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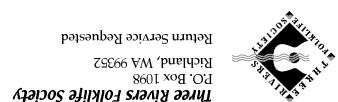
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#### Folk Talk's First Summer Issue!

Relax, summer isn't over yet! This may be the first time Folk Talk has been published in July, but we have a too-good-to-miss concert to promote and good news about Tumbleweed Music Festival.

# Sea Songs in the Shadows of Tall Ships

Saturday, 1 August, 7:30 PM

The Lady Washington, official tall ship of Washington State, and the Hawaiian Chieftain will be in Pasco from July 31 through August 10, 2015 (see related article). The ships will be the backdrop for an outdoor concert of sea chanteys featuring a constellation of sea song singing stars:

Hank Cramer, a former chanteyman aboard the Lady Washington, is a well-loved singer who has played all over the world. Hank's deep voice will be leading sea chanteys at the concert. Hank weaves music and history into his songs and stories, and provides insight into the "folk process" by which traditional songs have evolved. As a vocalist and guitarist, he has built a repertoire of modern and traditional songs spanning the "folk" genre.

Dan Maher originally fell in love with folk music as a teenager growing up in Spokane. A celebrated musician, his love for folk eventually led to his involvement with public radio as the host of what has come to be the weekly three-hour folk music radio show,

"Inland Folk," which is approaching its 31st year on the air on Northwest Public Radio.

Humor and Heart is the duo Mark Iler and Jessica McKeegan. Mark is a gifted singer/songwriter, instrumentalist, show host, and sound engineer. Jessica is a singing musician who also plays the Irish whistle, guitar and mandolin. Jess enjoys singing some of the "bawdier" pub-type songs as well as sad, beautiful laments of Ireland. Both Mark and Jessie are often back-up musicians for Hank Cramer and members of the Constellation Crew.

Spanaway Bay is the folk duo Kent and Carol Mesford. They have been engaging audiences throughout the Puget Sound with an eclectic assortment of maritime, Celtic, English and American folk songs since their trial by fire at the Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival some years ago. Kent is also a member of the duo Sänger and Didele, and both are members of the Handsome Cabin Boys and Broadside.

Brian Maskew originally hails from Yorkshire, England, and keeps up the tradition of singing British folk and maritime songs here in the Northwest. Brian, who lives in Winthrop, WA, has been on the faculty of most of the Northwest region's Chantey Camps during the past few years.

Micki Perry is very active in the folk music community locally and in the Northwest. She will be singing her original song "The Wreck of the Lady Washington," which tells the true story of the ship's unfortunate collision with a local railroad bridge in 1991. Micki is a founding member of Three Rivers Folklife Society and music coordinator for Tumbleweed Music Festival, now in its 19th year.

The concert will be held outdoors at the Columbia Marine Center in Pasco, at 1315 S. 4th Ave. There will be signs leading to the parking area. Concert tickets will be available at the venue Friday and Saturday for \$15 general admission and \$12 for 3RFS members seniors, and students. The ships will be the backdrop but will likely be closed to visitors during the concert. (The crews will need a break after a long, hot day.)

# Don't Just Sing, Sail on the Ships, Too

31 July - 10 August

You too can sail aboard the Lady Washington or the Hawaiian Chieftain! Choose one of their two-hour evening sails or three-hour battle sails while they are in Pasco! The evening sails feature a living history experience with demonstrations of tall ship handling, chantey singing, and maritime story-telling. The three-hour battle sails feature booming cannons, close-quarters maneuvers, and a taste of 18th century maritime life.

The ships are operated by the Grays Harbor Historical Seaport Association.

This non-profit organization provides educational, vocational, recreational and ambassadorial activities that promote and preserve the maritime history of Grays Harbor, the Northwest, and our nation while serving the needs of the community. For tickets or information, go to www.historicalseaport.org.

July 2015

#### Local Folk Events

## **Eagle Scouts On Board For TMF**

Sebastian Smith, a Boy Scout from Troop 237, in Richland, has been working on installing an electrical outlet pedestal at Howard Amon Park for his Eagle Scout Project. This outlet will be located east of the tennis courts and will provide a place for sound crews to plug in equipment for our **Tumbleweed Music Festivals.** 

Sebastian has met with Phil Pinard of the Parks and Recreation Department in Richland and Jim Kelly and Jim Honeyman from Three Rivers Folklife Society. He has been working on a plan based on their advice. Sebastian has received approval from all necessary officials and representatives from the Boy Scouts of America, the City Of Richland, and the Three Rivers Folkife Society. He will recruit and coordinate volunteer labor and his project is scheduled to be completed by the end of July 2015, before this year's Tumbleweed Music Festival. Thank you, Sebastian, and all your volunteers!



## **3RFS Database Is Alive And Well**

3RFS now has a crew working on a database that will track membership. provide mailing lists, compile volunteer information, and ultimately allow for much improved e-mail distribution of newsletters. Various lists have been developed over the years, with little effort to coordinate or administer them. These lists are now being combined into a single, organized, relational database. Bob Lewis, Gene Carbaugh, Mary Gates, and Terry Widergren are collaborating to make this happen. Full operation is anticipated this Fall.

#### July

**24-25** Art in the Park

9:00 AM - 7:00 PM Fri-Sat HAP Richland

#### August

**1** Tall Ship Sea Chantey Concert

7:30 PM Sat Columbia Marine Center

### September

4 Tumbleweed Music Festival Youth Night 6:30 PM Fri HAP

**5-6** Tumbleweed Music Festival 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM Sat-Sun HAP Richland

#### Don't forget 3RFS monthly events:

First Friday Folkie Free-For-All - Fri. 8/7, 7:30 PM, Micki Perry's 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong - Sat , 8/8, 9/12, 7:00 PM Round Table Pizza 3RFS Board Meeting - Mon 8/10, 9/14, 7:00 PM Gene Carbaugh's

Columbia Marine Center = 1315 S. 4th Ave., Pasco Gene Carbaugh's = 803 Birch St., Richland HAP = Howard Amon Park, Lee Blvd and George Washington Way, Richland Micki Perry's = 1011 S. Dawes St., Kennewick Round Table Pizza = Corner of George Washington Way and Torbett St., Richland

For information, call 509 528-2215

# **Tumbleweed Is Still Looking For You!**

The 2015 Tumbleweed Music Festival is fast approaching on Labor Day Weekend September 4-6. It will be on us before we realize it.

Our Tumbleweed Festival hospitality queen, Chris Mesford, is seeking helpers to work in the kitchen for an hour (or more!) during the festival. Go to SignUpGenius to see the schedule she has created. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time sometime Saturday or Sunday, Sept 5 and 6, for this valuable service to our performers. Sign up at

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/2 0f0549aaaf2fa7ff2-kitchen.

Ed Heubach is seeking volunteers for other vital roles during the festival. A volunteer form can be found at our website, 3rfs.org, just by clicking on Tumbleweed Music Festival, or you can call Ed at 509 591-2866 or e-mail him at rsam09@hotmail.com.

The July planning meeting for the 2015 Tumbleweed Music Festival will be July 28, 7:00 PM at Gene Carbaugh's home, 803 Birch Ave., Richland.

### **Out of Town**

### July

**25** Blind Boys of Alabama 7:30 PM Sat. GESA Powerhouse Theatre, Walla Walla www.phtww.com

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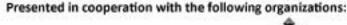
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