



◆ Quarter Notes ◆

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Summer 2000

Heritage Festival

June 23, 24 & 25 in Downtown Downers Grove
FOLK FESTIVAL

*Saturday, June 24 from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM
Fishel Park (behind the Two Way Street Coffee House)*

OTHER GREAT FOLK CONCERTS:

Tom Landa and the Paper Boys

A Celtic, bluegrass stomp band from Vancouver, BC, Canada

Also, Tom Chapin, Nob Hill Bluegrass Band, plus much more music from Bach to rock, street fair, amusement rides, car show, beer garden, food and much, much more!

For details, see the Two Way Street Coffee House insert in this newsletter, or visit the Two Way Street's web site at www.twowaystreet.org

Join us for the 2000

Plank Road

Campout

August 4, 5 & 6
at the

White Pines

Forest State

Park

Mt. Morris, IL

Join us for this great event this summer! Because site reservations are first come, first serve, applications need to be in ASAP. To get an application, or if you have any other questions, call Marianne at 708/387-9312 or Jennifer at 630/620-0688.

Sing-A-Rounds

1st & 3rd Sat. each
month
from 2:00-4:00 PM

*Two Way Street
Coffee House,
1047 Curtiss St., Downers
Grove. 630/969-9720.*

*Sat: June 3 & 17,
July 1 & 15,
August 5 & 19.*

Last Thursday: "It's Our Turn!"

The Last Thursday of each month
From 7:00-9:30 PM

At the Two Way Street Coffee House
1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove, IL

An unplugged open mike for high school and college age students, offering an opportunity for creative expression through music, poetry and other performance arts.

June 29, July 27, August 31

For more information, call 630/969-9720
or 630/968-5526 or visit:
www.twowaystreet.org

Festival Season is Upon Us!

Howdy, Folks!

Here it is, June, already! Festival season is here!! Hope you all have your instruments tuned, voices warmed up; tunes ready to share and are ready to pick up new ones. Included in this newsletter is a Festival and Summer Event Listing, but here are some highlights:

Heritage Festival is on *June 23, 24 & 25*. The festival will be primarily on the south side of the tracks along Main St. this year. The *Folk Festival* is back in Fishel Park on Saturday from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM (see the listing on the right for performers and times). Other concerts to watch for include: Tom Landa and the Paper Boys, a great Celtic bluegrass stomp band from Vancouver, BC, Canada; the always popular Tom Chapin; a bluegrass band called Nob Hill; and many others!

Unfortunately, the Warrenville Folk Festival will not be going this year. But the *Folk Lore Center and Acorn Coffee Bar* will continue with their full summer of concerts, classes, workshops and special events. For information on their schedule, call 630/393-1247. *July 8 and 9* brings the **Gebhard Woods Dulcimer Festival** at Gebhard Woods State Park in Morris, IL. There is a great line-up of performers as well as many opportunities for workshops, jamming, and perusing the booths of many vendors from across the Midwest with instruments, books, tapes, etc. For details on who's playing, etc., see the Festival Listing in the center of the Quarter Notes.

Other great opportunities featuring many great Midwest performers are the **Woodstock Folk Festival**, on *July 16* (Sunday); the **Lake County Folk Festival** on *August 6* (Sunday). In September, there's the **Fox Valley Folk Festival** on *Sept. 3 & 4* (Sunday and Monday), as well as the **Chinquapin Folk Music & Storytelling Festival** on *Sept. 7, 8 & 9* (Thursday evening through Saturday).

For those of you who like Storytelling, many of these festivals include storytelling events, including one stage devoted to storytelling at the Fox Valley Folk Festival. Also right in our own back yard is the **Illinois Storytelling Festival** on *July 29 & 30* (Saturday and Sunday) in Spring Grove, IL, devoted entirely to storytelling. Come hear great storytellers from all over the country including concerts, workshops, and a special ghost stories session. This year's theme is "Stories of the Land & Sea", featuring special guest Richard Wheeler, who kayaked from Newfoundland to Cape Cod following the migratory path of the Great Auk, an extinct species. Check the center page Festival Listing for details on all these and other summer events!

I try to let you all know as much as I can about the festivals that are going on in the area, but there are always new opportunities popping up that I don't always hear about. Also, there are many great festivals all around the country, many of which work out very nicely when included in vacation plans! I have limited our listing to the ones you can easily go to for the day. However, to get a good listing of festivals around the country, you might consider receiving the Aural Tradition's monthly newsletter. Aural Tradition not only presents a great concert series, and they put out a very nice monthly listing of events in the Chicago area, which has a great festival listing that includes the festivals around the country that you don't want to miss! Call 773/685-8464 for more information on Aural Tradition. Armed with the Quarter Notes, the Common Times and the Aural Tradition newsletters, you will know everything you need to about what is going on in the folk scene!

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Heritage Festival

June 23, 24 & 25
Downtown Downers Grove

FOLK FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 24
10:00 AM to 5:30 PM

The Jones Family
(10:00 & 1:40)

Robert Jennings
(10:20 & 2:00)

Calico
(10:40 & 3:00)

Kevin Mulvenna
(11:00 & 3:20)

Cooper, Nelson & Early
(11:20 & 3:40)

Michael J. Miles
(11:40 & 2:40)

Sons of the Never Wrong
(12:00 & 2:20)

James Gordon
(12:20 & 4:00)

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(12:40 & 4:20)

Leonardo
(1:00 & 4:40)

Peg Lehman
(1:20 & 5:00)

The Folk Festival returns this year to the grass and trees of beautiful Fishel Park (behind the Two Way Street Coffee House). Plus other great concerts with music from Bach to rock, amusement rides, car show, beer garden, craft fair, food and more!

PLANK ROAD FESTIVAL AND SUMMER EVENTS LISTING!

JUNE

- ◆ 17 (Saturday) **PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND**. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 17 & 18 (Saturday and Sunday) **BEVERLY WORLD ARTS FESTIVAL**. Beverly Arts Center, 2153 W. 111th St., Chicago. Approx. noon to 9:00 PM Saturday and noon to 8:00 PM Sunday. Free! Music & dance, ethnic arts, crafts, food. For information, call 773/445-3838.
- ◆ 23, 24 & 25 (Friday through Sunday) **HERITAGE FESTIVAL**. Downtown Downers Grove, IL. Sat., June 24, 10:00 AM-5:30 PM, FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL, featuring: *the Jones Family; Robert Jennings; Calico; Kevin Mulvenna; Cooper, Nelson & Early; Michael J. Miles; Sons of the Never Wrong; James Gordon; andi and i; Leonardo; Peg Lehman* and a closing jam! (Fishel Park, behind the Two Way Street Coffee House). For more details on the festival, parking, etc. see the Two Way Street Coffee House insert in this newsletter, or check out their web site at www.twowaystreet.org or call 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 29 (Thursday) **LAST THURSDAY "IT'S OUR TURN" An Unplugged Open Mike for high school and college age students**. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 7:00 to 9:30 PM. Last Thursday ... provides a place specifically for high school and college age students to present and participate in music, poetry and other performance arts. It's a great chance for you to share your ideas and perform in one of the best acoustic venues in the Chicago area. Doors open at 7:00 PM for signups, which are first come, first served. A sound system and microphones will be set up and waiting. Questions? Comments? Like to help? Call the Two Way Street Coffee House at 630-969-9720 or visit the web site at: www.twowaystreet.org

JULY

- ◆ 1 (Saturday) **PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND**. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 8 & 9 (Saturday & Sunday) **GEBHARD WOODS DULCIMER FESTIVAL**. Gebhard Woods State Park, Morris, IL. 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM daily. *Mike Anderson; Barbara Hale Ernst; Diane Ippel & Rob Williams; Carl Johnson; The Jones Family; The Lindseys; Kim Murley; Neal Peck; Bill Robinson & Friends; Judy Schmidt; Thomasina; Bill & Sharon Van Dusen; Dan Zahn & Chris McNamara; Any Old Tyme; Dave Balika; Cathy Ciolac & Art Lang; Steve Craig; Steve Endsley; Dale C. Evans; Sherri Farley* and more! Saturday Night Old-Time Dance, concerts, free workshops, jam sessions, hands-on instruction, instrument builders, musical recordings & accessories, children's activities, food vendors. Requested donation: (Adult) \$12/day; (Family) \$25/day or \$40/weekend. For more info, call 708/331-6875 or write HANDS, PO Box 801, Morris, IL 60450-0801. Visit on the web: www.gwdf.org
- ◆ 15 (Saturday) **PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND**. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 16 (Sunday) **WOODSTOCK FOLK FESTIVAL**. Woodstock City Square, Woodstock, IL. 12:30 to 6:30 PM. *Rick Neeley; Cathy Ciolac & Art Lang; Malcolm and Chris; Amy Beth* and more. Admission: \$8, \$15 for families. For more info: call 815/338-4245 or check: www.woodstockfolkmusic.com
- ◆ 27 (Thursday) **LAST THURSDAY "IT'S OUR TURN" An Unplugged Open Mike for high school and college age students**. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 7:00 to 9:30 PM. Last Thursday ... provides a place specifically for high school and college age students to present and participate in music, poetry and other performance arts. It's a great chance for you to share your ideas and perform in one of the best acoustic venues in the Chicago area. Doors open at 7:00 PM for signups, which are first come, first served. A sound system and microphones will be set up and waiting. Questions? Comments? Like to help? Call the Two Way Street Coffee House at 630-969-9720 or visit the web site at: www.twowaystreet.org
- ◆ 29 & 30 (Saturday & Sunday) **ILLINOIS STORYTELLING FESTIVAL**. Spring Grove, IL (5 miles north of Fox Lake on US 12). Featured Storytellers: *Anndrena Belcher; Michael Cotter; Jim May; Jennifer Munro;*

PLANK ROAD FESTIVAL AND SUMMER LISTINGS , CONTINUED

Jay O'Callahan; La'Ron Williams. Illinois Showcase: *Denise Berry-Hanna; Joseph Sobol; Tom & Chris Kastle.* Special Guest: *Richard Wheeler.* Also workshops, square dancing and ghost stories. Sign language interpreters, handicapped accessible, food available on site. Partially sponsored by the Illinois Arts Council. For more info, call 815/344-0181 or check www.storytelling.org

AUGUST

- ◆ 4, 5 & 6 (Friday through Sunday) 2000 *PLANK ROAD ANNUAL CAMPOUT.* White Pines Forest State Park, Mt. Morris, IL. Site reservations are first come first serve, so call now for an application! Or, come out for the day to visit those of us already out there! Saturday evening campfire and song circle. For details &/or application, call Jennifer at 630/620-0688 or Marianne at 708/387-9312.
- ◆ 5 (Saturday) *PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND.* Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 6 (Sunday) *LAKE COUNTY FOLK FESTIVAL.* Paulus Park, Lake Zurich. 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. *Tom Paxton; Small Potatoes; Calico; Don Stiernberg Trio; Tricia Alexander; Steve Schneider & Paul Oortz; Sons of The Never Wrong* and more! For info: 847/949-5355 or <http://members.xoom.com/lakefolk>. Admission: \$10 Adults, \$25 families, \$5 students, \$5 seniors.
- ◆ 19 (Saturday) *PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND.* Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
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SEPTEMBER

- ◆ 2 (Saturday) *PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND.* Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
- ◆ 3 & 4 (Sunday & Monday) *FOX VALLEY FOLK MUSIC & STORYTELLING FESTIVAL.* Island Park, Geneva, IL. (Rt. 38 & the Fox River) Many of the finest traditional & contemporary folk performers in a beautiful island setting. Concerts, workshops, storytelling, dance and plenty of jamming. Watch for more information at the summer festivals! For info, call 630/897-3655.
- ◆ 7, 8 & 9 (Thursday evening through Saturday) *CHINQUAPIN FOLK MUSIC & STORYTELLING FESTIVAL.* Camp Wokanda, Peoria, IL. *New Deal String Band; Joe Hickerson; Donna Dettman; Mary Hamilton; Bob Zentz; Marilyn Kinsella; Chris Vallillo; Dan Keding; Tom and Chris Kastle; The Dorians; Rusty Pick Up Band.* Master Classes with Tom Paley of the New Deal String Band on Thursday, Sept. 7 from 7-9. For details, write c/o Forest Park Nature Center, 5809 Forest Park Drive, Peoria Heights, IL 61604 or call 309/686-3360. Call 309/579-2157 for camping information.
- ◆ 16 (Saturday) *PLANK ROAD SING-A-ROUND.* Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Everyone is welcome! Songbooks provided. 630/969-9720.
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Don't forget about the **Plank Road Campout**, August 4, 5 & 6, at White Pines Forest State Park in Mt. Morris, IL. We plan on the usual—playing around the campfire on Friday and Saturday nights, with hiking, fishing, canoeing, informal jamming, etc. during the day on Saturday. There are lots of options, but the important part is to relax and enjoy time with friends! Remember that reservations are *highly* recommended. We are camping in the Cedar Ridge Family Reservation Camping area sites #10-16 & #17-32. The sites are first come, first served. We like to try to get all the Plank Road-ers together, so the sooner you reserve your spot, the better. If you aren't coming for the weekend, plan on joining us for the day on Saturday! For more information, call Marianne at 708/387-9312 or Jennifer at 630/620-0288.

The monthly **Plank Road Sing-A-Rounds** continue through the summer twice a month (the 1st and 3rd Saturdays). The **Last Thursday: "It's Our Turn"** open mike for high school and college age students on the last Thursday of each month is going strong, and plans to continue through the summer. (The **Barn Dance Band** is taking a break for the summer. Practices will start up again in September. Watch for more info in the Fall issue of the Quarter Notes!) So check out those dates and mark your calendars! All are included in our Festival and Summer Events Listing, as well as on the front page of the Quarter Notes.

Whatever your summer plans, may your summer be filled with great music!! If you get to any great festivals and/or other music events and want to share information about the event and/or something about your experiences, write the QN editor at: 36 E. Hickory St., Lombard, IL 60148. I'll include what I can in the Fall Quarter Notes and next summer's festival listing. Keep on pickin' and hope to see you at a festival this summer!

Cathy Jones

Numbers & Web Sites

Folk Lore Center/Acorn Coffee Bar
www.zornatech.com/acorn/main.html
630/393-1247

Fox Valley Folklore Society
www.mcs.com/~hammered/fvls/fvls.html
630/897-3655

HANDS.
Hammers & Noters Dulcimer Society
www.mcs.com/~hammerd
708/456-6292 or 815/758-0342

Lake County Folk Club
members.xoom.com/lakefolk
847/949-5355

Plank Road Folk Music Society
708/387-9312 or 630/889-9121

Two Way Street Coffee House
www.twowaystreet.org
630/969-9720

Woodstock Folk Festival Concert Series
www.woodstockfolkmusic.com
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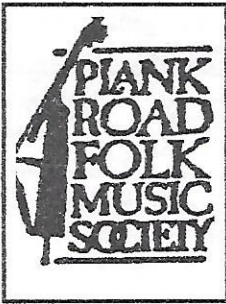
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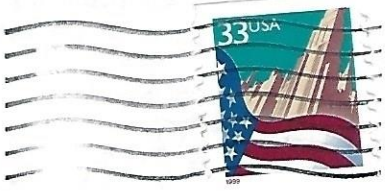
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