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A BIG BAND SPECTACULAR

Monday, April 17, 2006
The Whitney Senior Center

Gordon J. Schlichting II, Director

PROGRAM

Big Band Spectacular..... Arranged Jack Bullock

**In the Mood.....Joe Garland
Arranged by Paul Lavender**

Bob Bach, Paula Burslie, Patric Lewandowski,
Louis Dinndorf, and MaryBeth Kulander, Saxes

A Tribute to Glenn Miller Arranged by Henry Gass

At a Dixieland Jazz FuneralJared Spears

Tom Pattock, Trumpet, Denee Janda Clarinet,
Paul Janda Trombone, Roger Klaphake, Banjo

Salute to the Duke Arranged by Paul Yoder

**Caravan.....Duke Ellington, Irving Mills and Juan Tizol
Arranged by Richard Saucedo**

Tribute to Count Basie Arranged by John Moss

Sinatra in Concert.....Arranged by Jerry Nowak

Benny Goodman: The King of Swing Arranged by Paul Murtha

Mike Murphy, Clarinet

**St. Louis Blues..... W.C. Handy
Arranged by Luther Henderson**

Big Band Showcase Arranged by Bob Lowden

"A Tribute to Leroy Anderson"

**The Historic Paramount Theatre
Downtown St. Cloud**

**Monday, May 22, 2006
7:30 PM**

The St. Cloud Municipal Band

The existence of the band was reported in news articles as early as 1887, and it is believed the band had been in existence at least a few years before then. The band is therefore at least 117 years old – thought to be one of the oldest in the nation. Prior to the turn of the century, the band for a time played while riding bicycles. In 1895 the bicycle band was featured at the Minnesota State Fair.

In 1923, G. Oliver Riggs, St. Cloud's "Music Man," was invited to St. Cloud. By 1927, Riggs' band was 233 members strong and was billed as the largest band in the world. At the national Jaycee convention in Des Moines, Iowa the band captured the national title of National Junior Chamber of Commerce Band. In 1928, the band came in first at the American Legion Convention in Duluth. Alumni of the band have become members of the U.S. Navy Band, big bands of Tommy Dorsey and Gene Krupa, the Washington Redskins Football Band, and many other military bands and professional groups. In 1947 the band became a "full-time band" with rehearsals and concerts scheduled throughout the year. In the 1950's the band diversified and started playing more classical works arranged for concert band, Broadway scores, American folk music, and popular numbers. In 1964 the St. Cloud Municipal Band was the first group to perform in the newly created Benedicta Arts Center on the campus of the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota.

Currently the band has a heavy concert schedule of 25 to 30 appearances a year. Perennially the band has performed summer concerts at Barden Park near the St. Cloud State University campus. The band also performs at special events such as the Memorial Day program at the VA Medical Center and the 4th of July Fireworks at Hester Park. The band has also been honored by performing in Beijing, China on the anniversary of the naturalized relations between the United States and the People's Republic of China. Recently the band has taken on new initiative to perform in area schools with high school bands to promote the lifelong enjoyment of music making.

The Director

Gordon Schlichting has been the director of bands at Sartell-St. Stephen High School in Sartell, Minnesota since 1997 where he conducts the wind ensemble, concert band, Jazz I, Jazz II and oversees the winter drumline program. Prior to coming to Sartell, Mr. Schlichting was a graduate student and teaching assistant at St. Cloud State University. Gordon completed a Masters of Music degree in Instrumental Conducting and Literature from St. Cloud State University in 1997.

Prior to his time spent at St. Cloud State, Mr. Schlichting was the director of bands at Kimball High School in Kimball, South Dakota. While at Kimball, Gordon established one of the most dynamic and respected small band programs in the state. The Selmer Musical Instrument Corporation featured both him and the Kimball Band program in a nationwide advertising campaign in 1996.

Gordon also has Bachelors of Arts degrees in music education, vocal music performance, and French Horn performance from Jamestown College of Jamestown, North Dakota. He has been on the staff of the International Music Camp, and a guest artist/clinician at the National School of Music in Mexico City, Mexico. Gordon has held positions on the Minnesota Band Directors Association Board and the Minnesota Percussion Association Board. He holds memberships in the International Association of Jazz Education, the National Band Association, Music Educators National Conference, Minnesota Band Directors Association, Minnesota Music Educators Association, and the South Dakota Bandmasters Association.

Gordon is a member of the Amadeus Chamber Orchestra and remains active as a performing artist in the St. Cloud area. He has appeared as a guest conductor, adjudicator, and clinician in Minnesota, South Dakota, and Iowa.

PERSONNEL

The band is made up of men and women who come from all walks of life, from retired music educator to homemaker, from bookkeeper to lawyers, from business owners to contractors. We are proud of the diversity of our membership as well as the lengthy tenures of some of our members. Below you will find our membership as well as their occupations and the year they became members of the St. Cloud Municipal Band.

Flute

Joe Fox - Business Owner, '72
Janel Binsfeld - 1st Grade Teacher, '98
Rachel Gapinski - Teacher, '04
Jean McGorry - Music Teacher, '99

Oboe

Dave Ernest - Retired Professor, '67

Clarinet

Mary Jo Fandel - Nurse, '91
Gail Ivers - St. Cloud Chamber of Commerce, '83
Denee Janda - College Instructor, '04
Doug Kloss - Entrepreneur, '04
Jim Murphy - Photographer, '95
Mike Murphy - Attorney, '95
Maggie Olesen - Artist, '05
Jackie Smith - Retired French Teacher, '03

Bass Clarinet

Bruce Cairns - '95
Nicole Hagman - Designer, '04
Mark Kaehler - Realtor, '98

Alto Saxophone

Bob Bach - Building and Remodeling, '74
Paula Burslie* - Retired, '91
Patric Lewandowski - Cartoonist '05

Tenor Saxophone

Louie Dinndorf - Retired, '38
Mary Beth Kulander - Teacher, '92

Baritone Saxophone

Roger Klaphake - Judge, '99

French Horn

Vicki Davis - Humane Society Director, '77
Janet Haviland - Business Owner, '94
Myrna Lindeman* - Retired, '85
Loretta Van Heel - Fitness Trainer, '05

Trumpet

Terry Fox - Business Owner, '90
Bob Frost - Retired, '-5
Bill Lines - Attorney, '70
Heidi Martinson - Band Director,
Tom Pattock - Teacher-Musician, '70

Trombone

Paul Janda - Professional Musician, '04
Jill Marie Nessa - X-ray Technologist, '89
Charles Teigen^L - Retired, '83
Roger Van Heel - Retired, '87

Euphonium

Ken Rudolph - Retired, '56
Anna Mary Wolkowicz - School Psychologist, '87

Tuba

Jim Dinndorf - Retired, '45
David Erickson - Retired, '04
David Light - Pharmacist, '93
Bob Wig* - Retired Band Director, '57

Percussion

Jim Janochoski* - Sales Manager, '80
Bob Kern - Bookkeeper, '95
Chris Taylor - Teacher-Musician, '05

Director

Gordon J. Schlichting - Band Director, '02