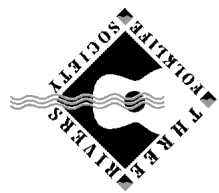


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Folk Talk

A Newsletter for Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Folk

September 2009

The Wanderers Wind up at Three Rivers

Saturday, 19 September, 7:30 PM

This year, The Wanderers celebrate 50 years of singing together!!! Carl Allen and Bill Murlin met in a folk trio at Washington State University at Pullman in 1959. After winning a campus talent show, the trio, at that time, including Al Hansen, appeared regularly at campus dances and fraternal functions. The trio split up after graduation from college, but Carl and Bill started singing together again a few years later.

Bill and Carl revived the Columbia River songs written by Woody Guthrie during his one-month visit to Portland, Oregon in May of 1941. Bill recovered Guthrie's 26 Northwest songs and

published them in the "Columbia River Collection" songbook. He also produced an album containing 17 of Woody's recordings of those songs. Some of the newly published songs had never been seen or heard until they were released in 1987. Bill and Carl have presented the Guthrie songs and their stories since 1985. Carl presents a solo, first-person impersonation of Guthrie discussing his Columbia River songs, through the "Inquiring Minds Series" of Humanities Washington. Carl has also done the musical sound tracks for three public television documentaries for KCTS-TV Channel 9, Seattle.

The Wanderers feature folk songs from the 1950s to today. They focus

on good harmonies backed with well-blended guitars and banjo, and they love it when you sing along!

The concert will be held at the new Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester Street in Pasco. Tickets are \$11 general/\$9 seniors and students, when purchased in advance at Bookworm stores and Octopus' Garden. \$1 more at the door. 3RFS members receive a \$3 discount.



It's the 13th for Tumbleweed Music Festival!

Saturday-Sunday, 5-6 September

The 13th Annual Tumbleweed Music Festival will be held at Richland's Howard Amon Park and in the Richland Community Center. There are 4 outdoor stages, an indoor dance stage, plus an open mic stage. The music at Tumbleweed runs the gamut of acoustic genres: blues, bluegrass, traditional, ethnic, nautical, jazz, old-time, contemporary, and "alternative." There are also lots of dance groups, participatory dance, family-friendly entertainment, local and regional arts and crafts, and food vendors.

There will be about 100 different acts at the festival, which is free from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM each day. There's a Saturday evening concert with an affordable ticket price of \$8 general

admission and \$5 seniors and students.

Concert headliners are singer/songwriter Larry Murante, Celtic band Watch the Sky!, Appalachian singers Elizabeth and Sandy LaPrelle, and the nautical duo Shanghaied on the Willamette.

Tumbleweed Music Festival is a participatory experience for all. An open mic stage, hosted by our friends in Mid-Columbia Traditional Arts and Music Association, offers anyone at the festival an opportunity to sign up to perform before an audience. Free workshops provide hands-on learning on all sorts of instruments and dance forms, and peer-sharing on topics of interest like songwriting and promotion. Spontaneous jams start up all over the festival grounds. Then there's the popular "Band

Scramble" involving a challenge to perform in a serendipitous band drawn from a hat, with one hour to come up with 2 songs and then perform them on stage an hour later. Don't miss it!



Carolyn Cruso Coffeehouse

Friday, 11 September, 7:30 PM

Carolyn Cruso is returning to entertain us at the 3RFS coffeehouse. She is an acclaimed multi-instrumentalist and composer, having toured widely in both the United States and Europe. She is equally at home on hammered dulcimer, flute, guitar and vocals and performs a diverse array of original tunes and songs as well as traditional material.

Her instrumental compositions are mainly for the hammered dulcimer and are inspired by her strong connection to nature as well as her extensive travel and the cultures she has encountered along the way. Her unusual lyrical approach to the dulcimer especially delights audiences and has even won over curmudgeons swearing they hated hammered dulcimer!

Most of her traditional material has been gleaned from her two and a half year sojourn in Europe with late partner Robert Almlade, with whom she performed and wrote for over a decade, as well as playing at Irish sessions around the United States.

The material is largely Celtic and her involvement with that genre colors her original work. As a relative newcomer to the performing/song-writing genre, Carolyn has been surprising fans around the country with the fact that she is a poetic lyricist, a powerfully expressive singer and a strong guitar player. Her lyrics explore love, loss and regeneration and convey a compelling sense of longing. - allow her to find rich voicings to the chords she uses.

The Coffeehouse will start with an open mic -- come early to sign up, or call Alan Page at 943-5662. You'll find us at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland (drive around to the parking lot in the back). Suggested donation at the door is \$8 general/\$6 seniors and students.

Heritage Days Return to Sacajawea

Friday-Sunday, 25-27 September

The Heritage Days event was originally started by the local Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Lewis & Clark Voyage of Discovery. Mid-Columbia Traditional Arts and Music Association has presented the event since 2006, bringing the opportunity to learn about and re-enact the life and skills of early American explorers, the Native American cultures they found along the way, and lives of the early settlers.

Friday is dedicated to receiving school children and letting them see and touch what used to be. Saturday and Sunday are when most people show up to experience the past. You'll experience Lewis & Clark re-enactors, members of the Umatilla, Yakama, and Wanapum People, Mountain man encampments, and a variety of other people who enjoy sharing their skills and knowledge about what life was like nearly two centuries ago.

Heritage Days also includes old-time musicians and entertainers. The Canote Brothers will present their entertaining program on Saturday at 3:00 PM. Greg and Jere Canote were on the National Public Radio program "Sandy Bradley's Potluck" for many years, and have also appeared on NPR's "Prairie Home Companion," as well as performing in numerous concerts, events and festivals. Other old-time musicians will perform throughout the weekend.

On Saturday night there's a bonfire where many people who are camped at the park as well as many more show up to play music, sing, tell stories, and have a good time. The campfire program starts around 7:00 PM.

Don't miss this terrific, free event at Sacajawea State Park near Pasco. For more information, visit: sacajaweaheritedays.org.

We Need Your Baked Goodies!

Tumbleweed has a great reputation for feeding our performers and volunteers extremely well. If you have an abundance of garden produce or fruit, we'd love to have it! We also go through lots of muffins, coffee cake, and cookies. To arrange for drop-off, please call Chris at 943-5107.

Volunteers Are Still Welcome

There are still plenty of chances to get involved in your favorite music festival. We can still use folks to provide a bed for performers, help in the kitchen, move microphones, set up, tear down, sell buttons, T-shirts, and CDs, take tickets, run errands, and more. If you want to help, please call Kim O'Keefe at 375-6139.

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Deadline for the October newsletter is September 15th.

Out of Town

September

19 Walla Walla Contra Dance
7:30 PM Sat, Stateline Grange,
53445 W. Ferndale Rd.,
Milton-Freewater

Let's Celebrate!

Sunday, 27 September 4:00 PM

To show our appreciation for all of the efforts of Tumbleweed volunteers, sponsors and patrons, Three Rivers Folklife Society will host an Appreciation Picnic on Sunday, September 27, at Micki Perry's. Food and beverages will be provided, all you need to bring are lawn chairs and instruments if you have them, there's bound to be some jammin' and singin'. Kids are welcome.

Our volunteers and donors are the heart and soul of Tumbleweed and this is one way to let you know how much we appreciate you!

You should receive an invitation in the mail or by e-mail. Please RSVP to 528-2215. Micki lives at 1011 S. Dawes, one block East of Edison.

Sponsors Rule!

Tumbleweed Music Festival is deeply grateful to all who donate money or services to help keep the festival free for most events. We received a major grant from the City of Richland's Hotel/Motel tax program. The City also provides support services at the Community Center and Howard Amon Park.

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Local Folk Events

September

4	Tumbleweed Set-up	5:00 PM	HAP
5	Tumbleweed Music Festival	11AM-11 PM Sat	HAP
6	Tumbleweed Music Festival	11AM-7 PM Sun	HAP
11	Carolyn Cruso Coffeehouse	7:30 PM Fri	All Saints'
12	2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong	7:00 PM Sat	Round Table Pizza, Richland
14	3RFS Board Meeting	7:00 PM Mon	Alan Page's
19	The Wanderers Concert	7:30 PM Sat	CUUC
27	TMF Volunteer Appreciation Picnic	4:00 PM Sun	Micki Perry's
25-27	Heritage Days	Fri-Sun	Sacajawea State Park, Pasco
26	Conta Dance with The Canote Brothers	7:30 PM Sat	FLC

October

2	First Friday Folkie Free-for-All	7:30 PM Fri	Micki Perry's
3	Dan Maher & Teresa Morgan Concert to benefit Tumbleweed	7:30 PM Sat	CUUC,
9	Blue Mountain Spanish Sound Coffeehouse	7:30 PM Fri	All Saints'
10	2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong	7:00 PM Sat	Round Table Pizza, Richland
12	3RFS Board Meeting	7:00 PM Mon	Location TBD
17	Bill Staines Concert	7:30 PM Sat	CUUC
24	Conta Dance	7:30 PM Sat	Shuffler's Shanty

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CUUC = Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St. Pasco
FLC = First Lutheran Church, 418 N. Yelm St., Kennewick
HAP = Howard Amon Park, Richland
Micki Perry's = 1011 S. Dawes, Kennewick, 528-2215
Round Table Pizza = Corner of George Washington Way and Torbett, Richland
Shuffler's Shanty = 717 N. Irving St., Kennewick
For information, call 509 528-2215

Contra is Back!

Saturday, 26 September, 7:30 PM

For the first dance of the season, we are thrilled to have the return of Greg and Jere Canote. The Canote brothers are known as the affable side-kicks on NPR's "Sandy Bradley's Potluck," and to dance camp participates across the country. The Canotes are in town for Heritage Days at Sacajawea State Park and will take time out to join us for our September dance. With fiddle,

banjo, ukuleles, and a lively sense of mischief, they will delight us with their old-time music. Our own Cindy Rakowski will be calling the dances.

All dances will be taught; no experience or partner is necessary. Bring your friends, family and snacks to share for a great evening of music, dancing and fun at Kennewick First Lutheran at the corner of 395 and Yelm. See 3rfs.org for a map.

Admission at the door is \$8 general/\$6 Seniors & teens. Kids under 12 are free. \$1 discount for 3RFS members.