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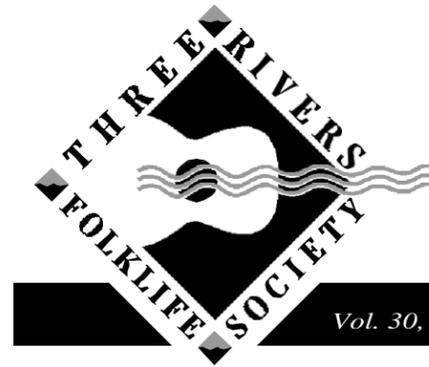
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- Refreshments at concerts
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- Coffeehouses
- Song circles

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 will see it. *Thanks!*



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## Heidi Muller and Bob Webb

Saturday, 1 December, 7:30 PM

Heidi Muller and Bob Webb cross the musical boundaries between original songs and traditional tunes, blending each other's influences from the Pacific Northwest to the Appalachian Mountains. Featuring dulcimers, guitars, mandolin, electric cello, and Muller's crystalline vocals, they have released four duo recordings: Light the Winter's Dark, Up Hurricane Creek, Dulcimer Moon, and Seeing Things. They tour widely to concert halls, festivals and venues such as the Berkeley Dulcimer Gathering, Kentucky Music Week, Tumbleweed Music Festival, the National Oregon Trails Center, the National Music Museum and the NPR live performance radio show, Mountain Stage.

Described by Dulcimer Players' News as "one of the dulcimer community's best songwriters and performers," Muller made her name as a Seattle recording artist in the '80's and '90's. Her song "Good Road" is still heard weekly on Northwest Public Radio and KPBX-Spokane after 25 years as the theme song of the Inland Folk show. Muller was a finalist in the prestigious Kerrville New Folk songwriting competition in 1989. In addition to performing as a songwriter/guitarist, she taught dulcimer workshops across the Northwest. She went on to tour nationally and recorded five solo CDs before she joined forces with Bob Webb.

Webb settled in West Virginia as part of the 1970's "back-to-the-land" movement. A talented multi-instrumentalist, he toured with the folk-rock group Stark Raven that became the house band for the Mountain Stage radio show. There he backed up many of the greats including Odetta, Arlo Guthrie, Tom Paxton and Shawn

Colvin. Webb also taught music, designing a cardboard box dulcimer that he helped over 700 children and adults make and play in schools and summer camps. He became a recording engineer with his own studio, where he recorded music CDs and helped create documentaries for public radio, including "In Their Own Country" produced by Kate Long. That production was nominated for a Peabody Award.

Muller and Webb started performing and touring together in 2003, based in Charleston, West Virginia. They were included in the West Virginia Artists Roster and worked as artists-in-residence teaching guitar, dulcimer and songwriting in schools and community settings. They also recorded oral histories for events and organizations. Muller collected the local history of Big Ugly Creek, WV and wrote

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## Talena Bricker - Coffeehouse Debut

Friday, 14 December, 7:30 PM

Talena Bricker is a long-time Richland resident and a Northwest native. She is a songwriter, writing most of her own material, but she does cover others' material. She's also a wife and mother of 4. She has played at Tumbleweed but this will be her first time performing at the Coffeehouse.

Talena has taken her time sharing her work. Plagued by major stage fright and deep insecurities, she spent years working on her craft, but rarely sharing it. For 15 years she played

guitar and wrote music, studied poetry, and even played with a couple local bands. However, privacy and fear took priority over her love for making and sharing music. Finally, she found herself writing songs that compelled her to look deeper into the worth of these fears, and driven by her own music and the numerous artists who had influenced and inspired her, she started performing around Richland. She's now branching out and doing shows around the Pacific Northwest. Ear To The Ground music blog calls Talena "a contemplative

singer/songwriter with a command of the acoustic guitar. Her lyrics are often poetic and thoughtful." Her web site is [www.talenabricker.com](http://www.talenabricker.com) and she is also on facebook, twitter, Spotify, Pandora and Bandcamp. Come early to sign up for the open mic. The coffeehouse is held at All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1312 Kimball Ave., Richland (go around to the lower parking lot in back). Suggested donations are \$8 general admission or \$6 teens and seniors at the door.



## Concert

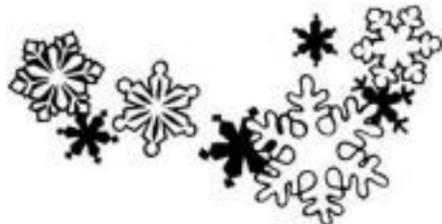
Concert, continued from page 1 songs with children and adults in a project funded by the Mid-Atlantic Arts Foundation, which later culminated in the 200-page book, "Patchwork Dreams." Muller and Webb taught music for several years in the rural coalfields through Clay Community Arts. In 2005, they co-founded the Music Mentors after-school program for at-risk, inner-city children in Charleston, WV that continues today. Muller and Webb now live in Joseph, OR, where they continue to make their living performing, touring, teaching, recording, and hosting the summer music camp, "Dulcimer Week in the Wallowas." For more information, please visit [www.heidimuller.com](http://www.heidimuller.com) or email the artists at [heidimuller.music@gmail.com](mailto:heidimuller.music@gmail.com).

This performance will be held at the Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., in Pasco. Tickets are \$14 general admission and \$12 for 3RFS members, in advance at The Bookworm and Octopus Garden, or at the door.

## Tumbleweed Leadership Change

After several years of fine service, Gene Carbaugh has passed on the mantle of Tumbleweed Music Festival Coordinator to David Carson. David has attended and volunteered at Tumbleweed and been involved with 3RFS for many years. He's hoping the learning curve for the position won't be too steep!

You can reach David at: [davidcarson14@gmail.com](mailto:davidcarson14@gmail.com); if your message is Tumbleweed-related, please put "TMF" somewhere in the subject line.



## Give the Gift of Dancing

It's not too late to purchase a Contra Dance Punch card for our 2019 contra dance season. This would make a great Christmas gift for the dancer in your life! A punch card of 6 dances for the price of 5 costs \$40 for General Admission, while the Senior/Student card is \$25. Email Terri at [twidgal@gmail.com](mailto:twidgal@gmail.com) or call her at 509 308-7420 to place your order. There is no expiration date on the card and it can be used at all dances with the exception of Tumbleweed. Card must be presented at each dance and the card can be used for multiple dancers.

We look forward to seeing you on SATURDAY, January 26 at 7:30 PM for our first dance of 2019. We will be dancing in a NEW location at Trinity Church's gymnasium located at 1007 Wright Ave., in Richland. There will be a Newcomer's Lesson beginning at 7:00 PM. We hope you'll join us! Admission is \$8.00 for general admission and \$5 for seniors and students. Here are our confirmed Saturday dances for the upcoming 2019 season. January 26, February 23, March 23, and April 27.

Summer Dance Series at Memorial Park co-sponsored by the City of Pasco: May 18, June 22, and July 20  
Back inside:  
TUMBLEWEED, Sunday, Sept 1 - Richland Community Center  
Last dance of season at Trinity Church, October 26

## Christ the King Celtic Fundraiser

Friday, 7 December, 8:00 PM

Saturday, 15 December, 12:00 Noon

After selling out previous concerts here the Celtic Christmas Concert will be a donation-only performance by the Irish trio Affinity and vocalist Howard Crosby, nephew of Bing Crosby. They

will present a blend of classic tunes and modern favorites, featuring a Celtic flare as well-known pop songs are done with new arrangements. The Donations will go to support Christ the King Church's Montessori preschool. Admission is by donation at the door for both concerts.

## Chanteys or Shanties at SSSSS?

Saturday, 8 December, 7:00 PM

"You say shanties, and I say chanteys..." However you spell it, sea songs are made for singing along. The term was derived from the French word "chanter," meaning "to sing."

Traditionally, these shipboard working songs helped make life aboard a sailing ship a little more bearable. But trust us, they're even more fun when you're not working, and just sitting around a pizza place with a bunch of friends and a non-grog beverage! We meet monthly at Round Table Pizza in Richland, on the corner of Torbett and George Washington Way. No experience necessary, and there's no charge except for the food and beverages.

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**Deadline for the January newsletter is December 15th.**

## First Friday Folkie Free-For-All

Friday, 7 December, 7:00 PM

First Friday Folkie Free-For-All is a song circle at the home of Micki Perry. In spite of the name, this is a fairly structured song circle with participants taking turns choosing a song for the group to sing.

We often choose songs out of "Rise Up Singing" or the new "Rise Again" songbooks or you can bring song sheets for songs not in those books. Bring an instrument if you play one and a snack or beverage to share.

Micki's home is at 1011 S. Dawes in Kennewick. Call 509 947-6735 for more information and directions.

## 3RFS Survey News Update

The database team is updating the database this month. The online survey will be sent out by email in the next few weeks. The survey will be sent out by regular mail to those contacts that don't have email. We all enjoy the concerts, dances, singalongs, and Tumbleweed, but it takes a village to make them happen for everyone's enjoyment. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey when you receive it and join in the support of 3RFS's ongoing good health and well-being.

Thank you, Jim Kelly  
3RFS President

## Everyone's Favorite Micki Cookie

With the holidays approaching, here is the much-requested recipe for Micki Perry's easy graham toffee cookies that are so popular at 3RFS concerts.

1 cup butter or margarine  
1/2 cup sugar (white or brown)  
1 1/2 packets of graham crackers

## Local Folk Events

### December

<b>1</b>	Heidi Muller and Bob Webb Concert	7:30 PM Sat	CUUC Pasco
<b>7</b>	First Friday Folkie Free-For All	7:30 PM Fri	Micki Perry's Kennewick
<b>7</b>	Celtic Christmas Concert	8:00 PM Fri	Christ the King Richland
<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>	Talena Bricker Coffeeshouse	7:30 PM Fri	All Saint's Richland
<b>15</b>	Celtic Christmas Concert	12 Noon Sat	Christ the King Richland
<b>16</b>	Mark O'Connor and Friends	7:00 PM Sun	Toyota Center, Kennewick

### January

<b>4</b>	First Friday Folkie Free-For All	7:30 PM Fri	Micki Perry's Kennewick
<b>11</b>	Coffeeshouse	7:30 PM Fri	All Saint's Richland
<b>12</b>	2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong	7:00 PM Sat	Round Table Pizza Richland
<b>14</b>	3RFS Board Meeting	7:00 PM Mon	Gene Carbaugh's Richland
<b>19</b>	Evan Egerer Concert	7:30 PM Sat	CUUC Pasco
<b>26</b>	Contra Dance	7:00 PM Sat	Trinity Church Richland

All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland  
Christ the King = Christ the King Catholic Church, 1111 Stevens Dr., Richland  
CUUC = Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., Pasco  
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  
Trinity Church = Trinity Church of Tri-Cities, 1007 Wright Ave., Richland

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1/4 cup chopped nuts (your choice)  
Preheat oven to 350 degrees.  
Melt butter or margarine (I use half of each) in a saucepan on top of stove. When melted, add sugar. Bring to a boil and boil for 3 minutes.

Meanwhile line a rimmed cookie sheet with foil and lay quarters of graham crackers side by side to fill the pan. Crackers break in half easily but to make quarters it is best to saw

with a serrated knife.

Finally chop nuts. When butter and sugar mixture has boiled for 3 minutes, pour mixture all over the crackers, then sprinkle on nuts. Place sheet in heated oven for about 5 minutes until bubbly. Take out and cool until they are set up (about 5 minutes.) Break apart and serve or put in a tin.