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**CURTIS NOLLEY, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**

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To Our Audience

Good evening and welcome to our *Celebrate America* concert. At the conclusion of the Choral Society's 52<sup>nd</sup> season, we are pleased you have chosen to be with us as we remember American independence.

We appreciate the support of the community, advertisers, individual contributors, and other organizations. We do enjoy sharing our music and your support makes all of the effort possible.

This concert will be a good time of instrumental music from the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Concert Band and lighter fare from the Choral Society. The Band and Choral Society will end the evening by joining together to acknowledge our veterans. Please help us show our respect when the service members are invited to stand during "Armed Forces Salute" and then join us for the favorite traditional march "Stars and Stripes Forever."

Planning is well underway for the Choral Society's 53<sup>rd</sup> concert year. We are eagerly looking forward to the coming year, as always, aided by your continuing support. We hope you will make plans to join us as the season unfolds.

I invite you to visit our website at [singshenandoah.org](http://singshenandoah.org). It is a good way to see what we are doing. You may also consider friending the Choral Society on Facebook -- another way to follow our activities.

Now, please join your friends and neighbors as the Choral Society and the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Concert Band present *Celebrate America!*



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**Curtis Nolley, Artistic Director** In his 22nd season as director of the Shenandoah Valley Choral Society, Curtis Nolley leads the distinguished ensemble in its 52nd season. In addition to his responsibilities with the SVCS, Curtis serves as church musician and free-lance choral conductor. For 43 years he served as music educator serving students as choral director and music specialist at every level. For 27 years he taught at the elementary, middle and secondary levels in Augusta County and was named the division Teacher of the Year in 2000.

Curtis then served a five-year tenure as choral director at Turner Ashby High School in Rockingham County, eleven years as Music Specialist in Harrisonburg City Public Schools, and a two-year assignment as Visiting Director of Choral Music at Bridgewater College. Curtis continues to serve as choir director at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren. In 2012, Curtis was the recipient of the Virginia Choral Director Association's Sydney Swiggett Award for outstanding service and contribution to choral music education in the Commonwealth, and in 2014, the James Madison University Professional Service Award recognizing outstanding service to the music education profession and James Madison University. A native of the Shenandoah Valley, Curtis holds a BA in Music Education from Bridgewater College and a MM in Choral Conducting from the University of Colorado, Boulder. Curtis is active as an adjudicator and guest conductor for scholastic festival choirs across the state of Virginia. An active leader in music education, Curtis is a past president of the Virginia Elementary Music Educators Association and the Virginia Music Educators Association. He continues to serve on VMEA's executive board.

**Melissa Bushong Harper, Band Director**, graduated from Shepherd College (now Shepherd University) in 1992 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in music education. She has taught music from PreK to 12<sup>th</sup> grade ranging the full gamut of music classes from general music, choir, and musical theater, to marching and jazz band and orchestra. After graduating from Shepherd, Mrs. Harper worked as a middle school general music and choral teacher while performing at a dinner theater in Hagerstown, Maryland. After leaving the Maryland area, she went on to teach middle and high school band, musical theater, general music, and beginning band in Columbia, Pennsylvania. After arriving back in Virginia, Mrs. Harper taught concert band, marching band, string orchestra, general music, and music theater at Stonewall Jackson High School in Shenandoah County.



The last twelve years, Mrs. Harper has been teaching in Rockingham County, first at Mountain View Elementary and currently at Wilbur Pence Middle School teaching beginning band, concert bands, and jazz band. She is also the director of the after school musical theater program. As a native of the area and an alumnus of Turner Ashby High School, Mrs. Harper is extremely excited to be in the area where her music roots grow deep. In addition to her position as band director at Pence, she is active in Valley Wind Ensemble, she is the director for Harrisonburg Rockingham Concert Band, and she is working on her master's degree in Music Education. In her free time, Mrs. Harper enjoys spending time with her family and finding as many beaches as possible.

**Amy Robertson, accompanist**, has been piano accompanist for the SVCS since 1996. She is also a freelance and staff accompanist at James Madison University and teaches privately. She lives with her family in Port Republic, Virginia. Amy holds a BA in Piano Performance with an emphasis in accompanying and coaching, and a Masters in Piano Performance from James Madison University. She has been a featured soloist with the Prince William Symphony Orchestra and a finalist in the Hilton Head Island International Competition. In 1997, Amy premiered a piece for cello and piano at the Mid-Atlantic Chapter annual meeting of the College Music Society. In 2000, she auditioned for and attended the American Institute of Music Studies program in Graz, Austria. While there, Amy focused her studies on German Lied and accompanied vocalists in local concerts.



**Debbie McGuire, accompanist**, serves as assistant accompanist and sings with her fellow altos in the SVCS. She is a professional freelance accompanist who has worked with church, school, and collegiate performance ensembles throughout Virginia. She has taught at Mary Baldwin College and served as piano instructor at Stuart Hall School in Staunton, Virginia. In addition to her service with the SVCS, she has served as guest accompanist for scholastic festival choral ensembles throughout the region. Ms. McGuire is a graduate of the University of Richmond and received her Master's Degree in Church Music from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. Her private studio and residence is in Rockingham County, Virginia.

# PROGRAM

*The Pledge of Allegiance*

*The Star Spangled Banner*

John Stafford Smith / Arr. Erik Leidzen

*Our Own Red, White and Blue*

Henry Fillmore

*Shenandoah's Simple Gifts*

Larry Clark

For Pat Rooney, mentor and friend

Pat Rooney, guest conductor

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*America the Beautiful*

Samuel Ward / Arr. William Russell Bennett

*(At the conductor's signal, the audience is invited to join in singing)*

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years.

Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.

America! America! God shed His grace on thee,

And crown thy good with brotherhood,

From sea to shining sea.

*Why We Sing*

Greg Gilpin

*Battle Hymn of the Republic*

William Steffe / Arr. Peter J. Wilhousky

*(At the conductor's signal, the audience is invited to join in singing)*

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

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*Instant Concert*

Harold L. Owens

*Across the Great Plains*

William Owens

*They Can't Take That Away from Me*

George and Ira Gershwin / Arr. Barker

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*Old Joe Clark*

American Folk Song / Arr. Greg Gilpin

*I Gave My Love A Cherry*

American Folk Song / Arr. Victor C. Johnson

*Little Light of Mine*

Traditional Spiritual / Arr. Ken Berg

# PROGRAM (continued)

*Drive* Patrick Rozell  
*Give My Regards to Broadway* George M. Cohan / Arr. Barker  
*Heal—Movement #2 from Suite for the Heroes Among Us* Robert W. Smith

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*I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing* Bill Backer / Arr. Mark Hayes  
*Till There Was You* Meredith Wilson / Arr. Mac Huff

from *The Music Man*

*High Hopes* Sammy Cahn / Arr. Ed. Lojeski  
*Armed Forces Salute* Bob Lowden / Arr. Joyce Eilers  
*The Stars and Stripes Forever* John Philip Sousa

*(At the conductor's signal, the audience is invited to join in singing the final refrain)*

Hurrah for the flag of the free;  
May it wave as our standard forever.  
The gem of the land and the sea,  
The Banner of the Right.  
Let despots remember the day,  
When our fathers with mighty endeavor,  
Proclaimed as they marched to the fray  
That by their might, and by their right, it waves forever!

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**Thank you for attending our concert!**

# Shenandoah Valley Choral Society

## **SOPRANO**

Deborah Black  
Debra Bucklen  
Beverley Carver  
Miriam Clark  
Lorraine Crawford  
Katie Grant  
Julia Longenecker  
Nancy Metcalfe  
Pat Murphy  
Kristi Pascarella  
Jeanette Shull  
Dwynn Stovall  
Donna Tinsley  
Alexandra Vilela  
Jayne Wagner

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Kathryn Albright  
Jean Andrews  
Stefanie Eye  
Jan Flora  
Rachel Hamburger  
Susan Holsinger  
Alice Lee Hopkins  
Betty Hoskins  
Vicki Langdon  
Cathryn MacDonald  
Debbie McGuire  
Marta McGuire  
Jeanne Neff  
Andrea Nolley  
Sue Olson  
Katherine Phillips  
Audrey Shenk  
Brenda Wilkinson  
Julianne Zerkel

## **TENOR**

Sharon Carter  
Marcelo Flores  
Robert Jochen  
Phil Markert  
Ron Matthews  
Ann Ridder  
John Sellers  
Tony Stovall  
Dick Stutzman

## **BASS**

Tom DeVore  
Jim Dye  
Dave Holl  
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Calvin Phillips  
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Tim Wagner

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# Harrisonburg-Rockingham Concert Band

## CONDUCTOR

Melissa Bushong Harper

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Victoria Buhl  
Morgan Carr  
Dakota Cyr  
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Zach Hollar  
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Tyler Carr  
Andy Moyer  
Chloe Starling

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David Carothers  
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## PERCUSSION

Harley Campbell  
Marshall Good  
Steven R Harper

**Dr. Pat Rooney**, Director of Bands, Emeritus at James Madison University, where he taught for 25 years. Prior to that, he was Director of Bands at East Central University in Oklahoma. Dr. Rooney has a BMED from the University of Southern Mississippi, a MM from the University of North Texas, and a DMA from the Catholic University of America.



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# HONORING OUR VETERANS



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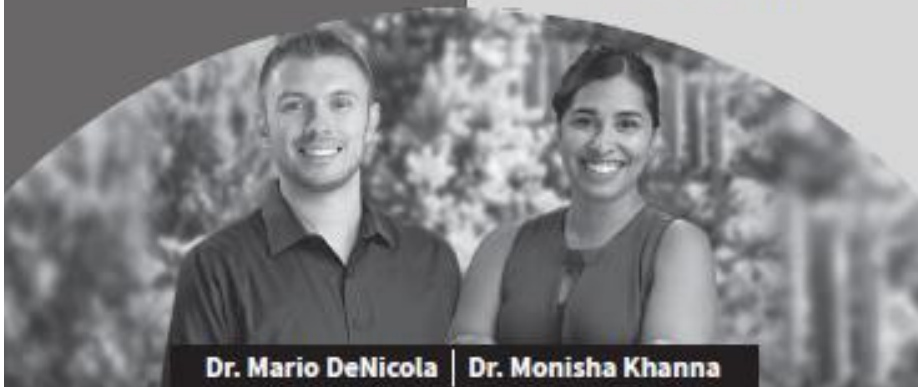


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