



Grayslake Heritage Center

*Concerts may occasionally
be held at the nearby
Grayslake Village Hall.
We will advise of any
such venue change.*

New Location!

Beginning January 22, all Lake County Folk Club events will be held at our exciting new home:
The Grayslake Heritage Center

*** EXCEPTIONS ***

Our **first two** events this month will be held at **PRIMO**.

JAN 8 + JAN 15

PRIMO Italian Restaurant
720 Milwaukee Ave, Gurnee

[Map it](#) →

JAN 22 + JAN 29

Grayslake Heritage Center
164 Hawley Street, Grayslake

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The Lake County Folk Club Newsletter



@ PRIMO

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Open Stage

hosted by
SCOTT ENGSTROM

@ PRIMO

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Concert Stage

featuring
BRYAN BOWERS

@ GHC

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Song Circle

hosted by
JUDI Z

@ GHC

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Behind the Song

featuring
CHRIS VALLILLO

CONCERT STAGE / JANUARY 15 / AT PRIMO RESTAURANT



Bryan Bowers

bryanbowers.com

For over four decades, Bryan Bowers has been to the autoharp what Earl Scruggs was to the five-string banjo. From his rather unglamorous beginning as a Seattle street singer in the early 70s, Bryan has become a truly major artist on the traditional music circuit.

His **instrumental virtuosity** combined with his warmth, eloquence, expression and professionalism puts Bowers in the company of luminaries like Chet Atkins, David Grisman, Itzhak Perlman, and Tony Rice. In addition to redefining the autoharp, he's also well known as a singer and skillful songwriter. Bryan has a dynamic outgoing personality and an uncanny ability to enchant a crowd in practically any situation.

This show is not to be missed. The performance will be at [PRIMO](#).

★ OPENING: SCOTT ENGSTROM

Long-time club member Scott Engstrom will open the evening's concert. Scott is the always engaging host of the monthly Open Stage and an accomplished songwriter, finger-style guitarist and bluegrass/claw-hammer banjoist. His original songs—embracing both traditional and contemporary styles—are always infused with soulful, world-wise perspective and clever turns of phrase.

EVENTS

Sundays at 7PM

NEW LOCATION! ←

Grayslake
Heritage Center

164 Hawley Street
Grayslake, IL

[Link to Map >](#)

CONCERT ADMISSION

General	\$18
Senior	\$15
Members	\$13

We ask for a suggested donation of \$3 at Open Stage and Song Circle.

CONCERT RESERVATIONS

847.602.8882

Please text or call before noon on the Sunday of the show.

Become a Member or Volunteer

2017 MEMBERSHIP

Individual \$20
Family \$30

Only members are chosen as opening acts for the featured performers of our Concert Series.

Please inquire at any of our events about becoming a member. We appreciate your support!

VOLUNTEER

All of the work involved in our concerts (*booking, promotions, venue equipment set-up and tear-down*) is performed by our loyal volunteers.

Please consider volunteering your time and energy. Just mention that you'd like to at any LCFC event.

BEHIND THE SONG / JANUARY 29 / AT GRAYSLAKE HERITAGE CENTER



Chris Vallillo

ginridge.com

Chris Vallillo is a nationally acclaimed singer-songwriter and folk musician who makes the people and places of “unmetropolitan” America come to life in song. His prairie poet style has been compared to Edgar Lee Masters and Vachel Lindsay and you can hear the strains of the Carter Family and Jimmy Rogers reflected in his writing.

Chris weaves original, contemporary, and traditional narratives into an entertaining portrait of the history and lifestyles of the Midwest. His songs are roots based original pieces with the rich acoustic textures of bottleneck slide, finger style and flatpicked guitars that echo the influences of Mississippi John Hurt and John Fahey. The performance will be at [Grayslake Heritage Center](#).

★ BEHIND THE SONG HOST: CHUCK VANDERVENNET

It's part concert, part interview, with a focus on song-craft and composition. Chuck VanderVennet comes armed with insightful questions for the artist (and takes some from the audience) to deftly expose the backstory underlying song origins, stylistic choices, and the process of song writing. Behind the Song concerts are very inspirational evenings for any lover of music, and may nurture and coax new songs from our own souls.

February Events

OPEN STAGE FEBRUARY 12

\$3 suggested donation
Host: **Scott Engstrom**

CONCERT STAGE FEBRUARY 19

Patty Stevenson & Craig Siemsen
Opener: **Cuz'n Bone**

pattycraig.com

ANNUAL MEETING 5 PM FEBRUARY 26

SONG CIRCLE 7 PM FEBRUARY 26

\$3 suggested donation
Host: **David Callan**

Future Events

CONCERT STAGE MARCH 19

Artist: **Donna Herula & Tony Nardiello** donnaherula.com
Opener: TBD

CONCERT STAGE APRIL 30

Artist: **TBD**
Opener: TBD

CONCERT STAGE OCTOBER 15

Artist: **Anne Hills** annehills.com
Opener: TBD

UPCOMING CONCERT STAGE / FEBRUARY 19

Patty Stevenson & Craig Siemsen

pattycraig.com



A Patty Stevenson and Craig Siemsen performance is a musical “marriage” of two singular but complementary musical personalities. Known for their gorgeous harmonies, impeccable musicianship, playful stage humor and jewel-like original songs, Patty and Craig have enchanted audiences as both solo performers and harmonic husband and wife.

Come experience their collaborative yin and yang on original songs, and unique variations of timeless pieces that span the ages. Accomplished players of guitar, piano, lap harp, and mountain dulcimer—this duo really brings songs to life in a special way.

★ OPENING: CUZ'N BONE

Opening this evening’s concert will be club members Cuz’n Bone (Scott Griffith and Michael Beumer), two humble gents blending guitar, dobro, banjo and harmony vocals into an potent stew of Americana.

Open Stage / Second Sundays

The second Sunday of each month is our Open Stage night, hosted by Scott Engstrom. Come out and enjoy some great local musical talent! Non-performing listeners are always encouraged and will be pleasantly surprised with the diverse musical styles represented. There’s a little something for everyone.

Anyone who would like to perform is encouraged to do so.

You’ll never find a more supportive audience than at the LCFC. Music starts at 7 PM, but come a little earlier to sign up. Each performer is allowed up to two songs spanning about 10 minutes. If time permits (and it usually does) artists can perform an additional song near evening’s end.



Song Circle / Fourth Sundays

On the fourth Sunday of each month we hold our Song Circle. Members and non-members are welcome...players and listeners alike are encouraged.

Make music, learn new songs, make friends.

Marcia Krieger, along with other members of the LCFC, hosts our Song Circle. It’s a casual opportunity to kick back, play some music and meet others. The participants form a circle—each one in turn can choose to play a song, ask another participant for a song, or pass. It’s a chance to play and sing songs of your choosing or to join in with others. We move around the circle until it’s time to call it a night.

