



Three Rivers Folklife Society

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Help us promote **3RFS** events! Post the enclosed flyer where the most people will see it.

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Local Folk Events

November

- 9** Jill Cohn Coffeehouse 7:30 PM Fri All Saints'
- 10** 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong 7:00 PM Sat Round Table Pizza, Richland
- 11** David Parnley and Continental Divide concert 7:00 pm Sun Quinault Baptist Church
- 12** 3RFS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Mon BPABC
- 16** Small Potatoes Concert 7:30 PM Fri KHG
- 24** Contra Dance 7:30 PM Sat KHG
- 25** Last Sunday Singalong 2:00 PM Sun Round Table Pizza, Richland
- 27** CBC Choral Concert 8:00 PM Tues CBC
- 29** CBC Jazz Concert 8:00 PM Thurs CBC

December

- 1** Constellation's Crew Concert 7:30 PM Sat Battelle
- 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'
- 31** First Night Tri-Cities 6:30 PM-midnight CBC Campus. Pasco

All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland
Battelle = Battelle Auditorium, Battelle Blvd., Richland
BPABC = Battelle Performing Arts Business Center, 716 Jadin Ave., Richland
KHG = Kennewick Highlands Grange, 15th and Union
Quinault Baptist Church = 5400 W. Canal Dr., Kennewick
Round Table Pizza = 245 Torbett, Richland, 946-0667

For information, call 509 528-2215



Folk Talk

A Newsletter for Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Folk

November 2007

Nothing Small About Small Potatoes! Let's Eat!

Friday, 16 November, 7:30 PM

Small Potatoes, the Chicago-based folk duo of Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso, say it has taken them years of "careful indecision" to develop a repertoire they describe as "Celtic to cowboy." Superb musicianship and showmanship, award-winning songwriting, and a strong sense of tradition has made them, as Dirty Linen Magazine said, "one of the most polished, inventive, and entertaining shows on the circuit."

When Small Potatoes performs, you hear two great voices, fine guitar playing, and a touch of tin whistle, mandolin, flute, bodhran, and other percussion toys. Together they present a truly rare blend of vocal and instrumental abilities, award-winning songwriting and arranging talents. They seem at home playing an upbeat cowboy swing

tune or a tender, traditional ballad-- though there are no rules here either, sometimes traditional sounds contemporary, and contemporary sounds traditional. They also pay attention to the little things, like the warmth, the humor and a rapport with the audience that makes for a memorable performance. Some tracks on "Waltz of the Wallflowers," such as Jacquie's one-of-a kind 1998 Kerrville New Folk winning title track, Rich's powerful "1000 Candles, 1000 Cranes," or their Celtic-flavored version of the Jefferson Airplane classic, "Lather" provide a more than ample illustration. Their new live CD, "Small Potatoes Alive!" also showcases their story-telling abilities and their easy manner with their audiences.

Now, if you love potato cuisine as much as acoustic music, you may want to check out The Small Potatoes Cookbook, a book of recipes, stories,

and fun spud facts collected from friends, family, fans and folk music folks. Like their music, this book runs the gamut from the simplest of "Common Taters" to complex and elegant recipes; from the Classic Potato Chip Sandwich to Provençal Potatoes in Parchment; from The Annual Dead Cats and Doily Party, to 13 Ways of Looking at a Potato; from Brúna_ar Kartöflur to Haluschia cuKolompede. With Father Maddon's Very Sinful Potatoes, Rumbledethumps and Kami- kazeHaiku, how can you go wrong?

You can catch Small Potatoes at the Kennewick Highlands Grange, 15th and Union. Tickets are \$11 general/\$9 seniors and students in advance at Bookworm stores, Battelle Performing Arts Business Center and Octopus' Garden. \$1 more at the door. \$3 discount for 3RFS members

See page 2 for Small Potatoes Potluck info.

Jill Cohn, Full-time Talent from Local Roots

Friday, 9 November, 7:30 PM

Songs by Seattle-based singer, songwriter, pianist and guitarist, Jill Cohn, pay homage to artists like Sarah McLachlan, Joni Mitchell, and the Counting Crows. Her tunes range from her own personal reflections to musical contemplations of domestic violence and vanishing rain forests.

Raised here in the Tri-Cities, Jill began singing before she started talking, and music has always been an integral part of her journey. A full-time musician since 1996, Jill has released six critically-acclaimed independent releases. The "Window to the Wise" tour brought

Cohn full circle on many personal fronts. "Seven Year Surrender" takes a deeper look at the actual purpose of why certain situations persist, and how seeking their remedy unfolds a person in new ways.

Jill's performances encompass a wide spectrum of venues and charitable events, ranging from coffee houses in rural towns to her most moving appearance to date, in Seattle's Volunteer Park, where she performed her song "Instead of the Innocent" before 8,000 people. Jill was also an opener for the Girls Room tour, a top-five finalist in the Lilith Fair Talent Search and has opened concerts for many national

artists, including; Jewel, Stacey Earle, Loudon Wainwright III, and Dave Matthews. You may also have heard her songs "Calm" and "Do or Die" on Dawson's Creek. "Calm" and "The Truth" were included on Sony Pictures release, Party of Five, Season 2, DVD.

The Coffeehouse begins with the open mic at 7:30. Come early or call Alan if you want a slot, we sometimes fill up. The Coffeehouse location is All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland. Suggested donation, at the door, is \$8 general/\$6 senior and students. For more information contact Alan Page at 943-5662.

Small Potatoes Potluck-Big Flavor!

Friday, 16 November, 6:30 PM

Want to get into the "Small Potatoes" mood early? Come to the pre-concert Small Potatoes Potato Potluck at the Kennewick Highlands Grange. Bring a potato dish of some sort, along with the recipe. It could win a spot in the next Small Potatoes cookbook!

Jacque and Rich will be judging the spud cuisine and there will be prizes in various categories. This potluck has become a 3RFS tradition in conjunction with the Small Potatoes Concerts for the last 10 years.

So, bring your best bakers, russets, or baby reds to impress the musical potato experts. Paper products, cutlery, etc. will be provided.

What's A MCTAMA? (A Friend of 3RFS)

The Mid-Columbia Traditional Arts and Music Association (MCTAMA) is a local, non-profit service club. Their mission meshes with that of Three Rivers Folklife Society, and we like to support each other. MCTAMA co-hosted the Robin and Linda Williams concert last year, and for several years they have hosted the popular Open Mic stage at our Tumbleweed Music Festival -- Thanks, MCTAMA!

MCTAMA supports all types of art, music, education and cultural events. Right now they have two active sub-groups: one for bluegrass/old-time music and a second for Dutch oven cooking. They sponsor two annual events at Sacajawea State Park: the Sacajawea Bluegrass Festival in June and the Heritage Days celebration in the fall. How they manage to produce two major festivals in the space of three months is a mystery, but they do it well!

MCTAMA hosts a family-oriented acoustic jam on Tuesday evenings at

the Quinault Baptist Church at 5400 W. Canal Drive in Kennewick, near the corner of Edison and Canal. The jams are from 7-9 pm on Tuesdays. All musical genres are OK so long as the instruments are acoustic, though they lean towards bluegrass, old time, and a bit of country.

We encourage you to join and support this organization that contributes so much to our community. For more information call 509 366-7995 or visit MCTAMA.org

Watch for Change of Venues in '08

Due to the remodeling efforts at the Kennewick Highlands Grange in the coming months, Three Rivers Folklife Society board had to search out a new venue for concerts and contra dances. For next year we will be using the Kennewick Senior Center for most concerts and all of our contra dances.

Thanks go out to all who offered suggestions for alternate venues and especially to the efforts of Cindy Rakowski and John and Micki Perry for their persistence in exploring the possibilities. Special thanks go to the City of Kennewick for their cooperation and for coming through with an excellent alternative venue at a reasonable cost.

CBC Features Young Musicians

Columbia Basin College's choral and orchestra concert is Tuesday, Nov. 27, at 8:00 pm. It features the Concert and Chamber Choirs under the direction of Dave Cazier, and the CBC Orchestra, conducted by D. Robert Burroughs.

Jazz Night is Thursday, Nov. 29, at 8:00 pm, with the Jazz Band, FreeForm, and Desertones, led by Randy Hubb and Dave Cazier. For information go to <http://www.columbiabasin.edu> or call 509 547-0511.

MCTAMA Presents Award-Winning Bluegrass

Sunday, 11 Nov., 7:00 PM

Mid-Columbia Traditional Arts & Music Association proudly presents award-winning David Parmley and Continental Divide. They are the current winners of the International Bluegrass Music Association's "Emerging Artist of the Year" award.

The band includes David Parmley, on vocals and guitar, Randy Graham on vocals and mandolin, Dale Perry on vocals and banjo, Jimmy Cameron on vocals and bass, and Billy Hurt Jr. on fiddle.

The group will perform at Quinault Baptist Church, 5400 Canal Drive, in Kennewick. Tickets are \$12 general, and \$10 for MCTAMA members. For more information, call 509 492-1555.

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Deadline for the December newsletter is November 7.

Out of Town

November

3-4 Spokane Folklore Society Festival, Sat-Sun, Spokane Community College
<http://www.spokanefolklore.org> or 509-747-2640.

10 Yakima Contra Dance, 7:30 PM Sat, Broadway Grange, 9th and Washington, Yakima

17 Walla Walla Contra Dance Sat, 7:00 PM-instruction, 7:30-dance. Stateline Grange

Give Thanks with Growling Music

Saturday, 24 November, 7:30 PM

Thanksgiving is about gathering with family and friends. Our dance on Thanksgiving weekend is all about that too. Although the members of the band Growling Old Women come from all around the Inland Empire, we are happy to claim them for the Tri-Cities' own. The band features Edna Whitney on fiddle and their music is always a delight.

Mark Lewis will be the caller. Hailing from LaGrande, Oregon. He is a frequent visitor to our town, both as a dancer and as a caller. Don't let his low-key style fool you - there is always a good time on the dance floor with Mark leading the steps. It's a great chance to introduce out-of-town visitors and in-town friends to the joys of contra.

All dances will be taught - no experience necessary. Bring friends, family, and snacks to share at the Kennewick Highlands Grange, at 15th and Union. Admission at the door is \$8 gen./\$5 seniors and teens. Kids under 12 are free. 3RFS members get a \$1 discount.

Yes! I want to help the 2008 Tumbleweed Music Festival succeed!

I would like to be a: Patron, \$50.00
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2008 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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 Demonstrating folk arts Membership Contra dances
 Tumbleweed Music Festival Other _____

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Turkey Songs Circle

Sunday, 25 November, 2:00 pm

At Last Sunday Singalongs the choice of music is unlimited. Come sing along! Bring friends, copies of your favorite songs, the "Rise Up Singing" songbook (we sell'em if you need'em), guitars, washtub bass, autoharps, harmonicas, spoons, enthusiasm, and whatever voice you have. See you at Richland's Round Table pizza.

Sea Songs Sail On

Saturday, 10 November, 7:00 PM

Looking for the greatest people on earth (land or sea)? Then sail into the Richland Roundtable Pizza for the Second Saturday Sea Song Singalong. You can eat, drink and be merry for a reasonable price - no singing experience required. Be prepared for a rollicking good time! (We haven't been kicked out yet!)