



NewsLetter

February 2016

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Fatman Bowl Located on the North side of Route 176 *Concert Admission:*
13860 Rockland Rd. just East of Interstate 94 *General \$15 Seniors \$12*
Green Oaks, IL & West of Hwy 41 on Rockland Rd. *Members \$10*

For concert reservations, call (847)602-8882 before noon on Sunday. Note: Open Stage and Song Circle are FREE

February Events (Sundays at 7:00 PM)

Sunday, February 7 **No Event Planned**
Sunday, February 14 **Open Stage** Host: **Scott Engstrom**
Sunday, February 21 **** CONCERT STAGE ****

Verlon Thompson ... is the quintessential troubadour, although he is known as much for his association with country legend Guy Clark as for his own stellar songwriting talents. He spins stories with a novelist's eye and a poet's ingenuity.

"What a coup — Verlon is GREAT!" Jacquie Blevins Manning, Small Potatoes

Opening Performers: **Briar Road**

Sunday, February 28 **Song Circle** Host: **Folk Club Members**

***** NOTE ***** The Annual Meeting of The Lake County Folk Club will also be held on February 28th starting at 5:30 and followed by Song Circle. Come prepared to learn what's going on with the club, or to give your input ideas.

March Events (Sundays at 7:00 PM)

Sunday, March 6 **No Event Planned**
Sunday, March 13 **Open Stage** Host: **Scott Engstrom**
Sunday, March 20 **** CONCERT STAGE ****

Kim and Reggie Harris inspire a sense of joy and exhilaration that lifts the soul. They make you want to sing and celebrate your neighbor with music that makes you come alive! Their message of peace, hope, justice and celebration of life rings out loud and clear.

Opening Performer: **Cath Kasmer**

Sunday, March 27 **Song Circle** Host: **Folk Club Members**

TLCFC ANNUAL MEETING Sunday, February 28 at 5:00 PM

The Lake County Folk Club's annual meeting will be held before the Song Circle on **February 28**. This is an enjoyable time for folk club members to get together to learn what's going on, what's planned and to share your thoughts. Please join your fellow club members to celebrate another exciting new year at **Fatman Bowl**.

Calendar of the Known Future ... Sundays at 7:00 PM (... see their website for tour dates)

May 15	Andrew McKnight (www.andrewmcknight.net)	Opening: Brett Johnson
May 29	"Behind the Music" with Ben Bedford (www.benbedford.com)	
June 19	Kat Eggleston (www.kateggleston.com)	
July 31	"Behind the Music" Jenny & Robin Bienemann (jennybienemann.com)	
October 16	Mark Dvorak (25 th Anniversary of The Lake County Folk Club)	
October 30	"Behind the Music" Brian Cutean (www.qtnrz.org)	
November 20	Tom Mason (www.tommason.net)	
December 18	Lee Murdock (www.leemurdock.com)	

Why not become a Member? ... or a Volunteer?

For 2016, the price of **membership** remains unchanged at \$15 per individual or \$21 per family. Please inquire at any of our events about becoming a member. We certainly appreciate your support.

Only Members are utilized the opening acts of our Concert Series.

The Lake County Folk Club gives a minimum 90% of all collected concert fees to the performers (none of whom are millionaires). All of the physical work to put on these concerts, from booking, to promotions, to venue set-up, to supporting concert attendees, to tearing down the equipment set-up (whew!) is performed by our loyal and esteemed volunteers. If you have any interest in volunteering your time and energy, please do mention this at any event you do attend. And thank you for your consideration!

Open Stage (2nd Sunday of each month at 7:00 PM)

FREE

The second Sunday of each month is our Open Stage night, hosted by Scott Engstrom. Come and enjoy our great local talent! Listeners encouraged and you will be pleasantly surprised at the diverse musical styles presented. Anyone who would like to perform is encouraged to do so. Regardless of who's on stage, you'll never find a more supportive audience. Music starts at 7 pm, but come a little earlier to sign up. Each performer is allowed up to 2 songs covering about 10 minutes. At evening's end, time permitting may allow for an additional song.

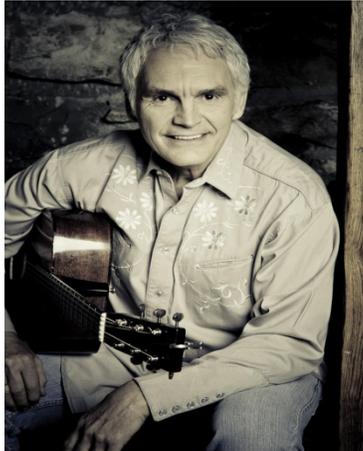
Song Circle (4th Sunday of each month at 7:00 PM)

FREE

On the fourth Sunday of each month we hold our Song Circle. Members and non-members are welcome ... players and listeners alike are encouraged. Marcia Krieger, along with other members of The Lake County Folk Club, hosts our Song Circle. The participants form a circle. Each one in turn can choose to play a song, ask another participant for a song, or pass. The Song Circle is a casual opportunity to kick back, play some music and meet others. Everybody gets a chance to play or sing songs of their own choosing ... or to play and sing along with others. The circle keeps going 'round to everybody until it's time to call it a night. Make music, learn new songs, make friends.

Verlon Thompson

(February 21, 2016)



www.verlonthompson.com/

Thirty years as a professional songwriter and traveling troubadour serve as credentials. As a solo performer, and as the trusted sidekick of Texas Americana songwriting icon Guy Clark, Verlon has viewed the world from stages everywhere from Barcelona to Binger, his hometown in Oklahoma.

Along the way Verlon Thompson compositions have been recorded by Jimmy Buffett and Alan Jackson, Anne Murray, The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Kenny Rogers, Randy Travis, Del McCoury, Sam Bush, Trisha Yearwood and many more.

Equally important in his songwriting and live performances, Verlon's guitar work cannot go unnoticed. His guitar can be heard on recordings by **Restless Heart**, **Pam Tillis**, and many more, including, and especially Guy Clark.

Verlon Thompson is currently on the road, or in the studio, or writing in his

bunkhouse on the river in Tennessee, but never far from the fertile plains of Oklahoma.

Briar Road (Danandkatemusic.com)

Get ready for a double dose of fine folk entertainment, because opening this special evening will be Briar Road!! Consisting of folk club members and well-known, versatile concert performers in their own right, Dan Zahn and Kate Moretti, with Rusty Winchel on bass. They also have a wonderful portfolio of songs created over the years and collection of CDs for personal consumption and pleasure.

(Note from Briar Road's Dan Zahn)

Howdy Friends!

This is going to be a very special show and we are excited to be a part of it. Over the last year many of you have heard us mention Verlon at our shows as the man who wrote the song, "Lonesome Dove" which we have recorded on our East Dakota Waltz CD, but here are some things about Verlon that you may not know.

Verlon has spent the last 20 years sharing the stage with the legendary songwriter, Guy Clark. He is a great songwriter in his own right with songs nominated for IBMA and grammy awards. In addition, he is a masterful storyteller and a skilled, impeccable guitarist. The list of big-name artists who have recorded his songs includes Alan Jackson, Kenny Rogers, Randy Travis, Trisha Yearwood and Jerry Jeff Walker just to name a few.

Kim & Reggie Harris

(March 20, 2016)



www.kimandreggie.com/

Consummate musicians and storytellers, Kim & Reggie Harris are a mini festival of diversity. Combining traditional African-American spirituals and freedom songs with original folk, they sing of life, love, the quest for freedom, environment and community. Their latest CD, "Resurrection Day," binds these themes into a profoundly moving personal odyssey of inspiration and hope, adding Reggie's experience as an organ donor recipient to the social justice palette. Written in the aftermath of his liver transplant due to an autoimmune disease, Reggie found his songs had "deepened in theme, subject matter, and in musical tone .

For over two decades, Kim & Reggie have been affiliated with the John F Kennedy Center's Partners in Education program, offering multimedia educational performances for students and community, "Music & The Underground Railroad" and "Dream Alive."

Kim & Reggie Harris combine a strong folk and gospel legacy with a solid background in classical, rock, jazz and pop music. As socially conscious acoustic musicians and storytellers, they have been "walking the talk" for over 30 years, performing modern and historical songs that explore societal ills and proffer positive social messages. Their captivating stage presence and unique harmonies have earned them the respect and love of audiences throughout the US, Canada, and Europe. They are unique in their ability to entertain audiences of any age and background as they blend their talents as singers, songwriters, educators, interpreters of history and cultural advocates

Cath Kasmer

Opening for Kim and Reggie Harris will be folk club songstress Cath Kasmer, a singer-guitarist who embodies a presence of "nothing fancy, just good old folksongs and fingerpicking". Her fingerpicking is indeed special.

***** We're Your Folk Club! *****
***** Attend Club Events at Fatman Bowl! *****

Complete if you wish to join the club, renew your membership or send a donation.

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For more information about The Lake County Folk Club:

Please visit our **Website**: www.thelakecountyfolkclub.org

Send us an **email**: thelakecountyfolkclub@yahoo.com

Call the **Reservation line**: **(847) 602-8882**

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