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April 2010 Newsletter

37th Annual Alaska Folk Festival April 4-10, 2011

Ginny Hawker & Tracy Schwarz with Peter Schwarz Saturday, May 15, 7:30 pm Centennial Hall, Juneau Tickets \$18 advance, \$20 door at Rainy Retreat & Hearthside

"West Virginia's Ginny Hawker must be the finest of today's old-time Appalachian-style singers, her art seeming to spring directly from some deep, ancient well." Chicago Tribune

Ginny Hawker's music made fans of all who saw and heard her when she performed in Juneau with Tracy Schwarz at the 1995 Alaska Folk Festival. We liked her so much that we decided to ask her to return and do a concert for Juneau. They'll be joined by Tracy's son, Peter Schwarz.

"Although Ginny Hawker and Tracy Schwarz have been singing together only 16 years, their strong, soul-stirring singing makes you feel their



devotion to the place from which their music springs. As they wrap their songs in stories of the people and the places of the music, audiences are transported to another time when life was more real and families were held close. Their

harmonies are hair-raising and representative of the finest American traditional music. When they met in 1988, Tracy had already spent 26 years as a member of The New Lost City Ramblers, the traditional stringband responsible for introducing urban audiences to southern rural music in the 60's and 70's. He was also deep into Cajun music, playing accordion, fiddle, guitar, and always singing in such a soulful way that many people worldwide were drawn to the music he represented so well. The Ramblers have twice been nominated for a Grammy."

Join us for an exciting concert brought to you by the Alaska Folk Festival and Gold Street Music. For more information, call Elva: 463-5413.

Thank You Volunteers - It wouldn't happen without you!

Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that made the 36th annual Alaska Folk Festival a screaming success:

Carol Ackerson, Vicki Allison, Elias Anataya, Peter Anderegg, Tim Arness, The art students of Thunder Mountain High School, Alaska Audio and Video, Chris Bacehowski, Greg Beck, Rachael Beck, Sherri Bell-Morisette, Johhny B., Koren Bosworth, Renee Breiling, Fiona Brown, Jamie Brown, Jeff Brown, Keegan Brown, Melanie Brown, Buck Bryant, Linda Buckley, Sally Burch, Scott Burton, Ayaire Cantil-Vorhees, Steve Caswell, Erik Chadwell, John Church, Capital City Weekly, Heritage Coffee Co., Sarah Connaro, Cheryl Cook, Collette Costa, Rod Crist, Shana Crondahl, Paul Davis, Nikki Dawson, Nancy DeCherney and the staff at JACC, Chas Dense, Sally Donaldson, Ellen Eberhardt, Odette Edgar, Rick Edwards, Shonti Elder, Grace Elliot, Johnny Elliot, Juneau

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Alaska Folk Festival Membership Form

37th Annual Alaska Folk Festival: April 4-10, 2011

Name:		
Address:	Amount \$	
City:	Member	(\$15 - \$29)
State/Zip:	Sustaining Member	(\$30 - \$49)
Amount: \$ Visa or Mastercard ONLY	Friend	(\$50 - \$99)
Exp. Date: (3 digit security code):	Patron	(\$100 - \$249)
	Benefactor	(\$250 and above)
Signature:	☐ Please do not list my name in the program.	

All members receive the Festival newsletters. Benefactors, Patrons, Friends, and Sustaining Members will be listed in the Festival program (deadline: March 15, 2011). Please mail to: Alaska Folk Festival, PO Box 21748, Juneau, Alaska 99802. Thank You!

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Board Comings and Goings

As Scott Burton leaves the folk festival board to pursue his goals in higher education, the board would like to thank him for his dedication and service during the last 3 years. Among his many contributions, Scott served as Secretary, one of the 4 officers on the board, where he reliably recorded the board meeting proceedings to help keep us on track. His energy, cheerful nature, and willingness to help were tremendous assets to the folk festival. Thank You Scott for a job well done. You will be missed.

Joining the board for the first time is John Church. A long time musician, teacher and folk festival enthusiast, John has stepped up to help keep this fine festival going. The board heartily welcomes John Church as a new board member.

Request for 2011 Artwork

Sept. 15, 2010 will be the selection date for artwork for the 37th Annual Alaska Folk Festival held at Centennial Hall on April 4-10, 2011. The artwork will be used for our poster as well as on T-shirts, mugs and other merchandise sold at the festival. When creating your design consider that highly detailed art may be difficult to reproduce or scale for our merchandise needs. The selected artist is granted a monetary award. Please send your artwork design to Alaska Folk Festival PO Box 21748, Juneau, AK 99802, or give it to a board member. See our website for past winners: http://akfolkfest.org/arthist.php

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Web Site: AkFolkFest.org now on Facebook

Lost & Found

Ever wonder what happens to all the items in the Lost & Found box after folk festival ends? Centennial Hall holds on to them for a few weeks, hoping someone will come reclaim them. But after that they are simply donated to an organization such as the Salvation Army. Some odd and ends from this year included a photo, 2 Juneau Pride DVDs, someone's iPod-like player, a key, scarf, gloves, sunglasses, mug, notebook and more. If you or your children find you are missing something, you may want to go take a look.

Thanks Continued

Maria Mattson, April Mayhem, Greg McLaughlin, Cecilia Miller, Jennifer Miller, Mary Miller, Rick Miller, Kim Mix, Sarah Moody, Sergei Morasan, Art Morris, Conrad Muller, Maire New, Allan Nichols, Wings of Alaska, Jenna O'Fontanella, Shelley Owens, John Palmes, Lise Paradis, Dan Pascucci, Mary Pat Schilly, Tom Paul, Claire Pavia, Barbara Pavitt, Michael Penn, Susan Phillips, Julie Piggot, Sanjay Pyare, Carol Race, Lisa Ray, Phil Reeves, Bob Reierson, Mary Riggen, Bex! Sakarias, Mike Sakarias, Cindy Salazar, Jill Sandlaben, Lis Saya, Ed Schoenfeld, Bob Schroeder, Elaine Schroeder, Francie Schrup, Shannon Seifert, Rogelio Shapland, Burl Sheldon, Sam Skaggs, Jonathan Smith, Karen Smith, Stevi Spinka, Libby Sterling, Klaus Stolpe, Ezra Strong, Barbara Taug, The Thursday Night Contra Dancers, Teri Tibbett, Carol Dennis Townsend, Nicole Tragis, Norman Tocco, Vandergriff, Dave Volke, Keagan Walker, Jere Walkush, Shirley Walkush, Brian Wallace, Adrian Wilson, Nene Wolfe, Riley Woodford, Linda Zagar, Abigail Zahasky.

Thank you, one and all, for your help in making this Festival a great event for all. If we missed you or made a mistake in this list of thank yous, please let us know.