



The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon

Preserving the traditions of Folk Music, Folk Lore, and Gentle Folk Ways

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Music of the 1970's - November 17th

1970's: Bell Bottoms, Watergate, the Vietnam War, Women's Rights, Gay Rights, Civil Rights, the Environment, Star Wars, Saturday Night Live, 8-Track Players, and really good music, as we shall see.

Holiday Server Donations – Virtually Passing the Envelope

A heartfelt thank you to all FC members who have donated in support of our servers at Amphora. At the beginning of the pandemic, the FC committed to providing a small level of financial support to Evelyn and Mustapha each month for as long as feasible. I don't think any of us envisioned that this crisis would continue to unfold seven months later, and all of us are suffering from COVID fatigue.

Donations received have dropped considerably, forcing FC to reach into our reserves monthly to provide something to them.

A long-standing tradition of FC is to pass an envelope around at our Holiday Season Party and give what is collected to our servers. This year we obviously won't be able to celebrate in person. I would like to "virtually pass the envelope," starting now to collect as much as we can and provide what is collected to Evelyn and Mustapha at the beginning of December - rather than wait until the end of the year.

I realize that some of us are financially struggling as well right now, and it may not be within your means, but if you can, please consider donating something this month. If many of us provide just a little (and no amount is too small!), it will add up.

Thanks again for your generosity,
Al Hobson, Treasurer

P.S. We are not set up to take online donations, but if it makes it easier, you can send money to my email, alhobson@verizon.net, through PayPal. Please include a note that this is for the servers. Alternatively, please send your check, made out to The Folk Club (and note that it's a servers donation) to: The Folk Club of Reston/Herndon, c/o Al Hobson, 810 Elden St, Herndon, VA 20170. I will ensure that the money is given to Evelyn and Mustapha.

RHFC Membership Endowments

FC Club Members, if you or someone you know has let their membership lapse because of financial difficulties, the Folk Club has an endowment that has been provided by other members and will cover up to five member's dues for one year. If you know of someone who could use this support, have them contact Al Hobson. Please know that this will be kept in the strictest of confidence. We do not want to lose any member because he/she can not afford the dues.

November Theme Night – 70's Music – November 17

In the decade of the 70's we saw the rise in disco music, and along with it Funk, Soul, and R&B, but even with the popularity of these genres, some of the best Rock and Roll was recorded in that decade. Along with hard-hitting Rock and Roll, there was Soft Rock and Yacht Rock and the birth of Country Rock. Through all of this, Acoustic Singer/Songwriters such as James Taylor, Jim Croce, Harry Chapin, John Denver, Neil Young, Glen Campbell, Jackson Browne, Eric Clapton, Joni Mitchell, Janis Joplin, Carly Simon, and Carole King continued to produce hits that were at the top of the charts.

So performers, pick a song or two from that decade, any genre. Hard rock, arena rock, progressive rock, new wave, punk rock, blues rock, soft rock and pop, disco, R&B, country, country rock, southern rock, etc., etc. Maybe even a folk song! We'll all dig the fab funky tunes and the good vibes. It'll be radical. Are you stoked?

- Al and Ben



of Reston & Herndon

Meets Tuesday nights, at 7:30 PM (online, YouTube) ~~7:15 p.m. at Amphora Diner Deluxe, 1151 Elden Street, Herndon, VA~~

President: Ben Hamblin **Treasurer:** Al Hobson

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FOLK CLUB FORMAT (not applicable now)

Most Tuesday nights the Folk Club is an open-mike format with a sign-up board. Each performer has 12 minutes, which includes setup time.

SHOWCASE PERFORMANCES (on hold)

On the 2nd Tuesday of the month (usually), we feature a "Showcase" of a Folk Club member in a 25-minute performance. To be in the Showcase you must: 1) be a Folk Club member who has not done a showcase in the last 6 months; 2) fill out a lottery slip and place it in the "drawing bucket"; 3) Win the drawing on the night of the current month's showcase; and 4) be prepared to be featured in the next newsletter!

NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

Folk Club members are encouraged to submit performance calendars, classified ads, articles, reviews, and other music-related items for the newsletter. Items will be published on the basis of music-related interest, timeliness, and available space. Send your input to newsletter editor Ben Hamblin at FolkClubOfRestonHerndon@gmail.com.

RESERVE YOUR CONCERT SEATS (not applicable now)

Donations can be made in advance for Guest Artist concert performances on Tuesdays at the Folk Club or by prepaid mail. Contact Al Hobson, 810 Elden St, Herndon, VA 20170, alhobson@verizon.net.

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FOLK CLUB MEMBERSHIP

If you enjoy the music and company, become a member! The process is the same if your membership has expired. Make out a check to "The Folk Club" in the amount of \$15 for one year or \$55 for 5 years. Please DO NOT make the check to Al Hobson. Send the check to: Reston/Herndon Folk Club; c/o Al Hobson; 810 Elden St; Herndon, VA 20170. Please provide your name, email address, phone # and type, and residential address. By the way, we are looking into a way to accept online payments in the future.

KEEP IN TOUCH

There are several ways you can keep in touch, or find out more about The Club: **Website:** www.restonherndonfolkclub.com

Facebook: Search for "The Folk Club of Reston Herndon"

General Info: Contact Sue Schier at (703) 435-2402

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WANTED

- Your old guitar strings! The Second Strings Project has distributed over 10,000 sets to the world's most depressed regions. Send complete sets only to Second Strings, P.O. Box 234, Nederland, CO 80466.

LESSONS

- 5-string banjo. Scruggs and melodic. In Haymarket. Monday or Tuesday. \$25/hr. Age 8 and up. Contact Bruce Gair at wbgair@gmail.com. First lesson free as a sample. No obligation.

- Private guitar lessons available on-line, FaceTime or Zoom. Flexible learning techniques including reading, ear and applied music theory. Contact Eric Forthman: email: eric.forthman@gmail.com; phone: 571-329-9875.