

NOTES

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Summer Activities Continue

July 4th Celebration

The U.S. Marine Band will perform in concert at the annual Independence Day celebration at Wolf Trap's Filene Center in Vienna, VA on Monday, July 4 from 1 to 3 p.m. The program will feature the music of American composers including marches by the Marine Band's 17th Director, John Philip Sousa. The concert is free and no tickets are required. Bring the whole family and a picnic lunch for a patriotic afternoon of music and fun. Free parking is available.

For weekly program information, call the 24-Hour Concert Information Line at 202-433-4011



Colonel Bourgeois conducts the band at Wolf Trap

"The President's Own" Travels West on Tour

Preparations are now being made for the Marine Band's 1994 National Tour. The tour itinerary (published in the next issue of *NOTES*) will include 48 cities in western Maryland, central West Virginia, Kentucky, southern Indiana, southern Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, and Arizona.

The Marine Band tours only in the fall of the year and rarely leaves the Washington, D.C. area at any other time due to a heavy schedule of White House commitments, concerts, and ceremonial performances. The 1994 Tour Band consists of Colonel John R. Bourgeois, Captain Dennis R. Burian, 58 musicians, the Stage Manager and a crew of four, and travels for seven weeks each October and November. The remainder of the band stays in Washington to cover any Presidential musical requirements. These national tours began under the leadership of John Philip Sousa in 1891.

More Summer Concerts

The Marine Band's concerts on the Mall continue through August 31, with no concert on Sunday, July 24. All concerts are at 8 p.m. on Wednesdays on the east steps of the U.S. Capitol Building, and Sundays at the Sylvan Theater on the Washington Monument grounds, weather permitting. All concerts are free and no tickets are required.

See pages 3 and 4 for summer concert programs

Dixieland Band at Navy Memorial

The Marine Dixieland Band will perform a concert at the Navy Memorial Tuesday, July 26 at 8 p.m. The concert is free and no tickets or reservations are required. The Navy Memorial is located at 801 Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, Washington, DC. It can be reached by METRO at the Navy Memorial stop on the Yellow Line.

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ACTIVITIES UPDATE

At the White House

Easter Monday on the White House Lawn

The band performed on Monday, April 4 for area children during this year's White House Easter Egg Roll. The band's tradition of playing music for the Egg Roll dates to 1890 when President Harrison invited Director John Philip Sousa and the Marine Band to provide music at the popular event.

Olympic Team Rally

The band provided music for the Olympic Team Rally Wednesday, April 13 in the Grand Foyer at the White House. The rally honored U.S. athletes who participated in the Olympic Games in Lillehammer, Norway.

Spring Garden Tours

The band played for the annual White House Spring Garden Tours on Saturday, April 16.

Marine Band selects Drum Major

MSgt Dennis R. Wolfe has been selected as the new drum major of the U.S. Marine Band. MSgt Wolfe graduated from the Armed Forces School of Music in Norfolk, VA and has served with the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade Band, Pearl Harbor, HI; MCRD Band, San Diego, CA; and the Quantico Marine Band, Quantico, VA. MSgt Wolfe will report to the Marine Band in August. MGySgt John D. Lee, the band's current drum major, will retire in January 1995 after 30 years of Marine Corps service, six of those years as Marine Band Drum Major.



Richard M. Nixon 1913-1994



"During my years of service as Vice President and President, I have never failed to be proud of this splendid musical organization. Thomas Jefferson is remembered for the Declaration of Independence and his other contributions. One of his least known and most delightful legacies is 'The President's Own' [U.S. Marine] Band." - President Nixon

(President Nixon and then Assistant Director Major Harpham are pictured at Constitution Hall, Washington, DC c.1970)

Christ Church celebrates Bicentennial

Based on the historic ties between Marine Barracks, Washington and Christ Church, an exception to policy was authorized to allow the Marine Band to perform at the Bicentennial Celebration Opening Ceremonies on Saturday, April 23. Christ Church, located at 620 G Street Southeast, was the parish of the John Philip Sousa family and several Marine Corps Commandants.

Honoring a Hero

The band performed "Abide With Me" and "Onward, Christian Soldiers" at the funeral on Monday, May 16 of Vietnam War veteran 1st Lt Lewis B. Puller Jr., USMC retired. He was the son of Lewis "Chesty" Puller Sr., who won five Navy crosses for heroism in Central America, the Pacific theater during World War II and in the Korean War.

Vacancy Announcements

The Marine Band announces a vacancy for Public Affairs Specialist. Interviews will be held weekdays August 10-17 at Marine Barracks in Washington, DC. For more information, please write to Operations Officer, U.S. Marine Band, Marine Barracks, 8th and I Streets, SE, Washington, DC 20390-5000 or call (202) 433-5714 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

JULY CALENDAR

June 29th & July 3rd

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Colonel John R. Bourgeois, conducting

Sousa*

March, "Hail to the Spirit of Liberty"

Grundman

"Concord"

Gottschalk/Leidzén

"Pasquinade"

arr. Grundman

"A Copland Tribute"

Joplin and Hayden/Bourgeois*

Ragtime Two-Step, Sunflower Slow Drag

Sousa*

Suite, *Looking Upward*

Willson/Bulla*

The Music Man

Michael Ryan, Baritone

Warren/Knox*

"God of Our Fathers"

Ward/Hunsberger*

"America, the Beautiful"

Sousa*

March, "The Stars and Stripes Forever"

6th & 10th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Captain Dennis R. Burian, conducting

Sousa*

March, "The Fairest of the Fair"

Wagner/Hindsley

Introduction to Act 3 from *Lohengrin*

Newsome

Tuba Solo, "The Bass in the Ballroom"

Cameron Gates, soloist

Schönberg/Barker

Selections from *Lès Misérables*

Shaw

Concerto for Clarinet

Jay Niepoetter, soloist

Copland

Variations on a Shaker Melody from

Appalachian Spring

Giordano/Jolly*

Aria, "Nemico della Patria" from *Andrea*

Chénier

Michael Ryan, Baritone

Rossini

Overture to *William Tell*

13th & 17th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Major Timothy W. Foley, conducting

Nelson

"Rocky Point Holiday"

Curnow

Fantasia for Tuba and Concert Band

Ronald Haney, soloist

Debussy/Harger

"Clair de lune"

Debussy/Boyd

Danse (Tarantelle styrienne)

Cahuzac

Clarinet Solo

Variations sur un air du pays d'oc

Frederick Vare, soloist

Borodin/Schaefer

Finale from Symphony No. 2 in B minor

Leigh and Darion/Bulla*

Vocal Selections from *Man of La Mancha*

Michael Ryan, Baritone

Sousa*

March, "La Flor de Sevilla"

20th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING

Captain Dennis R. Burian, conducting

Sousa*/Byrne*

March, "Washington Post"

Kabalevsky/Beeler

Overture to *Colas Breugnon*, Opus 24

Picchi/Mantia

Euphonium Solo, Original Fantasie

Michael Colburn, soloist

Shostakovich/Maganini

Polka from *The Golden Age*, Opus 22

Kroepsch/Tabler*

Clarinet Solo, Fantasie on Themes from

Der Freischutz, Opus 6

Barbara Haney, soloist

Strauss Jr./Richardson

"Chit Chat" Polka, Opus 214

Kleinsinger-Tripp/Roach

"Tubby the Tuba"

Thomas Holtz, tuba

Michael Ryan, narrator

Cailliet

Variations on "Pop! Goes the Weasel"

AUGUST CALENDAR

July 27th & 31st

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Major Timothy W. Foley, conducting

Makris/Bader
Aegean Festival Overture

Saint-Saëns/Duker
Horn Solo, "Morceau de concert"
Kristin Davidson, soloist

Bartók/Leidzén
"An Evening in the Village"

de Falla/Greissle
Ritual Fire Dance from *El amor brujo*

Spohr/Hermann/Glazer
Clarinet Solo, Fantasy and Variations on a Theme of Franz Danzi, Opus 81
Jon Agazzi, soloist

Holst/Grundman
A Somerset Rhapsody, Opus 21

Verdi/Knox*
Aria, "È sogno? o realtà" from *Falstaff*
Michael Ryan, Baritone

Sousa*
March, "The National Game"

August 3rd & 7th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

U. S. Marine Band

Selections to be announced.

10th & 14th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Colonel John R. Bourgeois, conducting

Sousa*
March, "The Gallant Seventh"

Chadwick/Bowlin*
"Jubilee" from Symphonic Sketches

von Weber/Snavely
Clarinet Solo, Fantasia and Rondo
Frederick Lemmons, soloist

Grundman
"A Bernstein Tribute"

Arban/Leidzén
Cornet Solo, "The Carnival of Venice"
Richard Lehman, soloist

Giménez
Spanish Dance, "El Baile de Luis Alonso"

Wagner/Sousa*
Overture to *Tannhäuser*

17th & 21st

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Captain Dennis R. Burian, conducting

Sousa*
March, "The Black Horse Troop"

von Flotow/Winterbottom
Overture to *Martha*

Arban/Hunsberger*
Cornet Solo, "Fantaisie Brillante"
Andrew Schuller, soloist

Porter/R. Russell Bennett
"Selection of Cole Porter Songs"

von Weber/D. Bennett
Clarinet Concerto No. 1 in F minor
Allegro moderato
Jihoon Chang, soloist

Chambers
March, "Chicago Tribune"

Gounod/Kline*
Cavatina, "Avant de quitter ces lieux"
from *Faust*
Michael Ryan, Baritone

Borodin/Godfrey II
Polovtsian Dances from *Prince Igor*

24th & 28th

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING & SYLVAN THEATER

Major Timothy W. Foley, conducting

Zehle
March, "Viscount Nelson"

Berlioz/Schuller
Le corsaire Overture

Arutiunian/Schlabach*
Trumpet Concerto
Kurt Dupuis, soloist

Arnold/Marciniak
Four Cornish Dances, Opus 91

Verdi/Bassi
Clarinet Solo, Rigoletto Fantasy
Lisa Kadala, soloist

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All programs subject to change.
* U.S. Marine Band Member

BAND MEMBER NEWS

New Member



Bassoonist Staff Sergeant Christopher J. McFarlane of Williamsville, NY graduated from Williamsville South High School in 1986. He earned a bachelor's degree in music from Indiana University and a master's degree in music from Louisiana State University. Before joining the Marine Band, SSgt McFarlane performed with the Baton Rouge (LA) Symphony.

Promotions

To Master Sergeant: Robert W. Cassel of Hershey, PA
To Gunnery Sergeant: Jeffrey M. Strouf of Laramie, WY,
 and Randall A. Riffle of Grove City, OH

Colonel Bourgeois Heads NBA

Colonel John Bourgeois has taken over as President of the National Band Association (NBA) following the Association's national convention June 8-12 in Knoxville, TN. The NBA is the world's largest band organization, with nearly 3,000 active members. Col Bourgeois served as First Vice President of NBA from 1992-1994.

Retirement

Bassoonist Master Sergeant David Wright is retiring from the Marine Band after 20 years of service. He graduated from Handley High School in Winchester, VA then received his bachelor's degree in music education from the Shenandoah Conservatory of Music in Winchester. He continued his education at Catholic University of America where he earned a master's degree in music performance. During his tenure with the band, Wright was featured as a soloist on several occasions. (Wright is pictured at his retirement ceremony with Col Bourgeois, left)



Marine Band Reunion

A reunion is scheduled for retirees, alumni, and current members of "The President's Own" at Andrews AFB Officers Club on April 22 and 23, 1995. For information, contact John Renzi, 1109 Harbor Way, Churchton, MD 20733 (410) 867-1085.

STAFF LINES

MSgt Bryan Bourne Principal Trombone



Birthday: June 5, 1957
Hometown: Richardson, TX
Family Status: Married
Children: Daniel, 5; Sean, 4;
 Rebecca, 3
Pets: Two dogs - Lazer and Metro
Education: BM Indiana University,
 MM Catholic University
Joined Marine Band: Jan. 15, 1984
Self-Portrait: Quietly intense,
 analytical, dedicated

Favorite Saying: Never give up

Greatest Accomplishment: Married to same woman for 6 years and have 3 lovely children

Walter Mitty Fantasy: To bring my entire family on a West Coast tour with the band

Most Memorable Moment: Playing "Amazing Grace" and presenting the flag at Dale Fredericks' funeral

Inspiration: Jesus Christ

Favorite Movie: *Dead Poet's Society*

Who would play you in a movie: Robin Williams

Best Kept Secret: I listen to country music occasionally

Favorite Food: Chips and salsa

Hobbies: Weightlifting and gardening

Bad Habits: I never carry cash

Three things always in refrigerator: Spaghetti sauce, picante sauce, BBQ sauce

Most influential teacher: David Fedderly, Baltimore Sym.

Professional experience before USMB: RAI Radio/TV Orchestra of Turin, Italy

Luxury Defined: Owning a 21-foot ski boat

Books at bedside: *The Bible, Consumer Reports, Parenting Isn't For Cowards*

Favorite piece of music: Brahms' *German Requiem*

Place you'd most like to be stranded: The Bahamas, near a Gold's Gym and a Chinese restaurant

August 24th & 28th program continued

Raskin/Krance
"Forever Amber"

Bizet/Knox*
Aria, "Chanson du Toreador" from *Carmen*
Michael Ryan, Baritone

Sousa*/Byrne*
March, "Nobles of the Mystic Shrine"

August 31st

U.S. CAPITOL BUILDING

Colonel John R. Bourgeois, conducting

Sousa*
March, "The Rifle Regiment"

Wagner/Hindsley
Overture to *The Flying Dutchman*

Damaré/Morelli
Piccolo Duet, "The Nightingale of the
Opera"
Sharon Winton and Kathryn Diener, soloists

Jager
"Esprit de Corps"

Grainger
Colonial Song
"Country Gardens"- arr. Sousa*

arr. Hockett*
"New Orleans Salute"

Wagner/Bourgeois*
Aria, "King Heinrich's Call" from
Lohengrin
Michael Ryan, Baritone

Respighi/Duker
The Pines of Rome

24 Hour Concert

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