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Attention Folk Club of South Florida members

In lieu of our usual December 2 Acoustic Underground Series Concert, we are happily offering this one-time special deal - the Emerald Stage concert in Hollywood, FL

We urge you all to attend this monumental concert featuring the one and only Tom Chapin. He has always been a favorite and he is not to be missed.

This generous invitation is from the Emerald Concert promoters David and Leni Engels.

Members of the South FL Folk Club - please join us for a great night of music. **If you have never experienced an 'Emerald Concert' we're offering a one time only 2 for 1 special!** Just mail in a check made out to Tom Chapin for \$20, and please include your email address and the name of the person coming with you.

We're so thrilled to have Tom Chapin coming to the Emerald Concert stage!

7:30pm - Sat. DEC. 2 , 2017

Please send a note with your email address & suggested donation to: (\$20/per seat: checks made out to Tom Chapin, please) (\$25 at the door)

(this is not the venue)

Emerald Concerts
4812 Garfield St
Hollywood, FL 33021

Our "Carnegie Small" Venue:
2919 Van Buren St.
Hollywood

Please remember to bring some cookies to share at intermission
And remember - Your friends are our friends...bring them all along for a great night of music!

Leni and David Engels
info: 954 - 981 4141
concert day: 954 - 290 4141
LEsunburst@aolcom
Visit: thebookofMOM.com/great-music.html

Artist information (December)

In a career that has spanned over four decades, 25 albums and three GRAMMY® awards, Hudson Valley Troubadour Tom Chapin has covered an incredible amount of creative ground. In addition to his work as a recording artist and concert performer, Chapin has acted on Broadway, as well as working extensively in films, television and radio.

Tom began his career singing with his brothers Steve and Harry. He later launched his solo recording career with 1976's *Life Is Like That*. It was the first of a string of albums that further established his reputation as both a gifted storyteller and a natural entertainer, winning him an uncommonly loyal fan base in the process. He also continued to venture into other creative areas, playing the lead role in the hit Broadway musical *Pump Boys and Dinettes*, working off-Broadway as musical director of both *Cotton Patch Gospel* and *Harry Chapin: Lies and Legends*, and serving as host of TV's *National Geographic Explorer*. He's also written and performed satirical topical songs for National Public Radio's *Morning Edition*, and had a cameo role as the Vice Presidential candidate in Jonathan Demme's 2004 remake of *The Manchurian Candidate*.

Tom Chapin's new adult CD, ***THREADS***, his 25th, finds the songwriter full of vitality and brimming with excitement. His strengths as writer, performer and storyteller are reflected in the wide range of styles and subjects he covers. Starting with a love song and ending with a call to action.

"Warm spirit, infectious humor, and sensitive satiric songs ... one of the great personalities in contemporary folk music." *New York Times*

"For music that reaffirms the positive in life, the rewards of family and the wonders of living, go no further than Tom Chapin." *Princeton Packet*

"... expands knowledge, stretches the imagination, tickles the funnybone and effortlessly inspires audience participation." *The Washington Post*

For more info on Tom Chapin <http://www.tomchapin.com>

Acoustic Sundays at JohnMartin's – November 12, 2017

Last Sunday's show was a great mix of music and humor.

David Deruelle opened the program. His set of popular and folk songs set the mood for the entire evening.

Two talented singer/songwriters performed their original songs for us: Robert Kayes, back from Dallas, where he was recording his new CD, and starting the winter holiday season with a new song for Christmas; and Burt Burton, who also gave us a great set of original material.

Humorist Buzz Fleischman's songs are extremely funny as well as timely. (Check out his podcasts at Theradiobuzz.com.)

Another gifted player is Bob Dudley, who gave us a set of rock & roll and other classic songs from the 60s and 70s that are always a delight to hear.

Diana Rabin and Patricia Norma performed for us. What a beautiful sound and selections of songs!

Robert Palma evokes the shows I used to hear at the "Village Gate" in Greenwich Village. Bob Dudley joined him on his first song.

Closing the night we had two reprise sets: Burt Burton playing some covers, with Diana harmonizing with him on one song, and Bob Dudley returning to give a perfect ending to the show.

Many thanks to all of the performers for contributing their time and talents to our show, to the audience for being there to appreciate them, and the management and staff of JohnMartin's Irish Pub for supporting great live music in Miami.

Hope to see you this coming Sunday

- Dave Cohen

The Folk Club of South Florida
Monthly SONG SWAP
Sunday, December 10, 2017 5 - 9 PM

The November Song Swap hosted by Camille Grace and Kathy Teas was a huge success. Lots of music and some great guests! Thank you!

The December Song Swap will be hosted by Holly White on December 10, 2017 from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm., 9300 S. W. 80 Avenue, [305.595.3549](tel:305.595.3549).
Home faces the back of Kenwood Elemiddle School.

Directions

** Traveling West on North Kendall Drive (S.W. 88th Street).

Pass Dadeland Shopping Center and Downtown Dadeland; drive under the expressway. Get into left hand lane. Turn left on S.W. 79th Avenue. (This turn is after the Greenery Mall Shopping Center; don't turn at the traffic light labeled "S.W. 79th Avenue". There are "SCHOOL CROSSING" markings on North Kendall Drive near the left hand turn.)

Travel past Kenwood Elemiddle School. Turn right on S. W. 94th Street. Travel to end of street. Turn right on S. W. 80th Avenue. Home is three houses from turn, on your left. Ample parking on swale across the street from the house.

** Traveling East on North Kendall (S.W. 88th Street).

Turn right on S. W. 79th Avenue. (If you have traveled past Greenery Mall you have gone too far!) Travel past Kenwood Elemiddle School. Turn right on S. W. 94th Street. Travel to the end of the street. Turn right on S.W. 80th Avenue. Home is three houses from turn, on your left. Ample parking on swale across the street from the house.

Folk Club Format for the song circle:

All performers (singers, musicians, poets, story tellers, dancers) will enter their names on the performers' sign-up sheet as they arrive at each Song Swap; performers will take turns in the order on the sign-up sheet.

Those who are not going to perform, but who wish to hear a song, may write the name of the song on a separate request sheet. The performers, at their sole discretion, may select a requested song to play during their turn.

Swap Etiquette:

If you are playing a song, you may tell the group whether you wish for others to join in or not. If you are singing or playing while another person is taking his/her turn, sing or play softer than the lead performer.

Keep your selection to 5 minutes or less.

Be prepared when it's your turn so we can keep the circle moving.

Please allow others to perform without interruption.

Pot Luck Supper:

A great part of the Song Swaps, so please bring enough food for six to eight people. If you are bringing a guest, bring extra food.

See you on December 10!

- Holly White

Save the Date

The Folk Club of South Florida is planning an Overnight Mini Festival/Membership drive Saturday April 7, 12 pm through Sunday, April 8, 2018, 5 pm

We are still working out details, but here's what you can expect:

- Two-day event with overnight camping - tent (no charge) or cabin (charge)
- \$20 admission (free admission for FCSF members)
- Fireside sing-along
- Several acts will perform Saturday night
- Open mic
- Workshops
- Song circle Sunday afternoon
- Food: bring your own or purchase catered food (prepared by Alexis Canfield, Luna Star Cafe) on-site.

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Location: Camp Greynolds, 18601 NE 22nd Ave, Miami, FL 33180, USA

- Free, secured parking
- Full bathroom and shower facilities

<http://www.miamidade.gov/parks/camp-greynolds.asp>

- Jim Teas

The Broward Folk Club
PRESENTS
2018
South Florida
SOUL
Festival
Martin Luther King Day Weekend
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park, Ft Lauderdale
Saturday, January 13 • 11:30am to 9pm
Sunday January 14 • 12 noon to 8pm
Over 40 Musicians performing on two stages
Songwriting Competition • Workshops led by Performers • Jam Area
Food and Crafts Vendors • CD Sales • Raffles
Single Day Price - \$35 • Weekend Price - \$60
Significant Discounts if you buy early (online) and/or if you are a Broward Folk Club Member

BROWARD COUNTY
Cultural Division Funding for this project is provided in part by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council

FOR TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION GO TO...
www.southfloridafolkfest.net



Folk Club of South Florida members will be eligible to receive the Broward Folk Club member discount. Each single member is entitled to one ticket at the discounted rate. Family memberships can get two discounted tickets.

We will be sending a copy of our current (paid) membership list (names only) to the Broward Folk Club so that they can identify you.

- Jim Teas

A Note from the Broward Folk Club

Our open mics on the first Friday of every month at Gigi's Music Café 4385 NW 88th Ave, Sunrise, FL 33351 are going great and we hope to see you all there (and hopefully, hear you) to support our local and featured artists. Great venue, great sound, great food and a chance to spend time with your fellow folkies.

Our monthly song swaps are also going strong giving our members and guests a chance to stretch their vocal chords and strumming fingers. Please join us for one of these great events and bring a friend. What better way to introduce them to Folk Music in Broward County.

Yours in music,

- Mark Goldberg, President
Broward Folk Club

Miami Dance Update

Whew! Everyone could certainly use some relief from the anxiety and stress of the past two weeks.

The BAD NEWS IS

The Barnacle State Park's outdoor pavilion sustained serious damage from Hurricane Irma and will be out of commission for some time. Because many of our Dade dancers are still recovering from the storm, with another storm possible next weekend, we will put our *Sunday afternoon Old Time Dances on hold for September and October*, and evaluate the situation again in November.

THE GOOD NEWS IS

The Park has offered us use of the porch or office parking lot. In addition we have the upstairs room at John Martin's Irish Pub and Restaurant, 253 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables, as an alternate site if the Park pavilion remains unavailable.

Look for emails on dances at either Park or the Pub *for November* and beyond.

If you have alternate sites, please contact us.

TO CONTINUE

We need get 20-plus dancers/ RSVP to make group dancing the quality experience it should be. We need to form a support group of people who will help putting on our Contra/Barn dances in Miami.

The Boca dance has a core group of volunteers that take turns with running monthly dances. Help us keep the wonderful tradition of American group folk dancing alive in Miami! We need to connect on something besides the internet.

YOU CAN HELP by

Bringing more than yourself to a dance. By getting the word out to friends and day-to-day contacts, to build our number of dancers back up to sustainable levels. Marketing, promotion, whatever you can think of.

Let us know how you might be of assistance, in whatever small way. A few people making phone calls can add up to a dance floor full of smiles.

Anita and I remain committed and passionate about the good-energy-vibe of group dancing, and love creating a fun, joyful good-time experience with only people and music. We look forward to sharing that with you again as soon as possible.

Pat Mason [954-431-0690](tel:954-431-0690) Cornbread dance band

Anita Mason [954-260-0938](tel:954-260-0938) Caller

Email: customsports@bellsouth.net

Links for more contra dance info

<http://www.customsports.biz/dadecontradance.html>

Dance Schedules

<http://www.customsports.biz/browardcontradance.html>

<http://www.southfloridacontradance.com/home>

<https://www.facebook.com/cornbreaddanceband>

HAPPENINGS

For what is going on in folk and acoustic music in South Florida visit: gotfolk.com

Rise Up Singing and (the new) Rise Again Songbooks
See Camille Grace at a Song Swap or send us an email

Listen to Michael Stock's
Folk and Acoustic Music Program
Sundays, 2-5, WLRN-FM, 91.3

Luna Star Café

775 NE 125TH Street, North Miami, FL 33161 305-799-7123
Fifties coffee house on steroids. World famous must have credit for serious national folk touring artists. Always something interesting and of high quality here. Check the website: <http://lunastarcafe.com/>

OPEN MICS SPONSORED BY THE FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA:

THURSDAY EVENINGS: Charlie Rathburn hosts at The Elks Lodge in South Miami, 6304 SW 78th St, South Miami, FL 33143 (305) 668-1676, 7:30 PM

SUNDAY EVENINGS: Dave Cohen hosts at John Martin's Pub in Coral Gables, 253 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables, FL 33134 305-445-377 8-10 PM

SUNDAY AFTERNOONS: Robert Is Here - Homestead - 2 PM to 6 PM

BLUEGRASS IS ALIVE AND WELL IN SOUTH FLORIDA!

www.southfloridabluegrass.org

PRES SEZ

by Jim Teas

We're trying something different to attract new members – a Mini-Festival / Membership drive on April 7-8, 2018. Mark your calendars!

You can read the details elsewhere in this newsletter, under Save The Date.

Basically, think of it as a local “Florida Folk Festival” on a **much** smaller scale. You can tent-camp or stay in a cabin. We'll have a fire pit with seats for singing/playing. We'll have several acts and an open mic. We'll offer workshops. We'll have catered food (by Alexis of Luna Star Café), or you can bring your own or visit nearby restaurants.

Camp Greynolds is a site with mature oak trees next to the Oleta River. I'm looking forward to both the camping and the music. See you there!

Folk Club Of South Florida
Membership and Benefits, Club Mission Statement
PLEASE JOIN US OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Who we are: The Folk Club of South Florida (FCSF) exists to foster and promote traditional, contemporary and multicultural folk music and other folk arts in the South Florida community by supporting and encouraging local folk talent and showcasing local and national folk performers. FCSF endeavors to increase understanding of the rich variety, artistic value, cultural and historical significance, and continuing relevance of folk music to the general public. FCSF is a non-profit organization (501-C) and member of The North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance, and a proud supporter of Friends of Florida Folk and Miami radio station WLRN.

- Monthly Concerts, Live venue, Underground Café Series at Luna Star Café, South Florida's longest running acoustic series.
- Monthly song swap, held in different private homes once a month.
- Musical Gatherings.

Benefits to membership:

- \$2.00 discount on cover charge for the monthly Acoustic Underground Concert Series featuring live local and national performers at the Luna Star Café, 775 NE 125 St., North Miami, held on the first Saturday of each month except for holidays (That's a savings of \$20.00 a year just on admissions alone)
- Complementary restaurant meal, valued at \$15.00 at the FCSF Annual Meeting. Last 4 years held at John Martin's Irish Bar/Restaurant.
- Folk Notes Newsletter with the latest folk community happenings in our South Florida community and ways to participate.
- Opportunity to participate in monthly song swaps.
- Meeting other people who share the love of folk and acoustic music at FCSF events.

FCSF MEMBERSHIP AND RENEWAL FORM

NAME(S): _____
TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP: INDIVIDUAL \$20___ FAMILY \$35___ SUPPORTING \$50___
SUSTAINING \$75___ SPONSOR \$125___ BENEFACTOR \$250___
PETE SEEGER ENDOWMENT FUND above \$250_____

Address: _____
Apt.: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phones: Home: _____ Mobile: _____
E-Mail: _____
Volunteer: _____

Make check payable to The Folk Club of South Florida and mail to:
James Teas 8445 SW 181 Terrace, Miami, FL 33157

CAN ALSO BE GIVEN IN PERSON, BY CHECK OR CASH, THE NIGHT OF ACOUSTIC UNDERGROUND CONCERTS - 1ST SAT AT LUNA STAR CAFÉ- 8 PM - 775 NE 125 ST- NORTH MIAMI, FL.

IF WILLING TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE STATE HOW YOU WISH TO ASSIST AND SPECIFY ANY AREAS OF EXPERTISE: WE NEED MEMBERSHIP VOLUNTEERS, HOSTS, FACEBOOK AND SOCIAL MEDIA FACILITATOR, PR PERSON, ETC.

Thanking you in advance for your support!
THE F.C.S.F. IS A 501(c)(3) NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION

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Bob Singer, Dave Skinner and Barry White

WEBSITE LINKS

Local folk music resources: www.gotfolk.com

North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance: www.folk.org

Broward Folk Club: browardfolkclub.com/

South Florida Folk Festival: www.southfloridafolkfest.com

Palm Beach Folk Club: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pbfcchat>