

# The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

Preserving the traditions of Folk Music, Folk Lore, and Gentle Folk Ways www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com

Volume 28, Issue 10 October 2012

# THIS MONTH'S CONCERT - PINT & DALE

Renowned interpreters of European traditional music – see page 2 for details

# October 16 Showcase – Laura Kelmelis

by Dan Grove



Laura (Schier) Kelmelis grew up singing (she was in the Herndon Chorale and Show Choir), dancing (tap, ballet, jazz, lyrical, and Irish) and acting - she's been on stage and/or behind it at most of the community theaters in the area, and has worked with the Sankofa Center for African Dance and Culture and the Vietnamese American Community.

Laura has a degree in Human Services from Virginia Tech, and a master's degree in Applied Healing Arts from the Tai Sophia Institute. Her Human Resources work has focused on security services, and she started her own consulting company, LKSecurity Essentials LLC, about a year ago. She's currently doing part time work as a Facility Security Officer at eGlobalTech, but is refocusing her efforts on a new endeavor, a soap-making business that she started with her Mom, **Sue Schier**. This is where the "Applied Healing Arts" degree is getting applied!

Besides soap, she sells lotions, sugar scrubs, soap dishes, etc., at craft shows all over the area, and online at <a href="http://MyAdventuresInLalaLand.com">http://MyAdventuresInLalaLand.com</a>. She will create custom soaps to order, but try the regular options first, ranging from "Excite Mint" to "Chocolate Truffle Kerfuffle." Wow!

Joining Laura for her showcase will be her Mom, plus **Natasha Smith** and **Megan Seals**, friends and harmonizing pals from the Floris United Methodist Church in Herndon, where they sing at church services. They've also contributed to a Christmas recording, and participated in a vocalist showcase concert at the Signature Theater in Shirlington. Natasha and Laura just finished doing *The Music Man* at Floris, where Laura played Eulalie McKecknie Shin (the mayor's wife). Several musicians are expected for the showcase, too, but they weren't confirmed at press time.

Happy tunes will be featured for Laura's set - artists such as Joe Purdy, Ellis (the girl not the guy), Eastmountainsouth, Langhorne Slim and even a random song from the Netherlands she found on YouTube.

It's gonna be way cool, folks, don't miss totally awesome Laura's showcase!



# Preserving Folk Traditions since 1985



# PINT AND DALE

Tuesday, October 9th, 2012 Show starts at 7:15 p.m.

Requested Donation \$12 (\$11 MEMBERS)

Appreciation to The Council for the Arts of Herndon for their generous support

NOTE our new home — **AMPHORA'S DINER DELUXE-HERNDON** 1151 Elden St Herndon, VA 20170 - 703-925-0900 - www.amphoragroup.com

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

Haul Away, Oh! If you can't hear the wind in the rigging when Seattle based William Pint and Felicia Dale break out in song, then you're not listening. This Seattle-based duo will present a lively program of maritime music old and new ... be prepared to sing along since they make it easy. Whether it's a familiar tune like "Cape Cod Girls" or a new rendition of "Handsome Cabin Boy," Pint and Dale relish the added vocals. "There are only two of us," Pint points out. "It's nice to fill out the choruses and make it sound more like it would have sounded on the deck of a working ship." Pint hails from Milwaukee, but found himself--and maritime music--while on sojourn in the Puget Sound area. There he met Dale, a sea captain's daughter. In the ensuing two decades the couple has performed around the world, collecting songs from the British Isles, the coastal regions of France, the Canadian Maritimes as well as the Northeast U.S. Nine albums to date showcase their powerful harmonies and dramatic instrumental work (guitar, mandolin, fiddle, penny whistles, and hurdy-gurdy) with songs rangiing from traditional work chanteys like "One More Day" to ghostly ballads like "Tryphina's Extra Hand" to true tales of courage like "Harbo and Samuelson" who dared to cross the Atlantic Ocean in a rowboat.

One of the attractions of their performances is Felicia's hurdy-gurdy, an instrument dating back to the 12th century. Basically a mechanical violin, but played by turning a crank while fingering a keyboard, in Felicia's practiced hands, it wails like wild bagpipes, barks like a mad terrier, and rolls like a gentle swell.

"William Pint and Felicia Dale rank among North America's most exciting interpreters of music based in the traditions of the British Isles and France ... unconventional but spine-tingling ... unique and mesmerizing " - Dirty Linen

More information and discography on-line at: pintndale.com

Seating: Contact Dave Hurd Tuesdays at The Folk Club or by e-mailing - DAHurdSr@cs.com

UPCOMING CONCERTS: Bryan Bowers - 11/13/12 & The Copper Ponies Annie Donahue & Erik Balkey - 12/11/12



## Vienna Oktoberfest - October 6th

The Vienna Oktoberfest will be held at 513 Maple Avenue West on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 7pm, rain or shine. This event is free to the public. The festival offers a variety of live music and other entertainment on two stages, and offers an assortment of food and other vendors (don't forget the Beer Garden!) Additional info is available at viennaoktoberfest.com

# Clifton Day - October 7th (rain date Oct. 14th)

The 44<sup>th</sup> annual Clifton Day Festival is a non-profit event, raising funds for a variety of local organizations. The festival includes arts and crafts, antiques, demonstrations, the Town Market, live music, children's activities and lots of good food. Musical entertainment this year includes **Steve Hudson**, **The Rebels**, and **The City-Dwelling Nature Seekers**. Visit the website for more information and directions.

http://www.cliftonday.com/

# Richmond Folk Festival, October 12th-14th

Now in its 5<sup>th</sup> year, the Richmond Folk Festival celebrates the richness and variety of American culture through music, dance, traditional crafts, storytelling and great food. There is no cost for admission – the festival is supported only by donations given to the roving "bucket brigade" of volunteers who circulate through the event with their orange buckets. Donations are appreciated to help keep this a free event.

This year there will be a special program on the Virginia Folklife Stage, honoring Virginia's past and present winners of the NEA National Heritage Fellowship award, including Ralph Stanley, John Cephas, John Jackson, Wayne Henderson, Janette Carter, Mike Seeger, and others. Dozens of musicians will perform on 4 stages over the course of the 3-day festival. For a complete list of artists check out the information on the website: RichmondFolkFestival.org

## Girls Like Us Coming to Film?

A new film is in the works based on the 2008 book by Sheila Weller, *Girls Like Us*, which charts the lives of Joni Mitchell, Carole King, and Carly Simon and their influence on modern music. Currently in the development stage by Sony Pictures, there have been several actresses in contention for the lead roles, but as of this date, only one has been decided. The role of Joni Mitchell has been offered to and accepted by Taylor Swift. This is Taylor's second film, after appearing in 2010's *Valentine's Day*. The roles of Carole King and Carly Simon are still in casting.

### **NERFA Conference**

The annual Northeast Regional Folk Alliance conference will be held November 8-11 at the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa in Kerhonkson, NY. This conference is one of the foremost events for folk musicians to get together and network with other musicians, agents, DJs and performance organizers. Showcase opportunities abound, along with workshops, panel discussions,

seminars, and good, old-fashioned jam sessions. More information can be found on their website at <a href="NERFA.org">NERFA.org</a>

#### ALL AROUND THE TOWN

That's right - they don't just play at The Folk Club!

#### **Doris Justis**

dorisjustis.com - Folk, original, and contemporary music

T.M Hanna, birdphluph.com

## Bill Davis (w/Somos El Mar)

schoolshows.com/somoselmar

#### **Chris Anderson**

http://chris-anderson.info/

### Scott Malyszka

cdbaby.com/cd/scottmalyszka
feelthewag.com

**Dulcie Taylor** - www.dulcietaylor.com

## Ron Goad - MisterGoad@aol.com

- Mondays 7:30pm, F.A.M.E. Variety Showcases at Brewer's Alley, Frederick, MD. FrederickAcoustic.org
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 8-10:30pm, SAW Variety Showcases at Epicure Café, Fairfax, VA <u>Epicurecafe.org</u>
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month 7:00pm, SAW-BMI concerts at The Athenaeum, Old Town Alexandria. NVFAA.org
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 7-10pm, SAW Free Concerts at Surge Community Church, 1988 Kirby Rd., McLean, VA <u>Saw.org</u>

# Harley String Band (Jim Clark, Jim Johnson and Steve Coffee)

www.harleystringband.com

#### **Bo Carneal**

myspace.com/bocarneal

### **Demetrios Liadis**

www.myspace.com/DEMETRIOSJAM

# **Chatham Street (Christal and Peter Prout)**

chathamstreetmusic.com

## **Crys Matthews**

**10/7** – Takoma Park Street Festival takomafestival.com/

## **MONTHLY MILESTONES**

#### **Born This Month:**

10/7/1870 - "Uncle" Dave Macon

10/9/1940- John Lennon

10/10/1946 - John Prine

10/13/1942 -Paul Simon

10/15/1906 - Victoria Spivey

10/18/1947 -Laura Nyro

10/20/1913 -Louis Marshall "Grandpa" Jones

10/31/1912 -Dale Evans

10/31/1937 -Tom Paxton

# **Quote for the Month**

"All deep things are song. It seems somehow the very central essence of us, song; as if all the rest were but wrappages and hulls"

~ Thomas Carlyle



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

President: Ben Hamblin Treasurer: Dave Hurd

**Board of Directors**: Sue Beffel, Bill Davis, TM Hanna, Lynn Jordan, Ray & Ellen Kaminsky, Chris Kramer-Harnage, Sue Schier, Ron Goad, Bob Hampton, Laura Kelmelis, Bill Farrar

**Publicity**: Cheryl Hennessy, Sue Schier **Bookings**: Chris Kramer-Harnage

Newsletter: Bob Hampton, Dan Grove, Chris Kramer-

Harnage, Dave Hurd **Newsgroup**: Dianne Lafleur **Website**: Bob Hampton

#### **FOLK CLUB FORMAT**

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a signup board. Each performer has 12 minutes, which includes setup time. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 25-minute performance.

### **SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES**

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, artwork and other music-related items to newsletter editor Bob Hampton at <a href="mailto:bhampton@ossva.com">bhampton@ossva.com</a>. Information should be received 1 week prior to the end of the month for the next month's newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space.

#### **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

#### **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.

#### **NEWSGROUP**

The Folk Club newsgroup is a great way of keeping in touch with what's happening around town and beyond. Just go to: http://launch.groups.yahoo.com/group/FolkClubofRestonHe rndon/

#### WEBSITE

The Folk Club has its own website at:

www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com

#### **INFO LINE**

For general folk club information contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402



# Classifieds



**FOR SALE:** Marshall Valvestate tube amp AVT-50H with twin 15 speaker cab \$150. Large Dura loudspeaker/stage monitor \$100. Zoom PS-04 Palmtop Studio Digital Recorder with power supply, manual and mic \$40. Electric 6 string Guitar pickup with pods and input jack \$20. 540-349-2938

**FOR SALE:** Archtop Guitar Kalamazoo by Gibson 1930 model FK-360 low action \$1000. Crate G40XL Guitar Amp \$80. 540-349-2938

**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 Kevin Deame, 28 Ladd, Ellington, CT 06029



The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon c/o Dave Hurd 110 Devils Backbone Overlook Stephenson, VA 22656