



Delaware Friends of Folk

April 2005 Newsletter

April 16th Coffeehouse features bossa nova & Jazz artist Judith Kay – with George & Ossi opening

This month's featured coffee house performer, Judith Kay, was actually booked to play last year around this time. But the bane of many musicians, repetitive stress injury, forced her to take a year off from performing. She's been on a steady, gradually increasing practice schedule, and now, as they say, she's tanned, rested, and ready. In case you haven't seen it, Judith's come back is featured in the April issue of *Delaware Today*, available at a store near you. We're glad to provide the chance for her return to the stage.

About Judith Kay...

Composer, lyricist and arranger Judith Kay is a one-of-a-kind jazz singer-guitarist. Her broad activities range from musical director of her group, ChamberJazz™ Ensemble, to co-founder, in 1997, of the Arden Jazz Guild, a society devoted to the promotion and preservation of American jazz. For the last twenty years, she has performed her repertoire of Brazilian bossa nova and swing-era jazz throughout the US and Europe. Since 1986, she has produced five recordings on her own TASTY label, and is now at work on her sixth. She has traveled to Brazil to research the history and rhythmic styles of Brazilian popular music. This became the basis for a course that she taught at the University of Delaware in '95/'96 called "The Brazilian Sound."

A former arranging student of Manny Albam, she has been awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts in addition to receiving several Individual Artist Fellowships from the Delaware Division of the Arts -- the most recent in 1995 for Jazz Performance. Judith Kay is listed in Who's Who in Entertainment and 2000 Outstanding

Musicians of the 20th Century. An active composer, Judith's received a commission (with lyricist Cecilia Vore) for the Berkshire Chorale of Reading, Pa., which was debuted in the spring of 2003. Her latest CD, a solo effort entitled "Judith Kay – Even More...Her Voice, Her Guitar" was released in the spring of 2004. Judith teaches guitar and music theory at her home studio in Arden.

George & Ossi Opening...

Opening the evening will be the local duo of George & Ossi. Ed Solomon knows these two better than most and offered the following:

Take two accomplished musicians from different continents and different musical backgrounds, put them in the same room and watch what happens. More importantly, listen to what happens. Maryland native George Harvey and Bavarian transplant Ossi Becke are two such musicians. For the past six years, the duo has been delighting audiences in the Mid-Atlantic region with their driving original songs and their uniquely arranged reworked classics.

As a percussionist, Ossi Becke has played just about every style of music imaginable - from traditional German "Beer Barrel" Polka music to American folk/rock. Aside from living in America and Bavaria, Ossi has traveled extensively throughout Europe, India, Indonesia, Peru, and Bolivia. It is evident, that as a percussionist, he has absorbed the rhythms and flavors of these different cultures. The resulting stew makes for an exciting and tasteful sense of phrasing and timing.

George Harvey, a multi-instrumentalist in the true sense of the word (he plays guitar, bass and piano to name a few), holds down the melodic end of things on guitar and vocals. Heavily rooted in rock and country music with a healthy dose of Americana thrown in, he moves easily and seamlessly from style to style. His vocal range is wide enough to cover the musical gamut, from Allman to Zappa and back again, without a hiccup. George's ability as a musician serves him well as a songwriter, allowing him to translate what he hears in his head, lyrically and musically, into a piece that is, at once, fresh and familiar at the same time. The songs are personal on many levels, but also have

a universal appeal that makes one say, "I know what you mean, and I know how you feel."

After six years together making music, their diverse styles and backgrounds work together in harmony to produce something that is stronger than the sum of the parts. Neither part is overpowering the other, neither is swinging to the polar opposite. The duo of George Harvey and Ossi Becke realize that somewhere in the middle lies a melding of styles, of genres, of influences that remains fresh and honest: Music without pretense and without false promises.

It all starts at 7:30 pm, April 16, in the Underground on the campus of Wesley College in Dover. Admission will be \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. We'll have plenty of hot coffee, cool drinks, and sweet snacks. Come out on a fine spring night, bring a friend, and see it happen.

—John Kidd, President of Delaware Friends of Folk

Your Festival Needs You!

The 2005 Delmarva Folk Festival is set for October 1st. We need help from DeFF members to make this event a success. Festival volunteers receive free entrance into the Festival and experience the pride associated with organizing this wonderful event. We continue to seek volunteer chairpersons for the following committees –

Security/Parking – This job involves parking cars and directing campers on Friday night prior to the Festival from about 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. The job involves directing traffic and parking cars the day of the Festival from about 8:00 a.m. – midnight. The chairperson gathers a crew of about 12 people to work in shifts to get everyone in and out of the Festival site and parked safely. As an added bonus, you get to wear an orange vest and drive around in a golf cart!

Site Clean-Up – This job involves making arrangements for a dumpster to be delivered to the Festival site on Friday before the Fest and removed on Monday after the Festival. This chairperson will also ensure all trash is removed from the Festival site and in the dumpster on Sunday.

Vendor Coordinator – This chairperson works with potential vendors to make certain we have a good mix of vendors. This includes directing vendor parking and coordination on Festival morning. Most of the work for this chairperson happens from April – August.

Volunteer Coordinator – This chairperson ensures we have enough general volunteers (about 50) for the Festival. Most of the work for this job happens about a month prior to the Festival. The Volunteer coordinator provides a list of volunteers for the program and entrance gate.

The next Delmarva Folk Festival meeting will take place on April 6th at 6:30 p.m. at WT Smithers in downtown Dover. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Upcoming Coffeehouses

Mark these dates on your calendar – the Delaware Friends of Folk have arranged some wonderful Coffeehouses for 2005 – mark your calendar now so you don't miss them. They are held at the Underground at Wesley College, 120 N. State St., Dover. Very reasonable prices soft drinks, coffee, tea and snacks are available for sale, and the music starts at 7:30pm. Call 302-736-5585 for more information. Of course, we're always looking for volunteers to help us out: set-up, clean-up, and sales.

Date	Performers	Price *
Apr. 16	Judith Kay – Bossa Nova / Jazz artist, with George & Ossi opening	\$5 / \$7
May 21	Tracy Grammer – national singer/songwriter, with Justin McNatt opening	\$10 / \$15
June 11	Greg Shrader Songwriter Circle , led by <i>Deloy Moore</i>	\$5 / \$7
July 16	Open Mic – <i>Rick & Tish Schuman</i> host	\$3 / \$5
Sept. 17	Phyllis Chapell – world musician who sings in 8 languages	\$5 / \$7
Oct. 22	Dave Potts – Alabama based singer/songwriter	\$5 / \$7
Nov. 19	Garnet Rogers – Canadian Singer / Songwriter (and Stan's little brother)	\$10 / \$15
Dec. 17	Open Mic – host TBD	\$3 / \$5

* Pricing is for Members / Non Members. Half price for ages 13-18; Free for Wesley students and children 12 and under

Fundraising Update

We've got some fun activities lined up, which hopefully will put a big dent in the bill we're going to have to pay to upgrade our festival site with electricity. Check this out:

May 29 – Mini-Festival at Cooldog Concerts!

To help raise funds to pay for the electrical work needed at the Delmarva Folk Festival site, Cooldog Concerts is hosting an amazing line-up of musicians on its outdoor stage on May 29th, which is the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend (so you'll have recovery time on Monday before returning to work!). Check out this line-up:

Artist	Time
George & Ossi	1:00 pm
Sandcreek	2:00 pm
Richard Browne with Celtic Harvest	3:15 pm
Fitzgerald & Beach	4:15 pm
Full Frontal Folk	5:30 pm

Our thanks go out to all of these awesome musicians for volunteering their time and talents to help us make the Delmarva Folk Festival the best one yet.

Because this event will be held at a private residence, you'll have to RSVP in advance. When you do, you'll get the address and directions.

Suggested Donation: \$15; \$10 ages 10-18 and active military

You'll need to bring:

- Lawn Chair or Blanket
- Covered Dish to share (a grill will be available)
- BYOB (prefer no glass)
- Sunscreen & Bug Spray

Additional Notes:

- Children are welcome – a swingset and outdoor activities are available. There is a

swimming pool on the site, but there will be a safety cover over it.

- This is a House Concert at a Private Residence. RSVP required. Address will be provided when you RSVP.
- Seating is limited – Reserve Now! Prepaid Donation preferred
- Rain or Shine Event; No Refunds will be given

To RSVP for this event, send an email to houseconcerts@cooldogconcerts.com, or call 302-659-3855. Very shortly we'll set up pre-payments on the <http://www.delfolk.org> website.

Tub O'Tunes Raffle!

As another fundraising effort, we're in the process of assembling an incredible collection of music that will be raffled off at the Festival on October 1. We've asked lots of musicians to donate a CD that we can include in the grand prize, and we are lining up lots of 2nd, 3rd, and 4th prizes too. Stay Tuned for details on how you can buy your ticket to win this fantastic music library! If you're a musician and would like to donate your talents to the cause, send your CD's (preferably autographed) to:

Delaware Friends of Folk
Electric Fund Raffle
P.O. Box 1006
Dover, DE 19903-1006

Songwriter Circle Line-up Announced

For the June 11 Coffeehouse, Deloy Moore will again be hosting the annual Greg Shrader Songwriter Circle, meant both to honor our late friend, and to celebrate the songwriting talent that continues to grow in our area. Make sure you mark your calendar for this great event. The line-up is:

- Michael Miller
- Tad Jones
- Greg Ellsworth
- Larissa Moore
- Nik Everett

Delmarva Folk Calendar

When	What	Where	More What
Apr. 14, 9pm	Mark Hopkins Band	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	(formerly of Tribe of Ben) A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr. 15, 9pm	The Kennedys	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	Pete and Maura rock! A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr. 15, 9pm	Benny Preston & Bill Differ	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
Apr 16, 7:30	Friends of Folk Coffeehouse	The Underground, Wesley College	Judith Kay - Brazilian Bossa Nova and American Swing-era Jazz. With George & Ossi opening
Apr 16 8pm	Hawaiian Slack-Key Guitar Virtuosi	Arden Guild Hall, Arden	
Apr 16 8pm	Dwight Diller and Dave Bing	First Unitarian Church, north Wilmington	Clawhammer banjo and fiddle. \$15. 8 p.m. 730 Halstead Road (just off Del. 202). 478-6383, jerrynor@pond.com. Presented by Low-Key Productions.
Apr 16 10pm	Jason Hurd	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	674-8875
Apr. 16, 9pm	Catfish Hodge Band	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	american Folk Blues hero. A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr 16	The King Brothers	Sheridan's Irish Pub, Smyrna	Former Tully's / Snoogie's in downtown, now open as an Irish Pub. 659-5566
Apr. 16, 9pm	Benny Preston & Bill Differ	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
Apr. 21, 9pm	Rowan Brothers	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	bluegrass-flavored folk mixed with Everly Brothers. A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr. 22, 9pm	Christine Havrilla Trio	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	folk/pop. A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr. 22 9pm	Danny Quinn	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
April 23, 1pm	Friends of Folk Pick-In	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	All are welcome - bring an instrument or just your ears. Call (302) 465-0805 for more info
April 23, 10pm	Folk Heroes	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	674-8875
Apr. 23	Jim Hartley	Sheridan's Irish Pub, Smyrna	Former Tully's / Snoogie's in downtown, now open as an Irish Pub. 659-5566
Apr. 23 9pm	Danny Quinn	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
Apr. 25, 7:30pm	Flook	Green Willow Folk Club, 4W5 Cafe, Wilmington	Irish band with two flautists
Apr. 29 9pm	Blarney	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
Apr. 30, 9pm	Leah Morgan Band	Andy's, Chestertown, MD	Elegant folk/pop. A great smoke-free listening lounge with bar.
Apr. 30, 7:30pm	Blind Inside	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	acoustic duo - 674-8875
Apr 30	Oliver McElhone	Sheridan's Irish Pub, Smyrna	Former Tully's / Snoogie's in downtown, now open as an Irish Pub. 659-5566

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Apr. 30 9pm	Blarney	A Piece of Ireland, Newark	Chesmar Plaza, 454-1900
May 1, 1- 5pm	Caroll County Ramblers	Marydel Fire Hall, Marydel DE	Presented by Eastern Shore Bluegrass Assoc. \$5 member, \$7 nonmember. call 674-3149 or 492-1048 for info
May 4, 6:30pm	Friends of Folk Festival Committee Meeting	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	All are welcome - volunteers always needed to help make a successful festival. Email the committee for more info.
May 4, 7:30pm	Friends of Folk Board Meeting	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	All are welcome to observe.
May 6	Friends of Folk Fundraiser	Smyrna Opera House	More Details to follow... watch this space.
May 7, 8pm	Acoustic Eidolon, with Vickie Russell opening	Cooldog Concert Series, Kenton, DE	Duo from Colorado - she plays cello, he plays a double neck 14 string "guitjo" that at times sounds like a dulcimer or harp. They do a blend of genres - folk, bluegrass, etc. \$15 donation, RSVP houseconcerts@cooldog.com
May 10, 6:30pm	Music of the Chesapeake Bay with Tom McHugh	Kent County Public Library, Dover (near Johnny Janosik on Route 13)	Rock Hall, Maryland, folksinger and recording artist Tom McHugh will visit the library to share music inspired by the Chesapeake Bay and its environs. A great family program. Space is limited so please call 698-6440 to register
May 13,	David Bromberg Quartet, w/ Arlo Guthrie	The Grand Opera House, Wilmington	This show is part of the "David Bromberg's My Own House" Series. Adults \$35, \$37, \$39
May 14, 1pm	Friends of Folk Celtic Session	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	All are welcome - bring an instrument or just your ears. Call (302) 465-0805 for more info
May 14, 2pm	Judith Kay	Bear Library, Bear DE	Judith Kay - Brazilian Bossa Nova and American Swing- era Jazz.
May 14	Liz Carroll & John Doyle	4W5 Cafe, Wilmington	Celtic Fiddle & guitar. Call 302-798-4811 for more info.
May 19, 7pm	Salli & Jimi	The Green, Dover	"Light Rock". Spring & Summer Performing Arts Series. Free
May 21, 7:30	Friends of Folk Coffeeshouse	The Underground, Wesley College	Tracy Grammer, with Justin McNatt opening
May 25, 8pm	Allison Krauss and Union Station	Wicomico Youth and Civic Center, Salisbury, MD	
May 26, 7pm	Newspaper Taxi	The Green, Dover	"Acoustic Classic Rock". Spring & Summer Performing Arts Series. Free
May 28, 1pm	Friends of Folk Pick- In	W.T. Smithers, State St. Dover	All are welcome - bring an instrument or just your ears. Call (302) 465-0805 for more info
May 29	Full Frontal Folk & More!	Cooldog Concerts	Cooldog hosts a benefit for the Delaware Friends of Folk.

Full Calendar available at <http://www.delfolk.org/calendar.html>

Friends of Folk Membership

Delaware Friends of Folk is supported by you, the members and made possible, in part, by grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Delaware Division of the Arts, a state agency committed to promoting and supporting the arts in Delaware. If you haven't already, join up! Memberships and gift certificates for memberships are also available. (For those friends of yours that just can't make a commitment.) Don't miss out on the fun and excitement of a great organization. Show your support and keep good music and entertainment happening.

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