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POP INTO SPRING WITH NORTH STATE SYMPHONY IN AN ARTHUR FIEDLER/BOSTON POPS TRIBUTE

CHICO, CA, February 21, 2019 – Starting on March 22nd, North State Symphony celebrates the very best of the symphonic pops tradition with a Tribute to Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops Orchestra. Concerts are on Friday, March 22nd in Chico, and Saturday March 23rd in Red Bluff.

NSS will perform fun and entertaining classical music popularized in movies, commercials, and patriotic gatherings and which will be instantly recognizable, even to someone who has never attended a symphonic concert before. Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture will be featured, a piece that Tchaikovsky self-deprecatingly described as "very loud and noisy and completely without artistic merit", and that Boston Pops once performed with both live cannon and a fireworks display. Other selections run from Grieg's 1875 composition In the Hall of the Mountain King (popularized in films and TV shows like The Social Network, Trolls and Inspector Gadget), to Anderson's The Typewriter (made famous by Jerry Lewis), to Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance.

"The Boston Pops under Arthur Fiedler set the gold standard for the orchestral pops format," says Scott Seaton, NSS Music Director and Conductor. "With creative ways of performing and presenting classical music, they helped broaden its appreciation, changing its perception from something stiff, unapproachable, and cloaked in fancy concert halls and formal wear, to something totally accessible that anyone could enjoy in an informal and fun atmosphere".

Performances are Friday, March 22nd at 7:30pm at Laxson Auditorium in Chico, CA (tickets at the University Box Office or at chicostatetickets.com) and Saturday, March 23rd at 2:00pm at the State Theatre in Red Bluff (tickets at www.statetheatreredbluff.com).

Generous community support is provided by Season Sponsor Dignity Health. Concert sponsors are Red and Maria Emmerson in Red Bluff. In Red Bluff, the concert is presented in partnership with the Tehama County Community Concert Association.

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