

# THE FOLK CLUB OF

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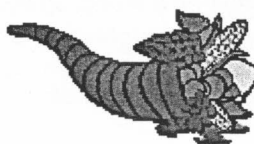
### November 16 Showcase – Kevin Harp

*By Dan Grove*

Kevin Harp is from Louisville, Kentucky, home to a wealth of bluegrass. He loved the festivals in town as he was growing up, but like most of us he listened to the Beatles and rock music, too. Then the Navy took Kevin pretty far from his roots - to Florida, and all around the Pacific Rim while stationed in Hawaii and Okinawa. One thing that stayed the same during this transition was running - he was a high school athlete, and he kept at it while on tour. He did 10K runs, his best in 32 minutes 30 seconds, and one marathon, in Hawaii, in about 2 hours and 30 minutes. This is fast, folks! He doesn't run that hard anymore, but has recently added biking and swimming to his repertoire - he did the Lums Pond Duathlon this summer, and plans to do his first triathlon next year.

The Navy had Kevin working on computer systems, and in 1982 they transferred him to this area. There were lunchtime concerts at his DC base on Nebraska Avenue, and a band that played regularly, Bill Emerson and Country Current, did bluegrass. The old roots got watered, and, when Kevin's second child was born, he got a guitar so he'd have something fun to do while keeping an eye on her. He started by picking out Wildwood Flower, and soon got into fiddle tunes. He does Doc Watson and Norman Blake covers, and counts Dan Crary and Tony Rice as strong influences. Kevin's kids are now twelve and nine, and his favorite things to do are spend time with them and play music, frequently both at once.

Kevin left the Navy after ten years, moved to Herndon in 1986, and has been working in systems at Freddie Mac for the last 16 years, in the same group as Folk Club President Ray Kaminsky. For his showcase, expect some old country and bluegrass tunes, plus opportunities for us to sing along. **Richard Cottingham**, a picking buddy if Kevin's from Leesburg, will sit in on guitar. Don't miss it!



## Happy Thanksgiving

# Small Potatoes

The Folk Club Proudly Presents -  
7:30 PM – November 9, 2004  
at the Tortilla Factory  
648 Elden Street  
Herndon, VA

Tickets \$10 (\$9 Members)



**Small Potatoes** is Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso. This Chicago-based duo has been touring on the folk circuit for years and is quickly becoming less and less of a well-kept secret. They've performed in clubs, coffee-houses across the U.S., as well as major festivals, including the Philadelphia Folk Festival, the Walnut Valley Folk Festival, and Summerfolk Festival in Ontario. Jacquie is a winner of the 1998 Kerrville New Folk Songwriting Contest. Their latest release, *Waltz of the Wallflowers (A Dysfunctional Duet)*, is receiving rave reviews.

They call themselves eclectic-maniacs. They describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy" and say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues, and swing to Irish, with songwriting that touches on all of those styles and more. Their two recordings, "*Raw*" and their new album "*Time Flies*", on Folk Era Records, cover all these styles. *Dirty Linen* magazine called them "one of

the most polished, inventive, and entertaining shows on the circuit." *Sing Out!* magazine called "*Time Flies*" a "wonderful, wonderfully eclectic" album and said "Small Potatoes might well be leading mainstays on the folk scene for years to come." "*Time Flies*" has enjoyed wide airplay on NPR and other folk oriented stations across the country. **Bill Staines** says, "These folks are wonderful; fun, energetic, and great musicians. They're two of my favorite performers."

When you see Small Potatoes perform, you hear two great voices, some fine guitar playing, and a touch of tin whistle, flute, mandolin, bodhran and other percussion toys. Together they present a truly rare blend of vocal, instrumental, songwriting and arranging talents; that provides the audience with traditional songs that seem fresh and new, and contemporary songs that seemed steeped in tradition. They even yodel. And they also pay attention to the little things, the warmth, the humor and a rapport with audience that makes them one of the most popular acts around.

One may also consider bringing along the smaller family members to this concert. Small Potatoes began doing children's shows a few years ago. Jacquie was a Girl Scout until she was about 30, and with years of troop leading and camps, has taught a ton of songs for kids. Rich, on the other hand, never went to camp - he is what you would call "Camp Song Challenged". He points out, however, that he was once a kid and, judging by the number of times he's been told to grow up, may still be one. All this adds up to fun for kids and parents. Everyone is encouraged to participate with sing-alongs, stomp-alongs and pantomime.



## Upcoming Performers

<http://www.musi-cal.com/search?key=venue&value=Folk+Club+of+Reston+Herndon>

**Sheryl Warner & The Southside Homewreckers** – Jan 18, 7:30pm \$10/\$9 – soulful and powerful blues/roots  
**Cathy Fink & Marcy Marxer** - Feb 15, 7:30pm \$12/\$11 – Grammy-winning folk & children's music artists

## MUSICAL NOTES



The **Northeast Regional Folk Alliance** is holding its 10<sup>th</sup> annual conference November 12, 13, and 14 in Monticello, NY. Conference activities will include workshops, panel discussions, seminars, exhibits and showcases. Those interested in finding out more can check out the website at [www.nefolk.org](http://www.nefolk.org)

### House Concert – Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30PM

Malinda Sutcliffe will be hosting a concert in her home at 47771 Blockhouse Point Place, Potomac Falls, Sterling, VA. Violinist Victor Danchenko will be accompanied by Pianist Micah Yui. The program will feature the music of Janacek, Shuman-Kreisler, Debussy and Frank. Suggested contribution for musicians is \$25.00. To reserve your seat contact Malinda at (703) 421-5630 or Email her at [malindajoy@mindspring.com](mailto:malindajoy@mindspring.com)

### Pierre & Julie Schryer – Nov. 26 & 27, 8:00PM

The Loudon County Acoustic Music Series is presenting this award-winning Canadian duo at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Sterling, VA. The Schryers are known worldwide for their great traditional fiddle music. Proceeds will benefit the Loudon Interfaith Relief, a food bank serving over 6,000 people in the county. For more info, visit their website at [www.lcams.org](http://www.lcams.org)

### House Concert - Dec.12<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

Sterling Study Group is sponsoring their third house concert on Sunday, Dec. 12 at 6:00 PM, featuring Michael Bowers, Siobhan Quinn and Jerry Bresee. Tickets are \$10. Connee Chandler is the contact person. Call (703) 406-3427 for the address, directions to the house and ticket sales. Check the website at [Sterlingstudygroup.org](http://Sterlingstudygroup.org) for more information.

### A Bluegrass Journey – a unique documentary

Filmed at the annual Grey Fox Bluegrass Festival in upstate New York, this documentary is getting excellent reviews. Featuring the talents of the Del McCoury Band, Peter Rowan, Tim O'Brien, Tony Rice, Jerry Douglas, Rhonda Vincent, Nickel Creek, and many others, it has begun showing in limited engagements at various venues. It already premiered here in April at the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual DC Filmfest, but there will be a showing on November 30<sup>th</sup> at the Cinema Arts Showcase in Frederick, MD for those interested. VHS Tapes and DVDs are available, and you can learn more on the official website at [www.bluegrassjourney.com](http://www.bluegrassjourney.com)

### CD Celebration – A Jammin' Event

On a brilliant evening in Vienna, Virginia Folk Club member Pat Wictor debuted his new CD "Waiting For The Water" to an enthusiastic crowd at Jammin' Java. Joined by RHFC regulars Ron Goad (on percussion) and Vince Farabaugh (on harmonica), Pat performed original compositions along with traditional favorites, all of which appear on the new CD. Kris Ohleth, who runs the open mike at Jammin' Java on Mondays sat in to accompany Pat with some great singing. Pat was also joined by Co-headliner Megon McDonough of the Four Bitchin' Babes, who invited Pat, Ron and Vince back during her set in the second half of the show. As if just listening to Pat

and Megon wasn't enough, the whole troupe jammed on old favorites, and Megon capped the evening with a tribute to Patsy Cline, singing a medley of popular hits.

## ALL AROUND THE TOWN

*You'll find Folk Club members in every joint in town!*

### Dave LaFleur

Thurs. & Fridays at Potbellys in Reston, 12-2PM  
**11/5:** Esoterica at Leesburg, VA, 8-10 PM  
**11/12:** Pourhouse, Rockville, MD, 8:30-10:30 PM  
**11/18:** Sunrise Center Leesburg, VA, 3-4 PM  
**11/19:** Chrysalis Vineyards, Middleburg, VA, 5:30-7:30  
**11/20:** Sunrise Center, Hunters Mill, 3-4 PM  
The Exchange, Winchester, VA, 8-10 PM  
**11/26:** Chrysalis Vineyards, Middleburg, VA, 5:30-7:30  
**11/27:** Finewine.com, Gaithersburg, MD, 6:30-9:30 PM

### Ray Kaminsky

**11/6:** Robinettes Coffee, Ashburn, VA., 7:00pm, 20693 Ashburn Road, (703) 729-1050  
<http://www.musi-cal.com/search?key=performers&value=Ray+Kaminsky>

### Greg Vickers

**11/12:** Tarara Winery Fall Barrel Tasting, Lucketts, VA. See [www.tarara.com](http://www.tarara.com) for details.  
**11/13:** Tarara Winery Fall Barrel Tasting, Lucketts, VA.

### T.M. Hanna

EVERY Thursday night 9 - 1 AM hosting Acoustic Open Mic at the The Inn Zone Restaurant & Sports Lounge Falls Church, VA.

**Somos El Mar**, [www.schoolshows.com/somoselmar](http://www.schoolshows.com/somoselmar)

**Don Bridges**, [www.donbridgesongs.com](http://www.donbridgesongs.com)

## MONTHLY MILESTONES

### Born This Month:

Leonard Slye (a.k.a. Roy Rogers) – 11/5/1911  
Art Garfunkel – 11/5/1941  
Mary Travers – 11/7/1937  
Joni Mitchell – 11/7/1943  
Neil Young – 11/12/1945  
Gordon Lightfoot – 11/17/1938  
Jack Hardy – 11/23/1947  
Merle Travis 11/27/1917

### And In Passing:

Mississippi John Hurt – 11/2/1966  
Lonnie Donegan – 11/3/2002  
Alvin Pleasant (A.P.) Carter – 11/7/1960  
George Harrison – 11/29/2001

### Quote for The Month

*"Information is not knowledge;  
Knowledge is not wisdom;  
Wisdom is not truth;  
Truth is not beauty;  
Beauty is not love;  
Love is not music -  
Music is THE BEST"* - Frank Zappa



## THE FOLK CLUB OF RESTON-HERNDON

Meets Tuesday nights, 7:30pm at The Tortilla Factory  
648 Eldon Street, Herndon, VA

**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

**Bookings:** Ray Kaminsky

**Newsletter:** Bob Hampton, Dan Grove, Ray Kaminsky, Dave Hurd

**Newsgroup:** Dianne Lafleur

**Website:** Tom Shabala

### 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 Bob Hampton at [bhampton@ossva.com](mailto:bhampton@ossva.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.

### GET YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE

Advance ticket purchases for Guest Artist concert performances can be made on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Dave Hurd, 110 Devil's Backbone Overlook, Stephenson, VA 22656, (540) 722-0146

### TUNE-IN TO THE FOLK CLUB

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The cost is nominal, just \$12 per year. Along with the opportunity to participate in Showcase drawings, you get a \$1 discount on the ticket price of guest artist concerts (up to 2 tickets per show). Buy 2 tickets to every show and you've

saved a bundle! 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. Find it at [www.groups.yahoo.com](http://www.groups.yahoo.com) by doing a search for **FolkClubofRestonHerndon**

### WEBSITE

The Folk Club has its own website at:  
[www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com](http://www.RestonHerndonFolkClub.com)

Hop online and keep up with the latest happenings!

### INFO LINE

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



## Classifieds



**FOR SALE:** Keith Young custom concert Appalachian dulcimer. Walnut & butternut, ebony fretboard, pearl inlay, planetary tuners. Excellent condition. Many extras. \$540. Email [ibstrumin@earthlink.net](mailto:ibstrumin@earthlink.net)

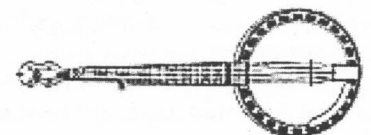
**WANTED:** Acoustic 6-string guitar with pre-amp, good tone, pleasant action, and reasonable price. Call Inni at 540-323-4444

**FOR SALE:** 1975 Guild G-37 guitar. Beautiful blonde with spruce top, rosewood neck, and a curvy backside. Crisp, big sound. Excellent condition. Always had medium strings, only one owner. Only played on Blue Mondays. \$750. Email [lafleur22@hotmail.com](mailto:lafleur22@hotmail.com)

**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.

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