

New Jersey's Premier Acoustic Music and Dance Organization

IF YOU READ NOTHING ELSE IN THIS NEWSLETTER, READ THIS:

The deadline for the August newsletter is Thurs., July 7.

Help Spread the Word about the Minstrel!

We're looking for people willing to post Minstrel show fliers in your neighborhood. Every month around the 25, I'll e-mail you a link to a PDF of the following month's flier so you can print it and post it in your local library, supermarket, pizza place, workplace, community bulletin board, music store, etc. You can also print out your own copy for your refrigerator. With the help of our 500 or so members, it would take very little effort on the part of each person to raise a significant public awareness of the Minstrel. That could lead to increased attendance, which in turn would allow us to present even better acts. If you'd like to do your part, please email Minstrel@FolkProject.org. Mike Agranoff, Minstrel Program Chair

FP Fourth o' July Pic-a-Nic...see page 7

FP Evening o' Music & Pool Party Sat., 7/9, 8pm • Pamela Dabah's

Our monthly music party — bring your voices, food/bev andinstruments. Pam and her husband keep a kosher home bring serving utensils and food containers; all leftovers must be taken away. If you're going to swim, bring your own towel... uh, and bathing suit, and if you have folding chairs or portable chairs, please bring them! 80 Gaston Road, Morristown, (973) 479-3385.

Directions: Make your way to the Morristown Green. Exit the Green onto Speedwell Avenue/Route 202 (the road which runs next to the Century 21 Department Store). Make the left onto Sussex turnpike at the traffic light (4th left turn, it is a "VEE"). Stay on Sussex turnpike for 2.2 miles, make left onto Gaston Road to #80 on the left.

Bonus Evening o' Music: Special Location Sat., 7/23, 7:30pm • Steve and Anne Gale's

The extra night o music takes advantage of Netcong's magnificent St. Cesaero fireworks display. Steve and Anne Gale live on Lake Musconetcong in Port Morris (part of Roxbury Twp.) and their back yard is the ideal vantage point to watch the show, which begins at 11pm. A freshly smoked ham will be available, a couple hand crafted lagers will be on tap and a large telescope will be set up. Avoid approaching from the Netcong side as the town is a zoo for the St. Cesaero celebration, the later you arrive the worse it gets. 533 Main St., Landing. (973) 347 7479

NOTE: the print newsletter contains the wrong information for the Bonus E o' M. This is the correct **location.** Directions: From Rt 80 Westbound, Take exit 28 for Ledgewood/Rt. 10. At the first light (you will be facing Lake Hopatcong) turn Left onto Lakeside Blvd. and move into in the right lane. Take the jughandle at the next light (by the Pathmark) onto Center St. Make the first right turn onto Willow St. The road makes a 90-degree left turn after about 50 yards - this is now Main St. 3rd house on the right after Palmer St.

The Minstrel

July 2011



Fri., 7/1: The Jean Rohe Band and Amandala

Jean Rohe, Folk Project alumna since the age of 8, is now out in the music world. She sings and plays multilingual original music of the Americas, North and South. She plays mandolin and percussion. Rounding out the band are Skye Steele (violin) and Ilusha Tsinadze (guitar). All sing, but it's Jean's remarkable and flexible voice that is the focus of this group. And the ensemble is tight and gets audiences moving and singing. They explore the intersections of American folk music, jazz, Brazilian and Afro-Peruvian traditions. Amandala is a 13-member, all female, student-directed global a cappella group from Highland Park High School.



Fri., 7/8: Open Stage

This is an opportunity for all acoustic musicians to perform a 15-minute set on our stage, and for the audience to be treated to a diverse collection of acoustic musicians. We've often seen previews of our regular scheduled acts for the first time at Open Stage. For information on how to secure a performance slot, call 973-335-9489, or visit http://www.folkproject.org/ fp minstopen.shtml.



Fri., 7/15: The Shockenaw Mountain Boys and Scooter & Friends

The Shockenaw Mountain Boys are an acoustic subset of the great New Jersey jam band, Railroad Earth. They feature R.E. staples Tim Carbone on fiddle, Andy Goessling on guitar and banjo, John Skehan on mandolin, and Johnny Grubb (of Emmitt & Nershi) on bass. They do great high-energy versions of Irish tunes, traditional folk standards, and a few originals. Scooter, the Minstrel's Open Stage host, gets to step before the microphone and show his musical chops with an opening set of his own. With good songs, good voice, and charming presentation he is the personification of the talented amateur Folk Project member musician that this this organization is dedicated to promote. A singer who deserves to be heard

by us and by the general public. He'll be joined on stage by a number of his Folk Project musical friends.

Fri., 7/22: The Dirdy Birdies Jug Band and Katie Weiss

The Dirdy Birdies first played the Minstrel in 1987, after they'd been together for over a decade. This is a band that's conceptionally tight and musically loose. They resurrect the old jug band standards of the '20's and '30's with faithful adherence to the style: lots of cheap tricks, bad jokes, double entendres, and great fun. Guitar, fiddle, washboard, washtub bass, jug, kazoo, a harmonica-playing whale, and big harmonies. Folk Project member Katie Weiss puts on an unassuming, yet solid performance of traditional American folk songs. She sings in a lovely clear alto, accompanying herself with assertive flatpick guitar playing. Her performance reminds us why these old standards have stayed with us over the years.



Fri., 7/29: The Minstrel's 36th Birthday Show

Hey, kids! Let's put on a show! The Minstrel's Birthday Show is an annual celebration of the founding in 1975 of the coffeehouse that was to become the Minstrel Acoustic Concert Series. The show features members of the Folk Project teamed up in randomly selected duos and trios performing on stage. From the seasoned professional to the talented amateur, these musicians rise to the occasion in a grand display of this remarkable organization that has survived and thrived for 36 years. Admission for this night only is \$8.00. (Includes birthday cake.)

UPCOMING 8/5: Lovely harmonies from Mara Levine & Caroline Cutroneo: 8/12: A FOLK PROJECT SPECIAL CONCERT featuring Aztec Two Step; 8/19: Open Stage; 8/26: Back in the Day – A concert featuring some of the founding members of the Folk Project; 9/2: A Farewell Concert by Dugan's Hooligans; 9/9: Open Stage; 9/16: Toby Walker with Opening Act T.B.D..; 9/23: Ilusha Tsinadze; 9/30: Closed for the Folk Project Fall Festival: 10/7: The Jeremy Kittel Band

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 email volunteers@folkproject.org

Members' Gigs & Friends

Conor Dugan: fiddling for NJ's own Nashville-trained country singer/songwriter Rachel Allyn, http://www.rachelallyn.com — Fri., 7/15: opening for Billy Hector, Hat City Kitchen, 459 Valley St., Orange. (862) 252-9147; Wed., 7/20: Concert in the Park, Dover; Sat., 7/30: 4:40pm & 5:40pm, Jamaroo Festival, Layton Hotel and Bar, 124 Rt 560, Layton. (973) 948-0809

Russ Kelner: Every Wed., Delaire Nursing Home, Linden; once a month, Manor Care Rehab, Mountainside

Carolyn Messina: Sat., 7/2: 8pm, Coffee Labs Roasters, 7 Main St., Tarrytown, NY; Mon., 7/4: 2pm, Little Falls 4th of July Street Fair, 225 Main Street Little Falls; Fri., 7/8: on keyboards with Swingman & the Misfit-Mutts Band (Carolyn on keys), 7pm, Free Outdoor Concert, 343 Clifton Ave, Clifton; Sat., 7/9: 8pm, Sertino's Cafe, 27 Kinderkamack Rd., Emerson' Sat./. 716: 9am, Montclair Farmers Market; Sun., 7/24: 9am, Denville Farmers Market

For sale — Casio WK3800 Piano/Organ: Never used, 76 keys, comes with stand. Asking \$400. Call (973) 706-6485, leave message/phone number or email nicolette53@optonline.net



New CD from Dave Kleiner and Liz Pagan: "Stuck Inside New Jersey" Featuring 14 original songs and a cohort of local favorites like Dave Sherman and Mark Schaffer and nationally know musicians — email Daveythek@aol.com or call (973) 429-0288 for your own autographed copy. Soon to be a collector's item!

"...Horses Sing None of It!"

Is a folksy non-commercial public access TV series featuring a surprising variety of quest 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, Sun. 7:300pm ch. 21; Manhattan Neighborhood Network (MNN), New York City, Thurs. 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) Fri. 3:30pm, ch. 280; Service Electric Cable TV Allentown, PA, Thurs. 9:30pm ch. 50; Change: Staten Island Community TV (SICTV) Thursdays 7:30pm ch. 35; Fargo Access (www.cityoffargo.com/cable) on Cable One Fri. 6:30pm & Mon. 3:00pm ch. 12 in Fargo, ND; LVTV-3, Adelphia Cable, La Verne, CA at Fri. 6:00pm; BCAT (Brooklyn Cable

> Access TV) Tues., 12:30pm on Time Warner 34; Cablevision 67; RCN 82; Verizon 42. Also streams via www.bricartsmedia.org/ community-media/bcat-tv-network. Mendham TV: Mon.,

Wed., Fri.: 8am, 2pm & 8pm; Tues., Thurs., Sat.: 7am, 1pm & 7pm (same episode all week) on Comcast ch. 22 or 25 & Verizon ch. 22 or 25; Comcast Central NJ 2,

3:30pm Friday, Ch. 280 & simulcast on Comcast Northwest NJ (Hunterdon County area) ch. 21.

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.cafeacoustic.org;
- **Arts off Main Open Mike:** every third Thursday, The Lab, 128 Willow Grove St., Hackettstown. thelab_openmic@yahoo.com; www.artsoffmain.com; (908) 684-4728
- **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 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; reservations solz1@optonline.net or (845) 354-4586
- **Brennan 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;
- Café Zed: Open mic 7pm, concert 8, New Jersey Arts Incubator in the Essex Green Shopping Center, 495 Prospect St., West Orange. (848) 219-1868 or tom@tompicard. com. Sat., 7/16: Rupert Wates
- **Coffee With Conscience:** 1st United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 E. Broad St. 8pm info 908-412-9105, Concerts4Causes@aol.com; www.coffeewithconscience.org;
- 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;
- Dublin House: Irish Session, 1st & 3rd Sundays, 6-9pm, Monmouth St., Red Bank
- **Dull Music:** 7pm, Rutherford Congregational Church, Union and Rutherford Avenues, Rutherford.www.dullmusic.com;
- 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;
- **The Hillside Cafe Coffee House:** 45 Hillside Cres., Nutley. Doors open 7:30, show at 8pm. (973) 616-0106 or jrlds@comcast.net, www.hillsidecafe.com; Sept. 17: The Kennedys
- **Hurdy Gurdy Folk Music Club:** Fair Lawn Community Center, 10-10 20th St., Fair Lawn 8pm. (201) 384-1325. www.hurdygurdyfolk.org;
- McLynn's Restaurant: Open mic Wed., 9pm. 250 Morris Ave, Springfield. (973) 258-1600
- **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;
- **Music at the Mission:** West Milford Presbyterian Church, 1452 Union Valley Rd., West Milford, (973) 728-3081, www.musicatthemission.org;
- Music on Main: Parker Press Park, 400 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge, adjacent to the Woodbridge NJ Transit depot. 7:30pm. www.woodbridgeartsnj.com.
 Mon., 7/4: Nils Lofgren; Sat., 7/9: Dave Mason
- **NJ Clearwater Circle of Song:** First United Methodist Church, 906 Grand Avenue, Asbury Park, every third Thursday, 6:30pm; **Thurs, 7/21: led by Denise Sullivan**

- **Outpost In The Burbs:** at the Unitarian Church of Montclair, 67 Church St., Montclair (973) 744-6560. Doors open 7:30pm, concert at 8pm. www.outpostintheburbs.org;
- **People's Voice Cafe:** Community Church of New York Unitarian Universalist, 40 East 35th St., NYC, 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; Mondays Irish Session at Landmark Tavern, 626 11th Avenue at 46th Street, Manhattan; Fri., 6/3: Valerie Mindel, Emily Miller, and Jesse Milnes house concert, Brooklyn. Reservations: (917) 592-7148;
- **The Place:** House Concerts, 3pm pot luck, 4pm concert; RSVP to jamask8@comcast.net or (973) 992-7491;
- **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;
- **Riverside Rhythm and Rhyme:** Skylands Unitarian Universalist Fellowship,1811 State Route 57, Hackettstown. 6:30pm, open mic sign-up, 7pm open mic. www.skylandsuu.org.
- Sacred Harp Singings: Much info at http://www.fasola.org/; 2nd Sun.: 2pm, St. Paul's Church, 199 Carroll St, Brooklyn. (718) 293-2848; 2pm, Montclair Friends Mtg, Park & Gordonhurst. (973) 509-2165; Midweek singing Wednesdays, 7-9:30pm, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, |346 W. 20th St. http://nycsacredharp.org/localsingings.html
- **Salem Roadhouse Café:** Townley Presbyterian Church, 829 Salem Rd., Union. (908) 686-1028, www.townleychurch.org;
- **Sanctuary Concerts:** The Presbyterian Church, 240 Southern Boulevard, Chatham. Most concerts 8pm, www.sanctuaryconcerts.org;
- **Skylands Native American Flute Circle** meets at a home in Panther Valley. Info: Allan Johnson 908-850-5772 or ajflycasting@optonline.net
- **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: Society 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, www.WalkaboutClearwater.org;
- **Watchung Arts Center:** 18 Sterling Road (on the Watchung Circle) Watchung, NJ, 8pm, (908) 412-9105;

NEW SERIES: Celebration House Concert & Workshop Series: In Clifton; address given with reservation, (973) 879-8568 or celebrationhouseconcerts@yahoo.com. Workshops usually 3:30–5:30pm; concert usually 6:30pm. Concert only \$15 donation; workshop only \$20; concert and workshop combo \$30; Sat., 7/9: James Maddock w/Ferd Piccuirro (Workshop)

Free Sunday concerts at Shippen Manor in Oxford, NJ, all summer long. Sponsored by Warren County Cultural and Heritage Commission. Info: (908) 453-4381 or http://www.wcchc.org/

TERN SWINGS!

Saturday, July 30th 2011 at 8PM







A Swing Dance for Dancers A Swing Concert for Listeners

REEDS, RHYTHM & ALL THAT BRASS

Reeds, Rhythm & All That Brass is an 18 piece jazz/swing band, playing the classic jazz and swing repertoire of Ellington, Basie, Goodman, Sinatra, Darin, and more. Led by Dr. Lou lozzi, past president of the NJ Jazz Society, the band consists of a mix of veteran jazz players and up-and-comers, including three Folk Project members. The band has raised over three million dollars for worthy causes.

You can dance all night—the band will be hot and the large wooden dance floor will be open for dancing. You can sit back, smile and listen—audience chairs will be set out for your comfort and enjoyment.

Tickets \$15[™] in advance, \$20[™] at the door

Tickets are available at The Minstrel every Friday night, at Swingin' Tern Dances first and third Saturday nights and on the web at dance.folkproject.org where you can also find directions to the site. Students \$10.00. The concert/dance will be at the usual site for Swingin' Tern Dances located in the Parish House of the First Presbyterian Church at 14 Hanover Road, East Hanover, NJ 07936. Dancing will be from 8pm until midnight.





For information call 732-337-1527 or visit us at dance.folkproject.org



Front Porch Bluegrass Fest/Pig Roast

Sat, 7/9 • 10am-8pm

Rain or shine, Gazebo Park, Main St., Chester. Performers: Starry Sky String Band, Keith Wilson, Americana Troupe, Tri-County Music & Arts Fiddler's Group, Sleepy Man Banjo Boys, Hub Hollow, Honky Tonk Scoundrels, Stoney River Boys, Monday Night Pickers, Omar Mendez. Free; donations accepted all proceeds to benefit BYG Work Camp.

Info: http://frontporchbluegrassfestival.weebly.com/

Fourth o' July Barbecue, Pic-a-Nic and Pool Party

Mon., July 4 • 2pm • the Roffmans'

Bring your voice, ears, instruments, polka-dot bikini and inflatable Shamu pool toy to the Roffmans' for an afternoon of grillin' and chillin'. FP will supply burgers, dogs, veggie burgers and buns; please bring a side dish and your hard/soft beverage of choice to share. In the afternoon, the Birthday Show name-drawing will take place (see article below). For directions and some food instructions, see the Bonus Evening o' Music article on the Front Page.

Calling all Folk Project Member Musicians: Perform in the Minstrel's Birthday Show

The Minstrel's Birthday show will take place on Friday, July 29, and you're invited to be part of the show. This has been a Folk Project Tradition for since 1982. Our member musicians are grouped in randomly selected duos and trios, and these groups then perform one song per group in the show. I have sent out detailed invitiations by e-mail to all member musicians I'm aware of. But I don't know everyone, so if I've missed you and you'd like to be included, please contact me immediately since we set up the groups on July 4.

Here's how it works: Musical groups are set up at the Folk Project's July 4th picnic, which takes place on Monday, July 4th (No kidding) in Randolph. More details on the picnic are elsewhere in the Newsletter. Everyone who wants to take part in the show puts their name on an index card. The cards are shuffled, and then dealt out into about 20 piles to form the groups. The groups then have the next 3½ weeks to work up one number per group, to be performed at the Minstrel on Friday, July 29.

This year we have added one new feature: you will be able to add a hot lead-player to your group. Dave Rimeles, an experienced fiddler, guitarist side man and studio musician has offered to be available to any group to do instrumental work. He can provide accompaniment for non-instrumental singers who are paired up with each other, or be available for an instrumental break when you say, "Take it, Dave!"

- YOU MUST BE A CURRENT FOLK PROJECT MEMBER
- SIGNING UP: You can either sign up at the picnic on July 4 (recommended) or reserve a spot ahead of time by contacting me at (973) 335-9489 or Minstrel@FolkProject.org.
- 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.
- YOU CAN BE IN AS MANY GROUPS AS YOU WISH 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 DONE AT 3:30 PM 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 have some suggestions for your groups when
 they're chosen.)
- YOU MAY ADD ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO YOUR RANDOM GROUP at your choice instead of or in addition to Dave Rimeles.

So that's it. I hope you can be part of this. See you at the show and at the picnic. Mike Agranoff, Minstrel Program Chair

FP Calendar: July 2011

/Fri.	Minstrel: The Jean Rohe Band and Amandala	8/Fri.	Minstrel: Open Stage
2/Sat.	Swingin' Tern: Bob Isaacs, Rumpus		Carolyn Messina playing keyboards with Swingman & the Misfit-Mutts Band, 7pm,
	EVERY Saturday: CD*NY: Contra dances, 8pm. NYC. www.cdny.org		outdoor concert, 343 Clifton Ave, Clifton
S/Sun.	EVERY Sun.: Music You Can't Hear On The Radio, 7pm, WPRB 103.3FM; www.wprb.com	9/Sat.	FP Evening o' Music: 8pm, the Dabahs', 80 Gaston Rd., Morristown. (973) 479-338
l/Mon.	Folk Project 4th o' July Barbeque/Pic-a-Nic/Pool Party, the Roffmans' 2pm (drawing for Birthday Show at 3:30pm), 11 Butternut Rd., Randolph.		Front Porch Bluegrass Festival & Pig Roast, Gazebo Field, Chester, 10am-8pm. http://frontporchbluegrassfestival.weebly.com/
	(973) 328-7742		Carolyn Messina, 8pm, Sertino's Cafe, Emerson
	Carolyn Messina, 2pm, Little Falls 4th of July Street Fair, Main St.	10/Sun.	Sacred Harp Singing, 2pm, Brooklyn. (718) 793-2848
	EVERY Monday: Maplewood International Dancers, 7:30pm. New location: Recreation House, 124 Dunnellen Road. (973) 376-7568		North Jersey English Country Dance: Melanie Axel-Lute, 2pm, Ridgewood. www. maxellute.net/njecd.html
	EVERY 1st & 3rd Tuesday: Stony Brook Friends of Old Time Music Jam, 7:30pm, Mannion's Somerville. www.diamondcut.com/oldtime/	13/Wed.	Woodbridge Music on Main: 7:30pm, Edmar Castanada Trio & Andrea Tierra, Parke Press Park. www.woodbridgeartsnj.com
	EVERY Tuesday: Northwest NJ Acoustic Jam, 7pm, Westside United Methodist Church, Hopatcong. (973) 770-0179	14/Thurs	s. NJ Songwriters Circle – 7pm, Dave Kleiner's, 32 Williamson Ave., Bloomfield. (973) 429-0288
	FP Board meeting: 8pm, Ed Roffman's. Address/phone on front cover on on the	15/Fri.	Minstrel: The Shockenaw Mountain Boys and Scooter & Friends
	following page or on page 7. Take your pick.		Rachel Allyn/Connor Dugan, Billy Hector, Hat City Kitchen, Orange. (862) 252-9147
	EVERY first & third Sunday: Open Irish session, 6pm, Dublin House, Red Bank.	16/Sat.	Swingin' Tern: Open Mlke, Last Exit
	EVERY Wednesday, Straight Morning Drive, featuring Straight Drive 15		Carolyn Messina, Montclair Farmers Market, 9am–1pm
	minutes after the 7:30am station break. 6–9am, WDVR-FM and www.wdvrfm.org		Café Zed: Open Mic, Rupert Wates, 7pm, West Orange. (848) 219-1868
	VERY Wed.: Morristown Int'l Dancers, 7:30pm, Mountain Lakes. (973) 539-7020		Woodbridge Music on Main: 7:30pm, Vintage Car Cruise w/ Doowop Deejays. Park Press Park. www.woodbridgeartsnj.com
	EVERY Wednesday: Princeton Country Dancers, 8pm, Suzanne Patterson center,		Rachel Allyn/Connor Dugan, Concert in the Park, Dover
	Princeton. (609) 799-2073, http://www.princetoncountrydancers.org/	21/Thurs	NJ Clearwater Circle of Song, Asbury Park, 6:30pm. Led by Denise Sullivan
	EVERY Wednesday: "Down Jersey" with Jim Albertson, 7:30pm, WSNJ am1240,		Minstrel: The Dirdy Birdies Jug Band, Katie Weiss
	am1440 and www.wsnjam.com; http://members.aol.com/downjerseyjim/	23/Sat.	Bonus EoM — Special Location Steve & Anne Gale's. 533 Main St., Landing.
	EVERY 1st Wednesday: Folk Open Sing; 7pm, Ethical Culture Society, 53 Prospect		(973) 347-7479
	Park West, Brooklyn. (212) 636-6341 or (718) 788-7563 EVERY Wednesday: 9pm, Open Mike, McLynn's Restaurant, Springfield.		North Jersey English Country Dance: Miriam Newman, live music, 2pm, Ridgewood www.maxellute.net/njecd.html
	(973) 258-1600		Carolyn Messina, Denville Farmers Market, 9am–noon
	EARLY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE. Send stuff to newsletter@folkproject.org	29/Fri.	Minstrel: The Minstrel's 36th Birthday Show
	Alternate Thursdays: Scandinavian couple dancing, 7:30 pm, Bound Brook.	30/Sat.	Tern Swings with Reeds, Rhythm & All That Brass
	See skandinoje.org for dates/info		Rachel Allyn/Connor Dugan, 4:40 & 5:40pm, Jamaroo Festival, Layton Hotel & Bar,
	Woodbridge Music on Main: 7:30pm, Ray Rodriguez y Swing Sabroso (after Four-Mile Pizza Run), Parker Press Park. www.woodbridgeartsnj.com		Layton. (973) 948-0809



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; and provide interesting social and learning

activities relating to traditional

and participatory folk music and dance.

Join the Folk Project

Cut out this handy dandy membership form and mail it, with your membership fee, to Rick Thomas, 12 Upper Warren Way, Warren, NJ 07059. Info? (908) 647-7517 or membership@folkproject.org or

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Choose at least one.

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Summer Weekend

Mark your calendars for our traditional weekend-long evening o' music held sign up or to find out more details, bobrosensweet@optonline.net.

at a private home in upstate New York. We all pitch in (and some pitch tents) bringing food and beverages, helping out with meals and cleanup, but otherwise spending the entire time making music and schmoozic. Contact Bob to

Folk Project Board Meeting • June Board Meeting: The Summary

The monthlymeeting of the Folk Project Board... was called to order at 8:05 PM on June 7th, at the home of Rick and Cathy Thomas. And it was Cathy's birthday, too! Strawberry shortcake! Yum!

Present were Lois DeRitter, Jim Gartner, Allan Kugel, Carolyn Messina, Bobbie Rosengarten and Ed Roffman (Trustees), Mike Agranoff, Carl Croce, Scooter Ferguson, Elizabeth Lachowicz, Sandie Reilly, Chris Riemer, Pam Robinson, Bob Safranek, Robin Schaffer, Rachel Streich, Rick Thomas and Jean Scully (Other Board Members), and Jim King, Joanne Cronin, Evelyn Maurer and Mark Schaffer (Guests). Absent were Pat Brangs, Connie Crawford, Gloria Friedman, Nancy Kelner, Brad Pryor and Ruth Wolfish

Financially speaking, everything is under control. As of May 31 our checking account balance was about \$8,000 with \$23,300 in the Money Market fund.

As far as business items, three current Trustees have submitted their resignations. They are Carolyn Messina, Ruth Wolfish and Brad Pryor. We accepted their resignations, and thanked them for time served. As chair of an ad-hoc nominating committee, Scooter Fergusson was thinking about replacements, when the sun burst through the skies.

With minimal controversy, the board elected new trustees Nancy Dugan (replacing Ruth Wolfish) and Bob McNally (replacing Carolyn Messina). Scooter has a candidate in mind to replace Brad, but since she was not able to attend this evening, her election was deferred until next month. Eddie particularly thanked Carolyn, for making a special effort to attend this evening so we'd be sure of the quorum needed to legitimize these personnel changes.

We also have two volunteers working on an ACMA Grant application for 2012, so thanks in advance to Patrick McDonnell and Diane Goodheart.

And (among other things), from the committees we heard that:

- Carl Croce has developed a budget for the Fall Festival with the help of Ed Roffman, Lori Falco and Barb Moo. The feature performers have all been booked, and he's planning a "publicity blitz" to increase attendance. He thinks we're going to have a great Festival, and is looking forward to it.
- The Minstrel plans to sponsor one or more benefit concerts in the months ahead, donating the money raised to the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship's facility improvement fund. Things are "just peachy" with Minstrel staffing, and the planned Old Timer's night on August 26th is coming together nicely.
- Pam Robinson intends to step down as Special Concerts chair at the end of year, so
 the upcoming Aztec Two Step show will be her last concert. A round of applause followed, not for Pam's departure but for the outstanding job she's done in this job.
- Mike has discovered another benefit in the content management system that supports our new Web site. Since he now uploads performer information as soon as he makes a booking, that information is available to Publicity much earlier than it had been before.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 9:44. Next month's meeting is July 5, at the home of President Ed Roffman, in Randolph. Please remember that board meetings are open to all general members. If you'd like to sit in, send a note to secretary@folkproject.org to get the details.

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.

After the June FP board meeting, held in Rick and Cathy Thomas' home, everyone enjoyed celebrating the anniversary of Cathy's 21st birthday with delicious home made strawberry angel food cake.

Evelyn Maurer was glad to be at the board meeting with her FP friends. Evelyn's sister, Christine ,had just gone back home after visiting with her for about a week. They enjoyed working on the house together.

Elizabeth Lachowicz is still dealing with cleaning up her basement, refinishing floors and restoring things back to normal after a recent flood; it's a lot of work! She's proud to share that her son Thomas' poem, about two 17th century scholars discussing the fall of the Roman Empire, was published in his high school literary magazine. Performing last month as Betsy Rose, she especially liked 'getting down and around' with a wireless mike.

Siobhan Scully won 2 significant scholarships at her recent senior award ceremony: one from the Rotary Club, and another as a talented child of Morris Hills Regional Alumni.

Carl Croce and Joanne Cronin sing the praises of a new restaurant in Montclair, with a predominantly tapas menu, called Tapastry. Joanne says, "It was wonderful, and they plan to book musicians to play on summer weekends."

Longtime FP member Brad Pryor is a grandfather. His son, Gordon, has a three-month-old daughter, Rachel Victoria Pryor, and is living in Florida. Brad is happy to be a grandpa, and he has pictures.

Jim Gartner went to North Carolina to visit his brother Bob and niece Patty. He had a great time playing golf and hangin'out, and he was glad to get back home without hitting Memorial Day traffic.

Scooter and Julie Ferguson are excited to share that the Make-a-Wish Foundation is granting a wish to their son, Jonathon. There will be a'sensory playground'installed in their backyard for Jonathon and his friends to enjoy.

Rachel Streich's mother will be moving to Texas to live in the same community as her mom's sister. Rachel is happy for her mom, but Rachel will miss being able to see her and visit whenever she wants to.

Connor Leszczuk (Dugan) is excited to be moving to Boston to attend Berklee College of Music. He plans to major in 'Professional Music.' We will miss him from the NJ Folk Music scene.

Festival Makes a Grand Comeback!

Fri., Sept. 30 – Sun., Oct. 2

We're planning a spectacular lineup and a great mix of concerts, workshops, jamming, musical participation, and your new and old Project friends. World-renowned, award winning singer, songwriter and fun-meister Christine Lavin will celebrate her 25 years as an entertainer with a special show. John Carlini, internationally-recognized pioneer of blending jazz and bluegrass, will entertain and teach us with his guitar and banjo prowess. Gathering Time will energize us with folk, rock and original classics performed in three-part harmony and with their unbridled gusto. Machan Taylor of ZaZuZazz and renowned guitar and vocal accompanist with Sting, George Benson and Pink Floyd will lead workshops in voice and performance on Saturday. And top all this off with peak performances from Project pals Mara Levine, Ken, Pat & Karyn (two Rolstons and a Grunwald), and Laura Birdsong. This festival will be a joy to remember! Check out the flyer in this newsletter.

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: Contra every Sat. at Chinatown Y, Houston Street Center, 273 Bowery (bet. East Houston and Stanton); English Country every Tues. at: Philip Coltoff Center, 219 Sullivan St. (bet. Bleecker and West 3rd). www.cdny.org or (212) 459-4080

Lambertville Country Dancers: Soft soled shoes only! Contra/English country. Info: (609) 882-7733 or www.lambertvillecountrydancers.org

Maplewood International Dancers: 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. http://njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_maplewood.html

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://njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html

North Jersey English Country Dancers: 2nd & 4th Sundays, 2–5 pm, Unitarian Society, 113 Cottage Pl., Ridgewood. \$8 members, \$10 non. (201) 445-4497 or (201) 447-1136. 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.and 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. Community Dance, www.princetonol.com/groups/pcd/

PCD English Country Dance series: Second Saturday of the month, 8pm; intro/basics at 7:30. \$10 (\$5 seniors & students). Info: (908) 359-2642

Scandinavian Folk Dancing: Bound Brook. Alt. Thursdays, See skandinoje.org for info.

Swingin' Tern: 7/2: Bob Isaacs & Rumpus; 7/16: Open Mike & Last Exit; 7/30 Tern Swings with Reeds Rhythm & All That Brass

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; 7/10: Melanie Axel-Lute; 7/24: Miriam Newman

FERN DANCES

cs & Rumpus

July 2: Bob Isaacs & Rumpus

Bill Quern – fiddle, mandolin; Sarah Gowan – guitar; Ross Harriss – saxophone; Nora Smith – Fiddle Contras & Squares

Bob creates a contra commotion and some square shenanigans among the rowdy roar of Rumpus with hullabaloo heys, tumultuous twirls and brouhaha beckets, delivering a do-si-do disturbance and producing petronella pandemonium. You mayhem your skirt, but chaotic couture better suits the rabble rousing Rumpus.

July 16: Open Mike & Last Exit

Chris Jacoby – guitar, mandolin, feet, vocals; Ross Harriss – sax, whistle, guitar; Laurie Tupper – flute, whistle; Doug Healy – bass, guitar, percussion Contras

Callers contact Bob Isaacs at isaacsbob@hotmail.com. Open Mike lets you open the throttle and hit the open road as you set the GPS for East Hanover and take the Ternpike to the Last Exit. If you feel like you're not running on all four cylinders, remember you could have had a V8. So hop in your Becket seat, rev your engine with some piston pumping contras by a full pit crew of callers and leave it to Last Exit to fine tune your car.

July 30: Tern Swings w/ Reeds, Rhythm & All that Brass

A swing dance for dancers and a swing concert for listeners! Tern Swings features Reeds, Rhythm and All That Brass, an 18-piece big band including Folk Project members playing classic swing and jazz numbers. No contras tonight--just hot swing dancing from 8pm till Midnight. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door, and \$10 for students.

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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Sept 30-Oct 2, 2011

Three Great Concerts • Constant Jamming • Song Swaps • Workshops for Musicians, Listeners, and Families • Friendly Atmosphere • Rural Setting • A weekend-long celebration of music

FEATURING NATIONAL PERFORMERS

Christine Lavin



CHRISTINE LAVIN is celebrating 25 years as a singer, songwriter and entertainer. She has recorded over 20 CDs and is world-renowned for her wit and her insight. Her awards include seven ASCAP Composer Awards and New York City Singer-Songwriter of the Year. Performing Songwriter Magazine listed Christine in their TOP 100 Most Influential Artists. **christinelavin.com**

Gathering Time



GATHERING TIME is fast becoming known far and wide for their seamless vocal blend, memorable melodies, meaningful lyrics and easy-going, fun chemistry on stage. They sprinkle rock and acoustic classics among their fantastic originals, and their instrumental prowess only adds to their joyful performances. **gatheringtimetrio.com**

John Carlini



JOHN CARLINI is a Grammy-nominated guitarist and arranger, renowned for his pioneering blend of bluegrass and jazz. He has performed with David Grisman, Tony Rice, Bucky Pizzarelli and many other international music luminaries. John orchestrated the music and played with Stefan Grapelli in the Dino DeLaurentis film *King of the Gypsies*. He is also a world-class five-string banjo player. johncarlini.com

VOCAL AND PERFORMANCE WORKSHOPS

Machan Taylor

MACHAN TAYLOR will be leading our vocal and performance workshops on Saturday. Machan recently wowed the Project as a member of the hit jive band ZaZuZaz. She has toured the world as both guitarist and vocalist for such superstars as Sting, George Benson, Pink Floyd and many, many more. The New York Times has called her "striking voice" a "brilliant instrument."



WITH TALENTED FOLK PROJECT PERFORMERS

KEN, PAT & KARYN



Members Ken and Pat Rolston and Karyn Grunwald have been traveling the world musically for years, performing in concert with Village Harmony in such exotic locations as Corsica, South Africa, and Oregon, with powerful harmony singing from many traditions. Their concert set and workshops will feature songs from New Zealand, South Africa, the Republic of Georgia and Corsica, and will cheerfully enforce upon their audiences a joyful duty of participation.

MARA LEVINE

is a professional folk singer who puts her indelible stamp on songs from traditional to contemporary. She creates beautiful interpretations of folk

songs on her new CD, *Mara's Gems*. Mara has performed with Si Kahn, Pat Wictor, Cheryl Prashker, Spook Handy and Premium Blend.

LAURA BIRDSONG writes and sings from the heart. Laura's lyrics will reach you on a personal level. She is a superb songstress and a skillful fingerpicker. Her fine work can be heard on her CD, *Crazy Wisdom*.



What makes this festival D I F F E R E N T ?

- Attendance limited to 225 including performers and staff.
- Workshops all weekend for musicians, listeners, and enthusiasts of all ages.
- Food and lodging are included in full weekend prices.
- Indoor concert and workshop locations make this festival weatherproof..
- A buffet of accommodations, from shared-bath cabins to semi-private rooms in the Commons, or commute from home.
- Family friendly—Children's activities offered. Check the web site for more information.

Attendance is BY REGISTRATION ONLY! Registration information on other side. Online registration available at **festival.folkproject.org**. For more information visit **festival.folkproject.org** or contact Mark Schaffer at **festival@folkproject.org** or (201) 207 8696. Preliminary workshop schedule and updates at the web site.

THE FOLK PROJECT FESTIVAL — SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 2, 2011 — STAR LAKE CAMP, BLOOMINGDALE NJ

Registration Deadline: Sept 21, 2011 Postmark (9/24 online)

ATTENDANCE is by advance registration only. Weekend, commuter and overnight options, as well as single day commuter passes are available. *Early Bird Discount deadline (only on Weekend Passes) is Sept 9, 2011.* Registration opens July 11.

Full Weekend Registrations include **FOOD** from breakfast on Saturday through lunch on Sunday. **LODGING** for Friday and Saturday night are included in Full Weekend overnight registrations. **Cabins** offer group sleeping accommodations and have heat, bathrooms and hot showers. **The Commons** has rooms with two single beds; each room shares a bath with an adjoining room. At this Festival we'll be using two Commons buildings. The Center Commons is the building that houses our dining and concert halls; the second Commons is **not heated** and is 200 yards from the Dining Hall, requiring your own extra blankets and flashlights. **Space in the Center Commons is limited—register early as the Center Commons will be filled first.**

For those wanting more privacy there is a Holiday Inn Express in Haskell, seven miles from the Festival site; you may make your own arrangements and choose the commuting option on this form.

DAY PASSES include admission to workshops after 9:30 A.M. and lunch and dinner; breakfast is *not included*.

All concerts and most workshops are indoors; the **Concert Hall** is on the second floor, up a flight of stairs.

There is a strict **NO DRUGS, NO ALCOHOL** policy at the camp. Failure to respect this policy will result in your **REMOVAL** from the premises. **No pets.** Star Lake Camp is a Smoke-Free environment.

PAYMENT: Make check payable to The Folk Project.

Mail to Barbara Moo, Festival Registrar, 164 Gates Ave, Gillette NJ 07933.

ONLINE REGISTRATION and additional forms are available at festival.folkproject.org

CONFIRMATION: To receive your confirmation **by mail**, include a self-addressed stamped envelope. **Otherwise**, confirmation will be sent **to the first email address** listed below. You are not officially registered until you have received confirmation and directions. You will not receive tickets—your name will be on a list at the camp.

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