Mission Mountain Wood Band returning to Tahoe

The Mission Mountain Wood Band will return to Tahoe on Nov. 27 $\hat{a} \in \text{``the night after Thanksgiving. Booked into the Harrah} \hat{a} \in \text{``Tahoe South Shore Room, MMWB will bring its inimitable blend of bluegrass, rock, country and whatever else the band may blend in that night.$

In their old days of touring, the boys from Mission Mountain covered the country many times, traveling to more than 300 gigs each year. In the decade they were originally together, the band



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opened for The Allman Brothers, The Grateful Dead, Bonnie Raitt, Jimmy Buffet and the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, to list just a few.

Mission Mountain Wood Band currently consists of four original band members, who met circa 1970 while at the University of Montana. Rob Quist is on guitar and banjo, Greg Reichenberg is the longtime drummer, Steve Riddle plays bass and Christian Johnson is the multi-instrument whiz – switching deftly and often from electric guitar, mandolin and fiddle.

In 1987, the fifth original player – Terry Robinson – was killed in a plane crash with his then-current group, The Montana Band.

Lately, his place on stage-left has been filled by another Montanan, singer/songwriter Tim Ryan.

Ryan, who has penned songs for many top Nashville acts, has written four new tunes that Mission Mountain has been adding to their line up.

Tickets are \$25; 800-786-8208.