



# Black Hawk Folk Society

March-May 2026

[blackhawkfolk.org](http://blackhawkfolk.org)

- Mar 14**    **Foxfire Affair** (7:00 PM - Mountain View Community Center)
- Apr 11**    **Mustard's Retreat** (7:00 PM - Mt. View Community Center)
- May 9**     **Carriage House** (2:00 PM - Mt. Morris Town Park)

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## 2026 Line-up Is Top-notch!

Our booking volunteer, Tom, has done it again - lined up some amazingly talented performers for the 2026 Black Hawk Folk Society's Second Saturday Concert Series. Do it now - block off a few hours the second Saturday of the month for great music (and potlucks). Only \$10 at the door (18 & under free).

<b>7:00 PM Concert</b> <i>Mountain View Community Center</i>	<b>2:00 PM Concert</b> <i>Mt. Morris Town Park</i>
March 14	May 9
April 11	June 13
October 10	August 8
November 14	September 12
<b>Potluck dinner one hour prior to concerts.</b>	

## Holiday Gathering a Success

The tables were festively decorated. The potluck options were plentiful and tasty. The din from conversations was heartwarming. The talent from over 10 performers was enchanting. Laughter, applause, and joy filled the Mountain View Community Center this past December during the first annual BHFS Holiday Potluck and Open Mic. We had such great response that we're hoping to do this again next December.

## Jam with us at:

**Pickin' at the Post**  
**Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 PM**  
 Trading Post Bar & Grill, Hwy 152, Mt. Morris

**Strummin' at Starks & Luce**  
**3rd Saturdays (Oct-May)**  
**10:00 AM-Noon**  
 Coffee House & Bakehouse,  
 111 W. Main Street, Plainfield

**Black Hawk Folk Music Festival**  
*Mt. Morris Town Park*  
**July 11, 2026**

Join us for a full day of music, art, and togetherness in a spectacular setting! Spoiler: we have an incredible bluegrass band as a headliner!



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



**Foxfire Affair**  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 14 @ 7:00 PM**  
**(Potluck @ 6:00 PM)**  
*Mountain View Community Center*

These multi-instrumentalists, Daniel and Claire, bring so much talent to the stage your ears will think there's a full band performing! Via guitar, concertina, tenor banjo, accordion, vocals, and more, "foxfire affair" performs Irish traditional songs – just in time for St. Patrick's Day! They'll share sea shanties, American folk, bluegrass, and some originals.

<https://thefoxfireaffair.com/>



**MUSTARD'S RETREAT**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 11 @ 7:00 PM**  
**(Potluck @ 6:00 PM)**  
*Mountain View Community Center*

Mustard's Retreat, duo of Libby Glover and David Tamulevich, have been delighting audiences with tunes, tales, poems, and more, for fifty some years. "Music to cure what ails you" was how one reviewer in the 1970s described them, and that remains true today!

<https://www.mustardsretreat.com/>



**CARRIAGE HOUSE**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 9 @ 2:00 PM**  
**(Potluck @ 1:00 PM)**  
*Mt. Morris Town Park*

Carriage House is a husband and wife folk duo, Jeff and Jenna Kelly, from the driftless region of the Midwest. Ethereal melodies and heartfelt lyrics wrap you up and lull you into a meditative calm. Carriage House draws inspiration from other folk roots ensembles such as John Prine, Gillian Welch, The Milk Carton Kids, and Simon & Garfunkel. It's their first time visiting Mt. Morris, so let's give them a big BHFS welcome!

<https://www.youtube.com/>

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[www.facebook.com/BlackHawkFolk](https://www.facebook.com/BlackHawkFolk)

## Help Support Live Music in Waushara County!

If you enjoy the monthly concerts and annual festival and want them to continue, please consider a tax-deductible donation to Black Hawk Folk Society. All funds go directly to operation costs. Please print clearly.

### Become a Friend of Black Hawk Folk Society:

- Banjo** level (\$25)
- Mandolin** level (\$50)
- Fiddle** level (\$100)
- Guitar** level (\$200 or more)
- Season Co-sponsor** (\$250)
- Newsletter** donation (\$10)
- Sound Fund** donation

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \$** \_\_\_\_\_

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Bring this completed form, along with your contribution to any of our events, or mail to:

**Black Hawk Folk Society**  
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- Please send my newsletter via email only.

(Please make checks payable to **Black Hawk Folk Society**.)

*Thank you for your contribution!*

### 2025-2026 Co-sponsors

Susan Allen & Bruce Dethlefsen  
Jeff Anderson and Katie Lauritzen  
Behlen Family (memory of Jane Behlen)  
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The Dick Hansen Family  
Tim and Elizabeth Holz  
David and Diane Hughes  
Guy and Loretta Kaplan  
Vicki Duhr and Felix Schultz (in memory of Mary Anne Nielsen)  
Barbara Peterson

### About Our Concerts

#### Evening Concerts ~ Oct.-Nov. and March-April

- 2nd Saturday of the month at 7:00 PM
- Admission: \$10 for adults, FREE for ages 18 & under
- Mountain View Community Center (N3137 21st Lane, just off Highway 152, south of Mt. Morris)

#### Afternoon Concerts ~ May, June, August, September

- 2nd Saturday of the month at 2:00 PM
  - Admission: \$10 for adults, FREE for ages 18 & under
- Mt. Morris Town Park (N3847 County Road G, Mt. Morris)

#### Annual Folk Festival ~ 2nd Saturday in July (Town Park)

**Acoustic Jams** ~ Pickin' at the Post - Thursdays, 1-3 PM,  
Trading Post Bar & Grill, Hwy 152, Mt. Morris AND  
Strummin' at Starks & Luce Coffee Parlour & Bakehouse,  
111 W. North Street, Plainfield, 3rd Saturdays, October-May,  
10:00 AM-Noon

### About Black Hawk Folk Society

Black Hawk Folk Society is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, and all contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law. For information, please contact the appropriate volunteer council member:

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## BHFS Volunteer Spotlight: Katie Lauritzen

We'd like to celebrate Katie Lauritzen, hospitality extraordinaire! We had to take a hiatus from providing potlucks for almost 4 years, but are now, literally, breaking bread with our Black Hawk Folk Society community before concerts again, and Katie is right there to make the experience amazing! Not only does she always share tasty and beautiful potluck dishes (the focaccia with herbs and tomatoes designed into flowers comes to mind), but goes above and beyond by making everyone feel welcome, supplying dinnerware for those who need it, and keeping us on time and organized. Through Katie's leadership, we decided to set the indoor



concerts at the community center with tables and chairs in the concert area to give it more of a "dinner and a show" feel. Katie's design skills include table centerpieces that reflect the season and bring an extra touch of joy.

When asked about her favorite part of the Black Hawk Folk Society, Katie responded "[It's] so hard to pick just one thing - the music, the people, the camaraderie, the community. Oh, and the food at the potlucks!"

Thank you Katie, for sharing your talents and exuberance. Your love of community and inclusiveness is contagious!

*Share your talents!*

There are many opportunities to share your talents with Black Hawk Folk Society. Reach out to any of us listed on the flip side of this page and let's have a chat!