

NESHAMINY LANGHORNE HIGH SCHOOL presents

# RAY CONNIFF 8:00 P.M., Monday April 5th 1982

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It is a pleasure and great honor for us to welcome back to Neshaminy one of America's most gifted and

popular musical arrangers and conductors- Ray Conniff.

Since his first appearance at Neshaminy in 1970, where he only conducted our choir but entertained the audience from the illumination of a single flashlight during a forty minute blackout, Ray Conniff and his music have been providing wonderful musical experience for our students. This year, for the 7th time, Ray Conniff returns to Neshaminy not only as a world famous personality, but as a real friend—a friend who would take four days from his extremely exhaustive schedule to come to a Senior High School and teach the singers and instrumentalists! To give our girls and boys this opportunity to rehearse and perform with a famous professional artist of Mr. Conniff's calibre is providing an enriching educational experience they will carry with them for the rest of their lives.

For the past two days it has been our privilege to work with the master himself; and our goal to produce

the instantly indentifiable sound that is known the world over as Ray Conniff.

Like all great things, the music that is today known as "the Conniff Sound" took time—it is the product of years of hard work, devotion and imagination. It is testimony to the musical genius who created it. Born to a musical family in Attleboro, Massachusetts, Ray played trombone in his high school band and gathered together a group of local youngsters to organize a dance orchestra. For them he wrote his first arrangement—"Sweet Georgia Brown."

Out of high school, Ray got his first professional musical position with Dan Murphy's "Musical Skippers" in Boston. He played trombone, arranged music and drove a panel truck. After two years he headed

south for New York and opportunity.

Ray's first job in New York was as a trombonist- arranger with the great Bunny Berigan. For 15 months

Ray worked with Bunny, acquiring a name as an arranger and trombonist in the music world.

As a result of this work, Bob Crosby hired him away in 1939 and Ray went to work arranging and playing trombone with the "Bobcats." After one year with Crosby he was hired away again, this time with Artie Shaw.

After Shaw came Glen Gray, and then Uncle Sam, where Ray arranged for the Armed Forces Radio Ser-

vices until 1946. Upon release from the Army he went to work arranging for Harry James.

In the early 50's the big break in Ray's career came when he met Mitch Miller of Columbia Records. This led to his arranging for Columbia, and in 1954 he scored Don Cherry's rendition of "Band of Gold." It became a wildfire hit. This started a series of Conniff- arranged Columbia recording session which resulted in hit records. Among them were Johnny Ray's "Walkin' In The Rain," Frankie Laine's "Moonlight Gambler," and Guy Mitchell's "Singin' The Blues." Later there was Marty Robbins "White Sport Coat," and the huge Johnny Mathis hits "Chances Are," "Wonderful, Wonderful" and "It's Not For Me To Say."

Ray's success arranging for other conductors prompted Columbia to give him the podium himself for an album and his first, "S Wonderful," was in the top twenty albums in popularity for nine months. Cash Box voted Ray "the most promising up and coming band leader of 1957." He won the same award again in 1958, and in 1959 Disc Jockeys voted him the number one award for being "the most played orchestra"

on the air."

He has already received *thirteen* "Gold Records" which are given by the recording industry for an album achieving over \$1,000,000 in sales, the coveted "Grammy" Award of the National Recording Arts and Sciences for record of the year: "Somewhere My Love," and is one of only eleven artists to receive the International "Crystal Globe" Award for sales of more than five million records outside the United States. One of the amazing things about the "Ray Conniff Sound" is that its popularity never seems to diminish. His catalogue of over 65 albums continues selling over 2,000,000 albums a year — over one-half of these in countries other than the United States and Canada. We learned just how popular Ray Conniff is in West Germanyl

In 1976 Ray was honored by being the the first American popular musical artist to be invited by the Russian State Recording Agency to come to the Soviet Union and record his own arrangements of popular Russian songs. The effort was wildly successful, again proving the power of music to bring peoples together. Mr. Conniff has presented a copy of this Russian album to our Social Studies de-

partment where it is used by Mr. Burtt in his World Cultures classes.

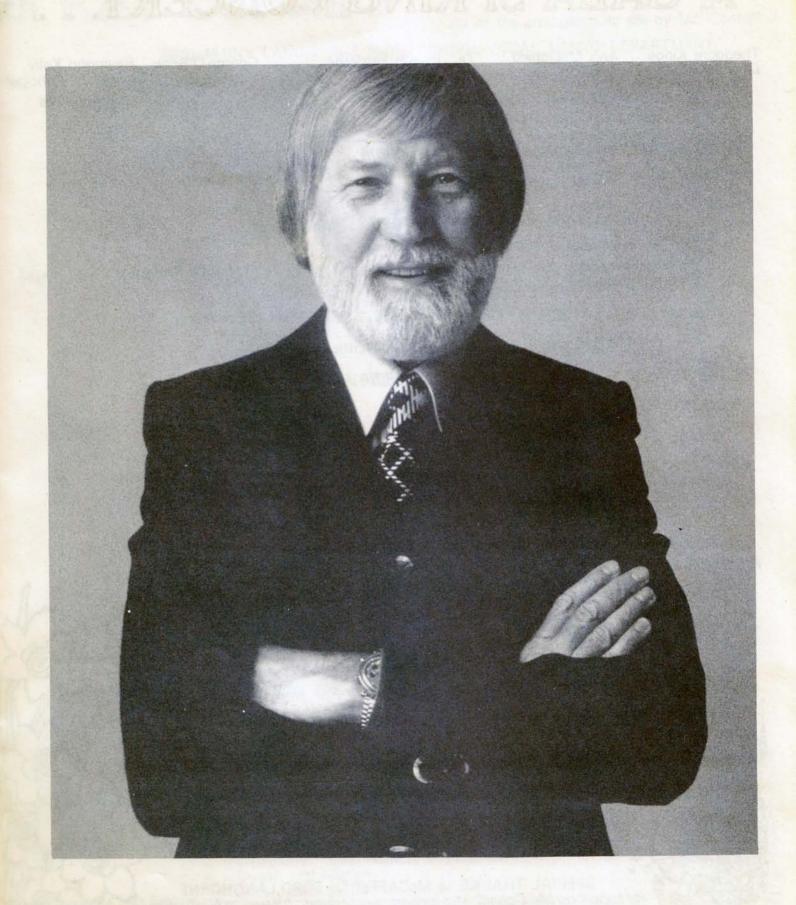
Recently Ray had a command performance at the White House, completed two very successful concert tours of Great Britain, tours of Japan, Venezuela, Brazil, and Argentina where he is introduced as "America's Ambassador of Music." To date he has sold 45 million albums throughout the world!

His most recent albums are "I Will Survive" and the "Perfect 10 Classics." He is presently producing an album with his orchestra and chorus and various "country" artists which will be called "Ray Conniff's Nashville Supersession." He leaves directly from Langhorne for West Gemany where he will be recording two German, albums and producing a television show.

We are delighted that this year Mr. Conniff's lovely wife Vera (whose picture graces many of Ray's albums) and adorable daughter Tamara are honoring us with their presence. We hope that they are having

a wonderful time in Langhorne.

Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Conniff for making the Neshaminy Langhorne High School Concert choir's 19th year the most exciting yet!



# A GALA SPRING CONCERT..

Theodore Kloos Director

Ann McDonald Assistant Director

Dr. Joseph Ferderbar Superintendent

George O'Brien Principal

Raymond Kelly Assistant Principal for Activities

### **PROGRAMME**

I. THE NESHAMINY LANGHORNE FRESHMAN CHOIR
LOVE IS A SONG Natalie Sleeth
IT'S A LAZY DAY Bob Summers
THE ROSE Midler-Bates
Michelle Frederick Colleen Mohan Yvonne Indellacato Karin Sawadski
IT'S MY DAY Carl Strommen
Michelle Frederick, Colleen Mohan, Chris Little, piano
II. THE NESHAMINY LANGHORNE SYMPHONIC CHOIR
COLOUR MY WORLD Robert Lamm
YOU'RE SO VAIN
DON'T CRY OUT LOUD Peter Allen
GOOD NIGHT SWEETHEART Ray Noble
Jacqueline Clark & Pam Williams; piano
III. HONOR SOLOS
JOHNNY ONE NOTE Rodgers & Hart Alan Naidoff, baritone
OUT HERE ON MY OWN

Maureen Lange, soprano Charlie Ashton, piano

### IV. SENIOR OCTET

Five Love Song Waltzes for Voices and Dup-pianists Maureen Lange, Anita Wendel; soprano Joy Comfort, Lisa Spadaveccia; alto Charlie Ashton, Andrew McMasters; tenor Barry Kirsh, Alan Naidoff; bass Carol Ann Aicher, Michelle Frederick, dup-piano

INTERMISSION

SPECIAL THANKS to McCAFFERTY FORD, LANGHORNE for supplying Mr. Conniff with a courtesy car during his visit to Neshaminy

Sound reinforcement by Audio Video Freelance



# ith RAY CONNIFF

CONDUCTING THE NESHAMINY HIGH SCHOOL CONCERT CHOIR

All of the arrangements are by Mr. Conniff

NESHAMINY LANGHORNE HIGH SCHOOL-VOCAL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: I WILL SURVIVE

I Will Survive (Fekaris-Perren)
I Want Your Love (Edwards-Rodgers)
Little Music Box Dancer (Mills)
The Twenty Third Psalm (Conniff)
Halleluya (Orshrat-Orr)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM; PERFECT "10" CLASSICS

An Improvisation on Pagliacci (Leoncavallo)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: RAY CONNIFF PLAYS THE BEE-GEES AND OTHER HITS

You Light Up My Life (Brooks)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: I WRITE THE SONGS

I Write the Songs (Johnston) Paloma Blanca (Bouwens)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: LAUGHTER IN THE RAIN

Eres Tu (Calderon-Hawker)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: HARMONY

Harmony (Simon-Kaplan)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: I'D LIKE TO TEACH THE WORLD TO SING Imagine (Lennon)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER

Someone (Conniff)
I'll Never Fall In Love Again (Bacharach)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: LOVE AFFAIR

Taking A Chance On Love (Duke)
-the song that started it all!-

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: SOMEWHERE MY LOVE

The Grammy Award Winning Song: Somewhere My Love (Jarre)

### FROM THE COLUMBIA ALBUM: SEND IN THE CLOWNS

Moments to Remember (Stillmen-Allen)

### INSTRUMENTALISTS

Programs produced by
The Graphic Arts Class
at the
Bucks County Technical School

Piano: Carol Ann Aicher Organ: Barry Kirsch

Electric Keyboards: Anita Wendel

Trumpet: Robert Rambo, Eric Hanlon, Chris Roman

Trombone: John Ashton, Chip Smith

Guitar: Ed Walton Bass: Mike Laster

Percussion: Michael Kirsch, David Ragsdale



We thank Mr. Max Schlom for supplying the paper for the programs



### NESHAMINY CONCERT CHOIR

Soprano Sharon Cartledge Terri Collelo Danae Cochrane Beth Czarnecki Barbara Daily Traci Dallorzo Stephanie Johnson Charlene Kerr Karen Kimmel Maureen Lange (2,3) Wendy Lindner Pat Macauley Lisa Mialetti Karen McCusker Debbie Miller Laure Minnich Barbara Morrow Debbie Nelson Christine O'Brien Lisa-Marie Phayre Jennifer Rementer Lisa Ridley Sandy Rommel Cynthia Sagolla Sharonann Salvadore Elizabeth Sathra Nancy Scheur

Beth Schneider Debbie Sherman Diann Sonntag Annie Theophilus Sandy Thomas Maria Visco Anita Wendel (2) Kathy Williams

Alto Gwen Armstrong Joy Comfort (2,3) Kay Costello Andrea Dilorio Celeste DiNunzio Maria Escardille Tina Ferguson Regina Hood Kimberly Houser Mary Hudson Jennifer Kloos Debbie Lafferty Laura Leonhauser Laurien Manley Judy Mannara Yvonne McClintic Donna Minnich Denise Molen Lisa Nagy

Sheila Pickett
Carol Radue
Kim Reed
Pat Ritter
Nina Salden
Janice Shaefer
Maureen Shamlian
Amy Smith
Lisa Spadevecchia (2)
Michelle Taylor
Debbie Vile
Kearen Worthington

Tenor
Charles Ashton (2,3,4,5)
Dave Emmons
Christopher Firman
Ken Halk
Mark Harris
Jerry Hill (1)
Kevin Kirk
Scott McNaughton
Michael Majkowski
Andrew McMasters (1,2)
Marc Morris (1)
Chuck Nagy
Alan Naidoff
Jonathan Phillips
John Rhimer

Richard Rosenberg Edward Slavek (1) Joel Soloman Jerry Visco

Bass Barry Adams John Ashton Chris Belser Jonathan Caesar Rob Clipner Mark Cordelli Hugh Fegely Ken Gatton John Geisel Jim Gray Richard Hammer James Hill Barry Kirsch Kyle Kloos John O'Brien Jim Parks Nick Poulton Michael Saloman Blair Schlom Joe Wallick Scott Weiser Jack Williams Louis Worthington Christopher Young

#### SYMPHONIC CHOIR

Soprano
Lynn Campbell
Paula Carsello
Danielle Defrancisco
Pamela Garnick
Dawn Honnen (1)
Doreen Humber
Jeannine Ihlenfeldt
Sheila Jacobs
Jan Keefe
Sheryl Molen

Stacey O'Flynn Nicole Reichert Eileen Young

Alto
Mary Alcaraz
Anita Anglescy
Kristi Backhaus
Susan Bustram
April Brecht
Jacqueline Clark
Colleen Crawford

Kathy Crawford
Lisa Engard
Marie Graziano
Donna Jean Hadzick
Susan Halk
Colleen Kain
Linda Lafferty
Michelle Lankin
Lauren Marchetti
Debby McCue

Debbie Milkewicz Wendy MoHapp Lenore Riebsame Jenny Sloan Donna Shepherd Susan Spaeth Diane Ulrich Lucinda Ward Kathy Williams Pam Williams Eileen Young

#### FRESHMAN CHOIR

Soprano
Beth Bonow
Brenda Cipollini
Michele Crozier
Susan Daily
Lynda Hornick
Yvonne Indelicato
Chris Little
Andrea Kreosche
Kim Hagen
Angela Nowosielski
Carol Robinson

Maria Romagosa Karin Sawadski (1) Nancy Schmidt Barbara Sharp Meg Sowden Christine Stone Cheryl Taylor Jennifer Taylor Jodi Whitman

Alto Heather Aiken Sharon Davie Ellen Delano
Michelle Frederick (1)
Kimberly Henion
Beth Heinze
Kim laccarino
Stacy Jordan
Colleen Mohan (1)
Kathleen Patton
Kathleen Patton
Kathy Ridlon
Siri Sammartino
Faith Soloman
BillieLee Sonntag

Karole States Jennifer Stott Donna Vest Traci Wenner Patty Yerkes Margaret Price

Tenor Jerry Hill (1) Charles Griffin

Bass Karl Foreman Kyle Kloos

- (1) Bucks County Music Educator's County Chorus
- (2) Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 11 Chorus
   (3) Pennsylvania Music Educators Association Regional Chorus
- (4) Pennsylvania Music Educators Association All-State Honors Chorus (5) American Chorual Directors Association All-Eastern States Honors Chorus

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THE NESHAMINY LANGHORNE

CHOIR BOOSTERS WELCOME

RAY CONNIFF TO OUR SCHOOL

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WE THANK MR. TED KLOOS AND MR. RAY CONNIFF
FOR PROVIDING THIS TREMENDOUS

EXPERIENCE FOR OUR STUDENTS

WE ALSO THANK THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF THE CHOIRS FOR THEIR HELP IN MAKING THIS EVENING A SUCCESS.