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New England
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RED JUNIOR SYMPHONIC BAND – BLUE JUNIOR SYMPHONIC BAND

CONCERT:

3:00PM, Saturday, April 24, 2004
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An Introduction - The John Philip Sousa National Junior Honors Bands New England Region at The Bromfield School

The John Philip Sousa Foundation offers many dynamic programs to support the cause of wind band music around the country as a way to bring honor to that most famous and respected of bandsmen, John Philip Sousa. One of the Foundation's most popular events is the John Philip Sousa National Honors Band, which is organized every two years. The band is open, by application, to all outstanding band students from throughout the United States. This program has been in existence for many years and has created outstanding opportunities for some of the most competent high school musicians in the country to come together and make music in the finest honors band setting. Recently, the John Philip Sousa Foundation decided to create regional junior high school-level honors bands as a way to recognize the very special talents of junior high school-aged band students in grades 7, 8 and 9.

The very first regional John Philip Sousa Junior National Honors Band festival took place in South Carolina during October, 2001, involving students from Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia. It was a tremendous success...so much so that now the members of the Foundation have created similar regional junior festivals in other areas of the country.

This festival is the second John Philip Sousa Junior National Honors Band – New England Region that has occurred. The rehearsals for today's performance were held at The Bromfield School in Harvard, Massachusetts, conveniently located in Central Massachusetts. The festival was open to the most outstanding woodwind, brass, and percussion players from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Students stayed overnight at the Devens Inn off Massachusetts Route 2 in Devens, Massachusetts, located six miles from the school.

Two honors bands were created from the many applications received or submitted from all over New England. The principal guest conductor of the Blue Symphonic Band is Dr. Steven Grimo, Conductor and Commander of the United States Air Force Band of Mid-America at Scott Air Force Base in Belleville, Illinois. The principal guest conductor of the Red Symphonic Band is Mr. Richard Vars, Conductor of the East Providence High School Band of East Providence, Rhode Island.

About the John Philip Sousa Foundation...

The first project of the John Philip Sousa Foundation was the dedication of the stage of the John F. Kennedy National Cultural Center in the name of John Philip Sousa on October 7, 1971. The dedication was the culmination of the Sousa Foundation's efforts that raised \$100,000 primarily from schools and students throughout the country under the guidance of Colonel George S. Howard. The stage was formally dedicated at a gala concert by the premier bands of the U.S. Armed Services attended by President Nixon and the host of dignitaries.

Since that beginning in 1971, the Sousa Foundation has developed a great number of projects of benefit to band music, students, and directors. Through the generosity of Louis and Virginia Sudler, Louis Sudler Awards of Merit have been developed to recognize outstanding musicians both in the community and throughout the world:

- * The Sousa National High School Honors Band is held biennially and was first organized in 1981.
- * The Sudler Trophy is awarded annually to one of America's outstanding university bands for its major influence in the establishment and maintenance of high standards of musical and marching performance.
- * The Sudler International Composition Competition is a biennial competition which recognizes outstanding wind band composers.
- * The Sudler Flag recognizes outstanding achievement of high school concert bands.

- * The Sudler Cup similarly recognizes bands at the junior high school level.
- * The Sudler Shield recognizes high school marching bands.
- * The Sudler Scroll recognizes outstanding community bands.
- * The Legion of Honor recognizes outstanding high school band directors with a long history of dedicated service to bands.
- * The George Solti International Young Conductors Competition is held biennially and recognizes young wind band conductors.
- * The Historic Roll of Honor endowed by Al G. Wright, recognizes outstanding high school bands from 1920 to 1980, selected by committees representing each era.
- * The Historical Marker Project recognizes and identifies sites where the original Sousa Band performed.
- * The Badge of the Order is awarded to students participating in the Sousa National Honors Band.
- * The Star of the Order and The Medal of the Order are awarded to acknowledge achievement at the highest level.
- * The Diploma of the John Philip Sousa Foundation recognizes individuals who have devoted exceptional service to the Foundation and the musical community.

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The Bromfield School Office Staff:

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Dr. Karen Walrath, bass clarinet, MIT Concert Band

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Adult Staff – Doris Rucinski, Beth Rice, Elisa Rice, Philip Rice, Karen Walrath

Student Staff – Travis Cosgrave, Alison Cotton, Nicholas Cotton, Kelsey Cruise, Amanda Garfield, Alfred Knoll,

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Transportation - Gokey and Quinn, Harvard, Massachusetts

Sousa Junior Honors Red Band _____

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"Carpathian Sketches".....Robert Jager
"The Red Balloon".....Ann McGinty
"Portrait of a Clown".....Frank Ticheli
"Prelude and Dance".....Elliot DelBorgo
"The Footlifter".....Henry Fillmore/arr. Andrew Balent
"This Is My Country".....arr. James Curnow



Richard Vars – Band Conductor

Richard Vars is presently Director of Bands at East Providence High School in East Providence, Rhode Island. Previously, he has served as Director of Bands and Music Coordinator at Tiverton High School in Tiverton, Rhode Island, instructor of instrumental music at Martin Junior High School in East Providence, Rhode Island, the Archdiocese of Rockville Center Schools on Long Island, NY, Middletown Public Schools in Middletown, Rhode Island and as Supervisor of Music for the Warren, RI, Public School Systems.

Mr. Vars is an alumnus of Rhode Island College where he earned both his Bachelors and Master degrees in Music Education. He has participated in summer sessions at Central Connecticut State University, Rutgers University and Plymouth State College in New Hampshire.

Mr. Vars has been a guest conductor in Regional, District, and Honors Festivals in Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Virginia. He has also served as guest lecturer and clinician at the Eastern Division Conference in Baltimore, Maryland.

Mr. Vars holds professional memberships in the Music Educators National Conference, Rhode Island Music Educators Association, and International Association for Jazz Education, National Band Association, and the Percussive Arts Society. Mr. Vars is a Past President of the Rhode Island Music Educators Association and has served on the RIMEA Executive Board. Mr. Vars performs as a free-lance percussionist throughout in Rhode Island area.

Sousa Junior Honors Blue Band _____

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"Manhattan Beach"	John Philip Sousa
"Galway Bay"	John O'Reilly
"Fire Dance"	Elliot DelBorgo
"Barrington Overture"	Bob Cotter
"Rough-Riders"	Karl King arr. James Swearingen
"Cowboys"	Daniel Bukvich
"Old Churches"	Michael Colgrass
"United We Stand"	John O'Reilly



Dr. Steven Grimo - Band Conductor

Steven Grimo, is an officer in the United States Air Force, he entered the Air Force in January, 1986, after a successful teaching career in New England. He is presently a Lieutenant Colonel serving for the USAF Bands and Music Branch as a Band Commander for the USAF Band of Mid-America, stationed at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. He is also an active Minister of Music for the Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. Grimo is a native of Bristol, Rhode Island. He began his career in music as a percussionist, attending the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston where he earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education and Percussion Performance. Upon graduation, Steve began his teaching career as an elementary and junior high school band director for the Newton, Massachusetts public schools. He later became Director of Instrumental Music at Wachusett Regional High School in Holden, Massachusetts, where he received the National Band Association's Citation of Excellence, and the Stanbury Award of the American School Band Directors Association.

Steven Grimo received his Master of Music degree in Wind Ensemble Conducting from the New England Conservatory of Music, where he studied with Frank Battisti. He was awarded the Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Conducting from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. in May of 1992. He has numerous published works to his credit and is a nationally active guest conductor and clinician. He has conducted throughout the United States, Canada, Japan, South America and Australia. His service as an USAF Band Officer has taken him to Washington DC, Texas, Alaska and throughout the Pacific. Steve, his wife Lisa, and their children, Michael, Jonathan, and Jennifer, reside at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS:

Amherst Regional Middle School	MA Andrew Phillips
Ayer High School, Ayer	MA Allyson Cordio
Ayer Middle School, Ayer	MA Ed Tree
Biddeford High School, Biddeford	ME Kyle Smith
Biddeford Middle School, Biddeford	ME Amy Delorge
Bishop John A. Marshall School, Morrisville	VT Robert C. Ianni
Blake Middle School, Medfield	MA Ryan Dexter
Brunswick High School, Brunswick	ME Ray Libby
Brunswick Junior High School, Brunswick	ME Heidi Anderson
Bunnell High School, Stratford	CT James Miller
Carver High School, Carver	MA Jerry Shaw
Central Middle School, Greenwich	CT Tony Brackett
Collins Middle School, Salem	MA Geoffrey Raywood
Cumberland Middle School, Cumberland	RI Robert Streitfield
Curtis Corner Middle School, Wakefield	RI Donald J. Smith
Duxbury High School, Duxbury	MA Jill Noerenberg
Duxbury Middle School, Duxbury	MA Jill Noerenberg
East Providence High School, East Providence	RI Richard Vars
Greenwich High School, Greenwich	CT Tony Brackett
Hanover Middle School, Hanover	MA Julienne Thornell
Holy Name Central Catholic High School, Worcester	MA Joseph Burke
Home School, Nottingham	NH David Deardorff
J. T. Nichols Middle School, Middleborough	MA Jerry Shaw
Joyce Middle School, Woburn	MA Amanda Hughes
Keith Middle School, New Bedford	MA George Gordon
Kickemuit Middle School, Bristol	RI Jeff Brackett
Mattanawcook Junior High School, Lincoln	ME Rose White
Middleborough High School, Middleborough	MA Jerry Shaw
Mount St. Charles Academy, Woonsocket	RI Marc Blanchette
Mt. Ararat Middle School, Topsham	ME Margery Landis
New Bedford High School, New Bedford	MA George Gordon
Nipmuc Regional High School, Upton	MA Henry P. Morel
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Weymouth High School, Weymouth	MA John Duff
Wickford Middle School, North Kingstown	RI Michael Iadevaia
Williamstown Middle/High School, Williamstown	VT Mary Bauer
Wooster Middle School, Stratford	CT Steven Farrell

MUSICAL EXPERIENCES OF ALL HONORS BAND MEMBERS, GRADES 7-9

Incoming students have participated in one or more of the following diverse list of musical ensembles and experiences:

88th Army Band, Ace Band, ASBDA, Bangor Youth Wind Ensemble, Massachusetts Central District Junior Band, MMEACD Junior Orchestra, MMEACD Senior Orchestra, MMEACD Senior Band, Colonial Band, Connecticut All-State Junior Band, Dover-Foxcroft Band, East Bay Wind Ensemble, Connecticut Eastern Region Band, Greater Bridgeport Youth Symphony Orchestra, Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra, lessons at the Julliard School, Litchfield Jazz Festival, Manchester Youth Symphony Orchestra, Maine All-State Band, Maine District III Band, Maine District V Band, Maine Solo/Ensemble Festival, Merrymeeting Band, MICCA, Mid-Coast Concert Band, MIT Concert Band, Massachusetts Northeast District Band, Massachusetts Youth Wind Ensemble, New Hampshire South Central District Junior Band, Ocean State Youth Orchestra, Pawtucket Youth Summer Jazz Band, Portland Youth Wind Ensemble, Students of members of the Portland Symphony Orchestra, Quabbin Community Band, Quabbin Regional District Band, Quabbin Valley Music Festival Bands, Rhode Island All-State Band, RI Junior Jazz Band, RI All-State Orchestra, RI Junior All-State Band, RI Junior All-State Jazz Band, RI Junior All-State Orchestra, RI Junior District Band, RI Solo/Ensemble Festival, Rose Bowl, Massachusetts Southeast Junior District Band, Southeastern Massachusetts School Bandmasters' Association Bands, Southern Maine District Band, Stamford Youth Symphony Orchestra, Summer Youth Music School of the University of New Hampshire, Texas Region 14 Band, Tri-State Solo/Ensemble Festival of Oklahoma, Vermont/Champlain Valley District Band, Vermont Youth Orchestra Chamber Quartet, Wisconsin Youth Honor Band, Worcester Youth Symphony Orchestra, WYSO Worcester Youth Wind Ensemble, York County Honors Band.