



# The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

Preserving the traditions of Folk Music, Folk Lore, and Gentle Folk Ways

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## February 18 Concert – Cold Chocolate

A unique Americana sound: bluegrass/roots/funk with original songs showcasing their musical chops  
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## February 11 Showcase – Steve Coffee (The Harley String Large Band)

by Granny



*No Prince songs will be harmed in the February HSLB showcase, unlike the prior one in June of 2018*

You know, I think the boys must be getting tired of each other. They don't play out as often as they used to. And just like the last time one of them won the showcase drawing, they've invited a bunch of extra people to play.

In fact, they've invited the same bunch of people, all of them well-known and loved at The Folk Club—so well-known they don't even need last names: Niels, Ron, Sherry, Marcy. Need I say more? Now this is a good thing, because this way you know that if the boys get mad at each other and don't show up, you'll still get a good show.

The boys try to act like everything's fine when I'm around, because I'm still out there trying to line up shows for them. But I'm telling you, that gets harder and harder all the time. It's been a few years since the boys had a Top 10 hit, and there's always some new, fresh-faced 55-year-old dude coming around the corner to play to that audience and steal some hearts.

But I hear those code words, like “work-life balance” and “family time” creeping into conversations, and I know what that means. Already there are mutterings in the press about “artistic differences.” Cue Yoko.

So you don't want to miss this showcase, because you never know whether it might be the last. At least you'll be able to say you were there. The boys promise a fun show with lots of surprises, one or two golden chestnuts, and some songs they haven't learned yet. I'm going to make sure they practice at least once.

Let's show 'em some love and keep the Harley String Band rolling.

Granny  
Manager, Harley String Band





# Cold Chocolate



**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> 2020**

Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

**\$12 (\$11 MEMBERS)**

Requested Donation

**AMPHORA'S DINER DELUXE-HERNDON**

1151 Elden St - Herndon, VA 20170

*Purchase tickets in advance Tuesday evenings at the Folk Club's open mic at The Amphora Diner or by email at [dahurdsr@cs.com](mailto:dahurdsr@cs.com)*

*Tickets may also be purchased at the door dependent on availability*

<http://www.coldchocolatemusic.com/>

[www.restonherndonfolkclub.com](http://www.restonherndonfolkclub.com)

The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon is a non-profit organization

Cold Chocolate is a genre-bending Americana band that fuses folk, funk, and bluegrass to create a unique sound all their own. Featuring Ethan Robbins on guitar, Ariel Bernstein on percussion, and backed by some of the root's music scene's finest players, this group from Boston is impressing audiences throughout New England and beyond. Punctuated by tight harmonies and skillful musicianship, with a focus on songwriting.

Ethan began his bluegrass career at Oberlin College and began to explore how this hard-driving, fast-paced genre could be stretched. Kathy Sands-Boehmer of *No Depression* writes, "[Ethan] feels the music

in his heart and soul and it shows when he plays. Ethan becomes the music on stage..."

Ariel earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Percussion for Performance at the State University of New York, Geneseo. A master of restraint, the loose-wristed Ariel brings a light and tasteful groove to Cold Chocolate's tunes, filling out their sound and heightening the band's live energy.

Cold Chocolate has quickly gained recognition for their original music and high-energy shows. The band has shared bills with Leftover Salmon and David Grisman, and regularly performs at venues and music festivals along the East Coast.

**UPCOMING CONCERTS:**

**Brooks Williams 3/17/2020    Toby Walker 4/21/2020**

## **MUSICAL NOTES**



### **Focus Music**

- Jud Caswell - Sun Feb 9, 7:30 PM, Tikvat Israel Congregation, 2200 Baltimore Rd, Rockville, MD
  - Matt Nakoa - Sun Mar 1, 7:30 PM, Tikvat Israel Congregation, 2200 Baltimore Rd, Rockville, MD
- Go to [www.focusmusic.org](http://www.focusmusic.org) for more information.

### **World Folk Music Association (WFMA)**

- Sean McGhee & Kipyn Martin - Sun Feb 9, 7 PM, Positano Ristorante Italiano, 4948 Fairmont Ave, Bethesda, MD
- Go to [www.wfma.net/index.htm](http://www.wfma.net/index.htm) for more information.

### **Institute of Musical Traditions**

- Sparky and Rhonda - Mon Feb 10, 7:30 PM, St Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD, 20852
  - Stephen Wade – Sat Feb 15, 7:30 PM, St Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Rd, Rockville, MD, 20852
- Go to [www.imtfolk.org](http://www.imtfolk.org) for more information.

### **The Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW)**

- Elly Winiger – Sat Feb 8, 8 PM, house concert in Takoma Park, MD (see website)
  - Will Brown – Fri Feb 28, 8 PM, house concert in Takoma Park, MD (see website)
  - Bob Bovee – Sat Feb 29, 8 PM, Seekers Church, 276 Carroll St NW, Washington, DC
- Go to [fsgw.org](http://fsgw.org) for more information.

### **"FOLKIES" BORN THIS MONTH:**

- 2/2/1942 – Graham Nash
- 2/3/1916 – Rabon Delmore
- 2/7/1920 – Oscar Brand
- 2/8/1941 – Tom Rush
- 2/10/1937 – Don Everly
- 2/13/1919 – "Tennessee" Ernie Ford
- 2/14/1943 – Eric Andersen
- 2/21/1958 – Mary Chapin Carpenter
- 2/24/1927 – Ralph Stanley
- 2/25/1924 – John Jackson
- 2/25/1943 – George Harrison
- 2/26/1932 – Johnny Cash

## **MUSICAL QUOTE**

"Music is the literature of the heart; it commences where speech ends." ~ Alphonse de Lamartine

## **MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO**

**T.M Hanna** [tmhanna.net](http://tmhanna.net)

**Bill Davis** [bil-davis@comcast.net](mailto:bil-davis@comcast.net)

**Chris Anderson** - [chris-anderson.info](http://chris-anderson.info)

- Check online calendar for upcoming performances. Also producing shows for the Harried Americans Band.

**Ron Goad** [MisterGoad@aol.com](mailto:MisterGoad@aol.com)

- Fri Feb 28 7-10 PM – SAW Showcase with Song Garden (Tom Bodine & Kathleen Huber), Timothy White, Tom Bodine & Friends (Marcy Cochran, Jim Johnson, Kathleen Huber) at Café Montmartre, Reston, VA [cafemontmartre.com](http://cafemontmartre.com)

**Harley String Band (Jim Clark, Jim Johnson and Steve Coffee)** [www.harleystringband.com](http://www.harleystringband.com)

**The Aloha Boys (with Glen Hirabayashi)**  
[www.alohaboys.com](http://www.alohaboys.com)

**Jan Gillies** [www.jangilliesmusic.com](http://www.jangilliesmusic.com)

- 3rd Friday, 8 to 10 p.m., Jan & Neil host an open mic at Lost River Grill/TK Lounge in Lost City, WV

**Hickory Grove (Bev & Jack Osburn)**  
[www.hickoryg.com](http://www.hickoryg.com)

**Stevie Wade Potter**, acoustic musician  
[www.steviewademusic.com](http://www.steviewademusic.com)

**The Stewart Sisters (with Sherry Stewart, Jim Nagle, Niels Jonker)** [www.thestewartsisters.com](http://www.thestewartsisters.com)

**Song Garden (Tom Bodine & Kathleen Huber)**  
[www.songgardenmusic.org](http://www.songgardenmusic.org)

- Fri Feb 28, 7-10 PM, Café Montmartre, Reston, VA

**Steven Cutts**

[ThePrimeCutts.com](http://ThePrimeCutts.com) - streaming and downloads

**Jeff Smith** [humanwilderness.com](http://humanwilderness.com)

- Mon Feb 10, 7 PM, Teavolve Café and Lounge  
Baltimore, MD

- Fri Feb 21, 7:30 PM, Germano's, Baltimore, MD



Meets Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m. at Amphora Diner Deluxe  
1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA

**President:** Ben Hamblin                      **Treasurer:** Dave Hurd  
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#### **FOLK CLUB FORMAT**

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer has 12 minutes, which includes setup time.

#### **SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES**

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month (usually), we feature a “Showcase” of a Folk Club member in a 25-minute performance. To be in the Showcase you must: 1) be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 6 months; 2) fill out a lottery slip and place it in the “drawing bucket”; 3) Win the drawing on the night of the current month’s showcase; and 4) be prepared to be featured in the next newsletter!

#### **NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION**

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified ads, articles, reviews, and other music-related items for the newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space. Send your input to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at [newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com](mailto:newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com).

#### **RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS IN ADVANCE**

Donations can be made in advance for Guest Artist concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Dave Hurd, 110 Devil’s Backbone Overlook, Stephenson, VA 22656, (540) 722-0146, or [dahurdsr@cs.com](mailto:dahurdsr@cs.com).

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#### **FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The cost is nominal, just \$15 per year. Along with the opportunity to participate in Showcase drawings, you get a \$1 discount on the recommended donation for guest artist concerts (up to 2 donations per show). Join up on Folk Club Tuesdays, or call a board member for info.

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH**

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** [www.restonherndonfolkclub.com](http://www.restonherndonfolkclub.com)

**Facebook:** Search for “The Folk Club of Reston Herndon”

**General Info:** Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

#### **FOR SALE**

- Yamaha MOX-8 full size keyboard, weighted keys (nice!) with computer compatibility; includes stand, bench, cover, and case; also a Roland KC-150 4-channel mixing keyboard amplifier, \$2,000. 2 external Fender main speakers, \$100 each. Vintage Guild D-55 guitar with case, both in excellent condition; must see and play to appreciate, \$1,500. Call Dave Law: 703-200-1733.

#### **WANTED**

- Your old guitar strings! The Second Strings Project has distributed over 10,000 sets to the world’s most depressed regions. Send complete sets only to Second Strings, P.O. Box 234, Nederland, CO 80466.

#### **LESSONS**

- Private guitar lessons in Alexandria. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: [ecfmn@verizon.net](mailto:ecfmn@verizon.net); 703-400-7264.

- 5-string banjo. Scruggs and melodic. In Haymarket. Monday or Tuesday. \$25/hr. Age 8 and up. Contact Bruce Gair at [wbgair@gmail.com](mailto:wbgair@gmail.com). First lesson free as a sample. No obligation.