

## PRESS RELEASE

American Rock icons REO Speedwagon coming to Stambaugh Auditorium

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## For Immediate Release:

REO Speedwagon is coming to Stambaugh Auditorium on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Tickets for the 7:30pm show will go on sale Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am at the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium and at stambaughauditorium.com. This concert is welcomed by Mix 98.9 and Big 106.

Formed in 1967, REO Speedwagon gained cult-like popularity in the 1970s with mainstream success coming in the 1980s. Their album *Hi Infidelity*, released in 1980, includes four Top 40 Hits and is certified nine times platinum. Those Top 40 Hits include "Keep on Loving You," "Take it on the Run," "Don't Let Him Go," and "In Your Letter." "Keep on Loving You" was the band's first No. 1 song in 1981.

## Other hit songs include:

"Can't Fight this Feeling" (No. 1) "Here with Me" "One Lonely Night" "Time for Me to Fly" "In my Dreams" "Sweet Time" "Sweet Time"

"Roll with the Changes" "That Ain't Love" "Keep the Fire Burnin" "Ridin' the Storm Out" "Live Every Moment" "I Do Wanna Know"

In the almost 50 years since the band was formed, they have an RIAA-certified 22 million albums sold in the U.S. and 40 million around the globe. They have toured with artists including Styx, Chicago, .38 Special, Pat Benatar, and Ted Nugent.

Tickets for REO Speedwagon go on sale Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium. For more information or for tickets, visit stambaughauditorium.com or call 330-259-0555. The Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office is open Monday-Friday from 9am-6pm and Saturday 10am-2pm.

## About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.