemporary Dance Ensemble under the Direction of Cindy Domino. This Summer's *Invasion Concert* will also include the Dance Ensemble as they interpret Percy Grainger's *Children's March* to the live music of the Pops!

The purchase of a projector screen allowed us to add a visual component to Ticheli's *American Elegy*, a tribute to the Columbine Tragedy. Look forward to quite a visual story to accompany *Godzilla Eats Las Vegas*, compliments of the media department of Southern Regional High School!!!

County Freeholder Alisa Cooper and EHTHS Senior Dan Sullivan teamed up with Pops' emcee/vocalist Toni Ann Gisondi for our HEROpatriotic finale. This summer, the Pops will back up local acoustic trio, *Kettle Three*, for a symphonic tribute to the Beatles!

#### DVD's Still Available

If you are interested in a DVD from either the Toy Drive or HERO Concert email Karen Giubilo at:

#### Membernews@AtlanticPops.org

Cost is \$10.00 per concert

Professionally/Digitally recorded and engineered!

Delivery will be on or around June 1<sup>st</sup>!

Make sure to receive all the Pops news and updates on Facebook by joining our group!

We can also be found on the web at www.AtlanticPops.org

#### High NOTES!!!



CONGRATS & GOOD LUCK! After over two decades of directing school bands, Southern Regional's Mike Longdo is (finally) retiring!

As a director, arranger, conductor and clinician, Mike has been a part of numerous championship ensembles helping musicians of all ages to be their best!

Mike has been performing with and conducting the Atlantic Pops since the 2006-2007 season!

His "Farewell Concert" will be held at Southern Regional High School, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Join Us!

Good Luck Mike & Terry
- Enjoy Florida!!!!!!

#### **Cool Things Happening to Cool Musicians!**

Tenor Saxophonist Tim Diggins has accepted a scholarship to Appalachian State University to major in Journalism. He was also accepted to West Virginia U's school of Journalism! Good Job Tim!

Marlee "Bassoon" Ernst has accepted a partial music scholarship to attend The College of NJ (Mr. K's Alma Mater) for Music Education! She was also accepted also to Rowan & Shenandoah Universities.

Baritone/Violinist Maria Cannone will be attending Westchester University this fall to study Music Education. This summer she will once again represent the Pops and EHT in the Raiders Drum Corps!

Long-time Pops-percussionist Ryan Keen will be attending Montclair University in the fall, also on scholarship. Ryan will be an asset to their band AND baseball team!

Marlee Basson, Justin Ebert and Tyler Henry represented the Pops in the Annual Rowan Honor Band Concert, held in March!

Student Composer-Conductor Dan Sullivan will be a member of the Music-Ed program and percussion studio at Rowan University in the Fall!

Trumpeter Gary Saladine has returned to the Pops after graduating from Webster College with an Aeronautical Engineering degree.

Baritone and US Coast Guard Andy Zuckerman was recently named to the Who's Who Under-40 in Atlantic County! Andy is being deployed this summer. We wish him the best of luck!

Clarinetist Rachel Barnes is graduating in May from ACCC with her Associates Degree in Education. Rachel currently studies clarinet with Joe Rotella of the Philly Pops!

Brothers Kevin (clarinet) and Brian (trumpet) Hrubos recently graduated from Rowan University with a BA in Music Education!

Congrats to Ross Holman who recently retired as the Music Supervisor and Band Director at Pinelands Regional HS!

Stefanie Farrel of our flute section, is graduating from Holy Spirit HS on May 26<sup>th</sup> and has been accepted to Drexel University's Pre-Med program! She has assured us that she will still find time to play in their band!

Alto Saxophonist, Justin Ebert has been accepted on a crew scholarship to Grand Valley College in Allendale, Michigan. He will be studying Pre-Law in their Meijer School honors program!

If you have good news or something to share - please send details <u>membernews@atlanticpops.org</u>!

#### Summer Invasion Concert Rehearsal Schedule

Rehearsals are held at the Egg Harbor Township Community Center 5045 English Creek Avenue Egg Harbor Township NJ





New members should provide updated contact information by email to membernews@atlanticpops.org

Organizations and individuals interested in sponsoring the Atlantic Pops Summer Concert may inquire by email to info@atlanticpops.org

Stephanie Garriel, President Atlantic Pops Community Band





#### Summer Invasion Concert to Include:

British Invasion: Symphonic Selections of The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, Radiohead & Gustav Holst

Monster Invasion: GODZILLA Eats Las Vegas





Summer Concert! Save the Date: July 15<sup>th</sup>!

The Pops Welcome Temple University Director as Special Guest Conductor!



Dr. Emily Threinen, recently appointed Director of Bands at Temple University will be our Guest Conductor for the Summer Invasion Concert. Emily was previously the Director of the Duke University Wind Symphony and Shenandoah Conservatory Wind Ensemble! An accomplished clarinetist, she also held the position of Associate Clarinetist in The Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra. We are very happy to have her joining us!

#### Jazz Sax Ensemble Debuts!

Special Thanks to our Sax Ensemble Members: Tim Diggins, Justin Ebert, Tyler Henry, Tony Santone, Chris "C#" Sharpe & Nick Wachter!

They performed the *Star Spangled Banner*, *Don't Mean a Thing if it Ain't Got That Swing*, and the *Chinese National Anthem* for a large crowd at the EHT Community Center to help ring in the Chinese New Year!



#### Florida. . . HERE WE COME!!!!!

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, a twelve-piece wind-ensemble from the Atlantic Pops will accompany the Boca Raton Singers (below-right) for their Patriotic Concert in Boca Raton!



### Meet our Corporate Supporters . . .



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Special thanks to Mark Curtis, President and CEO of enter:new media for providing our website platform and marketing support. The Pops is proud to be amongst other clients of enter:new media including Ralph Lauren/Polo, A&E, Vogue Magazine and Versace! Look for website updates and a new look soon!

## Dunn Insurance – Somers Point, NJ

A former Mainland HS Band Drummer, John and his wife Patricia serve on our Board, provide funding for our program printing costs and provide general insurance advising!





222 New Road, Suite 306 Linwood, NJ 609.798.1CPA EHTHS alumni Mike Shumski supports the Pops by providing financial advice and the filing of all of our non-profit forms with the State of NJ. See . . .you don't have to be a musician to be part of the band!!! Thanks Mike!



Denise, Steve, Marlee and Mike have fun while setting up. – Bobby, however, is very serious reviewing the percussion music!

Honored Guests Mr. Bill Elliot (left) and Lt. Commander Pastin (below) address the audience during the HERO concert on April 8<sup>th</sup>!

TSgt. Gonzales from the 177<sup>th</sup> Honor Guard presents the colors for the National Anthem 7<sup>th</sup> grader Julianna Catania & EHTHS senior Rachael Flick keep Lanny and Andrea company in the clarinet section <sup>(2)</sup>

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Veterans, Friends & Family packed the EHT Community Center for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual HERO Concert!



Below- Marlee Ernst, Justin Ebert & Tyler Henry represent the Pops at the Rowan Honor Band Concert on March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Right - Joey Abbate, the newest member of the bass section, poses for the camera!



Come out and meet our guest conductor after dress rehearsal!





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#### **FRIENDS & FAMILY WELCOME!**