



The Folk Project

January 2014

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New Jersey's Premier Acoustic Music and Dance Organization

January Evening of Music

Sat., 12/11, 8pm • Margaret Crowl's

27 Ronald Drive, East Hanover, NJ 07936, (973) 585-4666

The first monthly music party of the New Year takes place at Margaret's digs in East Hanover. It's a great house for a winter party—plenty of street parking, but no scary driveway or outdoor steps and several segregated areas for jamming & socializing. Please bring voices, instruments, and food and drink to share. Please be aware of Margaret's house rule: *bring home your leftover food and drink.*

Directions from the intersection of I-287 and I-80: Continue east on I-80. Watch for signs directing you to I-280 East. Exit and stay right. Take Exit #1—Edwards/New Road. Turn right at the end of the exit. Keep going. The road will become Ridgedale Avenue. After the third light (School St.) Ronald Drive is the second right. #27 is light blue and is the 6th house on the right.

Sign Up for the Valentines Day Extravaganza

The Valentines Day Extravaganza is one of the biggest Minstrel events of the year—every year. This is a fantastic and rare chance to make your music before a packed and loving full house. If you've never tried it, you must, you must, you must. It's a great night to show off your music. The show is Friday, February 14, 2014.

You can perform alone, or with your friends, or with one of our all-star backup bands. Our Valentines Jazz Combo, featuring Jersey jazz great Grover Kemble, can back you up on your love song standard. Our 10-piece rock band, The Valentines Day Loving Hearts Big Boogie Band, will back up your favorite rock song with flaming electric guitars and its blazing horn section

This is the night when the Folk Project makes your performance dreams come true. Take advantage. It's always a memorable night. Sign up starts New Year's Day, 12:01am. Slots fill up fast. Call 201-207-8696 or email MarkSchaffer100@gmail.com

Inside Dave Van Ronk

Every now and then a film comes along with Folk Music as a major theme, sometimes serious (*I'm Not There*), sometimes humorous (*A Mighty Wind*). The Coen Brothers have directed the latest such effort that is a bit of both, called *Inside Llewyn Davis*, based loosely on *The Mayor of MacDougal Street* by Dave Van Ronk. The film is currently in limited release, but has already garnered many favorable reviews. If you are interested in the folk scene in Greenwich Village in 1961, you might want to make some time to see this release.

Fri., 1/3: Split Bill—John Flynn and Reggie Harris

John Flynn was just too good a songwriter for Nashville. In the early 90's he left his comfortable staff songwriter position at a major Music Row publishing house to pursue the music that simply didn't fit in the commercial Country Music World, and never looked back. The result was a stream of brilliant songs, brilliantly delivered, touching all aspects of contemporary life, personal and social. **Reggie Harris** is best known as half of the veteran duo with his wife Kim. He combines a strong folk and gospel legacy with a solid background in classical, rock, jazz, and pop music. His shining voice rides high over his strong guitar work to deliver a powerful and emotional performance.

Fri., 1/10: Tom Chapin with Zoe Mulford

Tom Chapin's music spans generations in many ways: from the heady Greenwich Village days when he performed with his brothers Harry, Jim, and Steve through today, and from his children's concerts to the boomers who saw him in Greenwich Village. Tom's music is entertaining, welcoming, and relevant. With an agile fingerstyle guitar, gentle humor, audience inclusiveness, and a concern for the Earth and its resources, Tom puts on a memorable show. Our opener, singer-songwriter **Zoe Mulford**, plants one foot on either shore of the Atlantic, with homes in Pennsylvania and Manchester England. She tackles the big eternal themes—love, death, food, laundry, etc.—with wit and honesty. Backing her clear vocals with guitar or clawhammer banjo, she serves up well-told stories seasoned with everything from old-time picking to Irish ballad, plus a dash of the blues.



Fri., 1/17: Open Stage (not the usual 2nd Friday)

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 www.FolkProject.org/Minstrel/OpenStage.

Fri., 1/24: Jean Rohe & The End Of The World Show with The Four Baris

Jean Rohe, Folk Project alumna since the age of 8, is now out in the music world, mastering and owning it in a dizzying array of its many branches. She sings and plays traditional folk, jazz, multi-lingual music of the Americas, North and South, her own brilliant songs, and the songs of the best young writers of the folk world. **The End Of The World** band adds mandolin, guitar, accordion, bass, percussion, and vocal harmony. 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. Opener **The Four Baris** is an award-winning quartet of "Sweet Adelines" female singers, performing popular music in four-part a cappella harmony, barbershop style. Their repertoire features favorites from a variety of pop genres—from upbeat jazz, swing, and Dixieland songs, to contemporary dance anthems, and classic ballads. Singers Carolyn Schmidt, Laura Partynski, Carol Bailey, and Dana Dunlevy have more than 75 years of combined barbershop singing experience.

Fri., 1/31: Split Bill—Hugh O'Doherty and The Loose Canons

Songwriter **Hugh O'Doherty** takes the audience on a journey from romance to satire, and from riveting emotional issues to downright silliness. Hugh lives in and sings about the real world, and puts the frameworks of human connections into perspective with songs of: love, humor, childhood, friendship, marriage, parenthood, blended families, justice, environmental issues, and other contemporary topics. Perhaps the very name of **The Loose Canons** will give you some insight to their approach to music. This 11-member choral group sings intricate vocal arrangements of folk songs, do wop, classical favorites as well as participatory pieces. But they specialize in parodies, satire, novelty songs, and other bits of musical humor.

UPCOMING: 2/7: Cindy Mangsen & Steve Gillette, Jean Scully; 2/14: Valentines Day Extravaganza; 2/21: Beppe Gambetta, Bill Hall; 2/28: L'il Rev, Bob McNally; 3/7: Andy Cohen, Low 'N Lonesome; 4/18: Open Stage; 3/21: Legends of the Celtic Harp; 3/28: Orrin Star, Robin Greenstein; 4/4: Jack Williams, The Levins; 4/11: The Bucky Pizzarelli/Ed Laub Duo, Grover Kemble; 4/18: Open Stage; 4/25: Spuyten Duyvil; 5/2: OCEAN Celtic; 5/9: Open Stage; 5/16: Zoe Mulford

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 \$8.00 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 12 and under are free. For travel information or information on shows, call (973) 335-9489 or visit our website at www.folkproject.org.

Newsletter Editor Missing!

Shortly after the Folk Project Annual Meeting in December, it became clear that something was wrong. The stalwart newsletter editor of the past 20 years—Liz Pagan—was nowhere to be found. The first sign of trouble was when a nervous Pelvis Burlap began asking around if anyone had seen her. The only response he got was someone mentioning that the last anyone saw her was when she was leaving the dining room muttering something about a "well-earned vacation" (whatever that is).

A small team was quickly assembled to make sure that the important Newsletter function of the Folk Project would be protected until Liz came to her senses and returned to take control once again. Thankfully, over the years, a well-honed team had been formed to perform all the functions needed to get the Newsletter distributed, both via printing and mailing, or, what is all the rage among the kids these days, electronically over the Internet. A reluctant and somewhat reclusive G. Otto was pressed into service, agreeing to take custody of this activity during Liz's absence, but vowing to return the enterprise to her whenever she returned and asked for it back. The news of her absence elicited an immediate response from those who knew her best.

To Liz's credit, she doesn't seem to realize how amazing she is. Her dedication and organizational skills are obvious. Her artistic talent and brilliant sense of humor always shine. Her senses of community, integrity, and compassion were reflected in the editorial decisions she made monthly and how she kept track of the Folk Project's mission. She knew what the members needed, and she made sure they got it. She kept us all successful.



If anyone knows Liz's whereabouts, and can convince her to come back to those who care about her and appreciate her superior editing skills, please leave word at newsletter@folkproject.org. We will take it from there.

Members' Gigs & Friends

Mike Agranoff: Sat. Jan 25, 8:00pm, house concert in Livingston, NJ; call 973-535-1469 or email suzanneklar@aol.com for directions

Jennie Avila (with Steve Wright and Jay Ansil): Fri. Jan. 17, 8:15pm, Princeton Folk Song Society Concert, Christ Congregation Church, 50 Walnut Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540; for more information call 609-799-0944 or email info@princetonfolk.org, www.princetonfolk.org

Carrie Cantor (with Malcolm Marsden): Fri. Jan 10, 8:30-11pm, Trend Coffee & Teahouse, 411 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, NJ,

Christine DeLeon: Sat. Jan. 11, 8:00pm, Crossroads Coffeehouse, Crossroads Community Church, 104 Bartley Road, Flanders, NJ, 973-584-7149 (Co-bill with Chelsea Carlson); Sat. Jan 25, 8:00, Ethical Brew Coffeehouse, 687 Larch Ave., Teaneck, NJ, 201-836-5187 (Opening for Less Paul Tribute with Tom and Sandy Doyle)

Early Music Players (Kris Lamb, Andy Koenig, Liz Cabrera, and Joanna Hoty Russell): Tues. 12/31, 7:15pm and 8:15pm, First Night Morris, "Flights of Fancy: Musical Gems of the Renaissance," <http://firstnightmorris.com>; Sun. Jan 5, 2pm, Mahwah Library, "A Twelfth Night Celebration," <http://www.mahwahlibrary.org/calendar/2014-01-05/twelfth-night-celebration-early-music-players>

Russ Kelner: Sat. Jan. 11: NJIO Outreach Ensemble, Juniper Assisted Living, Chatham

Katie Weiss: Jan. 2-25, Tues. to Sat., 11am to 6pm, Art Exhibit "5 on the Surface," Prince Street Gallery, 530 West 25th Street, 4th Fl, New York, NY 10001; www.princestreetgallery.com

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 Mic: 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 Club: Usually at New City Ambulance Corps Bldg., 200 Congers Rd., New City, NY. 2pm, Info: (845) 354-4586 <http://borderlinefolkmusicclub.org>;

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; workshop only \$20; concert and workshop combo \$30;

Coffee With Conscience: 1st United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 E. Broad St. 8pm info 908-412-9105, Concerts4Causes@aol.com; Directions: <http://www.coffeewithconscience.org/Westfield.html>; upcoming performers: <http://tinyurl.com/7vyfgrr>; Sat. 1/18, The Kennedys; Sat. 2/15, Tom Prasada-Rao & Cary Cooper; Sat. 3/15, Kim & Reggie Harris; Sat. 4/26 Carsie Blanton; Sat. 5/31 David Wilcox. For details go to the “tinyurl” link above

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;

Fanwood Performance Series: 7pm, Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood. www.fanwoodperformanceseries.org

Folk Arts Fridays at Ethical Culture: 516 Prospect St., Maplewood. 2nd Friday (except June–Aug.). Bring instruments and voices for singing, playing, quilting, crafts. run by Lisa Novemsky and Anja Moen. www.essexethical.org or (973) 763-8293.

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) 667-7055 or info@hillsidecafe.com, www.hillsidecafe.com; Jan. 18, Greg Trooper and Fred Gillen, Feb. 15, Wreckless Eric & Amy Rigby, Mar. 15. Shawn Taylor and Pat Wictor

Hurdy Gurdy Folk Music Club: Fair Lawn Community Center, 10-10 20th St., Fair Lawn 8pm. (201) 384-1325. www.hurdygurdyfolk.org; Jan 11: The Whistling Wolves and The Triple Play Allstars, Feb 1: C. Daniel Boling and The Boxcar Lilies, Mar 1: An Evening With Aztec Two Step, Apr 19: Joe Crookston, Connor Garvey, May 10: Vance Gilbert, Honor Finnegan, Jun 7: Catie Curtis, Jenna Lindbo

Mannion's NJAMP Acoustic Jam: EVERY Thursday, 6pm, Mannion's, 150 West Main St., Somerville (908) 203-9700; <http://meetup.com/NJ-Acoustic-Music-in-the-Park>

Morris County Center for the Arts: Darress Theatre, 615 Main St., Boonton. (973) 334-9292, www.darrestheater.com.

Music at the Mission: West Milford Presbyterian Church, 1452 Union Valley Rd., W. Milford, (973) 728-3081, www.musicatthemission.org; Jan. 18, Heather Maloney and Tall Heights, Feb. 15, Cliff Eberhardt, Mar. 15, Freedy Johnston, Apr. 26 Lucy Kaplansky, May 17 James Maddock

Music on Main: 7:30pm, Woodbridge. www.woodbridgeartsnj.org, (732) 634-4500 x6497

NJ Friends of Clearwater Circle of Song: First Sundays, 1:30pm, Turnstile Coffee Bar, 1607 Hwy. 71, Belmar. (732) 894-9012;

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; Fri. Jan. 10, 8pm, Willie Nile and Band

People's Voice Cafe: Community Church of New York Unitarian Universalist, 40 East 35th St., NYC, www.peoplesvoicecafe.org or (212) 787-3903; Jan. 4: Kim & Reggie Harris, John Flynn; Jan 11: Dave Lippman, David Laibman; Jan 18: Duncan Phillips, Generations: Michael & Aleksi Glick

Pinewoods Folk Music Club: 444 W. 54th St., #7, New York, NY 10019, (718) 651-1115, www.folkmusicny.org; Every Monday: Irish Traditional Music Session, 8-11pm at the Landmark Tavern; Wed. 1 Jan., Folk Open Sing, 7-10pm Sat. 11 Jan., Mystic Seaport Chantey Blast & Pub Sing, 1-5pm, Mystic, CT.; Sun. 19 Jan., Shanty Sing on Staten Island; 2-5pm; Fri. 31 Jan., 8pm, Legends: The New Boys of Old New York (Jeff Davis and Dave Ruch)... visit web site for details.

The Place: House Concerts, 3pm pot luck, 4pm concert in Livingston. sugg. donation \$15–20; RSVP hopeandjoy@verizon.net or (973) 992-7491; Sun. Jan. 12: Christopher Brown

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; Jan. 17: Jennie Avila (with Stephen Wright & Friends)—Civil War Story Songs; Feb. 21: Jeff Warner—“Mountains to the Sea”; Mar. 21: David Jones; Apr. 18: The Honey Dewdrops; May 16: Tom Chapin

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>

Sanctuary Concerts: The Presbyterian Church, 240 Southern Boulevard, Chatham. Most concerts 8pm, www.sanctuaryconcerts.org; Sat., Jan. 11 8pm: An International Guitar Summit!: Patty Larkin (USA) Muriel Anderson (Canada) and Beppe Gambetta (Italy) In the Round; Sat., Feb. 22 8pm: Cheryl Wheeler with special guests Pesky J. Nixon; Sat., March 1 8pm: John Mceuen and David Amram with accompanists Andy Goessling (Railroad Earth) and Matt Cartsonis; Sat., March 29 8pm: Shawn Mullins with special guest Blind Boy Paxton

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/old-time/; 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month

The Uptown Coffeehouse: www.uptowncoffeehouse.org New Location: City Island Community Center, 190 Fordham S. lower level, City Island, NY. 5pm, \$15, under 12, \$5; 1/13: Cliff Eberhardt

Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse: United Methodist Church, 250 Bryant Ave., White Plains, (914) 949-2146, www.WalkaboutClearwater.org; Sat. 1/11: Robin & Linda Williams

ZED Music Series: 1st Saturdays, 7pm pot luck, 7:30pm Open Mic followed by featured performer. Donation \$8. Open Mic spot/seat/directions: Tom (848) 219-1868 or Shari (201) 306-8744, ZedMusicSeries@gmail.com or korensteinshari@yahoo.com

Folk Project Special Concerts presents:
Ukulele Workshops with Li'l Rev
 Saturday March 1, 2014

Ukulele great Li'l Rev will be performing at The Minstrel on Friday February 28th!

So... the following day, we will be offering two 90 minute workshops (one morning session and one in the afternoon).

\$25 per workshop or attend both for \$40 (you save \$10!)



The morning session will run from 10:30am until 12 noon

Intros, Endings & Turnarounds: This unique 90 minute workshop focusing on teaching the student how to take catchy little intros and endings and add them onto songs currently in their repertoires. Most are just 4-5 chords in first and second position. These little gems have been passed onto musicians for generations, from the great songwriters of the Broadway Era to the Boogie, Blues and Country motifs that every ukulele player should know. This class is open to all levels, and everyone will leave with dozens of ideas on how to spruce up a song with a tasty intro or ending.

The afternoon session will run from 1:30pm until 3pm

Super Cool Right Hand Techniques: This 90 minute workshop represents over 20 years of studying, collecting, and preserving right hand techniques as passed on by some of the most seminal players in the U.S. The student will learn four different roll strokes, several different triplet patterns, the fan stroke, tremolo techniques, vaudeville flips and tricks, as well as a couple of very cool old blues and novelty numbers with which to practice these numbers. This class is open to all levels. So if you are looking to improve your strumming technique, this class is a must take for every ukulele player.

Tickets on sale Fridays at The Minstrel or you can reserve a spot via email to concerts@folkproject.org Location and directions will be provided with confirmation of your reservation. If you plan to attend both sessions, you should bring a lunch with you. Call with any questions, 908-229-1214.

Unclassifieds

WEB DESIGNER: Looking for someone familiar with HTML and PHP to do minor tweaks on my website from time to time. Contact Mike Agranoff at 973-335-9489 or mike@MikeAgranoff.com

VOCAL/VIOLIN LESSONS/COACHING: Also basics of theory and counterpoint as composition tools for songwriters. Diane Perry (908) 447-1395, Dianeperryjazz@yahoo.com

THE COFFEE WITH CONSCIENCE CONCERT SERIES NEEDS A NEW ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND ALL-AROUND GRAND MASTER! Ahrrre Maros, the leader of the award-winning Coffee With Conscience Concert Series, is leaving the series at the end of the 2013-2014 Season. Rather than closing shop entirely, he hopes to find a special individual or team to take over the series. If you have any interested in stepping in and taking this series to new heights, please reach out to Ahrrre at ahrrre@verizon.net.

Join the Folk Project

Cut out this handy dandy membership form and mail it, with your membership fee, to Eddie Roffman, 11 Butternut Road Randolph, NJ 07869.

Info: membership@folkproject.org

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Do you play or sing music:

For fun Occasionally perform in public Professionally or semi-professionally

_____ Basic Individual membership @ \$20/year \$ _____

(You'll receive this personal monthly newsletter.)

_____ 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.)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

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check one: I'd like to save trees and receive an Enewsletter

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:

Hey, you guys, listen up!

... Horses Sing None of It! Still Looking for Volunteers



The popular FP-produced cable series is looking for new blood. More than 625 episodes have been produced so far, and each taping requires the assistance of six technical volunteers. Two shows are taped in about three hours on one evening per month. Technical training on TV studio equipment is provided free by Cablevision. *Training sessions have been scheduled for January and February.* Location is Route 10 near the intersection of Dover-Chester Road in Randolph. E-mail RalphLit@juno.com or call (973)538-2432.

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31/Tues. Swingin' Tern New Year's Eve Dance — Will Mentor, Last Exit

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1/Wed. EVERY Wednesday: Morristown Int'l Dancers, 7:30pm, Mountain Lakes Community Church. (973) 539-7020, njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html

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

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

EVERY Wednesday: 9pm, Open Mic, McLynn's Restaurant, Springfield. (973) 258-1600

EVERY 1st Wednesday: Folk Open Sing; 7pm, Ethical Culture Society, 53 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn. (212) 636-6341 or (718) 788-7563

2/Thurs. EVERY Thursday: Mannion's NJAMP Acoustic Jam, 6pm, Somerville. (908) 203-9700; <http://meetup.com/NJ-Acoustic-Music-in-the-Park>

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

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

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5/Sun. EVERY Sunday: Music You Can't Hear on the Radio, 7pm, WPRB 103.3FM; www.wprb.com

EVERY Sunday: Radio Nowhere, 7–10pm, WMSC 90.3FM Montclair or streaming at www.wmscradio.com or www.live365.com/wmsc.

EVERY 1st & 3rd Sunday: Open Irish session, 6pm, Dublin House, Red Bank.

EVERY 1st Sunday: NJ Friends of Clearwater Circle of Song, 12:30-2:30pm

Early Music Players 2pm, Mahwah Library, "A Twelfth Night Celebration," <http://www.mahwahlibrary.org/calendar/2014-01-05/twelfth-night-celebration-early-music-players>

6/Mon. EVERY Monday: Maplewood International Dancers, 7:30pm, Maplewood.

7/Tues. FP Board Meeting, 8pm,

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

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31/Fri. Minstrel: Split Bill—Hugh O'Doherty and The Loose Canons

Folk Project Board Meeting • December, 2013

Board Meeting: The Summary

The FP Annual Meeting was called to order at 8:03pm on December 3rd at Chimney Rock Inn, Gillette, NJ.

Present: Mike Agranoff, Pat Brangs, Joanne Cronin, Mike DelVecchio, Lois DeRitter, Lori Falco, Gloria Friedman, Jim Gartner, Bill Henderson, Nancy Kelner, Allan Kugel, Elizabeth Lachowicz, Bob McNally, Lindsey Meyer, Sandie Reilly, Pam Robinson, Eddie Roffman, Bobbie Rosengarten, Mark Schaffer, Robin Schaffer, Jean Scully, Rachel Streich, Leigh Walker, Barrett Wilson. Absent: Scooter Ferguson, Joe Graziano, Grover Kemble. Guests: Cathy Ballard, Ken Brody, Loretta Brooks, Bill Cox, Christine DelVecchio, Gloria Fisher, Paul Fisher, Steve Humphreys, Dave Kleiner, Andy Koenig, Shari Korenstein, Evelyn Maurer, Barbara Moo, Dave Ogens, Dawn Ogens, George Otto, Liz Pagan, Tom Picard, Bob Safranek, Dave Sherman, Cecelia Zeimetz.

Treasurer's Report: As of the end of November, the FP shows a year-to-date net income of approximately \$353. YTD gross revenues were approximately \$111,000, of which \$92,000 were for Admissions to various events, \$8,000 in Membership dues, and \$6,000 in Donations. Major expenses included \$47,000 in various rental fees, and \$44,000 in Performer Fees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MINSTREL BOOKING: Mike A. reported that 2013 was "not a particularly good year", with average weekly attendance at its lowest since 1991: average paid attendance of 78.7; if we include Open Stage, average attendance was 68.4. We are losing regulars but gaining new attendees thanks to the efforts of our Publicity committee. NJ PBS will be at the Minstrel on 12/27/13 to video the Shockenaw Mountain Boys concert for their "State of the Arts" program. Upcoming concerts in 2014 include: Tom Chapin, Bucky Pizzarelli, Beppe Gambetta, and John Gorka.

FESTIVAL: Mark reported that in 2014, Festival has been attracting more first-timers, and he and Robin have been looking for ways to retain first-timers to come back as second and third-timers. They are working to improve the quality of workshops, and aiming to attract a younger crowd of 20-somethings. He noted that we have been getting more 40-somethings, so we are attracting a slightly younger crowd! Mark also noted that the name "Festival" is misleading, at least in our online advertising; for most people, the word "Festival" conjures up visions of "10,000 people sitting in the rain in front of an outdoor stage", which is not what we are. He is looking for another, more descriptive name for our weekend events.

SWINGIN' TERN: Leigh reported that 2013 was a very good year. Kudos to Suzanne, Doug, Joel and Xander for all their hard work throughout the year.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: Joe Graziano absent. Prez Elizabeth noted that Joe is stepping down from the chairmanship of the committee, and thanked him for his hard work throughout the year.

NEWSLETTER: Elizabeth thanked Liz Pagan on behalf of the entire FP for 2 decades of superlative service as Newseditor, and led everyone in a standing ovation.

ZED MUSIC SERIES: Tom Picard and Shari Korenstein's house concert series on the first Saturday of every month in Livingston, NJ is now officially an activity of the FP.

HSNOI: Sandie reported that they've taped more than 25 episodes in 2013. Many thanks to Dave Kleiner for uploading videos of HSNOI to YouTube – more than 200 episodes from previous years are now available.

MINSTREL STAFFING: Jean praised Amy Livingston for all her indispensable efforts throughout the year. She noted that they are working to get a sound feed from the concert piped out to the lobby so that Door, Head Staff and Kitchen volunteers can listen to the show.

SOUND REINFORCEMENT: Mike D. reported that they'd gotten a number of new Sound volunteers in 2013 to provide sound for 50 Minstrels, 2 Festivals and a number of house concerts. We acquired a new-to-us sound board this year from Sanctuary Concerts, and are now using it for Minstrel.

WEBMASTER: Kudos to John Lamb for all his hard work.

PUBLICITY: Outgoing chairman Nancy Kelner thanked all the committee members for working so hard and recapped the important events of 2013.

ELECTIONS

A round of applause and praise to outgoing Vice President Pam Robinson.

Trustees through 2016: Nominated: Lindsey Meyer, Grover Kemble and Allan Kugel. Unanimously elected.

Trustee to replace Barrett Wilson through 2015: Nominated: Steve Humphreys. Unanimously elected.

Officers: Nominated to continue in office: President -- Elizabeth Lachowicz; Secretary -- Rachel Streich; Treasurer -- Bill Henderson. Nominated to replace Pam Robinson: Vice President -- Barrett Wilson. All unanimously elected.

New Committee Chairs: Nominated: Community Affairs -- Shari Korenstein; Internal Affairs -- Dave Sherman; Newsletter -- George Otto; Publicity--Paul Fisher. All unanimously elected.

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION:

President Elizabeth noted our accomplishments for 2013 – the JAM Award (yay us!). We pulled together and rescheduled the Feb. 2013 Valentines Day show when it was snowed out (yay us, for handling emergencies so well!). Recently, UkeFest was successful beyond our wildest expectations (yay to Scooter and Pam Robinson!) . As an organization we put on over 100 events in 2013, and already have 27 events scheduled for 2014. Mike A. suggested we recognize Elizabeth for her hard work as Prez in 2013 and led the enthusiastic standing ovation.

Annual Meeting was adjourned 9:42pm

DECEMBER 2013 monthly meeting followed:

Minutes of October 2013 meeting were accepted unanimously.

Minutes of November 2013 meeting were accepted unanimously as amended.

NEXT MEETING will be at Tom Picard and Shari Korenstein's home in Livingston, NJ on Tuesday 1/4/14.

Monthly meeting was adjourned, 9:45pm

"...Horses Sing None of It!"

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 www.folkproject.org. Seen on: Cablevision Morris area, Sun. 7:30pm 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](http://mms)); Service Electric Cable TV Allentown, PA, Thurs. 9:30pm ch. 50; Staten Island Community TV (SICTV) Thursdays 7:30pm

ch. 35; Fargo Access (www.cityoffargo.com/cable) on Cable One Fri. 6:30pm & Mon. 3pm ch. 12 in Fargo, ND; 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. **Watch archived shows on**

youtube.com/HSNOI



Good o' 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 Barrett Wilson, bighim04@yahoo.com

Sheri Korenstein: Announced the next time for Zed music at #120 Beaufort Ave. in Livingston NJ—check it out online!

Allen Kugel: Recently attended his sister's funeral in Chicago, and while there had a chance to visit and reconnect with family members.

Cecilia Rowedder: Recently tripped, fell, and experienced a minor face plant on a Manhattan sidewalk. She suffered a broken nose, bruising, and facial lacerations, all in an instant. She's healing fine, has a great attitude, and doesn't plan on repeating the experience any time soon.

Lois Deritter: Recently met with extended family and celebrated Hanukah. A great time was had by all.

Barrett Wilson: Has a wonderful new Unifying Principal in his life—and it's called Retirement. Working within a one to two-year time frame, he reports that all roads now lead towards The Land of Unscheduled Being.... He'll keep us posted.

Jean Scully: Is happily busy earning a living with her dual track of Real Estate and transcribing Court Reports. Her real estate boss is 73 years old, has worked at the same job, in the same office since 1964 (does time go back that far?), and is finally retiring, and will be sorely missed. Jean also reports that her son Von is doing well, with a new apartment, a great relationship, and overall great prospects for the future.

Paul Fisher: has been very recently laid off from his job. Best of luck to Paul as he sets his sights on finding new work.

Eddie Roffman: His Mother very recently passed away, and Eddie shared that while the mind may "understand" and accept these deep changes, the heart has a different path, and needs time to take in and absorb the loss, and then begin working towards regaining peace and balance. He very much appreciates all the love and support he's been receiving from his Folk Project community.

Sandi Riley: Attained her USA Cycle Coaching license this Spring. She has also been working with the Helen Hayes Hospital, working with them on Adaptive Sports. And lastly, with her current auto at 199,000 miles, she's looking for some new wheels that will comfortably carry Hand Cycles.

Elizabeth Lachowicz: Recently went on a cruise with several family members, including three of her sisters and their husbands. They all had a wonderful time. Elizabeth has also just recently lost her brother, suddenly and without warning. He leaves behind a wife and two boys. And to top it all off, her "little" boy Thomas turns eighteen next month (queue up Alice Cooper...) !! Our hearts go out to Elizabeth for her loss, and her gains!

Watch Yourself on TV

The December 27 show at the Minstrel, featuring the Shockenaw Mountain Boys and Diane Perry, will be recorded by New Jersey Public Television for later broadcast on a segment of their program "New Jersey State of the Arts". Come and be part of the audience, and see if you can catch yourself on TV when the show airs.

Service Committee Action Network (SCAN) 28th BENEFIT CONCERT for CENTRAL AMERICA

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Reserve tickets must be picked up by 7:30 pm on night of concert.**

For tickets, email the office at admin@muuf.org

Free Guitar Lessons

In case you are interested, ArtistsWorks.com is offering a free online Learn To Play Guitar course called Acoustic Guitar 101 at <http://artistworks.com/learn-to-play-guitar>

Feets Don't Fail Me Now!

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.lcdf.org/nyc or e-mail AmericanFolkDanceNYC@yahoo.com

Country Dance*New York: Contra every Sat., English Country every Tues., Church of the Village, 201 West 13th St. (NW corner of 7th Ave.). Sept.–June. 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 Dunellen Rd., Maplewood. Mondays 7:30pm, \$5. Beginners welcome, partner not necessary, refreshments served. Days (908) 273-6468, eves (973) 376-7568. njfolkdance.tripod.com/fd_morristown.html

Morristown International Dancers: Wednesdays, Mountain Lakes Community 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, 2–5pm, Unitarian Society, 113 Cottage Pl., Ridgewood. \$8 members, \$10 non. (201) 445-4497 or (201) 447-1136. <http://northjerseyenglishcountrydancers.yolasite.com>;

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 Dr., 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, e-mail pcdinfo@aol.com. Band info only: (609) 252-0248 or srl@mail.princeton.edu performer listing at www.princetoncountrydancers.org. Community Dance

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: Tues., 12/31: New Year's Dance—Will Mentor, Last Exit; 1/4: 30th Anniversary Dance With Folk Project Callers, Hog Wild; 1/18: Sue Gola, Celador

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

SWINGIN' TERN DANCES

Tues., 12/31: NEW YEAR'S EVE with WILL MENTOR & LAST EXIT

Pot Luck Supper 7pm. Dancing from 8PM till 1AM

Chris Jacoby—guitar, mandolin, accordion; Ross Harriss—alto/soprano sax, guitar; Laurie Tupper—flute; Doug Healy—bass, guitar, djembe Contrás, Squares & Couple Dances

With clear teaching and an upbeat wit, Will calls contras and squares that exemplify his guiding principle: it's all about the dancers! Shifting gears through musical genres, Last Exit crashes through the barriers of traditional contra music with hard driving tunes. For tickets go to http://folkproject.org/sp_events/sp_event.php?id=20131231

Sat., 1/4: 30th ANNIVERSARY DANCE with FOLK PROJECT CALLERS & HOG WILD

Callers coordinated by Bob Isaacs

Tom Phillips—fiddle; Jody Kruskal—Anglo concertina; Marnen Laibow-Koser—piano Contrás & Squares

The year was Nineteen Eighty-Four and Big Brother ensured there would be no enjoyment of the process of life. Risking arrest for thoughtcrimes, Swingin' Tern Dances burst on the scene to change this dystopia to a contropia. Tyranny turned to twirls and revolutions became swings. The Ministry of Truth became the Ministry of Fun and the Inner Party became the Party for All. Doublethink became double progression and $2 + 2 = 5$ was revised back to $2 + 2 =$ hands four.

Thirty years later we celebrate by going Hog Wild and rolling back admission to our 1984 price of \$3.00! Don't miss this, by George, Or well, you might just end up in Room 101.

Sat., 1/18: SUE GOLA & CELADOR

David Hayes—guitar; Gretchen Caverly—fiddle Contrás

Sue helps Celador open up the cellar door to collect the canned contra ingredients needed to take us through the long cold winter. Gola gathers up the petronella preserves, seasoned swings, dried do-si-does and brined balances while the band takes down the jarred jams, pickled picks and brandied beats. Together they cook up a mason jar medley to cure the winter blues and feed our soles.

A farewell to Liz Pagan, who as newseditor has had this monthly peek into my brain for so many years. And to the new editor, a welcome to George Otto who will remember my warped wordplay from years past as the original Folk Project webmaster. Doug

Non-dancing children must be supervised at all times.

Contra and Square Dancing to Live Music. All dances taught. No partner necessary. Beginners' 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. Right 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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