

The Warminster Symphony Orchestra Presents the “Family Holiday Concert” Saturday, Dec. 3

Concert Ushers in the Holiday Season!

Warminster, Pa. — The Warminster Symphony Orchestra, which this year is celebrating its 50th golden jubilee, will welcome the season with its highly anticipated “Family Holiday Concert” on Saturday, Dec. 3 at 8 p.m. at William Tennent Auditorium, 333 Centennial Road, Warminster 18974. The program is sure to delight all ages, with classic holiday music and selections from popular holiday movies.

On the program is music by such masters as Tchaikovsky, Vaughan Williams, and Leroy Anderson; as well as contemporary favorites, including music from *Home Alone*, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*, *Miracle on 34th Street.*, and *Polar Express*. The program will also feature the winner of the Warminster Symphony’s Children’s Division Young Artist Competition — 13-year-old Madeleine Hehn, performing the first movement of Kabalevsky’s *Piano Concerto No. 3*. And, we believe that Santa and Mrs. Claus will make an appearance!

As in previous years, the Warminster Symphony Orchestra will accept donations of personal care items (especially needed is shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, and individual toothbrushes) to support the Food Pantry at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Hatboro. The Pantry is open to all our neighbors in need. Please consider bringing an item to the concert.

Discounted advance tickets are on sale at John S. Cryan Jewelers, Southampton, and M & H Custom Framing, Warminster. Prices at the door are \$22.00 for adults. For this concert only, students and children under 18 are free. Credit card purchases are exclusively available online at www.warminstersymphony.org.

The Warminster Symphony Orchestra was founded 50 years ago, when a small group of musicians were assembled to play for the operetta “The Merry Widow.” The Warminster Symphony Orchestra was formed from this nucleus, initially rehearsing in a hangar at the Naval Air Development Center.

Over the years, it continued to grow in scope and size, establishing a subscription series, featuring noted soloists, and supporting young musicians through the Youth Soloist Program, in which music students from the tri-state area and beyond audition to perform.

From what had originally been 16 members, the Orchestra now numbers 65 that includes professional musicians, as well as talented non-professional musicians. It has been under the baton of Maestro Joseph Lovecchio since 1995.

The “Family Holiday Concert” on Dec. 3 will be followed by “At Your Request,” March 11. Concluding the season will be the ever-popular Broadway star Ciaran Sheehan (and Friends) May 20.

The Annual Pops Gala fundraiser on January 28, entitled “An Evening with Frank, Dino and Jerry,” stars Sonny Avalone — back by popular request! This always sold-out event offers tickets first to our subscribers — another reason to become a member! For more information, please call 215-672-9650.