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SIoux FALLS VALENTINES FOR VETERANS CONCERT

The Sioux Falls Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) will host its first Valentines for Veterans concert featuring country music recording artist James Wesley February 9, 2013 at 3:00 PM at the Washington Pavilion.

Tickets are required, and general admission ticket distribution for Veterans begins January 14. Veterans should call VA Voluntary Services at 605-333-6851 Monday – Friday 8:00 AM–3:30 PM to reserve their complimentary tickets. They may receive up to four tickets. Others may also contact Voluntary Services to have their names put on a wait list for tickets. The concert pays tribute to Veterans, who paid for this concert with their service and sacrifices and to Gold Star families who lost a loved one in military service.

Wesley's released his debut album, "*Life Goes On*," in 1999. After the release of this album, he worked various blue collar jobs but returned to Nashville in 2006. In 2009, he released his first single, "*Jackson Hole*." Later in 2010, he released "*Real*," which was made into a music video. His single, "*Didn't I*" was released in April 2011. "*Jackson Hole*," "*Real*," "*Didn't I*," and "*Walking Contradiction*" will be included on an album titled "*Real*."

Donations from businesses, Veterans Service Organizations, and individuals are making the concert possible.

Veterans can also learn more about VA services during a Veterans benefits fair, which will also be held at the Pavilion, prior to and after the concert. Information will be available regarding patient centered care teams, diabetes prevention, weight loss program, low vision program, crisis intervention, MyHealthVet internet service, secure messaging with health care providers, service connected disability benefits, etc.

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