

# The Folk Club

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Preserving Folk Traditions



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## February 13 Showcase – The Sterling Trio

by Dan Grove

**T**he Sterling Trio (**Joanie Clark, Thione Shenk, and Kristi Mason Cudd**) is a relatively new group that made their debut at the Folk Club last year. Since then, they've been playing at church functions, libraries, and the 4H Fair, developing a repertoire of songs with strong vocal harmonies. The Trio performs songs by the Judds, Tanya Tucker, Carla Bon-off, and the Dolly Parton/Emmy Lou Harris/Linda Ronstadt collaboration, among others. Their guitars will be complemented by a guest musician, **Frank Johnson**, on mandolin.

All of the trio members have long music careers. Thione also performs with the country band Sweet Dixie in Manassas, and Kristi is a member of Popp Culture, which plays weddings and special functions. Joanie, Kristi, and Frank were, until recently, in a bluegrass and gospel band called Working On A Building, named after a Bill Monroe song.

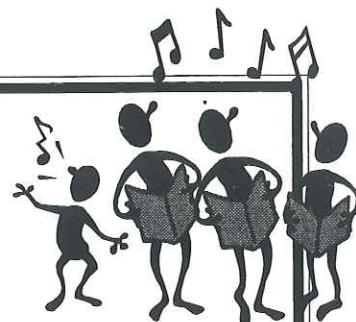
Joanie, who is the Folk Club member in the group, is a CPA who owns an accounting and tax preparation company that keeps her very busy at this time of year. Musically, she has played almost everything imaginable, from top 40 rock through folk to bluegrass. Originally from the Navy town of Norfolk (her father was the captain of the USS Yorktown when it pulled Apollo 8 out of the ocean), Joanie went on the road as a teenager with a women's rock quartet called Pink Champagne. With Joanie on lead guitar and vocals, they toured from Virginia south through Georgia, plus Puerto Rico and Cuba. Other groups followed over the years, and Joanie also worked with Bill McGinnis, who has played with John Jackson. As a singer, she's been most influenced by Judy Collins, Claire Lynch, and Carla Bon-off.

Don't miss the Sterling Trio!

## The Folk Club is Calling You

**Y**ou've been coming for some time now, and we know you enjoy the music and the fun. Don't you think it's time to become a member? The cost is minimal, just \$12 per year, and besides the opportunities to participate in showcase drawings, you will receive \$1 off the ticket price of visiting artists (up to two tickets per show). If you buy two tickets every show, you've saved the membership fee two times.

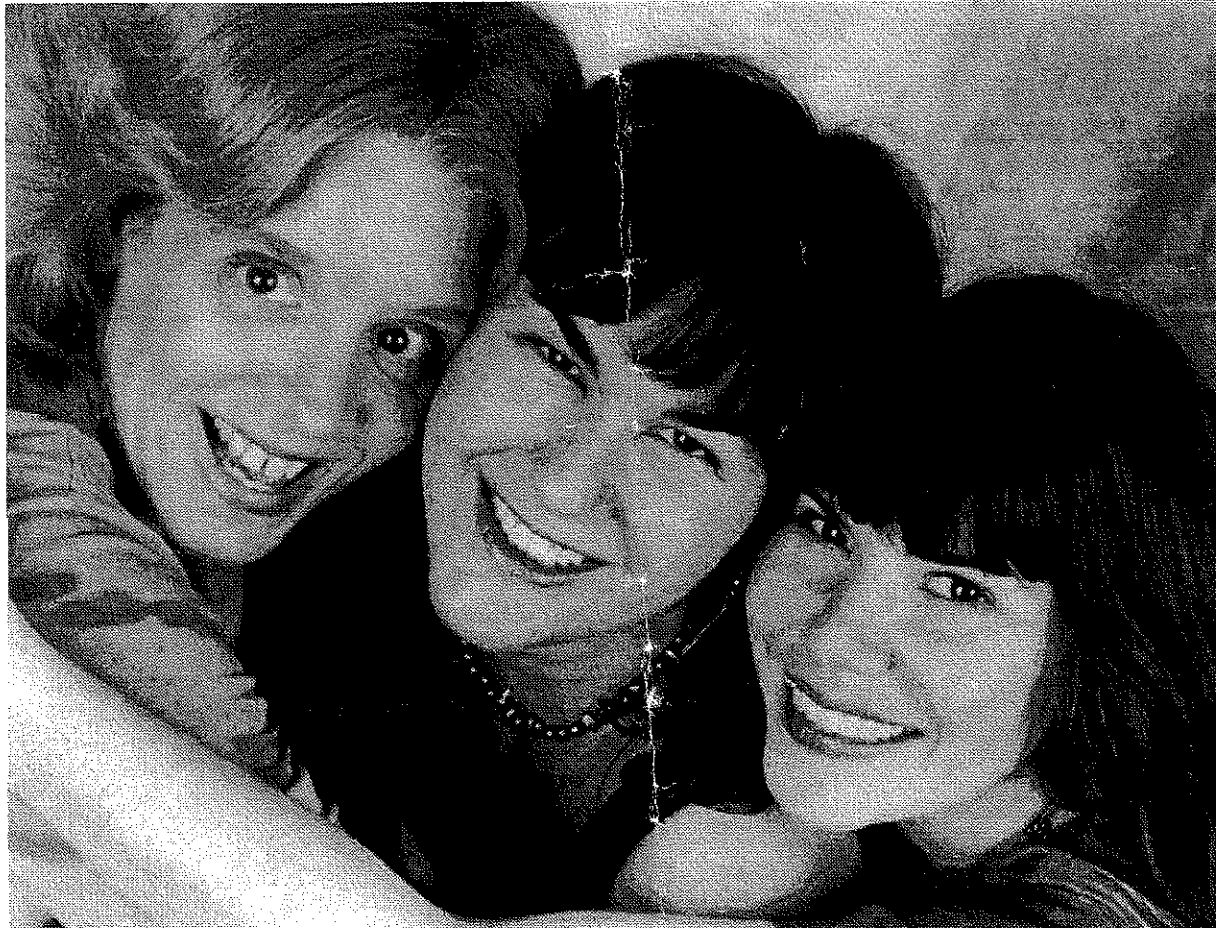
Join us today. You can sign up at the Folk Club or call a Board member for information.



# HOT SOUP

Tickets \$10 (\$9 Members)

The Folk Club  
Proudly Presents ...  
7:30 PM - February 27, 2001  
at the Tortilla Factory  
648 Elden Street  
Herndon, VA



Three cooks aren't too many for the kitchen when it comes to **Hot Soup**, the Baltimore-Washington-based "family folk" trio comprised of **Christina Muir**, **Sue Trainor** and **Jennifer Agner**. *Soup Happens* is the "second serving," following their self-titled debut, and comes forth with impeccable harmonies, clever lyrical parodies, diverse instrumental accompaniment, and an uncanny knack for blending traditional and contemporary folk flavors with inventive vocal arrangements. Their audience-engaging performances and charming musical variety make them a must-see live act. Each Soupster brings a unique chunk of solo talent to the mix.

**Sue Trainor's** well-honed comic bent finds its form both in clever parody songs and children's music, but her warm alto can just as easily embrace a poignant ballad or a topical folk tune. Trainor's solo album *In a Closeup* was nominated as Album of the Year, Best Debut Album and Best Contemporary Folk Album in the Wammies, and she has been nominated numerous times for Best Female Vocalist in the Children's Music Category, an award she won in 1996 and 1997. Sue also works in schools as an Artist-In-Education.

**Christina Muir**, the daughter of popular folk singer Ann Mayo Muir, wears her genes well and sings with a natural elegance. Her voice radiates with the lithe grace of an open spirit seeking love's renewal on "New Day", while her guitar and dulcimer sweetly support the trio's harmonies throughout the album. Muir has ventured into children's music, releasing *Over, Under, Around & Through* with Eric Garrison, and on the adult side, Mike Joyce of the Washington Post described Muir's solo debut *Feet First* as having irresistible charm and honesty.

**Jennifer Agner**, Hot Soup's newest addition and also a member of the folk, blues and swing band **The Dilettantes** (with her husband, Eric - they have a new album, *This Small Town*), brings a soaring soprano along with talents on rhythm guitar, banjo and accordion.

## In Concert

Local performances by members of The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon:

**Acoustic Jam:** 3rd Sunday of the month from 1 - 4 p.m. at Frying Pan Park Country Store in Herndon. Call Yvonne Johnson at 703-437-9101 for details.

**Where? House Concerts:** doors open at 7, music begins at 7:30. Call Kim Kaplan (301-588-5314) or email her (jkkaplan@erols.com) for reservations and directions.

2/03 Caryl P. Weiss  
3/25 Danny Doyle

### Ray Kaminsky

2/28 St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, Alexandria (8pm)  
w/ Jack Fretwell  
3/2 Borders Books, Arlington (7pm)  
3/9 Borders Books, Springfield (7:30pm)  
3/24 St. Elmo's Coffee Pub, Alexandria (8pm)

### Dulcie Taylor

2/24 Kensington Coffee House, Kensington (8pm)  
2/25 Border's, Springfield (2pm)

### Lea Coryell

02/17 Potomac Overlook Coffeehouse, Potomac  
Overlook Park (7pm)

### Beth Benedetto

2/18 Borders Books, Manassas (2pm)  
3/7 Blue Ridge Arts Council, Front Royal (12pm)

### Pete Brown and the Mad Cows

**featuring T.M. Hanna and Mike Wilkinson**  
2/09 Ledo's Pizza, Falls Church  
3/03 Zig's, Alexandria

## 2001 Guest Artists & Special Events

Most tickets for Guest Artists are \$10 Non-member, \$9 Members. It pays to be a Folk Club member!

2/27/01 — Hot Soup  
3/27/01 — Eleni Kelakos & Tim Harrison  
4/17/01 — Gillette & Mangsen  
5/22/01 — Seamus Kennedy

## Other Venues & Artists of Interest

### Vic's Music Corner

This is a concert series held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday's of each month at O'Brien's in Rockville and is dedicated to introducing outstanding acoustic singer/songwriters from across the country. Showtime is 8:00 pm, advance tickets are \$12 (\$15 at the door). Call or e-mail Reba Heyman for tickets and information (301-984-1897; rebaheyman@compuserve.com.). O'Brien's is at 387 E. Gude Drive. Upcoming concerts:

2/28 Tom Prasada-Rao & Kate McDonnell  
3/14 Chris Rosser, with Beth Amsel opening  
3/28 Terri Allard, Erica Wheeler,  
and Lisa Moscatiello

**Medium Rare Café — Burke — Fridays 8pm**  
Accotink Unitarian Univ. Ch., 10125 Lakehaven Court  
2/09 Mark Erelli w/ Adrienne Jones  
3/09 Chuck Pyle w/ Tony Doggett

**Medium Rare Café — Oakton — Fridays 8pm**  
Unitarian Univ. Congregation, 2709 Hunter Mill Road  
2/23 Ed Miller w/Randy Barrett  
3/30 Terri Allard w/Mary Sue Twohy

**Medium Rare Café — Manassas — Saturdays 7:30pm**  
Bull Run Unitarian Univ. Fellowship, 9400 Main St.  
2/17 Vince Junior w/Eliot Bronson  
3/17 Darryl Purpose w/Mary Sue Twohy

Medium Rare Café, PO Box 2939, Springfield, VA 22152-0939. Advance tickets are \$10 by mail (checks only, no Visa or MasterCard). Or contact John Sneed at [fuzzy@mediumrarecafe.com](mailto:fuzzy@mediumrarecafe.com).

## GET YOUR TICKETS!!

Advance purchase of tickets to concerts by Guest Artists (*see page 2 every month except December*) can be made at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact:

Dave Hurd  
110 Devil's Backbone Overlook  
Stephenson, VA 22656  
540-722-0146

## The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

Tuesday nights, 7:30 p.m.

The Tortilla Factory  
648 Elden Street  
Herndon, VA  
703-471-1156

**President:** Ray Kaminsky

**Treasurer:** Dave Hurd

**Board of Directors:** Sue Beffel, Bill Davis, TM Hanna,  
Lynn Jordan, Ellen Kaminsky, Chris Kramer-Harnage,  
Sue Schier.

**Publicity:** Sue Schier

**Info Line:** 703-435-2402

**Bookings:** Ray Kaminsky, 703-689-0444

**Membership** is \$12 per year.

## Classifieds

*Classified ads and performance listings will be published if received the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month before publication from members whose dues are current.*

**Email your dates to [irene@caboyer.com](mailto:irene@caboyer.com).**

Still Available through **Birdphluph Music:**

"Good Things Take Time" by TM Hanna & "Bare Facts" by Bill Davis, recorded live at Avalon Folk Festival. Contact Birdphluph Music, PO Box 131, Sterling, VA 20167 or [www.birdphluph@pressroom.com](http://www.birdphluph@pressroom.com).

**Sound Design 12-Channel Powered Mixer** - Folk Club board. Two 9-band graphic Equalizers. Stereo Mono/Monitor switchable output. 200 Watts per channel @ 8-ohms. Best offer over \$500. Contact Ray Kaminsky at 703-689-0444.

## Folk Club Format

On most Tuesday evenings, the Folk Club is an open mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer has 12 minutes, including setup time. This allows three songs if you set up FAST and the songs are of moderate length.

## Showcase Performances

On the second Tuesday of each month, we feature a Folk Club member in a two set (25-minute) "Showcase" performance. To be in a showcase you must:

- be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in 6 months
- fill out a lottery slip any time in the month before the drawing
- win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase
- prepare to be featured in the next newsletter!

## Newsletter Publication

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified advertisements, articles, reviews, artwork and other music related items to Irene Boyer at [irene@caboyer.com](mailto:irene@caboyer.com). All items must be emailed in MSWord, WordPerfect, or ASCII text format. Information must be received one week before the first day of the month in which you want it published. Items will be printed on the basis of music related interest, timeliness and space available with club information being the first priority.

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