



The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

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

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This Month's Concert: June 14 – Cosy Sheridan

One of the country's finest and most thoughtful singer/songwriters.

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June 7 Showcase – Dave Law & Reston Station

by Dave, with Dan Grove



Dave Law is currently the Project Safety and Security Manager for the Airports Authority for the construction of Phase II of the Silver Line Metro, extending from Wiehle Avenue Station out to Dulles Airport and beyond to Ashburn, VA. Dave and his bride of 27 years, Kate, are now building their (partial) retirement home on Deep Creek Lake in Garrett County, located in western Maryland, and they also plan to keep a home here in Reston.

As the founding member of the original folk rock group “Reston Station,” Dave has performed with many club

members in search of a lasting folk trio with the same name. That also happens to be the name of the future Metro station near Reston Town Center that is the first of six new train stations in Phase II.

The lineup of Reston Station for this showcase will include a new Folk Club member, Norman Dovberg, who will be providing lead vocals and guitar, and is now an official member of Reston Station. Norman had his roots in the “Folk Craze” of the 60s and also has performed with both rock and blues bands over the decades. For the past few years, Norman has performed solo, and enjoys a variety of music styles and traditions. Recently relocated from upstate New York, he suddenly has found himself immersed in this musical project called “Reston Station.”

Also joining us is the lovely and seriously talented Cindy McConnell, who has agreed to take a short break from her horseback riding, greyhound rescuing, and playing great music at local wineries/similar to join us for this project. Cindy has been performing music in the Northern Virginia — and also in the South Central Pennsylvania and New York Finger Lakes regions — for about 15 years, mostly solo, and also with South of Sane (2006-2008).

Our genre will include covers by Peter, Paul & Mary, Neil Young, Eagles, Gordon Lightfoot, Tom Paxton, John Prine, and the Grateful Dead.

Tooooooot Toot! Next stop ... Reston Station ... where, unlike Metro, there's hot food, cold beverages and where you're also encouraged to sing along.



Proudly presents

COSY SHERIDAN



Cosy Sheridan

(with bass player/husband, Charlie Koch)

Cosy Sheridan first caught the attention of national folk audiences in 1992 when she won the New Folk Songwriting Contest at The Kerrville Folk Festival, the Troubadour Award at The Telluride Bluegrass Festival and then released her critically acclaimed CD, *Quietly Led*, on Waterbug Records. The Boston Globe wrote, "She is now being called one of the best new singer/songwriters." Her 2014 release, *Pretty Bird*, was chosen as one of *Sing Out Magazine's* "Great CDs of 2014."

In her new CD, *Sometimes I Feel Too Much*, Cosy weaves deeply felt experiences from her own life into finely crafted musical tapestries - connecting the personal to the universal, and inviting us to a deeper experience of our own life. The first song, *Eurydice Goodnight*, is a goodbye to her home in the American southwest and parallels the story of Orpheus' and his lost wife by saying goodbye to a beloved landscape. Many of the songs were co-written with her husband and bass player, Charlie Koch who will be joining Cosy on stage at the Folk Club.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016

Show starts at **7:15 p.m.**

\$10 (\$9 MEMBERS)

Requested Donation

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Seating: Contact **Dave Hurd** Tuesdays at The Folk Club or e-mail – DAHurdSr@cs.com

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Sheridan's concerts are wide-ranging explorations -- love songs for adults and practical philosophy for a complicated world. Her topics are as varied as the stock market crash of 2008 and the fall-out from uranium mining in the American Southwest. She has re-written greek myths -- Persephone runs away with Hades the biker. She is also known for her signature parodies on aging and women. Her lyrical dexterity is backed by her distinctive percussive guitar style.

For the past 20 years Cosy has taught classes in songwriting, performance and guitar at workshops and adult music camps across the country. In 2008 she co-founded the Moab Folk Camp in Moab, Utah.

"A buddhist monk in a 12-step program trapped in the body of a singer/songwriter." - *The Albuquerque Journal*

"Sheridan is frank, feisty, sublimely and devilishly funny. She fuses myth with modern culture, Persephone with Botox." - *Cornell Folksong Society*

UPCOMING EVENTS INCLUDE:

Memorial Day Folk Club Campout 5/27-30/2016; Roy Book Binder 9/20/2016

MUSICAL NOTES



Rain Follows the Plow: A Dust Opera

Rain Follows the Plow is a unique, collaborative musical project based on an album-length song cycle about the Dust Bowl, written by Oklahoma native Steve Coffee. It showcases the Americana movement at its best, celebrating authentic folk traditions with freshness and creativity. Throughout 2016, Rain Follows the Plow is being staged as a "folk opera."

Experience it at Jammin Java on Thursday Jun 2, 2016, doors: 6:00 PM, show: 7:30 PM, 227 Maple Ave E, Vienna, VA; jamminjava.com/calendar. Future shows will include five performances at the Capital Fringe Festival in July and one in Alexandria in August; more information to follow.

Calling All Songwriters

The international Environmental Songwriting Contest, sponsored by the Connecticut Songwriters Association, is now accepting entries. The contest is open to all. There are prizes totaling more than \$5,000 and promotional opportunities. We are seeking original songs that address important environmental issues of our time, particularly songs that inform and educate. The submission deadline is July 31. All that matters is the song. Production/style/performance is not a factor. Submit online or by mail. Full details at <http://www.ctsongs.com/EnviroSongContest-Main.htm>

Please share and help spread the word so we can use the tremendous power of popular music to help raise awareness of many important environmental issues. CSA is a nonprofit educational organization, helping songwriters for 37 years.

"FOLKIES" BORN THIS MONTH:

6/3/1897 – Lizzie Douglas (a.k.a. "Memphis Minnie")
6/9/1902 – Nehemiah "Skip" James
6/10/1910 – Chester Arthur Burnett (aka "Howlin' Wolf")
6/14/1909 – Burl Ives
6/18/1942 – Paul McCartney
6/19/1914 – Lester Flatt
6/22/1936 – Kris Kristofferson
6/23/1929 – June Carter Cash
6/26/1893 – "Big" Bill Broonzy

MONTHLY MUSICAL QUOTE

"Here's the thing with me and the religious thing. This is the flat-out truth: I find the religiosity and philosophy in the music. I don't find it anywhere else."

- Bob Dylan

MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

T.M Hanna tmhanna.net

Bill Davis (w/Somos El Mar)
schoolshows.com/somoseimar

Chris Anderson <http://chris-anderson.info>

- Monthly, 2nd Saturday, Harried Americans Happy Hour, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Epicure Cafe, Fairfax, VA. <http://harriedamericans.com>. The show includes comedy, poetry, and music, geared to adults - and is free, with a suggested donation of \$10.

Ron Goad MisterGoad@aol.com

- 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays 7:30 to ? p.m. (open mic at 10 p.m.), SAW Variety Showcases at Epicure Café, Fairfax, VA Epicurecafe.org

- Monthly, 2nd Monday at Brewer's Alley, Frederick, MD. Contact Ron Goad for more information.

Harley String Band (Jim Clark, Jim Johnson and Steve Coffee) www.harleystringband.com

The Aloha Boys (Glen Hirabayashi and Isaac Ho'opi'i)
alohaboys.com

Jan Gillies

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

George Dacre

www.acousticayre.com

Ben Hamblin

- 7:30 PM, Friday, June 3 - Reeds, Strings & Cords at Café Montmartre restaurant, 1625 Washington Plaza, Lake Anne, Reston, VA 20190, with Jack Fretwell, harmonica and vocals, and Mona Cochran, piano and vocal



Meets Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m. 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, Sue Schier, Ron Goad, Bob Hampton, Laura Kelmelis, Bill Farrar, Jim Clark

Publicity: David Litwack, Sue Schier

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Newsletter: Ben Hamblin, Dan Grove, Jim Clark, Dave Hurd

Website: Cheryl Hennessy

Facebook: Cheryl Hennessy

Lifetime Members: Rose Haskell, Ray & Ellen Kaminsky, Dave Hurd

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 2nd 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, artwork and other music-related items to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at newsletter@restonherndonfolkclub.com. 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.

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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.

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

Facebook: Search for "Folk Club of Reston Herndon"

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

Classifieds

LESSONS

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

WANTED

- Dave Law (Reston Station) is looking to create a lasting folk/folk-rock trio for fun and profit. If interested, please call him at 703-200-1733 or email David.Law@DullesMetro.com.

- 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.