

The Folk Club

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April 10 Showcase - Dan Grove

By Book'em Danno, Manager and Publicist

Dan Grove's "official" bio reads:

Plays guitar some, sings when necessary, and occasionally commits songwriting. Wishes the Potomac had coral reefs, and hopes all your dreams are coming true...

A native Washingtonian, Dan grew up in Arlington, and misspent parts of his youth in Europe, Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean, and Boston. Parts of that youth were invested wisely, too, playing piano, flute, banjo, electric guitar, bass, and tenor sax. At Wakefield High School he was in a rock 'n soul band called the Pendletons, but he tragically quit music in college. He then wasted dozens of scores of fortnights doing anything and everything but music.

When Dan stumbled into the Folk Club nine years ago, he'd never sung before, never performed alone, never owned an acoustic guitar, and hadn't played a thing in eons, but that didn't stop him. "I like to go where I'm stupidest," he says, 'cause that's where I learn the most." The club members took pity on him, and didn't know whether to feed him or shoot him. The "feeding" camp is made of nurturing types who always do kind things, and the "shooting" camp is made of humanitarians who wanted to put him out of his misery. At the Tortilla Factory, burritos are cheaper than bullets, which swayed the fiscally responsible members and determined the final vote.

Besides the Club, Dan's been stupid at music camp classes with Al Petteway, Pete Kennedy, Scott Ainslie, Del Ray, Roy Bookbinder, Robin Bullock, Steve Seskin, Paul Reisler, Bob Franke, Caroline Aiken, Gaye Adegbalola, Sloan Wainwright, Leslie Ritter, Kim and Reggie Harris, Pat Pattison, and Cosy Sheridan. We've learned that name-dropping is



rampant in press releases, and we don't plan to be outdone in this one if we can help it. Oh, yes, and Tom Paxton, too... Pat Donoghue... Guy Davis... hey, we're on a roll! We're working on that "opened for" and "shared the stage with" stuff, that's always cool to have - let's see, Dan opened lots of wine bottles for people when he was a waiter, and he shared his awkward stage with some folks. A couple of his songs were winners in songwriting contests, at least.

In music-related areas, Dan has helped out at the Smithsonian on several exhibits and concerts, including two guitar projects. One of the joys is that he's gotten to examine and play some amazing instruments, from a Stradivarius to an early Martin, and a Fender Broadcaster to a Moog. He also books the music for the Northern Virginia Fine Arts Festival, which takes place in Reston Town Center every spring, this year on May 19 and 20.

Don't miss Dan's showcase! Some of the topics that may be covered are chocolate, weasels, love, the stupid, da blues, epistemology, adolescence, and dreams coming true. And wouldn't it be cool if the Potomac really did have coral reefs?

Gillette & Mangsen

Tickets \$10 (\$9 Members)

The Folk Club
Proudly Presents ...
7:30 PM
April 17, 2000
at the Tortilla Factory
648 Elden Street
Herndon, VA



Steve Gillette and Cindy Mangsen perform on guitars, concertina, banjo and fiddle; combining dynamic harmonies, beautiful songs and instrumental virtuosity to capture all ages. Steve Gillette's musical style reflects his roots in traditional music and the singer/songwriter of the mid-sixties. He plays guitar with a unique style using a flat pick and two fingers that has been compared to Doc Watson. However, Steve is best known as a superb songwriter. His songs have been recorded by dozens of major artists including Garth Brooks, John Denver, Ian & Sylvia, Waylon Jennings, Ann Murray, Kenny Rogers, Linda Ronstadt and Tammy Wynette. Steve is author of the book *Songwriting and the Creative Process* published by Sing Out! Press.

Cindy Mangsen has long been a favorite of fans who prefer traditional material, although her repertoire includes songs of contemporary writers and original songs as well. Cindy plays guitar, concertina and banjo, and is renowned for her compelling voice. Her latest solo album, *Songlines*, was chosen one of the top ten folk albums of 1993 by the *Boston Globe*. Cindy is also a member of a trio with Priscilla Herdman and Anne Hills, recording *Voices* and *Voices of Winter*, and *Never Grow Old* as a duet with Anne Hills. Cindy and Steve have recorded two duet albums, *Live in Concert* and *The Light of the Day*.

Cindy and Steve together is absolutely magical! You must come see this gifted couple perform, with songs that have topped the folk music surveys for years. You will always remember them.

In Concert

Local performances by members of The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon:

Acoustic Jam: 3rd Sunday of the month from 1 - 4 p.m. at Frying Pan Park Country Store in Herndon. Call Yvonne Johnson at 703-437-9101 for details.

Where? House Concerts: doors open at 7, music begins at 7:30. Call Kim Kaplan (301-588-5314) or email her (jkkaplan@erols.com) for reservations and directions.

Ray Kaminsky: www.earbuzz.com/raykiminsky

- 4/7 Seattle's Best Coffee House, Gaithersburg (8pm)
- 4/13 Starbuck's, Charlottesville (8pm)
- 4/20 Border's, Sterling (7:30pm) w/ Jack Fretwell
- 4/27 Border's, Vienna (8pm) w/ Jack Fretwell
- 4/28 St. Elmo's Pub, Arlington (8pm) w/ Jack Fretwell
- 5/2 Starbuck's, Hyattsville (6:30pm)

Dulcie Taylor

- 4/5 Starbuck's, Chesterbrook, McLean (7:30pm)
- 4/14 Kramer's Books, Ct. Ave., NW DC, (10pm)
- 4/20 Café Fairfax, Culpepper, (8pm)
- 4/21 Potomac Overlook Nature Ctr, Arlington (7pm)

Lori Kelley

- 4/6 Starbuck's, Franklin Farms (7:30pm)
- 4/7 Starbuck's, Centreville (7pm) w/Jerry Bresee
- 4/13 Starbuck's, Franklin Farms (7:30pm) w/Cletus Kennelly
- 4/14 Starbuck's, Centreville (7pm)
- 4/20 Starbuck's, Franklin Farms (7:30pm) w/TWICE SHY
- 4/21 Starbuck's, Centreville (7pm)
- 4/27 Starbuck's, Franklin Farms (7:30pm)
- 4/28 Starbuck's, Centreville (7pm) w/TWICE SHY

Pete Brown and the Mad Cows

featuring T.M. Hanna and Mike Wilkinson

- 4/13 Ledo's Pizza, Falls Church (9pm-12am)
- 4/20 Zig's, Alexandria (6:30-9pm)
- 4/27 Luna Park Grille, Arlington (9pm-1am)

Janet Saadian: www.geocities.com/janetsaadian

- 4/6 Barnes & Noble, Springfield, (8pm)
- 4/20 Border's, Woodbridge (7:30pm)
- 4/28 Barnes & Noble, Seven Corners (7:30pm)

2001 Guest Artists & Special Events

Most tickets for Guest Artists are \$10 Non-member, \$9 Members. It pays to be a Folk Club member!

- 4/17/01 — Gillette & Mangsen
- 5/22/01 — Seamus Kennedy

Other Venues & Artists of Interest

Vic's Music Corner

This is a concert series held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday's of each month at O'Brien's in Rockville and is dedicated to introducing outstanding acoustic singer/songwriters from across the country. Showtime is 8:00 pm, advance tickets are \$12 (\$15 at the door). Call or e-mail Reba Heyman for tickets and information (301-984-1897; rebaheyman@compuserve.com). O'Brien's is at 387 E. Gude Drive. Upcoming concerts:

Medium Rare Café — Burke — Fridays 8pm
Accotink Unitarian Univ. Ch., 10125 Lakehaven Court
4/20 Kate Campbell w/Sandy Ross

Medium Rare Café — Oakton — Fridays 8pm
Unitarian Univ. Congregation, 2709 Hunter Mill Road
4/27 Bill Morrissey w/Eleni Kelakos

Medium Rare Café — Manassas — Saturdays 7:30pm
Bull Run Unitarian Univ. Fellowship, 9400 Main St.
4/14 Jack Williams w/Len Jaffe
5/11 Bill Staines w/Ray Kaminsky (8pm)

Medium Rare Café, PO Box 2939, Springfield, VA 22152-0939. Advance tickets are \$10 by mail (checks only, no Visa or MasterCard). Or contact John Sneed at fuzzy@mediumrarecafe.com.

GET YOUR TICKETS!!

Advance purchase of tickets to concerts by Guest Artists (*see page 2 every month except December*) can be made at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact:

Dave Hurd
110 Devil's Backbone Overlook
Stephenson, VA 22656
540-722-0146

The Folk Club of Reston-Herndon

Tuesday nights, 7:30 p.m.

The Tortilla Factory
648 Elden Street
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703-471-1156

President: Ray Kaminsky

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Sue Schier.

Publicity: Sue Schier

Info Line: 703-435-2402

Bookings: Ray Kaminsky, 703-689-0444

Membership is \$12 per year.

Classifieds

Classified ads and performance listings will be published if received the 3rd week of the month before publication from members whose dues are current.

Email your dates to irene@caboyer.com.

Still Available through **Birdphluph Music:**

"Good Things Take Time" by TM Hanna & "Bare Facts" by Bill Davis, recorded live at Avalon Folk Festival. Contact Birdphluph Music, PO Box 131, Sterling, VA 20167 or www.birdphluph@pressroom.com.

Sound Design 12-Channel Powered Mixer - Folk Club board. Two 9-band graphic Equalizers. Stereo Mono/Monitor switchable output. 200 Watts per channel @ 8-ohms. Best offer over \$500. Contact Ray Kaminsky at 703-689-0444.

Folk Club Format

On most Tuesday evenings, the Folk Club is an open mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer has 12 minutes, including setup time. This allows three songs if you set up FAST and the songs are of moderate length.

Showcase Performances

On the second Tuesday of each month, we feature a Folk Club member in a two set (25-minute) "Showcase" performance. To be in a showcase you must:

- be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in 6 months
- fill out a lottery slip any time in the month before the drawing
- win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase
- prepare to be featured in the next newsletter!

Newsletter Publication

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified advertisements, articles, reviews, artwork and other music related items to Irene Boyer at irene@caboyer.com. All items must be emailed in MSWord, WordPerfect, or ASCII text format. Information must be received one week before the first day of the month in which you want it published. Items will be printed on the basis of music related interest, timeliness and space available with club information being the first priority.

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