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- Tumbleweed Music Festival
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- Membership
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- Fund raising
- Coffeeshouses
- Song circles

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# Folk Talk

A Newsletter for Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Folk

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## Badger Mountain Dry Band Benefits 3RFS!

Saturday, 18 January, 7:30 PM

Our local progressive bluegrass band, Badger Mountain Dry Band, will perform a benefit concert in January for the 24th annual Tumbleweed Music Festival. Badger Mountain Dry Band has been playing their own brand of progressive bluegrass music in the Pacific Northwest for over 25 years. Their repertoire is eclectic and ranges from bluegrass and country music standards, original and traditional gospel music, big band and swing tunes to innovative renditions of 60's rock and roll and Beatles songs. For them, any song they choose is fair game, as long as they play it on traditional bluegrass instruments: banjo, mandolin, guitars, dobro, and bass, with occasionally a fiddle thrown in for good measure.

Jim Honeyman, who sings high tenor and plays mandolin and John April who does vocals, writes original gospel songs and plays banjo,

guitar and dobro, are the original founders of the band, whose membership has varied widely over the past 27 years. John is currently out of the country and Dennis Miller is filling in for him during his absence. The current line-up also includes Shawn Hughes on guitar, mandolin and fiddle, Mike Zerbo on stand-up and electric bass, and Curt Fields on vocals and guitar. Their influences include the Grateful Dead, CSNY, Janis Joplin, Alison Krauss, Bill Monroe, the Stanley Brothers, Billie Holiday, Beatles and Del Shannon,

They have released two CD projects; "The Badger Mountain Dry Band," and "Stayin' Dry." Both albums feature the 2005 Walnut Valley flatpick guitar champion, Joe Smart. Joe is now playing with the Grammy-nominated "O'Conner Family Bluegrass Band, with Mark O'Conner."

The Badger Mountain Dry Band is returning to the 2020 ABC3 Appalachian, Bluegrass, Celtic, Cowboy, and

Cavalry Music Festival. It's held annually at the Galway Bay Irish Pub in Ocean Shores, WA. This year the Festival runs from Friday, January 31 through Sunday, February 2. Stay tuned for upcoming schedule information at <https://www.galway-bayirishpub.com/>.

The Badger Mountain Dry Band are also regular performers at Emerald of Siam Restaurant, and have been featured performers at the Sacajawea Bluegrass Festival. This will not be their first benefit concert for our Tumbleweed Music Festival as they have always been strong supporters of the festival. They don't have a web site, but you can follow them on Facebook @badgermountainbluegrass.

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

## Kay Miracle at Coffeehouse

Friday, 10 January, 7:30 PM

This month the featured performer at the Coffeehouse will be New York singer/songwriter Kay Miracle, who has been performing at Tumbleweed for the past couple of years. Kay grew up in Eastern Washington. Her grandfather, Claude Wood, who played stand-up bass with Hank Williams and Doris Day, gave Kay her first guitar. Kay and her sister Kim traveled around the West Coast in their

teen years, performing as the Miracle Sisters. Kay's talent and beauty earned her the title of Miss Washington and a music scholarship to Washington State University. After college Kay played USO military tours for 7 years before joining a Syracuse-based band and moving to Central New York. As the lead singer, rhythm guitar player and songwriter for the alternative country band "Reckless Driving" she earned numerous awards. She currently performs solo and with her

bands "Kay and the Miracle Cure" and "Ghost Town Ramblers." She also appears regularly at TeXchrome Radio's "Women Helping Women" and American Cancer Society "Relay for Life" events. She has racked up many songwriting awards including 3rd place at our own Tumbleweed Music Festival's Jane Titland Memorial Songwriting Contest, where she has been a finalist for the past 3 years. Because her mother and **Continued on Page 2. See Coffeehouse.**

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**Coffeehouse, Continued from page 1**  
sister live in Benton City, she is back in our neck of the woods and excited to be playing at the Three Rivers Coffeehouse and to share her original songs and her vast repertoire of country rock, folk roots and bluegrass music. She does not have a web site but can be found on Facebook and Reverbnation.

The evening will start with an open mic session. Come early to sign up if you also want to perform, as slots are limited. 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 for general admission or \$6 for teens and seniors at the door.

## Renew Your Membership Now!

All 3RFS memberships expire in January 2020 unless paid up during or after Tumbleweed in September, in which case they are good for all of 2020. 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.

## Second Saturday Sea Song Singalong

Saturday, 11 January, 7:00 PM

New year, old songs, meeting new friends. Join us as the Second Saturday Sea Song Singalong meets monthly (on the second Saturday of every month!) to enjoy music and good company.

The place is Round Table Pizza in Richland, on the corner of George Washington Way and Torbett St. The time is around 7:00 PM and there is no cost except for the food and beverages. See you there!

## 2019 Tumbleweed Pix Online Now!

Hello, all. Last year, I talked with a young artist/photographer named Justin Hawkes about photographing Tumbleweed - he did so at the 2019 festival. Here is the link to view the photos

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1yn0xTK6mYpZ5ee5iOAEAif3Lt-felwgj>

There are 250 gorgeous pictures there (including a couple of his son, who also helped and took pix!), and I'm going to start sharing them on our socials soon. I'll be using the hashtag #TMF2019rewind for them - if you post any yourself, please use the same.

David Carson  
Festival Coordinator 2020

## Upcoming Concerts Through Spring

Here are some more of the 3RFS concerts planned for now through this Spring:

- February 15 - Tim Hall concert
- March 21 - Dan Maher Tumbleweed Benefit Concert
- April 18 - Hank Cramer & Harmony Ridge Tumbleweed Benefit Concert
- May 16 - 3RFS Annual Meeting; Performers to be announced.

All of our concerts are held at the Community Unitarian Universalist Church, at 2819 W. Sylvester St., in Pasco. Some are benefit concerts for our Tumbleweed Music Festival. Our thanks go out to all the performers willing to support the festival with their time and talents and to you, the audience members who support the artists with your attendance and purchases. Thanks also to all the volunteers who make the concerts possible as a labor of love.

## Tumbleweed 2020 News Update

Meeting-Tuesday, 21 January, 6:30 PM

Performer applications for the 2020 Tumbleweed Music Festival are live online! The forms (revised for 2020) are available on the Tumbleweed websites: [www.3rfs.org/tmf.htm](http://www.3rfs.org/tmf.htm), and at [www.tumbleweedfest.com](http://www.tumbleweedfest.com).

Also available on our websites (as reported previously) are the Logo contest information sheet, and the Jane Titland Memorial Songwriting Contest application. Both of these Focus on the 2020 theme, "Wind." If you have ideas for either or both the logo and the songwriting contest, please send in your entries!

Additionally, we are still on the lookout for people to join the planning committee and pick up some of the functions there, especially traditional PR (e.g., newspapers, magazines, radio, TV, etc.) and Volunteer coordinator. We really need you!

Join us for our next planning meeting on January 21st, 6:30 PM, in the Richland Community Center

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Deadline for the February newsletter is January 15th.

## Contra Dance Receives Grant!

It was with great joy our contra dance program received a \$1,000 grant award from the Three Rivers Community Foundation (3RCF) at a lovely awards ceremony on Thursday, December 12. We are grateful for what 3RCF does for the community through their programs! If you would like to learn more about this amazing organization, their website is [www.3rcf.org](http://www.3rcf.org). The grant will be used to fund three FREE beginner's dance workshops on February 1, March 7 and April 4, all beginning at 1:00 PM. We've already lined up the callers for the workshops and they all have years of experience and knowledge to share. At 3:00 PM we will have a 2nd, more advanced workshop that will build on the skills learned at the beginner's workshop. Following the workshops we will have a potluck dinner at Trinity House Gym, prior to the dance itself. The location for the workshops is in the works. Please visit the Three Rivers Folklife Society's website at [www.3rfs.org](http://www.3rfs.org), or our Three Rivers Contra Dance Facebook page for updated information. Contra is a high energy, fun dance where families and beginners are welcome and no partner is needed.

REMINDER Our contra dances will now be held the first Saturday of each month!

Our first dance of 2020 is Saturday, January 4, 2020, at the Trinity House Gymnasium, 1007 Wright Ave., in Richland. Dance begins at 7:00 PM with a Newcomer's lesson. Our local band, One More Tune will be playing and our caller will be Dan Clark.. Admission is \$8 for Adults, \$5 for students and folks over 62. Kids 12 and under are free.

We will again be offering our dance punch cards. This card gets you 6 dances for the price of 5, has no expiration, and can be used for multiple people. The cost is \$40 for General Admission; \$25 for students and folks over 62. Cards must be presented at time of use. We'll have them available at the ticket table Saturday night.

## Local Folk Events

### January

- |    |   |              |                            |
|----|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| 3  | First Friday Folkie Free-For All                    | 7:30 PM Fri  | Micki Perry's Kennewick    |
| 4  | Contra Dance  | 7:00 PM Sat  | Trinity House Richland     |
| 10 | Kay Miracle Coffeehouse                             | 7:30 PM Fri  | All Saint's Richland       |
| 11 | 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong                     | 7:00 PM Sat  | Round Table Pizza Richland |
| 13 | 3RFS Board Meeting                                  | 7:00 PM Mon  | Gene Carbaugh's Richland   |
| 18 | Badger Mountain Dry Band Concert Tumbleweed Benefit | 7:30 PM Sat  | CUUC Pasco                 |
| 21 | Tumbleweed 2020 Planning Meeting                    | 6:30 PM Tues | Richland Community Center  |

### February

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|----|----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| 1  | Contra Dance                     | 7:00 PM Sat  | Trinity House Richland      |
| 7  | First Friday Folkie Free-For-All | 7:30 PM Fri  | Micki Perry's Kennewick     |
| 8  | 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong  | 7:00 PM Sat  | Round Table Pizza, Richland |
| 14 | Talena Bricker Coffeehouse       | 7:30 PM Fri  | All Saint's Richland        |
| 10 | 3RFS Board Meeting               | 7:00 PM Mon  | Gene Carbaugh's Richland    |
| 15 | Tim Hall Concert                 | 7:30 PM Sat  | CUUC Pasco                  |
| 18 | Tumbleweed 2020 Planning Meeting | 6:30 PM Tues | Richland Community Center   |

All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland  
Gene Carbaugh's = 803 Birch St., Richland  
CUUC = Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., Pasco  
Micki Perry's = 1011 S. Dawes St., Kennewick  
Richland Community Center = 500 Amon Park Dr., Wellness Room  
Round Table Pizza = Corner of George Washington Way and Torbett St., Richland  
Trinity House = Trinity House of Tri-Cities, 1007 Wright Ave., Richland

For information, call 509 947-6735

## Next Festival Planning Meeting



January 21, 6:30PM

Richland Community Center

