



## TIM LAUSHEY ORCHESTRA / PARADIDDLE PRODUCTIONS

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From his first professional job at age 14 to the present, drummer Tim Laushey has provided both listeners and dancers to a driving, swinging beat that is as fresh today as it was when he first fell under the spell of drumming legend Gene Krupa.

Tim really got his playing start in Wilmington, Delaware, playing with such local mainstays as the Rhythm Doctors with his dad Bob, Sis Saulter and Phillies Organist Paul Richardson.

The 1970's brought the disco sound to night clubs, but Tim was lucky enough to land a job in the show band at The Continental Safari in Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania. From there he went to the Sportsman's Club in Delaware County, Pennsylvania where for seven and a half years he worked seven nights a week from 1 to 5am. At these clubs his skills were sharpened working with Johnnie Ray, The Platters, Enzo Stuarti and Tiny Tim.

In 1979 when Lloyd Johnston, a Wilmington musician and contractor, called Tim for his first "big time" job. The first time Tim played the theme song "Contrasts" with the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, he knew where his music would take him. It wasn't the "1940's" but the interest in that music was there.

Starting with Ronald Reagan's Inaugural Ball in 1980 and again in 1985, the list of show business legends that have had Tim Laushey behind them reads like Who's Who:

Lee Castle and the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, Ray McKinley, Warren Covington, Charlie Spivak, Sammy Kaye, Bob Crosby, Les Elgart, Tex Beneke, Bob Eberle, Vaughn Monroe and Johnny Desmond lead the list of bands that Tim played in while these great musicians were still with us.

Tim has traveled with Dorothy Lamour, Patty Andrews, Morey Amsterdam, Julius LaRosa, Al Alberts and the Four Aces, Anna Maria Alberghetti, Frankie Laine, Helen O'Connell, Billy Eckstine and most recently show biz legend Mickey Rooney.

It was also in 1980 that Tim played his first engagement for Boscov's Dept. Store. After 25 years and 35 store openings he is now musical director for all openings.

On land is not the only place where music has taken Tim. He has performed on The Royal Viking Sea, The Bermuda Star, The Queen Elizabeth II and Disney's "Big Red Boat". On the schedule for 2005 is a Sinatra salute cruise from Malaga, Spain to Ft. Lauderdale with the Nelson Riddle Orchestra on the Raddison Seven Seas.

Today Tim splits his time between the Nelson Riddle Orchestra directed by Christopher Riddle, and the tribute to Benny Goodman Orchestra directed by Everett Longstreth. Yes, he plays "Sing, Sing, Sing" every night with the Goodman band as a tribute to his inspiration and teacher Gene Krupa. In 2004 Tim added the very popular "Diamonds" to his list of entertainers that call him when on the East Coast. Their 50's & 60's Rock & Roll allows Tim to play their hits "Little Darlin'" and "Silouettes" along with many of the tunes that were popular during that time.

To round out his schedule, the Laushey Orchestra can be heard behind acts such as Al Martino and Pat Boone at the Three Little Bakers Dinner Theatre in Wilmington. He is a founding member and director of the Conrad High School Alumni Band, and director of the "Hawks Band" at Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, where he was awarded the St. Joe's 6th man award following the exciting 96-97 basketball year. In his 11th year at SJU Tim and the band were with the Hawks every step of the way to the Elite 8 in 2004. If you purchase the E A sports game, March Madness 2005 you will find Tim leading the band in a cameo spot.

If this isn't enough, there were several bands under the leadership of Tim Laushey at both inaugural balls for Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner in 2001 and 2005.

You will find Tim in the 1998/99 Marquis' Who's Who in entertainment.

In the few hours that are left each week private drum instruction is given at Music & Arts Center in Wilmington, Delaware where Tim keeps his studio.

