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WHCP Celebrates the Holidays by Sharing Dorchester Youth Concerts

Hundreds of young Dorchester voices and musicians were training for months when WHCP's John Hansen boldly suggested that the station should record all of the upcoming DCPS Winter Concerts and air them over the Christmas holidays. Thanks to C-SD High School's Theater Director Mike James, WHCP quickly set up digital recording equipment that captured Winter Concert performances of multiple schools. The result was that – for the first time ever – all eleven of the DCPS schools' concerts were recorded, edited, and aired during the continuous 65-hour Christmas celebration on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.



WHCP General Manager Mike Starling said, "Hearing these kids under the guidance of their dedicated music teachers, acting in harmony, and having joyous fun displaying their budding talents was a real

treat to share with our listeners. Hats off to John Hansen for jump starting this initiative and boundless thanks to volunteer engineers Doug Schuetz, Rich Ledger, ace intern Julian Jackson and John Hansen for putting in scores of hours making this special holiday programming a reality. WHCP added the special Anne Watt's Cambridge Kids Rock Christmas concert of remarkably talented students, as well as great holiday selections from the MidShore Community Band and the Choptank River Band."

Fall '18 "Listen Local, Listen Live" Membership Drive Breaks Records

When Volunteer and WHCP Board Member Tom Long stepped up to chair the Fall '18 WHCP Membership Drive Committee he immediately focused on a theme for the effort. He quickly suggested "Listen Local" as the perfect embodiment of what WHCP brings to the community: a focused spotlight on the MidShore. In short order, the extraordinary Anne Watts organized a celebration of Cambridge's best local talents in a finale to the "Listen Local" Membership Drive with a very special "Listen Live" October 27th free concert. Anne was joined by Maple Elementary's Kentavius Jones, virtuoso Laura Todd, piano prodigy Ian Ledger, always popular Cambridge star Bobby Reed, terrifically talented singersongwriter Emma Myers, and energetic and entertaining Elvis impersonator "Bilvis".



The result was that not since sign-on in 2015 has WHCP had so many new and renewing members responded to the call. WHCP was also fortunate to have the support of Premier Cinemas in Easton and Cambridge, who provided monthly media passes to the station's new or renewing members at the Family and Tower level. According to Chair Tom Long "WHCP is gratified by the outpouring of community support. On behalf of the station, we are very pleased to report that we handily exceeded the ambitious member and financial targets. 'Listening Local' is reenergized for the year ahead." Special thanks to ace volunteer engineer and producer Doug Schuetz who orchestrated and executed the technical operations for the "Listen Live" finale. Thanks also to mixing engineers Bobby Reed, John Hansen, and C-SD intern Julian Jackson. Anne Watts, Drew Sheckler, Donna Flaggs, Bobby Reed and Mike Starling interviewed the day's talent during the live broadcast. It was a

great event – and we look forward to hosting many more in the Groove City Studio complex!

"We're Having a Casino Paddy!" March 16th - Get Your Tickets Today!

WHCP's 5th Anniversary Celebration -- March 16th at 447 Race St. in Historic Downtown Cambridge

It is the break-out "Eve of St Paddy's Day" celebration with amazing green beer, award-winning musicians, and endless fun. All you can eat Celtic barbeque (and Elvis' psychic swears he will be "in the building"), and a fabulous cash bar!



A Full Casino -craps, poker, roulette, and blackjack - everyone receives \$10,000 in Casino Cash

Extraordinary prizes await the evening's top Casino winners

Get your tickets today at https://www.whcp.org/tickets-now-on-sale/

Members: \$55 - special pricing through February 15th only!

Advance Tickets: \$60

At the door (if available): \$70

Doors open at 6:30 PM - We can't wait to see you there!

Are You a Happy Septuagenarian? Support WHCP With A "Qualified Charitable Donation" From Your Required Minimum Distribution

As a nonprofit organization, WHCP is tax-exempt and can receive the full amount of a Qualified Charitable Donation from your qualified IRA. Donations help keep the community programming you like well-funded and on-the-air. You can give from your IRA directly to a qualified charity like WHCP without having to pay income taxes on the money (up to \$100,000). Please consult your tax advisor for advice on your specific situation.



Here's the basics: you can contribute a portion of your IRA's Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to WHCP and receive a tax benefit. It's called a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). It's easy and it's a great way to support WHCP. Here are the basic rules/details:

- You must be age $70-\frac{1}{2}$ or older on the date of the QCD.
- The QCD will count toward satisfying any RMDs.
- QCDs are federally tax free and are limited to the amount that would otherwise be taxed as ordinary income.
- Your IRA custodian must make the check from your IRA payable to Cambridge Community Radio, Inc.. If you withdraw funds yourself and then make a charitable donation to WHCP, it won't be considered a QCD.
- Each check will be made payable to Cambridge Community Radio, Inc. and should list your name as the donor.
- A QCD may not be used for WHCP Underwriting.

If you're interested, we suggest you contact your financial advisor to see if it's right for you.

You can also donate an outright Gift of Appreciated or Depreciated Securities

Again, please consult your attorney, broker or financial advisor to determine the tax deductions that apply in your case. WHCP does not offer tax advice but we gratefully accept a financial boost from all who believe in great community radio!

