

National Community Concert Band Sousa Festival

Washington, D.C. and Alexandria, V.A.

Standard Festival Tour #1 (2 Nights / 3 Days)

Friday June 26, 2009

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 and see the official landmark John Philip Sousa Statue

Attend 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



Saturday June 27, 2009

Breakfast at the hotel

Visit the Historic Congressional Cemetery for a wreath-laying ceremony at the graveside of “The March King,” John Philip Sousa

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

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

Group dinner and festival introductions at the First Baptist Church of Alexandria

Return to hotel

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



Sunday June 28, 2009

Breakfast at the hotel

Hotel check-out

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

Lunch, on own

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

Afternoon departure for home



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