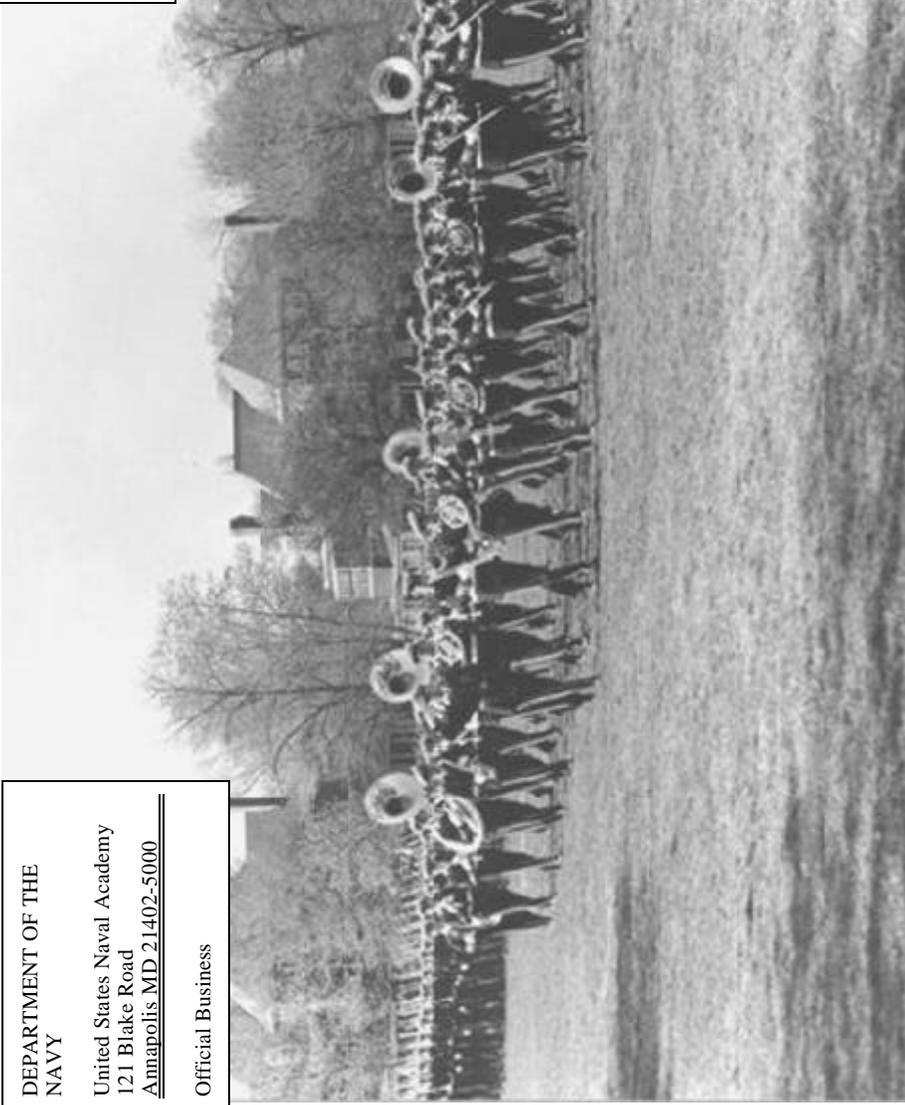


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PATRIOTIC PRIDE

MU2 Kari Astrid Haugeto

When Nat King Cole sang about “Those Lazy Hazy Crazy Days Of Summer” he wasn’t thinking about Naval Academy Band. With more than 30 major public performances per year, this band is on the move playing for audiences throughout the East. But what you may not see are the many ceremonies and military functions this band also supports throughout the year. To fulfill these requests for ceremonial support, we have two 18 piece units, “Ceremonial Blue,” led by Chief Dave Hanner and “Ceremonial Gold,” led by Senior Chief Steve Barzal, as well as a 48 piece marching unit.

“Though our main responsibility is to provide musical support to the Brigade of Midshipmen, we’ve taken on an additional program of support for Navy recruiting and in representing the Navy in patriotic performances” said Commander Mike Alverson, the band’s Director.

This tradition goes back almost to the beginning. The U.S. Naval Academy Band was invited to participate in the inaugural parades of Grover Cleveland (1885 and 1893), Benjamin Harrison (1889), and in the dedication ceremony of the Washington Monument on February 21, 1885.

Chief Dave Hanner explains, “the ceremonial band provides a military ceremony with a feeling that something special is taking place. The music brings an atmosphere of honor to the occasion. A stirring rendition of the National Anthem and “Stars and Stripes Forever” can’t help but fill an American with patriotic pride.”

“The band represents not only our organization but the Naval Academy and the Navy each time we perform. We are there to supply a respite in the atmosphere during military ceremonies, add some pageantry and color, and instill pride in those who wear the uniform,” adds Senior Chief Steve Barzal.

Just in the past few years, Naval Academy Band has provided music for several very high visibility events, including the commissioning of the USS Donald Cook, the turning around and homecoming of the USS Constellation, the 100th anniversary of the bombing of the USS Maine, and the dedication of Maryland’s World War II memorial. We have also appeared at such diverse programs as the retirement of Admiral March, Commanding Officer of the Naval Space Command, bill signings at the Maryland State House, the opening ceremonies of the World Cup Soccer Tournament and All-Star Baseball game, the funeral of Admiral Elmo Zumwalt, former Chief of Naval Operations, police academy graduations for Anne Arundel County and the State of Maryland, and numerous Change of Command and retirement ceremonies in Virginia, Maryland, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C. and New Jersey. Attending dignitaries have included Pope John Paul II, President and Mrs. George Bush, President Bill Clinton, Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen, and Maryland Governors William Donald Schaeffer and Parris N. Glendening.

The United States Naval Academy Band is proud to represent the Navy and Naval Academy and to help instill a feeling of patriotism in the hearts of Americans everywhere.



The Band plays for a Presidential departure.

The United States Naval Academy Band

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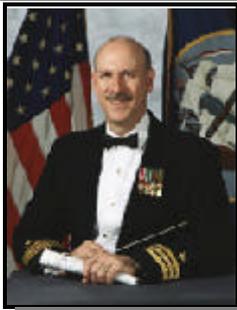
If you are interested in sponsoring a concert by The United States Naval Academy Concert Band, Next Wave, Electric Brigade, or one of the Chamber Groups, please write to The US Naval Academy Band, 101 Buchanan RD, Annapolis, MD 21402-5080 or contact our Operations Office at (410) 293-1257.

Attention Alumni and Alumni Families:

We are attempting to compile old photos of The United States Naval Academy Band and past leaders. We are missing Leader Portraits from 1861-1887, 1932-1946, and 1966-1968. Also Band photos 1861-1865, 1916-1921, and 1966-1971. If you have any old photos that you would consider sharing with us, please call (410) 293-1262. Any help in preserving the images of our heritage is appreciated!



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CDR J.M. Alverson

COMMANDER'S COLUMN

Dear Patrons,

Other than the 100th anniversary of the Army/Navy football game, I think the highlight of our past fall and winter season centered on our opportunity to host and showcase the talents of two superb guest musicians - Dr. Milt Stevens, principal trombonist with the National Symphony Orchestra,

sharing his talents in front of our Brass Ensemble in February, and Mr. David Holsinger, world class composer and clinician, who guest conducted our annual Side by Side Concert in April. If you haven't had the pleasure of meeting these gentlemen, please make every effort to do so if the opportunity arises. They left us with much more than just exceptional musical experiences. We found their energy and enthusiasm for music to be motivating and contagious, and their personal warmth to be genuine and from the heart. And from their viewpoint, the USNA Band has two new fans! Both gentlemen expressed their hope to be invited for a "return engagement" and offered their services at anytime.

The other big news around "the Yard" is that we've finally moved back into our newly renovated spaces! For all you band alumni, "yes, the pillars in the concert band rehearsal room are finally gone!" Not only is the new facility bright and shiny, but we also have all new furniture throughout, as well as a new library system and new custom made lockers. From a design standpoint, there is a much better utilization of our limited space. The locker rooms, heads, and storage room are now located underneath "red beach" in the old office spaces, which are now located where the original rehearsal space used to be. If you're in the area, please give us a call or just come by. While we still have some acoustical challenges to work out in the main rehearsal room and (believe it or not) a leak or two, it's really a pleasure to work in such a nice new facility.

As you will find in the schedule for the summer, we've got a great line up of performances by the Band and a number of guest groups slated to perform on our Thursday night "Turf Field" Guest Series. As always, I look forward to meeting and talking to as many of you as I can before our concerts. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

J. M. Alverson
Director



CDR Alverson, Alexander Lepak and MU2 McCarthy

Under the sponsorship of the Collegiate Music Educators National Conference, Petty Officer Ben Redwine (clarinetist, USNA Band) was invited to the State University of West Georgia, in Carrollton, Georgia (just outside Atlanta). Petty Officer Redwine conducted a master class in jazz performance for a graduate level jazz improvisation class, which was also open to the public. This master class was well received by students and the public, featuring many questions and a class "jam session." The following evening, Petty Officer Redwine teamed with United States Army Staff Sergeant Paul Hebert (piano) and Master Sergeant Lee Stofler (tuba) to perform a full length recital consisting of both classical and jazz standards.



Dr. Milton Stevens

On February 11th and 13th, 2000, The USNAB Brass Ensemble performed under the direction of Dr. Milton Stevens, principal trombone of the National Symphony Orchestra. The concerts took place in the historic Naval Academy Chapel in Annapolis, Maryland and the Gordon Center for Performing Arts in Owings Mills, Maryland. The program, full of delicate playing and thunderous fortissimos, included Eric Crees' skillful arrangement of Bach's *Pasacaglia in C Minor*, Phil Snedecor's expertly arranged *On the Town*, by Leonard Bernstein, as well as an exciting performance of Modest Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*. This was the fourth year that the Brass Ensemble has performed as part of our Recital Series, and we are pleased to announce that Dr. Stevens will return to conduct our fifth anniversary brass concert, a program that will include internationally acclaimed organist Monte Maxwell, Naval Academy Chapel Organist. This concert will take place March 2, 2001.

The United States Naval Academy Concert Band recently completed the premier military band recording of Alexander Lepak's Concerto for Mallet Instruments. This digital recording, produced totally in-house by MU1 Mike Whittaker in our new recording lab, features MU2 Joe McCarthy as vibraphone, marimba, xylophone, and chime soloist. Mr. Lepak, composer, retired professor of percussion and music theory at the Hartt School of Music, and principal tympanist of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra, is compiling recordings of his works for a soon to be released compact disc and specifically requested Naval Academy Band to perform this particular work. Petty Officer McCarthy studied under Mr. Lepak from 1983 through 1987. The week long project was a truly enjoyable experience for all!



MU2 Ben Redwine

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JULY**4**

- 4:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** at Meadefest, English and Mapes Rd., Ft. Meade, MD (301) 677-3909
- 6:00 pm. **MARCHING BAND** down Main Street Annapolis to USNA
- 8:00 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** pre-fireworks concert, Farragut Field USNA

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- 7:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Harbor Place Amphitheater, Light St, Baltimore, MD (410) 332-4462
- 7:30 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** Rawlinsville Camp, 475 Clearfield Rd., Holtwood, PA (717) 284-2746

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- **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** on tour in the Erie, PA - Buffalo, NY area with the U.S. Navy's Great Lakes Cruise. Check your local listings.

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- 5:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Mayo Family Fun Day, Mayo Beach Park, Mayo Rd, Mayo, MD, (410) 222-7865

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- 6:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Down's Park Amphitheater, 8311 John Downs Loop, Pasadena, MD 21122 (410) 222-6231

AUGUST**5**

- 7:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis, MD (410) 222-1777

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- 7:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Allen Pond Park, 3330 North View Dr., Bowie, MD (301) 809-3076

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- 6:00 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** Linthicum Park, Benton Ave, Linthicum, MD (410) 859-3308

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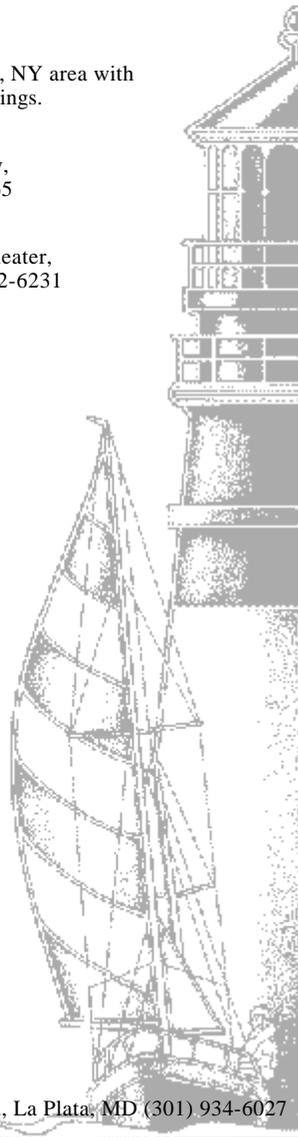
- 7:00 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** William A. Humbert Amphitheater, Bel Air Town Hall, 39 Hickory Ave, Bel Air, MD (410) 803-9784 (Rain site @ Fallston H.S.)
- 7:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Towson At Night, 23 west Chesapeake Ave., Towson MD (410) 825-1144

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- 7:00 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** Ocean Pines @ White Horse Park, 239 Ocean Hwy, Ocean Pines, MD (410) 641-7717 ext 3050

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- 7:00 p.m. **CONCERT BAND** Allen Pond Park, 3330 North View Dr., Bowie, MD (301) 809-3076
- 7:00 p.m. **ELECTRIC BRIGADE** Thomas Stone National Historic Site, 6655 Rose Hill Rd, La Plata, MD (301) 934-6027

**Noteworthy Events****Congratulations on your Promotion**

LTJG Michael S. Grant
MUCM James Rodak
MUCS Steve Barzal

**Naval Academy Band Sailor of the Year 1999**

MU1 Mike Whittaker

Naval Academy Band Sailor of the Quarter

MU2 Joseph Stiles, 4th Qtr. 1999

MU1 Karl Schultz, 1st Qtr. 2000

Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal

LTJG Michael S. Grant

Navy/Marine Corps Achievement Medal

MU1 Mike Whittaker

**Fair Winds and Following Seas to:**

LTJG Michael S. Grant to Navy Band New Orleans

Welcome Aboard to:

MU2 Heidi Tegeder from Littleton, CO
MU2 Brenda Williams from Philadelphia, PA
MU2 James Fowler from Ponca City, OK

**ENS KENNETH C. COLLINS II**

Assistant Director

The United States Naval Academy Band

The Reno, NV native began his musical studies on drums at the age of 12 and graduated from Wooster High School in Reno in 1983. He received a bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Nevada (Reno) in 1989.

ENS Collins enlisted in the Navy in 1989, and upon completion of the Basic Course at the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, Va., he was assigned to Navy bands in Guam and Newport, R.I. He was commissioned an Ensign in November of 1998 and reported to The United States Navy Band in January 1999. His awards include the Navy Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, two Good Conduct Medals, National Defense Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, and four Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbons.

**NEW TO THE USNA BAND FAMILY**

Jacob Frazier Ascione, son of MU2 Raymond and Missy Ascione, born February 10, 2000 at 7:08 A.M., 7 pounds 8 ounces and 21 inches long.

Pasquale Zaffar Sarracco, son of MU2 Pasquale and Shammi Sarracco, born February 13, 2000 at 10:12 A.M., 11 pounds 12 ounces and 23 inches long.

Allison Rebecca Smith, daughter of MU2 Richie and Jodie Smith, born February 13, 2000 at 6:25 P.M., 8 pounds 5 ounces and 22 inches long.

Noëlle Ava Borrelli-Boudreau, daughter of MU2 Joel and Sean Borrelli-Boudreau, born May 27, 2000 at 4:51 P.M., 6 pounds 12 ounces and 18 1/2 inches long.

U.S. Naval Academy Band

Summer Serenade

2000

SUMMER SERENADE

Annapolis City Dock

July 11

CONCERT BAND

Pleasant music for a warm summer evening

July 18

CHILDREN'S CONCERT

A musical fairytale for children of all ages

July 25

ELECTRIC BRIGADE

Classic & Contemporary Hits

August 1

THE UNITED STATES NAVY BAND

"The World's Finest" from Washington, DC

August 8

ALUMNI CONCERT

Past & Present members of "The Navy's Oldest and Finest Band"

August 15

FINALE CONCERT

A Musical Extravaganza

Chamber Groups, Marching Band, Concert Band,
Jazz and Contemporary ensembles, and
The 1812 Overture complete with live cannon fire!

7:00 P.M.

(Rain Date August 17, same time & place)

GUEST SERIES

Rip Miller Astro turf Field

July 6

LITTLE WAVE

The Naval Academy's own Small Jazz Ensemble

July 13

COMMANDANT'S COMBO

A Musical Mélange

featuring USNA Band Vocalist, MU2 Kari Astrid Haugeto

July 20

SEA CHANTERS

The United States Navy Band's 17-voice chorus

July 27

ARMY BLUES

The Premier Jazz Ensemble of the U.S. Army

August 3

COMMODORES

The U.S. Navy's Premier Jazz Ensemble

August 10

ELECTRIC BRIGADE

High Energy Top 40, R&B, and Rock