



REO Speedwagon

On Saturday, October 9, **REO Speedwagon** will perform at the *Seafood, Wine & Music Festival* at Frank Brown Park.

Formed loosely in the late '60s at college in Champaign, IL, REO band members (famously named after a fire engine) rode in station wagons, going from tiny gigs to even tinier gigs just to get the REO name out in the early days. Later they rode the top of the charts with a RIAA certified 22 million albums sold in the U.S. and 40 million around the globe, with a string of gold and platinum records and international hit singles.



Hi Infidelity remains a high-water mark for rock bands. The band's younger fans might not realize the sheer impact *Hi Infidelity* had on music...and the culture of rock 'n' roll. Its \$9 million in sales was fueled by huge hit singles in "Keep On Loving You" and "Take It On the Run." *High Infidelity* spent months in the #1 slot, a feat simply unattainable in music today. The strong run continued with hits like "Can't Fight This Feeling" up through the new "Can't Stop Rockin'."

"The world is going through a weird phase, and everybody needs music now more than ever," says iconic vocalist and frontman since 1972, Kevin Cronin. "We all need to join our friends, pool our resources and combine our energies, because there is power in people coming together." Today Kevin resides in Southern California, as does Dave Amato and Bryan Hitt. Bruce Hall currently resides in Florida, and Neal Doughty in Minnesota.

REO just ended the cross-country "Love On the Run" tour with Pat Benatar, who they consider a good friend. **To purchase tickets for the Seafood, Wine & Music Festival, visit www.pcbfest.com.**