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A Newsletter for Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Folk

August 2007

Gibson Guitar Raffle!

Solid-top, Epiphone AJ-200
SCE Acoustic-Electric Guitar.
Tickets on sale now, for \$5.
Buy them at 3RFS events, or
call Alan, 943-5662 or Mary,
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Sunday night, Sept. 2, at the
Tumbleweed Music Festival.
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Help us promote **3RFS**
events! Post the enclosed
flyer where the most
people will see it.

Thanks!

Déjà Vu Dan Maher Concert Supports Festival

Saturday, 4 August, 7:30 PM

Dan Maher, host of Northwest Public Radio's "Inland Folk," has been a strong supporter of Three Rivers Folklife Society (3RFS) and Tumbleweed Music Festival since they both began. He not only helps publicize 3RFS events (especially Tumbleweed), but for the past several years he has donated a concert with all proceeds going to supporting the festival. Through the generosity of Dan and many others, we are able to keep the daytime events at Tumbleweed free to all.

Dan has been hosting the "Inland Folk" radio show for 25 years. It began on Spokane's KPBX then was picked up by Northwest Public Radio about 1982. The three hour show, airing from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM, locally, on KFAE (89.1 FM), features all genres of folk

music from blues to bluegrass. Dan's weekly calendar focuses on local events in the listening area, covering Eastern Washington and Oregon and parts of Western Washington.

Dan is known throughout the Northwest as a master of the singalong and as a singer/songfinder who takes traditional, contemporary and popular songs and puts his own stamp on them. Dan has four albums and is always looking for songs for the next one.

Help Dan Maher support the 2007 Tumbleweed Music Festival by joining him at the Kennewick Highland Grange, at 15th and Union. Tickets are \$9 gen./\$7 srs. and stdnts., purchased in advance at Bookworm stores, the Battelle Performing Arts Business Center and Octopus' Garden. \$1 more at the door.

The concert with Dan Maher on

August 4th comes close to the 20th anniversary of the first Tri-Cities concert with Dan on Aug 7th, 1987. That concert was held at the old Community Unitarian Universalist Church on W. Albany in Kennewick. It was organized by Patty Roberts Hessler with John and Micki Perry opening. Folks who were interested in forming a Tri-Cities folklife society met for a brunch the next day at the Perrys' and the germination of Three Rivers Folklife Society began. Some of the founding folks were Patty Hessler, Georgia Martin, Jim Honeyman, Mike Cooney and Margaret Valentine, Bret and Cheryl Cannon, John and Micki Perry and Gary Miller. It took another year to have our first concert with Utah Philips, but 3RFS really began 20 years ago. Time flies when you are having fun! Share the fun August 4th!

Local Folk Events

August

- 3** Humphrey, Hartman & Cameron at Passeggiata at Passeggiata 5:00 PM Fri, Richland Parkway
- 4** Dan Maher Tumbleweed Benefit 7:30 PM Sat, KHG
- 6** Tumbleweed '07 Planning Meeting 7:00 PM Mon, Richland Library
- 11** 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong Round Table 7:00 PM Sat, Richland Pizza, Richland
- 13** 3RFS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Mon, BPABC
- 26** Tumbleweed Volunteer Rally and Orientation 1:00 PM Sun, Richland Community Center
- 31** Tumbleweed Set-up 5:00 PM Fri, Howard Amon Park, Richland

September

- 1** Tumbleweed Music Festival (Concert at 7:00 PM) 11 AM-11 PM Sat Howard Amon Park, Richland
- 2** Tumbleweed Music Festival (Dance at 8:00 PM IRCC) 11 AM-11 PM Sat Howard Amon Park, Richland
- 8** 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong 7:00 PM Sat, Round Table Pizza, Richland
- 10** 3RFS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Mon, BPABC
- 14** Coffeehouse 7:30 PM Fri, All Saints'
- 15** Concert 7:30 PM Sat, KGH
- 22** Contra Dance 7:30 PM Sat, KHG
- 30** Tumbleweed Volunteer Appreciation Picnic 4:00 PM Sun, Perrys'

KHG = Kennewick Highlands Grange, 15th and Union
All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland
BPABC = Battelle Performing Arts Business Center, 716 Jadwin Ave., Richland
Perrys' = 1011 South Dawes St. Kennewick, WA 99338
Richland Library = 955 Northgate Dr., Richland, 942-7454
Round Table Pizza = 245 Torbett, Richland, 946-0667

For information, call 509 528-2215

Tumbleweed Is Right Around the Corner!

The 11th Annual Tumbleweed Music Festival is nearly here! As always, it will be held in Richland's Howard Amon Park, and the Richland Community Center. There are 4 outdoor stages, an indoor dance stage, plus an open mic stage. The music at Tumbleweed runs the gamut of acoustic genres, from blues to bluegrass, traditional and contemporary folk, ethnic and nautical, jazz, old-time and alternative. There are also lots of dance groups and participatory dance, a storytelling tent, family-friendly entertainment, local and regional arts and crafts, and food vendors. There are about 100 different acts at the festival, which is free from 11 AM to 7 PM each day. Two evening events, the Saturday evening concert and Sunday evening contra dance, have affordable ticket prices of \$8 general/\$5 seniors and

students.

The Saturday evening concert is at 7:00 PM, emceed by Northwest Public Radio's Inland Folk's host, **Dan Maher**. It features the **Budd Bay Buccaneers, Keeler, Melvin and Morse, Cat Loves Crow, and Creeping Time**. The **Budd Bay Buccaneers** are a rowdy pirate band based in Olympia. They combine lively antics and musical talent. **Keeler, Melvin & Morse** are a trio of musicians from Spokane who play blues and roots music. They have played at Tumbleweed individually and together many times. **Cat Loves Crow** is an acoustic duo from Seattle. Joe and Karena Prater are well loved for their blend of country, folk, and Russian music on guitar and mandolin. **Creeping Time** is a young, high-energy "grass-rock" band from Seattle, with guitar, mando, fiddle,

drums, and powerful vocals.

A retrospective on Sunday afternoon and evening will feature performers who have been past festival favorites. Our "déjà vu" performers include **The Cutters, Hank Cramer, Michael "Hawkeye" Herman**, and local divas **Humphrey, Hartman and Cameron**. Sunday evening will conclude with a contra dance with band **Out of the Wood** and caller **Roy Curet** in the Richland Community Center from 8-11 PM.

Local performers at Tumbleweed include: 2000 Tongues, Chinese and Indian Folk Dancers, Tory Christiansen, Clark Crouch, James Dean Kindle, Paul Knight, The Love Experiment, Mystic Mirage, John and Micki Perry, Richland International Folk Dancers,

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Festival continued
Romagossa Blu, Mary Sisk, So They Say Storytellers, Sultana Dancers and Tri-Cities Drum Circle, Wacka Dooz, Troupe de Soleil, Uncle Joe's Banjo Band, Joe Winters, and Ye Merrie Greenwood Gypsy Dancers and Storytellers. Other performers come from throughout the Northwest and from as far away as Louisiana, California, and Utah.

Tumbleweed is also a participatory experience. The Open Mic stage offers everyone at the festival an opportunity to sign up to be a performer. Free workshops provide hands-on learning on all sorts of instruments, dance forms, and peer-sharing on topics of interest. Spontaneous jams occur all over the festival grounds. The popular "band scramble" involves a challenge to perform in a spontaneous band drawn from a hat, with one hour to practice 2 songs or tunes before you perform on stage!

Performers and audience members who have attended Tumbleweed return every year to relive the "déjà vu" experience of community and home-grown acoustic music. Come join the Tumbleweed family and see what the "buzz" is all about.

Performers Share at Free Workshops

Our performers generously share their time and expertise in free music and dance workshops. Some of the workshops tentatively scheduled are:

For guitarists: Beginning and advanced fingerstyle; blues; slide; lead; 12 string.

For working musicians (or those who want to be): Do-it-yourself booking; pack up your promo; mic techniques. **Songwriting:** Jump-start your brain; recovering creativity.

For songlovers: Ian & Sylvia; Kingston Trio; sea chanteys; pirate songs & more. **Dance:** Middle Eastern; Chinese; Line; International; Swing; Contra.

And more: Jew's harp, how music affects culture, Life & music of Bo Carter. Check the 3RFS website for updates, details, and schedules.

Limited Tickets for Guitar Raffle!

This year, Gibson USA has donated a solid-top Epiphone AJ-200 SCE Acoustic-Electric model guitar for our annual raffle to raise funds for the Tumbleweed Music Festival. To make things a little more exciting, we only printed 400 tickets and we'll announce the winner at the festival, on Sunday evening, September 2nd. You can see photos of the guitar at 3rfs.org. Tickets are \$5 each at the Dan Maher concert, at the festival, or from Mary at 528-2215.

New Festival Stuff Available for '07

We have several NEW items this year! Festival merchandise helps publicize the festival and raises funds for next year's festival. Plus, it's cool stuff! All of these will be available at the Dan Maher concert on August 4, and at the Festival Information booth September 1 & 2. Or give Mary a call at 943-0327 or 509-528-2215.

2007 TMF T-shirts. Feature a fabulous "déjà vu" logo by Winsome Design. 100% cotton T's in white and ash gray for \$15, one-of-a-kind tie-dyed shirts for \$20.

TMF baseball caps. High-quality, low-profile, twill caps in various colors, featuring our "everlasting" TMF logo by Grate Design, \$15.

Tumbleweed stickers. 4x6 inch oval, vinyl stickers, suitable for your car or instrument case, featuring the "everlasting" TMF logo, \$3.

Buttons! The 2007 festival buttons are available now! Get yours before the festival to ward off those persistent button sellers at the festival, \$2 for one; \$10 for 5!!! What a deal!

"Front Row Seat" CD. Double CD compilation of dozens of performers in 3RFS concerts over the years, \$15. Every dollar goes to TMF 2008.

Help publicize with yard signs, car magnets, and posters, available at Dan Maher's concert, or call 528-2215.

Songwriters Sing about Déjà Vu

Saturday, 1 September, 5:00 PM

This year's Tumbleweed songwriting contest has the theme "déjà vu." We received a lot of entries, which a judge pared down to 10 finalists. These talented folks will perform their songs on the West stage before the audience and a panel of judges to compete for cash prizes and a one-of-a-kind Tumbleweed trophy.

The finalists are:
 Brian Butler - "Déjà vu All Over Again"
 Ron Dalton - "Déjà vu"
 Nancy K. Dillon - "Time Traveler's Lament"
 Mary Hartman - "Déjà vu"
 Jay Howlett - "Somewhere Like That"
 Ken Nottingham - "Buckeye"
 Chris Roe - "The Gates of Troy"
 Marilyn Rucker - "A Real Bad Case of Déjà vu"
 Jennifer Spector - "Second Honeymoon"
 Betsy Wellings - "No Center To It"

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Deadline for the September newsletter is August 10.

Out of Town

August

1 Walla Walla contra dance
 7:30 pm Wed, Pioneer Park,
 Walla Walla

4 Leavenworth Acoustic Music
 Festival, 12:30-7:00 PM Sat

Tumbleweed Appreciates Help

Tumbleweed Music Festival is deeply grateful to all who donate money or services and help keep the festival free (mostly) to all. We receive major grants from the **City of Richland** through the hotel/motel tax program and from **Battelle**. Other sponsors this year include **Freestone Environmental, Winsome Design, Precision Sound, Gibson USA, Ariel Gourmet & Gifts, The Bookworm, Casa Mia, the Christian Science Healing Center, CREHST Museum, and Octopus' Garden.**

We also received help from **Reactor Magazine, The Inlander, KPBX, and KONA.** Please be sure to thank these folks when you see them!

This is only a partial list. We'll list all business sponsors and individual donors on our website and in the festival program. If you or your business want to donate call Mary at 523-2215, for information on business sponsorships.

TMF Volunteer Orientation

Sunday, 26 August, 1:00 PM

Volunteers, please come to an orientation session before the festival. It's not mandatory, but it is a good chance to learn more about what you'll be doing and who you'll be working with at Tumbleweed. We'll be assembling behind the Richland Community

Yes! I want to help the 2007 Tumbleweed Music Fest succeed!

I would like to be a: Patron, \$50.00
 Donor, \$100.00
 Contributor, \$250.00

Please send me two tickets to the
 (check one) Saturday Evening Concert
 Sunday Evening Contra Dance

My tickets, buttons, and poster can be mailed to me at:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Send to: 3RFS Tumbleweed Festival, P.O. Box 1098, Richland, WA 99352
 Enclose your check payable to *Three Rivers Folklife Society*. Thank You!



2007 Membership Application

Your membership gives you voting rights in folklife elections, \$3 off most concerts, and is tax deductible! You'll even get a nifty membership card to show your friends and neighbors!

Individual (\$15) or Family (\$20) Is this a renewal? Y N

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I can help 3RFS with:

<input type="checkbox"/> Providing refreshments at concerts	<input type="checkbox"/> Setting up chairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Fund raising
<input type="checkbox"/> Taking admission at events	<input type="checkbox"/> Folding the newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> Coffeehouses
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<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstrating folk arts	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Contra dances
<input type="checkbox"/> Tumbleweed Music Festival	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

Make check payable to: Three Rivers Folklife Society, P.O. Box 1098, Richland, WA 99352.

Center, on or near the patio.

Our volunteer coordinators are busy contacting more vols for the festival. If they haven't contacted you and you do want to help, please call Kim at 375-6139 or Sally at 582-5856.









SSSSS Festival Prep

Saturday, 11 August, 7:00 PM

Hey mates! Just one SSSSS before the infamous Tumbleweed chantey singalongs. Join us one week (usually 7 days) after the Dan Maher concert August 4, (plus 7) on the 11th! at the usual time and place. Warm up your pipes and your tummies with the usual grog and pies at the usual fine prices, with the usual fine suspects.

SATURDAY

Schedule subject to change. This schedule as of 7/24/07

	North Stage	South Stage	West Stage	River Stage
11:00	The Dandelion Greens Original bluegrass-rockabilly	Wackadooz Acoustic hits/classics	James Dean Kindle Cosmic lo-fidelity blues	Paul Knight Traditional blues (with a twist)
11:45	Nancy K. Dillon Unvarnished Americana & Okie folk	Watch the Sky! Celtic & music of the British Isles	Eric Hansen Solo contemporary singer/songwriter	Michael Guthrie Thought-provoking folk
12:30	Thornton Creek Eclectic roots music for people who eat	1928 String band, old jazz & pop music	Chris Roe Ballads, box tunes & beyond	So They Say Storytellers Tales for all ages 
1:15	Everyday Jones Youthful, acoustic folk-rock	David Rea Traditional & original songs	Ali Marcus Urban folkster	Banjo Andy Tickled tunes for all ages 
2:00	Bold Horizon Broad spectrum folk	The Hayburners Folk acoustic duo with strong harmonies	Joe Winters Folk & western	Tory Christensen Catchy & fun music for kids! 
2:45	Larry Murante Groovy story songs, groovy voice	Arvid Lundin & Deep Roots Acoustic trad. folk ensemble	Wes Weddell Northwest song, story & style	A great kids act (Yet to be determined) 
3:30	First Steal a Chicken Tunes from Ireland to Istanbul	Ed Kramer Banjo star from Denver Constellation's Crew	Jim Portillo Acoustic folk & country	Carl Allen Woody Guthrie children's songs 
4:15	Kerry Grombacher Contemporary folk & western songs	Constellation's Crew Songs of "fighting sail"	Steve Cheseborough 1920s-30s style blues & hokum	Nicole Bayley & Mo Kelly Female acoustic folk-rock duo
5:00	Romagossa Blu All-original Latin, folk-rock, reggae fusion	Shanghaied on the Willamette Songs plundered from land & sea	Songwriting Contest	Waterbound Fiddle tunes, folk, & fun!
5:45	Pre-concert break Seating begins at 6:30 P.M.	Sänger & Didele Seamen of the Inland Empire		Dorian Michael Fingerstyle guitar and a bit of blues vocals
6:30		Nautical Round Robin		 = extra kid-friendly

Budd Bay Buccaneers
Keeler, Melvin & Morse
Cat Loves Crow
Creeping Time

Saturday Evening Concert
\$8/\$5 at the North Stage (lawn seating)
Winner of the 2007 Songwriting Contest will perform their winning entry!

In the Richland Community Center

	Community Center Stage	Workshop 1	Workshop 2
11:00			
11:45	Mystic Mirage Middle Eastern & belly dance		
12:30	Intro to Bellydance workshop with Mystic Mirage	Hank Cramer Songs of the Kingston Trio	Jay Howlett Using the Partial Capo
1:15	Ye Merrie Greenwood Gypsies Non-traditional bellydance	Hank Cramer Songs of Ian & Sylvia	The Artist's Way Recovering Creativity
2:00	Ye Merrie Greenwood Stories Classic fairy tales with a modern twist	Hawkeye Herman Blues Guitar Basics	Nancy K. Dillon Singing Harmony
2:45	Sultana Dancers & Drummers Middle Eastern dance	David Rea A look at ourselves. How music affects culture	Kerry Grombacher DIY Booking
3:30	Intro to Tribal Fusion workshop Sultana	Dorian Michael Beginning Fingerstyle Guitar	Micki Perry Pack Up Your Promo
4:15	History of Set Dancing workshop with Mitchell Frey	Dorian Michael Advanced Fingerstyle	Joe Winters 12-String Guitar
5:00	Contra Dance Workshop with Mitchell Frey	First Steal a Chicken Mid-East Melodies & Rhythms	
5:45		Charlie Spring Best-Loved Traditional Folksongs	
6:30			





Buy your concert and dance tickets early at the Information Booth.


Festival buttons, hats, pins, t-shirts, and performers' recordings are available at the Information Booth.

Sunday

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In the Richland Community Center

	North Stage	South Stage	West Stage	River Stage
11:00	Sesitshaya Marimba Traditional Zimbabwean music	2000 Tongues Acoustic/Indie/Soul	Sammy Barrett Young, female singer/songwriter	Ailan Roots tunes with Cajun flair
11:45	Sweet Home Folk rock	Clark Crouch Western & cowboy poet	Betsy Wellings & Eric Miller Humorous, thoughtful & inspirational!	Hilary Field & Patrice O'Neill Lullabies for grownups and their kids!
12:30	The Love Experiment Acoustic southern rock/blues	Charlie Spring Inimitable tunesmith	T.R. Richie Post-traditional acoustic folk	Timothy Platt Fingerstyle guitar instrumentals
1:15	Garrett & Westcott Smokin' eclectic folk & blues	Celluloid Cowboys Hollywood cowboy music	Robyn Landis Award-winning songwriter	Mountain Thyme A potpourri of folk songs
2:00	Skweez the Weezle High energy Celtic music!!	Brian Butler Guitar blues & originals	Marilyn Rucker Quirky jazz/folky blues	Uncle Joe's Banjo  Band Old-timey kids' songs
2:45	Old Dogs, New Tricks Americana and bluesy ballads	Campbell Road New versions of Irish music	The Wanderers Sweet songs from yesterday	John & Micki Perry  No age music
3:30	Band Scramble	Lindsay Street North Atlantic Folk a la NW	Mike & Val James Folk, maritime, jazz, Broadway, originals	Mary Sisk  Storyteller for all ages
4:15	The Cutters Real folk music	Tom Rawson User-friendly songs	Electric Bonsai Band Not electric... not a band!	Gordon Frazier  Jew's harp, toe-tapping twang
5:00	Dan Maher Singalong king; Inland Folk host	Deb Seymour & the Debonaires Kool Kat Krazy folk	Scott Katz & Katie Petersen Insensitive songwriter meets girl	Beth Pederson & Bruce Bishop Contemporary folk
5:45	Humphrey, Hartman & Cameron Harmony, cello & quirky stuff	The New Folksters Traditional folk music group	Jay Howlett Singer/songwriter	Jon Bartlett & Rika Ruebsaat Canadian traditional songs
6:30	Michael "Hawkeye" Herman Dynamic blues, guitar and vocals			
7:15	Hank Cramer A Tumbleweed favorite!			

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8:00
to
11:00

**Out of the Wood
Roy Curet - Caller**

Sunday Evening Contra Dance
Richland Community Center
\$8 Adults, \$5 Seniors & Teens, 12 & under free

	Community Center Stage	Workshop 1	Workshop 2
11:00		The Cutters Chanteys from the Age of Sail	Chris Glannister Mic Techniques for Musicians
11:45		Budd Bay Buccaneers America:Pirate Nation	Gordon Frazier The Jew's Harp
12:30	Chinese & Indian Dancers	Constellation's Crew Songs of Fighting Sail	Jon Bartlett & Rika Rubesaat Canadian Columbia
1:15	Chinese & Indian Dance workshop	Dan Maher Workshop	2000 Tongues Composition for Songwriters
2:00	Richland International Folkdancers Like the name says	Creeping Time Improvisational Jamming	Deb Seymour Jump-Start Your Brain
2:45	Troupe du Soleil Contemporary Middle Eastern dance	Hawkeye Herman Slide Guitar Basics	Paul Knight Play Guitar & Harmonica at the Same Time
3:30	Middle Eastern Dance workshop Troupe du Soleil	Hawkeye Herman Lead Guitar - All Styles	
4:15	Anita LaFranchi Waltz workshop	Steve Cheseborough Life & Music of Bo Carter	
5:00	Anita LaFranchi Line dance workshop	Dorian Michael Blues Improv- How to Jam	
5:45	Anita LaFranchi Swing workshop		
6:30			