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CONCERT UNDER THE STARS 2007

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Dust off the coolers, shake out the picnic blankets, press the linens and polish the candelabras. It's almost time for the Riverside Symphonia's annual *Concert Under the Stars*. The concert will take place on Saturday July 5, 2008 in Tinicum Park, Erwinna, PA. Gates open at 6pm and the concert begins at 8pm. From simple picnics to elaborately catered and seated affairs there is a single tie that binds these concertgoers – the music of the Symphonia. Maestro Mariusz Smolij, the music director and resident conductor since 1996, will lead the ensemble in repertoire including Sousa's *Stars and Stripes*, Williams's *The Patriot*, Paul Simon Medley arranged by Ling, the *Armed Forces Salute* arranged by Lowden, and Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture*.

The Concert Under the Stars is made possible by generous donations from its presenting sponsor, N. T. Callaway Real Estate Broker, LLC, and Co-Sponsors The Thompson Organization, C.E. Conover, Campbell's and Pepperidge Farm. The concert is also produced in cooperation with the Bucks County Department of Parks and Recreation and Bucks County Commissioners: Chairman James F. Cawley, Esq. Vice Chairman Charles H. Martin, and Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia, LSCW. Funding has also been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts Department of State.

Advance tickets are available for Adults \$20 and Children \$10 at: N.T. Callaway Real Estate, LLC, Rt. 202 and Aquetong Road in New Hope, Thompson Toyota, Lexus, BMW, Rt. 313 & 611 in Doylestown, Phillips' Fine Wines, Bridge Street, Stockton, Dresswell's, Bridge Street, Lambertville, The Gourmet's Pantry, River Road, Erwinna. Tickets are also available on the web at www.riversidesymphonia.org or by calling 609 397-7330 / 215

862-3300. Tickets may also be available at the gate for Adults \$25 and Children \$10. V.I.P. Parking passes are available for \$50. Advance ticket purchase is recommended.

From citronella to sterling candelabras, finger food to silver spoons, picnic blankets to linen covered tables the upcoming *Concert Under the Stars*, featuring the Riverside Symphonia, is an event that delights all audiences. This concert has become an annual tradition honoring our nation's independence. Local residents have found there is no better way to herald in the summer season than with this evening surrounded by friends, family and the sounds of the Symphonia. When gates open at 6pm a parade of concert goers will begin staking their claim to a portion of the grounds of Tinicum Park in Erwinna, PA. As parents set up their trappings, children play in the surrounding fields. Some come simply with cooler and blanket while others create an elaborate plein-air dining hall. There are sounds of laughter and a palatable air of happiness and excitement is present as the fields begin to brim with people. Friends and families meet to immerse themselves into an evening of musical enjoyment and good old fashioned camaraderie. Set between the rolling hills of Tinicum Township and the banks of the Delaware River many have even found this event to be the perfect venue for their family reunions, wedding anniversaries, and company gatherings.