



Starship Featuring Mickey Thomas and Survivor Will Rock Metro Credit Union Celebrates America

2018 is the 28th Year for this Free Concert & Fireworks Show

Omaha, Nebraska (April 10, 2018) — Get ready to rock the park! The **Metro Credit Union Celebrates America** free concert and fireworks show will feature two iconic bands: **Starship Featuring Mickey Thomas** and **Survivor** will co-headline the event. Omaha's favorite cover band, **The Confidentials**, will open the show on Friday, June 29 in Omaha's beautiful Memorial Park.

Metro Credit Union Celebrates America begins at 6 p.m. with the National Anthem by the USAF Heartland of America Band. The fantastic fireworks finale is set for 10 p.m. Metro Credit Union is the presenting sponsor of this favorite summertime tradition; Baxter Volkswagen and News Radio 1110 KFAB are supporting sponsors; WoodmenLife is fireworks sponsor. More than 60,000 people are expected to attend the event, which is one of the largest free outdoor concerts in America.

"We are proud to continue an Omaha patriotic tradition that kicks off the area's Fourth of July celebrations. We also are excited to bring to Omaha two nationally known headliner bands," said Metro Credit Union President and CEO Mike McDermott. "This event serves as a thank you to our customers and community members who have helped us grow throughout the nearly 70 years we have been providing financial services to people in the region. We look forward to welcoming our customers and their families along with the entire community to an evening of great music, fireworks and patriotism."

This year marks the 28th year of this event. Below is music information at a glance:

- **Starship Featuring Mickey Thomas:** The popular American rock band had three No. 1 hits in the 1980s – "We Built This City," "Sara" and "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now."
- **Survivor:** The Chicago-based rock band had a Grammy Award-winning single "Eye of the Tiger" that was No. 1 for seven straight weeks in 1982.
- **The Confidentials:** They are among the Midwest's premier bands with five CDs released behind a unique blend of funk, jazz and reggae.
- **Fireworks Finale:** Metro Credit Union Celebrates America will culminate with another fabulous fireworks display set to music heard in the park; the fireworks music also will be available for the first time through a phone app.

More background about the entertainment:

STARSHIP FEATURING MICKEY THOMAS

Mickey Thomas owns the soaring voice that propelled Starship through the 1980s. Thomas joined Jefferson Starship as lead vocalist in 1979 and immediately scored a No. 1 hit with "Jane." The group was renamed Starship and continued a string of hits that included "No Way Out," "We Built This City," "Sara" and an Oscar nomination for the No. 1 hit "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now" from the movie "Mannequin." Other top hits were "Find Your Way Back," "Stranger," "Laying It on the Line," and "It's Not Over Till It's Over," which became Major League Baseball's theme in 1987.

SURVIVOR

The group's big break occurred in 1982 when actor Sylvester Stallone asked them to provide the theme song for "Rocky III." "Eye of the Tiger" won a Grammy Award for Best Rock Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal, People's Choice Award and Academy Award. The "Rocky IV" soundtrack hit "Burning Heart" reached No. 2 on the Billboard singles chart in 1985. The band's Vital Signs record was another success when it peaked at No. 16 on Billboard's Top 200 Albums chart behind the top-20 hits "I Can't Hold Back" (No. 13), "High on You" (No. 8) and "The Search Is Over" (No. 4).

THE CONFIDENTIALS

The Confidentials are a power 10-piece act fronted by the Spurgeon brothers – Stan and Steve. They are known for their funky, soulful, good-natured and spirited performances. In 2006, The Confidentials were featured in Modern Bride as one of the 150 hottest bands across the nation. Hits "Mama's Song" and "Angel" reflect the unique vocals and sound styling that are the group's trademark.

Metro Credit Union Celebrates America is hosted in cooperation with the City of Omaha.



About Metro Credit Union

As one of Nebraska's largest credit unions, Metro Credit Union has been a provider of value-priced financial services to people in the Omaha-area for well over 60 years. With six Omaha locations, Metro Credit Union provides a complete list of financial products and services to nearly 40,000 members. And, while Metro takes great pride in the products they offer, it's the level of service they deliver that sets them apart from other area financial institutions. Metro Credit Union adheres to a list of four

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doing business. It recently received the prestigious VW Customer First Club Award in recognition of its professional, quality service and steadfast commitment to customer satisfaction. Industry-leading products include the Atlas, recognized as the #1 three-row SUV by cars.com, and the new 2018 Tiguan, which was also named the best compact SUV by cars.com.

Demonstrating the company's commitment to its guests, Baxter will introduce a brand new Volkswagen facility at 168th & Dodge in fall of 2018. To learn more, please visit baxtervw.com.



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