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May 2012 Newsletter

39th Annual Alaska Folk Festival April 8-14, 2013

Thank You Volunteers It wouldn't happen without you!

Thanks to all the folks who came together to make the 38th Annual Alaska Folk Festival a success. It takes some 200 or more volunteers each year, from stage techs to emcees, from stage managers to membership table crew, from sound techs to workshop coordinators, performers and more. Below is a list of the many that made this festival happen:

Observatory ABAA, Carol Ackerson, Wings of Alaska, Catherine Alexander, Cathie Allen, Mark Altman, Ron's Apothecary, Wild Oven Bakehouse, Silverbow Inn and Bakery, Alaskan Bar, Orren Barber, Eric Barker, Rendezvous Bar, Katie Bausler, Greg Beck, Rachael Beck, Rai and Sue Behnert, Anissa Berry-Frick, Julianna Bibb, Rainy Retreat Books, Koren Bosworth, Ryan Bowers, Renee Breiling, Fiona Brown, Jamie Brown, Jeff Brown, Melanie Brown, John Brun, Linda Buckley, Sally Burch, Juneau Convention and Visitor Bureau, Scott Burton, Paradise Café, Juneau Family Health and Birth Center, Erik Chadwell, Lauren Champagne, John Church, Juneau Bone and Joint Clinic, Soho Coho, Alaskan Brewing Company, Heritage Company, Compton, Coffee Amanda Juneau Contradancers, Cheryl Cook, Greg Cooperman, Capital Copy, Collette Costa, Skagway Arts Council, Rod Crist, Lorie Daniels, Jasmine Darrah, Paul Davis, Nikki Dawson, J.L. Sherburne Landscape Design, Sally Donaldson, The Driftwood, Cleff'd Ear, Ellen Eberhardt, Odette Edgar, Rick Edwards, Bill Eichenlaub, Shonti Elder, Grace Elliot, Juneau Empire, Lynette Ensor, Southeast Alaska State Fair, Kathy Fanning, Juneau Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Alexandra Felt, Juneau Jazz and Classics Festival, Trevor Fiscus, Pavitt Health and Fitness, Thomas Fitterer, Amy Fletcher, KRNN - FM, Sandy Fortier, Anne Fuller, John Gaguine, Juneau Artist Gallery, Erin Gleason, Rob Goldberg, Trevor Gong, Jim Grammel, Brian Grassmeyer, Kari Groven, Centennial Hall, Erin Hanson, Patti Harper, Pat Harris, Kim Hastings, John Hatton, Mark Heard, Hiram Henry, Jeanie Henry, Pat Henry, Kathy Hocker, Herb Holeman, Robin Hopper, Dan Hopson, Terry Hoskinson, Goldbelt Hotel, Steve Houlihan, Charles Hughes, Charlie Hunt, John Ingalls, Alaska's Capital Inn, Nancy DeCherney and the staff at JACC, Bobby Jack, David Job, Catherine Johnson, June Johnson, Suzanne Johnston, Annie Kaill's, Emily Kane, Barbara Kelly-Page, Sat Nam Khalsa, Mark Kjeerstad, Ron Kotyk, Dolly Kremers, John Kremers, Leah LaBar, John Lager, The Bear's Lair, John Laskey, Terri Laskey, Bob Laurie, Beth Leibowitz, Joyce Levine, Driftwood Lodge, Paradise Lunch, Nugget Mall, Tony Mates, Maria Mattson, Kris McCune, Albert McDonnell,

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Notorious Concert Featuring Larry Ungar and Eden MacAdam-Somer



When: Sunday, May 20, 7:30 pm Where: Resurrection Lutheran Church, Juneau

Tickets: \$10 at the door

 $More\ Info: {\bf sally ann donald son@gmail.com}$

Lauded as "sparkling" and "exhilarating", Eden MacAdam-Somer and Larry Unger return to Juneau. If you haven't heard them yet, it won't take you four beats to realize that this isn't just any ordinary folk band. Sweet vocals and virtuosic fiddling coupled with driving rhythm and snappy guitar solos make for a thrilling musical experience in genres that span many continents.

Greg McLaughlin, Rainforest Naturopathic Medicine, Kevin Miller, Mary Miller, Rick Miller, Sergei Morosan, Rhonda Moseby, Gail Moses, Conrad Muller, Full Circle Music, Brian Nichols, Gallery of the North, Shelley Owens, John Palmes, Lise Paradis, Bullwinkle's Pizza Parlor, Dan Pascucci, Tom Paul, Barbara Pavitt, Dee Pearson, Lucy Peckham, Steven Pfister, Julie Piggot, Keiran Poulson-Edwards, The Island Pub, Sanjay Pyare, KRNN Radio, Phil Reeves, Bob Reierson, Mike Rentel, Beth Revist, Mary Riggen, Pizzeria Roma, Rik Romerein, The Rookery, Mike Sakarias, Cindy Salazar, Red Dog Saloon, Jill Sandlaben, Leif Saya, Lis Saya, Mary Schallert, Ed Schoenfeld, Bob Schroeder, Elaine Schroeder, Jerry's Meats and Seafood, Shoshana Seligman, Peter Sidmore, Betsy Sims, Sam Skaggs, Pie in the Sky, Steve Soenksen, Tracy Spring, Shona Strausser, Ezra Strong, Robert Tandy, Teri Tibbett, Carol Tocco, Terry Toon, Dennis Townsend, Mount Roberts Tramway, Alaska USA Federal Credit Union, Denali Alaskan Federal Credit Union, Brian Wallace, Joanie Waller, Capital City Weekly, Noah Williams, Adrian Wilson, Nene Wolfe, Steve Wolf, Ardyne Womack, Riley Woodford, Brenda Wright, Girl Scout Troop 4055.

Thank you, one and all, for your help in making this Festival a great event for all.

Alaska Folk Festival Membership Form

39th Annual Alaska Folk Festival: April 8-14, 2013

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Exp. Date: (3 digit security code):	Friend (\$50 - \$99)
	Patron (\$100 - \$249)
	Benefactor (\$250 and above)
	\square Please do not list my name in the program.
Signature:	

All members receive the Festival newsletters. Benefactors, Patrons, Friends, and Sustaining Members will be listed in the Festival program (deadline: March 15, 2012). Please mail to: Alaska Folk Festival, PO Box 21748, Juneau, Alaska 99802. Thank You!

May 2012 Newsletter

Happy Trails & Welcome

The board would like to thank outgoing board member **Lise Paradis** for her 3 years of dedicated service. Among her many tasks, Lise took on the huge job of organizing all our merchandise for 3 years in a row and we do appreciate it. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

The board also wants to welcome newly elected member **Erin Hanson** to its ranks. Welcome aboard Erin!

AFF Board Members through AFF 39

Greg McLaughlin, President (exp 2013) Sergei Morosan, Vice President (exp 2015) Carol Ackerson, Secretary (exp 2013) John Church, Treasurer (exp 2013) Jamie Brown, (exp 2014) Pat Henry (exp 2014) Erin Hanson (exp 2015)

Treasurer's Report

After losing nearly \$14,000 on last years troubled festival, I am pleased to report we did much better this time around. Our overall costs of putting on a week of music were about the same, but merchandise sales were way up. Membership numbers were slightly down, but average donations



were more generous. Thus, the support we got from our members remained the same as last year. We still have some big bills that haven't come in, like the rental charges for Centennial Hall, so I can't say exactly how the numbers will crunch for 2012 overall, but it sure looks like, as post festival memberships continue to come in, we will be very close to breaking even.

John Church, Treasurer

Summer Music

The 38 Annual Alaska Folk Festival is behind us now and we are able to relax a bit. The numbers aren't complete yet, so we can't say exactly how it went financially speaking. But, on the fun factor, it certainly rated high. The guest artists were well received both on and off the stage. The guest dance caller hosted some high power dances and workshops. The main stage performances were all great and the after hours jams were well attended. However, if you are out and about this summer, and haven't had enough fun yet, here is a partial list of some of the events, on the west coast and in Alaska, which you may want to attend this summer:

Topanga Banjo fiddle contest and Folk Wenatchee River Bluegrass Festival

Festival

Agoura Hills, California

May 20, 2012

Strawberry Music Festival

Groveland, CA May 24 - 28, 2012

Northwest Folklife Festival Seattle Center, Seattle, WA

May 25 - 28, 2012

Dancing Bears Dance Camp

Anchorage, AK May 25 - 28, 2012

Camp Sturtevant Dance Weekend

Arcadia, CA May 25 - 28

The Montana State Old-Time Fiddlers

Camp Monarch, MT

June 3-8, June 10-15

Kluane Mountain Bluegrass Festival

Yukon Arts Center in Whitehorse, YT June 8-10, 2012

<u>Fairbanks Summer Folk Fest</u>

Fairbanks, AK June 9, 2012

<u>San Francisco Free Folk Festival</u> San Francisco, CA

June 9 - 10, 2012

Alaska City Folk Arts Camp

Anchorage, AK

June 11 - 15, 2012

Granite Creek Music Festival

Sutton, east of Palmer on Glenn Hwy

Cashmere, WA

June 15 - 17, 2012

National Oldtime Fiddlers Festival

June 18 - 23, 2012

Seldovia's Summer Solstice Music Festival

Seldovia, AK

June 21 - 24, 2012

Long Beach Bayou Festival

Long Beach, California

Iune 23 - 24, 2012

Lady of the Lake Music & Dance Week

Coure d'Alene, ID

June 24 - 29, 2012

Flagstaff Folk Festival

Flagstaff, AZ

June 30 - July 1, 2012

BACDS American Dance & Music Week

Mendocino, CA

July 1 - 6, 2012

Festival of American Fiddle Tunes

Fort Warden State Park, Port Townsend, WA

July 1 - 8, 2012

<u>Atlin Music Festival</u>

2012 Atlin, BC July 6 - 8, 2012

<u>Vancouver Folk Music Festival</u>

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

July 13 - 15, 2012

Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival

Fairbanks, AK July 15 - 29, 2012 **Dawson City Music Festival**

Dawson City, Yukon

July 20 - 22, 2012

Anderson Bluegrass Festival

near Clear Air Force Station off the Parks

Hwy mile 283

July 27 - 29, 2012

Puget Sound Guitar Workshop

Bremerton, Washington

www.psgw.org

July 28 - Aug 3, Aug 4-10, Aug 11-17

Homer Concert on the Lawn

Homer, AK July 28 - 29, 2012

Maritime Music Festival Port Gamble, WA

August 11, 2012

22nd Annual Cotati Accordion Festival

Cotati, CA

August 18 - 19, 2012

<u>Acoustic Alaska Guitar Camp</u>

Wasilla, AK

August 26 - September 1, 2012

Moab Music Festival

Moab, Utah

August 30 - September 10, 2012

Tumbleweed Music Festival

Richland, WA

September 1 - 9, 2012

Berkeley Old Time Music Convention

Berkeley, CA

September 12 - 16, 2012