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2020 Election Will Be by Mail

Due to the restrictions in place with the COVID-19 virus, the 3RFS Board of Directors has determined that this year's election of officers will be done by mail. A slate of nominees has been proposed with the option available for write-in candidates for each position. Those eligible to vote are members in good standing as of May 15, 2020, so there is still time to renew or become a member. Ballots will be sent out by US Postal Service mail to member addresses with a pre-addressed return envelope. Ballots must be received by June 1, 2020.

The 2020 Slate of Officers-
Gene Carbaugh – President: Gene has been 3RFS Treasurer and coordinator of TMF. Gene served on the board of Richland Light Opera Company and was business manager for many years.
Nancy Ostergaard, – Vice President (incumbent): Nancy is the volunteer coordinator for 3RFS; She has served in various roles for a number of years.
Frank Cuta – Secretary (incumbent): Frank has been active in 3RFS and has served in various positions for many years. He provides sound at concerts and at TMF. He serves on the Tumbleweed planning committee.
Steve Ghan – Treasurer: Steve Ghan wants to give back for the years of music and dancing enjoyment that 3RFS has given to him. In his retirement, he volunteers with Citizens Climate Lobby, the Pacific Crest Trail Association, and Habitat for Humanity.
Jim Honeyman – Member at Large (incumbent): Jim plays guitar and mandolin, and is a co-founder of the Badger Mountain Dry Band. Jim was a charter board member of the 3RFS.

Bob Lewis – Member at Large (incumbent): Bob is a member of the Computer Science faculty at WSU Tri-Cities. He is a big folk music fan and also manages the 3RFS membership database.

Micki Perry – Member at large (incumbent): A founding member of 3RFS, Micki Perry has been the booking agent for 3RFS for the past 30+ years and she hosts the First Friday Folkie Free-For-All.

Terri Widergren – Member at Large (incumbent): Terri and her family moved to the Tri-Cities 2001. Terri boards horses in Rancho Reata. Terri has been the driving force behind the 3RFS Contra dance program.

Still Ain't Goin' Nowhere!

Even though our governor's stay-at-home order went through May 4th, it looks like we'll have a long, gradual process of getting back to more normal business and social interactions. This past month our Tri-City community was hard hit by the Covid-19 virus. Much as we would love to go back to business as usual, because our constituency is mostly in the vulnerable 60+ age range, it is especially important that we stay safe to stay healthy. We have suspended all 3RFS events indefinitely until we can get together safely. No contra workshops or dance, singalongs, coffeeshop or concerts will be happening this month. April meetings were held by Zoom, and we anticipate the same in May, along with our required annual meeting by Zoom on May 15.

In case you have been wondering, we have postponed our planned

Tumbleweed benefit concerts with Dan Maher and Hank Cramer. We may be able to reschedule them later this summer. We may put out another newsletter before August if we have something to announce. Check our Facebook pages for Tumbleweed and 3RFS and our 3RFS.org and tumbleweedfest.org websites for further developments. Meanwhile, stay safe, stay healthy, stay sane and stay home! Wash your hands!

Tumbleweed Update (Please Read!)

2020's Tumbleweed Music Festival, scheduled for September 4, 5, & 6, is still on (at this point!) As of 18 April, we've received 58 performer applications and 17 songwriting contest entries, and are beginning to accept electronic versions of applications for each. So, for right now, don't plan to be anywhere else other than Howard Amon park on Labor Day!

If you'd like to help us out on the Planning committee (especially along the lines of PR, Volunteers, and Social Media), please drop a line to davidmcarson14@gmail.com.

The May Tumbleweed planning meeting will be via Zoom, at 6:30PM on Tuesday, May 19. If you would like to attend or need instruction for Zoom, please send an email to davidmcarson14@gmail.com

To join the meeting, type <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/> into your browser. The Zoom app will be installed and started. Select Join a Meeting, and sign in with the meeting ID and password. Click on Join. Enter your name. Check the controls at the bottom of the screen to ensure that mute and video are set as you wish.