

UW VARSITY BAND CONCERT



Saturday, April 8, 2017



2 PM

Westby Area School Fieldhouse

General Admission: \$5.00



Free Admission to All Middle & High School Band Students, Veterans & Service Personnel

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SOUSA RETURNS



The New Sousa Band in Concert

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

7 PM

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John Phillip Sousa Returns to the Coulee Region after 100 Years



Over 100 years ago, audiences around the world would eagerly come to see the Sousa Band, led by “the March King” John Philip Sousa. It is documented that in 1917, his world famous band appeared in the Coulee Region.

The New Sousa Band, begun in 1979, is a realization of director Keith Brion’s dream to reincarnate the Sousa Band and once again tour America’s towns and cities. Musicians of the New Sousa Band, chosen for their ability to transmit the original style, spirit and ensemble sound of Sousa’s Band, are selected from major orchestras, military bands, university faculties and freelance musicians. The band wears authentic replicas of the original Sousa Band uniforms. Keith Brion and his New Sousa Band are officially and exclusively endorsed by John Philip Sousa, Inc., John Philip Sousa IV, President.

Keith Brion and his New Sousa Band have toured extensively in the East, Midwest and the Southeastern United States. The band made their first overseas tour to Japan in August, 1996. In Nov. 1993, the band played their first theatrical engagement with a one week appearance at the Cristy Lane Theatre in Branson MO. They

have appeared regularly in every sector of the United States. In 2000 they were presented by the Minnesota Orchestra and in May, 2002 by the Seattle Symphony. In addition, Mr. Brion and his band appeared in a 1986 PBS-TV special, *The New Sousa Band on Stage at Wolftrap*, now available in video and laserdisc by Proscenium Entertainment. Excerpts from this show appear from time to time on the Classic Arts Channel. Mr. Brion has also been seen in the PBS-TV special on the American Experience “If You Knew Sousa” and is currently being seen on BBC TV in London in a new show called “Sousa in New York”.

In an attempt to recreate these historic concerts, on Wednesday May 10, 2017, residents of our area will have a very special and historic musical opportunity as the New Sousa Band conducted by Keith Brion, will be making an appearance in Westby at the high school Fieldhouse at 7pm. Tickets are very affordable at just \$10 per person and will be available at the door. Military personnel, all veterans and music students will be admitted free.