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**NEWSLETTER** The Folk Project July 2009

# **Beppe Gambetta House Concert**

Folk Project favorite Beppe Gambetta will perform on his Summer 2009 North American tour at the home of Mark and Robin Schaffer on Sunday, July 5 at 7pm. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. You can purchase your tickets at The Minstrel or www.folkproject.org.

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# Folk Project 4th o' July Pic-a-Nic

The Folk Project 4th of July picnic will be held, rain or shine, on Saturday, July 4th at the home of Eddie and Robin Roffman in Randolph, beginning at 1 pm. The Folk Project supplies hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie-burgers and buns for members and their families. Feel free to bring desserts, snacks, drinks etc. to share. There is a beautiful pool and deck; be sure to bring a bathing suit, towel, and a lawn chair if you have one. (Don't forget to bring your children.)

A note from Eddie and Robin: We normally only have kosher food in our home. For the July 4th party, you can feel free to bring non-kosher food to be enjoyed outside on the deck. You may also put non-kosher food inside, on the kitchen table, which will be covered by a special tablecloth. Thanks for your cooperation. See directions on page

# **July Evening o' Music** Sat., 7/11, 8pm • The Presidential Palace

This month's music party will at the home of Mark (Mayor of Music Town) and Robin Schaffer. All members are invited to bring to bring instruments, munchies and beverage to share to 196 Mount Pleasant Ave., Rockaway, Note: Internal Affairs Chair Jean Scully will host the event. Call her if you need more info, (973) 664-0768

**Directions:** Route 80 to exit 35A (Dover and Shopping Mall). Go 1/2 mile to the Exxon and make a left onto Mt. Pleasant Ave. Ignore street signs for one mile. At one mile, the road starts downhill and there is a metal guardrail on the right. The mailbox has 196 and three reflectors. The driveway is a hairpin turn on the right 10 feet past the 25MPH sign. Yes, there IS parking on the street even though it's scary.



#### Fri., July 3: Mike Agranoff and Carl Croce

As the Minstrel's Program Chairman, MIKE AGRANOFF has been its public face for over 30 years. Many regular attendees have heard snippets of music from him at an Open Stage or in informal music sessions offstage. But he's also a regularly touring seasoned performer, and a full set from him can be pretty impressive. His prodigious skills on quitar, concerting, and piano are matched to a wide variety of music. Expect anything from irreverent parodies to traditional ballads; from blazing dance tunes to Joplin piano rags; from great chorus songs to his signature spoken-word recitations. In addition to some old favorites, expect brand new and long-abandoned songs from his vast repertoire along with musical help from some of the Folk Project's best musicians. CARL CROCE is also a Folk Project member. He's known



as the big guy with the big voice, and the big guitar. He belts out blues and folk favorites with strong guitar accompaniment.

#### Fri., June 10: Open Stage

The Minstrel provides this service to our local musical community and passing traveling professionals to be heard by the public and maybe to be booked for a future show. Those who wish to perform at the OPEN STAGE should visit www.folkproject.org/fp minstopen.html . Those who wish to see and hear a wide variety of performers should attend. (And if this month's Open Stage is anything like last months, it will be an outstanding show for sheer entertainment.)



#### Fri., July 17: Bucky Pizzarelli and Ken Lelen

This will be a must-see night for quitar aficionados. Literally a living legend, BUCKY PIZZARELLI has performed with everyone from Les Paul to Stephane Grappelli to Benny Goodman to Tiny Tim. Playing an unusual 7-string archtop guitar. Pizzarelli drew his influences from Diago Reinhardt. Freddie Green and George Van Eps. In his 80s now, he has not slowed down an iota, and continues to blaze trails in the jazz quitar world. Our opener KEN LELEN also makes points in the quitar world by playing vintage songs on vintage guitars. His collection of instruments may not be as large as his collection of songs, but many of them are considerably older than the material from the '20's and '30's he delivers with great charm, and a wealth of knowledge and back-stories on the material

#### Fri., July 24: The Minstrel's 34th Birthday Party

Tonight the Minstrel celebrates not only its anniversary, but the musicians of the Folk Project, the organization that has sustained it for 34 years. The show will be comprised of 3 to 4 dozen Folk Project member musicians, who were combined into randomly chosen duos and trios about 3 weeks earlier. Each group performs one number they have worked up in the interim. It's a chance to see the seasoned pros and the kitchen musicians performing together in demonstration of the

spirit that has been the lifeblood of the Project since its inception. Tonight only \$8.00 admission includes birthday cake and other refreshments.

#### Fri., July 31: Toby Walker and Beaucoup Blue

The Blues Revue summed it up neatly, TOBY WALKER is "...a brilliant remarkable quitarist, A pinch of Piedmont, a dash of Delta, a solid Chicago undercurrent minus the amplification, but not the electricity." At home with both wooden and steel guitars, Toby plays the classics as well as his own songs with an open style and a dash of humor. Opener BEAUCOUP BLUE is the father-son team of David and Adrian Mowry. On flat top and resonator guitars, they perform original songs and blues classics, along with some distinctive treatments of music from the doo-wop era.



UPCOMING: Aug. 7: Ragtime and blues wizard ANDY COHEN; Aug. 28: PAT WICTOR and JON SHAIN singer-songwriter split bill; Sept 18: Dynamic folk-rockers THE KENNEDYS; Sept 25: Songwriter TRACY GRAMMER; Oct. 9: CLOSED for the FOLK PROJECT FALL FESTIVAL, featuring VANCE GILBERT, RED MOLLY, WALT MICHAEL, & more; Oct. 16: Songwriter split bill with ZOE MULFORD and KEVIN NEIDIG; Oct. 23: Guitarist and songwriter BROOKS WILLIAMS; Oct. 30: Family Celtic band DUGAN'S HOOLIGANS

The Minstrel is an acoustic music concert series run by the Folk Project, a non-profit folk music and arts organization. We use the facilities of the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy Heights Road, Morristown, NJ. We hold shows almost every Friday, year round, and the second Friday of the month is usually an open stage/audition night. The music we present is "folk" music in its broadest sense. That is, in addition to traditional American and ethnic "folk" music (in its purist definition), we welcome music of contemporary, primarily acoustic songwriters, and other types of music more folkie in attitude than in content. Shows start at 8pm; dress is casual. We serve coffee, teas, and baked goods. There is no alcohol or tobacco on the premises. Admission is inexpensive; on our regular Friday concerts we ask \$7.00 on your way in, and, if you feel the show was worth it, an additional amount at your discretion on the way out, which goes to supplement what we pay the feature performer. Children under 12 are free. For travel information, or information on shows call 973 335 9489 or visit our website at www.folkproject.org.

#### To volunteer call Sandie at (908) 501-3842 • volunteers@folkproject.org

# Members' Gigs & Friends

Mike Agranoff: Fri., 7/3: Minstrel; Sun., 7/5: Riverfolk Concerts, Narrowsburg, NY. (845) 252-3043, www.jillskitchen.com/riverfolk

Circle Round the Sun (Marie Trontell, Jay Wilensky, Dan Parillo): Sat., July 4, 7pm, Asbury Park First Saturday, Cookman Avenue.

Ken Galipeau: Sun., 7/5: 8pm, Campfire Stories and Songs at the PEEC Family Nature Weekend. Dingmans Ferry, www.peec.org; Sat., 7/11: 11:00am, Nature Stories and Songs with Carol Titus and Rivka Willick, Grey Towers National Historic Site's Literary Arts Weekend, Millford, PA. Tues., 7/14: 10:00am, Stories and Songs bout clever animals and people. Mt Tabor Branch Library, (973) 627-9508. Tues., 7/28: 7:30am Bugs Galore: "Stories and Songs that Buzz Sting and Fly" w/ Carol Titus, Schiff Nature Preserve, Mendham. Pre-reg. required, (973) 542-6004. Raindate: July 29

Russ Kelner (with Cream Cheese Ensemble): Sat., July 11: Runnell's Hospital; Thurs., July 12: Atria, Cranford

Rich LaPierre: Sat., 7/11: 11am, Boonton Farmers Market and Blueberry Festival. Upper Plane Street parking lot, Boonton. www.boontonmainstreet.org

Mitch Misch/Loganslove: Fri., July 3 — performing Irish music from a float at the Randolph Freedom Festival

Kathy Moser: Fri., 7/17: Concerts in the Park, DiRienzo Park, Route 183 North Netcong

Elaine Silver: Sun., 7/5: 10:am service, Unity by the Shore, 3508 Asbury Ave., Neptune. (732) 918-3395; Sat., 7/11: Personal Growth Alternatives, Abington, PA. (k609) 332-4663 or www.personalgrowthalternatives.com; Fri., 7/17: Sirisu Rising Festival, Brushwood Folklore Center, Sherman, NY. www.brushwood.com; Sun., 7/19: Buffalo, NY Unity Church. (716) 882-0391; Mon., 7/20: Divine Goddesses Retreat, Mt. Eden Retreat, Washington, NJ, time TBA. (215) 249-9190; Fri., 7/24: The Awareness Shop, ritual/concert/process New Paltz, NY. (845) 255-5756; Sun., 7/26: First Church of Religious Science, 11am service, 311 Mt. Kemble Ave., Morristown. (973) 539-3114; Fri., 7/31: Gathering of Sacred Beings. (215) 258-5580 to register.

Odarka Stockert: Every Sunday, Celtic Harp Music at Cafe Monet, 6pm, 309 Millburn Ave. BYOB, no cover, reservations recommended. (973)376-8555; Sat., Sat., 7/18: Celtic Harp and Guitar duo, 5pm, Twisted Tree Cafe, 609 Cookman Ave., Asbury Park; Sat., 7/25: Celtic Harp and Guitar duo, 8pm, Orchard House Cafe, 1064 1st Ave., NYC

Phil Weir: Every 1st and 3rd Sunday, 6pm, open session, Dublin House, Monmouth Street, Red Bank; with Trinity Celtic Band: 7:30 pm, Mondays, 7/13 & 27, Dublin House;

# "...Horses Sing None of It!"

Is a folksy non-commercial public access TV series featuring a surprising variety of guest performers, hosted by Ralph Litwin. All types of (mainly acoustic) music, storytellers, dancers, others. Schedule available at the Folk Project web page. Seen on: Cablevision Morris area, Sundays 7:300pm ch. 21; Manhattan Neighborhood Network (MNN), New York City, Thursdays 2:30pm on Time/Warner Cable ch. 34 and on RCN Cable ch. 82; also

broadcast via streaming video on the web at www.MNN.org (popup players 34/82 http | mms); Comcast (formerly Patriot

Media/Somerset, NJ) Fridays 3:30pm, ch. 280; Comcast Cablevision of Northwest NJ, Mondays 3:30pm ch. 21; Service Electric Cable TV Allentown, PA, Thursdays 9:30pm ch. 50; Staten Island Community TV (SICTV) Saturdays 6pm, ch.

34; Fargo Access (www.cityoffargo.com/cable) on Cable One Fridays 6:30pm & Mondays 3:00pm Ch. 12 in Fargo, ND; LVTV-

3, Adelphia Cable, La Verne, CA at Fridays 6:00pm

# **All Venues That's Fit To Print**

- **Albert Hall/Sounds of the NJ Pines:** Country/bluegrass/folk every Saturday. 125 Wells Mills Rd. (Route 532), Waretown. (609) 971-1593 or www.alberthall.org;
- Acoustic Café: Our Lady of Mercy Church, 2 Fremont Ave, Park Ridge, NJ, 8pm, (201) 573-0718, www.goodacoustic.com/cafe.htm; Back again on Sept. 26 w/ Toby Walker
- **Bluegrass & Old Time Music Assoc. (BOTMA):** Every 3rd Sun. from Sept. thru May, Embury United Methodist Church Hall, 49 Church St., Little Silver, NJ. 1-5pm. \$4 for BOTMA members / \$5 for non-members. Info: www.newjerseybluegrass.org
- Borderline Folk Music House Club: New City Ambulance Corps Bldg, 200 Congers Rd., New City, NY. 2pm, Info: (845) 354-4586, www.borderlinefolkmusic.4themax.com;
- **Brennen Coffee House:** Justice William Brennan Court House, 583 Newark Ave., Jersey City. Show starts 7pm, evening concludes w/ open mike. (800) 542-7894, www.brennancoffeehouse.com; **Reopening in September**
- Café Z: Third Saturdays: open mic, 7pm concert. \$5 inc. refreshments, Zion Lutheran Church, corner of Elm and Esterbrook Aves., Rahway. (732) 388-3865; Sat., 7/18: Pat "The Soulcat" Toner
- Chantey Sing: Seamen's Church Institute, 241 Water St., 2nd fl., NYC 8pm. www.wooden-shipsmusic.com/nychanty/nychanty.html June 20, July 18,
- Coffee With Conscience: 1st United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 E. Broad St. 8pm info 908-412-9105, Concerts4Causes@aol.com; www.coffeewithconscience.com; Closed for the summer:
- Community Theater at Mayo Center for Performing Arts: 100 South St., Morristown, NJ, for tickets/info call 973-539-8008, www.mayoarts.org, shows at 8pm
- Crossroads Coffeehouse: 8pm, Crossroads Community Church, 104 Bartley Rd., Flanders. (973) 786-7940 or (908) 879-7739;
- **Delaware River Folksong Fellowship:** Song circle the 2nd Sunday at the Friends Meeting House in Mount Holly, NJ, www.myspace.com/delawareriverfolksongfellowship
- **Dublin House:** Irish Session, 1st & 3rd Sundays, 6-9pm, Dublin House, Monmouth St., RedBank
- Folk Friday in Maplewood: Informal 2nd Fri. sing-along with Lucky, Dusty, Rusty & Tio Pete. Starts 7:30pm, hosted by Lisa Novemsky. Ethical Culture Center, 516 Prospect St., Maplewood. Call (973) 763-1905 to confirm date, for directions; Fri., 7/10
- Godfrey Daniels: 7 E. 4th St., Bethlehem, PA (610) 867-2390, www.godfreydaniels.org
- Good Coffeehouse: 53 Prospect Park W. at 2nd St., Park Slope, Brooklyn, doors open at 7:30, music at 8pm, (718) 768-2972 or www.bsec.org; n
- Hand Made Music: Open mic 3rd Saturday, The Community Presbyterian Church, 145 Carletondale Road, Ringwood, jim1962@verizon.net; On Hiatus
- The Hillside Cafe Coffee House: 45 Hillside Crescent, Nutley. Doors open at 7:30, show at 8pm. (973) 616-0106 or jrlds@comcast.net, www.hillsidecafe.com; Sat., 7/18: Writers in the Round
- **Hurdy Gurdy Folk Music Club:** Fair Lawn Community Center, 10-10 20th St., Fair Lawn 8pm. (201) 384-1325. www.hurdygurdyfolk.org; **Closed for the Summer**
- MoFiddles/Menzel Violins: 4260 Town Center Way, Livingston, NJ, Bluegrass & Old Time Music Jam 1st Thursdays 7pm, RSVP to (973) 994-1083 or mo@mofiddles.com, \$12;

- Mountainside Library Folk Music Cafe: www.mountainsidelibrary.org or (908) 233-0115
- Music at the Mission: West Milford Presbyterian Church, 1452 Union Valley Rd., West Milford, (973) 728-3081, www.musicatthemission.org;
- Music on Main Street: United Methodist Church, 69 Main St., Woodbridge. All shows \$20. 7:30pm. www.woodbridgeartsnj.com
- Outpost In The Burbs: at the Unitarian Church of Montclair, 67 Church St., Montclair (973) 744-6560. Doors open 8pm, concert at 8:30. www.outpostintheburbs.org; Coming Sept. 26: Shawn Colvin
- **People's Voice Cafe:** The Community Church of New York Unitarian Universalist, 40 East 35th St. (bet. Madison & Park), NYC, 8pm, www.peoplesvoicecafe.org or (212) 787-3903;
- **Pinewoods Folk Music Club:** 444 W. 54th St., #7, New York, NY 10019, (718) 651-1115, www.folkmusicny.org
- **The Place:** House Concerts, 3pm potluck, 4pm concert. RSVP to jamask8@comcast.net or (973) 992-7491 for info;
- Princeton Folk Music Society: Christ Congregation Church, 50 Walnut Lane, Princeton, 8pm, (609) 799-0944 \$15/Members \$10/\$3 kids under 12. www.PrincetonFolk.org; Coming Sept. 25: Claudia Schmidt
- Sacred Harp Singings: Much info at http://www.fasola.org/; 2nd Sun.: 2pm, St. Paul's Church, 199 Carroll St, Brooklyn. (718) 293-2848; 3rd Sun.: 2:30pm, St. Bart's Church, 109 E. 50th St., NYC. (212) 750-8977; 4th Sun. (except July & August): 2pm, Montclair Friends Mtg, Park & Gordonhurst. (973) 509-2165; 1st Sat. (except July/August): 3pm, Living Room, 154 Ludlow St., NYC
- Salem Roadhouse Café: Townley Presbyterian Cruch, 829 Salem Rd., Union. (908) 686-1028, www.townleychurch.org; Sat., July 18: Bob Malone
- Sanctuary Concerts: The Presbyterian Church, 240 Southern Boulevard, Chatham. Most concerts 8pm, www.sanctuaryconcerts.org; Summer vacation
- Second Saturdays Coffee House/Open Mic: Summit Unitarian Church, 4 Waldron Ave. Sign up at 7:30pm, shows at 8pm. If you are a singer/songwriter & would like to "host" one, call (908) 412-9105 Concerts4Causes@aol.com;
- Second Saturday Music Cafe: (formerly Mine Street), First Reformed Church, 9 Bayard Street, New Brunswick, NJ, 732-672-0272, www.SecondSaturdayMusicCafe.com; Starting with an Open Mike, Sign up at 7:30pm. \$10 for FP members;
- South Street Seaport Sea Music Concerts: South Street Seaport Gallery, 3pm, NYC. (212) 691-7610
- Stony Brook Friends of Old Time Music Jam: Mannion's Pub & Restaurant, 140 West Main Street, Somerville. Starting around 7:30pm. (609) 924-5353 or visit www.diamondcut.com/oldtime/; 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month
- The Uptown Coffeehouse: Soc. for Ethical Culture, 4450 Fieldston Rd., Bronx, NY, 5pm, \$15/\$3 kids <12. www.uptowncoffeehouse.org, (718) 885-2498;
- Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse: United Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Ave., White Plains, (914) 949-2146, Walkabout Clearwater.org;
- Watchung Arts Center: 18 Sterling Road (on the Watchung Circle) Watchung, NJ, 8pm, (908) 412-9105; Summer vacation

#### FP MEMBER-MUSICIANS:

### Perform in the Minstrel's Birthday Show

For about 25 of the Minstrel's 34 year history, FP member-musicians have observed its anniversary with this unique home-grown celebration. This show consists of a series of performances by groups of FP members combined in randomly-chosen duos and trios. The members of the groups may be of all skill levels, different musical genres and instrumentation; their common denominator is that they are members of the Folk Project, enjoy making music, and want to take part in this celebration of who we are.

We invite all member-musicians/singers to take part in this show. Here's how it works: groups are set up at the FP July 4th picnic, which takes place on (you guessed it) Sat., July 4 at the home of Ed and Robin Roffman, 11 Butternut Road, Randolph (more details on page 1). Everyone who wants to take part in the show puts their name on an index card. The cards are shuffled and dealt out into about 20 piles to form the groups. The groups then have the next three weeks to work up one number per group, to be performed at the Minstrel on Friday, July 24.

#### To take part in the show:

- YOU MUST BE A CURRENT FP MEMBER If your membership has lapsed or will lapse before August, you must renew. Check your newsletter mailing label or inquire at Membership@FolkProject.org if you're not sure.
- TRY TO BE AT THE PICNIC, and be able to commit rehearsal time in the intervening weeks. (See below if you want to be in the show, but can't make the picnic.)
- AS FAR AS MUSICAL ABILITY, that's a matter of your own judgment. If you're reasonably comfortable in playing a song in front of friends, well that's what you'll be doing. I've seen otherwise amateurs rise to the occasion countless times.
- YOU CAN BE IN AS MANY GROUPS AS YOU FEEL YOU CAN COMMIT TO. Simply
  put your name in the hat as many times as the number of groups you wish to be in.
  One or two groups is common.
- THE DRAWING WILL BE at 3:30pm at the picnic, and you can use the rest of the afternoon to get a head start on choosing your music and rehearsing. (Start thinking of good ensemble songs now, so you can offer suggestions when your group is chosen)
- YOU MAY ADD ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO YOUR RANDOM GROUP at your choice, provided that these "ringers" are also current Project members, and that the originally randomly chosen people are featured as well.
- FOR YOU MORE ACCOMPLISHED MUSICIANS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN PUTTING YOUR NAME IN THE HAT, BUT COUNTING ON JOINING OTHER GROUPS OF YOUR CHOICE AS "RINGERS": Yeah, you can do that, but it really does go against the spirit of the event. C'mon, play fair and take your chances.
- IF YOU REALLY CAN'T BE AT THE PICNIC but want to be in the show, call (973) 335-9489 or e-mai Minstrel@FolkProject.org before the 4th. If you get an answering machine, leave name, phone, address, e mail, and HOW MANY GROUPS YOU WANT TO BE IN. If you don't think others will be familiar to you, also leave information on instruments you play or other musical skills. (sing harmony, etc.) The other members of your group will contact you to let you know who they are, and set up rehearsals.

However, please try to make the picnic. You put other members of your groups at a disadvantage if you're not there to be involved in the choice of music and first rehearsal time, and that usually means an extra rehearsal needed in the intervening weeks before the actual show. Besides which, the picnic is great fun.

So that's it. I hope you can be part of this. See you at the show and at the picnic.

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908-647-4306 or tickets@folkproject.org for reservations and directions. Tickets are available at The Minstrel and online at www.FolkProject.org

The Folk Project is a non-profit 501C Corporation whose mission is to present high caliber folk music performances, dances and instructional workshops for the public and members; to encourage development of musicianship, performance, storytelling and dance skills in the Northern New Jersey area.



Arts Council of the Morris Area through the Order of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts Department of State, a Partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

**Summer Weekend August 28–30** The Folk Project's own eccentric weekend-long jam at a converted barn near Pine Brook, NY. Tent or floor sleeping available, food and chores shared by all. Space is limited but day trippers are welcome. Contact Harmonica Bob. bobrosensweet@optonline.net.

# FP Calendar: July 2009

1/Wed. EVERY Wednesday, Straight Morning Drive, featuring Straight Drive 15 minutes after the 7:30am station break. 6–9am, WDVR-FM and www.wdvrfm.org

EVERY Wed.: Morristown Int'l Dancers, 7:30pm, Mountain Lakes. (973) 539-7020

EVERY Wednesday: Princeton Country Dancers, 8pm, Suzanne Patterson center, Princeton. (609) 799-2073, http://www.princetoncountrydancers.org/

EVERY Wednesday: "Down Jersey" with Jim Albertson, 7:30pm, WSNJ am1240, am1440 and www.wsnjam.com; http://members.aol.com/downjerseyjim/

**2/Thurs.** Alternate Thursdays: Scandinavian couple dancing, 7:30 pm, Bound Brook. See skandinoje.org for dates/info.

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Mitch Misch & Logganslove performing Irish music from a float the Randolph Freedome Festival

**4/Sat. FP 4th o' July Pic-A-Nic**, 1pm (3pm drawing for BD party). Ed and Robin Roffman's, 11 Butternut Rd., Randolph. (973) 328-7724

Swingin' Tern: Ted Crane, Herd of Cats. New location: First Presbyterian Church of East Hanover

EVERY Saturday: CD\*NY: Contra dances, 8pm. NYC. www.cdny.org

Circle Round the Sun (Marie Trontell, Jay Wilensky, Dan Parillo), 7–10pm, Asbury Park First Saturday, Cookman Ave.

5/Sun. FP House Concert: Beppe Gambetta, 7pm, Rockaway. (908) 647-4306

Ken Galipeau, 8:00pm, Campfire Stories and Songs at the Pocono Environmental Education Center's Family Nature Weekend, Dingmans Ferry. www.peec.org.

EVERY Sun.: Music You Can't Hear On The Radio, 7pm, WPRB 103.3FM; www.wprb.com

EVERY Sun.: 6pm, Odarka Stockert plays Celtic harp, Cafe Monet, Millburn, (973) 376-8555

EVERY first & third Sunday: Open Irish session, 6pm, Dublin House, Red Bank. Elaine Silver, 10:30am service at Unity by the Shore, Neptune. (732) 918-395

**6/Mon.** EVERY Monday: Maplewood International Dancers, 7:30pm. New location: Recreation House, 124 Dunnellen Road. (973) 376-7568

EVERY 1st & 3rd Tuesday: Stony Brook Friends of Old Time Music Jam, 7:30pm, Mannion's Somerville. www.diamondcut.com/oldtime/

**7/Tues.** EVERY Tuesday: Northwest NJ Acoustic Jam, 7pm, Westside United Methodist Church, Hopatcong. (973) 770-0179

7/Tues. FP Board Meeting: 8pm, Mark and Robin Schaffer's

**9/Thurs**. NJ Songwriters Circle, 7pm, Dave Kleiner's. (973) 429-0288, daveythek@aol.com

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Folk Fridays at Ethical: 7:30pm, Maplewood. (973) 763-1905 (call to confirm)

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28/Tues. Ken Galipeau, Carol Titus: 7:30am, "Stories and Songs that Buzz Sting and Fly," Schiff Nature Preserve, Mendham. Pre-reg. required, (973) 542-6004. Raindate: July 29th

31/Fri. Minstrel: Toby Walker, Beaucoup Blue

Directions to Folk Project 4th o' July Party at Robin and Eddie Roffman's, 11 Butternut Rd., Randolph, (973) 328-7742: >From 1287 Southbound: Exit 36 for Ridgedale Ave; keep right at the fork, follow signs for Ridgedale Ave; right at Ridgedale Ave, go 0.7 mi; follow directions from \*Ridgedale-Hanover intersection >From 1287 Northbound: Exit 36B for W Lafayette Ave.; right at light onto Ridgedale Ave, go 0.9 mi.; follow directions from \*Ridgedale-Hanover intersection. \*From Ridgedale-Hanover Intersection: Turn left at E Hanover Ave, go 4.6 mi; right at Black Birch Dr, go 0.8 mi (this is just after traffic light at Shongum Rd); rright at Butternut Rd, ours is the second driveway on the right.

## **Newest News from Festival**

Fall Festival at Start Lake - October 9, 10, 11

On Stage and on the Dance Floor: Red Molly • Vance Gilber • Walt Michael • Martin Swinger

• Dave Kleiner & Liz Pagan with Bill Meyer • Illegal Contraband • Caller Scott Higgs

Onstage Opportunities: The Next Generation Open Stage, organized by Dave Sherman

• The Festival Chorus, led by Ken and Pat Rolston

#### A New Lineup of Family-friendly Kid's Activities

We expect a sellout! Registration begins August 1. Registration Forms will be included in the August Newsletter. See change to registration policy below.

Changes in registation policy and suggestions: The Commons fills quickly. Get your Commons registration in as soon as possible. But, be aware — the Commons is the center of the Festival. There is inevitably going to be people noise INCLUDING jamming, early morning kitchen preparation, etc. If quiet and privacy are important to you, we suggest you try The Lodge, only a short scenic drive away. For this festival, Lodge fees have been substantially reduced. Sorry — no children under 18 at the Lodge.

One of our goals is building a Festival weekend experience and a Festival Community. Day passes are always welcome, but — to encourage full weekend participation, and because we expect a sellout — we have changed the registration schedule:

Full Weekend Festival Registration — Cabin, Commons, Lodge and Commuter — will be accepted starting August 1.

Single Day Passes — Saturday or Sunday — will be accepted starting September 1.

A New Children's Activity Program: Family News... Families are an important part of Festival, and children are an important part of families. Kathy Haynie has volunteered to be our children's activities champion. She's already hard at work contacting people, planning kid-specific musical, fun, and game activities. To help Kathy, and to make this the best possible weekend for all members of the family, contact her at kchaynie@stanfordalumni.org. Workshop leaders (e.g., capture the flaq, etc.) would be most welcome.

## Help Publicize the Minstrel

I'd like to enlist the help of all Projectiles in publicizing the Minstrel in your area. The classic way of doing that is asking 5 or 6 poor souls to go around and plaster 100 store windows in their town with posters. Here's a new twist: I'm asking 600 Folk Project members to each find one store or public place where they have a personal relationship with its owner, and ask them to post a flier in their window.

Supermarkets, libraries, music stores, churches, community bulletin boards, hardware stores, pizza joints, bars...Any place where people might read a flier. Here's how the plan works. Send an e-mail to Minstrel@FolkProject.org with your name and tell me you'd like to help publicize the Minstrel. In turn, I will send you a PDF of the upcoming month's Minstrel flier around the 20th of the month. You print it out, and post it at one of these places. (If you'd like to post more than one, so much the better.) Real simple to do, and something you can do in the normal course of your daily activities with hardly any extra effort.

This should make our presence more visible to the general public, and will help to boost our attendance. That in turn brings us more money at the door, which allows us to keep increasing the quality of the performers we can afford, while keeping our admission price low.

As usual, we will keep this list of e-mails private, and not distribute or sell it to any other party. And any time you want to opt out, simply reply to one of those e-mails to take your name off the list, and it will be done. Thanks in advance for your help.

Mike Agranoff, Program Chair, The Minstrel

# <u>Join the Folk Project</u>

Cut out this handy dandy membership form and mail it, with your membership fee, to Pat Rolston, membership@folkproject.org or 50 Wesley Place Box 120, Mount Tabor, NJ 07878 • (973) 586-7061

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Choose at least one:

Name		
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Home Tel.	Work Tel.	
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Do you play or sing music:		
[ ] For fun [ ] Occasionally perform in publi	c [ ] Professionally or sem	ni-professionally
Basic Individual membership @ (You'll receive this personal monthly newslet		\$
Supporting membership @ \$25/year (Personal monthly newsletter PLUS our eternal gratitude)		\$
Family membership* (Additional family members @ \$3 each per year)		\$
Multiple Year Membership number of banjo-tossing years X type	of membership. You do the math.	\$
DONATION to Folk Project (Tax deductible! We are also eligible for Corporate Matching Donations and banjos.)		\$
To	otal amount enclosed:	\$
NEW! Please I'd like to receive a print newsletter		
check one:		
Make your check payable to: The Folk Project  *Family membership is one basic or supporting membership plus \$3 for each additional family member/banjo. Please list the names of additional family members:		

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#### Folk Project Board Meeting June 2009:

# Board Meeting: The Summary

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM by the Treasurer, Ed Roffman. We did not have a quorum, so we could not pass any official business.

ATTENDANCE: TRUSTEES: Lois De Ritter(11), Allan Kugel(10), Brad Pryor(11), Jim West(09). PRE-SIDING: (Treasurer) Ed Roffman. OFFICERS: (Vice President) Evelyn Maurer, (Secretary) Rick Thomas. OTHERS: (Minstrel) Mike Agranoff, (S'n'T) Connie Crawford, (Festival) Lori Falco, (Finance) Andy Koenig, (Staffing & HSNOI) Sandie Reilly, (Special Concerts) Pam Robinson, (Merchandise) Bobbie Rosengarten, (Sound )Bob Safranek. GUESTS: Judy Bubar. ABSENT: Scooter Ferguson(09), Jim Gartner(11), Jim King(10), Ruth Wolfish(09), (President) Mark Schaffer(10), (Newsletter) Carl Croce, (Community Affairs) Elizabeth Lachowicz, (Publicity & Webmaster) George Otto, (Membership) Pat Rolston, (Internal Affairs) Jean Scully, (Storytelling) Rivka Willick.

Acceptance of the minutes: We did not have a quorum, so we could not accept the May Minutes. However, nobody suggested any corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Eddie reports that our Insurance bill has been lowered by about \$1,000 per year due to an adjustment by Travelers, our insurance Company. The Pro Bono folks are checking to see whether or not we need to have 'Worker's Compensation Insurance' for our performers.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was none.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Sound:** Bob reports that they have repaired the monitor for S'n'T. The case for the S'n'T piano should be in "sound" shape, and the mic stands for Minstrel have been repaired.

**Minstrel Booking:** Mike reports that, financially, we are still comfortably in the black for the year. He is not planning to raise the admission price anytime soon. Upcoming highlights to put on your schedule are the Folk Brothers (David Massengill and Jack Hardy) for June 19 and...well, Mike himself, on July 3.

**Staffing:** Sandie reports that we have three new volunteers. Ed remarks that the biggest asset the Folk Project possesses is its volunteers. Please see Mark's essay on volunteering in last month's Newsletter.

**Horses Sing None of Itl:** Sandie notes that the new DVD burner will pay for itself in postage savings. Rick asked what it would take to increase the number of outlets that HSNOI goes to. Sandie replied that people should request it from their Cable TV providers. The website has information on how to do that.

**Swingin' Tern:** Connie says that Saturday is the first dance at the East Hannover location. A big "Thanks!" to Bob, Hartmann, and Joel for all their hard work to make it happen. Doug Heacock has done a great job reaching out to the new community with an insert in the church newsletter and fliers for the Jazzercise classes with free passes to a dance. Gloria Friedman is offering free rides to the new location from the Chatham railroad station through the Swingin' Tern Facebook page. They are changing the bonus bucks formula to reflect the more favorable rent at the new location. Connie asked for lots of experienced dancers to come and help break in the newcomers.

**Special Concerts:** Pam reports that the accompaniment workshop with Andy Goessling on May 9th was well attended (13 participants). Overall, the series has involved 38 folk project members and brought in a small profit.

Festival: We have filled out the roster of performers for the Fall '09 festival, adding Dave Kleiner and Liz Pagan as Folk Project performers and Scott Higgs as our caller. The Sunday FP performer slot will be filled by a small chorus group, led by Ken and Pat Rolston. The participants, recruited from festival attendees and led by part captains who have been previously assigned, will rehearse at two workshops during the festival.

**Good of the Order** is reported in the newsletter. Talk to Eddie if you've had or know about someone who's had a significant event in their lives recently.

**Adjournment:** 9:15pm. The next meeting will be on July 7 at Mark and Robin Schaffer's house in Rockaway.

#### GOOD OF THE ORDER/COMMUNITY NEWS

This is a place to share news about memorable events and challenges you have faced in the past month with your Folk Project Community. Please send items to Eddie Roffman, eroffman@optonline.net.

For the third time, in four years, Judy Bubar won First Place in the traditional singing competition of the New York Fleadh (pronounced 'flah'). This is a regional competition and festival of Irish music and dance. Regional champions are invited to compete at the all-Ireland Fleadh in Tullamore, Ireland, in August. Way to go, Judy!

Rick and Cathy Thomas will be travelling to the west coast in early July to celebrate the wedding of their nephew Andy and his beautiful bride, Melissa. Rick says, "I've never seen a more handsome couple." June 15th will bring Rick and Cathy's 41st anniversary. Rick will be installing WIFI in his 90 year old father's house.

Matt Reilly, son of Sandie, seems to have learned a great deal about the art of sound reinforcement through his extensive volunteering at Folk Project events. His level of experience and confidence has led him to become the key coordinator of PA systems for Wayne Hills High School, where he is a student. At times, he has even been called out from classes to help with the Audio Visual needs of the school! Matt has recently started mountain biking alongside his mom.

Brad Pryor began his schedule of multiple summer sojourns to bluegrass festivals, camping for a recent weekend at a festival in Preston, CT.

Lois DeRitter celebrated the fact that our FP Spring Festival was moved away from Mothers' day weekend, by enjoying a traditional Mothers' day with her daughter, Lauralyn. Lois thanks FP members Jim West and Judy Bubar for performing a program of Irish Music for a group of senior citizens in Plainfield that she is involved with. Lois also enjoyed dancing to Margaret Crowl's first public 'calling' at a recent Princeton Contra Dance. Margaret, who participated in our recent Caller's Workshop, will be calling a dance at Swingin' Tern on June 20.

Lori Falco is celebrating that her mother's house is currently under contract for sale, with an expected closing date of June 15.

Siobhan Scully took a woodshop class in school, where she crafted a beautiful back-packer's guitar. She won first place in a county-wide industrial arts exhibit. Jean Scully says that we shouldn't be surprised if Jean is sometimes missing from upcoming day-time FP events, as she has been dating a guy who has a sailboat.

Lindsey Meyer started a new job at the Bloomfield Public Library, as head of the children's department which is housed in it's own 2-story building, with 2 fireplaces and a performance stage in the basement. She gets to do the booking for her department. How perfect is that for a folkie librarian?

Connie Crawford's son, Brian, finished his first year at the College of William and Mary. He has a job in the Physics research department for the summer and he's excited he'll be able to continue his training at crew (rowing) during the summer. Connie's daughter, Cody, will be working on staff at Contra Dance Camp in New Hampshire this summer, where Connie will be a camper.

Evelyn Maurer's mother has been hospitalized with multiple medical conditions. Evelyn and her sister have been spending a great deal of time at her bedside.

Pam Robinson and Bob Safranek recently celebrated their ninth anniversary!

Eddie and Robin Roffman rented an apartment on a short-term sublet in New York City, for the month of May (they found it on Craig's List). They saw 6 operas, including Wagner's Ring Cycle, 7 Broadway and off-Broadway shows, went to museums, rode the Circle Line and walked all around the city. They 'ran into' Andy Koenig and Barb Moo at an orchestral concert in Avery Fischer Hall. Robin says, "It was great. It was like a whirlwind NYC vacation, but you could come home to rest when you wanted."

Allan Kugel had a good time at a conference he attended recently in California.

FP President Mark Schaffer missed a big opportunity at the June board meeting. A Marilyn Monroe look-alike carried in a birthday cake and sang, "Happy Birthday, Mr. President" to celebrate his birthday, which was on the day of the board meeting.

# Feets Don't Fail Me Now!

- **Blue Ribbon Cloggers:** Meets in Pluckemin, Tuesdays, 7pm. Call Paula Fromen (908) 735-9133 or Heidi Rusch (908) 453-2750 for info.
- Center Contra: Gender-role free contra dance in NYC. LGBT Community Center, 208 West 13th St., Room 301, 7:30pm. Usually 2nd Fri. Open to all. (971) 991-0597, (347) 275-7983, or www.lcfd.org/nyc or email AmericanFolkDanceNYC@yahoo.com
- Country Dance\*New York: dances every Saturday, English country dance every Tuesday, at the Church of the Village, 201 West 13th St. and 7th Ave., NYC. Soft soled shoes only. www.cdny.org, (212) 459-4080; July 9 Aug. 13: 6-week course, Historical Social Dance with a Modern Flair; Sat., July 18: 1pm–dusk, Picnic & dance at Alpine Boat Basin, w/ Donna Hunt, Ten Gallon Cat.
- **Lambertville Country Dancers:** Soft soled shoes only! Contra/English country. Info: (609) 882-7733 or www.lambertvillecountrydancers.org
- **Maplewood International Dancers:** New location: Recreation House, 124 Dunnellen Rd., Maplewood. Mondays 7:30pm, \$5. Beginners welcome, partner not necessary, refreshments served. Days (908) 273-6468, eves (973) 376-7568
- **Morristown International Dancers:** Wednesdays, Mountain Lakes Comm. Church, 48 Briarcliff Rd, 8:30pm, 7:30pm beginners. \$4 member/\$5 non-member (973) 539-7020 or (973) 228-5966, http://us.geocities.com/njfolkdance/fd\_morristown.html
- North Jersey English Country Dancers: 2-5pm, Unitarian Church, Cottage Place, Ridgewood, potluck, \$8/members, \$10/non-mem. (201) 664-4370, (201) 652-4014. www.maxellute.net/njecd.html;
- Palisades Folk Dancers: Twice a month on Sundays, 3pm, Church of the Atonement, Engle St. & Highland Ave., Tenafly. GinnyandHallB@cs.com.
- Philly Family Folk Dances: Memorial Church of the Good Shepherd, 3820 The Oak Rd, East Falls, PA. 2nd Sundays, 2-4:30pm (215) 844-2474
- **Princeton Folk Dance Group:** 7:30pm, Riverside School, Riverside Drive, Princeton. Tuesdays (except school closings) www.princetonfolkdance.org (609) 924-6930
- Princeton Folk Dancers: 8pm Fridays, Susan Patterson Center, Stockton St. & Monument Dr. (behind Borough Hall), Princeton, www.princetonfolkdance.org
- Princeton Country Dancers: Suzanne Patterson Center, Borough Hall, Princeton, Wed. (and some Saturdays) 8pm, beginners 7:40. Pickup band musicians welcome. Usually \$6. (609) 683-7956 or (609) 924-8813, email pcdinfo@aol.com. Band info only: (609) 252-0248 or srl@mail.princeton.edu performerlisting at www.princetoncountrydancers.org. Special Community Dance, www.princetonol.com/groups/pcd/
- PCD English Country Dance series: Dance 8-11, intro/basics at 7:30. \$8 (\$4 seniors & students). Call for info.
- Scandinavian Folk Dancing: Bound Brook. Alt. Thursdays, See skandinoje.org for info.
- Swingin' Tern: Sat., 7/4: Ted Crane, Herd of Cats; Sat., July 18: Donna Hunt, Ten Gallon Cat
- Valley Contra Dance Society: 7pm, 2nd and 4th Saturdays, UU Church of The Lehigh Valley, 424 Center Street, Bethlehem, PA. \$9/\$5 students. www.valleycontradance.org, (610) 868-7432

More on dancing at the Country Dance and Song Society • www.cdss.org

# DANCES

## Sat., July 3: Ted Crane & Herd of Cats

Enid Diamante-fiddle; Wes Steenson-guitar, banjo, percussion; Kirsten Erwin-whistles Contras & Squares

Crane calls his Herd of Cats to Swingin' Tern. From Bombay to Savannah, the Norwegian Forest to the Australian Mist, all breeds come together as the Siamese, Burmese, Balinese and Javanese unite to dance. You can wear your Shorthair in a Pixiebob or Curl or your Longhair in a Bobtail or LaPerm or even go for the Peterbald or Don Hairless look. Dress to the Manx in Chantilly lace or a Turkish Angora sweater or dress down as a Ragamuffin in a calico dress. Step out of your Turkish Van, kick back on your Persian rug and light up a Havana Brown. You'll Singapura to the tunes of Herd of Cats as Ted will Serval who come to dance.

## Sat., July18: Donna Hunt & Ten Gallon Cat

Jody Kruskal-Anglo concertina; Bill Christopherson-fiddle, Michael Gorin-fiddle; Larry Wallach-piano Contras

We looked! And we saw him!
The Ten Gallon Cat! And he said to us,
In his Ten Gallon Hat. I know it is wet

And the sun is not sunny. But we can dance contras

Quick like a bunny! Listen to me,

Said the Cat in the Hat. Circle left, circle right, Pass through, box the gnat. Then Donna joined in

Calling out something new. Two things. She did call them Thing One and Thing Two. Thing Ones will dance down, Thing Twos will dance up. So dance we did all night.

Without a hiccup.

#### Non-dancing children must be supervised at all times.

Contra and Square Dancing to Live Music. All dances taught. No partner necessary. Beginner's workshop, 7:30pm; dance at 8pm. \$10, \$5 with student I.D. Soft soles only.

## First Presbyterian Church of East Hanover Parish House • 14 Hanover Road, East Hanover, NJ 07936

From I-287 northbound or southbound: Exit 39, travel East on Route 10 for approx. 3.5 miles. Exit by the Ford dealership ("To River Road/Okner Pkway") onto Mount Pleasant Ave. Tight at the second light onto Hanover Rd. then immediate left into the parking lot of the Parish House. From I-78: Exit 48 (Route 24 West) to Exit 2B, Route 510 East/Florham Park. Go 1.9 miles and turn left onto Hanover Rd. Turn right into the parking lot of the Parish House just before the road ends at Mount Pleasant Ave. Additional directions are on our website.

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