

The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon

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

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February 18th - Theme Night – “Love” Songs
Love songs, breakup songs, unrequited, often spited
Bring your tales of love and woe, celebrate either before we go!

February 11 Showcase – Larry Rice

By Larry

Born the same year as the discovery of the DNA molecular structure and Pat Benatar (1953), music has been a big part of Larry Rice's life. He started playing bass in a band with his brother Steve and still best friend Dave when he was 12. They called themselves The Testaments of Time. Even though his knees were truly knocking, their best gig was entertaining Army NCO's. They added black schoolmate and singer Ray, and Motown tunes to their set list, so the band became Salt and Pepper.

He was in a rock power trio Andromeda his last two years of high school and learned guitar and banjo before he went to college. Bored during his last semester in the senior year he helped found Flatbush, co-writing, singing, playing bass and fiddle from 1974-1981. Great regional success brought two top ten original singles on Cleveland's WMMS, and opening act gigs for New Riders, Little Feat, and others. Flatbush is in the History of Rock in Cleveland exhibit at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Fast forward to two adult daughters, Larry, Lea, and Shannon started playing together as The Big Cheese Band at a Ron Goad event in 2007, the same year he released a solo CD, Little House. Through fifteen years TBCB released 3 LP's, an EP, and a single. 3 original songs charted - "Life on the River" (#1 AAA 2015), "The Christmas Crocodile" (#17 AC 2015), and "Everything" (#15 Relix Jam Bands 2022). Lea and Larry still have fun playing music and will resurrect TBCB later this year, playing super traditional music.

Larry was a member of the Gideon's Trumpet choir at The Falls Church Episcopal from 2018 to 2022. During this time, he wrote four of the five gospel songs on his 2024 solo release, Gospel Gifts. Three songs off of this EP made it into the AAA radio top 20 folk chart, and the EP itself made it to #8, sharing the top 10 with Mark Knopfler, Sarah Jarosz, The Secret Sisters, and the Avett Brothers.

Luckily for Larry he met Ann Granger in 2019. With so many things in common, they must be cousins. Always in danger of bursting into a song or riffing a parody of a song, they started playing as The Two Peas in 2021. They love harmony. They've ventured into songwriting and are in the studio this month to record an EP.

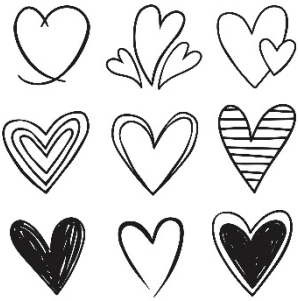
For the showcase, Larry plans on taking the audience on a tour of all the music he's performed in his life.





February Theme Night – “Lovin’ You”

February 18, 2025



Love – makes the world go ‘round, or maybe makes stomachs churn? Love of all kinds has long been celebrated in song – puppy love, love between a man and his truck, even (Lord help us) Muskrat Love.

This month we celebrate that thing that inspires more music than almost anything else.

So, bring your songs of hopeful love, lost love, love gone wrong, love of music, love of food, love of the world around us! We promise to love whatever you present!



Note: The Folk Club has an open mic theme night in months with no concert or party night. They are an opportunity to try something a little different and have fun with it. We encourage performers to play songs that fit the theme, but it's not required. Anyone who signs up on a theme night can play whatever they want. But we'll appreciate those who share suitable tunes.

CLUB INFO, ETC.

Zoom Open Mics

Every other Monday night at 7:30 pm Al Hobson hosts bi-weekly virtual Folk Club open mics on Zoom. February's dates are February 3rd and February 17th. If you'd like to watch or share some songs send an email to Al Hobson at alhobson@verizon.net by Sunday evening. Let him know if you plan to listen or perform and he'll send you the Zoom link.

Tuesday Night Open Mic Videos

To see a video recording of the Tuesday night open mic, go to the folkclubofrestonherndon.org [Event Calendar](#). Select the link below the date, then the YouTube link. If YouTube says the link is blocked, right-click the link, then choose the option to open it in a new tab or window.

MUSICAL NOTES



Al's Arts Barn - <https://artsbarnmusic.org/>
810 Elden St, Herndon, VA

Sat 2/15 @ 7pm The Old Town Tradition Band

RHFC member John Wertz and his crew lead an evening of their own blend of Bluegrass, Folk, Blues and Americana Roots music.

Focus Music

Sat 2/15 @ 7pm - Crys Matthews (Sterling and Virtual) at The Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Sterling, 22135 Davis Dr Suite 104, Sterling, VA 20164

Sun, 2/26 @ 7pm - Gathering Time at the Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square Road Gaithersburg, MD 20878-5727

Sat, Feb 22 @ 7:30pm - Lynn Hollyfield
(Gaithersburg and Virtual) at Island Pride Oasis, 617 S Frederick Ave, Gaithersburg, MD

- Visit www.focusmusic.org for more information.

Folklore Society of Greater Washington (FSGW).

Hosts frequent folk dance events

- Go to fsgw.org for more information.

Institute of Musical Traditions

Mon 2/24 @ 7:30PM - ilyAIMY and Ayreheart
Saint Mark Presbyterian Church
10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD

Mon 3/3 @ 7:30 pm - Little Red and the Renegades
Saint Mark Presbyterian Church
10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville, MD

- Go to www.imtfolk.org for more information.

MEMBER PERFORMANCES & INFO

Bill Davis – email: [bil-davis@outlook.com](mailto:bill-davis@outlook.com)

Chris Anderson ChrisAndersonSongs.com

Ron Goad – email: MisterGoad@aol.com

Jan Gillies www.jangilliesmusic.com

Hickory Grove (Bev & Jack Osburn)

www.hickoryg.com

Rick Landers and Heartland: <https://ricklanders.com/>

Shenandoah Run (including Bob Melissinos, Ben Hamblin, Jim Johnson) www.shenandoahrun.com.

Sherry Stewart (Sunny@Midnight)

www.facebook.com/SunnyatMidnightMusic :

Steven Cutts ThePrimeCutts.com and Spotify, Apple Music, and Soundcloud

Audrey Adair AudreyJAdair.com

The Two Peas (Ann Granger and Larry Rice) - Harmony in Acoustic Music – twopeasharmony@gmail.com

Chasing Magic (including John Druitt, Al Hobson, Walt Lazear) ChasingMagic-TheBand.com

George Katsos georgekatsos.com

Upcoming Concert Notice!

Tuesday, March 18 at your FCRH

Beppe Gambetta makes his 6th Folk Club appearance! This will sell out, so get your tickets early! \$19 for members, \$20 for non-members.

Don't miss this exciting performance!



of Reston & Herndon

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

President: Al Hobson

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FOLK CLUB FORMAT

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a signup board. Each performer has 8 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 24-minute performance. To do a Showcase you must: 1) be a paid-up Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 12 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, and other music-related items for the newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space. Send your input to newsletter editor Louis Klein, lklein21@gmail.com

RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS

Donations can be made in advance for concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Jen Katt, 13529 Wood St, Woodbridge, VA 22191-1338, treasurer.jk.folkclub@gmail.com.

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FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The process is the same if your membership has expired. Make out a check to "The Folk Club" in the amount of \$15 for one year or \$55 for 5 years. Please DO NOT make the check to Jen Katt. Send the check to: The Folk Club of Reston & Herndon; c/o Jen Katt; 13529 Wood St; Woodbridge, VA 22191-1338. Please provide your name, email address, phone # and type, and residential address. Sorry, we cannot accept online payments.

KEEP IN TOUCH

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** folkclubofrestonherndon.org/

Facebook: www.facebook.com/rhfolkclub

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

Newsletter ideas: Louis Klein: lklein21@gmail.com

CLASSIFIEDS

MUSIC GEAR for Sale

- For Sale: Ukuleles, banjos, guitars, and mandolins. Contact TM at press-room@birdphluph.com for more info.