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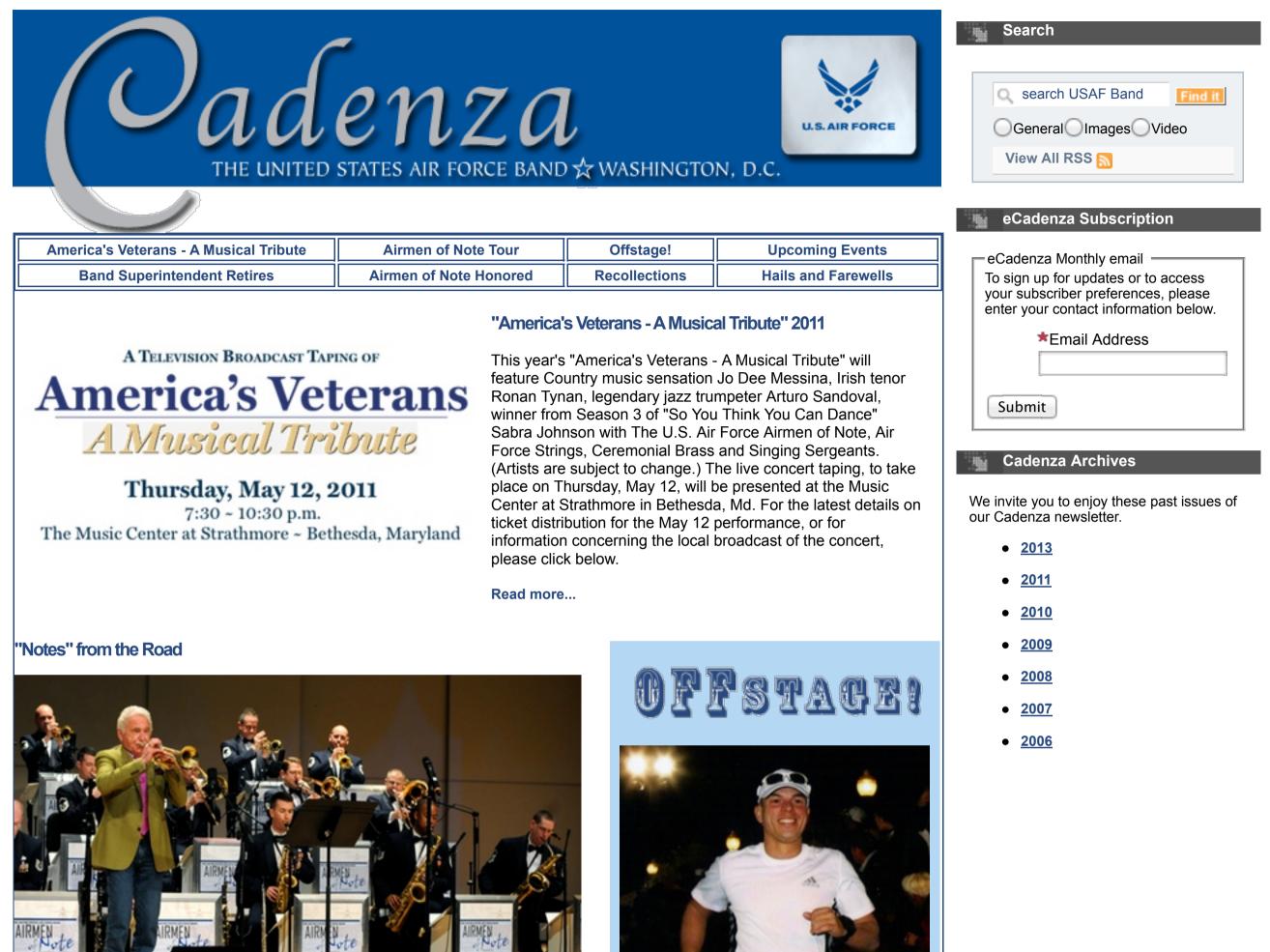
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For much of the month of March, the Airmen of Note toured through the states of Virginia, Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas. Their performances garnered tremendous enthusiasm, with stirring tributes to Armed Forces veterans. This particular tour also had some very special moments, including a packed-house performance that was also broadcast to over 100,000 listeners, as well as a special guest performance with a living legend.

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Band Superintendent to Retire

Chief Master Sgt. Elizabeth Schouten, Superintendent for The USAF Band, will retire this spring, after 30 years of service in the Air Force. Chief Schouten began her career as a clarinetist in the Concert Band in 1981. She has performed with the Concert Band in concerts and ceremonies in the 48 contiguous states and seven different foreign countries. Her distinguished career also boasts playing for seven Presidential Inaugural Parades, from President Reagan to President Obama.

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Most musicians would agree that excellence is achieved when the mental and physical aspects of creating music work together to allow one's performance to reach a higher level. It is no wonder that many professional musicians strive for that same sort of excellence in their endeavors outside the musical realm. An example of this is found in Tech. Sgt. Joe Bello of The United States Air Force Band's Ceremonial Brass, who after months of dedication and hard work completed the Ironman Arizona Triathlon in November 2010.

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Airmen of Note Honored for Outstanding Recording

The Airmen of Note, the premier jazz ensemble of the United States Air Force, received the first place award for music in the Air Force Public Affairs Agency's 55th Annual Media Contest. The ensemble won "Outstanding Recording" for their historical compilation CD entitled "Airmen of Note 60"--a recording that celebrates the dynamic, 60-year heritage of the Airmen of Note.

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Recollections

The United States Air Force Band is continually working to expand our archives and capture details of the historic music made throughout the years. "Recollections" was designed to enlist your help in this process. If you have any behind-the-scenes stories from these events or memories to share from the feature photographs, please email our Band Historian Tech. Sgt. Tracey MacDonald at USAFBandHistorian@afncr.af.mil. Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you!

Please click the image below to see it on our website. When there, select "Download Full Image" to view a larger, more detailed picture.

Recollections Revealed

To read newly-discovered background information pertaining to the photos we included in last month's Cadenza, please click here.

Hails and Farewells

The United States Air Force Band wishes to say thank you and farewell to the following members:

Chief Master Sgt. Elizabeth Schouten, Band Superintendent - Retirement Senior Master Sgt. Christopher Moehlenkamp, Concert Band - Retirement

In Memoriam

We have just received word that the following Band alumni passed away:

October, 2010

Upcoming Events

America's Veterans: A Musical Tribute

May 12 - Bethesda, Maryland

Chamber Player Series

May 19 - Ft. Washington, Maryland

Please see our calendar for specific information on these and other upcoming performances!



George Nichols

January 28, 2011

If you know of a former member of our organization who has recently passed away, please let us know, so that we may list his or her information.

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