

Black Hawk Folk Society

February-May 2016

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February 13 Dangerous Folk

March 12 Fendrick and Peck

April 9 Patti Stevenson and Craig Siemsen

May 14 **Perry Baird**

SAVE THE DATE!

July 9, 2016 29th Annual Black Hawk Folk Festival



Stay tuned to <u>blackhawkfolk.org</u> for more great concerts!

Thank You for Supporting Folk Music in Central Wisconsin!

Did you know that it's from folk music lovers like you that Black Hawk Folk Society can offer a live concert every month? That's right, twelve concerts a year in beautiful Mt. Morris, U.S.A.!

Supporters come in many shapes, sizes and denominations! Some folks dedicate their time by volunteering on the Black Hawk Folk Society board, volunteer committees or at our annual Black Hawk Folk Festival in July. Some individuals and businesses choose to be season co-sponsors by donating \$250 or more per year.

Last year, about this time, we put out a call for volunteers and donations and you rose to the challenge. THANK YOU! We're happy to report that most board vacancies have been filled, although we are always looking for

volunteers on committees, and some of you opened your hearts (and wallets) for continued access to great folk music in Central Wisconsin.

This means that monthly concerts will continue, and boy do we have a line-up for you! Check out the calendar on the next page (which is also on our website) for upcoming artists.

Let's keep a good thing going! Consider donating your time and/or money to Black Hawk Folk Society. Contact one of our board members, or fill out the donation form on page three (also located on the website).

A note of thanks!







CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2016

FEB. 13 (Saturday, 7:00 PM) Dangerous Folk will warm us up with those good ol' songs we grew up on. Doug Esty, Julie Thompson and David HB Drake will have us singing along to anthems from the days of "make love, not war" whose positive messages, power and honesty span generations. To read the musicians' biographies, listen to their organic sound, or buy a CD, check out their website at: www.davidhbdrake.com/df. Potluck before the concert is at 6:00 PM.



FEB. 16 (Tues, 7:00 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's meeting room (east entrance).

FEB. 17 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting at Joanne's.

MARCH 2016

MAR. 12 (Saturday, 7:00 PM): Fendrick & Peck's music gathers in many genres including folk, blues and bluegrass with a freshness and originality that is both beguiling and inspirational. Their original songs harken to some wonderfully old time sensibility and evoke history, family stories and love of the finest kind. Read their blog and listen to a few of their songs at www.fendrickandpeck.com. There will be a potluck before the concert at 6:00 PM.



MAR. 15 (Tues, 7:00 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's meeting room (east entrance).

MAR. 16 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting at Betty and Paul's.

APRIL 2016

APR. 9 (Saturday, 7:00 PM) Patty Stevenson and Craig Siemsen will warm our hearts with homespun stories and songs of humor, nature and everyday life. Described as genuinely talented with classic folk voices, Patty Stevenson and Craig Siemsen are known for their gorgeous harmonies, impeccable musicianship, playful stage humor and jewel-like original songs. Patty says about performing, "I try for magic – nothing less! For the place that opens hearts and will move an audience to tears or smiles." Check out their website at www.pattycraig.com. There will be a potluck before the concert at 6:00 PM.



APR. 19 (Tues, 7:00 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's meeting room (east entrance).

APR. 20 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting Guy's.

MAY 2016

MAY 14 (Saturday, 7:00 PM): Perry Baird's soothing baritone voice pairs perfectly with his delicate stylings on six- and twelve-string acoustic guitar. Perry has more than 30 years of musical performances behind him, appearing at coffeehouses, clubs, house concerts, festivals and other venues in Wisconsin and northern Illinois. Songs by contemporary artists such as Eric Bogle, David Mallett, Bill Staines, James Keelaghan and Pat Alger are staples on Perry's set lists, as are some traditional Celtic-flavored pieces and a few eclectic numbers of popular vintage. There will be a potluck before the concert at 6:00 PM.



MAY 17 (Tues, 7:00 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's meeting room (east entrance).

MAY 18 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting Tom's.

Concerts are held at Mountain View Community Center N3137 21st Lane just off Highway 152, south of Mt. Morris.

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.

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Bring this completed form, along with your contribution to any of our events (please make checks payable to **Black Hawk Folk Society**),

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PO Box 1093
Wautoma, WI 54982

Thank you for your contribution!

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About Our Concerts

Evening Concerts ~ November through March

- 2nd Saturday of the month at 7:00 PM
- Potluck dinner at 6:00 PM
- Admission: \$8 for adults, FREE for ages 12 & under
- Mountain View Community Center (N3137 21st Lane, just off Highway 152, south of Mt. Morris)

Acoustic Jam Sessions ~ monthly

- 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-8:30 PM
- Wautoma Public Library (east entrance)

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 council member:

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^{*}Paul is looking to pass the reins of Treasurer on to a dedicated BHFS volunteer. Please contact us if you are interested.

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Spotlight: Black Hawk Folk Society Volunteers

Vicki Duhr and Felix Schultz are excited to become members of the Black Hawk Folk Society team! Their primary chores have been labeling and sorting Black Hawk's quarterly newsletter. Recently, their responsibilities have expanded to include monthly press releases to surrounding newspapers and several on-line sites, and designing and distributing concert posters.

"We've been enjoying Black Hawk's music for a long time. A friend tipped us off to these delightful concerts shortly after we moved to Green Lake in 1990. It's about time we started giving back!" Vicki said.

Music of all kinds has been a large and important part of their lives for as long as either can remember. Vicki's mother taught piano lessons and played organ for church throughout Vicki's childhood and beyond. Felix's first live performance experience was hearing Roy Rogers and Dale Evans on the grandstand stage at the Wisconsin State Fair in the mid-fifties. A decade later, he and a friend hitchhiked to New York City hoping to catch a Bob Dylan concert!

Both enjoy being part of large and small audiences. "Black Hawk's intimate setting is beyond wonderful," they agreed. "Being a few feet from the performers makes each concert a special experience." Vicki and Felix also share a strong volunteer ethic. They volunteer at Thrasher Opera House and Caestecker Public Library, both in Green Lake, and try to lend a hand other places whenever possible. "Volunteering is a great way to connect with people. Black Hawk's concerts and pre-concert potlucks are something we look forward to each month!"



Stay tuned! BHFS will be highlighting more invaluable volunteers in future issues of this newsletter.