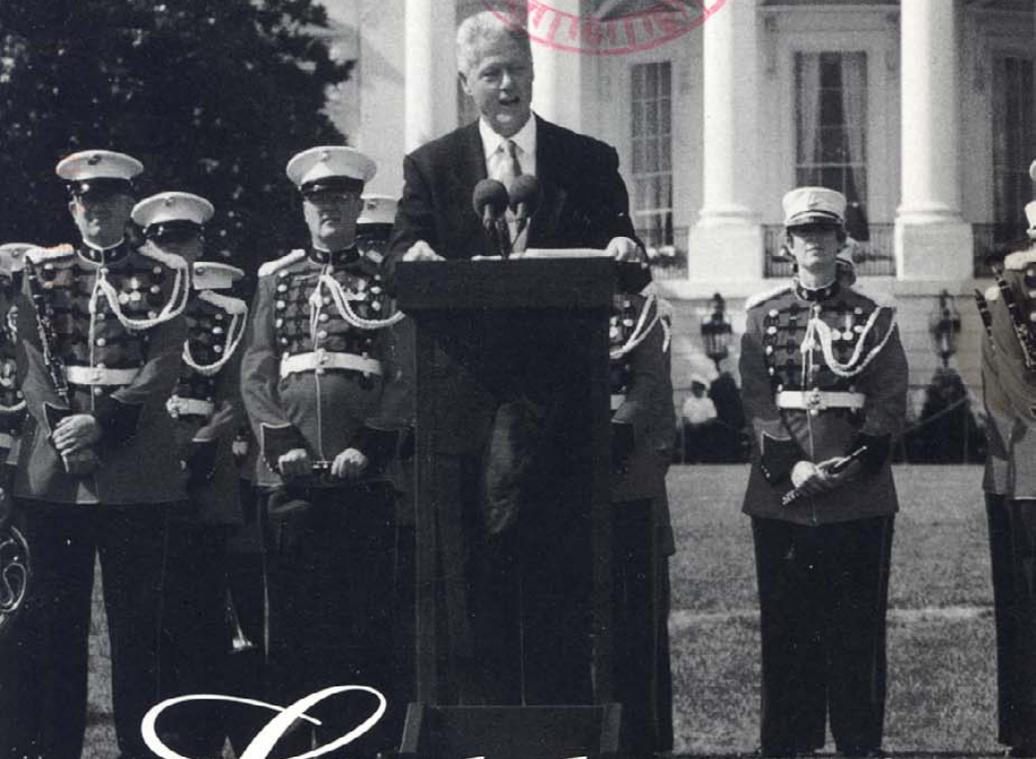


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“The President’s Own” Turns 200

“We are talking two centuries of pure American spirit—formless and weightless but as powerful as our arsenals, the stuff of thumping pulse and shiny eyes and the voice of glory raised high by horns and reeds.”

— Hugh Sidey, *Time* magazine

“**T**he President’s Own” United States Marine Band celebrated its 200th birthday with a command performance at the White House for President and Mrs. Clinton and an historic concert for a full house at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

As Hugh Sidey of *Time* wrote in a July 20 article, “What a birthday bash for those 148 men and women in flag-red coats and gleaming brass buttons who make up America’s most historic ensemble!”

The celebration began July 10 with a performance and reception hosted by the President and Mrs. Clinton on the White House South Lawn. Guests included Secretary of the Navy John H. Dalton, Marine Corps Commandant General Charles C. Krulak, and about 1,500 former Marine Band members, family members, and friends.

“It’s a great honor for Hillary and I to welcome you to the White House on what is not only a very important occasion for our nation, but which . . . is one of the most important occasions for me personally since I’ve been President,” President Clinton said.

“You have played for kings and prime ministers, in great halls overseas, for people in parks and theaters across our country, nearly every day, in so many different musical styles,” the President said. “It is entirely fitting that our Marine Band was among the very first class of inductees into the American Classical Music Hall of Fame . . . No President could fail to be proud to say, you are ‘The President’s Own.’ Happy birthday.”

The band demonstrated its versatility by featuring a variety of ensembles, including a combo in George Gershwin’s “S Wonderful,” a string serenade in Irving Gordon’s “Unforgettable,” and the band in John Philip Sousa’s “Semper Fidelis” and “The Stars and Stripes Forever.” The program included remarks by the President, Mrs. Clinton, General Krulak, and Marine Band Director Lieutenant Colonel Timothy W. Foley.

“For 200 years, this band has stirred the very soul of our nation,” General Krulak said. “The beauty of its music reflects the magnificence of our great nation and its citizens and provides us a small glimpse of our Creator’s perfection . . . Your fellow Marines and your Commandant are extremely proud of you.”

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I just wanted to say 'BRAVO' to all the members and supporting staff of the United States Marine Band... You truly lived up to the supreme standard that we have come to expect from 'The President's Own.'

—General Charles C. Krulak
Commandant of the Marine Corps

Concerts Highlight Chamber Music

The Marine Band's Autumn Chamber Music Recital Series returns this fall for the fourth year. The series takes place Sundays, October 11, 18, and 25, at 2 p.m. in the John Philip Sousa Band Hall, located at Marine Barracks, 8th and I Streets, SE, Washington, DC. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

The programs offer the musicians and audience a unique opportunity to experience a wide array of chamber works. The concerts are free, and tickets are not required. Free parking is available at Marine Barracks.

For more information and concert programs, call the 24-hour Marine Band Concert Information Line at (202) 433-4011 or visit our website: www.marineband.hqmc.usmc.mil

White House Highlights

Recent Marine Band appearances at the White House include:

- Working lunch with Prime Minister Jospin of France
- Independence Day celebration
- Boys Nation reunion
- Unveiling of Breast Cancer Awareness stamp

Bicentennial Celebration

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“As a Marine, the most important goal is to accomplish the mission,” LtCol Foley said. “Since our first performance at this house in 1801, performing for the President of the United States has remained the central and defining element of who we are as an organization. Our entire orientation is focused upon accomplishing that mission, and to be here today is a wonderful expression of our role as ‘The President’s Own.’ As we celebrate our 200th anniversary, there is no place we would rather be.”

The next evening, on July 11, the band’s 200th birthday, the Marine Band presented a “spectacular” concert, according to Cecelia Porter of *The Washington Post*, before more than 2,000 people at the Concert Hall of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. “The band has never sounded more splendid and precise,” Porter wrote in a July 13 review.

The President, Mrs. Clinton, and daughter Chelsea were guests of honor at the performance along with Secretary of the Navy Dalton and concert host, General Krulak.

LtCol Foley opened the performance with music that highlighted the band’s history when he led four pairs of woodwinds, plus percussion, in three early American works by Francis Hopkinson, Alexander Reinagle, and Philip Phile. These “gracefully reproduced the intimate charm of the first White House entertainments,” Porter wrote.

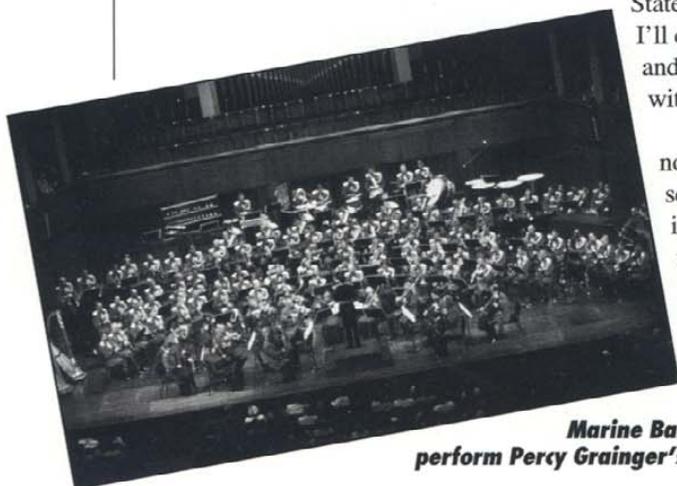
Distinguished guest conductors Dr. Frederick Fennell, Director Emeritus Colonel John R. Bourgeois, USMC (Ret), and composer Dr. W. Francis McBeth followed. Dr. Fennell conducted President Clinton’s favorite band music, the *English Folk Song Suite* by Ralph Vaughan Williams. Colonel Bourgeois led the band in his arrangement of marches by the band’s 17th Director John Philip Sousa. Dr. McBeth premiered his *When Honor Whispers and Shouts*, “a brilliant cyclorama of woodwind and brass pageantry,” according to the *Post*, written especially for the Bicentennial.

The second half featured the U.S. Marine Chamber Orchestra in Copland’s *Suite* from the ballet *Appalachian Spring*, Vocalist Master Gunnery Sergeant Michael Ryan in three songs by George Gershwin, and a 118-piece ensemble in Percy Grainger’s *Marching Song of Democracy* and Sousa’s “The Stars and Stripes Forever.”

Media covering the Bicentennial included ABC World News Tonight with Peter Jennings, NBC Nightly News, National Public Radio, the Associated Press, *Time*, and *The Washington Post*.

Mrs. Clinton wrote about the band in her weekly newspaper column distributed by Creators Syndicate to more than a hundred newspapers worldwide. The First Lady wrote, “My husband, who’s a great music lover, is one of the Marine Band’s greatest fans and has been invited, on occasion, to sit in with the band. Sometimes, during a State Dinner or some other performance, I’ll catch him tapping his toes to the beat, and I know he’s dying to trade places with one of the saxophonists.

“‘The President’s Own’ serves not only to entertain but also to represent the President and the country here in the White House, around the nation, and around the world,” Mrs. Clinton wrote. “It is with great pride that we honor and acknowledge its achievements.”



At the Kennedy Center, 118 Marine Band musicians take the stage to perform Percy Grainger’s *Marching Song of Democracy*.

Marine Band Announces 1998 Tour Itinerary

"The President's Own" is preparing to depart on its 1998 national concert tour. This year, the band will visit the north central United States, presenting 44 concerts in 51 days.

Beginning October 4, the band will give concerts in Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Illinois, Iowa, northern Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, northern West Virginia, and southwestern Pennsylvania.

The dates and locations for 1998 tour concerts are listed below. For ticket information, call the numbers listed or mail a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the addresses below, attention "Marine Band Tickets." Please note: Times and locations are subject to change. For detailed tour program information, visit the Marine Band website: www.marineband.hqmc.usmc.mil.

Sunday, October 4

Cheyenne, WY
Cheyenne Civic Center 3 p.m.
Cheyenne Civic Center Box Office
510 West 20th
Cheyenne, WY 82001
307-637-6363

Monday, October 5

North Platte, NE
North Platte High School 7:30 p.m.
The North Platte Telegraph
Post Office Box 370
North Platte, NE 69101
308-532-6000

Tuesday, October 6

Lincoln, NE
University of Nebraska Lied Center 8 p.m.
Lied Center Box Office
Attn: Eileen Brewster
Post Office Box 880151
Lincoln, NE 68588-0151
402-432-3231

Wednesday, October 7

Sioux Falls, SD
Augustana College Elmen Center 7:30 p.m.
Argus Leader
Post Office Box 5034
Sioux Falls, SD 57104-6314
605-331-2200

Thursday, October 8

Pierre, SD
Riggs High School Theatre 7 p.m.
Capital Journal
Post Office Box 878
Pierre, SD 57501
605-224-7301

Friday, October 9

Rapid City, SD
**South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
Goodell Gymnasium 7:30 p.m.**
MAC, Rapid City Area Chamber of Commerce
Post Office Box 747
Rapid City, SD 57709-0747
605-343-1744

Saturday, October 10

Casper, WY
Natrona County High School Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Casper Star-Tribune
Post Office Box 80
Casper, WY 82602
307-266-0608

Sunday, October 11

Sheridan, WY
Sheridan College Golden Dome 7 p.m.
Sheridan Media
Post Office Box 5086
Sheridan, WY 82801
307-672-7421

Monday, October 12

Livingston, MT
Park High School Gymnasium 7:30 p.m.
The Livingston Enterprise
Post Office Box 665
Livingston, MT 59047
406-222-2000

Tuesday, October 13

Helena, MT
Helena Civic Center 7:30 p.m.
Helena Independent Record
Post Office Box 4249
Helena, MT 59604
406-447-4000

Wednesday, October 14

Great Falls, MT
Great Falls Civic Center Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Great Falls Tribune
Post Office Box 5468
Great Falls, MT 59403
406-791-1444

Friday, October 16

Billings, MT
Alberta Bair Theater for the Performing Arts 8 p.m.
Billings Gazette
Post Office Box 36300
Billings, MT 59107-6300
406-256-8346

Saturday, October 17

Glendive, MT
Dawson County High School Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Ranger-Review
119 West Bell Street
Glendive, MT 59330
406-365-3303

Sunday, October 18

Bismarck, ND
Bismarck Civic Center Arena 3 p.m.
Prairie Public Radio
1814 North 15th Street
Bismarck, ND 58501
701-224-1700

Monday, October 19

Fargo, ND
Ramada Plaza Crystal Ballroom 7:30 p.m.
The Forum
Post Office Box 2020
Fargo, ND 58107
701-241-5419

Tuesday, October 20

Fergus Falls, MN
Fergus Falls Middle School Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Fergus Falls Daily Journal
Post Office Box 506
Fergus Falls, MN 56537
218-736-7511

Wednesday, October 21

Bloomington, MN
Bloomington Jefferson High School Gymnasium 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota Sun Publications
Attn: Glen Gauerke
7831 East Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55439
612-896-4746

Thursday, October 22

Duluth, MN
DECC Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Duluth News-Tribune
Post Office Box 169000
Duluth, MN 55816
218-723-5233

Friday, October 23

Eau Claire, WI
**University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
Zorn Arena 7:30 p.m.**
Leader-Telegram
Post Office Box 570
Eau Claire, WI 54702
715-833-9226

Saturday, October 24

Whitewater, WI
**University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
Irvin L. Young Auditorium 7:30 p.m.**
The Janesville Gazette
Post Office Box 5001
Janesville, WI 53547-5001
608-754-3311

Sunday, October 25

Milwaukee, WI
Pabst Theater 3 p.m.
Milwaukee Metropolitan Community Band
Post Office Box 2092
Waukesha, WI 53187-2092
414-481-3705

Monday, October 26

Wheaton, IL
Hubble Middle School Main Gymnasium 8 p.m.
 Wheaton Symphony Orchestra
 344 Spring Avenue
 Glen Ellyn, IL 60137-4826

Friday, October 30

Frankfort, IL
Lincoln-Way East High School Auditorium 8 p.m.
 Lincoln-Way East High School
 201 Colorado Avenue
 Frankfort, IL 60423-1395
 815-469-9645

Saturday, October 31

Chicago, IL
UIC Pavilion 8 p.m.
 University of Illinois Alumni Association
 322 South Green Street
 M-C 021, Suite 204
 Chicago, IL 60607-3544
 312-996-6569

Sunday, November 1

Dubuque, IA
Dubuque Senior High School Gymnasium 3 p.m.
Telegraph Herald
 Post Office Box 688
 Dubuque, IA 52004-0688
 319-588-5772

Monday, November 2

Mason City, IA
North Iowa Community Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
Globe-Gazette
 Post Office Box 271
 Mason City, IA 50402-0271
 515-421-0500

Tuesday, November 3

Des Moines, IA
Civic Center of Greater Des Moines 7:30 p.m.
 Civic Center of Greater Des Moines
 221 Walnut Street
 Des Moines, IA 50309
 515-243-0766

Wednesday, November 4

Davenport, IA
Masonic Temple 8 p.m.
Quad City Times
 Post Office Box 3828
 Davenport, IA 52808
 319-383-2348

Friday, November 6

Bloomington, IL
Scottish Rite Temple 8 p.m.
 Illinois State University Bands
 Campus Box 5660
 Normal, IL 61790-5660
 309-438-2166

Saturday, November 7

Anderson, IN
Reardon Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
The Herald Bulletin
 Post Office Box 1090
 Anderson, IN 46015
 765-648-4220

Sunday, November 8

Cincinnati, OH
Cincinnati Music Hall 3 p.m.
 Northern Kentucky University
 Music Department
 253 FAC, Nunn Drive
 Highland Heights, KY 41099
 606-572-6399

Monday, November 9

Columbus, OH
Veterans Memorial Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
The Columbus Dispatch
 Event Marketing and Promotions
 Post Office Box 1289
 Columbus, OH 43216
 614-461-8703

Tuesday, November 10

Fort Wayne, IN
Scottish Rite Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
The Journal Gazette
 Marketing Department
 600 West Main Street
 Fort Wayne, IN 46802
 219-461-8274

Wednesday, November 11

Elkhart, IN
Elco Performing Arts Center 7:30 p.m.
The Elkhart Truth
 Post Office Box 482
 Elkhart, IN 46515
 219-296-5862

Thursday, November 12

Muskegon, MI
Frauenthal Theatre 7:30 p.m.
The Muskegon Chronicle
 Post Office Box 59
 Muskegon, MI 49443
 616-722-3161

Saturday, November 14

Saginaw, MI
Saginaw Civic Center Heritage Theater 7:30 p.m.
The Saginaw News
 Post Office Box 5005
 Saginaw, MI 48607-5005
 517-776-9704

Sunday, November 15

Ann Arbor, MI
University of Michigan Hill Auditorium 3 p.m.
 University of Michigan Bands
 Revelli Hall
 350 East Hoover
 Ann Arbor, MI 48104-3707
 734-764-5588

Monday, November 16

Detroit, MI
Symphony Orchestra Hall 7:30 p.m.
The Detroit Free Press
 Post Office Box 372
 Detroit, MI 48226

Tuesday, November 17

Toledo, OH
Stranahan Theater 8 p.m.
The Blade
 Attn: Marketing Department
 541 North Superior Street
 Toledo, OH 43660-1000
 419-245-6275

Wednesday, November 18

Cleveland, OH
Severance Hall 8 p.m.
 Gung Ho Detachment
 Marine Corps League
 27099 Miles Road
 Orange Village, OH 44022-2130
 440-349-1900

Thursday, November 19

Canton, OH
Palace Theatre 7:30 p.m.
 Massillon Washington High School Band
 1 Paul E. Brown Drive Southeast
 Massillon, OH 44646
 330-830-1800

Friday, November 20

Pittsburgh, PA
Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall 7:30 p.m.
 Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall
 4141 5th Avenue
 Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3547
 412-621-4253

Saturday, November 21

Glen Dale, WV
John Marshall High School Auditorium 7:30 p.m.
The Intelligencer/Wheeling News-Register
 1500 Main Street
 Wheeling, WV 26003
 304-233-0100

Sunday, November 22

McKeesport, PA
McKeesport Area High School Auditorium 2:30 p.m.
The Daily News
 Post Office Box 128
 McKeesport, PA 15134
 412-664-9161 ext. 251

LtCol Foley conducts the band at the American Classical Music Hall of Fame induction ceremony in May at Cincinnati's Music Hall. "The President's Own" will return to Cincinnati in November during its 1998 concert tour.



New Members

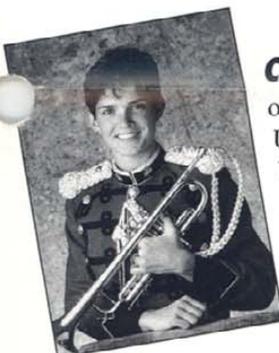


Flutist SSgt Kristan Cybriwsky

of Oakdale, NY, earned a BM from the Curtis Institute of Music, Philadelphia, PA. Prior to joining the band, she performed at Spoleto USA, Charleston, SC, and with the National Repertory Orchestra, Breckenridge, CO.

Harpist SSgt Lynn Gorman

of Buffalo, NY, earned a BM from the State University of New York College at Fredonia and a MM from Indiana University. Prior to joining the band, she performed with the Chicago Civic Orchestra, Louisiana Philharmonic, and was a substitute with the New World Symphony, Miami, FL.



Cornetist SSgt Michelle Rakers

of Aviston, IL, earned a BS in music management from the University of Evansville (IN), and a MM from Northwestern University, Evanston, IL. Prior to joining the band, she performed with the Midland (MI) Symphony, Kalamazoo (MI) Symphony, and the Evansville Philharmonic.



Retirements

Master Gunnery Sergeant Eliot "Ike" Evans, tubist, retired in August after serving 28 years with the Marine Band. A native of Cutchogue, NY, MGySgt Evans earned a BM from the University of Michigan. Several years into his career with "The President's Own," he toured with the specially-commissioned U.S. Armed Forces Bicentennial Band. Evans was one of four members from the Marine Band to perform with the 67-member concert band, comprised from the five military branches. They performed in all 50 state capitals, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico, and the Virgin Islands.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Andrew Linden, Public Affairs Chief, retired in September after serving 23 years with the Marine Band. A native of Los Angeles, CA, MGySgt Linden attended Washington University in St. Louis, MO, and earned a bachelor's degree in English literature from George Mason University in Virginia. His career with "The President's Own" began as a percussionist performing for the administrations of Presidents Ford, Carter, and Reagan. In 1986, when the band expanded the public affairs office, MGySgt Linden joined the staff. He was promoted to chief the following year. During that time, he served as the band's photographer, documenting the many activities of "The President's Own." His photographs have appeared in national newspapers and magazines, as well as nearly every issue of *NOTES*, the band's brochures, calendars, and recordings. At his retirement ceremony, he was awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal.

In Memoriam

MGySgt Angelo Saverino, tubist, who served with "The President's Own" from 1946-63, passed away June 24. He was a featured soloist and principal tubist at the time of his retirement. A native of Pennsylvania, MGySgt Saverino passed away at his home in Charleston, SC.

"Hail to the Chief"

Drum Major Dennis R. Wolfe leads the Marine Band in Presidential honors as President and Mrs. Clinton and daughter Chelsea enter the Kennedy Center Concert Hall. "The President's Own" played to a standing room only audience at the Bicentennial concert on July 11.

