

# NATIONAL COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND SOUSA FESTIVAL

## WASHINGTON, D.C. AND ALEXANDRIA, V.A.

### Standard Tour #2 (3 Nights / 4 Days)

#### **Friday June 20, 2008**

Arrive in Washington, D.C.

Meet your Tour Manager, who will escort you through the duration of your activities

Take a panoramic motorcoach tour of the Capitol Hill area, seeing the Supreme Court Building and the Library of Congress

Check into the Double Tree Hotel Crystal City, Arlington, VA

Dinner at a local restaurant

Visit the Marine Barracks for the Official Evening Parade – featuring the Marine Band Drum and Bugle Corps, Silent Drill Team, and Marine Barracks Troops, all in resplendent Full Dress Marine Corps uniforms

See the official landmark John Philip Sousa Statue

Evening walking tour of the Washington Monument, as well as the World War II, Vietnam, Korean, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Lincoln Memorials



#### **Saturday June 21, 2008**

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit the Historic Congressional Cemetery for a wreath-laying ceremony and *optional performance at the graveside of "The March King," John Philip Sousa*

Board the motorcoach and travel to nearby Alexandria, VA

*Afternoon performance by the individual bands at the Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center at Northern Virginia Community College*

Outdoor barbecue dinner at the Columbia Island Marina

Return to hotel

*Evening massed band rehearsal with Col. Arnald Gabriel in the hotel conference room*



#### **Sunday June 22, 2008**

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning free to utilize the motorcoach and Tour Manager for Washington, D.C. sightseeing

Lunch, on own

*Early afternoon massed band performance at the Jefferson Memorial, conducted by Col. Arnald Gabriel*

Dinner at a local restaurant

Return to the hotel for overnight



#### **Monday June 23, 2008**

Breakfast at the hotel

Hotel check-out

Morning free to utilize the motorcoach and Tour Manager for further sightseeing

Lunch (on own)

Afternoon departure for home

**This itinerary is flexible** and will allow your band to include other musical activities while in our Nation's Capital, e.g., attending a performance at the **Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage**, a concert at the **Wolf Trap Park for the Performing Arts** (Vienna, VA), or a musical at the **National Theater**. Other opportunities include hearing the **U.S. Naval Academy Band** (Annapolis) or a **USNA Drum & Bugle Corps** afternoon performance. Your band may also take a tour of **Brucker Hall**, home of "**Pershing's Own**" **U.S. Army Band** (Ft. Myer, VA), travel to Ft. Meade, home of the **U.S. Army Field Band**, hear the **U.S. Air Force Band**, or hear the **U.S. Navy Band**, as their schedules and yours allow.