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# Folk Talk

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## 3RFS Presents Dan Weber In Concert

Saturday, 18 January, 7:30 PM

Award-winning songwriter Dan Weber comes to Three Rivers Folklife Society country for his first full-length concert, having performed at the last two Tumbleweed Music Festivals, where he was a headliner at the 2013 evening show.

Dan has been described as "The classic mid-life overnight sensation." A gifted storyteller but still relatively new to songwriting, Dan was a 2012 finalist in the legendary Kerrville (Texas) "New Folk" competition as well as the prestigious Dave Carter Songwriting Contest in 2010. Dan was also a winner of the West Coast Songwriter's Performing Songwriter Competition in 2011 and 2009 along with two "Song of the Year" awards.

Following in the long tradition of great singer/songwriters, Dan entertains audiences with inspired and energetic performances, telling hilarious, true stories from the many roads he has traveled. He tells of how he moved from New York state to the Northwest: "One night back home in

1989 at a local bar on Water Street, I ran into this guy named 'Joe' fresh out of the Army, who said he was moving to Spokane the next day. I bought him a drink to help him celebrate, then he bought me one to help me help him celebrate. Before I knew it, I found myself in the passenger seat of his 1978 primer-grey Pontiac Trans-Am, headed west."

Dan's songs are both heartbreaking and funny, and are rich in imagery, history, and full of life's hopes and ironies. Songs from his CD, "Ash and Bone," have received accolades from American Songwriter Magazine, the Great American Songwriting Contest, the Great Lakes Songwriting Contest as well as recognition from DJs.

Folk troubadour legend Ramblin' Jack Elliott said "I love Dan's songs and he tells really good stories" and The Victory Review magazine writes "Weber's writing is as strong as any in the contemporary folk community. "Goodbye to Dad" is one of the best original tunes that I have heard in a long time."

Dan has played shows in some

amazing places! Like on vintage railroad cars with Ramblin' Jack Elliott, and on the Columbia River at Bonneville Dam's 75th Anniversary for Woody Guthrie's 100th Birthday celebration. His shows are as much a conversation with the audience as they are a performance. His hilarious stories between songs often take on a life of their own, forming the backdrop for his literate, funny, poetic and often heartbreaking songs. Dan's inspired and energetic performances are one-of-a-kind and sometimes they're impromptu like shows in train stations, living rooms and even on the rim of the Grand Canyon. But no matter where they happen, each one is special.

Dan will perform at the Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., in Pasco. Tickets are \$11 general admission/\$9 seniors and students if purchased in advance at Bookworm stores and Octopus' Garden and are \$1 more at the door. 3RFS members receive a \$3 discount.

## Winters and Skalstad at the Coffeehouse

Friday, 10 January, 7:30 PM

Local acoustic duo Winters and Skalstad will perform at the first 3RFS Coffeehouse of 2014. Mike Skalstad is an independent singer/songwriter who has composed three original CDs. He is also an accomplished vocalist as well as a guitarist and harmonica player. Joe Winters

has created three individual CDs and is one of the area's most highly regarded musicians, excelling in many styles of guitar picking.

Combining their talents as a duo, Winters and Skalstad create an extraordinarily fresh and entertaining performance. Come and enjoy some of their many original songs as well as their creative covers of many folk,

folk rock, country, and rock classics.

The Coffeehouse will start with an open mic session. Come early to sign up for a slot. The coffeehouse is held at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1312 Kimball Ave., Richland (drive around to the lower parking lot in the back). Suggested donations are \$8 general admission or \$6 teens and seniors at the door.

## Badger Mountain Dry Band Is Back!

Saturday, 25 January, 5:00 PM

We missed the progressive bluegrass sound of Badger Mountain Dry Band while they were on hiatus (their banjo player went to Ukraine... say no more.) Now they are back together with a couple of new members and as much talent and energy as ever.

For over 21 years Badger Mountain Dry Band has brought their brand of progressive bluegrass music to the Pacific Northwest. Playing traditional bluegrass instrumentation, the group has presented a music ranging from traditional bluegrass standards, original Gospel material, 60s rock and roll, swing tunes, big band tunes, old country standards, and more.

The band features Jim Honeyman (vocals, mandolin), Chuck Peden (vocals, guitar), John April (vocals, banjo, guitar, dobro), Mike Zabel (vocals, bass), and Obediah DeWeber (vocals, guitar).

The show will be at the Emerald of Siam restaurant in Richland. The Dry Band packed the house last time they played there, so come early!

(By the way, BMDB's previous guitar player, Joe Smart, recently toured the USA with Mark O'Conner's Appalachian Christmas show.)

## January: A Good Month For Joining!

All 3RFS memberships expire in January, 2014, unless paid up during or after Tumbleweed in September, in which case they are good for all of 2014. Fill out the membership form on the back of this newsletter and send us a check for your dues. Your membership support makes everything we do possible. We are grateful for your support of our organization.

## TR Ritchie Needs Our Love

Saturday, 18 January, 7:30 PM

TR Ritchie has been a beloved performer for 3RFS audiences since the early days in the 1990's when he lived in Seattle. Through the years he lived in Moab, Utah, and in the past few years Bellingham, Washington, has been his home. We have recently heard the sad news that TR has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer along with other complications as well. To defray some of his medical expenses there will be a special benefit concert in Bellingham on Saturday, January 18, at 7:30 PM, at the Bellingham Unitarian Fellowship, 1207 Ellsworth. Suggested donation is \$10.00 to \$25.00. There will be a fantastic line-up of performers doing TR's own songs, including Danny Dierdoff, Heidi Muller, Janis Carper, Dennis and Carolyn Dougherty, Tracy Moore, Tracy Spring, Alisa Fienman, Kat Eggleston, Karen Blaine, Judith Kate Friedman, Tom Rawson and possibly more. There will be a video recording made at the event and hopefully a CD. Our own Gary White will be on the sound crew. Read more about this event on Facebook under the event title.

We also have a concert here in the Tri-Cities that same night featuring Dan Weber. Since Bellingham is a long way from the Tri-Cities, we will be taking up our own collection for TR at Dan's concert. You can also send checks earmarked for TR to 3RFS's P.O. box or send checks directly to TR Ritchie, P.O. Box 4230, Bellingham, WA 98227. Send cards of love to that address or e-mail wishes to TRinUtah@gmail.com

You can also order his book of poems and drawings, "Works On Paper" or his CDs at his web site, TRRitchie.com

Whatever you do, send your thoughts, prayers and love to TR.

## Tumbleweed Music Festival 2014

29-31 August, 2014

The planning has begun for our next Tumbleweed Music Festival. The theme for the 2014 festival is "Kindred Spirits" and the planning committee is now welcoming proposals and suggestions for a festival logo.

Planning meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month at festival chair Gene Carbaugh's home (803 Birch, Richland). The next meeting will be January 21, 7:00 PM. Call Gene at 946-0504, if you have questions about coming to the meeting, logo ideas or volunteering. Everyone is welcome!



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## Out of Town

### January

**18** Walla Walla Contra Dance  
 7:30 - 10:00 PM, Sat.  
 WWFAM Dance Building,  
 810 C St., Walla Walla

## First Contra Dance for 2014

Saturday, 25 January, 7:30 PM

Come in from the cold and welcome the New Year with our first hot dance of 2014!

Our January Three Rivers Contra Dance will feature the calling of local favorite Cindy Rakowski and the music of Contraversatile with Shelly Jenkins on piano, Gary Miller on accordion, Lynell Rowan on percussion, and Len Ricki on guitar. Contraversatile promises a selection of zippy, in-your-face contra tunes from New England, some French sets, and one or two originals. Just add dancers and stir.

The dance will be at the Shufflers' Shanty from 7:30 to 10:30. Beginners are more than welcome, no partner is necessary, and all dances are taught. We know of no better way to hear great music while getting your feet moving. Bring friends and family and snacks to share for a great evening of music, dancing and fun. Shufflers' Shanty is at 717 Irving St, Kennewick, WA. Cost at the door is \$8 general admission or \$6 seniors and teens. Kids under 12 are free. \$1 off for 3RFS members. See you there!

## Walla Walla Contra Contra

Saturday, 18 January, 7:30 PM

If you can't get enough contra dancing locally, you might want to check out Walla Walla Friends of Acoustic

## Local Folk Events

### January

|                                            |                                           |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>3</b> First Friday Folkie Free For All  | 7:30 PM - Fri, Micki Perry's Kennewick    |
| <b>10</b> Winters and Skalstad Coffeehouse | 7:30 PM - Fri All Saints', Richland       |
| <b>11</b> 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong  | 7:00 PM - Sat Round Table Pizza, Richland |
| <b>13</b> 3RFS Board Meeting               | 7:00 PM - Mon Gene Carbaugh's Richland    |
| <b>18</b> Dan Weber Concert                | 7:30 PM - Sat CUUC Pasco                  |
| <b>21</b> Tumbleweed Planning Meeting      | 7:00 PM - Tues Gene Carbaugh's Richland   |
| <b>25</b> 3RFS Contra Dance                | 7:30 PM - Sat Shufflers' Shanty Kennewick |

### February

|                                                |                                           |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>7</b> First Friday Folkie Free For All      | 7:30 PM - Fri, Micki Perry's              |
| <b>8</b> 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong       | 7:00 PM - Sat Round Table Pizza, Richland |
| <b>10</b> 3RFS Board Meeting                   | 7:00 PM Mon - Gene Carbaugh's Richland    |
| <b>14</b> Coffeehouse                          | 7:30 PM Fri - All Saints',                |
| <b>15</b> Janis Carper & Cris Peterson Concert | 7:30 PM - Sat, CUUC Pasco                 |
| <b>18</b> Tumbleweed Planning Meeting          | 7:00 PM - Tues Gene Carbaugh's Richland   |
| <b>22</b> 3RFS Contra Dance                    | 7:30 PM - Sat Shufflers' Shanty Kennewick |
| <b>23</b> Mother Language Day                  | TBD - Sun Battelle Auditorium Richland    |

All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland  
 CUUC = Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., Pasco  
 Emerald of Siam = 1314 Jadwin Ave., Richland  
 Gene Carbaugh's = 803 Birch St., Richland  
 Micki Perry's = 1011 S. Dawes St., Kennewick  
 Round Table Pizza = Corner of George Washington Way and Torbett St., Richland  
 Shufflers' Shanty = 717 N. Irving St., Kennewick

For information, call 509 528-2215

Music's monthly dance. This month's dance will be held at their new dance building (formerly Unity Church of Peace), 810 C St., and will feature contras, squares and other dances.

Instruction for beginners starts at 7:00 PM. Callers are Howard Ostby, Dan Clark and Barbara Clark, and the Wednesday Night Band will provide live music. Admission is \$5. No lug soles or spike heels, please. Bring finger foods to share. Apple juice will be provided.

## Resolve to Sing Sea Chanteys in 2014!

Saturday, 11 January, 7:00 PM

To fulfill your resolution to sing songs with friends in the new year, join us every month at Second Saturday Sea Song Singalong around 7:00 PM at Round Table Pizza in Richland on George Washington Way at Torbett. Everyone is welcome and it's free except for the food and drink.