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South Shore Folk Music Club

We love to share great music with you!

May/June 2006 - Our 27th Season



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\$10 Members \$12 Non-members

COFFEEHOUSE Friday May 19



Polly Fiveash & Anand Nayak

\$5 Members



Mel Green Open Mike

\$6 Non-members

CONCERT Friday June 2



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acoustic and electric guitars, violin, dobro and mandolin.*

What more could you want?" - SSFMC

\$13 Members \$15 Non-members

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BIG SILENT AUCTION

Support the Club - Get Great Stuff

This year's Silent Auction will be held during the May concert, the May coffeehouse and the June concert.

Bid at the Club or bid electronically
See the insert for details, or visit
www.ssfmc.org.

First Concert of 2006-07 Season
The Friday After Labor Day

All events at 8 p.m.



The Beal House



Route 106, Kingston, MA

Across from First Parish Unitarian Church
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Have a great, musical summer!

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VALERIE & WALTER CROCKETT and THE OXYMORONS - Friday, May 5 - \$10M, \$12NM

In a time of slickly produced publicity and web sites about musicians, you can actually get a good idea about what Valerie and Walter Crocket are like by visiting their "low-tech, frame-free, script-free, no-frills, hand-carved website." You can learn there that they live in Worcester, play at coffeehouses and concerts with their "fabulous band, the Oxymorons," (beware that the band will "drive you to a frenzy of catatonia"-which we surmise is a good thing), and that a number of people with very good taste in music have said some very nice things about them. For example, Scott Alarik wrote in the Boston Globe that "Walter and Valerie Crocket delighted the Concord crowd with their confident professionalism, smartly wrapped harmonies, and sweet, rolling melodicism." They were voter *Best Musicians* by readers of *Worcester Magazine*, and praise for their four recordings describe them as featuring "crystal-clear sound, tight instrumental work and sharp songs...can play awesome licks, but perform cohesively and always in a way that complements the song...Valerie has a truly lovely voice, sort of breathy and pretty at the same time...Walter's bluegrass/blues combo makes one feel he has been there." And they're funny.

COFFEEHOUSE - Friday, May 19 - \$5M, \$6NM

Northampton based singing and songwriting duo *Polly and Anand* cast any stage with the intimacy of a livingroom concert. Their songs and melodies are cut from honest, homespun fabric with an ear for stories, harmonies, and soul. Equally at home in a mountain ballad, an environmental folk anthem or an Etta James-esque blues rocker, Polly's voice maintains a purity and conviction that is the very definition of originality. Anand's wide vocal range, compelling lead vocals, ear for vocal and instrumental harmony, and gutsy and emotive guitar style create a rich musical landscape. And together they deliver sublime harmonies.

Mel Green (1960's South African Columbia recording artist) has evolved from interpreter of the traditional "folk music songbook" to a creator of original songs with singable choruses and interesting stories that speak to mature audiences of today. Today, Mel performs his original songs which are evocative and draw his audience into stories gleaned from his life, his times and his experiences. He performs solo or with his band of 17 years, the Maple Street Project, and is known to sing harmony with anyone at the drop of a hat! Over the years Mel has appeared at folk clubs and festivals in South Africa, London, Greenwich Village and Sydney.

The Open Mike follows. Sign up at the door at 7:30.

TRACY GRAMMER and JIM HENRY Friday, June 2 - \$13 Members, \$15 Non-members

Tracy Grammer and Jim Henry tour internationally, bringing to their audiences beautifully matched voices and a wide range of instrumental accompaniments, including acoustic and electric guitars, violin, dobro and mandolin. Many of their songs pay

MEMBERSHIP/FRIEND APPLICATION - SOUTH SHORE FOLK MUSIC CLUB

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The SSFMC membership year runs from September 1 thru August 31. Members are entitled to reduced rates and other benefits.

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

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CHOOSE YOUR MEMBER/FRIEND LEVEL:

- Member \$10.00
- Member and Guest - \$15.00
- True Blue Member - \$25.00
- Silver Sustaining Member - \$50.00
- Golden Patron of the Club - \$100.00
- Friend -\$5.00
- e-Friend - Free - your Hurdy Gurdy will come via email.

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- Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email
- Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail

homage to the life and work of the late composer/performer Dave Carter, with whom Tracy Grammer performed and recorded for five years. Writing of Grammer's solo recording of mostly Carter songs, *Flower of Avalon*, Mary Chapin Carpenter said that Grammer's "pure voice conveys the simple truths of these songs; her gifts as a musician are like that of a painter who is a master, offering light and shadow at every turn...I was honored to and humbled by the invitation to sing on this record." And Joan Baez called Tracy Grammer "a brilliant artist and unique individual. Her voice is distinctive, as is her mastery over the instruments she plays." Jim Henry is a multi-talented musician with a wide reputation for versatility. He can play most things stringed, sing lead or harmony, write great songs, produce, engineer and arrange. Together Tracy Grammer and Jim Henry carry not just the legacy of Dave Carter's music, but also an expanding repertoire of music that audiences connect with immediately and affectionately.

BRING A FOOD DONATION FOR FOOD PANTRY

As part of our ongoing mission, the Club now collects non perishable food at every event and delivers them to the Plymouth Area Coalition for the Homeless located in Kingston. Please join us in this effort, and bring a food donation the next time you come to the Club.

MEMBER PERK - MEMBER CD SWAP BOX

If you're a member, bring in a CD you don't want any more and trade it for any CD in the Member CD Swap Box. Tapes, too.

ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION in MAY and JUNE

Our annual fund raising event will be held during our May concert and coffeehouse and our June concert. Items will be awarded at the June concert. This year we've got a Birds and Blossoms by Bike Trip, a Belly Dance Performance, a Quilted Wallhanging with Patchwork Fish, a Pen and Ink Rendering of Your House, a Beginner's Kayak Trip, a Singing Performance, a Hand Reading, a Skiff Trip, a Load of Salt Marsh Hay, Musical Instruments, Music Lessons and lots of other items with more coming in all the time. Please see the enclosed insert for details about how you can join the fun and support the Club by bidding at the Club or bidding electronically. If you'd like to donate an item or service, please call Karen at 781-878-1683.

SPECIAL MEMBERS - THANKS!

2005-2006 Golden Patrons of the Club

- Rick Fiorini & Cindy Ladd, Edward & Caroline Burke,
- Charlotte & Ed Russell, Evelyn Strawn, Peter Ward,
- Joanne & Keith Buchanan

HAVE A SAFE, MUSICAL SUMMER

Maybe we'll see you at one of the music festivals this summer! We'll be scouting out new music and planning for a great 2006-2007 season. Look for your Hurdy Gurdy in August, and join us the Friday after Labor Day for the first concert of the season.