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## Tumbleweed Applications Available Now

Applications for performers and the songwriting contest are now available online! The due date for both is May 18, so don't dawdle. You can download the applications via the 3RFS.org website, or via Tumbleweed music festival's brand-new website - <http://www.tumbleweedfest.com>. Applications for food vendors are

also available. Craft vendor applications will be available soon. The new website is loaded with photos, videos, history, and information. Check it out, then share it with your friends! Do you want to help steer the 2012 Tumbleweed Music Festival in the right direction? Our next planning meeting is Thursday, April 26, 7:00-

8:30 pm, at a location yet to be determined. For more information, you can contact Jim at [colemanjh@aol.com](mailto:colemanjh@aol.com) or 943-6260. Be sure to mark the festival dates on your calendar in permanent ink: August 31 - September 2.



# Folk Talk

A Newsletter for Columbia, Snake, and Yakima River Folk

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## Joe Jencks Brings Brother Sun Trio to 3RFS

Saturday, 21 April, 7:30 PM

Pat Wictor, Greg Greenway, and Joe Jencks have formed a dynamic new trio, Brother Sun. Their harmonies, as much as their lyrics, tell what they are about: warm as a campfire, stirring as a gospel church, rousing as a call to arms. Calling upon contemporary songwriting, and informed by the deep roots of gospel, blues, and folk, the trio weaves a tapestry of harmony that is brilliantly fresh and yet familiar.

Nationally touring folk artists from three major points on the map - Boston, New York, and Chicago - Pat, Greg, and Joe celebrate the amazing power of singing together. Their combined musical skills will make for an unforgettable evening - three rich voices blending on a well-crafted foundation of guitar, slide guitar, and piano.

Pat Wictor is an innovative slide guitarist known for doing fresh and memorable versions of traditional and contemporary songs. He has become a well-regarded singer and songwriter, writing material ground-

ed in the rural country, gospel, and blues traditions of our nation. An American by birth, Pat was raised in Venezuela, Holland, Norway, and England. This time abroad gave him an unusually deep awareness of being a resident of a country while also a world citizen. Through these early experiences, he gained an appreciation for taking different paths to arrive at the same destination. Indeed, Pat took a convoluted path to folk music, winding his way through rock, heavy metal, and jazz.

Greg Greenway is expert instrumentalist, a soulful and moving singer, a powerful poet, and sparkling entertainer. Originally from Richmond, VA, he moved to Boston for its rich music tradition and has become one of its superlative emissaries. Musically, he draws inspiration from all over the map--gospel, rock, blues, jazz, and world music. But his center is in the singer/songwriter tradition that traces its roots all the way back to the social awareness of Woody Guthrie. It all comes through the singular lens of

Greg's humanity and his easy affinity for the audience.

Joe Jencks is an international touring performer, songwriter, entertainer, and educator, based in Chicago. From venues like Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center in New York, to coffeehouses, festivals, spiritual communities, and schools, Joe has spent the last 12 years touring full time. His songs have traveled to every continent via his own performances, radio, CDs, web casts, and other musicians. He is noted for his unique merging of musical beauty, social consciousness, and spiritual exploration. Joe weaves a diverse web of stories with brilliant musical skill, ensnaring even the most rigid of hearts, inviting them to open.

Brother Sun will perform at the Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., Pasco. Tickets are \$16 general admission/\$14 seniors/students if purchased in advance at Bookworm stores and Octopus' Garden and are \$1 more at the door. Three Rivers Folklife Society members receive a \$3 discount.

## Jeff Knoch Loves Performing for Us!

Friday, 13 April, 7:30 PM

When asked what he would have you know about himself, Jeff says, "Yeah, I'm the one who sings the "butt" song." He says it's a love song he wrote for his wife, but... "Tell them I play guitar and sing." Seriously, he really does play guitar and sings. In fact, he started playing and singing at age 13 and never stopped.

"Tell them that I love it." Audience

members can tell when a performer is just going through the paces. Jeff engages the audience, bringing them with him on this, his latest roller coaster ride of ballads and wacky tunes.

"Tell them I'm a showman." Jeff has a way of making every performance an unforgettable experience for each audience member. They never know what's coming next! Seeing him in concert is definitely an experience you won't want to miss. His

vocal range and style instantly endear him to any listener, while his wit and humor keep you smiling and laughing.

There will be an open mic session to start off the evening. Come early to sign up, if you want to perform. 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 general/\$6 teens and seniors at the door.

## Bluegrass King

Thursday, 5 April, 7:00 PM

Bluegrass legend James King and the James King Band will play at the Pasco Christian Church, 15th & Marie. James King has played with the likes of Dr. Ralph Stanley and is currently a member of the Bluegrass supergroup "Longview." The group was named emerging artists of the year by the International Bluegrass Music Association in 1997. King released "30 Years of Farming" in 2002. The album featured the James King Band as supporting instrumentalists, with a potent blend of classic bluegrass, hard core country and contemporary song craft.

The opening act for the concert will be J.D. Webb and the Downstate Ramblers of Baker, Oregon. Our friends at the Mid-Columbia Traditional Arts and Music Association (MCTAMA) are sponsoring this concert. For more information, call 509 492-1555 or go to [www.mctama.org](http://www.mctama.org).

## Open Mics and Jams Abound

Whether you spell it "mic" or "mike," there are plenty of places for amateur musicians to share their talent in the Tri-Cities.

MCTAMA hosts several acoustic jams -Tuesdays (1st, 2nd, and 3rd of each month) -- 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Quinault Ave. Baptist Church, Kennewick, by Tri-City Court Club, Canal & Edison. -3rd Tuesday of every month - 6:30 - 9:00 pm at Richland Gardens Assisted Living on Gage, near the fire station across from the LDS Temple, - 1st Thursday every month -- blue grass jam at Pasco First Christian Church from 7:00 - 9:00 pm.

The local chapter of Washington Old Time Fiddlers hosts an open mic and jam the 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 - 10:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus hall in Richland just off the Bypass Highway. Mostly bluegrass and

old time. All ages are welcome.

An over-21 open mic happens each Tuesday at the Tahitian Room, 342 Jadwin Ave., Richland, 9:00 - midnight.

The Cafe in Hastings book store on George Washington Way in Richland hosts an Irish and old time acoustic jam Wednesdays from 7:00-10:00 pm.

Duncan Pryce coordinates an open mic at Dax's Tavern on Lee Blvd., in Richland, Thursdays from 7:00-11:00 pm. You need to be able to plug in your instrument, and must be at least 21.

Ruben Gonzales leads an open mic/ karaoke session at Ty's Tavern on Van Giesen in West Richland, Thursdays from 8:00 pm till closing. All ages are welcome from 8:00 - 9:00; after that you must be at least 21. This is a great "first live experience" venue, and Ruben will let you play his guitar if yours doesn't plug in.

Every Friday, Cool Beans hosts an all-ages open mic from 7:00 pm till midnight. It helps if you can plug in your instrument or bring a mic for it. This is another good place to begin live performance. Cool Beans is in the same parking lot that houses the Dept. of Licensing on Clearwater Ave.

On Saturdays from 4:00 - 7:00 pm, there is an all-ages open mic at Phaddy Caddy coffee shop at 424 S. Washington St., in Kennewick.

On Facebook check "Open Mic in the Tri-Cities" for more information!

## Coffeehouse Hot Cross Buns

In many Christian countries, hot cross buns are traditionally eaten on Good Friday, with the cross standing as a symbol of the Crucifixion.

- 2 teaspoons active dry yeast
- 1/2 cup warm milk
- 1 tablespoon softened butter
- 1 egg
- 4 teaspoons sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/2 cups flour
- 2 tablespoons raisins
- 2 tablespoons dried currants

- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 egg yolk
- 1 tablespoon water

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- 1/4 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3/4 teaspoon milk

In a small mixing bowl, dissolve yeast in milk. Stir in butter, egg, sugar and salt. Combine 3/4 cup flour, raisins, currants, and cinnamon. Add to yeast mixture, mix well. Stir in enough remaining flour to form a soft dough. Turn onto a floured surface; knead until smooth and elastic, about 5 minutes. Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease top. Cover, let rise in a warm place until doubled, about 1 hour.

Punch dough down; shape into six balls. Place 2" apart on a baking sheet coated with nonstick cooking spray. Using a sharp knife, cut a cross on top of each bun. Cover and let rise until doubled, about 30 minutes.

Beat egg yolk and water; brush over buns. Bake at 375 degrees for 13-15 minutes or until golden brown. Cool on wire racks. Combine icing ingredients; pipe over buns to form crosses.

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**Deadline for the May newsletter is April 15th.**

## Out of Town

### April

**21** Walla Walla Contra Dance  
 7:30 PM, Sat., Unity Church of Peace, 810 "C" Street at the Walla Walla Regional Airport

### May

**4-6** Westwind Music and Dance  
 Weekend, Lincoln City, OR  
<http://westwindweekend.org>  
 541-342-1850

## Last Dance in April

Saturday, 28 April, 7:30 PM

Come out for our last contra dance of the 2012 season. We will be treated to the calling of Cindy Rakowski accompanied by the music of Out of the Wood. Cindy, our local favorite from the hills of Kennewick, is known for her smooth and flowing contras. Out of the Wood, actually from out of Idaho, features Kathy Bowman on fiddle, Vicki Marron on piano, and Pat Marron on a host of stringed instruments including mandolin, fiddle, and banjo. Their tastes range from Québécois to Irish and, as their motto states, "They make your feet happy." Guaranteed!

The dancing will begin at 7:30. This dance will be held at the First Lutheran Church in Kennewick, 418 N. Yelm Street. Go to [3rfs.org](http://3rfs.org) for a map. Cost at the door is \$8 general admission or \$6 seniors and teens. Kids under 12 are free. \$1 off for 3RFS members.

## Cowboy Gathering

Friday-Sunday, 13-15 April

This event features cowboy music and poetry in Kennewick at the Benton County Fairgrounds Events on Friday start at noon, Saturday at 9:00 am, Sunday Cowboy Church at 9:00 am breakfast starts at 7:00 am. Info go to <http://columbiarivercowboygathering.com> or call 509 851-4287.

## Local Folk Events

### April

- 5** James King Band Bluegrass Concert 7:00 PM -Thurs., Pasco Pasco Christian Church, 15th and Marie
- 6** First Friday Folkie Free-For-All 7:30 PM -Fri., Micki Perry's
- 9** 3RFS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Mon., Tim Riordan's
- 13** Jeff Knoch Coffeehouse 7:30 PM Fri., All Saints'
- 14** 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong 7:00 PM Sat., Round Table Pizza, Richland
- 21** Brother Sun Concert 7:30 PM Sat CUUC
- 26** Tumbleweed Music Festival Planning Meeting 7:00 PM Thurs., Richland Library
- 28** Contra Dance 7:30 PM Sat., First Lutheran

### May

- 4** First Friday Folkie Free-For-All 7:30 PM -Fri., Micki Perry's
- 5** The Cantrells Concert 7:30 PM Sat., CUUC
- 7** 3RFS Board Meeting 7:00 PM Mon., Tim Riordan's
- 12** 2nd Saturday Sea Song Singalong 7:00 PM Sat., Round Table Pizza, Richland
- 18** Tumbleweed Performer Applications Due
- 19** 3RFS Annual Meeting and Members' Concert with Laddie Ray Melvin 7:30 PM Sat., CUUC

All Saints' = All Saints' Episcopal Church, 1322 Kimball Ave., Richland  
 CUUC = Community Unitarian Universalist Church, 2819 W. Sylvester St., Pasco  
 First Lutheran = First Lutheran Church, 418 N. Yel m St., Kennewick  
 Micki Perry's = 1011 S. Dawes St., Kennewick  
 Richland Library = Richland Library, 955 Northgate Dr., at Goethals Dr. and Swift Blvd.  
 Round Table Pizza = Corner of George Washington Way and Torbett St., Richland  
 Tim Riordan's = 2353 Benton Ave., Richland

For information, call 509 528-2215

## Sea Songs or Taxes, You Decide!

Saturday, 14 April, 7:00 PM

Do you think that sailors worried about taxes this time of year? No way! they were thinking about when they'd get their next cup of grog! In past years you might be worrying about your taxes on the night of April 14, but not this year! They are due the 17th, so

you can blow off the evening of April 14 singing sea chanteys at Round Table Pizza in Richland, on the corner of Torbett and George Washington Way. On the second Saturday of each month you'll find friends who love to visit and sing sea songs together. No experience necessary, and there's no charge except for the food and beverages.