

## **THIS MONTH'S CONCERT – Matt and Shannon Heaton**

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### **March 10 Showcase**

## **Roger Allen Johnson, the artist formerly known as “Tex”**

An interview, by Dan Grove

**Roger Allen “Tex” Johnson** is originally from Haymarket, but has lived in Warrenton for many years. He’s retired from the phone company, and has a son in West Virginia and a daughter in Oregon. He’s an avid whitewater canoe paddler, which rubbed off on his whitewater kayaking son, who even likes to go over large waterfalls.

Tex is planning a cool showcase - **Sherry Stewart** and **Steve Potter** will join him on stage, with a flute and mandolin embellishing the usual guitars. Join them as they say goodbye at the infirmary, then go up country on the L&N to happily dance together under the moonlight in Woodstock. Tex wouldn’t say what the second song was going to be, but that first one sounds like a hit!



In keeping with what is now a tradition for his showcase articles, Tex agreed to spontaneously answer some random questions. We did this interview on a Sunday morning while Meet The Press was airing, which established the dignified tone of the proceedings.

Q: When they make the movie of your life, which actor would you like to see play you, and why?

A: Tom Selleck, because people used to tell me I looked like him when Magnum P. I. was on the air. Of course, I was decades younger and 50 pounds lighter then.

Q: Which super power would you like to have?

A: Flying, definitely - it would make life so much easier. The answer might have been different when I was in middle school, though...

Q: If you could get rid of one state in the United States, which one would it be?

A: Texas. Every year they do a petition or a referendum or something to secede, so why not let the whiners go? Then they would own their border issue, saving American taxpayers a lot of money, and we would tax their trucks and shipments crossing into the US as well.

Q: Um, your nickname is “Tex,” and you would dump Texas?

A: Yup!

Q: If you could be any Muppet character, which one would you be, and why?

A: The Cookie Monster, of course, because I love chocolate. Then again, maybe Miss Piggy, since she’s always the center of attention and always gets her way. Maybe a combination of the two?

Q: Please complete this sentence – “Thou shalt not...”

A: Thou shalt not limit yourself!”



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The Folk Club or e-mail - [DAHurdSr@cs.com](mailto:DAHurdSr@cs.com)



Photo by Kelly Lorenz

Matt and Shannon Heaton are world-class musicians in the Irish tradition (Irish wood flute/accordion, guitar/bouzouki). John O'Regan from Boston's Irish Music Magazine, wrote, "their duet playing is tight, sweet, and tasteful, lacking nothing on either technical expertise or instrumental virtuosity."

As for their singing, when Matt and Shannon perform centuries-old songs, it feels current & conversational. They make traditional music relevant to American audiences. O'Regan wrote "songwise [there are] hints of an older domestic sound, the familiar downhome

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Shannon was the Live Ireland's Female Musician of the Year for 2010 & 2011 and has been compared to Alison Krauss and Altan's Mairéad Ní Mhaonaigh for her combination of vocal grace and instrumental prowess on the Irish flute and button accordion. Matt provides a firm foundation on the guitar & bouzouki which is equal parts Richard Thompson and Donal Lunny.

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

*UPCOMING CONCERTS include:*

**MASC Contest Winners Concert - 4/21/2015; Susan Greenbaum - 5/19/2015**

## MUSICAL NOTES

### Folk Club Camp-Out, Memorial Day Weekend

Save the Date... May 22-25, for the Second Annual Memorial Weekend Camp-out and Sing-along in Kilmarnock, VA. Contact Barb and Craig Keeler [bkeeler30@gmail.com](mailto:bkeeler30@gmail.com).

### Women Folk

Saturday, March 28, 7:30 pm. Takoma Park Community Center Auditorium, 7500 Maple Ave, Takoma Park, MD, 20912. We Are Takoma presents "Women Folk," an informal collection of Mid-Atlantic singer-songwriters. This round-robin of 6 unique folk and Americana voices showcases Greta Ehrig (Arts and Humanities Council of Montgomery County and Maryland State Arts Council Individual Artist Awards winner), Audrey Engdahl (Parents' Choice Award winner and WAMMIE nominee), Mary Amato (award-winning songwriter and author of Guitar Notes), Suzanne Brindamour (award-winning television and film composer), Annette Wasilik (Mid-Atlantic Song Contest folk semifinalist), and Kipyn Martin (two-time Mid-Atlantic Song Contest Gold Award winner). With influences ranging from Irish folk ballads to Suzanne Vega, from Lucinda Williams to Dar Williams, and from Elizabeth Mitchell to Joni Mitchell, these performers are sure to delight you with their diverse, lyrics-driven songs for guitar, ukulele, piano, and voice.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1595005614053215>

## MONTHLY MILESTONES

### Born This Month:

3/1/1927 - Harry Belafonte  
3/2/1923 - Artel "Doc" Watson  
3/6/1905 - Bob Wills  
3/7/1944 - Townes VanZandt  
3/8/1954 - Bob Brozman  
3/10/1938 - Norman Blake  
3/15/1912 - Sam "Lightnin'" Hopkins  
3/16/1954 - Tim O'Brien  
3/20/1937 - Jerry Reed  
3/21/1893 - Armenter Chatmon (aka Bo Carter)  
3/21/1902 - Eddie James "Son" House  
3/23/1945 - David Grisman  
3/27/1905 - Leroy Carr  
3/30/1913 - Frankie Laine  
3/30/1914 - John Lee "Sonny Boy" Williamson

### Quote for the Month

*"I'm glad there are a lot of guitar players pursuing technique as diligently as they possibly can, because it leaves this whole other area open to people like me."* - Richard Thompson

## MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

### Doris Justis

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month, WFMA "Showcase at El Golfo", 8739 Flower Ave., Silver Spring, MD

[elgolforestaurant.com](http://elgolforestaurant.com)

[dorisjustis.com](http://dorisjustis.com) - Folk, original, and contemporary music

### T.M Hanna

[tmhanna.net](http://tmhanna.net)

### Bill Davis (w/Somos El Mar)

[schoolshows.com/somoselmar](http://schoolshows.com/somoselmar)

### Chris Anderson

- Monthly, 2nd Saturday, Harried Americans Happy Hour, 5:30 to 7:00 pm, Epicure Cafe, Fairfax, VA.

<http://harriedamericans.com>

- Performance schedule and downloads at <http://chris-anderson.info>.

### Ron Goad

[MisterGoad@aol.com](mailto:MisterGoad@aol.com)

- Mondays 7:15 pm, F.A.M.E. Variety Showcases at Brewer's Alley, Frederick, MD. [FrederickAcoustic.org](http://FrederickAcoustic.org)

- 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 7:30-? (open mic at 10 pm), SAW Variety Showcases at Epicure Café, Fairfax, VA [Epicurecafe.org](http://Epicurecafe.org)

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

- CD release concert: Saturday, April 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Epicure Cafe. HSB is releasing its third CD, "Eathly Pursuits". No cover charge.

### Mary Shapiro [maryshapiromusic.com](http://maryshapiromusic.com)

### The Aloha Boys (Glen Hirabayashi and Isaac Ho'opi'i) [alohaboys.com](http://alohaboys.com)

### Crys Matthews

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

### Jan Gillies

- 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 to 9:30 pm, Jan and Neil host the open mic at Old Mill Grill in Strasburg, VA, a weekly event with other hosts.

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

### George Dacre

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

Paradise Springs Winery, Clifton, VA

Sunday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2-6pm

Friday Aug 14<sup>th</sup>, 5-9pm



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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.

**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 "Folk Club of Reston Herndon"

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

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