



Black Hawk Folk Society

October 2015–March 2016

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October 10

Steve Hazell

November 14

Bill and Kate Isles

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Fox and Branch

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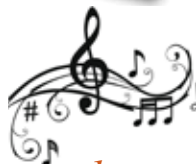
March 12

Fendrick and Peck



All Great Birthdays Start with a Song

Who's birthday is it? Well, it just so happens that Black Hawk Folk Society (BHFS) turns 30 this November! That's right, on a cold November afternoon in 1985, founders Tim Paegelow, Tom Farley and Pat Connolly turned their brainchild, the Black Hawk Folk Society, into a 501(c)3 organization. Since then, dedicated BHFS volunteers have continued to bring live professional folk music to central Wisconsin.



"If the way seems long and slow, remember when you go, there's a day worth livin', there's a friend worth knowin', there's a song worth singin' down the road."

~ Johnny Collins

Annual Meeting This Saturday!

Black Hawk Folk Society will hold its annual meeting on October 10 at 6:45 PM just before the Steve Hazell concert at the Mountain View Community Center.

There will be a potluck at 6:00 PM prior to the meeting. Harvest time is a great time of year to join us for the potluck!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



OCTOBER 2015

OCT. 10 (Sat, 7:00 PM): Steve Hazell brings his skillful fingerpicking and poignant lyrics back to Mt. Morris. Steve will encourage us to sing-along with some old favorites and entice us with new originals. The Black Hawk Folk Society **Annual Meeting** begins at **6:45 PM**.

OCT. 20 (Tues, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance).

OCT. 21 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting will be held at Guy's.

NOVEMBER 2015

NOV. 14 (Sat, 7:00 PM): Bill and Kate Isles return to the Black Hawk stage. A consummate storyteller, Bill creates compelling songs that are thoughtful and poetic. Kate's harmonies complement Bill's mellow vocals and she's also a gifted songwriter. They use a wide range of musical styles and take their audience on a journey through small town family stories that are poignant and often laced with gentle humor. Have a listen at www.billandkateisles.com. The potluck dinner starts at 6:00 PM.

NOV. 17 (Tues, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance).

NOV. 18 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting will be held at Karen's.

DECEMBER 2015

DEC. 12 (Sat, 7:00 PM): Fox and Branch play a lively mix of old blues, Cajun, fiddle tunes, songs with a New Orleans flavor, and early pop and jazz. Dave Fox and Will Branch move from 'Ain't Misbehavin' to 'Cowboy Waltz' to a Cajun two step with ease. This duo strives for an "everyone has fun" concert atmosphere. Based in Milwaukee, they've toured the Midwest, the East Coast, and the South, winning four Parent's Choice recommended awards. More at www.foxandbranch.com. The potluck dinner is at 6:00 PM.

DEC. 15 (Tues, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance). There is no council meeting in December.

JANUARY 2016

JAN. 9 (Saturday, 7:00 PM): Michael Lee Ammons is joined by two of his bandmates from the Water Street Hotshots, Alan "Doc" Mock and Tim Dekker. They play classic tunes from the blues, hokum, string band, and jug band traditions. Mike's fascination with this music started with a love of harmonica, the unique sound of the National resonator guitar, and the power of the early blues stars of the 1920s and '30s. Kick off 2016 with some hot blues! More at www.ammonshotshots.com. There will be a potluck before the concert at 6:00 PM.

JAN. 19 (Tues, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance).

JAN. 20 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting will be held at Pat's.

FEBRUARY 2016

FEB. 13 (Saturday, 7:00 PM) TBA

FEB. 16 (Tues, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance).

FEB. 17 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting will be announced on the BHFS website.

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 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, 6:30-8:30 PM): Acoustic Jam at Wautoma Public Library's mtg. room (east entrance).

MAR. 16 (Wed, 7:00 PM): Council meeting will be announced on the BHFS website.

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.

Become a Friend of Black Hawk Folk Society:

- Banjo** level (\$25)
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- Fiddle** level (\$100)
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Season Co-sponsor (\$250)
- Newsletter** donation (\$5)

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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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Two New Volunteers Keep BHFS Going Strong

After 25 years of booking musicians for Black Hawk Folk Society concerts and music festivals, Betty Trowbridge is turning over the booking responsibilities to Tom Barrett (a long time BHFS fan). Prior to retiring a few years ago from the Stevens Point Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Tom was instrumental in securing talent for the acoustic music stage/performances at the city's annual Riverfront Rendezvous festival. Tom's love of folk music goes back to the late sixties in Chicago where he played coffee houses as a member of a folk quartet. Tom said, "My goal is a seamless transition in presenting



entertainment consistent with the fine traditions that Black Hawk Folk Society attendees have come to enjoy and expect." Years of thanks to Betty, and to Tom, welcome to the BHFS family!

A heartfelt thank you to Amy Schneider after many dedicated years of helping to bring you this newsletter and keeping the Black Hawk Folk



Society website and social media pages up to date. She has handed the reigns over to Amy Kowalski, who will work to keep you all informed about the great folk music coming to Mt. Morris. The "new" Amy is no stranger to BHFS as her dad is one of the founding members (Pat Connolly). "When my dad asked me to help, I didn't hesitate to say 'yes'. Singing and listening to folk music is one of my fondest memories of childhood and I want that tradition to continue for generations to come."